

Proposal Consultation Responses

December 2017

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Master Reference No	Respondent Type	Proposal	Comment	Theme	Officer Response Generic	Officer Response Specific
1	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Reduction in management will save the council lots of money	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
2	No Response	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Agree to all suggested proposals	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
3	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	No issues with the above proposal	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
4	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	This is a great idea	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
5	No Response	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Good idea	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
6	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	This makes sense	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
7	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Makes sense.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8	No Response	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	I agree with this	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
9	No Response	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Happy with this proposal	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
10	No Response	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	modernisation is key	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	This is a sensible approach but partners must be fully consulted.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
13	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Any savings are welcome.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
14	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	I think its a. good idea to minimise costs by enhancing technology .	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15	No Response	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	I think this is the way forward.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	this seems to be the way to go	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Positive but difficult to achieve	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
18	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Agree this proposal.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19	No Response	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Have no objection	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
20	No Response	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Seems a reasonable proposal to streamline functions	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	It is important that the council maintain full suport of the eight aims set out. Education is rightly at the top of the list and I feel that all services supporting all types of education are vital to the council to achieve future targets.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	This sounds fine as long as there are no job losses when these functions are redesigned.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Good idea if it can be done without significant impact on the services themselves.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
24	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Good idea	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Sounds sensible	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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28	No Response	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Makes sense	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	This makes sense.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
31	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
32	No Response	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Good.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33	No Response	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	i agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	sounds appropriate	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Good to review where processes can be improved and made more efficient.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
37	No Response	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Any improvement to make an organisation more efficient and effective should be prioritised.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
38	No Response	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Any cost effective integration and restructuring should of course be looked at.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
39	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	go ahead with the savings	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
40	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	I think this should be done.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
41	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	I fully agree with streamlining provision.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
42	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Sounds sensible and achievable.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
43	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	I support this change	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
44	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	I agree with the Council's proposals for the moment to see how they all work out. Thank you.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
45	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	I feel this would be beneficial from what I understand. It is not explained very well	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
46	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	This is key to driving down costs and driving higher levels of productivity.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
47	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	An essential measure.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
48	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Sounds good but the devil is in the details!	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
49	No Response	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Increased efficiency and effectiveness would be attractive	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
50	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	This sounds fair and internal efficiency savings through modernisation should always be a goal of every organisation.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
51	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Agree/ standard practice in the private sector	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
52	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	This is just sensible management-if efficiencies can be made in these areas, particularly through technology then itâ€™s a no brainer!	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
53	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Agreed- too many managers.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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54	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	This sounds a very valuable saving ! Please save 4 million from here.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
55	No Response	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	I agree with the proposal	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
56	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	I have no issue with this	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
57	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	sounds ok	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
58	No Response	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	If savings can be made here that would be acceptable.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
59	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Agree with cutting middle management, excessive management and bureaucracy.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
60	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	If this would make a £4m saving then it is perhaps a necessity	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
61	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Definitely a good way to reduce costs. Currently there is too much mismanagement, and not enough focus on people actually doing the job efficiently.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
62	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Agreed modernisation is definitely a benefit to some services	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
63	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Although not easy to do I think this is necessary and would support it.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
64	No Response	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	I agree.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
65	No Response	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Sensible	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
66	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Sounds good.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
67	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
68	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Agree with this	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
69	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
70	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	ok.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
71	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Sounds like a good idea	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
72	No Response	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
73	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
74	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	I agree.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
75	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	I agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
76	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Sounds good	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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77	No Response	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
78	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Sounds reasonable	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
79	No Response	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	I agree with this proposal	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
80	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Good idea.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
81	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
82	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	great idea	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
83	No Response	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
84	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	This seems reasonable.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
85	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	sounds fair	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
86	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
87	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	This would make sense and would make good use of advances in technology.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
88	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Redesigning services would help cut budgets	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
89	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	This is a worthwhile idea in a business setting.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
90	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Redesign and consolidation is going to be absolutely essential to make maximum use of scarce resources.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
91	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	I agree that there should be a review of all council activities with the focus being on how best to deliver statutory priorities within available resources.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
92	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	This should be done routinely anyway. All businesses look to streamline tasks and make savings.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
93	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	I believe that in order for The West Lothian Council to operate the services and staffing levels, the savings identified are possibly highly contentious, but obviously required for serving the people of West Lothian.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
94	No Response	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	This seems a reasonable suggestion.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
95	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	I accept the changes proposed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
96	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Seems good to reduce duplication of effort.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
97	No Response	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	I agree fully with this idea	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
98	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Good pln	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
99	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	I agree provided these measures genuinely do improve efficiency and effectiveness.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
100	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	This sounds like it could be quite effective and could save quite a lot of money.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
101	No Response	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
102	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	I support this.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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103	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
104	No Response	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Sounds sensible	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
105	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
106	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Agree.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
107	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	OK	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
108	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Further use of tech sounds positive	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
109	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	goodidea	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
110	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	This sounds like common sense.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
111	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	This sounds like a sensible way to make savings.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
112	No Response	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Seems a sensible and efficient way to save money	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
113	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	I agree with this budget proposal	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
114	No Response	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Appears reasonable	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
115	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	We support this saving.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
116	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Proposal sounds good	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
117	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Agree that the council should seek to deliver services in most efficient and cost effective way and concentrate on services that are most important and remove those which are not as existential which the council has delivered over the years	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
118	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	All ways of improving efficiency & cutting costs should be considered & implemented.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
119	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	This seems sensible as it would free up funds to focus on the public facing activities of the council and provide a better service to the county	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
120	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Driving efficiency savings in this way is a necessity. successful private sector industries and businesse undertake these routinely to remain commercially viable- council must do same.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
121	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Agree. I am sure that there is ample opportunity for streamlining, including automation.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
122	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	I support.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
123	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Agree with the above.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
124	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Minimising services is a sensible way to cut cost, although I would like to think this in turn will not lead to further unemployment within West Lothain Council services.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
125	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	I agree with the above.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
126	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Of course you should strive for efficiency.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
127	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Generally in agreement but difficult to make any specific comment without seeing detailed proposals.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
128	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	ok Â£4m sofar	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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130	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	By all means use modern technology to improve systems	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
131	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Streamlining should help reduce costs	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
132	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Makes sense!	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
133	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
134	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Ok	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
135	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Do it	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
136	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
137	No Response	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
138	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Seems to make sense.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
139	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	I agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
140	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Makes sense.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
141	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	I would agree.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
142	No Response	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
143	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	okay	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
144	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	good idea	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
145	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	I think this is a positive change.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
146	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	This makes perfect sense.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
147	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Yes, I support this proposal	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
148	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	This sounds like a good way of making savings without adversely affecting crucial services.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
149	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Modernisation is vital for all organisations large and small	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
150	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Happy to see this happen.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
151	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
152	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Good idea	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
153	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	100% necessary	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
154	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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155	No Response	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Keep helping what's most important	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
156	No Response	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Fine. All services should be provided as efficiently as possible.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
157	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	I find this proposal very general in its description and reads more like a statement. However, where improvements and efficiencies can be achieved these should be welcomed.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
158	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Positive proposal.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
159	No Response	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	This seems to be an inevitable step across local government. However, I am not convinced that this is an effective saving	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
160	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	I agree with these measures as it is essential to harness the benefits of technology and operate as efficiently as possible. This has been a strength of WLC to-date as has partnership working so further progress on these matters is the sensible way to go.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
161	No Response	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	This sounds like a good way to achieve savings.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
162	No Response	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Streamlining has worked all over the country in many industries so I would agree.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
163	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Sounds reasonable.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
164	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	I AGREE WITH THIS	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
165	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Yes this makes sense	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
166	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Modernising to improve savings would be good	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
167	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	I agree that this would be a way to modernise the service and reduce the cost.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
168	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Makes sense	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
169	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	agree with this proposal	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
170	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
171	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	I agree with this proposal	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
172	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	I agree with proposal.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
173	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Makes perfect sense and is normal in all other workplaces.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
174	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	This seems like a sensible way to reduce costs significantly.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
175	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Agree. Good way to focus savings	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
176	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Look at what you have to do and do it well.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
177	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	This should be done as far as practically possible	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
178	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	I agree with the aims of this proposal. Effective support is necessary to ensure frontline services are delivered efficiently but opportunities need to be looked at to streamline support through constant review and changes in technology and the way services are delivered.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
179	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	This appears sensible.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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180	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Agree. Too many paper shufflers with not enough real work to do and time on their hands. Too many "managers" chasing meaningless "outcomes" with no real benefit to anyone. Too many at upper management level on high salaries who no one would be any the wiser if they weren't there. This should be a root and branch ,top down review of the whole council operation. Anyone can make a case for their job being "essential" In reality, very few actually are ,and most could readily be integrated with other services. There's far too much wastage and people hiding in corners with not enough to do and quite happy for it to continue until they walk out with their nice index linked pension, again paid for by the taxpayer.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
181	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	This seems sensible, particularly in consolidating management/administrative functions and further improving the use of modern technology.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
182	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	This seems sensible to me. We are supposed to be living in the Age of Technology, should take advantage of it.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
183	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	This is a good aim to have, many previous efforts on these lines have lead to poor results due to bad data, lack of adequate planning and poor implementation. If done well this would be a good proposal	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
184	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Sounds very good but depends on the detail.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
185	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	I agree with this proposal	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
186	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Accepted.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
187	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
188	No Response	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
189	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	This sounds like a positive proposal in terms of cost reduction with minimal impact on services provided.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
190	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Is seems like a sensible suggestion.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
191	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	If there is a more efficient way to maximise the way services operate & are delivered it makes sense to use these avenues	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
192	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	I strongly agree with the planned restructuring of all council services and departments	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
193	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	agree to consolidating and reducing management	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
194	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	This saving sounds of value to the greater society	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
195	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Increased efficiency would be good.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
196	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	I support looking at these areas, and changes should ideally be made as quickly as possible.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
197	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	High priority strongly support	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
198	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	I would be happy for cuts and savings to be made here.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
199	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	This would be a good way of saving money	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
200	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
201	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Support	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
202	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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203	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Support	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
204	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Makes sense	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
205	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	sounds fair as long as it is efficient and effective.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
206	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Yes, streamline these.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
207	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Sounds sensible to make services more efficient,	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
208	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	This seems acceptable and maybe helpful even without the drive for budget savings?	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
209	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Agreed.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
210	No Response	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
211	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
212	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Agree as long as efficiency is not compromised.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
213	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Aye, good idea.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
214	No Response	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	If you can reduce any type of duplication or even out source.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
215	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Supportive in principle based on limited detailed information	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
216	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Supportive of this.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
217	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Integration would be beneficial	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
218	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	It's important to keep up with systems change so I support this.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
219	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
220	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Sounds good.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
221	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
222	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Agree that reductions are required in back office numbers. This may release some needed resource for on the ground staff on the front line.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
223	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Excellent proposal, about time.I am sure more could be done in this area.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
224	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	I agree with all you say and plan	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
225	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
226	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
227	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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228	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Good	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
229	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
230	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
231	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
232	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
233	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
234	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
235	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	I agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
236	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	This is good	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
237	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
238	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Necessary	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
239	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
240	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Look okay as it is possible to evaluate given the vague descriptions given in the 'Transforming Your Council'	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
241	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Support this as it does not impact on frontline delivery	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
242	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	I agree with the proposal.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
243	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	All proposals are sound.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
244	No Response	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Load of bollocks!!	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
245	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	I do not think they should redesign workforce	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
246	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Loss of jobs obviously! This should be avoided at all costs.	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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247	No Response	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	This must be kept	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
248	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	There should be no changes to the existing!	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
249	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	no	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
250	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	none	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
251	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	If this means that getting anything anything done effectively by the council gets worse than it already is - then cuts should not be made	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
252	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	I don't agree with this as people need jobs	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
253	No Response	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Look at home working to reduce office costs ect, Bench mark the market can the same Service be provided for less by using outside agencies?	ITC - mobile working	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has an IT infrastructure which supports working from home and individuals working from various council sites throughout West Lothian. The opportunity to work on a mobile and flexible basis continues to be available to staff.
254	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Provide all staff, not just senior officers, with useable mobile technology. Thus reducing the need for paper, admin and travel costs.	ITC - mobile working	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has introduced measures to reduce the production and publication of paper documents through the greater use of electronic documents and related systems. The introduction of print management software will allow managers to assess what is being printed with a view to reduction in repeat prints. All of the council's main office buildings in the main towns and villages in West Lothian have facilities for mobile and flexible working which can be booked through the room booking system. In addition, staff who undertake mobile and flexible working have access to IT technology to facilitate this.
255	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	It is obvious that jobs will have to go but I think this is false economy, on the council's part. Resources are already stretched and sickness levels in staffing is very high due to stress etc. Having less people doing the work will only make things worse. Also if work is to be outsourced it needs to be done by local companies in order that this helps the local economy	ITC - mobile working	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council is proposing to achieve efficiency savings through modernisation of services and reduction of duplication.
256	No Response	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Introducing conference calls for meetings etc to reduce staff using pool cars to go to meetings etc	ITC - mobile working	4. The council is already doing this.	All of the council's main office buildings in the main towns and villages in West Lothian have facilities for mobile and flexible working which can be booked through the room booking system. In addition, staff who undertake mobile and flexible working have access to IT technology to facilitate this, including remotely accessing meetings.
257	No Response	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Cutting services/ restructuring will have a knock on effect. People rely on council services.	ITC - mobile working	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Experience has demonstrated that the council can deliver an more effective and cost effective service through the centralisation of generic tasks, use of technology and retention of specialist provision within service.

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258	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	As an employee - Mobile solutions will be key to modernising services and the way in which we deliver services to our customers. We need to ensure however that there is time and money invested to ensure that these solutions are fit for purpose to take us forward in challenging times. In addition that these solutions in turn meet the varying needs of our customer and help maintain, improve and streamline the services we provide. As a resident and customer - I would hope that services are clear and easy to access.	ITC - mobile working	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	All of the Council's main office buildings in the main towns and villages in West Lothian have facilities for mobile and flexible working which can be booked through the room booking system. In addition, staff who undertake mobile and flexible working have access to IT technology to facilitate this.
259	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Move to Cloud SaaS services where possible to reduce IT hardware, software and maintenance charged	ITC - mobile working	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The Councils IT Strategy supports the use of Cloud technology where this provides the most efficient and effective solution for delivery of Council services.
260	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	investment in wifi and allowing people to use their own devices could reduce the necessity for all equipment to be provided by the Council with just the base wifi cost	ITC - mobile working	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	All of the Council's main office buildings in the main towns and villages in West Lothian have facilities for mobile and flexible working which can be booked through the room booking system. In addition, staff who undertake mobile and flexible working have access to IT technology to facilitate this.
261	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Better use of technology to reduce work travel and increase home working (eg Skype meetings and remote access). Motion sensor lights to reduce power costs in all buildings.	ITC - mobile working	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	All of the Council's main office buildings in the main towns and villages in West Lothian have facilities for mobile and flexible working which can be booked through the room booking system. In addition, staff who undertake mobile and flexible working have access to IT technology to facilitate this.
262	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	This would be ideal for staff but technology is so far behind and we are not even granted laptops to use on site which I know would assist my job role and allow me to complete benefit work at the time rather than then doing it when I returned to the office.	ITC - mobile working	4. The council is already doing this.	All of the council's main office buildings in the main towns and villages in West Lothian have facilities for mobile and flexible working which can be booked through the room booking system. In addition, staff who undertake mobile and flexible working have access to IT technology to facilitate this.
263	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Less talking of what to do and meeting as paying people in meetings send a emails and staff read and comment rather than paying them to sit in meetings.	ITC - mobile working	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	All of the Council's main office buildings in the main towns and villages in West Lothian have facilities for mobile and flexible working which can be booked through the room booking system. In addition, staff who undertake mobile and flexible working have access to IT technology to facilitate this.
264	No Response	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	As there are no details this is very hard to comment on	ITC - mobile working	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	At this stage, detailed budget reduction measures have not been developed, therefore there is no specific information on how the savings will be achieved and the timescales for delivery. This will become clearer as the measures progress following the consultation process and approval of the council's budget strategy.
265	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	In terms of further use of technology support workers who have a smart phone should have them internet enabled so that they can check information without having to use their own phones or return to the office.	ITC - telephony and mobile phones	4. The council is already doing this.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
266	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Streamlining and efficiency are important but there are still people who cannot cope with electronic communications. It is vital to retain some face to face contact I. All areas	ITC - telephony and mobile phones	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Experience has demonstrated that the council can deliver an more effective and cost effective service through the centralisation of generic tasks with the retention of specialist provision within service. This model still allows the opportunity for staff to engage with council officers on a face to face basis at the most effective and convenient level.

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267	No Response	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	IT functions within the council need to improve the full integrations into system to allow staff to do their full job easier. .	ITC infrastructure (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	The council has made significant investment in the IT infrastructure and will continue to allocate appropriate resources to introduce new technology where appropriate. The council's ICT Strategy seeks to deliver change in line with advances in technology and changes in council priorities, whilst still having a clear framework within which to operate. This includes integration of key system, such as CRM where possible and where this will provide maximum efficiencies.
268	No Response	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	IT systems aren't reliable, very slow and there is a high amount of downtime for maintenance, security backups etc.	ITC infrastructure (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	The council has made significant investment in the IT infrastructure and will continue to allocate appropriate resources to introduce new technology where appropriate. The council's ICT Strategy seeks to deliver change in line with advances in technology and changes in council priorities, whilst still having a clear framework within which to operate.
269	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	The council already has an asset management software solution in place, why is another being purchased and the existing one not expanded.	ITC infrastructure (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The council will review the opportunities to re-use current asset management systems.
270	No Response	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	If the council invested in tablets for appropriate staff this would cut down on the amount of printing and photocopying required.	ITC infrastructure (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	The council has approved a range of projects that will provide the technology to support mobile and flexible working including tablets and other portable equipment.
271	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Invest more in technology such as video conferencing and get staff working differently.	ITC infrastructure (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	The council has approved a range of projects that will provide the technology to support mobile and flexible working including tablets and other portable equipment. All of the council's main office buildings in the main towns and villages in West Lothian have facilities for mobile and flexible working which can be booked through the room booking system. In addition, staff who undertake mobile and flexible working have access to IT technology to facilitate this.
272	No Response	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	IT systems need to be robust and capable.	ITC infrastructure (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	The council has made significant investment in the IT infrastructure and will continue to allocate appropriate resources to introduce new technology where appropriate. The council's ICT Strategy seeks to deliver change in line with advances in technology and changes in council priorities, whilst still having a clear framework within which to operate.
273	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Rationalisation of council IT systems to as few providers as legally possible. Ensure where possible a single IT solution covers all necessary areas allowing greater user visibility of information management. this will enable staff to make better informed decisions on subjects such as inspections (has another department been in the last few days). Environmental Health, Planning, Building Control, Trading Standards, etc should all be able to have this information to hand.	ITC infrastructure (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	The Council's ICT Strategy seeks to consolidate and share systems to achieve a more integrated customer focused approach.
274	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	more centralised operation as technology allows us to communicate easily around the county	ITC infrastructure (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
275	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	The more use of technology to increase efficiency is the way forward.	ITC infrastructure (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
276	No Response	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Will this mean more out sourcing of council support services, such as legal / IT, to agencies or private firms / contractors? And if so will this ultimately cost the taxpayer much, much, more?	ITC infrastructure (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council is proposing to achieve efficiency savings through modernisation of services and reduction of duplication and will maximise opportunities to automate processes to reduce manual processes
277	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	IT systems need to be robust and able to support systems required and those operating services need to be knowledgeable.	ITC infrastructure (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has made significant investment in the IT infrastructure and will continue to allocate appropriate resources to introduce new technology where appropriate.

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278	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	While I believe that the introduction of technology can increase efficiency, I believe it is very important to maintain a human presence for the public.	ITC infrastructure (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The Council recognises that not all customers will wish to engage in digital transactions and will ensure that information and services are available in formats to suit all customers, including access to face to face interaction where appropriate
279	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	I agree with this proposal as I feel that there are service areas that could be shared between local authorities. Such as IT, payroll and HR.	ITC infrastructure (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
280	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Support proposal as technology moves on the unfortunate outcome is reductions in staff but this is seen across all industries both private and public.	ITC infrastructure (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
281	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	More electronic methods should be used for meetings, group calls, Skype etc.	ITC infrastructure (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	All of the council's main office buildings in the main towns and villages in West Lothian have facilities for mobile and flexible working which can be booked through the room booking system. In addition, staff who undertake mobile and flexible working have access to IT technology to facilitate this, including remotely accessing meetings.
282	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	I think WLC is very poor in this area compared to other councils. IT systems here are simply decrepit and our IT team just say no. There is little appetite to modernise within services.	ITC infrastructure (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has made significant investment in the IT infrastructure and will continue to allocate appropriate resources to introduce new technology where appropriate.
283	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	I think WLC is very poor in this area compared to other councils. IT systems here are simply decrepit and our IT team just say no. There is little appetite to modernise within services.	ITC infrastructure (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has made significant investment in the IT infrastructure and will continue to allocate appropriate resources to introduce new technology where appropriate.
284	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Increase use of mobile technology (laptops, tablets etc) and/or working from home will reduce the business mileage	ITC infrastructure (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has approved a range of projects that will provide the technology to support mobile and flexible working including tablets and other portable equipment.
285	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	You are asking us the public to become more digital surely staff could do this more and not actually meet in person but do so digitally! I as a pensioner can talk to family via the PC why cant you more!	ITC infrastructure (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has approved a range of projects that will provide the technology to support digital services. However, the Council recognises that not all customers will wish to engage in digital transactions and will ensure that information and services are available in formats to suit all customers, including access to face to face interaction where appropriate
286	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Huge potential savings if council embraced emerging technologies and supported with staff access to functioning smart devices and training	ITC infrastructure (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has approved a range of projects that will provide the technology to support mobile and flexible working including tablets and other portable equipment.
287	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	If more joined up IT system were available to staff and the IT systems more responsive then possible savings could be made in staff time. If more self service options were available to customers in supported environments then this may help on staffing levels.	ITC infrastructure (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council is reviewing opportunities for the rationalisation and integration of IT systems.
288	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	If more joined up IT system were available to staff and the IT systems more responsive then possible savings could be made in staff time. If more self service options were available to customers in supported environments then this may help on staffing levels. Not every member needs all the IT resources available to them - ie some people have tablets and laptops but don't use them - the use of these equipment should be monitored and then issued to staff that require to use these. More and more information is available on line and the need to print out reports for committees should not be required	ITC infrastructure (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has approved a range of projects that will provide the technology to support digital services. The council reviews the deployment of these devices to ensure that they are being used in the most efficient and effective manner. The council has approved a range of projects that will provide the technology to support mobile and flexible working including tablets and other portable equipment which will support a reduction in print.
289	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Not every member needs all the IT resources available to them - ie some people have tablets and laptops but don't use them - the use of these equipment should be monitored and then issued to staff that require to use these.	ITC infrastructure (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has approved a range of projects that will provide the technology to support digital services. The council reviews the deployment of these devices to ensure that they are being used in the most efficient and effective manner. The council has approved a range of projects that will provide the technology to support mobile and flexible working including tablets and other portable equipment which will support a reduction in print.

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290	No Response	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Use Skype for Business rather than incurring cost of travelling to meetings.	ITC infrastructure (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has approved a range of projects that will provide the technology to support mobile and flexible working including tablets and other portable equipment.
291	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	well if better technology was implemented, like - text/type technology and new improved, faster recording systems, this could mean less staff is needed. Hopefully this could be done by not replacing people when they leave.	ITC infrastructure (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has approved a range of projects that will provide the technology to support digital services.
292	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Own vehicle use is minimal as is. Perhaps using technology to allow employees to communicate between locations and cut out unnecessary travel.	ITC infrastructure (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	All of the council's main office buildings in the main towns and villages in West Lothian have facilities for mobile and flexible working which can be booked through the room booking system. In addition, staff who undertake mobile and flexible working have access to IT technology to facilitate this, including remotely accessing meetings.
293	No Response	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	There is an opportunity to make savings by cutting down the number of meetings that managers are required to attend or be involved in. The use of modern day video conferencing would also contribute a saving. At the moment, it is not unusual for me to have to travel from Bathgate to the Civic Centre and back to attend meetings that often don't even last an hour.	ITC infrastructure (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	All of the council's main office buildings in the main towns and villages in West Lothian have facilities for mobile and flexible working which can be booked through the room booking system. In addition, staff who undertake mobile and flexible working have access to IT technology to facilitate this, including remotely accessing meetings.
294	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	I agree with proposals that could save the council money through improved use of technology and streamlining of processes.	ITC infrastructure (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
295	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Invest in proper, working videoconferencing facilities - it should be available on every desktop - not just in meeting rooms that no-one knows how to use.	ITC infrastructure (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	All of the council's main office buildings in the main towns and villages in West Lothian have facilities for mobile and flexible working which can be booked through the room booking system. In addition, staff who undertake mobile and flexible working have access to IT technology to facilitate this, including remotely accessing meetings.
296	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	The widespread availability of good telephone conferencing and PC to PC communications like 'Skype' would help lessen the need for business travel	ITC infrastructure (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	All of the council's main office buildings in the main towns and villages in West Lothian have facilities for mobile and flexible working which can be booked through the room booking system. In addition, staff who undertake mobile and flexible working have access to IT technology to facilitate this, including remotely accessing meetings.
297	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Modernisation - this would work for the younger generation however we cannot forget about the older generation who would require assistance to do anything online as the chances are they will not have access to a PC/ broadband. this would definitely save money in the long run but for those requiring that extra bit of assistance this will not work as there will be many going without because they cannot work the IT required to apply for things they may be entitled to it.	ITC infrastructure (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Experience has demonstrated that the council can deliver a more effective and cost effective service through the centralisation of generic tasks, utilisation of technology and the retention of specialist provision within service. This model still allows the opportunity for staff to engage with council officers on a face to face basis at the most effective and convenient level.
298	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	More use of video conferencing to save staff travel and time. Potentially cutting down on space needed in council buildings.	ITC infrastructure (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	All of the council's main office buildings in the main towns and villages in West Lothian have facilities for mobile and flexible working which can be booked through the room booking system. In addition, staff who undertake mobile and flexible working have access to IT technology to facilitate this, including remotely accessing meetings.
299	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	More use could be made of video conferencing instead of making journeys across the county.	ITC infrastructure (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	All of the council's main office buildings in the main towns and villages in West Lothian have facilities for mobile and flexible working which can be booked through the room booking system. In addition, staff who undertake mobile and flexible working have access to IT technology to facilitate this, including remotely accessing meetings.

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300	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Improving efficiencies is desirable in any context and using technology to improve effectiveness is a great idea. One specific proposal which is easy to implement and provides excellent returns is to upgrade all computer drives from hard drive to solid state. A ten minute delay in daily start-up is then reduced to ten seconds. This simple improvement multiplied by say 5,000 computer-based staff at an average total hourly cost of Â£30 and 220 working days in a year would produce an efficiency saving of over Â£5 million a year, or over Â£25 million in five years. Factor in the further reduction of inefficient and frustrating blue circle time throughout the working day and the cumulative benefit is very much greater. This is not an automatic Â£25 million budget saving, but it has the potential for knock-on effect efficiencies in productivity and staff well-being. If necessary this could in turn enable some staffing reduction without loss of service. NB I am glad to say that this is an improvement now being implemented by IT Services.	ITC infrastructure (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Officers will consider how this can be developed.
301	No Response	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Use of email including group email and conference calling for example reduces travelling time, travel expenses etc for meetings Personnel can be contacted wherever they are	ITC infrastructure (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	All of the council's main office buildings in the main towns and villages in West Lothian have facilities for mobile and flexible working which can be booked through the room booking system. In addition, staff who undertake mobile and flexible working have access to IT technology to facilitate this, including remotely accessing meetings.
302	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	The use of technology should be used in all areas and in some cases they only method of processing and integration.	ITC infrastructure (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
303	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Improved technology to be provided with a view to limiting time spent on several different IT systems	ITC infrastructure (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council is reviewing opportunities for the rationalisation and integration of IT systems.
304	No Response	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	It would be useful if staff had access to appropriate technology to make this happen. For example staff are encouraged to work smart but technology not in place to make this happen. Time is wasted trying to access buildings and logging onto to systems. Work smart desks are not prioritised and staff cannot access e mails on their phones which would save time and travel for outreach workers.	ITC infrastructure (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	All of the council's main office buildings in the main towns and villages in West Lothian have facilities for mobile and flexible working which can be booked through the room booking system. In addition, staff who undertake mobile and flexible working have access to IT technology to facilitate this, including remotely accessing meetings.
305	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Continue to make further use of resources that we have available to us. Making the best use of IT resources, reduce IT waste (Consolidate systems) to reduce cost - ie - Reduce cooling in Data centres. - Reduce Electricity Bills.	ITC infrastructure (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council is reviewing opportunities for the rationalisation and integration of IT systems.
306	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Make better use of technology so there is no need to travel. Use Computers to video conference as an example.	ITC infrastructure (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	All of the council's main office buildings in the main towns and villages in West Lothian have facilities for mobile and flexible working which can be booked through the room booking system. In addition, staff who undertake mobile and flexible working have access to IT technology to facilitate this, including remotely accessing meetings.
307	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	There is a great inefficiency by solicitors have desk top computers and not laptops. Laptops are only given to managers. The committees team have a laptop; however, I can only borrow this when they don't need for a presentation or at a committee. Being a solicitor is not 9-5. I need to prepare for evidential hearings and quite often due to the nature of work in litigation, this is difficult to do during the working week. If I can't take a laptop home, this puts extra pressure on the existing workload and reduces the time that can be spent on cases. If I had a laptop myself the Council could possibly get a good 8-10 hours extra work out of me when I require to prepare for an evidential hearing, for example. In addition, if I am taking a statement elsewhere, which is a very regular occurrence, I could work from home for a period before my meeting thus maximising efficiency. I have spoken with other solicitors in corporate services and they are of the same opinion.	ITC infrastructure (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Officers will consider how this can be developed.

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308	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	In addition, we have old fashioned dictation machines with expensive tapes to replace, and the machines regularly break. If were to move to digital dictation, this would save money and mean that our admin staff could be more efficient and would increase the efficiency of the solicitors. This would also mean that we could look at dictating from our phones when outwith the office (providing we delete as soon as uploaded for data protection purposes). We could also do with an updated version of IKEN case management system. We would be able to do our jobs faster if we were provided with technology which moves with the times. Whilst we can't afford the exact same as private firms, we need to ensure that our solicitors have the correct tools to do their job and make us as efficient as possible.	ITC infrastructure (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Officers will consider how this can be developed.
309	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	I fully support further use of technology where relevant/appropriate.	ITC infrastructure (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
310	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	If there is a way that technology could be used to provide a more efficient and effective service here, then it would be wise. However it would have to improve the service, and not create more problems.	ITC infrastructure (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Experience has demonstrated that the council can deliver an more effective and cost effective service through the centralisation of generic tasks, utilisation of technology and the retention of specialist provision within service.
311	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Through my experience in the NHS it is vital that all technology integration is fully invested and is fit for purpose otherwise is a waste of money	ITC infrastructure (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has made significant investment in the IT infrastructure and will continue to allocate appropriate resources to introduce new technology where appropriate. The council's ICT Strategy seeks to deliver change in line with advances in technology and changes in council priorities, whilst still having a clear framework within which to operate.
312	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	The main thing would be to continue to provide a good interface for members of the general public who wish to contact the council.	ITC infrastructure (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has made significant investment in the IT infrastructure and will continue to allocate appropriate resources to introduce new technology where appropriate. The council's ICT Strategy seeks to deliver change in line with advances in technology and changes in council priorities, whilst still having a clear framework within which to operate.
313	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Greater use of technology makes sense I think it is important that this redesign does not lead to distribution of workload to services who are already struggling with workload. We have seen this happen over the years and it is not sustainable.	ITC infrastructure (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Experience has demonstrated that the council can deliver an more effective and cost effective service through the centralisation of generic tasks, utilisation of technology and the retention of specialist provision within service.
314	No Response	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Reducing man power for more expensive technology won't service the public as effectively as the systems can process requests from us. The dog warden service is a prime example. No longer providing street assistance to noise complaints nor the nrt either. Complaints to be made to police and council send out a letter using their technology. Previously visits by wardens did reduce offending but now people just let their dogs go nuts as nothing will be done. Now if this happens to be services supporting vulnerable people in the community and face to face services are withdrawn this can pose a risk to public health an safety. Mental health services. Drug and alcohol services. Vital support no longer available and the impact on community struggling to cope with the consequences.	ITC infrastructure (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Experience has demonstrated that the council can deliver an more effective and cost effective service through the centralisation of generic tasks, utilisation of technology and the retention of specialist provision within service.
315	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	I think making better use of technology is a good way of transforming council services. I would hope that this would make services more accessible to residents outwith business hours too, giving more flexibility. My concern is that it will create additional barriers for vulnerable people who don't have the skills/ability/technology to access key services.	ITC infrastructure (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Experience has demonstrated that the council can deliver an more effective and cost effective service through the centralisation of generic tasks, utilisation of technology and the retention of specialist provision within service. This model still allows the opportunity for staff to engage with council officers on a face to face basis at the most effective and convenient level.

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316	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Investment in current technology is required. IT systems in place are unreliable - there us a lot of duplicated work with logging on different systems especially for front line staff.	ITC infrastructure (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has made significant investment in the IT infrastructure and will continue to allocate appropriate resources to introduce new technology where appropriate. The council's ICT Strategy seeks to deliver change in line with advances in technology and changes in council priorities, whilst still having a clear framework within which to operate.
317	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	The said techonology should be tested thoroughly to make sure it actually works.	ITC infrastructure (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has made significant investment in the IT infrastructure and will continue to allocate appropriate resources to introduce new technology where appropriate. The council's ICT Strategy seeks to deliver change in line with advances in technology and changes in council priorities, whilst still having a clear framework within which to operate.
318	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Can greater use of tele conferencing or video conferencing help?	ITC infrastructure (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	All of the council's main office buildings in the main towns and villages in West Lothian have facilities for mobile and flexible working which can be booked through the room booking system. In addition, staff who undertake mobile and flexible working have access to IT technology to facilitate this, including remotely accessing meetings.
319	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	In principal, it makes sense. However, some services have been cut to the bone such that they now don't provide a quality service. Technology changes are always good but they can be costly so a Â£4 million saving doesn't seem all that big. having used your Access 2 Work service, my observations are that the IT technology doesn't support their function given they are sent to different locations which seem to struggle with the IT platform. It also seems heavily bureaucratic and requires the seeker to provide a huge amount of information and follow up requirements coupled with a lack of continuity.	ITC infrastructure (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has made significant investment in the IT infrastructure and will continue to allocate appropriate resources to introduce new technology where appropriate. The council's ICT Strategy seeks to deliver change in line with advances in technology and changes in council priorities, whilst still having a clear framework within which to operate.
320	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Currently council IT systems do not talk to each other so often people speak to the same departments or services about the same things several times, with information being recorded at each point of contact, this is not best use of time and resources.	ITC infrastructure (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council is reviewing opportunities for the rationalisation and integration of IT systems.
321	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	In a changing world, the way services are delivered will naturally change. We need to be efficient and embrace newer technologies and therefore reduce face to face contact centres and go more digital.	ITC infrastructure (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Experience has demonstrated that the council can deliver an more effective and cost effective service through the centralisation of generic tasks with the retention of specialist provision within service.
322	No Response	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	There is always a need for progression and changing technology. The council should be utilising the facilities they already have, not wasting money by creating purpose built facilities.	ITC infrastructure (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
323	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Something that needs to be addressed to make things better for both the customers and staff are fully integrated systems meaning that there is no requirement to manually add details to separate accounts making this more streamlined, user friendly and improve timeliness. CRM is supposedly a corporate tool however in my experience the majority of services are reluctant to utilise this to its full potential and decide to stick with systems which are antiquated and are in no way integrated with the corporate tool.	ITC infrastructure (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council is reviewing opportunities for the rationalisation and integration of IT systems.
324	No Response	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	The use of technology could reduce costs but could also create a barrier for people who do not feel comfortable with technology /do not have the skills/have physical or learning disabilities. Easy read/symbols and pictures might help. Input from communication specialists. Also different languages. How would be people be contacted to let them know enquiries hve been received and are being dealt with and in what timescale?	ITC infrastructure (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Experience has demonstrated that the council can deliver a more effective and cost effective service through the centralisation of generic tasks, utilisation of technology and the retention of specialist provision within service. This model still allows the opportunity for staff to engage with council officers on a face to face basis at the most effective and convenient level.
325	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	I don't believe technology can improve the services any further. Human beings need to be there to process, communicate and negotiate the different circumstances. We are not in a futuristic world.	ITC infrastructure (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Experience has demonstrated that the council can deliver an more effective and cost effective service through the centralisation of generic tasks, utilisation of technology and the retention of specialist provision within service. This model still allows the opportunity for staff to engage with council officers on a face to face basis at the most effective and convenient level.

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326	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	There are some obvious IT infrastructure and cloud based technologies that could be shared across the country with massive savings on licencing if there was more cross council collaboration but if I was an IT manager in a council, would I agree to it? Probably not.	ITC infrastructure (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council is reviewing opportunities for the rationalisation and integration of IT systems.
327	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Is there scope for the council to introduce video conferencing from desk top / laptop PCs for meetings to reduce the transport costs in getting to meetings - i.e. attend the meeting from your desk with camera & headphones (for non-sensitive meetings)	ITC infrastructure (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	All of the council's main office buildings in the main towns and villages in West Lothian have facilities for mobile and flexible working which can be booked through the room booking system. In addition, staff who undertake mobile and flexible working have access to IT technology to facilitate this, including remotely accessing meetings.
328	No Response	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Digital invoicing, introduction of pay now (as per Sage) would be welcome, this would save on costs. Introduction of this s for school payments works well for us.	ITC infrastructure (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	The council has introduced digital processes to support online transactions and will continue to introduce digital processes to support online transactions.
329	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	In care settings it will not work. Technology is questionable at the best of times and nothing can replace quality, qualified care staff and management that sources and effectively manages them.	ITC infrastructure (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council has made significant investment in the IT infrastructure and will continue to allocate appropriate resources to introduce new technology where appropriate. The council's ICT Strategy seeks to deliver change in line with advances in technology and changes in council priorities, whilst still having a clear framework within which to operate.
330	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	increasing use of technology' does not sit easily with 'savings in systems costs'.	ITC infrastructure (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Experience has demonstrated that the council can deliver an more effective and cost effective service through the centralisation of generic tasks, utilisation of technology and the retention of specialist provision within service. The council has made significant investment in the IT infrastructure and will continue to allocate appropriate resources to introduce new technology where appropriate. The council's ICT Strategy seeks to deliver change in line with advances in technology and changes in council priorities, whilst still having a clear framework within which to operate.
331	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Can they trust new technology to accurately work with money? knowing how badly a small new system introduced to planning and building standards has went I wouldn't like to add my trust into machines doing it all	ITC infrastructure (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council has made significant investment in the IT infrastructure and will continue to allocate appropriate resources to introduce new technology where appropriate. The council's ICT Strategy seeks to deliver change in line with advances in technology and changes in council priorities, whilst still having a clear framework within which to operate.
332	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	With growing use of technology, it is now accepted that use of smartphone and tablet should be fully utilised, and the council should move toward a self service function where there is no need in the majority of situations to interact with staff.	ITC infrastructure (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has made significant investment in the IT infrastructure and will continue to allocate appropriate resources to introduce new technology where appropriate. The council's ICT Strategy seeks to deliver change in line with advances in technology and changes in council priorities, whilst still having a clear framework within which to operate.
333	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Technology has to take a big role	ITC infrastructure (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
334	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Time spent travelling for meetings should be scrutinised when the technology is available to allow effective communication from different venues.	ITC infrastructure (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	All of the council's main office buildings in the main towns and villages in West Lothian have facilities for mobile and flexible working which can be booked through the room booking system. In addition, staff who undertake mobile and flexible working have access to IT technology to facilitate this, including remotely accessing meetings.

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335	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Modernisation and service redesign through use of technology requires very careful contract management with external suppliers. Going for cheapest IT solutions is a short-term gain for long term pain and will tie staff up for years in contracts and additional spending.	ITC infrastructure (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has made significant investment in the IT infrastructure and will continue to allocate appropriate resources to introduce new technology where appropriate. The council's ICT Strategy seeks to deliver change in line with advances in technology and changes in council priorities, whilst still having a clear framework within which to operate.
336	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Introducing IT can sometimes cost more that it actually saves - no one seems to cost it out properly. It is done because it is thought to be efficient, not because it has proven to be.	ITC infrastructure (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council has made significant investment in the IT infrastructure and will continue to allocate appropriate resources to introduce new technology where appropriate. The council's ICT Strategy seeks to deliver change in line with advances in technology and changes in council priorities, whilst still having a clear framework within which to operate.
337	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	This is great, we should be more green as a council. For example I think we should be aiming to go paperless- everyone has laptops/ipads now so even for trainings and presentations we shouldn't be wasting paper on hand outs.	ITC infrastructure (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has introduced measures to reduce the production and publication of paper documents through the greater use of electronic documents and related systems. All of the council's main office buildings in the main towns and villages in West Lothian have facilities for mobile and flexible working which can be booked through the room booking system. In addition, staff who undertake mobile and flexible working have access to IT technology to facilitate this, including remotely accessing meetings.
338	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	The development of IT and new capabilities should make functions more cost effective meaning the reduction in staff at senior level might have to take place in order for grass roots/fundamental services survive.	ITC infrastructure (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has made significant investment in the IT infrastructure and will continue to allocate appropriate resources to introduce new technology where appropriate. The council's ICT Strategy seeks to deliver change in line with advances in technology and changes in council priorities, whilst still having a clear framework within which to operate.
339	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	The technology needs to work in order for this to be a success. Also needs be steps put in place for times when the technology is not working.	ITC infrastructure (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has introduced measures to reduce the production and publication of paper documents through the greater use of electronic documents and related systems. The council has robust business continuity plans in place to manage situations where technology solutions do not operate.
340	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	In principle I believe this to be right as the workforce and how we deliver services requires to be modernised. However where this comes unstuck is in the actual IT that we have access to. We have desktop computers that are too old to cope with the new software resulting in lots of slow running systems. I work within Social Policy sector and some of the new IT systems that have been put in place are not appropriate for those practitioners who are not office based throughout there working day. I appreciate that we are required to be compliant with a variety of legislation in relation to sensitive data and information however we cannot only partly invest in technology.	ITC infrastructure (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has introduced measures to reduce the production and publication of paper documents through the greater use of electronic documents and related systems.
341	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Using technology to improve services is good.	ITC infrastructure (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
342	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	We should always be investing in advanced technologies in order to provide service delivery.	ITC infrastructure (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has introduced measures to reduce the production and publication of paper documents through the greater use of electronic documents and related systems.
343	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Any investment in technology should be properly scoped, and should not rely on predictions/forecasts from the vendors or developers.	ITC infrastructure (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has made significant investment in the IT infrastructure and will continue to allocate appropriate resources to introduce new technology where appropriate. The council's ICT Strategy seeks to deliver change in line with advances in technology and changes in council priorities, whilst still having a clear framework within which to operate.

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344	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	As long as there is capital investment in the appropriate technology and there is quality support for the technology. This must include appropriate training and advice to both employees and customers.	ITC infrastructure (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has made significant investment in the IT infrastructure and will continue to allocate appropriate resources to introduce new technology where appropriate. The council's ICT Strategy seeks to deliver change in line with advances in technology and changes in council priorities, whilst still having a clear framework within which to operate.
345	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Too much change creates chaos and stress. Cyber security of any tech needs to be factored in and these costs are usually high and not always factored into solutions. You need to ensure whatever tech is used accounts cannot be hacked, personal data cannot be manipulated or stolen	ITC infrastructure (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	The council has made significant investment in the IT infrastructure and will continue to allocate appropriate resources to introduce new technology where appropriate. The council's ICT Strategy seeks to deliver change in line with advances in technology and changes in council priorities, whilst still having a clear framework within which to operate. The council has taken measures to protect the it Infrastructure against threat of cyber attack.
346	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Improving technology allows more efficiency such as agile working freeing up more of the council estate.	ITC infrastructure (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has made significant investment in the IT infrastructure and will continue to allocate appropriate resources to introduce new technology where appropriate. The council's ICT Strategy seeks to deliver change in line with advances in technology and changes in council priorities, whilst still having a clear framework within which to operate.
347	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Please note that although technology is a good thing, many people prefer face to face interaction with people, and some people do not have access at home to technology.	ITC infrastructure (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Experience has demonstrated that the council can deliver a more effective and cost effective service through the centralisation of generic tasks and use of technology with the retention of specialist provision within service. This model still allows the opportunity for staff to engage with council officers on a face to face basis at the most effective and convenient level.
348	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	the implementation of new technology needs to be done quicker and not drag on and on as per the new portal suggested quite some time ago for customers to access their own accounts.... this still is not operational.... Internal support for these need to remain however as an integral part of improving this service going forward and adding further access for the public to deal with things on their own.	ITC infrastructure (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Experience has demonstrated that the council can deliver a more effective and cost effective service through the centralisation of generic tasks and use of technology with the retention of specialist provision within service. This model still allows the opportunity for staff to engage with council officers on a face to face basis at the most effective and convenient level.
349	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	I think it is a good idea to put things on computer more.	ITC infrastructure (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
350	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Looking for operating efficiencies and using technology to reduce costs is essential to creating value for money in providing Council services	ITC infrastructure (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Experience has demonstrated that the council can deliver a more effective and cost effective service through the centralisation of generic tasks and use of technology with the retention of specialist provision within service. This model still allows the opportunity for staff to engage with council officers on a face to face basis at the most effective and convenient level.
351	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	New technology has to improve the situation, not make it more complex as has been seen recently.	ITC infrastructure (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Experience has demonstrated that the council can deliver a more effective and cost effective service through the centralisation of generic tasks and use of technology with the retention of specialist provision within service. This model still allows the opportunity for staff to engage with council officers on a face to face basis at the most effective and convenient level.

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352	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	New technology should be ongoing	ITC infrastructure (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Experience has demonstrated that the council can deliver an more effective and cost effective service through the centralisation of generic tasks and use of technology with the retention of specialist provision within service. This model still allows the opportunity for staff to engage with council officers on a face to face basis at the most effective and convenient level.
353	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Although further use of technology is cost effective I would be very concerned with the vulnerable in our society. They may not have the knowledge or expertise with using current and new technology. I believe there is access to PC's for the general public . There not enough bodies within the workplace or voluntary sector have the time to help out the public and the vulnerable with the current and new technology. Some vulnerable are not able to leave there house to access new technology. Persons who are blind,deaf or have mobility problems,mental health problems - these are but a few.There is a limit to reduce services and up date technology but not to the detriment of the vulnerable in our area.	ITC infrastructure (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Experience has demonstrated that the council can deliver an more effective and cost effective service through the centralisation of generic tasks and use of technology with the retention of specialist provision within service. This model still allows the opportunity for staff to engage with council officers on a face to face basis at the most effective and convenient level.
354	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Although further use of technology is cost effective I would be very concerned with the vulnerable in our society. They may not have the knowledge or expertise with using current and new technology. I believe there is access to PC's for the general public . There not enough bodies within the workplace or voluntary sector have the time to help out the public and the vulnerable with the current and new technology. Some vulnerable are not able to leave there house to access new technology. Persons who are blind,deaf or have mobility problems,mental health problems - these are but a few.There is a limit to reduce services and up date technology but not to the detriment of the vulnerable in our area.	ITC infrastructure (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Experience has demonstrated that the council can deliver an more effective and cost effective service through the centralisation of generic tasks and use of technology with the retention of specialist provision within service. This model still allows the opportunity for staff to engage with council officers on a face to face basis at the most effective and convenient level.
355	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Use of technology to save money should be carefully scrutinised to ensure the savings actually transpire early in the contract, and that the savings are real (not sales hype).	ITC infrastructure (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Experience has demonstrated that the council can deliver an more effective and cost effective service through the centralisation of generic tasks and use of technology with the retention of specialist provision within service. This model still allows the opportunity for staff to engage with council officers on a face to face basis at the most effective and convenient level.
356	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Where appropriate, the increased use of technology should be embraced.	ITC infrastructure (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has made significant investment in the IT infrastructure and will continue to allocate appropriate resources to introduce new technology where appropriate. The council's ICT Strategy seeks to deliver change in line with advances in technology and changes in council priorities, whilst still having a clear framework within which to operate.
357	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Better use of technology is an acceptable way forward for the council. The use of remote working would be appropriate, with the correct support to reduce isolation and ensure standards are maintained.	ITC infrastructure (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	All of the council's main office buildings in the main towns and villages in West Lothian have facilities for mobile and flexible working which can be booked through the room booking system. In addition, staff who undertake mobile and flexible working have access to IT technology to facilitate this, including remotely accessing meetings.
358	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Use of technology can have initial outlay costs however can save considerable amounts of money in the longer term.	ITC infrastructure (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
359	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	I have concerns of using technology to replace staff as this loses the customer service that I feel is very important and in my personal experience and that of comments from others people like to talk to people either on the phone or face to face, this can also reduce isolation for the public who do need that contact to receive support to resolve issues.	ITC infrastructure (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Experience has demonstrated that the council can deliver an more effective and cost effective service through the centralisation of generic tasks, use of technology and retention of specialist provision within service. This model still allows the opportunity for staff to engage with council officers on a face to face basis at the most effective and convenient level.

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360	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Entirely sensible, and requires staff to become considerably more efficient in their use of existing technology, as well as developing new techniques for effective two-way communication. there is a risk of behaving in a way best described as penny-wise, but pound-foolish - requiring expensive staff to do much of their own admin is hardly cost-effective.	ITC infrastructure (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Experience has demonstrated that the council can deliver an more effective and cost effective service through the centralisation of generic tasks, use of technology and retention of specialist provision within service. This model still allows the opportunity for staff to engage with council officers on a face to face basis at the most effective and convenient level.
361	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Combined/consolidating working is good as is also increased use of technology. The council has given massive investment to IT systems in recent years permitting remote working for IT staff - quicker and more efficient resolves for the end user of all of the many software systems in use.	ITC infrastructure (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has made significant investment in the IT infrastructure and will continue to allocate appropriate resources to introduce new technology where appropriate. The council's ICT Strategy seeks to deliver change in line with advances in technology and changes in council priorities, whilst still having a clear framework within which to operate
362	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Technology is a productive way to save money as long as there is an adequate amount of staff should any systems, programmes etc fail.	ITC infrastructure (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has made significant investment in the IT infrastructure and will continue to allocate appropriate resources to introduce new technology where appropriate. The council's ICT Strategy seeks to deliver change in line with advances in technology and changes in council priorities, whilst still having a clear framework within which to operate.
363	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	The use of technology will bring the Council savings but the technology must be fully rolled out and staff appropriately trained, before the Council start reducing staff and leave the job to be done without the necessary resource.	ITC infrastructure (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The Council has made significant investment in the IT infrastructure and will continue to allocate appropriate resources to introduce new technology where appropriate. The Council's ICT Strategy seeks to deliver change in line with advances in technology and changes in Council priorities, whilst still having a clear framework within which to operate.
364	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	IT solutions are a good idea	ITC infrastructure (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
365	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	I agree completely with improving IT facilities so more services can be carried out through an IT portal, thus reducing administrative wages.	ITC infrastructure (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
366	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	if it ia not broken why fix it. the Council's IT department regards modernisation have to realign their too protective protocol as it is costing the Council millions in IT change and upgrade.Wasting limited excessive budgets on irrelevant and burdensome it systems such as Meridio then replacing again.	ITC infrastructure (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The Council has made significant investment in the IT infrastructure and will continue to allocate appropriate resources to introduce new technology where appropriate. The Council's ICT Strategy seeks to deliver change in line with advances in technology and changes in Council priorities, whilst still having a clear framework within which to operate.
367	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	When implementing the use of technology by the public, careful attention of the ability of vulnerable and equality groups in particular to engage effectively. We would like to see Equality Impact Assessments being integrated to system and service changes which may impact directly with the groups that these cover.	ITC infrastructure (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Experience has demonstrated that the Council can deliver an more effective and cost effective service through the centralisation of generic tasks with the retention of specialist provision within service. This model still allows the opportunity for staff to engage with Council officers on a face to face basis at the most effective and convenient level.
368	No Response	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Technology is not always the answer!	ITC infrastructure (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Experience has demonstrated that the Council can deliver an more effective and cost effective service through the centralisation of generic tasks with the retention of specialist provision within service. This model still allows the opportunity for staff to engage with Council officers on a face to face basis at the most effective and convenient level.
369	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Use of modern technology important it keeping up to date with people and be efficient in providing services.	ITC infrastructure (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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370	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	As long as you are sure that by redesign, integration and the further use of technology that there would be increased efficiency and effectiveness, then I would agree with this proposal.	ITC infrastructure (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Experience has demonstrated that the Council can deliver a more effective and cost effective service through the centralisation of generic tasks with the retention of specialist provision within service. This model still allows the opportunity for staff to engage with Council officers on a face to face basis at the most effective and convenient level.
371	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	There needs to be smarter working.	ITC infrastructure (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Experience has demonstrated that the Council can deliver a more effective and cost effective service through the centralisation of generic tasks with the retention of specialist provision within service. This model still allows the opportunity for staff to engage with Council officers on a face to face basis at the most effective and convenient level.
372	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	A more integrated and holistic approach to purchasing of technology for Council wide use would help reduce duplication of work and increase efficiency.	ITC infrastructure (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Experience has demonstrated that the Council can deliver a more effective and cost effective service through the centralisation of generic tasks with the retention of specialist provision within service. This model still allows the opportunity for staff to engage with Council officers on a face to face basis at the most effective and convenient level.
373	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	I think the best use of technology to streamline administrative functions and protect frontline delivery of services is a good idea and should be explored.	ITC infrastructure (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
374	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	I believe that frontline staff should be provided up with up to date mobile and computer technology that will improve efficiency and time management and take us into the 21st century. There is however still a need for face to face engagement, especially within Social Policy services and this should not be underestimated or minimised. The technology would be to support this work not completely replace it.	ITC infrastructure (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Experience has demonstrated that the Council can deliver a more effective and cost effective service through the centralisation of generic tasks with the retention of specialist provision within service. This model still allows the opportunity for staff to engage with Council officers on a face to face basis at the most effective and convenient level.
375	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	The Council network speed needs improving along with the reduction of IT updates during the working day. Unless these are an emergency they should be done outwith the staff members working day which would increase a member of staff's time for working. I fully understand the need for these updates but it is the timing of the updates that is affecting productivity.	ITC infrastructure (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The Council has made significant investment in the IT infrastructure and will continue to allocate appropriate resources to introduce new technology where appropriate. The Council's ICT Strategy seeks to deliver change in line with advances in technology and changes in Council priorities, whilst still having a clear framework within which to operate.
376	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	If believe that as many office expense as possible should be cut. This includes free and open source software - FOSS should be implemented as it is a good alternative. This could also make the Council more technologically up to date as its free to upgrade FOSS software.	ITC infrastructure (general)	4. The Council is already doing this.	The Council's IT Strategy supports use of open source software where this is the most effective and efficient solution for delivery of Council services.
377	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Why not have a bespoke program software developed by our own IT dept. It would save on Windows system licencing year on year.	ITC infrastructure (general)	5b. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it is likely that the costs of this proposal would outweigh the benefit.	The Council does not consider that the establishment of an in-house development team would be value for money.
378	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Too vague to comment - which services, what impact?	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
379	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	insufficient info to comment. all sounds fine in theory but how much can we consolidate before the infrastructure collapses?	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
380	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	don't think much of all this. most of it never happens	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
381	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	I don't know enough about this to comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
382	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Not enough detail to comment, could mean anything to be honest.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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383	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Difficult to comment on this as this does not say any specific and clear measure.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
384	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	No idea what this means, or any of these descriptions to be honest. It's hard to provide feedback on jargon.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
385	No Response	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Can hardly comment on a statment so lacking detail. We pay council tax for all of the services we currently have. If your asking about putting up council tax, will this enable existing services to be maintained?	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
386	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	A lot of words with no substance . Please bin the bull and say what you mean	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
387	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	The statement above is very nonspecific. It would be hard to comment on such a general, broad statement with no further information.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
388	No Response	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	This is very vague and not to the point	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
389	No Response	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Ask the people who do the job how savings can be made. They see where the waste is on a daily basis.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
390	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	We make have to make bolder and harder decisions to improve and save money in the future. People will always be protective of their own interest and so it is sometimes hard to work out where real value lies and where it does not.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
391	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	vague and waffly doesn't say what will actually be done	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
392	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Unsure as to what these consolidating may be and unsure of who the partner organisations are	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
393	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	These services should be stated for us to make comment in them.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
394	No Response	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	I have know idea how this will affect services as it isn't visible to the community.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
395	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	I don't understand budgeting advantages and restraints enough to comment.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
396	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Not my area.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
397	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	I have no idea what this means. Please explain better.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
398	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	i dont not know wat this means	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
399	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	This is a very high-level proposal which is difficult to decipher if you do not work in this part of the Council.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
400	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Proper redesign of services will mean a short term increase in costs.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
401	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	If you want to work with private organisations then you need to provide support for getting disclosure Scotland checks etc.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
402	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Hard to comment when statement is ambiguous	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
403	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	This is difficult to comment on. I will not comment on this as I feel staff are stretched already.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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404	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	As stated previously, without any clue as to which kind of business model currently exists, and to which existing measures will be subject to change, I will be unable to provide any intelligent comment as to what my preference would be on this matter, however, if I could be directed to somewhere where I could fully explore this matter, I would gladly offer up any ideas or suggestions which I may think relevant to this specific (vague) question. N.B. I found this particular survey on Facebook, although I have never before seen any other information offered by west lothian council on public opinion of the countless other decisions which are made in your office by your tireless workers on a daily basis. I may be the fool hoping that one day I may stumble on important social matters such as this on Facebook.... although it might just not be a bad idea using this platform more often considering almost everyone in west lothian is a member!?	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
405	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Not enough information to make informed comment.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
406	No Response	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	??????	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
407	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Not sure	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
408	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	It is very difficult to comment on this, as the proposal is fundamentally management babble, to say (I think) that you intend to save money by various means - synergies, use of IT, cutting jobs and the like - but without detail it is impossible to say whether it is good or bad.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
409	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	As an employee it is difficult to comment effectively when you are aware proposals have been made that could personally affect you and the service you work for but you are not being told what they are but given vague statements. Hardly an open consultation or one that shows how WLC values employees.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
410	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Modernising; this is the introduction of good practice which the Council should be undertaking without the threat of budget cuts by Central Government. It is surprising that the Council has not taken all this on board already. You state elsewhere that the Council is in the forefront of Good Practice	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
411	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	£4m seems a lot of savings to make here though appreciate the budget position is bleak	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
412	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	This is not nearly specific enough to enable comment: it's an aspiration, with no statement of 'how to do it', no mention of the substantial cost of change management and of redundancy costs, and no description of real outcomes - 'increased efficiency' sound good but what does it actually mean in practice?	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
413	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	There is nothing to comment on, the question is incomprehensible.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
414	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	It is very difficult to comment on this - I have no understanding of whether the sort of proposed efficiencies actually work. If they do, then great. Go for it!	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
415	No Response	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	I found this hard to comment on in an informed manner without specific examples.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
416	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	I do not have enough information to comment on the above.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
417	No Response	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	hhhhh	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
418	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	No detail on how this would be prioritised.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
419	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	there is not enough information her to make a comment - too vague	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
420	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Unsure, I don't know enough about it.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
421	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	nil	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
422	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	No Comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
423	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	No comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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424	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Cannot comment as do not really understand the implications.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
425	No Response	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	The wording of this is jargon and it is difficult to make any sense of it	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
426	No Response	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Don't have a view.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
427	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	I don't have enough information on the above subject to comment.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
428	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	For most people this consultation is far to long and involved, what is required is a real breakdown of where the money that the council spends is going. WLC is broke, it must be. How long did it take for the above to be written down, analysed, discussed and approved, most people would give up on the consultation at this point...	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
429	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	This is difficult to comment on as there is little specific information given to guide us on what these 'efficiency and effective savings' are going to be. If this is suggesting job losses, then this contradicts your previous council priorities of increasing / promoting employment.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
430	No Response	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	With any cost reduction, it is important to retain the good knowledge and experience of staff	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
431	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	better quality services are provided by the council and are better monitored than other service providers	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
432	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Can't really comment or complain about these proposals.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
433	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	This is just a generic statement it does not give informed information to make informed choices. When is the Council going to deliver transparency to the community it serves?	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
434	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	This tells me nothing about what you actually intend to do or which services may be affected.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
435	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	I am afraid I dont feel I can intelligently comment on management and admin support functions.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
436	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	no comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
437	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	The above is so vague as to be almost meaningless; no idea what the above would actually look like and what it would mean for peoples' day to day lives. It is not possible to agree with cost improvements when we don't know where/how these will impact - I'm guessing the council don't yet know either!	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
438	No Response	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	No comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
439	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Very vague proposal.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
440	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	This is a bit non specific in order to make any comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
441	No Response	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	I think the council has to be more specific on exactly what services and partner organisations it is referring to, so the public can fully assess the impact any reduction in these services will have on the wellbeing of the people of West Lothian.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
442	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	No comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
443	No Response	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	It's not at all clear what functions you are talking about.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
444	No Response	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	This is not really a clear description of what you mean.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
445	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Talking to a machine with no support available. Hmm...	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
446	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	NO COMMENT	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
447	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Clear examples need to be provided. This is written in jargon, which hides rather than clarifies meaning. Presumably it means closing departments and making staff redundant.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
448	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Insufficient details to make an informed comment. Impact? No support	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
449	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Difficult to comment on this as proposals are too general and even vague.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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450	No Response	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
451	No Response	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	You should be giving more of an explanation about how you propose to modernise services.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
452	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	It is unclear what is meant by the last sentence " There will also be changes to how the council works with partner organisations providing services". As a result we cannot make a properly informed comment.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
453	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Sounds good in theory but no practical evidence is given to support this action.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
454	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	I have a difficulty in understanding the way the above has been written and the words which have been used. It seems to be worded for "professionals" and not for the lay person. Also, there is no information on how this will be done.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
455	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	No comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
456	No Response	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Again - this tells me nothing. Is there a list of specific savings further through this process.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
457	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Seems like a large saving - due to lack of proposed methods lacks clarity so difficult to comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
458	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	This will have an impact on services and jobs.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
459	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	The capacity to effect the successful change that delivers efficiency savings is essential. This capacity comes from the resources that enable and support change which have diminished significantly over the last 10 years. The impact of further reductions need to be carefully considered against the likelihood of continuous change for the council for the foreseeable future.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
460	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	By making services more efficient they should be more effective.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
461	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	If savings have been identified as suggested, why have they not been implemented in the past. The fact that has supposed to exist in local government hasn't been there for a long time	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
462	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Wonderful jargon. How much did the consultants charge? Will it make it more responsive by answering the phone more quickly and support the poor staff left who have to deal with the public who take out their frustration on them because they can't get the answers and help they need.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
463	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	What the heck does this mean?	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
464	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Eh?	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
465	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	There is a lack of specification in this proposal. Clearly it will lead to a reduction in staff which will not improve employment in West Lothian.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
466	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	I do not know enough about this to offer an opinion.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
467	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Not sure.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
468	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	No comment.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
469	No Response	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Not nearly enough detail here. What does this mean exactly? Examples would have been helpful.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
470	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	A very small saving over 5 years. Be more innovative.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
471	No Response	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	I am sorry but this sounds like Council jargon to me which I don't understand.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
472	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	It reads well, but can you make it work. I have tried twice to enter this and lost data each time.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
473	No Response	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	This consultation is typical. You cannot save the content and it must be done in one go. There are other problems which are too numerous to detail. It is poor.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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474	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	This statement is too vague to be able to comment . It does not mean anything or tell us what the proposed changes would be .	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
475	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Don't know what you mean	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
476	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Writing this question would be better in plain English	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
477	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	No idea. Council probably wasted a load of money coming up with these questions. Result will be null and void.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
478	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	In Knightsridge the things that are issues to me are dog fouling, glass bottles and rubbish dumped, things to keep the 13-18 year olds busy without costing a fortune. Teaching the basics rather than doing extra curricular would be better.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
479	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	I don't understand what the question is...	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
480	No Response	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	n.a	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
481	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	no comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
482	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	No comment.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
483	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Redesign is change, but cost to much money save money, just fix ups.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
484	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Get the people back to work, then there won't be as many people claiming benefits. More jobs need to be created. Keep the young ones brains busy. Get them working. Contributing to the country which will help all round. Young and old. The OAP's should get a better deal. They have worked for this country for most of their adult life. Stop giving benefits out to the young. If they don't work they'll want. Make them work for their benefits. Afterall the majority in this country work to keep a roof over their heads. Stop tip toing around people. There should be somewhere for the young and old to go to socialise. Get a wee blether. Help one another.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
485	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	You have said you want everyones opinion, well I am still waiting on my bulletin through my door. THIS is also not supporting everyones opinion as those who require this in easy read are being discriminated against. Those who don't have internet access and not recieved their paper copy will not have their views heard. Why are all services i.e. maintenance being provided by outside agencies, why can the Council not interact these with their own workforce and gain revenue. How much in this cost saving exercise did it cost to change the Council logo?	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
486	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Stop prejudice ie. religion which still goes on against Catholics within the council. Yes it really does go on.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
487	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Concerns that volunteers will be used to achieve savings.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
488	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Please be honest - cuts are cuts and are down to austerity measures imposed by westminster. Do not patronise us by saying 'revised' when a service is changing and progress is reversed.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
489	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Good luck but please don't cut too many services. Wou;d it be cheaper to have managed hostel provision rather than providing whole houses for those on very low income? There could be on-site provision to assist with problems.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
490	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	It annoys me when I see on T.V families in poverty yet they can smoke - buy expensive presents at christmas - young parents need educating in budgeting - learn to cook as home made meals are cheaper and healthier than ready made meals bought. Children need to be taught how to cook - how to budget or else poveerty is going to get worse. Sewing - knitting - coocking- need to be more widely taught.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
491	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	An amazing statement coming I trust you!!	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
492	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	I also believe you West Lothian Council had something to do with shutting down Broxburn Job Centre. Something to do with a lease to me.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
493	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	This council are of more than the council than for people. Labour is for working poeple - and socialism. Start spending the money which should be spent . Not on your own properties.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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494	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Following consultation with a wide range of Third Sector organisations on West Lothian Council's "Transforming Your Council", the response of West Lothian Third Sector Interface (TSI), Voluntary Sector Gateway West Lothian (VSGWL) is as follows: This consultation should be about cuts in the budget and not about cuts to services. Is that the intention of West Lothian Council? The sector is concerned that some of the changes proposed will adversely affect many of the most vulnerable people in our communities, e.g., the raising of thresholds for support or the amalgamation of facilities and reductions in capacity. How will Council ensure that it protects our most vulnerable people and how can our sector assist with this?	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
495	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	However in the spirit of resource maximisation the Sector believes that these matters should be on the table and open for transparent discussion. The sector is requesting this as we can see the potentially very damaging unintended consequences of cuts leading to unconsidered impacts on other budgets and crisis interventions as opposed to preventative measures. The Third Sector is a generator of income and net contributor to West Lothian's economy. Investment from West Lothian Council is often used to leverage in other monies, which is unique to the Third Sector and delivers added value to our public pound. This additional income for West Lothian's communities and its people is, however, often dependant on the stability of Council's core investment.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
496	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Organisations will require time to assess the impact of these decisions and to make alternative plans or plan for redundancies or possible closure. This process must also assess the impact on other budgets and services, any potential unintended consequences and in law there is a requirement to look at the Human Rights impact on all "protected characteristics". The Third Sector is also prepared to explore sector-wide efficiencies. We will explore shared backroom services such as: Payroll services/Joint purchasing/HR/Insurance etc. We will also look at capacity building and skills in: Monitoring and evaluation Measuring value e.g., SROI In addition: We would request answers to the questions already submitted and attached again for your convenience. Please also note that the "Consultation" process does not follow National Standards of Community Engagement.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
497	No Response	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	I read recently of the proposed plans for transforming West Lothian Council, and the requirement to save £73 million over the next five years. I do understand that in this changing and challenging economy, savings must be made and priorities on spending must be reviewed; I recognise that this type of review is happening in many sectors and industries, and I feel sympathetic about this problem. I am sure decisions such as these cannot be easy for those involved.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
498	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Disturbed- paragraph - Changes to partner organisations	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
499	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Very hard to accept cuts, reductions closures, budgets	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
500	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	How much is this exercise costing in real monetary terms and man hours. It would have been helpful and interesting to have seen these figures prior to the consultation so that we the taxpayer could see if we are getting value for money.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
501	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	In brief, how accessible is the Consultation re: availability and response format and is the information it contains sufficient for individuals to respond effectively?	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
502	No Response	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	provide a completely paper free working environment would reduce paper and printing costs as well as archiving.	Reducing printing in council services	4. The council is already doing this.	The council has introduced measures to reduce the production and publication of paper documents through the greater use of electronic documents and related systems. The introduction of print management software allows managers to assess what is being printed with a view to reduction in prints.
503	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Review all paper / printed material and stop where possible, ensure where electronic means are available meeting papers/action notes etc are viewed and notes recorded on these instead of printing	Reducing printing in council services	4. The council is already doing this.	The council has introduced measures to reduce the production and publication of paper documents through the greater use of electronic documents and related systems. The introduction of print management software will allow managers to assess what is being printed with a view to reduction in repeat prints.

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504	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Sending everything to our Inprint dept instead of having a colour printer in our office is inefficient for lots of smaller jobs as the printing takes too long and materials have to be delivered.	Reducing printing in council services	5b. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it is likely that the costs of this proposal would outweigh the benefit.	The council has introduced print management software will allow managers to assess what is being printed with a view to reduction in prints. High volume prints are more cost effectively delivered via the high volume devices in Inprint.
505	No Response	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Head Teachers need to spend money more effectively, not printing and photocopying in colour but emailing information out to parents, carers and staff for example	Reducing printing in council services	4. The council is already doing this.	The council has introduced measures to reduce the production and publication of paper documents through the greater use of electronic documents and related systems. The introduction of print management software will allow managers to assess what is being printed with a view to reduction in repeat prints.
506	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	From the perspective of working in the council education services appears to be an area which is less than forward thinking. Colour copying is still going on and it has been exempt from many of the improvements which have been made in other services.	Reducing printing in council services	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has introduced measures to reduce the production and publication of paper documents through the greater use of electronic documents and related systems. The introduction of print management software will allow managers to assess what is being printed with a view to reduction in repeat prints.
507	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Maybe you should look at different things like how much it cost for the the free paper...	Reducing printing in council services	5c. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it is not consistent with the council's values and priorities.	Officers believe Bulletin remains good value at less than the price of a second class stamp to produce and distribute one copy of Bulletin to every household in West Lothian.
508	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Please protect bulletin. It is a great read and a good way of reaching people. Residents need to see what their council tax is spent on.	Reducing printing in council services	5c. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it is not consistent with the council's values and priorities.	Officers believe Bulletin remains good value at less than the price of a second class stamp to produce and distribute one copy of Bulletin to every household in West Lothian.
509	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	So many people can barely afford the council tax and rent right now. Why not cut down on luxury items like councillors and those in higher money positions.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Mgt & Admin Support	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	The number of councillors for each council area is determined by statute by the Scottish Parliament
510	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	I am intrigued to ask the question, is there a need to have two Heads of Service for Education? This could cut the some slack with regard to one salary.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Mgt & Admin Support	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council continually reviews the tiers of management and span of control across all service levels against a target 5 x 5 structure. This ensures that the council continues to operate with an effective and efficient managerial structure
511	No Response	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	There are too many levels of management in some parts of the Council.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Mgt & Admin Support	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council continually reviews the tiers of management and span of control across all service levels against a target 5 x 5 structure. This ensures that the council continues to operate with an effective and efficient managerial structure.
512	No Response	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Admin support is crucial in reducing the time spent by professional staff on admin tasks. Cutting more and more admin support and expecting higher paid staff to completes these tasks is a waste of money and resources.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Mgt & Admin Support	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council is proposing to achieve efficiency savings through modernisation of services and reduction of duplication and will maximise opportunities to automate processes to reduce manual processes
513	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	it depends on what support functions are reduced. I always see administrative support as one that is always needed.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Mgt & Admin Support	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council is proposing to achieve efficiency savings through modernisation of services and reduction of duplication and will maximise opportunities to automate processes to reduce manual processes
514	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	There is a limit to spreading job responsibilities and the above does not always provide a better functional service though it will undoubtedly save money.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Mgt & Admin Support	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council is proposing to achieve efficiency savings through modernisation of services and reduction of duplication and will maximise opportunities to automate processes to reduce manual processes
515	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	reduction in management and admin support may reduce costs as technology improvements are made,	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Mgt & Admin Support	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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516	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Both management and administrative support functions have been greatly reduced in recent times and the concern is that further reduction would be a false economy in terms of re-assigning workload/duties to remaining council officers. Fully supportive of service redesign that results in improved service delivery however, my opinion is that proposals should be measured in both the financial and wider implications (based on recent trends i.e. sickness absence, stress etc) prior to implementation.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Mgt & Admin Support	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council is proposing to achieve efficiency savings through modernisation of services and reduction of duplication and will maximise opportunities to automate processes to reduce manual processes
517	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	This seems sensible so long as the reduction in support services does not result in those (for example managers or qualified staff) then having to take on tasks that could more effectively and efficiently be undertaken by support staff at a lower cost	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Mgt & Admin Support	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council is proposing to achieve efficiency savings through modernisation of services and reduction of duplication and will maximise opportunities to automate processes to reduce manual processes
518	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	I feel that many of the council's management structure and administrative tasks could be redeployed to other areas and management could be decreased.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Mgt & Admin Support	4. The council is already doing this.	The council continually reviews the tiers of management and span of control across all service levels against a target 5 x 5 structure. This ensures that the council continues to operate with an effective and efficient managerial structure.
519	No Response	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Bring back a Lothian regional council. Combine multiple council admin systems so one system deals with multiple local authority areas	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Mgt & Admin Support	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	The council has an existing shared service agreement with South Lanarkshire Council for a shared IT data centre and will continue to develop opportunities for further shared service arrangements with other public bodies. The council is also progressing with West Lothian College the provision of shared services opportunities across a range of service areas.
520	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	To be honest, it the Council has been sharpening its pencil for the past 10-years there should be very little to find savings. The one area is management, from the more senior positions. Allowing workers more autonomy could reduce the need for a hierarchical management structure. Why can't the head of finance not be head of HR etc.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Mgt & Admin Support	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council continually reviews the tiers of management and span of control across all service levels against a target 5 x 5 structure. This ensures that the council continues to operate with an effective and efficient managerial structure.
521	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Reducing admin support pushes necessary admin functions elsewhere which may be less cost effective than retaining current admin support.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Mgt & Admin Support	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council is proposing to achieve efficiency savings through modernisation of services and reduction of duplication and will maximise opportunities to automate processes to reduce manual processes
522	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Reducing management is something to consider and also the end of overtime for all services	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Mgt & Admin Support	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council continually reviews the tiers of management and span of control across all service levels against a target 5 x 5 structure. This ensures that the council continues to operate with an effective and efficient managerial structure.
523	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	however reduction in administrative support has been on going for years and just puts added pressure on the workforce.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Mgt & Admin Support	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council is proposing to achieve efficiency savings through modernisation of services and reduction of duplication and will maximise opportunities to automate processes to reduce manual processes
524	No Response	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Managers who have the knowledge, skills, experience and training to use the technology will have to be in place if administration roles are going to be consolidated as managers heavily rely on administration to use the technology within service areas. Administration is at breaking point as it is with the recent cuts.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Mgt & Admin Support	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council is proposing to achieve efficiency savings through modernisation of services and reduction of duplication and will maximise opportunities to automate processes to reduce manual processes
525	No Response	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Reducing admin could be a false economy and increase inefficiency. With reduced admin , managers are likely to have to perform these tasks , at a higher unit cost than admin personnel , and probably not as efficiently as they are not necessarily trained in expediting admin forms and typing efficiently. Thus they have less time to perform management functions , and so to maintain current management effectiveness there may require to be an increase in management numbers.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Mgt & Admin Support	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council is proposing to achieve efficiency savings through modernisation of services and reduction of duplication and will maximise opportunities to automate processes to reduce manual processes
526	No Response	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Properly resourced internal functions which support the service to the public are vital. Cutting them is short sighted and will result in a poorer service to the public. If cuts have to be made, they should be confined to support teams for non-statutory functions of the council. Cuts to the support services of statutory functions, which will be likely to report to the Government and to be measured in WLAM, would be likely to have an impact on the council's measured performance indicators.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Mgt & Admin Support	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council is proposing to achieve efficiency savings through modernisation of services and reduction of duplication and will maximise opportunities to automate processes to reduce manual processes

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527	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	There are too many tiers of management and not enough frontline staff. Managers and seniors are paid a significant salary and in some instances are not working for their salaries. This should be reviewed and managers and/or seniors should be downgraded to frontline staff where appropriate.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Mgt & Admin Support	4. The council is already doing this.	The council continually reviews the tiers of management and span of control across all service levels against a target 5 x 5 structure. This ensures that the council continues to operate with an effective and efficient managerial structure.
528	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	I agree that economies of scale can be realised by improving efficiency and centralisation of support. It is crucial that vital service support from a legislative perspective is not lost at the expense of the cost saving measure.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Mgt & Admin Support	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council is proposing to achieve efficiency savings through modernisation of services and reduction of duplication and will maximise opportunities to automate processes to reduce manual processes
529	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Whilst you say that you would be reducing admin support functions, it should be not done if it impacts on higher paid, qualified staff being taken from their core function to then undertake admin tasks.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Mgt & Admin Support	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council is proposing to achieve efficiency savings through modernisation of services and reduction of duplication and will maximise opportunities to automate processes to reduce manual processes
530	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	should the council not be looking at sharing HR/payroll/legal/quality assurance with other public organisations.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Mgt & Admin Support	4. The council is already doing this.	The council has an existing shared service agreement with South Lanarkshire Council for a shared IT data centre and will continue to develop opportunities for further shared service arrangements with other public bodies. The council is also progressing with West Lothian College the provision of shared services opportunities across a range of service areas.
531	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	A level of admin support is necessary, or you get people paid a lot of money to manage team or carry out a qualified role, and it gets overtaken by admin responsibilities. The reduction in use of external providers would be a good step.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Mgt & Admin Support	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council is proposing to achieve efficiency savings through modernisation of services and reduction of duplication and will maximise opportunities to automate processes to reduce manual processes
532	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	This sounds straight forward and practical, however, it is a cut to staff numbers and so staff morale and stress levels must be considered as a priority.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Mgt & Admin Support	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Employees are the council's most important asset. The council recognises that staff will require to be supported through any transformation and the council will continue to invest in training and development of employees.
533	No Response	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	West Lothian Council is top heavy at management level. It is these posts that should be reduced & will produce a higher level of saving than cutting front line staff.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Mgt & Admin Support	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council continually reviews the tiers of management and span of control across all service levels against a target 5 x 5 structure. This ensures that the council continues to operate with an effective and efficient managerial structure.
534	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Stop paying over inflated salaries to your executives and start looking after your employees. Morale is at an all time low and the message you send out is that you simply don't care	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Mgt & Admin Support	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	The council is subject to national pay bargaining, and terms and conditions and the salary scales for officers are determined nationally
535	No Response	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Elected member admin support should be reduced.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Mgt & Admin Support	5b. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it is likely that the costs of this proposal would outweigh the benefit.	The Council is required to provide efficient and effective support for elective members and has reviewed the staffing complement to ensure that it is as efficient as possible whilst still providing appropriate support.
536	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	I am all for redesign and change, but hopefully this does not affect peoples jobs, if there is reducing management and administrative support function. a lot of services are micro managing as it is.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Mgt & Admin Support	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council is proposing to achieve efficiency savings through modernisation of services and reduction of duplication and will maximise opportunities to automate processes to reduce manual processes
537	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	reduce the salary of the chief executive and top tier management and spend that on providing services	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Mgt & Admin Support	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	The council is subject to national pay bargaining, and terms and conditions and the salary scales for officers are determined nationally
538	No Response	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	This should be a priority. There are too many senior managers across the council.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Mgt & Admin Support	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council continually reviews the tiers of management and span of control across all service levels against a target 5 x 5 structure. This ensures that the council continues to operate with an effective and efficient managerial structure.

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539	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	I think the consolation of management sometimes is the best answer so there is still enough staff of the food for tasks to be undertaken	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Mgt & Admin Support	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council continually reviews the tiers of management and span of control across all service levels against a target 5 x 5 structure. This ensures that the council continues to operate with an effective and efficient managerial structure.
540	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	So long as there is no impact to the service delivery Education, Social Services and front line services. The council must focus on delivering services and reduce the bureaucracy and back office staff that continues to exist in Civic Centre.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Mgt & Admin Support	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council is proposing to achieve efficiency savings through modernisation of services and reduction of duplication and will maximise opportunities to automate processes to reduce manual processes
541	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Reducing layers of management - great.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Mgt & Admin Support	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council continually reviews the tiers of management and span of control across all service levels against a target 5 x 5 structure. This ensures that the council continues to operate with an effective and efficient managerial structure.
542	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Not all LA's provide admin support for Elected Members and yet WLC increased admin support staff by 2 FTE with the same number of Elected Members to be supported, why is this and why can a central team of staff not be made available to support all parties - staff shouldn't be recruited for political purposes.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Mgt & Admin Support	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The Council is required to provide efficient and effective support for elective members and has reviewed the staffing complement to ensure that it is as efficient as possible whilst still providing appropriate support.
543	No Response	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Good idea to reduce management staffing,	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Mgt & Admin Support	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council continually reviews the tiers of management and span of control across all service levels against a target 5 x 5 structure. This ensures that the council continues to operate with an effective and efficient managerial structure.
544	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Management structures are already stretched with more and more being asked of fewer people. Quality and efficiency is bound to suffer if even more is asked of fewer staff.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Mgt & Admin Support	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council continually reviews the tiers of management and span of control across all service levels against a target 5 x 5 structure. This ensures that the council continues to operate with an effective and efficient managerial structure.
545	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	As a council employee I believe that management cuts should be made, there is too much middle management. Generally speaking most staff should be and understand the importance of carry out their roles in an effective, professional manner - maybe some staff training would be required to assist with this shift in staff/corporate attitude.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Mgt & Admin Support	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council continually reviews the tiers of management and span of control across all service levels against a target 5 x 5 structure. This ensures that the council continues to operate with an effective and efficient managerial structure.
546	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	I understand that administrative cuts may also be required and I would agree that staff in between admin and management levels should do most of their own admin given that huge savings must be made. However, within my service the paperwork/admin has become overwhelming over the last 12/18 months. It most definitely hinders myself & my colleagues in delivering the best quality customer service, and is such a waste of paper/printing etc. I fully understand that we rely on ESF funding, however I believe the way we operate could be much more streamlined. I consider this to be a priority as it causes bad customer service due to customers being asked the same questions over and over again, having to sign numerous forms, it also means the length of the initial appointment being 90 minutes, which is often only for a small amount of required assistance. It also causes staff stress, which can ultimately lead to ill health, time off work etc.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Mgt & Admin Support	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council is proposing to achieve efficiency savings through modernisation of services and reduction of duplication and will maximise opportunities to automate processes to reduce manual processes
547	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Absolutely. WLC is top-heavy on Management, and good savings could still be made.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Mgt & Admin Support	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council continually reviews the tiers of management and span of control across all service levels against a target 5 x 5 structure. This ensures that the council continues to operate with an effective and efficient managerial structure.
548	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Agree in reducing number of levels of management.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Mgt & Admin Support	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council continually reviews the tiers of management and span of control across all service levels against a target 5 x 5 structure. This ensures that the council continues to operate with an effective and efficient managerial structure.
549	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Disagree with reduction in administrative support as it is not cost effective to pass the administrative support to those tasked to carry out statutory requirements. The Council needs to realise that not everybody has or wants access to online services.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Mgt & Admin Support	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council recognises that not all customers will wish to engage in digital transactions and will ensure that information and services are available in formats to suit all customers, including access to face to face interaction where appropriate

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550	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	A look at the number of levels of unnecessary management should assist in plugging the budget gap.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Mgt & Admin Support	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council continually reviews the tiers of management and span of control across all service levels against a target 5 x 5 structure. This ensures that the council continues to operate with an effective and efficient managerial structure.
551	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	A look at the number of levels of unnecessary management should assist in plugging the budget gap.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Mgt & Admin Support	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council continually reviews the tiers of management and span of control across all service levels against a target 5 x 5 structure. This ensures that the council continues to operate with an effective and efficient managerial structure.
552	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	I think it is completely ridiculous reducing administrative support functions, these have been stretched enough and are at their limit. Staff can not be brought in where needed due to the cuts in turn causing a detrimental effect on the whole service the council is meant to provide. Admin support can not be cut. . . ! Having worked in admin all my life I do not feel that management understand the strains these cuts have on admin.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Mgt & Admin Support	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council is proposing to achieve efficiency savings through modernisation of services and reduction of duplication and will maximise opportunities to automate processes to reduce manual processes
553	No Response	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Re structure existing Services, Look at removing duplication in both Management levels and Admin support.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Mgt & Admin Support	4. The council is already doing this.	The council continually reviews the tiers of management and span of control across all service levels against a target 5 x 5 structure. This ensures that the council continues to operate with an effective and efficient managerial structure.
554	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Not enough information provided to alleviate concerns that a reduction in management and support function will be counter-productive.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Mgt & Admin Support	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
555	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	I also feel as a WLC employee that there are far too many middle management posts throughout the organisation. I feel that many of these posts could be reduced with little to no effect on frontline service delivery.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Mgt & Admin Support	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council continually reviews the tiers of management and span of control across all service levels against a target 5 x 5 structure. This ensures that the council continues to operate with an effective and efficient managerial structure.
556	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	I feel that if WLC reduced the number of line managers and middle management posts then the savings here would save any significant change in staff terms and conditions or allowances.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Mgt & Admin Support	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council continually reviews the tiers of management and span of control across all service levels against a target 5 x 5 structure. This ensures that the council continues to operate with an effective and efficient managerial structure.
557	No Response	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	With the right management, the number of managers could be reduced, while still maintaining the same standard of services. Management appears to be top heavy in some services, while there is a shortage of front line workers.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Mgt & Admin Support	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council continually reviews the tiers of management and span of control across all service levels against a target 5 x 5 structure. This ensures that the council continues to operate with an effective and efficient managerial structure.
558	No Response	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	The council should reduce the amount of managers are there are far too many.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Mgt & Admin Support	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council continually reviews the tiers of management and span of control across all service levels against a target 5 x 5 structure. This ensures that the council continues to operate with an effective and efficient managerial structure.
559	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	You need to cut at the top to make the best savings. Management is top heavy, leaving the hard graft to those who earn the least. End the large pay and pensions of the heads of department.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Mgt & Admin Support	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council is subject to national pay bargaining, and terms and conditions and the salary scales for officers are determined nationally
560	No Response	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Admin staff usually prop up the managers	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Mgt & Admin Support	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council is proposing to achieve efficiency savings through modernisation of services and reduction of duplication and will maximise opportunities to automate processes to reduce manual processes
561	No Response	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Reduction in senior management tiers must be a key function	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Mgt & Admin Support	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council continually reviews the tiers of management and span of control across all service levels against a target 5 x 5 structure. This ensures that the council continues to operate with an effective and efficient managerial structure.
562	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	I don't believe first line management should be affected, I believe this should be at higher levels.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Mgt & Admin Support	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council continually reviews the tiers of management and span of control across all service levels against a target 5 x 5 structure. This ensures that the council continues to operate with an effective and efficient managerial structure.

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563	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Consolidating management and admin support can be an ongoing process, and revisited when every vacancy occurs, and budgets are set. My comment would be that when consolidating management and admin, all external contracts that provide these functions and other services should be equally consider at the same time in the same way.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Mgt & Admin Support	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council is proposing to achieve efficiency savings through modernisation of services and reduction of duplication and will maximise opportunities to automate processes to reduce manual processes
564	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	This survey is very long and could have been designed and published as save and return.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Mgt & Admin Support	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
565	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Cutting internal functions is too simplistic. It might look good on a finance report but the reality is that changes have made staff more ineffective and inefficient because we have cut numbers but not looked at the amount of time staff are spending on work that offers little or no value and little positive outcome to customers. The council needs to really think about what efficiency and effectiveness really is.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Mgt & Admin Support	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council is proposing to achieve efficiency savings through modernisation of services and reduction of duplication and will maximise opportunities to automate processes to reduce manual processes
566	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Whilst we are cutting back office support, we're increasing work. As a manager I am happy with that but the council needs to review what you are asking a well paid manager to do. How effective are managers and staff if they are bogged down in admin, inputting data into PIs etc. Managers have to ensure that performance improves of course. However the processes, IT systems and procedures that go with all this are ineffective and inefficient.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Mgt & Admin Support	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council is proposing to achieve efficiency savings through modernisation of services and reduction of duplication and will maximise opportunities to automate processes to reduce manual processes
567	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Managers should be spending more time thinking about strategy and implementing new ways to improve their services. Not spending a disproportionate amount of time of inefficient systems, time consuming forms and data input.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Mgt & Admin Support	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council is proposing to achieve efficiency savings through modernisation of services and reduction of duplication and will maximise opportunities to automate processes to reduce manual processes
568	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Cutting services is an easy hit but the council must ensure that the existing procedures, systems and ways of working are truly modernised. Otherwise the council is going to become more and more bogged down in red tape and reports. For example, if anyone has spent time trying to record and monitor sickness absence recently they will see a prime example of a very ineffective and inefficient system, filled with forms and policies and repetition. We need to look at cutting out what is not really important and focus on ways to make our staff more efficient.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Mgt & Admin Support	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council is proposing to achieve efficiency savings through modernisation of services and reduction of duplication and will maximise opportunities to automate processes to reduce manual processes
569	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Can't the council ask staff what they think is worthwhile, relevant and useful to them? Can't we do some kind of internal analysis on what works, what doesn't what needs to be improved? We cannot keep doing things the same way with less resource.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Mgt & Admin Support	4. The council is already doing this.	Staff are encouraged to make suggestions and recommendations on service improvement. In addition, staff are being encouraged to respond to this consultation.
570	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	I agree with the proposals outlined in bulletin magazine. You should send this as an email to save money further. I think you should adopt a top down approach, where people that get paid the most should receive the most amount of scrutiny. For example, no execs should be paid over 100k.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Mgt & Admin Support	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council is subject to national pay bargaining, and terms and conditions and the salary scales for officers are determined nationally
571	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	This appears to be job losses. When administrative support functions are lost then other staff have to carry out these duties i.e. PECOS, cheques, scanning etc. and this is not a good use of time for them. It is a false economy.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Mgt & Admin Support	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council is proposing to achieve efficiency savings through modernisation of services and reduction of duplication and will maximise opportunities to automate processes to reduce manual processes
572	No Response	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Many services rely heavily on PAs, admin support ect - there is no reason staff cannot do these jobs themselves.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Mgt & Admin Support	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council is proposing to achieve efficiency savings through modernisation of services and reduction of duplication and will maximise opportunities to automate processes to reduce manual processes
573	No Response	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Any reduction of administrative support should be implemented with caution and recognition of the opportunity cost that relates to more senior staff being wholly responsible for the administrative arrangements required to support their daily duties.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Mgt & Admin Support	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council is proposing to achieve efficiency savings through modernisation of services and reduction of duplication and will maximise opportunities to automate processes to reduce manual processes
574	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	1. Stop wasting money on corporate re-branding.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Mgt & Admin Support	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	The council did not incur any expenditure in developing the corporate brand,. This work was undertaken internally. The new brand shall be rolled out on a phased basis and will be applied when equipment or processes are being changed/reviewed.

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575	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	you definitely need to cut down on management	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Mgt & Admin Support	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council continually reviews the tiers of management and span of control across all service levels against a target 5 x 5 structure. This ensures that the council continues to operate with an effective and efficient managerial structure.
576	No Response	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	I think West Lothian Council needs to dramatically reduce the amount of managers within services, as I know of a service that has a total of 9 staff, 6 workers & they are managed by 2 managers and a team leader.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Mgt & Admin Support	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council continually reviews the tiers of management and span of control across all service levels against a target 5 x 5 structure. This ensures that the council continues to operate with an effective and efficient managerial structure.
577	No Response	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Feel free to reduce management processes which are overbearing and overpaid Administrative staff should be retained as they generally provide practical support to frontline staff to enable them to do their jobs efficiently manual workers etc	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Mgt & Admin Support	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council is proposing to achieve efficiency savings through modernisation of services and reduction of duplication and will maximise opportunities to automate processes to reduce manual processes
578	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	staff need to be supported. Yes consider flattening the management structure or even amalgamating teams under one manager but these staff need to be able to be supported by that manager. The manager too has to feel supported.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Mgt & Admin Support	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council continually reviews the tiers of management and span of control across all service levels against a target 5 x 5 structure. This ensures that the council continues to operate with an effective and efficient managerial structure.
579	No Response	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Sounds good in theory, but will the reduced support functions be able to manage additional workload placed on them?	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Mgt & Admin Support	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council is proposing to achieve efficiency savings through modernisation of services and reduction of duplication and will maximise opportunities to automate processes to reduce manual processes
580	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	more efficiency savings within the council. A reduction in management and a review of top end salaries.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Mgt & Admin Support	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council continually reviews the tiers of management and span of control across all service levels against a target 5 x 5 structure. This ensures that the council continues to operate with an effective and efficient managerial structure. The council is subject to national pay bargaining and terms and conditions and the salary scales for officers are determined nationally.
581	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Seems fine on paper but council has redesigned several departments a few times in last two years, still management and admin heavy	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Mgt & Admin Support	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council is proposing to achieve efficiency savings through modernisation of services and reduction of duplication and will maximise opportunities to automate processes to reduce manual processes
582	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Good less bureaucracy and management needed.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Mgt & Admin Support	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
583	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Too many managers	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Mgt & Admin Support	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council continually reviews the tiers of management and span of control across all service levels against a target 5 x 5 structure. This ensures that the council continues to operate with an effective and efficient managerial structure.
584	No Response	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Too many tiers of management currently in the Council, that are not actually productive and serving the public. There should be more emphasis on Council staff that actually are productive and are doing the work.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Mgt & Admin Support	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council continually reviews the tiers of management and span of control across all service levels against a target 5 x 5 structure. This ensures that the council continues to operate with an effective and efficient managerial structure.
585	No Response	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	There are usually too many Managers in any business/line of work and reducing them is usually no loss.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Mgt & Admin Support	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council continually reviews the tiers of management and span of control across all service levels against a target 5 x 5 structure. This ensures that the council continues to operate with an effective and efficient managerial structure.
586	No Response	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Regarding admin staff that all depends on how good your service to the public is and whether reducing it would cause frustration/complaints?	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Mgt & Admin Support	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Experience has demonstrated that the council can deliver a more effective and cost effective service through the centralisation of generic tasks with the retention of specialist provision within service. This model still allows the opportunity for staff to engage with council officers on a face to face basis at the most effective and convenient level.

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587	No Response	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Cutting down on so many people in higher positions would help distribute the money to where its needed better	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Mgt & Admin Support	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council continually reviews the tiers of management and span of control across all service levels against a target 5 x 5 structure. This ensures that the council continues to operate with an effective and efficient managerial structure.
588	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	i feel that there is too much hierarchy in the council, too many people are in managers positions when it is not necessary.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Mgt & Admin Support	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council continually reviews the tiers of management and span of control across all service levels against a target 5 x 5 structure. This ensures that the council continues to operate with an effective and efficient managerial structure.
589	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Previous "redesign" and reduction of management and support services carried out by the council as part of cost cutting strategies since 2008 have overstressed the management system. This has lead to managers being unable to operate efficiently as they are continually "firefighting". I fear that any further reductions in this area will lead to more inefficiencies and breakdowns within the system with the possibility of a catastrophic event. I would therefore not support this strategy.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Mgt & Admin Support	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council continually reviews the tiers of management and span of control across all service levels against a target 5 x 5 structure. This ensures that the council continues to operate with an effective and efficient managerial structure.
590	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Reducing management - this could save a lot of money because of they are planning to combine 2 teams together then they do not require the 2 managers. they also do not require 1 manager per team in the same department when they could combine they similar teams in the department to be under the one manager to save x2 managers salaries.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Mgt & Admin Support	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council continually reviews the tiers of management and span of control across all service levels against a target 5 x 5 structure. This ensures that the council continues to operate with an effective and efficient managerial structure.
591	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Admin support - this could be reduced in offices as people could fit their admin around their working day to ensure it is done all the same.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Mgt & Admin Support	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council is proposing to achieve efficiency savings through modernisation of services and reduction of duplication and will maximise opportunities to automate processes to reduce manual processes
592	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	There appear to be may chains of management throughout the council; are these required? Could jobs be amalgamated at these levels?	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Mgt & Admin Support	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council continually reviews the tiers of management and span of control across all service levels against a target 5 x 5 structure. This ensures that the council continues to operate with an effective and efficient managerial structure.
593	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Reducing management personnel would be something I'd agree with	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Mgt & Admin Support	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council continually reviews the tiers of management and span of control across all service levels against a target 5 x 5 structure. This ensures that the council continues to operate with an effective and efficient managerial structure.
594	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Senior management in WLC remains too numerous, overpaid, ineffective and lacking in professional integrity.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Mgt & Admin Support	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council continually reviews the tiers of management and span of control across all service levels against a target 5 x 5 structure. This ensures that the council continues to operate with an effective and efficient managerial structure.
595	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	The focus should be on management level staff, where more savings would be made.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Mgt & Admin Support	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council continually reviews the tiers of management and span of control across all service levels against a target 5 x 5 structure. This ensures that the council continues to operate with an effective and efficient managerial structure.
596	No Response	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	there has to be a change in management as i believe the staff are getting hit with cut back andnhiurs etc when i believe there is to much and to many managers in each department and not enough normal staff and its the workers that are sufering the cut back due to this not the managements. far yo many people in management	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Mgt & Admin Support	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council continually reviews the tiers of management and span of control across all service levels against a target 5 x 5 structure. This ensures that the council continues to operate with an effective and efficient managerial structure.
597	No Response	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Too many big bosses not enough working staff	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Mgt & Admin Support	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council continually reviews the tiers of management and span of control across all service levels against a target 5 x 5 structure. This ensures that the council continues to operate with an effective and efficient managerial structure.
598	No Response	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	As above too many layers of management. Get rid if at least 2 layers	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Mgt & Admin Support	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council continually reviews the tiers of management and span of control across all service levels against a target 5 x 5 structure. This ensures that the council continues to operate with an effective and efficient managerial structure.

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599	No Response	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	I believe that consolidating and reducing management would be beneficial, however, I believe that administration is already thin on the ground which is apparent when contacting various sections of the Council and not being able to speak directly to a member of the relevant team.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Mgt & Admin Support	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council continually reviews the tiers of management and span of control across all service levels against a target 5 x 5 structure. This ensures that the council continues to operate with an effective and efficient managerial structure.
600	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	There must be many other expensive, costly but ineffective "middle" or "senior" management posts across council services which should be closely scrutinised for impact. They are big chunks of a budget which cannot always be justified. Stop chopping the low level jobs that do make a difference and get rid of unnecessary links in the chain of command - pull down the ivory towers - in 2017 leadership at all levels and matching responsibility is a more cost-effective, motivational and impactful way to manage.!	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Mgt & Admin Support	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council continually reviews the tiers of management and span of control across all service levels against a target 5 x 5 structure. This ensures that the council continues to operate with an effective and efficient managerial structure.
601	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	The council redesigned a few years ago, continually redesigns and ends up creating more manager jobs every time. Get rid of the top heavy managers positions and create more jobs for the people that work the front line	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Mgt & Admin Support	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council continually reviews the tiers of management and span of control across all service levels against a target 5 x 5 structure. This ensures that the council continues to operate with an effective and efficient managerial structure.
602	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Reduce management tiers	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Mgt & Admin Support	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council continually reviews the tiers of management and span of control across all service levels against a target 5 x 5 structure. This ensures that the council continues to operate with an effective and efficient managerial structure.
603	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Any reduction of management and administrative through consolidation needs to ensure that frontline services are not further deteriorated.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Mgt & Admin Support	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Experience has demonstrated that the council can deliver a more effective and cost effective service through the centralisation of generic tasks with the retention of specialist provision within service. This model still allows the opportunity for staff to engage with council officers on a face to face basis at the most effective and convenient level.
604	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Whilst fine in principle it is known that an over-reduction in management can mean there is no capacity to either develop or innovate services. Additionally pressure on managers may have both a personal and operational impact. Whilst reduction in management may always seem an easy way to achieve savings it can often have an unforeseen, and often significantly detrimental, effect on the operation of services.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Mgt & Admin Support	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council continually reviews the tiers of management and span of control across all service levels against a target 5 x 5 structure. This ensures that the council continues to operate with an effective and efficient managerial structure.
605	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	I agree you would save a lot by cutting down in Managers and Middle staff as there are about as many gaffers as there are the working force and we have been cut to the minimum as it is and we are being worked to the limits	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Mgt & Admin Support	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council continually reviews the tiers of management and span of control across all service levels against a target 5 x 5 structure. This ensures that the council continues to operate with an effective and efficient managerial structure.
606	No Response	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	WLC is top heavy on management & there is a lack of frontline staff. Cutting management would produce greater savings.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Mgt & Admin Support	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council continually reviews the tiers of management and span of control across all service levels against a target 5 x 5 structure. This ensures that the council continues to operate with an effective and efficient managerial structure.
607	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	I agree that redesigning services could improve efficiencies however I also think that reducing administrative support only adds additional pressure to workers. Especially client facing workers should always have admin support to assist them with their workload - administrators can take a lot less time to complete administrative tasks leaving the workers to undertake more client work. Also admin support is cheaper and when used appropriately would save the council money in the long run. An admin worker earning approx. £20,000 benefits more people than a manager on £40,000.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Mgt & Admin Support	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Experience has demonstrated that the council can deliver a more effective and cost effective service through the centralisation of generic tasks with the retention of specialist provision within service. This model still allows the opportunity for staff to engage with council officers on a face to face basis at the most effective and convenient level.
608	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Many areas within the council is still organised in an old fashioned, top heavy pyramid structure that leaves workers with little room for taking initiative within their domains and information being lost within difficult communication structures within the tiers of management. A flatter structure in other parts of Europe, such as Scandinavia, has proven to be more cost effective as taking more responsibility for outcomes increases the effectiveness of the workforce.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Mgt & Admin Support	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council continually reviews the tiers of management and span of control across all service levels against a target 5 x 5 structure. This ensures that the council continues to operate with an effective and efficient managerial structure.
609	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	It sounds like the council are employing too many people in these departments and are duplicating work. If this can be streamlined (and by that I mean cutting staff numbers) then it should be done.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Mgt & Admin Support	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council is proposing to achieve efficiency savings through modernisation of services and reduction of duplication and will maximise opportunities to automate processes to reduce manual processes

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610	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Since 1996 when you took over this area has not improved. You have double or should I say quadruple in administration, why? Everywhere around the world introduced technology and you brought in manpower with no experience.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Mgt & Admin Support	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council is proposing to achieve efficiency savings through modernisation of services and reduction of duplication and will maximise opportunities to automate processes to reduce manual processes
611	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	I believe that the consolidating of management role would make a massive effect on the saving of the council budget and personally feel this should be a massive priority.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Mgt & Admin Support	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council continually reviews the tiers of management and span of control across all service levels against a target 5 x 5 structure. This ensures that the council continues to operate with an effective and efficient managerial structure.
612	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	There is too many managers including middle management which was a tier created in previous years. In Residential Child Care there should be one overall manager for the houses to ensure consistency and also more importantly the best for each house is at the forefront. At present each house worries only about themselves and do not consider each house and the impact on all but instead just their own. The manager should also be running the houses without being placed in one particular house all day, every day. They should be developing the service and ensuring the best for all houses.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Mgt & Admin Support	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council continually reviews the tiers of management and span of control across all service levels against a target 5 x 5 structure. This ensures that the council continues to operate with an effective and efficient managerial structure.
613	No Response	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Reducing administration could be counter productive if tasks are added to worker workloads.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Mgt & Admin Support	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Experience has demonstrated that the council can deliver a more effective and cost efficient service through the centralisation of generic tasks, use of technology and retention of specialist provision within services.
614	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Reducing bureaucracy has to be a top priority. This needs to be done in a meaningful way. Do not reduce tiers of management without evaluating the impact this will have - both in terms of current workload for staff and for future retention.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Mgt & Admin Support	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Experience has demonstrated that the council can deliver a more effective and cost effective service through the centralisation of generic tasks with the retention of specialist provision within services.
615	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Oh yes cut staff, but start with management not front line staff!	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Mgt & Admin Support	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council continually reviews the tiers of management and span of control across all service levels against a target 5 x 5 structure. This ensures that the council continues to operate with an effective and efficient managerial structure.
616	No Response	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Do not cut back front line staff any more. The management and an upper need shaved for a change.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Mgt & Admin Support	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council continually reviews the tiers of management and span of control across all service levels against a target 5 x 5 structure. This ensures that the council continues to operate with an effective and efficient managerial structure.
617	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	This should include consolidating and reducing the number of administrative support functions	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Mgt & Admin Support	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Experience has demonstrated that the council can deliver a more effective and cost effective service through the centralisation of generic tasks with the retention of specialist provision within service. This model still allows the opportunity for staff to engage with council officers on a face to face basis at the most effective and convenient level.
618	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Removing management and administrative support functions is not going to help maintain a service. This is not the right support services need.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Mgt & Admin Support	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Experience has demonstrated that the council can deliver a more effective and cost effective service through the centralisation of generic tasks with the retention of specialist provision within service. This model still allows the opportunity for staff to engage with council officers on a face to face basis at the most effective and convenient level.
619	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Reducing admin support - amazing that WLC have any admin staff left as they seem to be the ones always affected. Reduction in admin support to elected members should be considered.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Mgt & Admin Support	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Experience has demonstrated that the council can deliver a more effective and cost effective service through the centralisation of generic tasks with the retention of specialist provision within service. The Council is required to provide efficient and effective support for elective members and has reviewed the staffing complement to ensure that it is as efficient as possible whilst still providing appropriate support.
620	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Some council workers do not pull their weight. Take in private sector managers to control this and improve the work ethic. Stop the nepotism that is rife in certain areas. Enforce, don't just pay lip service to disciplining poor performers.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Mgt & Admin Support	4. The council is already doing this.	The council has a number of systems and processes in place which support managers to monitor performance and efficiency.

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621	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Plus, the admin that will essentially lose their jobs should be helped to find a new position.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Mgt & Admin Support	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Experience has demonstrated that the council can deliver a more effective and cost effective service through the centralisation of generic tasks with the retention of specialist provision within services.
622	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Very vague - what is actually proposed? More rigorous management of staff to ensure they are doing the best job they can (reviewing performance annually and not accepting poor performance) would render significant benefits.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Mgt & Admin Support	4. The council is already doing this.	The council has a number of systems and processes in place which support managers to monitor performance and efficiency.
623	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Although the consolidation of management and admin support functions may be off some cost saving, I believe that this would only be viable through services that overlap at present. If for instance the support function for HR or payroll is going to be moved to line managers, this would directly impact on the line managers being unable to carry out their own duties particularly within operational and building services who have a larger number of employees than other services.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Mgt & Admin Support	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Experience has demonstrated that the council can deliver a more effective and cost efficient service through the centralisation of generic tasks, use of technology and retention of specialist provision within services.
624	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	I feel there are too many levels of management, which in parts are unnecessary, and more staff are required at first point of contact.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Mgt & Admin Support	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council continually reviews the tiers of management and span of control across all service levels against a target 5 x 5 structure. This ensures that the council continues to operate with an effective and efficient managerial structure.
625	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	I think that reducing management and administrative support can be a short sighted saving. It puts increased pressure/stress on those in work as they are having to complete tasks outwith their training, experience and understanding. This reduces the time they spend on the job which they are trained/qualified to do which lessens their impact in their area of expertise. They also take longer than appropriately qualified/experienced staff to complete administrative/managerial jobs. there is no 'give' in the system as staffing is so tight that if a member of staff is absent it has greater impact.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Mgt & Admin Support	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Experience has demonstrated that the council can deliver a more effective and cost efficient service through the centralisation of generic tasks, use of technology and retention of specialist provision within services.
626	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	A restructure of the management models we as an employer are middle and top heavy. With improved IT platforms etc. and a possible reduction in over all staffing levels then the management and executive levels should be appropriately reduced.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Mgt & Admin Support	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council continually reviews the tiers of management and span of control across all service levels against a target 5 x 5 structure. This ensures that the council continues to operate with an effective and efficient managerial structure.
627	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	more middle management positions than necessary and also assistant managers i feel cut backs need to be made in this and management needed to be consolidated in residential units, social policy units and also in education establishments. Middle management jobs were created and the council managed without these posts in previous years.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Mgt & Admin Support	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council continually reviews the tiers of management and span of control across all service levels against a target 5 x 5 structure. This ensures that the council continues to operate with an effective and efficient managerial structure.
628	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Sounds good. However you could do more.....Immediately freeze the recruitment of expensive day rate contractors. Cancel all short-term contracts for expensive day rate contractors. Review possibility of outsourcing support services such as IT and HR, can any functions be placed offshore? Your contact centre for example?	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Mgt & Admin Support	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council will continue to use internal services to deliver services. The Council engages external contractors where required for specialist works. This approach will continue to ensure best value use of resources available within the council.
629	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Review all third-party services and support contracts. Where can savings be realised, and additional value extracted from suppliers?	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Mgt & Admin Support	4. The council is already doing this.	The council undertakes supplier management of all external contracts to ensure that they continue to deliver cost effective and efficient services which meet customers needs.
630	No Response	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Spend less on consultants on how to make efficiency savings	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Mgt & Admin Support	4. The council is already doing this.	The council has not employed any consultants to develop savings proposals
631	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	without management an admin, the council would not run quite the same. There needs to be support and help if this were to happen.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Mgt & Admin Support	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Experience has demonstrated that the council can deliver a more effective and cost efficient service through the centralisation of generic tasks, use of technology and retention of specialist provision within services.
632	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Not convinced but do agree admin services should be shared where possible.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Mgt & Admin Support	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
633	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Not sure that reducing administrative support, thereby requiring higher paid staff to undertake these duties is necessarily efficient or cost effective.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Mgt & Admin Support	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Experience has demonstrated that the council can deliver a more effective and cost efficient service through the centralisation of generic tasks, use of technology and retention of specialist provision within services.

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634	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Move all admin to within the council - stop paying other organisations.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Mgt & Admin Support	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Experience has demonstrated that the council can deliver a more effective and cost efficient service through the centralisation of generic tasks, use of technology and retention of specialist provision within services.
635	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	I would be concerned regarding any future admin cuts to providing a service. The admin cuts which have already taken place have left many depts. with a skeleton staff.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Mgt & Admin Support	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Experience has demonstrated that the council can deliver a more effective and cost efficient service through the centralisation of generic tasks, use of technology and retention of specialist provision within services.
636	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Councillors should be leading by example. Why when we have the same number of members that more administration is employed to look after the Conservatives. Surely the existing admin could have been re distributed. Or even better have one team to look after all councillors as other councils have.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Mgt & Admin Support	5c. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it is not consistent with the council's values and priorities.	The Council is required to provide efficient and effective support for elective members and has reviewed the staffing complement to ensure that it is as efficient as possible whilst still providing appropriate support.
637	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Bringing in extra staff when we have reductions in staff numbers on the officers side is a bit "do as I say not do as I do". Whilst more use of technology can make savings it can also push work on to other staff (who are already undertaking more and more work since staff number have been cut) . So what may be saving on one service can be putting pressure on another.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Mgt & Admin Support	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Experience has demonstrated that the council can deliver a more effective and cost efficient service through the centralisation of generic tasks, use of technology and retention of specialist provision within services.
638	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	The council's internal support services are an easy target for cuts and 'reorganisation'. Administrative support for the council's statutory functions is a vital part of the council's service to the public. Cuts which reduce the effectiveness of these services are short-sighted and harmful, as they invariably pass some support functions on to professional staff who deliver the services, taking up their time and reducing their effectiveness. It might not be immediately apparent, but cuts to support services can have a detrimental impact on performance.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Mgt & Admin Support	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Experience has demonstrated that the council can deliver a more effective and cost efficient service through the centralisation of generic tasks, use of technology and retention of specialist provision within services.
639	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	I think integration of administrative functions and further use of technology could be a positive change.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Mgt & Admin Support	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
640	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Any savings that can be made through the reduction of management must be made a priority as the largest savings will come from the removal of managers salaries	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Mgt & Admin Support	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council continually reviews the tiers of management and span of control across all service levels against a target 5 x 5 structure. This ensures that the council continues to operate with an effective and efficient managerial structure.
641	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Agree. Support functions should be modernised and scope for shared services considered.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Mgt & Admin Support	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
642	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	No reduction in local services. Make savings in council executive payments.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Mgt & Admin Support	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council is subject to national pay bargaining and terms and condition and the salary scales for officers are determined nationally. The council continually reviews the tiers of management and span of control across all service levels against a target 5 x 5 structure. This ensures that the council continues to operate with an effective and efficient managerial structure.
643	No Response	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Look at the number of managers within each Service Area are they all required, if the workforce has reduced over the years why haven't the tears of Management?	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Mgt & Admin Support	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council continually reviews the tiers of management and span of control across all service levels against a target 5 x 5 structure. This ensures that the council continues to operate with an effective and efficient managerial structure.
644	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Reducing management will only work if there are still managers in place who can guide and motivate staff. When staff see 'reduce management and administrative support' all they think on is the work from above will be cascaded to staff at lower levels with no remuneration for tasks. Frontline staff cannot be cut any further as they are the first point of contact with customers and can provide a confident service when at full capacity.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Mgt & Admin Support	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Experience has demonstrated that the council can deliver a more effective and cost effective service through the centralisation of generic tasks with the retention of specialist provision within service. The council continually reviews the tiers of management and span of control across all service levels against a target 5 x 5 structure. This ensures that the council continues to operate with an effective and efficient managerial structure.

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645	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Frontline staff are at the forefront of service delivery, however, I do think administrative tasks could be looked at to consolidate practices.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Mgt & Admin Support	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Experience has demonstrated that the council can deliver a more effective and cost efficient service through the centralisation of generic tasks, use of technology and retention of specialist provision within services.
646	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Again you need to look at management structure for delivering of cross Council services and not just look to cull staff who have far more local knowledge of the services than the management team. Too many changes rely on assumptions made by managers without a full understanding of how the work is actually delivered by the front line.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Mgt & Admin Support	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council continually reviews the tiers of management and span of control across all service levels against a target 5 x 5 structure. This ensures that the council continues to operate with an effective and efficient managerial structure.
647	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Start reducing management at the top as they are the ones on the biggest salary. Need to keep front line staff as they are essential to keep places open.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Mgt & Admin Support	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council continually reviews the tiers of management and span of control across all service levels against a target 5 x 5 structure. This ensures that the council continues to operate with an effective and efficient managerial structure.
648	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Staffing cuts should focus on management posts.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Mgt & Admin Support	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council continually reviews the tiers of management and span of control across all service levels against a target 5 x 5 structure. This ensures that the council continues to operate with an effective and efficient managerial structure.
649	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	However reducing management and administrative functions can inadvertently be more costly as existing staff have additional duties and responsibilities which cause stress and illness which cost the council more in lost working days and supply staff.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Mgt & Admin Support	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council continually reviews the tiers of management and span of control across all service levels against a target 5 x 5 structure. This ensures that the council continues to operate with an effective and efficient managerial structure.
650	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Any savings that can be made here are welcome however administration is time consuming but necessary so hope this would not be piled onto other employees who are already stressed and over worked.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Mgt & Admin Support	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Experience has demonstrated that the council can deliver a more effective and cost efficient service through the centralisation of generic tasks, use of technology and retention of specialist provision within services.
651	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Administrative functions will still need to be completed. Redirecting tasks to other employees who are already doing a full time job does not work. It's not fair and it leads to inconsistency.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Mgt & Admin Support	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Experience has demonstrated that the council can deliver a more effective and cost efficient service through the centralisation of generic tasks, use of technology and retention of specialist provision within services.
652	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	It is important that staff feel supported and any managerial cuts should be implemented in such a way as to have minimal impact on front line workers. I have never understood the need for so many levels of management within education. Possibly the new ed legislation and its implications for education officers will create a saving to the council.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Mgt & Admin Support	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Experience has demonstrated that the council can deliver a more effective and cost effective service through the centralisation of generic tasks with the retention of specialist provision within service. The council continually reviews the tiers of management and span of control across all service levels against a target 5 x 5 structure. This ensures that the council continues to operate with an effective and efficient managerial structure.
653	No Response	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Admin support is always the first thing to be reduced in any budget cuts. Don't underestimate the valuable support and holding together they do.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Mgt & Admin Support	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Experience has demonstrated that the council can deliver a more effective and cost efficient service through the centralisation of generic tasks, use of technology and retention of specialist provision within services.
654	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	As with all companies anywhere there are opportunities to improve efficiency through consolidation should be made. This does not have to be just at the managerial level but other administration duties should be looked at. Admin should become supportive of many different business units within the council as the tasks are basically the same	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Mgt & Admin Support	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Experience has demonstrated that the council can deliver a more effective and cost efficient service through the centralisation of generic tasks, use of technology and retention of specialist provision within services.
655	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Many mid and senior managers are already stressed with overwork so agree if can be achieved without more stress for those already overworked. Staff do need a manager also, this is important.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Mgt & Admin Support	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Experience has demonstrated that the council can deliver a more effective and cost efficient service through the centralisation of generic tasks, use of technology and retention of specialist provision within services.
656	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Reducing admin posts will result in heavier workloads for staff who are already overloaded with work. This results in poorer services to clients.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Mgt & Admin Support	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Experience has demonstrated that the council can deliver a more effective and cost efficient service through the centralisation of generic tasks, use of technology and retention of specialist provision within services.

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657	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	I also believe the council is top heavy with regards to management. Some departments seem to have more managers than they need.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Mgt & Admin Support	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council continually reviews the tiers of management and span of control across all service levels against a target 5 x 5 structure. This ensures that the council continues to operate with an effective and efficient managerial structure.
658	No Response	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Given that admin and support staff have already been significantly trimmed in recent years, I do not see how this can be further achieved without having a huge impact on remaining staff. As a teacher my role is becoming increasingly administrative due to the fact that there is so little admin support, leaving me less and less time to focus on quality teaching.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Mgt & Admin Support	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Experience has demonstrated that the council can deliver a more effective and cost efficient service through the centralisation of generic tasks, use of technology and retention of specialist provision within services.
659	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Re-structure Member Services so that we have ONE Business Manager rather than three. This should be a central admin function managed by one person.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Mgt & Admin Support	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The Council is required to provide efficient and effective support for elective members and has reviewed the staffing complement to ensure that it is as efficient as possible whilst still providing appropriate support.
660	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	In previous savings you already reduced admin meaning that higher paid people had to do admin along with their own work. This is not cost effective. Pay people the correct rate for the jobs which need done. Remove tasks that are 'add on' or 'created posts' such as the plethora of performance officers and recently created performance team - they add nothing to front line delivery. Make managers responsible for performance.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Mgt & Admin Support	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Experience has demonstrated that the council can deliver a more effective and cost efficient service through the centralisation of generic tasks, use of technology and retention of specialist provision within services.
661	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Reduce management, it's usually top heavy nowadays.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Mgt & Admin Support	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council continually reviews the tiers of management and span of control across all service levels against a target 5 x 5 structure. This ensures that the council continues to operate with an effective and efficient managerial structure.
662	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Admin staff have already been reduced and this does not save much money given their salaries. I feel it would be better to cut some Managers to make more savings. In areas such as Social Policy, the Admin staff are all very busy with lots of work to do. Further cuts would be detrimental to the services provided.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Mgt & Admin Support	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council continually reviews the tiers of management and span of control across all service levels against a target 5 x 5 structure. This ensures that the council continues to operate with an effective and efficient managerial structure.
663	No Response	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Given that admin and support staff have already been significantly trimmed in recent years, I do not see how this can be further achieved without having a huge impact on remaining staff. As a teacher my role is becoming increasingly administrative due to the fact that there is so little admin support, leaving me less and less time to focus on quality teaching.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Mgt & Admin Support	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Experience has demonstrated that the council can deliver a more effective and cost efficient service through the centralisation of generic tasks, use of technology and retention of specialist provision within services.
664	No Response	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Reducing management and administrative support functions is risky as the remaining people in these posts may be asked to do more than is possible to cover for the reduction in FTE therefore needs to have a well thought through plan.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Mgt & Admin Support	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council continually reviews the tiers of management and span of control across all service levels against a target 5 x 5 structure. This ensures that the council continues to operate with an effective and efficient managerial structure.
665	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	management needs to be urgently addressed at all levels ie too many managers , especially middle management .	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Mgt & Admin Support	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council continually reviews the tiers of management and span of control across all service levels against a target 5 x 5 structure. This ensures that the council continues to operate with an effective and efficient managerial structure.
666	No Response	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Management can be streamlined	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Mgt & Admin Support	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council continually reviews the tiers of management and span of control across all service levels against a target 5 x 5 structure. This ensures that the council continues to operate with an effective and efficient managerial structure.
667	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	With regards to internal functions, any inefficient and unneeded management should be cut.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Mgt & Admin Support	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council continually reviews the tiers of management and span of control across all service levels against a target 5 x 5 structure. This ensures that the council continues to operate with an effective and efficient managerial structure.
668	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Moving towards digital processes and removing the need for high numbers of administrative and management staff would reduce costs as well as shortening the timescales for consultations/ meetings/outcomes and actually getting on with the job.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Mgt & Admin Support	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Experience has demonstrated that the council can deliver a more effective and cost efficient service through the centralisation of generic tasks, use of technology and retention of specialist provision within services.

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669	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Improving efficiency in administrative systems seems sensible, presuming compulsory redundancy won't be involved	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Mgt & Admin Support	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Experience has demonstrated that the council can deliver a more effective and cost efficient service through the centralisation of generic tasks, use of technology and retention of specialist provision within services.
670	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Too many Managers on very high salaries! Any cuts should be made here rather than st lower levels .	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Mgt & Admin Support	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council continually reviews the tiers of management and span of control across all service levels against a target 5 x 5 structure. This ensures that the council continues to operate with an effective and efficient managerial structure.
671	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Levels of management should be reduced.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Mgt & Admin Support	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council continually reviews the tiers of management and span of control across all service levels against a target 5 x 5 structure. This ensures that the council continues to operate with an effective and efficient managerial structure.
672	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	I think there would be value in looking at the management structure from top to bottom, there should be no reduction to frontline service staff. However, it feels like there are too many managers on pay grades way above the frontline staff pay grades and a total imbalance on the salaries for managers.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Mgt & Admin Support	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council continually reviews the tiers of management and span of control across all service levels against a target 5 x 5 structure. This ensures that the council continues to operate with an effective and efficient managerial structure.
673	No Response	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	I do not think that we need as many levels on management as the council has. Cut out some management to save money. Also reducing the chief executive Salary. We do not need all these people at the top of the tree. Front line services should not be reduced or cut back any further as the public like and need front line services.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Mgt & Admin Support	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council continually reviews the tiers of management and span of control across all service levels against a target 5 x 5 structure. This ensures that the council continues to operate with an effective and efficient managerial structure.
674	No Response	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Do we need all 3 chief execs - and does the chief exec really need to earn over £100k a year???? The middle management needs to be looked at - there are far too many middle managers - too many layers in WLC. The whole structure needs to be looked at. Front line services should not be reduced or cut back any further. Are there jobs that are overlapping each other.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Mgt & Admin Support	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council continually reviews the tiers of management and span of control across all service levels against a target 5 x 5 structure. This ensures that the council continues to operate with an effective and efficient managerial structure. The council is subject to national pay bargaining and terms and conditions and the salary scales for officers are determined nationally.
675	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	When considering new processes please consider the workloads of those that may be taking on new tasks and responsibilities. If their role is just expanding more what will the impact be on their well-being. Maximising technology is ideal, when it is tried and tested and outcomes are quantifiable and proven. Can WLC assure us there will be no investment in bespoke computer systems of any sort. Lengthening contracts, thereby reducing the administrative burden of re-tendering for all involved will achieve savings.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Mgt & Admin Support	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Experience has demonstrated that the council can deliver a more effective and cost effective service through the centralisation of generic tasks with the retention of specialist provision within service. The council does not develop in-house IT systems.
676	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Reduce number of managers.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Mgt & Admin Support	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council continually reviews the tiers of management and span of control across all service levels against a target 5 x 5 structure. This ensures that the council continues to operate with an effective and efficient managerial structure.
677	No Response	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Yes, reducing back office functions seems sensible and councils do tend to be management heavy so a more streamlined structure would be welcome.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Mgt & Admin Support	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council continually reviews the tiers of management and span of control across all service levels against a target 5 x 5 structure. This ensures that the council continues to operate with an effective and efficient managerial structure.
678	No Response	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	I agree that consolidating middle management roles should be considered although administrative support roles are necessary to reduce the pressure in some services (i.e. social work, education, etc). ensuring that the professional staff can carry out the more important tasks.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Mgt & Admin Support	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council continually reviews the tiers of management and span of control across all service levels against a target 5 x 5 structure. This ensures that the council continues to operate with an effective and efficient managerial structure.
679	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	There should be a clear policy of "thinning out" from the top of the pyramid down regarding staffing levels. There are several crossover areas where work carried out by 2 or even three areas could be just as efficiently completed by one	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Mgt & Admin Support	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Experience has demonstrated that the council can deliver a more effective and cost effective service through the centralisation of generic tasks, use of technology and retention of specialist provision within service. This model still allows the opportunity for staff to engage with council officers on a face to face basis at the most effective and convenient level.

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680	No Response	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Care needs to be taken when reducing the administration support functions as increasing workloads will result in poor efficiency, greater stress and employee absenteeism and a higher turnover of staff amongst other things, which can only impact negatively on the service and customers	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Mgt & Admin Support	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Experience has demonstrated that the council can deliver a more effective and cost effective service through the centralisation of generic tasks, use of technology and retention of specialist provision within service. This model still allows the opportunity for staff to engage with council officers on a face to face basis at the most effective and convenient level.
681	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Don't you think we are already working with minimal Admin staff, who is going to complete the work with less staff available? Highly likely remaining staff will be off work with stress related illness. Currently if part time staff aren't in work, another staff member is on holiday and one calls sick into work, the work simply does not get completed within allocated timescale.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Mgt & Admin Support	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Experience has demonstrated that the council can deliver a more effective and cost efficient service through the centralisation of generic tasks, use of technology and retention of specialist provision within services.
682	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	I think that cuts are made readily to important services despite the council being administrative heavy. Management could be streamlined.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Mgt & Admin Support	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council continually reviews the tiers of management and span of control across all service levels against a target 5 x 5 structure. This ensures that the council continues to operate with an effective and efficient managerial structure.
683	No Response	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Loosing manager and support functions, it seems that more money should be put into this rather than taken away. Surely the workload is going to increase so how are less people going to manage it??	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Mgt & Admin Support	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Experience has demonstrated that the council can deliver a more effective and cost efficient service through the centralisation of generic tasks, use of technology and retention of specialist provision within services.
684	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	You already employ a lean management structure, there are no opportunities in the organisation for development, as a result good staff leave. It is understandable that you see admin as an area to be consolidated, however you must be mindful of staff such as "technical clerks" who do specialised jobs although they may be on an administration wage, they carry out specialist work. You must be mindful of your statutory responsibilities.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Mgt & Admin Support	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Experience has demonstrated that the council can deliver a more effective and cost effective service through the centralisation of generic tasks with the retention of specialist provision within service. The council continually reviews the tiers of management and span of control across all service levels against a target 5 x 5 structure. This ensures that the council continues to operate with an effective and efficient managerial structure.
685	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Reduce the management levels more Indians less chiefs.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Mgt & Admin Support	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council continually reviews the tiers of management and span of control across all service levels against a target 5 x 5 structure. This ensures that the council continues to operate with an effective and efficient managerial structure.
686	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Reduce number of useless managers	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Mgt & Admin Support	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council continually reviews the tiers of management and span of control across all service levels against a target 5 x 5 structure. This ensures that the council continues to operate with an effective and efficient managerial structure.
687	No Response	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	The reduction of administrative support functions seems to be a false economy as their function will have to be undertaken by staff who should be concentrating on their roles e.g. social workers, teachers, and IT professionals. It would be better to ensure that the admin staff are capable of supporting the Council departments by being qualified to meet the technological challenges of modern organisational life. Sincerely hope that "partner organisations" does not mean external suppliers who inevitably charge more for doing less.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Mgt & Admin Support	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Experience has demonstrated that the council can deliver a more effective and cost efficient service through the centralisation of generic tasks, use of technology and retention of specialist provision within services.
688	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Sounds a good idea provided you have the quality of staff who can still function well if management support and direction is reduced.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Mgt & Admin Support	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
689	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	there is no reason I can see why departments do not share management systems such as line management- as long as the line management personnel have enough time to properly manage their teams. Devolving line management can help, but only if other duties and responsibilities are released, in order to facilitate the new duties and responsibilities.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Mgt & Admin Support	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council continually reviews the tiers of management and span of control across all service levels against a target 5 x 5 structure. This ensures that the council continues to operate with an effective and efficient managerial structure.
690	No Response	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Consolidating and reducing management and administration support working with partners to share costs is the way forward.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Mgt & Admin Support	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Experience has demonstrated that the council can deliver a more effective and cost efficient service through the centralisation of generic tasks, use of technology and retention of specialist provision within services.

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691	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Get rid of upper management as they have the biggest pay packets and this would save the most money.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Mgt & Admin Support	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council continually reviews the tiers of management and span of control across all service levels against a target 5 x 5 structure. This ensures that the council continues to operate with an effective and efficient managerial structure.
692	No Response	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Perhaps rather than cutting services for people living in west Lothian, getting rid of over paid managers would help.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Mgt & Admin Support	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council is subject to national pay bargaining and terms and condition and the salary scales for officers are determined nationally. The council continually reviews the tiers of management and span of control across all service levels against a target 5 x 5 structure. This ensures that the council continues to operate with an effective and efficient managerial structure.
693	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Totally agree with looking into function which are not statutory to see if there are any savings to be made there. Why an assumption was made that by reducing admin support staff and reducing management efficiency and effectiveness can be made? Should you not look into the structure to see how can you re design the teams first, before you make a decision that admin staff must go? You should remember that someone will still need to do the job unless you want to pay professional officers and way much higher grades than admin officers for doing more admin work - where is the saving in that? Look into your processes to see who does what and stop people from doing things they should not be doing. Look how City of Glasgow and North Ayrshire taken their staff through transformation and how much they have saved.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Mgt & Admin Support	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Experience has demonstrated that the council can deliver a more effective and cost efficient service through the centralisation of generic tasks, use of technology and retention of specialist provision within services.
694	No Response	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Cutting the ridiculous amount of managers and executives will make a huge difference for the budget	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Mgt & Admin Support	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council continually reviews the tiers of management and span of control across all service levels against a target 5 x 5 structure. This ensures that the council continues to operate with an effective and efficient managerial structure.
695	No Response	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Definitely need to cut the amount of managers will save a fortune	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Mgt & Admin Support	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council continually reviews the tiers of management and span of control across all service levels against a target 5 x 5 structure. This ensures that the council continues to operate with an effective and efficient managerial structure.
696	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Management could definitely be reduced however, in my experience, it is the admin staff who provide the majority of the support to enable a business such as the council to operate and therefore, unless ridiculously overstaffed, this should be the last provision to be removed.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Mgt & Admin Support	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council continually reviews the tiers of management and span of control across all service levels against a target 5 x 5 structure. This ensures that the council continues to operate with an effective and efficient managerial structure.
697	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Consolidation and reducing management and administrative support functions can only be achieved where the processes and systems that are implemented to do so genuinely release time and capacity rather than further burdening managers with administrative functions no different to those which were previously supported by skilled and efficient humans.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Mgt & Admin Support	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Experience has demonstrated that the council can deliver a more effective and cost efficient service through the centralisation of generic tasks, use of technology and retention of specialist provision within services.
698	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Yes management needs to be restructured. Definitely would be very cost effective.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Mgt & Admin Support	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council continually reviews the tiers of management and span of control across all service levels against a target 5 x 5 structure. This ensures that the council continues to operate with an effective and efficient managerial structure.
699	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	If there are further cuts you can make through streamlining admin and support services then they should be implemented immediately	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Mgt & Admin Support	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Experience has demonstrated that the council can deliver a more effective and cost efficient service through the centralisation of generic tasks, use of technology and retention of specialist provision within services.
700	No Response	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	I think there are too many layers of management and reducing some would be good idea.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Mgt & Admin Support	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council continually reviews the tiers of management and span of control across all service levels against a target 5 x 5 structure. This ensures that the council continues to operate with an effective and efficient managerial structure.
701	No Response	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	This doesn't really describe what would actually happen to reduce costs in management, business and financial support. however for all the re-shuffles and re-organisations that the council has seen, it seems there is too many management higher level staff who don't provide services to the public, and any customer facing/important jobs are being cut or amalgamated into 1 role. Stop getting rid of the people we need.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Mgt & Admin Support	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council continually reviews the tiers of management and span of control across all service levels against a target 5 x 5 structure. This ensures that the council continues to operate with an effective and efficient managerial structure.

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702	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Yes, reducing back office functions seems sensible and councils do tend to be management heavy so a more streamlined structure would be welcome.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Mgt & Admin Support	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council continually reviews the tiers of management and span of control across all service levels against a target 5 x 5 structure. This ensures that the council continues to operate with an effective and efficient managerial structure.
703	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	the most important part of council is the frontline staff who deliver services /;- there are too many "suits" in council who have little experience of the services they are maanaging	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Mgt & Admin Support	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Experience has demonstrated that the council can deliver a more effective and cost efficient service through the centralisation of generic tasks, use of technology and retention of specialist provision within services.
704	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Support services are essential to supporting the key frontline services and although savings need to be made, the over stretched support services should not take the lion's share of savings. Savings need to be proportionate across all councils services.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Mgt & Admin Support	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Experience has demonstrated that the council can deliver a more effective and cost efficient service through the centralisation of generic tasks, use of technology and retention of specialist provision within services.
705	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	A review of the management structure including middle management may be beneficial as it appears it may be top heavy. If the council pay for staff in partner organisations, this could be looked at to focus on those most beneficial to the council.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Mgt & Admin Support	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council continually reviews the tiers of management and span of control across all service levels against a target 5 x 5 structure. This ensures that the council continues to operate with an effective and efficient managerial structure.
706	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Reduce management levels starting form top grades of staffing, front line service's have been reduced enough over the recent years and struggle at times to give any service.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Mgt & Admin Support	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council continually reviews the tiers of management and span of control across all service levels against a target 5 x 5 structure. This ensures that the council continues to operate with an effective and efficient managerial structure.
707	No Response	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	The problem with staffing restructures is that it is normally the workers that are affected and the management stays. If this is restructured across all levels then I agree.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Mgt & Admin Support	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Any service restructure will be undertaken in accordance with the council organisational change policy and in consultation with the recognised trade unions. The Council has developed a Corporate Workforce Plan and Service specific workforce plans which monitor staffing requirements and ensure as far as possible that staffing complements and staff skills meet the service requirements.
708	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Without more details it is very difficult to provide a informed and balanced opinion. Any efficiency improvements would be effective at reducing costs, for example, getting rid of a layer of middle management would prove to be very effective.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Mgt & Admin Support	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	The council continually reviews the tiers of management and span of control across all service levels against a target 5 x 5 structure. This ensures that the council continues to operate with an effective and efficient managerial structure.
709	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Too many managers and not enough feet on the ground. Cuts have to come from the top down, leaving a valuable workforce to do their jobs.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Mgt & Admin Support	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council continually reviews the tiers of management and span of control across all service levels against a target 5 x 5 structure. This ensures that the council continues to operate with an effective and efficient managerial structure.
710	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Management and Administrative support should be reduced wherever possible to ensure the reduced budget can be used to maintain frontline staff who provide a direct service to the customer. Most inefficient company structures have far to many layers of management and administration staff. Too many chiefs and not enough Indians is a proverb that the council should seriously consider in the trimming of any services	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Mgt & Admin Support	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Experience has demonstrated that the council can deliver a more effective and cost efficient service through the centralisation of generic tasks, use of technology and retention of specialist provision within services.
711	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	If reducing management there still needs to be clear reporting lines with transparency and accountability.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Mgt & Admin Support	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council continually reviews the tiers of management and span of control across all service levels against a target 5 x 5 structure. This ensures that the council continues to operate with an effective and efficient managerial structure.
712	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	There are to many highly paid management positions doing duplicate functions. The private sector could not sustain this. This sector uses consultants if and when required. This could free up funds for front line services. There are multi national companies less top heavy	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Mgt & Admin Support	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council continually reviews the tiers of management and span of control across all service levels against a target 5 x 5 structure. This ensures that the council continues to operate with an effective and efficient managerial structure.
713	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Start at the top, save most that way.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Mgt & Admin Support	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council continually reviews the tiers of management and span of control across all service levels against a target 5 x 5 structure. This ensures that the council continues to operate with an effective and efficient managerial structure.

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714	No Response	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	the tiers of management levels are unacceptable	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Mgt & Admin Support	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council continually reviews the tiers of management and span of control across all service levels against a target 5 x 5 structure. This ensures that the council continues to operate with an effective and efficient managerial structure.
715	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	4.Look at supervisory levels throughout the council, could the overhead be reduced making in-house services more competitive	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Mgt & Admin Support	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council continually reviews the tiers of management and span of control across all service levels against a target 5 x 5 structure. This ensures that the council continues to operate with an effective and efficient managerial structure.
716	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	4.Look at supervisory levels throughout the council, could the overhead be reduced making in-house services more competitive	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Mgt & Admin Support	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council continually reviews the tiers of management and span of control across all service levels against a target 5 x 5 structure. This ensures that the council continues to operate with an effective and efficient managerial structure.
717	No Response	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	4.Look at supervisory levels throughout the council, could the overhead be reduced making in-house services more competitive?	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Mgt & Admin Support	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council continually reviews the tiers of management and span of control across all service levels against a target 5 x 5 structure. This ensures that the council continues to operate with an effective and efficient managerial structure.
718	No Response	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	4.Look at supervisory levels throughout the council, could the overhead be reduced making in-house services more competitive?	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Mgt & Admin Support	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council continually reviews the tiers of management and span of control across all service levels against a target 5 x 5 structure. This ensures that the council continues to operate with an effective and efficient managerial structure.
719	No Response	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	4.Look at supervisory levels throughout the council, could the overhead be reduced making in-house services more competitive?	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Mgt & Admin Support	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council continually reviews the tiers of management and span of control across all service levels against a target 5 x 5 structure. This ensures that the council continues to operate with an effective and efficient managerial structure.
720	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	The amount of management and administrative support functions has already been reduced in previous years. The workload is still the same so it only shifts those responsibilities onto other staff. In my opinion there's not a great scope for savings in this area.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Mgt & Admin Support	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Experience has demonstrated that the council can deliver a more effective and cost efficient service through the centralisation of generic tasks, use of technology and retention of specialist provision within services.
721	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	I agree we are top heavy when it comes to management, admin is also over populated.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Mgt & Admin Support	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council continually reviews the tiers of management and span of control across all service levels against a target 5 x 5 structure. This ensures that the council continues to operate with an effective and efficient managerial structure.
722	No Response	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	council most definately top heavy regarding management versus manual workforce ,	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Mgt & Admin Support	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council continually reviews the tiers of management and span of control across all service levels against a target 5 x 5 structure. This ensures that the council continues to operate with an effective and efficient managerial structure.
723	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Agree with reducing management.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Mgt & Admin Support	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
724	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Agree with reducing management	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Mgt & Admin Support	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
725	No Response	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Often in businesses cuts are made at admin/support level when actually there would be more merit in making cuts at more senior levels.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Mgt & Admin Support	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council continually reviews the tiers of management and span of control across all service levels against a target 5 x 5 structure. This ensures that the council continues to operate with an effective and efficient managerial structure.
726	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Would agree and accept this proposal. There are too many managers in charge of nothing.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Mgt & Admin Support	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council continually reviews the tiers of management and span of control across all service levels against a target 5 x 5 structure. This ensures that the council continues to operate with an effective and efficient managerial structure.

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727	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	I do not think reducing management levels will benefit service integrations. Integration and redesign of services should see managers within different professions team working to provide safe and efficient services for members of West Lothian Council. Managers are there to provide leadership and encouragement within a team and this is something that should remain. To reduce overall expenditure I think the Council should consider cutting administration costs. Employees should be encouraged to go "paper light"	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Mgt & Admin Support	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council continually reviews the tiers of management and span of control across all service levels against a target 5 x 5 structure. This ensures that the council continues to operate with an effective and efficient managerial structure. Experience has demonstrated that the council can deliver a more effective and cost efficient service through the centralisation of generic tasks, use of technology and retention of specialist provision within services.
728	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Whilst I do believe that a redesign is important in a cost cutting exercise, I firmly believe that reducing the support to services will have added pressure to those providing the services.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Mgt & Admin Support	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Experience has demonstrated that the council can deliver a more effective and cost efficient service through the centralisation of generic tasks, use of technology and retention of specialist provision within services.
729	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	This could be a false economy - We need to be very careful that reducing admin support does not end up costing more to do a job task eg. having professional staff paid on higher rates to answer queries/ direct people and calls/input info which could be done by staff on admin grades. Perhaps 2 experienced practitioners plus admin support could cover same work load as 3 Practitioners less experienced and limited admin support.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Mgt & Admin Support	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Experience has demonstrated that the council can deliver a more effective and cost efficient service through the centralisation of generic tasks, use of technology and retention of specialist provision within services.
730	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Whilst it is easy to say reduction of management and administration is a popular and less controversial cut to make, this does not always equal good business sense.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Mgt & Admin Support	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Experience has demonstrated that the council can deliver a more effective and cost efficient service through the centralisation of generic tasks, use of technology and retention of specialist provision within services.
731	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Reducing management & trusting middle management with decision making would create savings, but support & additional time would be required to support the extra duties.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Mgt & Admin Support	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council continually reviews the tiers of management and span of control across all service levels against a target 5 x 5 structure. This ensures that the council continues to operate with an effective and efficient managerial structure.
732	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Do we need all 3 chief execs - and does the chief exec really need to earn over £100k a year???? The middle management needs to be looked at - there are far too many middle managers within WLC - too many layers in WLC. The whole structure needs to be looked at. Front line services should not be reduced or cut back any further. Are there jobs that are overlapping each other.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Mgt & Admin Support	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council continually reviews the tiers of management and span of control across all service levels against a target 5 x 5 structure. This ensures that the council continues to operate with an effective and efficient managerial structure. The council is subject to national pay bargaining and terms and conditions and the salary scales for officers are determined nationally.
733	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	There has already been an admin overhaul, and it did not meet the needs of the services. taking admin away from service areas and into a pool is not the answer. This has created anxiety in areas, as the pool does not understand all the functions that a designated staff team used to understand.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Mgt & Admin Support	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Experience has demonstrated that the council can deliver a more effective and cost efficient service through the centralisation of generic tasks, use of technology and retention of specialist provision within services.
734	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Streamlined management services is a great idea, providing it does not result in inefficiency, then it becomes a waste of Money and resources.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Mgt & Admin Support	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Experience has demonstrated that the council can deliver a more effective and cost efficient service through the centralisation of generic tasks, use of technology and retention of specialist provision within services.
735	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	I think fewer managers and more people on the shop floor makes more sense.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Mgt & Admin Support	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council continually reviews the tiers of management and span of control across all service levels against a target 5 x 5 structure. This ensures that the council continues to operate with an effective and efficient managerial structure.
736	No Response	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	I think it prudent to look at the workforce structure. Is management rather top heavy. I suspect we could do with more on the shop floor. It is also sensible to look at cost of buying in services. It is cost effective	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Mgt & Admin Support	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council continually reviews the tiers of management and span of control across all service levels against a target 5 x 5 structure. This ensures that the council continues to operate with an effective and efficient managerial structure.
737	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	there is too many layers of management at present who do not achieve much	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Mgt & Admin Support	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council continually reviews the tiers of management and span of control across all service levels against a target 5 x 5 structure. This ensures that the council continues to operate with an effective and efficient managerial structure.

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738	No Response	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Agree cutting admin staff should be a priority	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Mgt & Admin Support	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Experience has demonstrated that the council can deliver a more effective and cost efficient service through the centralisation of generic tasks, use of technology and retention of specialist provision within services.
739	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	far too many middle managers making up policies in offices....	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Mgt & Admin Support	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council continually reviews the tiers of management and span of control across all service levels against a target 5 x 5 structure. This ensures that the council continues to operate with an effective and efficient managerial structure.
740	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	This would be a good idea to consolidate administrative functions	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Mgt & Admin Support	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Experience has demonstrated that the council can deliver a more effective and cost efficient service through the centralisation of generic tasks, use of technology and retention of specialist provision within services.
741	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	This sounds sensible. Grouping services together and staff working across areas would save money and still deliver services.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Mgt & Admin Support	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Experience has demonstrated that the council can deliver a more effective and cost efficient service through the centralisation of generic tasks, use of technology and retention of specialist provision within services.
742	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Glasgow city council moved to 'tomorrows office' cutting down on the need for paper saving money, streamlining services and cutting down on the huge salaries up the top of the council, who rarely see any impact, would have a huge impact on the savings required. It seems that the cuts are always found from the 'bottom' and the people up the top on high double figure salaries are rarely impacted.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Mgt & Admin Support	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Experience has demonstrated that the council can deliver a more effective and cost effective service through the centralisation of generic tasks, use of technology and retention of specialist provision within service. The council is subject to national pay bargaining and the salary scales for officers are determined nationally. The council is subject to national pay bargaining, and terms and conditions.
743	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Too many high earning 'management' when this could be done with less managers. cutting a manager from a lot of services would save a lot more and be a better answer than cutting considerably more 'coal face' workers.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Mgt & Admin Support	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council continually reviews the tiers of management and span of control across all service levels against a target 5 x 5 structure. This ensures that the council continues to operate with an effective and efficient managerial structure.
744	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Providing the changes do not impact on service delivery then the internal structure of the council is irrelevant.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Mgt & Admin Support	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Experience has demonstrated that the council can deliver a more effective and cost efficient service through the centralisation of generic tasks, use of technology and retention of specialist provision within services.
745	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Reducing none essential staffs is okay, but integrate Minorities into positions of responsibilities.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Mgt & Admin Support	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Experience has demonstrated that the council can deliver a more effective and cost efficient service through the centralisation of generic tasks, use of technology and retention of specialist provision within services.
746	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	1a: There is not much information here to say what changes would be made. It is a big saving so while some efficiencies can perhaps be made, surely there would be a drop in support for services? It is hard to comment when there is so little detail.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Mgt & Admin Support	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
747	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	I think you should give priory to reducing office workers rather than the people out in the field, for example bin men and pavement cleaners. I think office workers are more able to find other jobs.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Mgt & Admin Support	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Experience has demonstrated that the council can deliver a more effective and cost efficient service through the centralisation of generic tasks, use of technology and retention of specialist provision within services.
748	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Head Teachers will still need support and its concerning that there will be a loss of strategic planning and supplication of resources if all schools doing their own things.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Mgt & Admin Support	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Experience has demonstrated that the council can deliver a more effective and cost efficient service through the centralisation of generic tasks, use of technology and retention of specialist provision within services.

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749	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	This isn't very clear, including what constitutes statutory "requirements". The council should look to promote full digitisation of council facilities, removing paper-based communication, and look to work with neighbouring local authorities in sharing services and systems. Planning advertisements (which in fact fail to meet visual accessibility guidelines) should be removed from local printed newspapers and shared online using web pages which already exist.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Mgt & Admin Support	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has introduced measures to reduce the production and publication of paper documents through the greater use of electronic documents and related systems. The introduction of print management software will allow managers to assess what is being printed with a view to reduction in repeat prints. The council has an existing shared service agreement with South Lanarkshire Council for a shared IT data centre and will continue to develop opportunities for further shared service arrangements with other public bodies. The council is also progressing with West Lothian College the provision of shared services opportunities across a range of service areas.
750	No Response	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Consolidation and reduction can only produce results to a certain extent. If this is done too much then the effect is the opposite in that there is not sufficient staff/resources to be able to deliver services that we are required to do.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Mgt & Admin Support	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Experience has demonstrated that the council can deliver a more effective and cost efficient service through the centralisation of generic tasks, use of technology and retention of specialist provision within services.
751	No Response	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	The use of technologies and modernisation will improve efficiency but this will only be able to happen through cross department communication, to share ideas and knowledge and experience. Systems which are shown to be ineffective or poor performing should be scrapped and new ones brought in to replace them. Where there are better alternatives, at a slightly higher cost, these should not be ruled out purely on the issue of cost analysis as the benefits (financial and otherwise) may in the longer term far outweigh the short term cost savings.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Mgt & Admin Support	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has made significant investment in the IT infrastructure and will continue to allocate appropriate resources to introduce new technology where appropriate. The council's ICT Strategy seeks to deliver change in line with advances in technology and changes in council priorities, whilst still having a clear framework within which to operate.
752	No Response	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	doing the above you still need the staff but cut management	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Mgt & Admin Support	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council continually reviews the tiers of management and span of control across all service levels against a target 5 x 5 structure. This ensures that the council continues to operate with an effective and efficient managerial structure.
753	No Response	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Sounds good on paper however I am unconvinced with regard to the real time savings of this strategy. The reduction of Admin staff does not provide a positive supportive working environment for staff.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Mgt & Admin Support	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Experience has demonstrated that the council can deliver a more effective and cost efficient service through the centralisation of generic tasks, use of technology and retention of specialist provision within services.
754	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	The timescale of the implementation of any reductions needs to be realistic to allow service who currently rely on the support to retrain and prepare for the change .	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Mgt & Admin Support	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council will consult with staff and trade unions on proposals which will result in changes to staffing structures and will provide support and information to staff on opportunities for redeployment and training.
755	No Response	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	The council's commitment to avoiding redundancies is a positive objective, especially in light of the intention to increase employment, as a result re-tasking of staff is essential however re-tasking requires re-training in addition to re-location.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Mgt & Admin Support	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has been able to delivery significant budget reductions in the last 10 years without the requirement for compulsory redundancies. The scale of the further reductions required over the next five years will be challenging and the council will seek to use the existing range of workforce management and organisational change policies to deliver the required reductions in staffing numbers.
756	No Response	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Management is always top heavy on councils. All these surveys are a waste of resources - surely by now you know what we need/want.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Mgt & Admin Support	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council continually reviews the tiers of management and span of control across all service levels against a target 5 x 5 structure. This ensures that the council continues to operate with an effective and efficient managerial structure.
757	No Response	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Streamlining internal administration and reducing bureaucracy must be a priority, although the estimated saving appears high if this can be achieved through system modernisation then it should be pursued vigorously.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Mgt & Admin Support	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Experience has demonstrated that the council can deliver a more effective and cost efficient service through the centralisation of generic tasks, use of technology and retention of specialist provision within services.

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758	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Agree reduce management and increased use of technology. However admin staff are still important and should be retained to maintain knowledge and keep the personal touch that residents prefer.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Mgt & Admin Support	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Experience has demonstrated that the council can deliver a more effective and cost efficient service through the centralisation of generic tasks, use of technology and retention of specialist provision within services.
759	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Very difficult to comment on a generic description with little detail. However, without effective management, services are unlikely to improve in efficiency.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Mgt & Admin Support	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Experience has demonstrated that the council can deliver a more effective and cost efficient service through the centralisation of generic tasks, use of technology and retention of specialist provision within services.
760	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	The issue with removing administrative support is that those delivering services can be removed from key essential tasks in service provision because they are spending time on administrative functions. This can impact negatively on service delivery.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Mgt & Admin Support	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Experience has demonstrated that the council can deliver a more effective and cost efficient service through the centralisation of generic tasks, use of technology and retention of specialist provision within services.
761	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Consideration should be given to the full management structure, including the corporate management team.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Mgt & Admin Support	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council continually reviews the tiers of management and span of control across all service levels against a target 5 x 5 structure. This ensures that the council continues to operate with an effective and efficient managerial structure.
762	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	This is vital - the council duplicates management and should be focused on front line services.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Mgt & Admin Support	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Experience has demonstrated that the council can deliver a more effective and cost efficient service through the centralisation of generic tasks, use of technology and retention of specialist provision within services.
763	No Response	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	I may be wrong to assume/expect that The Council management teams constantly examine, redesign, implement and review all their processes. If this is the situation, wins are going to be hard to get. If not, it is a great disappointment and the sooner they get on with it the better. Efficiencies gained will mean there will be no impact on the functioning of management and administrative support. There may be a reduction in staff however. But, if the "quick and dirty" solution is to cut management and administrative support (reduction in staff) I imagine this will effect those requiring the services of council officers in say, housing, building control social work, for example. Not good!	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Mgt & Admin Support	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council continually reviews the tiers of management and span of control across all service levels against a target 5 x 5 structure. This ensures that the council continues to operate with an effective and efficient managerial structure. Experience has demonstrated that the council can deliver a more effective and cost efficient service through the centralisation of generic tasks, use of technology and retention of specialist provision within services.
764	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	less management and more workers would be a positive	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Mgt & Admin Support	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council continually reviews the tiers of management and span of control across all service levels against a target 5 x 5 structure. This ensures that the council continues to operate with an effective and efficient managerial structure.
765	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	most of the proposals so far have been about cutting staff and if this is done properly and the senior management grades are all taken into account then this should work	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Mgt & Admin Support	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council continually reviews the tiers of management and span of control across all service levels against a target 5 x 5 structure. This ensures that the council continues to operate with an effective and efficient managerial structure. The council is subject to national pay bargaining and terms and conditions and the salary scales for officers are determined nationally.
766	No Response	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	In relation to savings the salaries of the top earners within the council should be addressed rather than cutting front line or support services	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Mgt & Admin Support	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council is subject to national pay bargaining, and terms and conditions and the salary scales for officers are determined nationally
767	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	When recruiting managers, WLC needs those with commercial experience and proven management skills (a comment made during the last consultation) who can make a decision and move things forward. There are a number of existing managers in WLC do not deal with for example; sickness absence, investigating claims, assume others will do the work and make a decision for them.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Mgt & Admin Support	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has a number of systems and processes in place which are essential to enable managers to monitor and report staff performance and efficiency.
768	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Maybe changes need to be made with the management structure - less managers and more people on the ground!	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Mgt & Admin Support	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council continually reviews the tiers of management and span of control across all service levels against a target 5 x 5 structure. This ensures that the council continues to operate with an effective and efficient managerial structure.

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769	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Perhaps savings should be made by ridding the council of highly paid naval gazers.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Mgt & Admin Support	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council continually reviews the tiers of management and span of control across all service levels against a target 5 x 5 structure. This ensures that the council continues to operate with an effective and efficient managerial structure.
770	No Response	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Less managers doing more tasks .	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Mgt & Admin Support	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council continually reviews the tiers of management and span of control across all service levels against a target 5 x 5 structure. This ensures that the council continues to operate with an effective and efficient managerial structure.
771	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Management often not required and not adding value.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Mgt & Admin Support	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council continually reviews the tiers of management and span of control across all service levels against a target 5 x 5 structure. This ensures that the council continues to operate with an effective and efficient managerial structure.
772	No Response	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	minimizing costs i.e thinning out the managerial structures. Too many managers and not enough workforce.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Mgt & Admin Support	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council continually reviews the tiers of management and span of control across all service levels against a target 5 x 5 structure. This ensures that the council continues to operate with an effective and efficient managerial structure.
773	No Response	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Administrative support functions are vital to any service provision. It is unfair and unrealistic to believe that fewer employees will be able to deliver the same or similar provision.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Mgt & Admin Support	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Experience has demonstrated that the council can deliver a more effective and cost efficient service through the centralisation of generic tasks, use of technology and retention of specialist provision within services.
774	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	There are specific admin roles that cannot be integrated, job specific admin roles which cant be carried out across the board, these need identified	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Mgt & Admin Support	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Experience has demonstrated that the council can deliver a more effective and cost efficient service through the centralisation of generic tasks, use of technology and retention of specialist provision within services.
775	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Hopefully these will not just be bottom up savings but will also look at the top management structure of the Council?	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Mgt & Admin Support	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Experience has demonstrated that the council can deliver a more effective and cost efficient service through the centralisation of generic tasks, use of technology and retention of specialist provision within services.
776	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Changes have already been made within the Management structure under the last set of efficiencies and cuts. Further reductions within Social Policy are likely to impact on the operation delivery of service and the care management of service provided to clients. In the next round of efficiencies, I am concerned about the risk the council and service users will be exposed to if too many cuts are made with the management and administrative support.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Mgt & Admin Support	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council continually reviews the tiers of management and span of control across all service levels against a target 5 x 5 structure. This ensures that the council continues to operate with an effective and efficient managerial structure. Experience has demonstrated that the council can deliver a more effective and cost efficient service through the centralisation of generic tasks, use of technology and retention of specialist provision within services.
777	No Response	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	I do feel there are too many managers. Instead of having a manager for each place have a senior member of staff in charge of an area and One manager the overall person in charge of say three or four areas.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Mgt & Admin Support	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council continually reviews the tiers of management and span of control across all service levels against a target 5 x 5 structure. This ensures that the council continues to operate with an effective and efficient managerial structure.
778	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	get rid of some more management too many chiefs not enough workers	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Mgt & Admin Support	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council continually reviews the tiers of management and span of control across all service levels against a target 5 x 5 structure. This ensures that the council continues to operate with an effective and efficient managerial structure.
779	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Reducing bureaucratic roles/management positions at head office.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Mgt & Admin Support	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council continually reviews the tiers of management and span of control across all service levels against a target 5 x 5 structure. This ensures that the council continues to operate with an effective and efficient managerial structure.

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780	No Response	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	The council must prioritise a reduction in senior managers and executive positions and remunerations before considering any reduction in support staff roles.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Mgt & Admin Support	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council continually reviews the tiers of management and span of control across all service levels against a target 5 x 5 structure. This ensures that the council continues to operate with an effective and efficient managerial structure.
781	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Improve processes and reduce the admin and governance work that staff need to undertake. It wastes time and offers little value	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Mgt & Admin Support	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Experience has demonstrated that the council can deliver a more effective and cost efficient service through the centralisation of generic tasks, use of technology and retention of specialist provision within services.
782	No Response	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Admin roles should not be completely abolished but instead condensed.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Mgt & Admin Support	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Experience has demonstrated that the council can deliver a more effective and cost efficient service through the centralisation of generic tasks, use of technology and retention of specialist provision within services.
783	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	I agree that efficiency is key. Management roles could be reconsidered.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Mgt & Admin Support	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council continually reviews the tiers of management and span of control across all service levels against a target 5 x 5 structure. This ensures that the council continues to operate with an effective and efficient managerial structure.
784	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	The council is like all businesses, in that there are too many layers of management.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Mgt & Admin Support	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council continually reviews the tiers of management and span of control across all service levels against a target 5 x 5 structure. This ensures that the council continues to operate with an effective and efficient managerial structure.
785	No Response	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	As I stated previously reduce the number of highly paid jobs 'making Council services more efficient' is a euphemism for cutting jobs. That money could be better spent genuinely improving services.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Mgt & Admin Support	4. The council is already doing this.	Experience has demonstrated that the Council can deliver a more effective and cost effective service through the centralisation of generic tasks with the retention of specialist provision within service. This model still allows the opportunity for staff to engage with Council officers on a face to face basis at the most effective and convenient level.
786	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Save money on higher management not staff on the ground	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Mgt & Admin Support	4. The council is already doing this.	The council is subject to national pay bargaining and the salary scales for officers are determined nationally.
787	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Reduction in administrative and management costs are essential.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Mgt & Admin Support	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
788	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	It makes sense to centralise support functions like business and admin support with the new technology that is available but it's essential this is well thought out. However community support to partner operations need to ensure that it works for both .	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Mgt & Admin Support	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
789	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	There needs to be enough key support staff to undertake reviews and support changes e.g. IT staff and lawyers. They should be paid enough to attract and retain skilled staff.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Mgt & Admin Support	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Experience has demonstrated that the council can deliver a more effective and cost effective service through the centralisation of generic tasks with the retention of specialist provision within service. This model still allows the opportunity for staff to engage with Council officers on a face to face basis at the most effective and convenient level.
790	No Response	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	The Council needs to ensure that there are enough staff within key roles to support these reviews and changes. If there aren't enough IT and lawyers in house they will cost much more to outsource and that's a completed waste of money. Costs of outsourcing work should be quantified and not lost in big projects.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Mgt & Admin Support	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Experience has demonstrated that the council can deliver a more effective and cost effective service through the centralisation of generic tasks with the retention of specialist provision within service. This model still allows the opportunity for staff to engage with Council officers on a face to face basis at the most effective and convenient level.
791	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Middle management seems to be top heavy with large salaries cut some of them.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Mgt & Admin Support	4. The council is already doing this.	The council continually reviews the tiers of management and span of control across all service levels against a target 5 x 5 structure. This ensures that the council continues to operate with an effective and efficient managerial structure

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792	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Reductions in backroom functions can often be a false economy as it increases the administrative burden on staff employed to carry out, for example, statutory functions.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Mgt & Admin Support	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Experience has demonstrated that the Council can deliver a more effective and cost effective service through the centralisation of generic tasks with the retention of specialist provision within service. This model still allows the opportunity for staff to engage with Council officers on a face to face basis at the most effective and convenient level.
793	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Some administrative services provide additional support to specialist areas and would require to remain where they are such as revenues unit link with in house IT and Income and admin assistants	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Mgt & Admin Support	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Experience has demonstrated that the Council can deliver a more effective and cost effective service through the centralisation of generic tasks with the retention of specialist provision within service. This model still allows the opportunity for staff to engage with Council officers on a face to face basis at the most effective and convenient level.
794	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Reduce management or their salary. Community care of elderly and children far more important.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Mgt & Admin Support	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	The council is subject to national pay bargaining and the salary scales for officers are determined nationally.
795	No Response	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Too much middle management. QIs in education.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Mgt & Admin Support	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council continually reviews the tiers of management and span of control across all service levels against a target 5 x 5 structure. This ensures that the Council continues to operate with an effective and efficient managerial structure.
796	No Response	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Too much management / non teaching roles in schools. Waste of money.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Mgt & Admin Support	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council continually reviews the tiers of management and span of control across all service levels against a target 5 x 5 structure. This ensures that the Council continues to operate with an effective and efficient managerial structure.
797	No Response	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	reduce management and any duplication of services	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Mgt & Admin Support	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council continually reviews the tiers of management and span of control across all service levels against a target 5 x 5 structure. This ensures that the Council continues to operate with an effective and efficient managerial structure.
798	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	I feel that certain areas of the Council have far too many management positions per department, particularly in relation to the number of employees under a manager. I believe that this could be reviewed in order to be cost efficient.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Mgt & Admin Support	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council continually reviews the tiers of management and span of control across all service levels against a target 5 x 5 structure. This ensures that the Council continues to operate with an effective and efficient managerial structure.
799	No Response	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	We must stop and resist creating layers of managers as this increases costs and obviscates success.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Mgt & Admin Support	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council continually reviews the tiers of management and span of control across all service levels against a target 5 x 5 structure. This ensures that the Council continues to operate with an effective and efficient managerial structure.
800	No Response	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Lose managers, there seems to be managers for managers before service heads. Invest in front line there is a shortage of library staff and cis staff.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Mgt & Admin Support	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council continually reviews the tiers of management and span of control across all service levels against a target 5 x 5 structure. This ensures that the Council continues to operate with an effective and efficient managerial structure.
801	No Response	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Reduced the number of managers .	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Mgt & Admin Support	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council continually reviews the tiers of management and span of control across all service levels against a target 5 x 5 structure. This ensures that the Council continues to operate with an effective and efficient managerial structure.
802	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	reducing management sounds a good movetoo many meetngs...words, and not enough decisions and action is usually the situation	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Mgt & Admin Support	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council continually reviews the tiers of management and span of control across all service levels against a target 5 x 5 structure. This ensures that the Council continues to operate with an effective and efficient managerial structure.

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803	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Local Councils could centralise some administrative services they provide at local level, for example Human Resources, but there should not be cuts of key services to local communities for example local recycling units, policing etc.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Mgt & Admin Support	4. The Council is already doing this.	The Council has an existing shared service agreement with South Lanarkshire Council for a shared IT data centre and will continue to develop opportunities for further shared service arrangements with other public bodies. The Council is also progressing with West Lothian College the provision of shared services opportunities across a range of service areas.
804	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Given the difficulties in delivering adequate services currently utilising the technology and manpower in place, it is hard to see how a reduction in administrative support functions even when working with partner organisations can be achieved	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Mgt & Admin Support	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Experience has demonstrated that the Council can deliver a more effective and cost effective service through the centralisation of generic tasks with the retention of specialist provision within service.
805	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Reduce upper management £30K+.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Mgt & Admin Support	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council continually reviews the tiers of management and span of control across all service levels against a target 5 x 5 structure. This ensures that the Council continues to operate with an effective and efficient managerial structure.
806	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Reduce level of upper management - £30K+.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Mgt & Admin Support	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council continually reviews the tiers of management and span of control across all service levels against a target 5 x 5 structure. This ensures that the Council continues to operate with an effective and efficient managerial structure.
807	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	There are certainly some levels of management that could be reduced, far too many managers in Social Policy who actively work against each other instead of together.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Mgt & Admin Support	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council continually reviews the tiers of management and span of control across all service levels against a target 5 x 5 structure. This ensures that the Council continues to operate with an effective and efficient managerial structure.
808	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Too many Group and Senior managers in Social Policy. Other local authorities function far more effectively with less managers and more front line staff providing a service	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Mgt & Admin Support	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council continually reviews the tiers of management and span of control across all service levels against a target 5 x 5 structure. This ensures that the Council continues to operate with an effective and efficient managerial structure.
809	No Response	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Top/middle management restructured.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Mgt & Admin Support	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council continually reviews the tiers of management and span of control across all service levels against a target 5 x 5 structure. This ensures that the Council continues to operate with an effective and efficient managerial structure.
810	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Top and middle management needs restructured.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Mgt & Admin Support	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council continually reviews the tiers of management and span of control across all service levels against a target 5 x 5 structure. This ensures that the Council continues to operate with an effective and efficient managerial structure.
811	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Cuts need to be at management level	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Mgt & Admin Support	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council continually reviews the tiers of management and span of control across all service levels against a target 5 x 5 structure. This ensures that the Council continues to operate with an effective and efficient managerial structure.
812	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Look at management groups and how many managers jobs are duplicated for example they are trying to merge health and social care but have 2 managers at the same level do away with these levels who take more to pay and leave those on the shop floor	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Mgt & Admin Support	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council continually reviews the tiers of management and span of control across all service levels against a target 5 x 5 structure. This ensures that the Council continues to operate with an effective and efficient managerial structure.
813	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	This sounds to me as if people are going to be made redundant which conflicts with the aim to improve employment opportunities. How about cutting the number of managerial posts?	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Mgt & Admin Support	4. The council is already doing this.	The council continually reviews the tiers of management and span of control across all service levels against a target 5 x 5 structure. This ensures that the council continues to operate with an effective and efficient managerial structure.
814	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	I do think the Council needs to look at the proliferation of highly paid managerial jobs in the past few years.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Mgt & Admin Support	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council continually reviews the tiers of management and span of control across all service levels against a target 5 x 5 structure. This ensures that the Council continues to operate with an effective and efficient managerial structure.

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815	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Reducing administrative support functions can have an adverse effect on financial savings as managers may be required to carry out their own administrative duties, so reducing the amount of time they are available to carryout their substantive functions. This may impact negatively on services if not carefully planned - workload assessment and risk assessment would need to be looked at very carefully. Putting more pressure on already stretched staff may impact on their own health, therefore the ability to carry out their duties. Again this needs to be carefully considered in making changes to services.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Mgt & Admin Support	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Experience has demonstrated that the council can deliver a more effective and cost effective service through the centralisation of generic tasks, use of technology and retention of specialist provision within service.
816	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Can you explain what you mean by "consolidating and reducing management and administrative support functions"? Has this not been ongoing through various processes over the years and still is, so what further is being proposed? Do you consider this sustainable considering the strain reduced HR and admin support has already placed on services and their staff? There is a distinct feeling among staff that the Council does not understand its own services very well, what is actually required to get from input to output, whilst ensuring a high standard of service to customers.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Mgt & Admin Support	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Experience has demonstrated that the council can deliver an more effective and cost effective service through the centralisation of generic tasks, use of technology and retention of specialist provision within service.
817	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	you are too top heavy ....too many chiefs and not enough Indians	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Mgt & Admin Support	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council continually reviews the tiers of management and span of control across all service levels against a target 5 x 5 structure. This ensures that the Council continues to operate with an effective and efficient managerial structure.
818	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Examine the management structure first, there is no need for so many deputies to the main leaders.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Mgt & Admin Support	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council continually reviews the tiers of management and span of control across all service levels against a target 5 x 5 structure. This ensures that the Council continues to operate with an effective and efficient managerial structure.
819	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Care needs taken with reducing admin support. This often results in the same job being done at a higher pay grade. Focus should be on efficiency of processes. More power is required to deal with staff who are not operating as efficiently as they should.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Mgt & Admin Support	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Experience has demonstrated that the council can deliver a more effective and cost effective service through the centralisation of generic tasks, use of technology and retention of specialist provision within service.
820	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	I feel I need more information on what this is likely to look like before I can comment. Centralizing admin support across different service areas, where possible, might be beneficial. I feel centralising/consolidating management might be trickier as there are a number of specialized support areas across West Lothian and so I imagine it would be difficult to have fewer managers managing larger areas, as well as putting more pressure on staff to do more work for the same salary.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Mgt & Admin Support	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Experience has demonstrated that the council can deliver an more effective and cost effective service through the centralisation of generic tasks, use of technology and retention of specialist provision within service.
821	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Consolidation and reduction of management makes sense. However, supervisors should be employed to ensure a high standard of workmanship is reached in a timely fashion and sites left clear and clean. This is not always case at the moment. Also, next time you consult please make it less convoluted and more customer friendly.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Mgt & Admin Support	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council continually reviews the tiers of management and span of control across all service levels against a target 5 x 5 structure. This ensures that the Council continues to operate with an effective and efficient managerial structure.
822	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Less managers - more front line staff please!	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Mgt & Admin Support	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council continually reviews the tiers of management and span of control across all service levels against a target 5 x 5 structure. This ensures that the Council continues to operate with an effective and efficient managerial structure.
823	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	This is further consultation which has spoken about redesigning, support and management of services. The theory is good but at the end of the day this is job cuts and more management work being passed down the tree leaving less time to provide the statutory function.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Mgt & Admin Support	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Experience has demonstrated that the council can deliver an more effective and cost effective service through the centralisation of generic tasks, use of technology and retention of specialist provision within service.

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824	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Modernisation is a positive process and must be pursued if the Council is to operate in an effective and efficient way in the modern business world. It is critical that the Council does not just reduce management and administrative functions without fully considering the role and function of managers and the support staff who support them in the delivery of their objectives. It is easy to reduce numbers if all that happens is a financial exercise identifying cost reduction but the impact on the Council of not ensuring that the appropriate management structure then remains in place will be significant particularly if the overall aim is to reduce the number of managers and/or to increase their role. It is also therefore critical that the right managers remain in roles or are appointed to roles during any transformation process. There must also be a clear vision of what will be required of managers in the transformed Council. Managers cannot function without appropriate support staff, nor can their services and it is therefore critical that a realistic view is taken of the actual support required currently and in the future to ensure that services and all those who are charged with delivering them have access to the right skill set and staff to support them.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Mgt & Admin Support	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Experience has demonstrated that the council can deliver a more effective and cost effective service through the centralisation of generic tasks, use of technology and retention of specialist provision within service.
825	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	I work within a small team in Corporate Services and believe our role is essential. I am all for more control. I would be concerned if there was any further cuts in the service as there is a staffing shortage at the moment. I would also be concerned if management was consolidated and integrated as each manager specialises in a specific area.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Mgt & Admin Support	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Experience has demonstrated that the council can deliver a more effective and cost effective service through the centralisation of generic tasks, use of technology and retention of specialist provision within service.
826	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Reductions in management, and increased efficiency and accountability needs to be factored into these changes.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Mgt & Admin Support	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council continually reviews the tiers of management and span of control across all service levels against a target 5 x 5 structure. This ensures that the Council continues to operate with an effective and efficient managerial structure.
827	No Response	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	balance needs to be that support staff are not reduced too much as this means that frontline staff are then left to carry out these roles in turn being removed from frontline. As this was the case my opinion in the recent admin staff review.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Mgt & Admin Support	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Experience has demonstrated that the council can deliver a more effective and cost effective service through the centralisation of generic tasks, use of technology and retention of specialist provision within service.
828	No Response	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	TYC proposals are disproportionately aimed at customer-facing, front line staff who work with and deliver services to the citizens of West Lothian. The efficiency savings proposed to the central support services is too small and should be increased in order to safeguard vital public services which are often focussed on the most deprived communities and vulnerable people. This budget reduction should take the form of a significant headcount reduction rather than service redesign and increased technology.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Mgt & Admin Support	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Experience has demonstrated that the council can deliver a more effective and cost effective service through the centralisation of generic tasks, use of technology and retention of specialist provision within service.
829	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Reducing layers of management would be better than reducing frontline staff who deal with the residents of West Lothian	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Mgt & Admin Support	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council continually reviews the tiers of management and span of control across all service levels against a target 5 x 5 structure. This ensures that the Council continues to operate with an effective and efficient managerial structure.
830	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Reducing line Managers.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Mgt & Admin Support	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council continually reviews the tiers of management and span of control across all service levels against a target 5 x 5 structure. This ensures that the Council continues to operate with an effective and efficient managerial structure.
831	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Consolidation and reduction of management should be done to an extent. Care should be taken to ensure that this is not reduced to the point where services are not able to be provided adequately. Reductions to management and admin functions should only be taken when a count has been taken of the impact that these reductions will have on the existing workforce and if this will create pressures on resources. Staff have to have the staff and resources to be able to deliver their services.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Mgt & Admin Support	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council continually reviews the tiers of management and span of control across all service levels against a target 5 x 5 structure. This ensures that the Council continues to operate with an effective and efficient managerial structure.
832	No Response	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	I agree with this proposal as long as the management of these services was not impacted due to too few working employees available to manage the services effectively. This is vital so that there is not a build up of priorities and jobs that are needing seen to that would take even longer to be completed than before the cuts.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Mgt & Admin Support	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Experience has demonstrated that the council can deliver a more effective and cost effective service through the centralisation of generic tasks, use of technology and retention of specialist provision within service.

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833	No Response	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	As Long as the redesign is not streamlined too much, whereby there are not enough staff to carry out their roles, and are then able to carry out their jobs efficiently and effectively. As with cut backs prior in administration. This may have saved finance, but the cut back have not made social policy admin more efficient.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Mgt & Admin Support	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Any service restructure will be undertaken in accordance with the council organisational change policy and in consultation with the recognised trade unions. The Council has developed a Corporate Workforce Plan and Service specific workforce plans which monitor staffing requirements and ensure as far as possible that staffing complements and staff skills meet the service requirements.
834	No Response	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Management could be reduced	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Mgt & Admin Support	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council continually reviews the tiers of management and span of control across all service levels against a target 5 x 5 structure. This ensures that the Council continues to operate with an effective and efficient managerial structure.
835	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	There appear to be too many levels of management. Front line services are more important.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Mgt & Admin Support	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council continually reviews the tiers of management and span of control across all service levels against a target 5 x 5 structure. This ensures that the Council continues to operate with an effective and efficient managerial structure.
836	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Working with partner organisations (including other Councils) is very important - improve efficiency and reduce duplication.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Mgt & Admin Support	4. The council is already doing this.	The council has an existing shared service agreement with South Lanarkshire Council for a shared IT data centre and will continue to develop opportunities for further shared service arrangements with other public bodies. The council is also progressing with West Lothian College the provision of shared services opportunities across a range of service areas.
837	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	I think this it is a good idea to consolidate and reduce management a this will save money.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Mgt & Admin Support	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
838	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Any measure which can make savings in spending has to be given serious consideration. I feel that the Council could make saving by reducing managers and those providing administrative support functions, however there is a fine line between making savings from restructuring and making savings by eradicating valuable services. Without more detail on which services and sectors would be affected it is hard to give a definitive answer.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Mgt & Admin Support	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council continually reviews the tiers of management and span of control across all service levels against a target 5 x 5 structure. This ensures that the Council continues to operate with an effective and efficient managerial structure.
839	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	The council is like every other organisation they are top heavy.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Mgt & Admin Support	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council continually reviews the tiers of management and span of control across all service levels against a target 5 x 5 structure. This ensures that the Council continues to operate with an effective and efficient managerial structure.
840	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	I think a full review of the council management is required to purge the "Fat Cats" out of the system.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Mgt & Admin Support	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council continually reviews the tiers of management and span of control across all service levels against a target 5 x 5 structure. This ensures that the Council continues to operate with an effective and efficient managerial structure.
841	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	No to job cuts and redundancies. Staff are dedicated and work hard. Get rid of posts when people leave or retire. Natural wastage is better	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Mgt & Admin Support	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Any service restructure will be undertaken in accordance with the council organisational change policy and in consultation with the recognised trade unions. The Council has developed a Corporate Workforce Plan and Service specific workforce plans which monitor staffing requirements and ensure as far as possible that staffing complements and staff skills meet the service requirements.
842	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Reducing management and admin support is all very well but not if it impairs the ability of front line staff to deliver services.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Mgt & Admin Support	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Experience has demonstrated that the council can deliver a more effective and cost effective service through the centralisation of generic tasks, use of technology and retention of specialist provision within service.

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843	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Do not have in effect 4 Chief Executives (1 + 3 assistants deputy) and pay them the living wage as what do we get for a six figure sum. (Nobody every says what he actually does). Cut the number of bosses and pay them less as well.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Mgt & Admin Support	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council continually reviews the tiers of management and span of control across all service levels against a target 5 x 5 structure. This ensures that the council continues to operate with an effective and efficient managerial structure. The council is subject to national pay bargaining and the salary scales for officers are determined nationally. The council is subject to national pay bargaining, and terms and conditions.
844	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Reducing management roles within the Council and sharing services with neighbouring Councils.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Mgt & Admin Support	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council continually reviews the tiers of management and span of control across all service levels against a target 5 x 5 structure. This ensures that the Council continues to operate with an effective and efficient managerial structure.
845	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	"This would include consolidating and reducing management & administrative support" - In 2010 a similar exercise was carried out and the Civic Centre Admin Team was formed to consolidate administrative support. Over the years since then, many clerical/administrative staff have been employed in different departments and this totally defeated the purpose of the Civic Centre Admin Team. Then in 2016 the "specialist" Social Policy Admin Team was formed. Surely, rather than setting up a second admin team, it would have made more sense for team to amalgamate their "specialist" skills with the Civic Centre Admin Team. This would have reduced the costs of managers, team leaders, administrative and clerical staff.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Mgt & Admin Support	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Officers will consider how this can be developed.
846	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	I don't want admin cuts as they affect me. CIS, 121 project, MHAP are all services I need and value.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Mgt & Admin Support	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Experience has demonstrated that the council can deliver a more effective and cost effective service through the centralisation of generic tasks, use of technology and retention of specialist provision within service.
847	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	additional income could be made by reducing senior managers	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Mgt & Admin Support	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council continually reviews the tiers of management and span of control across all service levels against a target 5 x 5 structure. This ensures that the Council continues to operate with an effective and efficient managerial structure.
848	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Why has there not been cuts with the council management - there seems to be many big chiefs with huge salaries not cuts there! See less expenses from council employees.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Mgt & Admin Support	4. The council is already doing this.	The council continually reviews the tiers of management and span of control across all service levels against a target 5 x 5 structure. This ensures that the council continues to operate with an effective and efficient managerial structure.
849	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	There have been many incidences I have observed over the past few years of Council inefficiencies i.e. too much management post and too many workmen not being used appropriately .	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Mgt & Admin Support	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council continually reviews the tiers of management and span of control across all service levels against a target 5 x 5 structure. This ensures that the Council continues to operate with an effective and efficient managerial structure.
850	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Smaller executive team	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Mgt & Admin Support	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council continually reviews the tiers of management and span of control across all service levels against a target 5 x 5 structure. This ensures that the Council continues to operate with an effective and efficient managerial structure.
851	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Merge job functions within the council, with a view to resource pooling with other councils (i.e. HR, IT, et cetera)	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Mgt & Admin Support	4. The council is already doing this.	The council has an existing shared service agreement with South Lanarkshire Council for a shared IT data centre and will continue to develop opportunities for further shared service arrangements with other public bodies. The council is also progressing with West Lothian College the provision of shared services opportunities across a range of service areas.

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852	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Merge job functions within the council, with a view to resource pooling with other councils (i.e. HR, IT, et cetera) Reduction of wages of top earners within the council by at least 10-15% to free up more budget for other salary based requirements	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Mgt & Admin Support	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	The council has an existing shared service agreement with South Lanarkshire Council for a shared IT data centre and will continue to develop opportunities for further shared service arrangements with other public bodies. The council is also progressing with West Lothian College the provision of shared services opportunities across a range of service areas. The council is subject to national pay bargaining and the salary scales for officers are determined nationally.
853	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	look at your top wage earners	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Mgt & Admin Support	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council continually reviews the tiers of management and span of control across all service levels against a target 5 x 5 structure. This ensures that the Council continues to operate with an effective and efficient managerial structure.
854	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	more efficiency savings withing the council. A reduction in managment and a review of top end salaries.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Mgt & Admin Support	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council continually reviews the tiers of management and span of control across all service levels against a target 5 x 5 structure. This ensures that the council continues to operate with an effective and efficient managerial structure. The council is subject to national pay bargaining and the salary scales for officers are determined nationally.
855	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Stop all this unnecessary spending, managers, paperwork, these consultations are bound to cost a lot. Rearranging departments every few months, readvertising positions instead of doing it internally.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Mgt & Admin Support	5c. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it is not consistent with the council's values and priorities.	Thank you for your response. The council is consulting with staff, residents and key stakeholders to ensure that the proposals which are developed will ensure that the needs of our customers continue to be met.
856	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	cut staff/middle managers,	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Mgt & Admin Support	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council continually reviews the tiers of management and span of control across all service levels against a target 5 x 5 structure. This ensures that the Council continues to operate with an effective and efficient managerial structure.
857	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	cut back on high paid executive positions and reinvest on those in frontline	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Mgt & Admin Support	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council continually reviews the tiers of management and span of control across all service levels against a target 5 x 5 structure. This ensures that the Council continues to operate with an effective and efficient managerial structure.
858	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Examine the pay of the senior management in WL.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Mgt & Admin Support	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council is subject to national pay bargaining, and terms and conditions.
859	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Look into your work management/time management. It is long known that when councils are out working on a project that there are usually more workers than needed and at least 2 people "overseeing" yet not actually lending a hand.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Mgt & Admin Support	4. The council is already doing this.	The council has adopted the EFQM model for the purposes of self assessment and implements LEAN/Systems Thinking in development/delivery of council services.
860	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Time and motion study on all existing departments would find enough labour and process efficiency savings to fill the gap. Change council redundancy policy. 500 staff cuts would easily save salaries, NI and pension contributions of this amount or more. Given the reduction in services and new ways of working proposed throughout this document it looks like there is scope to reduce employee numbers much more significantly than 500.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Mgt & Admin Support	4. The council is already doing this.	The council has adopted the EFQM model for the purposes of self assessment and implements LEAN/Systems Thinking in development/delivery of council services. The council has a Early Retirement/Voluntary Severance scheme which is available to all employees subject to a suitable business case being submitted within the set affordability criteria.
861	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Reduce the management workforce substantially by implementing self managed teams.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Mgt & Admin Support	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council continually reviews the tiers of management and span of control across all service levels against a target 5 x 5 structure. This ensures that the Council continues to operate with an effective and efficient managerial structure.
862	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Councilors & Heads of Service who get paid a significant amount more than the average person - does their work output justify their salary?	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Mgt & Admin Support	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council continually reviews the tiers of management and span of control across all service levels against a target 5 x 5 structure. This ensures that the Council continues to operate with an effective and efficient managerial structure.

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863	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	MANAGEMENT EFFICIENCIES - council is very top heavy with lots of big salaries - reduce these. Focus on the priorities.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Mgt & Admin Support	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council continually reviews the tiers of management and span of control across all service levels against a target 5 x 5 structure. This ensures that the Council continues to operate with an effective and efficient managerial structure.
864	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	If the council can redesign services in such a way as to allow partner organisations to take on/over some of these functions (West Lothian Leisure being a recent example) then that should be pursued.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Partners	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has an existing shared service agreement with South Lanarkshire Council for a shared IT data centre and will continue to develop opportunities for further shared service arrangements with other public bodies. The council is also progressing with West Lothian College the provision of shared services opportunities across a range of service areas.
865	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	This sounds a good idea in principle however I would not recommend increasing work to partner organisations, accountability is important and the Council services should remain under same rules and regulations to prevent poor service to the area	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Partners	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council has an existing shared service agreement with South Lanarkshire Council for a shared IT data centre and will continue to develop opportunities for further shared service arrangements with other public bodies. The council is also progressing with West Lothian College the provision of shared services opportunities across a range of service areas.
866	No Response	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	If you look at Borders Council, they have outsourced their IT Services to an external company due to lack of demand for public sector employment for IT. Due to this, it actually costs Borders more money to outsource than it did to keep it internally managed. There is a similar situation at Edinburgh Council. Their IT Services are outsourced but they now employ almost the same number as they did when they were strictly internal in order to 'manage' the external IT organisation.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Partners	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council has no proposals to outsource IT Services. The council has an existing shared service agreement with South Lanarkshire Council for a shared IT data centre and will continue to develop opportunities for further shared service arrangements with other public bodies.
867	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Whilst smarter working is to be encouraged, outsourcing of services should be discouraged. Previous outsourcing by various organisations have proved less cost effective in the long run - in particular IT	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Partners	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council will continue to use internal services to deliver services. The Council engages external contractors where required for specialist works. This approach will continue to ensure best value use of resources available within the council.
868	No Response	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Partner Organisations are form of outsourcing, the level of service is most often not as good as an inhouse service and the cost of this lesser service are often greater than first envisaged.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Partners	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council has an existing shared service agreement with South Lanarkshire Council for a shared IT data centre and will continue to develop opportunities for further shared service arrangements with other public bodies. The council is also progressing with West Lothian College the provision of shared services opportunities across a range of service areas.
869	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	tough decisions when involving partner agencies we have a strong working relationship with but savings have to be made	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Partners	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. The Council will continue to work with partner agencies to ensure that services are prioritised and delivered in an efficient and effective manner.
870	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	If it is proposed to centralize functions, this is not always efficient use of resources although on paper it may seem to be a good idea. A number of job centres have been closed which means that poor people have to spend money to travel to get to a job centre. I am not aware of other instances of ce ntralisation having this same effect but I suspect that there are some.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Partners	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Experience has demonstrated that the council can deliver an more effective and cost effective service through the centralisation of generic tasks with the retention of specialist provision within service. This model still allows the opportunity for staff to engage with council officers on a face to face basis at the most effective and convenient level.
871	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Partnership working is key	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Partners	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
872	No Response	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Partnering Services may prove to be difficult to set up and manage moving forward. This may also not be great for staff morale, leading to larger turnaround of staff.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Partners	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council has an existing shared service agreement with South Lanarkshire Council for a shared IT data centre and will continue to develop opportunities for further shared service arrangements with other public bodies. The council is also progressing with West Lothian College the provision of shared services opportunities across a range of service areas.

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873	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	The council has responsibilities that should not be passed on to other organisations to just save money when the quality of service is significantly lower.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Partners	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council has an existing shared service agreement with South Lanarkshire Council for a shared IT data centre and will continue to develop opportunities for further shared service arrangements with other public bodies. The council is also progressing with West Lothian College the provision of shared services opportunities across a range of service areas.
874	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	partner organisations should be made to take their share of responsibility and accountability	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Partners	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
875	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	I suspect there are many external services provided that have been established practice for a long time and the efficiency and value of these services has not been audited and reviewed in the same way internal functions are. The agreements have been setup and simply allowed to run. We will likely have ongoing agreements with external organisations that have very inefficient practices, we frequently have quality issues, and many will consider the council a soft touch for guaranteed income with little scrutiny.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Partners	4. The council is already doing this.	The Council employs competitive tendering processes to ensure that all contracts are procured in line with relevant legislation and achieve best value for money. The Council then monitors performance of suppliers throughout the lifetime of the contract, including the quality of the service being delivered and the efficiency of the processes and practices undertaken.
876	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Equally in some cases if externally provided functions were brought in-house we could make significant savings e.g. construction design, strategy writing and publication, ecological survey, sign design and manufacture, drainage works, path building etc.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Partners	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council employs competitive tendering processes to ensure that all contracts are procured in line with relevant legislation and achieve best value for money. The Council then monitors performance of suppliers throughout the lifetime of the contract, including the quality of the service being delivered and the efficiency of the processes and practices undertaken.
877	No Response	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	However I don't feel that outsourcing of areas or services is a valued move - can lead to false economy.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Partners	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Experience has demonstrated that the council can deliver an more effective and cost effective service through the centralisation of generic tasks with the retention of specialist provision within service. This model still allows the opportunity for staff to engage with council officers on a face to face basis at the most effective and convenient level.
878	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	councils should be coming together to deliver services rather than divided. in house support should be provided similar to when the lothian regional council was about. providing this support across multiple councils would reduce costs	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Partners	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has an existing shared service agreement with South Lanarkshire Council for a shared IT data centre and will continue to develop opportunities for further shared service arrangements with other public bodies. The council is also progressing with West Lothian College the provision of shared services opportunities across a range of service areas.
879	No Response	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Outsource more services, use third sector more. Reduce number of promoted posts.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Partners	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The Council will continue to work with third party providers to deliver services to customers where this is the most cost efficient model and where this can deliver the most effective service delivery model for customers.
880	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Which partner organisations are being considered?	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Partners	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	At the moment these are simply proposals for consideration with no detail on the partner organisations which will be specifically considered.
881	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Makes sense if these are tried and tested systems which work with all integrated services i.e. health and social work	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Partners	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
882	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Could other resources be shared with other Councils in Scotland? e.g. a single energy supplier (not sure if this is already the case just now).	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Partners	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	This is a positive suggestion and council officers will consider how this could be developed. The council already utilises national framework agreements for procurement of goods and supplies where this is the best method of providing value of money.

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883	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	The council has been slow to embrace shared servicing with other local authorities and public bodies.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Partners	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has an existing shared service agreement with South Lanarkshire Council for a shared IT data centre and will continue to develop opportunities for further shared service arrangements with other public bodies. The council is also progressing with West Lothian College the provision of shared services opportunities across a range of service areas.
884	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	The council could benefit from a focus on co-production and co-design, enabling people who use services to have more of a say in how they are developed and run.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Partners	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	This is a positive suggestion and council officers will consider how this could be developed.
885	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Share more services with partners and other Local authorities	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Partners	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has an existing shared service agreement with South Lanarkshire Council for a shared IT data centre and will continue to develop opportunities for further shared service arrangements with other public bodies. The council is also progressing with West Lothian College the provision of shared services opportunities across a range of service areas.
886	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Partner organisations may be useful to generate a quick saving, however, would this continue to provide savings in the long run? This may prove to be less cost-effective.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Partners	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council has an existing shared service agreement with South Lanarkshire Council for a shared IT data centre and will continue to develop opportunities for further shared service arrangements with other public bodies. The council is also progressing with West Lothian College the provision of shared services opportunities across a range of service areas.
887	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	We should be working better in partnership with all services within WLC. We should all be able to access information to support each individual within WLC network sharing best practice.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Partners	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The Council will maximise opportunities to use technology to improve internal partnership working and sharing of best practice across council services
888	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	WLC regardless of their job should be thinking "outside the box" and delivering better internal partnership working and looking at a diagnostic type of service when face to face with a resident/customer/service user.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Partners	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The Council will maximise opportunities to use technology to improve internal partnership working and to develop digital services
889	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Any remaining efficiency savings are to be encouraged. Consolidation within the council and cooperation with other local council to deliver economies of scale should be looked into, but any proposal to outsource to non-public organisations should not be considered.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Partners	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The Council will continue to maximise opportunities to share systems internally and will look for opportunities to share and cooperate with other local authorities and public bodies. The council has an existing shared service agreement with South Lanarkshire Council for a shared IT data centre and will continue to develop opportunities for further shared service arrangements with other public bodies. The council is also progressing with West Lothian College the provision of shared services opportunities across a range of service areas.
890	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Agreed, is there potential to have more shared services - such as procurement, payroll, building services; areas where activities are generic and less subject to political demands?	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Partners	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has an existing shared service agreement with South Lanarkshire Council for a shared IT data centre and will continue to develop opportunities for further shared service arrangements with other public bodies. The council is also progressing with West Lothian College the provision of shared services opportunities across a range of service areas.
891	No Response	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	I believe we need to allow our services to communicate and work better with each. To often services that the council can provide are sub contracted out to external organisations costing valuable money that could very easily be spent elsewhere.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Partners	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The Council will continue to maximise opportunities to share systems internally and will look for opportunities to share and cooperate with other local authorities and public bodies.
892	No Response	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	I think its important the council doesn't lose sight of the importance of having partner organisations. Many delivery services that council wouldn't be able to deliver themselves, and at a lower cost.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Partners	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The Council will continue to maximise opportunities to share systems internally and will look for opportunities to share and cooperate with other local authorities and public bodies.

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893	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	What are the changes to how the council will work with partner agencies - not enough information to make an informed comment or decision. Will the council be required to spend more money in the short term to make long term savings - if so what does this entail. The council have not made each of the proposals very clear and no specifics, savings appear to be estimated, what is the clear background information relating to each saving, what are the staff/employee implications as well the implications for service users and the community. Have Equality Impact Assessments been completed relating to these savings?	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Partners	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	At this stage, detailed budget reduction measures have not been developed, therefore there is no specific information on how the savings will be achieved and the timescales for delivery. This will become clearer as the measures progress following the consultation process and approval of the council's budget strategy. All council budget measures are subject to an Equality Impact Assessment as part of the annual revenue budget process.
894	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Private Third party suppliers (partners as you like to call them) would be a disaster. Vital SERVICES would be run on a profit basis and not on a service to the community basis. It would be totally unfair and unaffordable for the majority of the residents of West Lothian. WLC has a fantastic multi skilled committed workforce that should be valued not reduced. The amount of "extra" work that is delivered is enormous and I am sure that if someone actually took the time to analyse this you would see it.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Partners	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council will continue to work with third party providers to deliver services to customers where this is the most cost efficient model and where this can deliver the most effective service delivery model for customers.
895	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Time to combine with Falkirk Council and probably Stirling too	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Partners	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	The Local Government etc. (Scotland) Act 1994 established the local government areas for the administration of local government in Scotland.
896	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Do not get involved with consultants or consultant companies. The council should have enough talented and experienced people to do this internally.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Partners	5b. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it is likely that the costs of this proposal would outweigh the benefit.	The council will continue to use internal services to deliver services. The Council engages external contractors where required for specialist works. This approach will continue to ensure best value use of resources available within the council.
897	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	The use of outside sources for Project Management is an expensive decision when the expertise and experience is already available within WLC.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Partners	5b. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it is likely that the costs of this proposal would outweigh the benefit.	The council will continue to use internal services to deliver services. The Council engages external contractors where required for specialist works. This approach will continue to ensure best value use of resources available within the council.
898	No Response	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Partners could include other local authorities.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Partners	4. The council is already doing this.	The council has an existing shared service agreement with South Lanarkshire Council for a shared IT data centre and will continue to develop opportunities for further shared service arrangements with other public bodies. The council is also progressing with West Lothian College the provision of shared services opportunities across a range of service areas.
899	No Response	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	There should be integration with other local authorities to provide services.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Partners	4. The council is already doing this.	The council has an existing shared service agreement with South Lanarkshire Council for a shared IT data centre and will continue to develop opportunities for further shared service arrangements with other public bodies. The council is also progressing with West Lothian College the provision of shared services opportunities across a range of service areas.
900	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Working with partner organisations suitably equipped for the purpose may help, as long as cost is not the only driver. They must be fit for purpose.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Partners	4. The council is already doing this.	The council has an existing shared service agreement with South Lanarkshire Council for a shared IT data centre and will continue to develop opportunities for further shared service arrangements with other public bodies. The council is also progressing with West Lothian College the provision of shared services opportunities across a range of service areas.
901	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Outsourcing certain services to partner organisations like voluntary orgs/charities may be beneficial but there needs to be robust systems in place to make sure there is effective monitoring and accountability.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Partners	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The Council will continue to work with third party providers to deliver services to customers where this is the most cost efficient model and where this can deliver the most effective service delivery model for customers.

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902	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	This should be a priority but can it be done in conjunction with other neighbouring councils to improve savings? What work has been done to explore this?	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Partners	4. The council is already doing this.	The council has an existing shared service agreement with South Lanarkshire Council for a shared IT data centre and will continue to develop opportunities for further shared service arrangements with other public bodies. The council is also progressing with West Lothian College the provision of shared services opportunities across a range of service areas.
903	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	strongly recommend seeking opportunities for collaboration with other councils nd public bodies e.g create a shared service centre where non-location specific services can be provided e.g. HR, payroll, pensions, finance, ICT support	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Partners	4. The council is already doing this.	The council has an existing shared service agreement with South Lanarkshire Council for a shared IT data centre and will continue to develop opportunities for further shared service arrangements with other public bodies. The council is also progressing with West Lothian College the provision of shared services opportunities across a range of service areas.
904	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Why should the council give work to partner organisations. All work should be in house, keeping council employees in jobs. There might be a short time saving but will there be savings in the long term.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Partners	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council will work with third party providers to deliver services to customers where this is the most cost efficient model and where this can deliver the most effective service delivery model for customers.
905	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Partnership working is an important way forward but ensure that the partnership is 'real' and properly resource and establish the partners first before relying on them to continue to deliver.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Partners	4. The council is already doing this.	The council has an existing shared service agreement with South Lanarkshire Council for a shared IT data centre and will continue to develop opportunities for further shared service arrangements with other public bodies. The council is also progressing with West Lothian College the provision of shared services opportunities across a range of service areas.
906	No Response	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	there have been real long term issues with partnerships - do not go for short term savings which lead to longer term costs - this is a time for long term planning	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Partners	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council will work with third party providers to deliver services to customers where this is the most cost efficient model and where this can deliver the most effective service delivery model for customers.
907	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	lâ€™m concerned services would be moved to partner organisations as surely keeping services in-house is more cost effective?	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Partners	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council will work with third party providers to deliver services to customers where this is the most cost efficient model and where this can deliver the most effective service delivery model for customers.
908	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	This is something that's an achievable. Would it not be capable to work collabaratively with neighbouring authorities who have similar issues needs?	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Partners	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has an existing shared service agreement with South Lanarkshire Council for a shared IT data centre and will continue to develop opportunities for further shared service arrangements with other public bodies. The council is also progressing with West Lothian College the provision of shared services opportunities across a range of service areas.
909	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Outsourcing can be effective but the quality of delivery must be comparable or better than current performance at a reduced cost to the council .	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Partners	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council is not proposing to outsource services but to work with partners to deliver services which meet best value requirements and meet the needs of customers.
910	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Partnership is key to service delivery at any time but especially in terms of economic downturn and pressure. Worried about job losses and real cuts to services.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Partners	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Any service restructure will be undertaken in accordance with the council organisational change policy and in consultation with the recognised trade unions. The Council has developed a Corporate Workforce Plan and Service specific workforce plans which monitor staffing requirements and ensure as far as possible that staffing complements and staff skills meet the service requirements.

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911	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	My experience of "partner organisations" is confusion. Why is it better to subcontract? If the functions subcontracted are cheaper than the council employees costs then I worry the quality of subcontracted work is less. Maybe the cost overheads of council employees need to be trimmed.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Partners	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council will continue to use internal services to deliver services. The Council engages external contractors where required for specialist works. This approach will continue to ensure best value use of resources available within the council.
912	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	A lot of the work that is done by private contractors should be brought back in house as they do not give value for money	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Partners	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council will continue to use internal services to deliver services. The Council engages external contractors where required for specialist works. This approach will continue to ensure best value use of resources available within the council.
913	No Response	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	I would want some details on what "changes to how the council works with partner organisations" actually means.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Partners	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	At this stage, detailed budget reduction measures have not been developed, therefore there is no specific information on how the savings will be achieved and the timescales for delivery. This will become clearer as the measures progress following the consultation process and approval of the council's budget strategy.
914	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	More collaborative working within departments and possibly other agencies could maybe support this eg sharing of premises, equipment etc helping each department, organisation and saving costs.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Partners	4. The council is already doing this.	The council has an existing shared service agreement with South Lanarkshire Council for a shared IT data centre and will continue to develop opportunities for further shared service arrangements with other public bodies. The council is also progressing with West Lothian College the provision of shared services opportunities across a range of service areas.
915	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	There is no indication here as to what form the changes to how the council works with partner organisations - does this mean a reduction in, for example, transport for people to hospital? Cannot comment without knowing what this means. 'Improvement' does not describe what is really happening - cuts and what those cuts are going to be.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Partners	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
916	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Review services that could be shared with other Councils.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Partners	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The Council has an existing shared service agreement with South Lanarkshire Council for a shared IT data centre and will continue to develop opportunities for further shared service arrangements with other public bodies. The Council is also progressing with West Lothian College the provision of shared services opportunities across a range of service areas.
917	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	I would also hope there would be no budget for external consultation companies in the difficult days ahead.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Partners	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council will use internal services where possible, with the use of external contractors where required for specialist works. This approach will continue to ensure best value use of resources available within the council.
918	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	A review should be carried out to establish if the use of consultants and private contractors cost more than it would for council employees to carry out the same work.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Partners	5b. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it is likely that the costs of this proposal would outweigh the benefit.	The council will use internal Services where possible, with the use of external contractors where required for specialist works. This approach will continue to ensure best value use of resources available within the council.
919	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	I think there is always room for improvement but we need to also protect jobs. Work with partner agencies can always be improved and value for money gained. However we also need to protect quality or else this has knock on problems elsewhere for service users and is likely to be less cost effective in the long run. Getting quality services will reduce problems give value for money and will provide effective services reducing waiting lists and improving customer experience. I hope intergration will allow us to use joint budgets more cost effectively. The Council can no longer be expected in my opinion be expected to provide the level of services previously expected when there are financial constraints. Perhaps the joint board should be looking at how savings could be made in both services to ensure the most vulnerable continue to be supported and job losses shared.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Partners	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The council has an existing shared service agreement with South Lanarkshire Council for a shared IT data centre and will continue to develop opportunities for further shared service arrangements with other public bodies. The council is also progressing with West Lothian College the provision of shared services opportunities across a range of service areas.

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920	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Other Councils have gone down the line of shared services but often the reality is not up to the hype & the savings not forthcoming as you lose a lot of local information that can then avoid issues and rework. Whilst shared services is worth looking into, time should be spent in research & analysis beyond the figures to find out if it is working on the ground & saving money.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Partners	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The council has an existing shared service agreement with South Lanarkshire Council for a shared IT data centre and will continue to develop opportunities for further shared service arrangements with other public bodies. The council is also progressing with West Lothian College the provision of shared services opportunities across a range of service areas.
921	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Partner organisations cannot be expected to start delivering services that the Council stops delivering. Issues with capacity, skills, experiences and agenda match for partner organisations.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Partners	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Experience has demonstrated that the council can deliver a more effective and cost effective service through the centralisation of generic tasks, use of technology and retention of specialist provision within service.
922	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Investigation into which departments can be used within a shared services environment with other Councils, with possibility of cutting some of these Councils within WLC	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Partners	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has an existing shared service agreement with South Lanarkshire Council for a shared IT data centre and will continue to develop opportunities for further shared service arrangements with other public bodies. The council is also progressing with West Lothian College the provision of shared services opportunities across a range of service areas.
923	No Response	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	This sounds like another case of outsourcing services, an absolute waste of money.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Partners	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Experience has demonstrated that the council can deliver a more effective and cost effective service through the centralisation of generic tasks, use of technology and retention of specialist provision within service.
924	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	I want the Council to be responsible for services and NOT private companies. West Lothian is a good Council and must remain that way. Shocking to think this would be considered.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Partners	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	It is not council policy to outsource service functions. The council will work with partner organisations to investigate opportunities to support delivery of council services.
925	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	I am assuming that all payments to third parties outside agencies and other bodies has been stopped where possible	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Partners	5a. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because the council is required by law to deliver this work.	The council engages with third parties to deliver services where it is more cost effective to do so or where there is an element of expertise. The council is contractually obliged to pay for those services. The council regularly reviews the performance of third party suppliers to ensure that they continue to deliver services which meet the needs of customers.
926	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Review external/third-party providers.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Partners	4. The council is already doing this.	The council conducts regular review of the performance of third party providers to ensure that they continue to deliver contracted services efficiently and effectively. in the manner which best meets the needs of the customer
927	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	There is also greater scope to expand and integrate to other back office systems.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Systems	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council is reviewing opportunities for the rationalisation and integration of IT systems.
928	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	I think that there are still efficiencies to be made with technology resources and integration.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Systems	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council is proposing to achieve efficiency savings through modernisation of services and reduction of duplication and will maximise opportunities to automate processes to reduce manual processes
929	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Streamlining services can be useful however we seem to be heading for a completely digital service and for non IT literate people this is not a great service.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Systems	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The Council recognises that not all customers will wish to engage in digital transactions and will ensure that information and services are available in formats to suit all customers, including access to face to face interaction where appropriate
930	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Additionally even for IT literate people, sometimes it is nice to talk to someone, digital platforms do not always provide the necessary information and can be hard to negotiate.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Systems	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The Council recognises that not all customers will wish to engage in digital transactions and will ensure that information and services are available in formats to suit all customers, including access to face to face interaction where appropriate

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931	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	I do think embracing digital working is great but please retain some backup real people to make the service human.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Systems	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The Council recognises that not all customers will wish to engage in digital transactions and will ensure that information and services are available in formats to suit all customers, including access to face to face interaction where appropriate
932	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Welcome utilising technologies to improve efficiencies	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Systems	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
933	No Response	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	improvements in technology can play a vital part in how services are run but can not replace the 'human' element. investments in technology	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Systems	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The Council recognises that not all customers will wish to engage in digital transactions and will ensure that information and services are available in formats to suit all customers, including access to face to face interaction where appropriate
934	No Response	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	If efficient systems could be identified and implemented in a way that would not adversely affect life in West Lothian, I think integration of services would be a great idea.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Systems	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council places significant emphasis on effective internal and external integration and will continue to look for opportunities to integrate systems or processes to achieve efficiencies. The council has an existing shared service agreement with South Lanarkshire Council for a shared IT data centre and will continue to develop opportunities for further shared service arrangements with other public bodies. The council is also progressing with West Lothian College the provision of shared services opportunities across a range of service areas. The council is reviewing opportunities for the rationalisation and integration of IT systems.
935	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Need to be careful that further use of technology does not alienate those in community who already have literacy needs or are not digitally included.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Systems	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The Council recognises that not all customers will wish to engage in digital transactions and will ensure that information and services are available in formats to suit all customers, including access to face to face interaction where appropriate
936	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	however there is also a point when technology cannot manage all the problems under these areas. Ultimately the removal of units and replacement with technology may not necessarily lead to the correct support being offered.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Systems	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The Council recognises that not all customers will wish to engage in digital transactions and will ensure that information and services are available in formats to suit all customers, including access to face to face interaction where appropriate
937	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	One of the first things I would do for technology is to invest in a decent document assembly system. Document assembly systems gather important information which can easily be shared between departments and areas reducing the possibility of mistakes. How it works is that each department enters any relevant information they have gathered on a client - eg name, address, NI number etc, then with the use of well built templates any letters are merged with the relevant data. so, if, for instance, a job seeker whose information is in the system for West Lothian Connected, is offered post in the council much of the information is already stored on the system and HR need only add information about the employee that is not there. That information, in turn, becomes available in the future should the staff member retire and require the assistance of social policy. Good document assembly systems will integrate with most databases.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Systems	4. The council is already doing this.	The Council already has an Electronic Document and Records Management system and will be implementing a new system which offers increased automation in November 2017
938	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	All the technology is a waste of money as it usually gets used for so long then council realise its not worth the money and gets put in a store cupboard	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Systems	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council has made significant investment in the IT infrastructure and will continue to allocate appropriate resources to introduce new technology where appropriate. The council's ICT Strategy seeks to deliver change in line with advances in technology and changes in council priorities, whilst still having a clear framework within which to operate.
939	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Work to allow council IT applications to work together to allow a one stop shop for enquires regardless of service area.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Systems	4. The council is already doing this.	The council is reviewing opportunities for the rationalisation and integration of IT systems.

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940	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Invest more in self service and current OT equipment and applications.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Systems	4. The council is already doing this.	The council has made significant investment in the IT infrastructure and will continue to allocate appropriate resources to introduce new technology where appropriate. The council's ICT Strategy seeks to deliver change in line with advances in technology and changes in council priorities, whilst still having a clear framework within which to operate. The Council will maximise opportunities to automate processes and facilitate customer self service through technology.
941	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	I think it is important to recognise that streamlining these areas may well impact on the work load of others in the service. Further use of technology will also require additional training for staff.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Systems	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council is proposing to achieve efficiency savings through modernisation of services and reduction of duplication and will maximise opportunities to automate processes to reduce manual processes
942	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	totally agree with this proposal as long as there continues to be investment in technology e.g. more online applications, better systems for monitoring accounts. City of Edinburgh Council you can see your payments for rent or council tax, letter etc and you have an online account setup. West Lothian is poor in this respect. Believe less managers and introduction of more lower graded staff would assist.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Systems	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has made significant investment in the IT infrastructure and will continue to allocate appropriate resources to introduce new technology where appropriate. The council's ICT Strategy seeks to deliver change in line with advances in technology and changes in council priorities, whilst still having a clear framework within which to operate.
943	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	start using IT more for meetings (I can do multi person type Skype calls using a certain app on my pc) these should be used by the council to stop people having to constantly leave offices to travel to another office for a meeting that may only last an hour.....more time in the office, less time travelling between meetings, saving the environment etc.....its the 21st century, we need to do more.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Systems	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	All of the council's main office buildings in the main towns and villages in West Lothian have facilities for mobile and flexible working which can be booked through the room booking system. In addition, staff who undertake mobile and flexible working have access to IT technology to facilitate this, including remotely accessing meetings.
944	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	I support efficiency and productivity improvements by use of technology. Unfortunate effects on jobs but computers are simply better and faster at some things.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Systems	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council is proposing to achieve efficiency savings through modernisation of services and reduction of duplication and will maximise opportunities to automate processes to reduce manual processes
945	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	There is currently an evident lack of integration between certain service units which if solved could save a lot of time let alone money for the people working within these areas. Equipment and tools given to certain services seem to have higher priority despite them not being statutory.....other officers working in statutory positions/work have outdated equipment	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Systems	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council places significant emphasis on effective internal and external integration and will continue to look for opportunities to integrate systems or processes to achieve efficiencies.
946	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Include staff 'on the front line' in discussions, workshops etc to help identify where service delivery could be improved. There are still inefficient processes that could be streamlined by better use of technology and removing obstructions.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Systems	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Staff at all levels across the council are encouraged to engage in the consultation and development of budget proposals
947	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	While it could mean the loss of some jobs more streamlined services that don't overlap and better use of technology is one of the ways forward	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Systems	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Experience has demonstrated that the council can deliver a more effective and cost effective service through the centralisation of generic tasks with the retention of specialist provision within service. This model still allows the opportunity for staff to engage with council officers on a face to face basis at the most effective and convenient level.
948	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	The use of modern technology should improve council working efficiency but not all older citizens are familiar with modern technology and so there should also be a more direct means for them to speak directly to council staff.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Systems	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Experience has demonstrated that the council can deliver a more effective and cost effective service through the centralisation of generic tasks with the retention of specialist provision within service. This model still allows the opportunity for staff to engage with council officers on a face to face basis at the most effective and convenient level.

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949	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Stream lining processes is good provided there is not opportunity cost by staff not understanding or the public being confused by the system./	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Systems	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Experience has demonstrated that the council can deliver an more effective and cost effective service through the centralisation of generic tasks with the retention of specialist provision within service. This model still allows the opportunity for staff to engage with council officers on a face to face basis at the most effective and convenient level.
950	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	All companies need to embrace technology, but this needs to be managed and systems created which work together	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Systems	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Experience has demonstrated that the council can deliver an more effective and cost effective service through the centralisation of generic tasks with the retention of specialist provision within service. This model still allows the opportunity for staff to engage with council officers on a face to face basis at the most effective and convenient level.
951	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Up till now the result of using technology to increase efficiency has proven to lower the quality of the publics experience. Also this kind of decision is based on the assumption that we are all computer/IT literate.This is most definetly not the case and is a very short sighted approach which leads to citizens being poorly served	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Systems	4. The council is already doing this.	The council has made significant investment in the IT infrastructure and will continue to allocate appropriate resources to introduce new technology where appropriate. The council's ICT Strategy seeks to deliver change in line with advances in technology and changes in council priorities, whilst still having a clear framework within which to operate. Experience has demonstrated that the council can deliver an more effective and cost effective service through the centralisation of generic tasks with the retention of specialist provision within service. This model still allows the opportunity for staff to engage with council officers on a face to face basis at the most effective and convenient level.
952	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	More training will be requir d for staff to use technology properly and effectively.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Systems	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Employees are the council's most important asset and the council will continue to invest in training and development of employees.
953	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Systems require to be amalgamated and reliable and everyone should use the same one to provide joined up approach. take a look at the charity organisations we support and reduce the support and sometimes "Queue Jumping" these organisations do.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Systems	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The Council's IT Strategy encourages re-use of applications where possible and appropriate. The council is reviewing opportunities for the rationalisation and integration of IT systems.
954	No Response	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Modernisation and use of technology are the way forward however, employees must receive the appropriate training and refresher training to ensure the systems and procedures work as intended. Managers must manage, if they don't - disciplinary action must be taken by senior management team (and CEO)	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Systems	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The Council will continue to invest in training to provide staff with the skills and knowledge to use the technology which they are provided with and to deliver efficient council services.
955	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	We need to eradicate the attitude of â€seeing ourselves alrightâ€™ while the system is failing to do what it is paid to do.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Systems	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Experience has demonstrated that the council can deliver an more effective and cost effective service through the centralisation of generic tasks with the retention of specialist provision within service. This model still allows the opportunity for staff to engage with council officers on a face to face basis at the most effective and convenient level.
956	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Use more open source software so that you don't need to have multiple expensive licences.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Systems	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The Council will consider opportunities to use open source software, where this complies with security requirements under the Public Service Network.
957	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Systems are wonderful, IT is expanding ion a daily basis but we are a public serving body, residents want to speak to a person and not a computer.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Systems	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Experience has demonstrated that the council can deliver an more effective and cost effective service through the centralisation of generic tasks with the retention of specialist provision within service. This model still allows the opportunity for staff to engage with council officers on a face to face basis at the most effective and convenient level.

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958	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	IT should be customer driven , not management driven.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Systems	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Experience has demonstrated that the council can deliver an more effective and cost effective service through the centralisation of generic tasks with the retention of specialist provision within service. This model still allows the opportunity for staff to engage with council officers on a face to face basis at the most effective and convenient level.
959	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	new informatin technologies should be used to streamline processes within the council and remove duplication of work.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Systems	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council is proposing to achieve efficiency savings through modernisation of services and reduction of duplication.
960	No Response	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	I feel in this day and age with online & technological support this is achievable but maybe more initial training is needed across the board to save even further with regards to the actual effectiveness and efficiency and staff absences creating a more overall positive outlook and feedback long term	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Systems	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The Council will continue to invest in training to provide staff with the skills and knowledge to use the technology which they are provided with and to deliver efficient council services.
961	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Provide more working at home and close buildings. Meetings can be done over Skype.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Systems	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has an IT infrastructure which supports working from home and individuals working from various council sites throughout West Lothian. The opportunity to work on a mobile and flexible basis continues to be available to staff.
962	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Providing staff with the technology to become more efficient while out and about and carrying out face to face contact is more beneficial.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Systems	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has an IT infrastructure which supports working from home and individuals working from various council sites throughout West Lothian. The opportunity to work on a mobile and flexible basis continues to be available to staff.
963	No Response	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Staff at west Lothian council use far too many different systems such as Open Housing, SWIFT, AIS, Medidio, Objective etc, if there was 1 system that everybody used to access everything and stck with the system, as the council keep implementing new systems and then then stop after the roll out has not been completed. This wastes far too much money on the systems & training staff.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Systems	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The Council's IT Strategy encourages re-use of applications where possible and appropriate. The council is reviewing opportunities for the rationalisation and integration of IT systems.
964	No Response	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	If more people had access to technology such as SWIVEL they could work from home on laptop and save the cost of travel .	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Systems	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has an IT infrastructure which supports working from home and individuals working from various council sites throughout West Lothian. The opportunity to work on a mobile and flexible basis continues to be available to staff.
965	No Response	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	The council is not making the most use out of the technology they have and some services could be delivered online which may reduce the need for staff that could be used in services that are struggling. Some services seem to be understaffed and some services are overstaffed for what they actually do. This needs to change.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Systems	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The Council is introducing more online services and will fully utilise the functionality available through the website to direct customers to digitally engage with the council. The Council constantly reviews the staffing structures in services to ensure that they are efficient and can deliver effective council services.
966	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Nowhere near enough people use Covalent. This is a fantastic system that I would be lost without and could cut down the amount of phone calls needed and double backing to decide if you did something and when. It's all recorded on Covalent if used properly and makes working life so easy. It also makes working between services easy too. Why are council staff not told they must use Covalent? Don't understand why we pay for a system that very few use.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Systems	4. The council is already doing this.	The council's performance management system is in use across all council services .
967	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	This should also concern the design, implementation and benefits realisation of technology investment against business objectives.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Systems	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The Council's ICT Project Management methodology requires a review of benefits realisation on project closure.
968	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Standardisation of systems council wide would help to promote less duplication of work, this would inevitably free up more time and as a result, provide a more efficient workforce. .	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Systems	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council is reviewing opportunities for the rationalisation and integration of IT systems.
969	No Response	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Technology within the council has improved over the past 5 years but I feel that this still has some way to go to become more efficient and effective (eg- numerous faults with the iPayimpact system when trying to pay for school outings or lunches)	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Systems	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has made significant investment in the IT infrastructure and will continue to allocate appropriate resources to introduce new technology where appropriate. The council's ICT Strategy seeks to deliver change in line with advances in technology and changes in council priorities, whilst still having a clear framework within which to operate.

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970	No Response	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	This sounds like more council jobs for the axe and automation. Which is fine If the redesign is going to improve to the benefit of the people who are up to date with technology. What about our elders that are not. Especially the ones without family. It is frustrating enough when they can't get through to enquire about a subject.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Systems	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council acknowledges that not everyone is able to view information online and that face to face contact is still of value to some internal and external customers.
971	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Further use of technology does not always necessarily effectiveness and I feel this is something that should be carefully considered.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Systems	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council has made significant investment in the IT infrastructure and will continue to allocate appropriate resources to introduce new technology where appropriate. The council's ICT Strategy seeks to deliver change in line with advances in technology and changes in council priorities, whilst still having a clear framework within which to operate.
972	No Response	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Continuous improvement should always be researched and system should always be improved. Allowance for this should be continuous and not only when making savings is a last resort.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Systems	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has a number of systems and processes in place which are essential to enable the council to monitor and report service performance and efficiency.
973	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	It makes sense to continually redesign systems and modernise them which is fine as long as the technology used is sufficient to deliver the service easier. To give an example, the iPay system that I use to pay my children's school meals is a good idea. However, it is clunky and slow compared with other payment systems online. I am also paying more for items because of the payment percentage that iPay charges per transaction whereas if I paid in cash to the school I wouldn't have this charge - technology in this instance is more expensive to the consumer as well as being frustrating in its handling. If West Lothian are to use technology more then they must pay the initial cost of setting up appropriate systems to cope.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Systems	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has made significant investment in the IT infrastructure and will continue to allocate appropriate resources to introduce new technology where appropriate. The council's ICT Strategy seeks to deliver change in line with advances in technology and changes in council priorities, whilst still having a clear framework within which to operate.
974	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Consolidating teams and saving costs on systems usually only helps make savings in the short term. Investing more in these areas and focusing on talent retention would help save costs in the long run.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Systems	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Experience has demonstrated that the council can deliver an more effective and cost effective service through the centralisation of generic tasks and use of technology with the retention of specialist provision within service. The council does not propose to further outsource services as a rule as this is not considered to deliver best value for the customer.
975	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	This should include continuing to generate savings in systems costs.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Systems	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council is reviewing opportunities for the rationalisation and integration of IT systems.
976	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	The system that is in place PECOS, is almost certainly a loss of revenue for wlc, obtaining the same equipment, in some cases better equipment through self sourcing could save millions.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Systems	4. The council is already doing this.	West Lothian Council has to comply with national and EU legislation and competitive methods are employed. All appropriate suppliers can bid and contracts are tendered taking into consideration price, quality and total cost for all products contained within the contract. It is always possible to identify what seems a better price but staff costs in sourcing, ordering and administration of other suppliers may negate any perceived saving. The system used by the council for ordering goods is PECOS.
977	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	present systems are not fit for purpose and we are 20 years behind the private sector on efficient IT. IT platforms that can provide the reports and stats quicker would minimize the need for countless desk job roles and thus protect the staff providing the front line services.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Systems	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has made significant investment in the IT infrastructure and will continue to allocate appropriate resources to introduce new technology where appropriate. The council's ICT Strategy seeks to deliver change in line with advances in technology and changes in council priorities, whilst still having a clear framework within which to operate.
978	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	This would be god but would depend on the effectiveness and reliability of technology.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Systems	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has made significant investment in the IT infrastructure and will continue to allocate appropriate resources to introduce new technology where appropriate. The council's ICT Strategy seeks to deliver change in line with advances in technology and changes in council priorities, whilst still having a clear framework within which to operate.

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979	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Undoubtedly technology can help and is mentioned a lot, but it needs an appropriately skilled workforce to get the best out of it. This may or may not result in fewer employees, but will almost certainly need employees with different skills. Does the council have plans to address this?	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Systems	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has made significant investment in the IT infrastructure and will continue to allocate appropriate resources to introduce new technology where appropriate. The council's ICT Strategy seeks to deliver change in line with advances in technology and changes in council priorities, whilst still having a clear framework within which to operate. Employees are the council's most important asset and the council will continue to invest in training and development of employees.
980	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	For the proposed IT solutions will the Council use a specialised 3rd Party to identify the required solutions? The assumption behind this comment is that if the internal expertise already existed within the Council then surely it would have been utilised to implement technology solutions before now? If you are looking at using technology to make savings is that truly the best way to go?	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Systems	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council's internal IT Service provides value for money and efficient services to the council/ Outsourcing the service is likely to significantly increase the cost of delivering the service. The council has made significant investment in the IT infrastructure and will continue to allocate appropriate resources to introduce new technology where appropriate. The council's ICT Strategy seeks to deliver change in line with advances in technology and changes in council priorities, whilst still having a clear framework within which to operate.
981	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	IT solutions will only result in efficiencies and savings if you have viable business processes to support these. Your business units need to be optimised and processes in place first, then choose the best IT solution to support this. Avoid repeating mistakes of other Councils in this area, such as Edinburgh and Glasgow.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Systems	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has made significant investment in the IT infrastructure and will continue to allocate appropriate resources to introduce new technology where appropriate. The council's ICT Strategy seeks to deliver change in line with advances in technology and changes in council priorities, whilst still having a clear framework within which to operate.
982	No Response	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Make the best of technology	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Systems	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has made significant investment in the IT infrastructure and will continue to allocate appropriate resources to introduce new technology where appropriate. The council's ICT Strategy seeks to deliver change in line with advances in technology and changes in council priorities, whilst still having a clear framework within which to operate.
983	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Hard to comment, but stop looking at technology to solve things. Stop paying Microsoft for software licences and use OpenOffice or similar free platforms. You'll save millions just on IT costs.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Systems	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response, Officers will consider how this could be developed.
984	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	further use of technology to increase efficiency and effectiveness will shut down some services and keep others that are required to give our future children a chance in life	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Systems	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has made significant investment in the IT infrastructure and will continue to allocate appropriate resources to introduce new technology where appropriate. The council's ICT Strategy seeks to deliver change in line with advances in technology and changes in council priorities, whilst still having a clear framework within which to operate.
985	No Response	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Technology can be beneficial, but only when used appropriately	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Systems	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has made significant investment in the IT infrastructure and will continue to allocate appropriate resources to introduce new technology where appropriate. The council's ICT Strategy seeks to deliver change in line with advances in technology and changes in council priorities, whilst still having a clear framework within which to operate.

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986	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	I fully agree with this proposal, though speaking as a teacher, I believe you could go further than this. Why not decentralise IT services? The vast majority of your secondary schools have at least one fully qualified member of staff in the Computing Science department, as well as at least one full-time member of on-site technical staff. Surely these two groups of people are capable of managing the network and storage infrastructure in their own buildings without needing any additional input from a higher level of management? This could reduce staffing costs (reduced level of central IT support required), equipment costs (replacement items could come directly from school budgets, with the council still retaining control over the network infrastructure) and streamline the entire process (the current system dictates that I contact our on-site tech, who contacts his boss, who may have to contact someone else, they approve the repair, then the repair is carried out - in most cases, the first and last steps would be more than sufficient!) There are also several ongoing costs within schools that could be better spent elsewhere, however, I have not included these as I am unsure if they are paid for out of the individual school budget or out of the central council budget.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Systems	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response, Officers will consider how this could be developed.
987	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	If technology is going to be used to supplement this then it needs to be well maintained , up-to-date, fit for purpose and secure. Many of the older generation are not comfortable with technology and require a different approach	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Systems	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has made significant investment in the IT infrastructure and will continue to allocate appropriate resources to introduce new technology where appropriate. The council's ICT Strategy seeks to deliver change in line with advances in technology and changes in council priorities, whilst still having a clear framework within which to operate.
988	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Some support services are not suited to be centralised. e.g income management and business support teams in the revenues unit. Its important benefits are paid to people as quickly as possible so IT are needed to be close by to fix and problems as they occur	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Systems	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Experience has demonstrated that the council can deliver a more effective and cost efficient service through the centralisation of generic tasks, use of technology with the retention of specialist provision within services.
989	No Response	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Technological developments may mean that certain aspects of certain functions may be able to be delivered differently.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Systems	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
990	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	I THINK THE PRIORITY SHOULD BE TO IMPROVE TECHNICAL USE TO GET JOB TO BE MORE EFFICIENT AND REDUCE WASTE BUT NOT JUST MOVE FOLK FROM HERE TO THERE WITH LIMITED GAIN	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Systems	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Experience has demonstrated that the council can deliver a more effective and cost efficient service through the centralisation of generic tasks, use of technology with the retention of specialist provision within services.
991	No Response	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Efficiency savings are good so long as it does not mean that staff are stretched so far that they cannot cope. It is also essential that technology is up to the task and that cyber security is sufficient. Not all residents will be comfortable with using technology rather than face to face contact	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Systems	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has made significant investment in the IT infrastructure and will continue to allocate appropriate resources to introduce new technology where appropriate. The council's ICT Strategy seeks to deliver change in line with advances in technology and changes in council priorities, whilst still having a clear framework within which to operate.
992	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Would like info more around the detail here. Usually further use of technology means paying a contractor huge sums to provide a digital option that never quite meets the original proposal requirements, requires additional manual workarounds and is delivered late potentially leading to hardship within some part of the organisation or to the public. Not convinced but do agree admin services should be shared where possible.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Systems	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has made significant investment in the IT infrastructure and will continue to allocate appropriate resources to introduce new technology where appropriate. The council's ICT Strategy seeks to deliver change in line with advances in technology and changes in council priorities, whilst still having a clear framework within which to operate.
993	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	WLC should seek to ensure increased use of technology does not lead to inevitable cost overruns in public sector IT projects. Off the shelf solutions should be used and potential for outsourcing evaluated.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Systems	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your comments. The council does not develop IT solutions in-house but seeks to procure solutions from third party providers.
994	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	not everyone can work technology!	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Systems	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council acknowledges that not everyone is able to view information online and that face to face contact is still of value to some internal and external customers.

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995	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	There is scope to outsource many IT and HR functions similar to third and private sectors which prove to be far more cost effective.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Systems	5c. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it is not consistent with the council's values and priorities.	The Council is not proposing to outsource support services as it is considered that a more cost effective service can be provided in house.
996	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	MFD project management project should be sitting with IT.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Systems	5d. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it has been previously considered and will not be progressed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
997	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	The introduction of online payments in schools could perhaps be expanded as not all payments are currently made in this way e.g. payment for school trips, outings, uniform orders. At the moment I receive numerous consent forms from the primary and secondary schools my children attend for outings etc, could there be an online account for each child which parents can access, check the details of the outing etc and simply tick consent, information on immunisations and such like could be stored and only updated as required.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Systems	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council plans to extend the use of the online schools payment portal.
998	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Full system planning needs to be considered and systems that enable this should be invested in if possible (like BIM for buildings, councils need a way to track whole systems and processes) Spending money often saves money but the cuts are making that impossible.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Systems	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has a process for approving investment in systems and for reviewing the spend against these systems.
999	No Response	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Effective communication between departments and services improves efficiency , people with local knowledge booking council workmens schedules rather than a computer as they know what is the most efficient route for jobs	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Systems	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council acknowledges that not everyone is able to view information online and that face to face contact is still of value to some internal and external customers.
1000	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Making systems and processes more cost effective is essential in this day and age. Looking at paperless systems can also save lots of money for organisations.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Systems	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has introduced measures to reduce the production and publication of paper documents through the greater use of electronic documents and related systems. The introduction of print management software will allow managers to assess what is being printed with a view to reduction in repeat prints.
1001	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	I believe technology is the way forward, however the systems used to support the council must be fit for purpose in terms of supporting all front line services. Therefore the council must ensure that the systems purchased are suitable and can be updated, as I believe they are extremely expensive, and not having to be replaced witjin a few years.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Systems	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Experience has demonstrated that the council can deliver a more effective and cost efficient service through the centralisation of generic tasks, use of technology with the retention of specialist provision within services.
1002	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Modernising systems is a good way to save money and can be much more accessible online these days.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Systems	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Experience has demonstrated that the council can deliver a more effective and cost efficient service through the centralisation of generic tasks, use of technology with the retention of specialist provision within services.
1003	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Systems are not great as it is, with further savings will this mean poorer quality systems?	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Systems	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Experience has demonstrated that the council can deliver a more effective and cost efficient service through the centralisation of generic tasks, use of technology with the retention of specialist provision within services.
1004	No Response	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Agree with use of technology to increase efficiency. There are too many layers of admin in a lot of departments which have to be reduced.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Systems	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Experience has demonstrated that the council can deliver a more effective and cost efficient service through the centralisation of generic tasks, use of technology with the retention of specialist provision within services.
1005	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Rationalise the systems used within the council so that they are user friendly, intuitive and built for purpose. We have far too many systems which are not designed for council needs and constantly need sticking plasters and work arrounds just to get by. What ever happened to LEAN thinking/Rapid Improvement?	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Systems	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council is reviewing opportunities for the rationalisation and integration of IT systems.
1006	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	If reducing administrative support, you will need to provide the technology but also the training to staff to be able to use. Some people within the workforce find some of the software difficult at the moment and time consuming to complete and I feel these people should have more thorough training and support. A lot of the time something new is introduced, e. objective navigator but training occurs months before it goes live and people then struggle to use it.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Systems	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Employees are the council's most important asset and the council will continue to invest in training and development of employees.

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1007	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	The technology we have at present is far from the best despite it being relatively new and still under integration. The tools provided from IT perspective are extremely poor comparable to other authorities and other businesses who we are benchmarking against. Many of the systems are being introduced hastily by the wrong people without a thorough thought process and knowledge to ensure staff get what they need. If this continues it makes it even more difficult for staff to do their job. Therefore adding to the "waste" - I agree there is room for improvement and empowerment but not without the correct investment and tools to do the job	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Systems	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has made significant investment in the IT infrastructure and will continue to allocate appropriate resources to introduce new technology where appropriate. The council's ICT Strategy seeks to deliver change in line with advances in technology and changes in council priorities, whilst still having a clear framework within which to operate.
1008	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	I think improving our use of technology is positive and can help make the service more accessible to West Lothian. There are probably some roles that technology can do more efficiently or quickly than people. However, I don't think that we should be replacing people with technology just because we can. The long term implications need to be considered (e.g. cost of training people in using the technology, cost of the technology, what happens when it breaks etc) as no technology can replace the benefits of human interaction.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Systems	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Experience has demonstrated that the council can deliver a more effective and cost efficient service through the centralisation of generic tasks, use of technology with the retention of specialist provision within services.
1009	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	We also should be thinking about the impact of replacing people with technology on the West Lothian community- impact of job loss, unemployment, mental and physical health problems. Whilst it may seem like an initial saving, what impact would this have in the long run and would it actually be less cost efficient because of the increased demands on using council services?	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Systems	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Experience has demonstrated that the council can deliver a more effective and cost efficient service through the centralisation of generic tasks, use of technology with the retention of specialist provision within services.
1010	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Any changes that can be made to systems and processes to make the Council and Partner more efficient should be the focus of change, particularly integrating services and resources to remove duplication for staff and customers.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Systems	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council is reviewing opportunities for the rationalisation and integration of IT systems. The council utilises national framework contracts to procure software systems where this provides best value in terms of cost and performance.
1011	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Not everyone wants to deal with a machine	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Systems	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Experience has demonstrated that the council can deliver a more effective and cost effective service through the centralisation of generic tasks and use of technology with the retention of specialist provision within service. This model still allows the opportunity for staff to engage with council officers on a face to face basis at the most effective and convenient level.
1012	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Digital transformation should extend to internal solutions as well as customer access to services. Options could be looked at to propose new ways of working, for example working from home as standard for a percentage of standard hours with all systems available by secure log in to allow less than 100% capacity office accommodation so reducing cost.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Systems	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has an IT infrastructure which supports working from home and individuals working from various council sites throughout West Lothian. The opportunity to work on a mobile and flexible basis continues to be available to staff.
1013	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Integration and single sign onto system would allow front line to be more efficient as at present they need to update several systems with the same information.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Systems	4. The council is already doing this.	The council is reviewing opportunities for the rationalisation and integration of IT systems, including opportunities for single sign on to systems for internal and external customers.
1014	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	I am against cost saving exercises which place the burden of administration back onto staff as it is a false economy. Lack of administrative support and poorly managed systems leads to wasted time for employees any changes would need to be well thought out.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Systems	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Experience has demonstrated that the council can deliver a more effective and cost efficient service through the centralisation of generic tasks, use of technology with the retention of specialist provision within services.
1015	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Using further use of technology sounds a good idea, but what happens when IT systems are down? What back up measures do the council have. We also have to think about all customers who do not have any IT skills.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Systems	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Experience has demonstrated that the council can deliver a more effective and cost effective service through the centralisation of generic tasks and use of technology with the retention of specialist provision within service. This model still allows the opportunity for staff to engage with council officers on a face to face basis at the most effective and convenient level. The council has made significant investment in the IT infrastructure and will continue to allocate appropriate resources to introduce new technology where appropriate. The council's ICT Strategy seeks to deliver change in line with advances in technology and changes in council priorities, whilst still having a clear framework within which to operate.

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1016	No Response	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Further use of technology will likely put an increased strain on IT support but is a positive and necessary step.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Systems	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has made significant investment in the IT infrastructure and will continue to allocate appropriate resources to introduce new technology where appropriate. The council's ICT Strategy seeks to deliver change in line with advances in technology and changes in council priorities, whilst still having a clear framework within which to operate.
1017	No Response	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Seems a pragmatic approach and in line with this technological age and the way that this is developing.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Systems	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Experience has demonstrated that the council can deliver a more effective and cost efficient service through the centralisation of generic tasks, use of technology with the retention of specialist provision within services.
1018	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Technology only helps if the support is still offered to staff members using technology who may not be at ease with it for whatever reason, whether that is because of ability, learning needs, personal difficulties, or inclination.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Systems	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Experience has demonstrated that the council can deliver a more effective and cost effective service through the centralisation of generic tasks and use of technology with the retention of specialist provision within service. Employees are the council's most important asset and the council will continue to invest in training and development of employees.
1019	No Response	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Being too reliant on systems and cutting back too much on human resource is not always the best solution. IT seem to struggle with the current systems already and the danger is becoming over reliant.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Systems	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Experience has demonstrated that the council can deliver a more effective and cost effective service through the centralisation of generic tasks and use of technology with the retention of specialist provision within service. The council has made significant investment in the IT infrastructure and will continue to allocate appropriate resources to introduce new technology where appropriate. The council's ICT Strategy seeks to deliver change in line with advances in technology and changes in council priorities, whilst still having a clear framework within which to operate.
1020	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	I do not believe that savings in systems costs were given much of a thought - should you not be looking into integrating and interfacing your existing systems rather than reducing costs? Please advise how you arrived with the estimated saving figure of £4M	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Systems	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council is reviewing opportunities for the rationalisation and integration of IT systems.
1021	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Better use of conference, video calling and planning of meetings, training etc could also reduce in mileage	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Systems	4. The council is already doing this.	All of the council's main office buildings in the main towns and villages in West Lothian have facilities for mobile and flexible working which can be booked through the room booking system. In addition, staff who undertake mobile and flexible working have access to IT technology to facilitate this, including remotely accessing meetings.
1022	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	systems cannot be used to cyber bully or cyber stalk other students or teachers.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Systems	4. The council is already doing this.	The council's Email and Internet policy prohibit any form of inappropriate online behaviour by council staff.
1023	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	I would support utilising technologies to improve efficiencies but with minimum risk to jobs	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Systems	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Experience has demonstrated that the council can deliver a more effective and cost efficient service through the centralisation of generic tasks, use of technology with the retention of specialist provision within services.
1024	No Response	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	I don't think removing people for the sake of technology is a very good idea, with low employment already adding to this isn't good for anyone and will cost a bigger expense in the long run.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Systems	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Experience has demonstrated that the council can deliver a more effective and cost efficient service through the centralisation of generic tasks, use of technology with the retention of specialist provision within services.
1025	No Response	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	I believe that it is important to modernise, and use latest technology to increase efficiency and work in a smarter way.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Systems	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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1026	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	I agree with the further use of Technology and the statement above, however nothing beats speaking to an actual person, so please be careful not to have 100% person free services.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Systems	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Experience has demonstrated that the council can deliver a more effective and cost effective service through the centralisation of generic tasks and use of technology with the retention of specialist provision within service. This model still allows the opportunity for staff to engage with council officers on a face to face basis at the most effective and convenient level.
1027	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	HR21, I use this system - every time k so no also have to phone HR because I cannot get logged in or I cannot find the answer to my question.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Systems	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The council will continue to review opportunities to improve online access to HR processes.
1028	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Technology is not the answer, I can gindbout an answer in a 2 minute call that can take up to 30 mins to navigate a website. Also you have to be on a wlc device to access, not much use if you're off sick, on leave or on maternity leave or simply working elsewhere.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Systems	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council will continue to review opportunities to improve online access to internal systems and processes.
1029	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	There is no doubt Technology has a part to play in any improvement - but from my experience the most successful projects have utilised off-the -shelf software - or software installed and thoroughly implemented and operational (in other local authorities). Any customisation or code manipulation to adapt the software to "WLC's unique case" - is a recipe to spend more money and delay change implementation - exactly contrary to the objective.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Systems	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council does not develop systems in house but works with suppliers to ensure that the off the shelf version of software is delivered to achieve the best results for customers.
1030	No Response	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Having the right technology, equipment and technological support is important. Further use of technology on its own doesn't necessarily mean improvement in efficiency and effectiveness. P	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Systems	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Experience has demonstrated that the council can deliver a more effective and cost efficient service through the centralisation of generic tasks, use of technology with the retention of specialist provision within services.
1031	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	In my experience working with other employers including HMRC I can guarantee using technology and reducing staff does not work. People are needed to process work and make decisions.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Systems	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Experience has demonstrated that the council can deliver a more effective and cost efficient service through the centralisation of generic tasks, use of technology with the retention of specialist provision within services.
1032	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	With regards to technology in the department I work in I feel (along with colleagues) that newer systems that have been brought in have actually been less effective & easy to use than previous. Where technology is concerned the staff that actually carry out the work should be consulted.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Systems	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Experience has demonstrated that the council can deliver a more effective and cost effective service through the centralisation of generic tasks and use of technology with the retention of specialist provision within service. The council works with suppliers to ensure that the off the shelf version of software is delivered to achieve the best results for customers.
1033	No Response	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	There is no doubt Technology has a part to play in any improvement - but from my experience the most successful projects have utilised off-the -shelf software - or software installed and thoroughly implemented and operational (in other local authorities). Any customisation or code manipulation to adapt the software to "WLC's unique case" - is a recipe to spend more money and delay change implementation - exactly contrary to the objective.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Systems	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council does not develop systems in house but works with suppliers to ensure that the off the shelf version of software is delivered to achieve the best results for customers.
1034	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Need to ensure that people are not excluded when increasing use of technology	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Systems	4. The council is already doing this.	Experience has demonstrated that the council can deliver a more effective and cost effective service through the centralisation of generic tasks and use of technology with the retention of specialist provision within service. This model still allows the opportunity for staff to engage with council officers on a face to face basis at the most effective and convenient level.
1035	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	I belive smarter use of technology and reuse of process/ services should provide positive outcomes including cost savings. If managed and implemented effectively, lessons must be learnt from previous projects. Services supporting key outcomes should not be reduced and access for those not technolgy enabled especially the elderly must be retained.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Systems	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Experience has demonstrated that the council can deliver a more effective and cost efficient service through the centralisation of generic tasks, use of technology with the retention of specialist provision within services.

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1036	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Issues with software which are maintained within the revenues unit are resolved within a matter of hours however where central IT services are required the time taken to resolve issues can be days, involving numerous phone calls to chase issues and so costing a fair amount of lost production time.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Systems	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	The council's IT Services is structured to provide a service across the council. Issues which are directed to the IT service are generally more complex in nature than those dealt with in the service and may therefore take longer to resolve. The IT Support works online reporting system allows customers to track and monitor progress being made in resolving issues.
1037	No Response	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Currently software issues which are dealt with within the unit are resolved in a maximum of a couple of hours. However software issues that are dealt with centrally can take days to get resolved and numerous phone calls made to try and speed up resolution meaning lost time within the unit.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Systems	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	The council's IT Services is structured to provide a service across the council. Issues which are directed to the IT service are generally more complex in nature than those dealt with in the service and may therefore take longer to resolve. The IT Support works online reporting system allows customers to track and monitor progress being made in resolving issues.
1038	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	the purchasing new technologies should be minimal within services where use of only one or two applications are required (example. Word or Outlook)	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Systems	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Officers will consider how this could be developed.
1039	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Technology is not always the best way and often people need face to face support from someone in a superior position who is able to advise. Taking this away will lead to a less efficient service in my opinion.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Systems	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Experience has demonstrated that the council can deliver a more effective and cost effective service through the centralisation of generic tasks and use of technology with the retention of specialist provision within service. This model still allows the opportunity for staff to engage with council officers on a face to face basis at the most effective and convenient level.
1040	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	increasing technology and 'efficiency' normally means less human-human contact. This is usually not as efficient as is to be believed and results for more work for those who are still in employment and a problematic service experience for customers.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Systems	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Experience has demonstrated that the council can deliver a more effective and cost effective service through the centralisation of generic tasks and use of technology with the retention of specialist provision within service. This model still allows the opportunity for staff to engage with council officers on a face to face basis at the most effective and convenient level.
1041	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	I believe in the use of technology to deliver efficiency and by investing in creating effective systems this will generate a reduction in man power to maintain.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Systems	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Experience has demonstrated that the council can deliver a more effective and cost efficient service through the centralisation of generic tasks, use of technology with the retention of specialist provision within services.
1042	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Integration and technology must be explored as far as possible to ensure effective delivery.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Systems	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council is reviewing opportunities for the rationalisation and integration of IT systems. Experience has demonstrated that the council can deliver a more effective and cost effective service through the centralisation of generic tasks, use of technology and retention of specialist provision within service.
1043	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	I agree that technology can be a good money saving tool and may allow tasks to be completed quicker. However these systems can often fail/crash resulting in the public not being able to contact the necessary person. It could perhaps be managed but not cut completely.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Systems	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Experience has demonstrated that the council can deliver a more effective and cost efficient service through the centralisation of generic tasks, use of technology and retention of specialist provision within services. This model still allows the opportunity for staff to engage with council officers on a face to face basis at the most effective and convenient level

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1044	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Cuts to services, should not be made simply because a service could be reduced. Any cuts or restructuring must be balanced and the needs of staff and service users be considered before the money saving agenda is.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Systems	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Any service restructure will be undertaken in accordance with the council organisational change policy and in consultation with the recognised trade unions. The Council has developed a Corporate Workforce Plan and Service specific workforce plans which monitor staffing requirements and ensure as far as possible that staffing complements and staff skills meet the service requirements.
1045	No Response	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Sounds good on paper however I am unconvinced with regard to the real time savings of this strategy. Constantly changing IT systems does not provide a positive supportive working environment for staff.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Systems	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has made significant investment in the IT infrastructure and will continue to allocate appropriate resources to introduce new technology where appropriate. The council's ICT Strategy seeks to deliver change in line with advances in technology and changes in council priorities, whilst still having a clear framework within which to operate.
1046	No Response	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	It is great to increase the use of technology but person to person contact is extremely important.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Systems	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Experience has demonstrated that the council can deliver a more effective and cost efficient service through the centralisation of generic tasks, use of technology and retention of specialist provision within services. This model still allows the opportunity for staff to engage with council officers on a face to face basis at the most effective and convenient level
1047	No Response	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	This seems a sensible plan but there needs to be some support in place for people who don't have access to or don't know how to use technology.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Systems	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Experience has demonstrated that the council can deliver a more effective and cost efficient service through the centralisation of generic tasks, use of technology and retention of specialist provision within services. This model still allows the opportunity for staff to engage with council officers on a face to face basis at the most effective and convenient level
1048	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Technology is not fit for purpose. Must be constantly updated, fit for purpose and maintained. Cyber security is a major issue and many of the older generation are not comfortable with using this system. Customer facing services need to maintain a good customer balance	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Systems	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Experience has demonstrated that the council can deliver a more effective and cost effective service through the centralisation of generic tasks, use of technology and retention of specialist provision within service. This model still allows the opportunity for staff to engage with council officers on a face to face basis at the most effective and convenient level. The council has made significant investment in the IT infrastructure and will continue to allocate appropriate resources to introduce new technology where appropriate. The council's ICT Strategy seeks to deliver change in line with advances in technology and changes in council priorities, whilst still having a clear framework within which to operate.
1049	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Overall, nobody can disagree with using technology to become more efficient. However I think careful consideration is required when considering the redesign of functions to properly consider the tasks and activities undertaken and the appropriate level of staff to complete the tasks as well as fully implementing proposals.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Systems	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Any service restructure will be undertaken in accordance with the council organisational change policy and in consultation with the recognised trade unions. The Council has developed a Corporate Workforce Plan and Service specific workforce plans which monitor staffing requirements and ensure as far as possible that staffing complements and staff skills meet the service requirements.
1050	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Agree that further use of technology can help but often its the proper and effective use of existing that is required rather than relying on using it more	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Systems	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Experience has demonstrated that the council can deliver a more effective and cost efficient service through the centralisation of generic tasks, use of technology with the retention of specialist provision within services.

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1051	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	If greater use of I T, online services and electronic communication is proposed it is important that these systems are supported by business managers who understand the various systems. This will maximise the use of the systems and enhance the efficiencies which they can bring.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Systems	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has made significant investment in the IT infrastructure and will continue to allocate appropriate resources to introduce new technology where appropriate. The council's ICT Strategy seeks to deliver change in line with advances in technology and changes in council priorities, whilst still having a clear framework within which to operate. The council recognises that staff need to be trained and supported to maximise opportunities from digital systems.
1052	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Yes, this is all good and well but what about people who do not have any computer devices and still prefer to talk to someone on the phone. Please don't alienate everyone.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Systems	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Experience has demonstrated that the council can deliver a more effective and cost efficient service through the centralisation of generic tasks, use of technology and retention of specialist provision within services. This model still allows the opportunity for staff to engage with council officers on a face to face basis at the most effective and convenient level
1053	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Without knowing more detail, this is a difficult area to comment on as it could mean more work being put onto services which are already stretched and having to cope without much, if any, support from finance. Technology is an important factor and if the correct processes are in place, can provide good support but NOT if the systems are under resourced or ill thought out.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Systems	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Experience has demonstrated that the council can deliver a more effective and cost efficient service through the centralisation of generic tasks, use of technology with the retention of specialist provision within services.
1054	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	If costs can be reduced through the introduction of technology and integrating services and savings made without impacting on these services or increasing the workload of remaining staff.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Systems	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Experience has demonstrated that the council can deliver a more effective and cost efficient service through the centralisation of generic tasks, use of technology with the retention of specialist provision within services.
1055	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Efficiencies are important and best use of technology can be used	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Systems	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Experience has demonstrated that the council can deliver a more effective and cost efficient service through the centralisation of generic tasks, use of technology with the retention of specialist provision within services.
1056	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Increase the use of video conferencing	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Systems	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	All of the council's main office buildings in the main towns and villages in West Lothian have facilities for mobile and flexible working which can be booked through the room booking system. In addition, staff who undertake mobile and flexible working have access to IT technology to facilitate this, including remotely accessing meetings.
1057	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	West Lothian Council is, at present, delivering good service but ploughing more money into making the systems run more smoothly would appear sensible.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Systems	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
1058	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Obviously technology is important and, to some degree, is more efficient and streamlines tasks and jobs. Well it is until it goes off line and no one can access anything. That can result in delays.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Systems	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has made significant investment in the IT infrastructure and will continue to allocate appropriate resources to introduce new technology where appropriate. The council's ICT Strategy seeks to deliver change in line with advances in technology and changes in council priorities, whilst still having a clear framework within which to operate.
1059	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Using technology is an excellent idea .. but with developments that use full agile development processes, and not waterfall projects (typically with technically unskilled project managers). Waterfall based projects are more costly, & have been shown to fail too frequently, .. but government continues to use these, and so and waste millions of taxpayers money	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Systems	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has made significant investment in the IT infrastructure and will continue to allocate appropriate resources to introduce new technology where appropriate. The council's ICT Strategy seeks to deliver change in line with advances in technology and changes in council priorities, whilst still having a clear framework within which to operate.

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1060	No Response	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Cutting down the number of meetings that take place and the use of modern video conferencing would reduce the need for staff to travel.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Systems	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	All of the council's main office buildings in the main towns and villages in West Lothian have facilities for mobile and flexible working which can be booked through the room booking system. In addition, staff who undertake mobile and flexible working have access to IT technology to facilitate this, including remotely accessing meetings.
1061	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Sometimes Technology does not increase efficiency and effectiveness. Sometimes it increases frustrations and a delay. Technology is good when it works which is not always a guarantee.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Systems	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Experience has demonstrated that the Council can deliver an more effective and cost effective service through the centralisation of generic tasks with the retention of specialist provision within service.
1062	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Look into the Councils computer systems - the number /variety / reduce duplication / down time / get it right first time.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Systems	4. The Council is already doing this.	The Council is reviewing opportunities for the rationalisation and integration of IT systems.
1063	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	This seems like a logical step. Care must be taken when letting IT contracts as many areas have fallen foul of poor identification of contractors and inadequate supervision of IT contractors in the past. This has often led to systems not fit for purpose or even never finished and implemented.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Systems	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The Council undertakes regular review of the IT contracts which have been procured, to ensure that these meet the contracted requirements and continue to support delivering of Council services.
1064	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Further use of technology is all very well but any new systems must be robust and fit for purpose.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Systems	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The Council has made significant investment in the IT infrastructure and will continue to allocate appropriate resources to introduce new technology where appropriate. The Council's ICT Strategy seeks to deliver change in line with advances in technology and changes in Council priorities, whilst still having a clear framework within which to operate.
1065	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Although the use of technology can reduce a work force it also brings its own problems. People without the access to this technology will be discriminated against.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Systems	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Experience has demonstrated that the Council can deliver an more effective and cost effective service through the centralisation of generic tasks with the retention of specialist provision within service. This model still allows the opportunity for staff to engage with Council officers on a face to face basis at the most effective and convenient level.
1066	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	The Council needs to continue to improve communication with residents. Bulletin needs to be kept and more focus on engaging on social media. The video explaining the need for cuts was good, more efforts like this to ensure residents are informed about the inevitable cuts before they happen.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Systems	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The Council will continue to utilise all methods of communication to deliver key messages to staff and customers.
1067	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	The use of computer systems with syncing interfaces would dramatically reduce the time lost trying to make two opposing systems work in unison.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Systems	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The Council is reviewing opportunities for the rationalisation and integration of IT systems.
1068	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Use of ICT to avoid duplication of paperwork, multiple members of staff meeting same constituents etc	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Systems	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The Council is reviewing opportunities for the rationalisation and integration of IT systems and business processes.
1069	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Further use of technology to increase effectiveness and efficiency is a good idea.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Systems	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
1070	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Money has been spent on systems in the past and most recent past and these are not always for the better.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Systems	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council has made significant investment in the IT infrastructure and will continue to allocate appropriate resources to introduce new technology where appropriate. The Council's ICT Strategy seeks to deliver change in line with advances in technology and changes in Council priorities, whilst still having a clear framework within which to operate.

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1071	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	We do believe that savings can be made by embracing new technology, and that service redesign can bring efficiency savings by reducing duplication, streamlining systems and bureaucracy. Careful consideration of the potential savings and real costs involved in the integration of services both in time and finance. There have been many cases both nationally and some locally where the costs and timescales involved in developing and implementing integrated IT systems alone have went well beyond timescales and expected costs.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Systems	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The Council has made significant investment in the IT infrastructure and will continue to allocate appropriate resources to introduce new technology where appropriate. The Council's ICT Strategy seeks to deliver change in line with advances in technology and changes in Council priorities, whilst still having a clear framework within which to operate.
1072	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Modernisation is good so long as it is appropriate, There are numerous examples of poorly designed and procured IT systems which are supposed to make things easier / better but in fact have achieved the opposite eg NHS Scotland, Scottish Govt Rural Payments system. If the Council is to redesign services and modernise it needs to ensure that the new systems actually work.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Systems	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The Council has made significant investment in the IT infrastructure and will continue to allocate appropriate resources to introduce new technology where appropriate. The Council's ICT Strategy seeks to deliver change in line with advances in technology and changes in Council priorities, whilst still having a clear framework within which to operate.
1073	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Greater use of technology could reduce the number of short / local trips made by staff.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Systems	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	All of the council's main office buildings in the main towns and villages in West Lothian have facilities for mobile and flexible working which can be booked through the room booking system. In addition, staff who undertake mobile and flexible working have access to IT technology to facilitate this.
1074	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Unfortunately services like ours have found ways to improve service delivery for both customer and staff but have been met with hurdle after hurdle and a lack of support and drive e.g. Beecraigs caravan & Camping site booking system "a very easy and simple system that is still not installed after years of jumping through hoops with IT!	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Systems	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The Council has made significant investment in the IT infrastructure and will continue to allocate appropriate resources to introduce new technology where appropriate. The Council's ICT Strategy seeks to deliver change in line with advances in technology and changes in Council priorities, whilst still having a clear framework within which to operate.
1075	No Response	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Do you have the staff with the ability to do this? The key is education and you do not say what is to happen to staff who cannot cope with computers.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Systems	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Experience has demonstrated that the Council can deliver an more effective and cost effective service through the centralisation of generic tasks with the retention of specialist provision within service.
1076	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	I welcome any consolidation of services within the Council, and the use of improved technology can assist with this, however, systems need to be linked and effective, it expensive to constantly change IT systems.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Systems	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The Council is reviewing opportunities for the rationalisation and integration of IT systems and business processes.
1077	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	I am aware that Administrative systems were consolidated during the last round of Council cuts, however, worth looking at again, as it is amongst the third sector.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Systems	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The Council is reviewing opportunities for the rationalisation and integration of IT systems and business processes.
1078	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Fewer meetings - virtual communication can improve staff mileage.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Systems	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	All of the council's main office buildings in the main towns and villages in West Lothian have facilities for mobile and flexible working which can be booked through the room booking system. In addition, staff who undertake mobile and flexible working have access to IT technology to facilitate this.
1079	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Through the development of digital services the council really needs to have a tool for conducting meetings which removes the need for staff to constantly travel to alternative locations, either by pool car or their own car.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Systems	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	All of the council's main office buildings in the main towns and villages in West Lothian have facilities for mobile and flexible working which can be booked through the room booking system. In addition, staff who undertake mobile and flexible working have access to IT technology to facilitate this.
1080	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	The Council need to utilise smart IT solutions that are better integrated and promote sharing of data across functional/ departmental boundaries. The use of discrete systems requires the same information to be entered many times by multiple users and is a highly inefficient way of working.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Systems	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The Council is reviewing opportunities for the rationalisation and integration of IT systems and business processes.

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1081	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Two many IT systems in the Council which don't talk to each other	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Systems	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The Council is reviewing opportunities for the rationalisation and integration of IT systems and business processes.
1082	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Where technology is to be used investment should be in good quality resources to improve efficiency and decisions based not purely on a financial outlook, but as a whole to see what the longer term gains would be.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Systems	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The Council has made significant investment in the IT infrastructure and will continue to allocate appropriate resources to introduce new technology where appropriate. The Council's ICT Strategy seeks to deliver change in line with advances in technology and changes in Council priorities, whilst still having a clear framework within which to operate.
1083	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	More money should be put into investment in digital services which still allows promotion of Council and what we do. Also continue with the Council newspaper Bulletin as it tells everyone in West Lothian just what we are doing.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Systems	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The Council will continue to utilise all methods of communication to deliver key messages to staff and customers.
1084	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	I believe that change is necessary to streamline the services but what changes to make need to be fully considered, computers and technology cannot be used to just to justify saving money.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Systems	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Experience has demonstrated that the Council can deliver a more effective and cost effective service through the centralisation of generic tasks with the retention of specialist provision within service.
1085	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	get customer portal set up....	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Systems	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The Council has developed a number of online processes for internal and external customers. The introduction of the Objective system will facilitate automation of internal processes and the Council will continue to investigate opportunities to develop more online services for external customers on the Council's website.
1086	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Service redesign and particularly culture change is key to any changes. Things cannot continue to be done the same way and using the same processes and systems. In order to move forward investment in resources have to be made to enable digital services both internally and externally through changes to end to end processes and ways of working.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Systems	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The Council has developed a number of online processes for internal and external customers. The introduction of the Objective system will facilitate automation of internal processes and the Council will continue to investigate opportunities to develop more online services for external customers on the Council's website.
1087	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Efficiency can always be bettered but it is not good to reduce front line services and leave an expensive and excessively bureaucratic management structure in place. As strings have tightened, I note that WLC has become more and more officious in its dealings with Council tax payers and organisations. The "third sector" already does a lot and greater support and closer co-operation might just be better than the present confrontation.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Systems	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Experience has demonstrated that the Council can deliver a more effective and cost effective service through the centralisation of generic tasks with the retention of specialist provision within service.
1088	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	There are no detailed or specific proposals here and yet an estimated saving has been allocated to this measure - what is the basis for this estimate and why has this not been included in the consultation document? The issue of no detail or specific proposals showing how estimated savings have been arrived at is replicated in relation to most of the measures in the consultation document. This lack of detail undermines the consultation process as it makes it difficult to respond or indeed to offer potential alternative approaches.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Systems	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	At this stage, detailed budget reduction measures have not been developed, therefore there is no specific information on how the savings will be achieved and the timescales for delivery. This will become clearer as the measures progress following the consultation process and approval of the Council's budget strategy.
1089	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	More detail needed on these proposals. In principal it sounds fine but in reality will that be the case? Creation of more higher graded positions in times of austerity seems to fly in the face of "being in it together"	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Systems	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Experience has demonstrated that the Council can deliver a more effective and cost effective service through the centralisation of generic tasks with the retention of specialist provision within service.
1090	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Fully support dramatic increase in electronic service delivery, to focus face-to-face service delivery on those services which really need to be face-to-face. Increase use of internet service delivery. Disengage from unnecessary face-to-face service delivery.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Systems	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Experience has demonstrated that the Council can deliver a more effective and cost effective service through the centralisation of generic tasks with the retention of specialist provision within service. This model still allows the opportunity for staff to engage with Council officers on a face to face basis at the most effective and convenient level.
1091	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Some merit in this as technology does help stream line and improve services and WLC have had the forethought to invest in this and do believe it should be a priority	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Systems	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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1092	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Systems and processes are incredibly complex and cumbersome. A simplification and streamlining of processes, reducing bureaucracy would undeniably reduce time spent by workers and increase efficiency - For example processes for social workers using AIS could be simplified. Any intervention in this respect should involve close planning, involvement and consultation with front line staff, rather than a top down approach from management/consultants with tokenistic consultation.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Systems	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Experience has demonstrated that the Council can deliver a more effective and cost effective service through the centralisation of generic tasks with the retention of specialist provision within service.
1093	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	You could make the Council more efficient by investing in better systems that are easy to use and actually work. IT need to be better and think more efficiently because they have so much control. Has anyone ever logged in to Hr21 and not had to reset their password? HR must have a full time member of staff resetting HR21 passwords. That is just one example. Don't get me started on the IT portal. Objective is a another clunky, time consuming system. How can it be that when IT look at systems they choose to pick systems that actually take longer to work than their predecessors. Are we not meant to be more efficient??? We seem to think that giving our internal customers forms to complete makes us more efficient. When, in actual fact, it depends on the form and the system. Why do we need ten different log in accounts for example? Why do we need different log in accounts for IT and HR portals? You wouldn't have to log in with different passwords for online banking?	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Systems	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The Council has made significant investment in the IT infrastructure and will continue to allocate appropriate resources to introduce new technology where appropriate. The Council's ICT Strategy seeks to deliver change in line with advances in technology and changes in Council priorities, whilst still having a clear framework within which to operate.
1094	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Why use lone worker devices. When you can get an app for smart phones from Reliance which does the same thing. Probably at a reduced cost.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation - Systems	5b. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it is likely that the costs of this proposal would outweigh the benefit.	The Council has invested in Lone Worker Devices which is considered to provide the most appropriate support for staff who are in lone working situations.
1095	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Care at home and costs etc are then raised by the service area but pushed to revenues to collect and if there is an increase in costs being raised but staff already at the limit to recovering current levels of debt then surely service level standards would require to be reviewed and relaxed as you can't continue to meet these with less staff and more work!!	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (Finance & Property)	4. The council is already doing this.	Wherever consideration is given to centralising services, thought will always be given to specialist advice and support required by specific teams to make sure there is no adverse impact on service delivery. Any proposed centralisation would need to meet service requirements throughout the council.
1096	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Older people will continue to be eligible for free personal care - does this mean Adults will not? Will the charge be paid upfront or will you need extra debt recovery staff?	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (Finance & Property)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Wherever consideration is given to centralising services, thought will always be given to specialist advice and support required by specific teams to make sure there is no adverse impact on service delivery. Any proposed centralisation would need to meet service requirements throughout the council.
1097	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Contributions to Social Care after a financial assessment? Will this charge be paid upfront or will you need extra debt recovery staff? Will you need to conduct the financial assessments?	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (Finance & Property)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Wherever consideration is given to centralising services, thought will always be given to specialist advice and support required by specific teams to make sure there is no adverse impact on service delivery. Any proposed centralisation would need to meet service requirements throughout the council.
1098	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Older people will continue to be eligible for free personal care - does this mean Adults will not? Will the charge be paid upfront or will you need extra debt recovery staff?	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (Finance & Property)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Wherever consideration is given to centralising services, thought will always be given to specialist advice and support required by specific teams to make sure there is no adverse impact on service delivery. Any proposed centralisation would need to meet service requirements throughout the council.
1099	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Contributions to Social Care after a financial assessment? Will this charge be paid upfront or will you need extra debt recovery staff? Will you need to conduct the financial assessments?	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (Finance & Property)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Wherever consideration is given to centralising services, thought will always be given to specialist advice and support required by specific teams to make sure there is no adverse impact on service delivery. Any proposed centralisation would need to meet service requirements throughout the council.
1100	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Older people will continue to be eligible for free personal care - does this mean Adults will not? Will the charge be paid upfront or will you need extra debt recovery staff?	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (Finance & Property)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Wherever consideration is given to centralising services, thought will always be given to specialist advice and support required by specific teams to make sure there is no adverse impact on service delivery. Any proposed centralisation would need to meet service requirements throughout the council.

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1101	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Contributions to Social Care after a financial assessment? Will this charge be paid upfront or will you need extra debt recovery staff? Will you need to conduct the financial assessments?	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (Finance & Property)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Wherever consideration is given to centralising services, thought will always be given to specialist advice and support required by specific teams to make sure there is no adverse impact on service delivery. Any proposed centralisation would need to meet service requirements throughout the council.
1102	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Older people will continue to be eligible for free personal care â€” does this mean Adults will not? Will the charge be paid upfront or will you need extra debt recovery staff?	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (Finance & Property)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Wherever consideration is given to centralising services, thought will always be given to specialist advice and support required by specific teams to make sure there is no adverse impact on service delivery. Any proposed centralisation would need to meet service requirements throughout the council.
1103	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Contributions to Social Care after a financial assessment? Will this charge be paid upfront or will you need extra debt recovery staff? Will you need to conduct the financial assessments?	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (Finance & Property)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Wherever consideration is given to centralising services, thought will always be given to specialist advice and support required by specific teams to make sure there is no adverse impact on service delivery. Any proposed centralisation would need to meet service requirements throughout the council.
1104	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Older people will continue to be eligible for free personal care â€” does this mean Adults will not? Will the charge be paid upfront or will you need extra debt recovery staff?	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (Finance & Property)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Wherever consideration is given to centralising services, thought will always be given to specialist advice and support required by specific teams to make sure there is no adverse impact on service delivery. Any proposed centralisation would need to meet service requirements throughout the council.
1105	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Contributions to Social Care after a financial assessment? Will this charge be paid upfront or will you need extra debt recovery staff? Will you need to conduct the financial assessments?	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (Finance & Property)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Wherever consideration is given to centralising services, thought will always be given to specialist advice and support required by specific teams to make sure there is no adverse impact on service delivery. Any proposed centralisation would need to meet service requirements throughout the council.
1106	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Older people will continue to be eligible for free personal care - does this mean adults will not? Will the charge be paid upfront or will you need extra debt recovery staff? Contributions to social care after a financial assessment? Will this charge be paid upfront or will you need extra debt recovery staff? Will you need extra staff to conduct the financial assessments?	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (Finance & Property)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Wherever consideration is given to centralising services, thought will always be given to specialist advice and support required by specific teams to make sure there is no adverse impact on service delivery. Any proposed centralisation would need to meet service requirements throughout the council.
1107	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Adding a financial assessment to non-profit residential care services creates a level of administration and beaurocracy that is not currently there and would cost more to administer than would be saved.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (Finance & Property)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Wherever consideration is given to centralising services, thought will always be given to specialist advice and support required by specific teams to make sure there is no adverse impact on service delivery. Any proposed centralisation would need to meet service requirements throughout the council.
1108	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	I work within finance and estates and for the 29 members of staff we 4 section leaders amd 3 team leaders. We are top heavy as some of the section leaders do very little work	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (Finance & Property)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council continually reviews the tiers of management and span of control across all service levels. This ensures that the council continues to operate with an effective and efficient managerial structure.
1109	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	We provide a service which is a statutory requirement so would not like to see this Unit integrated with any other service.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (Finance & Property)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council's aim is, and always will be, to ensure that West Lothian continues to be a great place to live, work, visit and do business. To achieve this aim we will continue to prioritise the money that we spend on services to make sure that our investment has the biggest and most positive impact on the community, including considering the need to provide statutory services. There continues to be opportunities for all council services to streamline processes and remove duplication.
1110	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Ideas for cost savings could include: - Reduce reliance on external consultants by bringing expertise in-house e.g. more architects and quantity surveyors, M&E engineers, structural engineers, interior designers and CDM advisers / principal designers.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (Finance & Property)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	A cost benefit analysis of keeping specialist skills in house will be considered incorporating the demand for these services based on revised service delivery.

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1111	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Service redesign, integration & modernisation. This section refers to internal functions that provide management, business and financial support to services being consolidated and reduced. Within Revenues we have teams ie BSD and BST that provide a support function not only to teams within the unit but to wider council services. Staff within these teams have specialist knowledge which would be diluted if they were to be integrated into a central support function. Work carried out in both Revenues and Benefits is statutory and subject to strict scrutiny by DWP, Central and Scottish Government, therefore it is important that support is kept local so that reaction times to system and administration issues is kept to a minimum which in turn protects performance.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (Finance & Property)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Although the council will aim to consolidate service provision to reduce duplication, it recognises that some areas are not suitable for consolidation. The cost benefit of any proposal to consolidate services will be considered to ensure a minimum impact on service performance.
1112	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	With majority of council tax payers etc paying via direct debit, standing order and on-line, the current FTE within Revenues should be explored.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (Finance & Property)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Although there are resources dedicated to collection of council tax, the majority of staff focus on supporting individuals with council tax queries and ensuring the council maximises collection.
1113	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Within Revenues we have teams such as the Business Systems Development Team and the Business Support Team that provide in house support. They are specialised skills that would be greatly reduced if integrated into a central support system. The work carried out in Revenues is statutory and needs local support to meet the standards required.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (Finance & Property)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Wherever consideration is given to centralising services, thought will always be given to specialist advice and support required by specific teams to make sure there is no adverse impact on service delivery.
1114	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	If we are working cross service, could the council collections team not be utilised for collection of other debts or money streams for other service areas or even external companies like an collection agency....	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (Finance & Property)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	This is a positive suggestion where duplication throughout the council could be removed, creating a team focused on effective and efficient activity in a specific area.
1115	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	The Revenues team currently do visits to each property asking for unfurnished exemptions and businesses asking for void relief if property is unoccupied. Savings could be made on the above by stopping visits as many other councils do not complete visits. The customer could be asked to provide evidence for example dated photos etc.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (Finance & Property)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	This is a positive suggestion where the council could benefit from implementing approaches used in other councils to generate savings.
1116	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	As a Council employee in Revenues, the support functions we have are vital to allow us to carry out our work. Within Revenues we have teams ie BSD and BST that provide a support function not only to teams within the unit but to wider council services. Staff within these teams have specialist knowledge which would be diluted if they were to be integrated into a central support function. Work carried out in both Revenues and Benefits is statutory and subject to strict scrutiny by DWP, Central and Scottish Government, therefore it is important that support is kept local so that reaction times to system and administration issues is kept to a minimum which in turn protects performance.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (Finance & Property)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Wherever consideration is given to centralising services, thought will always be given to specialist advice and support required by specific teams to make sure there is no adverse impact on service delivery. Any proposed centralisation would need to meet service requirements throughout the council.
1117	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Within Revenues there are teams that provide a support function not only to teams within the unit but to wider council services. Staff within these teams have specialist knowledge which would be diluted if they were to be integrated into a central support function. Work carried out in both Revenues and Benefits is statutory and subject to strict scrutiny by DWP, Central and Scottish Government, therefore it is important that support is kept local so that reaction times to system and administration issues is kept to a minimum which in turn protects performance. It is also recognised that some of the savings mentioned in the proposal document such as additional work coming into the new anti-poverty team, could put these support functions under additional pressure.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (Finance & Property)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Wherever consideration is given to centralising services, thought will always be given to specialist advice and support required by specific teams to make sure there is no adverse impact on service delivery. Any proposed centralisation would need to meet service requirements throughout the council.
1118	No Response	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Within Revenues there are teams that provide a support function not only to teams within the unit but to wider council services. Staff within these teams have specialist knowledge which would be diluted if they were to be integrated into a central support function. Work carried out in both Revenues and Benefits is statutory and subject to strict scrutiny by DWP, Central and Scottish Government, therefore it is important that support is kept local so that reaction times to system and administration issues is kept to a minimum which in turn protects performance. It is also recognised that some of the savings mentioned in the proposal document such as additional work coming into the new anti-poverty team, could put these support functions under additional pressure.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (Finance & Property)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Wherever consideration is given to centralising services, thought will always be given to specialist advice and support required by specific teams to make sure there is no adverse impact on service delivery. Any proposed centralisation would need to meet service requirements throughout the council.
1119	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	The work carried out by both Revenues & Benefits is statutory and is subject to strict scrutiny by the Department for Work & Pensions, central & Scottish government. By reducing teams which support the unit, that have a specialised knowledge or moving them into a central support group this is going to have an impact on performance.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (Finance & Property)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Wherever consideration is given to centralising services, thought will always be given to specialist advice and support required by specific teams to make sure there is no adverse impact on service delivery. Any proposed centralisation would need to meet service requirements throughout the council.
1120	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Services within Revenues need to be kept to ensure a good service and prompt delivery to residents - this includes things like dedicated mail room and IT service for Revenues. Without these services would be concerned that the function and the service to residents and other partners within the council would be diluted and not as good.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (Finance & Property)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All services will be reviewed based on the impact they have on priorities. It is proposed that future spending will be aligned to the priorities in the Transforming Your Council consultation document.

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1121	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Within revenues we have teams such as BSD and BST that provide support to us when required. These teams are well utilised and the staff provide very specialist knowledge. I feel its important for them to be within the same building/service area as their reaction time to system problems is very minimum. As our performance is closely monitored any problems are dealt with quickly protecting our performance.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (Finance & Property)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Wherever consideration is given to centralising services, thought will always be given to specialist advice and support required by specific teams to make sure there is no adverse impact on service delivery. Any proposed centralisation would need to meet service requirements throughout the council.
1122	No Response	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Within Revenues we have teams ie BSD and BST that provide a support function not only to teams within the unit but to wider council services. Staff within these teams have specialist knowledge which would be diluted if they were to be integrated into a central support function. Work carried out in both Revenues and Benefits is statutory and subject to strict scrutiny by DWP, Central and Scottish Government, therefore it is important that support is kept local so that reaction times to system and administration issues is kept to a minimum which in turn protects performance. It is also recognised that some of the savings mentioned in the proposal document such as additional work coming into the new anti-poverty team, could put these support functions under additional pressure.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (Finance & Property)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Wherever consideration is given to centralising services, thought will always be given to specialist advice and support required by specific teams to make sure there is no adverse impact on service delivery. Any proposed centralisation would need to meet service requirements throughout the council.
1123	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Whilst it is critical to have the correct level of business, management, financial support, it is also critical that every effect is made to make this the most efficient support. The protection of front line services has to take priority.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (Finance & Property)	5c. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it is not consistent with the council's values and priorities.	As the council will have less overall resources, the number of services delivered will have to reduce with services being reviewed based on the impact they have on priorities. This will include changes to service standards, the way remaining services are delivered and a reduced workforce. It is proposed that future spending will be aligned to the priorities in the Transforming Your Council consultation document. The focus will be on posts that support the priorities rather than whether they are front line or back office based.
1124	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Within Revenues we have teams that provide a support function not only to teams within the unit but to wider council services. Staff within these teams have specialist knowledge which would be diluted if there were to be integrated into a central support function. Work carried out in both Revenues and Benefits is statutory and subject to strict scrutiny by DWP, Central and Scottish Government, therefore it is important that support is kept local so that reaction times to system and administration issues is kept to a minimum as this would otherwise affect performance. Some of the savings mentioned in the proposal document such as additional work coming into the new anti-poverty team could put these support functions under additional pressure and have a major impact on the units overall performance if the support functions were centralised.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (Finance & Property)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Wherever consideration is given to centralising services, thought will always be given to specialist advice and support required by specific teams to make sure there is no adverse impact on service delivery. Any proposed centralisation would need to meet service requirements throughout the council.
1125	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Within the Revenues Unit we have teams ie BSD and BST that provide a support function not only to teams within the unit but to wider council services. Staff within these teams have specialist knowledge which would be diluted if they were to be integrated into a central support function. Work carried out in both Benefits and Revenues is statutory and subject to strict scrutiny by the Department for Work and Pensions, Central and Scottish Government, therefore it is imperative that support is kept local so that reaction times to system and administration issues is kept to a minimum which in turn protects performance. It is also recognised that some of the savings mentioned in the proposal document such as additional work coming into the new anti-poverty team could put these support functions under additional pressure.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (Finance & Property)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Wherever consideration is given to centralising services, thought will always be given to specialist advice and support required by specific teams to make sure there is no adverse impact on service delivery. Any proposed centralisation would need to meet service requirements throughout the council.
1126	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	We have a dedicated business support team located within St David's House. It is important to keep this facility to keep up service standards and not to dilute the support that we are offered within this service unit. We provide a service in Benefits and Revenues that is subject to close scrutiny due to it being administered on behalf of the DWP and we must keep up service standards.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (Finance & Property)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Wherever consideration is given to centralising services, thought will always be given to specialist advice and support required by specific teams to make sure there is no adverse impact on service delivery. Any proposed centralisation would need to meet service requirements throughout the council.
1127	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Within Revenues we have teams ie BSD, BSC and BS that provide a support function not only to teams within the unit but to wider council services. Staff within these teams have specialist knowledge which would be diluted if they were to be integrated into a central support function. Work carried out in both Revenues and Benefits is statutory and subject to strict scrutiny by DWP, Central and Scottish Government, therefore it is important that support is kept local so that reaction times to system and administration issues is kept to a minimum which in turn protects performance. It is also recognised that some of the savings mentioned in the proposal document such as additional work coming into the new anti-poverty team, could put these support functions under additional pressure	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (Finance & Property)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Wherever consideration is given to centralising services, thought will always be given to specialist advice and support required by specific teams to make sure there is no adverse impact on service delivery. Any proposed centralisation would need to meet service requirements throughout the council.

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1128	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Business Support Development and Business Support Team within Revenues have specialist knowledge that helps the section and need to be kept in house to help teams on a daily basis.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (Finance & Property)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Wherever consideration is given to centralising services, thought will always be given to specialist advice and support required by specific teams to make sure there is no adverse impact on service delivery. Any proposed centralisation would need to meet service requirements throughout the council.
1129	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Within Revenues we have teams that provide a support function not only to teams within the unit but to wider council services. Staff within these teams have specialist knowledge which would be diluted if they were to be integrated into a central support function. Work carried out in both Revenues and Benefits is statutory and subject to strict scrutiny by DWP, Central and Scottish Government, therefore it is important that support is kept local so that reaction times to system and administration issues is kept to a minimum which in turn protects performance. It is also recognised that some of the savings mentioned in the proposal document such as additional work coming into the new anti-poverty team, could put these support functions under additional pressure.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (Finance & Property)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Wherever consideration is given to centralising services, thought will always be given to specialist advice and support required by specific teams to make sure there is no adverse impact on service delivery. Any proposed centralisation would need to meet service requirements throughout the council.
1130	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Within Revenues we have business support teams in IT & admin, that provide a support function not only to teams within the Revenues Unit but to wider council services as well. Staff within these teams have specialist knowledge which would be diluted if they were to be integrated into a central support function. You would also lose the ability to discuss complicated and specialist issues face to face. It is important that support is kept local so that reaction times to system and administration issues are kept to a minimum, which in turn would protect the unit performance. Additional work coming into the new anti-poverty team, could put these support functions under additional pressure, with already limited resources.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (Finance & Property)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Wherever consideration is given to centralising services, thought will always be given to specialist advice and support required by specific teams to make sure there is no adverse impact on service delivery. Any proposed centralisation would need to meet service requirements throughout the council.
1131	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Contract out services that are not efficient and are not cost effective	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (Finance & Property)	5c. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it is not consistent with the council's values and priorities.	There are no plans for wide scale outsourcing of council activities. The council will continue to use contractors where best value is demonstrated.
1132	No Response	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	This is a hard one for me being that on a daily basis I see people struggle with the little help they receive but I also see lots cheat the system. Big cuts could be made in this area if it were easier to report benefit cheats and to suggest someone requires more help. It's not always families that see the elderly or the disabled struggle it can come from others.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (Finance & Property)	4. The council is already doing this.	There is a page on the council's website on how to report benefit fraud.
1133	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Zero tolerance on Council Tax	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (Finance & Property)	4. The council is already doing this.	The council actively pursues all debt, including council tax, community charge, rent and commercial debtors arrears. The council will investigate other ways to improve debt collections including strengthening corporate debt management activity.
1134	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Decrease benefits/help to those who refuse to take steps to help themselves (Obesity, Drug Dependency etc).	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (Finance & Property)	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	Benefits are decided by the UK and Scottish governments. This includes the parameters and income levels used to determine benefit entitlement.
1135	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Make Council Property rents competitive rather than a cheap option for those unwilling to try to better themselves. crack down on fraudulent claims. the list is endless.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (Finance & Property)	5a. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because the council is required by law to deliver this work.	Benefits are decided by the UK and Scottish governments. This includes the parameters and income levels used to determine benefit entitlement. Provision of council houses, including maintenance costs, is paid for from council house rents not council tax and therefore council house rent cannot be used to meet the budget gap.
1136	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Productivity and quality review of services - 25% streamlining across WLC Structures Footprint Core vs. Non-core services for outsourcing	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (Finance & Property)	4. The council is already doing this.	The council will investigate ways to consolidate and better coordinate activities to allow streamlining of operations and removal of duplication. This will help ensure that activities are completed and managed in the most effective and efficient way. There are no plans for wide scale outsourcing of council activities. The council will continue to use contractors where best value is demonstrated.

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1137	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Use external company to maintain buildings and save on staff.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (Finance & Property)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The council is already doing this for hard FM in the case of its largest single building at the Civic Centre and the new Whitehill Service Centre will follow next year. There is the possibility that other buildings will follow subject to best value being demonstrated.
1138	No Response	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	The Administration of the Council needs a root and branch review and this should happen before any of the other activity proposed in this document. It is fundamental to have a lean approach. Techniques such as zero based costing, value management and whole life costing should be employed to understand the functions carried out by the Council and then for all necessary functions decide how the function can be fulfilled at least cost. A £4million reduction in staff costs represents 100 jobs over 5 years, about what could be achieved by natural wastage on a staff of 8,000. A more realistic target is 5 times that amount with a £20million saving. The £20million saving is obviously a target which could be exceeded.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (Finance & Property)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has established a priority based approach to budgeting which was approved by councillors. All services will be reviewed based on the impact they have on priorities. It is proposed that future spending will be aligned to the priorities in the Transforming Your Council consultation document. Consideration is given to whether services should continue and what efficiency savings could be generated whilst meeting statutory requirements.
1139	No Response	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	See comments under 1a above (where this item belongs). The Administration of the Council needs a root and branch review and this should happen before any of the other activity proposed in this document. It is fundamental to have a lean approach. Techniques such as zero based costing, value management and whole life costing should be employed to understand the functions carried out by the Council and then for all necessary functions decide how the function can be fulfilled at least cost. A £4million reduction in staff costs represents 100 jobs over 5 years, about what could be achieved by natural wastage on a staff of 8,000. A more realistic target is 5 times that amount with a £20million saving. The £20million saving is obviously a target which could be exceeded.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (Finance & Property)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has established a priority based approach to budgeting which was approved by councillors. All services will be reviewed based on the impact they have on priorities. It is proposed that future spending will be aligned to the priorities in the Transforming Your Council consultation document. Consideration is given to whether services should continue and what efficiency savings could be generated whilst meeting statutory requirements.
1140	No Response	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	More joined up working with key services Housing Revenues Social Work Roads Waste key communities like Bathgate and Livingston are larger towns have Community Teams dealing with operational issues and building on more strategic and long term goals	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	4. The council is already doing this.	The council will continue to review our operational performance and the workforce planning arrangements we use to ensure we provide value for money, service improvements, and streamlining of our processes.
1141	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	This is a comment for all items in section 7 which tend to have Ward by Ward consequences. An obvious solution here is to give each Ward Councillor a budget, rather like the DSM mentioned earlier. It would be then up to each Councillor to selectively protect the services in their Ward. Clearly this would involve a lot of negotiation for things like bus subsidies but it may result in Linlithgow tip remaining open .	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	The make up of Council Wards is a matter for the Boundary Commission and not West Lothian Council
1142	No Response	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Services could be more efficient and cost effective if services understood the bigger pictures and understands impact on frontline services when decisions are made within consultation.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Experience has demonstrated that the council can deliver a more effective and cost effective service through the centralisation of generic tasks with the retention of specialist provision within service. This model still allows the opportunity for staff to engage with council officers on a face to face basis at the most effective and convenient level.
1143	No Response	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	This makes absolute sense. Consolidate where you can to make savings.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
1144	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	I hope that reductions in this area will not adversely affect customers too much.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
1145	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Reduced 'bureaucracy' is most definitely not a bad thing, especially if it succeeds in keeping in mind the needs of the community as a whole, and especially the poorest, most vulnerable and isolated; whilst reducing that which is superfluous	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Experience has demonstrated that the council can deliver a more effective and cost effective service through the centralisation of generic tasks with the retention of specialist provision within service. This model still allows the opportunity for staff to engage with council officers on a face to face basis at the most effective and convenient level.
1146	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	You can redesign continually but if you keep cutting the back offices whilst increasing the workload then the service is going to suffer. That is a fact of life. There is only so much that can be achieved within a diminished back office service. Ultimately both internal and external customers will be adversely affected.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council is proposing to achieve efficiency savings through modernisation of services and reduction of duplication and will maximise opportunities to automate processes to reduce manual processes

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1147	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	It is vitally important that reductions in back office teams and services are measured against the impact on services and customers. Corporate Services, for example, is often seen as an easy hit. It is not. I've seen larger services place a huge amount of blame and accountability on Corporate Services. Often it is unfairly made the scapegoat. Larger services often fail to recognise that whilst some services such as Op Services, Education and Housing, in particular, have been protected, so far, Corporate Services have been significantly impacted upon by savings and "redesign".	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council is proposing to achieve efficiency savings through modernisation of services and reduction of duplication and will maximise opportunities to automate processes to reduce manual processes
1148	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	I would propose the creation of a business information team. Currently the council services report and handle reporting data in many streams with significant repetition and differing quality of analysis and skill. I would be interested to see these streams coalesced into one unit (much like central admin). Would like to see this unit take responsibility for defining single reporting models, updating of data, regulatory reporting and training staff on data input integrity	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your comment. The Council will consider how this can be developed.
1149	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	council should be more aware of multiple skill sets that staff have and be more astute at using these. previous reorganisation has focussed skills inefficiently	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Employees are the council's most important asset and the council will continue to invest in training and development of employees.
1150	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	This makes sense. The council should always be looking to modernise its services and do things in the most efficient way.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
1151	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Step changes need to be integrated before moving to the next stage to ensure that planned change is on track to achieve the expected outcomes. Too often anticipated change is undertaken too quickly or without proving the intended solution which increases pressure on those charges with service delivery and can produce negative and inefficient effects.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Experience has demonstrated that the council can deliver a more effective and cost effective service through the centralisation of generic tasks with the retention of specialist provision within service. This model still allows the opportunity for staff to engage with council officers on a face to face basis at the most effective and convenient level.
1152	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	My worry is that staff are spread so thinly that no service is beneficial due to lack of resources.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council is proposing to achieve efficiency savings through modernisation of services and reduction of duplication and will maximise opportunities to automate processes to reduce manual processes
1153	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	please do not have people doing jobs that they are not trained to do by amalgamating services it just won't work	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Employees are the council's most important asset and the council will continue to invest in training and development of employees.
1154	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Not enough information has been provided here to enable a response. Efficiency always sounds like a good thing but in reality it means fewer people having to try to cover the same amount of work.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	The council is proposing to achieve efficiency savings through modernisation of services and reduction of duplication and will maximise opportunities to automate processes to reduce manual processes
1155	No Response	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Streamlining will work well, however, service employees of WLC are already stretched to limits within the current setup so this would need taken into consideration for each area. You also run the risk of making the private sector more appealing in the future for WLC employees.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council is proposing to achieve efficiency savings through modernisation of services and reduction of duplication and will maximise opportunities to automate processes to reduce manual processes
1156	No Response	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Need to have an appropriate number of suitably qualified members of staff to effectively and efficiently support the statutory services.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Employees are the council's most important asset and the council will continue to invest in training and development of employees.
1157	No Response	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Rather than inputting revenue into modernisation, save this money and allow our customers to have a consistent approach to their needs. I'm sure they would agree that they would rather have a service than none at all therefore if it costs to modernise, don't.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	4. The council is already doing this.	The consultation is seeking views on the priorities which the council should focus resources on. Modernisation of council services will deliver efficiencies through more streamlined processes and efficient service delivery.

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1158	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Redesign services that provide a 24 hr service to reduce opening times depending on demand and utilise one service to deal with enquiries out of hours.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	4. The council is already doing this.	The council acknowledges that our customers expect access to council information 24 hours a day, 7 days a week. To enable this, the council will look at ways to improve systems as a tool to provide information on services, but also as a tool for customers to engage with the council, e.g. making automated payments. Local communities can still interact on a one to one basis with council services in partnership centres and through the council's customer contact centre.
1159	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	aye close all the councils and have one for all the lothians.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	This proposal is outwith the control of West Lothian Council
1160	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	then MAKE councillors work forty hours per week in council headquarters and pay for their own meals.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	Councillors remunerations and expenses are determined by the Scottish Government.
1161	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Work with COSLA and other local authorities to develop shared services on functions such as procurement, IT, payroll and any other suitable area.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	4. The council is already doing this.	The council has an existing shared service agreement with South Lanarkshire Council for a shared IT data centre and will continue to develop opportunities for further shared service arrangements with other public bodies. The council is also progressing with West Lothian College the provision of shared services opportunities across a range of service areas. The Council works with Cosla and other organisations, such as the Improvement Service, to share best practice and maximise opportunities to develop shared systems.
1162	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	The last round of cuts said this was going to happen but I don't see much change in any of these areas. How much was saved last time through further use of technology?	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has made significant investment in the IT infrastructure and will continue to allocate appropriate resources to introduce new technology where appropriate. The council's ICT Strategy seeks to deliver change in line with advances in technology and changes in council priorities, whilst still having a clear framework within which to operate.
1163	No Response	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	As long as the integration and modernisation, does not give a lesser service whilst reducing costs	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council is proposing to achieve efficiency savings through modernisation of services and reduction of duplication and will maximise opportunities to automate processes to reduce manual processes
1164	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	There needs to be a review of all third party providers across council provision not just in schools.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	4. The council is already doing this.	All council purchases must follow the council Standing Orders, government and European procurement regulations. This is designed to ensure we are legally open and transparent. Competitive tender processes are employed and all appropriate suppliers can bid for council business and contracts are an essential element of procurement practice.
1165	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	I think it is critical that we retain as much of the management of statutory requirements as possible. It would be a mistake to cut financial support or manpower in this area.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Experience has demonstrated that the council can deliver an more effective and cost effective service through the centralisation of generic tasks with the retention of specialist provision within service. This model still allows the opportunity for staff to engage with council officers on a face to face basis at the most effective and convenient level.

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1166	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	The council need to drastically lower the cost of outsourcing and wasted roles within the council. Better use of technology and systems which talk to each other throughout all the departments would minimise needless roles. Outsourcing could improve the employment opportunities within the council and reduce the cost of jobs not being done properly or overrunning the time allocated for a job.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The Council's IT Strategy encourages re-use of applications where possible and appropriate. The council is reviewing opportunities for the rationalisation and integration of IT systems. The council's internal IT Service provides value for money and efficient services to the council/ Outsourcing the service is likely to significantly increase the cost of delivering the service.
1167	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	This is a big gap still to be identified. Some of the council services are inefficient and should be run more akin to profit making organizations with a real drive to be efficient and deliver value for the shareholders (council residents/council tax payers).	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council is proposing to achieve efficiency savings through modernisation of services and reduction of duplication.
1168	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	You just mentioned that part of the budget will be going to helping people get jobs, however you are looking to cut jobs in the areas that many are qualified to do.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Experience has demonstrated that the council can deliver an more effective and cost effective service through the centralisation of generic tasks with the retention of specialist provision within service. This model still allows the opportunity for staff to engage with council officers on a face to face basis at the most effective and convenient level.
1169	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	There is still too much paper work. There seems to be far too many internal policies, these should be simplified and streamlined	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council is proposing to achieve efficiency savings through modernisation of services and reduction of duplication .
1170	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Suggest there is a review of multi-member wards system to reduce number of councillors and associated costs.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	The make up of Council Wards is a matter for the Boundary Commission and not West Lothian Council
1171	No Response	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	It's fully acceptable to cut jobs in these fields but what is becoming more apparent is that people who have educated themselves and worked hard over many years are now going to be dropped to save money, when without these highly educated individuals places such as care home or schools could fall apart. People work hard to better there life's and there family's and that is being ripped away from them while you add to the unemployment rate. And not with people who have spent there life taking from the benefit system but by people who have paid all there life's into it !	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Experience has demonstrated that the council can deliver an more effective and cost effective service through the centralisation of generic tasks with the retention of specialist provision within service. This model still allows the opportunity for staff to engage with council officers on a face to face basis at the most effective and convenient level.
1172	No Response	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Needs to be more flexible in the approach and for the benefit of customers, longer term planning to ensure continuity	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Experience has demonstrated that the council can deliver an more effective and cost effective service through the centralisation of generic tasks with the retention of specialist provision within service. This model still allows the opportunity for staff to engage with council officers on a face to face basis at the most effective and convenient level.
1173	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	yet again redesign and wasting money that you do not have to spend. work with what you have and use them money where it is needed more	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	4. The council is already doing this.	Experience has demonstrated that the council can deliver an more effective and cost effective service through the centralisation of generic tasks with the retention of specialist provision within service. This model still allows the opportunity for staff to engage with council officers on a face to face basis at the most effective and convenient level.
1174	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	I believe restructuring is vital, however, it is also important that this is done sensitively and with regard to how both citizens of West Lothian and employed of the Council will be supported in the changes.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Experience has demonstrated that the council can deliver an more effective and cost effective service through the centralisation of generic tasks with the retention of specialist provision within service. This model still allows the opportunity for staff to engage with council officers on a face to face basis at the most effective and convenient level.
1175	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Less staff doesn't equal more efficient services. The right frameworks have to be in place with efficient and effective IT systems supporting this for a reduction in staff to be worthwhile. If these are put in place it can be successful. However, reducing staff and retaining the same structures and systems simply puts more pressure on existing staff to do more with less. This is not effective for a council, nor for those who rely on the services provided. Planning and implementation of new structures should be done first along with new ways of working to identify where savings could be made.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	4. The council is already doing this.	Experience has demonstrated that the council can deliver an more effective and cost effective service through the centralisation of generic tasks with the retention of specialist provision within service. This model still allows the opportunity for staff to engage with council officers on a face to face basis at the most effective and convenient level.

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1176	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	If this is a fancy way of saying that there will be job losses then maybe they need to look at losing more higher management staff rather than the staff on the ground. Far too much emphasis on paperwork and making things look good from people who are sitting so far removed from the reality of schools and health centres. We need working people who can make a difference not more managers sitting making decisions that are not improving anything!	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council continually reviews the tiers of management and span of control across all service levels against a target 5 x 5 structure. This ensures that the council continues to operate with an effective and efficient managerial structure.
1177	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Much as I would want to support employment with the council, having worked in a large organisation there are many improvements to how the back office\support areas are ran. Iâ€™m fully supportive of this so long as the relevant investment is made to systems, processed and staff are fully trained. This initial investment, along with the loss of jobs thatâ€™ll go along, must provide a real change to the support service provided within and by the council. If it is not then the initial saving might be delivered, but it will not be sustainable.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Experience has demonstrated that the council can deliver a more effective and cost effective service through the centralisation of generic tasks with the retention of specialist provision within service. This model still allows the opportunity for staff to engage with council officers on a face to face basis at the most effective and convenient level. Employees are the council's most important asset and the council will continue to invest in training and development of employees.
1178	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	these functions could be down graded	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Experience has demonstrated that the council can deliver a more effective and cost effective service through the centralisation of generic tasks with the retention of specialist provision within service. This model still allows the opportunity for staff to engage with council officers on a face to face basis at the most effective and convenient level.
1179	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	The council is a major employer -be sure not to throw the baby out with the bathwater. Young people in West Lothian still need work.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Experience has demonstrated that the council can deliver a more effective and cost effective service through the centralisation of generic tasks with the retention of specialist provision within service. This model still allows the opportunity for staff to engage with council officers on a face to face basis at the most effective and convenient level.
1180	No Response	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	bad idea to consult 3rd parties at extra cost	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council will continue to work with partner agencies to identify opportunities to achieve savings through revised processes or sharing of good practice and systems.
1181	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	modernisation should not be at the cost of adaptability or reducing the ability to provide resources centrally	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Experience has demonstrated that the council can deliver a more effective and cost effective service through the centralisation of generic tasks with the retention of specialist provision within service. This model still allows the opportunity for staff to engage with council officers on a face to face basis at the most effective and convenient level.
1182	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Until the trade unions cease to have such power over organisational change processes there will be no effective restructuring of services.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Staff and trade unions are being consulted in relation to the proposals.
1183	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Efficiencies will only be sustainable if an ambitious new structure truly focussed around the customer and single point of contact is aimed for	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Experience has demonstrated that the council can deliver a more effective and cost effective service through the centralisation of generic tasks with the retention of specialist provision within service. The Council's Contact Centre already provides a single point of contact for customers who wish to transact with or contact the council.
1184	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	This sounds sensible but requires successful delivery of benefits within budget.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Experience has demonstrated that the council can deliver a more effective and cost efficient service through the centralisation of generic tasks and utilisation of technology with the retention of specialist provision within service.
1185	No Response	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Consolidation of functions is the stand out action to save the largest sum of money.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Experience has demonstrated that the council can deliver a more effective and cost efficient service through the centralisation of generic tasks and utilisation of technology with the retention of specialist provision within service.

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1186	No Response	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	A decision is to be made to determine whether WLC wants to continue with providing over and above statutory requirements, or reduce non-statutory requirements over the next five years to make considerable savings.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Experience has demonstrated that the council can deliver a more effective and cost effective service through the centralisation of generic tasks with the retention of specialist provision within service. The Council aims to prioritise statutory and key services
1187	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	The Council has through lack of understanding on budget management at the top level, have managed to cut back budget availability to departments while requiring the same amount of work to be undertaken by a reduced number of staff, e.g. post not retained after member of staff leaves. Staff morale is very low and absence levels from work related stress and its associated ailments are at unacceptable levels.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Experience has demonstrated that the council can deliver a more effective and cost effective service through the centralisation of generic tasks with the retention of specialist provision within service. This model still allows the opportunity for staff to engage with council officers on a face to face basis at the most effective and convenient level.
1188	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	The Council has through lack of understanding on budget management at the top level, have managed to cut back budget availability to departments while requiring the same amount of work to be undertaken by a reduced number of staff, e.g. post not retained after member of staff leaves. Staff morale is very low and absence levels from work related stress and its associated ailments are at unacceptable levels.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Experience has demonstrated that the council can deliver a more effective and cost effective service through the centralisation of generic tasks with the retention of specialist provision within service. This model still allows the opportunity for staff to engage with council officers on a face to face basis at the most effective and convenient level.
1189	No Response	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	This was also undertaken as part of the delivering better outcomes approach to savings required. It was undertaken with mixed results and lessons should be learned from the process. E.g. smart working was a great idea but has not been fully implemented across all service areas. Also, need to ensure that this work is not transferred to other council staff, particularly managers, who are then unable to spend reasonable amounts of time	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Experience has demonstrated that the council can deliver a more effective and cost effective service through the centralisation of generic tasks with the retention of specialist provision within service. This model still allows the opportunity for staff to engage with council officers on a face to face basis at the most effective and convenient level.
1190	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	This is a sensible step however the service units still need to be efficiently resourced to ensure that the quality of service is not poorer. This would be a double negative - a reduced service and an under-staffed service of poor quality to the end users.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Experience has demonstrated that the council can deliver a more effective and cost efficient service through the centralisation of generic tasks and utilisation of technology with the retention of specialist provision within service.
1191	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	We need a support network to assist residents with care, education, health, employability and poverty as well as crime reduction. Spend the money wisely, look after our future (The young ones)	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Experience has demonstrated that the council can deliver a more effective and cost efficient service through the centralisation of generic tasks and utilisation of technology with the retention of specialist provision within service.
1192	No Response	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	I don't believe effectiveness will be gained through cutting support functions as staff are already stretched and having to take on more duties.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Experience has demonstrated that the council can deliver a more effective and cost effective service through the centralisation of generic tasks with the retention of specialist provision within service. This model still allows the opportunity for staff to engage with council officers on a face to face basis at the most effective and convenient level.
1193	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	As a resident this sounds sensible. As a council employee whilst it sounds sensible it may not always be practical	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Experience has demonstrated that the council can deliver a more effective and cost effective service through the centralisation of generic tasks with the retention of specialist provision within service. This model still allows the opportunity for staff to engage with council officers on a face to face basis at the most effective and convenient level.
1194	No Response	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	If this is done well it can be effective. Protect front line services by eliminating waste and duplication.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Experience has demonstrated that the council can deliver a more effective and cost effective service through the centralisation of generic tasks with the retention of specialist provision within service. This model still allows the opportunity for staff to engage with council officers on a face to face basis at the most effective and convenient level.

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1195	No Response	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	In my experience, in addition to too many managers, there is also an issue of too many unnecessary meetings that do not result in results. The council could be more effective in time management and use of skills.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	4. The council is already doing this.	The council continually reviews the tiers of management and span of control across all service levels against a target 5 x 5 structure. This ensures that the council continues to operate with an effective and efficient managerial structure. The council has a number of systems and processes in place which are essential to enable the council to monitor and report service performance and efficiency.
1196	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Having a more streamlined business model with merging of functions or sharing of resources across departments within WLC or perhaps even in partnership with other councils	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Experience has demonstrated that the council can deliver a more effective and cost effective service through the centralisation of generic tasks with the retention of specialist provision within service. This model still allows the opportunity for staff to engage with council officers on a face to face basis at the most effective and convenient level.
1197	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Agree but the emphasis has to be on reducing resources means reducing services. A word of caution though, statutory requirements need to be complied with, mess up here and the level of fines imposed could far out way any potential savings.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Experience has demonstrated that the council can deliver a more effective and cost efficient service through the centralisation of generic tasks and utilisation of technology with the retention of specialist provision within service.
1198	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Fewer people working harder is not a better service. Inevitably it leads to a poorer service and increases customer frustration and complaints.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Experience has demonstrated that the council can deliver a more effective and cost efficient service through the centralisation of generic tasks and utilisation of technology with the retention of specialist provision within service.
1199	No Response	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Not that I condone staff redundancies at all, maybe if the services were more streamlined and made better use of technology for making savings too, there wouldn't be the need to employ additional staff. By streamlining services it could potentially highlight where there are services in need of more staff to meet customer demands and those staff could be redeployed to where they are needed if their current role is no longer required.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Experience has demonstrated that the council can deliver a more effective and cost efficient service through the centralisation of generic tasks and utilisation of technology with the retention of specialist provision within service.
1200	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	For the last 9 years the Council has implemented exhaustive 'redesign, integration and further use of technology'. The level of savings required, with more to come no doubt, indicate this approach of more fine tuning will not deliver the financial goal of a balanced budget. Without further detail of the consequential impacts of the £4m Savings it is not possible to comment further.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	At this stage, detailed budget reduction measures have not been developed, therefore there is no specific information on how the savings will be achieved and the timescales for delivery.
1201	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Indeed the councillors have to either show efficiency in their added tasks by taking a pay cut.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	Councillors remunerations and expenses are determined by the Scottish Government.
1202	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	I believe that this will involve jobs cuts which is regrettable. But if this sacrifice is needed then it should not be at the expense of unreasonably increased pressure on remaining staff and / or it should be measured that the same level of service has been maintained (assuming the service is not completely removed).	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Experience has demonstrated that the council can deliver a more effective and cost efficient service through the centralisation of generic tasks and utilisation of technology with the retention of specialist provision within service.
1203	No Response	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Must be the largest employer in WL ask how many ranks of senior managers a council can sustain. Compare to commercial companies and how they operate lean management systems.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council continually reviews the tiers of management and span of control across all service levels against a target 5 x 5 structure. This ensures that the council continues to operate with an effective and efficient managerial structure.
1204	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Also levels of management that duplicate services e.g. performance and development could be amalgamated and not one performance officer for each area.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council continually reviews the tiers of management and span of control across all service levels against a target 5 x 5 structure. This ensures that the council continues to operate with an effective and efficient managerial structure.
1205	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	There is too much reporting and not enough doing in West Lothian Council.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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1206	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	I am less in favour of cutting jobs, but I would like more detail to this modernisation. If there are duplicated roles in finance and other support functions then looking for consolidation is the right thing to do here. Ideally if this can be lost by natural wastage and performance management procedures this would be more favourable for me.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Experience has demonstrated that the council can deliver a more effective and cost effective service through the centralisation of generic tasks and utilisation of technology with the retention of specialist provision within service. At this stage, detailed budget reduction measures have not been developed, therefore there is no specific information on how the savings will be achieved and the timescales for delivery.
1207	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Allowing staff to work from home and flexible working would benefit Council staff across the region. This would help with claiming travel allowances and using pool cars when not always necessary. Also, staff are travelling from one side of the county to another to work, when it would make sense where possible, for staff to be closer to home and be able to be in work quicker and saving them money on fuel/mileage.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has approved a range of projects that will provide the technology to support mobile and flexible working and home working including tablets and other portable equipment.
1208	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	This is a false economy saving. You keep cutting out teams of people and reducing management only to spread the load on those who are left. The inevitable effect is that you end up with more people off on sickness and absence which costs more than the savings in the long run.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Experience has demonstrated that the council can deliver a more effective and cost efficient service through the centralisation of generic tasks and utilisation of technology with the retention of specialist provision within service.
1209	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Maybe you could look to the Councillors expenses and the pay enhancement at executive and senior management level and make some cost savings there.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	The council is subject to national pay bargaining and the salary scales for officers are determined nationally. Councillors allowances and expenses are outwith the remit of West Lothian Council.
1210	No Response	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Service redesign is a move which often has good positive outcomes and a good refresh of a current setup.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Experience has demonstrated that the council can deliver a more effective and cost efficient service through the centralisation of generic tasks and utilisation of technology with the retention of specialist provision within service.
1211	No Response	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Agree that re-design and integration can be good and provide valued outcomes - working differently in many cases.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Experience has demonstrated that the council can deliver a more effective and cost efficient service through the centralisation of generic tasks and utilisation of technology with the retention of specialist provision within service.
1212	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	It is an expectation by residents that streamlining of functions, collaboration and effective and efficient working processes will be in place. With statutory obligations placed on WLC they must respond to changes which require action ie landlord registration processes which currently have no enforcement process in place.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Experience has demonstrated that the council can deliver a more effective and cost efficient service through the centralisation of generic tasks and utilisation of technology with the retention of specialist provision within service.
1213	No Response	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	This sounds like a good idea, services have become too expanded - too many managers and too much support.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council continually reviews the tiers of management and span of control across all service levels against a target 5 x 5 structure. This ensures that the council continues to operate with an effective and efficient managerial structure. Experience has demonstrated that the council can deliver a more effective and cost effective service through the centralisation of generic tasks and utilisation of technology with the retention of specialist provision within service.
1214	No Response	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Staff need to work harder and more effectively to reduce costs by doing more themselves.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Experience has demonstrated that the council can deliver a more effective and cost efficient service through the centralisation of generic tasks and utilisation of technology with the retention of specialist provision within service.
1215	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Page 2 of the document 'transforming your council' notes 'technology will continue to play an increasing role in our day to day lives. Mores services will be accessible online with less need for staff for face to face interaction with council staff.' In light of this aim, the council should reconsider its work at home policy, this would result is cost savings for the council, in terms of buildings and office infrastructure. Many council across Scotland have adopted this measure and West Lothian appears to be at odds with the majority of other local authorities who have adopted this working approach for its staff.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has an IT infrastructure which supports working from home and individuals working from various council sites throughout West Lothian. The opportunity to work on a mobile and flexible basis continues to be available to staff.

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1216	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Page 2 of the document 'transforming your council' notes 'technology will continue to play an increasing role in our day to day lives. Mores services will be accessible online with less need for staff for face to face interaction with council staff.' In light of this aim, the council should reconsider its work at home policy, this would result is cost savings for the council, in terms of buildings and office infrastructure. Many council across Scotland have adopted this measure and West Lothian appears to be at odds with the majority of other local authorities who have adopted this working approach for its staff. The service area I work in has seen numbers of staff cut over the past 5 years. It is evident if staff numbers are cut further, then the same level of service to the people of West Lothian can not be delivered.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	4. The council is already doing this.	The council has an IT infrastructure which supports working from home and individuals working from various council sites throughout West Lothian. The opportunity to work on a mobile and flexible basis continues to be available to staff.
1217	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Page 2 of the document 'transforming your council' notes 'technology will continue to play an increasing role in our day to day lives. Mores services will be accessible online with less need for staff for face to face interaction with council staff.' In light of this aim, the council should reconsider its work at home policy, this would result is cost savings for the council, in terms of buildings and office infrastructure. Many council across Scotland have adopted this measure and West Lothian appears to be at odds with the majority of other local authorities who have adopted this working approach for its staff.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	4. The council is already doing this.	The council has an IT infrastructure which supports working from home and individuals working from various council sites throughout West Lothian. The opportunity to work on a mobile and flexible basis continues to be available to staff.
1218	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Page 2 of the document 'transforming your council' notes 'technology will continue to play an increasing role in our day to day lives. Mores services will be accessible online with less need for staff for face to face interaction with council staff.' In light of this aim, the council should reconsider its work at home policy, this would result is cost savings for the council, in terms of buildings and office infrastructure. Many council across Scotland have adopted this measure and West Lothian appears to be at odds with the majority of other local authorities who have adopted this working approach for its staff.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has an IT infrastructure which supports working from home and individuals working from various council sites throughout West Lothian. The opportunity to work on a mobile and flexible basis continues to be available to staff.
1219	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Page 2 of the document 'transforming your council' notes 'technology will continue to play an increasing role in our day to day lives. Mores services will be accessible online with less need for staff for face to face interaction with council staff.' In light of this aim, the council should reconsider its work at home policy, this would result is cost savings for the council, in terms of buildings and office infrastructure. Many council across Scotland have adopted this measure and West Lothian appears to be at odds with the majority of other local authorities who have adopted this working approach for its staff.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has an IT infrastructure which supports working from home and individuals working from various council sites throughout West Lothian. The opportunity to work on a mobile and flexible basis continues to be available to staff.
1220	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Page 2 of the document 'transforming your council' notes 'technology will continue to play an increasing role in our day to day lives. Mores services will be accessible online with less need for staff for face to face interaction with council staff.' In light of this aim, the council should reconsider its work at home policy, this would result is cost savings for the council, in terms of buildings and office infrastructure. Many council across Scotland have adopted this measure and West Lothian appears to be at odds with the majority of other local authorities who have adopted this working approach for its staff.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	4. The council is already doing this.	The council has an IT infrastructure which supports working from home and individuals working from various council sites throughout West Lothian. The opportunity to work on a mobile and flexible basis continues to be available to staff.
1221	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Page 2 of the document 'transforming your council' notes 'technology will continue to play an increasing role in our day to day lives. Mores services will be accessible online with less need for staff for face to face interaction with council staff.' In light of this aim, the council should reconsider its work at home policy, this would result is cost savings for the council, in terms of buildings and office infrastructure. Many council across Scotland have adopted this measure and West Lothian appears to be at odds with the majority of other local authorities who have adopted this working approach for its staff.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has an IT infrastructure which supports working from home and individuals working from various council sites throughout West Lothian. The opportunity to work on a mobile and flexible basis continues to be available to staff.
1222	No Response	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	There may be benefit in undertaking an organisational review to determine whether there are any service functions that could come together, and to review the remits of individual Heads of Service to see if these are still relevant given the changes proposed.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	4. The council is already doing this.	The Council is continually reviewing opportunities to amalgamate service provision whilst retaining the opportunity for staff to build up knowledge and experience. The council recently undertook a review of the Corporate Management team.
1223	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	This sounds sensible but continued reduction of back office functions eventually impacts the main services.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Experience has demonstrated that the council can deliver a more effective and cost efficient service through the centralisation of generic tasks and utilisation of technology with the retention of specialist provision within service.
1224	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Many services have already gone through major redesign therefore scope for further change while at the same time continuing to provide excellent service and results is minimal	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Experience has demonstrated that the council can deliver a more effective and cost efficient service through the centralisation of generic tasks and utilisation of technology with the retention of specialist provision within service.

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1225	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	sounds great but where are these staff going to get employment in and around west Lothian?	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council has introduced improved workforce planning and greater coordination of vacant posts, fixed term appointments and employees who have been displaced through organisational change. The council is also reviewing the terms of the Redeployment Policy to offer greater opportunities for the redeployment of employees subject to suitable business need.
1226	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Services that actively engage with and enhance life in the community should be prioritised over large, costly internal services.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council is consulting with the community to confirm that the priorities remain appropriate and will focus services around these priorities.
1227	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Agree with proposal in principle as long as you do not cut too much and the speed of modernisation is at a pace that keeps up with your technology and speed of your community. Remember not everyone is a whizz on a computer, and not everyone has access to one. Don't alienate your community.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Experience has demonstrated that the council can deliver a more effective and cost effective service through the centralisation of generic tasks and utilisation of technology with the retention of specialist provision within service. This model still allows the opportunity for staff to engage with council officers on a face to face basis at the most effective and convenient level.
1228	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	The tick box process does prove the service is delivering, it merely covers the tracks of those failing to deliver it effectively.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
1229	No Response	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	If streamlining operations and finding working efficiencies with a positive cost outcome this should be immediately implemented. Why wouldnt it be ?	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Experience has demonstrated that the council can deliver a more effective and cost efficient service through the centralisation of generic tasks and utilisation of technology with the retention of specialist provision within service.
1230	No Response	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	the council might also look for individual cost saving ideas from the public. One such saving could be removal of 20% discounted gym memberships for public sector only workers at exite leisure. A cost saving an a positive move towards equality in the community.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	The removal of discounted gym membership at West Lothian Leisure would not achieve a saving for the council
1231	No Response	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	West Lothian Council needs to reduce the amount of managers that run services, and put greater responsibility for workers managing their own workloads through use of equipments such as smart working, SWIVEL'S, e-mails on phones etc.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council continually reviews the tiers of management and span of control across all service levels against a target 5 x 5 structure. This ensures that the council continues to operate with an effective and efficient managerial structure.
1232	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	In commercial businesses these are cost saving initiatives therefore it is only right our local council consider them too.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
1233	No Response	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Departments should be assessed to determine if any are overlapping/ duplication of services	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Experience has demonstrated that the council can deliver a more effective and cost efficient service through the centralisation of generic tasks and utilisation of technology with the retention of specialist provision within service.
1234	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Private sector companies take a corporate approach to admin ,learning and develop etc departments should be centralised	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Officers will consider how this can be developed.
1235	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Agreed. The council's priority should be about delivering a well-balanced and rounded service to all citizens of West Lothian, i.e. about the actual service delivery. Council monies should be directed towards service delivery more than anything else. Although internal functions are necessary to allow the council to operate, I feel that this is an area where spend should be minimised wherever possible.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Experience has demonstrated that the council can deliver a more effective and cost efficient service through the centralisation of generic tasks and utilisation of technology with the retention of specialist provision within service.
1236	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	I know it is important to streamline our services and make savings but not at the cost of front line services like education and social policy.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Experience has demonstrated that the council can deliver a more effective and cost efficient service through the centralisation of generic tasks and utilisation of technology with the retention of specialist provision within service.

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1237	No Response	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	I feel some services could be cut, or rearranged for the better	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Experience has demonstrated that the council can deliver a more effective and cost efficient service through the centralisation of generic tasks and utilisation of technology with the retention of specialist provision within service.
1238	No Response	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	this seems more like a way to decrease employment not increase or regain revenue. this strategy will affect the employment rate in West Lothian. it would be worthy to consider the lesser used and cut costs this way.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Experience has demonstrated that the council can deliver a more effective and cost efficient service through the centralisation of generic tasks and utilisation of technology with the retention of specialist provision within service.
1239	No Response	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Increase working from home opportunities to reduce pressure on the property estate and enable further reductions in the number of properties held.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has an IT infrastructure which supports working from home and individuals working from various council sites throughout West Lothian. The opportunity to work on a mobile and flexible basis continues to be available to staff.
1240	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	On paper it seems a good exercise but will inevitably cause job losses.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Experience has demonstrated that the council can deliver a more effective and cost efficient service through the centralisation of generic tasks and utilisation of technology with the retention of specialist provision within service.
1241	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Start charging for Freedom of Information Requests. A report from the CRM will show just how many are dealt with - they take a lot of time and input from numerous staff members within the council, not just the people dealing with the requests, but the staff in various sections searching through past data. Why are we paying staff to gather the data for Newspaper articles. Someone emails in a couple of sentences and they have no idea how much time is spent working out if we hold the data, and trying to retrieve it. The same could be done for Subject Access Requests.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	5b. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it is likely that the costs of this proposal would outweigh the benefit.	The costs of administering a charge for FOI requests would outweigh any benefits.
1242	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	They should only be integrated if they currently have a joined up method of working. They should not be forcing a square peg into a round hole on integration and technology usage.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Experience has demonstrated that the council can deliver a more effective and cost effective service through the centralisation of generic tasks and utilisation of technology with the retention of specialist provision within service. Business processes will be reviewed to maximise the benefits of service integration.
1243	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Would this be "natural wastage" and are there packages to encourage people to take early retirement ?	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has a Early Retirement/Voluntary Severance scheme which is available to all employees subject to a suitable business case being submitted within the set affordability criteria.
1244	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	With the West Lothian Bulletin can this not be emailed to West Lothian Residents rather than spending all that money on colour printing. Most of the people I know chuck it in the bin without even reading it. Can there not be a system where you have to sign up to receive a paper copy and if you don't sign up then it is up to that person too look for it on the Council Website?	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	5c. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it is not consistent with the council's values and priorities.	Officers believe Bulletin remains good value at less than the price of a second class stamp to produce and distribute one copy of Bulletin to every household in West Lothian.
1245	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Difficult to answer as people are loosing their jobs and this effects the west lothian economy	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Experience has demonstrated that the council can deliver a more effective and cost effective service through the centralisation of generic tasks and utilisation of technology with the retention of specialist provision within service. Business processes will be reviewed to maximise the benefits of service integration.
1246	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	I agree that the council should seek to make efficiencies and achieve savings through the efficient and effective use of systems and consolidation of support services	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
1247	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	The organisation must look to continually integrate and modernise services, even when there is no pressure for budget saving exercises. Pre-empting change can help protect jobs in the future by not offering employment for roles that can be integrated in to existing roles.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Experience has demonstrated that the council can deliver a more effective and cost effective service through the centralisation of generic tasks and utilisation of technology with the retention of specialist provision within service. Business processes will be reviewed to maximise the benefits of service integration.

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1248	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Service redesign is having an impact on all areas - even those not directly affected as we need to use these services which have been reduced. The public are not being informed from Higher management or Councillors that these reductions have taken place and the expectations remain the same. With some inequality re service provision depending on individual customers and their ability to work the system through the complaints procedures.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Experience has demonstrated that the council can deliver an more effective and cost effective service through the centralisation of generic tasks and utilisation of technology with the retention of specialist provision within service. Business processes will be reviewed to maximise the benefits of service integration.
1249	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	The Council also have to be mindful of their whole client group to ensure they are no alienating certain vulnerable groups particularly where a high focus is on digital interaction. Some customers will not be able to cope with these types of services and there is a fear we could be discriminating against them. It is also important to ensure that staff are not further deskilled within the process.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Experience has demonstrated that the council can deliver an more effective and cost effective service through the centralisation of generic tasks and utilisation of technology with the retention of specialist provision within service. This model still allows the opportunity for staff to engage with council officers on a face to face basis at the most effective and convenient level.
1250	No Response	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Clearing out all staff and councillors not meeting basic requirements is a must	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	The council has a number of policies and systems in place which enable managers to monitor staff performance and efficiency.
1251	No Response	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Cut services will bring poor quality oh work	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Experience has demonstrated that the council can deliver an more effective and cost effective service through the centralisation of generic tasks and use of technology with the retention of specialist provision within service. This model still allows the opportunity for staff to engage with council officers on a face to face basis at the most effective and convenient level.
1252	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	This has to be done without putting more pressure on staff who are already busy due to cut backs.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Experience has demonstrated that the council can deliver an more effective and cost effective service through the centralisation of generic tasks with the retention of specialist provision within service. This model still allows the opportunity for staff to engage with council officers on a face to face basis at the most effective and convenient level.
1253	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Get rid of "duplicate jobs" - e.g. roles that can be accomplished centrally should do so rather than every place having similar roles.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Experience has demonstrated that the council can deliver an more effective and cost effective service through the centralisation of generic tasks with the retention of specialist provision within service. This model still allows the opportunity for staff to engage with council officers on a face to face basis at the most effective and convenient level.
1254	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	This sounds good in principle although it's hard to comment without greater detail being provided.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Experience has demonstrated that the council can deliver an more effective and cost effective service through the centralisation of generic tasks with the retention of specialist provision within service. This model still allows the opportunity for staff to engage with council officers on a face to face basis at the most effective and convenient level.
1255	No Response	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Sounds reasonable but through natural wastage of jobs not redundancies	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Experience has demonstrated that the council can deliver an more effective and cost effective service through the centralisation of generic tasks with the retention of specialist provision within service. This model still allows the opportunity for staff to engage with council officers on a face to face basis at the most effective and convenient level.
1256	No Response	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	This calls for efficiency improvements but not in the dilution of quality. It is important to get the balance right. Savings for savings sake is in itself not a saving and needs careful and sensitive management.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Experience has demonstrated that the council can deliver an more effective and cost effective service through the centralisation of generic tasks with the retention of specialist provision within service. This model still allows the opportunity for staff to engage with council officers on a face to face basis at the most effective and convenient level.

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1257	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	A more holistic approach to management of services will result in a reduced cost and overall increased efficiency and as such I am in support of this	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
1258	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	It is virtually impossible to comment on this as there is no detail in what it actually means. Why not just say that it will mean the loss of X jobs?	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	The council is proposing to achieve efficiency savings through modernisation of services and reduction of duplication.
1259	No Response	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	I feel that it is still essential to have the workforce to assist along with new technology services. Do not take the Customer Service aspect away.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council acknowledges that not everyone is able to view information online and that face to face contact is still of value to some internal and external customers.
1260	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	I agree streamlining could help efficiency and could potentially save front line services.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
1261	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	staff being allowed to work from home would cut down on wasted hours in traffic and using council energy when staff can use technology and their own power to do tasks requiring quietness (not available in open plan offices) and concentration. What's the difference if you are at home on the phone or lap top or in an office? Less stressed staff trying to battle through traffic and bad weather to get to an office!	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	4. The council is already doing this.	The council has an IT infrastructure which supports working from home and individuals working from various council sites throughout West Lothian. The opportunity to work on a mobile and flexible basis continues to be available to staff.
1262	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	any service redesign should be taken to improve service delivery not to save money. If both can be done in tandem then that fine but it should be about quality of service delivery and not just finance.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Experience has demonstrated that the council can deliver a more effective and cost effective service through the centralisation of generic tasks and use of technology with the retention of specialist provision within service. This model still allows the opportunity for staff to engage with council officers on a face to face basis at the most effective and convenient level.
1263	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Agreed. Too much duplication in jobs. There seems to be development officers posts across the council - waste, advice shop, health.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
1264	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Stop wasting money on useless projects.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has a robust project approval and project management process which ensures projects are only progressed where there is a positive benefit for the council and customers.
1265	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Have the Bulletin an opt-in or out thing rather than spending money to print them for everyone.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	5c. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it is not consistent with the council's values and priorities.	Officers believe Bulletin remains good value at less than the price of a second class stamp to produce and distribute one copy of Bulletin to every household in West Lothian.
1266	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	The council provides valuable front-line services to the West Lothian public and, where possible, should seek to minimise reductions in those.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Experience has demonstrated that the council can deliver a more effective and cost effective service through the centralisation of generic tasks and use of technology with the retention of specialist provision within service. This model still allows the opportunity for staff to engage with council officers on a face to face basis at the most effective and convenient level.
1267	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Also, there appears to be evidence suggesting that the removal of Worksmart areas in many of the Partnership areas has led to an increase in business mileage. As a frequent user of the system, worksmart can, and does, lead to less business journey's, less time out of the office and a better service for the public and before looking at reducing mileage costs etc, the council really should look into the provision and availability of worksmart as an alternative.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	4. The council is already doing this.	All of the council's main office buildings in the main towns and villages in West Lothian have facilities for mobile and flexible working which can be booked through the room booking system. In addition, staff who undertake mobile and flexible working have access to IT technology to facilitate this, including remotely accessing meetings.
1268	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Sounds fine if it doesn't really affect frontline services.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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1269	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Don't think that Council services like school, police community centres etc should be re designed. However definitely think that should look at Council buildings and direct staff within these buildings.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Experience has demonstrated that the council can deliver a more effective and cost effective service through the centralisation of generic tasks and use of technology with the retention of specialist provision within service. This model still allows the opportunity for staff to engage with council officers on a face to face basis at the most effective and convenient level.
1270	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Less staff result in poorer customer service.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Experience has demonstrated that the council can deliver a more effective and cost effective service through the centralisation of generic tasks and use of technology with the retention of specialist provision within service. This model still allows the opportunity for staff to engage with council officers on a face to face basis at the most effective and convenient level.
1271	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	The absence of a recognisable workforce plan (despite repeated exhortations from Audit Scotland) is lamentable as WLC seeks to redesign/modernise/cut services in the absence of a workforce plan that details: The number of staff required along with the knowledge set, skills and qualifications of these staff to deliver future services. There is very little evidence of public service reform within WLC never mind across CPP services. The finance, payroll, HR and 'performance' teams appear to be overstaffed and ineffective. Given the relatively small size of Scotland's LAs - it is incomprehensible as to why public sector reform has not grouped councils into 'families' or 'regions of 6 or 7 to administer payroll, HR and finance 'back office' support. The impression is that WLC has too many back office employees to frontline providers (e.g. face to face or on the ground employees such as teachers, nursery/EY staff, manual operatives in grounds maintenance etc.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	4. The council is already doing this.	The Council has developed a Corporate Workforce Plan and Service specific workforce plans which monitor staffing requirements and ensure as far as possible that staffing complements and staff skills meet the service requirements.
1272	No Response	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Modernising, rationalising and integrating services is an essential part of all businesses and local authorities are not exempt from this. There have already been significant changes in some areas and while there are likely to still be opportunities there, care should be taken not to change them in such a way that services are undeliverable.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Experience has demonstrated that the council can deliver a more effective and cost effective service through the centralisation of generic tasks and use of technology with the retention of specialist provision within service. This model still allows the opportunity for staff to engage with council officers on a face to face basis at the most effective and convenient level.
1273	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	More options for home working and flexible start and finish times each day. After buildings are opened, how long is it before the staff start work. E.g. building opened 07.15, but earliest start time is 08.00. Could staff start 07.30 and finish 30 min earlier. Help to reduce heating & lighting costs.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Officers will consider how the proposals in relation to the staff start time can be developed. All of the council's main office buildings in the main towns and villages in West Lothian have facilities for mobile and flexible working which can be booked through the room booking system. In addition, staff who undertake mobile and flexible working have access to IT technology to facilitate this.
1274	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Perhaps a job evaluation / grading exercise would identify posts and areas of work where this should be targeted effectively as this would give tangible evidence to support any resultant cuts.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	5b. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it is likely that the costs of this proposal would outweigh the benefit.	The Council is consulting on the priorities which should be focused on going forward and does not consider that assessment of priority based on job evaluation is an effective method of allocating resource.
1275	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	£25.3m over five years is nothing to pat yourself on the back about. Seriously - you need to go further and look at the application of a complete operating model redesign and pay/pension structures. Talk to people on the street - sending 5 guys to cut a hedge which can be done with two moderately hard workers. The council is a mess. There are no two ways about it. Start with Exec pay, and then move onto Councillors - their value add is extremely questionable.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	The council is subject to national pay bargaining and the salary scales for officers are determined nationally. The council is subject to national pay bargaining, and terms and conditions.
1276	No Response	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	This looks like an exercise in increased workloads for already overstretched staff. The integrated facilities currently available are already are inefficient and ineffective. I fail to see how further integration will serve any useful purpose for most residents of West Lothian.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Experience has demonstrated that the council can deliver a more effective and cost effective service through the centralisation of generic tasks and use of technology with the retention of specialist provision within service. This model still allows the opportunity for staff to engage with council officers on a face to face basis at the most effective and convenient level.

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1277	No Response	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	You have to ensure that by consolidating services the skills and experience you currently have are not lost and that staff are matched to positions they are knowledgeable in rather than what fits in. With less staff it will be paramount to upskill and invest in those worth investing in. You could save money by finding and using .it experts that are undoubtedly among council staff already rather than bringing in expensive, poorly planned contracts for quick fixes and consolidating business needs thus maximising the use of software packages and licenses that are already in place.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Experience has demonstrated that the council can deliver a more effective and cost effective service through the centralisation of generic tasks and use of technology with the retention of specialist provision within service. This model still allows the opportunity for staff to engage with council officers on a face to face basis at the most effective and convenient level.
1278	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Redesign of the provision of a service is ok provided the aim of the redesign is to maintain / improve levels of service provided. A goal to purely save money will reduce the quality of service and ultimately will increase cost.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Experience has demonstrated that the council can deliver a more effective and cost effective service through the centralisation of generic tasks and use of technology with the retention of specialist provision within service. This model still allows the opportunity for staff to engage with council officers on a face to face basis at the most effective and convenient level.
1279	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	If there is scope to modernise and improve these services saving so much money, why has the council not done this before?	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Experience has demonstrated that the council can deliver a more effective and cost effective service through the centralisation of generic tasks and use of technology with the retention of specialist provision within service. This model still allows the opportunity for staff to engage with council officers on a face to face basis at the most effective and convenient level.
1280	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	The continued reliance on a large manual workforce should be reviewed. It doesn't provide value for money as the effort to keep it makes the work that is done much more expensive than on the open market. The quality of work is no better and when it isn't done right it has to be paid for again.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	5c. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it is not consistent with the council's values and priorities.	Experience has demonstrated that the council can deliver a more effective and cost effective service through the centralisation of generic tasks and use of technology with the retention of specialist provision within service. This model still allows the opportunity for staff to engage with council officers on a face to face basis at the most effective and convenient level.
1281	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Make sure that the Council works. A well oiled machine will help everyone.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
1282	No Response	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	If this service redesign increases efficiency then that can only be good.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
1283	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	I would ask that a 'suggestion box' type of system is put in place for staff within services to be given the opportunity to make recommendations for improvements and cost savings. Staff working in their own service area will have ideas of how processes etc. can be streamlined/changed to make services more cost effective and streamlined.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	4. The council is already doing this.	The council encourages and welcomes suggestions and recommendations from all staff on service improvement. The council regularly undertakes self assessment during which staff are actively encouraged to engage in evaluation of service performance and to make recommendations on service improvement.
1284	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	This consultation is an example of the council's lack of innovative thinking in terms of digital technology. Edinburgh City Council did a really good consultation when we did the DBO consultation. You were able to select an option and it provided information on cost savings and what changes it would mean to customers, thereby seeing the effect of selecting on option over another. With this consultation you are expecting residents of West Lothian to comment on areas that they don't necessarily know anything about. It is very poor and shows you have a long way to go! Also how do you measure opinions when it is all text related. This isn't really a consultation as it would appear the decisions have already been made!	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
1285	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	No real comment as minimal savings - need to look at duplication and overlap and make staffing cuts as required	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Experience has demonstrated that the council can deliver a more effective and cost efficient service through the centralisation of generic tasks and utilisation of technology with the retention of specialist provision within service.

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1286	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Agreed, systems, processes and services must be streamlines and as efficient as possible.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
1287	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	The bulletin must cost a lot of money to print in colour and post to every household in West Lothian maybe having a cheaper cost effective way such as having them in libraries council offices or an online copy you could look at if you wish on the council website.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	5c. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it is not consistent with the council's values and priorities.	Officers believe Bulletin remains good value at less than the price of a second class stamp to produce and distribute one copy of Bulletin to every household in West Lothian.
1288	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Ensure all print and mail tasks are appropriately routed so centralized resource so they can be undertaken most efficiently.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	4. The council is already doing this.	The council has introduced measures to reduce the production and publication of paper documents through the greater use of electronic documents and related systems. The introduction of print management software will allow managers to assess what is being printed with a view to reduction in repeat prints.
1289	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	The Council should consider a full close down for the two weeks at christmas. There would need to be emergency service provision but many buildings could close which would save energy and concentrate staff resource over the other 50 weeks of the year. Little productive work is done during these two weeks anyway.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Officers will consider how this could be developed.
1290	No Response	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	I think we always need to look at ways of improving and streamlining our services.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
1291	No Response	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Certain services would also benefit from a shift pattern rather that a core time working week from 10.am to 4pm	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Officers will consider how this can be developed.
1292	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Deliver these "Bulletins" via email - save on paper on delivery costs.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	5c. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it is not consistent with the council's values and priorities.	Officers believe Bulletin remains good value at less than the price of a second class stamp to produce and distribute one copy of Bulletin to every household in West Lothian.
1293	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	I would like to know how many employees are going to lose their jobs. As not so long ago the council promised not to have people redundant. As usual it will hit the lowest earners, the bottom grade. I would like to know how many exec, manager, under managers, will lose money or their jobs. I suspect none.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	At this stage, detailed budget reduction measures have not been developed, therefore there is no specific information on how the savings will be achieved and the timescales for delivery. This will become clearer as the measures progress following the consultation process and approval of the council's budget strategy.
1294	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	On the face of things this would be a great idea, but I would worry that a reduction in staffing measures at 'the coal face' would impact on the service delivery and more vitally, knowledge attained by experienced staff.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Experience has demonstrated that the council can deliver an more effective and cost effective service through the centralisation of generic tasks and use of technology with the retention of specialist provision within service. This model still allows the opportunity for staff to engage with council officers on a face to face basis at the most effective and convenient level.
1295	No Response	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Does it mean a larger work load for others? How would jobs be cut?	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Experience has demonstrated that the council can deliver an more effective and cost effective service through the centralisation of generic tasks and use of technology with the retention of specialist provision within service. This model still allows the opportunity for staff to engage with council officers on a face to face basis at the most effective and convenient level.
1296	No Response	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	consolidation of services with other councils should be established as a priority. Scotland can easily adopt central support services such as Legal, Payroll, Recruitment etc., that are provided independent of the councils themselves. There are also wide ranging opportunities for external support of IT functions, housing provision and management, and community facilities like libraries. However, reducing these services has quite an impact on delivering core objectives and there is certainly not enough information here to make an informed assessment.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has an existing shared service agreement with South Lanarkshire Council for a shared IT data centre and will continue to develop opportunities for further shared service arrangements with other public bodies. The council is also progressing with West Lothian College the provision of shared services opportunities across a range of service areas.

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1297	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	I have no idea what this paragraph means, however what i think it means is that you are going to merge services so that peoples jobs become more strained as they are expected to do more?!	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Experience has demonstrated that the council can deliver an more effective and cost effective service through the centralisation of generic tasks and use of technology with the retention of specialist provision within service. This model still allows the opportunity for staff to engage with council officers on a face to face basis at the most effective and convenient level.
1298	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Integration of services and redesign of services can be a good thing if it is done correct and services and service users do not suffer during and after the redesigning of the services	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Experience has demonstrated that the council can deliver an more effective and cost effective service through the centralisation of generic tasks and use of technology with the retention of specialist provision within service. This model still allows the opportunity for staff to engage with council officers on a face to face basis at the most effective and convenient level.
1299	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	its common knowledge that the councils inefficiency is evident in pretty much all departments. It seems pretty obvious to me that sub contracting and outsourcing on an as and when basis would be a better solution. I would expect that a much greater saving could be made than suggested if a "private sector" view was taken on both systems and people employed.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Experience has demonstrated that the council can deliver an more effective and cost effective service through the centralisation of generic tasks and use of technology with the retention of specialist provision within service. The council does not propose to further outsource services as a rule as this is not considered to deliver best value for the customer.
1300	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	This is a good aim. However this redesign should be done by listening to those who work in the area to get the best design. Too many times "new, improved " systems/precedures are put in place that fail to work efficiently and cost more.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Experience has demonstrated that the council can deliver an more effective and cost effective service through the centralisation of generic tasks and use of technology with the retention of specialist provision within service. This model still allows the opportunity for staff to engage with council officers on a face to face basis at the most effective and convenient level.
1301	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	I support modernisation but would be unhappy if the quality/quantity of services declined as a result.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Experience has demonstrated that the council can deliver an more effective and cost effective service through the centralisation of generic tasks and use of technology with the retention of specialist provision within service. This model still allows the opportunity for staff to engage with council officers on a face to face basis at the most effective and convenient level.
1302	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	The council seems top-heavy with regards to management structures. Hopefully redesign of council services would be able to address this.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council continually reviews the tiers of management and span of control across all service levels against a target 5 x 5 structure. This ensures that the council continues to operate with an effective and efficient managerial structure.
1303	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Back office work has to be seen as a first call for savings to ensure front line delivery and protecting the public are prioritised. Is out sourcing being considered?	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Experience has demonstrated that the council can deliver a more effective and cost efficient service through the centralisation of generic tasks and utilisation of technology with the retention of specialist provision within service.
1304	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Hopefully staff not then put under stress due to higher workload	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Experience has demonstrated that the council can deliver a more effective and cost efficient service through the centralisation of generic tasks and utilisation of technology with the retention of specialist provision within service.
1305	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	If a priority is to increase employment in West Lothian, is it not ironic that you are discussing using technology to do jobs instead of people?	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Experience has demonstrated that the council can deliver an more effective and cost effective service through the centralisation of generic tasks and use of technology with the retention of specialist provision within service. This model still allows the opportunity for staff to engage with council officers on a face to face basis at the most effective and convenient level.

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1306	No Response	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Streamlining services is always a good idea as long as it makes it more efficient and cost effective	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Experience has demonstrated that the council can deliver a more effective and cost efficient service through the centralisation of generic tasks and utilisation of technology with the retention of specialist provision within service.
1307	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Sounds like normal business and not something of a project... The council should always be doing this.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Experience has demonstrated that the council can deliver a more effective and cost efficient service through the centralisation of generic tasks and utilisation of technology with the retention of specialist provision within service.
1308	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Reducing Management costs is always helpful until the system cannot function. At what level this is is the key question but I doubt there will be Â£4 m saving.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council continually reviews the tiers of management and span of control across all service levels against a target 5 x 5 structure. This ensures that the council continues to operate with an effective and efficient managerial structure.
1309	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	"Partner organisations" - it depends on what you mean by that. If you're going to farm out services to employers who pay a pittance to their staff, then no.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council's existing partnership working seeks to mitigate the duplication of work between partners. At the same time the council seeks to avoid duplication of resource within the council.
1310	No Response	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Redesign should be looked to improve efficiency, concern would be loss of jobs.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Experience has demonstrated that the council can deliver a more effective and cost efficient service through the centralisation of generic tasks and utilisation of technology with the retention of specialist provision within service.
1311	No Response	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	The proposals do not have a clear headcount target. It would be helpful to set out the current headcount and type of staff employed and how the council sees this changing. For example there might be a reduction in headcount however what is equally important is the skill set of people needed to both deliver the changes and adopt/work with new processes and ways of working.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	At this stage, detailed budget reduction measures have not been developed, therefore there is no specific information on how the savings will be achieved and the timescales for delivery. This will become clearer as the measures progress following the consultation process and approval of the council's budget strategy.
1312	No Response	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Private tendering is a waste of money!	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Experience has demonstrated that the council can deliver a more effective and cost effective service through the centralisation of generic tasks and use of technology with the retention of specialist provision within service. The council does not propose to further outsource services as a rule as this is not considered to deliver best value for the customer.
1313	No Response	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Third party is essential for variety transparency and competitive advantages. Review of service is necessary to ensure productive and efficient. Cuts to engagements for dignitaries should come first. For example stop buying in Â£1700 buffets for council executives.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council is subject to national pay bargaining and the salary scales for officers are determined nationally. The council is subject to national pay bargaining, and terms and conditions. The council does not provide catering for officers.
1314	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	If jobs are affected they should be redistributed elsewhere.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has introduced improved workforce planning and greater coordination of vacant posts, fixed term appointments and employees who have been displaced through organisational change. The council is also reviewing the terms of the Redeployment Policy to offer greater opportunities for the redeployment of employees subject to suitable business need.
1315	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	This should include consolidating and reducing the number of councillors	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	The number of elected members is set by UK legislation.
1316	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	This is sensible, but care needs to be taken that reduction in support does not lead to increase costs, risks and time for the Council if officers are asked to undertake additional duties without proper training to utilise new technologies.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Experience has demonstrated that the council can deliver a more effective and cost efficient service through the centralisation of generic tasks and utilisation of technology with the retention of specialist provision within service.

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1317	No Response	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	It seems Council depts. which may require enforcement powers don't all have them. This seems self defeating, and appears to produce departments which are toothless and no doubt noted as such by persons who will take advantage of that situation.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	4. The council is already doing this.	Experience has demonstrated that the council can deliver a more effective and cost efficient service through the centralisation of generic tasks and utilisation of technology with the retention of specialist provision within service.
1318	No Response	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	The council needs to manage its work force better and how it uses buildings and manages partnership working.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Experience has demonstrated that the council can deliver a more effective and cost effective service through the centralisation of generic tasks with the retention of specialist provision within service. The council will maximise opportunities for working with partners where this achieves the most effective solution for customers.
1319	No Response	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	The back office efficiency agenda and shared services has been mooted for at least 15 years. Don't tinker, do it once and properly.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has an existing shared service agreement with South Lanarkshire Council for a shared IT data centre and will continue to develop opportunities for further shared service arrangements with other public bodies. The council is also progressing with West Lothian College the provision of shared services opportunities across a range of service areas.
1320	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	On the face of it this sounds a positive step however further detail is required. The amount highlighted is significant and without transition funding would be very challenging to deliver. I would like assurance transition funding has been considered and that further constituent engagement is planned.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	At this stage, detailed budget reduction measures have not been developed, therefore there is no specific information on how the savings will be achieved and the timescales for delivery. This will become clearer as the measures progress following the consultation process and approval of the council's budget strategy.
1321	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Staffing levels, skill mix and brain drain must be carefully considered. There are many examples across various industries where lessons can be learned and the scope of the comparison should reach beyond other Scottish councils.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Experience has demonstrated that the council can deliver a more effective and cost efficient service through the centralisation of generic tasks and utilisation of technology with the retention of specialist provision within service.
1322	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Council internal structures are cumbersome and do not reflect the private sector business models that focus on profitability. There is more the Council can do to recognise the synergies between the services it offers and streamlining the governance process so that this is effective and minimises overlap. It is also important for the Councils Elected Members to be sympathetic to the cuts that need to be made and to support the Council in this regard.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	4. The council is already doing this.	The council places significant emphasis on effective internal and external integration and enhancement of synergies between services. The council will look at ways to maximise the benefits of any synergies and minimise duplication or overlap.
1323	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	There are many ways of describing the actions that the Council are proposing whether it is called "downsizing" or "streamlining" a rose is still a rose by any other name. I hope that in their modernisation plans that any redundancies will be by process of natural wastage or by voluntary means. In line with the way that West Lothian Council have traditionally operated.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has introduced improved workforce planning and greater coordination of vacant posts, fixed term appointments and employees who have been displaced through organisational change. The council is also reviewing the terms of the Redeployment Policy to offer greater opportunities for the redeployment of employees subject to suitable business need.
1324	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Consolidation and rationalisation sound good. Concerned for older residents who are not computer literate on how they will access services.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council acknowledges that not everyone is able to view information online and that face to face contact is still of value to some internal and external customers.
1325	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Alternatives:- remove one DCE; remove one of the Education HoS posts in recognition of changing national landscape; remove head of corporate services post and divide duties amongst other HoS; reduce 'performance and improvement team' as responsibility is embedded in services; reduce 'anti-poverty' work.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	5b. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it is likely that the costs of this proposal would outweigh the benefit.	The Council has reviewed the Corporate Management Team and is satisfied that it is structured appropriately to meet the requirements of the Council.
1326	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Alternatives:- remove one DCE; remove one of the Education HoS posts in recognition of changing national landscape; remove head of corporate services post and divide duties amongst other HoS; reduce 'performance and improvement team' as responsibility is embedded in services; reduce 'anti-poverty' work.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	5b. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it is likely that the costs of this proposal would outweigh the benefit.	The Council has reviewed the Corporate Management Team and is satisfied that it is structured appropriately to meet the requirements of the Council.

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1327	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Alternatives:- remove one DCE; remove one of the Education HoS posts in recognition of changing national landscape; remove head of corporate services post and divide duties amongst other HoS; reduce 'performance and improvement team' as responsibility is embedded in services; reduce 'anti-poverty' work.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	5b. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it is likely that the costs of this proposal would outweigh the benefit.	The Council has reviewed the Corporate Management Team and is satisfied that it is structured appropriately to meet the requirements of the Council.
1328	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Alternatives:- remove one DCE; remove one of the Education HoS posts in recognition of changing national landscape; remove head of corporate services post and divide duties amongst other HoS; reduce 'performance and improvement team' as responsibility is embedded in services; reduce 'anti-poverty' work.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	5b. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it is likely that the costs of this proposal would outweigh the benefit.	The Council has reviewed the Corporate Management Team and is satisfied that it is structured appropriately to meet the requirements of the Council.
1329	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Alternatives:- remove one DCE; remove one of the Education HoS posts in recognition of changing national landscape; remove head of corporate services post and divide duties amongst other HoS; reduce 'performance and improvement team' as responsibility is embedded in services; reduce 'anti-poverty' work.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	5b. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it is likely that the costs of this proposal would outweigh the benefit.	The Council has reviewed the Corporate Management Team and is satisfied that it is structured appropriately to meet the requirements of the Council.
1330	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	It is prudent that we make our workforce as efficient as possible but consideration must be given to the service levels. Staff shortages are being absorbed but this can only go so far before we cease to be effective.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Experience has demonstrated that the council can deliver a more effective and cost effective service through the centralisation of generic tasks and use of technology with the retention of specialist provision within service. This model still allows the opportunity for staff to engage with council officers on a face to face basis at the most effective and convenient level.
1331	No Response	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	I think that all departments have to have a tailored approach to redesign, what works for one department will not work for all and upgrades in technology can cause problems especially if there is going to be a lot less support staff to help with any change over.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council will consider the requirements of each service and customer group in developing proposals for redesign of services. The council has made significant investment in the IT infrastructure and will continue to allocate appropriate resources to introduce new technology where appropriate. The council's ICT Strategy seeks to deliver change in line with advances in technology and changes in council priorities, whilst still having a clear framework within which to operate.
1332	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	The services are already stretched so how will they still function effectively if further cuts are made.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Experience has demonstrated that the council can deliver a more effective and cost effective service through the centralisation of generic tasks and use of technology with the retention of specialist provision within service. This model still allows the opportunity for staff to engage with council officers on a face to face basis at the most effective and convenient level.
1333	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Would be more helpful if this wasn't so vague and gave a more detailed description of what exactly will be affected so I can give an accurate and better informed case for feedback in this consultation. This is not a fair way to allow residents to actively agree or disagree with proposals	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	At this stage, detailed budget reduction measures have not been developed, therefore there is no specific information on how the savings will be achieved and the timescales for delivery. This will become clearer as the measures progress following the consultation process and approval of the council's budget strategy.
1334	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	The proposals overall are difficult to comment on as many come across as quite vague and non-specific. Most sound sensible, although the impact on residents of West Lothian difficult to establish e.g. Some of the proposals involve combining/merging teams without much rationale stated. Which services are actually being cut? No doubt there is more detail and assessments behind these high level proposals. Specifically, the Council does not identify any headcount targets or how the make up of the workforce will change as a result of these proposals. d?	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	At this stage, detailed budget reduction measures have not been developed, therefore there is no specific information on how the savings will be achieved and the timescales for delivery. This will become clearer as the measures progress following the consultation process and approval of the council's budget strategy.
1335	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	I agree that somebody should be in charge of a cluster of financial things, eg business support managers support numerous schools rather than one.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
1336	No Response	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Look seriously at working groups and tiered management roles that achieve little and cut there rather than at service provision level	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council continually reviews the tiers of management and span of control across all service levels against a target 5 x 5 structure. This ensures that the council continues to operate with an effective and efficient managerial structure.

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1337	No Response	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Cut back on red tape committees and tiered management. Meetings that do not produce outcomes are v wasteful	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council continually reviews the tiers of management and span of control across all service levels against a target 5 x 5 structure. This ensures that the council continues to operate with an effective and efficient managerial structure. The council has approved a range of projects that will provide the technology to support mobile and flexible working including tablets and other portable equipment which reduces the time required to be spent in meetings.
1338	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Perhaps, but not sure we are just reinventing the wheel and there will be no real benefit or effective savings	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Experience has demonstrated that the council can deliver a more effective and cost efficient service through the centralisation of generic tasks and utilisation of technology with the retention of specialist provision within service.
1339	No Response	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Will this be similar to the consolidating and integration you implemented recently whereby you made positions redundant and forced employees to re-apply for jobs with less hours, less salary and an impossible workload and increased responsibility. Whereby Hall Management Committees made up of volunteers are now desperately trying to pick up the short-fall and are now facing the prospect that all their hard work and unpaid blood sweat and tears has been in vain as the reality is we will now lose the very services we are desperately trying to maintain while the council has failed us?	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Experience has demonstrated that the council can deliver a more effective and cost efficient service through the centralisation of generic tasks and utilisation of technology with the retention of specialist provision within service.
1340	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	On page 1 the overview on the future WLC budget is very informative. In the Chief Executive's letter, the penultimate paragraph on the three main areas for our feedback is very clear and focussed. Page 2 provides a clear summary and my interest concentrates on "technology" items. The "key points", "budget proposal 1 to 7" and "challenges ahead" are well stated. In the latter item "transformation programme" should explain more detail on the councils approach. "How the council is funded" on page 4 will create a major impact and may I suggest that those details be prominently displayed in all council premises especially libraries and all schools.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Thank you for your comments. The council has made copies of the budget consultation available in key council buildings.
1341	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Outsource to one large service centre providing this to all local authorities. Scotland is too small to have so many local authorities. The government could deliver similar to the state system in the US	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	The council has an existing shared service agreement with South Lanarkshire Council for a shared IT data centre and will continue to develop opportunities for further shared service arrangements with other public bodies. The council is also progressing with West Lothian College the provision of shared services opportunities across a range of service areas. The Council will continue to develop opportunities for further shared service arrangements with other public bodies.
1342	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Remove all authority services and allow it to be managed by government.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	This would require a change to the legislation which sets out the responsibilities of Scottish Local Authorities to deliver local services to the community.
1343	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Again dissolve LA provided services and put this role back to government	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	This would require a change to the legislation which sets out the responsibilities of Scottish Local Authorities to deliver local services to the community.
1344	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Again dissolve LA provided services and put this role back to government	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	This would require a change to the legislation which sets out the responsibilities of Scottish Local Authorities to deliver local services to the community.
1345	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Outsource to a central function for all LA areas across Scotland	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	This would require a change to the legislation which sets out the responsibilities of Scottish Local Authorities to deliver local services to the community.

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1358	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Remove all Council control and put control into a Scotland wide facility	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	This would require a change to the legislation which sets out the responsibilities of Scottish Local Authorities to deliver local services to the community.
1359	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Again dissolve LA provided services and put this role back to government	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	This would require a change to the legislation which sets out the responsibilities of Scottish Local Authorities to deliver local services to the community.
1360	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Again dissolve LA provided services and put this role back to government	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	This would require a change to the legislation which sets out the responsibilities of Scottish Local Authorities to deliver local services to the community.
1361	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Job cuts can be necessary in any business if employees are non productive or not managed properly...	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has a number of systems and processes in place which allow are essential to enable the council to monitor and report service performance and efficiency.
1362	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	keep other services that are required to give our future children a chance in life	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Experience has demonstrated that the council can deliver an more effective and cost effective service through the centralisation of generic tasks and use of technology with the retention of specialist provision within service. This model still allows the opportunity for staff to engage with council officers on a face to face basis at the most effective and convenient level.
1363	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	As long as it is thought through properly and the redesign still delivers the support required to deliver the council services adequately. The new support needs to be trained properly and have enough staff to cope with the workload.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Experience has demonstrated that the council can deliver an more effective and cost effective service through the centralisation of generic tasks and use of technology with the retention of specialist provision within service. This model still allows the opportunity for staff to engage with council officers on a face to face basis at the most effective and convenient level.
1364	No Response	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Communication between departments would need to improve to ensure the restructuring would deliver	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Experience has demonstrated that the council can deliver an more effective and cost effective service through the centralisation of generic tasks and use of technology with the retention of specialist provision within service. This model still allows the opportunity for staff to engage with council officers on a face to face basis at the most effective and convenient level.
1365	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	I'm not sure if this is included further on in the consultation, but it seems relevant here also - stop producing and delivering the Bulletin! It must cost a decent amount of money to colour-print however many thousand copies, not to mention the delivery costs and then the recycling costs when they inevitably get thrown into the bin unread. I would suggest developing some kind of e-bulletin, whilst keeping a few paper copies at local libraries or council buildings	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	5c. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it is not consistent with the council's values and priorities.	Officers believe Bulletin remains good value at less than the price of a second class stamp to produce and distribute one copy of Bulletin to every household in West Lothian.
1366	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Investment in all public services	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Experience has demonstrated that the council can deliver a more effective and cost efficient service through the centralisation of generic tasks and utilisation of technology with the retention of specialist provision within service.
1367	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	do not close or mismanage well used services that have been built up over the decades . Forcing people to choose or prioritize will rib communities apart	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council is consulting on the priorities to ensure that resources continue to be focused in those areas which can have the biggest positive impact for customers. Experience has demonstrated that the council can deliver an more effective and cost effective service through the centralisation of generic tasks and use of technology with the retention of specialist provision within service.

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1368	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Removed from local government funding to central government ,	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	This would require a change to the legislation which sets out the responsibilities of Scottish Local Authorities to deliver local services to the community.
1369	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	As long as services to the public will not be harmed I'm all for transformation to more modern ways, digital and redesigning the services. As long as the public will get educated as well... for example if we move a service to the internet you should have a workshop for the elderly who doesn't know how to use it and provide support as much as you can to avoid people feeling left behind or neglected.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Experience has demonstrated that the council can deliver a more effective and cost efficient service through the centralisation of generic tasks and utilisation of technology with the retention of specialist provision within service.
1370	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	This will also cause job cuts meaning more people out of work, more people claiming benefits from the state and more resources used - advice shop, scottish welfare fund, housing benefit, council tax reduction.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council has introduced improved workforce planning and greater coordination of vacant posts, fixed term appointments and employees who have been displaced through organisational change. The council is also reviewing the terms of the Redeployment Policy to offer greater opportunities for the redeployment of employees subject to suitable business need.
1371	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	In my establishment, we already have a skeleton management team who cannot get their tasks completed as a result of staff shortages.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Experience has demonstrated that the council can deliver a more effective and cost effective service through the centralisation of generic tasks with the retention of specialist provision within service. The council continually reviews the tiers of management and span of control across all service levels against a target 5 x 5 structure. This ensures that the council continues to operate with an effective and efficient managerial structure.
1372	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	This should be the day shop for managers - there should be no need to consult on operational issues like this	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
1373	No Response	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Redesign, integration and modernisation is very positive however not at the expense of providing jobs for citizens.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Experience has demonstrated that the council can deliver a more effective and cost efficient service through the centralisation of generic tasks and utilisation of technology with the retention of specialist provision within service.
1374	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	The council should always strive to be the leanest most effective organisation it can be. A commercial body would have shed the waste years ago	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
1375	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Having a graphics team within the council is a luxury.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	5c. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it is not consistent with the council's values and priorities.	The in-house graphics team has enabled the council to minimise the expense of procuring external graphic design services.
1376	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	There are staff around the organisation trained on LEAN and process methodologies. This function could be absorbed across the organisation without specialised posts dedicated to this support (currently there are two posts)	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
1377	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	The council has a very command and control management. Whilst I appreciate that a certain level is required in order to keep control of finances it has disempowered staff all the way down the chain therefore not making best use of resources. In fact it causes more work as staff are second guessing what head of service and directors want rather than asking what is wanted causing duplicate work. Seem to be producing lots of figures - just in case they are asked for - which may not be used. A lot of time wasted.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
1378	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	The change of the corporate logo. How much did this cost to do when the outcome was really not much different. Square to round and green only. Not only the re-design but also the throwing out old stationery, printing new. Time taken to change electronic documents. Presume logos on vans, signs etc need to be changed. What a waste of money	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	The Council's logo has been revised for the first time in 20 years. Council officers spent approximately one hour designing the new logo. The branding policy recommends that the logo is changed when council services are renewing equipment, uniforms or signage rather than requiring services to incur any additional costs in renewing and updating the logo.

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1379	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Need to look at the effect of process change from start to end.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
1380	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	It is hard to comment until we know what areas you are referring to. There are services within the council that are already understaffed. We are relying on good will and staff doing overtime to keep areas/buildings open. On the other hand we have areas where teams seems to be growing. I would rather have frontline staff working to deliver for the community that performance teams checking against targets putting managers and staff under pressure. I don't under estimate the importance of performance but if we have no staff to deliver to the community we will have nothing to report.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Experience has demonstrated that the council can deliver a more effective and cost efficient service through the centralisation of generic tasks and utilisation of technology with the retention of specialist provision within service.
1381	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	service redesign is a must along with modernisation on all departments	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
1382	No Response	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Reduced management = reduced oversight = weaker systems of control.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council continually reviews the tiers of management and span of control across all service levels against a target 5 x 5 structure. This ensures that the council continues to operate with an effective and efficient managerial structure.
1383	No Response	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	The council should make inhouse savings that do not affect the running of the council.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Experience has demonstrated that the council can deliver a more effective and cost efficient service through the centralisation of generic tasks and utilisation of technology with the retention of specialist provision within service.
1384	No Response	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Will turkeys vote for Christmas? Where is the independent view?	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
1385	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	This may lead to job cuts but I feel this would help the coucil with its cuts	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
1386	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	The organisation should be changed to be as efficient as possible. It should have always been this way.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
1387	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Too many cooks. Slash management!!	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council continually reviews the tiers of management and span of control across all service levels against a target 5 x 5 structure. This ensures that the council continues to operate with an effective and efficient managerial structure.
1388	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	I am sure there are better ways of working. There is a lot more that could be done on integrating services but as a staff member we are asked to attend meetings or groups about this but very little is done.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council is proposing to achieve efficiency savings through modernisation of services and reduction of duplication.
1389	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Redesign after redesign is also a waste of time, effort and money.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council is proposing to achieve efficiency savings through modernisation of services and reduction of duplication.
1390	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	A vision of what the council would look like 10 years or so down the line would be something to really work towards, looking realistically at what we can and cant do.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	4. The council is already doing this.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
1391	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	We should also be looking outwards to other areas and even other countries do things better than us. Prevention is always better than intervention and real long term planning could enable us to focus money on interventions that would see long term benefits and therefore savings.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council regularly undertakes benchmarking with other organisations to ensure that we continue to deliver value for money, The council is also subject to regular external scrutiny in terms of efficiency and effective of service delivery
1392	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Becoming more cost effective in this way seems to be the least damaging to the welfare of council residents and employees	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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1393	No Response	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Look at duplication within Services, Admin support, Stores, performance, Learning & Development, inspectors, the list goes on	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Experience has demonstrated that the council can deliver a more effective and cost efficient service through the centralisation of generic tasks and utilisation of technology with the retention of specialist provision within service.
1394	No Response	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Look at benchmarking are the Council Value for Money compared to the private sector for the same work/delivering the same service	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	4. The council is already doing this.	The council regularly undertakes benchmarking with other organisations to ensure that we continue to deliver value for money. The council is also subject to regular external scrutiny in terms of efficiency and effective of service delivery.
1395	No Response	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Reduce staffing will help balance the budget but you need to make sure the savings are in the correct areas as Services must still be provided	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council is consulting on the priorities for the next 5 year period to ensure that resources are focused on the priority service areas.
1396	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	The staff in the Council should not be cut any further than they already are. How can any department improve its quality with more cuts. Its impossible.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Experience has demonstrated that the council can deliver a more effective and cost efficient service through the centralisation of generic tasks and utilisation of technology with the retention of specialist provision within service.
1397	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Front line staff are already at a minimum, it would have a negative impact on the community reducing anymore front line staff.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Experience has demonstrated that the council can deliver a more effective and cost efficient service through the centralisation of generic tasks and utilisation of technology with the retention of specialist provision within service.
1398	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Reducing duplication between departments as well as allowing services to make more localised decisions would significantly cut costs. An example of this would be support teams within services calculating overtime payments and updating absence reports locally to forward to a central department to be updated into the HR management system. This could be done, with the proper control measures, at a local level.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Experience has demonstrated that the council can deliver a more effective and cost efficient service through the centralisation of generic tasks and utilisation of technology with the retention of specialist provision within service.
1399	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	You will only achieve this if the changes are led by the teams involved not by external consultants.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council does not propose to engage external consultants to develop savings proposals.
1400	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	I support redesign, integration and further use of technology to increase efficiency and effectiveness but it is important to seek external expertise to make this happen. Done from the inside, there is a biased towards retaining jobs.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has an organisational change policy which will support effective redesign and integration of services without requirement to engage external expertise. The council has introduced improved workforce planning and greater coordination of vacant posts, fixed term appointments and employees who have been displaced through organisational change.
1401	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Internal function services have already been greatly reduced in previous cuts and already perform to the best of their ability under great pressure. They support services well so the service core business functions can be their focus.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Experience has demonstrated that the council can deliver a more effective and cost efficient service through the centralisation of generic tasks and utilisation of technology with the retention of specialist provision within service.
1402	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	This applies to many contracts, utilise or invest in council led services instead of tendering them out to private (poorer) contractors.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	4. The council is already doing this.	The council will continue to use internal services to deliver services. The Council engages external contractors where required for specialist works. This approach will continue to ensure best value use of resources available within the council.
1403	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Efficiencies in care should be considered very carefully as it is harder to retract errors than make them in the 1st place. It is especially disconcerting that much of these 'efficiencies' will be made by individuals who have not worked in the environment they are reviewing for a number of years. Remote decision making by people sitting in offices at the higher echelons of management do not work. They cannot practically make the best decisions about the future care requirements of our elderly or our workforce. Numbers do not always quantify care. There are countless hours not recorded and care cannot be quantifiable.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	4. The council is already doing this.	The council has an organisational change policy which will support effective redesign and integration of services without requirement to engage external expertise. Managers will consult with staff and trade unions on any proposed changes to service structures.

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1404	No Response	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	In my experience service redesign and modernisation only means job losses on the front line while more managers are employed which does not save money in the long run	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council has an organisational change policy which will support effective redesign and integration of services without requirement to engage external expertise. Managers will consult with staff and trade unions on any proposed changes to service structures.
1405	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	I would like more information on the types of work this is about. Hopefully no outside bodies are paid huge fees to support this. With freedom of information I will pursue this. Why is a housing manager in charge of libraries? Is the head of environmental health also in charge of school catering or does the head of education take charge of roundabouts and verge cutting? People are trained for specific work let them do that.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	At this stage, detailed budget reduction measures have not been developed, therefore there is no specific information on how the savings will be achieved and the timescales for delivery. This will become clearer as the measures progress following the consultation process and approval of the council's budget strategy. The council has an organisational change policy which will support effective redesign and integration of services without requirement to engage external expertise.
1406	No Response	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	As with every large business there will always be some cross over in administration and support activities. It will not be easy identifying where all of these are. Hopefully these can be identified without the need for an external review company, which will only result in further costs to the council. Merging departments who perform similar tasks, and reducing management levels should help.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has an organisational change policy which will support effective redesign and integration of services without requirement to engage external expertise.
1407	No Response	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	An area where it would be possible to make substantial savings IF carried out properly and again looking at all staffing numbers. : too many layers in many departments - managers, supervisors, team leaders, charge hands many duplicating the job of their superior. : competency based reviews to ensure that individuals are providing value for money.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council continually reviews the tiers of management and span of control across all service levels against a target 5 x 5 structure. This ensures that the council continues to operate with an effective and efficient managerial structure.
1408	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	This also just gets rid of minimum/living wage jobs, the people who are targeted most and tend to be more venerable to change each time something like this happens getting them stuck in a cycle. I'd rather keep the smaller jobs that actually play big roles and get rid of stupid roles like the two managers in planning services.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Experience has demonstrated that the council can deliver a more effective and cost effective service through the centralisation of generic tasks, use of technology and the retention of specialist provision within service. This model still allows the opportunity for staff to engage with council officers on a face to face basis at the most effective and convenient level. The council is a living wage employer and staff on the lowest grades will continue to receive a living wage enhancement.
1409	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Consideration could be given as to whether the provision of non statutory services should continue in the context of the councils agreed priorities or if charging could be introduced to ensure that such activities continued on a self funded basis.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	4. The council is already doing this.	The council is consulting on the priorities in respect of which resources should be focused going forward.
1410	No Response	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	You should be reviewing those "partnership" organisations to make sure that they are providing value for money - rather than looking to increase partnership arrangements	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	4. The council is already doing this.	The council regularly monitors the performance of third party providers to ensure that they continue to deliver value for money services.
1411	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Genuine efficiency improvement are always welcome. But where performance is affected and some services lost completely the council should be honest about it and explain why. It should also be ensured that the already hard-pressed council staff are not put under too much pressure by absorbing functions previously carried out by others	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Experience has demonstrated that the council can deliver a more effective and cost efficient service through the centralisation of generic tasks and utilisation of technology with the retention of specialist provision within service.
1412	No Response	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Fewer support staff = poorer service. A redesign and modernisation are good in principle but, in reality, will it just mean fewer people being expected to provide the same level of service?	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Experience has demonstrated that the council can deliver a more effective and cost efficient service through the centralisation of generic tasks and utilisation of technology with the retention of specialist provision within service.
1413	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	FTE reduction is key to leaning any process. WLC already has a platform that could easily be improved using Agile methodology	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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1414	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	reducing FTE shouldn't mean service suffer.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Experience has demonstrated that the council can deliver a more effective and cost effective service through the centralisation of generic tasks and use of technology with the retention of specialist provision within service. This model still allows the opportunity for staff to engage with council officers on a face to face basis at the most effective and convenient level.
1415	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	In order to achieve savings and modernise services the barriers need to be broken down between the different services as some services can be territorial and not open to change. Also some services are seen as enabling services however this is where the delays can happen for progressing and streamlining.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council is reviewing opportunities for integration and modernisation of services whilst continuing to ensure that effective enabler services are provided.
1416	No Response	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	I believe there are vast savings to be made by working more closely with our services to ensure compliance i.e. contracts are used, and frameworks are reduced, maverick spend is eliminated. By going out to tender, as or without collaboration, we can secure best value contracts for West Lothian. Although EU Law does not allow us to specify local suppliers must be used, we have ways of ensuring local suppliers are giving every opportunity to tender for the councils business.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	West Lothian Council has to comply with national and EU legislation and competitive methods are employed. All appropriate suppliers can bid and contracts are tendered taking into consideration price, quality and total cost for all products contained within the contract.
1417	No Response	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	In my opinion, framework agreements, do not provide best value and are a thing of the past. Suppliers submit abnormally low prices to ensure they are awarded a framework, only to drastically increase prices for non-core spend. It is not uncommon for these frameworks to only provide 20% -30% of the councils core spend; this results in the remaining 80 -70% being purchases on an ad-hoc basis, or a mini competition. Mini Competitions take time to create and award, and we are tied into the suppliers on the framework, which excludes local supply chain, having a negative impact on local economy. It is time to work more closely with our supply chain, by committing business to them through a competitive tendering route. In return we will receive best value, competitive pricing, and a loyal service. Collaboration is and continues to be included in our tendering processes, and it a number of cases this can work very well.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	4. The council is already doing this.	West Lothian Council has to comply with national and EU legislation and competitive methods are employed. All appropriate suppliers can bid and contracts are tendered taking into consideration price, quality and total cost for all products contained within the contract.
1418	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Are you just using fancy words to say you will pay people off and increase the workload and pressure on the one,s that are left thus giving a poorer service??	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Experience has demonstrated that the council can deliver a more effective and cost efficient service through the centralisation of generic tasks and utilisation of technology with the retention of specialist provision within service.
1419	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Whilst it is commendable to investigate improved ways of working and in advances in technology to achieve economy and effectiveness, other measures could be introduced to assist a more dynamic workforce focused on outcomes e.g. quiet areas for working, increasing the flexi time day from 8.00 am - 6pm to 7.00am - 8.00pm. Also, there is no need for every member of the council to have permanent access to a desk. A formal working from home Policy could be developed and increased use of WorkSmart areas should be explored to allow for a reduction in the number of buildings.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response, Officers shall consider how this can be developed.
1420	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	There are duplication of some services within the council that need looked at. for example the call centre staff and admin support in some service areas could be integrated and retrained to do a range of tasks. Therefore providing a better service for the customer and reducing overall numbers of staffing	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Experience has demonstrated that the council can deliver a more effective and cost efficient service through the centralisation of generic tasks and utilisation of technology with the retention of specialist provision within service.
1421	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Any redesign needs to be purposeful and strategic - tinkering for the sake of the bottom line is probably a waste of resources in the long run. A holistic and long-term plan is essential - perhaps the 'arms length' management of services risks making that even more difficult?	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has an organisational change policy which will support effective redesign and integration of services. The council's corporate and services workforce plans facilitate long term planning.
1422	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Any changes that can be made to systems and processes to make the Council more efficient should be the focus of change, particularly reducing administrative processes and duplication of information provision for customers.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Experience has demonstrated that the council can deliver a more effective and cost efficient service through the centralisation of generic tasks and utilisation of technology with the retention of specialist provision within service.
1423	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Councils should be doing this as a matter of course not just when massive cuts are needed. A review of all tasks employees do and questioning everything that we all do at work. Do we really need to do each task, can we change the frequency of tasks. Ensure all staff are fully occupied and carrying out tasks that really need to be done.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Experience has demonstrated that the council can deliver a more effective and cost efficient service through the centralisation of generic tasks and utilisation of technology with the retention of specialist provision within service.

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1424	No Response	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	This appears to be a significant sum of savings that may be saved through streamlining management and admin support.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council continually reviews the tiers of management and span of control across all service levels against a target 5 x 5 structure. This ensures that the council continues to operate with an effective and efficient managerial structure.
1425	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	In the powerpoint delivered at the school I work in, it was mentioned that a group would be set up to help decide how to make cuts. I presume this group would be made up of council workers and who would therefore be taken out of their depts. and put in a new role created to decide how to make cuts to existing roles. It was also mentioned that consultants would be hired to help make these decisions. It is my opinion, that given the massive amount of cuts, the council should actually focus on ensuring that current services continue to be provided, to minimise change and disruption -- to have services cut, while new roles are created and consultants hired to decide/advise how to make these cuts, is simply unacceptable.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has set up the Transformation team, made up of officers from across the council with specific skills to support the delivery of the transformation programme in the most efficient and effective manner. The council is not engaging any external consultants or experts to deliver the transformation programme.
1426	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Probably one of the last things that could be done to reduce costs given all the other cost cutting measures that have already taken place over the last several years. Unable to provide any further views until more is known regarding what these costs cutting measures are going to be on the ground level.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
1427	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Being cost effective within the council is vital to delivering high quality customer service. To allow services to be more efficient and effective technology would need to play a big part of this. Awareness across the council needs to happen to change the mind set of people that the council opens 9-5 Monday to Friday, this is not the case the council is accessible 24/7, 365 days per year and technology support is needed over these new periods.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has made significant investment in the IT infrastructure and will continue to allocate appropriate resources to introduce new technology where appropriate. The council's ICT Strategy seeks to deliver change in line with advances in technology and changes in council priorities, whilst still having a clear framework within which to operate.
1428	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Future proofing is essential to long term saving, it can help mitigate costs from extensive updating in the future.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
1429	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	There is no doubt that further efficiencies can be made but much has been done already and there is a limit to what can realistically be achieved without eroding provision to an unacceptable level. Savings of Â£25.3 million may therefore be an overly optimistic estimate and not achievable.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Experience has demonstrated that the council can deliver a more effective and cost efficient service through the centralisation of generic tasks and utilisation of technology with the retention of specialist provision within service.
1430	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	to much hierarchy getting too much pay.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	The council continually reviews the tiers of management and span of control across all service levels against a target 5 x 5 structure. This ensures that the council continues to operate with an effective and efficient managerial structure.
1431	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Ensure we don't sacrifice services for short-term financial savings	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Experience has demonstrated that the council can deliver a more effective and cost efficient service through the centralisation of generic tasks and utilisation of technology with the retention of specialist provision within service.
1432	No Response	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	I agree we should streamline and improve what is already there so long as it doesn't drastically affect current employment.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Experience has demonstrated that the council can deliver a more effective and cost efficient service through the centralisation of generic tasks and utilisation of technology with the retention of specialist provision within service.
1433	No Response	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Reducing overheads is the optimal way for all businesses to improve cash flow whilst maintaining or improving services.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Experience has demonstrated that the council can deliver a more effective and cost efficient service through the centralisation of generic tasks and utilisation of technology with the retention of specialist provision within service.
1434	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	WLC ought to work in partnership with other local authorities in order to maximise the savings which can be made from integrated services procurement.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	4. The council is already doing this.	The council has an existing shared service agreement with South Lanarkshire Council for a shared IT data centre and will continue to develop opportunities for further shared service arrangements with other public bodies. The council is also progressing with West Lothian College the provision of shared services opportunities across a range of service areas.

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1435	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	"Could be" or will be improved through redesign etc? This seems a natural part of good management of any organisation and should be driven by the desire for improvement rather than necessarily as a cost cutting exercise.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Experience has demonstrated that the council can deliver a more effective and cost efficient service through the centralisation of generic tasks and utilisation of technology with the retention of specialist provision within service.
1436	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Keeping these functions lean is sensible. Just watch that you do not waste money on the wrong suppliers of technology who can easily deliver rubbish. Make sure the council stakeholders in the process know exactly what is needed.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council regularly monitors the performance of third party providers to ensure that they continue to deliver value for money services.
1437	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	I think that efficiency saving are a good idea but should not all be done through reducing staff as I believe that overloading fewer staff with all the work is short sighted and will result in poor work quality, stressed staff and people leaving.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Experience has demonstrated that the council can deliver a more effective and cost efficient service through the centralisation of generic tasks and utilisation of technology with the retention of specialist provision within service.
1438	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Make more use of the private sector and reduce non productive admin and overheads that deliver absolutely no value	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Experience has demonstrated that the council can deliver a more effective and cost efficient service through the centralisation of generic tasks and utilisation of technology with the retention of specialist provision within service.
1439	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	The above is rather vague. If you can save money in running costs, why aren't you already doing this? What do you specifically by partner agencies? Are these partnerships costly? Do they deliver or are they levels of bureaucracy we could live without? Can you become lean and efficient by hanging on to possibly inefficient partnerships, involving you in unnecessary operations. What happened to the once heralded initiative of Councils sharing facilities and support operations?	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
1440	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	This should be an ongoing part of running the authority	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
1441	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Agree, but concerned about the impact on staff in these services.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
1442	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	I think the councillors need to think more about vulnerable people in their communities, rather than the noisy sections of the community who get expensive concessions to appease them.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
1443	No Response	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	I think savings could be made by more integration of services and staff and departments working together as one big team.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council will continue to review opportunities for integration and modernisation of service delivery .Experience has demonstrated that the council can deliver a more effective and cost effective service through the centralisation of generic tasks and use of technology with the retention of specialist provision within service.
1444	No Response	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	The Council needs to be efficient but not at the expense of services.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Experience has demonstrated that the council can deliver a more effective and cost efficient service through the centralisation of generic tasks and utilisation of technology with the retention of specialist provision within service.
1445	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Savings need to be made but when doing this you need to make sure you have the correct people in management. Those that are open and willing to change and develop. Those that best understand the services which they work and those who have the respect of staff and colleagues. I believe that the council has a wealth of knowledge and experience within its ranks and if correctly used the council can provide many of the services which they currently fund other organisations to give. An example of this would be CAB. Through my experiences the Advice Shop Service is far superior to CAB due to a forward thinking and customer supportive approach. Organisations such as CAB also have other funding avenues that council service do not. For me it would make sense to develop and enhance good council services which continually deliver results relating to the eight priorities which would make savings as well and protect valuable council services.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Experience has demonstrated that the council can deliver a more effective and cost efficient service through the centralisation of generic tasks and utilisation of technology with the retention of specialist provision within service.

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1446	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	This will undoubtedly affect the priority to improve unemployment in the county as many jobs will be lost in the overhaul. That said, if processes can be improved, central purchasing adopted and wastage reduced money could be saved.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Experience has demonstrated that the council can deliver a more effective and cost efficient service through the centralisation of generic tasks and utilisation of technology with the retention of specialist provision within service.
1447	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Genuine service redesign is required. Hiding staff reduction and increase in workloads for those remaining behind the badge of service redesign is dishonest. If that is being done then it should be done transparently.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Experience has demonstrated that the council can deliver a more effective and cost efficient service through the centralisation of generic tasks and utilisation of technology with the retention of specialist provision within service.
1448	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Remote access (Skype, spider phones, webcams) to meetings could save miles.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	4. The council is already doing this.	All of the council's main office buildings in the main towns and villages in West Lothian have facilities for mobile and flexible working which can be booked through the room booking system. In addition, staff who undertake mobile and flexible working have access to IT technology to facilitate this, including remotely accessing meetings.
1449	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	The introduction of new technology does not always mean improvements to the internal handling procedures. In some instances new technology requires systems to be front loaded with data and where there is a reduction in administrative staff, these functions migrate to officer level. It should be remembered that new systems require maintenance and administrators and in the main, the task of set up, migration and maintenance does not fall onto IT specialists but to staff within a service, impacting on those individuals ability to provide the level of service required as their core function. The impact of technology and system failures to the service needs strong consideration and infrastructure investment to ensure stable working platforms for staff and the public where there is a direct input to council systems.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has made significant investment in the IT infrastructure and will continue to allocate appropriate resources to introduce new technology where appropriate. The council's ICT Strategy seeks to deliver change in line with advances in technology and changes in council priorities, whilst still having a clear framework within which to operate.
1450	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	We need investment in encouraging businesses to have confidence in West Lothian. We need people in good jobs that in turn will spend money locally. We need the education back to where it once was. We need crime free streets, better health for young and old. We need to move with the times and get the fundamentals right. Our towns and villages are suffering as well.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comments are noted. The council's priorities are designed to improve the life's or everyone living, working and travelling in West Lothian.
1451	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Community Consultation is vital at each step in the process! Individual communities should be able to stand up and voice their concerns about changes to services, some which may become irreversible. Employment is key to all proposals, the more people in good, well paid jobs equals rent being paid back into the local authority, council tax being paid, money being spent locally within the area. All this will generate revenue to keep our services. We have to invest now in our futures as the past 10 years have been shambolic due to an SNP administration that froze council tax to buy their way into power. They should have concentrated on the day job. We have gone from being UK Council of the year in 2006 to this. Cut backs.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	4. The council is already doing this.	Thank you for your response. Your comments are noted. The council's priorities are designed to improve the life's or everyone living, working and travelling in West Lothian.
1452	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Clearly simplification and modernising will result in a more efficient and cost effective service debit.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
1453	No Response	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	The council must ensure that staff are competent to take on more responsibilities and are given sufficient training and have good management skills.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Employees are the council's most important asset and the council will continue to invest in training and development of employees.
1454	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	The Administration of the Council needs a root and branch review. A Â£4million reduction in staff costs represents 100 jobs over 5 years, about what could be achieved by natural wastage on a staff of 8,000. A more realistic target is 5 times that amount with a Â£20million saving.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Experience has demonstrated that the council can deliver a more effective and cost efficient service through the centralisation of generic tasks and utilisation of technology with the retention of specialist provision within service.
1455	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	New technology and better workflow should be utilised to ensure a more streamlined output, working with others to reduce costs.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has made significant investment in the IT infrastructure and will continue to allocate appropriate resources to introduce new technology where appropriate. The council's ICT Strategy seeks to deliver change in line with advances in technology and changes in council priorities, whilst still having a clear framework within which to operate.

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1456	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Obviously any savings that the council can make to internal functions has to be a priority - provided that the reduced internal services does not have a significant impact on the services provided to its citizens. The council should particularly look for the reduction of any duplication of internal services eg to elected councillors	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Experience has demonstrated that the council can deliver a more effective and cost efficient service through the centralisation of generic tasks and utilisation of technology with the retention of specialist provision within service.
1457	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Agree although no compulsory redundancies.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has been able to delivery significant budget reductions in the last 10 years without the requirement for compulsory redundancies. The scale of the further reductions required over the next five years will be challenging and the council will seek to use the existing range of workforce management and organisational change policies to deliver the required reductions in staffing numbers.
1458	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Change from fixed desk working to a floating workforce. Reduction in office costs.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Officers will consider how this could be developed.
1459	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	In such a big organisation there is inevitably going to be issues with inefficiencies within and between services. These services need to be organised in such a way that they work together a lot more and thus communicate more effectively.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council will continue to review opportunities for service integration and modernisation.
1460	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	agree with proposal as long as it was still capable for staff to cope with the workload successfully as training on new ways of working may take up a lot of time and effort.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Experience has demonstrated that the council can deliver a more effective and cost efficient service through the centralisation of generic tasks and utilisation of technology with the retention of specialist provision within service.
1461	No Response	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Welcome the use of technology and the reduction of admin support in certain areas.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
1462	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	There is a lot of duplication of work between service areas and the work that is done centrally by corporate teams. If the service areas had more ownership then this would prevent the need for duplication of work and cut the risk of error. Example - service areas complete absence reports on spread sheets which are sent to HR to be updated on Chris. If the service areas could add this detail it would prevent duplication and could be monitored centrally	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Experience has demonstrated that the council can deliver a more effective and cost efficient service through the centralisation of generic tasks and utilisation of technology with the retention of specialist provision within service.
1463	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	I hear that a lot of employees who undertake admin roles and pc based are happy to undertaken home working but are refused... would this this cut down costs, travelling, green transport, amount of space needed in each council building? In this day and age most of the admin functions in the private sector are pc based.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	4. The council is already doing this.	The council has an IT infrastructure which supports working from home and individuals working from various council sites throughout West Lothian. The opportunity to work on a mobile and flexible basis continues to be available to staff.
1464	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Agree but there also needs to be work down to break down any barriers and attitudes in relation to services boundaries to ensure joined up working becomes a reality	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council will continue to review opportunities for service integration and modernisation.
1465	No Response	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Surely the council must always be looking to spend my money as cost effectively as possible. I don't want to lose anything just want the council to do things better.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
1466	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	There should always be a programme of continuous improvement within the Council.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
1467	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	The important goal is to protect front line services.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Experience has demonstrated that the council can deliver a more effective and cost efficient service through the centralisation of generic tasks and utilisation of technology with the retention of specialist provision within service.
1468	No Response	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	My only concern is that a lot of money will need to be spent in the first instance, in order to save a proportionately small amount of money.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Experience has demonstrated that the council can deliver a more effective and cost efficient service through the centralisation of generic tasks and utilisation of technology with the retention of specialist provision within service.

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1469	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	I think it is imperative that the council drop all council thinking , council practice, council language and seriously allow citizens to take part in process design in a meaningful way. Consultation is great but only if people being consulted think it is truly meaningful and not a tick box exercise. I think WL have a real opportunity to re-design how an effective Council works and operate for the true benefit of their citizens. This will involve staff going through an effective culture change and no longer see themselves working for the council but working for their customers. There are signs that WL are ahead of the game on this but it is by no means deployed 100% throughout the Council and by Council I include Health and education.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Experience has demonstrated that the council can deliver a more effective and cost efficient service through the centralisation of generic tasks and utilisation of technology with the retention of specialist provision within service.
1470	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	The Council has a good track record in this area and it is to be hoped that further measures will be carefully considered and equally effective.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
1471	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	I am all for making things more efficient and I think there should be more people employed to carry out the jobs rather than too many people being employed to make proposals, create fancy documents and sit at the top rather than actually listening to the people and doing the work.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council continually reviews the tiers of management and span of control across all service levels against a target 5 x 5 structure. This ensures that the council continues to operate with an effective and efficient managerial structure.
1472	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	This all sounds great, but some detail would be appreciated: what does 'generating savings in systems costs' actually mean, and which partner organisations are you referring to?	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	At this stage, detailed budget reduction measures have not been developed, therefore there is no specific information on how the savings will be achieved and the timescales for delivery. This will become clearer as the measures progress following the consultation process and approval of the council's budget strategy.
1473	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	I would have thought this could have been implemented long before now	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
1474	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation are essential and should always be applied and reviewed as regularly as possible to ensure efficiency. However, it is vital that these efficiencies don't impact on services and notably the wellbeing of staff often realigned as part of them. Job remits, resizing and expected success criteria need to realistically reflect the capacity of teams and departments charged with fulfilling them.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Experience has demonstrated that the council can deliver a more effective and cost efficient service through the centralisation of generic tasks and utilisation of technology with the retention of specialist provision within service.
1475	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	I think as long as the statutory services are supported it really doesn't matter how they are delivered. Things change and people need to adapt.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
1476	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Would rather council employees provided these services rather than buying in consultants at a high cost. No compulsory redundancies.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	4. The council is already doing this.	The council has been able to delivery significant budget reductions in the last 10 years without the requirement for compulsory redundancies. The scale of the further reductions required over the next five years will be challenging and the council will seek to use the existing range of workforce management and organisational change policies to deliver the required reductions in staffing numbers.
1477	No Response	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Don't like to think of job cuts but would imagine there are a number of higher grades with big salaries that could be got rid of!	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council continually reviews the tiers of management and span of control across all service levels against a target 5 x 5 structure. This ensures that the council continues to operate with an effective and efficient managerial structure.
1478	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	As the council have a statutory requirement to provide services, its vital that there are enough staff to deliver these services. Efficiency savings as seen in other public services such as the NHS are having a detrimental effect on staff wellbeing and moral. Council staff should not be expected to shoulder the burden with unrealistic expectations added to their already growing task list.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Experience has demonstrated that the council can deliver a more effective and cost efficient service through the centralisation of generic tasks and utilisation of technology with the retention of specialist provision within service.
1479	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	This should be done but it is a case of looking for efficiencies and channelling people better, not just job cutting for the sake of it.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Experience has demonstrated that the council can deliver a more effective and cost efficient service through the centralisation of generic tasks and utilisation of technology with the retention of specialist provision within service.

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1480	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	To 'increase efficiency and effectiveness' - hopefully this is what would happen if these cost savings go ahead and services provided to the public do not deteriorate.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Experience has demonstrated that the council can deliver a more effective and cost efficient service through the centralisation of generic tasks and utilisation of technology with the retention of specialist provision within service.
1481	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Less consultants more full time staff please	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council does not propose to engage external consultants to develop savings proposals.
1482	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Services should be run as efficiently as possible	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
1483	No Response	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	These improvements should have been ongoing anyway as part of continuous improvement, and not as a result of a reduction in budget.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
1484	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Agree. Co-locating services. Yes. Integration. Yes. More technology as long as it is implemented in a planned way.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
1485	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	A logical consideration to ensure that duplication is minimised and that resources can be appropriately shared between staff/departments/services. It is important to ensure that any changes towards collaborative working with partner organisations is appropriately assessed to ensure efficiencies but not result in an insular approach that doesn't look at wider issues. Greater collaboration between services is usually a good mechanism to identify efficiency savings.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Experience has demonstrated that the council can deliver a more effective and cost efficient service through the centralisation of generic tasks and utilisation of technology with the retention of specialist provision within service.
1486	No Response	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Too many managers within WLC and WLC should not be tendering jobs outwith Council.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council continually reviews the tiers of management and span of control across all service levels against a target 5 x 5 structure. This ensures that the council continues to operate with an effective and efficient managerial structure. West Lothian Council has to comply with national and EU legislation and competitive methods are employed. All appropriate suppliers can bid and contracts are tendered taking into consideration price, quality and total cost for all products contained within the contract.
1487	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Generally agree There should also be a real hard look at potential to integrate/merge services with other councils to achieve economies of scale and significant savings. EG pay roll. Alternatively, we can negotiate to "sell" our services to other neighbouring councils.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has an existing shared service agreement with South Lanarkshire Council for a shared IT data centre and will continue to develop opportunities for further shared service arrangements with other public bodies. The council is also progressing with West Lothian College the provision of shared services opportunities across a range of service areas.
1488	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	I feel that all the services are required for the better of the residents in West Lothian	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Experience has demonstrated that the council can deliver a more effective and cost efficient service through the centralisation of generic tasks and utilisation of technology with the retention of specialist provision within service.
1489	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Agree it seems sensible as long as you budget enough to manage change sensible. Slashing jobs and then realising the people were doing good work and needing to rehire is frustrating and wasteful.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Experience has demonstrated that the council can deliver a more effective and cost efficient service through the centralisation of generic tasks and utilisation of technology with the retention of specialist provision within service.

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1490	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Within Revenues we have teams ie BSD and BST that provide a support function not only to teams within the unit but to wider council services. Staff within these teams have specialist knowledge which would be diluted if they were to be integrated into a central support function. Work carried out in both Revenues and Benefits is statutory and subject to strict scrutiny by DWP, Central and Scottish Government, therefore it is important that support is kept local so that reaction times to system and administration issues is kept to a minimum which in turn protects performance. It is also recognised that some of the savings mentioned in the proposal document such as additional work coming into the new anti-poverty team, could put these support functions under additional pressure	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Experience has demonstrated that the council can deliver a more effective and cost efficient service through the centralisation of generic tasks and utilisation of technology with the retention of specialist provision within service.
1491	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	The business support team supports work carried out by revenues and benefit teams which is a statutory function and regulated by DWP; specialist knowledge is best kept local to provide a more effective response to any issues.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Experience has demonstrated that the council can deliver a more effective and cost efficient service through the centralisation of generic tasks and utilisation of technology with the retention of specialist provision within service.
1492	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Cut out the fat as the private sector would do.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
1493	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Service Re-design is essential and introduction of efficient methods of working using the most up to date technologies should be at the forefront of the councils redesign. To continue to work with services where there is inefficiency does not make sense. The perception is that the council has a majority of staff who are not fully engaged and occupied on a daily basis. I understand this is not the case but a comprehensive review would not go amiss.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Experience has demonstrated that the council can deliver a more effective and cost efficient service through the centralisation of generic tasks and utilisation of technology with the retention of specialist provision within service.
1494	No Response	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	The concern would be that if this infrastructure is eroded too much, it will have an impact on the ability for frontline staff and impact on their workload.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Experience has demonstrated that the council can deliver a more effective and cost efficient service through the centralisation of generic tasks and utilisation of technology with the retention of specialist provision within service.
1495	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Staffing should not be cut to a level that leaves it unable to cope. If staffing is cut there should be a commensurate reduction in workload.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Experience has demonstrated that the council can deliver a more effective and cost efficient service through the centralisation of generic tasks and utilisation of technology with the retention of specialist provision within service.
1496	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Consolidation of function is good, but centralise services again. Do not have so many community based offices. Centralise everything in Livingston. Outsource services such as IT, Personnel, payroll, parts of finance. This way you can provide the same services with less staff. Could Customer service/call centre also be outsourced? Stop using expensive day rate staff. Only use permanent staff or outsourced suppliers. The use of day rate contractors in Public Services can no longer be justified in these austere times. Do not assume IT will bring cost savings without carefully assessing timescales to implement solutions and hidden costs. Other councils have/are attempting Channel shift strategies and these have generally been expensive failures that drag on well beyond planned delivery dates. West Lothian must avoid the mistakes of others,	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Experience has demonstrated that the council can deliver a more effective and cost efficient service through the centralisation of generic tasks and utilisation of technology with the retention of specialist provision within service.
1497	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Excellent if all of the above are carried out. However on current personally experienced performance it will take a huge effort to even provide an improvement. Further why has the " efficiency and effectiveness" not been applied to current procedures. No real criteria to be reached is actually stated and the starting point for these " efficiency and effectiveness" upgrade to services is not evident. Vagueness in targets to achieve Â£4 million. How will residents know when this is achieved?	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Experience has demonstrated that the council can deliver a more effective and cost efficient service through the centralisation of generic tasks and utilisation of technology with the retention of specialist provision within service.
1498	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Modernisation is essential	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
1499	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	I think everyone agrees with making the service we provide efficient and cost effective however the systems have to be fit for purpose and also not increase workload on an already overworked staff.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Experience has demonstrated that the council can deliver a more effective and cost efficient service through the centralisation of generic tasks and utilisation of technology with the retention of specialist provision within service.

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1500	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Centralised services are fine, but local services are vital to ensure communities (and people who live in them) are not isolated.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Experience has demonstrated that the council can deliver a more effective and cost effective service through the centralisation of generic tasks and use of technology with the retention of specialist provision within service. This model still allows the opportunity for staff to engage with council officers on a face to face basis at the most effective and convenient level.
1501	No Response	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Modernisation with the Council has resulted in less contact opportunities for older people and the general populace in west Lothian, ie No direct lines to housing officers, and most council services. The call centre is not up to standard, as you may have to wait a long time on getting in touch with who you are after.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Experience has demonstrated that the council can deliver a more effective and cost effective service through the centralisation of generic tasks and use of technology with the retention of specialist provision within service. This model still allows the opportunity for staff to engage with council officers on a face to face basis at the most effective and convenient level.
1502	No Response	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	value for money is important and staff utilisation is required. Each unit manager must truthfully look at what their workplace is providing and if there are discrepancies in workloads then changes must be made.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Experience has demonstrated that the council can deliver a more effective and cost efficient service through the centralisation of generic tasks and utilisation of technology with the retention of specialist provision within service.
1503	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	In the main I think it would be better to keep all services in-house. When you take into account what happened recently in Kensington Borough and the cost cutting that took place by the Housing Association on behalf of the local council it can put lives at risk.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council is not proposing to externalise council services.
1504	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	This means less jobs and expecting remaining staff to try and provide the same level of service. I cant see how this can be sustained.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Experience has demonstrated that the council can deliver a more effective and cost efficient service through the centralisation of generic tasks and utilisation of technology with the retention of specialist provision within service.
1505	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Fully support Redesign and Integration concepts - utilising the "who, what, why and when/how often" understanding of the various functions within WLC Departments. This exercise is a continuous process - but an essential one before moving down the new computer system route.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Experience has demonstrated that the council can deliver a more effective and cost efficient service through the centralisation of generic tasks and utilisation of technology with the retention of specialist provision within service.
1506	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Although the council shouldn't be wasting money I think there is a need to move away from protect front line/slash support services. People don't realise that without support services such as IT, HR, Finance etc the people on the front line couldn't do their jobs properly. There is no point protecting the front line and reducing support or enabler services to nothing - we could end up in a position where there is nobody to pay the frontline staff!	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council recognises the importance of effective support services. Experience has demonstrated that the council can deliver a more effective and cost effective service through the centralisation of generic tasks and use of technology with the retention of specialist provision within service.
1507	No Response	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	On the face of it, sounds great. The combination of services and functions can work, but you still need people to operate and run the service. You cannot continue to increase workloads for individuals and expect the same level of service with fewer people. Something has to give.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Experience has demonstrated that the council can deliver a more effective and cost efficient service through the centralisation of generic tasks and utilisation of technology with the retention of specialist provision within service.
1508	No Response	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Priority probably needs to be concentrated on providing statutory services / obligations and essential services rather than sometimes concentrating on certain individual and 'pet' projects for certain people / groups. These can lead to a drain on both financial and staff resources for little gain for the local community overall. And with decreasing budgets in the coming years, more serious scrutiny needs to be given to these type of projects.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council is consulting on the priorities in respect of which resources should be focused going forward.
1509	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Need to ensure that any decisions made does not have a dramatic impact on services etc.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Experience has demonstrated that the council can deliver a more effective and cost efficient service through the centralisation of generic tasks and utilisation of technology with the retention of specialist provision within service.
1510	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Teams with specialist knowledge should remain within the services they support. Reporting faults to the central team takes far too long to clear. I work in a customer facing dept and system faults must be cleared urgently to maintain service standards . A watering down of support with have an adverse effect.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Experience has demonstrated that the council can deliver a more effective and cost efficient service through the centralisation of generic tasks and utilisation of technology with the retention of specialist provision within service.

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1511	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	As an employee I feel we are already under pressure with our workload, reducing staffing numbers but expecting the staff left to carry out more work I feel will be less efficient as mistakes are more likely to be made.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Experience has demonstrated that the council can deliver a more effective and cost efficient service through the centralisation of generic tasks and utilisation of technology with the retention of specialist provision within service.
1512	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Difficult to comment as no real detail provided. Consolidating and reducing management and admin support functions sounds like a threat to jobs in West Lothian Council, which given the increased demand for council services and growing population seems misguided.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Experience has demonstrated that the council can deliver a more effective and cost efficient service through the centralisation of generic tasks and utilisation of technology with the retention of specialist provision within service.
1513	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	The amount of meetings held where staff have to travel from different offices to a specific venue is excessive. Technology means that meeting could be held from different locations with individuals able to have an input. This would save on business mileage, staff resource due to travelling and time spent in other offices.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	4. The council is already doing this.	All of the council's main office buildings in the main towns and villages in West Lothian have facilities for mobile and flexible working which can be booked through the room booking system. In addition, staff who undertake mobile and flexible working have access to IT technology to facilitate this, including remotely accessing meetings.
1514	No Response	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Fully support Redesign and Integration concepts - utilising the "who, what, why and when/how often" understanding of the various functions within WLC Departments. This exercise is a continuous process - but an essential one before moving down the new computer system route.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Experience has demonstrated that the council can deliver a more effective and cost efficient service through the centralisation of generic tasks and utilisation of technology with the retention of specialist provision within service.
1515	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	I think this is a good approach as long as the level of service provided is not effected. Service users should always be at the forefront of any service redesign and not money.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Experience has demonstrated that the council can deliver a more effective and cost efficient service through the centralisation of generic tasks and utilisation of technology with the retention of specialist provision within service.
1516	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	I would like to see the top 3 items/specific deliverables that contribute to this redesign.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
1517	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	3.Look at the type of works carried out in-house and benchmark against the private sector. Are the council getting value for money based on cost and productivity?	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	4. The council is already doing this.	The council regularly benchmarks performance and efficiency with other public and private sector organisations.
1518	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	3.Look at the type of works carried out in-house and benchmark against the private sector. Are the council getting value for money based on cost and productivity?	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	4. The council is already doing this.	The council regularly benchmarks performance and efficiency with other public and private sector organisations.
1519	No Response	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	3.Look at the type of works carried out in-house and benchmark against the private sector. Are the council getting value for money based on cost and productivity?	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	4. The council is already doing this.	The council regularly benchmarks performance and efficiency with other public and private sector organisations.
1520	No Response	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	3.Look at the type of works carried out in-house and benchmark against the private sector. Are the council getting value for money based on cost and productivity?	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	4. The council is already doing this.	The council regularly benchmarks performance and efficiency with other public and private sector organisations.
1521	No Response	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	3.Look at the type of works carried out in-house and benchmark against the private sector. Are the council getting value for money based on cost and productivity?	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	4. The council is already doing this.	The council regularly benchmarks performance and efficiency with other public and private sector organisations.
1522	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	To me this should be a continuing process for the council irrespective of whether or not there are budget cuts. We should always to striving to provide the residents of West Lothian with the best services possible in the most effective and cost efficient way.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Experience has demonstrated that the council can deliver a more effective and cost efficient service through the centralisation of generic tasks and utilisation of technology with the retention of specialist provision within service.
1523	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	More detail required but reduction in support services tends to result in increased pressure on remaining staff, increased stress levels and staff spending time on administrative functions instead of their core business.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Experience has demonstrated that the council can deliver a more effective and cost efficient service through the centralisation of generic tasks and utilisation of technology with the retention of specialist provision within service.

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1524	No Response	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Have to be wary not to dilute or lose specialist knowledge by streamlining or integrating services.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Experience has demonstrated that the council can deliver a more effective and cost efficient service through the centralisation of generic tasks and utilisation of technology with the retention of specialist provision within service.
1525	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Within Revenues there are teams ie BSD and BST that provide a support function not only to teams within the unit but to wider council services. Staff within these teams have specialist knowledge which would be diluted if they were to be integrated into a central support function. Work carried out in both Revenues and Benefits is statutory and subject to strict scrutiny by DWP, Central and Scottish Government, therefore it is important that support is kept local so that reaction times to system and administration issues is kept to a minimum which in turn protects performance. It is also recognised that some of the savings mentioned in the proposal document such as additional work coming into the new anti-poverty team, could put these support functions under additional pressure. Software issues which can be dealt with within Revenues are resolved within a matter of hours however where software issues have to be reported to central IT it can take days and numerous phone calls for the issue to be resolved, resulting in lost productivity.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Experience has demonstrated that the council can deliver a more effective and cost efficient service through the centralisation of generic tasks and utilisation of technology with the retention of specialist provision within service.
1526	No Response	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Change is good and can cut costs but at the same time reducing human workforce will have a detrimental impact on unemployment.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has introduced improved workforce planning and greater coordination of vacant posts, fixed term appointments and employees who have been displaced through organisational change. The council is also reviewing the terms of the Redeployment Policy to offer greater opportunities for the redeployment of employees subject to suitable business need.
1527	No Response	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Sounds like a load of corporate talk to turn the council into an automated call centre. Why not save money through cutting the number of highly paid staff in the council that design these type of questions.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Experience has demonstrated that the council can deliver a more effective and cost efficient service through the centralisation of generic tasks and utilisation of technology with the retention of specialist provision within service.
1528	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	I think there are significant savings that the Council could make in how it is being run. Lots of things could be rationalise within the organisation and I agreed with this change	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
1529	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	also, by saving Â£4 million is great but how much will be spent on unemployment support in its various forms when people lose their jobs...more than Â£4 million no doubt!	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council has introduced improved workforce planning and greater coordination of vacant posts, fixed term appointments and employees who have been displaced through organisational change. The council is also reviewing the terms of the Redeployment Policy to offer greater opportunities for the redeployment of employees subject to suitable business need.
1530	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	centralisation of staff could result in specialist knowledge needed to fulfil statutory obligations being diluted and impact on performance. also additional work coming into the new anti-poverty strategy could put these support functions under additional pressure.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Experience has demonstrated that the council can deliver a more effective and cost efficient service through the centralisation of generic tasks and utilisation of technology with the retention of specialist provision within service.
1531	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	I agree with sensible and intelligence based integration and service redesign, not led by political agendas or to protect funding for departments who do not bear the depth of cuts through protection from Holyrood. Too often non-statutory functions in Education are untouched because it is unpalatable to local politicians.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Experience has demonstrated that the council can deliver a more effective and cost efficient service through the centralisation of generic tasks and utilisation of technology with the retention of specialist provision within service.
1532	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	I have not been impressed with how service redesigns have been managed to date, with heads of service being allowed to extract themselves and their establishments from the process as a means of maintaining their service provision. If this is allowed to happen again then it is not an burden shared equally.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	The council has an organisation change policy which will support service redesign. Staff and trade unions will be consulted on any proposals to change service structures.
1533	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Savings can be made through increased efficiency of operations. The council should look to private organisations and they way they are run as they tend to be more efficient that council run operations.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council regularly benchmarks performance and efficiency with other public and private sector organisations.

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1534	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Stop employing consultants. Heads of departments should know how to be efficient or they should not be in the job. In-house works out cheaper in the long term.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council will continue to use council staff to undertake service delivery with the use of external contractors where required for specialist works. This approach will continue to ensure best value use of resources available within the council.
1535	No Response	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	I believe more than the suggested savings could be made through improved efficiencies within the council. I have only ever worked in the private sector. I think the public sector could learn a lot about lean operations from looking at the way private organisations are run.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council regularly benchmarks performance and efficiency with other public and private sector organisations.
1536	No Response	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	If its going to help then some things will have to be adjusted in some areas to make other areas work.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
1537	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	The council need to take into account that a saving in one spreadsheet, produces a cost in another and could be a false economy. The council therefore need to be very smart in this approach and consider all consequences, not just the headline saving figure.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
1538	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	If it makes it more efficient, cuts down on waste and improves what services remain for less cost; go for it	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
1539	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	An audit and overhaul of internal functions is possibly a good thing as very often duplication and inefficiency is found and consolidation and redesign of services would bring about a savings.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Experience has demonstrated that the council can deliver a more effective and cost efficient service through the centralisation of generic tasks and utilisation of technology with the retention of specialist provision within service.
1540	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	This sounds good but not if resulting in job loses.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Experience has demonstrated that the council can deliver a more effective and cost efficient service through the centralisation of generic tasks and utilisation of technology with the retention of specialist provision within service.
1541	No Response	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	The proposal to amalgamate and streamline Council Services is sensible, and had been ongoing for some time now. However, WLSSEN has concerns that the capacity to provide essential services needs to be maintained. With the best will in the world, there is a danger that Council resources (staff in particular) are overstretched to the point that service provision is badly diluted. WLSSEN would welcome more interaction between Council officials and the Third Sector to build on an increasing understanding of each other's strengths, challenges and weaknesses and to work together to identify opportunities and solutions. The budget proposal and consultation offers an opportunity for honest dialogue and genuine partnership working between the Third Sector and Council.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Any service restructure will be undertaken in accordance with the council organisational change policy and in consultation with the recognised trade unions. The Council has developed a Corporate Workforce Plan and Service specific workforce plans which monitor staffing requirements and ensure as far as possible that staffing complements and staff skills meet the service requirements.
1542	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Communication has got to be improved big time. No one seems to know what they are doing or where they are going.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council recognises the importance of effective communication with staff, trade unions and stakeholders in developing measures which will deliver the savings.
1543	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Whilst I agree with improving efficiency in existing functions and working smarter, if this results in just a redistribution of the same amount of work to a smaller headcount then its a short-term efficiency which may ultimately lead to higher staff turnover and sickness levels - which in turn is costly. If it results in cutting out red tape long associated with council services, then its a good thing for everyone.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Experience has demonstrated that the council can deliver a more effective and cost efficient service through the centralisation of generic tasks and utilisation of technology with the retention of specialist provision within service.
1544	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Any services which are duplicated should be overviewed and consolidated into one area to save on admin and running costs	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Experience has demonstrated that the council can deliver a more effective and cost efficient service through the centralisation of generic tasks and utilisation of technology with the retention of specialist provision within service.

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1545	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	The council newsletter funding could be redeployed to local newspapers in lieu of advertising funding with an expectation that this would support articles of local interest. Planning neighbour notifications - currently done by post - should be stopped and replaced with an online notification system using existing web pages and facilities such as TellMeScotland. This could save around Â£50,000 - Â£100,000 per year based on previous Scottish Government assessments assuming Â£50 - Â£96 notification costs per planning application (2006). The annual budget for the council's Bulletin newsletter (quarterly) was Â£59,000 per annum in 2009/2010 with only around Â£1,000 external advertising revenue received in 2008/2009. In terms of printed advertising, a quarter-page advert in a local newspaper is likely to cost around Â£250 and this could total some Â£50,000 across multiple newspapers per annum, in a media market with a huge shift from print to digital in any case. So a rationalisation of communications from print to digital could save some Â£200,000 per annum, nearly a quarter of the annual saving sought in this regard. The general public expect an increased standard of digital communication nowadays in any case, which is simply not met by print media.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	5c. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it is not consistent with the council's values and priorities.	Officers believe Bulletin remains good value at less than the price of a second class stamp to produce and distribute one copy of Bulletin to every household in West Lothian.
1546	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	I find this proposal vague to the point where it is impossible to provide comment. What is the current management and function structure? What management and functions are to be reduced and consolidated? What does reducing management look like? Will there be redundancies or re-grading of roles? What will the new, consolidated teams look like in terms of structure, budget and costs? What has been taken into account when considering the consolidation of the functions/teams? What are the current "systems costs"? How are savings to be generated from those costs? What are the partner organisations? How are these relationships governed? How does the council propose to change the working of these partnerships? How can people be expected to provide any useful comments or input into this? If the council has a proposal it should set it out so that it can be examined. This issue is not being dealt with in an open and transparent way.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Experience has demonstrated that the council can deliver a more effective and cost efficient service through the centralisation of generic tasks and utilisation of technology with the retention of specialist provision within service.
1547	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Some of these services have already been subject to staff reductions, and further cuts/redesign could impact on performance.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Experience has demonstrated that the council can deliver a more effective and cost efficient service through the centralisation of generic tasks and utilisation of technology with the retention of specialist provision within service.
1548	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Any organisation should review it's service delivery and partnership working. I think with budget constraints it is essential to improve links with the 3rd sector groups to improve and protect services for West Lothian residents.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. The council works with a large number of partners across the public sector, business sector and the voluntary sector
1549	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Depends on services being integrated, and the workload they have vs additional workloads being taken on	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Experience has demonstrated that the council can deliver a more effective and cost efficient service through the centralisation of generic tasks and utilisation of technology with the retention of specialist provision within service.
1550	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	If this is to happen, appropriate training for staff is essential. In the past we have lost older more experienced staff with an abundance of knowledge. It would make sense for the experienced staff to train the staff expected to take on new work. Unfortunately, we have seen all too often in the past when experience staff retire or take redundancy no facility is put in place prior to them leaving to train staff to carry out their duties.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Employees are the council's most important asset and the council will continue to invest in training and development of employees. The Council has developed a Corporate Workforce Plan and Service specific workforce plans which monitor staffing requirements and ensure as far as possible that staffing complements and staff skills meet the service requirements.
1551	No Response	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Increasing efficiency throughout the council without the detriment to statutory services should be priority.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Experience has demonstrated that the council can deliver a more effective and cost efficient service through the centralisation of generic tasks and utilisation of technology with the retention of specialist provision within service.
1552	No Response	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	All for economies but usually means people work harder for less!	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Experience has demonstrated that the council can deliver a more effective and cost efficient service through the centralisation of generic tasks and utilisation of technology with the retention of specialist provision within service.
1553	No Response	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Stop paying excessive sick pay, I'm self employed and at my desk no matter what, paid colleagues off with the slightest sniffle!	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	4. The council is already doing this.	The council actively manages all absences in terms of its sickness absence policy, which is subject to constant review, in consultation with the recognised trade unions, to ensure that it is fit for purpose

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1554	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	This seems to already been done and affected a large amount of ppl. Stance has always been no redundancies but as majority of jobs are now short term contracts will still seem to be case but workforce on new contracts do not what is happening to them and this can't be good idea for moral	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council regularly reviews the fixed term staff to identify any posts which can be made permanent. Fixed term contracts will continue to be used where this is appropriate to manage temporary, fixed term service requirements.
1555	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	If a service is inefficient then changing to become efficient is a good thing. However if it is just cutting staff to save money and expecting others to do 2 or 3 people's jobs will lead to work not being done and an unhappy workforce.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Experience has demonstrated that the council can deliver a more effective and cost efficient service through the centralisation of generic tasks and utilisation of technology with the retention of specialist provision within service.
1556	No Response	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	This question is so badly worded I'm not really sure what it means. Does this mean a reduction of administrative staff to be replaced with advanced technology?	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Experience has demonstrated that the council can deliver a more effective and cost efficient service through the centralisation of generic tasks and utilisation of technology with the retention of specialist provision within service.
1557	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	West Lothian Council should adopt a more "business-like" approach to delivering services. Far too much time is taken up with red tape. Train and educate staff and departments to do a quality job within set timelines and budget. In other words, "under-promise and over-deliver".	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Employees are the council's most important asset and the council will continue to invest in training and development of employees.
1558	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Very important to strive to increase efficiency in any public body, including local authorities.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Experience has demonstrated that the council can deliver a more effective and cost efficient service through the centralisation of generic tasks and utilisation of technology with the retention of specialist provision within service.
1559	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Very difficult to respond to this as absolutely no detail given of which services could be integrated. Thus anything done could be classed as having been approved during this consultation period. Where would these £4 million be saved? How would they be saved? How can I comment if no clues are given? How many jobs will be lost as a result of this "redesign"? Do you already have plans for which services will be affected? Or will you just "play it by ear" when no objection is made?	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Any service restructure will be undertaken in accordance with the council organisational change policy and in consultation with the recognised trade unions. The Council has developed a Corporate Workforce Plan and Service specific workforce plans which monitor staffing requirements and ensure as far as possible that staffing complements and staff skills meet the service requirements.
1560	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	It is always a good thing to regularly review costs of providing internal services.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Experience has demonstrated that the council can deliver a more effective and cost efficient service through the centralisation of generic tasks and utilisation of technology with the retention of specialist provision within service.
1561	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Many services have been re-designing & using technology to improve services on an on-going basis. We have to be careful in reducing staff as there will be a tipping point where this will affect outcomes e.g. collection of council tax. Conversely there are services e.g., social policy that has been ripe for redesign and improvement while for example building services stores needs a complete overall. Concentrating efforts on those services that would really bring significant improvements and savings rather than impacting results of efficient effective services.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Experience has demonstrated that the council can deliver a more effective and cost efficient service through the centralisation of generic tasks and utilisation of technology with the retention of specialist provision within service.
1562	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Easy to say but: Cut out work that has no added value Reduce the review process Use technology better Reduce number of meetings	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Experience has demonstrated that the council can deliver a more effective and cost efficient service through the centralisation of generic tasks and utilisation of technology with the retention of specialist provision within service.
1563	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Lets hope integration of services does not impact on quality.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Experience has demonstrated that the council can deliver a more effective and cost efficient service through the centralisation of generic tasks and utilisation of technology with the retention of specialist provision within service.
1564	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	This makes sense to me, we should be trying to reduce duplication and to ensure that money is spent on services rather than the systems to support it. Where opportunities to do this do not negatively impact on service, these should be explored.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Experience has demonstrated that the council can deliver a more effective and cost efficient service through the centralisation of generic tasks and utilisation of technology with the retention of specialist provision within service.

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1566	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Use the council staff more for jobs rather than contract the work out resulting in more money being spent.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council will continue to use internal services to deliver services. The Council engages external contractors where required for specialist works. This approach will continue to ensure best value use of resources available within the council.
1567	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	WLC needs to reduce the time taken to process and approve policies. The current system is too slow and onerous, the whole process should take no longer than three months maximum.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
1568	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	FOI requests - there's likely to be a significant cost involved researching and answering FOI requests (also impacts on ever increasing employee workloads). It would be a benefit to WLC to say No to all such requests.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	5a. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because the council is required by law to deliver this work.	The Council is required by law to consider and respond to all FOI requests.
1569	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Develop / have a council wide training unit; there's currently no co-ordinated training and refresher programme in WLC, service areas do 'there own thing'. Training would be mandatory, disciplinary action and IT accounts locked for employees who do not attend.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	4. The council is already doing this.	The council has introduced mandatory programme of training, such as equality and diversity and IT Security. The council has also implemented appropriate measures in relation to staff who have failed to complete the mandatory training.
1570	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Investigate work related accidents and defend claims. Taking action against managers who do not manage their work force will reduce if not eliminate certain claims made against WLC.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	4. The council is already doing this.	The council investigates all incidents and reviews all claims against the council to establish any learning points and minimise the risk of future issues. The council seeks appropriate advice on defending claims made against the council.
1571	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Perhaps if the public sector was valued, job satisfaction, particularly in education and social services would benefit their clientele. It is ludicrous that their pay scales do not reflect the workload, responsibility and influence they have.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	The council is subject to national pay bargaining and the salary scales for officers are determined nationally. The council is subject to national pay bargaining, and terms and conditions.
1572	No Response	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Most services within WLC are already understaffed	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Experience has demonstrated that the council can deliver a more effective and cost efficient service through the centralisation of generic tasks and utilisation of technology with the retention of specialist provision within service.
1573	No Response	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	I'm all for reducing costs but not at the expense of jobs - more careful consideration needs to be given to what we're actually spending money on.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Experience has demonstrated that the council can deliver a more effective and cost efficient service through the centralisation of generic tasks and utilisation of technology with the retention of specialist provision within service.
1574	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	What isn't a good move is outsource of certain services and departments. In house council staff deliver excellent service in IT for example. Outsource false economy and leading to the unknown. Also a reduction in Contractor staff. Think this is another false economy whereby some contractors are employed for 2, 3 years plus. That surely is a full time post which could be advertised for a council employee - perhaps with further training involved,	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council will continue to use internal services to deliver services. The Council engages external contractors where required for specialist works. This approach will continue to ensure best value use of resources available within the council.
1575	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Certain support services cannot be reduced any further and have a particular skills that only they can use - keep the staff fully trained and employing more staff in this area would be more beneficial rather than paying extra money to outsource the business where other professional people although fully qualified do not know the extent of the work that we do and are only acting on our instructions anyway. West Lothian Council, could save money by withdrawing their help. employing new staff as what one job to outsource could cost a person could be in the job for years.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council will continue to use internal services to deliver services. The Council engages external contractors where required for specialist works. This approach will continue to ensure best value use of resources available within the council.
1576	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	All parts of the council need to be modernised and procedures reviewed to ensure efficiency. Some areas of the council have never been looked at. No service should be exempt.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
1577	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Reducing beauracracy would release Monet for front line services	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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1578	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Get good quotes for outside services. Reduce expenditure on expenses.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	West Lothian Council has to comply with national and EU legislation and competitive methods are employed. All appropriate suppliers can bid and contracts are tendered taking into consideration price, quality and total cost for all products contained within the contract.
1579	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	2) put the FAQ's and answers on the intranet for eg HR, IT, property services.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
1580	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	We seem to host a large number of events to commemorate past events: eg parades, unveiling plaques, installing benches, memorial ceremonies, church services. I know there will be political pressure for some of this but could they be reduced.....	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	5c. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it is not consistent with the council's values and priorities.	The council hosts events which have a historical relevance to the community and which are therefore of value to members of the community.
1581	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	This sounds like bureaucracy - get rid of it and save money.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
1582	No Response	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	The council should consider the amalgamation of roles that repeat remits or have overlapping remits e.g. Policy, organisational change, economic development, planning, community development.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Experience has demonstrated that the council can deliver a more effective and cost efficient service through the centralisation of generic tasks and utilisation of technology with the retention of specialist provision within service.
1583	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Council is top heavy, too many managers and not enough frontline workers, to interested in promoting Council in a positive non productive light e.g organising prize giving ceremonies for staff who pass courses, courses that are not job specific.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The Council continually reviews the tiers of management and span of control across all service levels against a target 5 x 5 structure. This ensures that the Council continues to operate with an effective and efficient managerial structure.
1584	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	I agree with streamlining and rationalising processes where this is possible.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
1585	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	I am all for any efficiency in the use of Council manpower and practices. Do not think there is enough detail in the above comment to make a more detailed response.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	At this stage, detailed budget reduction measures have not been developed, therefore there is no specific information on how the savings will be achieved and the timescales for delivery. This will become clearer as the measures progress following the consultation process and approval of the Council's budget strategy.
1586	No Response	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	It sounds like a good idea to try to make savings within the internal structure of the Council as much as possible to minimise the impact on communities by reducing services.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
1587	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	proper measurement of any savings is essential. Do not ignore consequential impacts of cutting services. eg cutting teaching assistants will likely make it more difficult for teachers to be as effective as they are at present. Such a cut may be a false economy - notwithstanding that it may look attractive on your scoresheet.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Experience has demonstrated that the Council can deliver a more effective and cost effective service through the centralisation of generic tasks with the retention of specialist provision within service.
1588	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Much of this is a reflection of the Linlithgow community Council view 1a.The Administration of the Council needs a root and branch review. A £4million reduction in staff costs represents 100 jobs over 5 years, about what could be achieved by natural wastage on a staff of 8,000. A more realistic target is 5 times that amount with a £20million saving.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
1589	No Response	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	The principle is absolutely correct. As with all the initiatives it would be helpful to understand the cost base that the £4M savings aspiration relates to. That context is missing and therefore its impossible to comment on the appropriateness of the stretch or the likelihood of success. Efficiency and effectiveness improvements are the day job of every supervisor, manager and leader in an organisation. Much of the proposed savings should therefore be regarded as business as usual not transformational. Do role profiles and job descriptions within the Council correctly reflect this for all roles?	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	At this stage, detailed budget reduction measures have not been developed, therefore there is no specific information on how the savings will be achieved and the timescales for delivery. This will become clearer as the measures progress following the consultation process and approval of the Council's budget strategy.

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1590	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	focus on the problems people have by face to face interviews or by a human voice on the phone. revue the need for so many supervisor on Council projects. make repairs or contracts time limited and hold those responsible for shoddy work. control the costs of hired kit i.e. scaffold justify all contract overruns. do all of the above while reducing senior staff.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The Council continually reviews the tiers of management and span of control across all service levels against a target 5 x 5 structure. This ensures that the Council continues to operate with an effective and efficient managerial structure. Experience has demonstrated that the Council can deliver a more effective and cost effective service through the centralisation of generic tasks with the retention of specialist provision within service. This model still allows the opportunity for staff to engage with Council officers on a face to face basis at the most effective and convenient level.
1591	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	More need to concentrate of efficiency	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
1592	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	This comment applies to many sections in this document - anywhere where the words 'redesign', 'rationalisation', 'restructure' 'streamlining' are included. The saving is given but not the current spend, or the cost required to achieve the 4 million, or the time for return on investment. I am puzzled that after 10 years of cuts the service is thought to still have enough fat to achieve this saving without impact on service. There is a lot of building going on in WL. If the current funding (even with the resulting increase in Council tax) is not sufficient to cater for the increased population this expansion should be stopped, or the developers charged to cover the cost.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
1593	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	If it does not adversely affect front line services then fair enough - efficiency savings are always welcome.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
1594	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	I support proposals to consolidate and improve efficiency if this can be achieved without compromise of essential services.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Experience has demonstrated that the Council can deliver a more effective and cost effective service through the centralisation of generic tasks with the retention of specialist provision within service. This model still allows the opportunity for staff to engage with Council officers on a face to face basis at the most effective and convenient level.
1595	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	It is vital that staff working in these areas are allowed the opportunity to make meaningful contributions to this process.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	The Council is consulting with staff, residents and trade unions on the proposals.
1596	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	These cuts will impact on the Council's provision and is not enough to provide the quality public services that residents in West Lothian need and depend on. Previous cost cutting has had an impact and services have already been under real pressure and members are having to take on unrealistic workloads. This will also have an impact on the services that partner organisations provide, especially for marginalised groups.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Experience has demonstrated that the Council can deliver a more effective and cost effective service through the centralisation of generic tasks with the retention of specialist provision within service.
1597	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	This is a great plan in theory but it needs done properly on the ground. Internal functions and departments tend to be more cost effective than external consultant companies when they are properly trained, staffed and managed. Again redesigning, integrating and changing IT systems can work wonder when done properly and when well managed. In my current job I have seen many of these good intentions turn into petty managers fights and the end results is rarely what was intended at the start.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Experience has demonstrated that the Council can deliver a more effective and cost effective service through the centralisation of generic tasks, use of technology and the retention of specialist provision within service.
1598	No Response	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	I doubt if some of your staff, have the ability to cope with computer wrk required.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Employees are the Council's most important asset and the Council will continue to invest in training and development of employees.
1599	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Insufficient information to know what that means but generally support such measures.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	At this stage, detailed budget reduction measures have not been developed, therefore there is no specific information on how the savings will be achieved and the timescales for delivery. This will become clearer as the measures progress following the consultation process and approval of the Council's budget strategy.

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1600	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Although I agree there has to be an increase in the Council tax I find it ironic that staff have not had more than 1% increase in several years. Its asking for more from people who have less. With the extra work load on staff from staff losses effectively becoming 'Generic' has been a reduction in salary. All workplaces have to modernise to keep up with new thinking and technology and there are areas where cuts can be made but less frontline staff who are too stretched doesn't work to provide the quality service the Council want.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	The Council is subject to national pay bargaining and the salary scales for officers are determined nationally. The Council is subject to national pay bargaining, and terms and conditions.
1601	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	SSO posts where council are providing support to management committees are not relevant as the committees are supposed to be self sufficient. Cuts can be made there.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Officers will consider how to develop the proposal.
1602	No Response	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	These cuts will impact on the Council's provision and is not enough to provide the quality public services that residents in West Lothian need and depend on. Previous cost cutting has had an impact and services have already been under real pressure and members are having to take on unrealistic workloads. This will also have an impact on the services that partner organisations provide, especially for marginalised groups.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Experience has demonstrated that the Council can deliver an more effective and cost effective service through the centralisation of generic tasks, use of technology and the retention of specialist provision within service.
1603	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	This proposal makes good sense. I would be cautious though about simply making less staff do double the work as this would impact on job satisfaction & possibly the mental health & wellbeing of workers. Higher absences in the work place would make this a false economy in the long run. Streamlining jobs has to remain realistic.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Experience has demonstrated that the Council can deliver an more effective and cost effective service through the centralisation of generic tasks, use of technology and the retention of specialist provision within service.
1604	No Response	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	If this is the only way to reorganise it should be done sensitively.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
1605	No Response	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	The workforce experience of already implemented cuts moving services and adding workload to operational services is having an adverse effect The sickness level is rising and jobs covered firstly by Agency staff at a high rate to replace the staff sick then the Council employee is paid their full salary while absent then further rewarded with their full holiday entitlement returned how is this managing public money and being efficient while other staff are working under the threat of cuts for being a loyal employee and not taking advantage of a policy which is weighted to support employees who decide they wont or cant be in work where is the incentive to insure attendance Money os poring out of budgets this loophole needs revued how many people are aware of this and how much saving could be made with a policy review	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Experience has demonstrated that the Council can deliver an more effective and cost effective service through the centralisation of generic tasks, use of technology and the retention of specialist provision within service.
1606	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	There should be no further cuts to internal functions. The Council should lobby the Scottish Government for additional funding.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Experience has demonstrated that the Council can deliver an more effective and cost effective service through the centralisation of generic tasks, use of technology and the retention of specialist provision within service.
1607	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Appreciate that updating and improving the internal functions is desirable, but I would not want this to be to the detriment of the original 8 priorities	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Experience has demonstrated that the Council can deliver an more effective and cost effective service through the centralisation of generic tasks, use of technology and the retention of specialist provision within service.
1608	No Response	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Take into consideration what the public require and want	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	4. The Council is already doing this.	The Council is consulting with staff, residents and trade unions on the proposals.
1609	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Having worked in a council for many years the continued extortionate costs spent on consultants isn't spend to save it's just spend to profit consultants - the money would be better spent re-investing in your current in house resources and services.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council will continue to use internal services to deliver services. The Council engages external contractors where required for specialist works. This approach will continue to ensure best value use of resources available within the council.
1610	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Supporting our local school as a member of the parents Council there are obvious oversight/governance which has little benefit and is overly cumbersome. Focus needs to be on the outcomes required and streamline processes as a result.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
1611	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Internal support functions have been cut several times previously, fewer staff, more workload does not make for a happy workforce. There is only so far people can be pushed before things start to fail. Sickness absence rises, mistakes get made, quality falls. Improved is not the correct word to use as you have not provided any baseline information.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Experience has demonstrated that the Council can deliver an more effective and cost effective service through the centralisation of generic tasks, use of technology and the retention of specialist provision within service.

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1612	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Agreed Non-statutory services must justify their existence by either income/savings/outcomes delivered.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
1613	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	As well as redesign, integration and modernisation the Council must ensure that when any improvements are implemented they monitor that the improvements actually do take place.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The Council has a number of systems and processes in place which are essential to enable the Council to monitor and report service performance and efficiency.
1614	No Response	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Need to ensure enough staff to carry out Council services	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Experience has demonstrated that the Council can deliver an more effective and cost effective service through the centralisation of generic tasks, use of technology and the retention of specialist provision within service.
1615	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	The Council need to look at all services. The "top slicing" approach to reduce Council services budgets is not working. Services are cut to the bone and trying to deliver a service to the highest standard, which is fine when everything is going well but in periods of leave and/or unexpected absence occurs the teams struggle to continue to deliver the standard of service expected.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Experience has demonstrated that the Council can deliver an more effective and cost effective service through the centralisation of generic tasks, use of technology and the retention of specialist provision within service.
1616	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Senior Managers need to involve managers and staff in budget reductions and not just agreed or make cuts in areas. When Service Areas discover the cuts there is no room from negotiate and are basically expected to deliver the savings regardless of the impact on the area.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	4. The Council is already doing this.	The Council is consulting with staff, residents and trade unions on the proposals.
1617	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Acceptable provided changes are proved to be effective before being introduced	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
1618	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Council Head officers need to fully embrace the recommendations and ideas of employees in this consultation who deliver services and would make realistic positive change and efficiencies as service managers often ignore the improvements suggested by employees.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The Council is consulting with staff, residents and trade unions on the proposals.
1619	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Why have you been wasting so much of our money up to this point?	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
1620	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	This is something which should be being done as part of normal business activity.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
1621	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	This should include staff who will be affected as they clearly have a better understanding of the job.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The Council is consulting with staff, residents and trade unions on the proposals.
1622	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Business support staff are critical in providing support that means professional staff are not spending their time on administration tasks. Service redesign has meant a reduction in jobs without any improvement to support services so far.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Experience has demonstrated that the Council can deliver an more effective and cost effective service through the centralisation of generic tasks with the retention of specialist provision within service.
1623	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	services should always be improved but not if that "improvement" is negatively effecting service users.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Experience has demonstrated that the Council can deliver an more effective and cost effective service through the centralisation of generic tasks with the retention of specialist provision within service.
1624	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	This does appear sensible but will have to be carefully managed to ensure standards are maintained whilst not over burdening the staff that are carrying out these rationalised roles. There comes a point where there is no more slack in a system and this has to be recognised by Managers.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Experience has demonstrated that the Council can deliver an more effective and cost effective service through the centralisation of generic tasks with the retention of specialist provision within service.
1625	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	The Council is behind the times in some of the way it does things. Compared with some other organisations the way in which it has been making savings to date does not take into account the value and cost of staff time eg reducing vehicles may mean that more staff than are required are being sent to a job leaving some to stand around / staff cannot do their job due to lack of appropriate equipment.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Experience has demonstrated that the Council can deliver an more effective and cost effective service through the centralisation of generic tasks with the retention of specialist provision within service.

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1626	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Please do not use Management consultancy to deliver this improvements. Having experienced this myself in Public Sector and having watched a recent investigative piece on the use of Management Consultancy firms by Councils I firmly believe that these firms will only focus on the ways that they can take money from the public sector to line their own pockets. Whether that is through "risk and reward" contracts or from technology projects that ultimately rely on management consultancies to continue to have a hold over Councils. Use your own skilled, talented and informed staff. (N.B. I am not, and never have been a Council employee - formerly worked in a special health board!).	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	The Council does not propose to engage consultants to develop the proposals or deliver the transformed Council services.
1627	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Service changes need to be considered and planned along with a comprehensive understanding of the benefits that will be achieved. The change needs to be implemented carefully alongside day-to-day business. Benefits need to be assessed to ensure they are achieved. The Council need to use the resources it has available and effectively manage staff resources to get the best from them.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Experience has demonstrated that the Council can deliver an more effective and cost effective service through the centralisation of generic tasks with the retention of specialist provision within service.
1628	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	We feel that the Council could merge services to bring out the best in everyone and best utilise every resource we have.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Experience has demonstrated that the Council can deliver an more effective and cost effective service through the centralisation of generic tasks, use of technology and retention of specialist provision within service.
1629	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Agree this should be done. Look for even more savings here.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
1630	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	This of course makes sense provided there are clear benefits from the redesign of services so this will not just result in poorer quality support.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Experience has demonstrated that the Council can deliver an more effective and cost effective service through the centralisation of generic tasks with the retention of specialist provision within service.
1631	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	You cannot argue with the same delivery in a more efficient way.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
1632	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	These functions are already at bear minimum meaning that when services require support there are never enough staff resources to cope with the work load drastically effecting services ability to deliver their functions efficiently and effectively.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Experience has demonstrated that the Council can deliver an more effective and cost effective service through the centralisation of generic tasks with the retention of specialist provision within service.
1633	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	TYC proposals are disproportionately aimed at customer-facing, front line staff who work with and deliver vital services to the citizens of West Lothian and in particular our most deprived communities and most vulnerable citizens. The Â£4 million budget efficiencies proposed for the central support services must be increased. Furthermore, this should be achieved through significant head count reduction rather than service redesign and use of new technology solutions, neither of which is likely to achieve any savings. The needs of vulnerable children, families and older people are not supported and protected by staff whose job it is to monitor performance indicators or any of the other so-called "enabler" services.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Experience has demonstrated that the Council can deliver an more effective and cost effective service through the centralisation of generic tasks with the retention of specialist provision within service.
1634	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	This proposal should be considered but it is essential that the redesign, integration and modernisation does not have a detrimental impact to the support provided to front line service delivery.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Experience has demonstrated that the Council can deliver an more effective and cost effective service through the centralisation of generic tasks with the retention of specialist provision within service.
1635	No Response	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Focus should be on reducing non statutory services first	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
1636	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	An Equality Impact Assessment needs to be undertaken to determine the impact on customers, residents and employees.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	4. The Council is already doing this.	The Council is conducting Equality Impact Assessment on the proposals.
1637	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	It looks to me as if it is the services that use the revenues budget that are being re-designed, what are the plans for the services that use the Capital budget, we do work for services that are funded from the capital budget why aren't we re-charging them for this work?	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	At this stage, detailed budget reduction measures have not been developed, therefore there is no specific information on how the savings will be achieved and the timescales for delivery. This will become clearer as the measures progress following the consultation process and approval of the Council's budget strategy.

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1638	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	I think it is important to decide what services the Council will continue to deliver and then determine how best and efficiently those services can be delivered. The internal supporting functions should then be tailored and shaped to suit the transformed organisation that emerges. It would be a mistake to restructure those support services before knowing what support is needed.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Experience has demonstrated that the Council can deliver an more effective and cost effective service through the centralisation of generic tasks with the retention of specialist provision within service.
1639	No Response	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	It should be run efficiently with hard working staff who know their job.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
1640	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Fine by me. But do not expect the community to take on even more responsibilities in their hard working and tax paying lives	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Experience has demonstrated that the Council can deliver an more effective and cost effective service through the centralisation of generic tasks with the retention of specialist provision within service.
1641	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	What happens if staff cannot cope with the streamlining? Some staff are so badly paid that after years	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Experience has demonstrated that the council can deliver an more effective and cost effective service through the centralisation of generic tasks with the retention of specialist provision within service.
1642	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Services should be integrated, work should be done during Normal hours not when overtime rates are applicable	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Experience has demonstrated that the Council can deliver an more effective and cost effective service through the centralisation of generic tasks, use of technology and retention of specialist provision within service. The proposed review of terms and conditions would seek to review the use of overtime, allowances and enhancements, whilst at the same time consider the rates payable when used.
1643	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Stop outsourcing private companies for building and maintenance services your own workforce could carry out. This is affecting the morale and ultimately the outcomes of your employees.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The Council will continue to use internal services to deliver services. The Council engages external contractors where required for specialist works. This approach will continue to ensure best value use of resources available within the Council.
1644	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Whilst many think that reviews come around every few years, the reality they are and should be part of the business process, and any business model should naturally routinely be considering opportunities particularly as situations change. The EFQM model is present in many business models and can also be seen in many technical processes. I would suggest that the WLAM process which WLC adheres to does not necessarily follow the spirit of the EFQM model; evidence is provided, analysed, picked over, and yet the current service levels and cost saving (staff/service reductions) measures appear to be founded on the ability of services to be truthful in their resource requirements and their skill in protecting and ring fencing their current staffing levels.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	The Council has adopted the EFQM model for the purposes of self assessment
1645	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	I would suggest that an external review of each service, and the management hierarchy, should be completed by individual competent private sector consultants. Perhaps then the correct resource levels could be established and service levels and improvements be identified.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	4. The Council is already doing this.	The Council has adopted the EFQM model for the purposes of self assessment. Any service restructure will be undertaken in accordance with the Council organisational change policy and in consultation with the recognised trade unions. The Council has developed a Corporate Workforce Plan and Service specific workforce plans which monitor staffing requirements and ensure as far as possible that staffing complements and staff skills meet the service requirements.
1646	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	I would also suggest that a more business like approach would benefit the Council. For example, I understand that I can rent a community centre for a birthday party for a few pounds, which would not cover the staff or utility costs. The same is true for groups utilising Council buildings for any event. This can equally be applied to other services too. The Council should be looking to cover the costs for all events, and whilst this may be unpalatable for a few in the community who wish to continue receiving a service at minimal cost, the reality is the time has come to rebalance this expectation. Councillors need to ensure they engage in this approach also, ensuring a business approach where the budgets go where needed, and not to the detriment of the community to a few groups who shout loudest and have carried favour.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The Council is investigating all opportunities to generate or increase income from use of Council facilities.

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1647	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	As part of any review I think some services could be amalgamated and even outsourced. I think there are other National organisations which may provide better hierarchal structures which warrant consideration, and may be a better fit. Any external review may identify if structures could be better realised; providing efficiencies. Many services are fragmented in several different buildings, which warrant reviewing particularly in respect of the management levels needed where this is the case (i.e. finance, social services, planning... them all). An example could also be (but not limited to) outsourcing FM services for maintenance purposes, whilst amalgamating all facilities management services into one service, and exploring efficiencies where service levels are incorrect or where outsourcing can be achieved (i.e. outsource cleaning, and get an income from catering, whilst reviewing caretaker and management levels). Lets have a balanced approach, based on a proper review, taking advantage of identified opportunities - Lets not have arbitrary cuts unnecessarily adversely affecting services.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	4. The Council is already doing this.	The Council has an existing shared service agreement with South Lanarkshire Council for a shared IT data centre and will continue to develop opportunities for further shared service arrangements with other public bodies. The Council is also progressing with West Lothian College the provision of shared services opportunities across a range of service areas.
1648	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	I agree efficiency is a priority, however if replacing people with computers or larger teams with smaller teams please review the impact on outcomes such as person satisfaction as well as cost saving.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Experience has demonstrated that the Council can deliver an more effective and cost effective service through the centralisation of generic tasks with the retention of specialist provision within service.
1649	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	It's a good idea as long as existing jobs can be protected and staff have the support and training to implement changes.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Experience has demonstrated that the Council can deliver an more effective and cost effective service through the centralisation of generic tasks with the retention of specialist provision within service.
1650	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	As a Council employee my belief / opinion is that staff are currently under resourced and over worked, a healthy work and life balance is difficult to achieve hence I am completing this in my own time and not work time. The Council should be more open about redesign or integration if I am to comment on this.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Experience has demonstrated that the Council can deliver an more effective and cost effective service through the centralisation of generic tasks with the retention of specialist provision within service.
1651	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	I fully support this proposal if it is done effectively with as little impact on grassroots workers as possible. In my own experience of working with the Council I have witnessed several times that a services grassroots workers are cut yet the management tier is expanded.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Experience has demonstrated that the Council can deliver an more effective and cost effective service through the centralisation of generic tasks with the retention of specialist provision within service.
1652	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Commissioning of services is something to be reviewed, as I believe it is at present. The process however, needs to be streamlined, timely, fair and transparent. large national, external agencies have the infrastructure to present tenders which may appear cheaper to deliver services, as they can absorb core costs at times, something that smaller local organisations can't do. However, local knowledge and trust is important in the delivery of services, therefore cheapest is not always the most economic, sustainable and effective.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	4. The Council is already doing this.	West Lothian Council has to comply with national and EU legislation and competitive methods are employed. All appropriate suppliers can bid and contracts are tendered taking into consideration price, quality and total cost for all products contained within the contract.
1653	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	I would not like this to be a staff cutting exercise whereby there would be insufficient staff to keep the functions and units operating effectively.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Experience has demonstrated that the Council can deliver an more effective and cost effective service through the centralisation of generic tasks with the retention of specialist provision within service.
1654	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	nothing wrong with efficiency ... just do not harm customer care	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
1655	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	I agree with all that is said in the above. However, the devil is in the detail and you do not give the full detail of what services you are proposing to change, what the financial and service delivery implications there will be, what cost/benefit analysis you are employing in order to monitor the effectiveness of any changes made, and what partner organisations you intend 'working' with and how (as opposed to just 'dumping' service needs in the hands of third parties.) Provide the information for the public to make informed decisions.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	At this stage, detailed budget reduction measures have not been developed, therefore there is no specific information on how the savings will be achieved and the timescales for delivery. This will become clearer as the measures progress following the consultation process and approval of the Council's budget strategy.

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1656	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	It was acknowledged that West Lothian Council have an excellent reputation for services to young people and adults with additional support needs and in fact people have moved into this area because of the excellent services. Members of the forum wish to thank you for the support to their individual family members but also to the family as a whole as this allowed family members to continue to work and be a contributing member of society. However, we initially would like to remind Council and highlight the needs of the group of people we represent and ask why an accessible version of the consultation was not made available to people with learning disabilities. As not having an Easy Read version excludes people with learning disabilities taking part. Under the council's Equality Duty this should have been done as a matter of course, ensuring all members of the community can have their say, not to mention it does not recognise their Human Rights as citizens of West Lothian. This group of people with disabilities also appears to be omitted from the groups mentioned where alternative versions of the consultation paper could be distributed. Arising from discussion, members' main concerns were that it was very difficult to respond to the consultation document on the information provided opening statements only. The estimated savings under each heading are not helpful given we are not informed of the total budget whereas a % would show better indication of expectation of impact to the current budget.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. The council is keen to consult with all members of the community and will endeavour to ensure that any future documents communicating key messages or seeking feedback on council proposals are available in accessible format.
1657	No Response	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	This description is too airy fairy and with insufficient detail to appreciate the implications of what you're describing - I need examples of 'internal functions', 'units' .	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	At this stage, detailed budget reduction measures have not been developed, therefore there is no specific information on how the savings will be achieved and the timescales for delivery. This will become clearer as the measures progress following the consultation process and approval of the Council's budget strategy.
1658	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Modernization is key and must be done in every department	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
1659	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Reviews of all services must be urgently carried out. No service should be exempt. There must be enough key staff in IT and legal services to assist with the required reforms of processes. The Council like many public sector organizations has lacked proper modernization and investment. How much does it cost to continually recruit professionals and to outsource those roles when we can't attract qualified staff as we aren't paying enough. Sometimes you need to spend to save. Keeping cutting staff without counting the real cost is wrong.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	The Council recognises the importance of central support services in the development and delivery of transformed Council services. The Council is subject to national pay bargaining and the salary scales for officers are determined nationally. The Council is subject to national pay bargaining, and terms and conditions.
1660	No Response	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	This is the highest priority - will enable money to be protected for front line services.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
1661	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Increasing efficiency, value for money, adoption of best practice, abidance by professional quality standards etc. should always be a central focus of the Council.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
1662	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Rates for elected members should also be reviewed.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	Councillors remunerations and expenses are determined by the Scottish Government.
1663	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Care needs to be taken not to make these roles too generic and therefore diluting the expertise that is needed for complex tasks.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Experience has demonstrated that the Council can deliver an more effective and cost effective service through the centralisation of generic tasks with the retention of specialist provision within service.
1664	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Make sure you keep the right services to support the Council and don't have them so small that they can't do what you need them to do. You can't function without corporate support services so invest in them. Listen to the managers who deliver these services, they know better than anyone what is needed and how to deliver it	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Experience has demonstrated that the Council can deliver an more effective and cost effective service through the centralisation of generic tasks with the retention of specialist provision within service.
1665	No Response	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	To continue to maintain a structure that has inefficiencies would be wasting money. Change like this suggested is hard, however it is necessary.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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1666	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Vitally important to communicate with customers both internal and externally. Protect this area an. Bulletin is a good product to have.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
1667	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Job security for all Council employees must be of high importance.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	The Council has been able to delivery significant budget reductions in the last 10 years without the requirement for compulsory redundancies. The scale of the further reductions required over the next five years will be challenging and the Council will seek to use the existing range of workforce management and organisational change policies to deliver the required reductions in staffing numbers.
1668	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	I think the Council needs to overhaul of governance and, in particular, performance systems. There is too much time spent on things like WLAM and Covalent. Cumbersome systems and recording data, most of which has no value to anyone. There is less staff now. The Council needs to modernise and ensure that managers and staff spend time on delivering services. Performance is important but the Council is in danger of spending more time logging in and out of systems and writing reports than it does delivering outcomes. The culture needs to look at that culture and change with the times. We can't do all that we used to do. That goes for internal systems and processes also.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	The Council has a number of systems and processes in place, including the Covalent (now Pentane) performance management system which are essential to enable the Council to monitor and report service performance and efficiency.
1669	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	I believe frontline delivery of services should be protected and savings looked at in back office functions.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Experience has demonstrated that the council can deliver an more effective and cost effective service through the centralisation of generic tasks, use of technology and retention of specialist provision within service.
1670	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	All business processes should be reviewed and improved to reduce/ eliminate waste and modernise working practice.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Experience has demonstrated that the Council can deliver an more effective and cost effective service through the centralisation of generic tasks, use of technology and retention of specialist provision within service. This model still allows the opportunity for staff to engage with Council officers on a face to face basis at the most effective and convenient level.
1671	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	The Council has already cut positions across most services and more potential reduction in numbers of staff has the potential in increase additional work related pressures for members.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Experience has demonstrated that the Council can deliver an more effective and cost effective service through the centralisation of generic tasks, use of technology and retention of specialist provision within service. This model still allows the opportunity for staff to engage with Council officers on a face to face basis at the most effective and convenient level.
1672	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	If services can be utilized for more than one department without losing efficiency then that would seem sensible.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Experience has demonstrated that the Council can deliver an more effective and cost effective service through the centralisation of generic tasks, use of technology and retention of specialist provision within service.
1673	No Response	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	TYC proposals are disproportionately aimed at customer-facing, front-line staff who work with and deliver vital services to the citizens of West Lothian and in particular our most deprived communities and most vulnerable citizens. The £4 million budget efficiencies proposed for the central, support services must be increased. Furthermore, this should be achieved through significant head count reduction rather service redesign and technology solutions	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Experience has demonstrated that the Council can deliver an more effective and cost effective service through the centralisation of generic tasks, use of technology and retention of specialist provision within service.
1674	No Response	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	TYC proposals are disproportionately aimed at customer-facing, front-line staff who work with and deliver vital services to the citizens of West Lothian and in particular our most deprived communities and most vulnerable citizens. The £4 million budget efficiencies proposed for the central, support services must be increased. Furthermore, this should be achieved through significant headcount reduction rather service redesign and reliance on technology solutions.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Experience has demonstrated that the Council can deliver an more effective and cost effective service through the centralisation of generic tasks, use of technology and retention of specialist provision within service.
1675	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	In principle I support measures that ensure spend is directed to things happening rather than supporting an administrative machine.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Experience has demonstrated that the Council can deliver an more effective and cost effective service through the centralisation of generic tasks, use of technology and retention of specialist provision within service.

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1676	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	I think this aspect is well thought out, modernising is always a good idea, however without causing job losses as this would conflict with the point relating to improving job prospects within West Lothian.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Experience has demonstrated that the Council can deliver a more effective and cost effective service through the centralisation of generic tasks, use of technology and retention of specialist provision within service.
1677	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Don't cut jobs! People need them! Computers don't help as much as human contact does. Questionnaires should be more people friendly.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Experience has demonstrated that the Council can deliver a more effective and cost effective service through the centralisation of generic tasks, use of technology and retention of specialist provision within service.
1678	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	would outsourcing services not save money in the long term, removing pension liabilities for the Council.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	5b. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it is likely that the costs of this proposal would outweigh the benefit.	It is not Council policy to outsource service functions. This saving will be delivered through increased rental, management fee and service charge income.
1679	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	In previous questionnaires I have suggested seeing if there is enough overlap to consolidate/centralise services...similar to Police Scotland....centralised administration, call centre.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	4. The council is already doing this.	The council has an existing shared service agreement with South Lanarkshire Council for a shared IT data centre and will continue to develop opportunities for further shared service arrangements with other public bodies. The council is also progressing with West Lothian College the provision of shared services opportunities across a range of service areas.
1680	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	I think this is an area where a lot of savings could be made as long as the Council employs consultants whose aim is to actually help the Council and leave it in a better position, with the tools that it needs in order to carry on with any changes made. The Council employees need to be part of the change process and own the changes, rather than change being imposed upon them. The employees know where they waste time and where their jobs could be made more efficient, they just need the permission to get on and do it. In this way, the change is more likely to be successful and sustained, with the attendant savings being realised.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The Council is consulting with staff, residents and trade unions on the proposals. The Council does not propose to engage consultants to develop the proposals or deliver the transformed Council services but will use the expertise and knowledge developed over recent saving programmes to develop and deliver the transformation programme.
1681	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	I believe that these proposals are designed entirely with a cost saving focus rather than a more efficient and accessible service to the residents of West Lothian.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Experience has demonstrated that the Council can deliver a more effective and cost effective service through the centralisation of generic tasks, use of technology and retention of specialist provision within service.
1682	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Many services have to be provided by law which leaves little scope for cuts. Previous cuts have reduced overheads significantly but we are in for a hard future. When we phone the Council we may not get a quick response to anything	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Experience has demonstrated that the Council can deliver a more effective and cost effective service through the centralisation of generic tasks, use of technology and retention of specialist provision within service.
1683	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Sometimes taking away support staff will mean that processional staff are less efficient - therefore what looks like a saving is not actually - do not remove all the support staff -	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Experience has demonstrated that the Council can deliver a more effective and cost effective service through the centralisation of generic tasks, use of technology and retention of specialist provision within service.
1684	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Has an equality impact assessment been carried out for each of the budget proposals? It is essential that this is done at the earliest opportunity in order to assess what the impact will be on those in the protected characteristics groups and those already experiencing disadvantage.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	The Council is conducting Equality Impact Assessment on the proposals.
1685	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	I work in one of the services affected by this change. I am on a fixed term contract and am obviously concerned for the safety of my job. Once this restructure is complete and I am "lucky" enough to be part of the new service, according to Union Reps, when my fixed term ends in 2019, I am not guaranteed to be retained after that date?. Even though I have been here over 3 yrs now. Surely I would be considered to have same rights as permanent staff?. I appreciate that savings have to be made to cut costs for the Council as a whole. Has natural attrition been considered, retirement?.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	The Council engages staff on fixed term contracts where this meets the needs of the service to Fixed term contracts will continue to be used where this is appropriate to manage temporary, fixed term service requirements.

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1686	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	I agree that services can be delivered more efficiently through integration of service delivery and technology, and contracting elements of services outwith the Council, however there is still a need for face-to-face support with some services.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Experience has demonstrated that the Council can deliver a more effective and cost effective service through the centralisation of generic tasks, use of technology and retention of specialist provision within service. This model still allows the opportunity for staff to engage with Council officers on a face to face basis at the most effective and convenient level.
1687	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Concerned about the impact to front line services and our customers receiving an efficient service	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Experience has demonstrated that the Council can deliver a more effective and cost effective service through the centralisation of generic tasks, use of technology and retention of specialist provision within service. This model still allows the opportunity for staff to engage with Council officers on a face to face basis at the most effective and convenient level.
1688	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	agreed- integrating teams means they can do more work and work together by doing this.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
1689	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	This is essential. There is much waste in the public sector, the nhs and HE/FE. Very grateful for these services, and know people often work very hard - too hard, sometimes. But more efficiency is key, and is not a dirty word. Why would you not want to do more with less ?	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
1690	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	I agree to some extent for a customer's point of view as at present customers have to contact each department when requesting an answer to their enquiry or enquiries, however, staff cannot possibly know all of the answers for many questions that a customer will want the answer to as you require, hence the reason we have a Customer Service Unit, where they contact the department concerned to get the correct answer for the customer. If specialised departments are integrated such as IT services, Benefits, Advice Shop, Council Tax and Education, all of which are a support function to a wider Council service, then staff with the knowledge would be diluted, which would not be the answer for the customer. Also Revenues are scrutinised by the Department of Work and Pensions and Central and Scottish Government for performance and this support must be kept local and not Council wide.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Experience has demonstrated that the Council can deliver a more effective and cost effective service through the centralisation of generic tasks, use of technology and retention of specialist provision within service.
1691	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Cut you own internal costs first	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
1692	No Response	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Definitely to many higher management and office support workers. Streamline departments. Centralise all office departments with cross functionality cross trained staff.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The Council continually reviews the tiers of management and span of control across all service levels against a target 5 x 5 structure. This ensures that the Council continues to operate with an effective and efficient managerial structure.
1693	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Important to focus on what works. Technology is not always the answer. Throwing money at a project does not guarantee success. Never underestimate the human factor. Be wary of projects that are suggested to further careers or business.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Experience has demonstrated that the Council can deliver a more effective and cost effective service through the centralisation of generic tasks, use of technology and retention of specialist provision within service.
1694	No Response	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Agree that Council needs to modernise and cut out waste. First and foremost need to ensure statutory service are prioritised whilst reducing waste realign structures and resources accordingly. Retain experience but develop young thriving workforce.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Experience has demonstrated that the Council can deliver a more effective and cost effective service through the centralisation of generic tasks, use of technology and retention of specialist provision within service.
1695	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Over the years the Council has spent beyond its means on stupid schemes. Time to live within your budget. The Council should not be over staffed with minority functions that serve little function for people.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Experience has demonstrated that the Council can deliver a more effective and cost effective service through the centralisation of generic tasks, use of technology and retention of specialist provision within service.
1696	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Integration of services may provide a financial solution but will not necessarily improve Quality or Effectiveness.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Experience has demonstrated that the Council can deliver a more effective and cost effective service through the centralisation of generic tasks, use of technology and retention of specialist provision within service.

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1697	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Care must be taken to ensure that such internal functions remain effective.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Experience has demonstrated that the Council can deliver an more effective and cost effective service through the centralisation of generic tasks, use of technology and retention of specialist provision within service.
1698	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	I believe there is massive savings in this area. Outsourcing work and services would be a start however a full end to end review of processes and procedures should be undertaken.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Experience has demonstrated that the Council can deliver an more effective and cost effective service through the centralisation of generic tasks, use of technology and retention of specialist provision within service.
1699	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Over the years more and more red tape and boracay has meant that a simple process for say building an extension onto a building has to go through months and months of planning and work. This is a terrible use of time and money.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Experience has demonstrated that the Council can deliver an more effective and cost effective service through the centralisation of generic tasks, use of technology and retention of specialist provision within service.
1700	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Process improvements and redesign of service delivery is to be welcomed.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Experience has demonstrated that the Council can deliver an more effective and cost effective service through the centralisation of generic tasks, use of technology and retention of specialist provision within service.
1701	No Response	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Bulletin is a good magazine. Protect that In tough times, communicating with people becomes more important. We should look to protect these areas.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
1702	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	The above statement is very wide and does not identify which areas, or where reducing management would take place. From my experience it is all very well to reduce staffing for example as long as someone else does not end up doing the extra workload to compensate. This only ends up with overworked, stressed staff who then end up going off sick and the work not being done which leads to poor customer relations. More detail is required for me to give a better answer to this proposal.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Experience has demonstrated that the Council can deliver an more effective and cost effective service through the centralisation of generic tasks, use of technology and retention of specialist provision within service.
1703	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	In theory this sounds good. However, though streamlining in the short term may reduce costs, it does not always take into account the full impact financially due to the loss of expertise through skilled and experienced practitioners.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Experience has demonstrated that the Council can deliver an more effective and cost effective service through the centralisation of generic tasks, use of technology and retention of specialist provision within service.
1704	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Agree with statement Why not in future state a percentage for savings rather than a figure of estimated savings in a total annual budget spend for the particular item	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Experience has demonstrated that the Council can deliver an more effective and cost effective service through the centralisation of generic tasks, use of technology and retention of specialist provision within service.
1705	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Get in touch with people all the time not just council officers. All people in West Lothian.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	The council is consulting with staff, residents and trade unions on the proposals.
1706	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	We need new elections in West Lothian . As you lot are useless bunch! We want elections now!	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
1707	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	You are a Council living on benefits. Westminster have had to do this to help the bankers, etc keep the lifestyle they are used to. To achieve this, someone has to pay. The people of West Lothian have no choice but to accept your cuts. They will have to pay that price. I don't eny the task you have in front of you, so many people are going to suffer - It's not going to be nice. Think you could start with the top tier of Council employees. a) Are there too many? b) Do we really need them? c) What do they actually do? Good Luck!	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
1708	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	To increase efficiency and effectiveness and the ongoing search for and eradication of duplication is a management function in any organisation. It was stated at our meeting that industry uses lean thinking and zero based costing in which each functional activity has to bid for resources commencing from a zero cost base. Often this activity may result in a requirement for more training but would certainly result in more interesting jobs. Individual front-line workers should be given more responsibility to deal with local areas, instead of having inefficient ever-larger work squads.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Experience has demonstrated that the Council can deliver an more effective and cost effective service through the centralisation of generic tasks, use of technology and retention of specialist provision within service.

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1709	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	It was also stated at our meeting that over the period of Delivering Better Outcomes minimal overall staff reductions had been achieved although very large and noticeable cuts in front-line services had taken place. We suggest that all functions of the Council which are entirely or largely office-based should be subject to a root and branch review. A £4 million reduction in staff costs represents 100 jobs over 5 years, about what could be achieved by natural wastage on a staff of 8,000. A more realistic target is 5 times that amount with a £20 million saving.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Experience has demonstrated that the Council can deliver an more effective and cost effective service through the centralisation of generic tasks, use of technology and retention of specialist provision within service.
1710	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	An unenviable task and there are bound to be winners and losers and perhaps all sectors need to take their share of cuts.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
1711	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	How can we make comments about different areas of the Council when we don't know about all the cuts for each department. Will West Lothian Council have another restructuring what is the future of the work force when generic working is introduced? Will redundancies be on the way? How many more WLC departments can cope with more cuts to them	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	At this stage, detailed budget reduction measures have not been developed, therefore there is no specific information on how the savings will be achieved and the timescales for delivery. This will become clearer as the measures progress following the consultation process and approval of the Council's budget strategy.
1712	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Services are being modernised and the workforce is generally good. However, the number of Councillors needs streamlining. Lets not move unfit promoted people to another lower post on full pay. If they are unfit, they are unfit.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	The number of Councillors and wards is determined by the Boundary Commission.
1713	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	If West Lothian Council has to save £73 million, why, at this time was the Council logo changed? Does this mean that stationery, uniforms, signs and vehicles will require the logo to be changed? How much will this cost? Who made the decision to make this change at this time?	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	The Council's new logo was developed internally at no cost to the Council. This was the first change to the Council logo in 20 years. The logo shall be changed on Council publications and equipment as and when these require to be renewed.
1714	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Make the big decisions that's what you were elected to do. Do not pass the buck to the public, who have enough on their plate without making decisions for sit on the fence Councillors.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
1715	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Ensure the Council has the best systems to deliver the maximum efficiencies. Review the whole profile of the Council, consider the priorities and make cuts according to priorities (not top slicing or a recruitment freeze - you lose all your best staff).	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Experience has demonstrated that the Council can deliver an more effective and cost effective service through the centralisation of generic tasks, use of technology and retention of specialist provision within service.
1716	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Too hard to read all of this and too hard to comment. Not good for people with disabilities / mental health.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
1717	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Since staffing is the biggest component of the budget then much greater savings need to be found from this area to make inroads into the unallocated savings of £10.4 identified in 1H.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
1718	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	We don't want frontline staff cut, we want and need to communicate with humans, not IT as many of us can't use IT or libraries many of which have already been cut.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Experience has demonstrated that the council can deliver an more effective and cost effective service through the centralisation of generic tasks, use of technology and retention of specialist provision within service. His model still allows the opportunity for staff to engage with council officers on a face to face basis at the most effective and convenient level.
1719	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	I believe Council staff could be looked at and better managed. Councillors pay, allowances should be reviewed. No Councilor should be in full time employment as well as being paid as a Councillor.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	Councillors remunerations and expenses are determined by the Scottish Government.

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1720	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Not clear to staff on how they will be specifically affected. Is there going to be more restructuring within the council.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	At this stage, detailed budget reduction measures have not been developed, therefore there is no specific information on how the savings will be achieved and the timescales for delivery. This will become clearer as the measures progress following the consultation process and approval of the council's budget strategy.
1721	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Apply to all measures - how many people will you be making redundant, even it its "voluntary" including schools? What steps were taken to ensure that the relevant decision makers had regard for equality duty?	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	The Council has been able to delivery significant budget reductions in the last 10 years without the requirement for compulsory redundancies. The scale of the further reductions required over the next five years will be challenging and the Council will seek to use the existing range of workforce management and organisational change policies to deliver the required reductions in staffing numbers. All measures are assessed in terms of the impact on persons with protected characteristics.
1722	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Reduce the number of performance officers and their salaries and transfer routine functions to services.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	The council has a number of systems and processes in place which are essential to enable the council to monitor and report service performance and efficiency. The council's performance officers support services to conduct self assessment and business analysis to ensure that the council continues to deliver best value.
1723	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Reduce stress and sickens through accidents travelling to work and save electricity and pc costs to boost morale.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	4. The council is already doing this.	The council has an IT infrastructure which supports working from home and individuals working from various council sites throughout West Lothian. The opportunity to work on a mobile and flexible basis continues to be available to staff.
1724	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Stop changing council branding...in the last 3 years you have changed your logo 5 times from the original 1996 version!!! Each time you have to update signs, flags, ID cards, liveries, etc. Stop printing a full colour bulletin for every household...colour front page then black and white would be fine! Stop wasting money on silly things and spend it on the important things!	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	The council's new logo was developed internally at no cost to the council. This was the first change to the council logo in 20 years. The logo shall be changed on council publications and equipment as and when these require to be renewed.
1725	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Restrict all learning courses to those who require it, and anyone who takes any course/learning opportunity should be reviewed to see if they can make a contribution to costs.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	4. The council is already doing this.	Employees are the council's most important asset and the council will continue to invest in training and development of employees but ensure that learning and development is relevant to the job being undertaken.
1726	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Bring in project managers with proven track records to manage projects to reduce over runs	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	4. The council is already doing this.	The council has a number of systems and processes in place which are essential to enable the council to monitor and report performance and efficiency and adopts robust project management methodology to track and report performance of projects against targets.
1727	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Ban the use of contractors within the council. Train procurement staff properly so that they can negotiate the best deals possible. Make bulk purchases for geographical location across councils to achieve economies of scale. Promote volunteer opportunities.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The Corporate Procurement Unit supports services to undertake procurement exercises in a way that is consistent with standing orders and legislation. Corporate Procurement is committed to providing information and support to improve users knowledge of procurement processes. The council will continue to use internal services to deliver services. The Council engages external contractors where required for specialist works. This approach will continue to ensure best value use of resources available within the council.
1728	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Banning of all "fact finding" trips and non-essential travel	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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1729	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Penalties for not delivering promised services should be introduced for when service delivery fails or becomes substandard	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	4. The council is already doing this.	The council has a number of systems and processes in place which are essential to enable the council to monitor and report service performance and efficiency. The council conducts regular review of services delivered by third parties.
1730	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Stop redesigning your logo every couple of years. Every time you do that new uniforms, flags, paperwork, signs, all get made! Stop sending a full colour bulletin that nobody reads to every house in West Lothian. Stop giving money to local charities through Councilor Disbursements.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	The council's new logo was developed internally at no cost to the council. This was the first change to the council logo in 20 years. The logo shall be changed on council publications and equipment as and when these require to be renewed.
1731	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Review management spans and layers with view to reduce Introduce Self/Service / AI for Customer queries	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council continually reviews the tiers of management and span of control across all service levels against a target 5 x 5 structure. This ensures that the council continues to operate with an effective and efficient managerial structure.
1732	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Ways of working - Lean/Systems Thinking	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	4. The council is already doing this.	The council has adopted the EFQM model for the purposes of self assessment and implements LEAN/Systems Thinking in development/delivery of council services.
1733	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Think you could make savings by not sending out coloured copies of bulletin on good quality paper to all residents! Could easily be black and white and household s could opt into an electronic copy	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	5c. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it is not consistent with the council's values and priorities.	Officers believe Bulletin remains good value at less than the price of a second class stamp to produce and distribute one copy of Bulletin to every household in West Lothian.
1734	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Get rid of unnecessary expenses coloured copies of bulletin,	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	5c. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it is not consistent with the council's values and priorities.	Officers believe Bulletin remains good value at less than the price of a second class stamp to produce and distribute one copy of Bulletin to every household in West Lothian.
1735	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	The news bulletin should be printed in black and white instead of colour (when schools are being capped at colour pages).	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	5c. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it is not consistent with the council's values and priorities.	Officers believe Bulletin remains good value at less than the price of a second class stamp to produce and distribute one copy of Bulletin to every household in West Lothian.
1736	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	No compulsory redundancies please!	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council has been able to delivery significant budget reductions in the last 10 years without the requirement for compulsory redundancies. The scale of the further reductions required over the next five years will be challenging and the council will seek to use the existing range of workforce management and organisational change policies to deliver the required reductions in staffing numbers.
1737	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Increasing licensing fees to cover the cost of staff.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Officers will review the current licence fees to ensure that they are fully recovering the costs of administering the licensing schemes.
1738	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Save additional monies by moving the councils Disaster Recovery Site to another council owned location (From South Lanarkshire) Rather than pay Suth Lanarkshire, Host Our DR Location in Bathgate/Broxburn as an example.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Officers will consider how this can be developed.
1739	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	We need to foster a culture of collective responsibility in west lothian- service providers do not work well in partnership with each other and waste time, therefore money blaming each other when things go wrong rather than trying to find a collective solution. This is due to a blame culture and accountability culture along with a culture of fear at present.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
1740	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Do not put logos on bins, vans etc. Do not rebrand everything with new logo. Marketing schemes on vans are unnecessary.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	The council's new logo was developed internally at no cost to the council. This was the first change to the council logo in 20 years. The logo shall be changed on council publications and equipment as and when these require to be renewed.
1741	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	The glossy magazine that is given to all residents - provide on internet only option - have residents opt in to magazine or only view online. For residents requiring a copy only provide in black and white.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	5c. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it is not consistent with the council's values and priorities.	Officers believe Bulletin remains good value at less than the price of a second class stamp to produce and distribute one copy of Bulletin to every household in West Lothian.

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1742	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	customers need to be made aware they will not receive same standard of service they have received in past due to cuts , do we really need complaints system as it currently is ? , many man hrs. wasted on customers complaining for sake of it and money is wasted on silly investigations usually of disgruntled customers who don't get the answer they want in first place ie want new boiler or kitchen straight away ..	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	The council considers that it is essential to review and consider customer complaints in order to avoid future service failure and to support service improvement.
1743	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Reduce the number of civic functions,	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
1744	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	reduce twinning with other town initiatives,	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
1745	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	reduce expenses - there are a lot of efficiency savings that could be made.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (General)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for you response. Officers will consider how the proposal can be developed.
1746	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	It is good that the Council are building more homes for the elderly and it would be nice if there were more for disabled adults. They will eventually need accommodation when their parents are no longer able to provide it. Of course technology won't work for everyone and they may need permanent support.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (Housing, Construction & Building Services)	4. The council is already doing this.	As part of the council's new build programme a variety of different council house types are being built to meet the requirements of all of our tenants and potential tenants
1747	No Response	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Perhaps have a look at the money squandered by Building Services - jobs given out to contract then having Council services having to finish jobs not done properly. I have watched with 'interest' the work being done on some sites in Armadale.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (Housing, Construction & Building Services)	4. The council is already doing this.	Building Services will continue to review our operational performance and the workforce planning arrangements we use to deliver this to tenants to ensure we provide value for money, service improvements, and streamlining of our processes.
1748	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	the council should make sure school leavers especially care leavers aren't made homeless.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (Housing, Construction & Building Services)	4. The council is already doing this.	Housing Need and Homelessness remains a key priority for WLC, with further investment in our new build council housing programme we will increase the availability of good quality, affordable council housing in the area.
1749	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Youth services - try and reduce the number of young people looking for accommodation. Provide information to schools and colleges about the difficulties in trying to sustain a tenancy when there is no decent income/support. Many youths are taking on tenancies which then fail and this results in additional costs to WLC to re-let properties.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (Housing, Construction & Building Services)	4. The council is already doing this.	The service offers a range of housing options, and tenancy support for those experiencing substance abuse issues. This is delivered in partnership with specialist services within Social Policy
1750	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Outsourcing call centres call also be investigated.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (Housing, Construction & Building Services)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Any reviews of services factor in all the options available in terms of achieving value for money
1751	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Still have to have some 'front line' services for vulnerable clients who may not have access to phone/internet.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (Housing, Construction & Building Services)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	This proposal provides an opportunity to modernise and achieve better value for money. By continuing to transform the way in which we provide this service, we will deliver services that meet the changing needs of our communities. This includes ensuring there is full access to services for vulnerable people.
1752	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	3. Stop providing hotels for prisoners and put them to work instead.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (Housing, Construction & Building Services)	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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1753	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Also housing for the over 50's is required. Many over 50's have children who have moved out but they continue to stay in 3 and 4 bedroom houses on their own because their is a shortage of housing for that age group. I have a 4 bedroom council house, I stay on my own but I would love to live somewhere smaller. I don't want to risk moving to a 1 bedroomed flat for fear I will have young people who blare music. A development aimed at over 50's would give me confidence to move and remove my fear. my 4 bedroomed property should have a family staying in it.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (Housing, Construction & Building Services)	5c. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it is not consistent with the council's values and priorities.	Increasing the availability of good quality, affordable accommodation in West Lothian remains a key priority for WLC. Our new build programme is carefully designed to build and support mixed and thriving communities that meet the needs of all our tenants and potential tenants. This means that communities are home to people with a wide diversity of ages, families, individuals and from a range of backgrounds. This prevents people from becoming socially excluded and encourages communities that are inclusive places to live. We build properties that seek to support older people to live independently in their homes for longer, and we enable mutual exchanges and downsizing assistance for those looking to move somewhere more suitable for their needs. WLC provides purpose build supported and sheltered accommodation for older people who need more intensive support.
1754	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	All Council tenants who book an appointment for a repair to their home and are no at home when the tradesperson calls should be recharged for this. All rechargement's should be followed up and the tenants should be made to pay.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (Housing, Construction & Building Services)	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Thank you for your comments. Whilst this is not related to the budget proposal, this suggestion will be passed to the relevant service manager in HCBS.
1755	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Within Housing - All housing officers should be in control of their own allocations for void properties at the local area housing office where they have extensive knowledge of stock, area, tenants and property type - this would allow for less duplication - reducing the need to send this information to a third party, it would allow for better use of stock - ensuring that families are matched to suitable homes reducing the need and costs for a move on due to be housed in unsuitable accommodation. It would reduce the costs associated with aids and adaptations and the needless costs to remove aids and adaptations from properties. It would allow for greater stability within communities which would reduce costs associated with anti social behaviour. It would also allow provide the ability to generate several moves based on local knowledge which would mean more people on the housing lists needs could be met. It would also allow for increased interaction re arrears/ debts at the early stages of allocation allowing greater opportunity to reduce arrears and ensure tenancy sustainment.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (Housing, Construction & Building Services)	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Thank you for your comments. Whilst this is not related to the budget proposal, this suggestion will be passed to the relevant service manager in HCBS.
1756	No Response	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Service within the council itself could be better integrated such as Housing, Tenancy Sustainment Officers could integrate better and share workloads. Social work & social care workers could be integrated better.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (Housing, Construction & Building Services)	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Thank you for your comments. Whilst this is not related to the budget proposal, this suggestion will be passed to the relevant service manager in HCBS.
1757	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Stop wasting money in overpaying private landlords to house council tenants.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (Housing, Construction & Building Services)	5c. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it is not consistent with the council's values and priorities.	In order to meet the increasing demand for housing in West Lothian, it is necessary to make best use of good quality housing available where there is no council stock available. This occasionally means working with private landlords to meet the demand, this represents a very small proportion of the allocations of housing that the service makes.
1758	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Building services tradesmen could work in non Council properties and charge a fee, give half to the council (done as OT).	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (Housing, Construction & Building Services)	5b. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it is likely that the costs of this proposal would outweigh the benefit.	The costs and liabilities of providing a repairs service to non-tenants in a competitive market does not represent good value for money for tenants - the income generated from their rent payments must be used to benefit tenants only.
1759	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	All you seem to be building are houses, theres not enough space. Two storey flats are just as good. Stop wasting public money.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (Housing, Construction & Building Services)	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	There is a mix of house types within the new build programme. The funding for this programme comes directly from the income generated by the rent paid by WLC tenants.

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1760	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	The council changed from Mira to Triton showers to save money, did they factor in the tiling that was needed now with a shower change as they are different sizes / designs?. Same applies to the various accessories we fit, cheaper and poorer in quality seems to be the order of the day, there should be a happy middle ground. We have team coordinators who are inept and under qualified at the jobs they do. Building services is very inefficient	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (Housing, Construction & Building Services)	5d. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it has been previously considered and will not be progressed.	Thank you for your comments - this will be passed to the relevant service manager.
1761	No Response	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	I believe the workforce is stretched already. Repairs appointments are continually booked out of target. Trades have retired or left and are no longer replaced due to budget cuts. As this appears to be the way the council is going to operate from now on Senior Management need to make tenants aware of exactly what they are entitled to as council tenants believe if they ask they should get. This has been backed by our councillors over the passed 10 years also. Until this mind set is resolved we are going to fail to provide a basic service.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (Housing, Construction & Building Services)	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Whilst this comment is not relevant to the budget proposal described, your suggestions will be passed on to the senior management team for consideration, thank you for your comments.
1762	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Increase rent on council houses as they haven't really risen much for years.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (Housing, Construction & Building Services)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your comments. You can make your views known on the rent you pay in our consultation here - https://www.westlothian.gov.uk/rentconsultation2017
1763	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	don't agree with customers imputing there own repairs	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (Housing, Construction & Building Services)	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
1764	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	heres a wee idea at building services go for a 4 day week continental style shifts you would half the transport required to deliver repairs to council homes and provide 7 day a week repairs service	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (Housing, Construction & Building Services)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your suggestion, this will be passed on to the relevant service manager.
1765	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	I think that more money should be invested in housing. Repairs such as water piping, etc.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (Housing, Construction & Building Services)	4. The council is already doing this.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
1766	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	More re-charge of repairs to tenants. Remove some of the repairs service that WLC currently deliver e.g. we should not be fitting internal pass doors to tenants houses (unless elderly or disabled) but yet hundreds (over 1,000 job lines) have been raised for this type of repair alone for WLC properties with very little being re-charged. Review all types of repairs and be more firm on what repairs should be carried out and in addition what should be re-charged. Remove the common stair cleaning service that is provided to common stair properties and make this the responsibility of the tenants in the block.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (Housing, Construction & Building Services)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your comments. HCBS does have a clear policy on what repairs are the responsibility of tenants, and that these repairs are rechargeable. Your suggestions will be passed to the relevant service managers to help inform future reviews of what the services we offer to tenants.
1767	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	2.Look at Building Services internal stores, with the opening of the new Service Centre at Whitehill could we learn from Falkirk and have all the different services store provision under one roof?	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (Housing, Construction & Building Services)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your suggestion, this will be passed on to the relevant service manager.
1768	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	2.Look at Building Services internal stores, with the opening of the new Service Centre at Whitehill could we learn from Falkirk and have all the different services store provision under one roof?	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (Housing, Construction & Building Services)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your suggestion, this will be passed on to the relevant service manager.
1769	No Response	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	2.Look at Building Services internal stores, with the opening of the new Service Centre at Whitehill could we learn from Falkirk and have all the different services store provision under one roof?	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (Housing, Construction & Building Services)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your suggestion, this will be passed on to the relevant service manager.

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1770	No Response	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	2.Look at Building Services internal stores, with the opening of the new Service Centre at Whitehill could we learn from Falkirk and have all the different services store provision under one roof?	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (Housing, Construction & Building Services)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your suggestion, this will be passed on to the relevant service manager.
1771	No Response	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	2.Look at Building Services internal stores, with the opening of the new Service Centre at Whitehill could we learn from Falkirk and have all the different services store provision under one roof?	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (Housing, Construction & Building Services)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your suggestion, this will be passed on to the relevant service manager.
1772	No Response	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	building services have more staff than necessary.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (Housing, Construction & Building Services)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
1773	No Response	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	NEED MORE HELP for homeless people should not be living on street.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (Housing, Construction & Building Services)	4. The council is already doing this.	Housing Need and Homelessness remains a key priority for WLC, with further investment in our new build council housing programme we will increase the availability of good quality, affordable council housing in the area.
1774	No Response	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	You could make savings by restructuring your Building Services!	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (Housing, Construction & Building Services)	4. The council is already doing this.	Building Services will continue to review our operational performance and the workforce planning arrangements we use to deliver this to tenants to ensure we provide value for money, service improvements, and streamlining of our processes.
1775	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	there are certain glaring anomalies such as Building Services where much more needs to be done to streamline this service and bring it into the 21st century.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (Housing, Construction & Building Services)	4. The council is already doing this.	Building Services will continue to review our operational performance and the workforce planning arrangements we use to deliver this to tenants to ensure we provide value for money, service improvements, and streamlining of our processes.
1776	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	There is an opportunity to look at building services processes and to make sure it is not wide open to theft.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (Housing, Construction & Building Services)	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Building Services will continue to review our operational performance and the workforce planning arrangements we use to deliver this to tenants to ensure we provide value for money, service improvements, and streamlining of our processes.
1777	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	I think WL should stop Building Services putting jobs out to contract and do the work themselves. There could be significant savings made if this was scrutinised carefully.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (Housing, Construction & Building Services)	4. The council is already doing this.	Building Services will continue to review our operational performance and the workforce planning arrangements we use to deliver this to tenants to ensure we provide value for money, service improvements, and streamlining of our processes.
1778	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	I do think the Council needs to scrutinise certain Depts such as Building Services	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (Housing, Construction & Building Services)	4. The council is already doing this.	Building Services will continue to review our operational performance and the workforce planning arrangements we use to deliver this to tenants to ensure we provide value for money, service improvements, and streamlining of our processes.
1779	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Perhaps increasing the length of time between kitchen and bathroom re-fits would also save money in this area.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (Housing, Construction & Building Services)	4. The council is already doing this.	Building Services will continue to review our operational performance and the workforce planning arrangements we use to deliver this to tenants to ensure we provide value for money, service improvements, and streamlining of our processes.

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1780	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	In regards to homeless policy they could be more flexible with procedures and take a more COMMON SENSE APPROACH. For example, Rights of Succession - use more flexibility.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (Housing, Construction & Building Services)	5c. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it is not consistent with the council's values and priorities.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
1781	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Service change to the Council's Housing Repairs Service need looked at as it's currently an inefficient and highly costly service to operate as there are too many cogs in what should be a simple and straightforward process.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (Housing, Construction & Building Services)	4. The council is already doing this.	Building Services will continue to review our operational performance and the workforce planning arrangements we use to deliver this to tenants to ensure we provide value for money, service improvements, and streamlining of our processes.
1782	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	There is always disabled ppl needing special homes this is a terrible idea	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (Housing, Construction & Building Services)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council has a legal duty to make reasonable adjustments for those who require them to continue to live and work in our communities. As a council, we also recognise the importance of ensuring fairness and equality, and the right for those with disabilities to have equal access to good quality, accessible, affordable housing.
1783	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Apprentices taken on should be kept on, the council will always need to replenish an ageing workforce.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (Housing, Construction & Building Services)	4. The council is already doing this.	Where possible, and where performance merits continued investment, the service will always seek to retain our apprentices to compliment our workforce.
1784	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Apprenticeship schemes should be given higher status in the eyes of both students and the wider population.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (Housing, Construction & Building Services)	4. The council is already doing this.	The service will continue to recognise and highlight the excellent work of our apprentices. The work in schools and with the wider public to demonstrate the benefits of applying in terms of skills and employment opportunities will continue.
1785	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Council vans being sent home at night with workers who else gets this privilege, send fewer work men doing jobs three people to a one man job.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (Housing, Construction & Building Services)	4. The council is already doing this.	Building Services will continue to review our operational performance and the workforce planning arrangements we use to deliver this to tenants to ensure we provide value for money, service improvements, and streamlining of our processes.
1786	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	The additional income would be found by reviewing current policies such as; 1. Changing the current housing allocations policy so that anyone who has a debt to the local authority is bypassed on the housing list. This would not only free up valuable housing stock thus reducing homelessness costs, but would encourage increased revenue in to WLC. As it stands just now, in a mutual housing exchange, if either party has rent arrears this would not go ahead. Why should that be different to the current housing allocation policy whereby people can still move in to a new home even if they have current rent arrears or historic corporate debt to WLC.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (Housing, Construction & Building Services)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
1787	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	2. Changing the current housing KPI on rent arrears. As former tenancy arrears are not reported on (but are still a corporate debt). This would avoid tenancy turnover costs, increased legal costs through cases being sent to court and would significantly reduce the costs to the homelessness service in WLC. As it stands at present, a tenant could be evicted through the court process for rent arrears of say £1500 only to be rehoused via the homelessness service. If children are involved then Shelter Scotland has estimated that this original debt would cost the local authority homelessness service about 15 to 20 times more than the original debt owed. This is all due to the current rent arrears KPI and the pressure on housing staff to reduce this target.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (Housing, Construction & Building Services)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The service has a duty both legally, and to our tenants as a responsible social landlord to ensure robust income management processes and targets are in place, and that we strive to meet them. As we are regulated on our performance on both current and former rent arrears, enforcement of this is a legal duty. Our focus on this key area of performance ensures the continued affordability of rents and service charges, and our ability to continue to fund, and provide the services we offer and the good quality housing that we strive to ensure for our tenants. Court action is not the desired outcome under any circumstances, and there are significant resources dedicated to the provision of support to avoid this scenario, however the recovery of current and former tenant debt will remain a service priority, particularly with the threat of further UK Government welfare reforms to our income.

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1788	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	No The additional income would be found by reviewing current policies such as; 1. Changing the current housing allocations policy so that anyone who has a debt to the local authority is bypassed on the housing list. This would not only free up valuable housing stock thus reducing homelessness costs, but would encourage increased revenue in to WLC. As it stands just now, in a mutual housing exchange, if either party has rent arrears this would not go ahead. Why should that be different to the current housing allocation policy whereby people can still move in to a new home even if they have current rent arrears or historic corporate debt to WLC. 2. Changing the current housing KPI on rent arrears. As former tenancy arrears are not reported on (but are still a corporate debt). This would avoid tenancy turnover costs, increased legal costs through cases being sent to court and would significantly reduce the costs to the homelessness service in WLC. As it stands at present, a tenant could be evicted through the court process for rent arrears of say Â£1500 only to be rehoused via the homelessness service. If children are involved then Shelter Scotland has estimated that this original debt would cost the local authority homelessness service about 15 to 20 times more than the original debt owed. This is all due to the current rent arrears KPI and the pressure on housing staff to reduce this target.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (Housing, Construction & Building Services)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The service has a duty both legally, and to our tenants as a responsible social landlord to ensure robust income management processes and targets are in place, and that we strive to meet them. As we are regulated on our performance on both current and former rent arrears, enforcement of this is a legal duty. Our focus on this key area of performance ensures the continued affordability of rents and service charges, and our ability to continue to fund, and provide the services we offer and the good quality housing that we strive to ensure for our tenants. Court action is not the desired outcome under any circumstances, and there are significant resources dedicated to the provision of support to avoid this scenario, however the recovery of current and former tenant debt will remain a service priority, particularly with the threat of further UK Government welfare reforms to our income.
1789	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Housing - Housing Officers could also provide further benefit assistance and advice further reducing the need for duplication and delays re referrals. In house regular training could be provided. Benefit calculators etc rolled out. Access to all systems to allow staff to effectively carry out their job should be increased. This would allow advice shop staff to focus on other client groups.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (Housing, Construction & Building Services)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
1790	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	It is fair that those who can afford it contribute, but people could be more able to move into suitable accommodation if pensioner style accommodation had not been sold off. In terms of a housing shortage a cap on rents charged by private landlords would go a long way to solving a problem. THEY SHOULD NOT BE ALLOWED TO CHARGE MORE THAN THE COUNCIL FOR SIMILAR ACCOMODATION	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (Housing, Construction & Building Services)	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	Right to Buy' was abolished for all council and housing association tenants in Scotland on 31 July 2016 through a change to the primary housing legislation - the Housing (Scotland) Act 2014. WLC was duty bound to abide by this legislation and enable the sale of a council owned property of the tenant was entitled to this. Increasing the availability of good quality, affordable accommodation in West Lothian remains a key priority for WLC. With the abolition of right to buy this year, our investment in stock will see the count of council owned housing stock increase. We will continue to deliver the new build programme whilst seeking to improve all communities fairly across the region, including those areas which have lacked investment and are in need of regeneration. In terms of the private sector, again, WLC must abide by the relevant legislation and imposing a rent cap on private landlords is not within our power. They have the ability to charge whatever rent they choose. We do work closely with private landlords through our administration of the Private Landlord Registration Scheme which encourages responsible landlords, good quality private housing at affordable rents.
1791	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Although I support the increase in Council Tax, there are other opportunities for savings which have not been identified within this consultation. The council currently provides emergency homeless accommodation in hotels and B&B's throughout the area, these individuals are not currently charged for the time spent in these properties at significant cost to the local authority. Any rental liability raised for these periods would be eligible for Housing Benefit which if the rental charge levied was set at a reasonable level would protect the most vulnerable. This is effectively additional funding available on application. Although the introduction of Universal Credit would impact this it is considered highly likely that legislation will be passed which will mean that rental costs for homeless accommodation will remain eligible for Housing Benefit.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (Housing, Construction & Building Services)	4. The council is already doing this.	The service is currently considering a range of options for future service developments in light of the pressures on the service in terms of increased demand for accommodation, budget constraints, and the potential impact of impending welfare reforms on our processes and procedures.

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1792	No Response	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Buildings need done up in Deans, especially Gleneagles way.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (Housing, Construction & Building Services)	4. The council is already doing this.	The council will continue to invest in the condition of our stock through our capital programme of planned improvement works.
1793	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Also in Council houses if tennent is not maintaining property or is continuously kicking doors donâ€™t send workers up to clean up evict tennent or bill them highly.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (Housing, Construction & Building Services)	4. The council is already doing this.	The service recharges tenants for any repairs which are their responsibility or are as a result of intentional damage.
1794	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Zero tolerance on rent arrears. Revenue collection through crackdown on criminal activity that damages the environment and requires money be spent on clean up.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (Housing, Construction & Building Services)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The service has a robust income management strategy which resulted in us recovering over 99% of all rent due last year. Ensuring that tenants pay their rent, and have access to financial advice and support when they are in difficulty will remain one of our key priorities.
1795	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Right-first-time repairs and remediation	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (Housing, Construction & Building Services)	4. The council is already doing this.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
1796	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Review repairs council carry out and transfer some of them to tenants responsibility	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (Housing, Construction & Building Services)	4. The council is already doing this.	Building Services will continue to review our operational performance and the workforce planning arrangements we use to deliver this to tenants to ensure we provide value for money, service improvements, and streamlining of our processes.
1797	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Stop sending out several vehicles with individuals to fix council house problems, waste of mah hours, petrol and vans. Also paving issues in Bathgate Town Centre, waste of Â£300,000!!!	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (Housing, Construction & Building Services)	4. The council is already doing this.	Building Services will continue to review our operational performance and the workforce planning arrangements we use to deliver this to tenants to ensure we provide value for money, service improvements, and streamlining of our processes.
1798	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Like I have stated I work in building services. If we miss an appointment with a tenant they can claim compensation for a small amount I believe to be Â£15. I do prearranged work everyday where a tenant has said ok to us entering their home to carry out renovations but when we show up we are denied access or they don't answer the door, can we not claim money from them not making an appointment? In the private sector landlords specify non smokers only, can't the council introduce a similar policy? I feel we are far too lenient on the tenants and as a result have huge repairs bills when they move out.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (Housing, Construction & Building Services)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Building Services will continue to review our operational performance and the workforce planning arrangements we use to deliver this to tenants to ensure we provide value for money, service improvements, and streamlining of our processes. Your feedback and suggestion will be passed to the service manager leading on this work, thank you.
1799	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Increase contributions (rent?) made by those living in council housing. Have those exempt totally from council tax pay something towards it as they avail of all the services the council provieds.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (Housing, Construction & Building Services)	4. The council is already doing this.	The amount of rent that tenants are charged for is based on affordability, tenant views on the rent they pay, and the cost of maintaining existing properties to a high standard. As the cost of goods and services increase, and the demand for new affordable homes increases, we occasionally have to reflect that in the rent that is charged through a modest increase. Our aim is to continue to provide good value for money on rent in comparison to other landlords, whilst improving the standard and availability of affordable accommodation in West Lothian. Income generated from rents can only be used to benefit council tenants. HCBS does not generate income via council tax as this is collected separately and used for the funding of other council services.

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1800	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	This should extend to rented accommodation - new builds (the few that happen each year) should in particular be energy efficient.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (Housing, Construction & Building Services)	4. The council is already doing this.	Energy efficiency and keeping energy costs low for our tenants is one of the key priorities for the service, and is central to the delivery of our new build programme.
1801	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	More help with homeless, alcohol and drug users to get make on their feet if willing to do so.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (Housing, Construction & Building Services)	4. The council is already doing this.	The service offers a range of housing options, and tenancy support for those experiencing substance abuse issues. This is delivered in partnership with specialist services within Social Policy.
1802	No Response	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	The increasing ageing population is going to continue at a rapid rate year on year, in order to encourage people to be more independent there will have to be a change in the culture. Are long term solutions being thought of when new council homes are being built, for example are they easier for elderly people to live in independently?	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (Housing, Construction & Building Services)	4. The council is already doing this.	Increasing the availability of good quality, affordable accommodation in West Lothian remains a key priority for WLC. Our new build programme is carefully designed to build and support mixed and thriving communities that meet the needs of all our tenants and potential tenants. This means that communities are home to people with a wide diversity of ages, families, individuals and from a range of backgrounds. This prevents people from becoming socially excluded and encourages communities that are inclusive places to live. We build properties that seek to support older people to live independently in their homes for longer, and we enable mutual exchanges and downsizing assistance for those looking to move somewhere more suitable for their needs. WLC provides purpose build supported and sheltered accommodation for older people who need more intensive support.
1803	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Support in the person's own accommodation is vital for a reason for living but it is often overlooked by the council that the best way to achieve this is not always through technology and support but rather by offering adequate housing which the Council, while making progress are still way behind on the number of wheelchair dedicated properties that are designed for wheelchair use at conception and not current stock that are adapted and often still have restricted space.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (Housing, Construction & Building Services)	4. The council is already doing this.	Increasing the availability of good quality, affordable accommodation in West Lothian remains a key priority for WLC. Our new build programme is carefully designed to build and support mixed and thriving communities that meet the needs of all our tenants and potential tenants. This means that communities are home to people with a wide diversity of ages, families, individuals and from a range of backgrounds. This prevents people from becoming socially excluded and encourages communities that are inclusive places to live. We build properties that seek to support older people to live independently in their homes for longer, and we enable mutual exchanges and downsizing assistance for those looking to move somewhere more suitable for their needs. WLC provides purpose build supported and sheltered accommodation for older people who need more intensive support. Part of the planning process of our new build programme included representatives from Disability West Lothian to ensure we factored in the needs of disabled tenants to provide accommodation that enables, and encourages fully independent living
1804	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	I work for the council as an electrician in building services. The management in charge of section like void housing are so poor in their organisational skills it is mind blowing, painters into a house before joiners or electricians, we then need to rewire a property that has been decorated? Job numbers not created in a timely manner so we have to wait to get material from the stores.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (Housing, Construction & Building Services)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Building Services will continue to review our operational performance and the workforce planning arrangements we use to deliver this to tenants to ensure we provide value for money, service improvements, and streamlining of our processes. Your feedback and suggestion will be passed to the service manager leading on this work, thank you.

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1805	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Currently homeless people who are working, can be put up in a hotel - for example - Father, Mother, 2 kids - Homeless - Father, Mother are Working - Children are taken to school in Taxi - Family receive bed, breakfast, heating, lighting, TV, Hot Water etc, etc, at NO cost. Start charging those that can pay. The balance for unpaid rent would probably cover the 73.million deficit - find a way to get this repaid.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (Housing, Construction & Building Services)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The service is currently considering a range of options for future service developments in light of the pressures on the service in terms of increased demand for accommodation, budget constraints, and the potential impact of impending welfare reforms on our processes and procedures.
1806	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	There should be a small charge for some of the frontline services we deliver . Lost rent/council tax payment cards - This might encourage people to pay bills by direct debit. This would reduce administration costs by not replacing cards free of charge.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (Housing, Construction & Building Services)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The service is currently considering a range of options for future service developments in light of the pressures on the service in terms of increased demand for accommodation, budget constraints, and the potential impact of impending welfare reforms on our processes and procedures.
1807	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	There should be a small charge for some of the frontline services we deliver - Tenants missing repair appointments to council houses.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (Housing, Construction & Building Services)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The service is currently considering a range of options for future service developments in light of the pressures on the service in terms of increased demand for accommodation, budget constraints, and the potential impact of impending welfare reforms on our processes and procedures.
1808	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	1.Look at the current working agreement within Building Services; currently work a 9 day fortnight resulting in poor service delivery each Friday and overtime being worked to back fill holidays and sickness?	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (Housing, Construction & Building Services)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Building Services will continue to review our operational performance and the workforce planning arrangements we use to deliver this to tenants to ensure we provide value for money, service improvements, and streamlining of our processes. Your feedback and suggestion will be passed to the service manager leading on this work, thank you.
1809	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	1.Look at the current working agreement within Building Services; currently work a 9 day fortnight resulting in poor service delivery each Friday and overtime being worked to back fill holidays and sickness?	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (Housing, Construction & Building Services)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Building Services will continue to review our operational performance and the workforce planning arrangements we use to deliver this to tenants to ensure we provide value for money, service improvements, and streamlining of our processes. Your feedback and suggestion will be passed to the service manager leading on this work, thank you.
1810	No Response	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	1.Look at the current working agreement within Building Services; currently work a 9 day fortnight resulting in poor service delivery each Friday and overtime being worked to back fill holidays and sickness?	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (Housing, Construction & Building Services)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Building Services will continue to review our operational performance and the workforce planning arrangements we use to deliver this to tenants to ensure we provide value for money, service improvements, and streamlining of our processes. Your feedback and suggestion will be passed to the service manager leading on this work, thank you.
1811	No Response	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	1.Look at the current working agreement within Building Services; currently work a 9 day fortnight resulting in poor service delivery each Friday and overtime being worked to back fill holidays and sickness?	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (Housing, Construction & Building Services)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Building Services will continue to review our operational performance and the workforce planning arrangements we use to deliver this to tenants to ensure we provide value for money, service improvements, and streamlining of our processes. Your feedback and suggestion will be passed to the service manager leading on this work, thank you.
1812	No Response	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	1.Look at the current working agreement within Building Services; currently work a 9 day fortnight resulting in poor service delivery each Friday and overtime being worked to back fill holidays and sickness?	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (Housing, Construction & Building Services)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Building Services will continue to review our operational performance and the workforce planning arrangements we use to deliver this to tenants to ensure we provide value for money, service improvements, and streamlining of our processes. Your feedback and suggestion will be passed to the service manager leading on this work, thank you.

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1813	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	The council keep making changes they made changes a year past in April to Community Centre taking away the Centre Co ordinators which was a vital role within a community Centre for the customer.They brought in a Servcie support officer replacing the Co ordinator and they created a post for a Team manager which Centre never had before if they take away the Team Managers and SDO post they created they would save around 2.5million over 5 years	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (Housing, Construction & Building Services)	4. The council is already doing this.	HCBS carefully monitor the performance of all aspects of our service, including customer demand and use of our services and facilities. This helps to guide improvements and offers us opportunities to modernise the way in which we deliver services to customers. This allows us to achieve better value for money.
1814	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Stop decorating and furnishing council houses.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (Housing, Construction & Building Services)	5a. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because the council is required by law to deliver this work.	Thank you for your comments. Furnishings are only provided for homeless tenants who pay a charge for this provision.
1815	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Boarded up council houses should be a priority for repair and should be rented out ASAP to increase revenue	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (Housing, Construction & Building Services)	4. The council is already doing this.	Thank you for your comments. The quick turnover of void properties are a priority for the service, occasionally large scale repairs are required before the property is of the required standard and can be re-let.
1816	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Reduction in frequency of replacement kitchens / bathrooms / windows for council tenants.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (Housing, Construction & Building Services)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
1817	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Why do Building services not work a two shift pattern, Day shift - 8-4 pm / Back shift 12 - 8pm, far too often time is wasted when a tradesman arrives at a building, to effect a repair, only to be told that the level of disruption cannot be justified during office hours that this should be carried out after office hours, which clashes as the trades persons who also only work 9 -5 pm. total luxury and misuse of trade resources	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (Housing, Construction & Building Services)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Building Services will continue to review our operational performance and the workforce planning arrangements we use to deliver this to tenants to ensure we provide value for money, service improvements, and streamlining of our processes. Your feedback and suggestion will be passed to the service manager leading on this work, thank you.
1818	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	It is good that the Council are building more homes for the elderly and it would be nice if there were more for disabled adults. They will eventually need accommodation when their parents are no longer able to provide it. Of course technology won't work for everyone and they may need permanent support.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (Housing, Construction & Building Services)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Increasing the availability of good quality, affordable accommodation in West Lothian remains a key priority for WLC. Our new build programme is carefully designed to build and support mixed and thriving communities that meet the needs of all our tenants and potential tenants. This means that communities are home to people with a wide diversity of ages, families, individuals and from a range of backgrounds. This prevents people from becoming socially excluded and encourages communities that are inclusive places to live. We build properties that seek to support older people to live independently in their homes for longer, and we enable mutual exchanges and downsizing assistance for those looking to move somewhere more suitable for their needs. WLC provides purpose build supported and sheltered accommodation for older people who need more intensive support. Part of the planning process of our new build programme included representatives from Disability West Lothian to ensure we factored in the needs of disabled tenants to provide accommodation that enables, and encourages fully independent living
1819	No Response	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Some jobs attract the work shy staff e.g. at recycling depots. What will be done to re-train them or get rid of them.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (Operational Services)	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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1820	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Don't cut time for the street cleaning /rubbish bins services - this will have significant knock on effects.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (Operational Services)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
1821	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Get rid of all supervisors chargehands etc not needed in depts and getting Â£36000 a year for sitting doing nought and jobs created for pals no on	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (Operational Services)	5d. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it has been previously considered and will not be progressed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
1822	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	More could also be done to co-ordinate work undertaken by, for example, Scottish Water, Scottish Power, Virgin Media etc. to reduce the effect on roads and pavements, causing the needs for more remedial repairs by the Council.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (Operational Services)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	the council does participate in a process to better coordinate roadworks and will review the effectiveness of this process.
1823	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	if you want to cut down on vehicle usage create neighbourhood teams stop centralising staff in offices be realistic on what you term as westlothian wide	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (Operational Services)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	the review will incorporate this suggestion.
1824	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Having undergone a restructure within Roads and Transportation within the last few years, It is evident that the restructure has not worked with certain teams required to employ contract staff due to resourcing issues. The cost to the council will be greater than employing a full time member of staff.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (Operational Services)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
1825	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Review working arrangements in Operational Services for road workers and land services operatives to address issues with overtime/bonus payments etc that should be included in standard contract terms.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (Operational Services)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. The review will incorporate this suggestion.
1826	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Get unemployed people out doing gardens picking up litter etc and working for their money instead of getting it for nothing utilise this instead of picking on the people who cannot afford extra and work hard. I also think you need to charge for things like gardening a little amount of money instead of nothing and get the unemployed to do that	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (Operational Services)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	the review will incorporate this suggestion.
1827	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	bring in cheap sub contractors as the standard of work looks cheap anyway evry road in and out of west Lothian needs repaired	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (Operational Services)	5c. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it is not consistent with the council's values and priorities.	All contractors are subject to the council's procurement process and standards. Inspections of quality of work are carried out on all contracts.
1828	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	I would like to know what you are doing with the budget, as far as I note we do not have a good service as it is. I suggest stop wasting money i.e. ground maintenance, staffing in recycling plants, speed bumps, You asked us to recycle to help the budget and meet EU regs. This we have done and now you intend you reduce this service and make us pay more.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (Operational Services)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
1829	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Also manual workers ensuring they will have weekend work for contracts but then not ensuring that work is fully completed as per agreed programme or not reporting faulty material as they risk being sent home and forfeiting a Sunday shift.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (Operational Services)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
1830	No Response	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Paths a mess long waits for repairs bin collections services reduced due to lack Of man power. We need more staff on the streets not more chiefs in the civic centre.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (Operational Services)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
1831	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Sub contracting out work to the private sector would save millions as for example where the council gardeners rate of pay is close to or above ten pounds per hour the private sector equivalent is on minimum wage. Private companies also do a far higher standard of work through fear of losing the contracts Council workers are overpaid and under worked	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (Operational Services)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comments have been noted. The review will incorporate this suggestion.

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1832	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Remove senior management from dissipation on the winter standby rota and concentrate on managing the service. We currently pay exacerbated overtime rates to senior staff carrying out standby duties that a member of staff on a lower scale could carry out.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (Operational Services)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	the review will incorporate this suggestion.
1833	No Response	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Give the binmen and the outdoor workers a pay rise!	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (Operational Services)	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
1834	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Cutting back on overtime , cutting back on vehicles and instead of four men in works vans put two in them and introduce shift patterns to cut out overtime , some cleaning operations on streets could be done by community service for crimes that have been done , introduce apprenticeships to help with the qualified	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (Operational Services)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	the review will incorporate this suggestion.
1835	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Please look at the area coordinator roles.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (Operational Services)	4. The council is already doing this.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
1836	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	You state that the Council's largest cost is labour. No doubt true. Important savings can be made by applying efficient management of Manpower in Council Services, I think its called Development Services. I draw your attention to the following which demonstrate poor and inefficient management, even to the most uninformed in mangement. 1. It is a disgrace that it takes 2 men and a vehicle to change a plastic bag in a waste bin. the immediate savings that can be made are obvious. 2. During the summer months in particular, I regularly see development Services vehicles parked in discrete locations at around 8,30 am with 2, 3 or even 4 men inside the cab reading newspapers, playing games on a phone?, or eating. I pass them regularly on foot walking to collect my newspaper. As a taxpayer I am appalled by this disgraceful "scrounging" and lack of management. Favourite places are close to the Playpark between Burghmuir Court and Sherrifs Park, and the side of the Spa shop on Springfield Court.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (Operational Services)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comments have been noted. The review will incorporate this suggestion.
1837	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Check how many workmen are sitting in vans and not working. Seems to be more all the time.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (Operational Services)	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
1838	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	I also think that there are areas that don't always work efficiently e.g. roadwork / manual workers who take paid tea breaks when that time could be better used and will effectively lose a lot of paid time to the council.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (Operational Services)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council will continue to improve effectiveness and efficiency within the existing Terms & Conditions and from any changes proposed.
1839	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Maintenance related services could be outsourced to reduce financial burdens and place more responsibility on the contract services provider.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (Operational Services)	5c. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it is not consistent with the council's values and priorities.	The council will continue to benchmark the effectiveness and efficiency of its services in line with available information.
1840	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	lower the amount of pool cars	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (Operational Services)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	This is a positive suggestion that will be considered in line with the Green Travel Strategy
1841	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Operational Services will have to radically change, with focus on reactive, small scale maintenance. Could Operational Services take on jobs for third parties to offset cuts and generate income?	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (Operational Services)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
1842	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Integration of services providing similar benefits throughout the council would make sense for example NETS & roads employees being trained in the same areas so they are interchangeable to cover absences or emergencies.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (Operational Services)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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1843	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	As both a West Lothian resident and employee, one of the biggest drains on our funds is the DLO. Their services in my opinion are vastly overpriced and not to the standard available from the private sector. There is a large push put on us to 'make best use of internal resources' but I don't feel that using them for work is the best use of resources as the work they do is generally not up to standard and has to be done more than once!	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (Operational Services)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
1844	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	What service redesign? There is no detail available. Productivity and attendance of workforce could be maximised as could the use of council equipment (see operational services gully cleaning equipped lorries that are underused). Infrastructure services such as roads and highways should be merged with other LAs for economies of scale or, if contracted to AMEY or others - based upon clear contract specs with sanctions written in for failure.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (Operational Services)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
1845	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Yes - why do grounds/roads staff appear to work every weekend and few week days?? and there are so many of them???	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (Operational Services)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Staff are rostered on shift to work Saturday mornings and some will work on Sunday where traffic sensitive work is to be completed.
1846	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	I do believe that cutting the work force is the correct answer. especially in departments like Waste, Roads & NETs. However, some forward thinking & common sense would save money.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (Operational Services)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
1847	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Not sure its the internal functions that need to be redesigned - what about looking at the efficiencies of the functions that are delivering the services themselves. Good recent example of this for me was when i was playing golf at the Balbardie 9 hole course and came across 4 of your parks attendants strimming an area of rough on the side of the 6th hole. I played the whole course and they had cleared an area of less than 10m square and also had almost a 1hr break (i know this as i watched them as a played the 5,6,7,8& 9th holes. This isn't efficient working and feels more like jobs for the boys !	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (Operational Services)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. Your comments have been passed directly to the service.
1848	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Hi Following the briefings I have receive this week I would like to raise the point/s below Given the potential severity of implications attached to saving 73m over the next 5 years could I ask if ALL non-statutory services will be identified as areas for reduction or even sacrifice to ensure the maximum protection is afforded to maintain the essential and already strained statutory services. In my own service area the example I would give is The School Crossing Patrol service I do think this service is very important and can fully understand where there is sufficient evidence of need relating to the route or traffic volumes that this service is maintained, however I don't think where we have crossing guides placed at sites which have existing 24/7 provision via a pelican or puffin crossing with a green man the service should not continue. Having both a green man and a crossing guide in the same location contravenes the ROSPA national guidelines which advises against this practice as it causes dangerous confusion for both pedestrians and drivers (do you take direction from the lights or the crossing guide) this practice should be streamlined to make savings where the duplication exists and deploy these resources to fill the vacant posts where they are need most reducing the overall number of guides and make savings wherever possible.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (Operational Services)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comments have been passed directly to the service.
1849	No Response	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	On top of this with slight investment it better plant/materials we could reduce or use or external contractors and regular repairs due to inferior products. Why not purchase our own drainage equipment(cameras, vacuums, pumps) rather than continually sending these works outwith the council.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (Operational Services)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comments have been passed directly to the service.
1850	No Response	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Generic email to the council does not work. If you have such huge email data base, why on Earth you cannot send pre-alerts that BINS WILL or WILL NOT BE collected on for example windy day. You look for savings, but NOBODY bothered to pick you food waste bins from our street and council website did not say anything, when you are going do to so, therefore our food waste bag landed in the landfill bin. Is it that difficult to provide such automated system. I can leave the bin for another day, but what if it was not emptied?	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (Operational Services)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comments have been passed directly to the service.
1851	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	What other savings can be made? What teams can be outsourced or the business functions assumed by a 3rd party? Canteen/cafe at the Civic Centre - Are these owned or managed by the Council? Do they cost money to run? If so can they be privatised? Could any subsidies be removed and the cafe run as a profit making revenue stream	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (Operational Services)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comments have been passed directly to the service.

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1852	No Response	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	The new depot and reorganisation was to happen 2011 now a smaller depot is finally nearing completion and will not produce the savings anticipated with the super depot and once all old depots are sold off there won't be any assets	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (Operational Services)	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Thank you for your response. Your comments have been passed directly to the service.
1853	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Remove shift allowances for Operational staff within Roads, NLC and Waste Services which doesn't work very well at the moment in certain areas. Stop the practice of returning to each depot well before the shift ends. Employee a few staff per service on a Thursday - Monday basis to reduce overtime costs. This would also make better use of our current fleet of vehicles. Have a bank of casual employees that can be brought in quickly when extra resources are needed at plain time rather than pay x1.5 or x2 for existing staff.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (Operational Services)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
1854	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	The area coordinator posts are a waste of money. These positions were not needed.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (Operational Services)	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
1855	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Roads are disgraceful, service cutbacks are evident in certain areas i.e. overgrown shrubbery obstructing pathways, scant gritting of routes to schools and other essential pathways, reduced landscaping, etc. Whilst at the same time, huge amounts of money were spent replacing every wheelie bin in the County!	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (Operational Services)	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
1856	No Response	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	operational services have more staff than necessary.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (Operational Services)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
1857	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	This comment applies to many sections in this document - anywhere where the words 'redesign', 'rationalisation', 'restructure' 'streamlining' are included. The saving is given but not the current spend, or the cost required to achieve the 4 million, or the time for return on investment. I am puzzled that after 10 years of cuts the service is thought to still have enough fat to achieve this saving without impact on service. There is a lot of building going on in WL. If the current funding (even with the resulting increase in council tax) is not sufficient to cater for the increased population this expansion should be stopped, or the developers charged to cover the cost.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (Planning & Economic Development)	4. The council is already doing this.	Part of the planning process and approval is to factor in developer contributions which are used to pay for increased vital council services.
1858	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	House builders should be asked to contribute more towards our services. They are having a big impact on the number of residents in the area.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (Planning & Economic Development)	4. The council is already doing this.	Part of the planning process and approval is to factor in developer contributions which are used to pay for increased vital council services.
1859	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Why have the developers not been made to contribute more to the related services?	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (Planning & Economic Development)	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	The council seeks to secure developer contributions to capital works where that work is required as a direct result of a development proposal. However, the council cannot ask developers to meet the revenue costs of running a service including internal council services.
1860	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	It is important to recognise that public perception of what is important does not always recognise services which operate and provide services which significantly benefit health and wellbeing. Food safety, air quality, water, public health, pest control etc. are all delivered for the benefit of wider community. Reducing and removing such services will increase detrimental factors to public health and our communities. Sadly it will be when things get bad, people get hurt, or worse, that people will recognise their importance.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (Planning & Economic Development)	4. The council is already doing this.	The council will continue to deliver its core responsibilities include its statutory duties and obligations. However, it is important that these duties are undertaken effectively and efficiently and any reviews will seek to ensure that this is the case.
1861	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Measures in support of commerce must surely feature highly in the council's thinking. There is a ratio between turnover in the industrial & commercial sector and the jobs that these generate. Employment means prosperity and prosperity leads to wellbeing and diminishes the need for external support from local government services thus freeing up budget for needy areas which do not benefit from the employment sector.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (Planning & Economic Development)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. It is proposed that supporting business and economic growth in West Lothian, and helping people into employment, will remain as priorities for the council in the future.

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1862	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Look for more to be done to ensure housing developers are keeping to promises for funding to local communities in which they are building - for example school buildings in Winchburgh	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (Planning & Economic Development)	4. The council is already doing this.	The council continues to require developers to meet the cost of additional infrastructure necessary to support development proposals. In some instances works may need to be forward funded by the council but the requirement for developers to meet the capital and borrowing costs will be retained.
1863	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Increase employment opportunities by having major employers locate to West Lothian	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (Planning & Economic Development)	4. The council is already doing this.	The council will continue to promote West Lothian as a place for employers to establish and grow businesses.
1864	No Response	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Generic email to the council does not work. Nobody bothered to reply to me from planning team either, so why they do not reply? Please ask them, not me.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (Planning & Economic Development)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
1865	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	In the detail provided in pages 6 to 10 there are a number of items that I will highlight upon. In general, the emphasis is on cost saving issues. However to achieve these savings, the council will need to provide funds, especially "further use of technology". For example: The new Planning Act 2017 will propose many procedures in Planning functions that will involve additional funds to implement staff training in new uses of technology, empowering the community, improved online access and communications, etc.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (Planning & Economic Development)	4. The council is already doing this.	The council will continue to support staff in order to respond to changes in procedures and priorities.
1866	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Planning services - Do we need a planning service function and if so why? European countries do not have this function and this is left to Communities to manage to a degree. Although this will involve significant behavioural and cultural change the benefits would be significant if planned and executed correctly.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (Planning & Economic Development)	5a. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because the council is required by law to deliver this work.	The requirements for a planning system in Scotland are defined by legislation. The council will, however, continue to work within the legislative framework to ensure that the legislative requirements are delivered as efficiently and effectively as possible.
1867	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	What provision is council making for ever increasing population demands with ever increasing private house developments. I commend the council for keeping your citizens involved in decision making. However it is a pointless exercise if council don't act on proposals.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (Planning & Economic Development)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council's budget model takes into account anticipated future demographic pressures.
1868	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	As a manager, I am involved in many partnership meetings, although beneficial for sharing information, there are many of us attending a lot of meetings, costing time and money. Attention should be given to streamlining and combining some of these. For example many organisations are attending a large number of Regeneration meetings, I understand the need to involve community members and organisations in the consultation and implementation process of the Community Empowerment Act and regeneration of communities, however, it is costing a lot of time and money.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (Planning & Economic Development)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The relative merits of a range of approaches to partnership working will be explored as part of the work on this proposal.
1869	An employee of West Lothian Council	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	I'd suggest that too much time and effort is spent on community planning. Nobody actually has a clue what it is or what it achieves. What does it actually deliver?	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (Planning & Economic Development)	5c. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it is not consistent with the council's values and priorities.	The council will continue to support community groups and organisations. However, support will be focused on the priority areas identified in the Transforming Your Council consultation. Support will also be focused on those groups and organisations which can demonstrate the greatest impact on the overall priorities. □
1870	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	improve job opportunities reduce those on housing benefits, rent benefits etc etc etc save money there.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (Planning & Economic Development)	4. The council is already doing this.	The council will continue to promote West Lothian as a place for businesses to locate and grow and to focus on maximising job opportunities in West Lothian.
1871	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Could use more volunteers which helps gain experience for people out of work	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (Planning & Economic Development)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The council will continue to work with third sector and voluntary groups in order to maximise the opportunities for volunteering.

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1872	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Removal of red tape to allow more community support via volunteering, raising funds, donation from developers etc for local services.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (Planning & Economic Development)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The council will continue to support community groups and organisations. This will include continuing to work with groups and organisations to explore alternative funding streams.
1873	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	The Council should at least double its aspiration for income during the financial plan period. Things to consider are: Lobby the Scottish Government for an immediate increase in planning fees, particularly for major projects, such that Development Management becomes self-funding.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (Planning & Economic Development)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The council has responded to the consultation on the review of the planning system and will continue to press for increases at every opportunity.
1874	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Bring more businesses, companies, events, festivals to the west lothian and by charging them for use of facilities etc we can create an income + the gov should help the west lothian to flourish like Edinburgh or Glasgow cities	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (Planning & Economic Development)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The council will explore options to attract new events and build upon existing events such as Party in the Palace, the annual music festival in Linlithgow
1875	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	I would ensure that Development Planning is fully resourced so that infrastructure improvements associated with growth is achieved as far as possible, while being fair and reasonable can justifiably be made with developer obligations.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (Planning & Economic Development)	4. The council is already doing this.	The level of resources in each service area will be matched to the workloads in those teams. It is likely that changes to the development planning system will be progressed through the forthcoming Planning Bill and this may impact on the work carried out in the team. Securing appropriate developer contributions will continue to be a focus of the work in Planning Services.
1876	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	Perhaps if some limits to development were put throughout West Lothian not so very much money would be needed. There is rather a spawl of development all over the place. Do we really need so much? The more roads that are built the more cars which means the more maintenance by the Council. Of course it also means more damage to the environment. What about really pushing the use of public transport? The more houses built means more people who will demand services which the Council will have to pay for. All this activity damages our natural environment - we will never get it back!! It is important to look further and at the bigger picture. It hopefully is not immediate but a rise in illness will occur with too much development ect...	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (Planning & Economic Development)	4. The council is already doing this.	As part of the council's Local Development Plan and planning process and approval all aspects of the proposed development are considered including the impact on the environment and other council services.
1877	An individual	1a. Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation	I wonder if the council could encourage private builders to build some bungalows which would be attractive to older people. I notice some have been built in "heartlands" whitburn and in Blackridge. Is some bungalows were available it would enable older residents in large houses to downsize, making more family homes available and also enable older people to prepare for perhaps care at home in the future. I am not talking about one bedroom tiny bungalows but perhaps similar to those in whitburn and blackridge which would be owner occupied- not council houses. I really feel this would enable older people to remain in their own homes rather that require to go it care homes in the future.	Service Redesign, Integration & Modernisation (Planning & Economic Development)	4. The council is already doing this.	As part of the council's Local Development Plan and planning process and approval private builders are required to build a number of different house types to cater for a variety of needs and requirements. This is also very much the case for all council built new properties as well.
1878	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Support this idea	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
1879	An employee of West Lothian Council	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	If there is duplication without benefit then this should be looked at.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
1880	No Response	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Agree to all suggested proposals	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
1881	An employee of West Lothian Council	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Supportive of this proposal.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
1882	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Great idea	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
1883	No Response	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Fine	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
1884	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	sounds reasonable	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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1885	An employee of West Lothian Council	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Agree in principle	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
1886	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Agree.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
1887	No Response	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
1888	An employee of West Lothian Council	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
1889	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Any savings are welcome.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
1890	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	I have no problems with any of this although I admit my knowledge of the current system is very limited.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
1891	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	This seems fair.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
1892	An employee of West Lothian Council	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	We have to review the service	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
1893	No Response	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	hopefully this would work and be very cost effective	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
1894	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Agree this proposal.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
1895	No Response	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Have no objection	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
1896	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	this is a very positive approach	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
1897	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	All of the above sounds reasonable and sensible.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
1898	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	If this could be achieved without any reduction in educational standards then this would be supported	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
1899	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Good if Head Teachers are also educated in finance and educational psychology.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
1900	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Giving schools more responsibility is a good idea but management workload must not be unreasonably increased.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
1901	No Response	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	music died in 1985, dont waste any more money on it	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
1902	An employee of West Lothian Council	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	This sounds reasonable to me. I believe that there is a lot of duplication of provision in many areas of council business and this should be reviewed.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
1903	An employee of West Lothian Council	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	I agree with this proposal	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
1904	An employee of West Lothian Council	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Yes agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
1905	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
1906	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
1907	No Response	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Go for it	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
1908	An employee of West Lothian Council	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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1909	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Agreed.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
1910	No Response	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Seems reasonable	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
1911	An employee of West Lothian Council	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
1912	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Agree.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
1913	An employee of West Lothian Council	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
1914	No Response	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Good.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
1915	No Response	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	i agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
1916	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
1917	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
1918	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Positive	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
1919	An employee of West Lothian Council	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Agree. Instrumental music is not a priority and should be discontinued.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
1920	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	I think this is reasonable.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
1921	No Response	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	I feel this would be a good and essential use of funding.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
1922	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	go ahead with the savings	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
1923	An employee of West Lothian Council	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Support direct service delivery	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
1924	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	I think this should be done.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
1925	An employee of West Lothian Council	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	While a cut in any service is unfortunate I think the areas identified are appropriate when the budget has to be balanced.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
1926	An employee of West Lothian Council	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	This is the right area to target	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
1927	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	This sounds a more practical, self governing way for the education system to function.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
1928	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	This proposal seems entirely achievable	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
1929	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	This sounds like a sensible approach	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
1930	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	I support this change	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
1931	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	I agree with the Council's proposals for the moment to see how they all work out. Thank you.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
1932	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	I agree that schools and head teachers should hold more direct control over funding related to attainment	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
1933	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Agree with this proposal. Musical tuition should be funded by parents	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
1934	No Response	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Agreed with giving schools more control over spending with more accountability.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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1935	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Agree , head teachers should be empowered	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
1936	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	yes a saving of 2.5 million!	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
1937	An employee of West Lothian Council	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Yes a top down approach should be examined.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
1938	No Response	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	I agree with the proposal	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
1939	An employee of West Lothian Council	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	I fully agree with this proposal, though speaking as a teacher, I believe you could go further than this.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
1940	An employee of West Lothian Council	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	great, if it doesn't effect the pupil.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
1941	An employee of West Lothian Council	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	This would appear to be a pragmatic approach to attaching savings to the education budget which, given cuts across other councils services cannot remain immune to some efficiency measures.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
1942	No Response	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	As a teacher myself I believe we are overlooked to often when it comes to the power in schools when we are the individuals who know our kids and community along with their needs. The support coming from central support are felt minimally and as a result this could be an effective way of cutting costs.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
1943	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	This makes good sense.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
1944	An employee of West Lothian Council	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	This will make head teacher jobs even more stressful and may result in higher turnover but again this seems a necessary step.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
1945	An employee of West Lothian Council	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Yes this would be a saving and i am in agreement of this.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
1946	No Response	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	I would agree with this.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
1947	An employee of West Lothian Council	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
1948	An employee of West Lothian Council	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Sounds good to me!	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
1949	No Response	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Agree with this	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
1950	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	No issue with this	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
1951	No Response	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
1952	An employee of West Lothian Council	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Agree with this	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
1953	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	ok.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
1954	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Good	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
1955	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	sounds reasonable	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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1956	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Seems to make sense	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
1957	No Response	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
1958	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Good idea	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
1959	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	I would support this.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
1960	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Good idea	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
1961	No Response	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
1962	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	I would support this	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
1963	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
1964	An employee of West Lothian Council	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
1965	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
1966	An employee of West Lothian Council	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	agree with this proposal	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
1967	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
1968	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
1969	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
1970	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	These seem sensible measures.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
1971	An employee of West Lothian Council	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Agree with all proposals.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
1972	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Seems fair enough - head teachers etc. are paid to manage - let them take the responsibility for it.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
1973	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Yes, get on with it	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
1974	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	As long as this does not effect the standard of children's education.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
1975	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Seems fair - it would be good to understand fully understand the consequences	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
1976	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	The figure of £2.5 million may sound high, but this has to be taken into account of the work carried out on improving school buildings/extensions as well as the new build for The West Calder High School. It is also very clear that the pupils of the educational services are being extremely well catered for within these proposals.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
1977	An employee of West Lothian Council	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	This should be broadly welcomed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
1978	No Response	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	I agree fully with this idea	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
1979	No Response	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
1980	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Fine	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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1981	An employee of West Lothian Council	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
1982	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Okay	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
1983	An employee of West Lothian Council	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Agree with this proposal.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
1984	An employee of West Lothian Council	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
1985	No Response	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Appropriate.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
1986	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	All ways of improving efficiency & cutting costs should be considered & implemented.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
1987	An employee of West Lothian Council	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	This sounds logical to keep education support services in schools.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
1988	No Response	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	I believe giving control to schools into how the spend their money is a good approach	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
1989	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Agreed but see above.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
1990	An employee of West Lothian Council	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Completely agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
1991	An employee of West Lothian Council	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	agree with proposal	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
1992	No Response	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Totally agree with this	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
1993	No Response	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
1994	An employee of West Lothian Council	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Agree with this.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
1995	An employee of West Lothian Council	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Seems to make sense.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
1996	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Positive	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
1997	No Response	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Fine	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
1998	An employee of West Lothian Council	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Not sure of the impact this will have but seems a practical approach.....	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
1999	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
2000	No Response	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	I agree with decentralising finances and schools having more control.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
2001	No Response	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	yes give head teachers as educational dont know what a school need they sit behind desk and have brain flash and change shool	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
2002	An employee of West Lothian Council	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Positive proposal.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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2003	No Response	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	I support this idea	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
2004	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
2005	No Response	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	I	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
2006	No Response	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Good ideas here	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
2007	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	As long as high quality service is not affected	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
2008	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Sounds good.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
2009	No Response	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Sounds reasonable.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
2010	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Idea is sound	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
2011	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Sounds reasonable - but must be balanced with education being a key priority.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
2012	An employee of West Lothian Council	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	This is essential to ensure all children achieve their full potential.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
2013	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	This makes a lot of sense and hopefully the teachers/support staff will accept the principle with open arms.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
2014	No Response	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
2015	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Agreed. Support from educational psychologist should be increased	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
2016	No Response	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	1B) Services like Educational Psychology, Speech & Language Therapy etc. should be centralised	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
2017	No Response	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	visiting music specialist provision should be scrapped altogether.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
2018	An employee of West Lothian Council	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Reduced instrumental music provision makes sense as it is a nice to have, rather than an essential.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
2019	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
2020	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
2021	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Support	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
2022	An employee of West Lothian Council	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Support	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
2023	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Strongly agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
2024	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	This should be implemented	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
2025	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Good Idea	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
2026	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
2027	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Aye, good idea, give more control to head teachers.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
2028	An employee of West Lothian Council	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Supportive in principle based on limited detailed information	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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2029	An employee of West Lothian Council	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	agreed- no comments	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
2030	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
2031	An employee of West Lothian Council	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
2032	An employee of West Lothian Council	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Agree there must be savings by reducing duplication in almost every school.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
2033	An employee of West Lothian Council	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
2034	An employee of West Lothian Council	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Strongly agree.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
2035	An employee of West Lothian Council	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
2036	An employee of West Lothian Council	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
2037	An employee of West Lothian Council	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
2038	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Sounds sensible.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
2039	An employee of West Lothian Council	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
2040	An employee of West Lothian Council	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
2041	An employee of West Lothian Council	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Ok	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
2042	An employee of West Lothian Council	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	I agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
2043	An employee of West Lothian Council	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
2044	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Agree with statement	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
2045	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
2046	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Look okay as it is possible to evaluate given the vague descriptions given in the 'Transforming Your Council'	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
2047	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Support this as it does not impact on frontline delivery	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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2048	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	I agree with the proposal.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
2049	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	We support the saving of the instrumental music service, West Lothian bands, school bands and free music tuition in schools.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
2050	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Business Support Managers are a fundamental part of the running a school. It is the Head Teacher's job to help to facilitate children's learning and support both staff and children - not managing funding.	Business support managers	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Headteachers are expected to exercise a high degree of autonomy and responsibility for all areas of school life, and increases are anticipated as part of the national governance review. The clear direction of travel nationally is for increased decision making and therefore responsibility and accountability at school level, and so national development may start to increase bureaucracy again, as tasks previously centralised are devolved.
2051	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	As long as Head Teachers don't get sole responsibility to where there funds are spent seems fair enough eg at son's school plenty of funds for PE but not for basic art supplies .	Business support managers	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Headteachers are expected to exercise a high degree of autonomy and responsibility for all areas of school life, and increases are anticipated as part of the national governance review. This reflects the freedom Headteachers have to prioritise within their own budgets.
2052	No Response	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	This is all very well if the head teachers are able to manage funding. Our local primary has playground bins to throw at people, but no books.	Business support managers	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Headteachers are expected to exercise a high degree of autonomy and responsibility for all areas of school life, and increases are anticipated as part of the national governance review. This reflects the freedom Headteachers have to prioritise within their own budgets.
2053	An employee of West Lothian Council	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Business support for schools is essential as HTs are over stretched trying to keep education viable with shortage of staff already. If they have to take on the responsibilities of business support in addition, you will lose some excellent people from the council.	Business support managers	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Headteachers are expected to exercise a high degree of autonomy and responsibility for all areas of school life, and increases are anticipated as part of the national governance review. The clear direction of travel nationally is for increased decision making and therefore responsibility and accountability at school level, and so national development may start to increase bureaucracy again, as tasks previously centralised are devolved.
2054	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Even with the present support services it is my experience that Head Teachers do not make advised decisions and it is always helpful to have officers who can arbitrate and measure quality in the decisions made before it is to late,as is the case if it has to wait on a school failing an inspection	Business support managers	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Headteachers are expected to exercise a high degree of autonomy and responsibility for all areas of school life, and increases are anticipated as part of the national governance review. The clear direction of travel nationally is for increased decision making and therefore responsibility and accountability at school level, and so national development may start to increase bureaucracy again, as tasks previously centralised are devolved.
2055	An employee of West Lothian Council	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Restructuring of management will have a harsh effect on schools especially in additional needs school where a lot of staff are already stretched to the limit and putting in over and above there hours as it is. .	Business support managers	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council must consider budget reductions across the whole range of its activities, and within all groups of staff, and prioritise appropriately..
2056	No Response	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	less business support - do schools have funding to make up for these cuts?	Business support managers	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Headteachers are expected to exercise a high degree of autonomy and responsibility for all areas of school life, and increases are anticipated as part of the national governance review.
2057	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	To ensure that children receive the best start in the ever changing technological world the long term effects of reducing the provision of business support as it could leave them lacking skills needed in the real world	Business support managers	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	The business support referred to is support for Headteachers in running their school, not curricular business studies.
2058	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Head teachers are not trained in business and should focus on education and the ethos of their school supported by specialists in business functions.	Business support managers	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Headteachers are expected to exercise a high degree of autonomy and responsibility for all areas of school life, and increases are anticipated as part of the national governance review.

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2059	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Head teachers and senior staff within the school team can be responsible for budgeting for their school, and make best use of all resources. I have witnessed a local school giving way boxes of brand new jotters at the end of term surely this money could be better spent?	Business support managers	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
2060	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Corporate structure does not require independent business support. Education/school business support should be centralised.	Business support managers	4. The council is already doing this.	Support is centralised where this is more efficient and effective. Where support is required on site, school based Area business Support Managers will be retained.
2061	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	If business support provision to schools is downgraded, how are head teachers to cope with increasing administrative and management demands?	Business support managers	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Headteachers are expected to exercise a high degree of autonomy and responsibility for all areas of school life, and increases are anticipated as part of the national governance review. The clear national direction of travel is for more decisions to be taken at school level, with the consequence that this is where responsibility will lie.
2062	An employee of West Lothian Council	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Head Teachers are that head teachers, they are not business managers, financial experts, HR Consultants or Health and Safety experts and as such they should be allowed to teach and manage teachers and improve on the "education" of the child. Already too much is expected of head teachers and teachers in general. .	Business support managers	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Headteachers are expected to exercise a high degree of autonomy and responsibility for all areas of school life, and increases are anticipated as part of the national governance review.
2063	An employee of West Lothian Council	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	d Head Teachers are not trained Financial Control experts, so it is a big assumption that they will provide sound budgets.	Business support managers	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Headteachers are expected to exercise a high degree of responsibility and autonomy, and increases are anticipated as part of the national governance review.
2064	No Response	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Business support provision and admin are central to the school community.	Business support managers	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council is committed to implementing agreed proposals without detriment to pupils. The proposals seek to reach an appropriate balance between front line and support functions, recognising the importance of each.
2065	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Get rid of "Business Support Managers" they are schools, NOT businesses!	Business support managers	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	The proposals seek to reach an appropriate balance between front line and support functions, recognising the importance of each.
2066	An employee of West Lothian Council	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	I am concerned that reduced business support will negatively impact on an already stretched school. This support is key to head teachers being able to manage the school. I can see other ways to manage quality assurance, music and other aspects but cannot foresee managing without adequate BSM support.	Business support managers	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposals to rationalise central support to schools seek to balance the important contribution of professional, support and managerial staff, all of whom make an important contribution to the service. They recognise the increased autonomy to be given to headteachers, who will have the ability to prioritise budgets to meet the individual needs of their school.
2067	An employee of West Lothian Council	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Many people do not realise that Administrative Assistants in schools generally begin work due to their children attending school and therefore the holidays and hours suit them. These people are intelligent and could easily take on a finance role within the school. This would give them a pay rise, e.g. Admin Officer instead of Admin Assistant, and alleviate the role of Area Business Support Manager (ABSM). The work of the ABSM was originally done by the school, finance division, property and Education Central. There is no reason why the finance cannot be done by the Admin Assistant, property continuing with the property area and Education Central taking on the remaining 12 secondary schools for Annual FSRAs; some of these have already been done by Education Central anyway. This would give the Council a £480,000 saving and the cost of promoting the Admin Assistant would be minimal. A rise from one grade to the next is roughly £500. Half of the ABSMs are temporary and the other half are either at retirement age or a couple of years away from it. Therefore, this post could easily go and I believe this post is funded centrally.	Business support managers	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The proposals to rationalise central support to schools seek to balance the important contribution of professional, support and managerial staff, all of whom make an important contribution to the service. They recognise the increased autonomy to be given to headteachers, who will have the ability to prioritise budgets to meet the individual needs of their school.
2068	An employee of West Lothian Council	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	The business support managers have already been reduced to work between primary and secondary schools therefore I do not feel a further reduction is feasible.	Business support managers	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposals to rationalise central support to schools seek to balance the important contribution of professional, support and managerial staff, all of whom make an important contribution to the service. They recognise the increased autonomy to be given to headteachers, who will have the ability to prioritise budgets to meet the individual needs of their school.

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2069	No Response	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Schools cannot reduce the input from current business managers following the changes made before.	Business support managers	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposals to rationalise central support to schools seek to balance the important contribution of professional, support and managerial staff, all of whom make an important contribution to the service. They recognise the increased autonomy to be given to headteachers, who will have the ability to prioritise budgets to meet the individual needs of their school.
2070	An employee of West Lothian Council	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	I think the impact of this proposal should be very carefully considered.Reducing business support and quality assurance is likely to have a much bigger impact on pupil learning overall. Head Teachers should have a clear focus on improving outcomes for pupils in order to achieve the council's key priorities. Quality assurance support is essential to achieve high standards in schools. Business support is vital to ensure Head Teachers are not spending too much of their time dealing with HR/admin/finance tasks instead of improving learning. The business requirements are unlikely to reduce so therefore, reducing support in this area will result in Head Teacher workload increasing.	Business support managers	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposals to rationalise central support to schools seek to balance the important contribution of professional, support and managerial staff, all of whom make an important contribution to the service. They recognise the increased autonomy to be given to headteachers, who will have the ability to prioritise budgets to meet the individual needs of their school.
2071	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	I feel that this devolution of power to head teachers could be beneficial to them, the students and the parents if handled properly. I fear though that the handing of responsibility may only be cosmetic and that the council or Scottish Government will seek to retain control over the basic curriculum. I feel that they must "take people along with them" if it is to be successful.	Business support managers	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The proposals to rationalise central support to schools seek to balance the important contribution of professional, support and managerial staff, all of whom make an important contribution to the service. They recognise the increased autonomy to be given to headteachers, who will have the ability to prioritise budgets to meet the individual needs of their school.
2072	An employee of West Lothian Council	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	I believe that this is the correct measure to be taken as the Head Teacher should be able to control the funding on what is best for the particular school.	Business support managers	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The proposals to rationalise central support to schools seek to balance the important contribution of professional, support and managerial staff, all of whom make an important contribution to the service. They recognise the increased autonomy to be given to headteachers, who will have the ability to prioritise budgets to meet the individual needs of their school.
2073	An employee of West Lothian Council	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	In my opinion it is a mistake to reduce business support unless head teachers are retrained. You cannot just keep condensing and reducing these crucial roles without it having a negative impact on the service.	Business support managers	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposals to rationalise central support to schools seek to balance the important contribution of professional, support and managerial staff, all of whom make an important contribution to the service. They recognise the increased autonomy to be given to headteachers, who will have the ability to prioritise budgets to meet the individual needs of their school.
2074	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	I agree with giving HTs more control over these elements,	Business support managers	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The proposals to rationalise central support to schools seek to balance the important contribution of professional, support and managerial staff, all of whom make an important contribution to the service. They recognise the increased autonomy to be given to headteachers, who will have the ability to prioritise budgets to meet the individual needs of their school.
2075	No Response	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	I agree with proposal of increasing headteachers responsibility for attainment and more direct control over funding but would suggest increasing the skills and training of school secretaries to assist headteachers thereby enabling a reduction in business support provision.	Business support managers	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The proposals to rationalise central support to schools seek to balance the important contribution of professional, support and managerial staff, all of whom make an important contribution to the service. They recognise the increased autonomy to be given to headteachers, who will have the ability to prioritise budgets to meet the individual needs of their school.
2076	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Give Head Teachers full budgetary controls and remove the centralised control of education.	Business support managers	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The proposals to rationalise central support to schools seek to balance the important contribution of professional, support and managerial staff, all of whom make an important contribution to the service. They recognise the increased autonomy to be given to headteachers, who will have the ability to prioritise budgets to meet the individual needs of their school.

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2077	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Give Head Teachers full budgetary controls and remove the centralised control of education.	Business support managers	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The proposals to rationalise central support to schools seek to balance the important contribution of professional, support and managerial staff, all of whom make an important contribution to the service. They recognise the increased autonomy to be given to headteachers, who will have the ability to prioritise budgets to meet the individual needs of their school.
2078	An employee of West Lothian Council	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Head teachers are not business graduates and I believe the role of business support would be vital in guiding head teachers in managing school funding effectively. Education services are already very thin on the ground! We cannot fill the staff vacancies we have in schools and resource stocks are abismal. Teaching staff are already spending their own money to provide resources for the children they teach.	Business support managers	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The proposals to rationalise central support to schools seek to balance the important contribution of professional, support and managerial staff, all of whom make an important contribution to the service. They recognise the increased autonomy to be given to headteachers, who will have the ability to prioritise budgets to meet the individual needs of their school.
2079	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	I dont believe Head Teachers should be in charge of Budgets. There choosen profession is to teach not to juggle figures, Surely a better use of the Head Teachers time would be the educational performance of the school and a Business manager with experience in this area would make sure money is spent correctly	Business support managers	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The proposals to rationalise central support to schools seek to balance the important contribution of professional, support and managerial staff, all of whom make an important contribution to the service. They recognise the increased autonomy to be given to headteachers, who will have the ability to prioritise budgets to meet the individual needs of their school.
2080	No Response	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	This will have to be managed extremely carefully - business support is crucial to schools. West Lothian already has significantly less time than other authorities. Educational Psychology is already stretched thin.	Business support managers	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposals to rationalise central support to schools seek to balance the important contribution of professional, support and managerial staff, all of whom make an important contribution to the service. They recognise the increased autonomy to be given to headteachers, who will have the ability to prioritise budgets to meet the individual needs of their school.
2081	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	The team at the council are stretched too thin as it is reducing it further may be a saving but will cost more in terms of meeting outcomes and stretch aims	Business support managers	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposals to rationalise central support to schools seek to balance the important contribution of professional, support and managerial staff, all of whom make an important contribution to the service. They recognise the increased autonomy to be given to headteachers, who will have the ability to prioritise budgets to meet the individual needs of their school.
2082	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	I DO believe a particular school should have more autonomy over it's own particular needs .....depending on the community it serves.	Business support managers	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The proposals to rationalise central support to schools seek to balance the important contribution of professional, support and managerial staff, all of whom make an important contribution to the service. They recognise the increased autonomy to be given to headteachers, who will have the ability to prioritise budgets to meet the individual needs of their school.
2083	No Response	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Reducing business support could impact negatively on the day to day workings of schools.	Business support managers	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposals to rationalise central support to schools seek to balance the important contribution of professional, support and managerial staff, all of whom make an important contribution to the service. They recognise the increased autonomy to be given to headteachers, who will have the ability to prioritise budgets to meet the individual needs of their school.
2084	No Response	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Fail to see how business support sevicees and quality assurance etc etc impact positively on schools. Surely you want to maximise quality teachers delivering education to pupils and minimise central bureaucracy and admin.	Business support managers	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The proposals to rationalise central support to schools seek to balance the important contribution of professional, support and managerial staff, all of whom make an important contribution to the service. They recognise the increased autonomy to be given to headteachers, who will have the ability to prioritise budgets to meet the individual needs of their school.

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2085	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	By stripping back the support that individuals such as business support managers, support assistants and the instrumental service will be devastating to schools who are already having to cope with a strain on their resources. The reduction of active school co-ordinators will also be detrimental to the culture and opportunities children receive at school.	Business support managers	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposals to rationalise central support to schools seek to balance the important contribution of professional, support and managerial staff, all of whom make an important contribution to the service. They recognise the increased autonomy to be given to headteachers, who will have the ability to prioritise budgets to meet the individual needs of their school.
2086	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	This can be a double edge sword! A Head teacher job is to run the school, teachers job is to teach. Reducing business support provision means they now have to make business decision that these Head teachers are not necessarily best suited for. I expect the head teacher to spend time running the school and making it better, not spend time learning computer hardware technology because suddenly they have to decide which computer they should buy for the student or spend time learning about financial pitfalls they could fall fool off because the business support that use to make these decision for them is now gone. Yes they should have flexibility on how they run their school but some aspect should be left with specialists in their field. Head teachers should be given business support from procurement specialist, IT specialist . . . etc They can't be expected to know all these things. Head teachers job is to run the school! Teachers job is to teach!	Business support managers	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposals to rationalise central support to schools seek to balance the important contribution of professional, support and managerial staff, all of whom make an important contribution to the service. They recognise the increased autonomy to be given to headteachers, who will have the ability to prioritise budgets to meet the individual needs of their school.
2087	An employee of West Lothian Council	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	I think Head Teachers have enough responsibility and need the support of Business Managers to help over the numerous financial and HR issues that occur in schools. Although there have been new systems in place in school for the collections of money etc it has resulted in duplication of tasks within the administration of the office. I would hope that any new infrastructure would take into account the demographics of the area as not all parents are able to access information online.	Business support managers	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposals to rationalise central support to schools seek to balance the important contribution of professional, support and managerial staff, all of whom make an important contribution to the service. They recognise the increased autonomy to be given to headteachers, who will have the ability to prioritise budgets to meet the individual needs of their school.
2088	An employee of West Lothian Council	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Head teachers should still be supported with business support to allow them to focus on core teaching and learning.	Business support managers	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposals to rationalise central support to schools seek to balance the important contribution of professional, support and managerial staff, all of whom make an important contribution to the service. They recognise the increased autonomy to be given to headteachers, who will have the ability to prioritise budgets to meet the individual needs of their school.
2089	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	I see this could prove beneficial, I believe the size of school & context should also be given consideration. Working in a school with over 700 pupils, over 50 staff & having no BSM available is extremely challenging (the position is currently a vacancy). In times where there is a national shortage of teachers, leaders in schools are already filling that absence gap on top of their increasing remits giving them less & less time to focus on the expectations of competing demands such as HR, responsible person duties, learning & teaching, curriculum, raising attainment etc. We must try to get a careful balance if this is to have a positive impact without creating a negative one on staff & pupils.	Business support managers	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The proposals to rationalise central support to schools seek to balance the important contribution of professional, support and managerial staff, all of whom make an important contribution to the service. They recognise the increased autonomy to be given to headteachers, who will have the ability to prioritise budgets to meet the individual needs of their school.
2090	An employee of West Lothian Council	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	I would express concern about Head Teachers having a reduced amount of business support. Head Teachers are rightly trained in education - not in buildings management, financial management or other business affairs. They already juggle a very varied, intense and complex workload with an already large amount of responsibility.	Business support managers	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposals to rationalise central support to schools seek to balance the important contribution of professional, support and managerial staff, all of whom make an important contribution to the service. They recognise the increased autonomy to be given to headteachers, who will have the ability to prioritise budgets to meet the individual needs of their school.
2091	An employee of West Lothian Council	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Business support provision to schools has already been slashed, can it really be cut further? The original aim of the business manager function was to manage all non teaching functions to allow head teachers to focus on learning and teaching and raising attainment. Surely this proposal is going to add to head teachers workload and risks taking focus away from raising attainment, positive destinations and so on.	Business support managers	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposals to rationalise central support to schools seek to balance the important contribution of professional, support and managerial staff, all of whom make an important contribution to the service. They recognise the increased autonomy to be given to headteachers, who will have the ability to prioritise budgets to meet the individual needs of their school.

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2092	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Reducing levels of service here do not seem sensible. There is already a skeletal level of staff within schools with little to no support for teachers. This is at a time where there is an increased number of children with additional educational learning needs and additional support needs.	Business support managers	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposals to rationalise central support to schools seek to balance the important contribution of professional, support and managerial staff, all of whom make an important contribution to the service. They recognise the increased autonomy to be given to headteachers, who will have the ability to prioritise budgets to meet the individual needs of their school.
2093	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Head teachers are not necessarily business focused. Their focus is on the development of the children in the schools.	Business support managers	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposals to rationalise central support to schools seek to balance the important contribution of professional, support and managerial staff, all of whom make an important contribution to the service. They recognise the increased autonomy to be given to headteachers, who will have the ability to prioritise budgets to meet the individual needs of their school.
2094	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Would there be the strategic and operational expertise left in the council to advise and support schools?	Business support managers	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposals to rationalise central support to schools seek to balance the important contribution of professional, support and managerial staff, all of whom make an important contribution to the service. They recognise the increased autonomy to be given to headteachers, who will have the ability to prioritise budgets to meet the individual needs of their school.
2095	An employee of West Lothian Council	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Surely having a specialised business manager for the authority who supports all schools is more efficient and would allow HTs the opportunity to get on with managing their school/staff/pupils rather than balancing accounts and budgets.	Business support managers	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposals to rationalise central support to schools seek to balance the important contribution of professional, support and managerial staff, all of whom make an important contribution to the service. They recognise the increased autonomy to be given to headteachers, who will have the ability to prioritise budgets to meet the individual needs of their school.
2096	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	I think that savings can definitely be made in terms of business support.	Business support managers	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The proposals to rationalise central support to schools seek to balance the important contribution of professional, support and managerial staff, all of whom make an important contribution to the service. They recognise the increased autonomy to be given to headteachers, who will have the ability to prioritise budgets to meet the individual needs of their school.
2097	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Some aspects of this proposal are sound, giving Head Teachers more responsibility for their schools performance is a good point as long as there is support still provided.services.	Business support managers	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposals to rationalise central support to schools seek to balance the important contribution of professional, support and managerial staff, all of whom make an important contribution to the service. They recognise the increased autonomy to be given to headteachers, who will have the ability to prioritise budgets to meet the individual needs of their school.
2098	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Headteachers have an enormous amount of areas to cover and I feel any reduction in business support would be detrimental.	Business support managers	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposals to rationalise central support to schools seek to balance the important contribution of professional, support and managerial staff, all of whom make an important contribution to the service. They recognise the increased autonomy to be given to headteachers, who will have the ability to prioritise budgets to meet the individual needs of their school.
2099	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Giving Head Teachers more responsibility for budgets is a good idea but it does involve additional pressures on what is already a very high pressured job. A lot of HD are educationalists and have reached the position of Head Teacher as they excel in this area. The new developments are increasing the strategic pressure on HTs and the reduction in the support for these areas provided by the council will only surely increase the pressure on HT Teachers.	Business support managers	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposals to rationalise central support to schools seek to balance the important contribution of professional, support and managerial staff, all of whom make an important contribution to the service. They recognise the increased autonomy to be given to headteachers, who will have the ability to prioritise budgets to meet the individual needs of their school.

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2100	An employee of West Lothian Council	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	This would mean that less central management would be required but the existing budgets should, at least, be ring-fenced if the services are to be devolved.	Business support managers	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The proposals to rationalise central support to schools seek to balance the important contribution of professional, support and managerial staff, all of whom make an important contribution to the service. They recognise the increased autonomy to be given to headteachers, who will have the ability to prioritise budgets to meet the individual needs of their school.
2101	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Head teachers are best place to make decision regarding the children in their care, as they have the required knowledge of the local area and community, and will know how to make best use of the resources available to them to achieve the best possible outcomes for their pupils.	Business support managers	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The proposals to rationalise central support to schools seek to balance the important contribution of professional, support and managerial staff, all of whom make an important contribution to the service. They recognise the increased autonomy to be given to headteachers, who will have the ability to prioritise budgets to meet the individual needs of their school.
2102	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Head teachers having more responsibility is a good thing, with central advisory services available to them.	Business support managers	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The proposals to rationalise central support to schools seek to balance the important contribution of professional, support and managerial staff, all of whom make an important contribution to the service. They recognise the increased autonomy to be given to headteachers, who will have the ability to prioritise budgets to meet the individual needs of their school.
2103	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	DSM should include all school costs - to make schools financially accountable	Business support managers	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The proposals to rationalise central support to schools seek to balance the important contribution of professional, support and managerial staff, all of whom make an important contribution to the service. They recognise the increased autonomy to be given to headteachers, who will have the ability to prioritise budgets to meet the individual needs of their school.
2104	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	We would suggest increasing the skills and training of school secretaries to assist headteachers thereby enabling a reduction in business support provision.	Business support managers	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The proposals to rationalise central support to schools seek to balance the important contribution of professional, support and managerial staff, all of whom make an important contribution to the service. They recognise the increased autonomy to be given to headteachers, who will have the ability to prioritise budgets to meet the individual needs of their school.
2105	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Head Teachers should be free to deal with educational not business funding issues.	Business support managers	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposals to rationalise central support to schools seek to balance the important contribution of professional, support and managerial staff, all of whom make an important contribution to the service. They recognise the increased autonomy to be given to headteachers, who will have the ability to prioritise budgets to meet the individual needs of their school.
2106	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	I would agree that such services as business support could be reduced, however head teachers could not be asked to shoulder the responsibility of managing the duties of business support. In my view this would entail additional administrators.	Business support managers	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council is committed to implementing agreed proposals without detriment to pupils. The proposals seek to reach an appropriate balance between front line and support functions, recognising the importance of each. Headteachers are expected to exercise a high degree of responsibility and autonomy, and increases are anticipated as part of the national governance review.

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2107	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	School business managers are needed.	Business support managers	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council is committed to implementing agreed proposals without detriment to pupils. The proposals seek to reach an appropriate balance between front line and support functions, recognising the importance of each. Headteachers are expected to exercise a high degree of responsibility and autonomy, and increases are anticipated as part of the national governance review.
2108	No Response	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Suggest advisors numbers be looked at as well	Business support managers	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	The proposals focus on all areas of support to schools.
2109	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	I would suggest the following to be considered.; 1.Pupil Equity Funding (PEF) monies allocated for each education establishment is put into the DSM school budgets under a separate subjective/cost centre as this will reduce administrative costs/time for schools and administrative costs in the Civic Centre as the schools business support could undertake this task.	Business support managers	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Rules for the administration of PEF funding are set by national government.
2110	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	I feel that Head Teachers vitally need the support of a Business Support Manager. They need the expertise and knowledge of the BSM to help them to run an efficient, cost effective, safe school. With a reduced provision Head Teachers will have to spend a great deal of their time engaged in administration duties taking them away from being leaders of the delivery of curriculum in their schools.	Business support managers	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council is committed to implementing agreed proposals without detriment to pupils. The proposals seek to reach an appropriate balance between front line and support functions, recognising the importance of each. Headteachers are expected to exercise a high degree of responsibility and autonomy, and increases are anticipated as part of the national governance review.
2111	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	HTs are not business managers or accountants. They are being stretched beyond an acceptable level of expertise.	Business support managers	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council is committed to implementing agreed proposals without detriment to pupils. The proposals seek to reach an appropriate balance between front line and support functions, recognising the importance of each. Headteachers are expected to exercise a high degree of responsibility and autonomy, and increases are anticipated as part of the national governance review.
2112	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	The lack of business support contract for head teachers also concerns me. Head teachers are surely teachers first, not business managers. I appreciate that it is important for heads to have more say in how their budget is spent, but only with support and advice from a BSM.	Business support managers	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council is committed to implementing agreed proposals without detriment to pupils. The proposals seek to reach an appropriate balance between front line and support functions, recognising the importance of each. Headteachers are expected to exercise a high degree of responsibility and autonomy, and increases are anticipated as part of the national governance review.
2113	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	All seems reasonable providing music provision does not suffer unduly.	Business support managers	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
2114	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Cut the management structure and have a business person oversee the money etc side of a school and have a head in charge of the staffing and pupils. This would reduce the need for DHT and PT in the roles and being non-teaching. I think PT should all be teaching at least four days a week rather than some schools having an HT a DHT and PT all non-teaching. Surely this would save money and allow arts to be funded and mental health.	Business support managers	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Headteachers will shortly have more powers to set their own management structure, as a result of the current Governance Review, and will be able to consider this suggestion on a school by school basis.

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2115	An employee of West Lothian Council	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	I would question the reduction of business support provision to schools. This is a necessary part of the schools support network and in an increasingly complex financial environment, robust and knowledgeable information and guidance around budgeting is essential, especially if the aim is to embed touch wide reaching and essential resources as indicated above in schools. HTs and school leaders require guidance in best use of finance as it becomes increasingly more devolved.	Business support managers	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council is committed to implementing agreed proposals without detriment to pupils. The proposals seek to reach an appropriate balance between front line and support functions, recognising the importance of each. Headteachers are expected to exercise a high degree of responsibility and autonomy, and increases are anticipated as part of the national governance review.
2116	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	This is crazy. Reducing business support is a short term saving long term loss.	Business support managers	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council is committed to implementing agreed proposals without detriment to pupils. The proposals seek to reach an appropriate balance between front line and support functions, recognising the importance of each. Headteachers are expected to exercise a high degree of responsibility and autonomy, and increases are anticipated as part of the national governance review.
2117	An employee of West Lothian Council	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	My concern would be that head teachers are not business managers and few if any come from a business background. I would also be concerned of how money would be spent with head teachers giving priority to different areas. Would children in more deprived areas then be provided with less opportunities than kids the more affluent areas?	Business support managers	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council is committed to implementing agreed proposals without detriment to pupils. The proposals seek to reach an appropriate balance between front line and support functions, recognising the importance of each. Headteachers are expected to exercise a high degree of responsibility and autonomy, and increases are anticipated as part of the national governance review.
2118	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Agree there needs to be an overview for Schools and Teachers and especially surrounding the volume of paperwork they need to complete on a day to day basis. Rather than dedicating time to the pupils and teaching	Business support managers	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council is committed to implementing agreed proposals without detriment to pupils. The proposals seek to reach an appropriate balance between front line and support functions, recognising the importance of each. Headteachers are expected to exercise a high degree of responsibility and autonomy, and increases are anticipated as part of the national governance review.
2119	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Head Teachers should not have more control over funding. Most Head Teachers started their careers as teachers not accountants and not all are good with finances in fact I think they have more control on funding than they should have at present. Schools really need a business support function to help them.	Business support managers	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council is committed to implementing agreed proposals without detriment to pupils. The proposals seek to reach an appropriate balance between front line and support functions, recognising the importance of each. Headteachers are expected to exercise a high degree of responsibility and autonomy, and increases are anticipated as part of the national governance review.
2120	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Reducing business support provision? Why would we do that? Setting our young people up to fail in a world where even a basic knowledge of business is critical to their success.	Business support managers	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	The proposal is not about 'business education' which will be unaffected by the proposal.
2121	An employee of West Lothian Council	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	The focus of Head Teachers over recent years has shifted from solely on Education to finance, compliance, legal responsibilities etc. so taking Business Support away from the Head Teachers will put additional pressure on them. I would suspect this will need to be counteracted with support below the Head Teacher so that deputy staff can assist them with the increased responsibilities. Again i'm not sure this will provide savings but will just be shifting the cost elsewhere and are the Head Teachers and support staff qualified enough to deal with the same responsibilities as the Business Support Managers?	Business support managers	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council is committed to implementing agreed proposals without detriment to pupils. The proposals seek to reach an appropriate balance between front line and support functions, recognising the importance of each. Headteachers are expected to exercise a high degree of responsibility and autonomy, and increases are anticipated as part of the national governance review.

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2122	An employee of West Lothian Council	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	As long as support services do not go in favour of teaching/education resources.	Business support managers	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council is committed to implementing agreed proposals without detriment to pupils. The proposals seek to reach an appropriate balance between front line and support functions, recognising the importance of each. Headteachers are expected to exercise a high degree of responsibility and autonomy, and increases are anticipated as part of the national governance review.
2123	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	I think business support is necessary for Head teachers as they should be concentrating on quality of teaching and learning	Business support managers	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council is committed to implementing agreed proposals without detriment to pupils. The proposals seek to reach an appropriate balance between front line and support functions, recognising the importance of each. Headteachers are expected to exercise a high degree of responsibility and autonomy, and increases are anticipated as part of the national governance review.
2124	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	I do not agree with a reduction in business support. Teachers are already over worked and teaching across Scotland is poor.	Business support managers	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council is committed to implementing agreed proposals without detriment to pupils. The proposals seek to reach an appropriate balance between front line and support functions, recognising the importance of each. Headteachers are expected to exercise a high degree of responsibility and autonomy, and increases are anticipated as part of the national governance review.
2125	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	The reduction in business support provision will mean Head Teachers having to play a greater administrative role coupled with the possibility of their own admin staff reductions.	Business support managers	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposals to rationalise central support to schools seek to balance the important contribution of professional, support and managerial staff, all of whom make an important contribution to the service. They recognise the increased autonomy to be given to headteachers, who will have the ability to prioritise budgets to meet the individual needs of their school.
2126	An employee of West Lothian Council	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	business support to schools at present is very limited, referrals to psychology takes along time .	Business support managers	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	The proposals to rationalise central support to schools seek to balance the important contribution of professional, support and managerial staff, all of whom make an important contribution to the service. They recognise the increased autonomy to be given to headteachers, who will have the ability to prioritise budgets to meet the individual needs of their school.
2127	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	I understand there may be some benefit to giving Head Teacher's more responsibility, control and freedom, however I feel there is a real danger that they will be asked to increase their work load and to manage more, while at the same time their budget and resources are cut. This will actually limit their decision making re staff and spending rather than increasing their freedom to make decisions. In a way, passing the difficult decisions to Headteachers while their hands are tied, and increasing their stress and workload at the same time. I would be very concerned on the health implications to already overworked and stressed staff.	Business support managers	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The changes to Devolved School Management will increase the autonomy of Headteachers and teachers to make decisions at a local level to benefit pupils in their school. The Council is still responsible for providing support services.
2128	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Head Teachers and staff are already dealing with heavy workloads and excess paperwork. Schools are not businesses and priority should be to learning and teaching.	Business support managers	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The changes to Devolved School Management will increase the autonomy of Headteachers and teachers to make decisions at a local level to benefit pupils in their school. The Council is still responsible for providing support services.
2129	An employee of West Lothian Council	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	1b: Business support to schools ensures that Headteachers are supported with aspects of the role that they are not experts in, financial management and health and safety etc. The BSM's link with the centre and ensure that policy is consistently applied in schools. There has already been a reduction in BSM support and our school senior management teams are already very lean. It would be detrimental to schools to take this support away, as Headteachers would be unsupported to deal with the issues, and would spend less time focusing on learning and teaching.	Business support managers	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The changes to Devolved School Management will increase the autonomy of Headteachers and teachers to make decisions at a local level to benefit pupils in their school. The Council is still responsible for providing support services.

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2130	No Response	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	My concern is who supervises how these head teachers spend their funding and some head teachers may favour one subject over another creating an unfair system.	Business support managers	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Education Bill proposes giving Headteachers this greater autonomy.
2131	No Response	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	There needs to be co-ordination between schools to ensure that they are not all spending money individually which could be more expensive than doing joint work. With regards to the music provision - maybe there could be a charge for people who are able to pay with subsidies for those who are not able but still ant the opportunity to learn a musical instrument. Also this needs to be phased in as it would be unfair for those who have already started.	Business support managers	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Collaboration between schools will continue and grow. Charging for music tuition could be examined.
2132	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	A reduction in central business support provision is likley to impact on the BSM staff in schools.	Business support managers	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposals to rationalise central support to schools seek to balance the important contribution of professional, support and managerial staff, all of whom make an important contribution to the service. They recognise the increased autonomy to be given to headteachers, who will have the ability to prioritise budgets to meet the individual needs of their school.
2133	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Plans will need to be put into place that take account of the physical capacity of BSMs to take on any additional duties.	Business support managers	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposals to rationalise central support to schools seek to balance the important contribution of professional, support and managerial staff, all of whom make an important contribution to the service. They recognise the increased autonomy to be given to headteachers, who will have the ability to prioritise budgets to meet the individual needs of their school.
2134	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	These staff currently have a number of primary schools along with the secondary school and a concern would be that the job becomes too large to be carried out effectively.	Business support managers	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposals to rationalise central support to schools seek to balance the important contribution of professional, support and managerial staff, all of whom make an important contribution to the service. They recognise the increased autonomy to be given to headteachers, who will have the ability to prioritise budgets to meet the individual needs of their school.
2135	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	If head teachers are expected to have more direct control over their finances, is there not a greater need for Business Support managers to be there to support the HTs.	Business support managers	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposals to rationalise central support to schools seek to balance the important contribution of professional, support and managerial staff, all of whom make an important contribution to the service. They recognise the increased autonomy to be given to headteachers, who will have the ability to prioritise budgets to meet the individual needs of their school.
2136	An employee of West Lothian Council	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	I think that increasing the level of direct control head teachers have on their own budgets is a good thing. Retaining business support for schools with this in mind is crucial though.	Business support managers	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
2137	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Schools are at the heart of communities. centralisation should only be implemented when necessary and appropriate. Business support will be come even more important with further devolved management to head teachers.	Business support managers	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposals are for decentralisation of functions rather than greater centralisation.
2138	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Head teachers are not Business Managers they are over work already. Hence the difficulty recruiting heads.m	Business support managers	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The changes to Devolved School Management will increase the autonomy of Headteachers and teachers to make decisions at a local level to benefit pupils in their school. The Council is still responsible for providing support services.
2139	No Response	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Head Teachers are not trained to control huge budgets the council should keep control, you are also proposing doing away with business managers Head teachers are over worked at present without more responsibility (that's why we can't recruit Heads)	Business support managers	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposals to rationalise central support to schools seek to balance the important contribution of professional, support and managerial staff, all of whom make an important contribution to the service. They recognise the increased autonomy to be given to headteachers, who will have the ability to prioritise budgets to meet the individual needs of their school.

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2140	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Are business managers really necessary?	Business support managers	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The proposals to rationalise central support to schools seek to balance the important contribution of professional, support and managerial staff, all of whom make an important contribution to the service. They recognise the increased autonomy to be given to headteachers, who will have the ability to prioritise budgets to meet the individual needs of their school.
2141	An employee of West Lothian Council	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	This should the reduce the number of 'business support' roles that are performed by centralised teams closer to the area of need.	Business support managers	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The proposals to rationalise central support to schools seek to balance the important contribution of professional, support and managerial staff, all of whom make an important contribution to the service. They recognise the increased autonomy to be given to headteachers, who will have the ability to prioritise budgets to meet the individual needs of their school.
2142	No Response	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	the business support resource in school is important.	Business support managers	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposals to rationalise central support to schools seek to balance the important contribution of professional, support and managerial staff, all of whom make an important contribution to the service. They recognise the increased autonomy to be given to headteachers, who will have the ability to prioritise budgets to meet the individual needs of their school.
2143	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Adding managers into the processes (eg "business support, qa) just adds to the cost, and adds no ultimate value to a child's education	Business support managers	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposals to rationalise central support to schools seek to balance the important contribution of professional, support and managerial staff, all of whom make an important contribution to the service. They recognise the increased autonomy to be given to headteachers, who will have the ability to prioritise budgets to meet the individual needs of their school.
2144	No Response	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Staff in schools - both teaching and non-teaching are already over-worked and massively under appreciated. Reducing the services that are provided to school will place an even bigger burden on our staff, leading to an even bigger workload, pressure and could ultimately end up in endangering health and wellbeing. Staff seem to be the least of the council's worries.	Business support managers	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposals to rationalise central support to schools seek to balance the important contribution of professional, support and managerial staff, all of whom make an important contribution to the service. They recognise the increased autonomy to be given to headteachers, who will have the ability to prioritise budgets to meet the individual needs of their school.
2145	No Response	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Business support services and admin support should be increased not 'restructured'. Instrumental programme provides fantastic opportunities for pupils from all backgrounds to succeed, achieve and learn invaluable skills for life, learning and work	Business support managers	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposals to rationalise central support to schools seek to balance the important contribution of professional, support and managerial staff, all of whom make an important contribution to the service. They recognise the increased autonomy to be given to headteachers, who will have the ability to prioritise budgets to meet the individual needs of their school. All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
2146	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Funding for schools is essential and central services such as music and sports services are an excellent use of resources. Reducing funding to these would be tragic and deplete an already poor schools provision across west lothian.	Business support managers	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Pupils will continue to receive art, PE and music through the curriculum for excellence.

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2147	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	You must make sure that HTs are provided with appropriate business support so they can focus on improving L&T rather than deals big with admin issues.	Business support managers	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposals to rationalise central support to schools seek to balance the important contribution of professional, support and managerial staff, all of whom make an important contribution to the service. They recognise the increased autonomy to be given to headteachers, who will have the ability to prioritise budgets to meet the individual needs of their school.
2148	An employee of West Lothian Council	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	I think this would be a good idea as personally the use of financial / business support managers in schools for example are not really beneficial to staff members / the wider public	Business support managers	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
2149	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Head teachers need to ensure their school has the required nurture/support for learning roles and not cut the key roles to support teachers do their job of educating children.	Business support managers	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The changes to Devolved School Management will increase the autonomy of Headteachers and teachers to make decisions at a local level to benefit pupils in their school.
2150	An employee of West Lothian Council	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	we need teachers not resources	Changes to teaching and administrative activities	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	The meaning of this comment is not clear as teachers are resources.
2151	An employee of West Lothian Council	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	see above as it would not make sense if the best use was not made of teaching staff including head teachers if they are then required to spend time on administration tasks which could more efficiently be undertaken by others at a lower cost	Changes to teaching and administrative activities	4. The council is already doing this.	Headteachers are expected to exercise a high degree of autonomy, and increases are anticipated as part of the national governance review.
2152	An employee of West Lothian Council	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	this would appear to mean an increase in the responsibilities / work load of head teachers - is this sustainable given the current demands on them	Changes to teaching and administrative activities	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Headteachers are expected to exercise a high degree of responsibility and autonomy, and increases are anticipated as part of the national governance review.
2153	An employee of West Lothian Council	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	I think too much work replication should be reduced.	Changes to teaching and administrative activities	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	The meaning of this comment is not clear.
2154	No Response	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Priorities need to be in teaching reading, writing and arithmetic. Ensuring all children are provided with the same level of teaching.	Changes to teaching and administrative activities	4. The council is already doing this.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
2155	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	also issues with retaining quality teachers for some areas.	Changes to teaching and administrative activities	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	The proposals do not impact on the retention of teachers.
2156	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	. One area where the Council could streamline provision is integrating some specialist courses at high school. For example a language teacher for Italian could be used to cover multiple schools. It would mean that timetables may need to be adjusted to accommodate the travelling teachers schedule.	Changes to teaching and administrative activities	4. The council is already doing this.	Thanks you for comment. Your feedback has been noted. This reflects the current 'campus model'.
2157	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Each school produces its own lesson plan and timetable etc. which takes up significant staff time. Surely a maths lesson in one school should be the same as a maths lesson in another and the preparation of these could be rationalised across all schools and in doing so improve both efficiency and consistency at the same time. Do we have too many schools?	Changes to teaching and administrative activities	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	This comment reflects council practice in relation to collaboration between schools. The proposals do not contain any plan to reduce the number of schools.
2158	An employee of West Lothian Council	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Again, these measures will add pressures to the HT and school management remits. People are already working way beyond their contracted hours trying to keep schools open.	Changes to teaching and administrative activities	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Headteachers are expected to exercise a high degree of autonomy, and increases are anticipated as part of the national governance review.
2159	An employee of West Lothian Council	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Again, this sounds reasonable to me. As I stated above, I believe that there is a lot of duplication of provision in may areas of council business and this should be reviewed.	Changes to teaching and administrative activities	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
2160	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	This is relevant to the previous point. Schools need sufficient staff to do a good job. A head teacher who has responsibility for more than one school cannot be expected to do as good job as one who has one school in his/her care. The same can be said of posts in other areas .	Changes to teaching and administrative activities	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Headteachers are expected to exercise a high degree of autonomy, and increases are anticipated as part of the national governance review. The Council intends to implement the proposals whilst focusing on key priorities for pupils, parents/carers and staff.

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2161	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	I refer to my answers to the previous questions. Schools need sufficient staff to do a good job. A head teacher who has responsibility for more than one school cannot be expected to do as good job as one who has one school in his/her care. The same can be said of posts in other areas .	Changes to teaching and administrative activities	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All but three nurseries are already managed by primary HTs. This arrangement ensures continuity of the 3-18 curriculum and eases transition from nursery to primary.
2162	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Essentially this will mean spreading staffing over more functions which will cause less efficiency in the long run	Changes to teaching and administrative activities	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposals are designed to increase efficiency.
2163	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	I would be concerned that Headteachers would not have the support they currently have which is needed to run their schools and as a result even more of their time would be taken away from their core role which is to lead, and ensure, high quality learning and teaching.	Changes to teaching and administrative activities	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council will continue to produce and deliver a statutory Community Learning and Development plan, with delivery increasingly through the learning communities based on non-denominational school catchment areas, and greater partnership between schools and the third sector. This will ensure maximum co-ordination between school education and youth services.
2164	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	This proposal seems to be covering a range of suggestions! Perhaps deliberately? Head teachers should be focussing more on the quality of teaching and not obsessing about budgets and telling pupils what can and can't be afforded!	Changes to teaching and administrative activities	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Headteachers are expected to exercise a high degree of autonomy, and increases are anticipated as part of the national governance review.
2165	An employee of West Lothian Council	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Give no head teachers more space for the budget is a good idea as they know best where the money is needed to be spent in their school.	Changes to teaching and administrative activities	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Headteachers are expected to exercise a high degree of autonomy, and increases are anticipated as part of the national governance review.
2166	No Response	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Head teacher workload must surely be an issue with the reduction of centralised support and increased work in schools. How is this being addressed.	Changes to teaching and administrative activities	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Headteachers are expected to exercise a high degree of autonomy, and increases are anticipated as part of the national governance review.
2167	No Response	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Will this place more of a burden on teachers?	Changes to teaching and administrative activities	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Headteachers are expected to exercise a high degree of autonomy, and increases are anticipated as part of the national governance review. Teachers in West Lothian are employed to deliver curriculum for excellence, as directed by their headteacher, within the confines of national conditions and their working time agreement.
2168	No Response	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Giving head teachers larger amounts of control, especially over funding may lead to spend inefficiencies such as off-contract spend and non compliant spend, which in the long run is more expensive to rectify.	Changes to teaching and administrative activities	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Headteachers are expected to exercise a high degree of autonomy, and increases are anticipated as part of the national governance review.
2169	An employee of West Lothian Council	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Head teachers have no control over pupils ability to learn. It is the Council's responsibility to ensure that the teaching standards are the same throughout the region. They are in a far better position to correctly allocate funding.	Changes to teaching and administrative activities	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Headteachers are expected to exercise a high degree of autonomy, and increases are anticipated as part of the national governance review.
2170	An employee of West Lothian Council	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	More emphasis is needed on teaching the basics, reading, arithmetic, writing, physical education, etc.	Changes to teaching and administrative activities	4. The council is already doing this.	These subject areas are at the heart of curriculum for excellence, and the council had allocated significant additional resources to literacy, numeracy, and ensuring 2 hours of quality PE. Pupil Equity Funding will enhance this provision.
2171	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Headteachers are not accountants - they will still require guidance from officers on the correct field.	Changes to teaching and administrative activities	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Headteachers are expected to exercise a high degree of autonomy, and increases are anticipated as part of the national governance review.
2172	An employee of West Lothian Council	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	It is a good idea to give schools more direct control as they are the ones who know what is required.	Changes to teaching and administrative activities	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Headteachers are expected to exercise a high degree of autonomy, and increases are anticipated as part of the national governance review.
2173	An employee of West Lothian Council	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	I think this proposal makes complete sense. By giving the individual schools autonomy on all aspects of their service, this should make them more efficient and streamlined. This will also mean that the staff in each area have real say in how they meet future challenges. This will be helpful as they are often the people who have the in-depth knowledge of what is required on the frontline.	Changes to teaching and administrative activities	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Headteachers are expected to exercise a high degree of autonomy, and increases are anticipated as part of the national governance review.

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2174	No Response	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Head teachers should be given more autonomy over the running of their school, as they are the best people to take all their individual circumstances into account. Each school is different. But with that autonomy must come more accountability for their decisions and actions.	Changes to teaching and administrative activities	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Headteachers are expected to exercise a high degree of autonomy, and increases are anticipated as part of the national governance review.
2175	An employee of West Lothian Council	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	If this could be achieved without huge effect on how the current system works then yes.	Changes to teaching and administrative activities	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council is committed to implementing proposals without detriment to pupils.
2176	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	You are tinkering with the biggest part of your budget when you should be bold and realise bigger savings. Close and combine under occupied schools.	Changes to teaching and administrative activities	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council has no plans to close schools as part of the current proposals.
2177	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	You are tinkering with the biggest part of your budget when you should be bold and realise bigger savings. Close schools that are under performing and re distribute the pupils.	Changes to teaching and administrative activities	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council has no plans to close schools as part of the current proposals.
2178	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	You are tinkering with the biggest part of your budget when you should be bold and realise bigger savings. Build newer larger schools but have fewer.	Changes to teaching and administrative activities	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council has no plans to close schools as part of the current proposals.
2179	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	This seems fine on paper. However the amount of Head Teacher vacancies would suggest that these are difficult posts to fill and how would this extra workload improve that.	Changes to teaching and administrative activities	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Headteachers are expected to exercise a high degree of autonomy, and increases are anticipated as part of the national governance review.
2180	No Response	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Non teaching staff i.e. Support for Learning staff are grossly under valued, underpaid (cheap labour)and in some cases, are doing teaching work which is not part of their job description! Without these staff members, teachers will not cope! Senior Management must ensure schools are staffed appropriately and not be blasé and take non teaching staff for granted (some senior managers do!)	Changes to teaching and administrative activities	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Non-teaching staff are employed to undertake important roles within schools, and are valued by their teaching colleagues, including senior management. The Scottish Government has made maintaining the Pupil/Teacher ratio a condition of funding, and so the council and schools are compelled to focus on the employment of teachers where, in some cases, they may prefer to increase non-teaching staff in preference to this.
2181	No Response	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	This should not result in teaching staff having to undertake more administrative functions.	Changes to teaching and administrative activities	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Teaching Staff are employed according to national conditions of service, which set out clearly the duties they will perform.
2182	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	attainment seems to change on an almost daily basis according to news outlets, why cant teachers be allowed to teach without the constraints of government interference letting the schools / council set methodology	Changes to teaching and administrative activities	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Attainment will remain a key priority for the Council. Headteachers are expected to exercise a high degree of autonomy, and increases are anticipated as part of the national governance review, giving individual schools greater ability to plan for raising attainment, but also increasing responsibility on them for the outcome.
2183	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	While attainment remains a pressured priority from Head teachers to deliver, given greater autonomy will only widen the gap between the able student and those who are less able and requiring greater support. Again this drive to be the best creates a widening gap between the upper tier and the majority. This is not equality. A layered system of teaching is required where all layers are valued, with the opportunity to move between the layers. I specifically say layered rather than tiered.	Changes to teaching and administrative activities	4. The council is already doing this.	Headteachers are expected to exercise a high degree of autonomy, and increases are anticipated as part of the national governance review. Closing the gap is currently and will remain a key priority for the council.
2184	No Response	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	I am all for putting the power and control in the hands of head teachers but not reducing music or the arts.	Changes to teaching and administrative activities	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Headteachers are expected to exercise a high degree of autonomy, and increases are anticipated as part of the national governance review. All children will still receive appropriate education in music and the arts through curriculum for excellence
2185	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Fine, so long as the staff at school level are given the correct tools to attain this.	Changes to teaching and administrative activities	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
2186	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	school teaches should be empowered to teach. The classroom should not be used to	Changes to teaching and administrative activities	4. The council is already doing this.	The Scottish Government's Governance Review aims to increase decision making at school level.
2187	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	I feel that the standard of English and maths should be the most important subjects	Changes to teaching and administrative activities	4. The council is already doing this.	The council has devoted significant additional resources to literacy and numeracy.

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2188	No Response	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Although some teaching resources may be less required nowadays I feel it main be lost or wasted not being available through the board although maybe better if the staff doing these jobs were to decide overall to best route for all these afore mentioned	Changes to teaching and administrative activities	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
2189	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Again were one department in council reduces there must also be additional support for head teachers.	Changes to teaching and administrative activities	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Headteachers are expected to exercise a high degree of autonomy, and increases are anticipated as part of the national governance review.
2190	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Stop funding music.	Changes to teaching and administrative activities	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
2191	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	As above donâ€™t think school curriculum should be effected	Changes to teaching and administrative activities	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
2192	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Completely agree with this. Every school (or possibly cluster ?) should be responsible for their own funding so that they can ensure that money is spent on what their school needs.	Changes to teaching and administrative activities	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The changes to Devolved School Management will increase the autonomy of Headteachers and teachers to make decisions at a local level to benefit pupils in their school.
2193	An employee of West Lothian Council	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	The business support managers provide a much needed service in schools and have already been reduced. Further reduction to support in schools means increasing teacher workloads for teachers who are already over stretched and underpaid.	Changes to teaching and administrative activities	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The changes to Devolved School Management will increase the autonomy of Headteachers and teachers to make decisions at a local level to benefit pupils in their school. Headteachers will have the ability to determine where resources should be spent for the benefit of children, although a continuation of the Pupil/Teacher ratio may result in expenditure on teacher posts where support staff would have a greater impact on learning and teaching.
2194	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Recruitment of teachers and in particular Head Teachers is a real challenge at a Scot Gov level and until this situation improves, reductions in spend should be kept to an absolute minimum since it has most impact on future generations.	Changes to teaching and administrative activities	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council has put forward proposals relating to all areas of its responsibility.
2195	No Response	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Stop redesigning the curriculum and let teachers actually teach! A headteacher should have autonomy for all areas of their school	Changes to teaching and administrative activities	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	West Lothian Council is not proposing any redesign of the curriculum. The changes to Devolved School Management will increase the autonomy of Headteachers and teachers to make decisions at a local level to benefit pupils in their school. Headteachers will have the ability to determine where resources should be spent for the benefit of children, although a continuation of the Pupil/Teacher ratio may result in expenditure on teacher posts where support staff would have a greater impact on learning and teaching.
2196	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	As long as the Head Teacher provides access to the same education for all. They do not target applicants by only accepting those with greater abilities to increase their attainment levels. But rather by encouraging those with lower abilities and looking at different approaches for those with lower abilities to help them further their attainment.	Changes to teaching and administrative activities	4. The council is already doing this.	Headteachers will continue to provide an education that meets the needs of all learners.
2197	No Response	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	As a psw in a primary school who has undergone training to help towards the raising of attainment, all aspects of study are important, unfortunately due to staffing levels it will be hard to achieve	Changes to teaching and administrative activities	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council, Schools, Parents/Carers and Pupils all value the contribution of support staff. Headteachers will have the ability to determine where resources should be spent for the benefit of children, although a continuation of the Pupil/Teacher ratio may result in expenditure on teacher posts where support staff would have a greater impact on learning and teaching.
2198	No Response	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Ensure that head teachers are aware of the support available from early years non-statutory organisations to support children's attainment before they start school	Changes to teaching and administrative activities	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	This is a positive suggestion. West Lothian Council recognises the value of early intervention and early learning.

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2199	No Response	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	schools in deprived areas may not attract the best teachers .Just because you are a teacher does not mean you can run the business side of education.	Changes to teaching and administrative activities	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Schools in affluent areas can also present significant challenges to teaching staff. The changes to Devolved School Management will increase the autonomy of Headteachers and teachers to make decisions at a local level to benefit pupils in their school. Headteachers will have the ability to determine where resources should be spent for the benefit of children, although a continuation of the Pupil/Teacher ratio may result in expenditure on teacher posts where support staff would have a greater impact on learning and teaching.
2200	No Response	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Non teaching staff provide an invaluable support to a school environment for both pupils and teaching staff. This provision should be protected. All Pupil Support Managers should be on pro rata salaries in line with non teaching staff.	Changes to teaching and administrative activities	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The changes to Devolved School Management will increase the autonomy of Headteachers and teachers to make decisions at a local level to benefit pupils in their school. Headteachers will have the ability to determine where resources should be spent for the benefit of children, although a continuation of the Pupil/Teacher ratio may result in expenditure on teacher posts where support staff would have a greater impact on learning and teaching.
2201	No Response	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Teachers are already over stretched. If there is going to be continuous training to help with this & a recruitment drive then this aim is achievable	Changes to teaching and administrative activities	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The changes to Devolved School Management will increase the autonomy of Headteachers and teachers to make decisions at a local level to benefit pupils in their school. Headteachers will have the ability to determine where resources should be spent for the benefit of children.
2202	An employee of West Lothian Council	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	I think teachers are at their limit. More bureaucracy is the last things they need and more control doesn't always make things easier. The people that need to be asked here is the teachers. Only they can tell you if more direct control is a help or hindrance. As ever, restructure and redesign means cuts. We need to be honest and say that.	Changes to teaching and administrative activities	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Increased responsibility and accountability at school level will be one of the direct results of the Scottish Government's Governance Review.
2203	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Embedding resources within schools sounds great, however my concern would be that in doing so, the school has fewer resources and therefore children's learning is compromised.	Changes to teaching and administrative activities	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The changes to Devolved School Management will increase the autonomy of Headteachers and teachers to make decisions at a local level to benefit pupils in their school. Headteachers will have the ability to determine where resources should be spent for the benefit of children.
2204	No Response	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	This will increase workload of school based staff.	Changes to teaching and administrative activities	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Increased responsibility and accountability at school level will be one of the direct results of the Scottish Government's Governance Review.
2205	No Response	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	This is a very vague statement - I feel it's trying to hide what it really means. School administrative staff are already overstretched so I would not want to see further reductions in this provision.	Changes to teaching and administrative activities	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposals to rationalise central support to schools seek to balance the important contribution of professional, support and managerial staff, all of whom make an important contribution to the service. They recognise the increased autonomy to be given to headteachers, who will have the ability to prioritise budgets to meet the individual needs of their school.
2206	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Good teaching staff are hard to come by and retain - they should be well supported and valued.	Changes to teaching and administrative activities	4. The council is already doing this.	The council is already doing this.
2207	An employee of West Lothian Council	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	could involve reduced support for IT	Changes to teaching and administrative activities	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Support for packages such as GLOW and SEEMIS is increasingly accessed online.
2208	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Admin for schools in LA - why do we need them. Can't the Head do this for each school.	Changes to teaching and administrative activities	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The changes to Devolved School Management will increase the autonomy of Headteachers and teachers to make decisions at a local level to benefit pupils in their school. The Council intends to implement the proposal whilst still fulfilling its duty to meet the needs of every child.

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2209	No Response	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	I think that some of the subjects could be amalgamated	Changes to teaching and administrative activities	4. The council is already doing this.	Campus arrangements exist to deliver the maximum subject opportunities with maximum efficiency.
2210	No Response	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Amalgamate services where appropriate	Changes to teaching and administrative activities	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	This is the purpose of the proposals.
2211	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Remove duplicated processes and costs first	Changes to teaching and administrative activities	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	This is the purpose of the proposals.
2212	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Senior leaders in schools already have HUGE workloads and you will lose great leaders if even not is put onto them.	Changes to teaching and administrative activities	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The changes to Devolved School Management will increase the autonomy of Headteachers and teachers to make decisions at a local level to benefit pupils in their school. The Council intends to implement the proposal whilst still fulfilling its duty to meet the needs of every child.
2213	An employee of West Lothian Council	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	How will these reductions affect performance of our schools and educational attainment?	Changes to teaching and administrative activities	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	The changes to Devolved School Management will increase the autonomy of Headteachers and teachers to make decisions at a local level to benefit pupils in their school. The Council intends to implement the proposal whilst still fulfilling its duty to meet the needs of every child.
2214	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Improving efficiency is key to this area. Education is the largest single part of the Council budget but is key to the country's future. Cuts are therefore unacceptable and efficiencies must be found	Changes to teaching and administrative activities	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council has put forward proposals across the whole range of its activities.
2215	An employee of West Lothian Council	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	While Headteachers are continually asking for more resources, continued government restrictions on ad hoc funding usage, high turnover and the general lack of teaching staff nationally is of huge concern.	Changes to teaching and administrative activities	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The changes to Devolved School Management will increase the autonomy of Headteachers and teachers to make decisions at a local level to benefit pupils in their school. The Council intends to implement the proposal whilst still fulfilling its duty to meet the needs of every child.
2216	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Process improvements and redesign of service delivery is to be welcomed.	Changes to teaching and administrative activities	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	This is the purpose of the proposals.
2217	An employee of West Lothian Council	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Education is important for every person in West Lothian. This is the basis of the future of West Lothian and as education should not be targeted with teachers already pushed to the limits. We deserve to give our children the best start in life.	Changes to teaching and administrative activities	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The changes to Devolved School Management will increase the autonomy of Headteachers and teachers to make decisions at a local level to benefit pupils in their school. The Council intends to implement the proposal whilst still fulfilling its duty to meet the needs of every child.
2218	An employee of West Lothian Council	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	See previous answer about education admin support - we need a good level of staffing, as otherwise precious time will be taken up with this.	Changes to teaching and administrative activities	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposals to rationalise central support to schools seek to balance the important contribution of professional, support and managerial staff, all of whom make an important contribution to the service. They recognise the increased autonomy to be given to headteachers, who will have the ability to prioritise budgets to meet the individual needs of their school.
2219	An employee of West Lothian Council	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Train teachers within schools to become swimming teachers in order to reduce costs of swimming lessons for schools.	Changes to teaching and administrative activities	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Officers will consider how this could be developed.
2220	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	This could be effective, however I do not wish for and teachers hired by West Lothian council to be left with no job considering the positive impact that they have on children and young adults.	Changes to teaching and administrative activities	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
2221	An employee of West Lothian Council	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	1b If teachers will also be providing music and all other activities within school who will cover their RCCT time? Will the new devolved school leadership be required to cover this time, reducing the time completing management workload.	Changes to teaching and administrative activities	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Headteachers are expected to exercise a high degree of autonomy, and increases are anticipated as part of the national governance review. This will include managing their school within available resources, national conditions, and the scheme of devolved school management.

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2222	An employee of West Lothian Council	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Once again, more is being pushed towards the overworked school staff. The net effect is that these provisions will decline as the pressure and demands increase on school facilities and staff. The staff are already overworked. Pushing more work towards them will only result in other targets such as attainment etc	Changes to teaching and administrative activities	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Attainment will remain a key priority for the Council. Headteachers are expected to exercise a high degree of autonomy, and increases are anticipated as part Teachers in West Lothian are employed to deliver curriculum for excellence, as directed by their headteacher, within the confines of national conditions and their working time agreement.
2223	No Response	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Given that admin and support staff have already been significantly trimmed in recent years, I do not see how this can be further achieved without having a huge impact on remaining staff. As a teacher my role is becoming increasingly administrative due to the fact that there is so little admin support, leaving me less and less time to focus on quality teaching.	Changes to teaching and administrative activities	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Headteachers are expected to exercise a high degree of autonomy, and increases are anticipated as a result of the national review of governance. Teachers in West Lothian are employed to deliver curriculum for excellence, as directed by their headteacher, within the confines of national conditions and their working time agreement.
2224	An employee of West Lothian Council	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Head teachers should be given more responsibility when hiring more staff.	Changes to teaching and administrative activities	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Headteachers are expected to exercise a high degree of autonomy, and increases are anticipated as part of the national governance review.
2225	No Response	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	See above for my comment on reduced admin support. Also, not sure Head Teachers should be given more responsibility, it is already a huge job with not enough people wanting to do it.	Changes to teaching and administrative activities	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Headteachers are expected to exercise a high degree of autonomy, and increases are anticipated as part of the national governance review.
2226	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	It is key that both head teachers and teachers are given more trust in their work - they are the ones best trained on how to deliver effective teaching and management of their school. Overloading them with needless paperwork and bureaucracy induces increased costs and effects the teachers at the point of delivery. They haven't been to university or worked in the system for as long as they have just to be inundated with paperwork in order to justify their work.	Changes to teaching and administrative activities	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Headteachers are expected to exercise a high degree of autonomy, and increases are anticipated as part of the national governance review. With greater responsibility comes greater accountability.
2227	No Response	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	An issue I see with giving more responsibility to head teachers is that this may create a situation in which certain schools will provide a better quality of education over another.	Changes to teaching and administrative activities	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Headteachers are expected to exercise a high degree of autonomy, and increases are anticipated as part of the national governance review. Quality assurance is currently the responsibility of Councils and West Lothian Council has a robust programme in place.
2228	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	The quality of the school will be even more dependent on the quality of the head teaching.	Changes to teaching and administrative activities	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Headteachers are expected to exercise a high degree of autonomy, and increases are anticipated as part of the national governance review.
2229	No Response	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	If you give more decisions to Head teachers they actually need to be allowed to do this.	Changes to teaching and administrative activities	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Headteachers are expected to exercise a high degree of autonomy, and increases are anticipated as part of the national governance review.
2230	No Response	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	To reduce teaching time at schools will reduce the likelihood of being able to put each child at the centre of education. This proposal as it stands would compromise Head Teacher's ability to reduce the Attainment Gap.	Changes to teaching and administrative activities	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Attainment will remain a key priority for the Council. Headteachers are expected to exercise a high degree of autonomy, and increases are anticipated as part of the national governance review, giving individual schools greater ability to plan for raising attainment, but also increasing responsibility on them for the outcome. Teachers in West Lothian are employed to deliver curriculum for excellence, as directed by their headteacher, within the confines of national conditions and their working time agreement.
2231	No Response	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	I think giving the head teachers more control over funding etc is good, every school has different requirements.	Changes to teaching and administrative activities	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Headteachers are expected to exercise a high degree of autonomy, and increases are anticipated as part of the national governance review.
2232	No Response	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	I do not agree in a reduction in any budget to do with schools what so ever!! It is ludicrous to try saving money by aligning staff - probably making people redundant and therefore reducing the number of staff that can be allocated to the children!	Changes to teaching and administrative activities	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council is committed to implementing proposals without detriment to pupils.

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2233	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Furthermore, teachers are already stretched to capacity, heaping more responsibilities onto their heads will not only lead to loss of morale, but increased stress, which in turn will lead to long-term sick problems thus incurring further expense to the Council and schools with substitute teachers. This seems like a very short-term solution which is unlikely to make meaningful savings anyway and will incur greater cost in the long term. I don't see how this is in any way compatible with at least two of your stated eight priorities in terms of giving school children options and increasing attainment.	Changes to teaching and administrative activities	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Attainment will remain a key priority for the Council. Headteachers are expected to exercise a high degree of autonomy, and increases are anticipated as part of the national governance review, giving individual schools greater ability to plan for raising attainment, but also increasing responsibility on them for the outcome. Teachers in West Lothian are employed to deliver curriculum for excellence, as directed by their headteacher, within the confines of national conditions and their working time agreement.
2234	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	You need more better teachers	Changes to teaching and administrative activities	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	All teachers employed by West Lothian Council meet the standards set by GTCS. Teachers in West Lothian are employed to deliver curriculum for excellence, as directed by their headteacher, within the confines of national conditions and their working time agreement.
2235	An employee of West Lothian Council	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	I would assume that giving more powers over procurement and funding to those within individual services could be an efficient means of ensuring that funds are appropriated by individual facilities where they deem them to be most appropriate. I would have concerns over the extra pressures that this may place on Head teachers and whether measures would be required to provide appropriate business management training to ensure that the responsibilities are appropriately managed. The reduction in central services could also make rolling out council wide initiatives more challenging.	Changes to teaching and administrative activities	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Headteachers are expected to exercise a high degree of autonomy, and increases are anticipated as part of the national governance review.
2236	An employee of West Lothian Council	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Concern is that head teachers have their own views of funding priorities and some schools may succeed and some may not depending on where the head teachers priorities lay.	Changes to teaching and administrative activities	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Headteachers are expected to exercise a high degree of autonomy, and increases are anticipated as part of the national governance review.
2237	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	I think this is a positive outcome although worry that teachers at this time are already stretched and that this may further intensify there duties leaving less time for support of pupils.	Changes to teaching and administrative activities	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Headteachers are expected to exercise a high degree of autonomy, and increases are anticipated as part of the national governance review. Teachers in West Lothian are employed to deliver curriculum for excellence, as directed by their headteacher, within the confines of national conditions and their working time agreement.
2238	No Response	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Giving head teachers more control over funding is not the solution. Headteachers are already overworked and underpaid. Making them more accountable will increase pressure and make the job even less desirable and as such make headteacher posts even harder to fill. It's also important to note that headteachers should not become employers. This would undermine the role of the LNCT, which a vitally important framework for teachers and working conditions across Scotland.	Changes to teaching and administrative activities	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Headteachers are expected to exercise a high degree of autonomy, and increases are anticipated as part of the national governance review. Teachers in West Lothian are employed to deliver curriculum for excellence, as directed by their headteacher, within the confines of national conditions and their working time agreement. Neither the governance review, or these proposals, will impact on national conditions of service.
2239	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	We would have concerns for our colleagues in teaching being asked to manage budgets when their skill sets are focussed around education and not business.	Changes to teaching and administrative activities	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Headteachers are expected to exercise a high degree of autonomy, and increases are anticipated as part of the national governance review.
2240	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Headteachers are under a tremendous amount of pressure as their job stands at the moment, the day to day running of a school has many different aspects, will headteachers be able to cope with this extra work load and still be on top of meeting every child's individual needs given the range of different abilities need to be meet in today's classrooms.	Changes to teaching and administrative activities	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Headteachers are expected to exercise a high degree of autonomy, and increases are anticipated as part of the national governance review.
2241	An employee of West Lothian Council	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	I would be hesitant to give much more direct control over funding to head teachers, as this money may be used to 'bail out' areas with bad management or photocopying, rather than be used for specific things.	Changes to teaching and administrative activities	4. The council is already doing this.	Headteachers are expected to exercise a high degree of autonomy, and increases are anticipated as part of the national governance review.
2242	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	I think that the head teachers should be given an increase in direct control over funding, though the allocated funds should not just be used to 'bail out' less well managed departments or simply on photocopying etc.	Changes to teaching and administrative activities	4. The council is already doing this.	Headteachers are expected to exercise a high degree of autonomy, and increases are anticipated as part of the national governance review.

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2243	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	There are significant gaps in Education establishments where there seems to be no accountability. What happens if the Head Teachers do not have the financial skills or knowledge - sure Head Teachers should be there to ensure they are raising attainment and their staff are supported to meet the needs of the service and someone else with the right financial skills should be there to support staff. Sadly in my experience the current policies and procedures are not effective and placing a further financial burden on Head Teachers is not going to support raising attainment.	Changes to teaching and administrative activities	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Attainment will remain a key priority for the Council. Headteachers are expected to exercise a high degree of autonomy, and increases are anticipated as part of the national governance review, giving individual schools greater ability to plan for raising attainment, but also increasing responsibility on them for the outcome.
2244	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Whilst supportive of the empowerment of head teachers to run their own schools, a framework of control and monitoring must be maintained to ensure schools maintain standards.	Changes to teaching and administrative activities	4. The council is already doing this.	The Council has a robust internal quality assurance programme.
2245	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Head Teachers are not all of the same standard this needs addressing!	Changes to teaching and administrative activities	4. The council is already doing this.	All Headteachers meet the national standard for headship, and are chosen by representatives of the Council, parents and education professionals following competitive interview.
2246	No Response	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	I am of the opinion that Schools/Teachers have too much paperwork to complete on a day to day basis which impacts on their ability to do their day job. Which is to teach and support the children in their classes. There should be a review of this, and the budget each school is given.	Changes to teaching and administrative activities	4. The council is already doing this.	The Council has participated in the national taskforce aimed at reducing bureaucracy in schools, and has taken appropriate action.
2247	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Embedding teaching resources within a school has to ensure each child is nurtured and achieves their potential, even if it might reduce the schools academic rating. Schools should be supporting and educating our child to work and contribute back into the community, not just achieve good exam results. Vocational teaching must continue along with the partner agencies already involved, developing and creating strong links to the community.	Changes to teaching and administrative activities	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The Council intends to implement the proposal whilst still fulfilling its duty to meet the needs of every child.
2248	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Tying a head teacher's responsibility for attainment with budgetary control, will result in the loss of facilities which have less academic value to the detriment of providing those opportunities (e.g. musical instrument tuition) which children might otherwise never be able to access. Finally, I feel that Head Teachers have far too important a role in guiding and shaping their staff and pupils, without having the additional burden of this level of budgetary responsibility.	Changes to teaching and administrative activities	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The changes to Devolved School Management will increase the autonomy of Headteachers and teachers to make decisions at a local level to benefit pupils in their school.
2249	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Jargon. I would not like to think this would shift a large administration burden onto head teachers.	Changes to teaching and administrative activities	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The changes to Devolved School Management will increase the autonomy of Headteachers and teachers to make decisions at a local level to benefit pupils in their school. The Council intends to implement the proposal whilst still fulfilling its duty to meet the needs of every child.
2250	An employee of West Lothian Council	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	It seems that the support staff will be effected and in all school admin staff are essential but are finding their work loads increased and having to take on tasks they have no training in.	Changes to teaching and administrative activities	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The changes to Devolved School Management will increase the autonomy of Headteachers and teachers to make decisions at a local level to benefit pupils in their school. Individual Headteachers can consider this suggestion within the context of the needs of their school.
2251	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Administrative staff have already been cut in most schools meaning more responsibility being put onto senior management in schools which will detract from their main purpose of delivering the curriculum.	Changes to teaching and administrative activities	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The changes to Devolved School Management will increase the autonomy of Headteachers and teachers to make decisions at a local level to benefit pupils in their school. Headteachers will have the ability to determine where resources should be spent for the benefit of children, although a continuation of the Pupil/Teacher ratio may result in expenditure on teacher posts where support staff would have a greater impact on learning and teaching.
2252	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	This is a bad idea. I think music is really important to mental welfare of children and should not be reduced.	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
2253	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Education should not be affected by cuts.	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
2254	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	No reduction in music instruction.	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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2255	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	No cuts should be made to schools	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
2256	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	No cuts to the school education is already failing this generation of children	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
2257	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Similar to above, less financial support, individual children will be penalised. Money should be spent on care and Education.	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
2258	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	I do not agree with the proposed integrating a reduced instrumental music provision into the mainstream curriculum. I think children need to be given the chance to learn an instrument as it is such a good skill to have.	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
2259	An employee of West Lothian Council	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Cutting provision of resources for teaching should be a last resort.	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
2260	No Response	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	This must be kept	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
2261	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	There should be no changes to the existing!	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
2262	An employee of West Lothian Council	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	I think schools should be left as they are class sizes and teaches are already at breaking point in some schools.	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
2263	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	no	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
2264	No Response	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	This is not a good idea- already I have seen evidence of the council failing to support a primary school when it is required. This deplorable situation continues today.	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
2265	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	This is so important I think less budgets should be cut than this	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
2266	No Response	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Don't cut education as they are our future	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
2267	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	This will never work ...	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
2268	No Response	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	All of the above fills me with deep concern and despair. The huge cuts already imposed on education have impacted dreadfully at the chalk face.	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
2269	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	It would be unethical and short sighted to cut any funding to education, given that they are the future. The hit should be taken by older people age 40 and above (a category in which I fall).	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
2270	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Appreciate that cost reductions have to be made, but I would be strongly opposed to any changes which diluted our educational system - it is struggling as it is	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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2271	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Central support to schools should remain	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
2272	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Disagree	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
2273	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	I don't agree with this	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
2274	No Response	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	I strongly disagree with this proposal.	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
2275	No Response	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Keep as is. Education is one of the most important things. Reduces issue with unemployment in years to come.	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
2276	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Disagree with this - costs should be saved elsewhere	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
2277	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	No more education cuts	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
2278	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	This is not acceptable - stop making cuts in this area!	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
2279	An employee of West Lothian Council	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Will this means the displaced music teachers can take up other teaching positions within the schools this way reducing the number of teacher vacancies. But no it will be the support staff that take the hit, as again the teaching staff are protected.	Education Services (General)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
2280	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	No I don't think head teachers should have any more power Also I don't think instrument lessons should be cut as they are important	Education Services (General)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
2281	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Why not remove schools completely from Council control, or at least allow 'opting out'? Removal of Council control has worked very well for the FE college sector, and opting out seems to be producing positive results in English schools. Totally opposed to reductions in instrumental music tuition - the long term educational and social benefits of music tuition are immense.	Education Services (General)	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	The draft Education Bill will make clear where responsibility for aspects of Education will lie.
2282	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	I have a great deal of admiration and gratitude for the educational psychology provision provided by the council. My son who has Asperger's would not be the man he is today without their assistance and support in his development.	Educational psychologists	4. The council is already doing this.	This comment demonstrates the positive impact of the service, which will continue.
2283	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Educational Psychology is already advisory approach based... Importantly, letâ€™s get rid of all the non jobs!	Educational psychologists	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	It is not clear what the respondent would consider a 'non-job'.
2284	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Advisory staff such as child psychologists, social workers, etc. can be sought from the relevant areas, e.g. Health departments, council, etc. as and when required.	Educational psychologists	4. The council is already doing this.	Current practice is to involve specialist staff as and when required.
2285	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Having to refer my daughter to educational psychology myself, I would not like this service impacted is its a valuable tool/source that education in my opinion do not utilise to its fullest.	Educational psychologists	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council intends to implement the proposal whilst still fulfilling its duty to meet the needs of every child.
2286	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Psychologists are overpaid given their input in Westlothian schools.	Educational psychologists	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Educational Psychologists are paid according to a national scale, and their contribution is valued by parents, schools and by the council.

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2287	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Fairly bureaucratic speak but concern over what an 'advisory approach' to educational psychology will mean in practice for pupils requiring support.	Educational psychologists	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council intends to introduce the proposals whilst continuing to meet the needs of every child.
2288	No Response	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	would not wish to see a reduction in educational psychology as this is a psychological resource that children can use if they need someone to talk to etc, e.g. being bullied, depressed, suicidal.	Educational psychologists	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council intends to implement the proposal whilst still fulfilling its duty to meet the needs of every child.
2289	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Educational psychologists are needed to help children to get the support that they need and to observe if a child is not able to access the curriculum.	Educational psychologists	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council intends to implement the proposal whilst still fulfilling its duty to meet the needs of every child.
2290	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	No more cuts in this area. There is already a teacher shortage due to overworked, underpaid teachers who are stretched to their limit. Advisory services for educational psychologists are just removing more support from children who have ASN. Inclusion only works if properly supported and resourced. It is already seriously lacking in those areas as it is. This will only put pressure on teachers who are already thinking of leaving the profession due to these problems.	Educational psychologists	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council must look at opportunities for efficiency and service transformation in all areas of its responsibility. If required to pay increased salaries for staff the council will have to consider further cuts to services, which could include further reductions in staff numbers. The Council intends to implement the proposal whilst still fulfilling its duty to meet the needs of every child.
2291	No Response	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Will a reduction in educational psychology service lead to poorer outcomes for children with additional support needs	Educational psychologists	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council intends to implement the proposal whilst still fulfilling its duty to meet the needs of every child.
2292	No Response	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Fewer psychologists, do schools have funding to make up for these cuts?	Educational psychologists	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council intends to implement the proposal whilst still fulfilling its duty to meet the needs of every child.
2293	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Already schools are seeing the effects of supports being withdrawn ie no mental health link workers. This was a serious blow to the children who really needed this support. Youngsters need this type of support and I feel they are being failed. We need more bodies	Educational psychologists	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council's Transformation Team is examining a joint approach between education and social policy in order to ensure appropriate services are maintained.
2294	No Response	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	If educational psychology is reduced to advisory only, the knock on effect will be that important interventions will be overlooked and addressing the long term damage further down the line could be more expensive.	Educational psychologists	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council intends to implement the proposal whilst still fulfilling its duty to meet the needs of every child.
2295	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	You can't get hold of an educational psychologist anyway, they are paid far too much and half the time they attend meetings without ever having met the kids, the teachers themselves have better ideas for strategies and learning support teachers can do the testing. Yes I agree with this.	Educational psychologists	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Educational Psychologists are paid according to a national scale, and their contribution is valued by parents, schools and by the council.
2296	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	educational psychologists that actually know what goes on in schools - they aren't teachers - more teachers and support staff are needed if you are going to cut outreach services - I have taught for years and never seen a professional in my room	Educational psychologists	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council intends to implement the proposal whilst still fulfilling its duty to meet the needs of every child.
2297	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Education psychology is in place for children with support needs as should be seen as essential.	Educational psychologists	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council intends to implement the proposal whilst still fulfilling its duty to meet the needs of every child.
2298	No Response	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	It is impossible to comment when such language is used. It is not clear what "advisory approach to educational psychology" actually means for example. I assume it means getting rid of Ed Psychs which is a terrible idea. I wish WLC would write in basic terms when asking us for feedback. Tell us what is actually happening without the "business" language.	Educational psychologists	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council intends to implement the proposal whilst still fulfilling its duty to meet the needs of every child.
2299	An employee of West Lothian Council	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Sounds very woolly. Surely educational psychology needs to be embedded and not advisory only.	Educational psychologists	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council intends to implement the proposal whilst still fulfilling its duty to meet the needs of every child.
2300	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Less coffee breaks and cake eating by the education psychologists! (Posted on Twitter)	Educational psychologists	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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2301	An employee of West Lothian Council	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Ed Psych is already an "advisory" service, with our Ed Psych very rarely in school working with children. However, teachers are NOT psychologists and we cannot expect a class teacher to accomplish the role and benefit of an Ed Psych as well as teaching a full class, being a social worker to families and children, closing the gap, raising attainment, planning, marking, assessing, reporting.....	Educational psychologists	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Teachers duties are set out in national conditions. Teachers activities are directed by the Headteacher in line with the locally negotiated Working Time Agreement.
2302	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Ed psychs already only provide an advisory role so unsure as to how that would be reduced further	Educational psychologists	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
2303	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	In addition educational psychology is a vital part of diagnosing children to them give children Who need it ALL the help ey should be getting. Again maybe make this available to some not all .	Educational psychologists	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
2304	No Response	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	I would also like to voice my concern over the proposed advisory approach to educational psychology. Having members of the family with various needs I would like to think that there is visible support for the teachers and management within the schools. If this an advisory role would staff be given extensive and indepth training to deal with the many issues that families and children face?	Educational psychologists	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. The proposal would continue to fulfilling the council's duty to meet the needs of every child.
2305	No Response	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Our schools require more professionals, training, help and assistance to address the huge issue of the child mental health. In my experience this is totally lacking and failing the children.	Educational psychologists	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. The proposal would continue to fulfilling the council's duty to meet the needs of every child.
2306	No Response	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Educational psychology is beneficial for pupils in their early years, having wider implications for mental wellbeing, attainment and equality	Educational psychologists	4. The council is already doing this.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
2307	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	The idea of educational psychologists taking a more advisory role is something that could prove disastrous as it could lead to more pressure on teaching staff and also children not getting the correct support that they need.	Educational psychologists	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. The proposal would continue to fulfilling the council's duty to meet the needs of every child.
2308	No Response	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Educational Psychology already has a minimum input in a lot of schools, with only a few having input that has any impact.	Educational psychologists	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The Council intends to implement the proposal whilst still fulfilling its duty to meet the needs of every child.
2309	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Advisory psychology does sound like it may cause a problem if the psychologist doesn't get to personally see a child.	Educational psychologists	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. The proposal would continue to fulfilling the council's duty to meet the needs of every child.
2310	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Educational psychologists are essential in providing assessment of individual pupils; and advice to parents and staff and I cannot see how having an advisory role could work.	Educational psychologists	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. The proposal would continue to fulfilling the council's duty to meet the needs of every child.
2311	No Response	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	I certainly do not think that cutting any part of educational psychology would be beneficial. Far too many children are already not being properly assessed and this is leading to major issues in childrens futures.	Educational psychologists	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. The proposal would continue to fulfilling the council's duty to meet the needs of every child.
2312	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	What I would like to see is more accountability to our support specialists - if an educational psychologist is good they are invaluable, if they are not good at their job then they are a wasted resource. Holding employees more accountable for their working is a way that the council could increase the efficiency of their employees.	Educational psychologists	4. The council is already doing this.	The Council has a n established programme of Appraisal Development and Review.
2313	An employee of West Lothian Council	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	I have real concerns about proposed changes to Educational Psychologist provision . With a growing younger population in the authority and an increasing number of young people requiring Ed Psych input if anything provision should be getting increased not cut . The process also threatens to cut back support to some of our most needy and troubled young people who often have significant problems in accessing and maintaining a mainstream curriculum.	Educational psychologists	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. The proposal would continue to fulfilling the council's duty to meet the needs of every child.
2314	An employee of West Lothian Council	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	The rising problems in society mean that education psychology is needed more than ever if we are going to reduce the attainment gap.	Educational psychologists	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. The proposal would continue to fulfilling the council's duty to meet the needs of every child.

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2315	An employee of West Lothian Council	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	An advisory approach to educational psychology may cause alarm but I think this gives us great scope to be more innovative and proactive. We see other LA's doing this. This will also create a fairer service, some schools have been operating with an advisory approach already.	Educational psychologists	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The Council intends to implement the proposal whilst still fulfilling its duty to meet the needs of every child.
2316	An employee of West Lothian Council	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Changing the approach to educational psychology is unlikely to impact directly on pupils so this is a favourable suggestion.	Educational psychologists	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The Council intends to implement the proposal whilst still fulfilling its duty to meet the needs of every child.
2317	No Response	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Educational Psychologists provide essential advice and support to staff, families and children and their input in schools is invaluable.	Educational psychologists	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. The proposal would continue to fulfilling the council's duty to meet the needs of every child.
2318	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	What are the changes to how the council will work with partner agencies - not enough information to make an informed comment or decision. Will the council be required to spend more money in the short term to make long term savings - if so what does this entail. The council have not made each of the proposals very clear and no specifics, savings appear to be estimated, what is the clear background information relating to each saving, what are the staff/employee implications as well the implications for service users and the community. More information and clarity regarding what an advisory approach to Educational Psychology is, what would it look like. Have Equality Impact Assessments been completed relating to these savings?	Educational psychologists	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. Equality Relevance and Impact Assessments are being conducted as proposal are developed.
2319	No Response	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Cutting back music and educational psychology will leave young people who are in vulnerable positions even more disillusioned with the services provided. I understand that cuts will continue and if these are the easiest cases to cut funding from then this will have to go ahead but I believe it will affect the most vulnerable.	Educational psychologists	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. The proposal would continue to fulfilling the council's duty to meet the needs of every child.
2320	An employee of West Lothian Council	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	GIRFEC becomes a bit of a joke if you further reduce psychologist input, it is too stretched as it is. There are increasingly children with additional needs in main stream settings, it is extremely difficult to meet these children's additional needs effectively without proper expertise and support provided by specialist services.	Educational psychologists	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. The proposal would continue to fulfilling the council's duty to meet the needs of every child.
2321	No Response	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Being a teacher in a school which would benefit greatly from support for (several) pupils with additional needs, I worry that the reduced Education Psychology service will impact on this. I also worry that funding to support these pupils which isn't available now will definitely not be available in the future. This means schools and ultimately class teachers will just be expected to cope. This is detrimental not only to the staff (and their mental health) but also the other pupils who don't get the learning experience they deserve because teacher's time is spent elsewhere.	Educational psychologists	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. The proposal would continue to fulfilling the council's duty to meet the needs of every child.
2322	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	feel Ed Psych roles should remain in place.	Educational psychologists	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. The proposal would continue to fulfilling the council's duty to meet the needs of every child.
2323	An employee of West Lothian Council	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Educational psychologists are so vital in schools. We are already under resourced in this area. Pupils mental health is at risk of educational psychologists are cut further.	Educational psychologists	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. The proposal would continue to fulfilling the council's duty to meet the needs of every child.
2324	No Response	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	I oppose any reduction in educational psychology	Educational psychologists	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. The proposal would continue to fulfilling the council's duty to meet the needs of every child.
2325	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Schools are already stretched as it is. There is a growing number of our young people who are slipping through the cracks as it is. If educational psychology is to be moved to an advisory capacity I dread to think what will happen. As for reducing instrumental music provision - it is a well known fact that music and playing music is therapeutic!	Educational psychologists	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. The proposal would continue to fulfilling the council's duty to meet the needs of every child.
2326	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	One of the focuses of the council is to improve attainment and without the vital help that educational psychology and other services provide, this will become extremely difficult for schools, as well as having a huge detrimental affect on our young people.	Educational psychologists	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. The proposal would continue to fulfilling the council's duty to meet the needs of every child.

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2327	An employee of West Lothian Council	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Again with educational psychologists, they are rarely seen in schools already as a result of their caseloads. If fear that most already have an advisory role (against their wishes) as they simply do not have the hours to work through their cases in school.	Educational psychologists	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. The proposal would continue to fulfilling the council's duty to meet the needs of every child.
2328	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	An advisory approach to educational psychology sounds like a direct cut to the service.	Educational psychologists	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. The proposal would continue to fulfilling the council's duty to meet the needs of every child.
2329	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	I imagine each school has its own requirements and that there is therefore no one size fits all so how can we say whether an advisory approach is acceptable or not. Generally, as a parent I am very disappointed that there is not regular consultation with parents about school budgets at a school level. If you are going to give Head Teachers (even) more responsibility for their funding then there has to be more involvement with parents about priorities for their school at a granular level. This could allow parents and school to consider how to have more involvement from parents assisting with school clubs etc. We had a "communication focus group" at our school over a year ago and have heard nothing since.....communicating with parents does not appear to engender any co-production and giving over more responsibility for localised personalised spending must therefore be matched with better engagement about how to spend it.	Educational psychologists	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Education Bill is likely to increase the responsibility of Headteachers with regard to parental involvement.
2330	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Educational psychology should not be cut, as it will lead to issues not being identified, and this will lead to problems, and more expense for the Council later, when trying to fix the issues. False economy.	Educational psychologists	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. The proposal would continue to fulfilling the council's duty to meet the needs of every child.
2331	No Response	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Educational Psychology is already stretched thin.	Educational psychologists	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. The proposal would continue to fulfilling the council's duty to meet the needs of every child.
2332	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	I think there is already a shortage of educational psychology services with a lengthy wait for assessments, the availability of an advisory service in addition should be considered and may prevent the need for further, more lengthy input.	Educational psychologists	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. The proposal would continue to fulfilling the council's duty to meet the needs of every child.
2333	No Response	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	I think educational psychology is important and should be available for all children if so required.	Educational psychologists	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. The proposal would continue to fulfilling the council's duty to meet the needs of every child.
2334	No Response	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	It is further concerning that an advisory approach to psychology would've taken. It is not clear what this would mean? A reduction in ability to support diagnosis of additional needs pupils?	Educational psychologists	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. The proposal would continue to fulfilling the council's duty to meet the needs of every child.
2335	No Response	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Given the current focus on young people's mental health, reducing education psychology provision sounds unwise.	Educational psychologists	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. The proposal would continue to fulfilling the council's duty to meet the needs of every child.
2336	No Response	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	I'm not entirely sure either about the 'advisory approach to educational psychology'	Educational psychologists	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
2337	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	I oppose any reduction in educational psychology. Psychological educational support plays such an important role in making sure disadvantaged children have an opportunity to have a successful future and play a positive role in our society	Educational psychologists	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. The proposal would continue to fulfilling the council's duty to meet the needs of every child.
2338	An employee of West Lothian Council	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Reduction in educational psychology undermines the council's focus on raising attainment for all children.	Educational psychologists	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. The proposal would continue to fulfilling the council's duty to meet the needs of every child.

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2339	An employee of West Lothian Council	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Education should be protected to ensure positive outcomes for learners. The curriculum should be supported by continuing support from educational psychology to ensure the best outcomes for the pupils of West Lothian. The opportunity for children to gain specific skills provides pupils with a wider range of skills.	Educational psychologists	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. The proposal would continue to fulfilling the council's duty to meet the needs of every child.
2340	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Educational psychology services are hugely important for the children with additional support needs or learning differences. It is a specialist service and teachers are not trained to take that on (never mind that they are already under huge pressure). Reducing the educational psychology service would be a total let down of the children who needs it most and clearly the opposite of GIRFEC.	Educational psychologists	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. The proposal would continue to fulfilling the council's duty to meet the needs of every child.
2341	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	I think reducing educational psychology to an advisory role will have a detrimental impact on the mental health and education attainment of some children. Has the impact of this been assessed and discussed with local CAMHS, who will undoubtedly see a rise in their waiting lists as a result of these cuts? These young people will still require input, you will just stretch someone else's system/waiting list by cutting this. We need a joined up approach.	Educational psychologists	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. The proposal would continue to fulfilling the council's duty to meet the needs of every child.
2342	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	There is a real risk that a focus on attainment at an individual school level means that those who don't achieve in terms of traditional academic expectations will be left behind. A wider understanding of the positive impact of arts on the resilience of children and therefore attainment must be retained, particularly if the council wants to meet their priorities around reducing inequality and increasing the number of young people who reach positive destinations.	Educational psychologists	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. The proposal would continue to fulfilling the council's duty to meet the needs of every child.
2343	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Given the recorded increase in mental health difficulties any reduction in ed psych services will have a negative effect on the councils ability to meet their priorities as teaching staff will increasingly struggle to understand and meet the needs of children with asn, thus reducing young people's chances of reaching their potential.	Educational psychologists	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. The proposal would continue to fulfilling the council's duty to meet the needs of every child.
2344	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	I am concerned about further reductions in educational psychology provision and a reduction in the skills of staff around additional support needs, whilst increasing numbers of children are requiring support and not receiving it.	Educational psychologists	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. The proposal would continue to fulfilling the council's duty to meet the needs of every child.
2345	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	there should be more support from mental health workers in schools e.g. psychologists, counsellors etc. The more mentally healthy a child is, the more likely they are to be able to concentrate on education and have motivation to gain employment.	Educational psychologists	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
2346	An employee of West Lothian Council	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	1B) Services like Educational Psychology, Speech & Language Therapy etc. should be centralised	Educational psychologists	4. The council is already doing this.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. This is the current situation
2347	An employee of West Lothian Council	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	As a teacher in a secondary school in West Lothian, I am seeing the impact of increasing mental health on our children and young people. The referral system already in places takes long enough and pupils attainment can be severely impacted within this time, however, changing to an advisory approach, I believe will have a negative impact on the pupils.	Educational psychologists	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. The proposal would continue to fulfilling the council's duty to meet the needs of every child.
2348	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	I feel this would then increase pressure on our psychological and CAMHS services which is just transferring a cost and increasing the wait list times, also educational psychology remit differs dramatically from clinical and may be a less valueable use of clinical psychology from healthcare	Educational psychologists	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. The proposal would continue to fulfilling the council's duty to meet the needs of every child.
2349	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	i Object to any cutback in psychological support within education, as school staff are struggling to maintain inclusion within schools and monitor and support the well-being of children plus placing great pressure on school staff.\	Educational psychologists	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. The proposal would continue to fulfilling the council's duty to meet the needs of every child.
2350	An employee of West Lothian Council	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	A reduction in staff will not improve employment in West Lothian. What is the current approach to educational psychology? What would be the impact of changing this? How would the saving be made? Does this fit with improving attainment and positive destinations for school leavers? Does it impact early intervention for young children?	Educational psychologists	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. The proposal would continue to fulfilling the council's duty to meet the needs of every child.

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2351	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	I do not agree with removing educational psychology support.	Educational psychologists	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. The proposal would continue to fulfilling the council's duty to meet the needs of every child.
2352	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Would some services; for example Education Psychology then have income generation targets?	Educational psychologists	5a. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because the council is required by law to deliver this work.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
2353	An employee of West Lothian Council	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	With an increasing concern for child mental health it would be foolish of the council to withdraw the support educational psychology provides. The mainstream curriculum is already spread too thin with Literacy and Numeracy being pushed as priorities for raising attainment. With this already happening in schools the council can expect the mental health and wellbeing of children and school staff to become a bigger issue in the future.	Educational psychologists	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. The proposal would continue to fulfilling the council's duty to meet the needs of every child.
2354	An employee of West Lothian Council	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	I'm also concerned about the restructure, redesign and reduction in the provision of educational psychology support for pupils and schools. By definition these services benefit those children and young people most in need of support and any reduction in this service would be a false economy storing up problems for the Council in future years, especially with the number of pupils in schools increasing every year, as well as the number of pupils (and reduced age of pupils) within nurseries. Education psychologists perform an essential role in supporting pupils, teachers and schools and they should not be seen as a service which can be cut without consequences to vulnerable people. Moving to a purely consultation model would significantly reduce the impact EPs can have with vulnerable pupils within schools and would put increasing pressure on schools to assess and support vulnerable pupils with additional support needs within education.	Educational psychologists	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. The proposal would continue to fulfilling the council's duty to meet the needs of every child.
2355	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Educational psychology changes "on the back of changes to mental health link workers over recent years could be detrimental to the wellbeing of children & young people. Upskilling teachers and the third sector staff in mental health awareness is welcomed, however, access to expert services must continue. CAMHS support is at times poor, although I assume due their financial constraints. Expert advice and intervention is crucial for some young people. Teachers cannot be experts in everything. That said, partnership working can and does improve the situations of many young people, therefore a multi agency approach to the delivery of services within schools, including local businesses and the third sector is already happening and should continue.	Educational psychologists	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. The proposal would continue to fulfilling the council's duty to meet the needs of every child.
2356	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Services like Educational Psychology, Speech & Language Therapy etc. should be centralised.	Educational psychologists	4. The council is already doing this.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. These services are already centralised
2357	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	However I believe we need more educational psychology input not less, which I assume is what is meant by "advisory approach".	Educational psychologists	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
2358	An employee of West Lothian Council	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Services like Educational Psychology, Speech & Language Therapy etc. should be centralised.	Educational psychologists	4. The council is already doing this.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. These services are already centralised
2359	No Response	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	I would like to see a continuance of external specialised support for schools as children's needs are complex and good early years support is critical to achieving good, honest, well educated young people who will go on to make positive contributions to our future.	Educational psychologists	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. The proposal would continue to fulfilling the council's duty to meet the needs of every child.
2360	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	What will be the restructure and redesign. If more input is available for families in crisis or even just struggling perhaps the need for educational psychological support will be less.	Educational psychologists	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. The proposal would continue to fulfilling the council's duty to meet the needs of every child.
2361	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	As a central body surely your negotiating power is greater than fragmenting management and psychological services. Thus potentially increasing overall spend.	Educational psychologists	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. Education psychologists are employed by the council.
2362	No Response	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Astonished at 2 of the proposals! Educational psychology services are already limited, but they are absolutely essential for children with additional needs or learning differences. Teachers do not have the capacity to take that on and it is not really part of their training. It would be a complete let down of the children who needs a little extra help to thrive. R	Educational psychologists	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. The proposal would continue to fulfilling the council's duty to meet the needs of every child.

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2363	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	rs. I am unclear what an advisory approach to Educational Psychology means in practice but it does sound like less provision to children in a vulnerable position. It would be a shame to further decrease and already limited music provision.	Educational psychologists	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council intends to implement the proposal whilst still fulfilling its duty to meet the needs of every child. All pupils will continue to receive music as part of the curriculum and be able to access Youth Music Initiative.
2364	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	However educational psychology is surely key to early intervention and improving community wellbeing as well as individual attainment? It's unclear what 'an advisory approach' will deliver.	Educational psychologists	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. The proposal would continue to fulfilling the council's duty to meet the needs of every child.
2365	An employee of West Lothian Council	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Educational Psychology requires more input not less.	Educational psychologists	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. The proposal would continue to fulfilling the council's duty to meet the needs of every child.
2366	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	We oppose any reduction in Educational Psychology.	Educational psychologists	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. The proposal would continue to fulfilling the council's duty to meet the needs of every child.
2367	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	I'm also concerned about the restructure, redesign and reduction in the provision of educational psychology support for pupils and schools. By definition these services benefit those children and young people most in need of support and any reduction in that service would be a false economy storing up problems for the Council in future years. Education psychologists perform an essential role in supporting pupils, teachers and schools and they should not be seen as a service which can be cut without consequences to vulnerable people. Again, I would like to know whether or not you support a reduction in educational psychology services. The West Lothian Council consultation closes on November 12. I've taken part and submitted by views on their proposal and would like to know if you have too.	Educational psychologists	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. The proposal would continue to fulfilling the council's duty to meet the needs of every child.
2368	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Educational psychologists are an integral part of the council's integration of children with additional needs into mainstream education and within social education. In my view this would be detrimental to all children being educated to reach their full potential.	Educational psychologists	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The contribution of Educational Psychologists is valued by parents, schools and by the council, but the council is consulting on budget reductions across the full range of its activities. The council is committed to implementing proposals whilst continuing to meet the needs of every child.
2369	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	If ed psychs will only be involved in an advisory capacity who is going to deal with real functional analysis? How are they going to meaningfully contribute to the identification of appropriate behaviour support plans if they don't know the kids how can they be productive in supporting the management of complex risk for our high tariff lids from a distance?	Educational psychologists	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The contribution of Educational Psychologists is valued by parents, schools and by the council, but the council is consulting on budget reductions across the full range of its activities. The council is committed to implementing proposals whilst continuing to meet the needs of every child.
2370	No Response	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Please don't make educational psychologists advisory only. How can they provide useful and effective support to individual children with additional support needs as well as to schools if they don't get the chance to actually work with children.	Educational psychologists	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The contribution of Educational Psychologists is valued by parents, schools and by the council, but the council is consulting on budget reductions across the full range of its activities. The council is committed to implementing proposals whilst continuing to meet the needs of every child.
2371	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	With mental illness amongst young people worse than it has ever been, is it really acceptable to be removing any of the already flimsy support offered by educational psychologists? Surely it should be increased? We do not want to be in a position in the future where we are having to dig deep into the coffers to reinstate lines of support that were short-sightedly cut.	Educational psychologists	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The contribution of Educational Psychologists is valued by parents, schools and by the council, but the council is consulting on budget reductions across the full range of its activities. The council is committed to implementing proposals whilst continuing to meet the needs of every child.
2372	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	What does this mean? An advisory approach to educational psychology is ok but children with additional support needs should not be made to fight for funding for support which is a basic requirement for their learning.	Educational psychologists	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The contribution of Educational Psychologists is valued by parents, schools and by the council, but the council is consulting on budget reductions across the full range of its activities. The council is committed to implementing proposals whilst continuing to meet the needs of every child.

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2373	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	With reference to educational psychology, I am less sure as I don't understand what this involves - but I do know that many complain that accessing help for children with mental health problems is very difficult. If this would exacerbate this problem, then I also disagree with cutting it.	Educational psychologists	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The contribution of Educational Psychologists is valued by parents, schools and by the council, but the council is consulting on budget reductions across the full range of its activities. The council is committed to implementing proposals whilst continuing to meet the needs of every child.
2374	An employee of West Lothian Council	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Taking away resources, provisions and support from those who are vulnerable is surely going to amount in more future loss for the council through troubled behaviour, unemployment and crime. Without actual support from Educational Psychologists for example, are schools not going to feel even more under pressure and less able to meet targets, and frustrated at the lack of help for our most vulnerable children and families? What would happen to training and in school interventions delivered by the EPS team? Would schools have to buy in additional resources, and pay for private companies to deliver training that is currently provided by the psychology team?	Educational psychologists	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The contribution of Educational Psychologists is valued by parents, schools and by the council, but the council is consulting on budget reductions across the full range of its activities. The council is committed to implementing proposals whilst continuing to meet the needs of every child.
2375	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	The advisory approach to educational psychology may cause problems with service provision in other public sector areas such as the NHS.	Educational psychologists	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The contribution of Educational Psychologists is valued by parents, schools and by the council, but the council is consulting on budget reductions across the full range of its activities. The council is committed to implementing proposals whilst continuing to meet the needs of every child.
2376	An employee of West Lothian Council	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	If educational psychology isn't supported, will this give teachers more stress and less support to young people?? All this could be short sighted savings?	Educational psychologists	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The contribution of Educational Psychologists is valued by parents, schools and by the council, but the council is consulting on budget reductions across the full range of its activities. The council is committed to implementing proposals whilst continuing to meet the needs of every child.
2377	An employee of West Lothian Council	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	I do not agree with an advisory educational psychology service. There is increasing demand for support for mental health conditions and teachers are struggling to support children with complex histories. We need a robust educational psychology service to support children with autism, aspergers, ADHD but also our children who are looked after or who have suffered abuse or neglect. We need for take into account the Adverse childhood experience research and ensure we offer early intervention service to support those children who are more vulnerable due to their circumstance.	Educational psychologists	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The contribution of Educational Psychologists is valued by parents, schools and by the council, but the council is consulting on budget reductions across the full range of its activities. The council is committed to implementing proposals whilst continuing to meet the needs of every child.
2378	No Response	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	I can imagine that people have benefited from educational psychology therefore I think it is important that users of this service still have a service to use. The council may not provide this but should ensure that people know where to go to get this or a similar service.	Educational psychologists	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The contribution of Educational Psychologists is valued by parents, schools and by the council, but the council is consulting on budget reductions across the full range of its activities. The council is committed to implementing proposals whilst continuing to meet the needs of every child.
2379	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	reduction in educational psychology input sounds negative.	Educational psychologists	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The contribution of Educational Psychologists is valued by parents, schools and by the council, but the council is consulting on budget reductions across the full range of its activities. The council is committed to implementing proposals whilst continuing to meet the needs of every child.
2380	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	however do not think that educational psychology services should be changed.	Educational psychologists	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The contribution of Educational Psychologists is valued by parents, schools and by the council, but the council is consulting on budget reductions across the full range of its activities. The council is committed to implementing proposals whilst continuing to meet the needs of every child.
2381	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	I am not entirely sure what "advisory approach to educational psychology" will mean, but am sure it is less than the current, very stretched service. Currently there is a long wait to have a child spoken with and then an even longer wait for a parent to have a meeting and be given feedback. This is unacceptable for our young people, more of them are being exposed to events and situations that are putting their mental health at risk. Cutting the service, or making it more remote will cause delays or reduced effectiveness and will lead to more young people being failed by the education system.	Educational psychologists	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The contribution of Educational Psychologists is valued by parents, schools and by the council, but the council is consulting on budget reductions across the full range of its activities. The council is committed to implementing proposals whilst continuing to meet the needs of every child.
2382	No Response	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Effective educational psychology is vital in ensuring that all children and young people are receiving the best education possible. An effective support system advised by an educational psychologist promotes active participation and encourages these individuals to reach their full potential.	Educational psychologists	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The contribution of Educational Psychologists is valued by parents, schools and by the council, but the council is consulting on budget reductions across the full range of its activities. The council is committed to implementing proposals whilst continuing to meet the needs of every child.

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2383	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Ed psych ate essential parts of good education. Cutting these is at odds with priorities	Educational psychologists	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The contribution of Educational Psychologists is valued by parents, schools and by the council, but the council is consulting on budget reductions across the full range of its activities. The council is committed to implementing proposals whilst continuing to meet the needs of every child.
2384	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Educational psychology is an invaluable service to support schools and therefore allow teaching resources to be more focused on learners and not dealing with issues. Where there is more integration of learners with additional needs this cannot be addressed alone by teaching staff and requires dedicated support.	Educational psychologists	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The contribution of Educational Psychologists is valued by parents, schools and by the council, but the council is consulting on budget reductions across the full range of its activities. The council is committed to implementing proposals whilst continuing to meet the needs of every child.
2385	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Reducing educational psychological support will disadvantage educational attainment of a significant number of children.	Educational psychologists	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The contribution of Educational Psychologists is valued by parents, schools and by the council, but the council is consulting on budget reductions across the full range of its activities. The council is committed to implementing proposals whilst continuing to meet the needs of every child.
2386	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	If Ed Psychs are advisory only who will carry out key assessments that teachers are not qualified for?	Educational psychologists	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The contribution of Educational Psychologists is valued by parents, schools and by the council, but the council is consulting on budget reductions across the full range of its activities. The council is committed to implementing proposals whilst continuing to meet the needs of every child.
2387	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	I oppose any reduction in educational psychology.	Educational psychologists	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The contribution of Educational Psychologists is valued by parents, schools and by the council, but the council is consulting on budget reductions across the full range of its activities. The council is committed to implementing proposals whilst continuing to meet the needs of every child.
2388	No Response	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Schools need more not less ed psych time	Educational psychologists	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The contribution of Educational Psychologists is valued by parents, schools and by the council, but the council is consulting on budget reductions across the full range of its activities. The council is committed to implementing proposals whilst continuing to meet the needs of every child.
2389	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	There are increasing numbers of children presenting with ASN, including but not limited to, ASD, ADHD, ADD, Attachment Disorder: these children are vulnerable and need active skilled support to integrate successfully into mainstream education and to thrive there. if choices are to be made then surely the greatest benefit to the greatest number of children who need it most will be to retain the current educational psychology provision.	Educational psychologists	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The contribution of Educational Psychologists is valued by parents, schools and by the council, but the council is consulting on budget reductions across the full range of its activities. The council is committed to implementing proposals whilst continuing to meet the needs of every child.
2390	An employee of West Lothian Council	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Mental health is high on the agenda (or it certainly should be). Currently in schools, staff are seeing a high upturn in mental health issues; some of this stems from social media, cyber bullying and the Ed Psych's are an invaluable tool to the staff to learn strategies for dealing with these vulnerable young people and to monitor them in the future to ensure their wellbeing.	Educational psychologists	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The contribution of Educational Psychologists is valued by parents, schools and by the council, but the council is consulting on budget reductions across the full range of its activities. The council is committed to implementing proposals whilst continuing to meet the needs of every child.
2391	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Teachers are already overloaded, now its something else to try and teach and also be psychologists as well. I think mental health should be a priority.	Educational psychologists	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The contribution of Educational Psychologists is valued by parents, schools and by the council, but the council is consulting on budget reductions across the full range of its activities. The council is committed to implementing proposals whilst continuing to meet the needs of every child.
2392	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Teachers are already overloaded, now its something else to try and teach and also be psychologists as well. I think mental health should be a priority.	Educational psychologists	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposals seek to strike an appropriate balance between front line, support and management staff, all of whom perform an important function within the service, within available resources.

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2393	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Cuts to educational psychology advisory services further disadvantages children who are already struggling.	Educational psychologists	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The contribution of Educational Psychologists is valued by parents, schools and by the council, but the council is consulting on budget reductions across the full range of its activities. The council is committed to implementing proposals whilst continuing to meet the needs of every child.
2394	An employee of West Lothian Council	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	As someone who works in a school with deprived children who need intensive intervention, the move to "advisory" roles for educational psychologists would be very detrimental, especially in a time when staff are dealing with an increased number of children suffering from mental health issues. Staff are not trained enough and do not have enough time to deal with more complex issues and children need assessment by and educational psychologist in person, not via a phone call.	Educational psychologists	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The contribution of Educational Psychologists is valued by parents, schools and by the council, but the council is consulting on budget reductions across the full range of its activities. The council is committed to implementing proposals whilst continuing to meet the needs of every child.
2395	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	We would have concerns for children with additional needs within main stream schools with only having an advisory approach from educational psychology. We would have concerns for our colleagues in teaching being asked to manage budgets when their skill sets are focussed around education and not business.	Educational psychologists	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The contribution of Educational Psychologists is valued by parents, schools and by the council, but the council is consulting on budget reductions across the full range of its activities. The council is committed to implementing proposals whilst continuing to meet the needs of every child.
2396	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	but NOT with the advisory approach to education psychology	Educational psychologists	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The contribution of Educational Psychologists is valued by parents, schools and by the council, but the council is consulting on budget reductions across the full range of its activities. The council is committed to implementing proposals whilst continuing to meet the needs of every child.
2397	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	An advisory approach to educational psychology is a disaster as this service is already limited enough and children with additional needs are not getting the assessment and support that they need.	Educational psychologists	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The contribution of Educational Psychologists is valued by parents, schools and by the council, but the council is consulting on budget reductions across the full range of its activities. The council is committed to implementing proposals whilst continuing to meet the needs of every child.
2398	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Educational Psychology is an integral part of getting it right for every child, we already miss many of the mental health issues in young people in the school system because this is so stretched. It is absolutely mad to think that cutting anything to do with this this will help. It will cause long term mental health issues which the council will then have to deal with in the hospital and community.	Educational psychologists	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The contribution of Educational Psychologists is valued by parents, schools and by the council, but the council is consulting on budget reductions across the full range of its activities. The council is committed to implementing proposals whilst continuing to meet the needs of every child.
2399	No Response	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	At a time of expectation of inclusion for children with additional learning needs, educational psychology is needed more than ever to support schools and pupils achieve their potential.	Educational psychologists	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The contribution of Educational Psychologists is valued by parents, schools and by the council, but the council is consulting on budget reductions across the full range of its activities. The council is committed to implementing proposals whilst continuing to meet the needs of every child.
2400	An employee of West Lothian Council	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	It also does not make sense to reduce the Educational Psychology service as early and effective intervention is one of the Council's key priorities and this department are key to schools accessing support quickly.	Educational psychologists	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The contribution of Educational Psychologists is valued by parents, schools and by the council, but the council is consulting on budget reductions across the full range of its activities. The council is committed to implementing proposals whilst continuing to meet the needs of every child.
2401	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	I also have concerns about the effects of any restructure, redesign and reduction in educational psychology services. By definition these services benefit those children and young people most in need of support and any reduction in that service would be a false economy storing up problems for the Council in future years.	Educational psychologists	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The contribution of Educational Psychologists is valued by parents, schools and by the council, but the council is consulting on budget reductions across the full range of its activities. The council is committed to implementing proposals whilst continuing to meet the needs of every child.
2402	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Re provision of Educational Psychology - a peripatetic service could be evolved to support areas and be "on call" as required by the schools.	Educational psychologists	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The contribution of Educational Psychologists is valued by parents, schools and by the council, but the council is consulting on budget reductions across the full range of its activities. The council is committed to implementing proposals whilst continuing to meet the needs of every child.
2403	No Response	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Re provision of Educational Psychology - a peripatetic service could be evolved to support areas and be "on call" as required by the schools.	Educational psychologists	4. The council is already doing this.	Educational Psychologists already work across a number of schools, but this issue could be examined to determine whether there was further scope for efficiency.

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2404	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	However, with presumption of main stream it would not be beneficial to the school and young people if central services such as Psychological Services were reduced. This would then increase lack of support for individuals who need this as they develop and begin to enter the young work force and seek positive destinations.	Educational psychologists	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The contribution of Educational Psychologists is valued by parents, schools and by the council, but the council is consulting on budget reductions across the full range of its activities. The council is committed to implementing proposals whilst continuing to meet the needs of every child.
2405	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Educational psychology is not an area which should be skimmed on - access to proper education for those with psychological conditions or related needs should be led at Council level, to ensure all schools in all communities have access	Educational psychologists	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The contribution of Educational Psychologists is valued by parents, schools and by the council, but the council is consulting on budget reductions across the full range of its activities. The council is committed to implementing proposals whilst continuing to meet the needs of every child.
2406	No Response	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	do not compromise educational psychology provision	Educational psychologists	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The contribution of Educational Psychologists is valued by parents, schools and by the council, but the council is consulting on budget reductions across the full range of its activities. The council is committed to implementing proposals whilst continuing to meet the needs of every child.
2407	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Support to pupils who are not reaching their full potential is essential. Services such as changing to an advisory service to educational psychology would leave young people at a disadvantage. There are more young people suffering from mental health with very little support these days therefore to reduce these resources would be catastrophic.	Educational psychologists	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The contribution of Educational Psychologists is valued by parents, schools and by the council, but the council is consulting on budget reductions across the full range of its activities. The council is committed to implementing proposals whilst continuing to meet the needs of every child.
2408	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Services like Educational Psychology, Speech & Language Therapy etc. should be centralised	Educational psychologists	4. The council is already doing this.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
2409	An employee of West Lothian Council	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Services like Educational Psychology, Speech & Language Therapy etc. should be centralised and visiting music specialist provision scrapped altogether.	Educational psychologists	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
2410	An employee of West Lothian Council	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Educational Psychology, Speech & Language Therapy etc. should be centralised and visiting music specialist provision scrapped altogether.	Educational psychologists	4. The council is already doing this.	The council is already doing this. All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
2411	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	I know that schools rely on the educational psychology service and reducing this will have an impact on ensuring we are getting it right for every child in our schools.	Educational psychologists	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The contribution of Educational Psychologists is valued by parents, schools and by the council, but the council is consulting on budget reductions across the full range of its activities. The council is committed to implementing proposals whilst continuing to meet the needs of every child.
2412	An employee of West Lothian Council	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Also, schools are already struggling for resources, such as support assistants. Limiting educational psychologists to an advisory approach is laughable - who will this be advising? Teachers and support staff who are already stretched to breaking point?	Educational psychologists	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The contribution of Educational Psychologists is valued by parents, schools and by the council, but the council is consulting on budget reductions across the full range of its activities. The council is committed to implementing proposals whilst continuing to meet the needs of every child.
2413	An employee of West Lothian Council	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	The Pupil Equity Fund (PEF) should not be viewed as a mechanism for shoring up local authority budget cuts. The Scottish Government is quite clear that the EPF funding is to be an additional support to schools and has the assumption that certain basic supports will continue to be provided at local authority level. It will be important to ensure that key support services such as Educational Psychology continue to be able to support schools and families and our most vulnerable young people. Careful consideration should be given as to how this will be managed and how parental expectations will be supported should a significant change in service arise.	Educational psychologists	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Headteachers will follow national guidance on their use of PEF funding. The contribution of Educational Psychologists is valued by parents, schools and by the council, but the council is consulting on budget reductions across the full range of its activities. The council is committed to implementing proposals whilst continuing to meet the needs of every child.
2414	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Educational psychology is crucial to support the needs of children with ALN as well as staff supporting these children. Changing the current provision to an advisory role will place more pressure and responsibilities on our teachers who are already under increasing pressure to raise attainment with less resources. Children with ALN need the appropriate support and this is needed to be provided by qualified educational psychologists!	Educational psychologists	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The contribution of Educational Psychologists is valued by parents, schools and by the council, but the council is consulting on budget reductions across the full range of its activities. The council is committed to implementing proposals whilst continuing to meet the needs of every child.

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2415	An employee of West Lothian Council	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Educational psychologists already only provide an advisory approach in schools, and very few provide any hands on support to young people, this is something that has been heavily been criticised.	Educational psychologists	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The contribution of Educational Psychologists is valued by parents, schools and by the council, but the council is consulting on budget reductions across the full range of its activities. The council is committed to implementing proposals whilst continuing to meet the needs of every child.
2416	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	It is my impression that Educational Psychology is already very limited in provision. I would be concerned to see this forget eroded.	Educational psychologists	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The contribution of Educational Psychologists is valued by parents, schools and by the council, but the council is consulting on budget reductions across the full range of its activities. The council is committed to implementing proposals whilst continuing to meet the needs of every child.
2417	An employee of West Lothian Council	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	What exactly does 'an advisory approach to educational psychology' actually mean? If it means reducing the number of trained educational psychologists and requiring those few who are left to cover more schools, then this is a huge mistake and completely at odds with the educational aims of the council laid out on the previous page. Surely the link between improving attainment, closing the gap and ensuring all students reach their full potential and a comprehensive and well staffed educational psychology provision is obvious?	Educational psychologists	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The contribution of Educational Psychologists is valued by parents, schools and by the council, but the council is consulting on budget reductions across the full range of its activities. The council is committed to implementing proposals whilst continuing to meet the needs of every child.
2418	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	There is already a stretch on Educational Psychology services and provision of enough resources for both supporting additional learning needs of our children and supporting their Mental Health. I would be very concerned if these limited services are cut when in actual fact nationally they need to be addressed.	Educational psychologists	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. The proposal would continue to fulfilling the council's duty to meet the needs of every child.
2419	No Response	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Very concerned if this means reducing Ed psychology services or music education in our schools, both of which improve overall outcomes for children.	Educational psychologists	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. The proposal would continue to fulfilling the council's duty to meet the needs of every child.
2420	An employee of West Lothian Council	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	educational psychologists are rarely seen and do very little for a very high salary - I work in a special school and have rarely seen one! when my eldest daughter needed support they wouldn't see her as 'too bright' and she now is being educated in an autism resource...	Educational psychologists	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	The proposal will fulfilling its duty to meet the needs of every child, if progressed.
2421	An employee of West Lothian Council	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Investing in additional support and educational psychology in mainstream settings can reduce demand on other resources and costly specialist placements.	Educational psychologists	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. The proposal would continue to fulfilling the council's duty to meet the needs of every child.
2422	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Would have a concern over psychological and similar support in schools and music and arts generally is a vital part of broadening a young person.	Educational psychologists	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. The proposal would continue to fulfilling the council's duty to meet the needs of every child.
2423	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	I totally agree that educational psychologists are a waste of time and money. I know this through experience.	Educational psychologists	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The Council intends to implement the proposal whilst still fulfilling its duty to meet the needs of every child.
2424	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	It seems counter intuitive to decentralise services which are shared by all schools. This will only constitute a saving if the services are not provided on a school by school basis. My son, who is dyslexic, has benefited from the excellent support provided by the educational psychology team. Without a central team specialising in such areas, the specialist teachers working in schools will not be able to provide the same level of care and this support is crucial in mitigating the effects of learning disabilities on attainment throughout education and beyond.	Educational psychologists	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. The proposal would continue to fulfilling the council's duty to meet the needs of every child.
2425	An employee of West Lothian Council	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	What is educational psychology's current role? Is an advisory approach a change?	Educational psychologists	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	The proposal will fulfilling its duty to meet the needs of every child, if progressed.
2426	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	The training service provided by the Educational Psychologists was helpful in building the capacity of staff to support our young people however training can possibly be accessed in a different way by schools.	Educational psychologists	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	The proposal will fulfilling its duty to meet the needs of every child, if progressed.

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2427	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	The training service provided by the Educational Psychologists was helpful in building the capacity of staff to support our young people however training can possibly be accessed in a different way by schools. The culture of West Lothian is closely tied to music, with many of the young people accessing IMS as a vehicle to be included in collegiate activities such as concerts, camps even simply group rehearsals.	Educational psychologists	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	The proposal will fulfilling its duty to meet the needs of every child, if progressed.
2428	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	I am unhappy at what sounds like a reduction in psychology service in schools.	Educational psychologists	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. The proposal would continue to fulfilling the council's duty to meet the needs of every child.
2429	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Educational psychology supports the most vulnerable young people and reductions here should be avoided wherever possible.	Educational psychologists	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. The proposal would continue to fulfilling the council's duty to meet the needs of every child.
2430	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Can schools deliver specialist services at a local level e.g. psychological services? Perhaps the efficiencies within 1b can be delivered though an integrated approach in partnership with HTs whereby agreement is reached for decentralised school budgets to provide cluster or authority wide support services that address local need/demand.	Educational psychologists	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	This is a positive suggestion. Headteachers could consider how this could be developed.
2431	An employee of West Lothian Council	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Educational psychology is a key partner agency and their support and interventions with some of our young people most in need. I feel that the move to an advisory approach this would be detrimental.	Educational psychologists	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. The proposal would continue to fulfilling the council's duty to meet the needs of every child.
2432	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	As long as this does not impact on giving help to children who really need it. I would be concerned if the educational psychology service was reduced as it seems that more and more children are needing to be referred and schools need this assistance if they are going to be able to provide quality education for all children.	Educational psychologists	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. The proposal would continue to fulfilling the council's duty to meet the needs of every child.
2433	An employee of West Lothian Council	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	I DO NOT AGREE THAT ED PSYCHOLOGY SHOULD GIVE ADVISORY APPROACH ONLY. THEY NEED TO DO HANDS ON WORK WITH CHILDREN IF THEY ARE TO HELP THEM	Educational psychologists	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. The proposal would continue to fulfilling the council's duty to meet the needs of every child.
2434	No Response	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Does the educational psychology item mean that you can dispense with the ineffectual and overpaid Educational Psychologists? Or are they protected by your statutory duties?	Educational psychologists	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The proposal will fulfilling its duty to meet the needs of every child, if progressed.
2435	An employee of West Lothian Council	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	With mental health a real issue for kids we need to make sure we are providing the necessary support.	Educational psychologists	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. The proposal would continue to fulfilling the council's duty to meet the needs of every child.
2436	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	What is meant by and "advisory" approach to educational psychology? I assume Council means less face to face contact with educational psychologists - not a good move!! Kids and adults need this service as a priority.	Educational psychologists	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. The proposal would continue to fulfilling the council's duty to meet the needs of every child.
2437	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	With the increase in the number of young people with issues around mental health and well-being, I see educational psychology as a very important role in schools, particularly following the changes that have occurred in previous years in the way mental health link workers are no longer as accessible.	Educational psychologists	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. The proposal would continue to fulfilling the council's duty to meet the needs of every child.
2438	No Response	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	I completely disagree with this proposal. Staff in school are already working with reduced resources and provision. A further reduction in regard to the educational psychology service would impact on our most vulnerable and needy students. Specialist professional staff like our educational psychologists are need to work WITH our pupils, not merely to provide an advisory service.	Educational psychologists	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. The proposal would continue to fulfilling the council's duty to meet the needs of every child.
2439	An employee of West Lothian Council	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	I am also concerned at the cuts to psychology dept - advisory and then what happens to vulnerable children.. lost in the NHS system and no one fighting their corner.	Educational psychologists	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. The proposal would continue to fulfilling the council's duty to meet the needs of every child.
2440	No Response	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	not convinced that current education psychology services in West Lothian is having as much impact as it could.	Educational psychologists	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	The proposal will fulfilling its duty to meet the needs of every child, if progressed.

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2441	An employee of West Lothian Council	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Provision must be provided to support teachers to better enable them to raise attainment within school. Services like behaviour outreach, educational psychology, etc. must have adequate funding for them to be able to adequately support teachers and schools however at the moment these services appear to be stretched too thinly, leaving teachers having to deal with situations and behaviours which they have not received the specialist and appropriate training needed to do so.	Educational psychologists	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The changes to Devolved School Management will increase the autonomy of Headteachers and teachers to make decisions at a local level to benefit pupils in their school. This will include the appropriate mix of staffing, although maintaining the pupil/teacher ratio may require the employment of teachers in preference to support staff.
2442	An employee of West Lothian Council	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	HTs can not be responsible for outside services such as educational psychology. They are specialist areas for a reason. It would be unacceptable to see these reduced further.	Educational psychologists	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. The proposal would continue to fulfilling the council's duty to meet the needs of every child.
2443	An employee of West Lothian Council	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Support services should not become the role of teachers and should be retained. Education psychology play a vital role in supporting young people achieve in a safe and healthy manner - very important role.	Educational psychologists	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. The proposal would continue to fulfilling the council's duty to meet the needs of every child.
2444	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	I am also concerned as a teacher and as a parent with the reduction in the educational psychology provision. It is a vital service provided to our young people and with the limitations on teacher's time, the lack of provision of ASN support, this is essential to ensure that all our young people have the very best start in life.	Educational psychologists	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. The proposal would continue to fulfilling the council's duty to meet the needs of every child.
2445	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Support such as music etc is vital for pupils and must not be reduced.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
2446	No Response	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Music provision should be reduced as this isn't a priority.	Instrumental music provision	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
2447	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Pupils in West Lothian are very privileged to have the free music tuition they get, however taking this away may prevent some musicians from flourishing. Many great talents have come from West Lothian already, this may produce revenue, but you are looking to cut the tuition which helped them get to where they are now. I understand that tuition costs a lot, however it is a great benefit for those who cannot afford it and have hidden talents.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence. Opportunities to increase access for all pupils should be explored.
2448	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Music instructors useful in less affluent areas.	Instrumental music provision	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence. Opportunities to increase access for all pupils should be explored.
2449	No Response	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	I do however feel music is an influential part of education from a very young age it is a therapy for a lot of children and in turn results in many careers. Perhaps spending less on computing in schools and things such as fancy art work or architecture along with expensive auditoriums, projectors etc there would be a lot more funding available for educational things. Schools are meant to be there to educate not for children's social life's with cafes in schools etc	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
2450	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Perhaps parents could be asked to contribute towards music provision? Music has been proven to help support children from disadvantaged areas and increase attainment levels. There are many bands, especially brass and pipe, throughout the County and maybe the way forward is to reduce, slowly, music from schools but the Council to work in partnership with such bands to provide music instruction. I believe education psychology can play a big part in school life, especially in socially disadvantaged areas	Instrumental music provision	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	This comment will be considered in the development of the proposal. In relation to instrumental music, this comment demonstrates the positive impact of the service, which will continue.
2451	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	I have a child who received musical instruction and the benefit that this had on her self confidence, creativity and life experiences was a key factor in the success she had in securing a university place.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.

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2452	No Response	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	reduced music provision, do schools have funding to make up for these cuts?	Instrumental music provision	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence utilising existing funding.
2453	An employee of West Lothian Council	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Provision of non-essential teaching, e.g. musical instrument instruction, needs to be carried out at after school club type situation.	Instrumental music provision	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
2454	An employee of West Lothian Council	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Whilst I understand these suggestions reducing instrumental music provision may be a mistake. Perhaps it could still be offered at a price, with free tuition for those receiving free school meals etc. The West Lothian Schools pipe band is a credit to the current system.	Instrumental music provision	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Your feedback has been noted. This comment will be considered in the development of the proposal.
2455	No Response	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	A reduction in music would be a shame, but in the bigger picture, it could be a necessary loss if it helps to keep vital services.	Instrumental music provision	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
2456	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Music can also allow children a creative outlet that may not be available to them at home, reducing this may result in children from poorer backgrounds never having the chance to experience playing an instrument	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
2457	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Youth Music and Active Schools is an important area of social development for young people	Instrumental music provision	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The proposal is to continue provision of the Youth Music Initiative, Active Schools, developer funded public art and arts programming for Howden Park Centre. School pupils will also continue to receive arts and sports experiences as part of the curriculum and have opportunities to participate in extra curricular arts and sports experiences.
2458	No Response	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Less money should be spent on Arts & Music in school and focus more on English & Maths, and technology.	Instrumental music provision	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	All children will retain appropriate music, drama, sport and art provision through curriculum for excellence.
2459	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	My sons only play the guitar because they were given the chance to do so in primary school. Indeed they were given the guitar as the orchestra instruments such as trumpet and cello were given to the middle-class children. Yet, despite this prejudice I am grateful (as a non-musical person) they had this opportunity. Without it they wouldn't be studying music as a Highers subject. Those who got the "posh" expensive instruments, the majority didn't continue with them. These should be for families who can't afford lessons or instruments. Easy way to make savings. And I don't mean just for those on benefits but for families, like mine, on a low wage. Too often we fall between the cracks as things are given to benefit recipients only.	Instrumental music provision	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence. Opportunities to increase access for all pupils should be explored.
2460	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Music provision is far more important however, as research shows learning an instrument can have other benefits to education overall and attention/ concentration.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music, drama, sport and art provision through curriculum for excellence.
2461	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	As I have no children, this does not effect me direct, therefore I find it difficult to comment. However I wonder why music was cut over any other subject?	Instrumental music provision	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music, drama, sport and art provision through curriculum for excellence.
2462	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	The second sentence makes little sense to me. do you mean to restructure, redesign and reduce an advisory approach to educational psychology or is this an added implementation?	Instrumental music provision	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	The respondents seeks clarification of the proposal for education psychology to be delivered primarily as an advisory service, with some other functions reduced.
2463	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	the musical provision has long been a strength in the council.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music, drama, sport and art provision through curriculum for excellence.

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2464	No Response	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	I am all for putting the power and control in the hands of head teachers but not reducing music or the arts.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Headteachers are expected to exercise a high degree of autonomy and responsibility for all areas of school life, and increases are anticipated as part of the national governance review. All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music, drama, sport and art provision through curriculum for excellence.
2465	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Instrumental music tuition a luxury in today's tough economic environment. Happy for this to be available to disadvantaged kids but not those whose parents can pay. Worry about quality control if no central support/management in place	Instrumental music provision	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music, drama, sport and art provision through curriculum for excellence.
2466	An employee of West Lothian Council	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	it is important to make savings but on a personal note from me my nephew enjoys his orchestra at school I would hate for this musical provision to be scrapped.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
2467	No Response	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	"reduced instrumental music provision into the mainstream curriculum" is the arts already not restricted enough in West Lothian schools. We are sadly lagging behind our counterparts in Edinburgh and Glasgow that have a strong participation from artistic partnerships and collaborations with local artists. this gives benefit to all by giving experience to new graduates as well as life learning experience to the school pupils.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music, drama, and art provision through curriculum for excellence.
2468	No Response	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Remove all music (not just instrumental), drama, art, dance, sport, RE teaching - concentrate on core academic subjects.	Instrumental music provision	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music, drama, sport and art provision through curriculum for excellence. Religious education is a statutory requirement.
2469	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Consistently, instrumental music provision is seen as having an overall good effect on general attainment. It should NOT be cut in anyway.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
2470	An employee of West Lothian Council	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	This is a good idea if properly audited. As a parent of two children who went through school in West Lothian, I know and appreciate the value of music in the curriculum as both my children benefited from instrumental tuition and were able to participate in school and West Lothian bands.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
2471	An employee of West Lothian Council	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	I would agree that introducing charges for instrumental music instead of offering free lessons would be an excellent idea, however I believe that the charges applied could be means tested in line with Free School Meals and Clothing grants in order that we continue to support our anti poverty strategy.	Instrumental music provision	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	This comment will be considered in the development of the proposal.
2472	An employee of West Lothian Council	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	I agree that free services should now be charged for,	Instrumental music provision	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
2473	An employee of West Lothian Council	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Music provision is important in a child's development - sounds like you're planning to cut this provision.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain.
2474	An employee of West Lothian Council	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	I support a reduction in spend on instrumental music if this allows priority to be given to the core curriculum.	Instrumental music provision	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain.

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2475	An employee of West Lothian Council	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	a reduction in music provision seems unfair as this is a subject I believe is already lacking in schools, which discourages creativity and alternative learning methods.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
2476	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	It is sad to see a reduced instrumental music provision as there are multiple benefits to playing an instrument but hopefully this will be delivered within the mainstream and may benefit more groups of pupils.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will retain universal access to Instrumental Music Tuition through the Youth Music Initiative.
2477	An employee of West Lothian Council	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	There is sense in displays and funded course being centralised for customers beyond school age. However it may be that some customers that would want to partake of these services do not have the means to travel to a centralised locations, this may need to be accommodated.	Instrumental music provision	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Based on the proposed priorities some sports and arts activities will no longer be provided. Accessibility will be one of many factors taken into account when planning any future provision.
2478	An employee of West Lothian Council	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	I think we need to ensure that the quality of tuition is not then diluted. For example, the learning of music has a number of benefits to children and my concern is that by reducing this, only those able to afford private instrument lessons would be able to properly study music.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain.
2479	An employee of West Lothian Council	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Music and art are essential to a child's development and it is a short sighted approach to cut services that some deem not as important.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music and art provision through curriculum for excellence.
2480	An employee of West Lothian Council	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	perhaps identifying schools that specialise in the arts and music - or use "in house" teaching support - do not throw the baby out with the bath water. Think of the long term development of the children.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music and art provision through curriculum for excellence.
2481	An employee of West Lothian Council	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Don't agree with the reduced instrumental music provision. For some kids this is the only time in their life they'll get the chance to try a musical instrument.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
2482	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	please do not cut music provision any further we have some very talented kids out there.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
2483	No Response	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	I don't believe young people benefit from music taught within schools	Instrumental music provision	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
2484	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Music is a big part of some peoples lives schools shouldnt have to go without	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
2485	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	I strongly oppose reducing instrumental music provision in schools. As a guitarist taught at school I cannot express how much it changed my life.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
2486	No Response	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Generally agree but I would be concerned about reducing instrumental provision. I believe the mental health of children is suffering partly due to emphasis on academic achievement only. Music, art, drama and sport all have a roll to play in keeping our children mentally and physically well and reducing the burden on services in later years. Perhaps this could be means tested so that better off parents could make a financial contribution?	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.

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2487	No Response	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Don't lose the school community. Reducing instrumental music provision just means reducing the standards of music education in schools - not a good idea. The music industry is large human resources employer.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
2488	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	West Lothian has a proud history of instrumental music - this should be enlarged not reduced!!!!	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
2489	No Response	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	If by reducing instrumental music provision is at the expense of pupils learning then dont agree	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
2490	No Response	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	If any music tuition is to be provided by the council over and above any provided as part of the mainstream curriculum, then this should only be for children whose parents cannot afford to pay for private tuition.	Instrumental music provision	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
2491	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Are you joking? Music provision in deprived areas and schools is a necessity.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
2492	No Response	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	School need to encourage after activities spend money on this	Instrumental music provision	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
2493	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Additional support still needs to be given to children in deprived areas who may not have experiences in life. Music, sport etc can be very beneficial to these children. Maybe it should be available to those who need it rather than across the board ???.	Instrumental music provision	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
2494	No Response	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Yes I understand the management part but to loose music could have a very negative affect on mental health for those children who choose to express themselves through music . This could have long term effects on the well being of such children who cannot afford private lessons or introductions to music . What if your way of expressing yourself was not encouraged or removed . Music for some children is a massive protective factor in their resilience .	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
2495	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	It is difficult to see how the continued provision of free Instrumental Music contributes to any of the councils priorities. Stopping free Instrumental Music should therefore be one of the easiest decisions for the council to make.	Instrumental music provision	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
2496	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	I feel it would be a real shame to loss instrument lesson from schools, maybe ask the parents if they can could they pay something towards it.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
2497	An employee of West Lothian Council	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Instrumental music tuition should be charged for. I am a musician, I received tuition at school but my parents had to pay for it. I understand the benefits of music tuition but it is by no means a priority in hard times.	Instrumental music provision	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
2498	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	With budgets under such pressure instrumental music provision should become chargeable, with subsidies available to families on certain benefits.	Instrumental music provision	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.

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2499	No Response	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Music provision should be provided by parents	Instrumental music provision	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
2500	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	As a parent, I would rather youth groups & community centres were in budget rather than music initiatives when most of children who go to these can afford to spend money on music lessons for their child	Instrumental music provision	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
2501	An employee of West Lothian Council	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	AT a meeting we were informed that there would be cuts to instrumental music, this is a concern as it takes away the universality of chances for young people.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
2502	An employee of West Lothian Council	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Music provision can be provided by parents if required	Instrumental music provision	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
2503	No Response	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	why should you reduce musical education to children. Many very talented children are being victimised by west lothian council	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
2504	No Response	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Individual Instrumental music provision is sadly probably a luxury the council can no longer afford but as its something that privately is very expensive maybe its something that could be available at a cost in a central location by our experts thus bringing money in.	Instrumental music provision	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
2505	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	I don't understand most of this proposal, however, reducing the instrumental music provision does seem to be an obvious, and possibly easy, way to make cuts. I was fortunate to have an instrument at WLC P.S but I understand that there just isn't the budget to support so many young people with this opportunity anymore.	Instrumental music provision	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
2506	An employee of West Lothian Council	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Some if these things such as instrumental music are very important for certain children to strive and reach their career goals.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
2507	No Response	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	And music, who needs that!!!!? What wait a moment must just be for the well off in society, as if a parent has to choose violin or the gas bill, that child isn't learning the violin.	Instrumental music provision	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
2508	No Response	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	activities like music provision is such a good idea, why stop it.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
2509	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Finally and importantly - really - reduce music provision - in a culture where music is not only important to our country's culture but where music brings a future and opportunities to many through both business and pleasure - bit short sighted - think of all the festivals, events and arts (world famous) local, national and international - come on - it is not a big part of the budget - cut weedkilling instead?!?!?	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
2510	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	I do not agree with a reduction in instrumental music provision. Why has music been chosen over art or science for example?	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.

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2511	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Reduced instrumental music provision, whilst nice is not necessary. If a pupil has a special musical aptitude or interest, they can source instruction outwith mainstream curriculum time.	Instrumental music provision	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
2512	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Reducing insutrumental musical services would see school students deprived of a way to build confidence, make friends and develop important life skills such as working as part of a team and problem solving.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
2513	No Response	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	music tuition is beneficial for pupils in their early years, having wider implications for mental wellbeing, attainment and equality	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
2514	No Response	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Reducing music provision allows staff to work directly with pupils in school - but relies on their ability in each instrument which will disadvantage a number of pupils. The process seems to be about making schools pay for these services themselves rather than council.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
2515	No Response	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Music and the arts always takes a hit when there are reduced monies available.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
2516	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	however i feel that taking away or reducing music for pupils when music is already limited i feel is not very fair. Music can help people open up and become more creative.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
2517	An employee of West Lothian Council	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Music is a integral part of the school programme and is very useful in giving pupils another outlet the express themselves by learning to play instruments. Reducing this or asking pupils/parents to pay for this could impact on families who are unable to pay.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
2518	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Instrumental music is a very important area in schools. I would like this area to be kept as it has positive benefits for those children who are involved. And also for the community with participation in local events and concerts. West Lothian has a great heritage of music in schools and it would be very sad to see that go. Other ways to helping to supporting this should be found, for example a small charge for the concerts could perhaps raise some money for band funds, or a small charge, not for the tuition, but for hire of instruments.	Instrumental music provision	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
2519	No Response	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Keep instrumental lessons pls	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
2520	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	What happens to children who have an interest in music is this to be funded by parents as a extra activity outwith school?	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
2521	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Music provision is a must, look at this page from your website: https://www.westlothian.gov.uk/article/12724/West-Lothians-young-musicians-end-2016-on-a-high	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.

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2522	No Response	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	I came into this with the idea of proposing small payments of private school music lessons with the current fear that they will disappear entirely. Understandably if we have to cut more luxury spent budgets to increase the budgets for more important things such as health care and poverty then theres not anything to complain about. The idea still stands though. Perhaps instead of completely scrapping private music lessons in school small fee's could be payed either weekly or per term just to keep it going as I know from experience how useful lessons are when it comes to learning instruments. Trust me, would be sad to lose them.	Instrumental music provision	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
2523	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Reducing music provision will directly affect our children. Music builds confidence and helps ASN pupils feel a sense of belonging. Reducing provision is hugely short sighted.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
2524	An employee of West Lothian Council	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Removing or reducing instrumental provision in schools would be an absolute disaster for many pupils and families. In an environment where attainment is of fundamental importance, instrumental tuition allows many pupils who cannot access the curriculum in other subject areas a chance to succeed, achieve, build confidence and feel included. Instrumental music provision in schools provides pupils with experiences, skills and qualities that cannot be accessed elsewhere in school. The extra curricular opportunities provide pupils with focused activities out of school hours, preventing them from getting bored and getting involved with anti social behaviour out of school. The opportunities and learned skills makes these pupils stand out when applying for jobs, college, university etc which has a direct impact on attainment and employment. The sense of inclusion in a thriving Music department can have such a positive impact on pupils' health and well being. Reducing this resource in schools will have a worrying impact on the priorities West Lothian Council have set themselves.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
2525	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	This measure is very controversial in that the schools in economically deprived areas will loose central funding for their wider curriculum. In more affluent areas parents may be able to seek things like music tuition outwith the school environment.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
2526	No Response	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Music lessons in school are a crucial support system which supports me and my peers during the exam period. By cutting the music lessons out you will notice a massive difference in music exam results. Good luck to yous	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
2527	An employee of West Lothian Council	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	The loss of instrumental instruction would be a tragedy, given its undoubted benefit across all areas of children's development and the curriculum. The instrumental music staff give way more of their time over and above what is contractually required in order to support West Lothian's young people, and they can point to countless ex-pupils of the service who are successful in all walks of life, including but not limited to music. There are instrumental service alumni in all professions - doctors, lawyers, dentists, vets, musicians, engineers, business owners. To subsume the work of instrumental instructors into schools delivers a sub-standard, non-specialised service that will not serve our young people. It will also mean that those who wish to benefit from this will be forced into the private sector, severely limiting the reach of this type of musical education so it can only be accessed by those who can afford it. This only serves to push the gap between the rich and poor further apart, and will put those who cannot afford instruction at a disadvantage through no fault of their own.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
2528	An employee of West Lothian Council	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	"Into the mainstream curriculum" is a vague statement - and if it requires music teachers to subsume the work of instructors then the service really would be sub-standard. Music teachers in classrooms are doing a wholly different job. If they play to their own specialisms and for instance, teach whole classes "their" instrument, they are not meeting the curriculum principle of personalisation and choice. This absolutely would not work. Instrumental lessons are specialised and focused, to remove these would hinder West Lothian's musical development significantly, and would have a ripple effect into the workforce and economy in later years, as future performers, creatives and audiences deplete, and music would once again become a pastime of the wealthy few.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
2529	An employee of West Lothian Council	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Integrating instrumental music provision would be problematic for teachers and would rob musically talented young people of an important means of improving and practising.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.

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2530	No Response	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	The arts should not be seen as a viable method to save funds. This outlet is important to the younger generation and it's development, cutting resources in these fields is a short term solution that will cause further expense in the future.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
2531	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	I am angry that you are proposing reducing instrumental music tuition to schools. My daughter has had the opportunity to have cello tuition at her school and to be part of the school orchestra and this has greatly enhanced her life. It would be as if other children were not given the same opportunity. Perhaps a better way of managing this might be to introduce a small fee for lessons, means tested so that those who can't pay don't loose out.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
2532	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	By removing music provision the poorest pupils will have no access to this avenue of education thus widening the Gap.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
2533	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Absolutely no reduction in instrument instruction! You need more money to be given to schools	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
2534	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Music is very important. It provides a way for students to escape, gain confidence, mix with different year groups, improve listening and many many more things. For me it has been an important part of my life in and out of school. It's has helped me a lot in many aspects of my life and I cannot imagine not going to band or going to lessons. I think music needs to get as much support as it can to keep going and do that for others. I think departments such as physical education should be restructured and redesigned instead as it gets much, much more attention than music.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
2535	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	I think the instrumental services are a great resource having had a child use the service at primary school level and to continue this on to high school the effort put in by pupils and teachers is great to see especially when they are recognised when they win awards nationally this also builds their confidence and helps them to develop socially	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
2536	An employee of West Lothian Council	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	I understand the necessity for changes to services and recognise how difficult it is to find proposals. I am most concerned about the reduced instrumental music provision as this will impact directly on children. Children and young people will miss out and I find that hard to accept. Achievement is as high on the national agenda as attainment after all.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
2537	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Removing services such as school instrumental tuition won't improve attainment, it could make it worse.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
2538	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	When I was at school, I generally did not really enjoy being there but the instrumental music tuition was what made me enjoy school and I feel my attendance would not have been as good as it was. Changing how this is currently would downgrade the level of qualifications students are leaving school with.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
2539	An employee of West Lothian Council	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Although it is great to have instrumental music provision, again, reducing this will not impact on a large number of pupils. Pupils and parents who are interested in playing instruments will be able to seek out opportunities outwith school. The school music curriculum could be adapted to include opportunities for experiencing music tuition.	Instrumental music provision	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
2540	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Numerous pieces have been done which suggests that music education can increase attainment in other subjects, so it is counter-intuitive to be cutting services in this area. However, if the Council does cut these services, it would be useful for them to work with voluntary sector providers such as local bands who can help to fill this gap in service provision.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.

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2541	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Music is just as important as anything else you canâ€™t cut this down - it gives children a way to relax and feel calm, opens up career opportunities for those who feel music is really for them (like I did once given the opportunity to play in primary school) itâ€™s also keeps children out of trouble and concentrated due to all the different elements of playing and learning music. If you need more proof of just how beneficial music is look at the El Sistema project and all the good work that has done over the years for troubled and poverty ridden children to keep them out of trouble. Having music as a lesser option than other subjects just isnâ€™t fair and takes away amazing and life changing chances from the kids.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
2542	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Please keep the music education funding for school children who otherwise would not have had a chance to learn an instrument and take part in orchestras. I believe this falls firmly into the categories: improving attainment and positive destination for school children, improving the employment position in West Lothian, delivering positive outcomes on health and minimising poverty, the cycle of deprivation and promoting equality. The music education provides students opportunities to cultivate social and team working skills, as well as being a fantastic boost for students and young people when it comes to the creation of a CV and the first steps onto the working scene. It helps students to practice commitment, public performance as well as providing opportunities for pupils to work individually and collectively. Not to mention the benefits of students interacting with each other is good for the health and helps to develop relationship skills which will undoubtedly help in their working careers.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
2543	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	NO TO REDUCING INSTRUMENTAL MUSIC PROVISION. With the job market being ever so competitive, the instrumental music programme gives the edge to pupils who otherwise would not have access to music. There are many positive outcomes to the instrumental programme - such as developing skills related to team work, individual work, commitment to work. It provides the students with opportunities to meet with other students and to develop relationships - skills which will be vital to their eventual progression into the Scottish work force. By getting reducing the music provision, you are taking away a vital part of education. Not only does the music education help those who eventually will go on to pursue music as a career, but it helps those who will go on to work as part of teams, individually and internationally. Personally with the music programme, I have made friendships that have lasted throughout and beyond my high school career, I have had the chance to travel with the wind band to national competitions and I have had the chance to learn how to perform in front of an audience. The education service has provided me with key skills and I would not like the chance to learn an instrument to be taken away from the next generation of students in West Lothian.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
2544	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	You need to keep the music programme, as it is vital for the all round education of students in West Lothian	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
2545	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	In no way should the instrumental programmes be cut. They shape the lives of young people and give opportunities to those that may not get otherwise. It is a priceless programme that should be saved.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
2546	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	reduced instrumental provision within the mainstream curriculum sounds like a contradiction in terms - instrumental tuition is of necessity small group/individual oriented	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
2547	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Please say you aren't talking about cutting music in schools at the same time as getting expensive specialists in to implement this?	Instrumental music provision	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	This is not what is proposed.
2548	An employee of West Lothian Council	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	We should not be providing free instrumental tuition to families who can afford private tuition.	Instrumental music provision	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
2549	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Music and the arts whilst an easy area to target have been proved to help children's attainment for instance the Rapploch project in Stirling. Could costs of tuition be borne by parents for those who can afford and council funded for those on free school meals etc?	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.

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2550	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	My child very much enjoys music lessons. During the difficult transition between primary school and high school, music lessons has been the one constant and a subject where she feels confident and able to express her creativity - It is a subject that she very much looks forward to, so much so that she takes cello lessons during lunch! The knowledge she gained on stringed instruments at primary school has opened doors for her in high school and she is able to choose guitar, drums & keyboard in high school. Not all children are naturally academic, but excel more with their creative side, whether it be sport, music etc. I think it would be a shame to take this away from them.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
2551	No Response	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	I disagree with Section 1B and think its very sad that the instrumental music lessons are under threat. This is fantastic opportunity for kids to learn how to focus and learn about their individual creativity. My daughter played cello all throughout primary school and now in 1st year at high school her musical knowledge has opened further doors for her - she not only continues with cello, but also guitar, keyboard and drums (including lessons during lunch). With the difficult transition between primary school and high school, music lessons is the one constant for her and what she very much looks forward to in the school week. I think it would be a tragedy to take away this opportunity to express creativity and to learn discipline and focus.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
2552	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Free music lessons outwith the curriculum should be paid for by the parents.	Instrumental music provision	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
2553	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	What are the changes to how the council will work with partner agencies - not enough information to make an informed comment or decision. Will the council be required to spend more money in the short term to make long term savings - if so what does this entail. The council have not made each of the proposals very clear and no specifics, savings appear to be estimated, what is the clear background information relating to each saving, what are the staff/employee implications as well the implications for service users and the community. Music within schools should remain as children and young people use it as a way to express themselves in a positive manner in terms having positive impacts on mental health, confidence, communication, self belief etc. Have Equality Impact Assessments been completed relating to these savings?	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
2554	An employee of West Lothian Council	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	West Lothian used to have an excellent musical reputation. Music is as important a subject as those that are considered to be more academic, would you ever consider reducing mathematics or chemistry provision?!	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
2555	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	I would be extremely disappointed if the reduction in instrumental tuition is implemented. The benefits children, including our own, gain from playing in an orchestra and Folk Group are immeasurable. If these opportunities were taken away from children in West Lothian it would be an absolute disgrace and a poor reflection on the council.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
2556	No Response	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	I think the reduction in music provision is a good idea. While this is a good service to provide and allows children to have a new experience, it is not an essential service.	Instrumental music provision	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
2557	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Do not cut instrumental education!	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
2558	An employee of West Lothian Council	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Music instrumentalists also provide a new path for pupils who may have a talent. Not all pupils get the opportunity to get music tuition and it would be devastating to see this going in schools.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
2559	No Response	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Do not cut extracurricular activities such as music and sport from schools. I would rather pay a contribution for my children to have these opportunities. Invest in children for the future of West Lothian.	Instrumental music provision	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.

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2560	No Response	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	I oppose any reduction in instrumental music teaching.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
2561	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Learning to play an instrument has stopped me from committing suicide	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
2562	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	I strongly disagree on point 1b because learning to play musical instruments has helped me make friends and memories, enjoy my school year and has helped me get out of depression. If music lessons stop things might go dark again and my carrier dreams will be crushed	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
2563	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	As a pupil who has been involved in the instrumental music programme for the last 8 years of my life, I believe that cuts to this could cause large problems. The instrumental music programme helps students to grow their confidence in performing arts and also helps them to overcome many problems in their life. It has personally allowed me to become the young person I am today and has given me multiple opportunities to show my skill and grow my confidence, as a young person who struggled with confidence issues in my primary years I am now in my 5th year of high school and I am now able to speak and perform in front of crowds of people without feeling self conscious. This would not be possible without the help of the instrumental music programme.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
2564	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Children are hardly getting taught proper music at the moment with access to instruments limited until they are older.. even basic singing scales are not taught at the moment so reducing this even more for me would be a bad thing.. teachers are so stretched and relying on the public, mainly mums to volunteer and raise funds to help!	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
2565	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	I don't agree with cutting back on musical provisions. I feel a lot of children may not have access to such things outwith school.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
2566	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Waffle. There is irrefutable evidence of the positive effects instrumental music tuition provides to all pupils in terms of behaviour, social integration and general intelligence. Nationally there is a severe lack of acknowledgement of the positive outcomes from music lessons. Considering the high number of pupils who take lessons in Linlithgow academy alone, this would be a severe loss to all children in the council area.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
2567	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Performing arts/ creative arts are important to all areas of development however with the limited musical teaching my children get at the moment I'm sure it won't be missed. If headteachers decide along with parent council that would be better!	Instrumental music provision	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
2568	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	a reduced instrumental music provision.West Lothian is known throughout the land for its instrumental music provision.This should not be sacrificed due to the current state of the country.Music helps with health and home issues.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
2569	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	how we deliver services to children and their families.....why cut the instrumental music.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
2570	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	more choices more chances...not in music if there are no teachers	Instrumental music provision	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
2571	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	The council will focus on Youth Music Initiative.....but get rid of the Instrumental teachers in schools	Instrumental music provision	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.

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2572	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	I feel that music is a big part of a child's life and they should learn as much as they can from it	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
2573	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	As for reducing instrumental music provision - it is a well known fact that music and playing music is theraputic!	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
2574	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Integrating a reduced instrumental music provision into the mainstream curriculum. It has been shown that channeling musical talent can lead to reduced crime rates, better self esteem, and better focus for pupils leading to better exam results and more useful positive destinations. To reduce this and rely on parents having to pay for individual tuition would be detrimental to the lower paid families. West Lothian has a fantastic Youth Music Initiative with great results at competition level. You only have to turn up to the Spring Concert Series to hear the quality of dedication and commitment from musical instructors and pupils to realise its worth.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
2575	No Response	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Integrating a reduced instrumental music provision into the mainstream curriculum. It has been shown that channeling musical talent can lead to reduced crime rates, better self esteem, and better focus for pupils leading to better exam results and more useful positive destinations. To reduce this and rely on parents having to pay for individual tuition would be detrimental to the lower paid families. West Lothian has a fantastic Youth Music Initiative with great results at competition level. You only have to turn up to the Spring Concert Series to hear the quality of dedication and commitment from musical instructors and pupils to realise its worth.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
2576	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Musical education should never become a choice purely for the well off. Perhaps reduce some of the non academic trips such as ski-ing that only benefit the well off.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
2577	No Response	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Not all children are academic, however may excel at art, music or other subjects. Direct funding encourages schools to focus on core subjects only so that they look good on poorly designed performance measures to the detriment of other subjects and the abilities of young children.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
2578	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	So what happens to the children who show an competence and strong interest in music? Is this to be funded privately by parents.	Instrumental music provision	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
2579	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	I would encourage my child to take part in music and arrange this privately should my child show interest in this (from a personal point of view). It could mean very talented individuals may never get their opportunity should family not be able to afford to do this.	Instrumental music provision	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
2580	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Instrumental Music. I wonder what "integrating a reduced provision" into the curriculum actually means. If this service (which is only provided to a small percentage of pupils??) is part of the curriculum then that infers they will receive timetabled tuition? Surely that means more expense as schools would have to factor this in when timetables are allegedly already struggling to offer all subjects at high schools. Charging for the service would seem to be more fair, BUT, there are numbers of kids who get access by default to things like school ensembles who do not get taught through instrumental music so there would need to be consideration given to EVERYONE making a contribution to the instructors costs. Why is it only music that is being considered here - what about Active Schools co-ordinators and staff?	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
2581	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Reducing access to music would be a pity, but perhaps a necessary cut. Parents could contribute for their own child if they wish to continue to play an instrument.	Instrumental music provision	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.

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2582	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Not sure what an advisory approach would achieve. Class Music teachers would notice the huge increase in workload if the instrumental music is absorbed. This would not give pupils much choice. The ensembles would disappear. Are instructors to become Music classroom assistants?	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
2583	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	I completely disagree with the reduction of musical tuition. Music provides many benefits and should not be underestimated. It can benefit mental health, social inclusion, and for those who struggle academically another avenue of study and future employment. As a former music pupil of a West Lothian school I can offer a first hand account of how music removed me from the cycle of bullying and avoiding school. It increased my confidence, my self worth, my self belief and prevented me from the spiral of depression I was falling into. I gained a place on a prestigious music course at university and it has allowed me to love a fulfilling life. It also taught me many skills including study skills. To reduce this would be detrimental to so many pupils.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
2584	An employee of West Lothian Council	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Saying 'integrating a reduced instrumental music provision' when you mean cuts to practical music classes is not helping anyone. Arts are always the first thing to be cut and by doing this we are doing young people a disservice, they help those that don't get on well academically to have something they are good at and enjoy, they improve our mental health and our abilities in other areas like communication (key for boys in terms of mental health). However, if there are ways of keeping music and other arts whilst making savings this should be done, e.g. school bands, choirs etc instead of individual teaching. The Brazilian youth orchestra movement is hugely successful.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
2585	No Response	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Music??? Concentrate on subjects that will actually increase the kids' chances of real employment! Never in my life have I met anyone who wanted to be a music teacher!!! Again, load of bollocks!!!	Instrumental music provision	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
2586	An employee of West Lothian Council	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Reducing the chance for pupils to try extra curriculum activities will lead to a future generation of narrow learned leavers. Not all students excel academically and should be given the opportunity to find their own specialised niche - where would our entertainment industry be without people from all backgrounds being given all opportunities.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
2587	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Music lessons have allowed me to grow significantly in confidence, and to learn how to play an amazing instrument, as well as make new friends and memories to last forever. I would not only be heartbroken if I could no longer get my lessons and attend the fantastic orchestras I currently do, but I would feel heartbroken for all of the young people who will no longer have the chance to get the wonderful opportunities in music that I have. So I ask you please, don't deprive these potential musicians of all the brilliant chances you are offering at the moment, as they are truly life changing and I am so, so glad that I have, and have had the chance to do this.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
2588	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	I would urge extreme caution at moves to reduce instrumental tuition. Music is a gift to the whole of society and denying access to quality tuition to a generation has implications not just for the children but for the wider community longer term.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
2589	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	However, I am very, very firmly against the reduction in music provision. Three of our four children benefitted from free one to one tuition in clarinet, saxophone and flute and I think those lessons and their involvement in school and West Lothian bands and orchestras was a hugely successful part of their education. Music has been shown in SO many studies to help raise attainment in other parts of the curriculum. Why, in an era when music has been shown to be so successful in low attainment areas such as the Raploch in Stirling, would our council, whose "lifting out of poverty" and improving our young peoples' life chances is one of their 8 stated aims, consider reducing music support.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
2590	No Response	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Music tuition always seems to be targeted for cuts - this seems unfair to employees and pupils.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.

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2591	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Although embedding these resources into themselves is a good idea, it becomes increasingly difficult for the school to solely provide these functions by itself, as well as the other countless things expected of them. Especially musical tuition. Musical ability is a key and very important factor in a teenager and young child's personality and growth. As many tutors are currently paid by the council, of this area is put into the hands of the school, there is no doubt many children will lose one of their most prized, and confident building lessons due to the fact that most schools will be unable to keep every tutor under its payroll. Music tuition is not only an instrumental lesson, it is so much more. It provides pupils with a variety of skills they can use later on in life, and also in their other classes. To prioritise things such as PE, geography or French over music is ridiculous. Music tuition is extremely important in character building, and without instrumentalists and singers, Scotland would not be the society it is today. Many parents can not afford to pay for their children to receive tutoring outside of school if these tutors were to leave due to this budget cut. This denies people who aren't necessarily academic with an opportunity to express themselves in something they find enjoyable. As well as this, music tuition can be a calm place for those with high academic expectations, and can relieve stress from them, as well as build skills necessary for their other classes and exams. As well as this, music tutors spend a lot of time with their students one to one and often offer them so much more than just a lesson. As well as this, the government and council simply cannot expect students to achieve high examination marks, in music specifically as well as others, without the access of music tutors if the schools were unable to pay for them. Music tutors contribute massively to the workings of the schools, it's music departments, bands and local authority bands. Students taking music couldn't pass their practical exams without the help of their tutors as their class teachers are simply unable to help them with every instrument. They are specialists who allow students to reach higher and higher, above the standard of just academic subjects. Having the council pay for music tuition is important because music is a gateway for so many things, and we simply cannot get there without our tutors teaching us the ways of our instruments. Music Tuition may not save lives like the NHS, but it makes people who do.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
2592	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Instrumental music provision in West Lothian is rightly recognised as exemplary. It is open to all and provides our children with a truly rounded, first class education. Cutting education provision in this way may prove superficially attractive but will do great harm to the future of so many children in West Lothian. Education is more than just passing exams and music provision should be supported in order to continue to provide an educated society. By cutting this service, the council will be deliberately destroying something that West Lothian is rightly famous for. It would be an act of "educational vandalism". How can the council claim to support excellence in education if it were to scrap one of the key elements in which it has achieved excellence? Providing services centrally currently frees up frontline school teachers to teach. By scrapping central support, the functions will be passed on to teachers and heads. This will simply distract them from the classroom and reduce effectiveness. It may be attractive but will be a false economy.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
2593	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	see comments in 1b - Instrumental music provision in West Lothian is rightly recognised as exemplary. It is open to all and provides our children with a truly rounded, first class education. Cutting education provision in this way may prove superficially attractive but will do great harm to the future of so many children in West Lothian. Education is more than just passing exams and music provision should be supported in order to continue to provide an educated society. By cutting this service, the council will be deliberately destroying something that West Lothian is rightly famous for. It would be an act of "educational vandalism". How can the council claim to support excellence in education if it were to scrap one of the key elements in which it has achieved excellence? Providing services centrally currently frees up frontline school teachers to teach. By scrapping central support, the functions will be passed on to teachers and heads. This will simply distract them from the classroom and reduce effectiveness. It may be attractive but will be a false economy.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
2594	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	I do not believe a reduced instrumental music provision is in the children's best interest as for some children that is the only area they do well in. It has also been well documented how music helps brain development and how it can help over all development. This service should not be taken away, I understand how much the council needs to save and working in a primary school within the council I see this daily. So I am suggesting instead of taking it away from children altogether you give parents the option to pay for the tuition as other council successfully do.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.

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2595	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Please do not reduce instrumental music provision to schools. The current music service is outstanding, the benefits to the children are enormous. Playing a musical instrument in school is well documented as being a potentially life transforming experience for young people from all backgrounds. Their experiences through tuition and playing in school orchestras and bands will contribute vastly to their well being which benefits society. I have two children who have music lessons in school and play in school music ensembles - they look forward to every lesson, practice, and performance. It is by far their most positive experience of secondary school.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
2596	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Please learn from the mistake of changing the 5-14 curriculum for the curriculum for excellence. Don't take away the music lessons. Taking away "instrumental music provision" from school pupils. If that means stopping the music lessons to pupils that make up the school bands, perform the school concerts then this is mad. Many of these pupils have found friends and gained confidence through playing music in a group then onto the band. They that this confidence and it fuels the learning in other subjects, leading to better attainment levels. As a former teacher, I have seen the difference this can make to kids that struggle making friends. They were not ignored they just didn't say anything to anyone as they had no common ground. Then after getting an instrument then into one of the bands, they had topic that they used and could talk to some people, and these people had friends and soon this poor kid with noone to talk to had a little group of friends. So to remove the music lessons would have a negative affect on some pupils currently receiving these lessons, not only academically but also and possibly more importantly socially.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
2597	An employee of West Lothian Council	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Only someone that has no musical background or education could suggest that instrumental music provision could be part of mainstream curriculum. Or simply someone who sees music as an easy option to cut! It has been proven that children who play are more likely to succeed generally in school and that there is a link to better health and well being. All the council wide activities of various bands would cease to exist which are invaluable to musical education. We will end up back with the pre-standard grade scenario that only children of well-off parents will be able to learn to play. There will be no one to represent WL at high profile events such as the pipeband playing at the opening of the Queensferry crossing. WL has had an exemplary reputation regarding music education up till now. Many students have gone on to RCS and various universities and colleges to study music and build themselves careers and lives within the creative industries. You will be denying a generation of children this right! Not all children are meant to be academic! Please reconsider your thoughts.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
2598	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Reduced instrumental provision should not be a consideration there is already a shortage of instruments and the majority of children who show aptitude in this area are unlikely to be able to afford private expensive tuition	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
2599	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	The instrumental music programme in West Lothian is one of the envy's of many local authorities. Loosing this programme not only will see the lose of jobs for the instrumental teaching staff but will have a great impact on the pupils. The fantastic programme allows the pupils to learn to play an instrument but helps them to grow and flourish as they participate as part of the band. - competing in competitions, playing in concerts/ceremonies and bonding on band camps giving them confidence to grow and develop, work as a team, leadership skills to use in different aspects of their of life, communication and befriending, responsibilities and many more skills which they can use throughout life in many scenarios.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
2600	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Please don't cut free music tuition as my brother will miss out on opportunities I have had that have helped me become a confident person today. Without free music I wouldn't have learned that you need to practice to get good at things therefore I wouldn't have achieved 5 A's at higher because of those skills I learned through learning an instrument I was able to apply them to my exam classes. Cutting music is shooting yourselves in the foot	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
2601	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Please don't cut free music tuition as my brother will miss out on opportunities I have had that have helped me become a confident person today. Without free music I wouldn't have learned that you need to practice to get good at things therefore I wouldn't have achieved 5 A's at higher because of those skills I learned through learning an instrument I was able to apply them to my exam classes. Cutting music is shooting yourselves in the foot	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.

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2612	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Please don't cut free music tuition as my brother will miss out on opportunities I have had that have helped me become a confident person today. Without free music I wouldn't have learned that you need to practice to get good at things therefore I wouldn't have achieved 5 A's at higher because of those skills I learned through learning an instrument I was able to apply them to my exam classes. Cutting music is shooting yourselves in the foot	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
2613	No Response	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Cutting music tuition is the biggest mistake you can make. Please my brother will miss out on building his confidence more as I have through playing an instrument. Cutting that is cutting his opportunities to grow and learn at the same time through opportunities that you'll remember for the rest of your life. Please don't do it	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
2614	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	I am horrified that the council are considering reducing access to music for these children. My daughter has played the trumpet. She is now in second year. She has learned so much from access to this not only learning how to play a musical instrument but also socializing and being part of a team. She has progressed so much since becoming part of the junior and then senior band within this programme. I do believe my daughter wouldn't have been at the stage she is at the moment without this music provision. I cannot believe that the council are letting down future children who could progress and learn from this. Shame on you WLC.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
2615	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	I strongly object to any reduction in the instrumental music service. There are not enough resources to teach music as part of the mainstream curriculum. My children continue to benefit from instrumental tuition. If it wasn't for this, they would not have been taught how to read and play music fluently. Playing an instrument has benefits for children beyond music. Their concentration and team skills improve significantly. Instrumental music tuition also supports the many orchestras and ensembles in West Lothian. This is in danger of being lost.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
2616	No Response	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Cutting the jobs of music instructors is hardly improving the employment position in W. L. It might be better to reduce the number of jobs in W.L. Council paying salaries of over £50,000 and keep the jobs of cleaners, carers etc. I understand jobs paying these huge salaries have risen by 36%	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
2617	No Response	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	I'm actually appalled at the decision to cut instrumental music provision to schools. This is a narrowing of the curriculum and very short sighted in my opinion. W.L Council have always had a proud record of providing musical tuition to students and I see this as a retrograde step. Not all parents can afford to provide private lessons. Are you proposing to make these instructors redundant?	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
2618	No Response	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Cutting the jobs of music instructors is not helping improve the employment position!	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
2619	An employee of West Lothian Council	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Parents where they can afford it can pay for music lessons. Fund raising activities?	Instrumental music provision	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
2620	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	By stripping back the support that individuals such as business support managers, support assistants and the instrumental service will be devastating to schools who are already having to cope with a strain on their resources. The reduction of active school co-ordinators will also be detrimental to the culture and opportunities children receive at school.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
2621	No Response	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	I am very much against a reduced instrumental music service. West Lothian council has a strong tradition in instrumental music and many of our young people, many of whom may otherwise not be able to afford private lessons, benefit greatly from the service provided. Anyone who has attended the showcase Spring Concert Series will have witnessed the talent and dedication of both the young people and staff of the instrumental music service and the great sense of pride and achievement the young people gain from it. The benefits to the young people go beyond learning to play an instrument (confidence, cognitive development, social skills, commitment, responsibility....).	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.

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2622	No Response	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	This seems like a common sense approach but I am concerned about the reduced music provisions: what about children and young people who are not necessarily academic, that find a release through mediums such as the arts including music. Music is a very important part in the curriculum and although I was not musically gifted, the music teachers (as well as CDT) tend disseminate their passion onto pupils and have fabulous relationships with all pupils regardless of the musical talent. Again this is a common sense approach as long as the Head Teacher has an open dialogue and respect for the communities in which they work.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
2623	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	I oppose any reduction in instrumental music teaching. The arts are an easy target yet they enrich children's lives immeasurably.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
2624	No Response	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Plans for Instrumental music are buried in this initiative which is a concern and suggests less transparency than previous failed attempts to reduce or abandon this historic and unique cultural provision in west lothian. IMS delivers something far more than simple ability to play an instrument. The importance of team dynamics, confidence building, discipline, commitment, the sense of responsibility and simply giving some young people a greater sense of purpose should not be underestimated. The cost are very small in the context of education budgets and the service must be protected.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
2625	No Response	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Please do not remove instrumental tuition, it is already offered at a reduced rate and we should be promoting music and the arts to our younger generations. This is a specialist area and provision should remain from specialist teachers with the appropriate knowledge and expertise.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
2626	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Music provision is scarce enough and should be encouraged not reduced	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
2627	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Agree that in the context of reduced funding and increasing costs and demands there needs to be savings in support and non essential education. I'm aware the council's instrumental music service is extremely generous compared to many other councils.	Instrumental music provision	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
2628	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Reducing instrumental music provision would be extremely detrimental to the education of children in West Lothian. WLC has been rightly proud of the instrumental provision up until now - many children have benefited hugely from free music tuition from extremely dynamic and enthusiastic teachers. They have played music with kids from all over West Lothian and have travelled to other countries to experience music there. WLC should be aware of the huge educational benefits of playing music and should not disadvantage kids from more deprived backgrounds from the benefits, which is what will happen if Head Teachers are responsible for budgets. Any reduction in funding for any area of education would be detrimental - WLC should remember that with maximum educational opportunities come improved employment and reduced poverty - hence reducing the need for many council services.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
2629	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	If music provision is decreased any further (as a parent I have seen it decline) you will not maintain the current standard. That is fine, just so long as this is acknowledged and made public in the consultation. I do find it a bit odd given the evidence on the benefits of playing an instrument and the take up of the sistema system by Stirling. It would be preferable to charge for music than to let the standard fall. Of course this would mean that you would have to guarantee sufficient staffing to ensure that lessons were the agreed length.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
2630	No Response	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Until recently, when cuts started to be made - WLC instrumental music service was one of the best in the country - and WLC quite rightly bragged about it. Centralising this service in schools and from their budgets will be disastrous to this service. Music should be considered a hugely important area to be encouraged for all children - it helps to improve attainment in all areas of education - and the service has helped many disadvantaged children in West Lothian to experience music, and playing with others in the area. If anything, more money should be spent on expanding this service - expand and improve the education of children and employment goes up, poverty goes down. If the council needs more money to provide decent services then they should be lobbying central government for more funding instead of quietly lying down and making huge cuts in the hope of gaining favour in future elections.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.

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2631	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	<p>However, I am appalled to read of the proposal to reduce the instrumental music provision and integrate it into the mainstream curriculum - whatever this indeed means. A centrally managed instrumental music service is crucial to improve the life chances of the young people in West Lothian. Studies are consistently highlighting the benefits of learning to play an instrument for our young people, which includes improving their wellbeing, mental health and attainment. Playing with their school bands and ensembles gives pupils a positive reason to come to school, an outlet for their creativity and a strong sense of social identity. West Lothian bands and ensembles lead the way in national competitions and festivals - recent achievements by the Brass Band, Pipe Band and Wind Ensemble speak for themselves, and are not matched anywhere else in Scotland.</p> <p>Pupils need more than 5 As at Higher to get in to terrifically competitive University courses in the current climate, and our pupils need the skills and experience they get learning instruments from specialist teachers to set them above the applicants from elsewhere. If this opportunity is denied to our young people then University places will be offered to those pupils from North Lanarkshire, East Dunbartonshire, City of Edinburgh etc who can demonstrate an additional skill set which can only be learned through playing in bands and ensembles. The instrumental music service also plays a significant role in Primary - Secondary transition, in helping introduce primary pupils to secondary school in a familiar environment through cluster bands and ensembles, music camp days / weekends away, and also giving secondary pupils vital mentoring experience. To reduce the instrumental music service would be the death knell of all cultural activities within our schools. Pupils would no longer be able to participate in events such as performances, school shows, tours and exchange trips, and all of the things which create long-lasting memories for our young people would be lost. Our pupils would not be able to access any career opportunities within the creative industries, unless they could afford private tuition, and the ability to access opportunities offered by such organisations such as the Royal Conservatoire of Scotland would be exceptionally challenging at best. This is a short sighted proposal which is aimed at an easy target, and would damage the educational and life opportunities of a generation of West Lothian children.</p>	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
2632	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	<p>I strongly believe that instrumental music provision should not be reduced for music takes a very important role in the lives of many students and can be of good use to their education. It is scientifically proven that people who know how to play an instrument are more successful educationally. It improves attitude and develops many important skills that may be of good use in their studies and career. According to research, playing an instrument can increase IQ by 7 points in both children and adults. It improves multi-tasking skills, enhances the memory and gives a sense of determination. The persistence and complex thinking which goes into playing an instrument changes the shape of the brain making it more powerful and thus developing the it. Learning how to play an instrument can also improve mental state. Music relieves stress and creates a more calmed attitude which is needed in the life of a student. It also develops patience, discipline and perseverance. Many musicians also perform which boosts confidence and performance levels that could serve very useful for later opportunities. Playing an instrument can also give a feeling of satisfaction which then leads to a tremendous sense of self-achievement. This creates a determined attitude that helps accomplish more in other areas of ones life. Overall, I believe that musicians make better students and that instrumental music provision should not be reduced for it serves too useful and is very important especially for a student and their education. It is only right that a student has complete access to free instrumental lessons and it would be wrong to take that away.</p>	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
2633	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	<p>Cutting instrumental tuition and attempting to integrate it within timetabled music classes is impossible and very unfair on music students trying to pass practical exams on their chosen instruments. Firstly music class high school teachers do not and cannot teach many instruments, most are limited to keyboard and glockenspiel, not very inspiring! I have 2 children studying music and it would be impossible for them to continue their practical side of music exams without instrumental teachers. I cannot believe that West Lothian Council would contemplate cutting a most necessary and worthwhile area of the broad curriculum in their schools. Children have the right to opportunities in all subjects and to deprive them of the chance to excel in music if they are talented, is unforgivable. West Lothian Council must reconsider this backwards proposal and be proud to show other Scottish Councils that they can be progressive and value the fantastic resource they have in nurturing music students. I urge those with the decision making powers to stop and think carefully before destroying the potential of the many super talented, musically gifted young people of West Lothian.</p>	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.

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2634	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	I have been made aware of your intention to review / withdraw funding regarding musical tutors and their associated activities within the school setting. With this in mind I would like to inform you of my objections to this for the following reasons. There is a side to music, which you may not be familiar with. Music can be of benefit to the individual both mentally and physically, not just musicians but their audience also. Music is a discipline that uses all of the brain and has been shown to have a positive impact upon memory, focus, coordination and development as well as negative physical symptoms as confirmed by many scientists including Nina Kraus, Jane Hornickel and Dana L. Strait. Many people, not involved with music, may not appreciate the benefits of listening to music or playing an instrument however it has been shown that advantage exists through positive cognitive improvement. It is not possible to cover every benefit in which music can assist herein, therefore the following areas have been highlighted; Hand eye coordination, Communication, Self esteem, Mathematical ability and social awareness from which it is hoped you will come to realise the importance of this topic and the long term damage that could be caused if withdrawn. Many pupils are known to struggle with hand eye coordination resulting in their involvement in sports therapies however there are those that still encounter difficulties. Studies, carried out by the Northwestern Universities neuroscience laboratory, university of Toronto and Dr. Eugenia Costa-Giomi show that musicians have above average hand eye coordination, which evolves from the necessity to read music coordinate hand movement and breathing simultaneously. Moreover when reading sheet music the brain subconsciously changes what it reads to movement or specific action, consequently the performance of the brain controlling this function is enhanced. The above studies also revealed / acknowledged that musicians have a better understanding of verbal and non-verbal communication skills as their thought process is often more complex resulting from the requirement to understand and utilise these attributes more frequently. As a musician, verbal communication skills and self esteem are also improved, through successful peer interaction, due to the requirement to perform in groups an example being: teachers bringing students together from different geographical areas and denominations to perform countrywide thanks to organizations like the Scottish Concert Band Festival (SCBF). Studies by Dr. Costa-Giomi have shown that, as a musician, the necessity to read music can improve mathematical ability due to	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
2635	No Response	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	I strongly believe that instrumental music provision should not be reduced for music takes a very important role in the lives of many students and can be of good use to their education. It is scientifically proven that people who know how to play an instrument are more successful educationally. It improves attitude and develops many important skills that may be of good use in their studies and career. According to research, playing an instrument can increase IQ by 7 points in both children and adults. It improves multi-tasking skills, enhances the memory and gives a sense of determination. The persistence and complex thinking which goes into playing an instrument changes the shape of the brain making it more powerful and thus developing the it. Learning how to play an instrument can also improve mental state. Music relieves stress and creates a more calmed attitude which is needed in the life of a student. It also develops patience, discipline and perseverance. Many musicians also perform which boosts confidence and performance levels that could serve very useful for later opportunities. Playing an instrument can also give a feeling of satisfaction which then leads to a tremendous sense of self-achievement. This creates a determined attitude that helps accomplish more in other areas of ones life. Overall, I believe that musicians make better students and that instrumental music provision should not be reduced for it serves too useful and is very important especially for a student and their education. It is only right that a student has complete access to free instrumental lessons and it would be wrong to take that away.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
2636	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Remove music provision - this will result in music becoming even more elitist than it is currently though to be. How to disadvantage the disadvantaged still further - remove music provision.	Instrumental music provision	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
2637	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	I'm [REDACTED] I take music and I get music tuition at school, I love it, it's my passion and it's what I do, it's me! It's how I express myself and it's how I deal with the stress of all of my other subjects at school and I'm doing really well with it! Please don't take that away, it would cause so many things I love to stop and I know for a fact that so many other people are like me and love it too. Playing a musical instrument is something that helps with so many other things in life and it's shown to improve so many life skills! Like, social skills, communication, confidence and even things like maths and literature! But even if it didn't improve all of those things it is still something that people love and want to do, you would be taking that away from so many people, something that so many people love and enjoy doing, that would be such a shame for loads of people across West Lothian. Including me.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.

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2638	No Response	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	I'm [REDACTED], I take music and I get music tuition at school, I love it, it's my passion and it's what I do, it's me! It's how I express myself and it's how I deal with the stress of all of my other subjects at school and I'm doing really well with it! Please don't take that away, it would cause so many things I love to stop and I know for a fact that so many other people are like me and love it too. Playing a musical instrument is something that helps with so many other things in life and it's shown to improve so many life skills! Like, social skills, communication, confidence and even things like maths and literature! But even if it didn't improve all of those things it is still something that people love and want to do, you would be taking that away from so many people, something that so many people love and enjoy doing, that would be such a shame for loads of people across West Lothian. Including me.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
2639	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	As a parent with a son at Bathgate Academy, I am appalled that the council would consider removing or decreasing the provision of music instructors to schools. This is a valuable service for children studying music at Nat5 and Higher level, and also those children with additional educational needs for whom music plays a vital part in their education. This is a very bad move by WL council!	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
2640	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	The council has long been a strong supporter of the successful music service in West Lothian. How can the teaching of instrumental brass, woodwind, etc be achieved as an integrated part of the mainstream curriculum? This is a specialist area which requires the input of specialist teachers. Does this mean therefore that this service will become a paid service only available to those who can afford to pay? How will the council make instrumental music accessible and available to all children?	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
2641	An employee of West Lothian Council	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Every child should be given the opportunity to learn an instruments and reducing provision will increase cultural divisions between children in the poorest families and those in the richest as middle class families seek middle tuition privately.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
2642	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Don't agree at all with reduction of music provision in the schools, having seen the positive effect of this on the young people taking part. Do we really want them out on the street corners , bored and causing trouble rather than learning a skill which will stay with them for the rest of their lives, and importantly, within a like minded group of friends. This is an appalling idea. The impact of the music teachers ,even part time, is way beyond the comparatively modest saving to be made.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
2643	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	The loss of additional services, such as the Instrumental Music Service, could be hit hard and would be detrimental and have an impact on the curriculum. This will also have an impact on the policy of inclusion as some pupils and schools need the additional support to reach their potential and have a successful experience in school.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
2644	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	As a parent with a child who wants her positive destination when she leaves school to study music the saving I most object to is the reduction in the instrumental music provision . West Lothian Wind Ensemble last year won a platinum award at the SCBF which was recognised as an achievement in WLC stellar awards. This would not be possible without the current model and the dedication of the current instrumental teachers . Instrumental music is not something that can be integrated into the mainstream curriculum as pupils rely on the one to one tuition from suitably qualified teachers to get to a position to be able to play their instrument well and with confidence . This would be an unfair burden on class teachers in primary school who don't have this background .This one to one tuition then allows them to move on to play in a school group situation , then on the area instrumental programmes . Music has proven benefits for learning of other subjects as already detailed on the WLC page . Within the school curriculum it encourages team work by pupils taking part in school bands . Within the area ensembles it gives children a place to develop their talents and also gives a positive location for them to be during week nights . The current curriculum does not even reach the entry requirements for most music colleges to reduce it further would be hugely detrimental to children with this career development path . There is no consideration in this consultation to reducing any other speciality teaching why has instrumental music been singled out ? The redesign of the support functions and central educational services are something I would support.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
2645	No Response	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	I very much doubt if your musical proposal will be effective.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.

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2646	No Response	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	I very much doubt if your musical proposal will be effective.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
2647	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	I think the Schools should investigate modern manufactured instruments that are cheaper than traditional manufactured ones. e.g. I am aware that schools in other councils in the UK are providing plastic instruments for new starts, which can be cheaper stepping stone for parents to manage than going straight into traditionally made instruments at higher rental costs.	Instrumental music provision	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
2648	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	I'd be concerned with any attempt to reduce music provision it is important! I would rather pay more council tax.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
2649	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Again this appears reasonable but as usual the arts, in particular music provision, is an easy target and I do not approve of this aspect.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
2650	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Music is fundamental to a good education and influences other areas of the curriculum in a positive way, e.g. Maths. Class teachers cannot be expected to deliver teaching in this area unless they are offered a comprehensive music training course, which could cost more than retaining properly trained music teachers. There is little enough in the curriculum at the moment so it would be a really detrimental step to remove trained music teachers altogether.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
2651	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Music plays a big part in WL school life and also in the W L community and therefore should be protected at all costs	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
2652	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Central region charged for instrumental services in the 1980s. Where affordable, I'm sure parents wouldn't object to a contribution towards cost to allow these valuable resources to continue.	Instrumental music provision	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
2653	No Response	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	The loss of additional services, such as the Instrumental Music Service, could be hit hard and would be detrimental and have an impact on the curriculum. This will also have an impact on the policy of inclusion as some pupils and schools need the additional support to reach their potential and have a successful experience in school.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
2654	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Putting instrumental services into general music services is not feasible, it is simply not possible for a music teacher to be able to also provide a range of instrumental tuition, just like a French can't suddenly start teaching German. The consequence will be that music will be greatly downgraded and music teachers will stop in West Lothian high schools. Presumably that is the outcome hoped for(?) although that goes against lots of research about improving education and attainment, so not really in line with the supposed priorities.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
2655	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	There is a danger of children missing out on opportunities such as learning a musical instrument and therefore missing out on a great opportunity to learn and develop as individuals. As someone who benefitted from musical instrument lessons at school in West Lothian I know the benefits it can bring. I have made amazing friends and had incredible experiences through learning a musical instrument and studies have shown that learning a musical instrument can help in brain development as it makes you think in different ways to standard learning such as maths and English.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
2656	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Very much against reduced instrumental music provision. Once dismantled this service will be very difficult to rebuild & the expertise of music teachers lost to the detriment of many children. West Lothian has a great reputation in this field & this will be squandered.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.

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2657	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	I've been told schools nearly always have underspend in their budgets. Couldn't they pay for instrumental music to support pupils sitting exams at least? It's a valued service that shouldn't be lost.	Instrumental music provision	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
2658	An employee of West Lothian Council	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Learning a musical instrument has been proved in many studies to improve attainment, well-being and life chances. It promotes skills for learning, life and work such as perseverance and resilience. West Lothian Council's Instrumental Service is, without doubt, one of the best in Scotland. Over the years, the various bands have won national and international competitions. This shows the quality of musical education being provided. I am now a music teaching working within West Lothian. I would not have achieved this without the input of the IMS in West Lothian. I feel strongly that instrumental music instruction should be available to all children, irrespective of their economic background.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
2659	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Instrumental music tuition plays a vital role in the attainment and should be preserved within schools at all costs. As someone who receives tuition within school, I believe that the A's I achieved in both national 5 and higher music would not have been possible without the excellent tuition I received.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
2660	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Having reviewed the 'Transforming Your Council' Guide issued by West Lothian Council I am particularly concerned about the reduction of the Instrumental Music Service and integration of this into the Mainstream Curriculum. This is a most highly valued service amongst the children currently receiving expert musical instrument tuition and will be a great loss to the generation of young musicians coming up behind them. The instructors are experts in their own instruments - a key factor in successful instrumental tuition. The children not only receive quality instrumental lessons, but also the opportunity to play in bands and orchestras both within their school cluster and across West Lothian thanks to the dedication and commitment of the instrumental teachers. These bands and orchestras provide the children with fabulous experiences of creating music together as a team, striving to improve through dedicated practice both individually and collectively. The concerts and school events they participate in are a fantastic opportunity for them to represent their schools and showcase their achievements and are an absolutely crucial part of school life. Without the Instrumental teachers, these events would be unlikely to continue. I also have grave concerns about the practicality of integrating instrumental teaching with mainstream classroom music tuition. Playing a musical instrument is a very technical and specialist skill and in my view cannot effectively be done by anyone other than a specialist. Classroom music teachers are naturally able musicians but are not necessarily highly trained in the vast range of musical instruments currently taught by the Instrumental Music Service in West Lothian. I understood that the Council were considering cuts to non statutory obligations. I am not exactly sure that the Nat 5 and Higher Music Curriculum fall into this category. To pass these exams, students require to be able to perform an 8 minute programme at Nat 5 and 12 minute programme for Higher on 2 instruments at an intermediate / advanced level. Removing the instrumental music service will require students wishing to study music to Higher level to pay privately for lessons which is not an option for many of our children in West Lothian. There has been a huge amount of research undertaken showing the benefits of playing a musical instrument. These include: Improved maths skills by understanding beat, rhythm and scales a child is subconsciously learning about dividing, fractions and recognising patterns and sequences. Improved language skills reading and comprehension are both developed whilst learning to read music Creates responsibility, perseverance and a sense of achievement Benefits	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
2661	An employee of West Lothian Council	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	It is also very surprising that there would be reduced instrumental music provision. I believe that this is a very backwards step as it is proven to have a very positive effect on attainment.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.

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2662	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Instrumental music provision cannot adequately be provided for within the classroom. Teachers only see each class for 50 minutes per week, so clearly cannot provide 30 minutes of 1-2-1 tuition to each pupil in a class of 30. Music provision should be considered within an overall cultural planning strategy, in a similar way to current community planning groups, where the value of the arts and culture is understood and valued for its intrinsic and instrumental value to society. Given the recent outcry over the leaked proposal to close the City of Edinburgh Music School, it should be clear to West Lothian Council that this proposal to remove instrumental teaching from schools will not be accepted by constituents. Elected council members should be educated on the value of the arts and culture and consider their contribution to West Lothian's unique culture and to arts development more broadly. With this proposal, all instrumental teachers would lose their jobs. There would be no more school concerts or regional concerts, which benefit audiences as well as participants. Young people would lose the opportunity to learn a musical instrument for free. Without this service, professionals who are currently working in the sector such as myself, as I grew up in the area, would not be doing what they do, which is educating and providing further opportunities for individuals to learn and perform music. The broader instrumental effects of music and the arts on learning are well documented (see Sistema Scotland reports). This proposal shows a fundamental lack of value placed on the arts and culture by West Lothian Council, which will not be tolerated in our modern society.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
2663	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Charge for music provision unless children in receipt of free school meals. I pay for piano lessons, why shouldn't my neighbour pay for violin lessons? Free driving lessons would have greater impact on employability.	Instrumental music provision	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
2664	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	I do not see the merit of reducing the instrumental music opportunities that our younger generation could have if purely just to save money.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
2665	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	To create a reduced Instrumental music service must be approached with careful consideration. If you cut this too much there won't be all the ensembles the councillors like to roll out at all the important events. It's a service to be proud of. Yes, there's are improvements that could be made, particularly within the performance and professional commitment of some of the instructors. However, there are many staff who do make a huge difference to young people and to remove this will be a huge mistake. Look at the number of young people involved in the Spring Concert Series. That would no longer happen. The benefits of learning musical instruments have been proven time and time again and yet councils continually put these services under threat. By devolving this service to head teachers, the provision of instrumental music is at the mercy of a head teachers preference. Please ensure that this service is not left so vulnerable that it disappears. This would be a significant loss to our young people.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
2666	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	I have first hand experience of seeing the benefits of one to one instrumental instruction in schools. Taking this provision away or diminishing it is short sighted and I disagree with this option. Class music teachers do not have the expertise and knowledge in these specialist subjects, therefore to maintain the high and respected standards West Lothian are used to, it is imperative to keep this service funded as required..	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
2667	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Children need music do not reduce this. Perhaps if Local MP's didn't claim expenses for certain items this money could be put to instrumental music provision.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
2668	An employee of West Lothian Council	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	For some children, who are not particularly academic, musicianship can be such an important subject. To reduce an already limited service will mean many pupils do not get an opportunity to develop skills in this area.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
2669	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Children will lose interest in music if they are not given the opportunity to express themselves using a musical instrument. Some kids will not have any other opportunity to use an instrument or even see/hold one let alone what it actually sounds like. Class sizes are increasing due to staffing cuts so what's the chances of effectively encouraging children to take up a musical instrument without much disruption in a class of over 30 kids?	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.

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2670	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	How can you concentrate on Music Initiatives? The kids won't know what an instrument is if they don't see it in schools!!!!!!	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
2671	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	The instrumental music service is an essential part of the music education within West Lothian Council. However, I question that there are two manager within the IMS for under 20 members of staff.I feel that this could be considered and changed in order to reduce some of the budget.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
2672	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	The instrumental music service is an essential part of the music education within West Lothian Council. However, I question that there are two manager within the IMS for under 20 members of staff.I feel that this could be considered and changed in order to reduce some of the budget.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
2673	No Response	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Reducing instrumental music is shameful. Poor families get free lessons, kids from wealthy backgrounds get lessons they can easily afford. Leave IMS alone.if schools are in charge most of not all teams of Senior Management will drop it. Easy target, itâ€™s â€œjust musicâ€œ. No one department is immune to these cuts, but fair and even cuts need to be considered.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
2674	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Instrumental music tuition has many benefits for learning, and also helps many young people pass music exams. I would like to see work done on delivering a cost effective instrumental music service focused on helping kids pass exams, especially for less affluent families. West Lothian has a strong music tradition and this needs to be protected despite these cuts.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
2675	An employee of West Lothian Council	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	music specialist provision scrapped altogether.	Instrumental music provision	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
2676	An employee of West Lothian Council	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Any child identified as having a particular musical talent should be given the opportunity to attend specialist classes at a centralised location.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
2677	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Leave my grandson's instrumental instruction be.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
2678	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Eh? I don't understand! You just said you were taking away the teaching of instruments. Let my grandson have his instrument & teacher. These kids come to Braid house entertain us, we love it.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
2679	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	I do not agree that the instrumental music service should be reduced and integrated into the mainstream curriculum. I believe that the music provision in West Lothian is second to none in Scotland. The experience that both of my children have had through music has been the highlight of their school journey which they are now coming to the end of. Music allows children in West Lothian to grow, in a non-competitive environment, and teaches them discipline and commitment. Having the experience of ensemble music offers so much more than private music lessons outside of school. Maybe a fair charging system should be introduced for music, but it would be a very sad day if the Spring series concerts were no longer possible.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.

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2680	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	The instrumental music provision we have known has been driven by the dedication & inspiration of the teachers/tutors and the hours of work the self motivated students give to practicing. This has undoubtedly ensured the various bands have been National Award winning bands, any cut in the Services or removal of tuition will devastate the very essence of a subject which crosses all barriers of ability, culture or belief, skills and knowledge. Personally over the past 16 years my 3 children have gained much life skills and confidence in their own belief to achieve beyond any hopes or standards they may have set themselves. Musicianship opens the gateway to so many opportunities far beyond the school years. I would be concerned about the affect on the young pupils currently having tuition. The loss of this extra music support would reduce their ability to succeed in exams and development of their socialising skills to take part in competitive experiences. It would demoralise the staff left in post and silence all school music depts. I would rather see a universal increase in Council Tax per household as ultimately most households have a younger generation being educated and using the service.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
2681	An employee of West Lothian Council	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Consideration should be given to charging for the Instrumental Music Service rather than the council not offering this service. Children enjoy music and perhaps would not otherwise get such an opportunity. If the service, cannot fund itself then I would suggest that the council cut the service accordingly but I believe all other options should be explored first. S	Instrumental music provision	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
2682	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	In an age where we talk constantly about equality and shortening the poverty gap, and with the recent issu of PEF money to aid this, I cannot fathom how reducing services such as instrumental music can be considered. Personally, had this not been a free provision while o was at school, I would not be where I am today (semi professional musician and music instructor). The benefits to health and mental education which have been scientifically proven by the use of music should be enough to ensure this service is protected.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
2683	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Will or can YMI funding be used to save or contribute towards your current outstanding instrumental music service?	Instrumental music provision	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
2684	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Please reconsider cutting instrumental provision. Surely it makes sense to introduce some sort of fee structure for those who can afford to pay. How does this fit in equality of opportunity for students from poorer backgrounds? As a parent of pupils who have benefitted greatly from this service, and continue to do so I am really sad.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
2685	An employee of West Lothian Council	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	As a music teacher in a West Lothian secondary school, the role of Instrumental Music Service is imperative to the job that I do. They work in groups with children, giving specialised instruction which supports all of the work that they do in the classroom. They prepare pupils for SQA exams, enable them to contribute to the extra-curricular activities within the department and represent the school at both community and national levels. Having grown up in West Lothian and come through the Instrumental Music Service myself I know first hand the amazing opportunities that it gives to the pupils. I was prepared for all of my exams, sat grade exams and was prepared for university auditions thanks to my amazing instrumental tutor. I wouldn't be in the career I am now if it weren't for the IMS of West Lothian Council and I am absolutely gutted at the thought of it being reduced both for my own school pupils and my future children. There are so many examples of research based evidence which highlight the benefits to pupils of learning a musical instrument. It gives them confidence, independent working, team work, communication skills and helps to develop their social skills. I truly believe a reduction to the instrumental music service would be a devastating loss to the schools and pupils of West Lothian. With the increase in class numbers, integrating the music provision into mainstream curriculum would have a negative impact on all of the pupils within the class, as they would receive less practical input from the class teacher. As I work in a school with very high deprivation rates, the majority of pupils' parents could not afford private lessons, therefore pupils would not receive specialist instrumental tuition.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
2686	An employee of West Lothian Council	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	do not agree with integrating a reduced instrumental provision , we need specialist instructors to teach children strings,woodwind,brass,percussionagr	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.

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2687	No Response	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Also, support for the arts in the form of music provision in the schools sector must be maintained. A country is greater with culture and this starts in childhood. It might be appropriate to ask parents to contribute- perhaps musical instruments are loaned to pupils on the understanding that after e.g. 2 or 3 years they should be expected to purchase their own, thus freeing up the local stock of instruments to be available to the next group of pupils. There can be discretion in cases of hardship. Perhaps an advantageous pricing structure could be obtained with the improved bargaining power of a regional authority. We could also amalgamate with the other Lothian music authorities to increase our purchasing power even further. We must be careful to avoid creating a two tier culture where the richer families can have what they can afford and larger or less well off families miss out. A huge amount of talent will be missed if this restriction is allowed to develop.	Instrumental music provision	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
2688	No Response	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Maintaining music provision in the school sector is important. A country must be cultured and music is an essential part of this. We should create an expectation that pupils will be loaned instruments for 2/3years until they can provide their own. We should amalgamate with the other Lothian councils to negotiate to obtain the best purchase prices for instruments from manufacturers, and apply for charitable funding for less ably financial pupils. Schools locally can bulk purchase music and rotate them amongst departments.	Instrumental music provision	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
2689	No Response	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Any child identified as having a particular musical talent should be given the opportunity to attend specialist classes at a centralised location.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
2690	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	I believe that WLC should NOT try to integrate a reduced instrumental music provision into the mainstream curriculum in any way. Music currently in the mainstream curriculum gives a ground base into the world of music. However, the instrumental music service offers so much more than that. Students involved in this have opportunities to develop as an individual and as part of a group, over a number of years, by learning an instrument. It teaches them discipline, communication skills, performing skills, confidence, character building, plus much more, particularly music skills they wouldn't receive in the main classroom environment. Being part of music lunch time clubs/after school orchestras/bands etc., as well as the regional ensembles, are often the one aspect that keeps many children focussed through school. They make friends through the instrumental music service, more often than not, friends for life. They get to travel, whether it be to perform in a local competition or performance in the community, or for a residential weekend away of rehearsals, or to tour either in Scotland or places all over the world. For many, students who are involved in this, may never leave West Lothian or the surrounding areas in their life without the instrumental music service - they are able to see parts of the world they have probably never dreamed of. This should not be taken away from these students or any future generation. Without the instrumental music service in West Lothian, I would not have represented my school, local authority and county in countless events worldwide. Whether it be playing at Christmas Concerts, Awards Ceremonies, Parents Nights, Church Services, Memorial Events, Ceilidhs, Spring Concert Series, Dinner Events for Officials, Stellar Awards Ceremonies, Celtic Connections, Burns Suppers, St Andrews Day events, P7 Transition events, West Lothian Twinned Cities events in West Lothian, Texas and Germany. All of which occurred whilst I was receiving violin lessons through the West Lothian Instrumental Music Service. Without this, none of this would have been possible as I would not have been able to afford private music tuition. The instrumental music service has unlimited positive affects. Academic attainment results, general health and well-being (for participants and those in audiences), inclusion and recognised achievements. Equality and equity would not be in place in schools without the Instrumental Music Service. Don't take this away and deprive people of it. This is the one thing in West Lothian Council that should remain unaffected. It is the one thing that keeps some students going. Don't take that away from them. This isn't about saving money, it's about removing	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
2691	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	At the same time the reduction in investment in creative activities such as free music lessons is counterintuitive. Much of future employment will be in creative industries (as other jobs are automated). The focus should be on addressing the gap in attainment so reductions here will not address this. It will also not address the challenges in recruiting teachers who are already over pressured.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
2692	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Through my own experience, it is vital to highlight that free school tuition and participation in music groups, trips and band trips helped me feel included and that I had a purpose and belonging. This has been further highlighted by the fact that I am now working with prisoners in music based programmes. This further highlights the impact that music can have on everyone in regards to improving attainment and positive destinations for school children.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.

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2693	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	<p>I believe that integrating a reduced instrumental music provision will be detrimental to the education system in West Lothian. As a former pupil and member of several orchestras and groups, I have experienced first hand the many benefits of learning a musical instrument. This not only includes the skills of being able to play an instrument (which is an excellent skill) but also the development of communication skills, time-keeping skills, and integrity as well as the positive emotions that materialise from being involved in an amazing achievement. The excellent Instrumental Music Service in West Lothian has allowed me to travel far and wide to places that I otherwise would never have managed to see. This includes United States of America, all over Europe as well as Britain. I, amongst many others would not be where I am today if it weren't for my experiences as I know that my family would not have been able to support me with music if it had not been free. This has allowed me to become part of choirs such as National Youth Choir of Scotland and pipe bands such as National Youth Pipe Band of Scotland. All of these would again not have been possible without the benefits of the IMS in West Lothian. I will forever be grateful to the service for the influence it is had on my life. I have now recently graduated with an upper second class honours degree for music at university. This again highlights the importance and effect the opportunity of music tuition at school can have on someone's life, enhancing social skills and perseverance skills to name but a few. One of the main factors in education just now is that of closing the attainment gap and how social justice and inclusion supports this. I think, therefore it is important to consider how free music tuition enhances this for many families in West Lothian. There are a number of areas in which families cannot afford to pay for school books, never mind the expense of private music lessons. Therefore, removing free music tuition will eradicate an excellent opportunity for many students who have a very special skill. This will, I believe, have an effect on the level of attainment possible for many children. The Curriculum for Excellence is supported by a key child protection policy named, GIRFEC, which stands for 'Getting It Right for Every Child'. This aims to provide a co-ordinated and appropriate approach from all external services and agencies who are involved in supporting children and their families and is underpinned by the 'SHANARRI' values and principles. 'SHANARRI' stands for 'Safe, Healthy, Achieving, Nurtured, Active, Respected, Responsible and Included'. Music tuition has a major influence on the 7 factors of the 'SHANARRI' and epitomises the Health and Wellbeing</p>	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
2694	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	<p>Instrumental Music impacts directly and massively upon the attainment of learners in a school environment. There is wide scientific and educational research from across the World which proves that learners who are involved in Instrumental Music tuition achieve better in core curricular areas such as Mathematics and English. It is essential that those making the final decisions on the cuts review this material before doing so. They should additionally read the research of Professor Sue Hallam on the subject. Whilst Instrumental Music provision may seem like an easy target or even a frivolous expense, the phenomenal impact it has upon the educational attainment, development and personal well-being of West Lothian's young people cannot be overlooked. Unless you are involved in the system as a pupil, educator or parent, it is very difficult to appreciate this but it must be highlighted. If a further cut must be made to Instrumental Music provision, it could be to reduce the management structure of the system to one person. Currently I believe there are three people facilitating the service at Council level. Whilst it would be a terrible sadness, it may also be an idea to reduce or even, in the worst case, remove the Local Authority IMS Ensemble programme and concentrate funding on the teaching of pupils in the schools. All West Lothian schools provide ensemble playing opportunities for learners and, whilst this would be a very blatant dumbing down of the service, I believe that the teaching of Instrumental Music in schools during the day is the most important thing. Many local authorities have introduced charges for Instrumental Music with varying success. Whilst, as a parent, I would not wish this to be the case as I believe whole-heartedly in our free-for-all, non-elitist education system, I would be able to deal with this situation if it meant that the provision would remain. The Instrumental Music staff of WLC are outstanding people and the contribution they make to the lives of the young people they work with and to the families and communities is immeasurable. I speak passionately as someone who came through Instrumental Music provision in another local authority. This provision shaped my life and opened so many doors. I think it would be a travesty for it to be cut further. As a parent bringing up children in West Lothian I would be devastated if my children were to have this opportunity. I beg the decision making Councillors to leave their desks and visit IMS provision to see for themselves. Speak to the pupils in receipt of lessons - that's surely proof enough for anyone. I also plead with them to read to aforementioned data on the impact of instrumental music on overall attainment.</p>	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.

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2695	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	West Lothian has always been a trailblazer for instrumental music. As someone who has benefited from this directly I urge WLC to consider the detrimental impact on our children of removing or reducing a service which has proven year on year to add value to children's education and learning. Have you considered the number of West lothian pupils who have actually secured places at university or careers of their choice as a result of being able to play a music instrument as well as having gained the associated skills and attributes that being part of music's groups provides. It is difficult enough to for pupils to obtain places at university and college and removal of an additional vocational service would make any kind of attainment even more difficult.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
2696	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	How else do children, especially in deprived areas/backgrounds have the opportunity to play & have effective tuition with a musical instrument. Creates attainment gaps! Leave this alone, kids needs ways to express themselves & may as well be taught how to do it properly.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
2697	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	How can you say you're focussing on Music Initiatives when you're taking away instrumental tuition?	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
2698	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	I believe in a complete curriculum giving kids a wide range of learning opportunities to suit their needs. I do not believe a reduction in music provision should be considered as some students strive through their learning in music.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
2699	No Response	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Children and education are supposed to be crucial to this government, not all children are academically gifted, the arts arts vital to a rounded education.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
2700	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	I object to the above proposal. I received instrumental music lessons from primary 4 to the end of S6 and I am certain that it made an invaluable contribution to my life. The service provided me with a skill and a passion for music. Not only this, it has helped me build confidence in many areas including performing, given me a platform to challenge myself and helped me recognise the results which can be achieved from hard work. Additionally, having lessons at school helped me be more organised and balance my studies. The lessons also contributed to my high grades in SQA exams. I cannot speak highly enough of my teachers' dedication and professionalism. I have also met many friends as a result of the groups I was part of. Together we were able to travel to other countries and experience other musical cultures. The concerts we took part in were amazing - it was great to also see other groups perform and show off their talents both in school and within the wider community. In my lessons, groups and at concerts the hard work by the IMS staff was evident which is indicative of their love and commitment to instrumental music itself. The opportunities I have been granted as a result of the instrumental music service should be offered to all pupils and it is well known that the art of playing an instrument provides endless benefits. The high standards produced by the IMS in West Lothian sets our county apart from many other areas in the country and is something to be proud of. I am indebted to the IMS within our schools and if West Lothian is a forward thinking council, to reduce the instrumental music service is a backwards step.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
2701	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	I have been excited about my chance of playing an instrument and playing in bands as I have been to lots of concerts but am worried I won't get to do it if the service is cut. School would be boring without concerts to look forward to.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
2702	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	I believe cutting anything from schools is a very bad move. Children need as much support and experiences as they can get in school. Cutting instrumental service would be an absolute disgrace. So many children have amazing opportunities through this service, with concerts, the ability to enhance their confidence. There is also evidence that Music tuition helps children with their exams, one being Maths. If the council took time to look at these services more closely they would see what an amazing impact they have on children lives and experiences.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.

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2703	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Regarding reducing instrumental music provision, this service has been reduced already over previous years, and should not be reduced further. It is important to give children opportunities for self-development including playing a musical instrument. Music tuition should not be for the privileged and those who can afford it.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
2704	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	It is very sad that the Youth Music Initiative will be cut. This should be avoided.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
2705	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	I object to any cutback in instrumental music provision in schools as education is all encompassing and not simply the development of literacy and numeracy and stem. Music should be accessible to all children and not to those who can simply pay for it.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
2706	An employee of West Lothian Council	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Agree, especially for the instrumental music service which currently disproportionately benefits wealthier families.	Instrumental music provision	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
2707	An employee of West Lothian Council	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Instrumental music tuition should remain in West Lothian Schools as it should not be a luxury for the wealthy but should be accessible to all. Countless research projects have identified the strong links between tuition on an instrument and improved attainment. If West Lothian is to continue to strive to improve attainment amongst all of its pupils, surely these findings are of significant importance. Having come through the Instrumental Music Service as a pupil, I would not now be in the occupation I am, if it wasn't for the time, effort and opportunities I was given. It would be a travesty to think that future generations would miss out on these life enriching experiences.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
2708	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	History has shown the Arts to be as equally powerful and significant as Science. In attending school concerts over many years, I have constantly witnessed and felt the joy, excitement, and pride from music provided by pupils. I can see first hand the feeling of well being and excellence throughout the entire audience, the school, and its senior management team. To resort to one particular example, in isolation, I would quote the song 'Auld Lang Syne' written by Robert Burns some 250 years ago - this exquisite example of music is worldwide to this day and spells out perfectly the power of Art.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
2709	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	I do not support the idea to reduce the music provision into the mainstream curriculum. Specialist provision is required, and it is great the West Lothian continues to provide this for free, meaning that kids from poorer backgrounds get the opportunity to learn an instrument.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
2710	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Having a child who is in P6 in Linlithgow Primary school and who has recently started orchestra after learning viola for a year, I am very concerned in particular by the idea of reducing the music provision and integrating it into mainstream curriculum. My older son also benefited hugely from being part of the orchestra and, as a family, we all enjoyed the Spring concert and happily paid for tickets for everyone to see this amazing display of young people getting to be part of something really special. I've seen the effect of being part of an orchestra for my children - so much more keen to practise in the house and to take opportunities to play in school also. The benefits to all these young children, whose parents may not be able to afford private music lessons, are huge and children who might not otherwise get a chance to appreciate music, are given this opportunity, based on their aptitude for music. I was shocked and disappointed to hear that this might all disappear after being such a positive experience for my children.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
2711	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	I am disappointed in the proposal to reduce funds to the instrumental music service in West Lothian. As a former school pupil who was taught to play the violin through the service, I would be heartbroken if this proposal jeopardized any other child's opportunity to do something so wonderful. The wide range of experiences I gained just through playing an instrument in school are now invaluable to me as a young adult. I made new friends, grew more confident in myself and by abilities, and acquired many skills beyond just moving a bow across a string. I think these things should be of utmost importance to the council and local community - who also benefit greatly from children being able to express themselves through music. In the type of world that we live in today, no child should be robbed of such a beautiful thing.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.

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2712	An employee of West Lothian Council	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Devolving' the instrumental music provision or 'reducing' it to schools is essentially a service cut. Children who currently have the chance to play instruments and within the numerous school and local authority bands throughout West Lothian would not have the same opportunity if the council make this decision. There are proven links and studies between raising attainment and those who play musical instruments. The skills these youngsters develop is truly tremendous. Everytime there is a school concert, Council function or National Competition, the response is always the same from parents, friends, carers, school staff and head teachers: They were amazing. That is hardwork, dedication and a love for music right there from the performers. By removing the current provision, in any form, will reduce the opportunities that these young people have. Many of the school and local authority bands are run by members of the IMS, West Lothian will lose that expertise if there is a reduction in service. I am genuinely concerned that West Lothian council are even considering this proposal. The Music Leader programme implemented at West Calder High School in particular, very similar to the Sports Leaders programme, is providing young people with an award at SCQF Level 6, the equivalent to a Higher. This is currently being backed by the Royal Conservatoire for Scotland. The IMS staff have been instrumental in supporting the young people in this pilot programme, again any reduction in this service means a loss of expertise and a loss of opportunity for young people in West Lothian. How can we raise attainment by taking away opportunities from young people? In addition to this, the social skills many young people develop and gain is truly phenomenal. For some music is a lifeline and it allows them to meet other people and develop their social network. The IMS really encapsulates the 4 capacities of Curriculum for Excellence, don't reduce something that is going to have a negative impact upon attainment.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
2713	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	My main area of disagreement however is the plan to reduce instrumental music provision. My son plays in the West Lothian Schools Pipe Band which has reached a high level performance under the tutelage of PM Gordon Bruce who has unfortunately just left this role. This band finished 4th at the World Pipe Band Championships this year and has grown in reputation winning many accolades in the process. This band are a great ambassador for West Lothian Council and the many young talents that lie within. The bands and the feeder system are working very well and it would be devastating to lose all the hard work that has gone into setting them up. On a personal level the skills that my son has gained both musically and socially through playing with the band are tremendous. We are already starting to feel the effect of the cuts within the band as the advert for the new Pipe Majors post was advertised as fixed term for 1 year. As a result of this I understand only approximately 12 people applied. I know that a recent similar position for a school that was not a fixed term had 40 applicants. I realise it may be an easy hit to reduce the music provision but I really think this is a very narrow minded idea and those proposing it can not understand the implications of their ideas and how it will deprive young individuals of becoming more rounded humans which is surely what we are striving for within West Lothian.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
2714	An employee of West Lothian Council	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	This is a positive proposal - all efforts should be on improving attainment for all pupils. I strongly support the instrumental music provision measure - this can still be delivered as part of the mainstream curriculum. Instrumental music is a good service but is mainly used by pupils from the most wealthy families so the current service is actually making the attainment gap worse.	Instrumental music provision	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
2715	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	There was an outcry in Edinburgh when a specialist music department was under threat of being cut. Surely West Lothian Council can see what a devastation it would be to lose or change the Instrumental Music Service. This is one of the best opportunities for young people and should be expanded rather than reduced. It is very shortsighted to just see the finances for this rather than the bigger picture of what it represents for young people. The Council should be very proud of this fabulous service and dedicated staff. What would become of classroom music and school concerts if the orchestral instruments were not taught? It makes school just about academic subjects and reduces experiences for talented kids. Spring Concert Series and Scottish Concert Band Festival showcase these talents and are highlights in the year.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
2716	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Reducing instrumental music provision is a completely impersonal and ill-considered proposal. Thousands of students benefit massively from the skill and social aspects involved with performing as part of musical groups. These musical groups have allowed hundreds of kids to travel to different countries, connect with other schools and has increased their social diversity as they become part of a huge community. Learning musical instruments not only improves the skill set and educational diversity of a pupil, but dramatically improves the confidence of every participant.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.

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2717	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	I believe that the proposal to reduce instrumental music provision is completely wrong. I have taken part in the instrumental music program since I was 7 years old (I am now 18 years old), and I would not be the person I am today without it. Children from poorer backgrounds (like myself) should not have less opportunities to experience, create and learn about music; it is one of the most fundamental cogs in society. You most likely have listened to some kind of music today; without these instrumental programs, in a few years down the line, music will become soulless; a privilege to only those who can afford it. This will be a fatal loss to society. Do we really want exclude children (who have no say in their circumstances) from these opportunities? Regardless of background, young people need music in their lives as a hobby, to build a career from, to give back to society.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
2718	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	If you as a council want results you can't cut services within schools. Music cuts then has a knock on effect as this would mean no Christmas concert, Easter concert, school Shows etc. Never mind school results.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
2719	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	West Lothian is rightly seen as being one of the exemplar authorities in the provision of music, music teaching, orchestras and extra curricular services. The reduction throughout West Lothian of this vitally important service should be resisted - this service provides a valuable outlet for children who perhaps do not have the ability to express themselves in other ways (such as academic or sport say). It certainly provides real confidence to our children throughout their time at study.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
2720	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Sounds good - but music provision should be maintained. It is often an easy hit but it is very important	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
2721	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	I am against any cuts directed towards schools and places of learning and any reductions in things like instrumental music provision	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
2722	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	The instrumental music provision should absolutely not be reduced. It is a horrific thought that West Lothian Council would even consider these reductions with the immense effect the various music programmes have both within and out-with the schools across West Lothian. Many children may struggle with attainment at school and have difficulty with written aspects of school, however practical subjects can help those children who are struggling enjoy school and prosper. With extra-curricular programmes like instrumental music, can assist children who may be struggling and help young people build and develop new skills that cannot be taught in the classrooms. Team-working, confidence building, leadership skills and communicational skills, time management and build responsibilities are just a few in the extensive list of skills which programmes like the instrumental music provision can help build in young people. Most of these programmes are completely voluntary to pupils whether they want to take these opportunities or not, with the instrumental music programme there is no lack of interest. As a pupil still involved in the instrumental music programme I have benefitted greatly by developing my skills, especially with confidence, communication and leadership. On top of the instrumental music programme the music leader programme is another opportunity being taken up by pupils to achieve a qualification with a level 6 award, as well as being completely voluntary it helps to further develop skills by focusing a major part on developing leadership skills as well as management of people and time. There are numerous articles and documents proving the importance of extra-curricular activities and how they can benefit children within and out-with schools, so it is puzzling and very frustrating to why West Lothian Council would propose to reduce and/ or cut these extra-curricular activities such as the instrumental music programme. As a pupil currently involved within the instrumental music programme I would be extremely disappointed to see the programme reduced. Already I have developed a large quantity of skills through both the Junior and Senior Wind Bands which have helped me to develop not just practical skills but life skills, such as dedication. Without receive this programme I would not have been able to make new friends, increase my confidence, mature and develop the wide range of skills that I am continuing to work on. Through this programme it has changed me and help develop me, without it I would not be the person I am today. Throughout schools in West Lothian parents support their children in these programmes such as the Instrumental Music Programme by supporting them with buying their instruments for	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.

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2723	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	I am particularly concerned about the reduction of the Instrumental Music Service and integration of this into the Mainstream Curriculum. Particularly the vague way this is referred to above. This is a most highly valued service amongst the children currently receiving expert musical instrument tuition and will be a great loss to the generation of young musicians coming up behind them. The children not only receive quality instrumental lessons, but also the opportunity to play in bands and orchestras both within their school cluster and across West Lothian thanks to the dedication and commitment of the instrumental teachers.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
2724	An employee of West Lothian Council	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	West Lothian must do all it can to protect the Instrumental Music Service within schools. The service is key to not only raising attainment and results but also directly impacts Young peoples Health and Wellbeing and supports them in reaching positive destinations. The instrumental music provision should not be further reduced within schools however if the service cannot be protected and savings must be made to the service, the council should look at how they can use the school's existing structures to support the ensembles side of the service. This was discussed and options were put forward during Delivering Better Outcomes. These should be revisited to see if they can assist in making savings. The management side of the service is important in ensuring its quality and sustainability and the instructor side of the service is paramount in ensuring that instrumental music tuition is delivered within the authority and the council must do all it can to protect this service which directly feeds into its priorities.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
2725	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Whilst core educational subjects are crucial, other areas also give the chance for those who are gifted to shine. As long as there are still opportunities for all kids in music then I would support the move. Mental health is a real issue with kids and if the proposed change led to less access to counselling and psychology services I would not support it.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
2726	An employee of West Lothian Council	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	To reduce or lose instrumental provision in schools would be a disaster for West Lothian. At the moment West Lothian are able to provide music for all occasions when ever necessary. This would stop. The bands in West Lothian are fantastic for the young people and being involved in the bands changes lives. Mental health is a huge issue and I believe that losing this provision would be to the detriment of hundreds of our kids. I think it would be an extremely unfair set up for head teachers to decide if they have instrumental teachers in their school as not all of them are musically minded. Not all pupils are academically gifted and music can be a life saver. Universities accept more pupils with a musical background as they know that these pupils show real commitment. Itâ€™s not just about weekly tuition, itâ€™s about a lifestyle. How can we be getting it right for every child if this is taken away.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.

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2727	An employee of West Lothian Council	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	West Lothian has one of the most recognised instrumental music programmes in Scotland and was what attracted me to apply to work here. It is pupils in the instrumental programmes in schools who produce the highest quality of music making in the school and without this programme school concerts, assemblies, shows etc. and the actual attainment in our schools would be devastated. I refuse to believe West Lothian is shortsighted enough to support the erosion of music for its schools and wider community, even in the attempt to save money and high quality performances by our pupils would no longer be available for council events. The quality of the young people who make up our award winning ensembles, whether in school or one of our exceptional standard Area groups, does not merely happen by chance but because of the hard work and dedication of its staff supporting the development of the young people, by sharing their expertise; encouraging the young people to be great team players, to be motivated, engaged, confident, organised. These qualities and life skills learned will transfer into every area of their life and school curriculum. As it has been proven time and time again by endless studies, there are many benefits to playing a musical instrument and therefore it is no surprise to witness that pupils who experience the benefits of receiving instruction- not just those who can afford it- are those pupils who become school captain, prefects or Dux of our schools. They are the future of West Lothian. However in addition to such pupils, I have also prepared pupils for a career in music, taught pupils who played for sheer enjoyment, those who chose the subject because as instrumentalists it is an exam they perform well in and its a subject they will most likely achieve an A in. I have taught pupils who come from the poorest backgrounds and those who need support in their learning- a wide spectrum. There is something for every child; an even playing field where each child is given the chance to develop at their own pace, without competition to be better than another but to be the best they can be. Please don't deny them of such an opportunity. I value my opportunity as a builder of confidence and as someone who can offer something that at times is forgotten elsewhere in the curriculum. By playing an instrument they are expressing themselves and not just being taught how to answer questions for an exam. A forward thinking council will value what is to be gained by keeping instrumental instruction and the quality of its staff. I appreciate money has to be saved but would welcome that, if the council decides to keep the service in some way, they discuss it with someone knowledgeable in the subject about how the service can be maintained	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
2728	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	I'm actually appalled at the decision to cut instrumental music provision to schools. This will mean a narrowing of the curriculum and reduce opportunities for students to access music, Not all parents can afford private tuition. One manager at Â£50, 000 = 3 Instructors!	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
2729	No Response	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Please leave musical instrumental music provision, too valuable an experience for lots of pupils from low income families. Many would never have access otherwise.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
2730	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	West Lothian is renowned for its instrumental music provision, personally I feel that it would be criminal to reduce this service. There are proven links between music education and improved attainment, increased positive destinations and reduction of social issues. Reducing the service will remove access to specialist tuition to all pupils, returning it to an elitist school activity where only the more affluent pupils are able to excel through parental investment. This would increase the gap, not reduce it!	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
2731	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Concerned that music in schools may be seen as an easy cost saving without realising what an important contribution music departments make to the life and culture of our schools. Schools must not become factories to deliver only a limited number of narrow academic subjects. Music puts many of the other subjects e.g. maths and physics, into practical and accessible use.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
2732	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	We would like special mention of the Schools musical services/band & would like to try & save the free provision our students currently enjoy. West Calder High school have an excellent musical programme and this is because of the years of excellent tuition the pupils have received. Music has been proven to help young people to learn and therefore cutting this would ultimately impact on their overall learning. Mainstream teachers would not be able to teach music to the level that that music specialists can and therefore we would end up with a society of xylophone or drum players and not woodwind, brass or string players.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
2733	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Agree with some of these savings. I do not agree with reducing music support.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.

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2734	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Music lessons are incredibly important. Even on your West Lothian council website you sayâ€œAs well as musical development, the many general benefits gained from learning to play a musical instrument include: enhanced listening and concentration, discipline, co-ordination, language development, memory and social skills. It helps your child to become part of a team and to respect other team members whilst increasing your child's confidenceâ€œthese cannot be cut. It would be massively detrimental to so many children	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
2735	An employee of West Lothian Council	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Music is so important to our well-being, what a shame it is being cut even more.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
2736	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	I particularly disagree with the reduction of Instrumental provision. I know first hand from my daughter, who is currently at University studying music, the benefits of learning an instrument whether or not you go on to study music in further education.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
2737	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Reducing the instrumental music provision in schools would be a tragic loss to the current excellent education system that West Lothian provides for it's children. From personal experience, 4 of my 5 children have gained valuable skills and become more confident individuals thanks to learning to play an instrument and playing in school and local orchestras. As a single parent, I wouldn't have been able to afford to give my children private lessons. Removing or reducing instrumental provision will simply make the skills and confidence my children have achieved only available to rich families. A broad education is a fundamental right of all children from every background. Please don't take this away from poorer children.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
2738	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Not sure what it means by â€œreduced instrumental provisionâ€œ™. I would be concerned about it being removed altogether as there are well established multiple and various benefits of learning an instrument. I think more children should be afforded this opportunity.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
2739	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Parents should be asked to pay for extra curricula activities such as music tuition.	Instrumental music provision	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
2740	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	I believe that education should be the number one priority for the Council so I do not think that music provision should be reduced in any way. I know the Music Service is renowned and there will be a knock-on effect on Music as a subject and for post school opportunities at Colleges and Universities if this is impacted. I have a child currently in the Instrumental Music Service and know how much it is valued and how much work is done by pupils and staff. This is specialist teaching which cannot be done in the normal music classes. Evidence, if any is needed, is in the performances at the Spring Concert Series. The Council should be proud of this unique service and opportunity for our children.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
2741	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Instrumental tuition is not the same as curriculum music lessons. How is a school music teacher (who may be a trumpet specialist) supposed to provide music tuition on a wide range of instruments (such as violin) whilst teaching the SQA exam courses. Instrument tuition is crucial for the SQA exams, otherwise the standard of playing required will not be met. In addition, removing music tuition will have a knock on effect on all the orchestras and bands that exist in all the schools. Over 1000 children benefit from music tuition and enjoy the extra curricular activities associated with it such as concerts and competitions. Surely this must be something that should be encouraged and not abandoned.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
2742	An employee of West Lothian Council	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	This is again a reasonable proposal but must be implemented very cautiously. I have first hand experience of this as I was removed by the Instrumental Music Service myself in order to achieve a budget saving in 2016. On the first day back from the Summer break the remaining teaching staff were given brand new Apple iPads at great cost and even apparently had 3 left over - presumably bought for the staff that had been removed over the summer. I wonder who has them now? Many of the teaching staff have no need for this equipment and I believe they are used for home entertainment more than for teaching.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.

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2743	An employee of West Lothian Council	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	From working outside of the instrumental music service I now have an enhanced contact and dialogue with my classroom colleagues, my PTCs and my Head Teachers. I am able to teach with greater freedom and enthusiasm and the SQA results and outcomes my pupils have experienced have shown a positive increase and success rate.	Instrumental music provision	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
2744	An employee of West Lothian Council	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	The IMS has, over the years, worked against the desires of schools and driven a wedge between the requirements of the school and the "standards" of the service. The service itself needs a major re-design in order to achieve parity between the provision received by schools and between the quality of teaching currently provided by the service. In most cases, there are incredibly passionate, talented and dedicated instructors that work their proverbial hind legs off and receive little or no recognition for that work while propping up the work of less successful teachers. The less successful teachers have always received, like all of the instructors service, poor in-service training and virtually no money spent on their Continuous Professional Development. If proof is required of this, have a browse over the staff feedback from in-service training over the years. In some cases, I have been working beside instructors who were teaching 4 or 5 people over a course of one day's teaching (13 x 25 lessons - they should be teaching an average of 21 pupils a day minimum) whilst I was having to refuse tuition to new junior pupils due to the high demand of students sitting SQA music exams, playing in regional ensembles and moving on to study either music performance or music associated technology. Meanwhile, the teachers sitting literally getting paid to do NOTHING receive no support or redesign of their working week in order to achieve a more positive outcome for their pupils and their school. The reason why? It's HISTORICAL! Obviously I feel very strongly about this as you can tell.	Instrumental music provision	4. The council is already doing this.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
2745	An employee of West Lothian Council	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	I do feel elements of the IMS such as the Area Ensemble programme should be retained as much as possible but again a greater degree of parity is required. The amount of time, money and effort given to the regional Brass and Pipe bands makes virtually no sense in a community that has some of the greatest Pipe Bands in the World(!) and some of the greatest Brass Bands in the U.K. and Europe. This is duplication at an enormous level. Greater outcomes could be achieved within an area ensemble programme by stepping into the 21st century and encouraging more popular music, collaboration between different styles of ensemble and enhancing some of our already great ensembles such as the Big Band or Wind Ensemble. It is no surprise that the core number of pupils that make-up these groups come from our hardest working and most successful I.M.S. instructors.	Instrumental music provision	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
2746	An employee of West Lothian Council	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	I feel the day to day handling of music instructors by school management could be a bold and exciting step forward for music in our schools and community at large. Staff could then receive proper training from ground level education specialists. They could also be consistently monitored for quality of teaching and development and quality control. In my 16 years working for the I.M.S., I received no more than 2 (!) casual observations from my head of service. This does not and should not happen to any other aspect of our education system. Particularly not classroom teachers, pupil support staff or senior management. I feel strongly about this provision as I myself made life long friends and colleagues due to my music experiences at school and I would like to think that my own children could also do so if offered the chance. The way that school pupils, staff and visiting staff come together and learn collaborative skills to achieve positive outcomes for the pupils and their communities is, in many cases, absolutely outstanding and often utterly astonishing!	Instrumental music provision	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
2747	An employee of West Lothian Council	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	The proposed reduction of the service will come at a huge cost for not only our current pupils but for generations to come. If instrumental staff for example are redeployed into other services within the council they will struggle as they have had such appalling development, training and support over the "historical" life of the service. However, the service can't continue to plod along following an outdated 1970's model wherein the sole aim is to produce a once a year concert series whereby councillors and officials can enjoy a free ticket to enjoy the fruits of (some) instructor's (and to a lesser degree, some manager's) labours and the dedicated hard work of pupils from EVERY background, race, age or gender. Meanwhile many schools and it's pupils and stakeholders are crying out for more support whilst there are some teaching staff literally employed to do nothing and the choices available to "wealthy" parts of the County are maintained while those areas at the bottom of the socioeconomic scale are being squeezed more and more.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.

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2748	An employee of West Lothian Council	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	as I've mentioned before there is one service [respondent is referring to IMS] that seems to go out of it's away to work with it's own agenda as opposed to working in collaboration with it's stakeholders (schools, pupils and parents).	Instrumental music provision	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
2749	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	The instrumental programme and the lessons and bands provided help to improve the lives and help so many children who are apart of them including myself. As well as learning how to play an instrument it teaches you to have self-discipline, timekeeping and it has (for me) helped me learn how to socialise and make friends far more easily than I ever would have been able to without it, both with my peers that I play with in the bands, and it has helped me form close bonds with my teachers. It has helped me make friends with people I would have never been friends with before and I think it would be an extremely horrible thing to lose it, as it helps so many people.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
2750	An employee of West Lothian Council	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	West Lothian is rightly proud of it's musical heritage and it's reputation for exceptionally high quality music teaching. This has allowed all pupils the opportunity to learn an instrument, which has enhanced their life. The skills children learn through playing an instrument, including: self-discipline, time management, team skills, enhancing coordination, improved reading and comprehension skills, self expression, self-confidence, sense of achievement, are transferable and lead to the development of fully rounded citizens. Added to that, the success that West Lothian has had on a national scale, through performance, competitions, many outwith school time, demonstrate the essential nature of this service. It would indeed be a tragedy if this exceptional service was to be reduced or completely cut.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
2751	An employee of West Lothian Council	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	West Lothian schools have an outstanding record and reputation for music over decades, both in Scotland and overseas. The support for musical education has made West Lothian Council stand out and it's something that has benefited generations of families, including my own, as musical education has given pupils the support and opportunities to develop their talents, learn new skills, extend their horizons and produce better students as a result. I appreciate that cuts have to be made alongside increases to Council Tax, but I'm firmly opposed to any reduction in instrumental music provision as I feel this would be a huge loss to not only the authority but also the many pupils who currently benefit from this excellent resource. Is there perhaps a way that parents could contribute to the music provision? Perhaps paying a subsidized price for music lessons?	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
2752	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	I have played a musical instrument for almost 7 years now, and it has been a wonderful experience which I am proud to have. I have had 3 music instructors, all of which were (and are) lovely, lively and enthusiastic people who have made playing the violin an absolute joy for me. My confidence has grown and I have met some lovely people through it, please don't deprive younger children of the opportunities I have been so lucky to have had by reducing the instrumental music provision. It makes so many people so happy, and West Lothian would truly be at a loss without it.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
2753	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	I think reducing music provision should be avoided.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
2754	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Reducing instrumental music provision is a concern. Some children and young people would never see a musical instrument if it weren't for opportunities in school, and sadly that would mean specific/potential skills/talents would go un-nurtured. Music promotes so much positivity from well-being, confidence, self-esteem, skills, belonging to something, achievement, as well as being a means of following other more detrimental pathways. We have some excellent examples of award winning bands etc. in our schools, we do not want to lose this talent. Understanding the financial pressures of this work, again perhaps joint funding applications, fronted by the third sector, to agencies such as Creative Scotland can assist to the contribution of music services within schools. The Youth Action Project has a successful music service, having worked in partnership with schools / Burnhouse, the Council's Art Services and community based informal music groups. We, and I am sure other external agencies such as ██████████ could be involved in assisting this work, securing funds outwith the council.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
2755	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Without the support of the West Lothian instrument service my children would not have attained their abilities in music. They received musical instruments which they looked after and returned back to the service when they purchased their own. The peripatetic music teachers that visited and continually teach and support my children in after school orchestras as well as during the school day are invaluable.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.

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2756	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	There should be no reduction in the provision of music service in West Lothian, music is proven to help concentration and aid academic attainment. The provision allows all children access to an instrument whom otherwise would not get the chance to learn a lifelong skill and craft. It also gives a safe out of school hours activity that is fun, rewarding and makes up for the lack of other outside youth clubs that are majorly lacking in our area of West Lothian.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
2757	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	I can't explain the difference the music provision has made to my child's life. It has given her the confidence, a whole new sector to make friends and has supported her transition to high school so well. It would have a huge detrimental impact of her and those of her music colleagues for this to be removed.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
2758	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Teaching a child to learn an instrument is expensive. For well off families this will always be an option regardless of whether the council offers this service. For the children of everyone else they will quite simply grow up without having had the opportunity to learn. This is a vast waste of human potential and in the end deprives us all of the potential talents present in our communities. There are a number of key distinctions between council run music tuition services and private tuition 1) private tuition is generally one to one whereas council provision is one to many making it more affordable. 2) council tuition takes place in school time whereas private tuition is outwith school making it much harder for families to fit tuition into their busy lives. 3) private local orchestras/music groups are much harder to organize without the organisational structures of the council to facilitate the running of these groups. I recognize that council budgets are getting tighter all the time. To continue to provide this vital service I would make the following suggestions: 1) Increase council tax by 3% as council tax freeze is now over. 2) Allow for provision of cost sharing where parents of children receiving tuition are asked to contribute something financially to music tuition costs. While charging for tuition will have an impact it will still be much more affordable for families than private tuition allowing many more children the opportunity to learn. This would also allow for the community to keep the three benefits described above.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
2759	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Secondly, I am quite frankly dismayed at the proposal to integrate a reduced instrumental music provision into the mainstream curriculum. This will mean the demise of the renowned and successful Instrumental Service that West Lothian have had for at least the past 50 years! I therefore, strongly object to this proposal! West Lothian has a proud heritage of the instrumental provision and I myself, other family members and my own children have benefited from this over the years and not to mention the many hundreds of thousands of school pupils over the years. If we are all about raising attainment then why would this even be on the table for consideration? Research has shown that, when a child is afforded the opportunity to learn a musical instrument, it helps to develop the brain in a powerful way. It is widely considered as one of the most effective ways to "train" the brain. Playing an instrument stimulates the brain and increases memory. " Einstein once said, "Life without playing music is inconceivable to me. I live my daydreams in music. I see my life in terms of music... I get most joy in life out of music". (Psychology Today-June 25th 2014). There are numerous articles written about the benefits of playing a musical instrument. Why are we taking this away? I cannot possibly include all the benefits that playing a musical instrument can provide, but here are just a few. It teaches self-discipline and excellence in both organisation and time management skills as, a pupil learning an instrument, finds a way to manage their study time to a high degree. I am sure that if exam results were analysed, the highest achievers in West Lothian, quite probably play a musical instrument as part of the Instrumental programme in school. There is a relation too to ability in maths being enhanced through pupils playing an instrument. Furthermore, playing an instrument in many of the West Lothian groups, bands and ensembles allows pupils to gain further skills as it sharpens concentration and enables them to take responsibility. They are also given the opportunity to develop confidence in self-expression and it can, and does, relieve stress! Performing in these groups allows pupils to develop strong social skills and they will have a real sense of achievement after each and every performance. I myself have benefited from this, over 40 years ago and my daughter experienced the same until very recently before moving off to university.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.

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2760	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Let's consider briefly the four capacities of the Scottish curriculum - A Curriculum for Excellence: Successful learners:- Not only can playing an instrument increase attainment across the board, we must also consider the level of skills that individual pupils can reach as part of the instrumental timetable from just a 25 minute lesson as part of their timetable each week. These pupils, including my daughter, have acquired skills in their field to an extremely high degree and which transfers to their Music attainment in SQA exams. Confident Individuals:- learning to cope with the stress of giving assured public, concert, festival and exam performances. So many skills (too many to mention) for learning life and work acquired for the future. Responsible Citizens:- Learning to take responsibility for balancing study and practise, organisation skills in attending lessons, catching up on the small amount of classwork missed and ensuring practice time throughout the week. Attending regular weekly rehearsals for Bands and Ensembles both in school and West Lothian show key qualities such as reliability, dependability and responsibility. Effective contributors:- Pupils give of their free time to perform at school concerts and functions. Those who play in school groups, bands and ensembles and those in the West Lothian equivalent, have promoted both their schools and indeed the Council in both the local community, but also across the country in a positive and significant way and thus, have gained recognition for what goes on in West Lothian. Who will the Council turn to for this if this is taken away? We must also consider that Universities, colleges and employers are all looking for the "well-rounded" candidate who can demonstrate they have the ability to balance their school life with interests effectively! Playing an instrument is certainly an area that demonstrates this. Finally, playing an instrument promotes happiness, health and well-being and, when one considers there are genuine concerns in society about mental illness in young people, surely ensuring that positive opportunities such as learning an instrument as part of full time education should be considered for all children to help them avoid falling into this feeling of despair? We should be increasing provision, not taking it away!	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
2761	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Furthermore, the reduction in Musical tuition is going to deprive many young people the opportunity to flourish in an area otherwise not accessible to them. Mainstream class teachers already have a packed curriculum. When are they supposed to fit in Musical tuition? Where are all the instruments required going to come from?	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
2762	No Response	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	I strongly believe that music is SO important for everyone and something which all children should be exposed to, including the opportunity to play an instrument- particularly at primary school stage. I'm thinking about the success of Raploch, Stirling and 'the Big Noise' project. I don't believe there is a real need for kids to be going on many school outings - but not sure how much cost saving would result.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
2763	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	This would overall be detrimental not only now but in the future. Music and instrumental services provide not only a lifeline for some children, but they inspire creativity, which can lead to so much more in both an academic and musical sense. It teaches discipline, encourages team work and bonding, develops confidence, patience and determination and is so rewarding to all involved, be that as a musician, teacher, parent, listener etc. These are all crucial skills for our children, probably even more so in the current age where human interaction is being overtaken by technology. I feel very strongly against this proposal.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
2764	No Response	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	The Yoth Music Initiative is a separate budget provided through Creative Scotland and cannot be cut.	Instrumental music provision	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
2765	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	I do not agree that we should have a reduced musical provision. Music helps to train our brain, memory, helps to build confidence and social skills and so much more. These are at the heart of some of the 8 priorities you have set as a council!	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
2766	No Response	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Reducing instrumental music tuition would have a devastating effect on the curriculum at the moment. Personally, during my school years, this was a way to express myself, and in fact due to this tuition, I attained my highest exam score of any subject in the field of music, an A at advanced higher. I feel this was a way I expressed myself personally and emotionally, and was a source of enjoyment and relaxation for me. It also led to many very good friendships through a variety of projects I was involved in, such as the WL Schools Big Band, Percussion Ensemble, and Wind Band. To remove this opportunity from young people today would be unjust, and embarrassing for a country that prides themselves on their culture, and arts.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.

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2767	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	We understand the difficult choices the council has to make however we feel very strongly about the proposed cuts to instrumental music and the proposal to bring this into the mainstream curriculum. We have found and studies have found that learning a musical instrument has a positive outcome to academic performance and a young person's behaviour. It teaches young persons how hard work, perseverance, dedication and discipline (all essential qualities for success in the young persons' academic and working life) results in a successful outcome. Being part of the wind band teaches team work and provides a safe and nurturing environment for personal development outside of school. Reducing music tuition and bringing it into the mainstream curriculum reduces the number of instruments available that can be taught; reduces opportunity for young persons to progress and excel in music as there will be insufficient time during class to devote to individual young persons' musical learning; the resulting reduction in instrumental tuition will mean that the West Lothian Youth Concert and Wind Bands would be under serious threat and this would be extremely sad as the bands have been a source of success and pride for the West Lothian area on a national level. Without specific instrumental music tuition this puts a severe strain on music teachers currently covering the music curriculum and worsens the position of the shortage in music teachers currently within the West Lothian area.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
2768	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	must the instrumental music provision be reduced?	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
2769	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	You are not making as large a saving with this than you are with others, I understand priorities but music is not a well payed or easy field to get into so do you really have to make the working people chose between what they want when its the rich prople taxes you are not getting?	Instrumental music provision	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
2770	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Music is so key to young people in improving study, behaviour, feeling proud and being part of something that the community appreciate and support. Linlithgow has a strong association with music through the school bands, orchestra and the local Reed Band. Music teachers don't have the in depth knowledge or the time to teach specific instruments and although they are valuable to children's education it is specialist music teachers that allow the bands and orchestras to flourish. I hope the council reconsiders the impact of withdrawing this service will have.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
2771	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Instrumental music was a huge part of my life growing up in west Lothian. I was not hugely academic and music was the place I fitted in. I was given lots of opportunities through music at school and went from being an extremely shy and quiet child who lacked self-esteem and confidence to a child who could stand up in front of everyone expressing themselves through music. Music was the place that made me a better version of myself. I was part of a huge musical family. I got on better throughout School due to this opportunity as I felt happy and settled in school life. I may have left school earlier if it wasn't for music that kept me going. So many people benefit from instrumental music throughout their life. They may not go on and study it but music provides them with so many things that help in their future life. Health and well-being is a massive one. This day in age is especially difficult with social media, mental health problems and deprivation. Music can help with all of this and has been proven to in many studies. Instrumental can give these kids a place to escape, excel and be happy. To just fit in. It keeps kids off the street cos let's face it there isn't many other places for them to go so instrumental music can give them a place to be with others, work together in a team and socialise. If charging is ever thought about then I would say that it would become an elitist subject where those less privileged would not have an opportunity to realise the music potential within them. This is not what West Lothian is about. I still live in west Lothian and want my 2 kids who are still very young to have the opportunities as I did. I value their education so much and feel they need to have all these opportunities available them in school. The skills they can gain from playing instrumental music is vast-team-work, resilience, determination, confidence, self-worth, healthy mind, motivation, good work ethic, independent learning, to name but a few. It is such an important part of west Lothian and always has been. Don't lose it from schools.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.

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2772	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	I am writing to express my concern that the provision of Instrumental Music in West Lothian schools may be under threat due to budget savings having to be made by the Council. Two of my 3 children have been fortunate to benefit from instrumental tuition whilst at school - [REDACTED]. The fact that this service may no longer be provided just does not bear thinking about. My son and daughter have got so so much from their instrumental tuition. They have been able to play at school concerts, play in Concert Band Festivals, Brass Band Festivals, Brass Ensemble Championships (my son's ensemble were Scottish Champions in their age group in 2015), take part in the wonderful West Lothian Council Spring Concert Series, National Youth Wind Ensemble of Scotland and Edinburgh Youth Orchestra. The highlight for both of them was playing at The Scottish Concert Band Festival Finals in Perth in March last year with the fantastic West Lothian Schools Wind Ensemble who received a Platinum award for a magnificent performance. My son is nearing the end of his time at school but he would be extremely upset if the chance to play his instrument in school or with the Big Band and Wind Ensemble came to an end. West Lothian Council has one of the most progressive and comprehensive Instrumental Music Services in Scotland please don't allow that to be destroyed. There are over 2000 young musicians who participate in activities offered by the Instrumental Music Service - to silence them would be devastating. I am pleading with you to continue the instrumental music service as it stands and to continue the West Lothian Schools Area Bands & Ensembles programme as they stand at the moment so that my son & daughter can continue to enjoy this magnificent service and more importantly so that future generations of children & young people get the opportunity to benefit from this wonderful service.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
2773	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	As a Secondary School teacher and a parent of a 7 year old and a 4 year old, I strongly disapprove of any cuts to instrumental tuition. Knowing the value of children being allowed to learn an instrument and be part of a band in school I would not want to have my children to be taught in an education system where this avenue has been cut-off to them and one where they can only learn an instrument if they have enough money to pay for lessons privately. This surely goes against every principal that West Lothian Council has proudly stood for since its conception. One of the few shining lights from any local authority is their contribution to a strong IMS which WLC have already built up and are renowned for throughout Scotland. I want my children to be part of that not excluded because my income does not allow for private tuition. I fully understand that cuts have to be made and it is difficult. Many of the proposals for cuts can be reintroduced further down the line when hopefully the monies become available - once IMS has been taken away it will not and cannot be reinstated. Once this vital service to education is removed WLC reputation and tradition as a leader in free music provision will go with it. I wouldn't want that on my copy book and the current administration I would hope don't want that on their record either.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
2774	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	visiting music specialist provision scrapped altogether.	Instrumental music provision	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
2775	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	I also believe that reducing instrumental music provision goes against the Council priority of improving attainment and reducing the attainment gap as this is likely to be the only opportunity for children living in poverty to have this experience.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
2776	An employee of West Lothian Council	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	visiting music specialist provision scrapped altogether.	Instrumental music provision	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
2777	An employee of West Lothian Council	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Any child identified as having a particular musical talent should be given the opportunity to attend specialist classes at a centralised location.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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2778	No Response	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Music is one thing we all love. It lifts us emotionally, spiritually and can make us really happy. Most music like sport has no social barriers so I'd like to see a modern approach to music in schools which I believe can lead to better equality, improved mental health and social integration. Now that ticks (early years, improved health, equality), so a redesign of music in schools would be my suggestion.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. EMA is a national scheme.
2779	An employee of West Lothian Council	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	If more control was given in relation to funding I don't think that reducing music provision will help the situation. A number of kids are not academic and prefer to learn through music and taking this away would not be a good idea. Adding this into the curriculum would put more pressure on over stretched teachers. educational psychology - is a must for children that require assistance.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
2780	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Education is a vitally important priority for the future of our children. I am extremely concerned at the proposal to reduce instrumental music provision. Having been through the process at school myself and with a daughter about to reach the age when she is eligible for school lessons I am very concerned that she might not have the opportunities I have had. Music is a release from the more academic subjects and learning an instrument lasts a lifetime. The Council's Music Service is well-respected and renowned and opens up so many opportunities for young people. I have regularly attended the Spring Concert Series where the pupils' talents are showcased. Even primary school age children, who have not been learning long, take part, the standard is very high and a fantastic amount of work is done. The pupils and staff should be commended and the Council should be very proud of its Music Service. Our children should not lose out on this lifelong opportunity and so I absolutely strongly oppose any proposals to impact on this.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
2781	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	. However I feel that cutting the music provision is not a wise idea. Hundreds of children benefit in so many ways from the music provision, they get to perform as a group increasing their skills, confidence and making them part of something very special. Should you not look at options that other authorities use such as parents contributing to the teaching cost? Surely you could also save millions by means testing for children who receive free school lunch (primary 1 - 3) and also the breakfast provision. I would think parents would be happy to contribute towards this rather than lose other valuable services.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
2782	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	West Lothian has wonderful school orchestras and bands. Reducing music tuition would be detrimental to the whole of West Lothian	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
2783	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Those children who take free dinners should have free music tuition. Others can pay to contribute to the cost. Music has been shown to be advantageous in motivating children in many areas.	Instrumental music provision	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
2784	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	I think that music should be reduced.	Instrumental music provision	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
2785	An employee of West Lothian Council	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Any child identified as having a particular musical talent should be given the opportunity to attend specialist classes at a centralised location.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
2786	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Please keep music lessons as music has been proven to support cognitive development. A reduction in music lessons could translate into an increase for other services to try and provide the same mental stimulation. I strongly believe that a reduction in music provision would be a huge own-goal.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
2787	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Given that there is already strong music provision during curricular time, it seems logical that instrumental music is delivered in this manner.	Instrumental music provision	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.

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2788	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Currently music education is low in our primary - without the fantastic job of the instrumental service this would be lost. The opportunity to play a musical instrument is a gift we must continue to give children. It promotes confidence, teamwork, self-motivation whilst also improving numeracy and literacy skills. The reduction of this service would be a definite negative in our society!	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
2789	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	I believe that the instrumental music service should not be reduced, as this is a very important part in Education. My two daughters were given the opportunity to play violin throughout the time they were at school. They now both work in Education and I believe they would not be working in Education if they had not been given this opportunity.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
2790	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Our parent forum have grave concerns over proposals to stop musical instrument tuition in schools which undoubtedly results in withdrawal of the orchestra and band provision. We represent parents with children at all stages who have reaped the benefits of our fantastic instrumental music service which has been built over many years to a fantastic standard and reputation and opens opportunities for children in school and the wider community. Evidence tells us music aids child development and gives opportunities other than sport where children feel part of something and grow in confidence, working in a team setting. There is whole school benefit that is very apparent at both public and school performances. These opportunities are also hugely important for our young people forming personal statements when applying for further or higher education, and employment as evidence of their ability to persevere, commit to group work and learn time management and performance skills. This may be their only extracurricular activity. Children from financially insecure backgrounds will miss out on their only opportunity to realise these benefits and develop their talent. The message from our parent forum is very much that where they can, parents are willing to contribute financially to keep this service and it would be a travesty to lose this service without first exploring this option. We would propose means testing provision along the lines of free school meals and pupil equity funding. National proposals to give Head Teachers more freedom and choice for curriculum and funding will save councils on business support however cutting support and administration staff as well as school budgets will make this incredibly difficult for our Head Teachers who are already dealing with reduced budgets and support staff. We have seen evidence of this already in a school with high parental engagement which in itself can only do so much.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
2791	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Agree - this is good idea. Think instrumental music should be stopped. It advantages affluent households.	Instrumental music provision	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
2792	No Response	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Astonished at 2 of the proposals! Regarding instrumental music provision in schools then calling it a reduced provision is beyond ridiculous! General music teachers cannot take on instrumental teaching at that level - it is two different things, just like a French teacher can't suddenly start teaching German. Really what is being said is that West Lothian council do not think instrumental teaching has any educational value (opposing a lot of research) and see no point in pupils taking music higher, as that will be the consequence. Very sad!	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
2793	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Do not remove music teaching specialists in schools - teachers are not musicians and music is vital to the health and well being of children and is proven to reduce the risk of dementia in later years - keep music teachers available.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.

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2794	An employee of West Lothian Council	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	he proposal to decentralise the Instrumental Music Service is enormously short sighted, and potentially very damaging. The outcomes for pupils who learn a musical instrument in school have been shown to be greatly improved in many studies. This is shown not only in better exam results but in generally improved post-education destinations, because awakening a passion in a young person gives them a drive and enthusiasm for achievement which can't be taught any other way. This passion might be art, history, maths, swimming or football- but for many pupils it is music. Discovering the joy of making music together with other people is the main motivator for improvement for children learning an instrument. The Local Area Ensembles, which can only be organised by a centralised service, are an essential component of this, allowing pupils to meet others from different backgrounds, and allowing pupils to reach their full potential. Instrumental music education has always worked in a pyramid system, with many groups at a low level of ability (school bands), fewer of a higher level (local authority bands), still fewer at the national level (National Youth Orchestra of Scotland) and then very few internationally (EU Youth Orchestra, Verbier Festival- whose players regularly go on to work in top orchestras). By removing a slice of this pyramid, the council will actively prohibit any talented young person in West Lothian from progressing their talent beyond the most basic, school, level. West Lothian bands are award winning (World Junior Champion Pipe Band 2017, European Brass Band Champions in past years, nationally recognised excellence for Wind Ensembles) and tour internationally. Currently, pupils pay nothing to take part in these activities, as it is council policy not to charge for lessons (as encouraged by the Scottish Government). Is it council policy now to destroy the service entirely? Because passing control of the service to individual schools will destroy it, as head teachers will always seek only to maximise exam results per pound spent. Instrumental music provides a series of educational outcomes that are not measurable by exam results year on year, because maturity, independence, adaptability and resilience are all things developed best by young people while they are outside the classroom. However, they are an essential part of our children's education. Any savings the council makes by cutting this provision will be swiftly swallowed up by increased costs to social work and crime prevention, as more and more young people leave school immature and unprepared for the demands of living as an adult.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
2795	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	The instrumental music provision should not be removed from the curriculum, those most effected will be the children from less well off parent(s) who are not in a position to provide an opportunity for their children to learn an instrument also the programme in the form of school bands encourages integration of pupils of all classes to work along side each and work as a group. This can be considered as working alongside the Councils anti poverty policy and encouraging social inclusion.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
2796	An employee of West Lothian Council	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	More cuts to instrumental music were made in the last round of cuts (DBO) than were required and further cuts now would be catastrophic for the cultural life of West Lothian both now and for future generations. This is already a county that is seen as culturally 'less' than other counties close to the main cities (Borders, E/M Lothian, etc) and to Edinburgh, Stirling and Glasgow. To diminish the cultural education even further would eventually condemn the area to becoming a place of a lower social/economic demographic. A dangerous spiral!	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
2797	An employee of West Lothian Council	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Difficult to comment when the text is so vague. I have no idea what "integrating a reduced instrumental music provision into the mainstream curriculum" means. If it means that Head teachers would decide what instrumental music provision is available and how it is disseminated than I would ask you to look at the model of primary music specialists in West Lothian. Not a success story.	Instrumental music provision	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.

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2798	An employee of West Lothian Council	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	I have worked as an instrumental music instructor and then in a management role within instrumental music in West Lothian for over 30 years and have experienced first-hand the impact that playing an instrument and the membership of a music ensemble can have on a young person. I know that the young people I taught and provided an ensemble experience to, were able to explore different pathways and choices in their lives compared to those of their non-instrument playing friends. They were equipped with a confidence, a self-belief, and an ability to problem solve that gave them an edge over others. They made friends for life and participated in major events the positive impact of which will be with them for life. It has brought joy to their lives and for many a route out of poverty. The effect of removing instrumental instruction on the young people, their families, their community, the tertiary education providers, National music organisations, employers and indeed Scotland itself will not be felt straight away. But give it time. Local authority instrumental music provision is the food for most of the areas mentioned above and the life blood for some. Without the local authority Instrumental music feed they will wither away and some may die. Ultimately, reducing the quality of life for people in Scotland, and having a negative impact on the Scottish economy. The national music bodies and tertiary education providers will comprise of the chosen wealthy few who have been lucky enough to access private tuition. Scotland will become a nation of unfound talent and young people not realising their full potential. A country without the future Tommy Smiths, Annie Lennoxs, Evelyn Glennies, Dougie Viponds, Nicola Benedettisâ€¦A country without all those who maybe would never be famous but whose own lives, and the lives of many others, would be improved enriched and enhanced by instrumental music. A very bleak picture. Below are some quotes and a research link (please copy and paste) relating to instrumental music. â€œMusic is especially effective at helping to raise the self-esteem and attainment for those not normally motivated by the education system.â€œUnknown. â€œIf a child is holding a musical instrument then he or she is not holding a cigarette, a joint, a knife, a needle or a gunâ€œBramwell Tovey â€œEverything that can be counted does not necessarily count; everything that counts cannot necessarily be counted.â€œAlbert Einstein http://static1.1.sqspcdn.com/static/f/735337/25902273/1422485417967/power-of+music.pd	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
2799	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Don't pick the easy or soft tart, like music. There's a reason people listen and play great works over the centuries. Few people celebrate bureaucracy or well meaning but misguided short term initiatives to boost employability for example. Do the right thing and cut the waste in central process.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
2800	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	As a school student I received instrumental lessons in school through the central music service and it had an enormous positive impact on my life. Although my career doesn't involve music, the support and confidence that gave me was key in getting me where I am now. Please don't take that opportunity away from future students. While my classroom music teachers were fabulous, there is no substitute for a specialist, and it would be a huge loss to individual pupils and the whole school to reduce music provision.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
2801	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Provision of instrumental music should remain as for the poorest in our communities this will be their only opportunity to develop in this way.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
2802	No Response	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Music will not survive in schools if you cut the instruction programme. Stop focusing on numbers and consider the children themselves.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
2803	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Reduced instrumental provision. Have you not learnt the importance of music in people's lives?	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
2804	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Oh this is rich I know first hand on the music front where my daughter wanted to continue playing the french horn for the school even though she couldn't do a higher even though she got a high pass in her ordinary grade. After 10 years of working through various instruments she was told she had to stop. As it was not the career path she had chosen. Most external activities have been withdrawn probably long overdue restructuring.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.

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2805	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Referring to point 1 b, I see the importance of continuing free instrumental tuition for the sake of myself, classmates and teachers. Since joining my lessons for the first time 4 years ago, my life has improved immensely and extremely quickly. My music lessons have given me the opportunity to visit Germany, take part in the Young Musician competition and join many musical clubs. I have made several new friends, who have also made friends through these clubs. Since I play the violin, I sit exams which can help give me practice for my school exams. My life would be horribly different without my music lessons, and I would not be nearly as happy as I am today. I am not completely sure how much fun my life would be without my music lessons, and it would be really hard to see my friends that I made and think that where we started off was gone. I am considering a job with music but without my lessons, this would be very difficult as I would not know what way to turn. My relationship with my teachers is very strong and it would be much harder if I couldn't see them because they give me advice for the future with my music.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
2806	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Education is of the utmost importance and integrating/reducing educational services will certainly not lead to quality or effectiveness. The Instrumental Tuition is of the highest standard in West Lothian Schools e.g. The West Lothian Schools Brass Band has achieved/won Scottish, British and European Championship Titles over the past few years. This Quality of Musicianship should be allowed to continue and prosper.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
2807	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	I do not think any cuts should be made to schools. It is abhorrent that the council wants to reduce music provision, the curriculum is already overcrowded. Additional/separate music provision should continue to be offered to all children in West Lothian.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
2808	An employee of West Lothian Council	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	I strongly disagree with reducing instrumental music provision in schools as this is depriving children of the pleasure of enjoying music. I think this is very short sighted of the council.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
2809	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Reducing the amount of music provision is a hard choice to make as this often affects primaries more than secondaries but I feel that it is the right thing to do, along with closer monitoring of provision and results to make it as cost effective as possible.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
2810	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Reduced funding to music is not acceptable as many school pupils will miss out on learning essential life skills. Learning to play an instrument helps to improve confidence, builds resilience and determination as well as many other important skills. Cuts to music will result in pupils not getting the education they deserve. The cutting of music teachers will result in failure to teach children properly and not properly prepare them for the future.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
2811	No Response	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	It worries me when I hear "reduced" Instrumental music provision. My children have been involved in the Instrumental programme offered in West Lothian. It is managed by a team of teachers who are dedicated greatly to the service it provides, and they all go beyond the call of duty of teaching.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
2812	No Response	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	I learned to play a musical instrument while at school, and it was one of the most profound positive experiences in my upbringing. I learned the joy of creating music not just by myself but also as part of a band, I learned to contribute my small piece of something into something much larger, and the massive effect I could have on something through my own individual contribution. Playing alongside fellow students taught me about teamwork and collaboration, and discipline and striving for excellence in something. I honestly believe I wouldn't have grown into the person I am today with the positive and life-affirming benefits of playing music with my fellow students. Please don't rob our younger generations of the opportunity to experience this.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
2813	An employee of West Lothian Council	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Education is hugely important for every child in West Lothian. There must be resources and opportunities given where possible. Music plays a huge part in some children's lives and reducing the music services would be to the detriment of these children.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
2814	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Instrumental music provision has many benefits to children from all backgrounds - social and educational benefit. Rather than reducing provision it should, if anything, be increased to offer a wider range of instruments at primary level to suit a wider range of pupils. However the council doesn't have to pay for it all. Many parents (myself included) would be willing and able to contribute financially to instrumental lessons and activities, allowing the cost to be subsidised for those families who are already eligible to benefits such as free school meals etc. This happens in other areas.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.

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2815	No Response	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	A reduction of any instrumental instruction is almost criminal. The young people of West Lothian deserve the opportunity to develop socially and academically and music is the perfect vehicle for this. West Lothian used to be the pinnacle of instrumental tuition in Scotland and despite numerous cuts in recent years the service have still provided opportunities for young people to thrive, given opportunities for children in West Lothian's most deprived areas to succeed in their learning and helped our young people to express themselves in a positive way. Cutting this service is just not an option.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
2816	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Reduction in musical provision and advisory approach seems counter intuitive for the long term. As we strive to reduce the largest inequality gaps within West Lothian removing or stripping services might save money in the short term but what is the long term plan	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
2817	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	I understand that there have to be priorities but there are a thousand or more ways to save money. In connection with the proposal to remove the instrumental music provision from schools, this will have a negative impact on a number of areas! Pupils who have a love for music are being disadvantaged against pupils who are academically clever. Every pupil should be given the same teaching and support to gain their goals. Attainment levels in the schools will drop, pupils social skills will also drop, as no school bands which have proven to increase confidence levels and social skills in pupils who attend. Pupils learn commitment and the school then benefits from this as the pupil channel their energy and support back into the school through concerts and in the later years of school assist teaching staff, assist with the planning of shows and concert which in turn raises funds for the school. The council have to seriously consider this decision and take a look at the bigger picture and not just the Â£ sign of savings in the initial years!! If we do not invest of the children of today and provide them with the help, support and learning initiatives, then such things as school bands, young musicians will soon become a thing of the past which is a great loss.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
2818	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Why does cuts always have to be around kids, youth and students who are looking to make a career in drama or music!! There are a number of other areas that could be looked at. Only yesterday it was announced that the NCL's sponsor had withdrawn their support and would no longer be able to offer a degree in Musical Theatre / Drama, this is outrageous!! This means that only students that can afford to pay thousand of pounds will be able to progress, how and where is the equality in this! Once again it comes down to wealthy kids will survive but those who have talent but parents do not have extra funds will not be able to progress. We continue to divide this world The government and council need to look at the bigger picture	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
2819	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Musical tuition for children s an essential part of their education and should not be reduced at all.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
2820	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Is instrumental music provision really a priority service delivery? Is it a statutory requirement? Can it be discontinued?	Instrumental music provision	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
2821	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	I disagree strongly with the reduction of instrumental provision as access is already difficult and in the main remains unaffordable for most parents privately	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
2822	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Music should be part of P1, P2 and P3 - early intervention - music should be accessible - WLC should work with parents on this - as a parent I have been offered no music for my children's education - shocking!	Instrumental music provision	4. The council is already doing this.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
2823	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	We oppose any reduction in Instrumental Music teaching.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.

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2824	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Sorry to hear of reduced instrumental music provision.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
2825	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Charge for instrumental music - income generation	Instrumental music provision	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
2826	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Do not reduce instrument provision in schools. The council should be proud of the success of pupils in schools!	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
2827	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Keep the music for children.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
2828	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Just recently I have heard from my music teacher that my brass lessons might be coming to an end and myself and my fellow brass players are extremely upset. Not only am I learning to play an instrument but I am getting the opportunity to meet new people and make new friends and I wouldn't want to see those friendships to come to an end. I am writing to Nicola Sturgeon and Theresa May to see if they can do something to help you.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
2829	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	However instrumental tuition could be funded by charging parents, except in cases of real need. Other areas do that I believe and much better than removing service.	Instrumental music provision	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
2830	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	As a family, we are against the proposal to reduce instrumental music provision and to integrate a reduced provision into the mainstraw curriculum. West Lothian has established an excellent reputation with its school orchestras and bands. The expertise of the music teachers once lost would be unlikely to be regained in the future.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.

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2831	No Response	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	I am sending this email in regards to the proposed cuts in 1B to the reduced instrumental music provisions which I hope you agree are absolutely ludicrous. I believe that integrating a reduced instrumental music provision will be detrimental to the education system in West Lothian. As a former pupil and member of several orchestras and groups, I have experienced first hand the many benefits of learning a musical instrument. This not only includes the skills of being able to play an instrument (which is an excellent skill) but also the development of communication skills, time-keeping skills, and integrity as well as the positive emotions that materialise from being involved in an amazing achievement. The excellent Instrumental Music Service in West Lothian has allowed me to travel far and wide to places that I otherwise would never have managed to see. This includes United States of America, all over Europe as well as Britain. I, amongst many others would not be where I am today if it weren't for my experiences as I know that my family would not have been able to support me with music if it had not been free. This has allowed me to become part of choirs such as National Youth Choir of Scotland and pipe bands such as National Youth Pipe Band of Scotland. All of these would again not have been possible without the benefits of the IMS in West Lothian. I will forever be grateful to the service for the influence it has had on my life. I have now recently graduated with an upper second class honours degree for music at university. This again highlights the importance and effect the opportunity of music tuition at school can have on someone's life, enhancing social skills and perseverance skills to name but a few. One of the main factors in education just now is that of closing the attainment gap and how social justice and inclusion supports this. I think, therefore it is important to consider how free music tuition enhances this for many families in West Lothian. There are a number of areas in which families cannot afford to pay for school books, never mind the expense of private music lessons. Therefore, removing free music tuition will eradicate an excellent opportunity for many students who have a very special skill. This will, I believe, have an effect on the level of attainment possible for many children. The Curriculum for Excellence is supported by a key child protection policy named, GIRFEC, which stands for 'Getting It Right for Every Child'. This aims to provide a co-ordinated and appropriate approach from all external services and agencies who are involved in supporting children and their families and is underpinned by the 'SHANARRI' values and principles. 'SHANARRI' stands for 'Safe, Healthy, Achieving, Nurtured, Active, Respected,	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
2832	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	As you know, West Lothian schools have an outstanding record and reputation for music over decades, both in Scotland and overseas. The support for musical education has made West Lothian Council stand out and it's something that has benefited generations of families, including my own, as musical education has given pupils the support and opportunities to develop their talents, learn new skills, extend their horizons and produce better students as a result. I appreciate that cuts have to be made alongside increases to Council Tax, but I'm firmly opposed to any reduction in instrumental music provision and would like to know your opinion on this.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.

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2833	No Response	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	<p>I am writing, as a parent, and as an individual to express my deep concern at the possibility of the Instrumental Music Service (IMS) activities being absorbed into classroom music lessons, as suggested by the ongoing "Transforming Your Council" consultation. West Lothian has had a world beating service in it's music education, which is the envy of so many council areas. The concept that a classroom teacher, no matter how dedicated and skilled could provide the specialist knowledge associated with such a wide range of practical skills associated with the performance aspects of such different musical instruments as there are, to such a level as to be able to prepare students to be able to participate in an orchestra, wind band, brass band, jazz band, pipe band, fiddle band, accordion group, traditional music group, rock group is ludicrous. Even if an individual school had 6 classroom teachers in its music department they would not be able to scratch the surface of such a diverse subject area, and I very much doubt that there are ANY music departments with that many whole time equivalents. And that is just for the knowledge - not the time required to train and encourage the individuals at a level they would require. The benefits of music education, and participation in music performance are innumerable and transferable; there are gains in terms of language development, interpersonal relationship building, skills in working individually or as part of a team, team dynamics and leadership skills, foreign language skills, mathematical skills, physical education abilities, coordination and cognitive ability, not to forget the benefits in raising self esteem and confidence. The extra benefits of having the IMS being able to advise schools and coordinate performance ensembles, the supporting of school ensembles, and being able to provide a conduit to further education in specialist environments such as the Royal Conservatoire of Scotland, or the Royal College of Music is unparalleled. The benefits to children and young adults using this service are huge, giving them opportunities they might never otherwise aspire to in: performance, help in gaining qualifications, gaining life skills, being able to participate in a (not necessarily competitive) team environment, being ambassadors for West Lothian and Scotland in music festivals and exchanges around the world. There is also an aspect of local and national pride in identity which can be defined and enhanced by the music an individual has the chance to learn and perform. Many of these students may not be able to do this in any other way because of pressures of family, finance, interpersonal abilities, or background. There are also benefits for West Lothian.</p>	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
2834	No Response	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	<p>However, I was and am deeply concerned about the proposals laid out in section 1b of the explanatory pdf - namely "integrating a reduced instrumental music provision into the mainstream curriculum." I strongly urge the Council to reconsider making cuts to any music and arts provision in schools. Whilst I am not a resident of West Lothian, members of my family, and many of my friends and colleagues reside in this area. It is for them that I am writing to you, and other members of the Council. My family and many of my friends' children are growing up in West Lothian at a time when the county is held up as an impressive example of world class music tuition, education and ability. Indeed, it has had that reputation for many years, due to the foresight of previous Councils and leading lights in arts and education such as the late Mr Brian Duguid. I myself have seen the children of friends growing in confidence, maturity and happiness since taking up music at secondary schools in Livingston. I have attended productions of school shows where school orchestras and bands have played seamlessly with professional musicians drafted in to help. I have seen the passion with which the children participate in musical events. I know how dedicated your music staff are to assuring the success of the students in music. I am sure that I do not need to impress upon you the importance of the arts and the immeasurable benefits that music provides to all children and young people - improving people's quality of life and their mental and emotional wellbeing and behaviour, learning of empathy, providing an outlet for expression, emotion and creativity. Cuts to the programme would deny students a wonderful, often life-changing experience in learning music. As I said, I am sympathetic to the Council's issues. Modernising and streamlining in areas can be hugely beneficial. However, I simply urge the Council to protect one of its most amazing and irreplaceable assets.</p>	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.

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2835	No Response	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	I am writing to you to express my grave concern over the proposed cuts to the Instrumental Music Service in West Lothian. Whilst I fully recognise that savings have to be made across the council, cutbacks to the Instrumental Music Service would be disastrous in so many ways. West Lothian's Instrumental Music Service is a widely recognised innovative specialist service which has led the way in Instrumental Music, with many of its pupils going from playing in School and Area groups, to playing in National Ensembles, studying at Music Colleges and going on to have a career in music. Instrumental music provision in schools is vital. Numerous studies have shown the benefit children and young people have in all aspects of their life from learning a musical instrument - higher attainment, improved social skills, much higher self esteem and confidence - great benefits musically and educationally to name but a few. As a person who received instrumental music lessons at school, I cannot stress enough how much I gained through this opportunity - much more confidence and many, many lifelong skills including being able to work independently as well as part of a team from experiencing this at an early age. This service is vital especially for children and young people who have very few other opportunities in their lives due to their family / financial / social circumstances, as well as being so important to pupils with additional support needs. This opportunity to have specialist small group lessons can help integrate them into mainstream education. Instrumental lessons have a massive impact on raising attainment in SQA Music exams as well as playing a large part in the wider school life with concerts and performances. This opportunity for children and young people to 'unlock' their inner talents is priceless. I would strongly urge you to demonstrate your support to this service to the council, as people cannot measure the benefit that the young people gain from this opportunity - not just academically, but also mentally and emotionally.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
2836	No Response	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	I heard with acute dismay that the music instrumental service in West Lothian is under consideration for radical cost saving measures- even possible closure. I feel that I must write to ask you to not to take such a damaging measure and to preserve the excellent instrumental service that has been such a jewel in West Lothian's crown for many years. I well remember the late Brian Duguid and know how much he prized and promoted this service which was, even then, noted for its excellence. I understand that making savings is never easy and that no one ever wants a reduction in the status quo, however I truly believe that the value of instrumental music extends far beyond the technical ability of making musical sounds. Learning an instrument has an important civilising / social benefit. 1.Instruments have distinct individual voices but are appreciated more when they are played together in ensembles and create a more complex whole than solo playing can achieve. However playing together requires certain commitment from each player to achieve the common aim; each has individual value but is reliant on the other- none should dominate, therefore musicians learn to be aware of their fellow instrumentalists and to work in co operation with each other. 2.Playing together requires a sense of responsibility and discipline. Players need to prepare to perform together - failure to practice has implications for the entire ensemble. Unlike other forms of subject learning, music is not a medium where players can do their own thing- there are clear rules and failure to co operate harms the achievement of the other players. 3.Playing co operatively but with instruments that offer different voices enables musicians to appreciate the skills and achievements of their fellow players. They learn to respect and to value each other. 4.Instrumental teaching requires a good relationship between instructor and student. Mutual trust brings out the best in the student, and, in particular, can enhance confidence. For some students this focused attention of an adult is a new and encouraging experience. These factors - commitment, shared responsibility for the success of the whole, co operation, awareness of others, discipline, valuing of the skills of others - are vital to good education. Musicians learn to approach their training seriously and quickly learn that they have individual, valued parts to play. This musical discipline is, I believe, known to help children in their approach to other subjects on the curriculum- in short, they are, through instrumental teaching, trained to know how to learn efficiently and to work co operatively. Learning an instrument gives a skill that may be enjoyed	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
2837	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	I also think music tutoring should be saved as it is relative arts who wouldn't have the chance to get into it otherwise.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
2838	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	The proposals for the integration of music provision into mainstream school provision has been raised by a number of my constituents. The current provision provides a quality and excellence of service that many local authorities seek to emulate.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.

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2839	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	To whom this may concern, I am writing to you today on behalf of [redacted] and [redacted]. One of the proposals set by West Lothian Council, to save £73m over the next five years, would seriously affect our school's music department, one which we are highly involved in. I play the tuba in the school's senior band and hope to go onto the Conservatoire to study this, and Connor is the leader of the school's orchestra. Your plan to get rid of Music Tuition, and try to integrate this into the mainstream music curriculum, is an impossible proposal; the Music teachers have so much work on their plates already, and are often not qualified to teach individual instruments to the high, specialised standard that Music Instructors are. This is a pressing issue that we feel very strongly about. We would like to arrange a meeting with the relevant people as soon as possible. [redacted] and [redacted] have all benefited so much from free music tuition service provided in our school, and with around 160 children [redacted] alone taking part in the Instrumental Music Service, it would be a tragic loss to the community to have to go through with this.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
2840	An employee of West Lothian Council	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Playing an instrument is important to mental health and can delay/prevent dementia so children with musical aptitude should be given every opportunity for music lessons	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
2841	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	The instrumental lessons and orchestras are extremely important to school. Not only does this even up inequality for children who could otherwise not afford it, it is also an integral part of school life at Linlithgow academy. The orchestras led by instrumental teachers is fabulous and benefits almost half the pupils at the school. In addition, it has been proven that learning a musical instrument has a tangible positive impact on children's educational achievement. I would urge council members to attend either of the band concerts in December to witness the wonderful achievements of the pupils, facilitated by instrumental teachers.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
2842	An employee of West Lothian Council	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	These are viable and difficult decisions and proposals. I would urge the council not to scrap or gravely harm the work of Instrumental Music Education. The difference this service makes to young people, and the positive impact it has on wider attainment is well documented. The positive effect it has on school ethos, integration of pupils, and attainment of pupils in all subjects is recognised and makes it a very good investment. It is a grave concern that should this service be decimated or conveyed to a 'skeleton' service, then the good work and solid music making heritage that has existed in West Lothian for decades could be irreparably damaged. Such a blooming music environment cannot be turned off then back on later. If damage is done, we may lose our musical heritage for good.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
2843	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Charge for music lessons in schools to cover the staffing costs of providing them	Instrumental music provision	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
2844	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Music tuition in schools. How about charging pupils even as little as £10 a year for music tuition? It would add up to something.	Instrumental music provision	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
2845	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Music tuition in schools (brass etc) means test but charge for this.	Instrumental music provision	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
2846	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Activities such as music, allows children to compete in annual SCBF competitions, which is a very positive experience and along with Christmas concerts etc, gives these individuals a reason to want to succeed, and is a very rewarding experience. Receiving these awards gives the performers a sense of pride and makes all their hard work worth it. I can speak from experience when I say that getting my school lessons and being a part of 2 bands has improved my confidence and made me continue to want to study music. Without this, I doubt I would have chosen to study music at national 5 and higher level (both of which I achieved an A in, and for my higher I achieved full marks in my main instrument, of which I would have never begun to play if it wasn't for the instrumental program that schools provide), and I would not be the person I am today.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.

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2847	An employee of West Lothian Council	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Services like Educational Psychology, Speech & Language Therapy etc. should be centralised and visiting music specialist provision scrapped altogether.	Instrumental music provision	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Psychology and speech and language are already centralised.
2848	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Stopping Instrument Services in schools means that only the children from wealthy families will be able to pursue a career in music. Children from a poorer background deserve to have a chance to prove they are talented, intelligent individuals just as much as those children who are better off than them. My eldest child has benefitted greatly from Instrument Services, he has become a very talented musician and looks to be pursuing a very positive line in employment in the music industry when he leaves school. My younger child has just started playing saxophone in the school orchestra. She is on the autistic spectrum and it has given her a new found confidence which she lacked before, if you take that away from her, and all the other children in her situation, she will be back to where she started. How many children who are not great at sports or other academia will be affected by the one chance they have been given to shine? And how many children with special needs who have a huge talent will have this taken away from them. There are plenty of other areas in which to make cuts, take some money from the better off for a change, instead of giving it to them	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
2849	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Stopping Instrument Services in schools means that only the children from wealthy families will be able to pursue a career in music. Children from a poorer background deserve to have a chance to prove they are talented, intelligent individuals just as much as those children who are better off than them. My eldest child has benefitted greatly from Instrument Services, he has become a very talented musician and looks to be pursuing a very positive line in employment in the music industry when he leaves school. My younger child has just started playing saxophone in the school orchestra. She is on the autistic spectrum and it has given her a new found confidence which she lacked before, if you take that away from her, and all the other children in her situation, she will be back to where she started. How many children who are not great at sports or other academia will be affected by the one chance they have been given to shine? And how many children with special needs who have a huge talent will have this taken away from them? There are plenty of other areas in which to make cuts, take some money from the better off for a change, instead of giving it to them	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
2850	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	topping Instrument Services in schools means that only the children from wealthy families will be able to pursue a career in music. Children from a poorer background deserve to have a chance to prove they are talented, intelligent individuals just as much as those children who are better off than them. My eldest child has benefitted greatly from Instrument Services, he has become a very talented musician and looks to be pursuing a very positive line in employment in the music industry when he leaves school. My younger child has just started playing saxophone in the school orchestra. She is on the autistic spectrum and it has given her a new found confidence which she lacked before, if you take that away from her, and all the other children in her situation, she will be back to where she started. How many children who are not great at sports or other academia will be affected by the one chance they have been given to shine? And how many children with special needs who have a huge talent will have this taken away from them. There are plenty of other areas in which to make cuts, take some money from the better off for a change, instead of giving it to them	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
2851	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Instrumental music provision should only be available for a fee, other than for children from families on income support.	Instrumental music provision	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
2852	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	WLC have led the way in instrumental music from the vision of Brian Duguid to the present day with the bands and orchestras achieving so many accolades. Music is an integral part in children's all round development promoting self esteem, self confidence and academic learning to name but a few benefits, thus promoting their attainment. I was privileged to see the senior brass band and pipe band at a concert in Glasgow and felt so proud of our young people. In this era of social media and computers it is so heartening to see so many young people from all backgrounds playing in the Spring concert series. I believe it would be a travesty for West Lothian to reduce the instrumental services.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.

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2853	An employee of West Lothian Council	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	With the position the council is facing, we should not be providing instrumental music especially when we are looking at reductions for vulnerable people in social policy. This is a nice to have service, largely to the benefit of better off families, and has no impact on attainment (which I think is what should be the focus).	Instrumental music provision	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
2854	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	I am in absolute disagreement with reduced instrumental music provision. How does this fit with the curriculum of excellence was this not about identifying and harnessing young peoples skills and attributes?	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
2855	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Projects such as 'The Big Noise' show the importance of music in relation to attainment and employability. Reducing this seems to ignore the evidence that this educational resource has such a positive effect.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
2856	No Response	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Also look at the project 'the big noise' has done in Raploch, Stirling using instruments and music teaching to impact on school attainment, behaviour, reducing the impact of poverty and crime etc. Music is just as important as learning to read and write.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
2857	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Instrumental music lessons allow people to meet new people, develop a confidence to play and perform in front of others and to have closer friendships with others. They are a great benefit to those that would not have another chance to play an instrument.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
2858	An employee of West Lothian Council	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	A reduced music provision I feel is not fair on children who have been learning instruments from a young age such as strings in P3/4 and then with budget cuts are going to be told they can no longer do this. Is this making the curriculum accessible for all or is this developing a culture of if you can afford to pay for it then you can do it. Not all children will be able to do this and I feel this is disadvantaging the children. If this was to happen in secondary, will this also mean a drop in exam attainment? As I know lots of students who have attended different musical specialists to get the most from their knowledge and experience. What about the jobs such as Education Officers and Heads of Service - do they maximise their time efficiently to justify such a huge salary?	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
2859	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Music/ instrumental tuition is a right for all pupils as is quality PE instruction. Children who are not academic and not wealthy need more opportunities and support to be the best they can be. How can you have a priority of positive destinations yet cut libraries music pe art etc. Shame on you for thinking about these.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
2860	No Response	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	As for music provision, although it is not possible to maintain the old 'recorder lessons' we all remember as children, we need to ensure that music lessons are not only accessible to those who can afford to pay for them and the instruments. The potential of a gifted child must never be missed, especially if they are not academically gifted as is often the case.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
2861	An employee of West Lothian Council	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	I don't think this is up to people without children to fund. This has been an on going problem for years but we need more schools for a start and not music lessons.	Instrumental music provision	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
2862	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	I feel a instrumental music provision is to some students one of the most important aspects the the council and school provide and to reduce this in any way more that it already has been would be very detrimental. Music and playing an instrument has so many benefits to young people and may miss out on it currently due to the lack of funding available, and so cutting this would have some very negative effects.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
2863	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Being myself very involved in the music program in both my school and council organised bands I am well aware of how fantastic some of the opportunities that music has given me and others I know well. For some people their music tuition is one of the main reasons they enjoy coming to school and some are looking to persue a career in this. The experiences and what can be learnt from playing an instrument and instruction is increadibly beneficial to young peoples development in general as countless studies yet even as it stands many students just are not luckily enough to be able to take part in this due to lack of teaching resources and instruments, and so to cut this anymore than it has been would be even more detrimental.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.

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2864	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Instrumental music is incredibly important - it seems very shortsighted to impose a reduced provision rather than allow parents to contribute towards the cost of the lessons - this could be done on a means tested basis to avoid disadvantaging less well off. The council is proposing contributions towards social care so why can't something similar be implemented for instrumental music to protect the service?	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
2865	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	I think the reduction of music provision is very short sighted - haven't you all read the evidence that learning a musical instrument improves attainment across ALL parts of education It is probably one of the most cost effective ways of engaging kids and making them more rounded learners. Check out the Sistema projects in the Raploch and in Glasgow and Aberdeenshire. I strongly disagree with cutting back the music service.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
2866	No Response	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	I think this proposal makes a mockery of the PEF initiative. How can we be striving for a more equal society on one hand and on the other saying only those who can afford it are entitled to learn an instrument?	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
2867	No Response	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	I would like you not to effect the music department at secondary and primary schools like teachers coming into teach us certain instruments such as strings brass wind and percussion. Things like this really help with gaining confidence I know this because I was a bit quite when it came to big public events but now I am more confident. I have got my exams after the new year how will this effect me I have been playing guitar and bass for four years now and my prelim for music in December	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
2868	No Response	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Not quite sure whether pupils have to pay for music tuition in West Lothian but I am aware they have been charging for music tuition in other councils for a long time.	Instrumental music provision	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
2869	No Response	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	The reduction of music services will deny many of our pupils the experience that music tuition can bring. There is much evidence to suggest music develops many skills in young people.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
2870	An employee of West Lothian Council	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	I would also caution a severe cut to music provision. The benefit of peer support and activity in any of the arts, but particularly music, is a key part of the learning process so whatever shape this takes needs to take account of that.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
2871	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	So what you are really saying is you want to scrap the teaching of an instrument at school level??	Instrumental music provision	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
2872	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Music has impacted me in such a positive way, it brightens up my day everyday and I could not live without my music lessons and music class me and all my friends love it, could you imagine life with no music, never hearing music, or noises, NO we live with music in our day to day lives so please don't take that away from me	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
2873	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	I think it would be a massive shame to change the current approach to music tuition. I think this will severely effect many children who currently have the opportunity to learn an instrument without having to worry about the financial aspect. Not all children are academic and we need to support those with other skills, such as musical ability, to ensure they reach their potential in other areas. Many parents will not be able to afford to pay for tuition and their children will suffer as a result. I would be extremely disappointed if the council went ahead with the decision to remove free musical instrument tuition.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.

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2874	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	I strongly oppose the proposal to "integrate" a reduced instrumental music provision into mainstream curriculum. The reality is that hard-pressed classroom music staff will be entirely unable to provide a quality of service even remotely close to that currently provided, because no matter how good an individual music teacher is, he/she cannot be expert on brass and string and woodwind and piano and guitar and percussion tuition (and there may well be other specialist streams too). There is very clear evidence that learning music has multiple benefits for children's learning and development across all other spheres, as well as providing them with skills, experiences and friendships that last for a lifetime, our 3 children all hugely benefited from WLC music specialist tuition and 2 of them continue their involvement in music at a serious level. WLC has been wise to invest in specialist musical tuition. If you are now going to cut this fantastic service, please do not pretend that you are 'integrating' anything. The reality is that the level of music-making which WL children have enjoyed for decades will disappear. Please be honest and accept that this would be a cut - and a cut with massive negative implications for the educational and personal development of all children in WL. Best of all, continue to invest in specialist tuition for the sake of all our children of today and tomorrow.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
2875	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	The instrumental music programme should not be slotted into the mainstream curriculum. In my opinion, I have gained a lot of valuable information through this programme which a class teacher would've been unable to provide.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
2876	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	This is my 9th year playing the violin and because I was given the opportunity in primary 5 to play an instrument with free tuition I am sat several graded exams and am planning to sit grade 8 in May. On top of my weekly lessons at Linlithgow academy, I also play in 3 orchestras every week where I am able to develop my playing and enjoy performing in school and West Lothian concerts. I have gained so much from learning to play a music instrument and don't think I would have taken it up if there wasn't the opportunity given to me at age 10. I think it would be a pity for other children to miss out on the chance to learn an instrument. Part of what makes the standard of playing in West Lothian so high is because of the specialist music teachers. Without them, many of us would not be able to play to the level we can and I don't think it would be as high if you were to introduce school music teachers to teach an instrument. I believe that you should reconsider your decision to cut extra-curricular music from West Lothian and give all children the option to learn an instrument.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
2877	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	I believe it's an awful idea to put instrumental music into the mainstream curriculum. It's very close minded to think all the children who are currently learning an instrument with the council could afford to pay for music lessons. Not only is it taking away free music lessons it's also taking away the whole experience for the children. Music does so many good things for children including boosting confidence and making many new friends. As a former pupil at linlithgow academy who learned violin, I experienced the joy music with miss creanor brought to me. It was the only thing I enjoyed in school and I can say for definite that many also can relate to this. In many areas of West Lothian where there is crime, poverty, unemployment and other bad things happening in the community, music can be the one thing positive in somebody's life which would in turn reduce these things. This has been shown in Venezuela and many prisons across the world. I think the council need to rethink the impact taking away free instrumental music would do for many in West Lothian- I can already see it will cause more problems than fix them.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
2878	No Response	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Hi, I believe that the planned cut of musical services is outrageous. if this goes through it is going to heavily affect the upcoming Nat 5, Higher and Advanced higher exams for music. Not only that but will affect a generation of students who want to learn an instrument but do not have the means to do so, which is a massive inequality. This will also affect music as a whole in West Lothian as every member of mt band and others were offered music tuition at school. If this is to save money and focus on poverty I believe that children in poverty need something to focus on at school like music and taking away this opportunity is disgraceful in my opinion. And the fact that the council are trying to keep it as quiet as possible until it is too late to do something about it is despicable. if it were not for Guitar and Bass tuition I would be doing a terrible job in school right now as I would have rebelled against the school system for not helping me achieve what I wanted in life. This proposal is a mistake and once the council realise this an entire generation of school children will have missed out on something great. yours sincerely	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.

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2879	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	music tuition is an important part of our school community at Linlithgow Academy. The different music groups around the school add to the environment and allow the students to get involved in groups which can increase the confidence of the pupils involved. I believe that having music tuition also allows those involved to have a creative release and a good way to express their emotions in a constructive way. The various groups around the school have also won awards for the school which gives those pupils a sense of achievement and something to be proud of which they would not have if there was not music tuition in the school. These groups would not be able to continue if the teachers who specialise in instruments were not at the school anymore as the teachers who teach general classes will not know how to play all the different instruments required to keep these groups going.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
2880	An employee of West Lothian Council	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	I'm not sure if I'm misunderstanding the music provision suggestion, but if it involves cutting students access to music tuition and additional musical activities such as orchestras then I think this is appalling. Music is much more than a bit of fun; it's an expression of creativity and teaches children important transferable skills- following instructions, resilience and perseverance, practicing, prolonged attention, to name a few. Whilst it may make a saving, it seems wrong to restrict the curriculum and opportunities for young people.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
2881	No Response	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	It is unfair that music provision in particular should be reduced. This is just as important a part of the curriculum as other academic subjects and should not be seen as merely supplementary to academic learning.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
2882	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	I am very much opposed to a reduction in instrumental music provision. One of the regrets of my life is that I cannot play a musical instrument. It provides discipline for children as well as stretching their brains and supporting mental health. Playing in an orchestra has transformed the lives of deprived children in many areas, much more benefit than anything else that schools were doing. It should be prioritised. Think of the joy that music can bring. Please think again.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
2883	An employee of West Lothian Council	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	As an employee and the fact that a family member was involved in creating free music tuition in West Lothian I feel very strongly that this service must be maintained in schools as it benefits so many youngsters in the area. It gives them discipline, team building skills, respect and numerous opportunities to enhance their citizenship with chances to perform in places most kids wouldn't dream of abroad like Germany and the fabulous Perth Concert Hall. Simply put... INSTRUMENTAL TUITION MUST SURVIVE AND CUTS MADE ELSEWHERE!!!	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
2884	An employee of West Lothian Council	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	There must be some other source of funding like PEF for example that can be used to keep Instrumental instructors in schools.	Instrumental music provision	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	The Scottish Government has issued clear guidance on use of PEF funding. It is designed to address the impact of socio economic deprivation, and not to deliver a service to children who fall overwhelmingly within the more affluent SIMD groups.
2885	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	I strongly disagree with reducing instrumental music provision in the mainstream school curriculum. I believe that music education is very important and should be available to all children, not just those whose families can afford private tuition.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
2886	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	I totally disagree with reducing instrumental music provision! I was fortunate enough to get tuition at school and went on to continue playing in an orchestra after leaving. My son who is in P7 has been unable to have a chance to play an instrument yet due to his year size and is very much looking forward to playing something in the Academy! Individual tuition is critical to successful playing and the teachers simply don't have time or expertise to do this within music classes! Linlithgow academy has a reputation for being a good school and performing arts is a part of this! Instead of cutting money for this, why don't you stop giving out free school lunches to kids that don't need it!!	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.

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2887	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	The instrumental music programs offered by West Lothian council gave me some of the best and most worthwhile experiences of my educational career. As a student now studying Music Business, I believe that these programs to have been fundamental in directing the path my studies chose and have changed my life enormously. The opportunities these lessons provide pupils is so superior to WL's neighbouring councils and gives them a reputation for being a fantastic hub of budding musicians. Even for students who do not go on to be musicians, I am in contact with many former pupils who remember the experiences as some our fondest moments of high school. These lessons and bands developed me as much as anything - in some cases more - on the school curriculum and it did not affect my grades or studies.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
2888	No Response	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	I feel that music and learning an instrument are key areas to educational development. Some pupils may not be that academic but have a talent for music which they could progress in a career with. So it seems unfair that this may see a reduction in the future of talented musicians.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
2889	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Music has been a major part of my education and the free tuition I have received has allowed me to take music to Advanced Higher. I have formed many positive relationships with both staff and other pupils involved with music which has greatly impacted my school life. I have also gotten to go on great trips like music camp with school every year, and with the other 5 area ensembles I have been involved with I have traveled to Texas and Poland. These invaluable experiences and relationships would not exist without this service.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
2890	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	I am filled with horror at the idea of "reducing" music provision. I am the daughter of a (now deceased) jazz musician + music teacher + musical instrument repairer. I myself learned to play 2 instruments. But at Springfield Primary & Linlithgow Academy, my younger son discovered music and that changed his LIFE! He learned violin & guitar, joined the orchestra, formed a rock band, made a record & went on to do an Honours degree in music technology. He learned so many other skills through music; studied more, practised hard, socialised, became a much more rounded individual. He blossomed. What was it Shakespeare said..." if music be the food of love....." Please think again	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
2891	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	We should not reduce it as music lessons I would have never had the opportunity to learn to play violin. I am part of 3 orchestra groups that I would not have been a part of if I never had the opportunity to learn an instrument, I also would not have these orchestra groups to play in if these cuts to music where to take place	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
2892	An employee of West Lothian Council	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	I would not like to see cuts in music (or sport) provision as I believe it is important for children to engage in sport and music in their formative years and that this should be actively promoted and supported through education. I believe that children who have a sport and a musical instrument in their lives are less likely to engage in anti-social behaviours.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music and PE provision through curriculum for excellence.
2893	No Response	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	I think this proposal makes a mockery of the PEF initiative. How can we be striving for a more equal society on one hand and on the other saying only those who can afford it are entitled to learn an instrument?	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
2894	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	I am personally biased on the issue of reducing the music provision. It is unfair that this module is continually targeted when it comes to budget cutting, in my previous school the resources were already at a poor standard. I don't see how this can improve the school curriculum as it inhibits a lot of pupils from getting access to the best resources for their music classes and potentially affects their results.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
2895	No Response	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	I agree with a reduction in instrumental music as reductions need to be made and this is not, in my opinion, a vital service.	Instrumental music provision	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
2896	No Response	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	The sharing of resources amongst schools would better suit the students as not every school can provide the same level i.e. music or the arts	Instrumental music provision	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.

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2897	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Proposing to move instrumental tuition into the mainstream curriculum is incredibly narrow minded and detrimental to all those children who benefit greatly from the music lessons they currently receive. Linlithgow Academy has a wonderful music department and produces exceptional concerts. This wouldn't be possible if the pupils weren't to receive those lessons. Music is hugely beneficial for the children and helps them both at school and outside and sets them up well for later life. Please don't take this away from the aspiring young musicians.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
2898	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	I very strongly disagree with integrating instrumental tuition into mainstream curriculum. This will not work. It will result in fewer children playing and those that do continue will not be given the quality tuition that is needed to play to any standard. This will affect the community and wider society. Please reconsider this cut.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
2899	No Response	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	I do not agree with reduced musical education and services. Creative outlets should be encouraged and supported rather than diminished, as reduction in these areas will have an inevitable negative affect on positive growth, stimulation and mental health.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
2900	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Instrumental music provision is very important to pupils- especially those who may not thrive in academia	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
2901	No Response	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	It is completely ridiculous to think that instrumental music tuition can be delivered by class teachers!	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
2902	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Some young people grow up in environments where music is their only coping mechanism and through experience of going through West Lothian's band progression scheme and remembering starting out at the age of 11 being so scared to talk and interact with others to now being a confident and interactive young adult today I can honestly say I wouldn't be where I am now if it wasn't for all the support and encouragement I received and continue to receive if it was for this wonderful opportunity and I just want all young people to get this opportunity as it would be a shame to lose such an opportunity	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
2903	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	As a school student receiving musical instrument lessons in school as well as higher music, I can say that these are two very different things, the music course is helpful towards more qualifications and the academic side of music and will help people get into musical courses at university, musical instrument lessons however, don't go directly towards qualifications, instead it gives students a chance to express themselves in a way that will be impossible without instrument lessons, if lessons are cut then it will deprive younger years of their ability to find something they could be very good at. Music lessons have helped me a lot and I urge you to find some other way of getting money.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
2904	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Reducing music provision is counter-productive to the learning and attainment of pupils as has been proven by research. This must not be allowed to happen.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
2905	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	reduced instrumental music provision' West Lothian schools provide a fantastic instrumental programme which benefits pupils in immeasurable ways. From the challenge of learning an instrument in a small group to the excitement of playing in one of the many bands and orchestras in both primary and secondary schools, this is not something you can take away from our children. Learning an instrument in a whole class setting does not provide the same levels of success or motivation - I speak as a primary school teacher from a different council who watched a whole class learn brass instruments for 9 months and not one child continued with this when the year was over. Whole class learning of instruments does not work! The pace of learning is slow and those who want to learn get bored and give up along with the rest of the class. Please save our music tuition to give West Lothian children the opportunity to really make progress with music and develop their confidence and skills in a small group session. Thank you.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.

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2906	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Instrumental music tuition within schools is a powerful and successful system that has an impact not only on the children who have the chance to take part and the wider school community. It would not be possible to provide the same quality and range of experience within the mainstream curriculum, and without school instruments and support there would be no school bands, orchestras, groups to feed into the musicians of the future. Please rethink this option.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
2907	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Instrumental music has been very important to me and without it I wouldn't be at the place I am with my music today. I plan on pursuing a career in music so I understand the impact these lessons can have on someone's life and I would be devastated if other people didn't get the same opportunity I have had with music.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
2908	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	It's my opinion that instrumental lessons should be kept in place throughout West Lothian so that many children can benefit from the enjoyable and education free music lessons they possibly wouldn't have been able to take part in otherwise. They also help when considering applying for universities and help children to take part in a wide range of activities as well as making sure that learning an instrument is fun and worth the dedication, in a way that cannot be done in a classroom setting with usually around 20 kids to a teacher.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
2909	No Response	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	This section of the document targets me personally. The instrumental music service has played an enormous part in where I am today and how I plan to create my future. Without my specialised lessons, I would never have found my love for percussion and wouldn't be attending the Royal Conservatoire of Scotland. Young people have a right to explore their musical abilities and that cannot be taught in a classroom. Taking away the instrumental services would also mean depriving students of taking part in school bands and West Lothian ensembles as there would be no one to lead them. Personally, I play in the West Lothian Wind Ensemble and that group alone has allowed me to discover my passion for playing with wind orchestras and am therefore hoping to go on to study that in further education. The instrumental services mean more to me and my friends than many of you can imagine and taking that away would be nothing shy if despicable.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
2910	No Response	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Music in school us important	Instrumental music provision	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
2911	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	I feel very strongly about our children having the opportunity to learn to play an instrument. My son lost a lot of confidence in primary school. (Diagnosis of dyslexia and ADHD). However in his 1st year of high school, his confidence had grown and he joined the school band. This has opened up new things to him and I strongly believe that he now has a feeling of 'fitting in'. Not everyone can afford private lessons, but it's not about that, it's about the children expressing themselves with their peers and forming positive relationships with teachers.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
2912	No Response	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Music is a crucial part of the curriculum. Funding should be protected to enlarge it's scope, not reduce accessibility. Centralisation of Management and Governance support services can be managed. We can plan to wait for reports. We cannot afford to compromise our childrens' access to music, deprive each child of the opportunity to learn, develop and achieve from the benefits of music which go beyond their musical studies.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
2913	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	I have been learning violin in my school since I was in P5 and I have continued in high school. Learning how to read music has really helped me in my main music lessons and made music class a lot easier. I've also taken part in my big school production and being able to read music has made learning the songs a lot easier. I go to an afterschool orchestra group at Bathgate Academy for string players and it's an amazing experience and I get to perform an ensemble in front of an audience. Knowing how to play violin from the special violin teacher in my school could really introduce some amazing opportunities in my life that I don't want to miss. So many people who haven't had the chance to learn music want to and may never get the chance if you take away extra music. Please keep it!	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.

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2914	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Music is a creative subject and is enjoyed by many children in schools. I think the opportunity of having free lessons in schools is amazing and letâ€™s children be themselves and find something different to enjoy and maybe even still perform in adulthood. Many kids arenâ€™t good at academic subjects such as maths and physics but music is different and more enjoyable for some. There has been no studies to suggest that music is not needed which proves that itâ€™s an important factor for children. With the stop of instrumental lessons and clubs the actual subject taught in high schools may not last much longer. With children not playing instruments or gaining extra help many will not feel confident enough to do the subject and gain a higher or nat 5, therefore I do not think the subject will remain much longer with cuts which would be devastating. As I mentioned with making kids more confident, music teaches more than just how to play an instrument, it gives them the ability to follow instructions, be responsible, keep on top of studying by practicing and itâ€™s also a way for children to just be themselves and be creative. Therefore I think this is one area which the council should definitely not make cuts to.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
2915	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Taking away instrumental lessons is a big bad on your behalf, and is also going to severely affect the poorer musicians. Bad move. Bad move.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
2916	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Instrumental tuition is extremely important not only to the individual pupils, but to the teachers, the school, and the community. Free music lessons help expand the minds and the opportunities of hundreds of thousands of pupils across Scotland. If the free music tuition and school orchestra and band has to be cut, that means the adults of the country are screwing over the children for no reason. And think of the wonderful and generous music instructors who work incredibly hard to bring education to pupils who otherwise would not be able to afford music tuition. I love playing in the orchestra and I really think that everyone needs to rethink this awful decision. Please don't cut the school music budgets. I beg of you.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
2917	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	I had instrumental lessons every year in high school, it was my favourite part of school. I learned so much and it fed my passion for music that I have carried on at university. I know for me and many of my friends, school was hard and I started to get panic attacks and severe anxiety. My percussion lessons kept me in school and could therefore be part of wind band in school. I can't imagine what school would have been like without instrumental lessons. A teacher that is trained and skilled on that instrument is very important, not just a general music teacher. Please reconsider this proposal, as this thousands of students would be negatively effected by this and hundreds of instrumental teachers could lose their jobs.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
2918	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Disagree with the reduction to instrumental music provision in schools. This is a valuable resource for our children and children who have already begun learning an instrument should be allowed to continue receiving instruction until the end of their school education. This is a major strength at Linlithgow Academy which represents West Lothian in music around the UK and abroad during performances and competitions. The current mainstream music teachers are already stretched and could not provide additional tuition to specific instruments and would not necessarily have the specialised training to teach brass,strings etc. It should also be noted that many families have been asked to buy expensive instruments with the expectation that their children will receive tuition through the school. Even if parents were asked to pay towards the service, this valuable resource should not be taken away.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
2919	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	I do not feel that music should be cut back from my tuition as it is very important to me and has impacted my life greatly. I am honored to have received the opportunities I have through music and would hate for pupils to be deprived of this. Most of my long term friends I have met in band, bonding with them over our love for music, so it would truly hurt to see that others could not do this, music is imperative to my life and I do not feel that private tuition, or extracurricular band should be cut as they show off everything West Lothian has to offer and the talent that it holds.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
2920	No Response	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	I do not however agree with reducing instrumental music provision. If it is not possible to continue this service as it is currently structured, then perhaps families could pay towards it in a means tested way?	Instrumental music provision	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.

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2921	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Extra activities like music are important to my local are and my family as they keep my children active participating and having a lovely friend group of focused individuals the hard work they contribute to music is respected and should be rewarded not removed	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
2922	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	I believe that music in schools is a massively important thing, it is through the school system that I was introduced to playing the violin which has led to my love of music-something that I honestly don't know where I would be without. Yes, you can pick up bits and pieces of how to play an instrument on actual music classes, however, there are fewer instruments to chose from and nowhere near as large amount of benefit. For people who are taking exams in the music subject instrumental lessons are essential in order to pass the practical part of the exam since many cannot afford one on one lessons outside of school hours. I really hope that you do not cut this out since it will greatly impact now only students but the teachers too.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
2923	An employee of West Lothian Council	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Reducing music tuition at schools would be unfair and particularly affect those who could not pay privately for lessons. It can play a big part in improving a child's self confidence.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
2924	An employee of West Lothian Council	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Having worked in a West Lothian Primary school as a teacher for many years I feel that reducing music tuition at schools would be unfair and particularly affect those who could not pay privately for lessons. It can play a big part in improving a child's self confidence. I work in a very deprived school and the few children who do attend music lessons gain a lot from the experience.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
2925	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	By reducing costs in the instrumental programme will impact students greatly. This programme has good given many amazing opportunities to schools across West Lothian, from travelling to different countries and experiencing their culture and instrumental music life to developing strong friendships within bands and sections. Music gives students a higher level of responsibility and teamwork that is not offered in everyday school class rooms. It helps develop confidence and creativity within young people and has been proven to help students in other aspects of their school life, with management of time, coordination and memory enhancement.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
2926	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	this is very short sighted it has been scientifically proven that playing an instrument improves maths and science it improves a childs interpersonal skills especially team work. if anything this should be extended not reduced even in the schools who are not achieving there is a marked difference in attainment of those children who play and those who do not.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
2927	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	I am currently in [REDACTED] and have been playing the viola for the past 8 and a half years and the opportunities I have had through this have been incredible. I have played in four orchestras, a folk group and have had chances to do things play abroad. These are opportunities I would not have received without the instrumental music service. The mainstream music teachers are excellent but do not have the necessary training or ability to instruct individual instruments as most of them can only play a couple of instruments so most kids would end up playing the few instruments they could teach which would result in much less variety. Playing music has been a formative experience for me and without it school would not have been such a positive experience as I would have less positive relationships with teachers or other pupils involved in music. Playing an instrument has also greatly boosted my self confidence due to the large quantity of performances I have taken part in, even playing solos at some.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
2928	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Schooling isn't just about achieving exam passes. Historically, WLC has shown an exemplary record in supporting the music programme bringing together children from all social backgrounds and levels of academic achievement. It is a vitally important area teaching children how to work together as a team, while developing their social skills. The music programme was something WLC has on previous occasions made clear they had no plans to cut, this is a backtrack on your commitments to our younger people and the community at large.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
2929	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	I don't think it would be right to cut specialised instrument music teachers from West Lothian as without them many children would not have had the opportunity to learn an instrument. Many of these pupils will play in ensembles outside of school but still supported by West Lothian council and I believe this should continue and should not be cut.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.

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2930	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Taking music lessons out is a very unnecessary idea. It's a huge mistake. It affects everyone; pupils, staff and the school. This is not the right choice.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
2931	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	I agree with reducing music tuition in schools	Instrumental music provision	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
2932	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	The benefits of children playing musical instruments are well known. There is a direct link to their other academic attainment, personal development and good behaviours. The advantage of having a centralised instrumental resource is that the children get the chance to try more instruments, finding the ones that best suit them. Without a well resourced music service the attainments levels will drop, not only in music but in other subjects. The opportunity for young people to play together across schools, for example in the county ensembles, is incredibly valuable to their musical and personal development, nurturing their performance skills and confidence. Sit in on the concert series weekend in March and you can not help but be impressed by these young people, and by the dedication and commitment of the staff who make it all possible. If the decision to resource music tuition is on a school by school basis, some children will miss out, not only on that chance, but on the opportunity to learn an instrument at all and experience everything that music could offer them. West Lothian would be a poorer place. Other options must be available, even if it is for parents to pay a nominal amount for tuition, or for attendance at ensembles (with bursaries available so as not to disadvantage people who can't afford it). Decentralisation is rarely a saving, just a shifting of the expense to another budget.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
2933	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Do not reduce the current instrumental music provision. From experience of several children passing through the music services over the last 15+ years it is something the council to be very, very proud of. Get creative and instead look to drop investment in the fads that come and go in education. What music gives people cannot be measured directly in results, but enhances the spirit of the pupils, builds bonds and helps create more rounded individuals.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
2934	No Response	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	The idea to scrap music tuition and add this to the curriculum is ridiculous. Group tuition is far better than class tuition and frankly impossible in my eyes. As a previous pupil learning clarinet I wouldn't have managed to learn to grade 6 without specialised tuition. I want my son to have the same opportunities	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
2935	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	I specifically wish to object to the proposed changes to instrumental provision in schools. This type of provision often proves to be key for those children who participate, not just in musical benefit, but in many other ways, for individuals, and also for the whole school community, including those who do not directly participate themselves. For this to no longer be available is heartbreaking. For this to be delivered in the mainstream curriculum is just not achievable. While the need for budget rationalisation is clear, there is no evidence apparent to suggest that other options may have been explored, which could retain rich cultural provision and community capacity building, such as some form of cost recovery. While there may be some concern about such models in terms of potential inequalities, they must surely be preferable to effectively totally removing this aspect of educational provision and school community life.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
2936	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Instrumental music provision already falls far short of what is necessary. There are not enough specialist teachers and not nearly enough time allocated to each student. Music tuition has been proven to help with concentration, commitment and modern languages and team work when in a band. Integrating a reduced service into the mainstream curriculum will not only take away a specialist subject but will also reduce exam results in other subjects and have a detrimental effect on the qualities that universities are looking for when the students try to apply for courses. While students are playing in bands and practising their instruments they are not 'hanging around the streets'.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
2937	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Not sure this is achievable if instrumental tuition is reduced and the reduction in tuition will potentially lead to more young people ending up not in education, employment or training.	Instrumental music provision	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	The causal link between instrumental music tuition and requirement for MCMC support is not clear.

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2938	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	This suggestion is ridiculous, not only will the quality of education fall once again lower than the standard needed for students to reach higher education (University) especially in music where the gap between advance higher and university first year standard is already wide when it should be equal. Specialist services such as the Instrumental music services are key to this. Furthermore, Children who excel in music will be short changed again. Once again the council is shooting the future of itself in the foot.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
2939	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	The council cannot stop free music tuition in schools! It may mean nothing to adults merely stopping instrument lessons in schools but for certainly most people in our school it would have a massive impact on our lives. It isn't just about learning to play an instrument it's so much more! My brother, sister and I have all had the amazing experience of learning an instrument through school. I have met the majority of my friends through this experience and it would unfair and a great shame to deprive others of this. My brother struggled to make friends throughout primary school and some doubted that he would be able to cope at the academy due to this. Taking up the saxophone meant he had something in common with others and he made a great deal of friends by playing in the school band and other music groups in the school which would not exist without our music tutors. He is now happily settling in to university and thanks to having the opportunity to learn the saxophone, he has met many new people by joining the university's band. Music tuition in schools give pupils more than a basic school music department can ever offer. Not only do I think that music lessons should not be stopped, but I believe learning an instrument should be highly encouraged in secondary schools because it leads to endless opportunities. For example, playing the flute has lead me to playing in the French Alps and given me the opportunity to perform solo in front of hundreds of people. As terrifying as it may sound I have gained massive confidence by playing in front of a crowd. Even if I stopped playing the flute in the future (very unlikely as it may be) I will never forget the friends I made and the skills I learnt from my music lessons!	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
2940	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Don't cut music	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
2941	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	A reduced instrumental music provision is going to disadvantage a large number of young people who may have struggled to fit in with their peers who are motivated by sports. Access to musical instruments in primary school and the ability to develop skills and experience other instruments can benefit some young people enormously. As their skills develop and they join bands and ensembles they are then able to work with their peers and join a 'team' for the first time. This helps their confidence, self esteem, concentration and learning. I have a son currently in 5th year who has needed the educational psychologist and I can't imagine how difficult school life would have been for him without good, supportive specialised music teaching. The instrumental music provision is as important to many as physical education is to others.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
2942	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Specialised music tuition should not be cut as it brings so many opportunities to people. As it says on the West Lothian website "Six West Lothian bands managed to bag themselves amazing gold and silver awards" at the Scottish Concert Band National Finals and this would simply not be possible if the music tuition was cut. So don't go giving your praise to these people when you just want to cut the programs that allowed them to have these amazing opportunities and excel musically and creatively. I think that it is outrageous that there would be any consideration of cutting the music programs, unless the general music education given improves.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
2943	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Reducing music provision will have a detrimental effect on school children. Without the current inter schools music teachers and the chance to play in orchestras ,children will not be motivated nor in many cases have the chance, to learn a musical instrument and so fewer will take up music as a subject in school . Resulting in music at Nat 5 and Higher disappearing from the curriculum . Music is a creative subject and has proven to be important for children's learning . A sad day when music becomes a non subject .	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
2944	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	The instrumental music provision is vital to attainment. It has allowed me and many of my peers to undertake an advanced higher which we would otherwise not be able to. I have also developed many other skills within the instrumental programme which will be vital to my future career. Through the program, I have also met many of my friends who I have known throughout high school. I aim to keep doing music in the future, and I hope this service will not be cut so that younger students may also have these opportunities in life.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.

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2945	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	music instrumental lessons should not be taken away from students at school. students rely on the school to be able to play and perform their musical talents and do what they love. Denying children of doing something that they love so much may prevent them of having a musical career in the future. schools provide a happy environment in which students can learn an instrument as well as other skills that may help them with other school subjects and take with them through life. Learning an instrument is big part of many students school careers and they should not be deprived of being able to have these opportunities. The same would not happen in science or maths etc, so taking away music provision is incomprehensible.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
2946	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	I feel like the instrumental music program provides a lot for the children socially and mentally due to learning a new language in music and also learning how to develop and mature as a group. I feel like they also learn a vital skill through their one to one lessons and provide great results which wouldn't be provided if it became part of the curriculum, I play one of the hardest instruments and without the teaching one to one I would not be where I am today with my playing and performance skills. The instrumental music program also teaches you skills that are needed in future life such as performing in front of a big crowd and also team work and how in this situation you aren't always the most important person. It provides patience and time and effort in how we play outside and inside of school due to the staff and kids hard work. It wouldn't also give a broad range of instruments for the kids to play if it was in the curriculum itself and the learning of how to read music wouldn't be grasped as well and not as many people will go on to study music at a higher level in school and outside of school.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
2947	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	It cannot be stressed how valuable instrumental music provision is to students. In the current jobs market, skills are valued just as highly as academic credentials, and the skills students obtain from instrumental music are as numerous as they are valuable. Some of them include the confidence developed from performing in front an audience; the dedication and discipline it takes to practice regularly and also the team working ability they gain from participating in all the outstanding west lothian schools ensembles. Providing the means to teach students those skills will greatly improve attainment and positive destinations for school children.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
2948	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	I feel that instrumental musical provision is never given the status it demands and almost always becomes the provision that is cut without looking at the wider impact of the decision. I would urge anyone to visit schools within West Lothian to see these talented musicians in action before making a decision. Without the provision of instrumental music lessons within school my 2 daughters would not have had the opportunity to learn a musical instrument. My daughters both attend Linlithgow Academy where they are involved in the schools senior Wind Band and have gone on to represent their school at concert festivals achieving great success. My eldest attends West Lothian Schools Brass Band which celebrates the talent we have within West Lothian in the Brass Area and they are an award winning Band in their own right. Please rethink any decision on a cut to these services. Every child should have the opportunity to access something that enhances their education and further enhances their community. Please do not reduce Instrumental Music Provision.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
2949	No Response	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Music and all forms of expressive arts are extremely important to children and young people, music is a form of therapy and it encourages learning and sensory exploration. To rid this will cause many children and young people to miss out on many great opportunities which benefit most areas of development. My experience of west Lothian schools show that they lack expressive arts as it is. Getting rid of music will pretty much eradicate expressive arts in some schools.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
2950	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	I believe that reducing the instrumental service is not a good idea. As someone that has been taught by these amazing teachers I can say that they have had a great impact on my life as without them I wouldn't know what to do with the rest of my life and I would never of ended up where I am now. The service has helped me so much as it has given me experiences that have changed my life, playing in West Lothian bands meeting other people like me and being part of this fantastic vibrant community. It's not just the one tutor that taught me my specialist instrument, it's all the other teachers across brass, woodwind, and percussion that have taught me so much to do with life skills. These teachers don't just offer tuition, they are people that you can trust and even be great friends with. If this service is reduced then the West Lothian council will of lost their greatest asset when it comes to education and help for young people, as it gives so much more than it takes.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.

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2951	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	This could be used to enhance the work put into the instrumental services and make it grow into something even more spectacular than it already is. Although if it involves cutting any teachers jobs then it would be terrible.	Instrumental music provision	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
2952	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	I believe that reducing the instrumental music services would be a huge mistake, this service provides young people with valuable life skills, it can improve confidence, team work, reading and playing music can help improve literacy skills. My son has had the privilege of receiving music provision and it has transformed him from a child who suffered from social anxiety to a confident young man who is involved in many local concert bands, orchestra's and ensembles and has now left schools and is studying classical music at college. Had west lothian council not been providing this excellent service when my son needed it I believe he would not be able to contribute to his community in the way that he dose.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
2953	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Music Provision not necessary in school - primarily benefiting middle class children who's parents can afford to pay. In an ideal world this would be available to all, but given budget restraints I believe this should be means tested.	Instrumental music provision	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
2954	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	I think cutting music class/tuition in schools is not good. These types of after school activities help to bring structure to a young person's life. Please keep the resources we need for our education system.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
2955	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Please do not cut instrumental lessons! They are one of the best things West Lothian has to offer and have given many children a wonderful opportunity. Having been a part of it all through school I have extremely enjoyed being a member of the Junior orchestra from P6-S3, then helping from S4-S6 and the string sinfonia from S2-S6. I have also had the opportunity to do many graded exams and be a part of the school orchestra and get involved with their annual music camp which everyone loves. To see all this go and the instrumental teachers who have committed so much of their time and skill to their work would be heart-breaking. I have had so much enjoyment in being a part of this amazing experience and I would hate to think that no-one will have the same opportunities I've had.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
2956	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Instrumental lessons should continue in schools as it will benefit pupils future. It will give them more options at the end of secondary, by cancelling lessons this is denying children the option of pursuing a successful career in music. It is unfair that pupils who take part in music lessons could have this taken away from them as other pupils have the opportunity to take part in similar activities during class time such as school of rugby. This would not happen in other subjects such as science and languages so it is unacceptable for this to be taken away from these hard working music pupils.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
2957	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Music should be retained as it provides a special service to pupils that cannot afford private lessons.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
2958	No Response	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Music lessons are important for those who wish to play an instrument not taught in normal school music classes. Without this it would mean pupils who had previously played a brass, woodwind, string or percussion instrument would be stuck learning the basics with their class and not able to progress their abilities and skills.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
2959	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	The music lesson teachers are much better for pupils, as they are one on one and much more help can be provided... the music lessons teach and provide help for pupils doing a grade a grade exam, something we could never dream of in regular music classes. The teachers are extremely beneficial towards any pupil who works them, and all pupils are proud to work with them	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.

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2960	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	As a parent of a child learning to play an instrument in Linlithgow, as well as a music teacher by trade in a different region, I wholeheartedly DESPAIR at your short sightedness on these proposals. It is a well documented fact that music helps with lots of other areas of the curriculum. The benefits which come from learning to play an instrument are colossal. Classroom teachers are not qualified to teach every instrument in the Classroom, neither do they have time to do this with increased demands on them. Instruments such as brass and woodwind require professional tuition from experienced teaching staff. By considering cutting this budget, you are putting many children at a disadvantage. GIRFEC certainly doesn't benefit from these crazy proposals- is this not something we are meant to be encouraging and developing within our classrooms? Music is always the first thing to be put in the firing line- why? Is it an easy target? I urge you to reconsider this idea.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
2961	No Response	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Music lessons are important for those who wish to play an instrument not taught in normal school music classes. Without this it would mean pupils who had previously played a brass, woodwind, string or percussion instrument would be stuck learning the basics with their class and not able to progress their abilities and skills.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
2962	No Response	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Music lessons are important for those who wish to play an instrument not taught in normal school music classes. Without this it would mean pupils who had previously played a brass, woodwind, string or percussion instrument would be stuck learning the basics with their class and not able to progress their abilities and skills.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
2963	No Response	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Yes great idea, cut active schools so we have more unhealthy kids and cut the school musical programme which the director of education extolled the virtues of at the last Scottish Concert Band Finals in Inveralmond community High last year. West Lothian has an award winning platinum level School wind ensemble which will be withdrawn along with brass and woodwind lessons. Disgusting! My own daughter has benefitted from this tuition and have it withdrawn is a disgrace! You are trying to raise attainment levels yet taking away the opportunity to develop important skills. Sickening!	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
2964	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	instrumental music tuition ate essential parts of good education. Cutting these is at odds with priorities	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
2965	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	My name is [REDACTED] and I am the current [REDACTED], one of the schools in which a complete shut down of all musical instrument classes is being proposed. I write to tell West Lothian Council what a terrible mistake that would be. The benefits of music, like most subjects taught in our schools, are not confined to the four walls of the music classroom. Children who choose to go to an instructor out of class during school and learn an instrument, or go to the various ensembles held are gaining invaluable skills across their educational experience. Playing a musical instrument does not simply improve a child's ability to play a musical instrument, it strengthens their skills in maths and numeracy as music involves lots of counting, sequences and problem solving. It improves social skills and allows people to meet new friends through those they meet at all the great ensembles they have the chance to attend, for free, or through the people they share their lessons with. Choosing to learn a musical instrument gives a child a heightened sense of responsibility, by caring for their instrument, taking time to practise and set goals, as I have found through my 7 years playing the violin I. In no way are timetabled music classes and instrumental lessons the same. Yes, they are both music. But with our instrumental instructors have the chance to study a single instrument with great intensity and progress through graded exams, therefore opening doors to the school ensembles, other orchestras, folk groups, concert bands and even future careers in music. But what sets instrument lessons in schools apart, and what makes them so important? They are free. I am sure that one of the Council's aims is that of closing the attainment gap. Ending instrument lessons will be incredibly detrimental to this effort to reduce the gap between the richest and poorer. In my school students from all backgrounds, even the poorest of the poor have the greatest chance to	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.

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2966	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	My name is [REDACTED] and I am the [REDACTED] one of the schools in which a complete shut down of all musical instrument classes is being proposed. I write to tell West Lothian Council what a terrible mistake that would be. The benefits of music, like most subjects taught in our schools, are not confined to the four walls of the music classroom. Children who choose to go to an instructor out of class during school and learn an instrument, or go to the various ensembles held, are gaining invaluable skills across their educational experience. Playing a musical instrument does not simply improve a child's ability to play a musical instrument, it strengthens their skills in maths and numeracy as music involves lots of counting, sequences and problem solving. It improves social skills and allows people to meet new friends through those they meet at all the great ensembles they have the chance to attend, for free, or through the people they share their lessons with. A report published in the Psychology of Music said: "Children exposed to a multi-year program of music tuition involving training in increasingly complex rhythmic, tonal, and practical skills display superior cognitive performance in reading skills compared with their non-musically trained peers". This level of intensity cannot be achieved in a music class. Choosing to learn a musical instrument gives a child a heightened sense of responsibility, by caring for their instrument, taking time to practise and set goals, as I have found through my 7 years playing the violin. In no way are timetabled music classes and instrumental lessons the same. Yes, they are both music. But with our instrumental instructors they have the chance to study a single instrument with great intensity and progress through graded exams, therefore opening doors to the school ensembles, other orchestras, folk groups, travels abroad with groups, concert bands and even future careers in music. But what sets instrument lessons in schools apart, and what makes them so important? They are free. I am sure that one of the Council's aims is that of closing the attainment gap. Ending instrument lessons will be incredibly detrimental to this effort to reduce the gap between the richest and poorest. In my school students from all backgrounds, even the poorest of the poor have the chance to learn an instrument, free of charge, giving them a hope of a better future and better chances of getting decent jobs and getting ahead and staying ahead. They can join an orchestra for free, when other youth orchestra which I have taken part in can cost up to £295 to simply enter. How would a poor musician afford that if they could no longer go to their school orchestra because it had been cut?	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
2967	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Instrumental music tuition should not be reduced as it provides free lessons for those who would have never been able to afford private tuition and can unleash a talent in someone that might have never been discovered. To be able to play a musical instrument is an invaluable skill that I would never have learnt without the tuition from the school. I play principal cornet in Linlithgow Academy's senior band and I also play in West Lothian schools brass band. Had I never the opportunity to begin brass in my primary I would never have had the experience of playing nationally or the opportunity to contribute to my local community at festivals, gala days etc. Playing a musical instrument has greatly enhanced my life and I believe the reduction of music tuition should not be seen as an easy cut as it enhanced not just my life but the lives around me and will continue to enhance the lives of our young community indefinitely.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
2968	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	I feel free music tuition in schools is very important and an essential part of the community and the lives of the young people involved. Having been a part of this for 8 years now I have found it very beneficial and have had some amazing opportunities. To do away with this would be disastrous.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
2969	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Free music tuition must not be cut! It is so important to society and the pupils who are a part of it. Having been a part of it for eight years now I feel that it has been extremely beneficial to me and given me the opportunity to be a member of the different orchestras and take part in concerts which I find very enjoyable. To cut this service completely would be completely disastrous.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
2970	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Music tuition in schools should be saved be saved in my opinion.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
2971	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Strongly disagree with reducing music provision. Suggest you attend a concert at Linlithgow Academy to hear the talent within the school and the valuable contribution the wonderful teachers make in nurturing this talent.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.

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2972	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Both our children have been through West Lothian schools from the age of 4 and one of the most outstanding aspects of their education has been the instrumental tuition and opportunity to play in their High School bands and orchestras. Children who play musical instruments have better outcomes at school regardless of socio economic background. This is 1 in 10 pupils at the High school our younger son attends. Before any decision is made to cut this service please send your decision makers to a concert in a West Lothian high school, you will have plenty to choose from... at the moment!	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
2973	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Instrumental lessons should be continued in schools as it can benefit a pupils future and interests. If these lessons are taken away from pupils they may lose interest in other subject as their favourite was taken away from them, which can lead to a future which wasn't expected due to this happening. Pupils who take instrumental lessons obviously have an interest in this therefore shouldn't be taken away from them. The same wouldn't happen to any sciences or languages therefore the reasons for this isn't understandable.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
2974	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	The instrumental music service is a highly regarded and awarding winning service which promotes west Lothian schools at the highest level. If this is reduced or removed this will have a huge detrimental effect on music provision across the authority and attainment will be lost. There will be a knock effect of fundraising in schools through productions and concerts which are currently deeply relied upon and also provide excellent community links.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
2975	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Music needs to stay. It is a vital part of the education system that can not only improve the quality of work in other areas of school, but also create valuable skills and serve as an outlet for children to let out their feelings.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
2976	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	I believe the music has been historically a part of west Lothian and its school and it give loads of children opportunity to learn an instrument and become part of one of the many school bands across west Lothian. That meet each week for rehearsal. They are committed children and teacher. Shall very sad if we have loose this for west Lothian and the children.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
2977	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	As a parent of two children who are fortunate enough to receive music tuition in school, I am deeply concerned that their music lessons which they enjoy are at risk. I would be happy to contribute towards their lessons as I'm sure many parents would be. They are also members of the Bathgate string orchestra which I believe is also under threat. Why are cuts always made on the lower levels? Perhaps it might be more useful to look at pay structures in managerial posts.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
2978	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	I have had specialist music tuition from West Lothian Council for the past six years. During those six years, I have also taken Music right through school, currently studying at Advanced Higher level. As someone who has experience of both of these, believe me when I say that there is NO way that music tuition can be integrated into the mainstream curriculum. They are two completely separate entities. One is a general qualification, the other is a specific training on one instrument. Music teachers are not qualified to give in depth lessons to pupils; they do not have the time to do so, nor are they paid enough to cover the hours of work this would involve. The Music Instructors work SO hard, they are all incredibly talented musicians that this council is lucky to have working for them. If anyone from the Council was to actually sit down and witness the amount of talent and skill these teachers have, and how different these lessons are from mainstream music classes, then they would not even consider stripping this back. West Lothian produces excellent musicians, schools are packed with students in bands, orchestras, guitar groups etc. To take this away from a whole generation of kids is a tragic loss. It takes no effort at all to immediately find endless statistics on how music education can influence children in all areas of their life, inside and outside of school. I plan to study music teaching at the Royal Conservatoire of Scotland next year. Without the music tuition service that this council provides, I would not be able to do this...I would never have even learned to do the thing I love. Do not cut the Instrumental Music service, free music tuition to students in one of the greatest things that West Lothian Council provides.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
2979	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Surely pupils who show an interest or ability in music should not be discriminated. The wording in the above statement is not in laymans terms - unable to express my opinion.	Instrumental music provision	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.

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2980	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	The proposal to integrate a reduced instrumental music provision into the mainstream curriculum is disappointing because of the huge personal and social benefits children who otherwise would not have access to an instrument and tuition can reap from participating in music making .q	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
2981	No Response	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	I do not support reduced instrumental music provision as I believe music to be important for wellbeing and a positive impact on young people in schools. I question whether money spent on technology in schools is spent wisely for example, do pupils share equipment etc or does each individual need to be provided for. Perhaps schools should buy less equipment and let pupils share.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
2982	No Response	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	DONT TAKE AWAY MUSIC!!!!!!	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
2983	No Response	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Donâ€™t take away music	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
2984	An employee of West Lothian Council	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Flagship provision like instrumental tuition cannot be sustained unless there is evidence that they contribute to outcomes and contribute more effectively than available alternatives.	Instrumental music provision	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
2985	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	I find it absolutely outrageous that cuts to music in education are apparently â€œnot a priority to the councilâ€. Although yes, other areas of council spending are vital, the benefits that music can bring to school and the community are tremendous. As a student at West Calder high school, I have a first hand experience of the benefits that music can contribute to attainment as well as positive destination. For 6 years, which is not a long time in comparison to other peers that have benefitted from music, I have experienced the joys and challenges that music has brought to me. I have experienced incredible success; whether that be improving my attainment in my higher music and currently sitting my advanced higher music, or perhaps getting a platinum award (highest award) at a high level at the Scottish concert band festival, music has only contributed amazing things into the chances of my success in education and taught me vital skills of which I will carry with me for the rest of my academic life as well as life in general. Moreover, and most importantly, the relationships I have earned and built through music with my musical instructors should not go unnoticed. It is devastating for me to discover that my instrumental teacher, ██████ could potentially not only lose her career, but her life too. I cannot thank her enough for everything she has done for me for the past 6 years. She dedicates her entire life to music, and inspires, encourages and motivates all of her pupils, as well as supporting them with problems that may occur outside of the classroom or close to home. All I ask is that spendings are cut elsewhere. In terms of positive destinations, my sister likewise has experienced the joys and successes of music, and is currently studying music at university. Yours sincerely ██████	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
2986	An employee of West Lothian Council	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Cutting back just on music? What about sport and art?	Instrumental music provision	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music, art and PE provision through curriculum for excellence.
2987	No Response	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	The musical instrument provision is disappointing given the known benefits from learning an instrument however it would be hoped that those talented in music could still access this provision.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
2988	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	My daughter values her music tuition and it has given her lots of opportunities in this field. It would be a real shame if this were to go as it gives children the chance to learn an instrument.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.

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2989	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Disagree with the removal of music tuition.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
2990	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	I do feel that music lessons in schools for string, brass and woodwind instruments is important. Many children do not have access to this specialised teaching outside of education.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
2991	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	I believe that some of this should not happen as taking away the children's music lessons and bands is a bad thing to do. Some children depend on these things and find an escape in this. These also help children achieve more as you learn more in lessons and bands than you do in the classroom. Young people also find an enjoyment in it as these instruments help them to socialise with other musicians. Students also improve their focus as they focus on an objective when they strive to go to a competition and get the best result they can. The local community also benefit from children learning instruments as lots of schools will hold concerts for people to come to or go to care homes and shelters to play for them at different times in the year. So if you take away these wonderful lessons and bands you are going to impact not only the schools but the wider community too.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
2992	No Response	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	The issue is where will it stop! Removing instrumental tuition in schools will therefore make the subject or music redundant. What will happen to the children who have exams in music and need to play 2 instruments. They will never reach the level needed possibly hindering their chance of higher education. What will happen to the children who need this to reach their potential in life. Would you dream of taking any sports teams away from schools? For creative people this is their team. The Scottish government cannot justify more cuts in the education system because they have failed. They WILL damage the future of millions of children. Who will play in our orchestra if there are no musicians. This will make it an elite activity widening the gap between the classes once more. Who will provide the culture?, and I don't mean Scottish culture as I have been made aware that pipes and drums will still get tuition. The sole purpose in my area is the gala day and orange march once a year in my dead end street! The knock on effect will be an irresponsible move. The effects this government has had so far are reversible but if more cuts happen the damage will be devastating. LEAVE OUR EDUCATION SYSTEM ALONE	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
2993	No Response	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	I do not support the proposed reduction in instrumental music provision which is currently accessible to children from all economic backgrounds. Cuts and charging for services would mean the proven benefits of musical education would only be available to an elite who can afford to pay. Music education has many proven benefits to improving attainment across all other subjects/areas but importantly it also allows some children to engage with school successfully when they are not getting on in other subjects. The many outstanding school ensembles, orchestras and bands would suffer if cuts were made. The contribution of these bands to their schools and wider communities would also suffer. Almost every town in West Lothian has a band, playing at local gala days and events, that are supported by pupils learning their instruments at school. Introducing a policy that discriminates against pupils who cannot afford to pay for it should not be introduced.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
2994	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	It's vital that music instrument instruction is maintained and not cut.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.

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2995	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	I am totally and utterly against the proposal to cut specialist instrumental lessons; it is shortsighted in the extreme and has clearly been suggested without comprehension of the work of instrumental music teachers and what they and their pupils bring to schools and communities. Expecting a comprehensive instrumental instruction provision to be upheld by classroom music teachers is unrealistic in the extreme for several reasons: - classroom music staff are already required to do much more with far fewer resources than historically had been the case, particularly in the case of Curriculum Leaders who are already doing the jobs of several people, all the while struggling to keep up with a constantly changing curriculum. To require them to in addition provide instruction, even to the levels required by the SQA exam programme, let alone those required by dedicated instrumental performance assessment programmes, is foolhardy in the extreme and would be unworkable. - currently the specialist provision in place delivered by dedicated instrumental instructors covers all types of instrument, both orchestral and otherwise. That means that our pupils can be instructed in skills comprising, but not limited to: flute, piccolo, oboe, cor anglais, clarinet, all types of saxophone, bassoon, all types of recorder, pipes, drums, drum kit, timpani, all types of tuned percussion, all types of untuned percussion, cornet, trumpet, French horn, E Flat horn, trombone, baritone, euphonium, tuba, violin, viola, cello, double bass, piano, keyboards, guitar, bass guitar, harp, clarsach and all different styles of singing. Expecting a handful of classroom teachers to have between them the skills, never mind the time, to replicate all this provision in each school is unrealistic in the extreme. As such it is clear to me that those making the proposal must be aware that a comprehensive instrumental music tuition programme, such as that detailed above, is, in effect, being removed. This is NOT ACCEPTABLE. It is not acceptable that opportunities to learn all these skills will, as a result, no longer be open to our young people, with the knock on effect being that there will no longer be a rich and diverse musical life in our schools, and by extension, our wider community. It is not acceptable that classroom music staff will be put under further pressure to try to maintain some semblance of an instrumental tuition provision whilst also endeavouring to keep their performance in all other areas from decaying in quality as a result. It is not acceptable that this will effectively mean that the only students who will be able to pursue a programme of study in Music, be it on the SQA programme, through other means of assessment, or both, will become those pupils whose	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
2996	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	I would strongly object to Reduced instrumental tuition. This is so strong in West Lothian and such a positive and effective element of education. Why compromise something that has been built up so strongly over the years? The critical media coverage this could, rightly, engender if this was cut could be very damaging to the council. This should be a flagship element of council spending and should be protected.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
2997	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	I don't agree with music instruments being reduced. Those who have desire and ability should have the opportunity. Else it comes down to those who can afford it..	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
2998	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	This concerns me the most as a music teacher and a West Lothian parent of two children who receive instrumental instruction and benefit from the excellent bands and orchestras which are the pride of West Lothian. This quality of teaching could not be delivered through the mainstream curriculum. Classroom music teachers are not trained to deliver instrumental instruction to this level, nor do they have the time. The instrumental instructors in West Lothian are highly and specifically trained and their impact on music education is immeasurable. West Lothian council has a responsibility to "Getting it Right for every child" and taking away these opportunities for our young people would be devastating. Music education needs to be seen as fundamental and not an added extra or a luxury.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
2999	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	I really don't think that you should cut music lessons because they provide children with an opportunity to do and extra curriculum activity. It is also a coping mechanism for children and adults alike, it helps people control their emotions and it helps relieve stress. Me myself as a student learning woodwind at school, i feel if you take away music lessons, there is no point in offering music as a subject or any other expressive arts either because the equipment for classes like P.E for example isn't exactly the cheapest so why just cut music lessons, why not cut every expressive art class; so music, drama, P.E and art als a whole.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
3000	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	We need to maintain small group instrumental tuition, as it doesn't work at a whole class level. Technology is free, maths is free why should musical instrument tuition not be free?	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.

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3001	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Finally, West Lothian schools have traditionally had a culture of giving everyone the opportunity to learn to play an instrument and have had many successes over the years in competitions across a range of types of music. I myself in the 1980s had the opportunity to play with the West Lothian Schools Brass Band and as a result played in the Albert Hall on more than more occasion. The experiences I, and thousands of other West Lothian children past and present, had through learning to play an instrument in a West Lothian school were immeasurably in money terms and last with us throughout our lives. To reduce or take this opportunity away from future West Lothian children would be a huge step backwards.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
3002	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	The West Lothian music service changed and improved my life from a young age - from primary 4 when I first started lessons, to now at 24, part of my local amateur orchestra. If West Lothian council removes this, children in the system will not only miss out on so many of the opportunities I had (representing my country in Texas, Spain and Germany; playing in the Usher Hall twice; entering competitions etc.) but will miss the chance to make friends for life. Just this weekend I have travelled for 3 hours to have a catch up with girls I would never have met anywhere other than orchestra. The key issue for me is that as soon as the service is gone, a huge rift of inequality in the system will begin - less well off families will not be able to afford private lessons, meaning kids will likely feel left out and let down. What will school Christmas concerts be without the brass bands? Or the award ceremonies without showcasing the strings? Don't ruin one of the few good and unique things left about West Lothian council.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
3003	No Response	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	I don't agree with reducing music provision, it's essential to a child's education and if reduced will affect those children whose parents cannot afford to pay for it outwith school creating further division in society.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
3004	No Response	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	The music service in West Lothian improved and changed my life so much from Primary 4 right up until now - being a part of a local part time orchestra in my area. I made friends for life, friends whom I have this weekend travelled 3 and a half hours to see - but also whom I would never have met if it wasn't for the opportunities I was given. I represented my country (but primarily West Lothian!) in Texas, Germany, Spain and other areas of Scotland. There are many kids in the system who rely on music to improve their wellbeing or nurture their talent, but there are also children who would not be able to afford private tuition - therefore equality is non-existent. What will school Christmas concerts be like without the brass bands? Or award ceremonies without showcasing the strings? I think West Lothian would lose one of the very few positive things it still has going for it, if it were to remove free music tuition in schools.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
3005	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	I was a student who used the free instrumental tuition for brass. This opened a new world for me (travel across the world, playing in many different musical ensembles throughout my school years and opened opportunities into teaching) I still play as an amateur musician at the age of 32. I have gained so much from this experience and the expert tuition provided by the specialist tutors I've worked with across the years was what encouraged me and gave me the tailored knowledge on how to improve. I would hate to think my children would be unable to access such an amazing opportunity because of some funding cuts.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
3006	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Music provision is not just for wealthy families and should be available to all children at school.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
3007	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	I oppose any reduction in instrumental music teaching.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.

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3008	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	I now wish to turn my attention to the provision of instrumental services. I believe there has been suggestion to cut this completely. I am absolutely shocked and dismayed to hear this. Having had a child go through the school receiving violin lessons and attending the west lothian junior and senior strings, I cannot stress enough the amazing opportunity this has provided. West Lothian has a phenomenal music service and this is reflected when sitting in one of the annual concerts given each year. I can fully appreciate that this is a very costly service and not used by every child, but please do not take it away. I believe the majority of people would be happy to pay, in a means tested way for this as already happens in most local authorities. I have always personally been amazed that I have not had to pay anything towards this amazing facility for all 3 of my children. West Lothian is a flag ship for music, I think to lose this completely would be unforgivable.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
3009	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	music lessons are a very important part of my learning, as they are to most of my peers, too, by taking these away you would be taking away a child opportunity to discover a great love or an undiscovered talent. if i had never been given the opportunity to okay a brass instrument i would not have any interest in music of any form but this has helped me excel and so many other people have benefited from it. not everyone is academic in the traditional sense but i know countless people who are fluent in their instrument which is just as difficult and should be as praised as maths and english. it is underrated already and by taking it away it would be succumbing to the general public's view on musical lessons and brass/woodwind/percussion players will decrease until it is a rare occurrence to come across someone who can play an instrument and i hope to never like to see that day. music is necessary for me and i need it to stay	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
3010	No Response	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	As I received instrumental instruction in school, I know that this cannot be integrated within mainstream classes. Not only do classroom teachers not have the ability to teach a number of instruments, there is also simply not enough time. This means pupils sitting national 5 or higher music could only perform on instruments they have been taught in the classroom, reducing their chances of achieving good results. Music has consistently produced a high number of As and allows many pupils to pass an exam or achieve a high grade which they would not be able to do in other subjects, opening up opportunities for them upon leaving school. This is due to their performance ability and without instrumental instruction they will have reduced opportunities. Instrumental lessons also greatly improved a pupils confidence by being able to stand up and perform, as well as answer questions in an exam. This helps to prepare them for future presentations in university or jobs as well as improving interview skills which will be very beneficial in future. Preparing for music lessons, performances and exams improves independence and initiative, also very beneficial for ones whole life.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
3011	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	I do feel that there is little enough children that get involved with music and feel that any further reductions would reduce music until it no longer exists as a subject. I feel that music is very important for children to express themselves and that exam results will be reduced greatly in music in west Lothian as the children no longer have the required assistance. I also think that it would create an unfair factor on the children who cannot afford music lessons as they will not improve as well as those who can afford lessons.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
3012	No Response	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	This reduced instrumental tuition is a good idea as it goes mostly to wealthy pupils who could afford it anyway.	Instrumental music provision	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
3013	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Cutting back instrumental staff would be a huge mistake. Music students (s1-s6) need the support from EVERY single music staff member. You cannot expect one music teacher to teach a class of 20, 2 instruments each. It's impossible and the teachers are amazing they do so much. For example my music teacher specialises in teaching piano, xylophone, vocals, keyboard and violin and she does a fantastic job. However this only satisfies 50% of her students. What about the students who want to play guitar or bass or drums or brass? What if they need extra support? Instrumental staff and music teachers really provide the support and passion that music needs as a subject. Both music teachers and instrumental staff are so inspiring and brilliant they have inspired me to become a music teacher. So please do not cut music by any means. It struggles as it is. Music provides so much. It's the only subject that I enjoy and it's provided me with so many life skills and has taught me so many lessons. So please don't take away what little Music has.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.

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3038	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	DO NOT REMOVE REMOVE MUSIC	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
3039	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	DO NOT REMOVE REMOVE MUSIC	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
3040	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	DO NOT REMOVE REMOVE MUSIC	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
3041	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	DO NOT REMOVE REMOVE MUSIC	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
3042	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Reducing instrumental tuition is absurd. For most kids music is an escape and something to bond with others over. Music is a universal language and should be taught to as many as possible	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
3043	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	I think this cut back is disgusting and unnecessary. Especially the reduced instrumental services as pupils will fail their music exams without these amazing members of staff and their music teacher doesn't have enough time to be teaching and constantly checking up on 30 people in a class, it's impossible! If this cut is made so many people will be so lost as the subject music will die as it's so difficult to learn from the teacher in short amounts of time and people won't bother. There is so many students the same age as myself who feel so passionate about this as this is our lives and you are taking this away from us. There are pupils who struggle academically but have a place to go in music where they get help from instrumental teachers on a 1 to 1 basis and can put all of their time and energy into an art in order to express themselves, resulting in them getting great exam results. If these services weren't here many pupils wouldn't know what to do with themselves and drop out of school without a job or anything. So in the long term this will cost the council and government more money in benefits.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
3044	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Music provision should not be cut as it provides amazing and important education to music students. I take percussion lessons and played a vital role in helping me with my exams. I know so many fellow music students who have benefited for extra curricular music lessons and we must keep them for future generations to receive the same kind of help and enjoyment of music.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
3045	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Not all children are academic. This is stripping those children of the opportunity to make a path for themselves. Make friends and grow in confidence. It is a vital and integral part of growth for children.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
3046	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Keep the music provision	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
3047	No Response	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Shame there will be further reductions to instrumental music provision as this is already woefully inadequate in schools.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.

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3048	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	I am completely devastated at this proposal. As the parent of a 6th year girl who has been playing clarinet since p6, this will have a profoundly detrimental effect on her mental well being. Music, is where my daughter excels, just as other children do in other subjects, if this were to be taken away from her I fear for her self esteem. She has been TOTALLY committed to lessons, rehearsals, band camps, concerts and competitions, week in week out for years, this is who my girl is, it's what makes her special. Research has shown that learning and playing an instrument makes children calmer, less stressed it's so beneficial to them in so many ways. I would also remind the council that our Wind Ensemble (in which my daughter plays) were awarded PLATINUM at Perth Concert Hall this year, which is almost unheard of, they are something to be cherished and proud of, not thrown aside.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
3049	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Regarding the IMS: West Lothian has had a world beating service in it's music education, which is the envy of so many council areas. The concept that a classroom teacher, no matter how dedicated and skilled could provide the specialist knowledge associated with such a wide range of practical skills associated with the performance aspects of such different musical instruments as there are, to such a level as to be able to prepare students to be able to participate in an orchestra, or wind band, or brass band, or jazz band, or pipe band, or fiddle band, or accordion group, or traditional music group, or rock group is ludicrous. Even if the individual school had 6 classroom teachers in its music department they would not be able to scratch the surface of such a diverse subject area, and I very much doubt that there are ANY music departments with 5 whole time equivalents. And that is just for the knowledge - not the time required to train and encourage the individuals at a level they would require.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
3050	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	The benefits of music education are legion and transferable - in terms of language development, interpersonal relationship building, skills in working individually or as part of a team, team dynamics and leadership skills, foreign language skills, mathematic skills, physical education abilities, co-ordination and cognitive ability, not to mention the benefits given in raising self esteem and confidence. The extra benefits of having the IMS being able to advise schools and coordinate performance ensembles, the support the school ensembles, and being able to provide a conduit to further education in specialist environments such as the Royal Conservatoire of Scotland, or the Royal College of Music is unparalleled. The benefits to children and young adults using this service are huge, giving them opportunities they might never otherwise aspire to in performance, gaining qualifications, gaining life skills, being able to participate in a team environment, being ambassadors for West Lothian and Scotland in music festivals and exchanges around the world. Many of these students may not be able to do this in any other way because of pressures of family, finance, interpersonal abilities, background. The council would be incredibly shortsighted to lose this resource, not easily regained.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
3051	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Please do not cut free music lessons in Linlithgow Academy	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
3052	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Please do not cut music lessons at Linlithgow Academy ??	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
3053	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	You should not be reducing access to music tuition within schools! This is a vital role within schools and would deprive pupils of the opportunity to excel in an area they may not have access to otherwise. It would also push the workload onto already stretched teachers who may not be as experienced in particular instruments. I would strongly object to this happening as my son is currently beginning to learn to play the saxophone.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.

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3054	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	The proposal to reduce instrumental services in West Lothian makes frankly no sense whatsoever. The instrumental services have been vital to improving the overall educational experience of every student receiving this tuition. Attending music lessons and learning to sing or play an instrument informs the way in which pupils will go about their studies and life in general. Music lessons improve your time management skills, organisational skills, self-discipline and focus amongst many other things that sitting in a classroom cannot do. Not to mention the countless studies that prove music ameliorates your overall intelligence, due to the fact you must multi-task incessantly and use parts of your brain that you use for but all else. Then there is the social element. Playing in bands, orchestras or singing in choirs for example brings together people from all different backgrounds uniting for a sole purpose: to make music. These are the places that many young people meet friends for life and learn to work as a team, have respect for others, as well as how to process emotions.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
3055	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Personally, I have been fortunate enough to have had access to instrumental services and a school wind band which has taken me to countries I had never been to previously. The instrumental services and the dedicated staff provide countless opportunities for young people who might not otherwise have the chance to be involved. It is quite frankly appalling that the council would find it just to allow only those with money to have such experiences and opportunities to grow as a young person. Several people from the high school I attended alone have studied, or are currently studying, at the 3rd ranked institution for performing arts in the world. This includes myself. I would not have gotten to this position without the tremendous effort of my teachers and instrumental instructors during my time at secondary school, and I know for a fact that many of my peers feel the same. I would hate for younger pupils to miss out on the experiences that I had.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
3056	No Response	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Music encourages creativity and diversity	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
3057	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Further reducing music provision in schools is not a good idea. Music increases attainment, confidence and wellbeing and should not be seen as an "add on" or "nice to have". In the 80s Music was curtailed in English schools and they've spent decades and millions trying to reintroduce it. Given the importance of music to Scottish culture, it would be disastrous to reduce the already limited opportunities for young people across West Lothian.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
3058	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Please keep the music provision in schools.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
3059	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	The council should consider introducing means tested services - such as musical instrument tuition.	Instrumental music provision	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
3060	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	The council should consider means testing music provision.	Instrumental music provision	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your comment which will be considered as part of any service redesign
3061	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Music lessons are such an important part of school life. Children grow in confidence and skill, have opportunities to participate in out of school activities and boost mental health.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
3062	No Response	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	As a parent I do not believe that cutting music lessons for the children is a good way to save money. Learning an instrument helps the children build confidence, and improves their abilities academically, many studies have been done showing this. My own child was struggling at school requiring learning support. Through the music programme his confidence has improved and he is doing exceptionally well at school. Also I have seen 1st hand how not only music, but art and PE are often overlooked as being less important academically, working with children and young people in residential care I know the true value of these subject. Music allows children to learn, grow and develop skills and confidence which can be transferred to other areas of their learning	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.

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3063	No Response	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Please do not stop free music lessons the schools in west Lothian has an award-winning music programmes and music teacher who the children love and respect. These teachers are highly skilled and dedicated this shows in the many awards that the children achieve. The music department at west Calder high is excellent and their hard work and dedication shines out. My son is thriving.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
3064	No Response	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Do not agree about reducing instrumental music as it equates to less choices for our young musically talented pupils. For many that are not as academic, this is their route to fully reach their potential and future fulfillment.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
3065	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	I would like to strongly object to cuts being made in instrumental tuition in West Lothian schools. Music is a very important subject in children's lives and many will go on to make a career from playing or teaching musical subjects. I know money is at the root of all cuts across Scottish councils but I do feel strongly about cuts in music. Children enjoy music of all sorts and many find it beneficial.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
3066	An employee of West Lothian Council	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Agree. I do not agree that the council should provide instrumental music for free. It should be an extra curricular activity that should be charges for similar to football, swimming clubs, dance classes etc	Instrumental music provision	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
3067	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Whilst I appreciate the benefits that access to instrumental music tuition in primary schools has for children, particularly for children who struggle socially or academically and for whom being able to play an instrument solo and in a group provides a sense of increased self-esteem, I would support it being moved into the mainstream curriculum if this enables the Council	Instrumental music provision	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
3068	No Response	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Agree. Stop instrumental music provision. If parents feel strongly about it continuing ask them to pay for it like other extra curricular activities like football, swimming, dance classes etc	Instrumental music provision	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
3069	No Response	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Sorry to see music provision reduced. The arts are important and reduction of monies to the arts seems to be an easy option but the long term effects are often underestimated.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music and arts provision through curriculum for excellence.
3070	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Music can be fundamental to a child's learning ability and can promote the child's learning ability on other subjects so rather than reduce music keep the existing levels and those pupils that show an ability for music should not be disadvantaged. If necessary consult with parents who would be willing to contribute to funding levels for retaining music standards within the current curriculum.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
3071	No Response	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	I do not support reduced instrument provision	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
3072	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	I am extremely concerned about cuts to music provision. This is the only opportunity many children have to experience music tuition. Music can be a fantastic way into education for many children who do not engage with traditional read/write learning and I feel that a lack of music lessens the education our children receive. As higher music requires 2 instruments, lack of music tuition would mean that only children who can afford to pay for private tuition would be able to gain the qualifications, going against GIRFEC and the principles of raising attainment across the board.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
3073	An employee of West Lothian Council	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Although the instrumental music provision is an excellent resource with students winning nationally recognised rewards, I feel it is not as important than looking after the mental health of our young people and ensuring the schools are run as efficiently as possible.	Instrumental music provision	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
3074	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	I agree with this budget proposal. The council should not be prioritising scarce resources on free instrumental music tuition to children whose families could afford to contribute a payment for this as an extra curricular activity. I would rather core Education curricular provision is protected than the council spending money on Instrumental Music.	Instrumental music provision	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.

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3075	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Local authorities should be looking to attract private sponsorship in niche areas such as music to increase funding. Private companies would invest if there was exposure and recognition of their involvement in the market place. Eg Sky Academy.	Instrumental music provision	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
3076	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	We feel music lessons are a valuable opportunity for children to receive expert tuition in music and we feel it would be unacceptable to reduce this. We have had great memories created from concerts and we feel kids would lose out massively if this was stopped. Wonderful teaching by [REDACTED] Please don't reduce this valuable instrumental music provision. Kind regards [REDACTED]	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
3077	No Response	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Reducing instrumental provision is disappointing when music is an important creative driving force and is a positive element of well being.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
3078	No Response	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Reducing instrumental music is a straight up bad decision. I have been lucky enough to have had brass tuition from Primary 5 onwards. Through this I have achieved an ABRSM Grade 5 pass; something which I have been able to show on both my CV and my UCAS personal statement; something which demonstrates a high level of dedication and commitment. I have also been a part of the well recognised and well achieved West Lothian Schools Brass Band, which I fear will disappear with these proposed cuts. I was lucky enough to travel to Germany with the band to attend masterclasses and workshops, as well as playing in concerts; another thing which I have been able to put on my CV and UCAS personal statement. It taught me the importance of teamwork and learning from others. It taught me discipline and I was able to embrace other cultures. I have kept in touch through social media with people my age from the German band for a number of years. Cutting instrumental music tuition would have a truly detrimental affect on the local community.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
3079	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	There are hundreds of kids alone at Linlithgow Academy who play and really enjoy music. I love music, i play at school then i come home and play some more. Music is very important to me and hundreds even thousands of kids across West Lothian. I play music every day, i need music. And the staff are great, all the different bands are great fun as well. I love the choice of bands and instruments at my school. Me and a lot of kids would extremely miss music if you cut it. We need music, it's a way for us to express who we are, as individuals and as a school. Please don't cut music.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
3080	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Music provision to schools should be kept. This is a vital service that should not be taken away.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
3081	An employee of West Lothian Council	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Music provision to schools is vital. Some children may not get this opportunity otherwise. Music should not be seen as a lesser subject!!	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
3082	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	I feel very strongly that free music services within education is fundamental to maintaining the mental health and general well being of young people. This in turn means less load on health services. A way out of poverty is through education and learning and music provides a practical life skill. I have first hand experience as all my 3 children have benefited from the amazing instrumental music services provided. I see the joy and feeling of wellbeing and achievement this gives the kids and families and it can't be underestimated the benefit music provides to kids of all abilities. I leave a quote by West Lothian council on the benefits. "As well as musical development, the many general benefits gained from learning to play a musical instrument include: enhanced listening and concentration, discipline, co-ordination, language development, memory and social skills. It helps your child to become part of a team and to respect other team members whilst increasing your child's confidence and participation in the wider school and community." I don't believe it should be an optional extra to education - rather an essential component. I would be more than happy to pay a fee, and to subsidise families who would struggle financially.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.

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3083	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	I feel very strongly that free music services within education is fundamental to maintaining the mental health and general well being of young people. This in turn means less load on health services. A way out of poverty is through education and learning and music provides a practical life skill. I have first hand experience as all my 3 children have benefited from the amazing instrumental music services provided and in particular the bands. Loss of the bands would be a real tragedy... I see the joy and feeling of wellbeing and achievement this gives the kids and families and it can't be underestimated the benefit music provides to kids of all abilities. I leave a quote by West Lothian council on the benefits. "As well as musical development, the many general benefits gained from learning to play a musical instrument include: enhanced listening and concentration, discipline, co-ordination, language development, memory and social skills. It helps your child to become part of a team and to respect other team members whilst increasing	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
3084	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Current instrumental music provision should be retained, it is an investment in the future of our children, and will pay back in the long-term. Music tuition should be provided to all that can benefit from it, and not limited by the ability of parents to organize it themselves.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
3085	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	I think it is terrible that the arts in particular music are always being cut! Teachers are already overloaded.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music and arts provision through curriculum for excellence.
3086	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	I think it is terrible that the arts in particular music are always being cut!	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
3087	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	I am deeply concerned about any further reduction in extra-curricular activities such as music provision. There is already a lamentable lack of arts provision in many schools - there are no longer art rooms and libraries are barely existent. Teaching music is not something many teachers will be able to do and the right to learn with trained professionals must not be taken away from any child.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music and arts provision through curriculum for excellence.
3088	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Shocking that the council are reducing instrumental teachers. My son has taken music and now will have no teacher. Music is a huge release for so many people. Not good enough	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
3089	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	You're focussing on music yet sacking the instrumental teachers? Why focus on music here when the kids can't learn in school because we've taken away teachers	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.

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3090	An employee of West Lothian Council	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	As a member of staff in charge of raising attainment for Numeracy at a West Lothian Secondary School I find it hugely dismaying to find that WLC would even consider stopping instrumental music tuition in schools. The benefits that pupils receive from getting these lessons are simply massive. These lessons not only support their personal and artistic development but also enhance their learning skills in many other education areas. The evidence from studies in the USA has shown that students who participate in music education do better than their peers on many measures of academic achievement. Much of this research is based on large state wide or national datasets. For instance, at state level, Abeles (2007) reported that groups of second grade children who participated in a weekly violin programme (3 lessons every 2 weeks) outperformed non-violin group controls in performance on state wide mathematics and language tests. Morrison (1994), using data from the National Centre for Educational Statistics representing over 13,000 students, showed that high school students who participated in music reported higher grades in English, Mathematics, History, and Science than those who did not participate. Similar outcomes have been reported by Trent (1996), Cardarelli (2003) and Fitzpatrick (2006). In a study of four regions of the USA, Johnson and Memmott (2006) studied 4,739 elementary and middle school students and showed a strong relationship between third and fourth grade students' academic achievement and their participation in music programmes. Studies have also demonstrated that engagement with music is related to positive attitudes towards school and better attendance. It has also been well documented how much a child can benefit from playing a music instrument in terms of their mental and psychological well-being. The Instrumental Music Service is unique to any other area of the school curriculum in that the sheer number of benefits, other the obvious link to attainment in Music which would be significantly adversely affected, that cross over into so many other areas of the curriculum. By removing this vital service, we risk losing all the advantages stated above which, with all the obvious direct links to current National and Local priorities, in my opinion, would be one of the worst decisions that our authority could make and without doubt, would be one that the authority would regret in the future. Once the decision is made it cannot be undone.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
3091	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Absurd that restrictions on instrumental music should even be a consideration West Lothian has historically been known for its excellence in music. Take this away or reduce? Perish the thought 'What do parents look for at end of year? A concert showing the skills and commitment of both pupils and staff! Children benefit academically as the result of music tuition Children who are involved in this are less likely to offend too	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
3092	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	In particular we believe cuts to the instrumental provision within schools reduces the breadth of the education children receive in West Lothian which in turn disadvantages them.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
3093	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Cuts to the Youth Music Initiative takes away vital opportunities for young people to develop skills that that will benefit them in their future lives. This initiative keeps young people occupied, off the streets and out of trouble. Removing this services may put a greater drain on crime prevention and community safety services.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
3094	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Music is vital in schools it helps to control behaviour and teach life skills such as the ability to listen and wait for instruction, it promotes self worth and children get a lot of joy from it. Music therapy for children with ASN has proven to be highly successful and I think a cut to the music that schools provide would be a mistake	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
3095	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	The instrumental music the kids learn in school teaches so many skills and benefits everyone. It brings communities together when we go to their concerts. We get to meet their friends and their friends parents and grandparents, uncles and aunts. It teaches them timing when they play and when to let others play. It improves their focus as they have to stay alert to know when it's their time to play and when to stop. It teaches others perspectives when they learn how together they sound better. It is brilliant for their mental health. They stary inn the present moment more instead of getting caught up in future and past thinking. It gives them a form of escape and also helps them understand how to work as part of a team. I dont play any instrument but have seen thw benefits of it firsr hand on my son.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.

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3096	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Funding for music should be increased. In this day and age where the mental health issues of youngsters is spiralling downwards, music offers so many benefits for mental health and a means to counteract them. It improves their ability to be present in the moment. It improves their focus staying alert through complex pieces of music to know when it's their time to play and when they should stop. It teaches them why it's great to work together to create something truly breathtaking. It teaches timing, when to do things, which translates in to other parts of their life. It teaches empathy, compassion and seeing others perspectives, as they see have to depend on others to be able to complete a piece of music. And it offers a kind of mental escape from their thoughts as they play their mind loses track of time. And it's great for communities and families. We go to concerts with stunts and uncles, grandparents. We meet their friends parents. And they make friends for life and learn a life skill. Learning a music instrument should be made available for every child. West Lothian can be a leader on this. They can impact the mental health of west Lothian for generations to come.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
3097	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Cuts to education are not good no matter how much they are sugar coated, and by cutting a large section of people's music education many people will be missing out on opportunities to develop their talents to a level that allows them to be successful in what they want to do. Independent music sessions allow many people to improve their musical abilities to a level that can give them a step into becoming a professional musician. So much talent will be wasted if this is allowed to happen and it would be a tragedy for people's passions to be cast aside like this.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
3098	No Response	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Music in schools should be increased not reduced. It brings families together going to your kids and grandkids concerts. It teaches them to conquer their nerves when standing in front of large gatherings. It is also especially important for their mental health. Kids learn the importance of staying in the present moment, to play the tune, not rushing to get to the end of a piece of music and this transfers to their lives. They learn the importance of working together, that they are part of something bigger when they play in their school concert bands and can create amazing things when they work in unison with others. They learn the importance of timing and patience. They learn that gaps in sound are just as important as the note they play because the gaps make the music else it would be just one continuous note. This transfers to how they communicate with others. The benefits are huge for them and society.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
3099	No Response	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	I would beg of you to find more money for music not less. I have 2 children. One plays music and the other doesn't. You would not believe the difference in their nature and I see this as being a lot to do with the youngest learning music at school. His social skills and patience with others is amazing. Hoping to school concerts at WCHS has been one of the greatest blessings in my life. Bringing my elderly Mum and neighbour to school concerts had brought us all closer, they have met his friends and their parents. The community gains so much from it. Can't tell you how strongly my son loves learning flute and being part of the school band has improved everything in his and my relationship too.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
3100	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Not sure why the council funds provision of services such as instrumental music which are outwith the school curriculum	Instrumental music provision	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
3101	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Music is good and well but does have the positive impact on reducing diabetes or or improving health. I feel greater considerations should be given in this area	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
3102	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Music has been proven to improve children's attainment overall in schools and I think that maintaining Instrumental tuition is a priority. I do not believe that a good quality of instrumental tuition could be taught in full, mainstream classes. It is already difficult for schools to afford specialist teachers in PE, Art and Music in schools.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
3103	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	If instrumental music provision is likely to be reduced please retain the option for parents to make a financial contribution towards music lessons. As a parent whose two daughters both benefit from free music lessons I would be happy to pay for their lessons and make a contribution towards a central pot of money that could be used to pay for lessons for pupils whose parents cannot afford to pay.	Instrumental music provision	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.

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3104	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	I totally disagree with reducing music provision in schools. Taking part in school music activities has so many other impacts including promoting teamwork in children and encouraging children to practice their instruments outside of school. My daughter plays the clarinet and she, and us (her parents) would be extremely disappointed if music provision was reduced. The music teachers are excellent at the school my daughter attends.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
3105	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	It is not at all clear what this is suggesting. It seems extremely unspecific. The opportunity to learn a musical instrument is very important and one that children may not have the ability to get unless it is available at school.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
3106	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Music should stay on the curriculum but should be more general / fun. Instead of a primary school test with a few being selected to get instruments, a weekly class should be held to provide awareness, opportunity to try different instruments and techniques and provide inspiration.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
3107	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Music lessons have literally shaped my life as it is today. The idea that someone has decided music lessons are not important is disgusting, without . Music lessons school would be meaningless to me, music lessons have greatly influenced me and my peers, the idea of a generation growing up without music lessons is abominable. why is music any less important than other lessons? you wouldn't cut maths lessons to save some money, you wouldn't cut english lessons to save money, you wouldn't cut science lessons to save money, why should music be any different. I don't know how you intend for young people to pass their music exams without lessons.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
3108	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Music tuition is a known differentiator for overall attainment of children. It would be unbelievably short sighted to remove this and would spell the likely end of school orchestras. You would be cutting opportunities for hundreds of children for the sake of a relatively small saving in the overall scheme. NB if no tuition at primary level will be few children to teach at secondary level....	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
3109	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	no- music and arts are vital for a rounded education for children.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music and arts provision through curriculum for excellence.
3110	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Both my daughters have benefited considerably from the music curriculum. One has learning difficulties and has taken her music on to University. It's not all about academic attainment. Music can be a lifeline. Please think carefully. We were lucky enough to be able to pay for extra curriculum music activities. This is not always the case. School is more than the 3 Rs	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
3111	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Disagree with reduced music provision as a parent of a child who suffers from low self esteem and confidence buy who excels when playing music this would have a detrimental affect on their confidence and self belief.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
3112	No Response	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	I do not agree that music provision should be reduced in schools as for many children this is their only opportunity to become familiar with music and the arts - it is vital that children have a rounded education and this includes music. and the arts.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
3113	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Children need access to physical education and music to become well rounded individuals. This must be protected.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music and PE provision through curriculum for excellence.
3114	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Music tuition is a key part of education opening opportunities for so many children gaining exams and in performance both in school and beyond building confidence and discipline. So many gains from engaging in music and performance to ready children for moving on. Consider parent contribution to cost of tuition but not reduction in service.	Instrumental music provision	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.

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3115	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Music lessons are really important to me because I have met friends through music, it makes me happy and it helps with stress.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
3116	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Music lessons are important to me because I have met lots of friends through music, it helps with stress and it make me really happy, so I would be devastated if I got all that taken away from me.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
3117	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Individual musical instrument tuition must be maintained.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
3118	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Music education is vital at my school. Our general music teachers don't have the time or skills necessary to take on the enormous task the specialised instructors we have do, and losing them would cause the school's various music ensembles to close down, limiting the available extra curricular activities at our school. For me personally, the tuition I've received at school for my cornet has been priceless. Subsequently I've made many friends throughout the school and enjoyed taking part in events as an ensemble. My instructor is fantastic and very patient. Also my instrument was bought through the school at a discounted price, as many others do. If the school music program was changed in the way you propose, it would be so detrimental that it could not continue for long. Please keep our music program alive in West Lothian.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
3119	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Music lessons should NOT be cut from schools. My daughter started playing the trumpet in P5 and would not have found her love of music or her natural ability for it without this great opportunity. As well as her musical ability increasing, it has helped build her confidence and social skills, all essential in both the world of education and of employment in the world today.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
3120	No Response	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Instrumental tuition should only be removed if it is definitely going to be replaced by funding by the scottish government. learning an instrument at school kept me out of trouble, where many other school mates have mine have gone on to unemployment and even crime in some areas, I learned an instrument which kept me in school and in other safe clubs after school that allowed me to socialise and not cause trouble. Resources like this being removed only give teenagers the complaints that "there's nothing for them to do" and end up causing more difficulty in the long run. Also, the west lothian schools brass band (which i was a part of) did a great job of promoting west lothian and its talent and it won't have any talent if you don't teach anyone.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
3121	An employee of West Lothian Council	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Do not cut spending to musical instruments	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
3122	An employee of West Lothian Council	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Do not cut funding for musical instruments	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
3123	An employee of West Lothian Council	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Do not cut funding for musical instruments	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
3124	An employee of West Lothian Council	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Do not cut funding for musical instruments	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
3125	An employee of West Lothian Council	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Do not cut funding for musical instruments	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.

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3126	An employee of West Lothian Council	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Do not cut funding for musical instruments	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
3127	An employee of West Lothian Council	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Do not cut funding for musical instruments	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
3128	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Shame to reduce music provision as the benefits for the general education and confidence of the children involved can be massive.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
3129	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Music lessons should not be cut. Music gives student opportunities that they wouldn't usually have. It gives them a chance to express themselves. These lessons are hugely beneficial to students wanting to further explore music as teachers within music departments don't have the specific instruments like the teachers that come in to do. It also means that the people that teach these lessons are losing jobs that they love to do and teach the students that want to learn this instrument.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
3130	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	I do not support reduced instrumental music provision as I believe music to be important for wellbeing and a positive impact on young people in schools. I question whether money spent on technology in schools is spent wisely for example, do pupils share equipment etc or does each individual need to be provided for. Perhaps schools should buy less equipment and let pupils share.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
3131	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Education of our children in the future of West Lothian. The Instrumental music provision has greatly benefited both my children who have received tuition since P5 and played in school band throughout high school. This I believe has benefited them not only attainment wise (it is proven that reading music and playing an instrument develops both sides of the brain) but they have benefited socially, mixing with children they would not usually mix with in an environment where the usual social pressures of teens do not exist. They have had a discipline instilled in from a very young age which is valuable to any child and received emotional and educational support from dedicated instrumental teachers. They have developed teamworking skills valuable to and recognised by colleges, universities and employers. To put this into mainstream curriculum would be a disaster. Any child with an interest or a natural talent would be lost in the basic music tuition offered in the mainstream curriculum. The instrumental tuition has already been reduced by children receiving group lessons rather than individual lessons. Educational psychology is something that needs invested in, many teens by the age of 16 seem to have issues of some sort because of the pressures of school, teen life and social media and I do not think schools are doing enough to make support available. Anxiety, depression and self harm seem to be becoming the norm.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
3132	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Instrumental music provision and the associated participation in orchestras, bands, concerts and music camps is a key aspect of life at Linlithgow Academy. These whole school activities bring the young people, staff, parents and the community together. Availability to all irrespective of ability to pay ensures equity and equality across our school community. Skills in playing a musical instrument provide many people with a hobby or indeed a career which can shape the rest of their life. Surely this is the very definition of positive outcomes and destinations for our young people. If we do not introduce these skills in the formative years, individuals and communities will suffer for it. Linlithgow Marches and Gala Day would be very quiet affairs without our bands. Loss of this provision would have a very significant negative impact on our young people, our school and our community as a whole. Linlithgow Academy Parent Council urge the Council to re-consider any plans to remove or reduce this important provision.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
3133	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Given that schools now have ring fenced funding and as a result, it is only right that the support to schools is reduced further. Instrumental music is not a statutory function and could be seen as a free service to the middle classes. The council needs to focus on statutory services and helping the most vulnerable.	Instrumental music provision	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.

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3134	An employee of West Lothian Council	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	I feel the provision of activities such as music are vital to the overall development of young people and may identify talents in this field.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
3135	An employee of West Lothian Council	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	I feel young people should be given the opportunity to participate in musical activities as this often provides alternative avenues of communication.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
3136	No Response	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	I feel very strongly about the reduction of the music programme. As you can probably guess, I benefited from it, and it shaped my school experience to be amazing, helped me make the friends I still have and taught me discipline and passion in attending orchestra and lessons. School curriculum music lessons could never begin to replace what the external instrument lessons did. It is one of the greatest joys of my life and I still tell many people proudly that I play cello and I got that wonderful opportunity because my district area council provided the lessons and the great teachers. I am full of gratitude for the West Lothian music programme. I would be incredibly sad and disheartened to know this inspiration would not continue to be given to children now in West Lothian schools. In regards to giving more responsibility to the school, there is always two sides with this, in that this can empower someone who could do a lot of good for the school, or it could empower people who are not qualified to take these decisions or would not have positive motives or influence. This should be done carefully and still be monitored and assessed in itself.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
3137	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	I don't think music is necessary I think PE, English, Maths etc will be of more value later in life	Instrumental music provision	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
3138	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	As someone who benefited from council funded in-school music tuition, I firmly believe that this should remain for all pupils within West Lothian. Learning an instrument doesn't just teach music skills, it also improves time-management and organisational skills, as well as harboring perseverance, commitment and diligence.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
3139	No Response	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	If one of your main priorities is to improve the attainment gap, then you cannot rightly cut instrumental music courses from schools. Thanks to the free tuition we receive in schools, many students are able to learn a musical instrument and go on to have a good chance at a career in music - cutting these classes only punishes those who can't afford external lessons. Cutting the jobs of instrumental music instructors will also cause school bands / orchestras to stop, as they are conducted and run by them. It would also rob so many of the chance they deserve.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
3140	No Response	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Stop trying to sugarcoat this - call it what it is. Cuts to music. The aim is NOT to "embed activities within schools", because you are just removing them. Instrumental music is a vital service to those on the poorer end of families, and music can be a chance for those who don't do well academically to perform and make a career for themselves. How can you want to increase your attainment gap if this is what you do? You don't realise how many young people you will harm by doing this, along with removing the jobs of the instructors. Without them, students wouldn't be able to learn instruments. Curriculum based music classes are at no where near the same level as music lessons from instructors are - curriculum lessons cater to a whole class, and teach a limited selection of instruments, whereas music lessons from instructors facilitate for 1 on 1 meetings to ensure that every student can improve. Curriculum music teachers can also only play 2 to 3 instruments, whereas most instructors can teach whole sections of the orchestra. If the instructors were to leave, pupils would have to seek costly lessons elsewhere, which would increase the attainment gap - directly opposing one of your key goals. Not to mention the fact that without the instructors, bands and orchestras wouldn't exist, once again removing a huge opportunity from students. Please, do not make drastic cuts to the music department, because you are harming so many students by doing so.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
3141	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	You can make a better West Lothian without cutting educational things such as free instrument lessons and bands. By doing so you are cancelling at least 20 bands in West Lothian and depriving children with the gift of being able to study a instrument, which doing so improves the life of said children and would make a better West Lothian.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.

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3142	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Reducing the instrumental programs and others such as this will decrease the educational system greatly by doing so you are causing children's life to be limited to mainstream education only musical programs improve the life of many unbenefitted children and give these children a way to improve their own life weather this be through social skills meeting new people broadening their minds on what is possible or giving them a outlet in which they are able to create express and maybe give them selfs to make a life out of what they enjoy. Musical education doesn't only benefit the students musical ability but it also streams into there other subjects causing them to be more creative and to be able to make something out of them selfs.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
3143	No Response	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	It would be a great shame to reduce instrumental music provision in West Lothian. The area rightly has an excellent reputation for its music provision, and this provides a well-rounded and valuable experience for children and young people who might otherwise not be able to access it.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
3144	An employee of West Lothian Council	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	I DO NOT think that integrating a reduced instrumental music provision into the mainstream curriculum should happen. Instrumental music provision in schools is SO important. Numerous studies have shown the benefit children have in all aspects of their life from learning a musical instrument - higher attainment, improved social skills, much higher self esteem and confidence - great benefits musically and educationally. As a person who received instrumental music lessons at school, I cannot stress enough how much I gained through this opportunity - much more confidence and many, many lifelong skills including being able to work independently as well as part of a team from experiencing this at an early age. This service is vital especially for children who have very few other opportunities in their lives due to their family / financial / social circumstances, as well as being so important to pupils with additional support needs. This opportunity to have specialist small group lessons can help integrate them into mainstream education. Instrumental lessons have a massive impact on raising attainment in SQA Music exams as well as playing a large part in the wider school life with concerts and performances. This opportunity for children to 'unlock' their inner talents is priceless. School Ensembles and Area Ensembles help these children to flourish in smaller groups and to make new friends as well as allow children to potentially join 'national levels groups.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
3145	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	I strongly disagree with the integration of a reduced instrumental provision into the mainstream curriculum. As a child who was introduced to West Lothian's instrumental service when i started high school in 2011, and I am now studying a degree in music at the University of Glasgow, I can say I am disgusted and disheartened at the thought of the instrumental programme not being available in the future. Firstly, this excellent programme did not only give me the essential music skills I require for my choice of career path, it honestly shaped me as a person and gave me so many transferable skills. Attending one-to-one music lessons every week throughout my entire 6 years of high school taught me an act of commitment and practice I couldn't have learned any other way and to think that other pupils may not be given this opportunity in the very near future is sickening. Furthermore, the extreme opportunities to connect with other talented pupils and perform within the community creates a spirit that I find so unique. Whilst playing in both of the school bands at West Calder High throughout my high school career, the Junior Concert Band and West Lothian Schools Wind ensemble - which I am currently still a member of - I learned so many skills and attributes (not only musically) which have allowed me to develop in a way I wouldn't otherwise have. The confidence and determination that the instrumental programme has given me is tremendous and I feel it would be shocking for the council to decide that this amazing programme is not worth keeping in schools in West Lothian. I am extremely grateful for the opportunities that I have been given due to this programme and for this not to be available to many more children in the future I find appalling. Due to this fantastic opportunity I, as well as many others, have found a passion that we can share and grow together through and I believe the instrumental programme should be valued much more highly and should definitely not be abolished.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
3146	No Response	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Don't cut music in school and lessons.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.

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3147	No Response	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	It is important to keep the instrumental music provision from early years	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
3148	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Keep the music progrsm	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
3149	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Keep the music program	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
3150	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	I still go to school the others don't really affect me but you "transforming"life but cuting school music fact of the matter is if you spend nearly 7 years of your life doing something and to save money you no longer have a chance if you read the part 1b you don't get told the full story basically your cuting all chance we get to play music in school I really hope that this gets stoped as soon as possible.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
3151	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	I have played a music for 7 years of my life attempting to do nat 5 which you need 2 instruments for one of those can only be learned out of the classroom I really hope that you can get your act together for the better of people just starting out in life and not to get rid of music in schools Thanks	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
3152	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	but NOT a reduced instrumental music provision into the mainstream curriculum. Instrumental music provision in schools is SO important. Numerous studies have shown the benefit children have in all aspects of their life from learning a musical instrument - higher attainment, improved social skills, much higher self esteem and confidence - great benefits musically and educationally. As a person who received instrumental music lessons at school, I cannot stress enough how much I gained through this opportunity - much more confidence and many, many lifelong skills including being able to work independently as well as part of a team from experiencing this at an early age. This service is vital especially for children who have very few other opportunities in their lives due to their family / financial / social circumstances. Instrumental lessons have a massive impact on raising attainment in SQA Music exams as well as playing a large part in the wider school life with concerts and performances. This opportunity for children to 'unlock' their inner talents is priceless. School Ensembles and Area Ensembles help these children to flourish in smaller groups and to make new friends as well as allow children to potentially join 'national levels groups.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
3153	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	it is important that West Lothian maintains individual music tuition for pupils and the various bands across West Lothian schools. This cannot be achieved in structured class times already set.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
3154	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	A reduced instrumental music provision is also a disaster as this tuition can't be embedded within existing school resources. It would mean the end of individual tuition and many of the bands/ ensembles across West Lothian.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
3155	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	I am of the belief that no matter what funding to any branch of education should NOT be cut in any way shape or form, especially in the case of the reduced musical provision in the above case. Music allows the pupils to build vital skills for future employment, including teambuilding, planning, confidence and showcasing the ability to learn something and retain the knowledge. This cut to budget would also cripple the capacity for schools all across Scotland to fuel upkeep for their local bands, severely limiting the ability for a pupil to have pride in their school and represent the Scottish education system as a whole on a possibly world stage.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
3156	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Don't agree on reduced instrumental music provision. This is a fantastic service that we have. Also the bands that operate within West Lothian are an amazing opportunity for young people to perform and showcase their talents. Can we look at ways for parents to contribute to this if they can afford it. Renting instruments?	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.

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3157	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Free music tuition within schools for guitar, brass, strings, woodwind and percussion is incredibly beneficial to so many people. Personally guitar lessons within school have helped me a lot, not just for guitar but for confidence and motivation in other things in life. Music teachers don't always have the training withing specific instruments and shouldn't need to. A lot of gifted people wanting to get into music can afford to pay for private lessons and not only do these help people's skill in the instrument but it gives people something that helps them get through life. If these cuts are made it also means a lot of people are losing their jobs, they love their jobs and it means so much to them coming j to schools to teach people who have a genuine interest in learning. These cuts will damage music within school and also the people who get these lessons, especially with exams coming up we really need the help of woodwind, brass, strings, percussion and guitar lessons. They provide extra help for students who really need it with support and learning from someone who specialises in that instrument and can provide the help that is needed. The free music tuition in schools allows students access to instruments and learning opportunities that they wouldn't have without getting these lessons within school, they are hugely beneficial to so many people and students learning will suffer because of these cuts	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
3158	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	I am particularly concerned about the proposals for instrumental music provision. The benefits of this service are well documented and the area ensembles are a key feature of the valuable experiences provided to many pupils. Hard to imagine how this could continue without some central control and management - thus making the service less effective and productive.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
3159	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Charges for instrumental music should be levied	Instrumental music provision	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
3160	No Response	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	I agree that the school should have a budget of sorts but the instrumental music provision should be one of the projects maintained by the council.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
3161	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	I believe reducing the music program would be detrimental to the education and development of our children.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
3162	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Reducing the musical provision within West Lothian schools will be detrimental to the education and development of our children. The music program enhances all aspects of our children's education. Providing them with skills not only to play an instrument but to work as part of a team. It builds confidence and friendships so not only helps with education but also the social and emotional development of the children involved. Both of my children (one primary aged and one at high school) have benefitted from the fantastic music program which follows them through primary school from p5 right through high school. I believe that having the same tutor from primary 5 has encouraged my daughter (now in 2nd year) to continue with her instrument and develop the skills and confidence needed to enhance her learning.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
3163	No Response	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Music lessons shouldn't be cut or bands. Not only is music a skill or something fun but it helps kids cope with things going on around them. Children use music as a get out and you can't take that away from them and make them stop playing strings, woodwind, brass ect. In most cases this has been their life and joy since primary 5 and for you to just cut it is unneeded, please try find other ways to get funds and don't cut music tuition !!!	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
3164	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Agree with integrating music tuition	Instrumental music provision	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
3165	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	I would be very disappointed to see the instrumental music provision impacted. Just look at the success West Lothian has achieved here (e.g. Platinum award for the West Lothian Wind Ensemble at this year's SCBF competition). Learning an instrument and playing in a band/orchestra provides many benefits both intellectually and socially to our young people and it would be short sighted to see this as an easy target for savings. I strongly believe that this service gives more than it receives to the community.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.

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3166	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	I believe a reduction of any music provision would be very detrimental to the education of young people	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
3167	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	I strongly disagree with this being cut, I do not like any other subject and music is the only one that enjoy, there are lots of past pupils that have went on higher up in music. This all comes from instrumental music lessons. As a band player it is really satisfying to go out into the community and play at events and see smiles on other peoples faces and you can tell that they have enjoyed it. Also being in a band and playing an instrument is proven to have a higher discipline.Christmas concerts at school bring in money and showcase what we as a band have managed to achieve. INSTRUMENTAL MUSIC SHOULD NOT BE CUT.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
3168	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	The current schools music program is one of the few areas where West Lothian Council excels at a national level. In addition to the pupils getting the chance to learn instruments that they would not otherwise encounter, they also benefit from the chance work together in a true team environment in the school bands scheme. The reward that these young people gain from the national success of the West Lothian wind bands is immeasurable, and excellent value considering the small amount of money invested by the council in this program. Any reduction to the current system would be a disaster for may pupils and they families and make them feel that they have been specifically targeted by the present incumbent political parties.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
3169	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	A reduction to an already very limited instrumental music provision would be depriving young people in West Lothian from an extremely valuable part of their education. Curriculum for excellence is supposed to create a broader education for children not restrict their education. I would be extremely angry at such a decision which will have far reaching consequences of missed opportunities and result in the musically talented young people of West Lothian being put at a distinct disadvantage even worse those will potential talent being lost. The progression of those with musical abilities will be severely affected and will be disastrous for some who may be considering music as a career path. Music class teachers are not necessarily sufficiently qualified to teach a variety of instruments. The expertise of specifically trained instrumental teachers is therefore essential for pupils to progress on any instrument. This seems a very backwards move for a council which claims to be progressive and personally I am incredibly disappointed it should even be considered. This drastic cut would not be saving much money in the grand scale of things but would have a terrible impact on schools, music staff and the young people of West Lothian. The wonderful shows and concerts which are consistently packed out to capacity in every school across West Lothian throughout the school year would become a thing of the past. These events are a great display of what can be achieved by those would are allowed to develop their abilities and passion for music and a wonderful for the whole community to enjoy. It would be very sad if this was all lost. There must be other less important areas of council services which would save more money.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
3170	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Keep the music lessons in schools because we love them and it's the highlight of young people's weeks	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
3171	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	I think you should keep music lessons in schools because everyone who participates loves them	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
3172	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	I feel that the education of our children is vital. My daughter played her musical instrument, the saxophone and really benefits from it it, so would be a shame to lose this.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
3173	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	My only concern is reduction in instrumental music provision. All three of my children have benefitted hugely from playing in the various bands supported in West Lothian. It's turned them into far more rounded people, and gives children with little interest in sport, and alternative pastime.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.

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3174	No Response	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	I think you shouldn't cut band and music programe because I think this is apolling I think you shout cut something like home economics	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
3175	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Keep the bands and the music program find an otherway to save money	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
3176	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Keep the music programs and save money somewhere else	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
3177	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Having lived in a local authority that had a reduced instrumental music provision in the mainstream curriculum I would warn against it. You spend money providing instruction to students who have no interest in music whilst precluding those that are interested from achieving their best, especially if they are not either rich or on benefits.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
3178	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Agree that instrumental music teaching should be provided mainstream	Instrumental music provision	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
3179	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Removing music from schools is detrimental to the most vulnerable poorest of students as for these children it is an outlet and respite it is also something that only the affluent can afford outwith school. It encourages different thought processes and has been proven to assist children with dyslexia with their English and other subjects. THIS IS SHORT SIGHTED!	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
3180	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Music has been a huge part of my life since I started playing in S1 it would be a huge shame to see this decreased, the instrumental program has given me so many different opportunities in my life and therefore I believe decreasing this would be a huge mistake	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
3181	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	I think that reducing the instrumental music provision would be a disastrous mistake by West Lothian Council, and have a much larger negative impact than expected on the educational outcomes of children in West Lothian. This would in effect decimate the musical life of the schools. Music in schools has been shown to help develop learning across the curriculum, including language and reasoning, coordination, and overall engagement levels of the pupils. Students in bands or orchestras are less likely to abuse substances over their lifetime, and the proposed changes would lead to a massive reduction in the number of pupils taking part in bands or orchestras. Music tuition in schools allows Christmas/end of term concerts and musical/drama productions to take place. These greatly enhance the overall life of the school, and can enhance the sense of community. After reading the following link, the question would be whether funding for music tuition should be increased! https://www.theguardian.com/education/2017/oct/03/school-results-music-bradford In summary, I am very disappointed that the reduction in instrumental music provision has been proposed, but will be appalled if the proposals are carried forward following the consultation.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
3182	No Response	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	The loss of instrumental music is a narrowing of experiences to pupils .	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
3183	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	I think it is important for a child's self esteem and confidence to have an instrumental teacher giving lessons in schools. How are children who come from low income households ever going to be able to play instrument if they do not have the opportunity at school.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.

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3184	An employee of West Lothian Council	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Music in all its forms plays a huge role in Scotland's culture and life. Learning to play a musical instrument provides enormous benefits for young people in terms of their cognitive development as well as very significant cultural and economic benefits to society as a whole. The evidence from correlation studies in the USA has shown that students who participate in music education do better than their peers on many measures of academic achievement. Much of this research is based on large state wide or national datasets. For instance, at state level, Abeles (2007) reported that groups of second grade children who participated in a weekly violin programme (3 lessons every 2 weeks) outperformed non-violin group controls in performance on state wide mathematics and language arts tests. Morrison (1994) using data from the National Centre for Educational Statistics representing over 13,000 students showed that high school students who participated in music reported higher grades in English, mathematics, history, and science than those who did not participate. Similar outcomes have been reported by Trent (1996), Cardarelli (2003) and Fitzpatrick (2006). In a study of four regions of the USA, Johnson and Memmott (2006) studied 4,739 elementary and middle school students and showed a strong relationship between third and fourth grade students' academic achievement and their participation in music programmes. Studies have demonstrated that engagement with music is related to positive attitudes towards school and better attendance (Davalos et al., 1999; Eccles & Barber, 1999; Taetle, 1999; Miszak, 2010). The young people in our schools provide music for many events in their school contributing to the school ethos. They play at Christmas concerts, Summer concerts, coffee mornings, sky TV, lots of assemblies and services in school such as remembrance day, xmas, easter, P7 leavers, harvest and so on. They take part in school shows, band festivals, young musician competitions, and outside school events such as stellar awards, spring concert series to name but a few. The students love performing at these events and build confidence and self-esteem doing something they enjoy doing as part of a team representing their school. They feel proud to represent their school in this way. Instrumental music opens opportunities to play together in various types of ensembles. These ensembles include students from all year groups working together, learning together and performing together. The older students mentor the younger students and the younger students aspire to those older students in a musical family of students and staff. The skills and abilities these children learn from working	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
3185	An employee of West Lothian Council	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	My son is currently taking guitar lessons at school with the view to gaining qualifications in Music. If this source was removed where would it leave the pupils wishing to study music and also the Scottish music scene, in general, for the future.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
3186	An employee of West Lothian Council	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	I am particularly concerned about the impact on instrumental music provision which I see as one of the major benefits of state education in west lothian. It delivers equity and vital skills of creativity/team work/resilience etc which will be vital for our young people as they leave school. The level of this provision will inevitably suffer as a result and only those children who's parents have the financial means will be able to enjoy the benefits which are currently available to all.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
3187	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	I am opposed to the reduction of instrumental musical provision into the mainstream curriculum. West Lothian schools have an outstanding record and reputation for music over decades, both in Scotland and overseas. The support for musical education has made West Lothian Council stand out and it's something that has benefited generations of families, including my own, as musical education has given pupils the support and opportunities to develop their talents, learn new skills, extend their horizons and produce better students as a result.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
3188	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	We believe the current level of instrumental music provision in West Lothian provides a significant and positive opportunity for many young people to experience and develop their musical talents. Through community involvement, for example public concerts and entering national competitions, the youngsters in the various bands are putting something tangible back into the community. By providing such a great opportunity, the instrumental music services helps to provide beneficial outcomes to young people whatever their background. The Big Noise project at Raploch in Stirlingshire is an example of how music can be used to positively impact the lives of children and the community. Through West Lothian's music service we're sure similar benefits are being experienced here. The other point to make is that our experience has shown that through the band structure a member of our family has developed many skills not necessarily achieved through the curriculum, such as team work, discipline, loyalty and dedication to band members. It would be such a shame if all the hard work, not to mention the great reputation built up nationally by the hard working staff and pupils, was lost. This service is a feather in the cap for West Lothian and shows what can be achieved when striving for a gold standard.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.

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3189	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	The music program is outstanding and this valuable service provides the council with very visible and positive media attention. National newspapers featured an article because so many of WLC schools reached the final of the SCBF competition, showing the council are national leaders in this field. Something to be very proud of and should be celebrated not threatened with being cut.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
3190	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	I believe that music provision should not be reduced as this is equally as important as all other learning, it helps develop students as a person both academically and emotionally.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
3191	No Response	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	I feel very strong against the reduction in instrumental music provision. West Lothian's concert bands and music provisions are exceptional and this would be a great loss for the children, parents and community. This is an art that MUST be preserved and a passion for many children. There is a great talent in West Lothian and that is to the credit of the fantastic music teachers in the area and should not be lost.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
3192	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	As a citizen who very much needs music in their life does not agree as all. Reducing instrumental lessons doesn't just affect pupils taking music this year within schools but the next generation of pupils who need music. Not only does it make it a lot harder for pupils who have a music performance exams and need extra lessons to help them pass their exams but you are affecting school productions and concerts! Music helps with mental health, it's scientifically proven that people who take/ do music in school do better in their exams than people who don't take music. Think about it, there is not enough money going into the mental health system, a large amount of people in our community have mental health issues! An extremely concerning percentage of people suffer because of this but professional doctors have stated that music helps massively with mental health!! So now you decide to reduce music instrumental lessons and making it a lot harder for people to play music? Another issue in this society it that people struggle with money and you expect people to get outside lessons and pay up to £25-£30 an hour so that they can pass their exam! What about all the people who go on to study music after high school? If lessons get cut then it's going to be extremely difficult to get in to university. Personally I am not an academic person, I am creative and so are a lot of the population and you don't realise how many people this is going to affect. Sincerely a pupil/citizen/human being who will not let their education suffer.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
3193	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	I do not agree with your choice of integrating a reduced instrumental music provision into the mainstream curriculum, I feel the music services in west Lothian are outstanding and are taken for granted. Its been proven that Students score higher in test/exams with music education than people without, not only does music improve the intelligence of their students it can also help people with emotional development. People who struggle with mental health and/ or low self-esteem are able to cope with their anxiety better and it boosts their confidence.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
3194	No Response	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Difficult to respond to such a vague and confusing description regarding instrumental music. I trust that when the proposals have more clarity and can be understood by all that there will be a further consultation.	Instrumental music provision	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.

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3195	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	I am writing with concern at the proposal in Section 1B of the WLC consultation document, regarding the reduction of instrumental music. As a former pupil at Bathgate Academy, I was lucky to be involved in a busy music department. I had violin lessons, played in the orchestra and folk group, sang in the choir and soul band. Outwith school, I played in West Lothian Schools Junior Strings, Little Big Band and Big Band. All these musical experiences made me the person I am today and I could not imagine life in schools without instrumental music. School concerts and shows will not exist. The music instructors of the council are all highly qualified, professional, committed teachers who inspire the next generation of musicians and teachers. Without them, those who aspire to study music will have no chance. The proposal states that you plan to integrate a reduced instrumental music provision into the mainstream curriculum. You may not be aware that while all universities require Grade 8 practical music, the SQA Advanced Higher Music only requires practical skills of Grade 5 standard. Class music teachers will not be able to provide the time or necessary skills to push students to Grade 8 level whilst still having to teach to the SQA Syllabus in classes which usually range from Nat. 5 to Advanced Higher. There are many reports that learning a musical instrument helps with confidence, social skills and improves attainment. Why then, at a time when the council is looking to improve prospects for the young people, are they planning to take away something which is proven to improve life chances? West Lothian Council's instrumental music service has been a shining beacon to many other authorities, and I sincerely hope that it will not be lost to future generations.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
3196	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	As a loyal and committed Instrumental Music Instructor with West Lothian Council for over twenty six years, I was extremely dismayed to discover in the council newspaper, The Bulletin, that my job was under threat. If the council is planning to remove Instrumental Music provision, it would have been more considerate had we been informed before it was published in this way. The wording in the consultation is deliberately vague: 'integrating a reduced instrumental provision into the mainstream curriculum' This implies that the only experience of instrumental music will be in the classroom on instruments such as keyboard and glockenspiel. Not very exciting. For your information, the SQA level reached at Advanced Higher (grade 5) is no where near the level required to study music at university (grade 8+). It is the Instrumental Instructors who bridge the gap between classroom and university. Learning a musical instrument has been proved in many studies to improve attainment, well-being and life chances. It is ironic then, at a time when the government and councils are trying to improve academic results that this vital service is going to be cut. West Lothian Council's Instrumental Service is, without doubt, one of the best in Scotland. Over the years, the various bands have won national and international competitions. This shows the quality of musical education being provided. In the past, many other music services have looked to West Lothian for advice. I am sure that they will be as shocked as I and my colleagues are, that West Lothian Council are prepared to end music lessons so abruptly.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
3197	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Please, please please reconsider proposals to reduce instrumental music provision. Access to music is important to young people and restricting access will result in our children not being offered to opportunity to develop ALL their skills. Youth bands and choirs need to thrive in our community and need to know children and given FREE opportunity to learn music from professional and qualified teachers. West Lothian has a rich culture of music and song - we need this to continue. It's also good for our mental health - to be able to play, sing or listen to music.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
3198	No Response	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	The music classes should be available through other venues for those young people requiring this. For example the colleges should develop outwith only adult learning. Funding is the problem, and it is feasible to reduce these classes. If a young person wants to be able to learn about music then they can out source privately if they have the finances/ family support. Poorer children must also have opportunity to have access via the school.	Instrumental music provision	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.

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3199	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Reducing instrumental music provision would be a travesty. To deny children in West Lothian the wonderful opportunity to be involved in music is unthinkable. Many successful musicians have come through this amazing and overwhelmingly worthwhile avenue over the past 40 years or more. As one such pupil, I personally can say the experiences around instrumental tuition at school, shaped the adult I became, giving me a love and appreciation of music for the rest of my life and which I now have passed on to my children and whom this will directly affect. The hugely successful Spring Concert Series and individual school concerts held around West Lothian will be impossible to hold if there are no instrumental teachers and even more incredulous the obvious negative impact this will have on music students in school studying for national 5 and higher exams. What happened to curriculum for excellence and the broad education offered to children in Scotland? I cannot believe that West Lothian Council could contemplate this regressive step. How many talented young people will be lost, never able to fulfil their potential?	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
3200	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	As for Instrumental Music - I would suggest this follows the model adopted for several sports activities - whereby links are forged with local groups who can provide opportunities for those pupils who want to participate. This concept has worked really well in Linlithgow for Schools Rugby - both for facilities and Coaching. I see no reason why this concept cannot be expanded to encompass many other non core educational activities.	Instrumental music provision	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
3201	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Instrumental music is a nice to have. In the current climate it is simply not affordable. I would much rather the council concentrates on core curriculum and getting people into positive destinations. In an ideal world we would continue to do it all but with what the council faces this is a frippery.	Instrumental music provision	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
3202	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Your biggest mistake is to include instrumental music provision so I say "leave this one alone"	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
3203	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	I have been brought up surrounded by instrumental music provision and now enjoy the positive outcomes of my children receiving instrumental music provision. I have seen so many benefits from this service for generations. The children are given a focus and learn skills which can be transferred to other areas of education and there lives. I feel being involved in music not only facilitates and nurtures creativity but can offer a layer of protection to children who are living in difficult home circumstances or find other academic subjects difficult. This learned skill and music experience can offer a route to so much. It is much more than an enjoyable hobby or interest. It can be life changing for the child and others around them.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
3204	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	I have been brought up with instrumental music provision and now benefit from my children being provided with instrumental provision	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
3205	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	I think the reducing of funds for activities such as school bands and arts education is unnecessary and unsolicited as it has been studied and proven that students who have partaken in activities such as musical studies do better in other academic areas during their school career. It is also important that students are able to participate in musical and sport activities as an escape from troubles they may be experiencing in other aspects of their lives. It's should be unacceptable that the decision to remove these activities has even been considered and how the importance of these studies is constantly ignored in the school community	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
3206	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	My daughter also plays an instrument through school and already only has a half hour lesson a week. By reducing this service you are depriving kids of an opportunity they may not otherwise get.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
3207	No Response	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	As for Instrumental Music - I would suggest this follows the model adopted for several sports activities - whereby links are forged with local groups who can provide opportunities for those pupils who want to participate. This concept has worked really well in Linlithgow for Schools Rugby - both for facilities and Coaching. I see no reason why this concept cannot be expanded to encompass many other non core educational activities.	Instrumental music provision	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.

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3208	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	the phrase "integrating a reduced instrumental music provision" is unclear. How do you integrate a reduced provision? Is it simply reduction? If it is, I would not be in favour. I am also unclear as to why this is an option under "rationalisation of central support", which I thought would cover letting schools be more autonomous, rather than reducing provision of instruments. Poorly worded statements.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
3209	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	I disagree with cutting music provision we have a lot of talented musicians in West Lothian and taking away tuition could limit the chances of a young person being able to afford to continue to play.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
3210	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	The proposal to reduce instrumental music provision is short-sighted. The positive benefits of music provision to school children are substantial and extend across the curriculum in terms of increased confidence, focus and concentration. The benefits to the school and to the local community are often significant and unquantifiable bringing pupils across the year groups together and fostering real pride in the team work that is involved in staging concerts - often the highlight of the school year for many.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
3211	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Absolutely disagree with reducing instrumental music provision and "advisory approaches". Both these elements have far reaching "soft" support for our young people.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. In relation to Education Psychology, the Council intends to implement the proposal whilst still fulfilling its duty to meet the needs of every child. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
3212	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	I strongly disagree on point 1B because I have learned to play an instrument and that has changed my life completely	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
3213	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Support to pupils who are not reaching their full potential is essential. Services such as music provision would leave young people at a disadvantage. Music can enhance the overall well being and build up confidence and self esteem.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
3214	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Music provision in West Lothian is exemplary and has provided opportunities for many children who would not necessarily have the chance to play an instrument. Playing an instrument in a band allows pupils to grow in confidence and promotes positive mental health. The recent experiments in the Raploch estate have shown how beneficial music tuition can be to those in poverty.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
3215	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	I am outraged at this proposal to no longer fund music tuition in schools. I full heartedly believe that the service provided by music tutors is essential. It is fact that music improves academic skills as well as develops social skills. Music boosts self esteem and refines discipline and patience. Taking away funding from the Youth Music Initiative would be a grave mistake as many children facing adversity use music as their sanctuary, if the services of music tutors were no longer provided it would severely impact the lives of children. If this service was no longer provided music would become an interest to only the elite, those with the additional money to pay for private tuition, this would be heartbreaking for children of less fortunate backgrounds and wouldn't allow such children to escape from their home lives and the troubles they may face. It would close the numerous opportunities for young people to develop varieties of skills as well as understanding of cultures. I am completely against this proposal to no longer provide funding and I am shocked and ANGRY at the mere suggestion that it should no longer be funded. This is a mistake and should not happen, it is outrageous that the council would even consider this change and I am appalled. I beg of you to not allow this change to happen, and to continue funding music tuition and the Youth Music Initiative.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
3216	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	I strongly disagree with this proposal. Reducing the instrumental music provision would be a significant loss. Many pupils are able to learn a musical instrument, when they might not otherwise have the chance. Both my children have learnt to play the violin from P5 and thoroughly enjoy this. It teaches them discipline, that practise does help and that if they work hard at something they can improve. These are life skills, that will be vital in the workplace. Orchestra teaches team work and that you don't have to be the best, or lead, to play your part. Everyone can take part no matter what their level. Overall music provision is a fantastic resource to have and it would be detrimental to the pupils if this was reduced or lost.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.

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3217	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	I don't believe integration of music is a good idea. My eldest daughter is currently in S6 and has benefited from music tuition. I believe that this has helped her not only with music but has also helped her mathematical skills. She recently passed her higher maths and I think the music Tuition played a part in this. Where we are coming to the end of schooling I would like to think that musical Tuition would help other borderline students achieve passes in other mathematical based subjects.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
3218	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Instrument tuition and the many bands that are available in west lothian should stay. Many children have the benefit and enjoyment of playing in these bands and give west lothian a huge boost when they win the competitions they enter.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
3219	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	visiting music specialist provision scrapped altogether.	Instrumental music provision	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
3220	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Music is a massive part of my daughters school and home life. It helps her grow as a person as well as in confidence. I feel taking this away would be to the detriment of all children who benefit from it	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
3221	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	I feel that music lessons should not be cut!! Coming from a childhood where I was bullied, I found comfort in music. It was where I felt safe and where I felt I mattered. Seeing my niece, who is a pupil at West Calder, come out of her shell and flourish into a talented young musician and can only hope my youngest niece and nephew can be given the same opportunity!	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
3222	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Serious concern with reducing instrumental music provision. The one thing West Lothian can be proud of is the wonderfully talented individuals in the instrumental music service without which there would be no award winning bands. The asset it is to the young people in our community, developing so many skills, is truly inspiring. I have witnessed young boys and girls struggling perhaps with social skills or lacking in confidence developing into wonderfully talented individuals who in turn encouraging other younger members of the bands to greater achievement. I once asked a small local company if they would be interested in sponsoring the local school band. They had considered inviting them to an opening ceremony for new premises but the event never happened. Nevertheless they donated a one off Â£1000 to the school. The service (and schools) could engage more with the community to ensure its continuation.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
3223	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	i don't agree that services for our children should be reduced at all!! The music programme alone is a fundamental part of learning for our children who otherwise couldn't afford to learn the new skills at home. The programme offered is used by hundreds of children all over west Lothian and would be horrendous to remove such a facility for them all. whilst I fully understand cuts must be made I think this would be far too much of a loss for our children!!!	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
3224	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	The school instrumental music service has been of great benefit to my children and they have gained so much from being part of orchestras and exchange trips with German students. The concerts bring families in to the school and make parents feel more connected to the life of the school, resulting in greater support for other activities. I do feel it would be a great loss to lose this service.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
3225	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Loosing music would be a backward step	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
3226	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	This proposal makes me quite upset. I benefited a huge amount through music tuition. West Lothian council should be able to see the positive outcomes that come from music. The successes of JYHS wind band and WCHS band should be enough evidence of the exceptional skills and opportunities that come from the musical tuition service. If you cut this more than you already have over the years it will be a complete disaster. Music has been proven to be so beneficial for so many problems; behaviourally, for children with additional support needs, for improving concentration and discipline. It would be a poor decision to stop this. There are definitely places that you can make savings without touching the music department.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.

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3227	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Music in West Lothian is vital. I have taken part in 3 of my school bands, West Lothian youth wind band and West Lothian youth brass band. I got the chance to travel to Frieberg in 2015 with the youth brass band, this was an amazing experience and I am aware I was very lucky to get this opportunity. It was only due to West Lothian's brilliant music services that this was possible so I feel that this is one of the main reasons music funding is so important in West Lothian. I also feel that the 3 school bands I am in have given me so much. Not only have they given me the opportunity to perform and compete on behalf of my school, they have allowed me to meet fellow pupils throughout the school that I would have otherwise never met. I finally would like to say that if I do get into uni, it will be down to the many opportunities and experiences that the music programme in West Lothian has given me so it would be tragic to have to reduce it.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
3228	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Music lessons in primary and additional needs education should remain a priority. There is evidence suggesting that music can be used as a therapy for children, it builds confidence and hobbies can be discovered. Children in mainstream who feel like they are not able to achieve in other subjects (maths/English) can remain engaged and enthusiastic about their education if they can join in with something they enjoy. Music lessons could be reduced in frequency (i.e. one taught lesson per class per month) and the rest of the time scheduled "music lessons" could be a sing-a-long in the class room and resources could be shared between classes.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
3229	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	As a pupil of the IMS, I feel strongly about the continuation of dedicated specialist instrumental instructors separate from music as a subject. There is insufficient detail about what any "integrated" "reduced" "mainstream" provision would mean for county ensembles and school bands. I hope senior council officials are aware of the track record of West Lothian's world class school and county bands and the showcasing of West Lothian's musical talents on the national stage at Perth (brass and concert bands) and Glasgow (pipe bands) each year. It would be helpful to know how much it would cost per pupil for parents (that can afford to) to pay for instrumental lessons before you go deciding to ruin the heritage associated with West Lothian's young musicians. The instrumental music service also allows the students who are unable to take music as a subject, due to you reducing our senior phase subjects to six and five, to continue to develop our music education - much of it our own time, other than the twenty minute lessons once a week. Surely West Lothian Council should want to develop young peoples musical abilities to represent you.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
3230	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	A reduced instrumental music provision in our schools would be a great loss to the pupils who benefit from this teaching. Music education is known to improve academic skills, develop physical skills, cultivates social skills, refines discipline and patience, boosts self esteem and introduces children to other cultures. All children should be given the opportunity to benefit from some form of music tuition in our schools.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
3231	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	The provision of instrumental music is an essential part of a holistic approach to a child's education. Little can be obtained in a full class music lesson and for those interested in music this is not a viable alternative. The instrumental music teachers also form a vital role in bringing school communities together through concerts and competitions. To remove the opportunity to play a musical instrument from a child's education would be to remove an entire aspect of a rounded education. External music lessons are prohibitively expensive for many children. Not all children are sporty or academic, some only find their true area of interest through music and to deny them this would be a dispiriting approach to a rounded education. Instrumental music lessons should continue to be provided.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.

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3232	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Reducing Instrumental Music provision within schools is a massive issue. Thousands and thousands of young people benefit from instrumental music services and many go on to study music at University and The Royal Conservatoire of Scotland. Instrumental music services give young people a chance to extend not only their music skills but also their skills in other subjects such as maths and modern languages as well as allowing them to build many skills such as social skills, teamwork skills, and the ability to listen, learn and discuss. It also improves their confidence. The same young boy who in S1 had trouble speaking to anybody and had so much social anxiety that he couldn't make friends or answer in class, stood up in front of over a hundred people and spoke to them about the quartet he had formed and conducted in S6. That growth and improvement came through his music tuition in percussion. There are many other kids, teenagers, and young adults who have the same experiences. They are given time management skills as they have to learn to juggle music lessons, exams, band, and everyday life. And they manage. They also do Associated Board for the Royal Schools of Music exams and pass with flying colours. This gives them UCAS points which in turn gives them opportunities in the future. I play the trombone through the instrumental music services and I can tell you that I would not have the confidence, skills, or amazing experiences I have without the Instrumental Music Services. I've had the experience of standing on a stage at Perth Concert Hall with many of my friends, who are in the band I play in, and receiving tremendous applause for the performance we just gave. I don't think I have ever been more proud, not only of myself and the others around me, but of my school and region. I don't think I have ever been more thankful for the amazing conductors and music staff that got the band to the stage of receiving Gold Plus awards. I also attend other bands such as the West Lothian Schools Wind Ensemble and I have had the experience of working under some of the best conductors, I believe, there is. The experiences and skills that I have been given through instrumental music are beyond anything I could imagine. I don't want that taken away from me, and thousands of other young people across West Lothian.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
3233	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Instrumental music cannot be cut. As a member of James Young High School Wind Band and the West Lothian Wind Ensemble it would be an ABSOLUTE disaster not just these 2 but all the amazing bands West Lothian has to offer. West Lothian has one of the best (if not THE BEST) music tuition that Scotland has to offer. I have benefited so much from free school tuition in school as it has offered me an opportunity that I might not have been able to do if I had to pay for tuition or if it wasn't available at all. It has also helped SO many other people from SO many different backgrounds. If you make cuts to the INSTRUMENTAL MUSIC SERVICE you would be stopping so many talented and amazing musicians from being able to learn an instrument or take part in amazing opportunities like playing in school bands and area bands. Lastly, who ever came up with the IDIOTIC idea of making budget cuts to music should be sacked as they obviously DO NOT realise how beneficial the programme is. The opportunities I have been able to do like go to summer schools at the ROYAL CONSERVATOIRE OF SCOTLAND and perform and rehearse with world class conductors has been amazing and it would be a horrible thought to not have music anymore in schools.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
3234	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	The proposition for reduced instrumental music provision is extremely saddening and concerning. As an ex-school pupil who greatly benefited from the musical tuition provided I am angry that this has even been considered to be cut. The skills acquired through musical instruction expand far beyond that of the physical skill of playing an instrument. Having the opportunity to play within a band allows for children to learn vital team work skills. At a social level the ability to participate in lessons and band with other pupils allows for friendships to be created. This is a vital resource for individuals who struggle to make friendships on their own but also creates a vital network of support for everyone within the band. Musical tuition allows individuals to gain confidence and pride from learning, performing and progressing. I think it is devastating that this service may disappear as it would prevent the next generation from experiencing the ability to learn to play an instrument, where other wise they may not have the resources or funds to do so privately, but it also prevents pupils from experiencing the wider social and emotional benefits. As I say as a benefiter of the service I continue to benefit from the skills I gained. Learning to play an instrument, participate as part of a school band and attend music related outings were the highlights of my school career. It provided my with a positive outlet and escape when other aspects of the school curriculum failed to provide the support I needed. In many ways it was this opportunity that maintained my positive outlook on education.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.

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3235	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Reducing music provision sounds rather vague! And why music? Why not a @reduced religious provision@. Religion is a personal choice and nothing to do with school. Music is an extremely important part of personal development and has been scientifically proven to develop both sides of the brain, enhancing performance in all other subjects. For many pupils it is the only subject from which they derive joy, and for most students it is in school that they are first given the opportunity to play an instrument and join a band - something they could not afford to do or would not occur to them to do outside of school. My children are high achievers and BOTH are heavily involved in music and musical instruments (since primary school). I have found it has contributed enormously to their overall development and all round enjoyment of education. There are other more effective ways to cut costs in schools without chopping out key subjects! You might as well say we are not going to teach History any more - you seriously need to re think this one. Improving job prospects in West Lothian does not include making music teachers redundant. (For the record I am not a music teacher).	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The provision of religious education and religious observance are both statutory requirements. All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
3236	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Reducing music departments in schools is not a good idea in the long run, these encourage youngsters to get involved in group activities, bands etc, and is good for developing skills to work as a team , develop self -confidence.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
3237	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	There is evidence that learning to play a music instrument at an early age exercises the same part of the brain as Maths. This is a big mistake to reduce instrumental music in schools as it contributes to young people developing their mathematical ability, and having access to the growing employment/skill area of Science, Technology, Engineering and Maths (STEM). This is a key to engaging our young women especially in engineering careers. Instrumental music is a lot more than an unnecessary luxury.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
3238	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	My son receives brass music instrument tuition in school. West Lothian schools pride themselves in their music accomplishments and are frequently reported in the local press with their achievements. To reduce or take away this service would be a huge mistake. I suggest charging parents and perhaps reduced payments for those parents on income support. I'd happily pay for my son to continue with his lessons.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
3239	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	The removal of individual instrumental tuition from schools would be a massive backward step. Countless adults have had their lives enriched immeasurably over the years by a lifelong love of playing music, that was first introduced to them at school. Moreover, such a measure would increase drastically the inequalities already present in the world of musical opportunity.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
3240	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Disagree that funding to schools be reduced. Instrumental music provision is a fantastic opportunity for children who may not have access to music tuition by any other means.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
3241	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	While I agree with the idea behind this I totally disagree with any plans to reduce instrumental music provision. I have seen so many examples where free instrumental music provision has increased confidence of young people. All three of my children are getting brass lessons and are part of West Lothian Schools Bands and Inverlmond CHS band. If this provision was to go or become chargeable it would severely limit chances for young people to work with others and build confidence. I feel that it would lead to a situation where only children from families with a lot of disposable income would be able to learn an instrument. At the moment the system is inclusive regardless of financial status and I am very worried that this would change.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
3242	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Musical education makes an enormous contribution to the educational experience of so many pupils. It provides a huge confidence boost, higher self esteem, wider friendships groups, cultural awareness and appreciation. It has also been show to boost cognitive development (through many studies eg increased mathematical ability). The benefits are not just to the individuals but to the whole school community (and wider community) through concerts and cultural enrichment more generally. The instrument teachers do a fabulous job and we will all be poorer if this is cut.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
3243	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	music provision could be offered as extra-curricular clubs and charged accordingly	Instrumental music provision	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.

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3244	No Response	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Musical instrument teaching adds enormously to the educational experience of pupils in West Lothian. It is already restricted in that not all pupils who wish to play an instrument get the opportunity to do so please do not reduce this service further. Music provides a huge boost for a child's self confidence; provides culturally enriching experiences which they can gain in no other way; broadens friendships; aids emotional well being; and aids cognitive development all round. There have been many studies which indicate a link between playing an instrument and mathematical attainment.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
3245	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Reducing instrumental music provision in schools would undoubtedly be detrimental to the development of future generations of WL children and young adults. As someone who was fortunate enough to be involved with the music service throughout my whole education from primary to secondary I have no doubt that without the opportunities, discipline and friendships that I made from attending lessons/school orchestra/school folk group/west lothian strings orchestra/WL folk group/WL symphony orchestra (as well as representing them at local, national and international events) I would not be where I am today, currently working as a Doctor in the NHS. The skills learnt from receiving free music tuition during the years where we are growing and developing into young adults do not stop at being able to play an instrument, which in itself is a fantastic way to allow people to express emotions and creativity and also provides excellent entertainment during school concerts etc; it teaches the importance of dedication, hard work, discipline, communication skills, time management, team working... The list could go on for days, all things which are undeniably of importance in terms of future employability/applications to further and higher education. I'm sure that the importance of music in the curriculum is not doubted and that people are aware of this, however the other vital aspect to be able to deliver these opportunities and positive benefits is that the service of providing music lessons on a one to one basis must remain free or we are denying the people who need the additional support most to reach their potential and gain these skills; i.e. people from low income areas who are statistically more likely to be unemployed/have poorer physical and mental health outcomes/not have opportunities to travel.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
3246	An employee of West Lothian Council	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Music and the playing of instruments has been proven over and over again in academic research and literature to improve the learner experience of young people, which in turn raises attainment. Music classroom teachers do not have the time nor skills to deliver this to young people therefore having instrumental music provision is a must. By reducing this service you will be jeopardising young peoples' success and also growing the gap between affluent and poor - those whose parents can afford it may privately pay for continuing tuition but many families will not be in a position to do so.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
3247	An employee of West Lothian Council	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	I think arts and cultural activities which enrich society teach young people more by way of responsibility, working for a collective gain, and to contribute to society are vital and are probably one of the more successful outputs of the education system in west Lothian. However, if there must be a cost, this should be structured in such a way the children from more deprived or low-income backgrounds do not miss out on the opportunity to participate.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music and arts provision through curriculum for excellence.
3248	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Instrumental lessons are great if they lead to take-up later on. I do not believe that anything that is free is truly valued. Even a nominal cost would be preferable	Instrumental music provision	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
3249	No Response	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	The Music Instrumental service is critical to many young people throughout West Lothian. Without it, we are unable to provide children with the chance to flourish in an area that they will not have access to without the Instrumental service that the council provides.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
3250	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	I feel passionately that there should be no reduction in instrumental music provision. The learning of music has been shown to improve intellectual ability through increased pathways in the brain. Also, with the staggering increase in rates of teenage depression and anxiety it seems ludicrous and short sighted to reduce provision of an aspect or learning which is both mood boosting and distracting from the stresses of modern life. Personally, both my daughters have benefited in countless ways from music - both playing in school bands and attending annual music camp which has been an annual highlight for them. Music is so good for children in terms of boost to mood, self-esteem and development of teamwork skills. Please please please do not make cuts to this vital aspect of education.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.

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3251	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Music provision, along with arts and sports, should not be seen as an easy target for savings. These areas are as important to a well rounded education as the more 'academic' subjects and for some young people they are a lifeline. West Lothian has a strong music provision that it should be proud of and the young people who are part of it have benefited greatly from it in terms of team working, discipline, hard work and all gain increased confidence. I would oppose cuts to this area.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music, art and PE provision through curriculum for excellence.
3252	No Response	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Taking the opportunity to learn an instrument away from children within schools will exclude those who are less fortunate. And will only benefit the privileged who can afford to pay for private lessons. I feel that giving more responsibility to head teachers may benefit more children in the long run, in particular children who's parents are worse off financially.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music, art and PE provision through curriculum for excellence.
3253	An employee of West Lothian Council	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Why not offer music provisions at an additional cost to the parents, like a music club. This would be give people the option rather that cutting it out altogether.	Instrumental music provision	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
3254	No Response	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	I would strongly oppose cuts in these areas. The focus on purely 'academic' attainment is detrimental to many young people. Music provision is so important. It facilitates learning in a group setting, it teaches discipline and the importance of working hard to get result. It improves confidence. West Lothian has always been strong in music provision and this has benefited many young people. Having dedicated music teachers moving around schools will provide more opportunities than an integrated approach which will cut the choices available and overall greatly reduce the music provision in the region. Music provision should not be seen as an easy target for cuts.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music, art and PE provision through curriculum for excellence.
3255	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Support this. Music tuition is used mainly by affluent families, and should be completely stopped and resources used to protect vulnerable families.	Instrumental music provision	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music, art and PE provision through curriculum for excellence.
3256	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	I think it is shocking that you want to do away with instrumental music this is a great asset to children helping them with a variety of skills this can lead to a wide career choices to take this away from children especially ones that do not have the money to pay for this private would be an absolute disgrace.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music, art and PE provision through curriculum for excellence.
3257	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Music is one of the aspects of happiness for pupils all over Scotland, therefore the fact the council is cutting back on music is not fair and may take a great opportunity away from many deprived children. In Scotland a lot of children cannot afford private lessons for music so school is the only chances to play and learn an instrument. Music is a great creative skill and builds confidence to help in later life. The chance for a performance and excursions also come with music so if you cut back children could also be losing their chance to go for a trip and more. This can help children gain friends and social skills to work well with others, playing in an orchestra can help children get team building skills. On a CV music shows employers creativity and commitment. Universities not only like academic subjects they like someone to show that they have a creative flare. An example of jobs that many assume would not require something creative is dentistry, veterinary and jobs within medicine, this is because you need to show manual dexterity so learning an instrument could be a possibility for those. Universities like to see the fact you have a great commitment towards something outside of your school subjects, learning a musical instrument is an example of this as many people play instruments for years. Music is a chance for pupils to release their deepest emotions and feelings in what seems like a language that everyone can understand.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music, art and PE provision through curriculum for excellence.
3258	An employee of West Lothian Council	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Reducing music provision will be a loss, as a lot of our children in west Lothian do not get these opportunities elsewhere, as some parents/carers cannot afford them, or else do not take their children to any out of school activities. This will only increase the gap between life opportunities for young people.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music, art and PE provision through curriculum for excellence.

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3259	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Does West Lothian want to be the 1st and ONLY Scottish local authority to completely remove Instrumental Music tuition? Surely, reduced central management is possible and asking parents to make a contribution is better than no service at all.	Instrumental music provision	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
3260	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	I do not support a reduced instrumental music provision in school. The school band is a source of pride for the whole secondary and is only possible because the teaching starts in primary school.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music, art and PE provision through curriculum for excellence.
3261	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	I also believe instrumental music provision is important and should be protected	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music, art and PE provision through curriculum for excellence.
3262	No Response	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	I would not support reduced instrumental music provision. This is a well received in primary school and the school band (only possible because the teaching starts in primary) is a source of pride for the whole school.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music, art and PE provision through curriculum for excellence.
3263	An employee of West Lothian Council	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Not sure what this Does this mean no-one goes out to schools to support? Music is an easy hit but can transform the life of a young person such as has been shown in the Raploch.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music, art and PE provision through curriculum for excellence.
3264	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Music education in schools should NOT be cut in any way. My children have reaped enormous benefits since learning to play the violin in P6. They are now in S2 and S5, are still receiving school lessons, have achieve Grade 3 and Grade 5 through school lessons. They are part of the school orchestras. They participate in music exchange trips, concerts, and music camps. These opportunities have not only benefitted their music abilities but developed other areas such as confidence, the ability to persevere, being part of a group, commitment, dedication. The talent when you hear the school orchestra plays is incredible. PLEASE don't take these opportunities away.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
3265	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Music education in schools should NOT be cut in any way. My children have reaped enormous benefits since learning to play the violin in P6. They are now in S2 and S5, are still receiving school lessons, have achieve Grade 3 and Grade 5 through school lessons. They are part of the school orchestras. They participate in music exchange trips, concerts, and music camps. These opportunities have not only benefitted their music abilities but developed other areas such as confidence, the ability to persevere, being part of a group, commitment, dedication. The talent when you hear the school orchestra plays is incredible. PLEASE don't take these opportunities away.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
3266	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	The instrumental programme must remain a priority for West Lothian. My oldest daughter went through the programme and was a part of the award winning West Calder High School Band. This helped her develop into a confident, happy student, who is a credit to her school and her community. Learning the flute taught her not just music, but the importance of hard work and commitment, something which she has carried through into her further education. We would not have been able to afford Flute lessons and without the instrumental programme she would have missed out on this opportunity. Now my 2nd daughter is in P7 and is also going through the programme. She is much less confident in her own abilities than her sister, but I know that the programme will help her shine and believe in herself. The West Lothian music programme brings great kudos to the region and to lose it, I fear would do irrevocable damage. West Lothian has a great music history, it must be continued through the music programme.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music, art and PE provision through curriculum for excellence.
3267	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	We understand that cuts have to be made however it is a sad day when you remove the instrumental music provision to ordinary children. Making and sharing music is such an uplifting experience. It is not an add on. It can literally change a child's life. All of our children have developed incredible confidence and resilience through music. This just can't be replicated. If cut off, this experience will return back to privileged children whose parents can afford to give them this opportunity. Why do children of parents who are only just managing constantly bear the brunt of cuts?	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.

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3268	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	There are countless articles and documents stating how important extra-curricular activities are to children in schools, so it is confusing and very much frustrating as to why West Lothian Council would want to reduce one of those available. As an former pupil of a West Lothian high school, who had great involvement with the Instrumental Music Provision, I would be deeply saddened to see it reduced. A very large proportion of the practical and life skills I developed throughout my school years is due to being part of both Junior and Senior School Wind Bands, as well as the Regional Concert Band and Regional Wind Ensemble. I was only able to be part of these music groups due to receiving Instrumental Music Provision at school and, not only did this experience give me the opportunity to make new friends, but also increased my confidence and improved a vast range of skills (including team-working, time management and leadership skills). The skills I developed through the Instrumental Music Provision has assisted me in securing a number of jobs, as it highlights dedication, the ability to honour commitment in addition to all the skills previously mentioned. The Instrumental Music Provision has essentially made me the person I am today. My younger sibling has also gone on to take up an instrument through the music provision in the school, which came about from when I was involved in the music programme. I still regularly attend concerts and competitions where the impact of the instrument music provision setting is so clearly evident on the children and young people's confidence, skills and overall schooling experience. It would be an immense shame to take away this amazing opportunity from future musicians which makes West Lothian so unique. A price tag cannot be put on the benefits that the Instrumental Music Provision provide young people with.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
3269	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Speaking as an admissions advisor for Heriot Watt university, we in the university feel that the instrumental music provision made by West Lothian council has been fundamental in improving the chances for unconditional acceptance of West Lothian students. The opportunity to show long term commitment to a band or orchestra gives us evidence of a student who is willing to commit to a voluntary programme. This is over and above the known benefits in student's confidence.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
3270	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	As a parent of 2 young adults who have been involved with West Lothian Schools instrumental programme for over 9 and 7 years respectively, I am extremely concerned that there may be further cuts to this area. I firmly believe my boys would not be the young adults they are today without being involved in the Instrumental programme. It has helped them become confident and committed individuals who help contribute to many aspects within school due to the skills learned taking part in the programme. If this service is reduced further, it will ultimately result in the school being unable to go ahead with their concerts throughout the year which enables the children to show their skills to parents and carers. School bands may end up being either reduced or disbanded completely. Therefore ultimately being unable to take part in Local and National competitions which both individual schools and area Ensemble groups have taken part in every year as long as my kids have been involved, and have one out of these with the highest awards. The Instrumental teachers show a huge commitment to their job and the kids they instruct and the time they give over and above their given hours often goes unnoticed. As a family we firmly believe that being involved in such a programme has assisted our oldest son in being admitted to Heriot watt University this year due to examples he was able to show in commitment and personal skills to name a few which were gained through the programme. If this service is cut any more than it is future generations of children West Lothian may even start to lose out on University places due to reduction in skills and commitment required at entry level. We have also heard first hand from an admissions tutor from a Uni that commitment is a big part of what they look for in personal statement, being involved in music and being part of the band shows a huge commitment throughout school life.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
3271	An employee of West Lothian Council	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Why is the council funding instrumental music, primarily used by the middle classes. The council keeps talking about addressing inequality and minimising poverty yet funds extra music for middle class kids. If West Lothian has a brilliant maths, English, science or sports student they won't have access to the same 1:1 tuition that Instrumental music provides. Can't be a priority	Instrumental music provision	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.

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3272	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	I strongly disagree that taking away the schools instrumental music provision is necessary. Thousands of school pupils rely on the instrumental service and not every person will be able to afford the instrumental lessons of they were to be changed. Pupils who religiously attend orchestras, bands, folk groups ECT. Pupils Gain confidence through meeting new people, building self esteem and better their playing. If West Lothian council wants to 'level up' the number of employees through the council, why get rid of the instrumental teachers when there is a shortage anyway. There could be the future Mozart who was never discovered because they couldn't afford lessons. Maybe instead of completely getting rid of the instrumental music provision I suggest that you consider asking people to buy their own music and instruments. Getting rid of the instrumental music provision would damage many people's self esteem and social skills. Music camps are also a way of getting better and improving your social skills. Instead of getting rid of the instrumental music provision West Lothian council could change little things that would not make big changes but helping with the proposed budget savings.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
3273	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Reducing instrumental service ???? Thought the council followed the charter which promotes child development both socially and academically. The children who play an instrument within the wind ensemble and school bands build a wider social circle of friends and also build their confidence playing to members of the public. They feel great pride when they achieve awards (platinum at the SCBF final with West lothian wind ensemble). I know children who were once shy and quiet, now after being part of this wonderful music opportunity have become confident and wonderful young adults who take skills they have learnt from being part of these groups into adulthood. I am applied that this can be considered, when we learn that the council wants to rebrand their logo (why, who knows) with a huge cost ££££££. What is more important I ask - a brand or an investment in our young that allows them to become confident/social young adults who will take skills learn into the workforce ? Think this needs more thought	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
3274	An employee of West Lothian Council	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Music provision is already very limited with few chances for kids to learn how to play instruments.	Instrumental music provision	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
3275	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Reducing the the instrumental music provision would be a huge loss to the children of West Lothian. As a parent of two children who are part of school bands and ensembles, I cannot stress enough the importance music has played in both their lives. Apart from learning a new skill, it also provides opportunities to improve confidence and team building skills. West Lothian has few school groups of which it can be justifiably proud, but it's musicians are an exception. They have won multiple awards within Scotland and the UK and are a credit to the music leaders who coach them. It is also a fact that the experience of being in an instrumental group is seen as a benefit when applying for university admission. Any reduction in instrumental music provision may have a direct reduction in West Lothian students being admitted to university.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
3276	An employee of West Lothian Council	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	.the music provision gives every child the chance to play an instrument regardless of their background which is what Nicola Sturgeon is trying to achieve	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
3277	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	I am very concerned at the proposal to reduce instrumental music provision. Surely there should be an opportunity to keep the current system but to charge a fee if that is necessary. I strongly feel that learning an instrument and being part of a bigger group such as Band and Orchestra is, for some children, so key for good health & well being, as well as improving social interaction& confidence, & learning to work effectively within a team. It would be a complete travesty to lose the Senior Band and individual brass lessons from [REDACTED] has worked exceptionally hard to get them to the point of winning a Gold Award at National Level. They are one of the best in Scottish schools and have grown in confidence individually and collectively as a result. Obviously I'm keen for instruments to be available to all. I think it is time to go back to Means Testing, so that those able to, will pay for some of these wonderful things that we enjoy and appreciate that have been provided free up to this point. Council need to look at how to generate revenue, I think many people would rather pay for services they value than have them taken away!!	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.

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3278	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	West Lothian also has a worldwide reputation for the music achievements the young people have, again due to the nurturing and development offered to all children irrespective of their ability to pay for specialist lessons and instruments. Some structure of means testing would allow this wonderful experience to remain within the grasp of all children no the few.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
3279	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	You should not take away music because people could be a musician and you're ruining their chances.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
3280	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Music is a fundamental part of my children's life for the past six years. Through music they have developed my skills required in life. Initially when they began to play flute, they learned patience and good manners. I believe this has helped them with other academic courses such as maths through problem solving, understanding beats, rhythm and scales these help with division and fractions. Music helps in applying good social skills by peer interaction, communication and teamwork. A major factor in playing an instrument teaches discipline and perseverance of practising for many years. becoming part of a larger ensemble they learn respect for others they become attentive after having to sit for long periods of time. Music has also helped boost self confidence which helps in skills such as public speaking. Music in schools is already stretched and would not be able to offer children the skills and expertise of the instrumental department. Children would not be able to be part of a larger band or wind ensemble. Many parents would be unable to afford private lessons. The instrumental department goes above and beyond the jobs. The extra time they give for extra rehearsals. The band received a platinum award this year, through the hard work of the music team. Music is just as important to wellbeing as sport. I believe strongly my children have excelled in life due to music, it has shaped the young adults they have become. My oldest child is now studying music at university but is still part of the wind ensemble.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
3281	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	you should not take away music because every one could be a musician and you're ruining their chance.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
3282	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	I think the reduction in musical provision will be a big loss as not all children get the opportunity to develop musically at home	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
3283	No Response	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Musical services provided to West Lothian school children are second to none and provide something special for hundreds of pupils and therefore should not be affected by budget cuts or subject to pupil charges	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
3284	No Response	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Students should be entitled to have a choice of what is important in their learning. My son has been playing music for 8 years and he has found this rewarding in so many ways. He has grown in confidence through the years and music has brought a sense of relief as they go through exams which lead to increased stress levels. Some children may prefer Art, drama, PE but the choices should be varied. Music has had such a positive outcome on my child and hope that this continues. West Calder High School are playing in the annual Scottish Band Festival on Sunday 3rd December at 6.30. Perhaps councillors should attend to see how invaluable music means to children of West Lothian.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
3285	No Response	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Very concerned if this means reducing Ed psychology services or music education in our schools, both of which improve overall outcomes for children.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council will continue to meet its statutory duty to meet the needs of every child. All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
3286	An employee of West Lothian Council	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	a reduced instrumental music provision will result in a lot of children who already find the academic route tricky even harder and you will see more school leavers not focused - my own son plays and this has been a life saver and he now wants to pursue a music career - if he had not been encouraged then he would be going down a very different route my daughter also plays and her confidence has really increased	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.

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3287	No Response	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	My biggest concern is that reducing the availability of free musical tuition has potentially larger repercussions than might be imagined. It gives children a sense of belonging, an outlet for emotions, discipline and self-discipline, responsibility, team-work, solo practise, and accountability. West Lothian should be fiercely proud of the musical talent found in its young people and this self-expression should be nurtured, not silenced. Many families would not be able to afford music lessons for their children otherwise, and I am not doubtful that there would be a sudden decrease in musical activity in the region. We are very lucky to have free musical education, as other local councils have seen to remove it from their areas, but we can't afford to not offer this service in West Lothian.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
3288	An employee of West Lothian Council	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	The loss of the IMS support to schools would have a massively detrimental effect on the culture, ethos and attainment in music within schools. Without IMS provision school concerts and shows, where pupils learn to be confident individuals, effective contributors etc will be unachievable. I could not over state the importance of trying to find a way to maintain the IMS provision within schools.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
3289	An employee of West Lothian Council	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	What happens when funding is gone, are school children going to lose out as already parents are asked to contribute to school activities.	Instrumental music provision	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Parents do not have to contribute to core curricular activities.
3290	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	I think that continuing to provide an instrumental music service in schools is very important. Without this, many pupils would not be able to enjoy the benefits of learning to play an instrument, and of playing instruments in a group setting. Benefits include enhanced language, cognitive, social and emotional development.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
3291	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	We should charge for instrumental school music.	Instrumental music provision	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
3292	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	The world without music would be an empty place . Education is all about adding value to each pupil and success cannot be judged by formal qualification attainment alone. Children from all backgrounds benefit from exposure to music and this part of curriculum should be maintained . Define attainment as the above statement is unclear.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
3293	An employee of West Lothian Council	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	I do not agree with reduced music provision. Can not the system of free tuition be subsidised by the council with parents paying some (say 50 or 75%) towards lessons? Please keep school orchestras going - again maybe supported both by council and parents.	Instrumental music provision	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
3294	An employee of West Lothian Council	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Please don't cut funding for music in schools too much. As previously stated, surely parents can help pay something towards music tuition and after school activities such as orchestras and band practice.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
3295	An employee of West Lothian Council	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Education should be more of a nurturing, varied process instead of purely academic. Mental Health issues in children and young adults can be addressed by way of allowing a creative outlet. Reducing music provision is wrong. Music is one of these creative outlets. Pupils should feel that school inclusive of all types of children whether they are gifted academically or gifted in other ways such as music or sports. Music is a lifeline to some school children.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
3296	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	I would be very disappointed if instrumental musical provision was cut. West Lothian has supported this part of the school curriculum successfully in the past. Music is an opportunity for pupils to gain confidence in a subject other than other vocational subjects.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
3297	No Response	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	it is important that musical instrument teaching continues.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
3298	An employee of West Lothian Council	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Music has a small impact on day to day life as opposed to sport, maths or science so it makes sense to cut music to the level it actually has a positive effect.	Instrumental music provision	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.

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3299	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	I think each school may have different targets and preferences as to what they can offer to the children however if parents/pupils who not have a say on this they could potentially miss out on opportunities such as sport and music which might be a key interest of theirs.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music and PE provision through curriculum for excellence.
3300	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	As a high school pupil in West Lothian I am very concerned about a proposed reduction in instrumental music. This year I achieved 4 A passes and 1 B pass in my highs. One of my A passes was music, playing keyboard and violin. Without my strings teacher I would not have been able to achieve the great results. My music class teachers are not able to teach a variety of instruments,, generally only keyboard and glockenspiel. There is a great variety of instrument options for music students at present in West Lothian Schools. Many talents would be lost without this nessecary service. Numerous concerts are held all aver West Lothian which would not be possible if the cuts in staff and instruction happen. To deny children the opportunity to experience the making of music would be a travesty. PLEASE RECONSIDER AND MAKE SAVINGS ELSEWHWHERE DO NOT CUT MUSIC INSTRUCTION. This would have a huge impact on pupils hoping to study music to exam level, making their career choices impossible and cause a terrible loss of young people growing up without an oppportunity to enjoy music.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
3301	An employee of West Lothian Council	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	For Instrumental Music, could lessons be charged to parents on a means tested basis, e.g. if families are eligible for school clothing grant they get lessons free, if not they pay?	Instrumental music provision	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
3302	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	I am a third year pupil at a high school in West Lothian. I am very worried about the proposal to cut music instrumental lessons. How am I supposed to continue to progress and pass my National 5 music exam at the end of 4th year without instrumental instruction ? My music class teachers are not trained to teach different instruments. There will be no concerts at school or West Lothian Schools Area Ensemble rehearsals and concerts without music instrumental teachers. The council will deprive children of the amazing opportunities that music brings, this will affect decisions young people make when choosing subjects to study and many talents will be lost, PLEASE CONSIDER THE IMPLICATIONS OF NO MUSIC.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
3303	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	I would urge the council not to cut the budget for music provision. Both my children have play instruments and have the enjoyment of performing with the cluster and school bands. My son was bullied badly in S1 and has a terrible year and his only comfort and escapism was music. He suffers from anxiety as a result of the bullying and being part of both the Cluster School Brass Band and the School band he is able to cope better in this environment. He is not sporty and therefore music is his main interest which along with guitar lessons he is self taught in keyboard and drums. Please, please reconsider any cuts to this provision.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
3304	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Instrumental music provision should not be reduced as this would disadvantage young people and particularly those in areas of deprivation.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
3305	An employee of West Lothian Council	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	What does the reduced instrumental music provision in mainstream curriculum have to do with the central government's proposed changes to education in Scotland?	Instrumental music provision	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
3306	An employee of West Lothian Council	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Most young people only have access to musical instruments within school and cannot afford to get their own instruments. If we are looking to promote equality in the council area, how can we justify reducing this vital provision? It will only affect less well off young people in the area.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
3307	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Revising, cutting down, or removing instrumental tuition would be a serious step backwards in the education of musical children, who would lose out on valuable time honing their skills. In addition, musical tuition allows for development of additional skills, both in other subjects and as well as socially.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.

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3308	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	The proposal to reduce the instrumental music provision in schools concerns me greatly. As an alumni of Linlithgow Academy, I know I am not alone among my peer group in recognising the continuing positive impact of having received instrumental lessons through the council while at school. In my own case, I would quite literally not have been able to access the career I currently hold without those lessons. As a starting point, my access to these lessons and the musical ensembles they enabled me to participate in throughout my school career constituted the bulk of the extracurriculars I was able to include on my university applications. I read Biochemistry at Durham University, an institution that highly values involvement in extracurriculars, and so I wonder if my application would have been accepted without these experiences. I began this course with the intention of pursuing a career as a research scientist; however, following my graduation, I came to the conclusion that this was not for me. I decided instead to pursue a career as a music therapist, which required completion of a Masters qualification. Usually, either a music degree is a prerequisite for this course - as I did not have this, it was only by virtue of my extracurricular musical experiences at school and at university that carried me through with my irrelevant degree subject. Now, my income consists of my work as a music therapist, as a community musician and as a performer, none of which would have been possible without the instrumental music lessons at school. I would like to emphasise that I am specifically referring to the extracurricular instrumental lessons, and not the classroom music tuition. The proposal to integrate these lessons into the classroom tuition is unrealistic and would not be a true replacement by any stretch of the imagination. The format of individual/small group lessons is crucial to musical development if an instrument is to be learnt to any real standard. The opportunity for effective mentoring, of instrument-specific knowledge and technique, of individual attention and understanding of the needs of the individual child, or the development of a trusting relationship necessary for nurturing a child in the emotionally vulnerable pursuit of learning an instrument - none of these can be replicated in classroom lessons. Personally, while I greatly valued my classroom music tuition, as an adult I can see that my musical and personal development primarily happened in the instrumental lessons and resulting ensemble playing, whereas the classroom tuition was a more appropriate environment for developing my understanding of music on an academic level - while I valued this and still hold an interest in the topics I began studying in those classes, I doubt I would still actively make music myself today if the classroom curricula was all I had experienced. As a final point, I would like to direct your attention to the two following articles, which specifically consider the effects of instrumental study on development. Please note emphasis on the distinction between instrumental programmes and generic music programmes. http://digitalcommons.library.umaine.edu/cgi/viewcontent.cgi?article=1022&context=honors http://www.vh1saveethemusic.org/sites/default/files/BenefitsofMusicEd%20%281%29_1.pdf I hope you will	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
3309	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	The culture of West Lothian is closely tied to music, with many of the young people accessing IMS as a vehicle to be included in collegiate activities such as concerts, camps even simply group rehearsals. Schools are important in providing the young musicians of the future and there is a concern that a removal of the service would exclude large numbers of pupils from being included if they cannot afford private tuition. Allocating a cost for music lessons is not equitable for the reasons mentioned but perhaps means tested somehow?	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
3310	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Music staff in schools do not have expertise in the range of instruments required to simply replace the IMS service and the quality of SQA attainment is likely to suffer as a result of a removal of the service. The cost of Guitar tuition has been absorbed by schools but there is no capacity to replicate that model across all specialist areas.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
3311	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	With schools now having the pupil equity fund, a review of the central support provided would be appropriate. I do not understand why cost recovery charges are not applied for instrumental music, so that the families that can afford it and want their child to participate can pay and the more disadvantaged don't have to. I understand there are links between music and attainment, however I would expect that the children who currently participate in instrumental music are from more affluent backgrounds and will already be more pre-disposed to better attainment than children from poorer backgrounds. Therefore the priority should be on the pupils from the poorer area who might need the additional support, instead of providing a 'nice to have' to the more affluent.	Instrumental music provision	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
3312	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	As a tuba player in numerous brass bands the experiences has improved my confidence giving me a feeling of self worth, allowed me to make contacts I would never have made in my normal school life, I can't put into words how important music has been in my dyslexic life, how could you understand that dots on a music staff make more sense to me than the written word, for me it is not a private lesson but a basic educational requirement. Why should it only be the privileged or rich that benefit from learning a musical instrument	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
3313	No Response	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	It would be shocking to lose the instrumental service at schools, it's a sanctuary for many children and a joy for parents. Unbelievable that they no longer have swimming.. Quit changing the way teachers teach and save money - disgracefull!!!	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.

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3314	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	I completed brass teaching 20 years ago at primary school and now my son is currently completed the same learning skills. Without this support of the arts neither myself or my son...or MANY other children in west lothian will develop the skills to read music, further their skills on to higher music at high school and enter the arts for a profession or social pastime	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
3315	An employee of West Lothian Council	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Reducing instrumental instruction would be a fundamental mistake and should not be sanctioned.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
3316	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Music should not be reduced or removed from the curriculum. It has proven benefits including strengthening mathematical ability	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
3317	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Reduction in music provision is also unwelcome.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
3318	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	I do not agree with reducing instrumental music provision - I think all children should have the opportunity to learn an instrument. It fosters self-discipline, mastery and opportunities (e.g., to join orchestras/bands) that increase confidence and self-identity. These are skills for life and West Lothian has a good reputation for music.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
3319	No Response	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	however slightly concerned with the apparent reduction in music learning; the implication is a net reduction on music spending?	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
3320	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Any reduction in the instrumental music programme would be an act of child abuse.you don't take away children's rights to learn.as an avid supporter of the instrumental programme with my two children, I would be deeply offended if this service was to be cut. ██████████ also attends these magical musical events with his foreign dignitaries and friends.what is he going to tell them in the future when they can't attend because west lothian council has robbed these children of their right to learn and exceed.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. It is not proportionate to equate the proposal with child abuse.
3321	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Again, greater efficiency in these areas is essential. Consideration should be given to charging for instrumental music to avoid cuts that would reduce opportunities for young people to develop their talent and enhance their lives. It is not unreasonable to ask those who could afford to pay for lessons to do so - this does happen in other areas of Scotland.	Instrumental music provision	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
3322	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	I think the cutting of instrumental music lessons in schools is incredibly short sighted. It is well evidenced that music enhances a child's education in many ways and investing in music improves school outcomes and success in many areas not only relating to music. Reducing the lessons will lead to the disappearance of bands, orchestras, drama productions and remove an invaluable outlet for many children to whom other subjects at school have not been engaging. There is no way this sort of tuition can be catered for within a standard school music lesson. Those who can afford lessons outside of school will need an ensemble to play in so no doubt will be siphoned off to private schools. Yet again the inequality gap will widen. Please to not allow this poor decision to be made. We must keep music as a top priority in our schools. It is fundamental to our education.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
3323	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	I believe that reducing instrumental provision would not be a good move for the council. Having music tuition in children's lives and being part of a music ensemble not only encourages children to communicate better with their peers but also keeps their brains active which can help with other subjects of the curriculum. I know the huge benefits my son has experienced in the 3 years since taking up a brass instrument and whilst some of his friends now laze around playing video games, my son is part of a family that contribute greatly to the wider community making him a more responsible and respectful member of society.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.

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3324	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Music is such an important part of children's lives, I think it's crucial that the instrumental programme stays in West Lothian. The West Lothian ensembles are so highly thought of and have done extremely well in the Scottish concert band festivals over the years. The benefit to the children and young people who take part is clear for everyone to see, it encourages good friendships, good work ethics and confidence. I quote from the West Lothian council page "As well as musical development, the many general benefits gained from learning to play a musical instrument include: enhanced listening and concentration, discipline, co-ordination, language development, memory and social skills. It helps your child to become part of a team and to respect other team members whilst increasing your child's confidence and participation in the wider school and community." With all these benefits to our young people it would be extremely sad to see this disappear from the county.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
3325	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Do not agree with the reduction in instrumental music provision. This is a wonderful service provided in West Lothian and should be maintained where possible. Not all parents would afford private music lessons and children will lose out. For pupils completing personal statements for university the instrumental music provision can play a significant part, certain courses actually stipulate manual dexterity as shown through musical ability.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
3326	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	I wouldn't want to see reduced music provision in schools; too much evidence to show how playing a musical instrument can help a child's brain growth etc - not to mention their mental wellbeing.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
3327	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	With regards to reducing instrumental provision you would see a dramatic decline in children with arts talent. Money is already tight in households for Parents to pay for children to get lessons on instruments, well it would not be a priority and then you would see a massive reduction in learning about music. How is this giving children a breadth of curriculum. Not every child is academic and rely on art programmes to further their learning.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
3328	An employee of West Lothian Council	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Other staff such as visiting specialists being done away with do not understand how this will help provide a broad education and mean only well off children will have access to music	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
3329	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Hi, I'm a music student receiving the lessons and I really enjoy them. I would like say there are plenty of other ways to save money. I know the money is going towards a good cause, but there are loads of music teachers that may be without a job. I am among a group of music students that really would like it if we could keep on getting the same amount of lessons.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
3330	No Response	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	It is important that services for children remains and also keeping the orchestra classes going. Families who take part could not afford private lessons	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
3331	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	My daughter has gained highly from the free music tuition and because of this, it has improved her social skills/ confidence. It would be a real shame if this opportunity were to be unavailable to other children to get this chance. I am not in support of these cuts and feel that West Lothian student music would become poorer in ability if the responsibility of teaching the students specialist instruments were to lie of subject music teachers rather than instrument qualified teachers.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
3332	No Response	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	I am strongly in support of continuation of musical tuition and specialist teaching given the huge benefits my daughter has gained from this for her development/increased confidence/social skills had she not had this opportunity provided for her via specialist tuition and orchestra she partakes in on her West Lothian school. With news that this may be withdrawn means that this will limit the availability of all the benefits of specialist music department/teaching can bring to west lothian's children to just a chosen few and the education system all the poorer for it.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
3333	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	The provision of instrumental music teachers in our authority is essential in allowing our children and young people to develop their full potential through expressive arts. Any departure from this would be a sad loss for our authority. Music provides an outlet for many young people and enables them to cope effectively with the stresses which arise in modern society. This dedicated service provision should be maintained.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.

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3334	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Music is an important part of children's education don't think this should be changed	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
3335	No Response	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	My son has greatly benefitted from the music tuition provided to him at school. This has already been cut but his school headmaster has employed their music tutor so the children can still benefit from their one on one tuition. Music and sports are just as important as the other subjects in fact can give children a purpose. Music has kept my son busy and he is never wandering the streets causing trouble like some of his peers. Also, my daughter, who has autism but is mainstream educated, is learning an instrument and is now part of the West Lothian band ensemble. This has really helped her confidence and social skills. You only have to see some of the concerts and shows put on to see how many talented children there are in our schools. We couldn't afford private tuition and this helps give our kids more of an even footing with their more advantaged peers.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
3336	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	There should be no reduction in the instrumental music provision - it will not be possible to bring this into the mainstream curriculum. it is important to continue with the provision as it is as it maximises the opportunities for young people to develop their talents. School bands are at the forefront of school celebrations and West Lothian is recognised for the high standards of bands that are developed.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
3337	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	West Lothian's provision of instrumental services for young people is the envy of many other council areas in scotland. Don't jeopardise the excellent service we provide in this county by making significant financial cuts in this respect.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
3338	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	While there is a general move to decentralise school management which seems to work in some English schools I am alarmed at the notion of reducing the level of music input to schools. The arts are a vital part of life.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
3339	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	These provisions are not extras. They are what gives our children the chance to develop and grow in confidence. Music should be available to all not just the better of.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
3340	No Response	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Why would 'integrating a reduced instrumental music provision' be considered a benefit? Helping children by learning the discipline of music is a great way to bring out different abilities for our children.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
3341	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	The education system is at breaking point - both teachers and children are suffering due to a lack of proper investment. Music teachers provide a vital service within schools, particularly for children that can excel here and face real issues with the more academic service. Teachers and children need more support to reach their full potential - DO NOT CUT HERE!!!	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council has put forward proposals across the full range of its activities including music and education more generally.

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3342	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Reduction in these services will in time produce a very negative effect for all users and beneficiaries of the current system. For example, skills developed by learning a musical instruments include good study habits and practice regime, commitment and resilience, cognitive development, organisational skills, problem solving, perseverance, decision making, accuracy and team work. Research has shown that music can have a positive impact on the following qualities: self confidence, self discipline, imagination and creativity, communication skills, social skills, self respect, listening skills, concentration skills, commitment, loyalty and co-operation. These are all life skills and transferrable from school, to further education, employment, good citizenship and beyond. As such failure to provide instrumental music provision could have wide ranging negative effects. All children should have accessibility to music and instrumental musical tuition. West Lothian Council have a very well attended and successful schools pipe band being Champion of Champions and picking up numerous titles and trophies over the years, including 4th place at this years Pipe Band World Championships. This comes through hard work, study, drive, determination and dedication. Approximately 50 children put in hours of practice as individuals on a daily basis and at band practices several times a week and proudly represent their schools and Council, whilst upholding the traditions of our national instrument. They will be paying their respects as they parade this forthcoming Remembrance Sunday. This must continue!	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
3343	No Response	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Music can raise Attainment and the potential of IMS to contribute to closing the achievement and Attainment gap should not be underestimated. Would direct all activity by IMS to evidence based interventions, such as the Raploch Orchestra. Middle class parents can pay for their music lessons.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
3344	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	music gives children extra points for university who may not normally be accepted I would not support a cut in music lessons	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
3345	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	As previously stated Instrumental Music cannot be reduced from the mainstream curriculum. This would have drastic educational consequences. Surely this is of Cultural and Educational Importance.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
3346	An employee of West Lothian Council	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Very important that instrumental music provision continues. This is a vital service, that would otherwise be denied to the children of poorer families, while better-off families can make private arrangements. In Edinburgh, they decided against closure of the Music School, and we should follow their example.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
3347	An employee of West Lothian Council	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Finally, the proposed cuts to instrumental music service is ludicrous and needs to be addressed. How can education and raising attainment be a priority if you plan to disband this service and take away the opportunity of free instrumental lessons in schools?	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
3348	An employee of West Lothian Council	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	however reducing the instrumental music service provision is going to limit opportunities for many of our children and young people. I feel that this is an important provision in our schools which provides the chance for many pupils to develop their confidence, creativity and natural skills and abilities, isn't this what curriculum for excellence is all about?	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.

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3349	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	I would not support a reduction in instrumental music provision and integration of it into the mainstream curriculum. Many music teachers in West Lothian would inevitably lose their jobs and young people would lose the opportunity to learn an instrument. It has been shown in scientific studies that there is a developmental gain from the opportunity to learn a musical instrument as well as taking part in concerts at school, regional and often international level and music pupils gain a lifelong superior ability to work within groups and provide support to their peers, something that has not been shown from other subjects offered in the mainstream curriculum. Music touches the lives of everyone. While it would be absurd to suggest that removal of the current level of support within West Lothian would result in a silent world, it is not appropriate to attack one subject suggesting it has less value in the overall school curriculum or to those students studying it especially as many of those who do gain qualifications will go on to achieve at a professional level and gain employment continuing to pass on their skills and enable access to the benefits of music at a worldwide level. West Lothian Council has already previously removed financial and practical support from music education in a previous budget shake up. I would suggest therefore that the other subjects within the curriculum are considered for their share of the cuts. On a personal level, although not a musician, I find it offensive to place less value on an Arts subject and it demonstrates a lack of understanding of what pupils gain from music instruction.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
3350	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	I am strongly opposed to cutting instrumental music. It is wrong to lump this in with cutting central support to schools, as you could easily embed the whole budget within schools, so this proposition is disingenuous. One of my sons owes his career as an orchestral musician to the tuition he received at school in West Lothian, and if you are keen to promote positive destinations for school leavers then why cut this?	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
3351	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	I feel that a child from a less affluent background who has the potential would be disadvantaged if they had to pay for music lessons. Could there be a means tested option? where if a child is impoverished they could be subsidised for music lessons.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
3352	No Response	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Instrumental music provision for all is important	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
3353	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Please do not do this, my son is in 2 year at West Calder High School. my son required learning support while he was at Primary school he is now thriving and confident. There are huge positive benefits for children who take up a musical instrument, my son is learning to play the violin. this has moved his confidence, self-esteem and over all academic ability, school in West Lothian are lucky because the music department in the schools have dedicated hard working teachers who inspire the young people they teach. this is evident in the regular achievement of the various school choirs, orchestras, woodwind, brass, pipe, strings. this is a vitality important part of my sons education that i could not provide if it was not offered at school.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
3354	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	please do not reduce these services, my own son benefits from the youth music initiative, the benefits to children and young people who take up music out weights any savings to be made. learning an instrument improves, confidence, and self-esteem. my son attends West Calder high school, and the teachers in the music department are of the highest standard, they are dedicated and exceptionally hard working; they inspire and encourage the children to push themselves to be the best they can be, celebrating every achievement regardless of how small.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
3355	An employee of West Lothian Council	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Instrumental music provision, as part of setting up school rehearsals and providing a sound and light production within my school. I have noticed with great admiration that the positive and level of self belief in pupils who normally would shy away and retract into them selves, the positive moral that these pupil achieve with being in the west lothian band is truly amazing. It would be a very and sadly missed opportunity to watch these pupils from primary to year six grow with confidence and pride playing in the best band in the country.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
3356	No Response	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	I feel that a child from a less affluent background who has the potential would be disadvantaged if they had to pay for music lessons. Could there be a means tested option? where if a child is impoverished they could be subsidised for music lessons.	Instrumental music provision	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.

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3357	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Instrumental music provision in schools is incredibly important! A reduced service doesn't bear thinking about. Many young people would have absolutely no access to this type of art at all, if not for the already limited opportunities they have in schools. Many many young people who have the opportunity to express themselves through music & instruments may have found themselves down a very different route without this opportunity in their lives. Music promotes confidence, self-esteem, positive mental well-being, being part of something, sharing a common interest. It can keep young people off the streets, or getting mixed up in anti social behaviour. It is a discipline and a skill, and it crosses boundaries within the educational curriculum. Cutting or reducing this service doesn't feel like a successful saving, it feels like a punishment for the children and young people who would be affected, and a missed opportunity to nurture accomplishment.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
3358	An employee of West Lothian Council	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Instrumental music provision should not be reduced again! This has been shown to enhance learners experiences across the curriculum not just in music. This service has already been cut. If the council wants to save money here they should introduce a means tested payment for these services but please make them still available.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
3359	No Response	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Please do not reduce music tuition, I believe it is critical and proven to boost attainment in maths and science	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
3360	No Response	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Similarly, the proposal to reduce the instrumental music provision to schools will impact on the enriching aspect this and other creative arts brings to our pupils.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
3361	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Instrumental music provision into the mainstream curriculum should not be cut. This cuts access to education based on the financial status of the pupil.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
3362	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	I think schools be given help for the music/arts and sport to help children. It has been proven that they improve the children's ability to focus in class and help provide them discipline and organisation skills.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate art, PE and music provision through curriculum for excellence.
3363	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	leave our music classes alone they are not for touching in any which way the kids who do these classes do not do for fun they work hard put in hours after school and do it for to help when leaving school go on to further their interest in the music world leave schools alone they are trying hard to teach with what little staff and things you give them as it is	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
3364	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	On the subject of reduced instrumental music provision. When I was at school in the fifties there was no musical instrument tuition available. Likewise when my children attended school. In adulthood they have both learned instruments but they regret the lack of opportunity when they were children. Now my grandchildren may not have the opportunity. It makes me sad to think that my local council for 70 years may be throwing the achievements of the past 20 or so years away. I understand that West Lothian are highly respected for their various school bands and it would be depressing if this was discontinued as we all know if something is cut off it is lost forever.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
3365	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	I do not support the reducing of music provision to schools. My daughter has a keen interest in learning to drum. She is not particularly academic and she will be hoping to study music at high school. It will be so disappointing if this is taken away from her. There are lots of children who would lose out on this who need the creative side of the syllabus in order to achieve qualifications. It is not all about academic qualifications. The amount of money saved does not warrant our children having less opportunities.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.

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3366	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Strongly disagree especially regarding the Instrumental Music Service. West Lothian has an enviable reputation with their music service and ensembles. The Music service provides immeasurable benefits to young people - not just in learning an instrument, but all the social benefits, confidence, raising of self esteem, opportunities, improved attainment. Pupils with additional learning needs benefit even more especially if they are trying to integrate into mainstream education, as the small groups or 1 2 1 classes give them focus and support. Many young people have little opportunities outside school dependent on their home / family / financial / social situations, and this chance to learn to an instrument, then move into an ensemble as well as gaining friendship with other young musicians is priceless. It would be criminal to remove this very valuable resource.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
3367	An employee of West Lothian Council	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Music is a vital resource and helps bridge the gap - one of the Scottish Governments major policies. If you cut the chances for our less well off citizens then only the people who can afford music tuition will be able to participate. In addition what impact will this have on pupils looking to attain National 5, Higher and Advanced Higher... results will go down....	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
3368	An employee of West Lothian Council	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Each Head Teacher has different ideas and targets but I do believe that popular subjects as well as music should be maintained.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
3369	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Reducing instrumental provision would be an absolute tragedy as it impact on the lives of so many children. If a reduction is completely essential I would suggest starting the tuition later. To stop this for children currently using it for national 5 and Higher to improve their qualifications and life chances would be devastating.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
3370	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Keep child music support.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
3371	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Don't see music, sports etc as luxuries they are essential to well-being.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
3372	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Please don't take away the music lessons. I am fifteen and have been getting lessons since I was in s1, this is the only way I have been able to get them because they are too expensive otherwise. Music has made me a whole different person, I have learnt so much about music and about myself. If you take music away, I won't be able to play my saxophone anymore, there won't be anymore Christmas concerts, there won't be any music camp. I have finally found my passion please don't take it away from me now.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
3373	An employee of West Lothian Council	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	To lose or change the current Instrumental Music Service would be a total travesty. This is a fabulous opportunity for West Lothian school children and enhances the lives of those who take a full part in it. As someone who grew up with getting this opportunity it makes me feel utter devastation that there has even been a consideration to remove this. Investing in young people is the future. Music provides so many benefits to health and wellbeing as well as all the success for personal exams. Pupils meet and make friends with other like minded pupils from other schools that they would probably have never met and get to work together to create special concerts. Please do not change this. More investment is needed in this valuable service that West Lothian is renowned for. West Lothian Council should be very proud of this service and protect it from these cuts. Keep giving the West Lothian pupils this chance to enhance their lives.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.

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3374	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	The Instrumental Music Service should not be reduced because it provides opportunities to children such as meeting and befriending other players of all ages and allowing them to further develop their skills. Reducing the Service means less children or none at all would be able to have the same great experiences I have gained as a result of the teachers and all the hard work they do. Playing an Instrument of any kind allows players to develop skills such as their perseverance, discipline, social skills, commitment and their school attainment in general. As a result of the Instrumental Music Service I feel more confident in myself and my abilities and had excellent attainment over all my National 5s and Highers which the Instrumental Music Service has aided me in. Within Schools there is a selection of unique bands which pupils of all ages can take part in, this allows players to get to know people of different ages and skill levels. This also creates a welcoming environment in which students can assist each other in developing their playing skills and social skills. Band is an enjoyable place to be and is a break from the usual school routine and gives people something to do rather than doing nothing with their spare time. As a result of these bands, players can participate in local events and competitions which encourages them to be the best they can be, this mind set of striving to be the best is not only used in music but in school subjects and adult life as well. These are valuable skills which are developed in a fun and exciting way thanks to the Instrumental Music Service. Outwith Schools there are even more opportunities to play in local bands. Personally I have been able to represent Scotland in competitions on numerous occasions which have given me valuable experiences such as playing in Freiburg, Germany as well as Cheltenham, England. I have also been able to play at Murrayfield Stadium during the Six Nations. This generates a sense of pride as each individual player, not matter what band, has something they can be proud of which has made their life more interesting. Being able to play in a band includes you in the local community by playing at local events such as Galadays, Christmas Concerts, Carolling at The Centre and Remembrance Days. This allows players to feel more included in the area they live in and bring a little joy to many people's lives, because who doesn't enjoy Christmas. Without the Instrumental Music Service bands will become less common as there will not be enough players in the local area to support at these events will forever change the community. Not only do bands take part in local events, they also support charities by playing at charity events with organisations such as	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
3375	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Reducing music provision is a concern as there are many children who learn instruments within the authority who would not have the opportunity should the service be cut. Primary teachers do not have the specialist knowledge or expertise to teach this.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
3376	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	We must not cut instrumental music service Such a great link to raising attainment it would prove to be of detriment to the raising attainment strategy Education must not be cut This is the backbone to improving the future of West Lothian	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
3377	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Charge for music tuition for those that can afford to pay for it.	Instrumental music provision	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
3378	An employee of West Lothian Council	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	I agree with music provision being taken away from schools as there are only a certain number of children who gain from this experience.	Instrumental music provision	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.

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3379	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	I am really concerned about a reduction in instrumental music provision. Music brings much wider benefits than just being able to play an instrument, and the fact that different feeder primary schools learn different instruments means that the Area Ensembles can continue to be successful year on year. If you cut the music provision at the roots, then it will only be a matter of a few years before the Area Ensembles will start to wither. It would be a shame to throw this all away, after all the hard work, dedication and commitment from both the children and their tutors and teachers. You only need to see the number of schools that participate in the SCBF competitions, and the awards that they achieve, to see that West Lothian should be proud of their schools' performances. I didn't grow up in this area, and one of the things I always admired about the set up in West Lothian was the fact that the children came together in a spirit of collaboration to play together in the Area Ensembles. Not only do they get to meet new people and make new friends, it stops a culture of "them and us" from developing. In the local authority area where I went to school, music provision and teaching was solely conducted within individual schools. This led to rivalry developing between schools at competitions, and ill feeling between some children - unfortunately across sectarian lines in some instances. I would urge councillors and those responsible for making these decisions to think very carefully about this, and also think about the wider implications of losing the Area Ensembles.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
3380	An employee of West Lothian Council	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	With regards to instrumental tuition it's sad to have to cut it but if it could be retained at secondary schools it would be ideal. At the primary level many children lose interest quickly anyway but by secondary school many children are studying for exams which require them to receive quality instrumental tuition to pass. Also in a council which once had the World Championship winning schools brass band it seems a crying shame to lose this tradition.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
3381	An employee of West Lothian Council	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Reduced instrumental service would have a huge negative impact on our children. Provides our children with so many opportunities and opens so many doors for them later in life. Helps aid learning in other areas of the curriculum. Helps to bridge the attainment gap. Class teachers are NOT music specialists and cannot provide the specialist tuition these teachers give.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
3382	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Those who can afford to pay for instrumental music should contribute	Instrumental music provision	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
3383	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	I have seen first hand the impact instrumental lessons provide to pupils, and know that this cannot be delivered by class teachers. It has to be a specialist, and it has to be considered as more than an 'add on' to education. It is essential. Instrumental lessons shape the pupil for life, teaching focus, application, team working, resilience, organisation, leadership and emotional intelligence. Add to this the proven brain development that takes place while learning an instrument and there is an argument for increasing instrumental lessons. If instrumental lessons are taken from schools, becoming a musician is placed once again into the hands of those who can afford to pay for lessons and instruments. There is no reason why a child from a poorer background cannot be as good as one from a wealthy background apart from the availability of experience. I strongly disagree with removing instrumental lessons from schools. There is a case for headteachers employing instrumental teachers but unless they are given a ring fenced budget to do so, this is unlikely to be maintained. The carefully nurtured and nationally admired instrumental service built up by West Lothian Council will become no better than a token nod at providing quality musical education.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
3384	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Reducing the instrumental service even further will be devastating for youngsters and remove access to music and arts for many. Learning an instrument is proven to improve young people's attainment across all subjects not just music. This would be an unwise, short sighted move by West Lothian.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
3385	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	To reduce instrumental tuition would be a disgraceful move and have a major impact on young people. Music provides extreme amount of skills for learning, life and work and has been proven in many researches. Any pupil, parent, family member and the School community will support the positive and motivational impact on instrumental tuition which should not be reduced or removed. Due to ongoing and increasing mental health issues with young people, changing educational psychology to an advisory role may have a very negative and hugely concerning impact on the health and wellbeing of all young people. EP department should be further invested in to ensure appropriate support is available for young people.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.

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3386	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Disagree. Education is a priority. Centralised services are important to this. For example music provision. This is crucial to helping children reach their full potential and break out of the cycle of poverty.	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
3387	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Don't agree with reduction in music in schools, as this may be the only chance some children will have access to musical instruments	Instrumental music provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
3388	An employee of West Lothian Council	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Too vague to comment - what impact? How much saved from each suggestion? How many children impacted and how?	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
3389	No Response	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	No comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
3390	An employee of West Lothian Council	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	No comment - I do not have enough information regarding this.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
3391	No Response	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	No comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
3392	No Response	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	I do not have any children, so do not have any opinions on this.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
3393	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	This is fine as a statement of intent. However, without further detail of the consequential impacts of the £2.5m savings it is not possible to comment further.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
3394	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	I cannot comment on the educational psychology proposal	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
3395	An employee of West Lothian Council	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Unable to respond, not within education	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
3396	No Response	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Can't Comment don't know current system	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
3397	An employee of West Lothian Council	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	n/a	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
3398	An employee of West Lothian Council	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	No comment.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
3399	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	-	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
3400	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	nil	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
3401	No Response	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	I feel given head teachers	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
3402	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Interesting would like to know more	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
3403	No Response	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	No comment to make.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
3404	No Response	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	no comments on this section.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
3405	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	I am not well enough informed to comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
3406	No Response	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	the funding is getting hit the hardest in schools and the strain on the head teachers and teachers have a lot on their plates	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
3407	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Not sure what this means for my children & how it will affect their education	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
3408	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	No comments as I have no contact with the current education system	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
3409	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	I don't understand budgeting advantages and restraints enough to comment.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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3410	An employee of West Lothian Council	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	What implications are there for council staff who work in or with schools?	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
3411	No Response	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	However, the impact to our culture is often unmeasured and I see here that there is little, if any, detail on what the impacts of these changes will be. Again, as with previous, without real detail here it is difficult to truly comment on the approach as it is vague and ill described.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
3412	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	I have no idea what this means. Please explain better.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
3413	An employee of West Lothian Council	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	i dont not know wat this means	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
3414	No Response	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	I have no children of school age now so am not involved with the practices used in schooling these days so what ever you need to do I cannot comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
3415	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Again sounds like this is what the council should be doing however the devil is in the detail as it depends on the exact nature of the changes.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
3416	An employee of West Lothian Council	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	No idea if this is good or bad as I have no children in the school system.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
3417	No Response	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Reductions in Educational Services seem to have been the norm for most of my adult life. These decisions have an impact on our future generations and must be taken with the widest professional input.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
3418	An employee of West Lothian Council	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	No opinion on this	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
3419	No Response	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	???	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
3420	An employee of West Lothian Council	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Again not very well explained in what we will be losing here, and how it will affect our kids and teachers	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
3421	No Response	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	No comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
3422	No Response	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	I have no view on this.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
3423	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	No comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
3424	An employee of West Lothian Council	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	No comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
3425	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Didn't know we had an instrumental music provision to reduce.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
3426	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	With children at primary and secondary schools at the moment and being a member of a parent council this will work in some schools but not all. For	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
3427	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Ridiculous jargon.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
3428	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Schools seem to have been favoured so far so can imagine that more savings can be found here especially as a big budget service but all very sad.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
3429	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	get back to the basics with reading , writing etc .	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
3430	An employee of West Lothian Council	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	No comment as have no kids at school	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
3431	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	You do not explain how this will save money, nor how Head Teachers will attain the capacity to manage all this.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
3432	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	It is easy to cut activities which are seen as additional including music without any real understanding of the benefits these types of activities can bring.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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3433	An employee of West Lothian Council	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	These proposals are worded very vaguely so I think it is difficult to properly comment and provide constructive suggestions when it is not clear what the intended change would realistically entail.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
3434	An employee of West Lothian Council	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	!	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
3435	No Response	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	hhhhhhh	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
3436	An employee of West Lothian Council	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	as above	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
3437	An employee of West Lothian Council	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Not able to comment on the above, I do not have children in the schools system so am unable to compare what is currently in place to how things will be in the future.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
3438	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	nil	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
3439	No Response	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Unable to comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
3440	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	No Comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
3441	An employee of West Lothian Council	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	No comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
3442	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	No comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
3443	An employee of West Lothian Council	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	No comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
3444	An employee of West Lothian Council	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	qdsqsd	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
3445	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	I'm having difficulty understanding this statement and what you want me to comment on. Have the changes at national level been successful? Do Head Teachers welcome these changes? Is the purpose of the changes purely on financial grounds or has a review shown that services would improve if done in-house? "Integrating a reduced .. instrumental music provision ..." - what does this mean? Instrument teaching will stop in all schools, or will offering vary depending on music teachers experience?	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
3446	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	More information is required on this	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
3447	No Response	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Your description above does not give actual details as to what you plan on doing therefore it is impossible for me to comment.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
3448	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Reduced quality assurance is unclear. What music provision is currently provided? Overall comment - the way these questions and statements are worded is really opaque. Why not just say we have to make cuts of X. Why would you cut? list. I accept everyone has different priorities but core services must be provided and if we cannot do that we need more money raised through taxes to do it.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
3449	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Doing this and saving 2.5 million, something will have to give, what?	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
3450	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	No comments as I do not have children	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
3451	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	no comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
3452	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	No comment.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
3453	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Availability of child psychology services ?	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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3454	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	No comment as I have little knowledge of how the education system works.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
3455	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	More detail required.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
3456	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	No comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
3457	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	I do not have enough information on the above to support this.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
3458	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	No comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
3459	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	good but bad	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
3460	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	doesn't affect me	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
3461	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	No comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
3462	An employee of West Lothian Council	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	No comments	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
3463	An employee of West Lothian Council	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	NO COMMENT	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
3464	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Insufficient details to make an informed comment. Impact? No support	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
3465	An employee of West Lothian Council	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Sounds good in theory but no practical evidence is given to support this action.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
3466	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	From my perspective, nothing seems to improve educational outcomes. Unfortunately, I cannot provide any other comment other than an acknowledgement that education is very important.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
3467	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	No comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
3468	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	No comment.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
3469	No Response	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	No comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
3470	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	There needs to be more detail in relation to these statements to make them clearer (e.g. educational psychology already provides an advisory approach)	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
3471	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	I would need to see more details of this proposal before commenting.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
3472	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	This seems to me like a load of waffle without actually setting out what the direct impact would be on pupils. More information is needed to comment effectively.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
3473	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Woefully inadequate information once again! What on earth does this mean?	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
3474	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	no comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
3475	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	No comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
3476	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Not qualified to comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
3477	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	This whole consultation like the last one lacks detail. How can the public and officers in different departments comment to questions that clearly lack detail and costings. I demand that proposed detail be provided before any decision and conclusions to consultation are proposed.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
3478	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Seems an inevitable outcome of the Scottish Government's Education Governance Review if it goes ahead.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
3479	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	No effect on me	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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3480	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	We do not believe we have the knowledge or experience of this area to be able to make an informed comment on it.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
3481	No Response	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Again I do not know enough to comment.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
3482	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Not clear what the council will do to achieve savings, impact on current and future users, families and immediate community.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
3483	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	No comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
3484	An employee of West Lothian Council	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	I don't have children	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
3485	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Don't know what you mean	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
3486	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	plain English please	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
3487	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	unable to comment as not in plain english	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
3488	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	No Comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
3489	No Response	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	n.a	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
3490	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	No comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
3491	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Insufficient information provided above & no personal knowledge to comment on this.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
3492	An employee of West Lothian Council	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	No comment.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
3493	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	No comment.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
3494	An employee of West Lothian Council	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Children need to be educated throughout school years so it is important to look at all areas of the curriculum so that no child misses out.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
3495	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Don't agree about marvellous school estate. The school I know of has a PFI contract which means serious repairs like roof leaks are left for years. Don't suppose you can get out of these contracts as Unison has suggested but at least there could be no future PFI schemes or ones with much higher penalties for repairs not done.	No preference given	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
3496	No Response	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Priorities need to be in teaching reading, writing and arithmetic. Ensuring all children are provided with the same level of teaching.	Quality assurance in schools	4. The council is already doing this.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
3497	No Response	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Need to ensure an appropriate number of suitably qualified members of staff to carry out the Council's Statutory duties. IT systems and support needs to be appropriate to needs to services	Quality assurance in schools	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council is committed to implementing agreed proposals without detriment to pupils. The Council will retain an appropriate number of suitably qualified staff to deliver its priorities.
3498	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	The level of education of primary children moving on to secondary education varies greatly between schools. Some secondary schools are having to repeat the basics of reading and writing before they can start more advanced lessons. Standards within some primary schools need to be improved and progress should be overseen by teachers from secondary schools.	Quality assurance in schools	4. The council is already doing this.	This comment reflects council practice in increasing collaboration between schools and improving support at transition.
3499	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Quality Improvement Officers, Education Officers, Development Officers.... Can we get back to actually teaching the kids!!!!!!!!!	Quality assurance in schools	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	The proposals will affect the balance between front line staff and those in support roles but recognise the contribution of both.
3500	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	If help is needed from third party providers to ensure that a service can be provided is a good thing but they should only be used after all options of in house services have been exhausted.	Quality assurance in schools	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	In general third party providers are used where this is more efficient or provides a higher quality service than can be provided in house, or in some cases where specialist experience is not available in house. The proposals do not alter this.

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3501	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Hopefully an overview of consistency of attainment between schools in the area will be maintained.	Quality assurance in schools	4. The council is already doing this.	Maintaining a consistent approach to raising attainment is a key priority for the Council.
3502	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	HMI at Scotland wide level should ensure less quality assurance by the council is necessary. Make Head teachers answerable for attainment in schools. Good reasons for poor formal exam results in areas of social deprivation Options required. Not all young people are exam orientated. Time we looked at other routes.	Quality assurance in schools	4. The council is already doing this.	The new Regional Improvement Collaborative will provide additional support to schools for quality assurance. Headteachers are expected to exercise a high degree of autonomy, and increases are anticipated as part of the national governance review. Headteachers, and the council, will provide a curriculum appropriate to the needs of individual pupils.
3503	No Response	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Agree with restructure but would not wish to see a reduction in quality improvement or quality assurance activities.	Quality assurance in schools	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Quality assurance and improvement is a key building block of raising attainment. The embedding of expertise in schools through the Validated Self Assessment process, and the new Regional Improvement Collaborative will ensure these activities remain strong within West Lothian.
3504	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	By working in partnership with more partners, other professionals for example childhood practice graduates they could benefit from their skills and qualities and involve them more in quality assurance and self evaluation systems. Likewise school teaching staff could complete this in early years settings.	Quality assurance in schools	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	This suggestion will be considered by appropriate officers as part of the implementation of early learning and childcare.
3505	An employee of West Lothian Council	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	25% of West Lothian's children do not get a 27-30 month development review (allegedly universal) that is supposed to identify a range of development domains - many of which are required to undertake statutory learning in an EY or school environment. Education legislation requires any changes to take account of how service changes will impact upon those in the lowest SIMD quintile (and education specific aspect of the broader socio-economic duty). I am not convinced that those proposing cuts have an understanding of legislative procedures etc. that have been varied in recent updates to existing education acts or recently introduced ones.	Quality assurance in schools	4. The council is already doing this.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. This appears to the 'socio-economic duty' introduced by the Education (Scotland) Act 2016. The Council is aware of, and is following, its provisions.
3506	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Some teachers are great, some are good and some are god-awful. How do you measure performance? Pay the best Teachers more, get rid of the under-performers.	Quality assurance in schools	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	Teachers pay and conditions are set nationally, and it is not within the gift of West Lothian Council to offer performance related pay. Standards are set nationally by the GTCS, which also sets the framework for monitoring and addressing underperformance. This framework is applied within West Lothian.
3507	An employee of West Lothian Council	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Centrally run quality assurance is not necessary. Headteachers and PTCs should be able to quality assure their staff effectively and are already doing so. The VSE system would continue to work without the input of QIOs who haven't been in a classroom setting in years.	Quality assurance in schools	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The proposal to reduce central quality assurance is a result of the on-going programme to embed expertise in schools.
3508	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	The reduction in quality assurance activities is unacceptable. During a key period of change the ability to evaluate its impact is essential and necessary to allow appropriate governance. To allow schools to self report reduces the Council's ability to appropriately ensure quality. I strongly oppose this element of this proposal but broadly support other elements.	Quality assurance in schools	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The reduction in central support for quality assurance is the result of an ongoing process to embed expertise at school level through the Validated Self Evaluation process.
3509	No Response	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Quality assurance is vital but with training could be carried out by the headteacher with support from the secretaries.	Quality assurance in schools	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Quality Assurance activities are being embedded at school level through the Validated Self Evaluation process, resulting in less need for central support.
3510	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Reads as if the council is almost washing its hands of educational difficulties. There needs to be QA processes in place at council to ensure equity of treatment for our young people. The council should also act as a conduit for sharing best practice which could be achieved through a quality assurance process leading to continuous improvement.	Quality assurance in schools	4. The council is already doing this.	Robust Quality Assurance processes are in place. In future these will become the responsibility of the Regional Improvement collaborative, which will also be responsible for sharing best practice.
3511	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Better teachers are needed Some children being let down by the education system	Quality assurance in schools	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
3512	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Concerned that education is taking a bit. Provided it doesn't impact teaching standards I am supportive	Quality assurance in schools	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council has put forward proposals across the full range of its activities.
3513	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	EQAC, VSE, WLAM should be absorbed under collective HT role and not Councilors etc	Quality assurance in schools	5c. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it is not consistent with the council's values and priorities.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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3514	No Response	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Reducing quality assurance sounds fine.	Quality assurance in schools	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Rigorous Quality Assurance will continue, with a greater focus on peer review by school based staff.
3515	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Making the statement reduction / quality assurance is a bad thing	Quality assurance in schools	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Rigorous Quality Assurance will continue, with a greater focus on peer review by school based staff.
3516	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	I absolutely agree that quality assurance activities can be and should be dealt with at school level. Let teachers teach and decrease the amount of paperwork and stress (and consequently costly teacher absences) generated by current quality assurance procedures.	Quality assurance in schools	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Rigorous Quality Assurance will continue, with a greater focus on peer review by school based staff.
3517	No Response	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	This reads well, but what if your head teachers are basically incompetent but have impressed your education department with their jargon.	Quality assurance in schools	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Schools and Headteachers will remain subject to rigorous performance measures. Support will be available from the Council and the new Regional Improvement Collaborative.
3518	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	If quality assurance services are to be reduced, I would be concerned about the effects on education.	Quality assurance in schools	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Rigorous Quality Assurance will continue, with a greater focus on peer review by school based staff.
3519	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Concerned that management within the school does not achieve efficiencies, savings or benefit.	Quality assurance in schools	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
3520	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	As per answer for 1b. How is the efficiency of each school audited and evidenced?	Quality assurance in schools	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Schools will remain subject to legislation such as Best Value and national audit arrangements will remain.
3521	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Quality assurance of all services is necessary so that we know they are meeting local and national standards. We need to make sure our young people receive the best education they can so ensuring quality is an absolute must do. Providing good, strong education will in itself help to meet some of the council's priorities, particularly around early years, attainment and positive destinations. The public need to have faith that these services are adequate and fit for purpose, quality assurance is a key means to ensure this.	Quality assurance in schools	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Rigorous Quality Assurance will continue, with a greater focus on peer review by school based staff, supported by the new Regional Improvement Collaborative.
3522	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	I think that savings can definitely be made in terms of quality assurance activities.	Quality assurance in schools	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Rigorous Quality Assurance will continue, with a greater focus on peer review by school based staff, supported by the new Regional Improvement Collaborative.
3523	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	In my experience, Head Teachers do not always have the skills required to facilitate this proposed change. In my opinion there still requires a central degree of quality assurance and compliance.	Quality assurance in schools	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Support will continue to be available from the council and the new Regional Improvement collaborative. Rigorous Quality Assurance will continue, with a greater focus on peer review by school based staff, supported by the new Regional Improvement Collaborative.
3524	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	I disagree - there needs to be quality control and fairness across schools. This proposal will mean we have variable quality of schools and variable access to provision (such as music) across WL depending on how good the school HT is (and that can be variable).	Quality assurance in schools	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Support will continue to be available from the council and the new Regional Improvement collaborative. Rigorous Quality Assurance will continue, with a greater focus on peer review by school based staff, supported by the new Regional Improvement Collaborative.
3525	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	This makes sense in terms of business support and QA.	Quality assurance in schools	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
3526	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	If quality assurance is to have an 'advisory approach' where will that leave the standards required for our pupils. Again Head teachers need to have someone to support and confirm that progress is being maintained on a regular basis.	Quality assurance in schools	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Quality Assurance will be undertaken by the new Regional Improvement Collaborative. The Collaborative will deploy existing staff ensuring the continuation of the existing excellence of approach.
3527	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Quality assurance is vital; the administration of which could be carried out by school secretaries with training.	Quality assurance in schools	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Quality Assurance will be undertaken by the new Regional Improvement Collaborative. The Collaborative will deploy existing staff ensuring the continuation of the existing excellence of approach.
3528	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Quality Assurance should be a central function under Scottish Government and not self-certified mediocrity under the Council.	Quality assurance in schools	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Quality Assurance will be undertaken by the new Regional Improvement Collaborative. The Collaborative will deploy existing staff ensuring the continuation of the existing excellence of approach.

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3529	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	I agree consistency is needed. My child went to secondary school with significantly different abilities and competencies than children from other feeder schools. This was unfair on the pupils and teachers and took the whole of first year to balance out.	Quality assurance in schools	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Current council practice designed to maximise quality of provision, consistency of delivery of the 3-18 curriculum, effective early intervention, effective transition and best value.
3530	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Any changes must not affect the quality of provision for school pupils	Quality assurance in schools	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	The Council is committed to implementing proposals without detriment to pupils.
3531	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	The reduction in quality assurance activities may have a detrimental effect on the council's quality standards on which it places a value.	Quality assurance in schools	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council has embedded quality assurance within schools through the Validated Self Evaluation programme which focuses on peer review rather than external inspection. His is consistent with the national and local focus on improvement through collaboration. The proposals will not reduce standards in school, but are part of an ongoing process of embedding quality assurance within schools.
3532	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Reduction in the quality assurance of schools is worrying. The standards in West Lothian schools is hardly all that excellent. I put it to you, that if you can't produce better educated young people, you will have failed in a central objective.	Quality assurance in schools	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council has embedded quality assurance within schools through the Validated Self Evaluation programme which focuses on peer review rather than external inspection. His is consistent with the national and local focus on improvement through collaboration. The proposals will not reduce standards in school, but are part of an ongoing process of embedding quality assurance within schools.
3533	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Quality assurance activities could certainly be reduced as they are very time-consuming for the schools and achieve very little.	Quality assurance in schools	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The Council has embedded quality assurance within schools through the Validated Self Evaluation programme which focuses on peer review rather than external inspection. His is consistent with the national and local focus on improvement through collaboration. The proposals will not reduce standards in school, but are part of an ongoing process of embedding quality assurance within schools.
3534	An employee of West Lothian Council	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	There needs to be strong quality control measures in place to ensure that all schools reach acceptable levels of attainment and not have a situation where some schools appear to be a lot better than others	Quality assurance in schools	4. The council is already doing this.	The Council has embedded quality assurance within schools through the Validated Self Evaluation programme which focuses on peer review rather than external inspection. His is consistent with the national and local focus on improvement through collaboration. The proposals will not reduce standards in school, but are part of an ongoing process of embedding quality assurance within schools.
3535	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	I agree with an overhaul of business support provision and quality assurance activities	Quality assurance in schools	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The Council has embedded quality assurance within schools through the Validated Self Evaluation programme which focuses on peer review rather than external inspection. His is consistent with the national and local focus on improvement through collaboration. The proposals will not reduce standards in school, but are part of an ongoing process of embedding quality assurance within schools. In relation to Business Support Managers, the council is committed to implementing agreed proposals without detriment to pupils. The proposals seek to reach an appropriate balance between front line and support functions, recognising the importance of each. Headteachers are expected to exercise a high degree of responsibility and autonomy, and increases are anticipated as part of the national governance review.

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3536	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	I am also concerned about the downgrading of the central quality assurance function. Is this compatible with the drive for continuous improvement and raising standards?	Quality assurance in schools	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council has embedded quality assurance within schools through the Validated Self Evaluation programme which focuses on peer review rather than external inspection. His is consistent with the national and local focus on improvement through collaboration. The proposals will not reduce standards in school, but are part of an ongoing process of embedding quality assurance within schools.
3537	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Happy reducing QA activities, not happy about music provision.	Quality assurance in schools	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The Council has embedded quality assurance within schools through the Validated Self Evaluation programme which focuses on peer review rather than external inspection. His is consistent with the national and local focus on improvement through collaboration. The proposals will not reduce standards in school, but are part of an ongoing process of embedding quality assurance within schools. All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
3538	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Reducing quality assurance measures will have an impact on the quality of the service. Without QA measures in place how can we be sure of an excellent service delivery?	Quality assurance in schools	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council has embedded quality assurance within schools through the Validated Self Evaluation programme which focuses on peer review rather than external inspection. His is consistent with the national and local focus on improvement through collaboration. The proposals will not reduce standards in school, but are part of an ongoing process of embedding quality assurance within schools.
3539	An employee of West Lothian Council	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	The Regional Collaboratives are not yet established. It will be easier to consider the impact on quality improvement activity once the collaboratives have been established. It is therefore challenging to predict how quality improvement will look at council level currently.	Quality assurance in schools	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	The Council has embedded quality assurance within schools through the Validated Self Evaluation programme which focuses on peer review rather than external inspection. His is consistent with the national and local focus on improvement through collaboration. The proposals will not reduce standards in school, but are part of an ongoing process of embedding quality assurance within schools.
3540	An employee of West Lothian Council	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	The reduction in quality assurance activities is worrying as it could lead to a drop in standards.	Quality assurance in schools	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The respondent advised that they did not agree with the proposal.
3541	No Response	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Reduction in QA activities at Education Authority level seems sensible	Quality assurance in schools	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
3542	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Schools to be given quality continuously and running schools like a company is not the best way forward.	Quality assurance in schools	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
3543	An employee of West Lothian Council	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	The Quality Assurance team has already shrunk over the years, with more collaborative working and peer support between schools replacing some of the functions the team used to provide. However, the Quality Assurance team still provides a level of advice, support and challenge that Headteachers cannot get purely through peer support. They are involved with Headteacher recruitment and ensure that only the best candidates are appointed. They support new Headteachers, and have the authority to challenge experienced Headteachers. They ensure that national strategies are considered and implemented effectively across our schools. The Quality Assurance team act as mediators to help resolve very complex situations to ensure children are well supported in schools. I would have real concerns about further reductions to the team.	Quality assurance in schools	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Quality Assurance remains a vital function, that will continue to be provided through the VSE approach supported by a central team, with the Regional Improvement Collaborative taking increasing responsibility.

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3544	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	I think that for West Lothian the Scottish government got it wrong that said a restructuring of the service delivery is essential. Quality assurance activities require to be increased in the light of the Scottish government decision. It is essential that additional support is give to head teachers in light of the Scottish government decision.	Quality assurance in schools	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Quality Assurance remains a vital function, that will continue to be provided through the VSE approach supported by a central team, with the Regional Improvement Collaborative taking increasing responsibility.
3545	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Quality assurance has transformed the educational standards in West Lothian.	Quality assurance in schools	4. The council is already doing this.	Quality Assurance remains a vital function, that will continue to be provided through the VSE approach supported by a central team, with the Regional Improvement Collaborative taking increasing responsibility.
3546	No Response	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	There should be no quality improvement staff based at the civic centre. They could be based in one of their Hub or link schools (e.g where there is a new or acting HT and when not engaged with VSEs or support activity they could be supporting improvement in their base schools.	Quality assurance in schools	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	Quality Assurance is likely to transfer to the new Regional Improvement Collaborative which may wish to consider this suggestion.
3547	No Response	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Quality Assurance activities are being successfully implemented through skilful management by adept head teachers, so this could be reduced at council level. This would also provide more autonomy.	Quality assurance in schools	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Quality Assurance remains a vital function, that will continue to be provided through the VSE approach supported by a central team, with the Regional Improvement Collaborative taking increasing responsibility.
3548	An employee of West Lothian Council	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Get rid of quality assurance in schools. From non-promoted staff it's widely viewed as a paper exercise to pat ourselves on the back and justify the existence of senior promoted staff in the education sector such as Education Officers. Schools will have to group together to do audits on themselves - it'll make no difference - it's all a tick box exercise which gets ignored in real practice.	Quality assurance in schools	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Quality Assurance remains a vital function, that will continue to be provided through the VSE approach supported by a central team, with the Regional Improvement Collaborative taking increasing responsibility.
3549	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Each school should be responsible for their own budget and extra curricular activities should be charged for - even a small charge would help the schools budget, Only activities which every child can participate in should be free.	Rationalisation of central support to schools (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thanks you for comment. Your feedback has been noted. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.
3550	An employee of West Lothian Council	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	although it seems we are proposing cutting services/finding there is a huge opportunity for school leaders to have more autonomy and source services such as music elsewhere, charity organisations, bursaries for gifted or special needs	Rationalisation of central support to schools (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thanks you for comment. Your feedback has been noted. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.
3551	No Response	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	In order to allow head teachers the autonomy to close the attainment gap, less bureaucracy from the centre is required.	Rationalisation of central support to schools (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	Headteachers are expected to exercise a high degree of autonomy and responsibility for all areas of school life, and increases are anticipated as part of the national governance review. The clear direction of travel nationally is for increased decision making and therefore responsibility and accountability at school level, and so national development may start to increase bureaucracy again, as tasks previously centralised are devolved.
3552	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	This is a good idea this has been getting said for a few years now to let the schools head teachers have more say	Rationalisation of central support to schools (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
3553	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Fine as long as head teachers are not overburdened with admin tasks	Rationalisation of central support to schools (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Headteachers are expected to exercise a high degree of autonomy and responsibility for all areas of school life, and increases are anticipated as part of the national governance review. The clear direction of travel nationally is for increased decision making and therefore responsibility and accountability at school level, and so national development may start to increase bureaucracy again, as tasks previously centralised are devolved.

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3554	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Cut bureaucracy and paperwork for teachers. Head teachers need to choose how budgets are distributed.	Rationalisation of central support to schools (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Headteachers are expected to exercise a high degree of autonomy and responsibility for all areas of school life, and increases are anticipated as part of the national governance review. The clear direction of travel nationally is for increased decision making and therefore responsibility and accountability at school level, and so national development may start to increase bureaucracy again, as tasks previously centralised are devolved.
3555	No Response	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	It's fully acceptable each school will have its own needs and should be able to manage more of there own funding.	Rationalisation of central support to schools (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
3556	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	If centralised support is scaled back, how will this effect the workload of Headteachers and teachers? What impact will this restructuring of central support have on school improvement plans which are focussed on delivering the National Improvement Framework?	Rationalisation of central support to schools (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Headteachers are expected to exercise a high degree of autonomy and responsibility for all areas of school life, and increases are anticipated as part of the national governance review. The clear direction of travel nationally is for increased decision making and therefore responsibility and accountability at school level, and so national development may start to increase bureaucracy again, as tasks previously centralised are devolved. The National Priorities do, however remain a priority for all schools, the council and national government.
3557	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Since when has school budgets been the pupil's concern? I'd rather see proposals about attainment!!	Rationalisation of central support to schools (general)	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	The proposals do not include any plan to make pupils responsible for school budgets.
3558	An employee of West Lothian Council	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Increased pressure on staff across the board to make up for any loses in the restructure could only lead to more stress/anxiety in terms of mental health.	Rationalisation of central support to schools (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council must consider budget reductions across the whole range of its activities, and within all groups of staff, and prioritise appropriately..
3559	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	I would be concerned that reduction in extracurricular activities such as music, sport, drama and art would have a detrimental effect on the mental health of pupils and cause health and social problems in the long run.	Rationalisation of central support to schools (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music, drama, sport and art provision through curriculum for excellence.
3560	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Does this include the removal of Educational Officers? This is not clear. I believe it should.	Rationalisation of central support to schools (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Quality assurance is one of the areas of central support subject to the proposal.
3561	No Response	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	I support this as long as there is still some degree of central support to ensure best value.	Rationalisation of central support to schools (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
3562	An employee of West Lothian Council	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	A shame to take these out, but they are probably not a priority.	Rationalisation of central support to schools (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
3563	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Support proposal to centralise and amalgamate services as is seen in all industries to manage costs and savings.	Rationalisation of central support to schools (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
3564	No Response	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Teachers and head teachers have a tough job in today's climate.. reduction to central support will that mean more responsibility to the head teacher? staff admin support as in 1a?	Rationalisation of central support to schools (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Headteachers are expected to exercise a high degree of autonomy and responsibility for all areas of school life, and increases are anticipated as part of the national governance review.
3565	No Response	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Staff in front line teachers and support in classrooms. reduce managers	Rationalisation of central support to schools (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council must consider budget reductions across the whole range of its activities, and within all groups of staff, and prioritise appropriately..
3566	An employee of West Lothian Council	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	How many jobs would be gone by applying this measure?	Rationalisation of central support to schools (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	This depends on the implementation of the proposals agreed following consultation.

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3567	No Response	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	funding should not be cut to schools in terms of education and leaning , this includes musical instruments - The educated child of today is the responsible and productive adult of tomorrow	Rationalisation of central support to schools (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
3568	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	If its a national attainment why are we devolving and not bringing services together at a higher level similar to Police Scotland and Fire and Rescue Scotland. Its one national curriculum which could have one quality assurance process, one business support process. Then we know the children are receiving the same national curriculum delivery no matter what school they were at, rather than having to check on what Head Teacher they had.	Rationalisation of central support to schools (general)	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	The current Governance Review may redefine the relationship between schools, and local and national government, as well as the new Regional Improvement Collaborative.
3569	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Head Teachers need to have training and the skills for this to work,	Rationalisation of central support to schools (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Headteachers are expected to exercise a high degree of autonomy and responsibility for all areas of school life, and increases are anticipated as part of the national governance review.
3570	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Seems fair but schools are overstretched at the moment according to them	Rationalisation of central support to schools (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The Council must consider budget reductions across the whole range of its activities, and prioritise within them.
3571	An employee of West Lothian Council	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	, but central education support is already staffed by at extremely low staffing levels and already mean that staff are working unpaid hours to maintain the high level already being achieved.	Rationalisation of central support to schools (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council must consider budget reductions across the whole range of its activities, and prioritise within them.
3572	An employee of West Lothian Council	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	I agree that the council should seek to make savings by focusing on core education and reducing spend on central support.	Rationalisation of central support to schools (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
3573	An employee of West Lothian Council	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	I couldn't comment as I do not know how the central support to school currently operates,	Rationalisation of central support to schools (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
3574	No Response	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Would agree, more control for schools.	Rationalisation of central support to schools (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Headteachers are expected to exercise a high degree of responsibility and autonomy, and increases are anticipated as part of the national governance review.
3575	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	I hope 'decentralization' of support to schools can be carried out in a way that will not adversely affect school staff and students.	Rationalisation of central support to schools (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council is committed to implementing agreed proposals without detriment to pupils
3576	An employee of West Lothian Council	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	I think this is a highly dangerous approach. Head teachers are not necessarily best placed to make decisions on these services, they are biased towards league tables and attainment tables and are often blinkered when looking at what is best for their school forum.	Rationalisation of central support to schools (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Headteachers are expected to exercise a high degree of responsibility and autonomy, and increases are anticipated as part of the national governance review.
3577	An employee of West Lothian Council	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	NEED TO REMOVE NON ESSENTIAL ROLES, YTASKS AND SERVICES FROM SCHOOLS AND THE CURRICULUM	Rationalisation of central support to schools (general)	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
3578	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	I am unclear what this is suggesting. It would appear that the central resource in education would be moved into schools and this cost would be hidden in school budgets. This not a good idea.	Rationalisation of central support to schools (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Headteachers are expected to exercise a high degree of autonomy, and increases are anticipated as part of the national governance review.
3579	An employee of West Lothian Council	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Does this not contradict the efforts to close attainment gaps and poverty gaps?	Rationalisation of central support to schools (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council is committed to implementing agreed proposals without detriment to pupils
3580	An employee of West Lothian Council	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	The council need to look at the areas it can influence in education as there are many areas that it cannot.	Rationalisation of central support to schools (general)	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
3581	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	fine as long as the staff know what they are doing and are properly retrained.	Rationalisation of central support to schools (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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3582	An employee of West Lothian Council	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	I believe schools are more than capable of looking after themselves and don't need the local authority looking over their shoulders all the time. Maybe even reducing the number of KPI's and only complying with those that are statutory/	Rationalisation of central support to schools (general)	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Headteachers are expected to exercise a high degree of responsibility and autonomy, and increases are anticipated as part of the national governance review. Performance management is a key building block of raising attainment.
3583	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Centralisation of support would make sense	Rationalisation of central support to schools (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
3584	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	I would suggest that you conduct a separate survey of parents directly through the schools. I think you will find this department is extremely ineffective.	Rationalisation of central support to schools (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	Satisfaction surveys for both services are carried out annually and demonstrate consistent high levels of satisfaction, with the exception of a very small minority who do not receive the outcome they wish.
3585	An employee of West Lothian Council	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	I cannot comment on this as I do not have enough understanding of how the current system works	Rationalisation of central support to schools (general)	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
3586	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Woo saving paying another big wage if this consolidated to one team	Rationalisation of central support to schools (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
3587	No Response	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Agree that this is a good idea. Schools do need to be looked at in a large scale to see whether things can be centralised.	Rationalisation of central support to schools (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
3588	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Have you reviewed the above description against the Crystal Mark for plain English? If what was regarded as an Education Department becomes the responsibility of Headteachers then the functionality needed to support these functions need to go.	Rationalisation of central support to schools (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Headteachers are expected to exercise a high degree of responsibility and autonomy, and increases are anticipated as part of the national governance review.
3589	An employee of West Lothian Council	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	In my opinion, giving Head Teachers more responsibility is a bad step. The focus should be on relieving hard-pressed teachers of admin/management so they can concentrate on teaching.	Rationalisation of central support to schools (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Headteachers are expected to exercise a high degree of responsibility and autonomy, and increases are anticipated as part of the national governance review.
3590	No Response	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	I agree as long as service delivery is not impacted. I understand waiting times for responses can vary as it is.	Rationalisation of central support to schools (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The Council is committed to implementing proposals without negative impact on parents.
3591	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	"the restructure, redesign and reduction in central educational services such as business support provision" - Does this translate to job losses?	Rationalisation of central support to schools (general)	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	The implementation of some proposals will result to fewer jobs within the council.
3592	No Response	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	It seems logical that any reductions in management, admin and support staffing at schools should be accompanied by increases (or at least improvements) in business support provision and quality assurance activities, not reductions as is proposed in 1b. If both sets of reductions are to happen at the same time, then this will require careful review and redesign of the quality assurance systems in place. I am minded that the council's education quality assurance practices have been a significant factor in the improved attainment position in recent years.	Rationalisation of central support to schools (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council is committed to implementing agreed proposals without detriment to pupils. The proposals seek to reach an appropriate balance between front line and support functions, recognising the importance of each.
3593	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	These strategies only work if a positive approach is taken and all integrated services buy in and fulfill their function	Rationalisation of central support to schools (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
3594	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Centralised all education admin functions.	Rationalisation of central support to schools (general)	5b. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it is likely that the costs of this proposal would outweigh the benefit.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. The proposal is to decentralise functions.
3595	No Response	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Again with proper management this saving could be achieved with minimum disruption to the current support system.	Rationalisation of central support to schools (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
3596	An employee of West Lothian Council	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	This seems in line with National systems	Rationalisation of central support to schools (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
3597	An employee of West Lothian Council	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	concerns that schools will lose vital support	Rationalisation of central support to schools (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The comment contains no suggestion for action.

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3598	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	I would think centralised funding would be a better approach for schools and would enable shared/pooled resources. This would also take away any concerns from individual budget holders regarding budget amounts for each year.	Rationalisation of central support to schools (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposal is to decentralise not centralise in line with national proposals for Headteachers to take greater responsibility and accountability.
3599	An employee of West Lothian Council	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	I'm all for embedding teaching resources within schools but there needs to be a way to maintain consistency across the whole area.	Rationalisation of central support to schools (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	Quality assurance is becoming embedded in schools with less requirement for central support.
3600	An employee of West Lothian Council	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	This seems an altogether better approach although care will need to be taken to avoid isolation and some of the problems that this can cause.	Rationalisation of central support to schools (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
3601	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	In theory this would be good, but doesn't this leave more opportunity for fraud?	Rationalisation of central support to schools (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The Council has appropriate policies and procedures in place to guard against this.
3602	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Moving these functions from central education services to schools, assuming all these services are necessary, will increase the workload of an already over burdened school senior staff.	Rationalisation of central support to schools (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The changes to Devolved School Management will increase the autonomy of Headteachers and teachers to make decisions at a local level to benefit pupils in their school.
3603	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	The council must retain a focus on achieving equality and assuring that children most likely not to succeed are given every opportunity to attain.	Rationalisation of central support to schools (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	Raising attainment and closing the poverty related attainment gap remain key priorities for the Council.
3604	An employee of West Lothian Council	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Perhaps these services could be provided by using volunteers or students needing practical experiences.	Rationalisation of central support to schools (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.
3605	No Response	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Teachers already complain that they spend more time filling out paperwork and meeting targets than the actual teaching of pupils. I am not sure how passing the running of a school to staff will help this issue.	Rationalisation of central support to schools (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The changes to Devolved School Management will increase the autonomy of Headteachers and teachers to make decisions at a local level to benefit pupils in their school.
3606	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Surely the experts on this are the Headteachers - what do I know about the details? In the past some "rationalisation" had been based on space available in individual schools - not necessarily on quality of service delivery.	Rationalisation of central support to schools (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
3607	An employee of West Lothian Council	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Anything which focuses resources into schools is good.	Rationalisation of central support to schools (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
3608	An employee of West Lothian Council	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	I'm happy for these services to be devolved to schools	Rationalisation of central support to schools (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
3609	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	This is what used to happen and there were no problems	Rationalisation of central support to schools (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
3610	An employee of West Lothian Council	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	This is a joke and reflects an ignorance of how much is already 'devolved' to schools and HT's. The whole point of community planning is to: identify needs, assess how best needs can be met, and by whom.	Rationalisation of central support to schools (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposal is a serious one aimed at increasing autonomy and responsibility at the front line. A need was identified, the Scottish Government consulted on how to address it, and appropriate action is following.
3611	An employee of West Lothian Council	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	I am not informed on this but this does seem to make sense but perhaps there still needs to be a system to achieve consistency, standards and outcomes across all schools.	Rationalisation of central support to schools (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Rigorous quality assurance is embedded in schools.
3612	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Education officers - redesign/eliminate that role - along with a whole host of others. Move from command and control back to autonomous responsibility. Curriculum - still looks the same as it did 30 years ago, call it what you want - it needs a COMPLETE REDESIGN	Rationalisation of central support to schools (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Rigorous quality assurance is embedded in schools.
3613	No Response	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Teachers have already got a massive workload. As have all staff who work within a school.	Rationalisation of central support to schools (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The changes to Devolved School Management will increase the autonomy of Headteachers and teachers to make decisions at a local level to benefit pupils in their school. This will include the appropriate mix of staffing.

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3614	No Response	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	It is not cost effective to have every establishment developing resources to meet their needs i.e withdrawal of central support may create everyone re inventing the wheel in their own location rather than all doing the same thing .	Rationalisation of central support to schools (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The changes to Devolved School Management will increase the autonomy of Headteachers and teachers to make decisions at a local level to benefit pupils in their school.
3615	An employee of West Lothian Council	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Yes but by doing this head teachers are already overworked and would require further support in school through additional promoted staff to assist and lesson head teachers workload .	Rationalisation of central support to schools (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The changes to Devolved School Management will increase the autonomy of Headteachers and teachers to make decisions at a local level to benefit pupils in their school. This will include appropriate staffing levels.
3616	No Response	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	I agree that providing Head Teachers with more direct control over funding would be a good thing..	Rationalisation of central support to schools (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
3617	No Response	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	This could be good if utilised effectively. Or could sway the other direction and end up with fundraising overload.	Rationalisation of central support to schools (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
3618	No Response	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	That is all well and good, as long as the schools have a forward thinking workforce who have the time within their working day to be able to ensure that the quality and standards are high. .	Rationalisation of central support to schools (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
3619	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Decentralisation carries many risks such as potential inefficiency lack of conforming to best practice. what will be done to ensure best practices are followed?	Rationalisation of central support to schools (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Regional Improvement Collaborative will provide professional advice and quality assurance. Local authorities will provide support services.
3620	No Response	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Not a good idea. Schools are already lacking in support	Rationalisation of central support to schools (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.
3621	No Response	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	My concern here would be that teachers and heard teachers are already stretched and these changes would increase their burden.	Rationalisation of central support to schools (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.
3622	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Seems reasonable, but I would imagine the success of this would lie solely on the Head and Depute teachers within individual schools. This seems a big ask for teachers who are already under considerable pressures re attainment and the policy of including children with special needs in mainstream schools.	Rationalisation of central support to schools (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
3623	No Response	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Schools should make decisions locally and be monitored by wlc.	Rationalisation of central support to schools (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
3624	No Response	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	It makes sense to allow a HT a bigger say in how the budget is allocated. He or she is better equipped to know the needs of their school	Rationalisation of central support to schools (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
3625	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	In principle this sounds sensible as long as there is no deterioration in teaching time	Rationalisation of central support to schools (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
3626	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Education is very important for everyone, but support is needed especially when educating Children who have special needs especially in mainstream. The same support should be available to all children especially in nurseries.	Rationalisation of central support to schools (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	The Council will continue to meet its statutory obligation to meet the needs of all children.
3627	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Agree with centralisation, this can work with good management and will reduce costs.	Rationalisation of central support to schools (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
3628	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	It is inevitable that reduction will be made in some areas, but we need to ensure that areas of support being reduced do not impact on vulnerable children and the support needed to ensure their educational support.	Rationalisation of central support to schools (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The Council will continue to meet its statutory obligation to meet the needs of all children.
3629	An employee of West Lothian Council	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	HT's need to work like all other managers and deal with key management tasks themselves rather than being dependent of centralized resources. Processes need to be standardized in each school and less discretion should be give to HT's and they need reminded they are part of the Council	Rationalisation of central support to schools (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The changes to Devolved School Management will increase the autonomy of Headteachers and teachers to make decisions at a local level to benefit pupils in their school.
3630	An employee of West Lothian Council	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	This might be a good way of making the Head Teacher responsible of his budget they will then have to budget for everything	Rationalisation of central support to schools (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The changes to Devolved School Management will increase the autonomy of Headteachers and teachers to make decisions at a local level to benefit pupils in their school.
3631	An employee of West Lothian Council	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Not sure if head teachers would agree: They have an issue engaging with community wing partners/activities	Rationalisation of central support to schools (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Education Bill is likely to increase Headteacher's responsibility for community engagement.

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3632	An employee of West Lothian Council	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	As long as Head Teachers are equipped to manage this devolved responsibility otherwise this could be viewed as a short term gain only.	Rationalisation of central support to schools (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	The changes to Devolved School Management will increase the autonomy of Headteachers and teachers to make decisions at a local level to benefit pupils in their school.
3633	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Clearly depends on the focus and ability of head teachers which can be an issue. With suitable guidance then localised control is better	Rationalisation of central support to schools (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	The changes to Devolved School Management will increase the autonomy of Headteachers and teachers to make decisions at a local level to benefit pupils in their school.
3634	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Making the management at schools more responsible is a good idea, Teachers are the experts and their judges should be the parents of the children at their school.	Rationalisation of central support to schools (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The changes to Devolved School Management will increase the autonomy of Headteachers and teachers to make decisions at a local level to benefit pupils in their school.
3635	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	I agree. There may be opportunities to take on some of the more administrative functions carried out by schools in a central function (as long as properly resourced this could save money and improve the service).	Rationalisation of central support to schools (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The proposal is, however, to decentralise, not centralise.
3636	An employee of West Lothian Council	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	this sounds great, with the cash and resources being spent how individual schools need however I would worry that that would tie up teachers and reduce teaching time.	Rationalisation of central support to schools (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The changes to Devolved School Management will increase the autonomy of Headteachers and teachers to make decisions at a local level to benefit pupils in their school.
3637	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Teachers have enough to do let them teacher	Rationalisation of central support to schools (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
3638	An employee of West Lothian Council	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Head Teacher's should have more control over their schools budget as they should know exactly what their school and it's pupils require.	Rationalisation of central support to schools (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
3639	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	I think that schools having more control over what and where they spend there money is a good thing	Rationalisation of central support to schools (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
3640	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Head teachers cannot do everything and decentralised approach does not always generate better outcomes. Heads are generally not business people and may lack knowledge and skills. Also how do you share best practices and leverage opportunities when there is no central approach	Rationalisation of central support to schools (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The changes to Devolved School Management will increase the autonomy of Headteachers and teachers to make decisions at a local level to benefit pupils in their school. This will include balancing workloads, and deciding on an appropriate management structure.
3641	An employee of West Lothian Council	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	This makes sense as it would allow schools to best serve the needs of their pupils within the limitations of their budgets. Not every school will have the same requirements or expectations and this can be best addressed by staff within the schools. I support this suggestion of decentralisation.	Rationalisation of central support to schools (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The changes to Devolved School Management will increase the autonomy of Headteachers and teachers to make decisions at a local level to benefit pupils in their school. This will include balancing workloads, and deciding on an appropriate management structure.
3642	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	This all sounds sensible if you do not work in education. Headteachers are currently hampered by having to maintain pupil:teacher ratios at a particular level regardless of whether they need these teachers. Until the council honestly puts the pupils first and trusts their Headteachers, this is a false economical premise. The Closing the Gap agenda requires the support of specialists to enable schools to make a difference.	Rationalisation of central support to schools (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The changes to Devolved School Management will increase the autonomy of Headteachers and teachers to make decisions at a local level to benefit pupils in their school. Headteachers will have the ability to determine where resources should be spent for the benefit of children.
3643	An employee of West Lothian Council	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	I think this makes sense. Give Head teachers more flexibility. No teacher should be getting a pay cut though, indeed it should be rises across the board (from the govt)	Rationalisation of central support to schools (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Teachers pay is set nationally
3644	No Response	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Headteachers should have responsibility as they know their environment best. Concerns would be raised regarding work load of Senior managers within education.	Rationalisation of central support to schools (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
3645	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Nope this sounds like a cop out. Yes head teachers should have a chance to direct aspects of their budget. But any cost savings within a already established central support facility MUST be passed onto increasing the schools budget.	Rationalisation of central support to schools (general)	5b. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it is likely that the costs of this proposal would outweigh the benefit.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. A saving that is passed on is, unfortunately, not a saving.

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3646	An employee of West Lothian Council	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	As an existing Head Teacher I am greatly concerned about the impact of the proposed changes. Many Headteachers are already struggling with workload and corporate demands. The level of support received is already variable across HUBS and Clusters. I worry that HT morale is already very low - and it does not have to be. I think more could and should be done centrally to tackle this. This is more about the way in which the central teams support schools. Perhaps a survey should be taken to analyse this following this consultation and a clear action plan created to find a way through these necessary changes. We have to be more solution focused as a service and create more positive, supportive networks. More focus on staff wellbeing - we do this in our school for our teams and it works!	Rationalisation of central support to schools (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The changes to Devolved School Management will increase the autonomy of Headteachers and teachers to make decisions at a local level to benefit pupils in their school. Headteachers will have the ability to determine where resources should be spent for the benefit of children. The national direction of travel, echoed in these proposals is for greater responsibility for decision making to lie at school level.
3647	No Response	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Give Headteachers enough money to provide a proper service.	Rationalisation of central support to schools (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council has made proposals across the whole range of its activities, including Education. A reduced funding settlement for local government results in less resources, not more, available from local government for schools.
3648	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	As long as the actual budgets handed to the schools is not reduced. This would also need to be monitored closely to ensure attainment is going up not down and if it does reduce the council would need to step in to provide support again.	Rationalisation of central support to schools (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council has made proposals across the whole range of its activities, including Education. A reduced funding settlement for local government results in less resources, not more, available from local government for schools. Raising attainment will remain a key strategic responsibility for the Regional Improvement Collaborative.
3649	No Response	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Centralisation of educational support is a bad idea. I know I work in this area. I provide out reach support within schools in a one to one basis. I work with kids the schools can't manage in class. I take the kid for a class and work with them on conflict resolution anger management and all issues impacting in their behaviour. We have training and skills school staff don't have. We are a vital service for schools social policy police families and young people. Our flexible adaptable approach to youth support is far more effective as an external assistance than in house work. I have seen the ace programme set up by myself taken and implemented in schools. Other types of worker do copied into education. Yet we still get asked to come support their pupils in school. Why cut out budget to pull into a curriculum that these young people already struggle with. Keep the external workers like me funded to continue supporting teachers heads and pupil support managers.	Rationalisation of central support to schools (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposals are for more decentralisation of decision making to schools.
3650	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Sadly, the underlying fact which is driving this is that local and national government cannot fund the education system properly and are offloading the problem onto schools, effectively divesting themselves of the blame when the system continues to fail under the flawed Curriculum for Excellence and attainment continues to decline because of lack of specialist schools to deal with the comparatively small number of pupils with learning disabilities and other pupils with behavioural issues which drag down the overall, sound attainment of the majority of children who would achieve and attain much more if teachers and pupils were enabled to concentrate on teaching and learning without having to cope with the unworkable demands of keeping pupils whose needs cannot be met in main stream education. Expecting 'responsibility for attainment and more direct control over funding' to make any difference is ridiculous when schools are hidebound by outside political strictures, dictat and influence. One example is the farce of non-exclusion irrespective of the problems being caused.	Rationalisation of central support to schools (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council has made proposals across the whole range of its activities, including Education. A reduced funding settlement for local government results in less resources, not more, available from local government for schools.
3651	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	The business support functions may be reduced and redesigned, but the breadth of the curriculum should be maintained to ensure pupils get a well rounded education.	Rationalisation of central support to schools (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. This is in line with the proposals.
3652	No Response	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Together with 1c this represents an area where major savings can be made by re-aligning relationships with schools	Rationalisation of central support to schools (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. This is the purpose of the proposals.
3653	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Not sure this really helps - surely for some services it is more efficient to provide a shared resource across the council? However having seen the recruitment process in action there must be efficiency that can be achieved.	Rationalisation of central support to schools (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposals are for greater local autonomy and not greater centralisation, in line with national proposals.
3654	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Schools are under enough pressure. They already have too much to deal with and will just have to spend money that should go on educating children to paying more staff. We already need to donate books to our local school, don't make the problems worse.	Rationalisation of central support to schools (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council has made proposals across the whole range of its activities, including Education. A reduced funding settlement for local government results in less resources, not more, available from local government for schools.

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3655	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Head teachers should have full control and accountability for their school budget and performance.	Rationalisation of central support to schools (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The changes to Devolved School Management will increase the autonomy of Headteachers and teachers to make decisions at a local level to benefit pupils in their school. Headteachers will have the ability to determine where resources should be spent for the benefit of children.
3656	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	This will only work if funding to schools is protected to enable head teachers to still purchase and access these services. If school and education attainment is a strategic aim of the council you must continue to ensure your obligations are maintained, particularly in terms of such important provision as ed psychology and music.	Rationalisation of central support to schools (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council has made proposals across the whole range of its activities, including Education. A reduced funding settlement for local government results in less resources, not more, available from local government for schools.
3657	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Schools know what works best and should be given more autonomy.	Rationalisation of central support to schools (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The changes to Devolved School Management will increase the autonomy of Headteachers and teachers to make decisions at a local level to benefit pupils in their school. Headteachers will have the ability to determine where resources should be spent for the benefit of children.
3658	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	This is a convoluted way of cutting much needed resources. How do you expect to embed this. In effect giving heads a budget and making them do the cuts	Rationalisation of central support to schools (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The changes to Devolved School Management will increase the autonomy of Headteachers and teachers to make decisions at a local level to benefit pupils in their school. Headteachers will have the ability to determine where resources should be spent for the benefit of children.
3659	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	I think teachers are given far too much administration responsibility and they struggle to complete those tasks alongside traditional teaching	Rationalisation of central support to schools (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Teachers duties are set out in national conditions. Teachers activities are directed by the Headteacher in line with the locally negotiated Working Time Agreement.
3660	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Who will take on the responsibility of the business support and quality assurance activities if this is cut back and restructured. Would this not mean more pressure on the staff that are left?	Rationalisation of central support to schools (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposals to rationalise central support to schools seek to balance the important contribution of professional, support and managerial staff, all of whom make an important contribution to the service. They recognise the increased autonomy to be given to headteachers, who will have the ability to prioritise budgets to meet the individual needs of their school.
3661	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Makes sense. Could pupil placement make better use of IT? Could there be a self-service portal where pupil placement requests are submitted? COuld you better utilise chat for customer service and make better use of IVR? Will new team be smaller? It could be with better automation.	Rationalisation of central support to schools (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	The availability of online forms will be expanded for the 2018 intake with a major increase in use of electronic communication and processing anticipated.
3662	No Response	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Utilise technology to start offering paper based forms online to reduce waste	Rationalisation of central support to schools (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	The availability of online forms will be expanded for the 2018 intake with a major increase in use of electronic communication and processing anticipated.
3663	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Remove this central function and allow schools to deliver these services directly.	Rationalisation of central support to schools (general)	5b. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it is likely that the costs of this proposal would outweigh the benefit.	Placement decisions have significant impact on the Council's revenue and capital budgets, and all decisions require to be taken within this context to ensure efficient use of the Council's resources. Placement decisions require to be made in the run up to the start of each school year, when schools are closed.
3664	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	I hope rationalising and streamlining doesn't result in an unrealistic workload for staff and loss of customer care	Rationalisation of central support to schools (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
3665	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Keep going. Merge with other councils into a single service team for Scotland.	Rationalisation of central support to schools (general)	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	The consultation on the forthcoming Education Bill makes clear that pupil placement will remain the responsibility of Local Authorities.
3666	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	As long as this means more staff are trained/available to cope with the increased workload the expansion of early learning & childcare will create.	Rationalisation of central support to schools (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	This is one of the drivers of the proposal. The ELC expansion plan includes an appropriate level of administrative support.

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3667	No Response	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Communication between these would again need to be improved and efficient to ensure it worked	Rationalisation of central support to schools (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	This is one of the drivers of the proposal.
3668	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	I agree that these departments could be consolidated but is there going to be job losses and will staff be expected to take on more work for the same pay?	Rationalisation of central support to schools (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Staff will be able to support each other, and a larger pool will help smooth peaks and troughs.
3669	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Bad idea	Rationalisation of central support to schools (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
3670	No Response	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	I agree to this proposal where it is ensured that the same outcomes for the individual parents and carers will be achieved.	Rationalisation of central support to schools (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
3671	No Response	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	No arguments, but please ensure it is sufficiently resourced to meet demand	Rationalisation of central support to schools (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
3672	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Would need strong development of team to realise the full potential of remit desired.	Rationalisation of central support to schools (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
3673	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	I do not support any cut to funding schools or support services to schools. Our schools are underfunded and understaffed as it is. Making due is NOT good enough. Providing support for children is essential to helping them develop into productive members of society. School, teachers and support staff are so important, I absolutely oppose any cuts that would affect their ability to "get it right for every child"	Rationalisation of central support to schools (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council has made proposals across the full range of its activities.
3674	An employee of West Lothian Council	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	accountability increasingly coming to schools with reduced central support and guidance could potentially lead to a reduction of standards and consistency as you cannot continually raise attainment and reduce the poverty related attainment gap with less money and increased tasks, administrative responsibilities and less centralised support.	Rationalisation of central support to schools (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Headteachers will take on more responsibility, but support will be available from the new Regional Improvement Collaborative as well as from Local Government.
3675	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Giving more autonomy to schools is a good thing. However there should still be a clear support network in place to support them with the correct people in those positions.	Rationalisation of central support to schools (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
3676	No Response	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	I think head teachers should have responsibility for the achievements in their schools. They should also be responsible for funding and where it goes.	Rationalisation of central support to schools (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
3677	No Response	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Sounds great, recent decisions around building the new West Calder High School seem to fly in the face of a more efficient centralised organisation.	Rationalisation of central support to schools (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The context of the comment is not clear.
3678	No Response	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Education is a worthy cause but only if the are followed through by the promise made by councils	Rationalisation of central support to schools (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
3679	No Response	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Spend less time making schools a business and let Head Teachers get on with delivering the curriculum.	Rationalisation of central support to schools (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The changes to Devolved School Management will increase the autonomy of Headteachers and teachers to make decisions at a local level to benefit pupils in their school. Headteachers will have the ability to determine where resources should be spent for the benefit of children.
3680	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	As long as significant costs are not incurred making this change then fine	Rationalisation of central support to schools (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
3681	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	I am concerned that the loss of central support might increase the inequality between schools in different areas and with Head teachers of differing management skills	Rationalisation of central support to schools (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The changes to Devolved School Management will increase the autonomy of Headteachers and teachers to make decisions at a local level to benefit pupils in their school. Headteachers will have the ability to determine where resources should be spent for the benefit of children. Support will be available from the new Regional Improvement Collaborative and from councils.
3682	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Cutting funds to our schools is not the way forward. In challenging times for parents, schools sometime offer the only way of children developing skills that will benefit them in future.	Rationalisation of central support to schools (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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3683	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	How will HT and SLT be supported in this initiative? If adequate training and support with fiscal management is not provided we could off negatively impacting our children's prospects. Reducing ed psych input could potentially harm our most vulnerable pupils.	Rationalisation of central support to schools (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The changes to Devolved School Management will increase the autonomy of Headteachers and teachers to make resource decisions at a local level to benefit pupils in their school.
3684	No Response	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	I do think the head teachers should have more say over the way the money is spent.	Rationalisation of central support to schools (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The changes to Devolved School Management will increase the autonomy of Headteachers and teachers to make resource decisions at a local level to benefit pupils in their school.
3685	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	I feel the schools and Heads are doing a pretty good job with the resources they have but piling more responsibility AND reducing resources is a recipe for disaster. Please define 'embed teaching resources'.	Rationalisation of central support to schools (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
3686	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	It is really important that schools continue to receive central support/resource for children who are have learning support needs including dyslexia, autism and adhd as Schools themselves and staff in schools are often not equipped to deal with all these needs. In our online society, music and sport are increasingly important to ensure children have a balanced childhood. Academic performance is important but should not be the only goal of education.	Rationalisation of central support to schools (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Support will be available from the council and the new Regional Improvement Collaborative. Music and sport remain part of Curriculum for Excellence.
3687	No Response	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Again, the more of the reductions which can happen at central level rather than in schools the better. .	Rationalisation of central support to schools (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
3688	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Have community councils more involved in supporting educational extras.	Rationalisation of central support to schools (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Officers will consider how this could be developed.
3689	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Reduction and education aren't really good together in the same sentence. If we start reducing things to do with education then where does that stop? when does the reduction stop because it seems to be that money is put before education which is understandable if the funds aren't there but they are.	Rationalisation of central support to schools (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council has put forward proposals across the whole range of its activities.
3690	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Interesting that devolving of powers and decisions eg to schools, is contradicted in this area, where amalgamation and effectively centralisation is proposed ... is this truly going to save money ? And if so, why doesn't it save money centralising some School functions eg admin and support ?	Rationalisation of central support to schools (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposal is not to centralise support functions.
3691	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	I agree to some extent of giving schools more choice, however, as a student teacher myself, I believe that advice and guidance from more experienced individuals from the council is absolutely essential to maintaining and developing the progress of our schools.	Rationalisation of central support to schools (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The changes to Devolved School Management will increase the autonomy of Headteachers and teachers to make decisions at a local level to benefit pupils in their school.
3692	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Yes, please give headteachers more responsibility but support them with well-trained secretaries and support staff.	Rationalisation of central support to schools (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The changes to Devolved School Management will increase the autonomy of Headteachers and teachers to make decisions at a local level to benefit pupils in their school, including discretion about support staff structures.
3693	No Response	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Some of these initiatives appear practical and desirable provided provision is made for additional training for head teachers to assist them further in a transition from senior teachers to leaders.	Rationalisation of central support to schools (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The changes to Devolved School Management will increase the autonomy of Headteachers and teachers to make decisions at a local level to benefit pupils in their school.
3694	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	How will the council ensure that different schools introduce similar provision? If this does not happen, some schools will provide a poorer service than others. Are there national guidelines for schools to follow? Will teachers have adequate training on new procedures and expectations?	Rationalisation of central support to schools (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All schools will deliver Curriculum for Excellence and work towards the National Improvement Framework, but will have greater autonomy. The changes to Devolved School Management will increase the autonomy of Headteachers and teachers to make decisions at a local level to benefit pupils in their school.
3695	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	See 1a. I do not believe it can more be efficient to go from a central model to a decentralised model.	Rationalisation of central support to schools (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
3696	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	This comment applies to many sections in this document - anywhere where the words 'redesign', 'rationalisation', 'restructure' 'streamlining' are included. The saving is given but not the current spend, or the cost required to achieve the 4 million, or the time for return on investment. I am puzzled that after 10 years of cuts the service is thought to still have enough fat to achieve this saving without impact on service. There is a lot of building going on in WL. If the current funding (even with the resulting increase in council tax) is not sufficient to cater for the increased population this expansion should be stopped, or the developers charged to cover the cost.	Rationalisation of central support to schools (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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3697	An employee of West Lothian Council	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	I agree with head teachers having greater control of the running of their school however this should not result in significant variances in prioritisation of services and outcomes across the school estate as one.	Rationalisation of central support to schools (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	All schools will deliver Curriculum for Excellence and work towards the National Improvement Framework, but will have greater autonomy. The changes to Devolved School Management will increase the autonomy of Headteachers and teachers to make decisions at a local level to benefit pupils in their school.
3698	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	I would have a concern for any reduction in support to schools. Money is required to invest in our young population in order to give them the most varied learning we can. School for many children is the only place they will have the opportunity to experience a wide range of activities. Some families already struggle or simply can not afford to give their children the opportunities currently available during school.	Rationalisation of central support to schools (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council has put forward proposals across the whole range of its activities.
3699	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	It is unclear what is meant by these changes. However, any decisions taken by schools must be made in consultation with parents and should be transparent.	Rationalisation of central support to schools (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	The forthcoming Education Bill will increase school responsibility for parental engagement.
3700	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Teachers are feeling the pressure and are under stress now. Your proposals will only increase teacher workload, resulting in this profession being less attractive. It will be difficult to recruit.	Rationalisation of central support to schools (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Teachers are employed under national conditions which set out their duties. Salaries are determined nationally. They work within a working time agreement. West Lothian council has participated in the national taskforce aimed at reducing bureaucracy and has taken appropriate action.
3701	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	This also seems sensible. Would further rationalisation lead to even greater savings?	Rationalisation of central support to schools (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
3702	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Standardisation across educational facilities	Rationalisation of central support to schools (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All schools will deliver Curriculum for Excellence and work towards the National Improvement Framework, but will have greater autonomy. The changes to Devolved School Management will increase the autonomy of Headteachers and teachers to make decisions at a local level to benefit pupils in their school.
3703	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	You are attempting to abdicate responsibility to a group of employees who have neither the training nor experience to carry out these tasks. The national government has done the same. Teachers work hard at teaching because this is their job why do you expect them to also know how to run an organisation.	Rationalisation of central support to schools (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Proposals are broadly in response to teachers and headteachers who requested more freedom to teach.
3704	An employee of West Lothian Council	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	There is a danger that this may lead to inequality of provision between schools.	Rationalisation of central support to schools (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All schools will deliver Curriculum for Excellence and work towards the National Improvement Framework, but will have greater autonomy. The changes to Devolved School Management will increase the autonomy of Headteachers and teachers to make decisions at a local level to benefit pupils in their school.
3705	No Response	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	More support and encouragement given to pupils who do try but may struggle academically , these pupils should be awarded as awards seem to be given to pupils who are bright and don't struggle with exams , more encouragement from home	Rationalisation of central support to schools (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. Schools meet the needs of all pupils.
3706	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	The concern is that the loss of these vital services will have a detrimental impact on individual schools and on the workload for school management and class teachers, which is already overloaded, as these services are vital to the delivery of high quality learning and teaching.	Rationalisation of central support to schools (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposals to rationalise central support to schools seek to balance the important contribution of professional, support and managerial staff, all of whom make an important contribution to the service. They recognise the increased autonomy to be given to headteachers, who will have the ability to prioritise budgets to meet the individual needs of their school.
3707	An employee of West Lothian Council	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	The specialism's involved in running a school are many and without a central support to provide advice it leads to people making their own interpretation of policies etc. As it is more and more responsibilities are placed at the Head Teachers door in schools that are working hard to meet the needs of its pupils.	Rationalisation of central support to schools (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposals to rationalise central support to schools seek to balance the important contribution of professional, support and managerial staff, all of whom make an important contribution to the service. They recognise the increased autonomy to be given to headteachers, who will have the ability to prioritise budgets to meet the individual needs of their school.

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3708	An employee of West Lothian Council	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Although this sounds good I have great concerns over this as schools and Head teachers have enough additional duties currently to undertake without adding to them. And this would be adding to them. HTs and management teams should be concentrating on learning and teaching and we are losing that focus with all of the other responsibilities already being tagged on. HTs simply do not have the space and time required to support staff, families and pupils because of the other bureaucracy already put onto them.	Rationalisation of central support to schools (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The proposals to rationalise central support to schools seek to balance the important contribution of professional, support and managerial staff, all of whom make an important contribution to the service. They recognise the increased autonomy to be given to headteachers, who will have the ability to prioritise budgets to meet the individual needs of their school.
3709	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Giving Head Teachers more control is good providing there will always be support for them from somewhere because it is such a stressful job.	Rationalisation of central support to schools (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Support will be available from the council and the new Regional Improvement Collaborative.
3710	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	This restructuring needs to be closely managed as not all heads will be good at managing and will have fairly wide differing views.	Rationalisation of central support to schools (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All schools will deliver Curriculum for Excellence and work towards the National Improvement Framework, but will have greater autonomy. The changes to Devolved School Management will increase the autonomy of Headteachers and teachers to make decisions at a local level to benefit pupils in their school.
3711	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	I think that we should concentrate on the core school subjects to improve the general education for our young people.	Rationalisation of central support to schools (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	The council has a strong focus on literacy and numeracy, raising attainment and improving quality.
3712	No Response	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	The concern is that the loss of these vital services will have a detrimental impact on individual schools and on the workload for school management and class teachers, which is already overloaded, as these services are vital	Rationalisation of central support to schools (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposals to rationalise central support to schools seek to balance the important contribution of professional, support and managerial staff, all of whom make an important contribution to the service. They recognise the increased autonomy to be given to headteachers, who will have the ability to prioritise budgets to meet the individual needs of their school.
3713	No Response	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Support within in the schools is vital and you should be careful not to use much needed support.	Rationalisation of central support to schools (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposals to rationalise central support to schools seek to balance the important contribution of professional, support and managerial staff, all of whom make an important contribution to the service. They recognise the increased autonomy to be given to headteachers, who will have the ability to prioritise budgets to meet the individual needs of their school.
3714	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Leaving the allocation of resources in these central functions to individual head teachers leaves young people at the mercy of individual schools and ignores the benefits to school cultures of an agreed council wide approach and the distribution of resources to those most in need	Rationalisation of central support to schools (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All schools will deliver Curriculum for Excellence and work towards the National Improvement Framework, but will have greater autonomy. The changes to Devolved School Management will increase the autonomy of Headteachers and teachers to make decisions at a local level to benefit pupils in their school.
3715	An employee of West Lothian Council	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	It is not my opinion that there should be any reduction in central education services - in fact I believe it would be very detrimental to the entire system and could cost the council for may years to come.	Rationalisation of central support to schools (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has put forward proposals across the whole range of its activities.
3716	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Stop looking at education as a luxury stop the cuts	Rationalisation of central support to schools (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council has put forward proposals across the whole range of its activities.
3717	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	This sounds sensible however with the ever reduced resources within schools how will these responsibilities be delivered within schools without impacting on available teaching time?	Rationalisation of central support to schools (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
3718	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	I strongly disagree with this proposal. It feels like getting rid of responsibilities down the ladder to avoid having to make tough decisions (or possibly in taking responsibility for said decisions).	Rationalisation of central support to schools (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Proposals are broadly in response to teachers and headteachers who requested more freedom to teach without the distraction of central control.
3719	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Good idea about Head Teachers taking more control of funding.	Rationalisation of central support to schools (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The changes to Devolved School Management will increase the autonomy of Headteachers and teachers to make decisions at a local level to benefit pupils in their school.

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3720	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	It must be ensured that head teachers have the necessary skills and support to take on increased responsibility to reduce the risk of stress induced illness.	Rationalisation of central support to schools (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The changes to Devolved School Management will increase the autonomy of Headteachers and teachers to make decisions at a local level to benefit pupils in their school.
3721	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Again this seems like a sensible suggestion. Small time savings are probably being delivered through online school payments and other services so transferring tasks from the centre to the schools I think could work. Plus management overhead is already in schools with out the requirement for more overhead in the central teams	Rationalisation of central support to schools (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
3722	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	schools should be more in control of budgets and should try to be more cost-effective	Rationalisation of central support to schools (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The changes to Devolved School Management will increase the autonomy of Headteachers and teachers to make decisions at a local level to benefit pupils in their school.
3723	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Giving Head Teachers responsibility for funding makes sense as I believe different schools require different services and this could be easily tailored by a Head Teacher with full budget control so money is not being wasted on services which are not required.	Rationalisation of central support to schools (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The changes to Devolved School Management will increase the autonomy of Headteachers and teachers to make decisions at a local level to benefit pupils in their school.
3724	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	I think it important individual head teachers hold the budget for their school as they can then assign funding to specifics which meet the school community and demographics with the exception of education psychology being advisory.	Rationalisation of central support to schools (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The changes to Devolved School Management will increase the autonomy of Headteachers and teachers to make decisions at a local level to benefit pupils in their school.
3725	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	head teachers need more responsibility on what is required for their school.	Rationalisation of central support to schools (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The changes to Devolved School Management will increase the autonomy of Headteachers and teachers to make decisions at a local level to benefit pupils in their school.
3726	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Embedding teaching resources is meaningless, if reductions are to be made.	Rationalisation of central support to schools (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council has put forward proposals across the whole range of its activities.
3727	An employee of West Lothian Council	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Further reduction of Central support to schools impedes schools ability to improve and transform education and educational outcomes for young people.	Rationalisation of central support to schools (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The changes to Devolved School Management will increase the autonomy of Headteachers and teachers to make decisions at a local level to benefit pupils in their school.
3728	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	If there are absolute guarantees that the proposed restructure will enable schools to achieve higher standards this would appear to be feasible	Rationalisation of central support to schools (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Absolute guarantees can never be offered, but this is the intention.
3729	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	All well and good as long as it doesn't mean teachers becoming administrators and moving out of the classroom.	Rationalisation of central support to schools (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The changes to Devolved School Management will increase the autonomy of Headteachers and teachers to make decisions at a local level to benefit pupils in their school.
3730	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	So that means more work for teachers and head teachers, who are stretched enough.	Rationalisation of central support to schools (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The changes to Devolved School Management will increase the autonomy of Headteachers and teachers to make decisions at a local level to benefit pupils in their school.
3731	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	I do not agree that centralisation should be carried out and Council should hold the purse strings for all budgetary matters within education. If we go down the route of giving schools and head teachers responsibility for funding, they will always spend their budget whether it is useful or not. It is preferable that the Council control the full education budget and route funding as required.	Rationalisation of central support to schools (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The changes to Devolved School Management will increase the autonomy of Headteachers and teachers to make decisions at a local level to benefit pupils in their school. The proposal is for greater decentralisation, not greater centralisation.
3732	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	I strongly disagree with the proposals here. I have concerns over the policy of giving Head Teachers more power as I believe the Council should ensure a basic standardised approach across the Council. I also have concerns that the schools will get 'bogged down' in admin and this will be repeated over a number of schools so will be more costly in the long run. I do however understand that part of this is a central government policy.	Rationalisation of central support to schools (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All schools will deliver Curriculum for Excellence and work towards the National Improvement Framework, but will have greater autonomy. The changes to Devolved School Management will increase the autonomy of Headteachers and teachers to make decisions at a local level to benefit pupils in their school.
3733	No Response	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	A good idea, so long as head teachers don't get swamped with additional bureaucracy, e.g. around HR.	Rationalisation of central support to schools (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The changes to Devolved School Management will increase the autonomy of Headteachers and teachers to make decisions at a local level to benefit pupils in their school.

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3734	An employee of West Lothian Council	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Agree with embedding teaching resources within schools so long as the schools are given the resources to employ the support they need directly and it does not put more burdens on the teaching staff and take them away from their main role of teaching. Some head teachers may not have the business skills required and may require some business / financial / project management advisors to be employed by the schools / grouping of schools.	Rationalisation of central support to schools (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The proposals to rationalise central support to schools seek to balance the important contribution of professional, support and managerial staff, all of whom make an important contribution to the service. They recognise the increased autonomy to be given to headteachers, who will have the ability to prioritise budgets to meet the individual needs of their school.
3735	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	How will individual schools be assessed with regard to efficient use of budget and resources?	Rationalisation of central support to schools (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Legislation such as Best Value will still apply, and schools will still be subject to national audit arrangements.
3736	No Response	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	I am opposed to the National government's plans to take some education funding away from local authorities. However, under your proposals above it sounds as though head teachers may have more direct funding but massively reduced support from the local authorities. Lets hope all the headteachers are excellent at their job!! ..and that all vacancies for head posts can be filled.	Rationalisation of central support to schools (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Some support will still be available from local authorities, and the new Regional Improvement Collaborative will also provide support.
3737	No Response	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Again what does this mean exactly? Embedding teaching resources etc within schools sounds good, but school management moves on and new leadership brings in new ideas, leading to more change on top of curricular changes. Teachers need more time to teach, not less. This model would suggest more responsibilities would land on the shoulders of teaching staff.	Rationalisation of central support to schools (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The changes to Devolved School Management will increase the autonomy of Headteachers and teachers to make decisions at a local level to benefit pupils in their school.
3738	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Head Teachers are already stretched implementing education priorities as set out by the Scottish Government, some already have little to no class contact time and perform a more managerial role rather than teaching. Any move of support would need to be carefully considered and take full account of the already full role of school management staff and teachers while still ensuring that Scottish Government priorities were met. The Education Governance review and Next Steps paper does begin to devolve some responsibilities to headteachers, however i think it is crucial that they still receive an adequate level of support from the centre to ensure this does not have the opposite impact than is intended.	Rationalisation of central support to schools (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Some support will still be available from local authorities, and the new Regional Improvement Collaborative will also provide support.
3739	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Does central support include janitorial services often key for access to schools outside normal hours for community and other groups?	Rationalisation of central support to schools (general)	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	The Council has put forward proposals in relation to more efficient janitorial services.
3740	No Response	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	My concern is who will be involved in these decisions and are you taking into account children that have additional needs.	Rationalisation of central support to schools (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council will continue to meet the needs of all pupils,
3741	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Anything that gives more control to schools and head teachers and reduces the administrative requirements on teachers will be a benefit.	Rationalisation of central support to schools (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The changes to Devolved School Management will increase the autonomy of Headteachers and teachers to make decisions at a local level to benefit pupils in their school.
3742	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	This would need to be delivered in such a way as not to affect the schools ability to function.	Rationalisation of central support to schools (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	The changes to Devolved School Management will increase the autonomy of Headteachers and teachers to make decisions at a local level to benefit pupils in their school.
3743	An employee of West Lothian Council	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	How much more can head teachers take on in their jobs?? This will mean yet more work for heads who are already under severe stress trying to cope with their ever increasing workload. I am not a head teacher but I see the mounting workload.	Rationalisation of central support to schools (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The changes to Devolved School Management will increase the autonomy of Headteachers and teachers to make decisions at a local level to benefit pupils in their school.
3744	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	You are putting your faith in head teachers who may not be very good at their job, but have the right jargon.	Rationalisation of central support to schools (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Schools and Headteachers will remain subject to rigorous performance measures. Support will be available from the Council and the new Regional Improvement Collaborative.
3745	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	This would work if there is an effective head teacher in post who really works with their population of pupils and parents to identify and work towards shared priorities, however I have concerns that our local head teacher makes decisions that the parents are not consulted on. Therefore if decision making is devolved to individual schools there needs to be a way of monitoring whether these are effective.	Rationalisation of central support to schools (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The forthcoming Education Bill will increase school responsibility for parental engagement.
3746	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	This should be linked to a comparative efficiency model	Rationalisation of central support to schools (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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3747	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	There needs to be a corporate approach to teaching provision in West Lothian. The current position could lead to an inefficient use of a valuable resource. This money needs to be allocated to projects by the council, not senior school managers.	Rationalisation of central support to schools (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All schools will deliver Curriculum for Excellence and work towards the National Improvement Framework, but will have greater autonomy. The changes to Devolved School Management will increase the autonomy of Headteachers and teachers to make decisions at a local level to benefit pupils in their school.
3748	No Response	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	What happens if the head teacher is poor or that the jargon which he/she talks is correct but that is merely a front?	Rationalisation of central support to schools (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Schools and Headteachers will remain subject to rigorous performance measures. Support will be available from the Council and the new Regional Improvement Collaborative.
3749	An employee of West Lothian Council	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Please see the above response where I have stated that an example of remote management from the civic centre is wasting money in our schools and putting some staff under great stress and pressure while others are laughing all the way to the bank. In my experience of schools at present, any redesign of School Management also needs to be handled very carefully. Head teachers are extremely stressed and busy individuals and increasing their remit any further could be dangerous. PTC's and Business Manager's are literally cracking (in some cases dying) from the stress of their remits. So, if school's have greater authority to choose their staff and their management style (bring back Principial Teachers for subjects for a start) there is some potential for a positive outcome.s	Rationalisation of central support to schools (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The proposals to rationalise central support to schools seek to balance the important contribution of professional, support and managerial staff, all of whom make an important contribution to the service. They recognise the increased autonomy to be given to headteachers, who will have the ability to prioritise budgets to meet the individual needs of their school. Headteachers will have greater autonomy to set their own management structure.
3750	An employee of West Lothian Council	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Individual schools should be responsible for their budget to tackle the need of individual communities. Competition between schools to improve. They will need to be checked regularly to capture good practice so that can be passed onto other schools.	Rationalisation of central support to schools (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
3751	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	A restructuring of the central education services is welcomed, however should not be rushed as Education systems have gone through many changes recently, education staff need time to embed change and then stick to procedures, constant change is unsettling and time consuming for staff. Funding streams such as PEF, are allowing Head teachers to add additional supports into schools but it was rushed this year, it is also time limited funding , therefore careful consideration should be given to the sustainability of these provisions.	Rationalisation of central support to schools (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
3752	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	As long as this is not going to create an additional burden on teaching staff and Head Teachers, then the responsibility for attainment and control over funding would probably sit best within the schools. Head Teachers generally know what the needs of their particular school are.	Rationalisation of central support to schools (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The changes to Devolved School Management will increase the autonomy of Headteachers and teachers to make decisions at a local level to benefit pupils in their school.
3753	An employee of West Lothian Council	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	The system offered to schools should be flexible as it is crucial in improving the effectiveness of learning, teaching and supporting learners. Headteachers should benefit from having the capability of making funding decisions that suit their particular school. Consultations with staff can be carried on an individual school basis to best determine the needs.	Rationalisation of central support to schools (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The changes to Devolved School Management will increase the autonomy of Headteachers and teachers to make decisions at a local level to benefit pupils in their school.
3754	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Are Head Teachers ready for more responsibility ? will they be able to choose what support service they still need, are schools geared to running like a business ?	Rationalisation of central support to schools (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Support will be available from the council and the new Regional Improvement Collaborative.
3755	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Firstly, I'm not sure schools and Head Teachers have enough training and expertise to be given responsibility for attainment and more direct control over funding.	Rationalisation of central support to schools (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The changes to Devolved School Management will increase the autonomy of Headteachers and teachers to make decisions at a local level to benefit pupils in their school.
3756	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	This reads very much as 'we, centrally, have run out of answers and so we will now pass the buck to the Head Teachers' (under the guise of giving Head Teachers more control and/or freedom). What in effect will happen is that you will pass the responsibility of managing a reduced budget to teaching professionals who's focus should be teaching and not budgeting. Many teachers simply move up the chain through time in various roles and eventually become Head Teachers and are then expected to know all about financial modelling, budgeting etc. In all of this the start point should be what is needed to improve child education - think of the child first, not box ticking in central government.	Rationalisation of central support to schools (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	National proposals have been formulated within a climate of teachers and headteachers requesting more 'freedom to teach' and less central control.
3757	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	There are not enough hours in the day for Head Teachers and teaching staff to complete their current tasks, far less giving them even more. The good will of professionals is running education into the ground. The more they do out of good will, the more they are asked to do. Staff are already in school before 8am and many there until after 6pm.	Rationalisation of central support to schools (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Teachers are employed under national conditions which set out their duties. Salaries are determined nationally. They work within a working time agreement. West Lothian council has participated in the national taskforce aimed at reducing bureaucracy and

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3758	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	The central role of the Council has been very important and has led to exceptional results in educational attainment and music provision. Centralisation will lead to a loss of governance and likely diminishing standards. Local governance will lead to different priorities and standards across schools, and likely greater impact on schools with the most social and economic problems. Central infrastructure such as business support, purchasing and ICT needs to be maintained.	Rationalisation of central support to schools (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The changes to Devolved School Management will increase the autonomy of Headteachers and teachers to make decisions at a local level to benefit pupils in their school. The proposal is for greater decentralisation, not greater centralisation.
3759	An employee of West Lothian Council	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Need to ensure consistency of approach across schools and head teachers.	Rationalisation of central support to schools (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All schools will deliver Curriculum for Excellence and work towards the National Improvement Framework, but will have greater autonomy. The changes to Devolved School Management will increase the autonomy of Headteachers and teachers to make decisions at a local level to benefit pupils in their school.
3760	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	This all depends on the efficacy of individual headteachers in properly and effectively using these responsibilities to the benefit of the pupils in their schools. How will this be monitored. There are some imaginative interpretations of how money and resources can be used.	Rationalisation of central support to schools (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All schools will deliver Curriculum for Excellence and work towards the National Improvement Framework, but will have greater autonomy. The changes to Devolved School Management will increase the autonomy of Headteachers and teachers to make decisions at a local level to benefit pupils in their school. Legislation such as Best Value will still apply, and schools will still be subject to national audit arrangements.
3761	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	As above and the service will then be piecemeal depending upon head teacher ideas.	Rationalisation of central support to schools (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All schools will deliver Curriculum for Excellence and work towards the National Improvement Framework, but will have greater autonomy. The changes to Devolved School Management will increase the autonomy of Headteachers and teachers to make decisions at a local level to benefit pupils in their school. Legislation such as Best Value will still apply, and schools will still be subject to national audit arrangements.
3762	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Will a reduction in central educational services lead to an increase in local admin/ management resources at each school?	Rationalisation of central support to schools (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	The proposals seek to reduce expenditure, not increase it as suggested.
3763	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	I do not currently have a personal stake in education services and feel unable to comment on how things may be improved. Educational attainment is key in addressing inequalities and other social issues and I do not support any change that leads to fewer chances for young people in West Lothian. I therefore support rationalisation where this addresses duplication and achieves administrative efficiencies rather than measures that would cut activities of direct benefit to children and young adults.	Rationalisation of central support to schools (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
3764	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Head teachers will come under much greater stress whilst taking on this additional responsibility whilst carrying out the wealth of responsibilities they already have. Centralised support is vital and will not be replaced or prioritised by HT's as their school resources are already stretched at the moment. I believe this will result in a poorer education provision and poorer support services to students and parents.	Rationalisation of central support to schools (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The changes to Devolved School Management will increase the autonomy of Headteachers and teachers to make decisions at a local level to benefit pupils in their school. Some support will continue to be available from councils, and a new source of support will be the new Regional Improvement Collaborative.
3765	An employee of West Lothian Council	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Responsibility for head teachers for their own schools sounds positive in that the head teachers will know what their priorities are and that may not be the same for each individual school, however, that may create disparities between schools in the authority area with certain provisions being available in some schools and not others. That may not promote equality depending upon where each head teacher directs their funds. Funding to schools should not be reduced. Children throughout West Lothian should have access to a full and varied curriculum and the reduction in certain provision is not going to be supporting that. If children do not have access to these opportunities then they are at a detriment to other areas and they should all have access and focus on schools not purely be on academic subjects, but promotion of the expressive arts and music and other subjects too to enhance skills and opportunity.	Rationalisation of central support to schools (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. The changes to Devolved School Management will increase the autonomy of Headteachers and teachers to make decisions at a local level to benefit pupils in their school. Some support will continue to be available from councils, and a new source of support will be the new Regional Improvement Collaborative.

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3766	No Response	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	My Children have left school. However the school is only as strong as the Tead Teacher, what controls have you in place and to what extra cost to monitor this extra responsibility (extra training for HT in more of a business role etc)	Rationalisation of central support to schools (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All schools will deliver Curriculum for Excellence and work towards the National Improvement Framework, but will have greater autonomy. The changes to Devolved School Management will increase the autonomy of Headteachers and teachers to make decisions at a local level to benefit pupils in their school. Legislation such as Best Value will still apply, and schools will still be subject to national audit arrangements.
3767	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	What training will central government give to head teachers to manage this funding An advisory approach to educational psychology, and integrating a reduced instrumental music provision into the mainstream curriculum, what do you mean by this?	Rationalisation of central support to schools (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Support will be available from the council and the new Regional Improvement Collaborative. All schools will deliver Curriculum for Excellence and work towards the National Improvement Framework, but will have greater autonomy. The changes to Devolved School Management will increase the autonomy of Headteachers and teachers to make decisions at a local level to benefit pupils in their school.
3768	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	I am concerned that teachers, who already have a high level of admin/paperwork to do in the current educational climate, will be required to do yet more admin work, in the form of financial management/control over funding etc. This might impact negatively on the amount of time they have available to spend on their primary work, which is to assist our children with their educational needs This might also make the teaching profession a less attractive career option to people who primarily want to teach children.	Rationalisation of central support to schools (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The changes to Devolved School Management will increase the autonomy of Headteachers and teachers to make decisions at a local level to benefit pupils in their school.
3769	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Education establishments need to acknowledge that they are part of West Lothian Council and we are all in the same situation.	Rationalisation of central support to schools (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	The council has put forward proposals across the full range of its activities.
3770	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	I believe given the head teacher control over there budget will put more pressure on the head teacher. The head teachers responsibility is already huge and to add extra pressure onto them may have a negative effect not only on the school but also the staff and pupils within the school. The head will ultimately feel that they have to sacrifice staff, essential services and resources. This will ultimately result in job losses, probably support worker who provide an invaluable service to not only the teaching staff but the pupils and carers. It is the support staff that are the invisible driving force that makes the smooth running of the school and it is the support staff that are always the first to be targeted in consultations.	Rationalisation of central support to schools (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposals to rationalise central support to schools seek to balance the important contribution of professional, support and managerial staff, all of whom make an important contribution to the service. They recognise the increased autonomy to be given to headteachers, who will have the ability to prioritise budgets to meet the individual needs of their school.
3771	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Has an equality impact assessment been carried out for each of the budget proposals? It is essential that this is done at the earliest opportunity in order to assess what the impact will be on those in the protected characteristics groups and those already experiencing disadvantage.	Rationalisation of central support to schools (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Equality impact assessments and relevance assessments will be conducted as proposals are agreed for further development.
3772	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	National levels focus on increased responsibility to schools and Headteachers is a cop out. Teaching resources, processes and activities embedded in school is what has stagnated our Education system. Schools are not factories. Students of all ages need inspirational teachers who need inspirational advisors, supporters of all sorts. Central educational services trimmed? Culled, more like. But wow! Look what we saved.	Rationalisation of central support to schools (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	National proposals have been formulated within a climate of teachers and headteachers requesting more 'freedom to teach' and less central control.
3773	No Response	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Agree however council needs to ensure consistency of delivery across all schools. Not to detriment of children wit has autism special needs.	Rationalisation of central support to schools (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	All schools will deliver Curriculum for Excellence and work towards the National Improvement Framework, but will have greater autonomy. The changes to Devolved School Management will increase the autonomy of Headteachers and teachers to make decisions at a local level to benefit pupils in their school. Councils will continue to support Additional Support Needs,
3774	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	There is a huge problem in the Scottish education system which needs addressed and properly funded, if the council's central education support services are reduced the financial resources need to go to the schools and head teachers to properly administer the direct controls. Overall I cannot understand how the council proposes to save money from central services and pass the workload onto the schools without providing them with the resources. Without adequate funding our school staff, teachers and pupils continue to suffer under a strained service.	Rationalisation of central support to schools (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council has put forward proposals across the whole range of its activities.
3775	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	I have never met a HT who wasn't concerned with raising attainment for their pupils and devolving this down to HT's individually can only be a good thing, not least because it should free up people within the middle management structure that would become surplus to requirements and therefore a budget saving in the making.	Rationalisation of central support to schools (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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3776	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	I can see this leading to disaster. Schools are already stretched to the limits as it is. They need all the support they can get if we are to raise standards. Teachers are not psychologists nor are they business managers. Head Teachers and teachers need the support of these areas to enable the school to run smoothly so they can spend there time in school teaching and supporting their staff . In West Lothian music provision has always been an area envied by others as it allowed children with talent to be identified early and encouraged. It has already been scaled back over the years.	Rationalisation of central support to schools (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposals to rationalise central support to schools seek to balance the important contribution of professional, support and managerial staff, all of whom make an important contribution to the service. They recognise the increased autonomy to be given to headteachers, who will have the ability to prioritise budgets to meet the individual needs of their school. Music will continue to be part of curriculum for excellence.
3777	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	I'm glad music and Active schools are to be a focus for the future. Both are essential for our young people. I love the public atr we have in West lothian. My concern is that Howden Park is not more fully utilised. The arts programme is not well advertised and I think the council could make more of this venue with some strategic advertising and the reopening the restaruant for pre theatre meals or special events.	Rationalisation of central support to schools (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Officers will consider how this could be developed.
3778	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	We agree with the proposal for increasing headteachers responsibility for attainment and more direct control over funding.	Rationalisation of central support to schools (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
3779	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	As a retired teacher I believe headteachers should have the main control over matters relating to education. All proposals are sound.	Rationalisation of central support to schools (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
3780	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	I'm particularly concerned about the proposed Â£2.5m cuts to be achieved through rationalising central support to schools. West Lothian Council says, "This will include the restructure, redesign and reduction in central educational services such as business support provision and quality assurance activities, an advisory approach to educational psychology, and integrating a reduced instrumental music provision into the mainstream curriculum.â€	Rationalisation of central support to schools (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
3781	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Education â€ Will the Deputy Chief Executives and their support teams be surplus to requirements when headteachers take control of education?	Rationalisation of central support to schools (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	The proposals make clear that central support will remain, in line with the forthcoming Education Bill. Appropriate management and staffing will be retained.
3782	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	â€ Education â€ Will the Deputy Chief Executives and their support teams be surplus to requirements when headteachers take control of education?	Rationalisation of central support to schools (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	The proposals make clear that central support will remain, in line with the forthcoming Education Bill. Appropriate management and staffing will be retained.
3783	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Education â€ Will the Deputy Chief Executives and their support teams be surplus to requirements when headteachers take control of education?	Rationalisation of central support to schools (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	The proposals make clear that central support will remain, in line with the forthcoming Education Bill. Appropriate management and staffing will be retained.
3784	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Education â€ Will the Deputy Chief Executives and their support teams be surplus to requirements when headteachers take control of education?	Rationalisation of central support to schools (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	The proposals make clear that central support will remain, in line with the forthcoming Education Bill. Appropriate management and staffing will be retained.
3785	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Education â€ Will the Deputy Chief Executives and their support teams be surplus to requirements when headteachers take control of education?	Rationalisation of central support to schools (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	The proposals make clear that central support will remain, in line with the forthcoming Education Bill. Appropriate management and staffing will be retained.
3786	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Protect our schools - disagree with all proposals described above as the impact on pupils would be disastrous.	Rationalisation of central support to schools (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council has put forward proposals relating to the full range of its activities.
3787	An employee of West Lothian Council	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Please consider the increasing number of vulnerable children who require a more targeted approach, as failing to provide the right support for them in our schools will lead to increased costs of seeking external resources.	Rationalisation of central support to schools (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	The council will continue to meet the needs of all pupils,
3788	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Be careful that you do not insert monetary demotivation into the staffroom; they'll leave. Try for fewer, better and better-motivated teachers	Rationalisation of central support to schools (general)	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. Teachers pay is set nationally.

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3789	An employee of West Lothian Council	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	So long as Head Teachers are given the correct support and guidance to make informed decisions, I would also agree with the proposal above. With schools struggling to recruit enough teachers however, integrating services directly to schools will surely pose an issue.	Rationalisation of central support to schools (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Headteachers are expected to exercise a high degree of autonomy, and resultant accountability, and increases are anticipated as part of the national governance review. This will include managing their school within available resources, national conditions, and the scheme of devolved school management. They will have freedom to meet the individual needs of their school, but within set national and local frameworks.
3790	An employee of West Lothian Council	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Both teams appear to be stretched at the moment so it would be a concern that a reduction in staffing will not allow for current workloads and tasks to be carried out at the same level.	Rationalisation of central support to schools (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Any proposal that the council progresses will continue to meet the needs of parents and pupils, and maintain the levels of satisfaction which are very high across a range of indicators.
3791	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Looking after young people, people with difficulties and the elderly is paramount. Invest in people and they will give you more money, isn't that how it works?	Rationalisation of central support to schools (general)	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
3792	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Placing teams together to save money will work asking as they are still providing the same standard of work as they are now.	Rationalisation of central support to schools (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council seeks to strike an appropriate balance between front line, management and support services all of which make an important contribution to education.
3793	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	If the overall aim is to embed teaching resources, processes and activities within schools I'm surprised this is not already happening. It would be worth examining why there has been resistance to this up to now and remove those barriers.	Rationalisation of central support to schools (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Headteachers are expected to exercise a high degree of autonomy, and resultant accountability, and increases are anticipated as part of the national governance review. This will include managing their school within available resources, national conditions, and the scheme of devolved school management. They will have freedom to meet the individual needs of their school, but within set national and local frameworks.
3794	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	So more job losses, basically. What won't get done that was done before?	Rationalisation of central support to schools (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Any proposal that the council progresses will continue to meet the needs of parents and pupils, and maintain the levels of satisfaction which are very high across a range of indicators.
3795	An employee of West Lothian Council	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	The Scottish Government are forcing this agenda. I think the council should be giving less central resource to schools if the government are giving them money direct.	Rationalisation of central support to schools (general)	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	Central Government has issued clear guidance that the additional funding is not intended to replace activities already undertaken.
3796	No Response	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	As long as there is budget in this to provide the school With the additional manpower to deliver this over and above what they already do!	Rationalisation of central support to schools (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Headteachers are expected to exercise a high degree of autonomy, and resultant accountability, and increases are anticipated as part of the national governance review. This will include managing their school within available resources, national conditions, and the scheme of devolved school management. They will have freedom to meet the individual needs of their school, but within set national and local frameworks.
3797	An employee of West Lothian Council	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Head teachers already have a say in how they use funding sometimes not always prioritised to best effect and will staff have any input into this process.	Rationalisation of central support to schools (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Headteachers are expected to exercise a high degree of autonomy, and resultant accountability, and increases are anticipated as part of the national governance review. This will include managing their school within available resources, national conditions, and the scheme of devolved school management. They will have freedom to meet the individual needs of their school, but within set national and local frameworks.
3798	No Response	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	This is one of the worst ideas I have heard my sons school refuse to engage with out the box more flexible approached they have directly mislead me about government requirements for education and these are the people you want to give more responsibility to my voice is already not heard giving them this power means they will have more power to ignore parents of special needs kids because they are just another number another stat especially in a big high school	Rationalisation of central support to schools (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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3799	No Response	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	whilst this sounds good will the numbers in the team reduce because getting anyone to call you back is a nightmare and often as a parent I need to speak to someone that day not 14 days later	Rationalisation of central support to schools (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Any proposal that the council progresses will continue to meet the needs of parents and pupils, and maintain the levels of satisfaction which are very high across a range of indicators.
3800	No Response	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Support to parents and carers of children with additional support needs is vital. They have to fight to get the support their child needs. Please don't make it harder to access help and support when it is hard enough as it is.	Rationalisation of central support to schools (general)	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	ASN admissions are dealt with by a separate team.
3801	An employee of West Lothian Council	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	With Head Teachers given more responsibility in terms of attainment and funding, when does this leave time for Head Teachers to line manage and deal with goings on in school life. Quality assurance approaches are already being undertaken in schools without involvement from central services.	Rationalisation of central support to schools (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Headteachers are expected to exercise a high degree of autonomy, and resultant accountability, and increases are anticipated as part of the national governance review. This will include managing their school within available resources, national conditions, and the scheme of devolved school management. They will have freedom to meet the individual needs of their school, but within set national and local frameworks.
3802	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	So it's like head of housing in charge of libraries. Does he know if schools promote libraries?	Rationalisation of central support to schools (general)	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
3803	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Head teachers should be delivering education not being accountants .	Rationalisation of central support to schools (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Headteachers are expected to exercise a high degree of autonomy, and resultant accountability, and increases are anticipated as part of the national governance review. This will include managing their school within available resources, national conditions, and the scheme of devolved school management. They will have freedom to meet the individual needs of their school, but within set national and local frameworks.
3804	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Fine but I would need to visit the team and see exactly what they do. Efficiency is important. Responsibility needs to be used to parents and careers.	Rationalisation of central support to schools (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council seeks to strike an appropriate balance between front line, management and support services all of which make an important contribution to education.
3805	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	This makes sense. But one consequence is that it mitigates reducing inequality across the schools throughout the region. Linlithgow Academy will clear improve in comparison with those in the 'Core Development' area. Your title is misleading: surely you mean Delegation of Support to Schools'	Rationalisation of central support to schools (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Funding formulas take account of factors such as SIMD in order to reduce the impact of poverty.
3806	No Response	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Giving head teachers responsibility for running their school and attainment levels is good especially in areas where you would expect high levels to be achieved. However you do not want to put extra pressure on schools in less affluent areas where there is more likelihood that the teachers struggle to get the children to basic reading and numeracy skills. There cannot be an across the board approach to this issue.	Rationalisation of central support to schools (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Funding formulas take account of factors such as SIMD in order to reduce the impact of poverty.
3807	An employee of West Lothian Council	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Head Teachers are already involved in quality assurance processes across the LA and this should continue to ensure that our schools are moving forward in the right direction. This has been promoted at school level over a number of years although visits by Education Scotland inspectors still has a focus on support from the local authority - how will this be managed when central support for quality improvement is at school level? Will HMI (Education Scotland) have an understanding that this is the case? Senior Leadership Teams through workstream involvement have been developing the curriculum, quality improvement processes etc during the last few years and this will continue with a reduction in central support.	Rationalisation of central support to schools (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	The Council has embedded quality assurance within schools through the Validated Self Evaluation programme which focuses on peer review rather than external inspection. His is consistent with the national and local focus on improvement through collaboration. The proposals will not reduce standards in school, but are part of an ongoing process of embedding quality assurance within schools.
3808	An employee of West Lothian Council	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	This makes sense although there are concerns that this will lead to greater administrative burdens being placed on individual schools with less support being available from the centre along with reduced admin budgets which will lead to increased workload for those already working in schools.	Rationalisation of central support to schools (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	The council seeks to strike an appropriate balance between front line, management and support services all of which make an important contribution to education.
3809	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Do you really need this . Are head teachers not skilled enough in this area	Rationalisation of central support to schools (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Efficient pupil placement makes a significant contribution to controlling capital and revenue costs, and it is proposed that these benefits are retained. The Customer Care team is responsible for several statutory functions. The council seeks to strike an appropriate balance between front line, management and support services all of which make an important contribution to education.

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3810	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	I do not understand the synergy implicit in this - these two teams surely do quite different things?:	Rationalisation of central support to schools (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Any proposal that the council progresses will continue to meet the needs of parents and pupils, and maintain the levels of satisfaction which are very high across a range of indicators.
3811	An employee of West Lothian Council	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Will taking the team cutting it and putting into one team still offer the right amount of specialised support? Sitting close to pupil placement I can constantly hear phones ringing off the hook and the team constantly rushing away to get everything done. I worry that mixing teams will reduce how specialised they can be causing frustration and time wasting for the public searching for these services.	Rationalisation of central support to schools (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Any proposal that the council progresses will continue to meet the needs of parents and pupils, and maintain the levels of satisfaction which are very high across a range of indicators.
3812	No Response	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	What does this really do - review what it does and save more from it.	Rationalisation of central support to schools (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Efficient pupil placement makes a significant contribution to controlling capital and revenue costs, and it is proposed that these benefits are retained. The Customer Care team is responsible for several statutory functions. The council seeks to strike an appropriate balance between front line, management and support services all of which make an important contribution to education.
3813	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	If this is to assist parents in applying for school then ok.	Rationalisation of central support to schools (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Any proposal that the council progresses will continue to meet the needs of parents and pupils, and maintain the levels of satisfaction which are very high across a range of indicators.
3814	No Response	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Great as long as the head teacher has a clue about what they're doing. Haven't known that to be the case so far.	Rationalisation of central support to schools (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Headteachers are expected to exercise a high degree of autonomy, and resultant accountability, and increases are anticipated as part of the national governance review. This will include managing their school within available resources, national conditions, and the scheme of devolved school management. They will have freedom to meet the individual needs of their school, but within set national and local frameworks.
3815	No Response	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Also, not sure Head Teachers should be given more responsibility, it is already a huge job with not enough people wanting to do it.	Rationalisation of central support to schools (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Officers will consider how this could be developed.
3816	No Response	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	The redesign of educational services will I think be welcomed in schools. There are far too many directives coming from the council re education - it is a wonder the teachers have time to teach the basics.	Rationalisation of central support to schools (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Many initiatives originate with central government, including the national improvement framework, the introduction of new qualifications and the pupil equity fund.
3817	An employee of West Lothian Council	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	While in principle this seems a sensible approach, we need to balance this against schools going anyway doing their own thing without monitoring or appropriate review.	Rationalisation of central support to schools (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Headteachers are expected to exercise a high degree of autonomy, and resultant accountability, and increases are anticipated as part of the national governance review. This will include managing their school within available resources, national conditions, and the scheme of devolved school management. They will have freedom to meet the individual needs of their school, but within set national and local frameworks.
3818	An employee of West Lothian Council	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Resources need to be better utilised and a skills audit produced highlighting individual and cluster school needs. Head Teachers need support with regard to funding and attainment and need to work closely together to avoid duplication of effort.	Rationalisation of central support to schools (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Headteachers will consider how this could be developed within their cluster utilising their resources.
3819	No Response	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	I understand why schools want responsibility. Schools aims and objectives are completely different to other services and my concern is a school, like other services (reactive) just want to achieve the end result and this could be at the detriment of the councils budgets. I agree schools should have the power to manage their business, however, strict guidelines must be put in place to ensure monies are not being frittered away by each school procuring goods, services and works from their chosen suppliers. Strict controls need to be in place and economies of scale put to the best use. Contracts that meet the needs of the West Lothian Schools should be tendered to ensure schools have access to the materials they need, at a competitive price and with the correct terms and conditions.	Rationalisation of central support to schools (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Headteachers are expected to exercise a high degree of autonomy, and resultant accountability, and increases are anticipated as part of the national governance review. This will include managing their school within available resources, national conditions, and the scheme of devolved school management. They will have freedom to meet the individual needs of their school, but within set national and local frameworks. Purchasing and tendering will remain the responsibility of specialist staff.

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3820	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	I fear that this rationalisation may be contradictory to 2 of your own priorities: reducing inequality and ensuring positive destinations.	Rationalisation of central support to schools (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council is committed to implementing proposals without detriment to pupils. Addressing the poverty based attainment gap remains a key strategic priority of the Council.
3821	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	I think it is important to ensure Head Teachers and teachers are given the support they require to do their job.	Rationalisation of central support to schools (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Headteachers are expected to exercise a high degree of autonomy, and resultant accountability, and increases are anticipated as part of the national governance review. This will include managing their school within available resources, national conditions, and the scheme of devolved school management. They will have freedom to meet the individual needs of their school, but within set national and local frameworks.
3822	An employee of West Lothian Council	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Agree with this approach, more ability for school to operate based on the needs of the school and pupils.	Rationalisation of central support to schools (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Headteachers are expected to exercise a high degree of autonomy, and resultant accountability, and increases are anticipated as part of the national governance review. This will include managing their school within available resources, national conditions, and the scheme of devolved school management. They will have freedom to meet the individual needs of their school, but within set national and local frameworks.
3823	An employee of West Lothian Council	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Agreed as School reps and HT's are in a unique position to understand the locality and the ethos/detailed needs/issues and strengths within the schools. Obviously the correct checks and balances would need to be employed including an independently run complaints service	Rationalisation of central support to schools (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Headteachers are expected to exercise a high degree of autonomy, and resultant accountability, and increases are anticipated as part of the national governance review. This will include managing their school within available resources, national conditions, and the scheme of devolved school management. They will have freedom to meet the individual needs of their school, but within set national and local frameworks. A complaints procedure compliant with SPSO requirements will be retained.
3824	An employee of West Lothian Council	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Only issue I see is that one school will provide a different service to the next which may result in certain schools providing a better level of education than another.	Rationalisation of central support to schools (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Headteachers are expected to exercise a high degree of autonomy, and resultant accountability, and increases are anticipated as part of the national governance review. This will include managing their school within available resources, national conditions, and the scheme of devolved school management. They will have freedom to meet the individual needs of their school, but within set national and local frameworks.
3825	An employee of West Lothian Council	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	this is fine in principal but could lead to different schools having different priorities and as such young people having very different experiences depending on which school they attend. will it place more stress on teachers having to manage the business side?	Rationalisation of central support to schools (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Headteachers are expected to exercise a high degree of autonomy, and resultant accountability, and increases are anticipated as part of the national governance review. This will include managing their school within available resources, national conditions, and the scheme of devolved school management. They will have freedom to meet the individual needs of their school, but within set national and local frameworks.
3826	An employee of West Lothian Council	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Streamlining any provisions with a minimum impact on pupils education would be reasonable.	Rationalisation of central support to schools (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
3827	An employee of West Lothian Council	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	My concern is that there are many pupils within education system who have learning problems and due to costs that each school have to pay for the required services are not receiving the help they need, especially children with learning disabilities. I would hope it would not turn into a Postcode Lottery.	Rationalisation of central support to schools (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. The proposal would continue to fulfilling the council's duty to meet the needs of every child.

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3828	An employee of West Lothian Council	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Perhaps citizens with children in schools should provide more funding themselves towards their childrens education	Rationalisation of central support to schools (general)	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	Local authorities have statutory duties in relation to the provision of education. Parents already make significant contributions in areas outwith the core curriculum.
3829	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	While supportive of individual schools having greater autonomy in all areas, it does not follow that this will result in financial savings. Indeed, quite the opposite. Restructuring is welcome but if not adequately resourced it will fail. It is therefore a concern that this process is being viewed primarily as a cost cutting exercise.	Rationalisation of central support to schools (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposals do not envisage additional resources being given to schools, but rather core functions of schools protected.
3830	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	I can see every school teaching different subjects if one person is in charge of the funding, kind of like the head teacher providing what they think is right in their oppinion	Rationalisation of central support to schools (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Headteachers are expected to exercise a high degree of autonomy, and resultant accountability, and increases are anticipated as part of the national governance review. This will include managing their school within available resources, national conditions, and the scheme of devolved school management. They will have freedom to meet the individual needs of their school, but within set national and local frameworks.
3831	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	schooling and education are also paramount , they are the future , too many cuts to education would prove counter productive .	Rationalisation of central support to schools (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposals put forward by the Council affect all of its activities, reflecting all of the priorities of the Council.
3832	An employee of West Lothian Council	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	In principle this sounds positive however what is still required in schools is support to vulnerable young people in schools - such as support for learning staff for those young people who may struggle to engage in certain aspects of learning and a fear that those children and young people may become increasingly marginalised due to them not being able to cope with the academic components of education.	Rationalisation of central support to schools (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposals do not envisage additional resources being given to schools, but rather core functions of schools protected.
3833	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Reduction in quality assurance activities sounds negative,	Rationalisation of central support to schools (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council has embedded quality assurance within schools through the Validated Self Evaluation programme which focuses on peer review rather than external inspection. This is consistent with the national and local focus on improvement through collaboration.
3834	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Careful monitoring needed to ensure high-quality of teaching/education across all schools.	Rationalisation of central support to schools (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	The Council has embedded quality assurance within schools through the Validated Self Evaluation programme which focuses on peer review rather than external inspection. This is consistent with the national and local focus on improvement through collaboration.
3835	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Excellent idea provided that the appropriate support (including resources) is made available to schools. We do not wish to see school staff ever further stretched.	Rationalisation of central support to schools (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The proposals do not envisage additional resources being given to schools, but rather core functions of schools protected.
3836	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	My view is that the school system needs all the help from central resources as they can. We are already losing so many teachers because of the pressure they are under and struggle to fill senior positions in school. Any cuts in central support would just make this worse	Rationalisation of central support to schools (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposals do not envisage additional resources being given to schools, but rather core functions of schools protected.
3837	No Response	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	This is fine as long as pupil's needs are met and no reduction of the support structure for pupils with additional needs.	Rationalisation of central support to schools (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The Council intends to implement the proposals whilst continuing to meet the needs of every pupil.
3838	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	If central resources will no longer be providing necessary business support and quality assurance activities who will be doing these tasks and providing the advisory approach to educational psychology? Can I please see the detail of your plans? Will funding be given to the schools to employ people to do any statutory tasks expected of them?	Rationalisation of central support to schools (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposals do not envisage additional resources being given to schools, but rather core functions of schools protected.
3839	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Saving £2.5m but at what cost? Restructure and redesign of these services at all education establishments will not come cheap.	Rationalisation of central support to schools (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The restructure and redesign is intended to ensure resources available for learning and teaching are maximised.
3840	No Response	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	I would be concerned that the workload for teachers would become unbearable and that we will lose high quality and experienced staff with a corresponding reduction in quality of learning and teaching	Rationalisation of central support to schools (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Teachers are employed under national conditions of service which specify their duties, and undertake those duties as directed by their Headteacher within the confines of their working time agreement.

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3841	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Head teachers will need support to manage the extra workload.	Rationalisation of central support to schools (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Headteachers are expected to exercise a high degree of autonomy, and resultant accountability, and increases are anticipated as part of the national governance review. This will include managing their school within available resources, national conditions, and the scheme of devolved school management. They will have freedom to meet the individual needs of their school, but within set national and local frameworks.
3842	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Giving Headteachers more responsibility is simply giving them a greater workload and therefore less time to engage with children and staff. Cuts to Education will not in any way help to raise attainment.	Rationalisation of central support to schools (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Headteachers are expected to exercise a high degree of autonomy, and resultant accountability, and increases are anticipated as part of the national governance review. This will include managing their school within available resources, national conditions, and the scheme of devolved school management. They will have freedom to meet the individual needs of their school, but within set national and local frameworks.
3843	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Indeed the central support to schools is necessary for the smooth running of schools without central support schools will not be given the support that they need especially in times of crisis and in raising standards. Head Teachers are already under huge pressures and especially need educational psychologists and quality assurance support. With these services reduced I would question how a Head Teachers, already working at crisis point, can feasibly take on anymore roles in their job. I fear that this would lead to a lack of candidates applying for HT jobs and for current HTs to leave the profession.	Rationalisation of central support to schools (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Headteachers are expected to exercise a high degree of autonomy, and resultant accountability, and increases are anticipated as part of the national governance review. This will include managing their school within available resources, national conditions, and the scheme of devolved school management. They will have freedom to meet the individual needs of their school, but within set national and local frameworks.
3844	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	It sounds like the outcome will be that HTs will be left to choose what's more important- music lessons or books? My school has no budget for resources this year- this puts added stress on teachers and pupils. Teachers will be pushed out of the profession at a time when there is already a crisis in teaching staff.	Rationalisation of central support to schools (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Headteachers are expected to exercise a high degree of autonomy, and resultant accountability, and increases are anticipated as part of the national governance review. This will include managing their school within available resources, national conditions, and the scheme of devolved school management. They will have freedom to meet the individual needs of their school, but within set national and local frameworks.
3845	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	This must be done in such a way that schools do not find themselves overloaded with administrative burden.	Rationalisation of central support to schools (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Headteachers are expected to exercise a high degree of autonomy, and resultant accountability, and increases are anticipated as part of the national governance review. This will include managing their school within available resources, national conditions, and the scheme of devolved school management. They will have freedom to meet the individual needs of their school, but within set national and local frameworks.
3846	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Give headteachers more responsibility but support them with well-trained secretaries.	Rationalisation of central support to schools (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Headteachers are expected to exercise a high degree of autonomy, and resultant accountability, and increases are anticipated as part of the national governance review. This will include managing their school within available resources, national conditions, and the scheme of devolved school management. They will have freedom to meet the individual needs of their school, but within set national and local frameworks.

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3847	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	I agree that it would be good for the individual schools themselves to have more control over funding and attainment. However for the future well being of everyone making cuts in education is already proving to be disastrous. This is the Scottish government's fault in the main, although it is apparent that there is a great deal of inequality in funding to schools across West Lothian. My daughter was not provided with textbooks in 2 of her highers last year and what was available in school had pages missing and had to be shared. As well as that many of the facilities in the school e.g computers are very old and unreliable. At the same time other schools appear to have state of the art technologies and facilities. I know there are many deprived areas in West Lothian but surely every child deserves an equal chance. If necessary I personally would be happy to see a means tested small fee applied to each child at the start of each academic year to help pay for better facilities.	Rationalisation of central support to schools (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Funding is distributed to schools in terms of the scheme of devolved school management, but Headteachers determine how it is spent, reflecting the priorities within their own schools. Such differences in approach are in line with the Scottish Government's proposals to increase the powers of Headteachers.
3848	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Centralisation of this skill set may be possible however the council must be mindful that it is clear that organisations are already under pressure. Head teachers appear to be in short supply judging by the number of adverts for the posts across the country and adding additional responsibilities and hardly going to make the posts attractive.	Rationalisation of central support to schools (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Headteachers are expected to exercise a high degree of autonomy, and resultant accountability, and increases are anticipated as part of the national governance review. This will include managing their school within available resources, national conditions, and the scheme of devolved school management. They will have freedom to meet the individual needs of their school, but within set national and local frameworks.
3849	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Hopefully Head Teachers will reduce the time spent by teachers in writing about how they are doing things and just let them get on with the actual teaching! Parents could become even more involved by being required to assume more responsibility for their child/children's behaviour at school thus reducing the amount of time teachers must spend on controlling the troublesome percentage who have the biggest impact on the attainment possibilities of the bulk of the school population.	Rationalisation of central support to schools (general)	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	The Scottish Government is currently consulting on 'empowering schools' including parental involvement, but does not propose increased direct responsibility by parents for the behaviour of their child. This comment could be made to the Scottish Government by the person concerned.
3850	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	I find this extremely worrying. The idea of fragmenting services, and reducing support to the educational services, thereby denying to them the advice and practical support of specialists in whichever area of work is disgraceful. Each school would end up with different business processes and QA strategies. So much work would be duplicated in every school to plan and try to implement systems for work. When personnel move to different schools, they will have to learn the idiosyncrasies of the various systems which have been developed independently, to do a similar role. These are exactly the differences that the council is proposing to eliminate in it's own structure to save money.	Rationalisation of central support to schools (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Headteachers are expected to exercise a high degree of autonomy, and resultant accountability, and increases are anticipated as part of the national governance review. This will include managing their school within available resources, national conditions, and the scheme of devolved school management. They will have freedom to meet the individual needs of their school, but within set national and local frameworks.
3851	No Response	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Schools need support from authority level To encourage dialogue and change Opportunities at authority level also mean it's possible to move staff in difficulty to non teaching roles	Rationalisation of central support to schools (general)	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	The proposal is not to move staff in difficulty to non-teaching roles.
3852	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	I agree that centralising service support is a good idea, could go further and centralise schools administratooon.	Rationalisation of central support to schools (general)	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	The proposal is not to centralise support services, but to embed them within schools.
3853	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	With the changes to funding this is a sensible saving - with the proviso that the school budgets are increased to cover the additional services that will need to be carried out in-house	Rationalisation of central support to schools (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Headteachers are expected to exercise a high degree of autonomy, and resultant accountability, and increases are anticipated as part of the national governance review. This will include managing their school within available resources, national conditions, and the scheme of devolved school management. They will have freedom to meet the individual needs of their school, but within set national and local frameworks.
3854	An employee of West Lothian Council	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Giving more autonomy to schools is generally a good thing as the members of staff within the establishment are much more likely to be able to use money where it is most needed as they have knowledge of the school on a grass roots basis. It seems logical to save money on large, centralised support systems provided that schools are then able to use the extra funding in a much less restricted way.	Rationalisation of central support to schools (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Headteachers are expected to exercise a high degree of autonomy, and resultant accountability, and increases are anticipated as part of the national governance review. This will include managing their school within available resources, national conditions, and the scheme of devolved school management. They will have freedom to meet the individual needs of their school, but within set national and local frameworks.

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3855	No Response	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Central Education Support Service and business support could be worked into individual school responsibilities too	Rationalisation of central support to schools (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Headteachers are expected to exercise a high degree of autonomy, and resultant accountability, and increases are anticipated as part of the national governance review. This will include managing their school within available resources, national conditions, and the scheme of devolved school management. They will have freedom to meet the individual needs of their school, but within set national and local frameworks.
3856	An employee of West Lothian Council	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Teachers and schools need to be quality assured. I don't believe Head Teachers can simply be left to their own devices re budget provision as the future generations deserve much better scrutiny on the education provided to them.	Rationalisation of central support to schools (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council has embedded quality assurance within schools through the Validated Self Evaluation programme which focuses on peer review rather than external inspection. This is consistent with the national and local focus on improvement through collaboration. Headteachers are expected to exercise a high degree of autonomy, and resultant accountability, and increases are anticipated as part of the national governance review. This will include managing their school within available resources, national conditions, and the scheme of devolved school management. They will have freedom to meet the individual needs of their school, but within set national and local frameworks.
3857	No Response	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Totally agree because the current system is not fit for purpose. Too many new initiatives loading teachers with huge workloads. Get rid and start again.	Rationalisation of central support to schools (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Headteachers are expected to exercise a high degree of autonomy, and resultant accountability, and increases are anticipated as part of the national governance review. This will include managing their school within available resources, national conditions, and the scheme of devolved school management. They will have freedom to meet the individual needs of their school, but within set national and local frameworks.
3858	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	As a national policy there is very little the council can do to change the impact already being pushed through against the wishes of the EIS. Head Teachers are there to ensure their pupils have the best education and support available. Spending time on funding and budgetary controls reduces their capacity to do the aforementioned tasks, which is why as a national strategy this does not work and is why our national education system is failing pupils and teachers alike.	Rationalisation of central support to schools (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Headteachers are expected to exercise a high degree of autonomy, and resultant accountability, and increases are anticipated as part of the national governance review. This will include managing their school within available resources, national conditions, and the scheme of devolved school management. They will have freedom to meet the individual needs of their school, but within set national and local frameworks.
3859	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Head Teachers are there to ensure their pupils have the best education and support available. Spending time on funding and budgetary controls reduces their capacity to do the aforementioned tasks, which is why as a national strategy this does not work and is why our national education system is failing pupils and teachers alike.	Rationalisation of central support to schools (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Headteachers are expected to exercise a high degree of autonomy, and resultant accountability, and increases are anticipated as part of the national governance review. This will include managing their school within available resources, national condition
3860	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	I believe head teachers should be given empowerment to make decisions at a local level as it provides more benefit to the school and the wider community. It is important that the allocation of funding is provided at head teacher level to compliment this concept. Otherwise, it will never be successful.	Rationalisation of central support to schools (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Headteachers are expected to exercise a high degree of autonomy, and resultant accountability, and increases are anticipated as part of the national governance review. This will include managing their school within available resources, national conditions, and the scheme of devolved school management. They will have freedom to meet the individual needs of their school, but within set national and local frameworks.

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3861	No Response	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Embedding within schools seems a reasonable approach.	Rationalisation of central support to schools (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Headteachers are expected to exercise a high degree of autonomy, and resultant accountability, and increases are anticipated as part of the national governance review. This will include managing their school within available resources, national conditions, and the scheme of devolved school management. They will have freedom to meet the individual needs of their school, but within set national and local frameworks.
3862	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	I think this will be a good way to go only if Education in WL really can run their school as an effective business and all that entails. Giving more control to schools for their funding without them seeing themselves as business managers will be a disaster.	Rationalisation of central support to schools (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Headteachers are expected to exercise a high degree of autonomy, and resultant accountability, and increases are anticipated as part of the national governance review. This will include managing their school within available resources, national conditions, and the scheme of devolved school management. They will have freedom to meet the individual needs of their school, but within set national and local frameworks.
3863	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Remember Head teachers are first and foremost educationalists. Support has to be available to them when needed for non education tasks. Also if they are to do all these management tasks there cannot be an expectation or need for them to undertake teaching tasks. Is the pressure on them at present manageable? Integrating specialist services cannot mean expecting ordinary teaching staff to deliver these services to the same standard. Similarly staff who have been delivering specialist services would need support if they are to return to mainstream teaching. Staff have to be valued not put upon. Care has to be taken that rationalisation does not equate to poorer education and scunnered staff!	Rationalisation of central support to schools (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Headteachers are expected to exercise a high degree of autonomy, and resultant accountability, and increases are anticipated as part of the national governance review. This will include managing their school within available resources, national conditions, and the scheme of devolved school management. They will have freedom to meet the individual needs of their school, but within set national and local frameworks.
3864	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Giving schools direct control over funding is a good policy	Rationalisation of central support to schools (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Headteachers are expected to exercise a high degree of autonomy, and resultant accountability, and increases are anticipated as part of the national governance review. This will include managing their school within available resources, national conditions, and the scheme of devolved school management. They will have freedom to meet the individual needs of their school, but within set national and local frameworks.
3865	An employee of West Lothian Council	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Agree that Head Teachers should be in charge of their own budget. Teachers should be able to take their own class for music or drama and should hopefully fit into their already busy curriculum.	Rationalisation of central support to schools (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Headteachers are expected to exercise a high degree of autonomy, and resultant accountability, and increases are anticipated as part of the national governance review. This will include managing their school within available resources, national conditions, and the scheme of devolved school management. They will have freedom to meet the individual needs of their school, but within set national and local frameworks.
3866	An employee of West Lothian Council	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	As previous comments. In addition, and specific to education services, a large amount of resourcing, professional learning and time has been spent in developing a sustainable model of validated self evaluation in schools. This is becoming increasingly robust, collegiate and effective in assuring quality and consistency across the authority. I would recommend that this continues and that schools (in line with the Governance Review at national level) are provided the space and autonomy to work within the National Improvement Framework and existing Quality Assurance structures (such as How Good Is Our School 4) both individually and with cluster colleagues to improve schools.	Rationalisation of central support to schools (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The Council has embedded quality assurance within schools through the Validated Self Evaluation programme which focuses on peer review rather than external inspection. This is consistent with the national and local focus on improvement through collaboration. The proposals will not reduce standards in school, but are part of an ongoing process of embedding quality assurance within schools.
3867	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	I think this is a good idea, sometimes I feel the school could fund thing better if they were accountable rather than depending on other sources. Fund raising for other causes instead of the school is one that really annoys me. I have four children, who dress down monthly and the money should be going to the school not external charities.	Rationalisation of central support to schools (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Individual schools can consider such suggestions, which can be made through the parent council.

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3868	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	I feel that HTs should have control over how to spend their budget as they know the priorities and needs of their school.	Rationalisation of central support to schools (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Headteachers are expected to exercise a high degree of autonomy, and resultant accountability, and increases are anticipated as part of the national governance review. This will include managing their school within available resources, national conditions, and the scheme of devolved school management. They will have freedom to meet the individual needs of their school, but within set national and local frameworks.
3869	No Response	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Believe individual head teachers would manage their budgets better than a central point ...I.e the council !	Rationalisation of central support to schools (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Headteachers are expected to exercise a high degree of autonomy, and resultant accountability, and increases are anticipated as part of the national governance review. This will include managing their school within available resources, national conditions, and the scheme of devolved school management. They will have freedom to meet the individual needs of their school, but within set national and local frameworks.
3870	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	I agree. Give head teachers more responsibility to manage budgets, but recognise exceptions as and when they arise. Hopefully this will help the head teachers who are capable, to have more control over their own schools - and the additional responsibility may help drive out the poorer head teachers. My caveat is that funding needs to be focussed upon schooling- head teachers can't run on empty pockets!	Rationalisation of central support to schools (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Headteachers are expected to exercise a high degree of autonomy, and resultant accountability, and increases are anticipated as part of the national governance review. This will include managing their school within available resources, national conditions, and the scheme of devolved school management. They will have freedom to meet the individual needs of their school, but within set national and local frameworks.
3871	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	I agree that head teachers in schools should have more responsibility for attainment and funding but with the loss of support provisions, could this have a negative impact on school budgets (additional costs incurred to the continued need services elsewhere)?	Rationalisation of central support to schools (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Headteachers are expected to exercise a high degree of autonomy, and resultant accountability, and increases are anticipated as part of the national governance review. This will include managing their school within available resources, national conditions, and the scheme of devolved school management. They will have freedom to meet the individual needs of their school, but within set national and local frameworks.
3872	No Response	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	I totally disagree with giving head teachers greater powers in running schools. It is impossible to get good experienced head teachers at present and the ones who are in post are overworked and stressed. As an ex teacher I think we have to simplify the curriculum and waste less time on filling in paperwork, which nobody looks at. Children need to be taught to read and count and learn about the environment and how to interact with others. We are trying to do too much and none of it done properly. At present we have some uniformity in Education provided by each Authority. Giving more power to head teachers will allow Heads to implement their own, perhaps doubtful, ideas and a child moving schools could end up finding the new school fatally different to the last. This is the worst proposal for Education!!!!	Rationalisation of central support to schools (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Headteachers are expected to exercise a high degree of autonomy, and resultant accountability, and increases are anticipated as part of the national governance review. This will include managing their school within available resources, national conditions, and the scheme of devolved school management. They will have freedom to meet the individual needs of their school, but within set national and local frameworks.
3873	No Response	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Schools should have more of an input and control for everything within the school. But I think this should be done carefully, since there could be a problem with schools spending unwisely and putting things at risk that shouldn't be at risk.	Rationalisation of central support to schools (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Headteachers are expected to exercise a high degree of autonomy, and resultant accountability, and increases are anticipated as part of the national governance review. This will include managing their school within available resources, national conditions, and the scheme of devolved school management. They will have freedom to meet the individual needs of their school, but within set national and local frameworks.
3874	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	This needs balance and more detail about what is being proposed. Sharing / consulting on a balanced pros and cons view on the options would be helpful. The education support given to all kids is pretty important to get right given the years of impact that initial foundation impacts,	Rationalisation of central support to schools (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
3875	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	No idea about the rest as I don't know how you manage it at the moment. (other than children;s hearing support has already been rearranged several times in the last few years and bearing in mind the projected shortage of teachers of the deaf it would be good not to not upset the ones you have.).	Rationalisation of central support to schools (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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3876	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	too much wastage in schools take the funds back and this will decrease a lot of unnecessary spending by staff - get them to apply for equipment etc. be more proactive in recycling books and equipment around the council services	Rationalisation of central support to schools (general)	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	Headteachers will gain increased autonomy and responsibility for resources as a result of the Governance Review.
3877	An employee of West Lothian Council	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	I believe schools with low attainment and high poverty areas may struggle with their budget and schools in more affluent areas may benefit incorrectly. If this were to go ahead the money would need to be carefully proportioned on different criteria and not just the number of pupils in a school. Schools with extra support hubs eg Balabardie and boghall should have additional funding due to the extra support some of their children may require. If attainment is the responsibility of the school then it may be the case that further staffing would be required for schools that have low attainment levels to meet with parents and children to try to resolve any barriers the child or parent may have. However this is something that could be considered under the equity funding (money given to schools for every child that receives free school meals) that was given to each school so may not cost the council any extra money. I am not sure by cutting the instrumental music provision would benefit children that struggle academically and require more hands on subjects. I	Rationalisation of central support to schools (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	These basic principle are already enshrined in mechanisms for the distribution of funding, and officers will continue to focus on them..
3878	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	We would like to know whether these changes will apply to special needs schools. We would have concerns for children with additional needs within main stream schools with only having an advisory approach from educational psychology. We would have concerns for our colleagues in teaching being asked to manage budgets when their skill sets are focussed around education and not business.	Rationalisation of central support to schools (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposals would apply to all schools. The contribution of Educational Psychologists is valued by parents, schools and by the council, but the council is consulting on budget reductions across the full range of its activities. The council is committed to implementing proposals whilst continuing to meet the needs of every child. Headteachers are expected to exercise a high degree of autonomy, and resultant accountability, and increases are anticipated as part of the national governance review.
3879	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	The transfer of powers might be justifiable but the budget saving of £2.5 is the problem.	Rationalisation of central support to schools (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The comment does not propose any specific action.
3880	No Response	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Central support is still required to ensure to support schools and head teachers to deliver high quality learning and teaching.	Rationalisation of central support to schools (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposals seek to strike an appropriate balance between front line and support services.
3881	An employee of West Lothian Council	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Whilst this looks good on paper, different schools are already spending their PEF money on different resources - some better than others. To bring more activities and provisions under individual school management would mean some schools would benefit more than others, dependant on who is the Head Teacher. HTs are already extremely busy without this added pressure.	Rationalisation of central support to schools (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Headteachers are expected to exercise a high degree of autonomy, and resultant accountability, and increases are anticipated as part of the national governance review. This will include managing their school within available resources, national conditions, and the scheme of devolved school management. They will have freedom to meet the individual needs of their school, but within set national and local frameworks.
3882	An employee of West Lothian Council	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	My concern would be that if these vital services were to be moved in house they will suffer further degradation as schools will not be able to maintain the same level of provision.	Rationalisation of central support to schools (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council is committed to implementing agreed proposals with no detriment to pupils or parents.
3883	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	There should be minimal cuts to schools and school services. We are already witnessing the effects of restricted school budgets and further cuts will severely impact schools to the detriment if the pupils.	Rationalisation of central support to schools (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council is proposing savings across the full range of its activities, including education.
3884	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	This sounds like a good start. As many support services as possible need to be centralised, including procurement, etc. Could specific charities support psychological and teaching services? For example Autism and Dyslexia xarities working on specific projects to benefit children in West Lothian?	Rationalisation of central support to schools (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Officers will consider how this could be developed.
3885	An employee of West Lothian Council	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	This is going to further disadvantage young people most in need of support and is unfair to children deprived of opportunities due to family circumstances. Widening the gap.	Rationalisation of central support to schools (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Reducing the poverty based attainment gap remains a key strategic priority for the Council.

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3886	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	As 1A - Excellent if all of the above are carried out. However on current personally experienced performance it will take a huge effort to even provide an improvement. Further why has the " efficiency and effectiveness" not been applied to current procedures. No real criteria to be reach is actually stated and the starting point for these " efficiency and effectiveness" upgrade to services is not evident. Vagueness in targets to achieve . How will residents know when this is achieved?	Rationalisation of central support to schools (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
3887	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Too much money spent on non educational activities.Educate children don't amuse them.any extras should be paid for.	Rationalisation of central support to schools (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Officers will consider how this could be developed.
3888	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Education is top priority,but stop ring fencing monies into various pots thus having staff employed on sourcing funds from different schemes. A waste of staff and resources. A head teacher is paid to manage staff bugets and achieve results. Let them manage!	Rationalisation of central support to schools (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Headteachers are expected to exercise a high degree of autonomy, and resultant accountability, and increases are anticipated as part of the national governance review. This will include managing their school within available resources, national conditions, and the scheme of devolved school management. They will have freedom to meet the individual needs of their school, but within set national and local frameworks.
3889	An employee of West Lothian Council	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	What does that actually mean in English.... basically we need to be teaching the children and reduce the duplication or reduce unnecessary administration	Rationalisation of central support to schools (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	The Council has participated in the national taskforce aimed at reducing bureaucracy in schools, and has taken appropriate action.
3890	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Vital services will be reduced for vulnerable children needing extra support from these outreach services. Quality education will be compromised.	Rationalisation of central support to schools (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council is committed to implementing proposals without detriment to pupils, and whilst continuing to meet the needs of all pupils.
3891	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	This sounds like "buck passing" . There are issues that need a special, centrally managed resource . Are Head Teachers likely to be competent in human resource management ? If they require further training , who will do their work when away ?	Rationalisation of central support to schools (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Headteachers are expected to exercise a high degree of autonomy, and resultant accountability, and increases are anticipated as part of the national governance review. This will include managing their school within available resources, national conditions, and the scheme of devolved school management. They will have freedom to meet the individual needs of their school, but within set national and local frameworks.
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3893	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	This would prove useful if you have a Head Teacher that is able to effectively manage this. How much autonomy will the have?	Rationalisation of central support to schools (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Headteachers are expected to exercise a high degree of autonomy, and resultant accountability, and increases are anticipated as part of the national governance review. This will include managing their school within available resources, national conditions, and the scheme of devolved school management. They will have freedom to meet the individual needs of their school, but within set national and local frameworks.
3894	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	This puts a lot of onus on head teachers. It looks good in theory but is dependent on local ability to manage and deliver; the outcomes in time may then be uneven	Rationalisation of central support to schools (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Headteachers are expected to exercise a high degree of autonomy, and resultant accountability, and increases are anticipated as part of the national governance review. This will include managing their school within available resources, national conditions, and the scheme of devolved school management. They will have freedom to meet the individual needs of their school, but within set national and local frameworks.

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3895	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Head teachers should be given more responsibility regarding how budgets are spent in their school.	Rationalisation of central support to schools (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Headteachers are expected to exercise a high degree of autonomy, and resultant accountability, and increases are anticipated as part of the national governance review. This will include managing their school within available resources, national conditions, and the scheme of devolved school management. They will have freedom to meet the individual needs of their school, but within set national and local frameworks.
3896	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Providing there is a constant check on the school performance by all means reduce the central support. There are poor head teachers with no control over school performance hence the number of vacancies for head teachers.	Rationalisation of central support to schools (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Robust quality assurance and improvement will remain a priority for the Council.
3897	No Response	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	more reesource required in teaching but giving head teachers more budget responsibilities takes them and deputy heads away from the job they have been promoted to that level for.	Rationalisation of central support to schools (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Headteachers are expected to exercise a high degree of autonomy, and resultant accountability, and increases are anticipated as part of the national governance review. This will include managing their school within available resources, national conditions, and the scheme of devolved school management. They will have freedom to meet the individual needs of their school, but within set national and local frameworks.
3898	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Headteachers should be in control of their budgets	Rationalisation of central support to schools (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Headteachers are expected to exercise a high degree of autonomy, and resultant accountability, and increases are anticipated as part of the national governance review. This will include managing their school within available resources, national conditions, and the scheme of devolved school management. They will have freedom to meet the individual needs of their school, but within set national and local frameworks.
3899	No Response	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	This is all very well, however teachers are already over worked. To find time for additional responsibilities could be at the detriment of our children's education. That said it is important teaching staff are consulted.	Rationalisation of central support to schools (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Teaching Staff are employed according to national conditions of service, which set out clearly the duties they will perform.
3900	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Giving power to the head runs the danger that their priorities take over and children's education is focused on the heads passions and which closes opportunities to chikdren with alternative interests. So if you have a sports orientated head who's no interest in music for example then the funding within that school is put into sport and not music which will have a detrimental effect on those who are musical but not sporty.	Rationalisation of central support to schools (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Headteachers are expected to exercise a high degree of autonomy, and resultant accountability, and increases are anticipated as part of the national governance review. This will include managing their school within available resources, national conditions, and the scheme of devolved school management. They will have freedom to meet the individual needs of their school, but within set national and local frameworks. Headteachers have a responsibility to meet the needs of all children within their school.
3901	No Response	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Hope this does not lead to Elite schools who are better able to attract more funding/help for wealthier parents compared to schools in poorer areas. Also hope it means Heads will be given training in financial resource management.	Rationalisation of central support to schools (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Reducing the poverty based attainment gap remains a key strategic priority for the Council.
3902	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Head teachers can only take on so much! I think they are already near breaking point with all the additional responsibilities the council has brushed off on to them without proper support.	Rationalisation of central support to schools (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Headteachers are expected to exercise a high degree of autonomy, and resultant accountability, and increases are anticipated as part of the national governance review. This will include managing their school within available resources, national conditions, and the scheme of devolved school management. They will have freedom to meet the individual needs of their school, but within set national and local frameworks.
3903	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Most Head Teachers in West Lothian are incredibly and under huge pressure. There is already minimal support. Just because they are responsible and accountable doesn't mean to say there should be no support.	Rationalisation of central support to schools (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposals seek to strike an appropriate balance between front line and support services.

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3904	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	This could be positive if schools leaders have adequate training for the management of this. What must Not be passed over is the burden of PFI management and funding as this remains a council responsibility.	Rationalisation of central support to schools (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Headteachers are expected to exercise a high degree of autonomy, and resultant accountability, and increases are anticipated as part of the national governance review. This will include managing their school within available resources, national conditions, and the scheme of devolved school management. They will have freedom to meet the individual needs of their school, but within set national and local frameworks. The proposals do not seek to make HTs responsible for PPP.
3905	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	I dont understand how you intend to do this, but continually mucking about with our education eats up time & budget.	Rationalisation of central support to schools (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposals are made on the basis that savings are achievable.
3906	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	This is one I feel strongly about. I think that head teachers already have a top heavy work load, taking them away from the classroom. Reducing business support is a huge mistake, as head teachers are not trained in accountancy or business management. Their focus is in developing the curriculum to help raise attainment and ensure positive outcome for our pupils. Taking this support away will lead to added stress and work load on head teachers.	Rationalisation of central support to schools (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Headteachers are expected to exercise a high degree of autonomy, and resultant accountability, and increases are anticipated as part of the national governance review. This will include managing their school within available resources, national conditions, and the scheme of devolved school management. They will have freedom to meet the individual needs of their school, but within set national and local frameworks.
3907	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	could more of this service be available to parents online?	Rationalisation of central support to schools (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Availability of e-forms has increased over the last year, and this will continue.
3908	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Is it really more cost effective to make large numbers of senior staff to struggle with the same issues? Would central support allow them to focus on using their own professional expertise and ensuring high educational attainment for all. Specialist services such as educational psychology are already underfunded. What will this mean in practice?	Rationalisation of central support to schools (general)	5b. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it is likely that the costs of this proposal would outweigh the benefit.	The proposals are made on the basis that savings are achievable. The contribution of Educational Psychologists is valued by parents, schools and by the council, but the council is consulting on budget reductions across the full range of its activities. The council is committed to implementing proposals whilst continuing to meet the needs of every child.
3909	An employee of West Lothian Council	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	will this not provide an inconsistent approach?	Rationalisation of central support to schools (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Headteachers are expected to exercise a high degree of autonomy, and resultant accountability, and increases are anticipated as part of the national governance review. This will include managing their school within available resources, national conditions, and the scheme of devolved school management. They will have freedom to meet the individual needs of their school, but within set national and local frameworks.
3910	An employee of West Lothian Council	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	School should have control of their own budgets - spending wisely!!	Rationalisation of central support to schools (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Headteachers are expected to exercise a high degree of autonomy, and resultant accountability, and increases are anticipated as part of the national governance review. This will include managing their school within available resources, national conditions, and the scheme of devolved school management.
3911	No Response	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Be a good idea as the head teachers will know what where to spend money where is needed. Not all schools spend the same way.	Rationalisation of central support to schools (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Headteachers are expected to exercise a high degree of autonomy, and resultant accountability, and increases are anticipated as part of the national governance review. This will include managing their school within available resources, national conditions, and the scheme of devolved school management.
3912	An employee of West Lothian Council	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	If you go down this route YOU MUST INSURE Head Teachers have the business acumen and are held accountable for their decisions.	Rationalisation of central support to schools (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Headteachers are expected to exercise a high degree of autonomy, and resultant accountability, and increases are anticipated as part of the national governance review. This will include managing their school within available resources, national conditions, and the scheme of devolved school management.

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3913	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	I agree that the HT should continue to have control over the money coming into schools.	Rationalisation of central support to schools (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Headteachers are expected to exercise a high degree of autonomy, and resultant accountability, and increases are anticipated as part of the national governance review. This will include managing their school within available resources, national conditions, and the scheme of devolved school management.
3914	No Response	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	I think it a bad idea to give head teachers more power. I think decisions should be made by Education Department in partnership with schools. The curriculum should be simplified and less pap rework for staff, as this takes away preparation time.	Rationalisation of central support to schools (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
3915	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Happy to streamline this service as long as teachers receive support to manage extra responsibilities. Would hate for this to have an impact on teaching outcomes.	Rationalisation of central support to schools (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Headteachers will receive support from the Regional Improvement Collaborative and council.
3916	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Education and employment support need to be high priority to help West Lothian continue to develop and grow.	Rationalisation of central support to schools (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	Education and support into employment are key priorities for the Council.
3917	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Don't think this a good idea as pupils may suffer with loss of activities.	Rationalisation of central support to schools (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
3918	An employee of West Lothian Council	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	What is needed is more staff in schools and less in central local authority offices in education related posts.	Rationalisation of central support to schools (general)	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	The proposals seek to balance the contribution of front line, support, and managerial staff, all of whom make a valuable contribution to the service.
3919	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Concerned if this puts too much work on to head teachers.	Rationalisation of central support to schools (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The changes to Devolved School Management will increase the autonomy of Headteachers and teachers to make decisions at a local level to benefit pupils in their school. The Council is still responsible for providing support services.
3920	An employee of West Lothian Council	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Once again, this is all very vague. The council's future role following the change in the governance of education in Scotland will still be to provide administrative and business support to schools. What do our current supports look like? What support functions will we not need to provide? How will the supports we do provide be restructured and redesigned? What reduction in support is there to be? We will still be responsible for the number of schools, administration of placing and admissions, provision of back-office support and also recruiting these head teachers who will be driving curriculum. What is the reduction in the council's role? The council cannot just cut its support and then leave the blame on head teachers.	Rationalisation of central support to schools (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	The response contains many questions but no suggestions for action. The changes to Devolved School Management will increase the autonomy of Headteachers and teachers to make decisions at a local level to benefit pupils in their school. The Council is still responsible for providing support services.
3921	An employee of West Lothian Council	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	I do not think there should be a reduction in the central support to schools. Schools have a big enough task at present without removing the additional support. However, I think that instrumental music could be supported by parents as in other Local Authorities.	Rationalisation of central support to schools (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The changes to Devolved School Management will increase the autonomy of Headteachers and teachers to make decisions at a local level to benefit pupils in their school. The Council is still responsible for providing support services.
3922	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Pupils who need extra support would suffer. Not all pupils are academic so pupils who have talents that lie elsewhere (e.g. musical or artistic) will most definitely lose out.	Rationalisation of central support to schools (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council will continue to deliver the 3-18 curriculum with opportunities to pursue art and music, and tailor the curriculum to meet the needs of every pupil.
3923	No Response	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	These strategies appear to be a positive move however this will only work if staff have the time, resources and peer support to tailor the educational needs of the children. Increased class sizes are proven to be detrimental to children's education so this needs to be managed appropriately. Our children are the future of West Lothian therefore we need to provide the support and education they require on a needs led basis. Parents should be made aware of the cost to the council of providing their children with free education.	Rationalisation of central support to schools (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Support to schools will be available from the Regional Improvement Collaborative and from West Lothian Council. Class size limits will be adhered to.
3924	No Response	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	schools should have more support as the children should be given more one to one support for those who really need it	Rationalisation of central support to schools (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The consultation seeks to identify opportunities to achieve necessary savings rather than identify areas for additional spending.
3925	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Secondary schools currently work closely together to support and challenge practice but there is an additional strength drawn from the team at the centre who have an overview of the practice across the Authority and Nationally. Clear plans and expectations will need to be shared to ensure that all colleagues continue to take part in critical reflection and developments with consideration to processes for ongoing quality assurance.	Rationalisation of central support to schools (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	It is expected that the new Regional Improvement Collaborative will perform these functions in future.

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3926	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	It would be unfortunate to lose the effective practices and culture of sharing that has been established across WL as a result of reduced strategic direction from the centre as this would negatively impact on the quality of provision for our young people.	Rationalisation of central support to schools (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	It is expected that the new Regional Improvement Collaborative will perform these functions in future.
3927	No Response	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Head teachers begin their careers as people hoping to impart their love for their subjects and interests to young people and also seeking to give them the best experience of education they can. They are usually promoted because they are good teachers, they are required to become managers of people and finances but repeated examples from the whole of the UK show they often don't make that transition in one aspect or the other. I am strongly opposed to this proposition, it will not improve education in the whole of West Lothian, it is not likely to be more efficient it is simply cheaper. Cheap and poor quality.	Rationalisation of central support to schools (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The changes to Devolved School Management will increase the autonomy of Headteachers and teachers to make decisions at a local level to benefit pupils in their school.
3928	No Response	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Agree with decentralising management control to schools,	Rationalisation of central support to schools (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
3929	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Headteachers already spend a significant amount of time on Business and Admin functions when the focus should be on Learning and Teaching. Continued support to advise on finance within council policies etc is essential. Central support from greatly reduced QI team / PP team and CC team also assists HTs to manage additional issues, e.g. Quality Improvement to meet local and national standards, Pupil Placement issues, placing requests and appeals, frequent customers and concerns raised by parents.	Rationalisation of central support to schools (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Continued support will be available from the Regional Improvement Collaborative and Council.
3930	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Head teachers have already got so much to do especially with the PEF funding which was allocated to schools this year and is already giving Head Teachers, deputy head and principal teachers more work as they are having to show how they are going to spend the money and have evidence on what they are spending the money on. Giving some Head Teachers who have had positive role models to guide them with their leadership role will thrive with managing attainment, funding and changes to central support however some Head Teachers may find this new role too much to take on, on top of their other responsibilities they may become stressed and off for long periods of time which would have a negative impact on the life of the School. Council needs to offer support.	Rationalisation of central support to schools (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Continued support will be available from the Regional Improvement Collaborative and Council.
3931	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Broadly agree. However with more children requiring support for mental issues, it is vital that they get help and support rapidly within the school environment.	Rationalisation of central support to schools (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The Council will continue to meet the needs of individual pupils.
3932	No Response	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	The most important thing is making sure children have access to support staff and resources when they are required. Schools require funding in key areas to ensure our children are educated properly.	Rationalisation of central support to schools (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council has put forward proposals across all areas of its responsibility.
3933	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Giving Head Teachers more responsibility to deliver services that were previously supported through centralised provision is unlikely to lead to increased attainment for pupils. If services will be provided at school level, how will resources be utilised effectively across an authority?	Rationalisation of central support to schools (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposals to rationalise central support to schools seek to balance the important contribution of professional, support and managerial staff, all of whom make an important contribution to the service. They recognise the increased autonomy to be given to headteachers, who will have the ability to prioritise budgets to meet the individual needs of their school.
3934	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Attainment will only rise if more teachers and support assistants are provided.	Rationalisation of central support to schools (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposals seek to identify opportunities for budget reductions not areas where expenditure can increase
3935	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	I feel strongly that this proposal should be resisted in all its elements. Schools require essential support provided from central services to allow them to deliver education at a local level. This provision of central support ensures that there is consistency of approach in a number of key policy areas across the authority. It is important that head teachers can seek advice on key issues such as child protection and additional support needs issues.	Rationalisation of central support to schools (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Support will be available from the new Regional Improvement Collaborative and from the Council.
3936	No Response	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	I think this might work but the school secondary school could change possibilities for more trade and services to get involved with s5 and s6 sort of inline with the apprenticeships.	Rationalisation of central support to schools (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Schools are encouraged to form links with local business and this will continue.
3937	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	If delegating responsibility to schools, it is imperative that this will be subject to scrutiny by National Audit Office and Public Accounts Committee.	Rationalisation of central support to schools (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	The Council will remain subject to scrutiny from appropriate national bodies.

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3938	An employee of West Lothian Council	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	I agree with this. I also think you should look at inclusion in schools. Money is still being wasted in secondary schools in West Lothian on providing 1:1 and small group literacy lessons by extracting pupils from classes. This has little or no impact on attainment and actually disadvantages young people. They are made to feel different and miss out on other classes. Other authorities have taken a much stronger approach to inclusion, so should West Lothian, money could be saved by stopping support for learning practices that don't work. The support for learning staff that are there should be used to increase capacity in staff through collaborative working. Also, is it cost effective to have the boghall literacy outreach service? They only seem to work with individuals and small groups. In my experience these services and the extraction of pupils from classes are questionable and there is no robust evidence that they improve outcomes for pupils. They are very expensive with little or no real impact. It would be far more cost effective to allocate those staff to schools, to work collaboratively and team teach with them, to increase capacity. There appears to be no direction or leadership from the authority on this issue and there needs to be.	Rationalisation of central support to schools (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your comment which will be considered as part of any service redesign
3939	An employee of West Lothian Council	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Head Teachers are more informed what priorities are required for the school	Rationalisation of central support to schools (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
3940	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	So the Scottish Government gives more money directly to schools to help attainment and councils think that means they can take money away from schools? This extra money should mean schools have more money not the same or less than last year. To improve attainment more money is needed to employ more support assistants to work with children stuck in the poverty trap. The more resources our schools have, the more they will be able to do to reduce the attainment gap. It is all to do with funding. Just to make sure the message is understood, you DO NOT have permission from the residents of West Lothian to reduce the education budget because money is going directly to Head Teachers.	Rationalisation of central support to schools (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for this clear message. The fact that schools now receive some funding directly from the government does not protect them from the impact of budget reductions affecting the Council as a whole.
3941	No Response	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Sounds fine and in line with the current Scottish Government's policy. How it is going to work without making more distractions from actual teaching/educating for teaching and senior school staff I don't know. In my sphere of interest:	Rationalisation of central support to schools (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
3942	An employee of West Lothian Council	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Shockingly wrong - we need consistency, standards and equity of access to all services/opportunities/education. If your experience depends on where you live, which school you go to, or which head teacher runs your school this is not equal!!!	Rationalisation of central support to schools (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	This is not the intended or anticipated outcome of the proposals.
3943	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Do not have the in-depth knowledge to give a full comment on this topic, but number of teachers including current and ex- head teachers, the pressure of work is currently overwhelming so any extra workload would be difficult to assimilate. There could be an argument made for taking all of the provision for education away from the local authorities.	Rationalisation of central support to schools (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	The forthcoming governance Bill will make clear where responsibility for different aspects of education lies.
3944	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	That would be sensible - the Staff within individual schools know, more than anyone, where there are good points and bad points.	Rationalisation of central support to schools (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
3945	An employee of West Lothian Council	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	I agree with giving Head Teachers more control over funding	Rationalisation of central support to schools (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
3946	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	As long as some schools don't get left behind because of bad teachers etc so central controls need be in place	Rationalisation of central support to schools (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Schools will continue to be subject to scrutiny.
3947	An employee of West Lothian Council	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	This seems a good idea in principle but is very much dependant on the views and priorities of head teachers. This could lead to inequity in provision and increased competition for school places where additional services are available in one school but not in another.	Rationalisation of central support to schools (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
3948	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	I feel it is a good idea to give head teachers more control over budgets as they know what their pupils circumstances are and where there is a need	Rationalisation of central support to schools (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
3949	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Not sure that this will work unless there is a lot of sharing ideas and results. Would be better to have an overall strategy for the county.	Rationalisation of central support to schools (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Collaboration will be encouraged by the Regional Improvement Collaborative.
3950	An employee of West Lothian Council	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	A consistent management approach must be applied (with positive management) if the rationalisation proposals are to succeed.	Rationalisation of central support to schools (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposal is for greater autonomy.

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3951	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	I agree with schools having more responsibility and teachers having more time to spend on teaching the children rather than getting bogged down with admin etc.	Rationalisation of central support to schools (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
3952	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Is this additional responsibility for Head Teachers just adding more responsibility to their role and, does this in turn, create the possibility that attainment etc. might not be achieved given the additional workload?	Rationalisation of central support to schools (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposals to rationalise central support to schools seek to balance the important contribution of professional, support and managerial staff, all of whom make an important contribution to the service. They recognise the increased autonomy to be given to headteachers, who will have the ability to prioritise budgets to meet the individual needs of their school.
3953	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Have concerns about more control for Headteachers meaning more work for headteachers with less central support. Headteachers should be responsible for Learning and Teaching only allowing the council to play to the strengths and expert knowledge of other area managers. If every school is re inventing every wheel this cannot be cost / time efficient.	Rationalisation of central support to schools (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposals to rationalise central support to schools seek to balance the important contribution of professional, support and managerial staff, all of whom make an important contribution to the service. They recognise the increased autonomy to be given to headteachers, who will have the ability to prioritise budgets to meet the individual needs of their school.
3954	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Remove the expense and proven failure that the government focus on testing children, esp, at primary school age. Let teachers not politicians decide the curriculum and content that would work best in their (ie the "experts") view.	Rationalisation of central support to schools (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Testing will continue, but schools will have greater autonomy.
3955	No Response	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	I feel it is a good idea to give head teachers more control over budgets as they know what their pupils circumstances are and where there is a need.	Rationalisation of central support to schools (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
3956	An employee of West Lothian Council	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Embedding of teaching resources is a good proposal. Focus is of course not to diminish the quality of the education provided. Shared buildings have become common place with several support teams within education being housed in the one place.- one network, one buildings overheads, etc.	Rationalisation of central support to schools (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
3957	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	I agree school should be able to use their own budgets, but not full control and that there still should be support regarding the children's wellbeing health and psychology. The number of children who suffer in silence during exams etc and in home, no help should still be provided in schools. Don't	Rationalisation of central support to schools (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
3958	An employee of West Lothian Council	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Although the overall aim is good a lot of this appears to be happening in schools - I am concerned at Teacher and Head Teacher remit and responsibility to take on extra tasks when the education system is in the state it is.	Rationalisation of central support to schools (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposals to rationalise central support to schools seek to balance the important contribution of professional, support and managerial staff, all of whom make an important contribution to the service. They recognise the increased autonomy to be given to headteachers, who will have the ability to prioritise budgets to meet the individual needs of their school.
3959	An employee of West Lothian Council	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Whilst I agree with giving HTs more autonomy and direct control over certain things, e.g. Financial budgeting, I do worry that this cut will reduce the amount of support schools will receive from specialist services.	Rationalisation of central support to schools (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The proposals to rationalise central support to schools seek to balance the important contribution of professional, support and managerial staff, all of whom make an important contribution to the service. They recognise the increased autonomy to be given to headteachers, who will have the ability to prioritise budgets to meet the individual needs of their school.
3960	No Response	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	The council should refrain from a centralised approach in teaching and immediately reduce the number of education staff not based within schools. The council must immediately abort attempts to go against national policy such as demanding unit assessments be completed or the unnecessary paperwork associated with tracking and monitoring of benchmarks.	Rationalisation of central support to schools (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The changes to Devolved School Management will increase the autonomy of Headteachers and teachers to make decisions at a local level to benefit pupils in their school.
3961	An individual	1b. Rationalisation of Central Support to Schools	Head teachers are already under a lot of pressure. This sounds like it could burden them further rather than be a helpful move.	Rationalisation of central support to schools (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The changes to Devolved School Management will increase the autonomy of Headteachers and teachers to make decisions at a local level to benefit pupils in their school.
3962	An employee of West Lothian Council	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	If this can provide a saving at no detriment to teaching staff then it should be pursued.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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3963	No Response	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Agree to all suggested proposals	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
3964	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
3965	An employee of West Lothian Council	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Supportive of this proposal.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
3966	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Agree with this proposal.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
3967	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	sounds reasonable	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
3968	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Support	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
3969	No Response	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	I agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
3970	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
3971	No Response	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
3972	No Response	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Would agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
3973	An employee of West Lothian Council	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
3974	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Support this proposal	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
3975	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Any savings are welcome.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
3976	No Response	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Nothing new here, it should be happening anyway	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
3977	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	As above. I'm not sure how much of this I understand but on the surface it seems to make sense.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
3978	No Response	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Good, concentrate on front line teaching.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
3979	No Response	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Seems a sensible approach.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
3980	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Quite a saving	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
3981	No Response	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Have no objection	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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3982	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Much as I would want to support employment with the council, having worked in a large organisation there are many improvements to how the back office/support areas are ran. I'm fully supportive of this so long as the relevant investment is made to systems, processed and staff are fully trained. This initial investment, along with the loss of jobs that'll go along, must provide a real change to the support service provided within and by the council. If it is not then the initial saving might be delivered, but it will not be sustainable.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
3983	An employee of West Lothian Council	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
3984	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
3985	No Response	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	agree.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
3986	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
3987	No Response	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	I agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
3988	An employee of West Lothian Council	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	happy with this.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
3989	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
3990	No Response	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	I agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
3991	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Agree.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
3992	An employee of West Lothian Council	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
3993	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Agree.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
3994	An employee of West Lothian Council	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
3995	No Response	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Good.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
3996	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
3997	No Response	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	I agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
3998	No Response	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	I agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
3999	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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4000	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Agree with this	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
4001	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Positive	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
4002	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Totally agree! There is no consistency between schools on the size of promoted posts. Some people line manage 19 people as a PT and get paid the same salary as those who line manage 2! This is not only unfair, it is a waste of money.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
4003	No Response	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	This is good as the council are making the savings	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
4004	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	I do agree that full use should be made of any existing services and streamlining is good.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
4005	No Response	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	This is a must or grants will be cut by holyrood	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
4006	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Management restructure and cost reduction from same is essential	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
4007	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Management should be always efficient. Cuts may be needed here.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
4008	An employee of West Lothian Council	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	I agree with proposal.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
4009	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	I think this is reasonable.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
4010	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	go ahead with the savings	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
4011	No Response	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Agreed, current teaching staff budgets for promoted posts has to reflect school roll.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
4012	No Response	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Yes this sounds sensible enough	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
4013	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	I think this should be done.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
4014	No Response	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Efficiencies are good.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
4015	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Achievable	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
4016	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Yes agree with this.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
4017	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	I support this change	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
4018	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	I agree with the Council's proposals for the moment to see how they all work out. Thank you.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
4019	An employee of West Lothian Council	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Sounds good but again the devil is in the details!	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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4020	No Response	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Review should be investigated.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
4021	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	no issue with thia	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
4022	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	This makes sense but would need to be done with the upmost care to ensure the running of schools is not affected.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
4023	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Would agree that there is some scope for cuts in this area.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
4024	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	s long as services Are protected	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
4025	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Yes..... Save 3.6 million here too!	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
4026	No Response	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	I agree with the proposal	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
4027	An employee of West Lothian Council	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Frankly, I'm amazed that we are not doing this already. One size does not fit all anywhere, particularly in education!	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
4028	An employee of West Lothian Council	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	This would appear to be a pragmatic approach to attaching savings to the education budget which, given cuts across other councils services cannot remain immune to some efficiency measures.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
4029	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Again, this makes good sense.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
4030	An employee of West Lothian Council	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	At this stage it is difficult to comment because I don't know what the implications of this are on people such as SLT in schools but in principle this seems to be the way to go.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
4031	An employee of West Lothian Council	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Yes i would agree to this being implemented.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
4032	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Sounds good to me.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
4033	An employee of West Lothian Council	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
4034	An employee of West Lothian Council	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
4035	No Response	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Agreed ...	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
4036	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
4037	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	ok.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
4038	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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4039	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	No problem with this	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
4040	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Good	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
4041	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Good idea	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
4042	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Makes sense	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
4043	No Response	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Ok	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
4044	No Response	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
4045	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
4046	An employee of West Lothian Council	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Sounds sensible.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
4047	No Response	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
4048	No Response	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
4049	No Response	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Sounds sensible.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
4050	An employee of West Lothian Council	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Agree.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
4051	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
4052	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
4053	An employee of West Lothian Council	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	agree with this proposal	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
4054	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Good	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
4055	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
4056	An employee of West Lothian Council	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
4057	An employee of West Lothian Council	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Would also agree that this should be reviewed as part of the savings proposals.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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4058	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Yes, get on with it, more babble	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
4059	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	As above, Seems fair - it would be good to understand fully understand the consequences	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
4060	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	The proposals being put forward which cater for our school children, are still very high in content and extremely very good for our children.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
4061	An employee of West Lothian Council	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Again broadly welcomed. Aim should be an education system that prepares our young people for higher-value economic achievement, both academic and vocational.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
4062	An employee of West Lothian Council	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	As long this doesn't affect the most vulnerable.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
4063	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	I support this proposal.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
4064	An employee of West Lothian Council	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
4065	An employee of West Lothian Council	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
4066	No Response	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
4067	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	This seems reasonable.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
4068	An employee of West Lothian Council	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Agree.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
4069	An employee of West Lothian Council	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Makes sense.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
4070	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Okay	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
4071	No Response	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	yes, I support this	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
4072	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Sounds reasonable.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
4073	An employee of West Lothian Council	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Agree with this proposal.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
4074	No Response	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	This would be an improvement	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
4075	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	All seem reasonable providing parents kept involved and informed.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
4076	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Agree with any proposal that seeks to address funding protection in schools which can no longer be justified in current climate	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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4077	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	If third party are reviewing structure to ensure its efficient then fine .	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
4078	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	I support	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
4079	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	yes, I support this	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
4080	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Sometimes a third party is a good thing and the estimated saving is huge - at this time I support this proposal	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
4081	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	OK, but what is the negative outcome, something has to give?	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
4082	An employee of West Lothian Council	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	I agree with the above	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
4083	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	I agree with the above.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
4084	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	okay provided teaching is not compromised	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
4085	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	As per my first answer, any over provision of management levels gets my vote.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
4086	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	OK with this one	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
4087	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Agreed.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
4088	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	By all means ensure all systems are fit for purpose.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
4089	No Response	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	agree with above	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
4090	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
4091	An employee of West Lothian Council	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Completely agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
4092	An employee of West Lothian Council	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
4093	No Response	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
4094	No Response	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
4095	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	I agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
4096	No Response	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Agree with this proposal	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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4097	An employee of West Lothian Council	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
4098	No Response	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
4099	An employee of West Lothian Council	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Seems to make sense.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
4100	No Response	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Fine.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
4101	An employee of West Lothian Council	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Agree.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
4102	An employee of West Lothian Council	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Happy with this proposal....	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
4103	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
4104	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Good idea	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
4105	An employee of West Lothian Council	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Agree.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
4106	No Response	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Keep this support as they are our future	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
4107	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	I am happy with these proposals in view of the Scottish government's decision although for West Lothian the Scottish government got it wrong.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
4108	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Redesign is good.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
4109	An employee of West Lothian Council	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Positive proposal	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
4110	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
4111	No Response	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	As I said above restructures do work.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
4112	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Yes, all for this proposal.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
4113	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
4114	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Sounds good.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
4115	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Appears generally sensible, but I do not have enough information or knowledge to comment in detail.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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4116	An employee of West Lothian Council	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Proposal seems fair - key wording "continuing to protect service provision". Third party providers can be reviewed and again question could be asked can this provision for a certain task or tasks be taken on by council staff already there	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
4117	An employee of West Lothian Council	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	I support this. Reviews are overdue.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
4118	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Makes perfect sense and is normal in all other workplaces.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
4119	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	I think this would be beneficial within the local community	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
4120	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Agree. School management can be trimmed as not a front line service. We need a smaller number of more highly skilled managers.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
4121	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Sounds ok	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
4122	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Acceptable only if it does not undermine the quality of education. Scotland is already slipping down the education rankings.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
4123	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	This question like the others is poorly drafted and seems aimed at encouraging support to make cuts rather than just outlining the facts. Again I'm generally happy to see savings made where they can be.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
4124	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	The same comment as above -- it makes good sense	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
4125	No Response	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Aye ok then	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
4126	No Response	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Laudable	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
4127	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	This is something that would have to be looked at more closely.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
4128	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	OK, would need more detail to fully understand this proposal.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
4129	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Strongly support	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
4130	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
4131	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
4132	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
4133	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Support	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
4134	An employee of West Lothian Council	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Support	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
4135	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Agree.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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4136	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	This should be implemented.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
4137	No Response	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	This is the right thing to do.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
4138	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Good plan	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
4139	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
4140	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Excellent idea. Management expensive.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
4141	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Yes. See comment above. Get more efficient and cut the waste, not the music.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
4142	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
4143	An employee of West Lothian Council	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	I would agree.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
4144	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
4145	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	I agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
4146	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Sounds fair.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
4147	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Support this.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
4148	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
4149	An employee of West Lothian Council	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
4150	An employee of West Lothian Council	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Strongly agree.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
4151	An employee of West Lothian Council	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
4152	An employee of West Lothian Council	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Ok	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
4153	An employee of West Lothian Council	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	I agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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4154	An employee of West Lothian Council	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
4155	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
4156	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Look okay as it is possible to evaluate given the vague descriptions given in the 'Transforming Your Council'	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
4157	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Support this as it does not impact on frontline delivery	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
4158	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	I agree with the proposal.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
4159	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	All proposals are sound.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
4160	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	However I would like class sizes to be capped at an agreed level to prevent this from growing to an unacceptable level.	Changes to class sizes	4. The council is already doing this.	The Council will continue to adhere to national class size limits set by statute or national agreement.
4161	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Class size is not a factor when everybody, students and teachers alike know what is required of them.	Changes to class sizes	5a. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because the council is required by law to deliver this work.	The Council will continue to adhere to national class size limits set by statute or national agreement.
4162	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	See above re curriculum and teaching. Larger class sizes do not necessarily mean lower standards of teaching if everybody has a clear notion of what the destination is. In the 'baby boomer' years, class sizes of over forty were not uncommon simply because the birth rate exploded and kept ahead of teacher numbers for many years. This did not have a detrimental effect on literacy and numeracy if we compare theirs with today's achievement in these areas.	Changes to class sizes	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Class sizes are set by statute, or national agreement and so are not within the control of West Lothian Council.
4163	An employee of West Lothian Council	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	OK - my comments won't go down well but here goes: If you consider the way a private school that runs from Nursery through Primary and Secondary is run, there is, to my knowledge, one Headteacher that all pupils know and respect. This person rarely changes and this brings stability, which most of our Primary and Nursery Schools don't have with the constant influx of different Headteachers. The sole Headteacher has a Depute Head that is also known by all pupils and respected, again bringing stability. There are Principal Teachers from each area, e.g. Nursery, Primary and Secondary. This is a very efficient management system and the pupils know exactly who is who when it comes to Management Staff. Not only this, but it also brings all of the students together at times to work and play therefore bringing about a sense of community that is supportive. I personally feel that finding Headteachers is problematic at the moment and I think it will get worse as time goes on. I realise to change to another method would involve the Unions - maybe even Government - but surely even the Unions and Government must realise that stability is a good thing for our children and, to be honest, that is something many of our students in our schools just don't have at the moment with the constant changing of Primary Headteachers.	Changes to class sizes	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	The changes to Devolved School Management will increase the autonomy of Headteachers and teachers to make decisions at a local level to benefit pupils in their school.
4164	No Response	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	If, as per the last para, the Council has informed opinion that these changes can be made while level of service remains then fair enough.	Changes to class sizes	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The changes to Devolved School Management will increase the autonomy of Headteachers and teachers to make decisions at a local level to benefit pupils in their school.
4165	An employee of West Lothian Council	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	This seems in line with other administrative support functions.	Changes to class sizes	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The changes to Devolved School Management will increase the autonomy of Headteachers and teachers to make decisions at a local level to benefit pupils in their school.
4166	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	I agree it is essential that devolved school budgets are reduced significantly, particularly in light of the £5m additional pupil equity funds that have been given directly to Head Teachers to spend.	Changes to class sizes	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The changes to Devolved School Management will increase the autonomy of Headteachers and teachers to make decisions at a local level to benefit pupils in their school.

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4167	An employee of West Lothian Council	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	See previous comments - Schools, like every other service in the council, are already stretched to their limit. Giving the schools and head teachers responsibility for attainment and more direct control over funding is just another way of saying you're going to take away jobs at the back end and give more work to the teaching staff, causing more stress. Teachers already spend a lot of their own money and time to support the schools and what is being proposed is completely unfair (I am not a teacher but I do know what's happening in our schools)	Changes to class sizes	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The changes to Devolved School Management will increase the autonomy of Headteachers and teachers to make decisions at a local level to benefit pupils in their school. There is no expectation that teachers use their own money to support learning and teaching. Teacher duties are set out clearly in national conditions, and all teachers work within a working time agreement.
4168	No Response	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Again, good idea providing you have looked at the bigger picture and what impacts this will have across the board... often these things are down without careful consideration to the various outcomes.	Changes to class sizes	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The changes to Devolved School Management will increase the autonomy of Headteachers and teachers to make decisions at a local level to benefit pupils in their school.
4169	An employee of West Lothian Council	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	If national DSM can be reviewed to improve it and make it workable for West Lothian then ok	Changes to class sizes	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The changes to Devolved School Management will increase the autonomy of Headteachers and teachers to make decisions at a local level to benefit pupils in their school.
4170	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	I don't think there is any need to get 3rd party's in when you probably have someone who already works for the council that could do it.	Changes to class sizes	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council will consider outsourcing where it cannot provide a service itself, or where there are clear quality or efficiency benefits, but the proposals are not for large scale outsourcing of school provision.
4171	An employee of West Lothian Council	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Also, administration within schools is woefully inefficient. Just one example - I have three children at the same school and I get three copies of every letter plus my wife and I get e-mails telling us the same information.	Changes to class sizes	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for this positive observation, which will be considered by officers.
4172	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	I am not well enough informed to comment	Changes to class sizes	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
4173	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	You have provided insufficient information to comment.	Changes to class sizes	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
4174	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	this must include enhanced opportunity for parents, carers and communities to be involved in the school management	Changes to class sizes	4. The council is already doing this.	These outcomes are likely to result from the current Governance Review.
4175	An employee of West Lothian Council	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Seems a rational proposal if it protects service provision. As long as the third party providers have the best interest of the schools at heart and are not just number crunchers.	Changes to class sizes	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The Council will consider outsourcing where it cannot provide a service itself, or where there are clear quality or efficiency benefits, but the proposals are not for large scale outsourcing of school provision.
4176	No Response	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Any information from schools at this point highlights they are under staffed. I don't understand how revising staffing levels can provide any savings.	Changes to class sizes	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	The proposals are designed to deliver savings, including through changes to the staff allocated to each school.
4177	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	We should never become a call centre for members of the public. Directed to relevant departments is fine - but to tackle poverty there needs to be face to face. No matter your position within WLC if you are face to face with a member of public in their own home at any time they should be made aware of the services available within the council. We all need to look outside the box and think of a diagnostic service - not just what we are actually there to do at that time. An easy opt out referral would be a great idea.	Changes to class sizes	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
4178	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	I agree entirely with " There is a need to review current service provision to make sure that it is providing the best and most efficient service". However I'm sure a lot of decisions over the years have been made to trim budgets already - the importance is on attainment of pupils and quality of support.	Changes to class sizes	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The changes to Devolved School Management will increase the autonomy of Headteachers and teachers to make decisions at a local level to benefit pupils in their school.
4179	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	agreed. Education Scotland have introduced some of the changes Devolved Funding, so Education Scotland should be doing the work.	Changes to class sizes	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The changes to Devolved School Management will increase the autonomy of Headteachers and teachers to make decisions at a local level to benefit pupils in their school.
4180	An employee of West Lothian Council	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	There needs to be a commitment that this will not impact on class sizes and, ultimately, the quality of education received by children. Support Staff can be a valuable asset to schools and can greatly assist children who require that bit more help and assistance and there is a danger that revising the numbers of support staff too much could have an adverse impact on vulnerable children.	Changes to class sizes	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Nationally agreed class sizes and supervision ratios will be maintained.

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4181	An employee of West Lothian Council	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	As long as there is no negative impact on learners	Changes to class sizes	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The changes to Devolved School Management will increase the autonomy of Headteachers and teachers to make decisions at a local level to benefit pupils in their school.
4182	An employee of West Lothian Council	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	See answer to 1b	Changes to class sizes	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
4183	No Response	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	See above	Changes to class sizes	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
4184	An employee of West Lothian Council	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Why are teacher numbers sacrosanct, review maximum class sizes and pupil:teacher ratios, question why the Scottish Government focuses on inputs and not outcomes!	Changes to class sizes	5a. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because the council is required by law to deliver this work.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. This is set by the Scottish Government.
4185	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Communication within individual schools needs to improve as well as with the parents. Like the group calls and emails and ipay impact. Much more reliable than a note sent home with a child (even teenagers!)	Changes to class sizes	4. The council is already doing this.	The Council is committed to channel shift and effective electronic communication, where appropriate.
4186	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	I will bet the spend to achieve this will outweigh the proposed savings.	Changes to class sizes	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	The proposals have been costed carefully, and implementation will be project managed effectively, to ensure that this prediction does not come to pass.
4187	No Response	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Smaller classrooms with smaller ratios would help. One teacher to 20 children ensures quantity not quality!	Changes to class sizes	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council will continue to meet nationally agreed supervision ratios and class size limits.
4188	An employee of West Lothian Council	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Classes are already too large and Teacher's posts going unfilled.	Changes to class sizes	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	The proposals are not intended to affect class sizes or the filling of vacant posts.
4189	No Response	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	It feels like teachers and these services are already completely stretched. I can't believe how big my children's classes are, with no support for the teachers.	Changes to class sizes	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
4190	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Pupil support staff must be protected . My grandchildren value there work.	Changes to pupil support workers	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council is committed to implementing agreed proposals without detriment to pupils
4191	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	All roles within a school should be protected where possible. Pupil support workers provide vital support to teachers and pupils. However, they are usually either on 'supply' or term by term contracts with no real job security and poor pay. I firmly believe it is PSWs who are the backbone to any school but unfortunately they don't always get the recognition they deserve.	Changes to pupil support workers	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Non-teaching staff are employed to undertake important roles within schools, and are valued by their teaching colleagues, including senior management. The Scottish Government has made maintaining the Pupil/Teacher ratio a condition of funding, and so the council and schools are compelled to focus on the employment of teachers where, in some cases, they may prefer to increase non-teaching staff in preference to this.
4192	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	i personally believe there is not enough support workers and my experience has been that alot of the existing workers have been relocated and used more as classroom assistants	Changes to pupil support workers	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Headteachers are responsible for the deployment of staff within their schools, and will concentrate on those tasks most necessary to support learning and teaching at any given time.
4193	An employee of West Lothian Council	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Schools for children with additional needs are already pushed to the limit and the loss of any more staff in these areas can only have a negative effect on the outcomes for the child and on the staff team. The children are in these places for the reason they need more help and the need is not currently been met. At current seems schools, at times, are sometimes used as place to merely babysit the children as opposed to teach as support needs and physical needs of the children vary to much without the correct support.	Changes to pupil support workers	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council intends to implement the proposals whilst still meeting the need of every child.
4194	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	We need more staff in schools. Children relate better to staff than technology. Support staff are not well paid but do an amazing job and have great relationships with the pupils. However more and more is being put on these staff.	Changes to pupil support workers	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Staffing ratios set by statute or national agreement will be maintained. The Scottish Government has made maintaining the Pupil/Teacher ratio a condition of funding, and so the council and schools are compelled to focus on the employment of teachers where, in some cases, they may prefer to increase non-teaching staff in preference to this.

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4195	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	The level of support in schools has increased over the years, largely down to behaviourable problems. Better agreements and responsibilities commitments with the parents of these children is required.	Changes to pupil support workers	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The Council continues to consider how best to meet the needs of all children, and this comment will be passed to the service's inclusion and wellbeing manager.
4196	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Disabled and special needs children are being badly let down by the current system. This is evidenced in their lack of attainment, social inclusion (excluded in an inclusive environment), future job opportunities, the curriculum and the new qualification system, which requires even greater ability in English where language is perhaps part of their disability. Basically under this current system they have no chance of an independent life and are destined to be poor, deprived with a very limited benefit safety net to support them in life. This group of children belong to all social groups.	Changes to pupil support workers	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	West Lothian Council will continue to meet the needs of every child.
4197	An employee of West Lothian Council	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	getting more teachers should be a priority the pupil support is vital for a lot of children as well as the help teacher get as well.	Changes to pupil support workers	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Staffing ratios set by statute or national agreement will be maintained. The Scottish Government has made maintaining the Pupil/Teacher ratio a condition of funding, and so the council and schools are compelled to focus on the employment of teachers where, in some cases, they may prefer to increase non-teaching staff in preference to this.
4198	An employee of West Lothian Council	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	If money is being given to schools and they can choose how to spend it, then it should be up to the school to determine their need for peripatetic staff and not central education. This would prevent schools having to bid for support for each individual pupil. If they are given money for ASN support within their devolved budget then the school can determine which type of person they need for their ASN support work and that service would not be within Education Central but may be off the supply list and the school would determine if they were willing to pay for it.	Changes to pupil support workers	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The changes to Devolved School Management will increase the autonomy of Headteachers and teachers to make decisions at a local level to benefit pupils in their school. Individual Headteachers can consider this suggestion within the context of the needs of their school.
4199	An employee of West Lothian Council	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Why not introduce the job of support for learning to pupil support workers jobs ? Supported by the teacher, the PSW could help children with basic reading , writing and number work. A lot of PSWS would like to do this job. It would free up teachers to actually teach. I believe they have this position in England.	Changes to pupil support workers	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The changes to Devolved School Management will increase the autonomy of Headteachers and teachers to make decisions at a local level to benefit pupils in their school. Individual Headteachers can consider this suggestion within the context of the needs of their school.
4200	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	I do not believe that reducing support staff in schools will be of benefit to teachers, pupils and schools overall. Reducing support staff will have a detrimental effect on pupils' learning and will increase teacher stress.	Changes to pupil support workers	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The changes to Devolved School Management will increase the autonomy of Headteachers and teachers to make decisions at a local level to benefit pupils in their school. Individual Headteachers can consider this suggestion within the context of the needs of their school.
4201	An employee of West Lothian Council	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	I have been teaching for over 20 years. Teacher moral appears to be at an all time low and stress is at an all time high. A lot of pressure comes from supporting children with particular learning and behaviour needs. Any cuts to pupil support would result in more long term teacher absence from stress. It would also affect attainment as children with specific needs take up a lot of teaching time.	Changes to pupil support workers	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The changes to Devolved School Management will increase the autonomy of Headteachers and teachers to make decisions at a local level to benefit pupils in their school. Individual Headteachers can consider this suggestion within the context of the needs of their school.
4202	No Response	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	The increasing needs of children in school means the support provided by administrative and support staff is invaluable. There is a huge number of children with additional support needs in mainstream schools who require adult support to get the best out of their education. Removing or reducing support staff would be detrimental to children's education.	Changes to pupil support workers	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The changes to Devolved School Management will increase the autonomy of Headteachers and teachers to make decisions at a local level to benefit pupils in their school. Individual Headteachers can consider this suggestion within the context of the needs of their school.
4203	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Cease pupil support manager roles altogether, PTCs support and DHT support can absorb this remit.	Changes to pupil support workers	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The changes to Devolved School Management will increase the autonomy of Headteachers and teachers to make decisions at a local level to benefit pupils in their school. Individual Headteachers can consider this suggestion within the context of the needs of their school.
4204	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Cease pupil support manager roles altogether, PTCs support and DHT support can absorb this remit.	Changes to pupil support workers	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The changes to Devolved School Management will increase the autonomy of Headteachers and teachers to make decisions at a local level to benefit pupils in their school. Individual Headteachers can consider this suggestion within the context of the needs of their school.

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4205	An employee of West Lothian Council	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	More support staff are needed in schools and better wages for pupil support workers	Changes to pupil support workers	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposals to rationalise central support to schools seek to balance the important contribution of professional, support and managerial staff, all of whom make an important contribution to the service. They recognise the increased autonomy to be given to headteachers, who will have the ability to prioritise budgets to meet the individual needs of their school.
4206	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Teachers must have classroom support and I wouldn't like to see this eroded further.	Changes to pupil support workers	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposals to rationalise central support to schools seek to balance the important contribution of professional, support and managerial staff, all of whom make an important contribution to the service. They recognise the increased autonomy to be given to headteachers, who will have the ability to prioritise budgets to meet the individual needs of their school.
4207	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	The use of technology in schools has developed well in recent years with pupils using their own devices to access the Internet and other online resources at school . This must have allowed there to be a reduction in paper based resources such as textbooks and photocopying . Administrative and support functions in schools seem to be school specific currently with no overall expertise relevant to needs of the pupils requiring it. I feel it would be beneficial to have support specialists le for Autism which spend time in different schools with children requiring that support rather than have someone in one school providing support to a mixed group with mixed needs.	Changes to pupil support workers	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council has achieved success with technology used appropriately according to the professional judgement of teachers. The proposals to rationalise central support to schools seek to balance the important contribution of professional, support and managerial staff, all of whom make an important contribution to the service. They recognise the increased autonomy to be given to headteachers, who will have the ability to prioritise budgets to meet the individual needs of their school.
4208	An employee of West Lothian Council	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Support staff in the form of pupil support workers have never been more needed in the era of pupil inclusion and holistic support. It would be very backwards to reduce staffing and not have pupils needs met.	Changes to pupil support workers	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposals to rationalise central support to schools seek to balance the important contribution of professional, support and managerial staff, all of whom make an important contribution to the service. They recognise the increased autonomy to be given to headteachers, who will have the ability to prioritise budgets to meet the individual needs of their school.
4209	An employee of West Lothian Council	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Justification is also required regarding cutting support staff when there is an anticipated 8% increase in children entering Primary Education	Changes to pupil support workers	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposals to rationalise central support to schools seek to balance the important contribution of professional, support and managerial staff, all of whom make an important contribution to the service. They recognise the increased autonomy to be given to headteachers, who will have the ability to prioritise budgets to meet the individual needs of their school.
4210	An employee of West Lothian Council	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Justification is also required regarding cutting support staff when there is an anticipated 8% increase in children entering Primary Education	Changes to pupil support workers	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposals to rationalise central support to schools seek to balance the important contribution of professional, support and managerial staff, all of whom make an important contribution to the service. They recognise the increased autonomy to be given to headteachers, who will have the ability to prioritise budgets to meet the individual needs of their school.
4211	No Response	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Justification is also required regarding cutting support staff when there is an anticipated 8% increase in children entering Primary Education	Changes to pupil support workers	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposals to rationalise central support to schools seek to balance the important contribution of professional, support and managerial staff, all of whom make an important contribution to the service. They recognise the increased autonomy to be given to headteachers, who will have the ability to prioritise budgets to meet the individual needs of their school.

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4212	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	oppose completely the continued cutback of school support staff.	Changes to pupil support workers	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposals to rationalise central support to schools seek to balance the important contribution of professional, support and managerial staff, all of whom make an important contribution to the service. They recognise the increased autonomy to be given to headteachers, who will have the ability to prioritise budgets to meet the individual needs of their school.
4213	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	However caution is required when looking at support staff. With integrated education, support staff are absolutely necessary to ensure that challenging pupils and those with additional needs can be supported and indeed assist the teaching staff hugely. It would be a false economy to reduce the support staff and this can only mean more teachers required in the long term.	Changes to pupil support workers	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposals to rationalise central support to schools seek to balance the important contribution of professional, support and managerial staff, all of whom make an important contribution to the service. They recognise the increased autonomy to be given to headteachers, who will have the ability to prioritise budgets to meet the individual needs of their school.
4214	An employee of West Lothian Council	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Closing the attainment gap and Getting it right for every child can only be achieved through provision of PSWs in school, SfL input and resources.	Changes to pupil support workers	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposals to rationalise central support to schools seek to balance the important contribution of professional, support and managerial staff, all of whom make an important contribution to the service. They recognise the increased autonomy to be given to headteachers, who will have the ability to prioritise budgets to meet the individual needs of their school.
4215	No Response	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Balance will be vital. If cutting support staff results in teaching staff having to pick up the slack this won't work.	Changes to pupil support workers	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposals to rationalise central support to schools seek to balance the important contribution of professional, support and managerial staff, all of whom make an important contribution to the service. They recognise the increased autonomy to be given to headteachers, who will have the ability to prioritise budgets to meet the individual needs of their school.
4216	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	More and more kids are coming into the education system with additional needs. This in return means schools need support staff to help these kids survive and thrive. These are the low payed workforce who work extremely hard and schools can't survive without them. Rethink please.	Changes to pupil support workers	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposals to rationalise central support to schools seek to balance the important contribution of professional, support and managerial staff, all of whom make an important contribution to the service. They recognise the increased autonomy to be given to headteachers, who will have the ability to prioritise budgets to meet the individual needs of their school.
4217	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	If support staff who support kids in mainstream the burden will fall to teachers who are already universally stressed.	Changes to pupil support workers	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposals to rationalise central support to schools seek to balance the important contribution of professional, support and managerial staff, all of whom make an important contribution to the service. They recognise the increased autonomy to be given to headteachers, who will have the ability to prioritise budgets to meet the individual needs of their school.
4218	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	There appears to have been an increase in secondary school management tiers over the last 10 years, or so, which has seen a move from PT to PTC and an increase in DHT's. There has also been an increase in support with the introduction of Pupil Support and Learning Support Departments with some schools utilising teachers for these functions when they should be in a classroom. This has seen a massive increase in costs without the benefits being realised by pupils and/or parents. These could be integrated and streamlined. Instead of reducing office support in schools more integrated processes would allow teachers to teach and support functions to be managed better to support attainment for all pupils.	Changes to pupil support workers	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The proposals to rationalise central support to schools seek to balance the important contribution of professional, support and managerial staff, all of whom make an important contribution to the service. They recognise the increased autonomy to be given to headteachers, who will have the ability to prioritise budgets to meet the individual needs of their school.

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4219	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	The number of teachers must not be reduced. They already are struggling. To remove pupil support assistants would put even more pressure on them	Changes to pupil support workers	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposals to rationalise central support to schools seek to balance the important contribution of professional, support and managerial staff, all of whom make an important contribution to the service. They recognise the increased autonomy to be given to headteachers, who will have the ability to prioritise budgets to meet the individual needs of their school.
4220	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	I'm all for cutting down in administrative costs and support staff can be reduced by ensuring children with extreme behaviour and learning difficulties are removed from the classroom and are catered for in a resource tailor made for their difficulties.	Changes to pupil support workers	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The Council will continue to make decisions in the context of the presumption of mainstream.
4221	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Schools - more staff needed for 121 support for children with extra needs.	Changes to pupil support workers	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposals to rationalise central support to schools seek to balance the important contribution of professional, support and managerial staff, all of whom make an important contribution to the service. They recognise the increased autonomy to be given to headteachers, who will have the ability to prioritise budgets to meet the individual needs of their school.
4222	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	I understand huge savings have to be made but not at the expense of young people. Do not cut PSWs within schools. They do a fantastic job in very difficult circumstances. What seems like extras within schools - nurture groups, ed psy, behavioural outreach depts, etc as what makes a school. Work more efficiently. If you take away this sort of support the children with behavioural issues can easily dominate a school and the rest of the children within a school can suffer. This absolutely effects children with special needs within mainstream schooling as well. It is impossible to raise the attainment level within a school if there is not enough support within a school for the children that need it most. Keep the number of PSWs - do not reduce them or other vital services that allow schools to function. The alternative would be very short sighted. You may save money but the long term effects would be so very unfair on a great number of children.	Changes to pupil support workers	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposals to rationalise central support to schools seek to balance the important contribution of professional, support and managerial staff, all of whom make an important contribution to the service. They recognise the increased autonomy to be given to headteachers, who will have the ability to prioritise budgets to meet the individual needs of their school.
4223	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Reducing support staff within schools would be, in my opinion, detrimental to all pupils as it puts more responsibility on the teacher to provide good quality education to all children within the class where there is one or more children requiring more intense support to achieve their potential.	Changes to pupil support workers	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The tasks undertaken by support staff are valued by the council, schools, parents and teaching staff. The council is required to maintain a pupil teacher ratio with the result that spending on teaching staff cannot be reduced, thus increasing the impact of any savings required on support staff, even when these staff may play a significant role in supporting learning and teaching.
4224	An employee of West Lothian Council	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	As I believe that the most important resource a school can have is staff to make a the difference in children's health and wellbeing and learning outcomes I don't believe cuts in this area would benefit children and communities or raise attainment.	Changes to pupil support workers	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The tasks undertaken by support staff are valued by the council, schools, parents and teaching staff. The council is required to maintain a pupil teacher ratio with the result that spending on teaching staff cannot be reduced, thus increasing the impact of any savings required on support staff, even when these staff may play a significant role in supporting learning and teaching.
4225	An employee of West Lothian Council	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Support staff arrangements - children are already not benefitting from support that should be receiving due to previous cuts in budgeting. I know some pupils are being disadvantaged due to lack of support or money to budget for extra support to be given by pupil support workers.	Changes to pupil support workers	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The tasks undertaken by support staff are valued by the council, schools, parents and teaching staff. The council is required to maintain a pupil teacher ratio with the result that spending on teaching staff cannot be reduced, thus increasing the impact of any savings required on support staff, even when these staff may play a significant role in supporting learning and teaching.
4226	An employee of West Lothian Council	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	We are already struggling with staffing levels at our school and desperately need more pupil support workers. With more and more children with additional support needs coming into our schools it is vital that we have the staff to support them.	Changes to pupil support workers	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The tasks undertaken by support staff are valued by the council, schools, parents and teaching staff. The council is required to maintain a pupil teacher ratio with the result that spending on teaching staff cannot be reduced, thus increasing the impact of any savings required on support staff, even when these staff may play a significant role in supporting learning and teaching.

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4227	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Cutting support for children with additional needs should be avoided. Whilst this clearly directly impacts outcomes for children needing support (widening the attainment gap) all children in the class will suffer as the teacher is distracted from teaching	Changes to pupil support workers	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council will continue to meet the needs of every child. Staffing ratios set by statute or national agreement will be maintained. The Scottish Government has made maintaining the Pupil/Teacher ratio a condition of funding, and so the council and schools are compelled to focus on the employment of teachers where, in some cases, they may prefer to increase non-teaching staff in preference to this.
4228	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Cutting support for children with additional needs should be avoided. Whilst this clearly directly impacts outcomes for children needing support (widening the attainment gap) all children in the class will suffer as the teacher is distracted from teaching	Changes to pupil support workers	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The tasks undertaken by support staff are valued by the council, schools, parents and teaching staff. The council is required to maintain a pupil teacher ratio with the result that spending on teaching staff cannot be reduced, thus increasing the impact of any savings required on support staff, even when these staff may play a significant role in supporting learning and teaching.
4229	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	I feel that teachers are already stretched to their limits, any cuts to supporting staff could and probably would result in additional workload for the teacher which would in turn result in stress, sickness and lack of education for our young people.	Changes to pupil support workers	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The tasks undertaken by support staff are valued by the council, schools, parents and teaching staff. The council is required to maintain a pupil teacher ratio with the result that spending on teaching staff cannot be reduced, thus increasing the impact of any savings required on support staff, even when these staff may play a significant role in supporting learning and teaching.
4230	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	However, we need to resource schools (on the ground) with quality professional and support staff - please do not put them under any more restrictions than they are already under!	Changes to pupil support workers	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposals do not envisage additional resources being given to schools, but rather core functions of schools protected.
4231	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	This proposal is really important kids need to be taught but also some kids need to be supported with PSW for them to reach their full potential. No point in trying to close the attainment gap without having the right support in classes for child and young people.	Changes to pupil support workers	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council will continue to meet the needs of every child. Staffing ratios set by statute or national agreement will be maintained. The Scottish Government has made maintaining the Pupil/Teacher ratio a condition of funding, and so the council and schools are compelled to focus on the employment of teachers where, in some cases, they may prefer to increase non-teaching staff in preference to this.
4232	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Additional learning support for very able and children facing learning challenges such as dyslexia must be protected. Already there is insufficient learning support provision in schools.	Changes to pupil support workers	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council will continue to meet the needs of every child. Staffing ratios set by statute or national agreement will be maintained. The Scottish Government has made maintaining the Pupil/Teacher ratio a condition of funding, and so the council and schools are compelled to focus on the employment of teachers where, in some cases, they may prefer to increase non-teaching staff in preference to this.
4233	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Pupil Support & Classroom Assistants are very much needed although many posts already lost to the detriment of our children!	Changes to pupil support workers	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council will continue to meet the needs of every child. Staffing ratios set by statute or national agreement will be maintained. The Scottish Government has made maintaining the Pupil/Teacher ratio a condition of funding, and so the council and schools are compelled to focus on the employment of teachers where, in some cases, they may prefer to increase non-teaching staff in preference to this.
4234	No Response	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Again, it is concern this would have an impact on workload for class teachers. Also, to support inclusion, there often need for high quality support in place.	Changes to pupil support workers	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposals do not envisage additional resources being given to schools, but rather core functions of schools protected.

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4235	An employee of West Lothian Council	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	As stress has been highlighted as a huge problem for school children of all ages and they need more support for mental health problems reducing support staff or teaching staff would be an absolute disgrace and will only lead to children getting into difficulties in later life ... This could be not achieving the grades they need,,,, having difficult home life,,,, drink drugs problems which will only put pressure on the council services at another area going forward.... Direct support for children should not be removed	Changes to pupil support workers	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposals do not envisage additional resources being given to schools, but rather core functions of schools protected.
4236	No Response	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Look at backroom services within education, such as classroom support, Play ground supervisors ect	Changes to pupil support workers	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The Council will continue to meet the needs of every child. Staffing ratios set by statute or national agreement will be maintained. The Scottish Government has made maintaining the Pupil/Teacher ratio a condition of funding, and so the council and schools are compelled to focus on the employment of teachers where, in some cases, they may prefer to increase non-teaching staff in preference to this.
4237	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Do not reduce the amount of pupil support workers in school, increase the salary of pupil support workers to reflect the work being done especially in specialist units.	Changes to pupil support workers	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council will continue to meet the needs of every child. Staffing ratios set by statute or national agreement will be maintained. The Scottish Government has made maintaining the Pupil/Teacher ratio a condition of funding, and so the council and schools are compelled to focus on the employment of teachers where, in some cases, they may prefer to increase non-teaching staff in preference to this.
4238	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Start working with children who need extra learning support at an earlier level.	Changes to pupil support workers	4. The council is already doing this.	The Council will meet the needs of every pupils as soon as these needs are evident.
4239	An employee of West Lothian Council	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Our most vulnerable learners are supported expertly through pupil support workers in schools.It is vital that this source of support is protected as far as possible in order to ensure that our pupils are best supported within their mainstream school settings. There is a knock-on effect on costs within our special school estate and, when necessary, outwith education providers, when support provided at the early stages of intervention is ineffective.	Changes to pupil support workers	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council will continue to meet the needs of every child. Staffing ratios set by statute or national agreement will be maintained. The Scottish Government has made maintaining the Pupil/Teacher ratio a condition of funding, and so the council and schools are compelled to focus on the employment of teachers where, in some cases, they may prefer to increase non-teaching staff in preference to this.
4240	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Reducing support staff within schools is detrimental to the education of children needing support and also the other children within the class. With reduced support, teachers are required to carry out responsibilities and support for children and therefore cannot focus on teaching all children in their class. Again education is affected, teachers are given more responsibilities and roles which is not effective to raising attainment.	Changes to pupil support workers	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council will continue to meet the needs of every child. Staffing ratios set by statute or national agreement will be maintained. The Scottish Government has made maintaining the Pupil/Teacher ratio a condition of funding, and so the council and schools are compelled to focus on the employment of teachers where, in some cases, they may prefer to increase non-teaching staff in preference to this.
4241	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Schools need more Learning Support teachers properly trained and Support Workers for less able children. These children need as much help as possible to ease their learning difficulties	Changes to pupil support workers	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposals to rationalise central support to schools seek to balance the important contribution of professional, support and managerial staff, all of whom make an important contribution to the service. They recognise the increased autonomy to be given to headteachers, who will have the ability to prioritise budgets to meet the individual needs of their school.
4242	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Reduction in the provision of support staff will likewise increase the burden on schools and Head Teachers as they attempt to support children in mainstream who ideally should have provision elsewhere.	Changes to pupil support workers	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposals to rationalise central support to schools seek to balance the important contribution of professional, support and managerial staff, all of whom make an important contribution to the service. They recognise the increased autonomy to be given to headteachers, who will have the ability to prioritise budgets to meet the individual needs of their school.

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4243	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	West Lothian has a well recognised and respected approach to supporting children with learning difficulties to achieve their potential. I have 4 children who have moderate to severe dyslexia and with the additional support given to them and the teaching staff they have all attended university and now have work within the local community. All children should have this support available to teaching staff to ensure all our children achieve their potential and not just the children who learn in a traditional manner.	Changes to pupil support workers	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. The proposal would continue to fulfilling the council's duty to meet the needs of every child.
4244	An employee of West Lothian Council	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Iâ€™m not sure anymore support staff can be cut back. Children who desperately need help in class already rarely see a PSW.	Changes to pupil support workers	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposals to rationalise central support to schools seek to balance the important contribution of professional, support and managerial staff, all of whom make an important contribution to the service. They recognise the increased autonomy to be given to headteachers, who will have the ability to prioritise budgets to meet the individual needs of their school.
4245	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	There is already a shortage of Pupil Support Workers and Teachers. Vulnerable pupils are already being disadvantaged further.	Changes to pupil support workers	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The changes to Devolved School Management will increase the autonomy of Headteachers and teachers to make decisions at a local level to benefit pupils in their school. Individual Headteachers can consider this suggestion within the context of the needs of their school.
4246	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Please ensure that PSW are maintained in schools - they are vital for children!!!	Changes to pupil support workers	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposals to rationalise central support to schools seek to balance the important contribution of professional, support and managerial staff, all of whom make an important contribution to the service. They recognise the increased autonomy to be given to headteachers, who will have the ability to prioritise budgets to meet the individual needs of their school.
4247	An employee of West Lothian Council	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Furthermore, pupil support workers play a significant role in our schools, positively impacting on the progress and development our children and young people make. Therefore, it is important that West Lothian Council continue to recruit pupil support workers.	Changes to pupil support workers	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The changes to Devolved School Management will increase the autonomy of Headteachers and teachers to make decisions at a local level to benefit pupils in their school. This will include the appropriate mix of staffing, although maintaining the pupil/teacher ratio may require the employment of teachers in preference to support staff.
4248	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	I would be very worried if support staff are cut as they allow teachers to teach and with class sizes and poorly behaved students they are what makes a difference.	Changes to pupil support workers	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The changes to Devolved School Management will increase the autonomy of Headteachers and teachers to make decisions at a local level to benefit pupils in their school. Headteachers will have the ability to determine where resources should be spent for the benefit of children, although a continuation of the Pupil/Teacher ratio may result in expenditure on teacher posts where support staff would have a greater impact on learning and teaching.
4249	An employee of West Lothian Council	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	My main concern regarding school budgets is the retention of support staff. We have been told that in real terms these cuts mean a loss of support staff such as Pupil Support Workers. You have already cut specialist provision - now weâ€™re expected to deal with increasingly difficult needs in our classrooms and losing pupil support workers would intensify this. Be prepared to increase your budget on staff cover due to mental health sick leave for teachers if this is the case!	Changes to pupil support workers	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council will only consider outsourcing where this would bring efficiency or effectiveness benefits, but the proposals do not include large scale outsourcing of education services. The proposals to rationalise central support to schools seek to balance the important contribution of professional, support and managerial staff, all of whom make an important contribution to the service. They recognise the increased autonomy to be given to headteachers, who will have the ability to prioritise budgets to meet the individual needs of their school.
4250	An employee of West Lothian Council	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	head teachers should be free of budget constraints to allow them to perform the tasks they are employed to do.	Devolved School Management Funding	4. The council is already doing this.	Headteachers are expected to exercise a high degree of autonomy, and increases are anticipated as part of the national governance review.
4251	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	a revised DSM funding model and review provision by third party providers to maximise efficiency whilst continuing to protect service provision' does indeed work.	Devolved School Management Funding	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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4252	An employee of West Lothian Council	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	As England already have this in schools should have own responsibility for budget, they could manage much better as they will know own school needs and prioritize them.	Devolved School Management Funding	4. The council is already doing this.	Headteachers are expected to exercise a high degree of autonomy, and increases are anticipated as part of the national governance review.
4253	An employee of West Lothian Council	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Allowing head teachers greater control over budgets seems like a good idea but funding should remain for extracurricular activities.	Devolved School Management Funding	4. The council is already doing this.	Headteachers are expected to exercise a high degree of autonomy, and increases are anticipated as part of the national governance review.
4254	An employee of West Lothian Council	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	schools have too much money and no control over spending better management of resources is required	Devolved School Management Funding	4. The council is already doing this.	Headteachers are expected to exercise a high degree of autonomy, and increases are anticipated as part of the national governance review.
4255	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	I think giving the head teachers budget responsibility is not right, I think they have enough work to do without the added pressure of running budgets.	Devolved School Management Funding	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Headteachers are expected to exercise a high degree of autonomy, and increases are anticipated as part of the national governance review.
4256	An employee of West Lothian Council	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Not all head teachers have the ability or insight to spend funding appropriately - there should still be a control mechanism in place.	Devolved School Management Funding	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Headteachers are expected to exercise a high degree of autonomy, and increases are anticipated as part of the national governance review.
4257	An employee of West Lothian Council	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	All teachers should be expected to use modern technology. It is a lottery for many children who have teachers who do not know how to use resources properly. Budget wrongly used by head teachers can result in technology provisions (I-pads) not being adequately available	Devolved School Management Funding	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	All teachers are trained and support is available in the use of appropriate technology. Headteachers are expected to exercise a high degree of autonomy in relation to use of their budgets, and increases are anticipated as part of the national governance review.
4258	An employee of West Lothian Council	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	sometimes involving a third party may increase admin and management requirement and so care should be taken when looking into using third party providers to complete tasks which are currently done by WLC staff.	Devolved School Management Funding	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council will only use third party provision where there are quality and or cost benefits.
4259	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Devolved School Management is not going far enough. WLC has a duty to provide Catholic school education. There is no legal requirement that says this needs to take place in desperate schools. Provision can be made within existing schools eg. 8 year 1 classes could be split into 3 Catholic educated classes and 5 non denominational classes. This would save the council significantly more money.	Devolved School Management Funding	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	The council has no plans to close or amalgamate schools as part of its budget saving proposals.
4260	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Agree, let individual schools take control of budgets and what they offer	Devolved School Management Funding	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Headteachers are expected to exercise a high degree of autonomy, and increases are anticipated as part of the national governance review.
4261	An employee of West Lothian Council	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Leave schools in charge of their own budgets.	Devolved School Management Funding	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Headteachers are expected to exercise a high degree of autonomy, and increases are anticipated as part of the national governance review.
4262	An employee of West Lothian Council	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	All teaching resources should be embedded. Direct control over funding should be encouraged.	Devolved School Management Funding	4. The council is already doing this.	Headteachers are expected to exercise a high degree of autonomy, and increases are anticipated as part of the national governance review.
4263	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Yes provided head teachers are not chained to computers explaining things to bean counters.	Devolved School Management Funding	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Headteachers are expected to exercise a high degree of autonomy, and increases are anticipated as part of the national governance review. Increased autonomy will inevitably lead to increased responsibility, and accountability.
4264	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Council officers/ managers need a course on plain English and how to undertake a public consultation. What is DSM, what does third party providers etc. mean to the layperson. Management 'speak' to cover up the detail of what the cuts actually mean for ordinary people.	Devolved School Management Funding	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
4265	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	It would be good to see what these revised staffing models are and whether they are the best for schools. Head Teachers are already overworked and having to juggle many different jobs - they should be allowed to concentrate on the LEARNING of children - not have to deal with funding,etc.	Devolved School Management Funding	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Headteachers are expected to exercise a high degree of autonomy, and increases are anticipated as part of the national governance review.
4266	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	I would support the Heads of schools being given more control of the budgets.	Devolved School Management Funding	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Headteachers are expected to exercise a high degree of autonomy, and increases are anticipated as part of the national governance review.

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4267	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	I am very much for the DSM in West Lothian schools.	Devolved School Management Funding	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The scheme of Devolved School Management will continue to be the main mechanism for allocating funding across schools.
4268	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Yes I think giving the schools more control over their own financial position is a good idea	Devolved School Management Funding	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Headteachers are expected to exercise a high degree of autonomy, and increases are anticipated as part of the national governance review.
4269	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	This is in principal a good idea however once again each school would need to have investment to ensure they are all starting off on equal footing and that no one area was being disadvantaged over another especially when it comes to investment in technology	Devolved School Management Funding	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Funding to schools is distributed through the scheme of devolved school management to ensure equality.
4270	No Response	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	This can work although reckon the key here is "continuing to protect service provision". Focus on raising attainment - as is one of the most recent education models and initiatives in West Lothian is of top priority.	Devolved School Management Funding	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The Council intends to implement the proposals whilst focusing on key priorities for pupils, parents/carers and staff. Raising Attainment will remain one of the key strategic objectives of the Council.
4271	No Response	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Absolutely, give teachers and more senior teaching staff more responsibility. Why would someone sitting in an office be better equipped to deal with budgets than the people in the schools doing the jobs?	Devolved School Management Funding	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Headteachers are expected to exercise a high degree of autonomy, and increases are anticipated as part of the national governance review.
4272	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	head teachers were trained as such they are not business orientated let them manage and guide their teachers to improve education and let someone else do the business side	Devolved School Management Funding	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Headteachers are expected to exercise a high degree of autonomy, and increases are anticipated as part of the national governance review. The Council intends to implement the proposals whilst still delivering key priorities for pupils, parents/carers and staff.
4273	No Response	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Without detail it's hard to comment. As in many of the sections what is said seems fine but why has this not always been the approach followed?	Devolved School Management Funding	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
4274	An employee of West Lothian Council	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	every business should strive to improve efficiency especially one involving a public body but we need to be careful in what we expect of staff, what they are going to be "EXPECTED" TO TAKE ON BOARD AND WHAT SUPPORT TRAINING ETC THEY SHALL BE PROVIDED IN ORDER TO DO THESE TAKS.	Devolved School Management Funding	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The Council intends to implement the proposals whilst still delivering key priorities for pupils, parents/carers and staff, and to equip staff to do so.
4275	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	A good thing that schools have their own budget.	Devolved School Management Funding	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Headteachers are expected to exercise a high degree of autonomy, and increases are anticipated as part of the national governance review.
4276	An employee of West Lothian Council	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	It makes sense to review the DSM spend to ensure that the processes and staffing structures which it supports are as efficient as possible and focused on delivery of the core curriculum.	Devolved School Management Funding	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
4277	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Schools receive an increasing proportion of their funding from central government. Schools are being empowered to take more decisions at school level, with Council responsibility reduced. The Council should take the opportunity to reduce its funding for schools, in light of these national trends	Devolved School Management Funding	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Whilst PEF funding cannot be used as a direct replacement for all Council funding included in the proposal, this comment reflects the national direction of travel. The Council will only seek efficiencies and service transformation where core, statutory services can be maintained.
4278	An employee of West Lothian Council	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	This could work with the right training and clear information regarding new DSM procedures.	Devolved School Management Funding	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The changes to Devolved School Management will increase the autonomy of Headteachers and teachers to make decisions at a local level to benefit pupils in their school.
4279	An employee of West Lothian Council	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Schools, like every other service in the council, are already stretched to their limit. Giving the schools and head teachers responsibility for attainment and more direct control over funding is just another way of saying you're going to take away jobs at the back end and give more work to the teaching staff, causing more stress. Teachers already spend a lot of their own money and time to support the schools and what is being proposed is completely unfair (I am not a teacher but I do know what's happening in our schools	Devolved School Management Funding	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The changes to Devolved School Management will increase the autonomy of Headteachers and teachers to make decisions at a local level to benefit pupils in their school.
4280	No Response	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	It would be a good idea to give more responsibility for 'attainment' to head teachers as they 'know' there school and are therefore likely to know how best to make improvements	Devolved School Management Funding	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The changes to Devolved School Management will increase the autonomy of Headteachers and teachers to make decisions at a local level to benefit pupils in their school.
4281	An employee of West Lothian Council	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Granting larger spending powers to each head teacher may be beneficial in terms of experience to children and teachers, however, this would create more spending inefficiencies such as maverick spend, whereby standing orders and procurement procedures are not adhered to - effectively promoting non compliant spend.	Devolved School Management Funding	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The changes to Devolved School Management will increase the autonomy of Headteachers and teachers to make decisions at a local level to benefit pupils in their school.

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4282	An employee of West Lothian Council	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Scooby Doo - (corporately you don't appear to have a clue!) Educators (teachers, CLD, Nursery and pupil support etc.) are the experts at creating and delivering learning with and for learners of all ages. ANY redesign of DSM MUST ensure that it enables and supports educators in the delivery of learning - ensuring that this, and the management/development of learning is the focus of these employees employment is critical. The research and evidence base (internationally) overwhelmingly indicates that teachers /educators in education systems being freed to do what they're trained to do is one of the most critical factors to improve education. Tinkering at the margins by deluding yourself that a £3.6m cut will be creating a 'fit for purpose' DSM scheme borders on insanity. Again the absence of detailed proposals on how the system is resourced/works now - compared to that proposed is not reassuring!	Devolved School Management Funding	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for this comment. It is precisely to deliver more responsibility and accountability to staff at school level that the Council at corporate level has made this proposal. Proposals have been costed and the implementation will be project managed to ensure saving are achieved. West Lothian Council has made £92m worth of savings over the last 10 years, and therefore significant experience and success in this area.
4283	No Response	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Will it work I doubt it as the schools don't have enough resources at present far less restructuring	Devolved School Management Funding	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	The changes to Devolved School Management will increase the autonomy of Headteachers and teachers to make decisions at a local level to benefit pupils in their school. This will include the appropriate mix of staffing, although maintaining the pupil/teacher ratio may require the employment of teachers in preference to support staff.
4284	No Response	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Again this looks like an exercise in increased workloads for already overstretched staff. It may not be cost effective when WLC may need to rely on very expensive bank staff to cover for extended periods of stress related sickness caused by increased workloads on existing staff.	Devolved School Management Funding	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The changes to Devolved School Management will increase the autonomy of Headteachers and teachers to make decisions at a local level to benefit pupils in their school. West Lothian Council has a robust Sickness Absence Policy which includes appropriate support for managing stress.
4285	An employee of West Lothian Council	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	See above comments. No changes should be to the detriment of children's educational needs or social requirements supported with schools.	Devolved School Management Funding	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
4286	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	More devolved autonomy for schools sounds good as long as there is an overarching control mechanism to ensure standards are kept up across the region	Devolved School Management Funding	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The changes to Devolved School Management will increase the autonomy of Headteachers and teachers to make decisions at a local level to benefit pupils in their school. The new Regional Improvement Collaborative will provide quality assurance.
4287	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Giving heads may be a good idea but what experience do they have about handling large sums of money and who is to say that they won't waste it e.g. building bird tables in the grounds, etc. When they blow the budget who will suffer and who will step in.	Devolved School Management Funding	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The changes to Devolved School Management will increase the autonomy of Headteachers and teachers to make decisions at a local level to benefit pupils in their school. The Council will continue to provide financial support.
4288	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	You could explain what Devolved School Management actually is for us. However Greater use of existing resources again means that people/staff/workers will be under greater strain as they try to cope with more work but less staff or facilities. Changing management may work depending on how many managers are realistically needed.	Devolved School Management Funding	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	The changes to Devolved School Management will increase the autonomy of Headteachers and teachers to make decisions at a local level to benefit pupils in their school. This will include balancing workloads, and deciding on an appropriate management structure.
4289	An employee of West Lothian Council	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	By devolved school management does this potentially mean the expansion of Head Teachers being shared amongst several cluster primary schools? A flawed idea and one that is deeply unpopular with staff and parents	Devolved School Management Funding	4. The council is already doing this.	The Council has already put in place arrangements for shared headships where appropriate, and will continue to do so.
4290	An employee of West Lothian Council	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	I have concerns about ASN budgets and how these would be calculated to ensure equity and equality. PEF money is given to narrow poverty related attainment gap. GIRFEC agenda is NOT the same as PEF. Some of my GIRFEC learners are not PEF.	Devolved School Management Funding	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	It is correct that the Pupil Equity Funding allocation is not given to meet the aims of GIRFEC. With the new autonomy to be given to Headteachers, it will be for each Headteacher to determine the best use of available funding to meet the needs of pupils in each school, using each funding stream appropriately.
4291	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	I don't have sufficient knowledge of this as I have no children of school age. However, I know from friends that they are constantly being asked to fund school projects, books, trips and visits so I responsibility and accountability already rested with the various school boards.	Devolved School Management Funding	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
4292	No Response	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	As long as head teachers use there budget properly ,and not just on silly things ,as I have seen in the past .	Devolved School Management Funding	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The changes to Devolved School Management will increase the autonomy of Headteachers and teachers to make decisions at a local level to benefit pupils in their school.

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4293	An employee of West Lothian Council	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	I agree that HT should have more of a say what happens in school with regards to budget and staffing. They know best what their school and pupils needs are.	Devolved School Management Funding	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The changes to Devolved School Management will increase the autonomy of Headteachers and teachers to make decisions at a local level to benefit pupils in their school.
4294	No Response	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	HT may well be able to prioritise spending and make more savings but not at expense of spending time on providing quality education- and what about the cost of this restructure?	Devolved School Management Funding	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The changes to Devolved School Management will increase the autonomy of Headteachers and teachers to make decisions at a local level to benefit pupils in their school. The Council is still responsible for providing support services.
4295	No Response	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	I have no objection to a revised DSM funding model provided that it is evolved after thorough investigation. In England there are management companies which run a number of schools. While this looks attractive at first sight there are disadvantages; the company will need to make a profit for its investors, the company may have scholarship and attainment low on its list of priorities. The company cannot or will not take account of the culture of the school in the particular community it serves.	Devolved School Management Funding	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The Council will only consider outsourcing where this would bring efficiency or effectiveness benefits, but the proposals do not include large scale outsourcing of education services.
4296	No Response	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Devolved School Management should be considered, but only where the third party can demonstrate that it can bring the same level of skills, knowledge & experience to the tasks, including knowledge of the local community.	Devolved School Management Funding	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The Council will only consider outsourcing where this would bring efficiency or effectiveness benefits, but the proposals do not include large scale outsourcing of education services.
4297	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	With the Head teachers being in control of their budget - if the funds are there then there should be no need to also pay a council member of staff to work within funding	Devolved School Management Funding	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The changes to Devolved School Management will increase the autonomy of Headteachers and teachers to make decisions at a local level to benefit pupils in their school. The Council is still responsible for providing support services including financial support.
4298	An employee of West Lothian Council	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Feel giving HTs more control would be beneficial. The HT is in the best position to deploy her budget and resources accordingly.	Devolved School Management Funding	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The changes to Devolved School Management will increase the autonomy of Headteachers and teachers to make decisions at a local level to benefit pupils in their school, and ensure they have appropriate opportunities.
4299	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	I think head teachers having more direct control over funding could have a positive impact.	Devolved School Management Funding	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The changes to Devolved School Management will increase the autonomy of Headteachers and teachers to make decisions at a local level to benefit pupils in their school, and ensure they have appropriate opportunities.
4300	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	I do not support any cut to funding schools. Our schools are underfunded and understaffed as it is. Making due is NOT good enough. Providing support for children is essential to helping them develop into productive members of society. School, teachers and support staff are so important, I absolutely oppose any cuts that would affect their ability to "get it right for every child"	Devolved School Management Funding	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council has put forward proposals that cover the entire range of its activities.
4301	An employee of West Lothian Council	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	No issues with the redesign of DSM however schools cannot do more with less including potentially less management time, administrative and support staff who are the staff who keep the school running on a daily basis and are relied upon to complete roles and responsibilities that allows teachers to teach and HT's to lead learning and teaching.	Devolved School Management Funding	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The Council, Schools, Parents/Carers and Pupils all value the contribution of support staff. Headteachers will have the ability to determine where resources should be spent for the benefit of children, although a continuation of the Pupil/Teacher ratio may result in expenditure on teacher posts where support staff would have a greater impact on learning and teaching.
4302	No Response	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	This proposal is what regularly happens in the private sector. Make the council more like a business in the private sector with rationalized staffing and management.	Devolved School Management Funding	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The changes to Devolved School Management will increase the autonomy of Headteachers and teachers to make decisions at a local level to benefit pupils in their school, and ensure they have appropriate opportunities.
4303	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Gif this brings more resources in to schools and away from the centre I am supportive	Devolved School Management Funding	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The changes to Devolved School Management will increase the autonomy of Headteachers and teachers to make decisions at a local level to benefit pupils in their school, and ensure they have appropriate opportunities.
4304	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Schools are already being asked to do more with less. Reduction in support staff, educational leadership and administration will directly impact on our learners with teachers being asked to continue to do more for less.	Devolved School Management Funding	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The changes to Devolved School Management will increase the autonomy of Headteachers and teachers to make decisions at a local level to benefit pupils in their school, and ensure they have appropriate opportunities.

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4305	No Response	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	As long as its done with plenty of effective communication and not just lots of pointless and expensive consultations	Devolved School Management Funding	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Implementation will seek to strike an appropriate balance between the effective and the ineffective, as suggested.
4306	No Response	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	The Head Teacher should have a budget based on the pupil numbers that covers everything including minor repairs/decoration ect. The Council should still be responsible for large upgrade and improvement type work	Devolved School Management Funding	4. The council is already doing this.	The scheme of devolved school management addresses these issues.
4307	An employee of West Lothian Council	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	How will schools be assessed - by population - by exam results - by social needs? I do see the saving in shared management/administration but how will that be possible if you then look at DSM giving each area their own scope for delivery. Education is not a competition between areas, each pupil should be given the same opportunities, funding regardless of school achievements.	Devolved School Management Funding	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	The changes to Devolved School Management will increase the autonomy of Headteachers and teachers to make decisions at a local level to benefit pupils in their school, and ensure they have appropriate opportunities.
4308	No Response	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	It is concerning that discretion woul be left to headteachers.	Devolved School Management Funding	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The changes to Devolved School Management will increase the autonomy of Headteachers and teachers to make decisions at a local level to benefit pupils in their school.
4309	No Response	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	As above. Isn't this just what schools were like 15-20 y ago? Then it was decided that it was best centralised to prevent corruption/ bullying etc. All goes in cycles	Devolved School Management Funding	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	The changes to Devolved School Management will increase the autonomy of Headteachers and teachers to make decisions at a local level to benefit pupils in their school.
4310	No Response	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	As long as it is aimed at the child's needs and not to reduce services required. Supporting teachers will ensure they stay in post and they will feel respected.	Devolved School Management Funding	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The changes to Devolved School Management will increase the autonomy of Headteachers and teachers to make decisions at a local level to benefit pupils in their school.
4311	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Devolve funds to schools and avoid vague stuff like business support provision and quality assurance activities.	Devolved School Management Funding	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The changes to Devolved School Management will increase the autonomy of Headteachers and teachers to make decisions at a local level to benefit pupils in their school.
4312	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Devolve as much as can possibly be done. Minimise central bureacracy	Devolved School Management Funding	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The changes to Devolved School Management will increase the autonomy of Headteachers and teachers to make decisions at a local level to benefit pupils in their school.
4313	No Response	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	In favour of devolving school management. This should be accompanied by devolving funds. Big centralin reality administration teaches no one.	Devolved School Management Funding	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The changes to Devolved School Management will increase the autonomy of Headteachers and teachers to make decisions at a local level to benefit pupils in their school.
4314	No Response	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	The working 'provision by third party' does not sit right with me - in the current time of austerity why are the Council looking at third parties when they have current Council staff who if give the opportunity could provide an in house service.	Devolved School Management Funding	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council will only consider outsourcing where this would bring efficiency or effectiveness benefits, but the proposals do not include large scale outsourcing of education services.
4315	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	I have no objection to a revised DSM funding model evolved after thorough investigation but do not put school management in the hands of private management firms. Outsourcing this will lead to increased costs and less control in the future.PLEASE do not outsource!	Devolved School Management Funding	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council will only consider outsourcing where this would bring efficiency or effectiveness benefits, but the proposals do not include large scale outsourcing of education services.
4316	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	See 1a Bit worried about third parties (again applies throughout). Would they pay their staff minimum wage? What happens when WL is completely dependent on third parties if third parties do not perform.	Devolved School Management Funding	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council will only consider outsourcing where this would bring efficiency or effectiveness benefits, but the proposals do not include large scale outsourcing of education services.
4317	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	If its outsourcing you're talking about then why not just say that instead of dressing it up in gobbledeyook. Don't have a problem with it at all provided you make sure that the necessary functions are fully covered.	Devolved School Management Funding	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council will only consider outsourcing where this would bring efficiency or effectiveness benefits, but the proposals do not include large scale outsourcing of education services.
4318	An employee of West Lothian Council	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Although this sounds good I have great concerns over this as schools and Head teachers have enough additional duties currently to undertake without adding to them. And this would be adding to them. HTs and management teams should be concentrating on learning and teaching and we are losing that focus with all of the other responsibilities already being tagged on. HTs simply do not have the space and time required to support staff, families and pupils because of the other bureaucracy already put onto them.	Devolved School Management Funding	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	The changes to Devolved School Management will increase the autonomy of Headteachers and teachers to make decisions at a local level to benefit pupils in their school.
4319	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Unclear what third party support means. Historically councils held unspent reserves for schools and if this is still the case then perhaps these could be freed to save further cuts.	Devolved School Management Funding	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Officers will consider how this could be developed.
4320	An employee of West Lothian Council	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	1C) How will revising the DSM scheme result in reducing administration when more and more jobs are coming from teachers and FM services via the school office.	Devolved School Management Funding	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The changes to Devolved School Management will increase the autonomy of Headteachers and teachers to make decisions at a local level to benefit pupils in their school.

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4321	An employee of West Lothian Council	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	1C) How will revising the DSM scheme result in reducing administration when more and more jobs are coming from teachers and FM services via the school office.=	Devolved School Management Funding	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The changes to Devolved School Management will increase the autonomy of Headteachers and teachers to make decisions at a local level to benefit pupils in their school.
4322	An employee of West Lothian Council	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	The schools DSM budget should not give head teachers the ability to spend on resources without clear expectations and guidance.	Devolved School Management Funding	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The changes to Devolved School Management will increase the autonomy of Headteachers and teachers to make decisions at a local level to benefit pupils in their school.
4323	No Response	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	1C) How will revising the DSM scheme result in reducing administration when more and more jobs are coming from teachers and FM services via the school office.	Devolved School Management Funding	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The changes to Devolved School Management will increase the autonomy of Headteachers and teachers to make decisions at a local level to benefit pupils in their school.
4324	No Response	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Why employ third parties, deliver the services in house. Invest in existing staff, people who work for wlc go above and beyond in my experience.	Devolved School Management Funding	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council will only consider outsourcing where this would bring efficiency or effectiveness benefits, but the proposals do not include large scale outsourcing of education services.
4325	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	3rd party provider to redesign DSM is concerning as they will never truly understand how present system functions and its value by users.	Devolved School Management Funding	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council will only consider outsourcing where this would bring efficiency or effectiveness benefits, but the proposals do not include large scale outsourcing of education services.
4326	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	I have doubts re third party providers. Companies providing services to Council will have in built profit margins.	Devolved School Management Funding	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council will only consider outsourcing where this would bring efficiency or effectiveness benefits, but the proposals do not include large scale outsourcing of education services.
4327	An employee of West Lothian Council	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	The council has a good DSM scheme already but there is always scope for further improvement so I support this measure. Schools should contribute to the savings that are required.	Devolved School Management Funding	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The changes to Devolved School Management will increase the autonomy of Headteachers and teachers to make decisions at a local level to benefit pupils in their school.
4328	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Front line teaching staff and front line resources are fundamental and cutting back on the 'tail' should be encouraged if this leads to little change to the teaching outcomes of our children. However I remain to be convinced that third party providers who may put profit before substance is the answer. We should also remember the maxim that 'better management doesn't mean more managers.'	Devolved School Management Funding	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The changes to Devolved School Management will increase the autonomy of Headteachers and teachers to make decisions at a local level to benefit pupils in their school. The Council will only consider outsourcing where this would bring efficiency or effectiveness benefits, but the proposals do not include large scale outsourcing of education services.
4329	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	3rd party providers are profit making organisations. Their use should be limited. The provision of adequate numbers of teachers is very important.	Devolved School Management Funding	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council will only consider outsourcing where this would bring efficiency or effectiveness benefits, but the proposals do not include large scale outsourcing of education services.
4330	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Under the Standards in Scotland's Schools etc. Act 2000, every education authority is required to have a Devolved School Management (DSM) Scheme and to delegate to headteachers the preparation of school improvement plans. DSM schemes set out the functions and control over a portion of the local authority's education budget that is delegated to individual schools and headteachers. The education authority is free to decide to which schools the scheme should apply, i.e. it does not have to apply to all schools. Savings in funding should address the benefits to the individual school and any case for a change to the current DSM model should answer two questions. What were the reasons for this action not being addressed previously and second what research has been undertaken which would lead the Council to presume that this action will lead to greater benefits and be cost effective.	Devolved School Management Funding	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
4331	An employee of West Lothian Council	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	It is unclear what impact this proposal will actually have on schools and pupils. With a current struggle in finding quality head teachers the reduction in support for headteachers will make this problem worse.	Devolved School Management Funding	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The changes to Devolved School Management will increase the autonomy of Headteachers and teachers to make decisions at a local level to benefit pupils in their school.
4332	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	As long as quality is assured I am happy with this proposal.	Devolved School Management Funding	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. Robust quality assurance will be retained.
4333	No Response	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	A great deal of this reads well, but you have no idea how it will turn out. It is typical of the scheme to give the outline but no real detail.	Devolved School Management Funding	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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4334	An employee of West Lothian Council	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	I feel having a DSM system is putting a lot of additional pressure on schools and changing the role of HT significantly, as they are having to become business managers for their schools on top of everything else. I feel having a more centralised budget for schools across west lothian is not only more equitable but allows supports to be centralised and managed rather than potentially having duplication of work across the schools. It allows for support services to be centralised and managed rather than schools buying in supports when they require them.	Devolved School Management Funding	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The changes to Devolved School Management will increase the autonomy of Headteachers and teachers to make decisions at a local level to benefit pupils in their school.
4335	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Are Head teachers significantly trained for this?	Devolved School Management Funding	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The changes to Devolved School Management will increase the autonomy of Headteachers and teachers to make decisions at a local level to benefit pupils in their school.
4336	No Response	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	I'm not well enough informed to comment on this - are we talking about the building of schools or provision of equipment in the buildings eg computers etc ??	Devolved School Management Funding	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
4337	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	How will revising the DSM scheme result in reducing administration when more and more jobs are coming from teachers and FM services via the school office.	Devolved School Management Funding	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The changes to Devolved School Management will increase the autonomy of Headteachers and teachers to make decisions at a local level to benefit pupils in their school.
4338	An employee of West Lothian Council	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	How will revising the DSM scheme result in reducing administration when more and more jobs are coming from teachers and FM services via the school office.	Devolved School Management Funding	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The changes to Devolved School Management will increase the autonomy of Headteachers and teachers to make decisions at a local level to benefit pupils in their school.
4339	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Keep schools under central control so that they are all delivering the same standards. Same budgets however that is allocated & please please do not touch music tuition. It gives children pride, discipline, confidence & an ability to be a team player.	Devolved School Management Funding	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. The forthcoming Education Bill will make clear where responsibility for aspects of Education will lie.
4340	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	This is long overdue , and I support this proposal. It is unfortunate that a mechanism can not be set up that allows unspent funding from one financial year to be carried over into the next year , as this "rush" to spend remaining funds , not solely in education but in many departments , does not always result in best value being obtained.	Devolved School Management Funding	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. Education Services permit a carry forward.
4341	An employee of West Lothian Council	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	How will revising the DSM scheme result in reducing administration when more and more jobs are coming from teachers and FM services via the school office.	Devolved School Management Funding	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The changes to Devolved School Management will increase the autonomy of Headteachers and teachers to make decisions at a local level to benefit pupils in their school.
4342	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Devolved school management will only result in an even more strained education system, than the currently failing model nationally. This appears to be nothing more than cost cutting rather focusing on the best quality service to support learning in schools.	Devolved School Management Funding	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The changes to Devolved School Management will increase the autonomy of Headteachers and teachers to make decisions at a local level to benefit pupils in their school.
4343	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	I agree with these comments from the review document "There are situations where larger schools are working to the same arrangements as smaller schools in the same council areas, but have far greater capacity to make decisions because of the scale of their budgets. This challenge will become more severe in the difficult financial circumstances that we currently face. Local Authorities and national government have both made considerable efforts to protect funding to schools by absorbing savings elsewhere. These efforts need to continue if schools are to retain any autonomy in this climate."	Devolved School Management Funding	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
4344	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Giving Head teachers more budgetary control is a very bad idea. They are very good at delivering educational outcomes but are not trained as financial managers and many do not realise the level of external support required to keep schools safe and good learning places	Devolved School Management Funding	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The changes to Devolved School Management will increase the autonomy of Headteachers and teachers to make decisions at a local level to benefit pupils in their school.
4345	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Headteachers are best placed to allocate the resources available to meet the needs of the children in their care	Devolved School Management Funding	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The changes to Devolved School Management will increase the autonomy of Headteachers and teachers to make decisions at a local level to benefit pupils in their school.
4346	An employee of West Lothian Council	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	I think the council should be in charge of funding and managing schools as it is not always beneficial to allow devolved school management	Devolved School Management Funding	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	The forthcoming Education Bill will make clear where responsibility for aspects of Education will lie.

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4347	An employee of West Lothian Council	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Perhaps devolved school management would not give a constant approach to teaching - it would be harder to have standards and there would need to be some kind of benchmarking process to allow us to check that standards were being maintained.	Devolved School Management Funding	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The changes to Devolved School Management will increase the autonomy of Headteachers and teachers to make decisions at a local level to benefit pupils in their school. Robust scrutiny will remain by the Council and Regional Improvement collaborative.
4348	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Statement like the above are far to vague clarity is required in order to make an informed comment I have no information on what a DSM model is	Devolved School Management Funding	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
4349	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	School HTs could manage budgets	Devolved School Management Funding	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The changes to Devolved School Management will increase the autonomy of Headteachers and teachers to make decisions at a local level to benefit pupils in their school.
4350	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	We have no objection to a revised DSM funding model evolved after thorough investigation but would be extremely apprehensive of school management provision by third party providers. Before taking any action look very closely at the Free School concept operating in England where an administrative company takes over the administration of a number of schools. Much could be learned from that experience by contacting people who are locally involved - phone headteachers and Councillors.	Devolved School Management Funding	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The changes to Devolved School Management will increase the autonomy of Headteachers and teachers to make decisions at a local level to benefit pupils in their school. The Council will only consider outsourcing where this would bring efficiency or effectiveness benefits, but the proposals do not include large scale outsourcing of education services.
4351	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Revision important	Devolved School Management Funding	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
4352	An employee of West Lothian Council	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	1c In many schools throughout West Lothian Head Teachers are in "Acting" positions for years, sometimes Acting over several primary and secondary schools. Though this is appropriate for small village primary schools, it happens over larger schools as well. There is no real consistency for the children. Management already appears to be spread thin, how will a devolved school management improve the current situation.	Devolved School Management Funding	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	The proposals do not seek to address the issue of headteacher recruitment and retention, which is a national issue. As all local authorities face similar budgetary pressures, it is unlikely that proposals will place West Lothian at a competitive disadvantage in terms of recruitment.
4353	No Response	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	DSM is a new concept and I hope it will work.	Devolved School Management Funding	4. The council is already doing this.	The Council has a well established scheme of devolved school management.
4354	An employee of West Lothian Council	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	I don't want to see anyone lose their jobs and if DSM if possible then so be it. However if the attainment gap is to be closed then these people must be kept to increase struggling literacy and numeracy levels within the area.	Devolved School Management Funding	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Raising attainment, and specifically literacy and numeracy will remain a key focus for the council.
4355	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	The DSM scheme in schools has changed over the years with the centralisation of certain financial aspects of budgets, reducing the control Head Teachers have over their budgets to mainly staffing, training, supplies and in the secondary sector, responsibility for Scottish Qualification Agency payments for pupils exams. Will the scope for the changes in the staffing arrangements be curtailed with pupil teacher ratios?	Devolved School Management Funding	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Headteachers have a very high degree of autonomy and this will increase as a result of the Scottish Government's governance review. The requirement to maintain PTR doers, however, curtail the ability of Headteachers and the Council to choose the mix of staff best suited to the needs of individual schools and services, by requiring the employment of teachers where other staff might make a greater impact.
4356	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	I find the above statement confusing. If the DSM scheme involves looking at support staff within the classroom it is vitally important that this provision is not cut.	Devolved School Management Funding	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposals seek to strike an appropriate balance between front line, management and support functions, all of which play an important role in the service.
4357	No Response	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Don't go down any road that allows private enterprise into schools especially in the running of them. It is a shambles in England	Devolved School Management Funding	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council will consider outsourcing where it cannot provide a service itself, or where there are clear quality or efficiency benefits, but the proposals are not for large scale outsourcing of school provision.
4358	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Yes think this is a good idea to give schools their autonomy.	Devolved School Management Funding	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Headteachers are expected to exercise a high degree of autonomy, and increases are anticipated as part of the national governance review. This will include managing their school within available resources, national conditions, and the scheme of devolved school management.

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4359	No Response	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	School should have control of their own budgets - spending wisely!!	Devolved School Management Funding	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Headteachers are expected to exercise a high degree of autonomy, and increases are anticipated as part of the national governance review. This will include managing their school within available resources, national conditions, and the scheme of devolved school management.
4360	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Schools are a vital part of our community and future. I feel that giving schools more control of their own affairs will allow them to thrive and improve in many of the above areas. Again, this will only work with the correct people with a good understanding and with the correct principles a heart. I feel that in most council services smarter working can deliver on savings without reducing our hopes and dreams of children.	Devolved School Management Funding	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Headteachers are expected to exercise a high degree of autonomy, and increases are anticipated as part of the national governance review. This will include managing their school within available resources, national conditions, and the scheme of devolved school management.
4361	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	same as above - Schools are a vital part of our community and future. I feel that giving schools more control of their own affairs will allow them to thrive and improve in many of the above areas. Again, this will only work with the correct people with a good understanding and with the correct principles a heart. I feel that in most council services smarter working can deliver on savings without reducing our hopes and dreams of children.	Devolved School Management Funding	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Headteachers have a very high degree of autonomy and responsibility and this will increase as a result of the Scottish Government's governance review.
4362	An employee of West Lothian Council	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Head teachers are managers and should run their areas of the service with the same resources available to other managers in non-education services. There is no room for giving them more than everyone else to run their parts of the council's business.	Devolved School Management Funding	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Headteachers are expected to exercise a high degree of autonomy, and increases are anticipated as part of the national governance review. This will include managing their school within available resources, national conditions, and the scheme of devolved school management.
4363	An employee of West Lothian Council	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Head teachers are managers and should run their areas of the service with the same resources available to other managers in non-education services.	Devolved School Management Funding	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Headteachers have a very high degree of autonomy and responsibility and this will increase as a result of the Scottish Government's governance review.
4364	No Response	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	I would agree that schools and Head Teachers are in a unique position to make these decisions knowing the locality and each individual school better than most. It would be obvious to say that there should be the correct checks and balances in place to protect all those involved and an independent complaints system should the need arise for any problem solving.	Devolved School Management Funding	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Headteachers are expected to exercise a high degree of autonomy, and increases are anticipated as part of the national governance review. This will include managing their school within available resources, national conditions, and the scheme of devolved school management. A central complaints system, conforming to SPSO requirements, will be retained.
4365	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	The huge stumbling block for DSM is the teacher ratios set by the Scottish Government. Maintaining these ratios restricts HTs into making decisions.	Devolved School Management Funding	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	The council is required to maintain a pupil teacher ratio with the result that spending on teaching staff cannot be reduced, thus increasing the impact of any savings required on support staff, even when these staff may play a significant role in supporting learning and teaching.
4366	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	No objection to a revised DSM funding model evolved after thorough investigation but do not put school management in the hands of private management firms.	Devolved School Management Funding	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	This is emphatically not proposed.
4367	No Response	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Can only try but will it really save money in the long run...	Devolved School Management Funding	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
4368	An employee of West Lothian Council	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	I agree with this proposal. Having working in a school, I feel that we should always be using making greater use of existing resources for service delivery .	Devolved School Management Funding	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
4369	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	In managing schools and considering further devolution of decisions, it is important that the senior management team within secondary schools is not overloaded that it compromises the level of education that is provided. Each secondary school should have at least a Head teacher and 3 Deputy head teachers to run the school as a minimum. .	Devolved School Management Funding	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposals seek to strike an appropriate balance between front line, support and management staff, all of whom perform an important function within the service, within available resources.
4370	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	I think this will be a good way to go only if Education in WL really can run their school as an effective business and all that entails. Giving more control to schools for their funding without them seeing themselves as business managers will be a disaster.	Devolved School Management Funding	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Headteachers have a very high degree of autonomy and responsibility and this will increase as a result of the Scottish Government's governance review.

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4371	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Cut the management structure and have a business person oversee the money etc side of a school and have a head in charge of the staffing and pupils. This would reduce the need for DHT and PT in the roles and being non-teaching. I think PT should all be teaching at least four days a week rather than some schools having an HT a DHT and PT all non teaching. Surely this would save money and allow arts to be funded and mental health.	Devolved School Management Funding	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Individual Headteachers will be responsible for management structures and can consider these suggestions.
4372	An employee of West Lothian Council	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	The third party should not be made up of volunteers e.g. parents etc. Schools should be run by professionals otherwise standards will slip even further. Technology is not the answer to everything.	Devolved School Management Funding	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Nationally agreed staffing levels, and the pupil/teacher ratio will be maintained.
4373	An employee of West Lothian Council	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	A review of the DSM in schools is welcomed but again must not impact on the capacity for HTs to do the core business of the job as leaders of the curriculum, learning and teaching.	Devolved School Management Funding	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Headteachers have a very high degree of autonomy and responsibility and this will increase as a result of the Scottish Government's governance review.
4374	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	I feel that HTs should have control over how to spend their budget as they know the priorities and needs of their school.	Devolved School Management Funding	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Headteachers have a very high degree of autonomy and responsibility and this will increase as a result of the Scottish Government's governance review.
4375	An employee of West Lothian Council	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	This would be beneficial as long as there is support available. Head teachers are teachers first and business managers second. Their talents would be best suited to working directly with children and not stuck behind a desk.	Devolved School Management Funding	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Headteachers have a very high degree of autonomy and responsibility and this will increase as a result of the Scottish Government's governance review.
4376	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Linlithgow Academy Parent Council are very aware of the restrictions which the Scottish Government's Pupil Teacher Ratio imposes on Head Teachers in terms of their ability to allocate resources in the most effective manner for their school. Can the Council please confirm whether our Head Teacher will have real flexibility in terms of allocation of resources under the new proposals or whether this will continue to be almost entirely dictated by the PTR?	Devolved School Management Funding	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. This is not yet known.
4377	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	I would question of devolved school management actually saves money. It may be central government desire to devolve school management but economies of scale would dictate otherwise.	Devolved School Management Funding	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Increased devolution of finance, responsibility and accountability is proposed in the current national Governance Review.
4378	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	DSM sounds promising, but again do not assume technology can immediately be introduced and benefits realised. What are the timescales for any technology solution and how quickly can the benefits be realised. Can contracts with suppliers always have penalties for delays or failed delivery? Public money must always be protected with such contracts.	Devolved School Management Funding	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council will only use third party provision where there are quality and cost benefits. Education Services has concentrated on IT resources used nationally, and provided through the public sector, such as GLOW and SEEMIS.
4379	No Response	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	The head teacher must be retained, and ways of reducing clerical tasks can be realised through efficiency measures.	Devolved School Management Funding	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	All but three pre-school establishments are already managed by primary headteachers. The proposal is to reduce clerical tasks.
4380	An employee of West Lothian Council	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Not sure that this is the best use of resources. If a Head Teacher is in charge of the school budget what oversight is in place to ensure that the money is being used to the best advantage of the community that the school sits in. Is there an overall strategy for the area that the Head Teacher has to be mindful of.	Devolved School Management Funding	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Headteachers are expected to exercise a high degree of autonomy, and increases are anticipated as part of the national governance review. This will include managing their school within available resources, national conditions, and the scheme of devolved school management.
4381	An employee of West Lothian Council	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	As outlined previously Head Teachers will be in charge of their budget. Some schools are located in area of greater affluence and therefore their parents may be willing to make up the shortfall for any activities that are not part of the usual curriculum. How does the Council propose to ensure that each child is given the same resources regardless of their schools location.	Devolved School Management Funding	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council has no plans to transfer funds raised by parents at more affluent schools to schools in areas of deprivation. It would be open to parents to take initiative themselves to raise money for children in less affluent areas.
4382	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	I fully support the concept of devolving the decision making and assessment of educational resources required, from a Local government control to either larger schools or a group of smaller schools combined into a hub. I presume the Schools Inspectorate will continue to operate - as a check these devolved schools will still achieve the quality of attainment and meet any other statutory requirements.	Devolved School Management Funding	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Headteachers are expected to exercise a high degree of autonomy, and increases are anticipated as part of the national governance review. This will include managing their school within available resources, national conditions, and the scheme of devolved school management. Education Scotland will continue to monitor standards in school, and the new Regional Improvement Collaborative will also have a role in this process.
4383	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Agree, if there's a DSM scheme - one the major savings has to come from the Local Education Department in the Council	Devolved School Management Funding	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The Council has put forward proposals relating to all areas of activity including education.

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4384	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Direct funding to schools rather than resources being allocated to local government is something that should be opposed at a national level. West Lothian Councillors should dictate the allocation of resources in West Lothian, as they are elected to do.	Devolved School Management Funding	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The framework for Education funding is set nationally. There is an increasing trend of direct, ring-fenced funding from national government to schools.
4385	No Response	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	I fully support the concept of devolving the decision making and assessment of educational resources required, from a Local government control to either larger schools or a group of smaller schools combined into a hub. I presume the Schools Inspectorate will continue to operate - as a check these devolved schools will still achieve the quality of attainment and meet any other statutory requirements.	Devolved School Management Funding	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Headteachers are expected to exercise a high degree of autonomy, and increases are anticipated as part of the national governance review. This will include managing their school within available resources, national conditions, and the scheme of devolved school management. Education Scotland will continue to monitor standards in school, and the new Regional Improvement Collaborative will also have a role in this process.
4386	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	I think West Lothian has a great reputation in Education. Why change something that works really well.	Devolved School Management Funding	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council has put forward proposals for budget reductions across the full range of its responsibilities.
4387	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	How will revising the DSM scheme result in reducing administration when more and more jobs are coming from teachers and FM services via the school office.	Devolved School Management Funding	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposals seek to strike an appropriate balance between front line, management and support functions, all of which play an important role in the service.
4388	An employee of West Lothian Council	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	How revising the DSM scheme will result in reduced administration I'd like to know, as more and more jobs are coming from teachers and FM services via the school office.	Devolved School Management Funding	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposals seek to strike an appropriate balance between front line and support functions. T
4389	An employee of West Lothian Council	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	How will revising the DSM scheme result in reducing administration when more and more jobs are coming from teachers and FM services via the school office.	Devolved School Management Funding	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposals seek to strike an appropriate balance between front line, management and support functions, all of which play an important role in the service.
4390	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	I'd hope that sufficient support is provided for head teachers in managing their devolved budget, as it is no easy task. Again, head teacher's should be left to focus on improving the curriculum, raising attainments, supporting health and well-being and ensuring positive destinations for our pupils.	Devolved School Management Funding	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Headteachers have a very high degree of autonomy and responsibility and this will increase as a result of the Scottish Government's governance review.
4391	An employee of West Lothian Council	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Don't agree. too much responsibility on Head Teachers who are already carrying too much work.	Devolved School Management Funding	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Headteachers have a very high degree of autonomy and responsibility and this will increase as a result of the Scottish Government's governance review.
4392	No Response	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	I would agree to the DSM, as streamlining would save money. But I do not agree with utilising third party providers as this would involve further costs.	Devolved School Management Funding	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council will use external providers where it lacks capacity or expertise to make provision itself, or where there are quality or efficiency benefits.
4393	An employee of West Lothian Council	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Private firms are there to make money for themselves.....I am not sure of their reliability	Devolved School Management Funding	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council will use external providers where it lacks capacity or expertise to make provision itself, or where there are quality or efficiency benefits.
4394	An employee of West Lothian Council	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Again not clear what it all means - if changes can be made and service provision be protected seems reasonable.	Devolved School Management Funding	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
4395	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	I think decisions on School policy should remain with the Council and not heads. We need uniformity in the Council so that children do not meet entirely new codes of conduct if they move schools. Heads have enough to do managing schools without planning curriculums.	Devolved School Management Funding	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The changes to Devolved School Management will increase the autonomy of Headteachers and teachers to make decisions at a local level to benefit pupils in their school.
4396	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	It is not a bad thing for Head Teachers to have a more direct control over funding. However the reduction in funding from WLC should not be done as a reaction to the Scottish Government funding schools directly. Head Teachers' primary responsibility is the raising of attainment but how can this go hand in hand with the reduction in central services - with only 'advisory approaches' to certain areas and the removal of some others (eg non mainstream places for children with greater support needs.)	Devolved School Management Funding	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The respondent advised that they did not agree with the proposal.
4397	No Response	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Schools are already struggling, cutting the money available to them further will put strains on schools that will affect the education of our children.	Devolved School Management Funding	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The respondent advised that they did not agree with the proposal.

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4398	An employee of West Lothian Council	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	depends how good the head teacher is in the first place	Devolved School Management Funding	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
4399	An employee of West Lothian Council	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	I think this is all very well if have the right management in place - some schools are very clique and this can be a worry if they are in charge..	Devolved School Management Funding	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
4400	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	I agree that head teachers should have a bigger say in their own school budgeting as long as they trained to do so - and be able to allocate resources where needed.	Devolved School Management Funding	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The Council intends to implement the proposal whilst still fulfilling its duty to meet the needs of every child.
4401	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Minimal redesign may be required in forming DSM, hence further savings.	Devolved School Management Funding	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
4402	An employee of West Lothian Council	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	1c Colleagues have expressed concern about what is left to cut from the DSM budget, given that the Pupil Teacher Ratio is fixed, and in particular how this would impact on smaller schools.	Devolved School Management Funding	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposals to rationalise central support to schools seek to balance the important contribution of professional, support and managerial staff, all of whom make an important contribution to the service. They recognise the increased autonomy to be given to headteachers, who will have the ability to prioritise budgets to meet the individual needs of their school.
4403	An employee of West Lothian Council	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Is the council proceeding on the basis that it will continue to receive the same level of funding for education from Scottish Government once the reforms to school management take place? Once again, absolutely no detail is provided of the council's plans beyond empty management speak about restructuring and maximising efficiency. What are you actually consulting on here?	Devolved School Management Funding	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
4404	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Giving Head Teachers greater control makes sense as each school has different targets.	Devolved School Management Funding	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
4405	No Response	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	There needs to be co-ordination between schools to ensure that they are not all spending money individually which could be more expensive than doing joint work.	Devolved School Management Funding	4. The council is already doing this.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. Collaboration is encouraged and this will continue
4406	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	A review of DSM and existing staffing structures is welcomed and will hopefully reflect the different approaches required for efficiency in both large and small schools. There is a concern that any changes will not reflect immediate savings in a school due to the requirement to conserve salaries following a period of change. Support would be required to allow schools to afford to move to new models of staffing. There additional concern is the lack of flexibility created by the Pupil Teacher ratio which is currently restricting HT ability to be creative but will be equally problematic if suddenly removed due to the increased number of permanent staff who have been employed to meet the target.	Devolved School Management Funding	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The response reflects substantive issues that will require to be addressed during implementation.
4407	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	as schools/head teachers have PEF, then all the DSM budgets may no longer be required.	Devolved School Management Funding	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	PEF funding cannot be used to replace core functions already provided.
4408	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Why is there no shared resource system for schools? Teachers are pulling resources continually each year yet there is no central repository for lesson plans etc. Will this devolved management approach further affect this? More funding should be focused at primary education level to tackle under achievers and reduce the number of children moving to secondary with poor reading, writing and mathematics.	Devolved School Management Funding	4. The council is already doing this.	Collaboration is encouraged and this will continue. Investment in literacy, numeracy and transition has been made.
4409	An employee of West Lothian Council	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Devolving more of the decisions around school staffing to schools and head teachers is in principle desirable as it allows individual schools to employ the best model for their own needs as opposed to a one size fits all approach. I would though worry that if spending continues to be cut around administrative and support staffing then schools will be unable to change to the models of DSM that they would wish to employ. If support staff continue to be cut from schools the onus will be placed on teachers to do more on top of the workload they already have. With funding cuts being proposed in school's partner agencies there will be less and less options for support for some of our most vulnerable children and young people. I worry the impact that this will have on these children. We cannot expect teaching staff to continually fill the gaps that cuts to these services leave and increase attainment etc.	Devolved School Management Funding	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposals to rationalise central support to schools seek to balance the important contribution of professional, support and managerial staff, all of whom make an important contribution to the service. They recognise the increased autonomy to be given to headteachers, who will have the ability to prioritise budgets to meet the individual needs of their school.

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4410	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	without the detqails of what changes are proposed it is difficult to comment. West Lothian already devolve a high level of authority and budget to Head Teachers and it is difficult to see what can be changed without adversely affecting learners. School offices already work on a very efficient basis.	Devolved School Management Funding	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
4411	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Cut the amount of administration & concentrate on the teaching	Devolved School Management Funding	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The Council has participated in the national taskforce to reduce bureaucracy and have taken appropriate action as a result.
4412	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Not sure that this should be undertaken by outside parties	Devolved School Management Funding	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	The Council will only consider outsourcing where this would bring efficiency or effectiveness benefits, but the proposals do not include large scale outsourcing of education services.
4413	No Response	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	If this means a private partnership then I'm no tin agreement. Better use of the current resources would be achieve savings.	Devolved School Management Funding	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council will only consider outsourcing where this would bring efficiency or effectiveness benefits, but the proposals do not include large scale outsourcing of education services.
4414	An employee of West Lothian Council	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Fully agree. DSM funding has not been badly affected by cuts so far, and not every school uses this wisely.	Devolved School Management Funding	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
4415	An employee of West Lothian Council	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	I'm glad to hear that the service will be protected and support a review of DSM to take into account the actual needs of individual schools.	Devolved School Management Funding	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
4416	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	We need to be spending more on school staff not less.	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
4417	No Response	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	support for special needs children and young adults should not have any cost cutting as there is hardly any support as it is.	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
4418	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Support in schools was outlined as central when the new curriculum was designed so I disagree with any proposed cuts/reduced hours of staffing or personnel.	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
4419	No Response	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Decreasing staffing in schools is not a good idea	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
4420	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Disagree.	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
4421	No Response	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	No	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
4422	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Don't make any cuts which will affect children's learning, make your cuts elsewhere.	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
4423	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	More job losses	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
4424	No Response	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	LEAVE THE SYSTEM ALONE	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
4425	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	There should be no changes to the existing!	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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4426	No Response	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	I don't agree with the cutting of lower grade staff as a money saver. This just adds to external detrimental effects.	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
4427	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	You absolutely must protect service provision.	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
4428	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	no	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
4429	No Response	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	No idea what this means but it sounds expensive and silly!	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
4430	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Disagree	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
4431	No Response	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	The council must not implement any of these changes. The cost associated and complications that are already arising are detrimental to any priority of closing the attainment gap	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
4432	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Disagree	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
4433	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Disagree with this - costs should be saved elsewhere	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
4434	An employee of West Lothian Council	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	1G) Teacher entitlement to RCCT and McCrone time costs a fortune, as additional teachers are required to cover this time. No other professionals are afforded this luxury and spend the working day doing what they get paid for. Their job!	Education Services (general)	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	Teachers are employed under national conditions which set out their duties
4435	An employee of West Lothian Council	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Chartered Teachers should be removed from the system.	Education Services (general)	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	Teachers are employed under national conditions which set out their duties
4436	No Response	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	1G) Teacher entitlement to RCCT and McCrone time costs a fortune, as additional teachers are required to cover this time. No other professionals are afforded this luxury and spend the working day doing what they get paid for. Their job!	Education Services (general)	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	Teachers are employed under national conditions which set out their duties
4437	An employee of West Lothian Council	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Could cluster schools be asked to work together to gain efficiencies of scale when ordering paper, jotters etc?	Education Services (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	The Council already utilises national frameworks for procurement of contracts where this is the best method of procuring goods and services.
4438	No Response	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Teachers are very privileged having more holidays than normal workforce. Awards should be based on what they achieve.	Education Services (general)	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Teacher holidays are part of nationally agreed terms and conditions.
4439	No Response	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Anything that improves children's education is welcome.	Education Services (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
4440	An employee of West Lothian Council	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	AVOID DUPLICATION. COUNCILS COULD OPT TO LEAD IN A PARTICULAR ASPECT AND SAVE MONEY THAT WAY. UNIT COSTS SHOULD BE ESTABLISHED AND BUDGETS STANDARDISED	Education Services (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	This comment reflects current practice of collaboration within and between councils. Budgets are determined by the factors within Scheme of Devolved school management.

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4441	An employee of West Lothian Council	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	nothing can replace people and the relationship staff develop with children.....	Education Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council is committed to implementing agreed proposals without detriment to pupils
4442	An employee of West Lothian Council	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	The council need to look at the areas it can influence in education as there are many areas that it cannot.	Education Services (general)	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	The comment does not propose any specific action.
4443	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	If it helps education then I am all for it.	Education Services (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
4444	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	I think teachers already are overworked so the need for more teachers and assistance is required. No fund cuts to this part of any restructuring would be my view.	Education Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council is committed to implementing agreed proposals without detriment to pupils.
4445	No Response	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Need an appropriate number of suitably qualified members of staff to delivery the Council's statutory duty in relation to Education.	Education Services (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	The council will maintain appropriate numbers of suitable qualified staff to deliver services.
4446	No Response	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Why waste money utilising third party reviewer's	Education Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council will only use third party provision where there are quality and or cost benefits.
4447	No Response	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Need an appropriate number of suitably qualified members of staff to delivery the Council's statutory duty in relation to Education Priorities need to be in teaching reading, writing and arithmetic. Ensuring all children are provided with the same level of teaching.	Education Services (general)	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	This comment reflects council priorities in terms of teaching. The Council will retain an appropriate number of suitably qualified staff to deliver its priorities.
4448	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Third party provision tends to lead to a cut in quality or an increased cost of the service being outsourced.	Education Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council will only use third party provision where there are quality and or cost benefits.
4449	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	All schools should be mixed campus with all children sent to there local school. The segregation of school pupils based on religion should be removed.	Education Services (general)	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	The provision of denominational education is governed by legislation. The proposals do not contain any plans to close or amalgamate schools.
4450	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	I have no particular strong opinion on this but believe in general that economies of scale will always reduce costs and general can provide better and more targeted solutions.	Education Services (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
4451	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Every parent wants the best education for their kids another great idea	Education Services (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
4452	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	I support finding the most appropriate balance of centralisation and devolution of funding - both have advantages and trade-offs need to be considered rather than blanket approach.	Education Services (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Headteachers are expected to exercise a high degree of autonomy, and increases are anticipated as part of the national governance review.
4453	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	agree that if schools have direct control of funding then it would seem appropriate to reduce central support.	Education Services (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Headteachers are expected to exercise a high degree of autonomy, and increases are anticipated as part of the national governance review.
4454	No Response	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	I agree with this as long as adequate support still exists and head teachers do not have too great a degree of autonomy.	Education Services (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Headteachers are expected to exercise a high degree of autonomy, and increases are anticipated as part of the national governance review.
4455	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	" changes can be made in management restructures and support arrangements, a revised DSM funding model and review provision by third party providers to maximise efficiency whilst continuing to protect service provision." - Does this translate to job losses?	Education Services (general)	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
4456	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Unfortunate to see a cut to education budgets.	Education Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
4457	No Response	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	There should not be any further cuts to education. That money should be found elsewhere.	Education Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council must look at opportunities for efficiency and service transformation in all areas of its responsibility.

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4458	No Response	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	As above - there should be no cuts to education funding & the savings should be made elsewhere.	Education Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council must look at opportunities for efficiency and service transformation in all areas of its responsibility.
4459	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	West Lothian is currently so obsessed with attainment that it is neglecting all the children who achieve great things but won't attain the wholly unrealistic targets set by overpaid officers in power.	Education Services (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	Raising attainment is a key statutory responsibility and policy objective of the council, due to the benefits that it brings to each young person. Targets are set taking account of the potential of each child.
4460	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Start looking at pupil needs not just numbers. Pupils are not currently placed according to need, you simply look at numbers, it's wrong	Education Services (general)	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Pupils are placed according to their needs. Each mainstream can meet the needs of mainstream pupils.
4461	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	our young people in schools are already suffering and it is getting worse, you simply do not listen to your residents	Education Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council is committed to implementing proposals without detriment to pupils.
4462	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	get rid of religious education and religious schools, its a luxury we cant afford	Education Services (general)	5a. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because the council is required by law to deliver this work.	Religious education is a statutory requirement. The provision of denominational schools is governed by statute.
4463	No Response	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Seems a reasonable approach however, whilst attainment for children and young people is important, children and young people need to have a positive experience that also addressed learning for life as opposed to academic qualifications. Happy children and young people learn better!	Education Services (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Curriculum for excellence is designed to ensure these outcomes.
4464	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	end the practise of different faith schools ,, never seen the point in sending some pupils to a different school, different town for their education,,,,, how much would be saved!!!!!! state funded education for all,, if you desire a religious education , thats privately funded by whoever requires !!!!!	Education Services (general)	5a. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because the council is required by law to deliver this work.	The provision of denominational education is governed by statute.
4465	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	more working closer together between schools collages,,, share services invite local businesses to be more involved more private funding	Education Services (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	The council is pursuing many of these initiative already, including through the Developing the Your Workforce Board, but this suggestion can usefully be reinforced to all schools.
4466	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Teachers are overworked already - with having to improve on literacy and numeracy attainment, as well as the almost unachievable 1 + 2 in modern languages. They should be focusing on what CfE is and should not be expected to also deliver comprehensive music and PE curriculum when there are specialists available to support.	Education Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Teachers in West Lothian are employed to deliver curriculum for excellence, as directed by their headteacher, within the confines of national conditions and their working time agreement.
4467	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	perhaps look into ways of utilising what you have here	Education Services (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	The proposals seek to make most efficient use of existing resources.
4468	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Funding for school supplies has always been lacking. With friends and relatives who are and were teachers, I've seen the reality of them having to pay for supplies for their classrooms out of their own pocket. I agree that allowing schools to make funding decisions and giving them autonomy over spending is a good step forward, but with proper support. It should not be used to transfer the buck, i.e spending pressures to schools, and then use it as a stick to beat them for not achieving savings that the council themselves could not achieve	Education Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Headteachers are expected to exercise a high degree of autonomy, and increases are anticipated as part of the national governance review. Staff in west Lothian have a collective responsibility for delivering high quality services in as cost effective manner as possible. It is not the expectation of the Council, however, that staff purchase resources necessary to fulfil their role.
4469	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Will this be added into head teachers roles, in addition to spending responsibilities and running the school? How is one person expected to effectively and efficiently deliver all of this? If consistency is key, why not have a key role who oversees all nurseries in any given catchment area/ geographical area and hold them to account for the operation and consistency of these services	Education Services (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Headteachers are expected to exercise a high degree of autonomy, and increases are anticipated as part of the national governance review. All but three nurseries are already managed by primary HTs. This arrangement ensures continuity of the 3-18 curriculum and eases transition from nursery to primary. A central quality assurance resource will continue, in addition to a national inspection regime.
4470	An employee of West Lothian Council	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Teachers need to be able to teach to do that in mainstream schools they need support workers in every class. Inclusion is great in theory but in practise it is disruptive for the children and no child is benefiting from it at all. Come into a school (try Uphall Primary) and see for yourself!	Education Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council must look at opportunities for efficiency and service transformation in all areas of its responsibility. The Council intends to implement the proposal whilst still fulfilling its duty to meet the needs of every child.

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4471	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	I'm fully supportive of this so long as the relevant investment is made to systems, processed and staff are fully trained. This initial investment, along with the loss of jobs that'll go along, is necessary to bring the council towards a more business like environment. If it is not then the initial saving might be delivered, but it will not be sustainable. Whilst I appreciate extracurricular activities the primary focus of a school is to provide quality education and other funding could be identified to support activities outwith the norm. Paperwork seems to get in the way for educators so a review of that, or challenge to the government may be a requirement for success.	Education Services (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
4472	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	would some of the above not cost money instead of saving it	Education Services (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	The proposals have been costed and are expected to deliver a saving of approximately 2.5 million.
4473	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Central govt should be putting in enough money to fund attainment based learning.	Education Services (general)	5a. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because the council is required by law to deliver this work.	West Lothian Council has no control over decisions taken by the Scottish Government on the allocation of funding to local government.
4474	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	ALN provision should be protected ,not dismantled as it is being now.	Education Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The ASN service is undergoing a strategic reorganisation to ensure it will continue to meet the needs of young people in West Lothian, including the presumption of mainstream placement.
4475	No Response	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Our local primary school is at breaking point as it is. If you intend cutting back any further, then you need to be ready for the fallout.	Education Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
4476	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Pupil discipline is a necessary prerequisite for improving attainment. This requires close cooperation between parents and the school staff.	Education Services (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	This is a positive point that can usefully be reinforced in each school to ensure a positive atmosphere for learning.
4477	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Good teachers will only be attracted to the profession if they are paid correctly.	Education Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	If required to pay increased salaries for staff the council will have to consider further cuts to services, which could include further reductions in staff numbers.
4478	An employee of West Lothian Council	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	One head teacher over several small schools would achieve economies of scale	Education Services (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	Opportunities to implement this arrangement will continue to be examined.
4479	An employee of West Lothian Council	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Rationalise to ensure the new school clusters are better managed.	Education Services (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	Opportunities for collaboration within schools, clusters and across the authority should reduce the burden on individual members of staff.
4480	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Use of third party providers will work if control of the quality of the service they provide can be achieved	Education Services (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	In general third party providers are used where this is more efficient or provides a higher quality service than can be provided in house, or in some cases where specialist experience is not available in house.
4481	An employee of West Lothian Council	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Don't like the idea of using third part providers to maximise efficiency, tend to be a very expensive way to optimise systems instead of asking the people who do things day to day	Education Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	In general third party providers are used where this is more efficient or provides a higher quality service than can be provided in house, or in some cases where specialist experience is not available in house.
4482	An employee of West Lothian Council	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	PEF - This should be spent in partnership with CLD Youth services and not schools making decisions in isolation.	Education Services (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thanks you for comment. Your feedback has been noted. Some schools are already exploring the opportunities to enhance services in their area by using the expertise of CLD Youth staff, and this process will continue
4483	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	if costs are necessary maybe schools should focus more on intergration and not exclusion by lack of resources	Education Services (general)	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	The council is committed to maximising integration and minimising exclusion.

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4484	No Response	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Throughout this process who is enduring the quality of education provided will not suffer as a result of increased workload on school Management teams	Education Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Headteachers are expected to exercise a high degree of autonomy, and increases are anticipated as part of the national governance review. The Council intends to implement the proposals whilst focusing on key priorities for pupils, parents/carers and staff.
4485	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Agreed, but the council actually needs to listen to schools on the best way to educate children.	Education Services (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Headteachers are expected to exercise a high degree of autonomy, and increases are anticipated as part of the national governance review.
4486	An employee of West Lothian Council	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	It is the Council's responsibility to ensure that the teaching standards for the basics, reading, writing, arithmetic, physical education, etc. are the same throughout the region. The Council needs to ensure there are an appropriate number of suitably qualified and competent persons capable of delivering the standard of education required. These people need staff to provide administrative and support functions so they can carry out their statutory duty	Education Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Staffing ratios set by statute or national agreement will be maintained. The Scottish Government has made maintaining the Pupil/Teacher ratio a condition of funding, and so the council and schools are compelled to focus on the employment of teachers where, in some cases, they may prefer to increase non-teaching staff in preference to this.
4487	No Response	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	I support this as long as best value is achieved and standards are not compromised.	Education Services (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The duty to achieve best value will remain. The Council intends to implement the proposals whilst focusing on key priorities for pupils, parents/carers and staff.
4488	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Support proposal but review should be undertaken to determine why so many young people are in this position and it maybe that the education been given in schools has been inadequate.	Education Services (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The Council will continue to produce and deliver a statutory Community Learning and Development plan, with delivery increasingly through the learning communities based on non-denominational school catchment areas, and greater partnership between schools and the third sector. This will ensure maximum co-ordination between school education and youth services.
4489	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	All of the explanation above is complete gobbledeygook. What are you actually going do do. Have fewer people, rely on IT and self service more ?	Education Services (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
4490	No Response	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Provided children in Education are given the best environment for learning and are given adequate support, I agree with any saving that are needing to be made.	Education Services (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council is committed to implementing proposals without detriment o pupils.
4491	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	I believe the council has been doing this continuously. The question is, why have these changes not been made already since efficiency and effectiveness are two cornerstones of Best Value.	Education Services (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
4492	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Concentrate on core responsibilities.	Education Services (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	The proposals are designed to ensure an enhanced focus on core responsibilities
4493	An employee of West Lothian Council	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	pupil equity fund should be used to embed resources within schools	Education Services (general)	5a. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because the council is required by law to deliver this work.	Pupil Equity Funding is provided by the Scottish Government in order to address disadvantages that pupils experience as a result of poverty.
4494	No Response	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	So what are the changes the council believe that can be made? Be more transparent in what the changes should be explain?	Education Services (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
4495	No Response	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	WLC cannot have experts in every field. Commercial companies can provide a more efficient service	Education Services (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	In general third party providers are used where this is more efficient or provides a higher quality service than can be provided in house, or in some cases where specialist experience is not available in house.
4496	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Whilst mainstream education plays a very important role more should be done to help the educational system to diversify with extra circular activities being developed to help educationally challenged and vulnerable children and young people find other ways of obtaining life skills. Educationally rounded and confident children and young people, whether this be through mainstream education or other means will save us millions in the future.	Education Services (general)	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	School based education, through curriculum for excellence, aims to achieve these objectives. Extra curricular activities will still be available. The Council will continue to produce and deliver a statutory Community Learning and Development plan, with delivery increasingly through the learning communities based on non-denominational school catchment areas, and greater partnership between schools and the third sector. This will ensure maximum co-ordination between school education and youth services.

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4497	No Response	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Agree with these proposals for the most part. Provision for outreach services hopefully not being diminished but worked differently.	Education Services (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The Council intends to implement the proposal whilst still fulfilling its duty to meet the needs of every child.
4498	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	More job losses.	Education Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council intends to implement the proposals whilst focusing on key priorities for pupils, parents/carers and staff. It is not possible to quantify job losses, or reductions in hours, as the Scheme of Devolved Management gives Headteachers considerable freedom to spend their total budget according to the priorities within their school.
4499	An employee of West Lothian Council	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	We need the education back to where it once was. We need crime free streets, better health for young and old	Education Services (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	Curriculum for excellence includes a strong focus on respectful relationships, citizenship and health and wellbeing.
4500	No Response	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	In addition to the comments made in 1b, senior (Education) management must ensure effective communication and provided the support to employees to enable transition to new working practices.	Education Services (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Communication will be an important element in the proposed programmes of change.
4501	No Response	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Lack of respect and discipline in schools has led to a generation of children (and some parents) not taking responsibility for their actions. The council is too good at protecting the rights of others e.g. pupils etc. but not the rights of the employee e.g. teachers. Discipline and respect must be re-introduced.	Education Services (general)	5c. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it is not consistent with the council's values and priorities.	There is a strong focus on respectful relationships in curriculum for excellence. The council is committed to protecting the rights of children, and also ensuring that employees are protected and supported where necessary
4502	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	If we have a sensible curriculum that is aimed at excellence as well as achievability and teachers are given the correct support in bringing that curriculum to the students then the results will speak for themselves. Literacy and numeracy, or the lack of, are a real problem for employers. The fact that a software program called "Grammarly" is popular speaks volumes for the failure of teaching to subscribe to the needs of the employability of students.	Education Services (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The Council intends to implement the proposals whilst focusing on key priorities for pupils, parents/carers and staff.
4503	No Response	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Efficiency should always be sought, but quality must be maintained. Ensuring you have the best teachers teaching their specialist subjects and not babysitting other subjects is important.	Education Services (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	The Council will continue to attempt to attract the best candidates to support broad educational opportunities and subject choice in all secondary schools.
4504	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	you need to factor in the fact that teachers have not had a pay increase for years - they are at a deficit of 17% - you don't have enough people doing the jobs - how will you educate children ?	Education Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	If required to pay increased salaries for staff the council will have to consider further cuts to services, which could include further reductions in staff numbers.
4505	No Response	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	West Lothians schools got away 5 years ago with very little cuts, I feel they need to take more of an equal share of cuts this time, along with health.	Education Services (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council must look at opportunities for efficiency and service transformation in all areas of its responsibility.
4506	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	With the need for early education and childcare managers / lead practitioners now being required by law under the regulation of care scotland act 2001 to be qualified to graduate level teaching staff could be best used within schools as opposed to nurseries and early years centres.	Education Services (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	This will be considered as part of the expansion of early learning and childcare.
4507	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	My fear is that the review will cost more than the potential savings.	Education Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposals have been costed and are estimated to deliver savings of 3.6 million approximately.
4508	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Simple integrate Catholic schools into main stream schools.....instant savings of millions	Education Services (general)	5a. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because the council is required by law to deliver this work.	The provision of denominational education is governed by statute.
4509	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	see 1a - councils should be coming together to deliver services rather than divided. in house support should be provided similar to when the lothian regional council was about. providing this support across multiple councils would reduce costs	Education Services (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The new Regional Improvement Collaborative provide an additional opportunity to pursue this idea.
4510	An employee of West Lothian Council	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	How many jobs would be gone by applying this measure?	Education Services (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	It is not possible to quantify job losses, or reductions in hours, as the Scheme of Devolved Management gives Headteachers considerable freedom to spend their total budget according to the priorities within their school.

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4511	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	head teachers have a heavy work load, can the do more?	Education Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council must look at opportunities for efficiency and service transformation in all areas of its responsibility. Headteachers are expected to exercise a high degree of autonomy, and increases are anticipated as part of the national governance review.
4512	An employee of West Lothian Council	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Sounds to me as though you plan to increase staff workload with no added benefit to staff.	Education Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposals primary aim is to protect core services for their recipients rather than provide added benefit to staff.
4513	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Reduce school clothing grant to national average.	Education Services (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The council must look at opportunities for efficiency and service transformation in all areas of its responsibility.
4514	No Response	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Again better knowledgeable property trained staff has to be the way forward in regards to greater and better use of all facilities and resources to maximise efficiency	Education Services (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	All teachers access professional update to maintain their knowledge and skills, backed up by the collaborative and collegiate approach adopted across West Lothian schools. Non-teaching staff have access to appropriate training opportunities.
4515	An employee of West Lothian Council	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Would suggest the council would need to look into ways that children can access the additional resources that they will lose out on through various charities or local community projects.	Education Services (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thanks you for comment. Your feedback has been noted. This is a positive suggestion. Increased partnership working is the focus of one of the council's transformation projects.
4516	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Schools should be protected.	Education Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. The Council has put forward proposals relating to all areas of its responsibility.
4517	An employee of West Lothian Council	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	I agree with this and I feel that the voluntary sector are sometimes missing when it comes to working with our children who are no longer engaged in education for one reason of another. If you look at the development of the Super Power Agency in Leith, this creation came with the direct help of Jack Simpson, Head of Leith Academy (Founder Member). Please visit superpoweragency.com and consider following this for West Lothian and our non-engaged children who have social, emotional and behavioural difficulties. I know plenty of people who have been fundraising for this in Edinburgh and plenty of volunteers who work for them. I don't see why West Lothian can't do the same for their children. It doesn't cost much and staffing is free.	Education Services (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Partnership working is a key feature of Council provision, and new opportunities should be explored.
4518	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	All schools should be supplying the same services to pupils regardless of areas.	Education Services (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	The changes to Devolved School Management will increase the autonomy of Headteachers and teachers to make decisions at a local level to benefit pupils in their school, taking account of local context where appropriate but providing consistently high quality services.
4519	An employee of West Lothian Council	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Sharing a home with three local authority teachers I am acutely aware of the work demands and pressures experienced by teaching staff, which are well beyond the average experience in other areas of council employment. Further increasing education staff responsibilities without a corresponding increase in staffing or resources is more likely to erode the work-force than increase efficiency, which will in turn reduce service and morale and ultimately result in increased costs. I advocate any measures that free teaching professionals from the many and increasing additional demands, for example picking up the slack in reducing social services, so they can focus on what they do best.	Education Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The changes to Devolved School Management will increase the autonomy of Headteachers and teachers to make decisions at a local level to benefit pupils in their school. There is no expectation that teachers use their own money to support learning and teaching. Teacher duties are set out clearly in national conditions, and all teachers work within a working time agreement.
4520	An employee of West Lothian Council	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Local Govt's inability to improve the life chances of the most disadvantaged in our communities, through education, will probably result in the removal of ALL education responsibilities from Local Govt. Consideration should be given to delivering cuts from Non-statutory services and investing much more in early years/education. Recent Scottish Govt proposal seems to have been interpreted by local gov't as 'license to asset strip education' via accountants ill informed view of the costs and 'bottom line'. West Lothian education services have improved (overall) in recent years - but could do so much more with political and senior management investment!!!! Beware of imminent "Section 70" complaints to Scottish ministers over the coming years	Education Services (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The proposals focus on maintaining statutory service whilst focusing proposed reductions in non-statutory service areas.

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4521	An employee of West Lothian Council	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Schools and Head Teachers are being increasingly burdened by political demands and expectations to 'fix' societal and macro-economic problems that they have very little leverage (through learning) to change. adding to this burden under the guise of £1.6m efficiency is unlikely to assist in closing the attainment or opportunity gap for those children already furthest behind their most affluent peers.	Education Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The changes to Devolved School Management will increase the autonomy of Headteachers and teachers to make decisions at a local level to benefit pupils in their school. This will include the appropriate level and mix of staffing, within available budget.
4522	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	I actually do not know what this means! However, I do know that there are not enough teachers out there at the moment and that education of children is suffering as a result.	Education Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The changes to Devolved School Management will increase the autonomy of Headteachers and teachers to make decisions at a local level to benefit pupils in their school. This will include the appropriate level and mix of staffing, within available budget.
4523	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	I know you have no influence but I do think that free school meals to all children from P1-3 is a complete waste as there are many parents I know getting this who could easily pay.	Education Services (general)	5a. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because the council is required by law to deliver this work.	This provision is statutory.
4524	An employee of West Lothian Council	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Teachers and support staff should be supported to provide clubs/activities outside school hours, e.g. Duke of Edinburgh's Award, sports clubs, band etc. Not all pupils are academic and these types of activities especially DofE are recognised as additional qualifications.	Education Services (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted and will be considered as part of any development of the proposal.
4525	An employee of West Lothian Council	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Move school uniform payment to revenues	Education Services (general)	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	It is unclear how savings would result unless staff in revenues currently have significant spare capacity, in which case this should be addressed within that service.
4526	No Response	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	As long as the sort out the bullying as it's rife in west lothian	Education Services (general)	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. The proposal does not relate to bullying.
4527	No Response	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	More teachers are need as my child has been taught the same thing for last 3 years as teachers are not available due to sick maternity this needs sorting first	Education Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	National class size regulations will be maintained. Teacher recruitment is a national issue, and West Lothian Council has limited influence.
4528	No Response	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Go back to basics by ensuring teachers are in front of pupils predominantly and although cpd, training, career development, appointments etc should be accommodated this should take place after 3.30pm or Friday afternoons only. Head Teachers being given more non teaching responsibilities to manage can only distract from learning and teaching and is not best use of their skill set.	Education Services (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	Class contact time will not be affected by these proposals. Career Long Professional Development will continue with teachers taking appropriate responsibility as autonomous professionals. The changes to Devolved School Management will increase the autonomy of Headteachers and teachers to make decisions at a local level to benefit pupils in their school.
4529	An employee of West Lothian Council	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	More focus is needed all students to be able to read and write and support for these students throughout.	Education Services (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
4530	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Schools should be high priority	Education Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council has put forward proposals across the full range of its activities.
4531	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Money has to be provided for more learning support.	Education Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. The Council has put forward proposals relating to the full range of its activities.
4532	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	As a teacher in a Livingston school I have not seen an Education Officer at the chalk face for the six years I have served in my school. The only time I have come across one is at inspection/VSE time. Is this job necessary? If not get rid and your saving will be made almost instantly! Or should you re-design this job to ensure a contribution to closing the gap and raising attainment is made and can be measured?	Education Services (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The proposal is part of a process of embedding quality assurance expertise within schools, allowing a smaller central team.
4533	No Response	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	There should be no further cuts to education. Savings can & should be made elsewhere.	Education Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council has put forward proposals relating to all of its activities.

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4534	No Response	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	It sounds like education will be removed from Local Government control and would fit with the Education Secretary's view on delivering better learning outcomes. However, learn from the past and please revisit the learning techniques. We all want to build a stronger, better educated community from pre-school through to the workplace but we never seem to truly join the dots between what is required (the gaps in the job markets) to what we teach. Certainly, how we teach is still in the dark ages and really needs to be more appropriately delivered.	Education Services (general)	5d. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it has been previously considered and will not be progressed.	Through initiatives such as developing the young workforce and community planning the Council works in partnership to align provision with opportunities, but this is an area where a continued focus would be beneficial.
4535	An employee of West Lothian Council	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	More support is required in schools, not less!	Education Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council has put forward proposals that cover the entire range of its activities.
4536	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	There should be no cuts in relation to children teaching resources. Children is our future!	Education Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
4537	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Under no circumstances would a reduction in any educational area, including music. Would be acceptable	Education Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council has put forward proposals that cover the entire range of its activities.
4538	An employee of West Lothian Council	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	As long as these "changes" don't translate as job losses within schools... All too often there are jobs being advertised online for teaching and support vacancies - clearly cuts cannot be justified here.	Education Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council has put forward proposals that cover the entire range of its activities.
4539	An employee of West Lothian Council	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Education need to start to work in partnership.	Education Services (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
4540	No Response	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Education is important and cannot be cut back but must be improved	Education Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council has put forward proposals across the full range of its activities.
4541	No Response	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Reviewing providers is a good start but quality needs to be considered as well as cost.	Education Services (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	Quality and cost are considered as a matter of routine in purchasing decisions.
4542	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	More emphasis needs to be placed on communication to parents - my son has just started with Linlithgow Academy and I often don't have a clue what's going on. A good recent example of this was for the "Meet the Teacher" days, I work away from home and would like to organise my travel in advance so that I can attend this day on 16th November but I don't have a clue what time it starts or finishes.	Education Services (general)	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Headteachers are likely to receive increased responsibility for parental engagement and involvement as a result of the Education Bill.
4543	No Response	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Methods to reduce overheads to back ground services should always be investigated.	Education Services (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	The council is already doing this.
4544	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	The service provided in PPP schools could be much more economical. This is an example of where inefficiencies are rife and the council should really be acting on this as a client where work needs to be done.	Education Services (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	Contract monitoring is undertaken by Finance and Estates.
4545	An employee of West Lothian Council	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Please don't make cuts to schools! We are in our knees as it is!	Education Services (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The Council has put forward proposals relating to the full range of its activities.
4546	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Yes get rid of "management" positions that are just a name with no focus	Education Services (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The proposals seek to strike an appropriate balance between management, front line and support staff, all of whom perform important functions within the service.
4547	An employee of West Lothian Council	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	With DMS changes I would like to see the council take more ownership of corporate business	Education Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The national direction of travel, echoed in these proposals is for greater responsibility to lie at school level, not council level.

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4548	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	For 'third party providers' read businesses driven by profit. Politicians have failed to learn from the Private Finance Initiative which continues to drain the public purse. Calling it other names doesn't make it any better. These providers generally spring up and employ ex-council staff who have been paid off and pay them much less than they earned with the council. A typical political solution which is then hailed by the politicians as a successful outcome. It is an indictment of our political system and those within it. 'The council believes changes can be made in management restructures and support arrangements' We also use to believe the earth was flat. Stating a belief without concrete facts to back it up is what politicians are good at until their unfounded belief collapses at some point, usually at everyone else's expense.	Education Services (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	The Council will only consider outsourcing where this would bring efficiency or effectiveness benefits, but the proposals do not include large scale outsourcing of education services.
4549	No Response	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Look at funding streams and what monies are not being utilised effectively.	Education Services (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. This is the purpose of the proposals.
4550	No Response	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Review how systems and assets can be shared across the sites.	Education Services (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. This is the purpose of the proposals.
4551	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Recruitment of teachers and in particular Head Teachers is a real challenge at a Scot Gov level and until this situation improves, reductions in spend should be kept to an absolute minimum since it has most impact on future generations.	Education Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The changes to Devolved School Management will increase the autonomy of Headteachers and teachers to make decisions at a local level to benefit pupils in their school. Headteachers will have the ability to determine where resources should be spent for the benefit of children, including on support areas like admin.
4552	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	no point in just squeezing school budgets - need proper management of educational staff performance. Cannot see how you can get a Â£3.6m saving from this.	Education Services (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	West Lothian Council has robust performance and quality assurance procedures.
4553	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Provided the review is not itself a huge overhead! These things need to provide demonstrable positive outcomes as the process is stressful and difficult for all involved. Citizens need assurance that itâ€™s not a waste of money to invest in yet another reorganisation that effectively changes nothing but significantly affects morale on the ground.	Education Services (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	The comment does not propose any specific action.
4554	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Whilst I understand a certain amount of school autonomy, surely greater savings can be achieved on supplies such as jotters and paper if there is an economy of scale. Are clusters going to work together to reduce costs?	Education Services (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Central purchasing of supplies will continue, and opportunities for collaboration should be explored.
4555	No Response	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Teaching and schools should be a priority. without these resources being top of the priority list we lead to reduced workforces in years to come and further strains on the budgets.	Education Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council has put forward proposals across the full range of its responsibilities.
4556	No Response	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	My daughter attended eastertoun nursery and is currently at eastertoun primary. I believe how these nursery and school are operated is very effective puts the childrens needs as the top priority	Education Services (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
4557	No Response	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	There should be no changes to the education. If schools do not have group purchases and long term contracts with let say stationary suppliers that this should be done ages ago. All schools should have equal equipment, so there would be no need to source for parts,etc. elsewhere than from supplier. Why Ryanair does have Boeings only. Just to reduce maintenance costs?	Education Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council has put forward proposals across the full range of its responsibilities.
4558	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Schools appear to have been protected in the cuts so far. Education is important but so are those with ill health and pensioners. Cuts and efficiencies should be looked at for all services.	Education Services (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has put forward proposals across the full range of its responsibilities.
4559	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Older school children should not be paid to attend school. I appreciate this allows children to stay on rather than be sent out to work but how effective is this in practice?	Education Services (general)	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	Education Maintenance Allowance is a national scheme.
4560	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Older school children should not be paid to attend school. I appreciate this allows children to stay on rather than be sent out to work but how effective is this in practice?	Education Services (general)	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	Education Maintenance Allowance is a national, statutory, scheme.

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4561	No Response	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Any actions/decisions must focus on improving not only attainment but also the school experience for all children. The Health and Wellbeing of our children is vital, and must be a priority if we are to ensure children leave school in the best possible position to ensure positive destinations.	Education Services (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	This comment is in line with current practice.
4562	No Response	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Its important that infrastructure isn't reduced to a level whereby schools start failing in their pastoral care duties.	Education Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Any proposal that the council progresses will continue to meet the needs of parents and pupils.
4563	No Response	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	I agree. Children should be provided with opportunities to enjoy school and efficient funding to support this would be beneficial.	Education Services (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	This is the purpose of the proposals.
4564	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Not sure how you hope to achieve such a proposal. Schools and Education have gone through many changes over the last few years, which have resulted in many leaving the profession and worry that the proposals only make things worse which of course will have an know on effect to the standard of teaching to the Children.	Education Services (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	West Lothian Council has significant experience of implementing programmes of change and achieving savings as a result.
4565	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	As above -Not sure how you hope to achieve such a proposal. Schools and Education have gone through many changes over the last few years, which have resulted in many leaving the profession and worry that the proposals only make things worse which of course will have an know on effect to the standard of teaching to the Children.	Education Services (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	West Lothian Council has significant experience of implementing programmes of change and achieving savings as a result.
4566	No Response	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	None of this is about providing the best and most effective service - it is merely a cost cutting exercise which will ultimately destroy many vital services - abandoning those most vulnerable in our society.	Education Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
4567	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	As a friend of a support worker half your free meal end in bucket why provide these no sense hot meal forage 1to 3 at age 4 you starve	Education Services (general)	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	Eligibility for free school meals for P1-3 is statutory. Arrangements are in place at other ages to provide free school meals to qualifying children in an effort to alleviate hunger amongst the pupil population during the school day. Breakfast clubs are also provided with this aim in mind.
4568	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	This would be worthwhile and hopefully there would be more vocational and employment training for older children as a result of the new relationship with local and national businesses.	Education Services (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	Opportunities for partnership working to support positive destinations will continue to be pursued.
4569	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	If Head Teachers have more responsibility to manage their budgets that would be good. Would they also be allowed to review supply and support contracts to leverage more savings by seeking competitive quotes for supplies and services? This will only be valuable if any centralised team currently supporting schools is significantly reduced.	Education Services (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Central purchasing of supplies will continue, and opportunities for collaboration should be explored.
4570	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	I'm sorry, but I think education should be removed from individual councils and moved to a centralised Scottish Education structure. There's way too much overlap of services which, like the police, could save millions. It's a big part of your budget, but it's also not your core skill set. Work with Scottish Gov and COSLA to move out of education management altogether and work to setup a national agency to do this.	Education Services (general)	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	The forthcoming Education Bill will set out the new responsibilities of central and local government, and the new Regional Improvement Collaborative in relation to Education.
4571	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Yuk. That sounds terrible. More gobble de gook speak. I agree schools should have more autonomy and responsibility, but you've also got a legacy of PPP schools to sort out first. Not all schools are equal in that regard.	Education Services (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
4572	An employee of West Lothian Council	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	as long as pupils are not effected by this.	Education Services (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is the Council's intention to continue to meet the needs of all pupils.
4573	No Response	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Not quite sure how attainment is supposed to be achieved with less staff and reduction in the curriculum.	Education Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
4574	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Faith schools, to be privately funded,,, state education in place, so why have this coming out of the public purse,,,,? No need,,!!	Education Services (general)	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	Provision of denominational schools is governed by statute.
4575	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Open longer	Education Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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4576	No Response	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Head Teachers are well placed to know the needs of the individual children in their care, however they may be unaware of the support which exists in their local communities from non-statutory agencies , which they may be able to draw on to ensure the best use of local resources including staff with specialist knowledge.	Education Services (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Headteachers will now have greater responsibility for managing their schools, and will have to consider how links with partners
4577	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	This sounds good but we need more details to understand what effect does it have on our kids. There should be some control and monitoring/inspection of what the funds are used for.	Education Services (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	It is intended that implementation of any agree proposals will be monitored and evaluated.
4578	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	This should be something that parents have a view on and be visible and accessible to the public to comment on. Transparency is needed to all affected sides and engagement with the public before taking any big decision.	Education Services (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	This is why the Council has undertaken its consultation.
4579	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Service provision is actually being disrupted by "third party providers". No clear ownership of processes or Service Level Agreements are in place to ensure quality of service.	Education Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council will consider outsourcing where it cannot provide a service itself, or where there are clear quality or efficiency benefits, but the proposals are not for large scale outsourcing of school provision.
4580	An employee of West Lothian Council	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Making better use of school buildings out of school hours would maximise return on expensive capital resources. This could include an option to review the length of the school day / possible split day schooling rather than expansion of existing accommodation.	education Services (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted and will be considered as part of any development of the proposal.
4581	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Quick answer. Individual people in any job will make their own decision on how best to do the job. I do not agree with national curriculum but it would be impossible to give every child their own personalised education. It pains me to say it but I think there should be a standardised education system which would cater for most of the children in each year. I have no facts to support my theory, but it may not be far off 15 percent may excell and require additional support, and 15 percent may require a different approach to learning if they have difficulties for reasons specific to that child. My opinion is that the headteacher/principal should focus on managing the standardised curriculum for as many children as they can without having the extra duties - or salaries - of trying to manage or advise on children which require additional support. Investment in a few specially trained staff will help gifted children thrive and help encourage those who so often feel frustrated and angry because they are unable to keep up.	Education Services (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	Thank you for your detailed response. The Council seeks to meet its statutory duty to meet the needs of all children including the most and least able, and will continue to consider how best this can be achieved.
4582	An employee of West Lothian Council	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	As stated previously, our school Operates with a management team too small for our establishment. I hope the exercise would take into account schools that require more staff that donâ€™t currently have it in place through the current allocation system. It doesnâ€™t seem fair that a large Primary school of similar pupil role to a secondary school should have such a reduced number of management members!	Education Services (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	In future Headteachers will have greater autonomy to set their own management structure, within the total budget allocated. Pupil numbers should be one of the major factors determining total budget.
4583	An employee of West Lothian Council	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Providing free school meals for children in primaries 1-3 is a huge waste of money. Many families can afford to pay for school lunches so why should they be given for free? Parents of these children are only taking up the offer as a matter of convenience as they donâ€™t have to prepare a lunch. The quality and minuscule portions of the food provided by the catering companies is deplorable, I certainly wouldnâ€™t encourage my children to eat it.	Education Services (general)	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	Provision of free school meals to P1-3 is a statutory requirement. Operational Services monitor satisfaction with provision, and take action in response to any complaints.
4584	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Schools are critical and should be exposed to the least possible cuts as, if anything, they need increased budgets and more resources to properly implement a vague curriculum (CfE) which essentially took many of the resources out of schools.	Education Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council has put forward proposals across the whole range of its activities.
4585	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	No idea what this means in reality. Surely if the council believes they can be more efficient they don't need to consult on that - working efficiently should be at the heart of what you do without having to ask!! If though what you are suggesting here is that head teachers are going to have even more control of money then I think this must be met with a requirement for head teachers to have meaningful discussion with parents about the local school budget. It seems to be a mystery about how school budgets are spent within each school.....	Education Services (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	The ongoing governance review will result in increased parental involvement and engagement.
4586	No Response	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	I would ask that when considering workforce arrangements that my subject of PE is protected as too often we are seen as dispensable. Can I remind the council that not only is Health and Wellbeing and by proxy Physical Education one of their three key curriculum areas alongside Literacy and Numeracy; but noone has ever died from too few fractions. Health and Wellbeing in the form of Physical Education should be protected as children learn about the physical, emotional, social and mental aspects of their being.	Education Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Headteachers will require to determine the optimum mix of staff to meet the needs of pupils in their school. Health and Wellbeing and the delivery of 2 hours of PE per week remain priorities for the Council.
4587	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Do not cut funding to our schools. children are the future.	Education Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council has put forward proposals across the whole range of its activities.

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4588	An employee of West Lothian Council	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Support services and agencies are essential to the running of schools. If we are to remove specialist support from schools such as counsellors and Ed psych etc. We must train the existing guidance staff to be able to fill these gaps. This will require guidance staff to come out of their subjects and be more hands in these roles, increasing their responsibility. Therefore guidance staff should be trained in the above and promoted to Principle Teacher of Guidance to allow them to fill these holes. Let's be honest, the council will require and expect guidance staff to do this anyway, but will be reluctant to provide the pay, support, training, time and authority to enable this to be effective. If the council want this to work, they must invest in their existing staff.	Education Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The changes to Devolved School Management will increase the autonomy of Headteachers and teachers to make decisions at a local level to benefit pupils in their school, and ensure they have appropriate mix of staff to support the needs of pupils.
4589	An employee of West Lothian Council	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	The council cannot expect schools and attainment to improve if they continue to take resources and staff away from them. The council must therefore, lower their expectations and provide greater support to schools if they are to obtain positive outcomes for learners.	Education Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council has put forward proposals relating to all areas of its activity.
4590	No Response	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Agree - but school management need to be properly educated before the change and properly monitored after the change.	Education Services (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
4591	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	amalgamate schools that are under attended reduce running costs and maintenance	Education Services (general)	5c. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it is not consistent with the council's values and priorities.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. The Council has no plans to close schools.
4592	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	reduce numbers of schools and no longer have denominational education mixed is more appropriate	Education Services (general)	5c. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it is not consistent with the council's values and priorities.	The proposals include no plans to close schools. Denominational provision is governed by statute.
4593	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Excellent idea but usually this results in cuts in resources to schools as well. Increased class sizes, dealing with difficult children in class, inclusion etc	Education Services (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	National class size regulations will be met, and the Council will continue to meet its duty to meet the needs of every child.
4594	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	It is important that efficiency is the real result not just saving money.	Education Services (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Efficiency is the aim of the proposals.
4595	No Response	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Education should be ring fenced as education allows people to achieve a better future	Education Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council has put forward proposals across the whole range of its activities.
4596	No Response	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Get third parties out look how schools rented back are costing a fortune	Education Services (general)	5b. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it is likely that the costs of this proposal would outweigh the benefit.	Changing existing contracts is unlikely to prove cost effective.
4597	No Response	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Start clearing out your own staffing issues and leave the Headteachers to address theirs!!	Education Services (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	The changes to Devolved School Management will increase the autonomy of Headteachers and teachers to make decisions at a local level to benefit pupils in their school. This will include an appropriate mix of management, support and front line staff.
4598	No Response	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Need to keep Teacher ratio for the best education however do we really need classroom support/playground supervisors ect?	Education Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The changes to Devolved School Management will increase the autonomy of Headteachers and teachers to make decisions at a local level to benefit pupils in their school, including an appropriate balance of teaching and support staff.
4599	An employee of West Lothian Council	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Behaviour schools should intergrade into mainstream schools.	Education Services (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The Council will continue to consider how best to meet the needs of all pupils, and the appropriate extent of integration.
4600	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	do away with religious run schools and concentrate on non denominational schools	Education Services (general)	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	Provision of denominational schools is governed by statute.
4601	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Cease provision of Technicians for CDT/Librarians and admin staff including pupil support managers etc who are on 52 week contracts Make full use of the PT scale	Education Services (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted and will be considered as part of any development of the proposal.

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4602	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Small primary schools should be merged with larger ones Executive HTs should be introduced	Education Services (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	The Council has introduced shared headships, and will continue to explore opportunities for this.
4603	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Have longer school days mon-thu and no school on a Friday!	Education Services (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	It is the case, however, that this proposal might prove inconvenient for parents who have put in place arrangements to support attendance based on the current pattern of provision.
4604	No Response	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Education always require input and changes made are not always the correct ones. Focus on the child's needs and look at the resources required to ensure each child has the best learning opportunity rather than reducing subjects, and departments that are required to make this happen.	Education Services (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
4605	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Support for people working with children is the most important priority in my eyes, and cuts in child care and education should be avoided at all costs. For example, supporting childcare enables the ability to work, particularly those on lower incomes, and thus it pans across many of the priorities.	Education Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council has put forward proposals across the whole range of its activities.
4606	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Education and childcare need to be supported as a priority. Simple.	Education Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council has put forward proposals across the whole range of its activities.
4607	An employee of West Lothian Council	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Attainment levels are these being met? Some schools perform really well, others less so, what lessons can be shared?	Education Services (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	Attainment is a key strategic priority. Collaboration shares good practice.
4608	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Who will assess whether the changes proposed are likely to meet the goals set? Will teachers as main stakeholders be consulted? Will there be independent scrutiny once the new system has been implemented to ensure it is fit for purpose?	Education Services (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
4609	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Biggest problem in schools the need for teacher pupil ratio to be maintained. Because of the increasing number of problems and children with special needs schools have to support now they need more support staff not less. They are not miracle workers they need support. If you are talking about Education Officers etc then fine.	Education Services (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	The changes to Devolved School Management will increase the autonomy of Headteachers and teachers to make decisions at a local level to benefit pupils in their school. This will include the appropriate mix of staffing, although maintaining the pupil/teacher ratio may require the employment of teachers in preference to support staff.
4610	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Why is it the council's job to parent children? It is the parents job so stop making it easy for parents to not take responsibility. Stuff the national commitment the SNP are very good at pontificating and setting these targets but not good at funding them. They need to stop making promises local authorities can't keep.	Education Services (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
4611	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	The concern is that the loss of these vital services will have a detrimental impact on individual schools and on the workload for school management and class teachers, which is already overloaded, as these services are vital to the delivery of high quality learning and teaching This will also have an impact on the policy of inclusion as some pupils and schools need the additional support to reach their potential and have a successful experience in school and schools are already struggling to provide the intensity of support these pupils need to succeed in mainstream.	Education Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposals to rationalise central support to schools seek to balance the important contribution of professional, support and managerial staff, all of whom make an important contribution to the service. They recognise the increased autonomy to be given to headteachers, who will have the ability to prioritise budgets to meet the individual needs of their school.
4612	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	There can be savings made within educational services. Is it really necessary to have so many education officers? If budgets are being devolved cuts could be made there.	Education Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The reduction in central support for quality assurance is in line with the programme to embed support within schools.
4613	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	These proposed changes will need very careful consideration and require to be examined along with the previous section 1b	Education Services (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
4614	No Response	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	You charge money for secondary education for what. I've paid and my daughters HE teacher is always off sick no home baking getting brought home	Education Services (general)	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
4615	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Think there still needs to be central overview/benchmarking with other schools. Great if you have a good head teacher but if not who will identify issues quickly?	Education Services (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	Quality Assurance will be undertaken by the new Regional Improvement Collaborative.
4616	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	School or education cuts should be a last resort. If we don't invest in our children then we don't invest in our future adult population or society. There should be no further cuts to any of the special needs schools in West Lothian.	Education Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council has put forward proposals across the whole range of its activities.

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4617	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	With an already streamlined support I am struggling to see where else this can be achieved	Education Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council has put forward proposals across the whole range of its activities.
4618	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	So that means poorer areas suffer because of less money meaning attainment suffers.	Education Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The current focus on those most in need will continue
4619	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Make school lessons more appealing so that kids stay on at school	Education Services (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	Differentiation ensures a curriculum meeting the needs of each individual can be delivered.
4620	An employee of West Lothian Council	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	1E) Whilst many adolescents are not staying in full time education or moving into employment EMA funding should not be paid just to entice these people to stay in education as they are not gaining from this and are draining the public purse. If people who do stay in further education need financial assistance then the way in which this cash is spent should be closely monitored as it's widely abused. It's all very well training people for employment but the jobs are simply not there to be had.	Education Services (general)	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. EMA is a national scheme.
4621	An employee of West Lothian Council	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	The council should not be funding places at private nurseries, it should be looking to maximise opportunities within its own facilities to enable parents to work.	Education Services (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed. Flexibility in Council establishments has increased and this will continue.
4622	No Response	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	1E) Whilst many adolescents are not staying in full time education or moving into employment EMA funding should not be paid just to entice these people to stay in education as they are not gaining from this and are draining the public purse. If people who do stay in further education need financial assistance then the way in which this cash is spent should be closely monitored as it's widely abused. It's all very well training people for employment but the jobs are simply not there to be had.	Education Services (general)	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. EMA is a national scheme.
4623	No Response	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	3C) FSM entitlement. Those who qualify for a Clothing Grant should only be able to purchase this from the school or the school wear provider used by the school as cash payments are open to abuse and are sometimes not used for this purpose.	Education Services (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted and will be considered as part of any development of the proposal.
4624	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	I believe school management structures are currently at their limit. Before completing this survey, I read an online job description for a secondary school Depute Head Teacher. The remit for one person in a supposed 35-hour week almost made me laugh aloud. Secondary schools are dealing with in-excess of 1000 pupils in the course of a day. They have already had their management structure and support services reduced to be tighter than any other local authority in Scotland. Above, it says "there is a need to review current service provision to make sure that it is providing the best and most efficient service". If the BEST service is sought then reduction is not the way forward. The pupils currently being educated at secondary school level are the people that, by the end of this period of cuts, will be the workers and tax payers of West Lothian. If we reduce their opportunities now, what will the outlook be for the end of this? Unemployed, disengaged, emigrating?! I know I have seriously considered emigration over the past few years. As a professional, high band tax payer, I would seriously consider taking my expertise and life to a different country. This will only increase.	Education Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Teachers are employed under national conditions which set out their duties. Salaries are determined nationally. They work within a working time agreement. West Lothian council has participated in the national taskforce aimed at reducing bureaucracy and taken appropriate action.
4625	No Response	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Likewise children who require additional support with literacy and numeracy should have this from the outset, not restricted to p7.	Education Services (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	Literacy and numeracy are a focus throughout primary education.
4626	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	it is what happens UNDER the managing and managers that counts.....in other words recognition of teachers achievements with students and supporting them reg. salaries .....less paperwork...form filling and just letting them do the job they love.....and trained to do.	Education Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Teachers are employed under national conditions which set out their duties. Salaries are determined nationally. They work within a working time agreement. West Lothian council has participated in the national taskforce aimed at reducing bureaucracy and taken appropriate action.
4627	An employee of West Lothian Council	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Schools are already under tremendous pressure with individual workloads particularly of school management teams well in excess of 50-60 hours per week - the impact of this will be negative both for young people and their experience, achievement and attainment in school and also on our workforce - health and wellbeing.	Education Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Teachers are employed under national conditions which set out their duties. Salaries are determined nationally. They work within a working time agreement. West Lothian council has participated in the national taskforce aimed at reducing bureaucracy and taken appropriate action.

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4628	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	i m ware of all types of training delivered to schools and staff with no evidence that they will be beneficial to teaching staff and ultimately children. "many snake oil remedies. education officers should ensure high quality is purchased effectively and will be of benefit to child learning. Education department need ensure school work more strategically as many work in their silo, creating inefficient in spending in money fro training and external service provider education delivery.	Education Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The changes to Devolved School Management will increase the autonomy of Headteachers and teachers to make decisions at a local level to benefit pupils in their school.
4629	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	i object to the ongoing cut back in Education officers as this Department has reduced by more than 50% . Who will monitor the quality of teaching within west Lothian schools. West Lothian already has schools that under perform within National SIMD levels.	Education Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Quality Assurance will be undertaken by the new Regional Improvement Collaborative.
4630	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Why have you been wasting so much of our money up to this point?	Education Services (general)	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
4631	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Why have you been wasting so much of our money up to this point?	Education Services (general)	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
4632	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	The council must wake up and take difficult decisions such as closing schools with very small rolls which could easily be relocated to another school. e.g. Dechmont, Breich (a huge white elephant) and what about the half empty Springfield Primary in Linlithgow to mention just a few. Closure of energy hungry swimming pools where there are more than one in a town. e.g. Armadale - close North Street and keep Armadale Academy'	Education Services (general)	5c. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it is not consistent with the council's values and priorities.	The Council has not put forward any proposals to close schools.
4633	An employee of West Lothian Council	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	This proposal lacks specification. Maximising efficiency is fine. What is the existing third party provision?	Education Services (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
4634	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Will this not cost a lot of money to implement?	Education Services (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
4635	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Any saving must not have a detrimental impact of the quality of education provided to all pupils.	Education Services (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
4636	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	One area you should concentrate on is putting pressure on the Scottish Parliament to scrap their proposed named person scheme. One of the many negative effects this would cause is schools having to use some of their valuable resources in being involved in this totally unnecessary scheme which would cause additional financial pressures to schools plus detriment to pupils in diverting some of teacher's valuable time away from which should be their primary focus in ensuring pupils attain the best possible learning experience.	Education Services (general)	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. The Named Person is a national scheme
4637	An employee of West Lothian Council	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Only one head of education services required. Council areas far bigger than W. Lothian seem to cope with one head of service	Education Services (general)	5d. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it has been previously considered and will not be progressed.	The Council considered a wide range of options in implementing its proposals and decided not to take some forward.
4638	No Response	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Cuts to schools and the services they provide would be depremental for those young people that benefit from them.	Education Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council has put forward proposals across the whole range of its activities.
4639	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	It should be noted that there is no mention of the employment of third party providers for school management in any of the documents referred to as implied in the TYC document which states that it is intended to "rereview provision by third party providers"	Education Services (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	The Council will only consider outsourcing where this would bring efficiency or effectiveness benefits, but the proposals do not include large scale outsourcing of education services.
4640	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Surely subcontracting third party providers is less cost effective as you ultimately end up paying premium rates for the services, also you have no control over the standard of service. Devolved head teacher can surely share services with other schools in their cluster group e.g. music specialists.	Education Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council will only consider outsourcing where this would bring efficiency or effectiveness benefits, but the proposals do not include large scale outsourcing of education services.
4641	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	The education system is not fit for purpose as it stands, that is the result of Scottish Govt mis management.	Education Services (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
4642	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	too much effort and time spent on ...tick box exercises ... to make it seem that all is well	Education Services (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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4643	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Would schools be expected to commission services no longer provided by the council?	Education Services (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	The Council will only consider outsourcing where this would bring efficiency or effectiveness benefits, but the proposals do not include large scale outsourcing of education services.
4644	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Would there be adequate expertise and skill within schools to take on these new roles? Would there be adequate knowledge, skills and expertise remaining in the council to offer high quality support and challenge to schools, as and when required?	Education Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Support will continue to be available from Councils and the new Regional Improvement Collaborative.
4645	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Every school should provide the same EXCELLENT service, if you look after the young, inspire and encourage them they will be better citizens in the long run and provide tax etc in the future. If they are left to feel there is no future what inspires them to work and earn rather than live on benefits. You need to allow children to aspire to be the best they can be whatever their background.	Education Services (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
4646	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Any reduction in budget to schools will have a negative impact on attainment, achievement and workload for teachers in school.	Education Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council has put forward proposals across the whole range of its activities.
4647	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	What about PE in primary schools? I'm concerned about the huge reduction in quality of PE my children have been offered over the past few years. Surely this should be a priority given the health crises caused by poor lifestyle choices	Education Services (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	There is no proposal to reduce PE in primary schools.
4648	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Bad ideas. Do not change this facility - as existing services are foundations For prosperous and rewarding future for our children	Education Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council has put forward proposals across the whole range of its activities.
4649	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Third parties inevitably cost more - but efficiencies may be achieved - any third party services must come with guarantees and agreed fines if service is inefficient	Education Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council will only consider outsourcing where this would bring efficiency or effectiveness benefits, but the proposals do not include large scale outsourcing of education services.
4650	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Generally staff such as head teachers must have the right jargon and buzz words to progress. Their teaching ability is secondary.	Education Services (general)	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
4651	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	The child is at the centre and there still has to be a good quality of input for all children. Covering the basics of the curriculum and especially resources required for those with specific needs/disabilities. The system has to start with early years in order to try to attain the quality of basic education all children should have. That there is also support for all children who really need one to one and ASN support.	Education Services (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
4652	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Existing resources in some cases are pretty poor already and can cause hardship.	Education Services (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
4653	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	As above - lets have a root and branch review of the service and delivery. It isn't necessary to increase costs when efficiencies can be identified. A business approach is what is needed, and perhaps with the best intentions, the educational staff are not professionally competent to carryout the many of the 'business' services. The education staff should be doing what they are trained for, and not unfairly being expected to carryout task which they are perhaps not suited for. This business approach will ensure the correct spending on items needed is controlled.	Education Services (general)	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. The proposals are designed to increase efficiency.
4654	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	As above - lets have a root and branch review of the service and delivery. It isn't necessary to increase costs when efficiencies can be identified. A business approach is what is needed, and perhaps with the best intentions, the educational staff are not professionally competent to carryout the many of the 'business' services. The education staff should be doing what they are trained for, and not unfairly being expected to carryout task which they are perhaps not suited for. This business approach will ensure the correct spending on items needed is controlled.	Education Services (general)	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	The proposals are designed to increase efficiency, not costs, as suggested,
4655	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Schools should all be non-denominational and reviewed against efficiency criteria to rationalise building provision.	Education Services (general)	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	The provision of denominational education is governed by statute. The Council has not put forward proposals to rationalise buildings.

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4656	An employee of West Lothian Council	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Effectively employing more people at a higher wage and with a better working environment while cutting on the number of people that actually deliver the day to day services. This is particularly evident in education (you can almost trip over the amount of Depute Head Teacher's in some schools) and blindingly obvious in the Instrumental Music Service whom, 2 years ago, lost approximately 6 members of teaching staff yet were somehow allowed to increase the amount of man-hours in the administration of the service? An utter disgrace.	Education Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposals to rationalise central support to schools seek to balance the important contribution of professional, support and managerial staff, all of whom make an important contribution to the service. They recognise the increased autonomy to be given to headteachers, who will have the ability to prioritise budgets to meet the individual needs of their school.
4657	An employee of West Lothian Council	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	As I've said in this consultation already, enhancing our education system (and not cutting it) will equip (especially young) families and young people in general, with better life skills and a stronger sense of social responsibility	Education Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council has put forward proposals across the whole range of its activities.
4658	An employee of West Lothian Council	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Perhaps redeploying some of the money to build and staff a specialist educational provision within west lothian would be not only more cost effective for the council but also beneficial for the pupils and their families, providing specialist supports for pupils such as art therapy, play therapy, EMDR to help pupils with social and emotional behavioral difficulties and ultimately increase their attainment potential. The number of pupils suffering adverse childhood experiences (trauma) is constantly increasing and it is essential that these pupils receive the support and early intervention they require to not only benefit them in the longer term but also save the council money.	Education Services (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted and will be considered as part of any development of the proposal.
4659	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	More parent volunteers would help , there is do many cut backs teachers are not managing on the scarce resources they have . An amnesty onschool leavers bringing back books they have taken away etc . Appeals for resources from either private individuals or companies may help too . Jotters with only one page used are often sent home at the end of term to be binned . Get youngsters involved in this kind of recycling . Teaching them at school about good use of resources	Education Services (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted and will be considered as part of any development of the proposal.
4660	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	There are also many screening groups within Education with the same individuals/ organisations involved and attending meetings, perhaps this process could be reviewed, and streamlined to save money and time. Meetings are important to share information, however, they are costly, if technology allows perhaps more virtual meetings. conference calls could be used?	Education Services (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted and will be considered as part of any development of the proposal.
4661	No Response	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Review the education system at government level..... length of holidays not effective for child development and attainment gap. Removing subjects that have a practical element for instance music will impact those who struggle with the academic side and use practical lessons for their learning, thus impacting on their employability, attendance and class disruption. look into more practical based models and relevance to todays life skills.	Education Services (general)	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	A national review would not be the responsibility of West Lothian Council.
4662	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	If you can achieve the above, then great. My comments in previous item stand. Do you genuinely believe you are able to do this? Who will be held accountable if it is not achieved? Greater use of existing resources can often mean current staff are expected to deliver the job function of two roles as opposed to one. The resultant effect is neither role being delivered satisfactorily (to receiver and deliverer), an increase in workplace stress, which in turn results in an increase in costs or a dramatic reduction in service quality. Again you make reference to third party providers - how are the third party providers financed? Do not rely on the 'volunteer community' as it is already being stretched to the point that 'volunteers' are reviewing just how much volunteering they are doing (including finances they put in to such activities) with the possibility that third parties are overstretched and unable to meet your aims.	Education Services (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	West Lothian Council has a proven track record of designing and implementing programmes of change to deliver budget savings.
4663	No Response	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	I think one would have to be in the teaching profession - an 'insider' to fully understand what you're describing - ? business support + quality assurance. A 'paring down' to the basics might result in cost savings	Education Services (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.
4664	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Use of third party providers must be on the basis that they meet existing and projected standards and requirements.	Education Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council will only consider outsourcing where this would bring efficiency or effectiveness benefits, but the proposals do not include large scale outsourcing of education services.
4665	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	In this section as in others, the description is vague and unclear and whilst it seems to broadly be of benefit in reducing budget, what are the implications? what is lost? Again as in other sections where references to staff changes take place, it is vital that remaining staff are supported and motivated as a demoralised workforce delivering reduced services will be miserable for everyone. And whilst I certainly don't support the idea of replacing paid staff with volunteers, would you consider using a volunteer programme to offer experience to young people, long term unemployed, people with disabilities or chronic health conditions who can benefit from confidence & CV-building opportunities to become a greater part of our local communities and workforce, reducing poverty etc as part of the 8 priorities.	Education Services (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	No increased reliance on volunteers is proposed.

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4666	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Service provision must be protected in education. Support staff are vital in the current system where children with additional needs are taught in mainstream classes. However there needs to be recognition that, in some cases, this is not conducive to a calm and consistent learning experience for others in the class. There should be more access to specialist provision and centres.	Education Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council has put forward proposals across the whole range of its activities.
4667	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Teacher entitlement to RCCT and McCrone time costs a fortune, as additional teachers are required to cover this time. No other professionals are afforded this luxury and spend the working day doing what they get paid for. Their job!	Education Services (general)	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	Teachers are employed under national conditions which set out their duties.
4668	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	I am sure like my comments above that there are still many savings to be made, but these should protect service provision.	Education Services (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
4669	An employee of West Lothian Council	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Teacher entitlement to RCCT and McCrone time costs a fortune, as additional teachers are required to cover this time. No other professionals are afforded this luxury and spend the working day doing what they get paid for. Their job!	Education Services (general)	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	Teachers are employed under national conditions which set out their duties.
4670	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Teachers etc are there to teach not to be managers or support workers and the same is true of all statutory services.	Education Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposals to rationalise central support to schools seek to balance the important contribution of professional, support and managerial staff, all of whom make an important contribution to the service. They recognise the increased autonomy to be given to headteachers, who will have the ability to prioritise budgets to meet the individual needs of their school.
4671	An employee of West Lothian Council	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Education is failing looked after children at the moment, there is nowhere near enough provision and support for the demand that we are facing and this in return has a wider impact on care placements, anti-social behaviour and lack of attainment. Embedding resources within schools should allow for less red tape to get services put in place for our most vulnerable children.	Education Services (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The changes to Devolved School Management will increase the autonomy of Headteachers and teachers to make decisions at a local level to benefit pupils in their school.
4672	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Schools/parents should have input into restructure of schools as it impacts on them - not the council.	Education Services (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	The changes to Devolved School Management will increase the autonomy of Headteachers and teachers to make decisions at a local level to benefit pupils in their school. Schools will have additional responsibilities in relation to parental engagement as a result of the forthcoming Education Bill.
4673	An employee of West Lothian Council	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Teacher entitlement to RCCT and McCrone time costs a fortune, as additional teachers are required to cover this time. No other professionals are afforded this luxury and spend the working day doing what they get paid for. Their job!	Education Services (general)	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	Teachers are employed under national conditions of service.
4674	An employee of West Lothian Council	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Education need to prioritise their resources. They currently do not provide an education to many looked after children with challenging behaviour who are cared for by the council. Music tuition should be way down the list.	Education Services (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.
4675	No Response	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Children with disabilities should be dealt with separate than in main stream schools. They require specialist treatment. Take strain of main stream teachers.	Education Services (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	The Council will continue to make decisions in the context of the presumption of mainstream.
4676	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Why not remove schools completely from Council control, or at least allow 'opting out'? Removal of Council control has worked very well for the FE college sector, and opting out seems to be producing positive results in English schools.	Education Services (general)	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	The forthcoming Education Bill will set out where responsibility for each aspect of Education will lie.
4677	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Again there is too much politics in teaching ie meeting a target which actually doesn't tell anyone anything apart from a head teacher getting a bonus for meeting something. These are also for the politicians benefit and no one else's. Schools and the teaching staff should be pulled and centralised so best practices etc can be shared more across schools. Teachers should be more mobile so if there is a poorly performing class the teacher can be moved out and a better one put in their to help. All Schools should be centrally administered.	Education Services (general)	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Headteachers are not paid bonuses. Poor performance is addressed. Responsibility for administering schools will be set out in the forthcoming Education Bill

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4678	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Again there is too much politics in teaching ie meeting a target which actually doesn't tell anyone anything apart from a head teacher getting a bonus for meeting something. These are also for the politicians benefit and no one else's. Schools and the teaching staff should be pulled and centralised so best practices etc can be shared more across schools. Teachers should be more mobile so if there is a poorly performing class the teacher can be moved out and a better one put in their to help. All Schools should be centrally administered.	Education Services (general)	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Headteachers are not paid bonuses. Poor performance is addressed. Responsibility for administering schools will be set out in the forthcoming Education Bill
4679	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	How will these changes be made? Where is the meat on the bones of these proposals? If the changes can be made then where are the proposals and what if it doesn't work?	Education Services (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
4680	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	All pupils should go to their own local primary school.	Education Services (general)	5a. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because the council is required by law to deliver this work.	Parental choice legislation is the responsibility of the Scottish Government.
4681	No Response	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	The placing of children with special needs into mainstream education causes in many cases disruption of class and it is essential that each child with special needs continues to have a classroom assistant to help them develop and in many cases control their emotions.	Education Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposals to rationalise central support to schools seek to balance the important contribution of professional, support and managerial staff, all of whom make an important contribution to the service. They recognise the increased autonomy to be given to headteachers, who will have the ability to prioritise budgets to meet the individual needs of their school.
4682	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	How can bringing in third parties reduce costs?	Education Services (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	The Council will only consider outsourcing where this would bring efficiency or effectiveness benefits, but the proposals do not include large scale outsourcing of education services.
4683	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	3rd party provision usually more expensive	Education Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council will only consider outsourcing where this would bring efficiency or effectiveness benefits, but the proposals do not include large scale outsourcing of education services.
4684	An employee of West Lothian Council	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Maybe cutbacks need to be made on other services some schools are overstaffed, too many workers out on small jobs, workers sitting drinking coffee in vans and reading papers for hours etc. Local school has about 8 staff for small amount of pupils.	Education Services (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	Schools are staffed efficiently. Teachers do not sit in vans drinking coffee during school hours.
4685	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Regrettable to narrow the curriculum	Education Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
4686	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	The Civic Centre Education Department needs streamlining.	Education Services (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	This is the purpose of the proposals.
4687	An employee of West Lothian Council	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Close schools that have no potential to reach capacity and where there are available places nearby,	Education Services (general)	5c. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it is not consistent with the council's values and priorities.	The Council has not put forward any proposals to close schools.
4688	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Chartered teachers are a waste of resources. Reduction in teachers' holidays - far exceeds all other staff - why?	Education Services (general)	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	Teachers are employed on national conditions.
4689	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Sixth year study should be rationalised across West Lothian under one head teacher on one site and better prepare highly talented students for access to tertiary education.	Education Services (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	There are, however, significant benefits to having 6th year students in each school.
4690	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Not sure why education needs continued improvement, we have been doing it for centuries while hard up. Can we not just keep status quo apart from any compulsory government differences.	Education Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The current proposals are necessary to enable the Council to balance its budget.
4691	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Need more specialised teachers for children with autism. Encourage schools to have a garden where children can be taught how to grow vegetables then how to cook them. Over the years Beechgrove garden have visited school gardens and shown how effective they are to all concerned. Music is also an essential for children. We hear a lot about autism - we need more special classes not only in primary but secondary schools for autistic children. Maybe Chris Packham's tv show will encourage local authorities to think more about the needs of the children.	Education Services (general)	5b. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it is likely that the costs of this proposal would outweigh the benefit.	The proposals seek to increase efficiency. The suggestion seeks to increase expenditure.

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4692	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Youth and people services should be maintained as people need care and nurturing services.	Education Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council has put forward proposals across the whole range of its activities.
4693	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	We have recently been made aware of WLC's budget cuts and are concerned that our primary school will lose much needed funding needed to help improve our children's learning, facilities and resources required on a day-to-day basis. Over the past few years we have seen other schools in the area either be renewed or renovated and provided wonderful outdoor facilities such as new equipment for their schools/ Currently, we have our children in a school which we are very happy with due to the ongoing commitment of the staff however removing funding would reduce the staffing and resources that we currently have. Our school is also in great need of repair and freshen up to make it more appealing to parents who will be within the catchment of the primary school when the new homes are built in Deans South. With the proposed cuts to school funding and the upcoming new homes this will put a huge strain on the school and staff we currently have.	Education Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council has put forward proposals across the whole range of its activities, but will continue to maintain and improve the school estate as appropriate.
4694	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Education - will the deputy chief executives and their support teams be surplus to requirements when headteachers take control of Education?	Education Services (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	The Council will consider the implications of the Education Bill.
4695	An employee of West Lothian Council	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	School infrastructure is creaking badly. It has already been squeezed so tightly that it could easily cease to function in any meaningful way. Cutting school budgets further will not result in increased attainment or positive outcomes for pupil, training of the workforce, or the health and sanity of existing staff.	Education Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council has put forward proposals across the whole range of its activity.
4696	An employee of West Lothian Council	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Also - give serious consideration to rationalising school provision. RC and non-RC pupils go to the same school - not bussing all over the authority. I believe this could be done without jeopardising RC education.	Education Services (general)	5c. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it is not consistent with the council's values and priorities.	The Council has not put forward any proposals to close schools. The provision of denominational School is governed by legislation.
4697	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	School transport savings would be substantial if the council ended the provision of separate Catholic schooling needing to take place in separate schools.	Education Services (general)	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	The provision of denominational education is governed by statute. The Council has not put forward proposals to rationalise buildings.
4698	No Response	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	More focus of Education In schools around Drug 7 Alcohol issues would be helpful as the funding for this has been cut year on year.	Education Services (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	Drug and alcohol education is provided.
4699	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Some social services should also be moved in to schools such as youth work and social work where schools are encouraged to be more widely accepting of different versions and styles of education.	Education Services (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.
4700	An employee of West Lothian Council	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Pupils could attend secondary schools Monday -Thursday only, with the time missed from a Friday being spread over Monday to Thursday (e.g. starting 30 mins earlier and finishing 30 mins later). This would reduce costs in school transport, energy, school meal provision and facilities management as schools would only be open for 4 days a week instead of 5. School swimming pools/gyms could open on Fridays to bring in money to the council.	Education Services (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed. It is unlikely that a major change to the school week would
4701	An employee of West Lothian Council	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Get rid of unnecessary expenses milk breakfast club etc	Education Services (general)	5c. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it is not consistent with the council's values and priorities.	Breakfast clubs have important health and educational benefits.
4702	An employee of West Lothian Council	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Get rid of unnecessary expenses free school meals ,	Education Services (general)	5a. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because the council is required by law to deliver this work.	Free School meals are governed by statute.
4703	An employee of West Lothian Council	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Cut down on bureaucracy. Education Officers- are they needed? Get them out into schools. Close small schools, surely when facing a teacher shortage having 1 teacher for 10- 12 kids is ridiculous? Do not offer free breakfast clubs, ask for payment for this for those who are not receiving free school meals. I would happily pay £1- 2 per day for my son to attend breakfast club as I see this as a provision of childcare. Please do not make any further cuts to library services, libraries are a vital resource in communities.	Education Services (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	The proposals include a reduction in Education Officers. The council has made no proposals to close schools. Breakfast clubs have health and education benefits.
4704	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	More voluntarily or pupil help more interaction,, simplify the way it works ,,	Education Services (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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4705	An employee of West Lothian Council	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Closure of schools with ridiculously low pupil numbers who get a generous budget.	Education Services (general)	5c. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it is not consistent with the council's values and priorities.	The council has made no proposals to close schools.
4706	An employee of West Lothian Council	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Close smaller schools	Education Services (general)	5c. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it is not consistent with the council's values and priorities.	The council has made no proposals to close schools.
4707	An employee of West Lothian Council	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Partner organisations are already stretched especially those providing support to our most vulnerable children and families. Many have introduced a cost to schools since the introduction of Pupil Equity Funding which will not be sustainable if PEF monies are to be used to 'plug' the gaps created from efficiency savings. Will voluntary partner agencies be able to meet the increased demands with no funding available directly available to schools. It is yet to be seen what the results of the Governance Review will have on schools so difficult to know what will be available to schools directly from Scottish Government and the terms and conditions placed on any additional monies, if in fact any are going to be made available.	Education Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
4708	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	there are too many open posts for teachers in schools .	Education Services (general)	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
4709	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Teacher entitlement to RCCT and McCrone time costs a fortune, as additional teachers are required to cover this time. No other professionals are afforded this luxury and spend the working day doing what they get paid for. Their job!	Education Services (general)	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	Teachers are employed under national conditions.
4710	An employee of West Lothian Council	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Teacher entitlement to RCCT and McCrone time costs a fortune, as additional teachers are required to cover this time. No other professionals are afforded this luxury and spend the working day doing what they get paid for. Their job!	Education Services (general)	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	Teachers are employed under national conditions.
4711	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	FSM entitlement. Those who qualify for a Clothing Grant should only be able to purchase this from the school or the school wear provider used by the school as cash payments are open to abuse and are sometimes not used for this purpose.	Education Services (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted and will be considered as part of any development of the proposal.
4712	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Education Services needs to take its Corporate Parenting responsibilities seriously to reduce the number of young people having to be placed in expensive resources outside West Lothian.	Education Services (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted and will be considered as part of any development of the proposal.
4713	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Can school management not do more to discourage pupils from purchasing often unsuitable food from supermarkets and other sources outside of school premises? This would improve diets, improve the cost effectiveness of school meals services and reduce litter in surrounding areas.	Education Services (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted and will be considered as part of any development of the proposal.
4714	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Perhaps an educational tool would also help i.e. explaining to pupils the cost of their littering, graffiti etc.	Education Services (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted and will be considered as part of any development of the proposal.
4715	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	There is a danger of undervaluing teachers further if there are reduced pay enhancements. Recruitment of quality teachers and retention of experienced teachers may be affected by these restrictions.	Education Services (general)	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. Teacher's pay is determined nationally.
4716	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Please ensure there are enough teachers to support our children in their education.	Education Services (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	Class size limits will be adhered to.
4717	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Get volunteers to work in the council as well as staff, esp in the teaching area. That way you get the expertise, but don't have to pay salaries	Education Services (general)	5c. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it is not consistent with the council's values and priorities.	The council is committed to an appropriately qualified workforce.

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4718	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Reading between the lines, you need to outsource some support and management functions. This is common in the corporate world. So one must be mindful of SLAs and penalty clauses in these arrangements. One also needs to be wary of the lowest cost offered. A change freeze is required during transition and a cultural shift in staff mind set also needs to take place if TUPE is actioned by third party providers. Doubtful if real cost savings can be achieved because figures can be fudged to support any outcome. The real saving will be in the reduction of public sector staff and all associated pensions, holidays, sick leave etc as it becomes someone else's problem. You just have to pay your supplier bill at the end of the month - OR NOT, depending on how happy you are with the service.	Education Services (general)	5c. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it is not consistent with the council's values and priorities.	The Council will consider outsourcing where it cannot provide a service itself, or where there are clear quality or efficiency benefits, but the proposals are not for large scale outsourcing of school provision.
4719	No Response	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Furthermore, schools could make more use of existing services (WL Leisure - albeit not part of Council, but it is partly funded) to keep income within the WLC loop.	Education Services (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Schools and the Council should explore a wide range of options in sourcing services to deliver an enriched curriculum.
4720	No Response	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	My sons school has had no science teacher for a year English teachers are a hit and miss not a week goes by without at least one period having a "sub" and they get to watch a movie this is not fit for purpose try giving these teachers the respect and wages they deserve	Education Services (general)	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	The proposals do not seek to address the issue of teacher recruitment and retention, which is a national issue. As all local authorities face similar budgetary pressures, it is unlikely that proposals will place West Lothian at a competitive disadvantage in terms of recruitment.
4721	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Who are the third party providers. They should not be private companies as private companies first priority is to make profit.	Education Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council will only use third party provision where there are quality and or cost benefits.
4722	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Find out rather models in Europe where literacy and numeracy are better.	Education Services (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	West Lothian Council follows the national Curriculum for Excellence, but will, of course, investigate and adopt best practice where appropriate.
4723	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Look at the curriculum and the non achievers who aspire living in poverty.	Education Services (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	Closing the poverty related attainment gap is a key strategic priority for the Council.
4724	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Are schools in Linlithgow have the same organisation and curriculum as schools in Blackburn and Whitburn.	Education Services (general)	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	West Lothian Council follows the national Curriculum for Excellence. Learning and teaching is adapted to meet the needs of each individual child regardless of where they live.
4725	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Who are third party providers? Consultants with high fees? Shocking if this is so. All the brains in the civic centre can't see how to restructure? Too much tampering has already left chaos and demoralised employees in education. How can that raise attainment. More big words, more jargon. What does it all mean. Save money cut jobs.	Education Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council will only use third party provision where there are quality and or cost benefits.
4726	An employee of West Lothian Council	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Will the Scottish Government aim to remove Pupil Teacher Ratio constraints on schools as currently with a lack of teachers there is the option to use central staff to make up the ratios which will no longer be possible with central education staff being back in schools? It is yet to be determined by the Scottish Government what the outcome of the Governance Review for schools will be and so it may be that reduction at LA level will have less impact on schools if monies are to come directly to schools from government. Although this will also depend on the terms and conditions which come with this additional duty on schools as has been the case with Pupil Equity Funding.	Education Services (general)	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	West Lothian Council is not responsible for the pupil/teacher ratio, future funding models and national conditions of service.
4727	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Surely resource sharing is an opportunity for the subjects that are not part of the key curriculum	Education Services (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Schools and the Council should explore a wide range of options in sourcing services to deliver an enriched curriculum.
4728	An employee of West Lothian Council	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	My local catholic school is always full for places and people fight to get their kids into this, yet many of the children never even took part in the first communion this year! Being Catholic I want to make sure there are places for my children if I so have them into the correct schools!	Education Services (general)	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	The Council plans provision to meet the changing needs of local populations, and admits children to schools in terms of a national legislative framework. West Lothian Council policy is to give priority to baptised roman Catholics for entry into their catchment denominational school.
4729	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Consider a review of schools being able to carry-forward any underspend at the end of each financial year.	Education Services (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	The Council will keep its scheme of devolved school management, including provision for carry forward, under review, within the confines of national guidance.

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4730	No Response	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	The school system needs a complete overhaul - there are many people on PTC salaries who are not doing their jobs effectively as they have had responsibilities piled on the - so jack of all trades master of none. There are people doing development posts for the short term - to aim to develop them for future PTC role - they are getting paid - they have absolutely no impact on improvement in the classroom - what a waste of money - bring back PTs give people the chance of promotion - subject experts who can drive through change and make improvement happen. Get rid of "educationalists" at the council who attend meetings, discuss education, discuss improvement - but have absolutely no impact on what is happening - frontline people are needed - not those who just sit and talk about it. You will get rid of a lot of big salaries that way	Education Services (general)	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	As a result of the recent governance review, individual headteachers will have greater autonomy to put in place management structures to meet the needs of their school. Headteachers will be best placed to judge whether these suggestions will lead to improvement within their school. Central support for quality improvement and raising attainment is largely through collaboration, making use of the skills and experience of school based staff, with reduced central support.
4731	An employee of West Lothian Council	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	I think that Education is one of the most important departments within the council. Any savings here must be carefully looked at as children's education and development should not be jeopardized, this includes any extra curricular activities like music, sports etc. Children are the most impressionable level of society and should have all the opportunities available to them. They are also the most vulnerable and should have any support available when needed.	Education Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposals seek to balance the needs of all sections of society.
4732	No Response	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	I am frustrated that the services available in schools are already minimal. My daughter was supposed to receive learning support, but received it only 4 times in a term (instead of weekly, as we were told) because the Learning Support teacher was covering for sick teachers, maternity leave, etc. It's pretty much the same as if the resource wasn't there... and now you are suggesting to cut this type of support further?	Education Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The tasks undertaken by support staff are valued by the council, schools, parents and teaching staff. The council is required to maintain a pupil teacher ratio with the result that spending on teaching staff cannot be reduced, thus increasing the impact of any savings required on support staff, even when these staff may play a significant role in supporting learning and teaching.
4733	No Response	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Some schools desperately need an upgrade in key areas e.g. the Home Economics department in St Margaret's Academy is a health and safety hazard and the EHD would close it if it was to see it	Education Services (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	The Council has invested significantly in improving school infrastructure. Robust Health and safety arrangements are in place.
4734	No Response	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Not quite sure what is meant by "embed teaching resources, processes and activities within schools", but I am sure we need more teachers if we are to raise attainment in schools. I know this will not save money but less admin will contribute a great deal.	Education Services (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	The Council has participated in the national taskforce on reducing bureaucracy and taken appropriate steps as a result.
4735	No Response	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Although you may seem to have phrased this in a fairly impersonal manner the cuts suggested will have a monumental impact on the lives of our young people. Shocking suggestions for a number of reasons.	Education Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
4736	No Response	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	A more coherent approach is required in primary school teaching as the way each subject delivered differs greatly from school to school. Secondary education has a much more streamlined approach to teaching this should be adopted for primary education	Education Services (general)	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Both primary and secondary schools follow the national curriculum for excellence.
4737	No Response	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	A central team that exists for subjects such as P.E and music should be responsible for the delivery of these subjects to all primary schools to ensure a coherent and fair approach to all pupils	Education Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will still receive PE and music delivered through curriculum for excellence.
4738	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Plus given the fact there is a massive shortage of teachers at the moment and class sizes are on the increase again all you seem to be proposing here is extra work for the schools	Education Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All class sizes within West Lothian conform to national class size limits.
4739	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Attainment is good but I am more concerned with pupils of all abilities having a good experience at school.	Education Services (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	Raising attainment and closing the poverty related attainment gap remain key strategic priorities for the Council, but the Council shares the aim of ensuring that pupils have a positive experience at school.
4740	An employee of West Lothian Council	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Sadly, the curriculum of excellence and focus on attainment has taken over why people go to school - to learn. There is too much focus on reaching targets and teachers filling out paperwork that its becoming an administrative job and changing why people have went into that profession.	Education Services (general)	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Progressing through the curriculum for excellence and maximising attainment are integral to learning. The Council has participated in the national taskforce on reducing bureaucracy and taken appropriate steps as a result.
4741	An employee of West Lothian Council	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	The importance of good mental health is of paramount importance for our young people's learning. Not only their own mental health, but the impact that teachers mental health has on their learning. We know from endless amounts of research that pupils are happier and thrive in supportive and nurtured environments, and that raising attainment is not a matter of solely increasing knowledge but it is also about ensuring children are being cared for, that they feel valued, that they are mentally ready to learn. This proposal sounds like you are wanting to remove support from schools.	Education Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council is committed to implementing the proposals without detriment to pupils.

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4742	No Response	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Could there be a saving by charging for school meals for P1 -P3 for those who can afford it?	Education Services (general)	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	Whilst every positive suggestion deserves careful consideration, it is the case that this is a statutory requirement and therefore outwith the control of West Lothian Council.
4743	An employee of West Lothian Council	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Education Transport savings:- Change to the school week - Full term or part (August â€ October & Easter to end of education year (June) Extend school days Monday to Thursday - to take up the ½ day Friday teaching time. â€ this would then allow schools to be closed on a Friday. Savings â€ Transport cost reduced by one 5th â€ Saving on energy (Heating & Lighting Bills) plus saving of cleaning & catering costs. Cleaning programme could be set up to carry out a deep clean of a property each Friday (protect cleaners hours) â€ same could happen with catering staff. Pupils could still attend some designated schools - Open for extra curriculum activities - but this would need to be at a small covering cost (Â£10 per pupil) with parents provide transport. (Income to the council).	Education Services (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Officers will consider whether these suggestions are practical and would result in cost savings.
4744	No Response	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Education transport cost savings:- Change school week - Part (August till October & Easter till end of team) or full school year - Change would mean extending the school day - Monday to Thursday - with the Friday 1/2 day time being added on to the four days. School closed on a Friday. Savings:- Transport costs, Heating& Lighting costs - cleaning costs. Re Friday morning education - Council could open up some schools to offer extra curricular activities at these schools for a small cost (Â£10 per pupil) - income to the council. - Possible cleaners (to protect their hours) could also attend one school each Friday and carry out a deep clean. Teaching staff possible attend a nominated school - open to for prep time/training. Hope the above changes are looked at as savings would be substantial.	Education Services (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Officers will consider whether this suggestion could be developed, taking account of the views of parents, pupils and staff.
4745	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	The euphemistic language does not disguise the fact that the bottom line is cuts and that the resulting situation will be less satisfactory than at present.	Education Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Any proposal that the council progresses will continue to meet the needs of parents and pupils.
4746	No Response	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	I also agree with this, but think this could be done in house and not by a third party	Education Services (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The Council will consider outsourcing where it cannot provide a service itself, or where there are clear quality or efficiency benefits, but the proposals are not for large scale outsourcing of school provision.
4747	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	as long as the it is pupils that are getting more or better quality service and it is not just a plan to save money at any expense, then a review could be worth while	Education Services (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Any proposal that the council progresses will continue to meet the needs of parents and pupils.
4748	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	too many deputy heads on large salaries , more pupil support for teachers would be the answer	Education Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposals seek to strike an appropriate balance between front line, management and support functions, all of which play an important role in the service.
4749	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	In principle, idea is fine. Monitor third-party providers to ensure cost effectiveness.	Education Services (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The Council will consider outsourcing where it cannot provide a service itself, or where there are clear quality or efficiency benefits, but the proposals are not for large scale outsourcing of school provision.
4750	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Having personally worked in local government and been through several "restructuring" programmes - they never delivered a better end product to service users.	Education Services (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Any proposal that the council progresses will continue to meet the needs of parents and pupils.
4751	No Response	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Optimal management teams and support staff are essential. Quality education will be provided only if sufficient teacher's are funded in order to deliver the curriculum full, with each child's needs at the centre.	Education Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposals seek to strike an appropriate balance between front line, management and support functions, all of which play an important role in the service.
4752	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Teacher/pupil contact time should be protected.	Education Services (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	Class contact time is set by national agreement and will not be affected by the proposals.
4753	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	schools are already undermanned they do not need reducing further	Education Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposals seek to strike an appropriate balance between front line, management and support functions, all of which play an important role in the service.
4754	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Revisiting staffing models is always a good exercise but staff reductions should impact on teachers causing them to spend more time out of the classroom. Maintaining a high quality of education for our children should always be at the forefront of any changes.	Education Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposals seek to strike an appropriate balance between front line, management and support functions, all of which play an important role in the service.

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4755	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	I see no problem in this as long as the system proves more effective and children within schools reap the benefits.	Education Services (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Any proposal that the council progresses will continue to meet the needs of parents and pupils.
4756	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	As far as I'm aware, teaching in schools is at a height that is very efficient and I don't think any changes are absolutely essential. However if this is in the best interest of providing a structure then I would recommend to make minor changes.	Education Services (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	The respondent recommends minor changes.
4757	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	I believe that teaching staff do the most important job for our community and it always impresses me how passionate and dedicated they are, I would not want any added pressures or extra workload to reduce the passion that they have for teaching our young people.	Education Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council has put forward proposals for budget reductions across the full range of its responsibilities.#
4758	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	I wouldn't ask you make savings in education. Rather, I see this as a core responsibility that you should seek to pursue with increased vigour and investment.	Education Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Education remains one of the Councils key priorities.
4759	No Response	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Cuts to ASN schools have already had a devastating result on our children. The lack of experience of the staff used to replace the nursery nurses is ridiculous and has had a detrimental effect on our kids. They don't have the experience to deal with these kids and are making behaviours worse. So much so parents are being called into schools to deal with their kids as staff can't cope. More cuts within these schools will lead to more disruption as there will be less staff per heads in schools where they already have issues recruiting, so staff to pupil ratios are never where they should be. Classes are often left with 2 staff in a room of 8 and then they wonder why the children misbehave.	Education Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Previous decisions regarding staffing of ASN schools were taken after careful consideration of the best staff mix to meet the needs of children, and based on the evidence of success in other ASN schools. The Council will continue to conform to national Pupil Teacher ratios.
4760	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	I don't believe this approach will deliver a good and fair educational basis across the authority. There will be division between school offerings and this extremely unfair to our young learners.	Education Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All schools care funded according to the formulas contained within the Scheme of Devolved School Management. It is the responsibility of each Headteacher to use that funding to best meet the needs of learners within the school.
4761	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	It continues to be proved that third suppliers never deliver the quality service expected and standards fall. There can always be improvements but service is paramount.	Education Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council will consider outsourcing where it cannot provide a service itself, or where there are clear quality or efficiency benefits, but the proposals are not for large scale outsourcing of school provision.
4762	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Do not cut the funding to my school	Education Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council is consulting on savings across the entire range of its activities.
4763	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Keep funding for schools - no cuts	Education Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council is consulting on savings across the entire range of its activities.
4764	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Do not reduce money given to schools	Education Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council is consulting on savings across the entire range of its activities.
4765	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Might also be worth looking at closing some of the small rural schools and bussing them into their nearest school. Save on the cost of running a school building and integrating the rural kids in with the other kids.	Education Services (general)	5c. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it is not consistent with the council's values and priorities.	The proposals do not include proposals for any school closures.
4766	No Response	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	I do not think that there should be any cuts to the schools and education as this is our future for our kids. I think that the schools and education should be supported further and any way possible that would benefit children.	Education Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council is consulting on savings across the entire range of its activities.
4767	No Response	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Any resources to support school activities should always be supported and funding available.	Education Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council is consulting on savings across the entire range of its activities.
4768	No Response	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Smaller schools could be closed and integrated with schools in busier areas.	Education Services (general)	5c. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it is not consistent with the council's values and priorities.	The proposals do not include proposals for any school closures.
4769	No Response	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	I think we need to be careful when it comes to school and our children - they are the future and we cannot afford to scrimp on their education - under curriculum for excellence - every child is different - not all are academic - some are sports, musical, drama - they should all be supported to try and achieve they best that they can.	Education Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council is consulting on savings across the entire range of its activities.

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4770	No Response	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Do we need all the smaller schools - would it not be more financially viable to have larger school to help children integrate with each other.	Education Services (general)	5c. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it is not consistent with the council's values and priorities.	The proposals do not include proposals for any school closures.
4771	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	I would suggest the following to be considered.; 2.IT Technical Specialists in Academies could be reduced to 39 weeks per year instead of 52 weeks per year.	Education Services (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Individual Headteachers are responsible for the support staff complement within their schools.
4772	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	I would suggest the following to be considered.; 3.CDT/Science Technicians in Academies could be reduced to 39 weeks per year instead of 52 weeks per year.	Education Services (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Individual Headteachers are responsible for the support staff complement within their schools.
4773	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	I would suggest the following to be considered.; 4.Librararians in Academies could be reduced to 39 weeks per year instead of 52 weeks per year.	Education Services (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Individual Headteachers are responsible for the support staff complement within their schools.
4774	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	I would suggest the following to be considered.; 1.Pupil Equity Funding (PEF) monies allocated for each education establishment is put into the DSM school budgets under a separate subjective/cost centre as this will reduce administartvie costs/time for schools and administartion vcosts inthe Civic Cnhetre as the schols business support culd undertake this task.	Education Services (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.
4775	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	I would suggest the following to be considered.; 2.IT Technical Specialists in Academies could be reduced to 39 weeks per year instead of 52 weeks per year.	Education Services (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.
4776	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	I would suggest the following to be considered.; 3.CDT/Science Technicians in Academies could be reduced to 39 weeks per year insted of 52 weeks per year.	Education Services (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.
4777	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	I would suggest the following to be considered.; 4.Librararians in Academies could be reduced to 39 weeks per year instead of 52 weeks per year.	Education Services (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.
4778	An employee of West Lothian Council	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Why not close smaller schools?	Education Services (general)	5c. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it is not consistent with the council's values and priorities.	The proposals do not include any plans for school closures.
4779	No Response	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Totally disagree. Any reductions to school funding or support should be resisted and no funding or services deductions should be implemented	Education Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council is consulting on savings across the entire range of its activities.
4780	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	As a teacher I also spend my own money supplying materials for lessons which is not reimbursed.	Education Services (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	There is no expectation or encouragement for teachers to do this.
4781	No Response	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Schools do not receive enough money, support, teachers. Any cuts in schools I feel will only worsen the current situation	Education Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council is consulting on savings across the entire range of its activities.
4782	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	No I strongly disagree with cutting education	Education Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council has put forward proposals for budget reductions across the full range of its responsibilities.#
4783	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Too much money wasted in schools. I.e. Breakfast clubs	Education Services (general)	5c. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it is not consistent with the council's values and priorities.	The Council is committed to ensuring children have the opportunity for a healthy breakfast, in light of the health and educational benefits .
4784	No Response	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Until the Scottish government fully understand what they wish to achieve in this area, reduce focus and promise future activities	Education Services (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
4785	An employee of West Lothian Council	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Review childrens school clothing grants as maybe the gran is too much. lots of shops sell school clothing very cheaply.	Education Services (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.
4786	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	I am intrigued to ask the question, is there a need to have two Heads of Service for Education? This could cut the some slack with regard to one salary.	Education Services (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council continually reviews the tiers of management and span of control across all service levels against a target 5 x 5 structure. This ensures that the council continues to operate with an effective and efficient managerial structure.

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4787	An employee of West Lothian Council	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	More support should be offered to primary schools to hopefully eradicate such poor behaviour before the young people enter secondary school. Parental education is also paramount. With a high level of deprived areas in West Lothian, it is essential that parenting classes are provided to hopefully teach the parents how to handle their children's behaviour before it reaches crisis point and residential care is the only option.	Education Services (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Officers will consider how schools and parents can work together to promote positive behaviour..
4788	No Response	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	This needs increased funding to raise attainment and it needs to far more than Mr Swinney thinks. Attainment improve not start at home, parents need to put their phones down and help their children.	Education Services (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	The Council has limited influence on national funding levels, but does support parental engagement as an essential building block of raising attainment.
4789	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	As a national policy there is very little the council can do to change the impact already being pushed through against the wishes of the EIS.	Education Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council has limited influence on national funding levels
4790	No Response	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Protecting service provision is key, providing this new model is not to the detriment of current provision. Fair enough.	Education Services (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The aim of the proposals is to protect core service provision.
4791	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Does third party mean buying in a private provider? If so please ensure the tender is drawn up with input from those who will be dependant on the service. DSM and more management tasks to be undertaken in school have to be looked at in conjunction. The two are interdependent.	Education Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council will consider outsourcing where it cannot provide a service itself, or where there are clear quality or efficiency benefits, but the proposals are not for large scale outsourcing of school provision. The proposals seek to strike an appropriate balance between front line, support and management staff, all of whom perform an important function within the service, within available resources.
4792	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Cutting teachers and parents pay for trips etc anyway	Education Services (general)	5c. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it is not consistent with the council's values and priorities.	Maintaining the pupil/teacher ratio has been made a condition of funding by the Scottish Government. Parents already contribute to the cost of excursions, extra-curricular activities etc.
4793	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	I think the teachers show commitment which has been displayed in the excellent exam results. These teachers are working long hours both after school and often at lunch times. They show dedication, are under pressure to deliver results and produce reports within a ridiculously short time scale. I am not a teacher.	Education Services (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	West Lothian Council recognises the professionalism and dedication of its education staff.
4794	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	We strongly object to any cuts in this area. Cuts to this area of council provision impact directly on the children of West Lothian. This impacts on the future of the borough itself as it is these children that will primarily contribute to the future financial stability and artistic and cultural integrity of the area.	Education Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council is consulting on savings across the entire range of its activities. Pupils will retain music and art education through curriculum for excellence.
4795	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Cuts in this area need to consider strongly the pressure this puts on existing staff. With the supply bank of teachers in West Lothian being practically at zero, Head Teachers and teaching staff are already under tremendous pressure. Cuts in this area may lead to further stress related leaves of absence or resignations putting greater drain on teaching provision which in turn affects children's learning.	Education Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Nationally agreed staffing levels, and the pupil/teacher ratio will be maintained.
4796	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Reviewing 3rd party providers is important and getting the best from them but its not just about cost - quality should still be considered.	Education Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council will consider outsourcing where it cannot provide a service itself, or where there are clear quality or efficiency benefits, but the proposals are not for large scale outsourcing of school provision.
4797	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Not enough time spent on the basics reading writing and arithmetic to set pupils up for getting a job. Perhaps WL is different -	Education Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	West Lothian Council follows the national curriculum for excellence.
4798	An employee of West Lothian Council	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	As above comments. Transformational change in schools - change that impacts on attainment, achievement and wellbeing of our pupils and young people - requires strong leadership. It doesn't necessarily require larger teams but it does require necessary support for sustainability.	Education Services (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Headteachers have a very high degree of autonomy and responsibility and this will increase as a result of the Scottish Government's governance review.
4799	No Response	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	We should move to all pupils being provided with a tablet computer and schools should become paper light with a minimum of paper text books and resources.	Education Services (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The Council invests heavily in IT, and will continue to consider appropriate opportunities for investment.

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4800	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Again just because this is a statutory service, doesn't mean they shouldn't look at their position, use what they have try different approaches. Some of the older teaching staff have no interest in learning new things they are short in temper and just waiting to retire. Then when they do retire and they have had a big collection etc for the they return!!!!? And you find they are working so many days a week to cover? Also gift for the teachers this is now amounting to a substantial amount of money. Some teacher were given spa days, and lunch gift vouchers. I thought council staff couldn't accept gifts, what makes the teachers different? A donation to the schools would be better.	Education Services (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	All council staff are bound by the employees code of conduct.
4801	No Response	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Just do it, don't waste time & money on a review !	Education Services (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The review will be undertaken in house by Council staff as part of their regular duties.
4802	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Cuts to schools should be minimised. Children are the future. Need to stop reinventing the wheel with initiatives like curriculum for excellence and focus back on the basics. There is for too much change resulting in uncertainty for children, parents and prospective employers.	Education Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council is consulting on savings across the entire range of its activities. West Lothian Council follows the national curriculum, and national initiatives such as the National Improvement Framework and the introduction of new qualifications. These issues fall outwith the control of the Council.
4803	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Cuts to schools should be minimised. Children are the future. Need to stop reinventing the wheel with initiatives like curriculum for excellence and focus back on the basics. There is for too much change resulting in uncertainty for children, parents and prospective employers.	Education Services (general)	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	The Council has put forward proposals relating to all areas of activity including education. Most change is national and not local.
4804	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	If it works then it doesn't need replaced or changed.	Education Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council has put forward proposals relating to all areas of activity including education.
4805	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Sounds like it could be a costly review! Hoping efficiency savings will not be made in staffing numbers within schools/nurseries as they already very stretched.	Education Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The review will be undertaken in house by Council staff as part of their regular duties. The Council will continue to meet the needs of every child. Staffing ratios set by statute or national agreement will be maintained. The Scottish Government has made maintaining the Pupil/Teacher ratio a condition of funding, and so the council and schools are compelled to focus on the employment of teachers where, in some cases, they may prefer to increase non-teaching staff in preference to this.
4806	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Protect the jobs!	Education Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council will continue to meet the needs of every child. Staffing ratios set by statute or national agreement will be maintained. The Scottish Government has made maintaining the Pupil/Teacher ratio a condition of funding, and so the council and schools are compelled to focus on the employment of teachers where, in some cases, they may prefer to increase non-teaching staff in preference to this.
4807	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Under SNP our children's education is already shown to be deteriorating. Be sure any changes do not risk further deterioration in performance by detracting head teaching staff from education to management	Education Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Headteachers have a very high degree of autonomy and responsibility and this will increase as a result of the Scottish Government's governance review.
4808	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	I would prefer it were kept in house. Outsourcing is not an easy solution and may well end up being more problematic.	Education Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council will consider outsourcing where it cannot provide a service itself, or where there are clear quality or efficiency benefits, but the proposals are not for large scale outsourcing of school provision.
4809	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Extra-curricular activities, such as music, helps children and young people to develop as a person by allowing them to gain confidence in themselves. It also encourages young people to work as a team to achieve an end goal, and this prepares children for life in the adult world. As well as this, things like bands and clubs help children to create positive relationships with other children with whom they share the same interests with. This may not happen in a classroom as children may get bullied for many things, and in this case, coming to band or a club allows a positive escape for them, where they can actively take part in activities and not have to worry about being themselves.	Education Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.

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4810	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	It can never be right to scrimp on education services or provision of teachers	Education Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council has put forward proposals for budget reductions across the full range of its responsibilities.#
4811	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Are you suggesting that the council will save money but paying a profit making firm to run things? If you are paying third parties to run things that is clearly going to be more expensive than doing it yourselves. If I clean my house it is free if I get someone else to it costs more.	Education Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council will consider outsourcing where it cannot provide a service itself, or where there are clear quality or efficiency benefits, but the proposals are not for large scale outsourcing of school provision.
4812	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Cut back on denominational schools, special needs schools, etc. - everyone should learn to live and work together from an early age.	Education Services (general)	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	The provision of denominational schools and support for children with additional support needs are governed by statute.
4813	An employee of West Lothian Council	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Children are our future and should be given the best education available. There should be no cutting of teaching jobs.	Education Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council is consulting on savings across the entire range of its activities. Teaching jobs are currently protected by the national pupil/teacher ratio.
4814	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	The current offer for WLC employees to re-train to become teachers is an excellent opportunity for staff who may then move into an area which requires more staffing.	Education Services (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. The Council is promoting this scheme.
4815	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	As a parent of a child in high school this term alone my daughter has 2 teachers who have left and not yet been replaced. Whilst cover is provided it is not necessarily by another teacher of the same subject therefore they are not being taught, this is unacceptable.	Education Services (general)	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Each secondary school will seek to provide cover for absence from appropriately qualified staff, and to recruit suitably qualified staff to fill vacancies, but this may be constrained by the availability of staff nationally. This is not within the control of the Council.
4816	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Most of the savings will come from staff reduction. This can be achieved by stopping doing things and simplifying how they are done. These can be achieved by asking "do we need to do all of these processes?"	Education Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
4817	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Disagree with third party providers being involved if you have to pay someone else to do it you should be able to provide that service within the council remit.	Education Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council will only use third party provision where there are quality and or cost benefits.
4818	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Why waste money on third party providers, surely someone in the council should be able to do this.	Education Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council will only use third party provision where there are quality and or cost benefits.
4819	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	I would like to see the top 3 items/specific deliverables that contribute to this redesign.	Education Services (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	The proposal will focus on: 1. redesigned DSM scheme, 2. delivery of agreed savings, 3. greater use of technology to achieve efficiency.
4820	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Concerns re use of 3rd party providers, where profit is built into the costs - care is needed in allowing and negotiating such contracts to avoid exploitation of staff and reductions in service levels as companies often cut corners to improve their profit margin,	Education Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council will only use third party provision where there are quality and or cost benefits.
4821	No Response	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Again have to be careful not to dilute or loose specialist knowledge. Schools are already struggling to attract teachers and inevitably the children's education suffers. My daughter attends Bathgate Academy where already this term she is 2 teachers short and the school struggles to provide cover. As a parent this is not acceptable.	Education Services (general)	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Each secondary school will seek to provide cover for absence from appropriately qualified staff, and to recruit suitably qualified staff to fill vacancies, but this may be constrained by the availability of staff nationally. This is not within the control of the Council.
4822	No Response	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Again it is ensuring that no valuable skillsets are lost and the right balance is achieved to deliver the best possible service.	Education Services (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
4823	No Response	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	No detriment to our children's education is key	Education Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council has put forward proposals for budget reductions across the full range of its responsibilities.

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4824	No Response	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Schools struggle as it is!! Staff are already under extreme pressure. They need support, not cuts! For the well being of our children and their future	Education Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council is consulting on savings across the entire range of its activities.
4825	No Response	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Again, a deplorable proposal. Schools are running on empty just now and an interference like this will only reduce the capability and morale of a school further. Parent councils are already forced to arrange a number of money raising events to help- this situation is not right in order to build a greater future of prosperity for the area.	Education Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council has put forward proposals for budget reductions across the full range of its responsibilities.
4826	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Whilst many adolescents are not staying in full time education or moving into employment EMA funding should not be paid just to entice these people to stay in education as they are not gaining from this and are draining the public purse. If people who do stay in further education need financial assistance then the way in which this cash is spent should be closely monitored as it's widely abused. It's all very well training people for employment but the jobs are simply not there to be had	Education Services (general)	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	Education Maintenance Allowance is a national scheme.
4827	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Central educational services already streamlined. Too much on consultation basis; insufficient input from current senior managers.	Education Services (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. The proposals were formulated by senior managers.
4828	An employee of West Lothian Council	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Teacher entitlement to RCCT and McCrone time costs a fortune, as additional teachers are required to cover this time. No other professionals are afforded this luxury and spend the working day doing what they get paid for. Their job!	Education Services (general)	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	Teachers work to national conditions of service.
4829	An employee of West Lothian Council	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	FSM entitlement. Those who qualify for a Clothing Grant should only be able to purchase this from the school or the school wear provider used by the school as cash payments are open to abuse and are sometimes not used for this purpose.	Education Services (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your comment which will be considered as part of any service redesign
4830	An employee of West Lothian Council	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	FSM entitlement. Those who qualify for a Clothing Grant should only be able to purchase this from the school or the school wear provider used by the school as cash payments are open to abuse and are sometimes not used for this purpose.	Education Services (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your comment which will be considered as part of any service redesign
4831	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	School is one of the most important things in your life and if you are at a disadvantage to other schools how do they expect to put us in for Highers. It's all good and well making cuts but it will effect the attainment in a bad way	Education Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Attainment will remain a key priority for the Council. The Council is committed to implementing the proposals without detriment to pupils.
4832	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Anything that effects teachers who are already over worked is a false economy and pupils will suffer. How about less staff in council admin teams, less admin full stop and more time in the classroom? Less 'in service' days to re train teachers on changes to our education system which did not need changing in the first place! Let the teachers teach.	Education Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council seeks to strike an appropriate balance between front line, management and support services all of which make an important contribution to education.
4833	An employee of West Lothian Council	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	I am dubious that the level of investment being sustained over the years is bearing fruit. The skills and life-readiness of those leaving secondary and tertiary education seems to be in decline.	Education Services (general)	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
4834	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	All foreign children should be taught English for 3 months minimum before entering mainstream classes. This would enable the class to go on without the teacher having to learn the pupils English thereby freeing their resources. Concentrating on The three r's should be the main priority.	Education Services (general)	5c. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it is not consistent with the council's values and priorities.	The Council does not support the segregation of children for whom English is not their first language, but is committed to equipping teachers to support these children effectively, as they do children with other additional support needs.
4835	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Do not involve third party providers they cast more money. While this all sounds good on paper, the reality is it is less cost effective.	Education Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council will use external providers where it lacks capacity or expertise to make provision itself, or where there are quality or efficiency benefits.
4836	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Stop allowing teachers to retire and collect their lump sum and a good pension and the re-employing them on a higher salary than before.....total waste of money. If they want to retire that's fine. There are people looking for work, who, whilst they may not have a "diploma" they would be good teachers after one year training. A diploma only proves you attended university for 4 years.	Education Services (general)	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	The Council will continue to follow pensions legislation, and best HR practice in recruitment to ensure the best possible staff are available within schools.
4837	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	I also think they should stop paying a fee for children who stay on after 4th year parents who are hard working and earn over £26000 children do not get this privilege again if you are hard working you get no help	Education Services (general)	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Education Maintenance Allowance is a national scheme.

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4838	An employee of West Lothian Council	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	I think we need to be careful when it comes to school and our children - they are the future and we cannot afford to scrimp on their education - under curriculum for excellence - every child is different - not all are academic - some are sports, musical, drama - they should all be supported to try and achieve they best that they can. Do we need all the smaller schools - would it not be more financially viable to have larger school to help children integrate with each other.	Education Services (general)	5c. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it is not consistent with the council's values and priorities.	The proposals do not include any plans for school closure.
4839	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Education must be protected at all costs. To mess with education is to mess with the future of the next generation.	Education Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council has put forward proposals for budget reductions across the full range of its responsibilities.#
4840	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	I have three children in secondary school in west Lothian and can only speak for my children's experience but the teaching time is already minimal and low grades are a direct result. To make teachers undertake more admin tasks in my own opinion will have extremely poor outcomes. I am already considering home schooling due to how poor the outcomes are.	Education Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Headteachers are expected to exercise a high degree of autonomy, and increases are anticipated as part of the national governance review. Teachers in West Lothian are employed to deliver curriculum for excellence, as directed by their headteacher, within the confines of national conditions and their working time agreement. Parents are entitled to exercise their right to home education.
4841	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	The cost of bringing in nat 4's and 5's is a disgrace and the outcomes are shocking - that is development for you! It is something we can do without, a complete waste of money. My youngest child (S2) lives in a state of permanent anxiety that she may get moved into a Nat 4 class. It has actually increased bullying and lowered self esteem and increased anxiety. Curriculum for excellence is ANOTHER development - another useless tool which parents, kids and teachers all hate and it has added nothing absolutely nothing to my childrens learning. It is unattainable for teachers - get rid of developmental posts and start listening to parents, teachers and pupils. Stop bringing in useless tools from managers far removed from the day to day school life.	Education Services (general)	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	Changes to national qualifications are outwith the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Headteachers have responsibility for how their budget is spent, including the creation of development posts.
4842	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Teachers should get a raise	Education Services (general)	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. Teachers pay is set nationally.
4843	An employee of West Lothian Council	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	far too many making decisions in offices that have never been in a school...	Education Services (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
4844	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	I don't agree with any cuts to education spending, especially to music services which brings much joy beyond academic studies to our kids.	Education Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. The proposal would continue to fulfilling the council's duty to meet the needs of every child.
4845	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	More should be done to recruit into posts that are unfilled. Already my son, who is at West Calder High School, does not get Home Economics because of no teacher, and has some of his English lessons covered by teachers who cannot teach in this subject - this is due to unavailability of English teacher - this is extremely unsatisfactory in such a vital core subject.	Education Services (general)	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	The respondent's comment was not relevant to the question
4846	An employee of West Lothian Council	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	All but one of these are linked to lack of education, not in the sense that 5 Higher Grades would improve life dramatically but that education isn't only academic, it should promote community spirit, equality, people skills. Education should include how to protect the environment, fellow inhabitants of this planet and ultimately protect the planet. There should be a bigger picture in education other than academic. There is too much focus on academic attainment. This does not create happy fulfilled human beings. I do not have faith in the current education system.	Education Services (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	Curriculum for excellence has a broad focus, including sustainability. The curriculum is tailored to meet the needs of individual pupils.
4847	An employee of West Lothian Council	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	In addition I believe teachers are underpaid.	Education Services (general)	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. Teachers pay is set nationally.

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4848	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	There have been cuts already in the supply of support staff in schools. These cuts have a negative impact on the educational progress of pupils. This effect will reduce the efficacy of supplying inclusive education in schools for children with a learning difficulty or learning disability. Such cuts have also been carried out in schools providing special education and further cuts will damage the educational outcomes for these particular children unfairly.	Education Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposals to rationalise central support to schools seek to balance the important contribution of professional, support and managerial staff, all of whom make an important contribution to the service. They recognise the increased autonomy to be given to headteachers, who will have the ability to prioritise budgets to meet the individual needs of their school.
4849	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Get rid of the denominational sector and treat rc and non-dom schools the same to simplify catchments areas and placements	Education Services (general)	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	The provision of denominational education is governed by statute.
4850	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	We should be encouraging people into teaching. In the last year and a half that my son has been at St Margaret's the turnover of teachers he has had has been incredible. He is currently without an English teacher and is having this covered by a teacher from another department.	Education Services (general)	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	The proposals do not seek to influence teacher recruitment.
4851	No Response	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Allowing individual schools to make decisions and to direct their funding targeting what they assess to be the needs of the school and the children within it. Head teachers will be better placed to decide on this rather than those not based in the schools. Care should be taken to ensure that such cut backs do not impede the opportunities for learning within schools and children are afforded all the resources and activities they need to achieve and to ensure that attainment in West Lothian improves for all children and young people of all levels and abilities.	Education Services (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The changes to Devolved School Management will increase the autonomy of Headteachers and teachers to make decisions at a local level to benefit pupils in their school.
4852	No Response	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Schools are under pressure at this present time in providing the right amount of support to children who have additional needs that are integrated into main stream. Not every child can cope with this and more places are required at specialised schools not less.	Education Services (general)	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	The proposal is not about the number of places in special schools.
4853	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Getting help from an Ed Psych is already difficult. This will target the poorest and most struggling people. Giving head teachers more to do will reduce both the number of head teachers and the quality of what they can provide.	Education Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The changes to Devolved School Management will increase the autonomy of Headteachers and teachers to make decisions at a local level to benefit pupils in their school. The Council intends to implement the proposal whilst still fulfilling its duty to meet the needs of every child.
4854	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Personally think higher attainment can be achieved in fewer, but core competencies. I think sometimes the curriculum is ever expanding and more work dumped onto teachers resulting in poorer coverage of all subjects. You really need to sort this out. I also think higher attainment for the majority would be achieved if some extra help could be made for school children who are not a good fit in a classroom	Education Services (general)	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	The Council intends to implement the proposal whilst still fulfilling its duty to meet the needs of every child.
4855	No Response	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Have the kids in for a full day on Friday and reduce School holidays. Pay teachers to teach	Education Services (general)	5d. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it has been previously considered and will not be progressed.	The Council has no plans to change the pattern of the teaching week or reduce school holidays.
4856	No Response	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	My main concern over schooling in West Lothian is our own example of certain aged estate assets straining under increased pupil numbers, plus the negative effect of these high pupil numbers has on potential for extra-curricular activities.	Education Services (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	The Council plans services for anticipated pupil numbers.
4857	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Yes, this is all good and well but what about people who do not have any computer devices and still prefer to talk to someone on the phone. Please don't alienate everyone.	Education Services (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	This is a positive suggestion. It is important that multiple channels of communication are maintained.
4858	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Improving attainment in children means more teachers and support assistants in school.	Education Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Services must be delivered within the resources available to the Council.
4859	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Children must remain at the very heart of education and be equipped as effective and responsible contributors to society. Schools should not be run by accountants! The goal of 'saving money' should not cloud the judgement of the provision of an outstanding educational experience for all children which can only be achieved by having the NECESSARY staff in place in ALL areas and not looking at cuts which will impact negatively on the world class education we should be providing to children.	Education Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
4860	An employee of West Lothian Council	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Good to look at the role of IT, and streamlining management within Education generally, where practical to do so, leaving more resources for front-line service delivery.	Education Services (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	The Council has invested in technology to support education, management and administration, including systems such as GLOW and SEEMIS.

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4861	An employee of West Lothian Council	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	I think it would be vital to reduced/redirect non teaching jobs to direct teaching jobs to ensure continued attainment for students of all abilities.	Education Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The changes to Devolved School Management will increase the autonomy of Headteachers and teachers to make decisions at a local level to benefit pupils in their school. Headteachers will have the ability to determine where resources should be spent for the benefit of children, although a continuation of the Pupil/Teacher ratio may result in expenditure on teacher posts where support staff would have a greater impact on learning and teaching.
4862	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	I feel that it is important to review services to ensure that they are efficient, yet I feel this publication is not clear on how the council intends to do this. Educational services are an important priority for me, in particular I would like to hear more about children with disabilities within mainstream schools, which is an important consideration	Education Services (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
4863	An employee of West Lothian Council	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Discipline levels in schools is poor with the odd exception however, respect must be re-installed and parents need to take responsibility e.g. toilet train their children before starting P1.	Education Services (general)	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
4864	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Also, more needs to be done to support teachers, keep them safe whilst keeping other children safe and getting the education they need.	Education Services (general)	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
4865	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Stop constantly changing the education structure to save money. The changes have been hugely detrimental to peripheral subject areas which is going to result in a dramatic consequential decline in Expressive and life skill subjects and overall creative capabilities of this country. The glut of academia will not provide the depth of skills for this country to flourish for there will not be the employment opportunities for all as a consequence. Granted core skills in literacy and numeracy is essential but where's the breadth?	Education Services (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Individual Headteachers can consider this comment. The changes to Devolved School Management will increase the autonomy of Headteachers and teachers to make decisions at a local level to benefit pupils in their school.
4866	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Bring back principal subject teachers. PTC's are over-stretched and are dis-functional puppets at the disposal of senior management teams. Stop massaging figures for attainment and let the teachers do their subject teaching instead of being buried under a pile of paper work the function of which ticks boxes for senior management rather than benefiting the experience of pupils. g	Education Services (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Headteachers, who in future will have greater control of their management structure, will be able to consider this proposal.
4867	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Education has been messed around with so much to fulfill the needs of Curriculum for Excellence that early levels are not covering core skills. It is a crying shame that teenagers cannot tell the time on an ordinary clock!	Education Services (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
4868	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	The morale of teaching profession and self -worth as a consequence is crushing the service. This is having a serious knock-on effect people entering the profession and the quality of possible candidates.	Education Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Teachers duties are set out in national conditions. Teachers activities are directed by the Headteacher in line with the locally negotiated Working Time Agreement.
4869	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	If cover is about covering classes for teachers being absent. There is more need for identifying why cover is needed, e.g. no teachers being available for some subject areas because people are less inclined to want to enter a profession where they are not valued and the salary reflects this. Make the profession mean something again and pat teachers what they are worth.	Education Services (general)	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. Teachers pay is set nationally. Teacher recruitment is a national issue, and West Lothian Council has a limited ability to influence it.
4870	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Revised model should allow resources and funds to be easier to share between schools to ensure teacher shortages and savings made are equally shared.	Education Services (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
4871	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Get the (paid) council out of schools, and have them run by (volunteer) trustees, thereby saving "council management" moneys.	Education Services (general)	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	The Education Bill will set out responsibility for delivering education, and the ongoing role of the council in this provision.
4872	An employee of West Lothian Council	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	There are too many people working in council offices for education....move them into schools and into classrooms!! They aren't really providing support....just number crunching.	Education Services (general)	5b. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it is likely that the costs of this proposal would outweigh the benefit.	The proposals have been developed after rigorous analysis of the contribution of all teams across the Council.
4873	No Response	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Why is there 2 Heads of Education? Paying a little more to one could save tens of thousands.	Education Services (general)	5d. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it has been previously considered and will not be progressed.	In drawing up its proposals, the Council considered all options.

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4874	No Response	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	I feel that it is important to review services to ensure that they are efficient, yet I feel this publication is not clear on how the council intends to do this. Educational services are an important priority for me, in particular I would like to hear more about children with disabilities within mainstream schools, which is an important consideration.	Education Services (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
4875	No Response	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	As long as this does not mean an increase in staff workload or means that staff lose jobs.	Education Services (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
4876	No Response	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	I want further details on this proposal. Will there be a minimum level of management and support staff, below which schools will not be allowed to fall. Teaching staff numbers are protected, but there isn't a similar protection for non-teaching support staff. The job these employees do is ESSENTIAL to the efficient and effective running of our schools. Support staff are often the "front line" in working with and supporting our most vulnerable and complex children. To reduce this workforce, will impact greatly on the ability of these pupils to access the curriculum.	Education Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The changes to Devolved School Management will increase the autonomy of Headteachers and teachers to make decisions at a local level to benefit pupils in their school. Headteachers will have the ability to determine where resources should be spent for the benefit of children, although a continuation of the Pupil/Teacher ratio may result in expenditure on teacher posts where support staff would have a greater impact on learning and teaching.
4877	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	We should be investing now in our young people as they are the tax payers of the future. Cutting back on activities that promote their general mental and physical wellbeing effectively results less future tax revenue and a higher burden on future health and well-being resources. Yet improved health is supposed to be one of the top eight priorities, doesn't look like it to me.	Education Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council has put forward proposals across the whole range of its activities.
4878	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	if it does not harm our kids or their education and they will not be affected then ok	Education Services (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
4879	No Response	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Ensuring quality teachers stay in the industry is a must. Teachers are moving to better payed positions outwith the profession and our children are suffering because of it.	Education Services (general)	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. Teachers pay is set nationally.
4880	An employee of West Lothian Council	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	How much will a review by a third party cost?	Education Services (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	The review will be undertaken by Council officers as part of their normal duties.
4881	An employee of West Lothian Council	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	There are many new funded programmes within schools that are not essential yet staff are paid to carry these out. These should not be carried on if it means others may lose their job.	Education Services (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	The context of the comment is not clear.
4882	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	There is scope to look at cluster head teachers of executive head teachers rather than every school having a highly paid headteacher - particularly small schools can be managed better	Education Services (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Joint Headships have been established. Opportunities to extend this will be examined.
4883	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	A review of staffing will need to be done and savings made however I'm worried about teachers as pupil teacher ratios are becoming a cause for concern My children at Linlithgow academy are in big classes for almost all their subjects	Education Services (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	National class size agreements are met. The maintenance of the pupil/teacher ratio has resulted in teaching jobs being safeguarded.
4884	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	education was working in the sixties, what has changed?	Education Services (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
4885	No Response	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Extremely concerned by persistent cuts to education. This has impacted support staff, reduced admin support resulting in teachers having to do much more admin tasks including minute taking, and other clerical tasks which it was agreed under McCrone that teachers should not be doing. This results in all teachers working a minimum of 50-60 hours a week and unfortunately the bigger percentage of this in admin tasks. Teaching time needs to be freed up for preparing engaging lessons and providing valuable feedback and next steps to pupils. They should not be doing clerical/admin tasks. Significant increase in office support staff to redress the cuts already made is essential immediately before even more teaching staff leave the profession creating further shortages in many subject areas impacting profoundly on attainment and therefore development of our young people and their life chances. Classroom support staff should also be increased as this has a significant impact on engagement and therefore attainment. So called PEF money doesn't even reimburse cuts already made. Very much a political spin which masks to the public the severe cuts already made. We either want to help these kids or we don't. Should not be saying we want to help when we are presiding over cuts that impact upon them.	Education Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The changes to Devolved School Management will increase the autonomy of Headteachers and teachers to make decisions at a local level to benefit pupils in their school. This will include the appropriate mix of staffing, although maintaining the pupil/teacher ratio may require the employment of teachers in preference to support staff. Teachers duties are set out in national conditions. Teachers activities are directed by the Headteacher in line with the locally negotiated Working Time Agreement.

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4886	No Response	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	The problem with schools are they have had their budgets cut and cut, this has resulted in poor working conditions as they have lost so much staff. Also the council needs to get on the side of the education staff and support them as they support all their other employee's.	Education Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council has put forward proposals across the full range of its activities including education.
4887	An employee of West Lothian Council	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Could be redesigned as long as it did not impact staff in schools or increase staff workloads.	Education Services (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
4888	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	You must protect school budgets at all costs - this must be the number 1 priority before anything else.	Education Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council has put forward proposals across the whole range of its activities.
4889	An employee of West Lothian Council	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Schools are becoming more challenged due to the inclusion policy and often teachers are stretched to the maximum by trying to raise the attainment of pupils as well as dealing with the daily struggles of behaviour management from children who are not coping with main stream classes. Social work services being cut and the increasing demand for them within West Lothian is making it more difficult for schools and services to meet the needs of every child within the classroom setting.	Education Services (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	The Council has policies and procedures to support behaviour management, inclusion and integration.
4890	An employee of West Lothian Council	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Lastly - for goodness's sake, close Dechmont Infant School and send the children to Uphall, Pumpherston or Kirkhill. A bigger waste of resources on such a small group of children I've yet to see.	Education Services (general)	5c. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it is not consistent with the council's values and priorities.	The proposals do not include any plans to close schools.
4891	No Response	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Teaching jobs should be safeguarded.	Education Services (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	The Pupil/Teacher ratio will be maintained.
4892	No Response	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Teaching jobs should be safeguarded.	Education Services (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	The maintenance of the pupil/teacher ratio has resulted in teaching jobs being safeguarded.
4893	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Several schools do not have a permanent management team with several acting roles. Head teachers need to be appointed & quickly to ensure this new scheme will work. There is a lot of head teacher movements within West Lothian and secondments which cannot be good on schools and their planning.	Education Services (general)	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
4894	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	I do not know enough about this to add comment.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
4895	An employee of West Lothian Council	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	I don't feel I know enough about DSM to comment.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
4896	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	This is pure waffle. Say what you really mean and stop dressing it up in management speak. This is meaningless. Using phrases like 'need to review' and 'believes changes can be made' and 'maximise efficiency' without specifically setting out your real intentions is dishonest.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
4897	No Response	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	No comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
4898	An employee of West Lothian Council	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	No comment - I do not have enough information regarding this.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
4899	An employee of West Lothian Council	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Again, vague - what is the perceived impact?	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
4900	An employee of West Lothian Council	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	I have no comment to make on this.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
4901	No Response	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Too vague to comment on	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
4902	No Response	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	No comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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4903	An employee of West Lothian Council	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	NO idea what the above means, other than it is a lot of jargon!	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
4904	No Response	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	I do not have any children, so do not have any opinions on this.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
4905	An employee of West Lothian Council	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	don't know enough about this area to comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
4906	No Response	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	It would be difficult not to agree with the statement above, however there is insufficient detail to allow me to comment specifically.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
4907	An employee of West Lothian Council	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Unable to answer	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
4908	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	as above	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
4909	No Response	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Can't Comment don't know current system	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
4910	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	I have no comment to make	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
4911	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Another review and waste of money there seems to be a theme going on here	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
4912	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	?	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
4913	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	N/A	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
4914	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	No comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
4915	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	No comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
4916	An employee of West Lothian Council	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	N/A	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
4917	An employee of West Lothian Council	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	No comment.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
4918	An employee of West Lothian Council	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
4919	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	I have somewhat less support of this	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
4920	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Again this is very nonspecific. Numbers and impact would be required to comment properly.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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4921	No Response	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	I refer to my previous comment.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
4922	An employee of West Lothian Council	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	I can't. the statement above doesn't mean anything, design and restructure means cuts. of course cuts means saving money but whether its the right thing to do is another matter.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
4923	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	would like to know more	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
4924	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	How might this be done, what are the advantages and disadvantages of such an approach?	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
4925	No Response	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	No comment to make.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
4926	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	unable to comment on this topic	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
4927	No Response	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	I think this impossible to comment on without knowing what changes the council believes can maximise efficiency	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
4928	An employee of West Lothian Council	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Not enough information provided to comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
4929	An employee of West Lothian Council	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	I don't know enough about this area to feel able to comment.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
4930	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	No comments as I have no contact with the current education system	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
4931	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	I don't understand budgeting advantages and restraints enough to comment.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
4932	No Response	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	I would need to see what this looks like before commenting further.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
4933	No Response	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	I have no comment on DSM as again, I can see no description of what this actually is or how it will affect the delivery of education within West Lothian.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
4934	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	I have no idea what this means. Please explain better.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
4935	An employee of West Lothian Council	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	i dont not know wat this means	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
4936	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	I do not fully understand what this means and can not understand this statement.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
4937	No Response	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Would like to understand more about this proposal	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
4938	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Not sure what this means, or what it's effect would be.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
4939	An employee of West Lothian Council	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	No idea if this is good or bad as I have no children in the school system.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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4940	No Response	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Together with 1b this represents an area where major savings can be made by re-aligning relationships with schools	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
4941	No Response	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	This is jargon and doesn't actually provide any information as to how the council intends on shifting resources, I doubt many of our residents will understand the implications of what you have attempted to propose in the most convoluted fashion possible.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
4942	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Isn't this the same question as above?	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
4943	An employee of West Lothian Council	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	No opinion on this	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
4944	An employee of West Lothian Council	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Don't have enough knowledge in this area to comment.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
4945	An employee of West Lothian Council	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Again not sure what this means	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
4946	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
4947	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	N/A	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
4948	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	I don't know enough about this to comment.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
4949	An employee of West Lothian Council	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
4950	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	No comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
4951	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	No comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
4952	An employee of West Lothian Council	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	No comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
4953	No Response	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	no comments.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
4954	An employee of West Lothian Council	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Without more specific detail it is difficult to pass meaningful comment.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
4955	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Stop spending money on inferior Forth Bridges when there's already one there, unfinished tram systems in Edinburgh and the huge amount of money which gets spent on the Edinburgh Festival, which is all geared towards tourism.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
4956	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	This is all 'just words' Who are these third party providers who will be 'more efficient'?	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
4957	No Response	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	cannot comment on this as I do not know what you are referring to.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
4958	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Not my area of expertise	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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4959	An employee of West Lothian Council	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	No comment as have no kids at school	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
4960	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	This is not nearly specific enough to enable comment: it's an aspiration, with no statement of what the council is proposing to do, not what the actual outcomes might be.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
4961	An employee of West Lothian Council	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	More detail required. This is very vague.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
4962	An employee of West Lothian Council	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	I don't really understand what this change would be/look like in reality. Being efficient and using existing resources is very important, so that sounds positive. But as to what this would actually mean for people's jobs etc it's not clear what the realistic implications of this would be.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
4963	An employee of West Lothian Council	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management		No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
4964	No Response	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	hhhh	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
4965	An employee of West Lothian Council	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Not able to comment on the above - as previous response.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
4966	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	As 1b.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
4967	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	nil	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
4968	No Response	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Unable to comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
4969	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	No Comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
4970	An employee of West Lothian Council	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	No comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
4971	An employee of West Lothian Council	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Don't know enough about this to comment.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
4972	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	-	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
4973	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Unsure.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
4974	No Response	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	No comment.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
4975	An employee of West Lothian Council	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	No comments	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
4976	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	No comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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4977	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	I have a university degree, but make little sense of the above statement. Plain language, please.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
4978	An employee of West Lothian Council	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	No comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
4979	An employee of West Lothian Council	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	NA	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
4980	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	eh ?	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
4981	An employee of West Lothian Council	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	dwwq	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
4982	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Surveys of this length are shocking and a waste of money. Too much jargon is used and people lose the will to live. It also shows a complete disrespect for peoples time. How much money was wasted on contractors creating this survey! Small surveys with clear detail would imprive response rates or was it that the council has already decided and dont really want ti hear people's views.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
4983	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Donâ€™t understand the detail of what this is saying?	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
4984	No Response	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Your description above does not give actual details as to what you plan on doing therefore it is impossible for me to comment.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
4985	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	see above	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
4986	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Again, hard to comment without further details of proposed changes.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
4987	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	From personal experience there is already are already management models where HT are managing more than one establishment. What the Council should be asking is 'how effective is this practice' and 'what impact is this having on already pushed to the limit staff members'? Are employees ever considered / valued as individuals or blocked together as a budget number? The above statement is very generic and again does not reflect sufficient information to make informed choices.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
4988	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	No comments as I do not have children	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
4989	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Do not know enough to comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
4990	No Response	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	See Comments Above	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
4991	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	No comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
4992	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Availability of child psychology services ?	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
4993	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	No comment as I have little knowledge of how the education system works.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
4994	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	No comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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4995	No Response	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Can't Comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
4996	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	More detail required.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
4997	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	No comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
4998	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
4999	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	No comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
5000	An employee of West Lothian Council	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	No comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
5001	An employee of West Lothian Council	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	No comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
5002	No Response	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	N/a	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
5003	No Response	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Third party = private companies.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
5004	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Again, so little detail is impossible to comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
5005	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Nc	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
5006	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Not enough information here to comment. But I do know that conducting a review takes time, resource, and costs money. Why constantly change things?	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
5007	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	I'm not sure that I understand this one but would be wary of 'third party service providers' in relation to schools.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
5008	No Response	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	I do not know enough about this to comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
5009	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	No comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
5010	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	No comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
5011	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	No comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
5012	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Cannot comment on the above as the statements are totally ambiguous with no process to measure the success or otherwise of the proposed reorganisation (apart from saving money).	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
5013	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	This is not particularly clear.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
5014	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	No comment until review findings are released.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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5015	No Response	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	i really dont understand this position as the big words should have been made easier for the more vulnerable. the council believe in plan english but don't practice what they preach when publishing documents such as this which are really important to everyone	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
5016	No Response	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	That's a lot of words to say nothing at all. There are no details to allow anyone to judge how the money is being saved and what the consequences of the changes will be or even what is being changed and how.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
5017	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	I don't know enough about the plans. The above description is vague	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
5018	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	No comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
5019	An employee of West Lothian Council	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	No comments	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
5020	An employee of West Lothian Council	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	NO COMMENT	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
5021	No Response	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Answer questions right right person, right answer right time	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
5022	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Before commenting on this, more detailed information would be required in relation to specific proposals.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
5023	No Response	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Not sure what this means?	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
5024	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Insufficient details to make an informed comment. Impact? No support	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
5025	No Response	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
5026	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	No comment, apart from the above comment regarding teacher's workload.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
5027	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Open to question	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
5028	An employee of West Lothian Council	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Sounds good in theory but no practical evidence is given to support this action.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
5029	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	The text is so opaque as to be meaningless.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
5030	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	As above	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
5031	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Will be interesting to see if this actually does result in the outcomes detailed above.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
5032	No Response	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	n/a to myself have no comments on this.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
5033	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	No comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
5034	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	No comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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5035	An employee of West Lothian Council	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	N-a	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
5036	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Don't know anything about this I would need more information.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
5037	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	I could not possibly comment without seeing the revised funding model	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
5038	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Am not knowledgeable enough in this area to make a comment.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
5039	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Not enough detail of proposals in order to comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
5040	No Response	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	This again sounds like the right things to be looking at but the generic wording makes it very difficult to comment meaningfully. My previous comments about efficiency improvements being the <u>bau day job</u> apply here.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
5041	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Didn't even understand what that all meant. Put it in simple english. Basically any cuts to education are wrong.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
5042	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	This proposal is very woolly and doesn't actually give enough detail to be able to comment.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
5043	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Again it is unclear precisely what is being proposed here.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
5044	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Local knowledge is essential	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
5045	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	As I have no experience in this area I cannot properly comment.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
5046	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	I don't feel I am qualified enough to comment on this.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
5047	No Response	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Leave the schools alone hopefully the kids at school will one day take your jobs and do it better	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
5048	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	no comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
5049	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	No comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
5050	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Eh?	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
5051	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Not qualified to comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
5052	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	1c to answer this question is frustrating as it not speaking to the public or less informed who do not operate in such environments. I can not answer this question due the lack of detail and understand the proposed system devolved school management.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
5053	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	I do not know enough about this to offer an opinion.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
5054	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Has no effect on me	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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5055	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	We do not believe we have the knowledge or experience of this area to be able to make an informed comment on it.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
5056	No Response	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	What is this revised DSM funding model? Too little information again.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
5057	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	As above needs not to affect pupils either	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
5058	An employee of West Lothian Council	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	The council have not provided enough indepth information for me to make an informed comment on this, as all information about this whole consultation is more secret that area 51.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
5059	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Hard to know what this will look like without further detail.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
5060	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	As 1b.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
5061	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	We are not informed enough to make a valuable contribution to this proposal.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
5062	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	As above	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
5063	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	No comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
5064	An employee of West Lothian Council	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	I don't have children	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
5065	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Sorry can't comment here	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
5066	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Know idea what that means	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
5067	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Know idea	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
5068	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	No idea what a devolved school is	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
5069	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Council should make questions simpler. If they want people to understand them and answer accordingly.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
5070	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	I don't actually know what this means so I am not commenting.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
5071	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	You are not actually saying what you will do or change so I can't comment on it!	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
5072	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	unable to comment as not in plain english	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
5073	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Again sounds like duplication of costs	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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5074	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	More information required.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
5075	No Response	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	n.a	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
5076	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Unsure	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
5077	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	No comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
5078	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	no comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
5079	An employee of West Lothian Council	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	no comments	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
5080	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	I don't know anything about this subject. Â£3.6M seems a lot to save!	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
5081	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Insufficient information provided above & no personal knowledge to comment on this.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
5082	An employee of West Lothian Council	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	No comment.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
5083	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	No comment.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
5084	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	I think it should be dealt with from nursery. Teach children the rights and wrongs about life. Teach them to get good qualifications, explaining why this is important. It's all about education, education, educating people and the rest will follow. Get the young into apprenticeships. Keep the young busy all day and then won't be up all night causing havoc. If the young are in work they'll be paying their way which will help the old people. Circle of life. Educate the young in all aspects of life not just english, maths ect. What life is about is you have little money coming in - people on small incomes. Education is the way forward. Teach about drugs. Teach about poverty. Teach about helping society ect.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
5085	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Could I also ask for absolute honesty in education, no obstruction. Do not ask teachers to make exam results the be-all-and-end-all with unhelpful targets diluting the true value of education. Ensure that all headteachers are visible presences, dynamic but not dictatorial. No cyphers please.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
5086	An employee of West Lothian Council	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	see above plus ensuring that third party provision provides the same quality of service	Revised funding for schools (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council will only use third party provision where there are quality and or cost benefits.
5087	An employee of West Lothian Council	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Again, work replication should be reduced.	Revised funding for schools (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
5088	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Concern as some schools appear to have greater budgets than others	Revised funding for schools (general)	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	School budgets are set according to the factors contained in the Scheme of Devolved School Management.
5089	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Give schools control over their budgets.	Revised funding for schools (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Headteachers are expected to exercise a high degree of autonomy, and increases are anticipated as part of the national governance review.
5090	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Schools are already struggling with the budgets they have.	Revised funding for schools (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council must look at opportunities for efficiency and service transformation in all areas of its responsibility.

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5091	An employee of West Lothian Council	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Again if this is about job losses you need to make sure that you have people who actually get the job done not just sit making changes for the sake of looking busy.	Revised funding for schools (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	The council is proposing a transformation in the way it provides services, and to the services it provides, as this is necessary to meet the gap between funding and costs.
5092	An employee of West Lothian Council	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Third party involvement in how education is not cost effective and has not ensured educational standards have been improved or at the very least maintained.	Revised funding for schools (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	In general third party providers are used where this is more efficient or provides a higher quality service than can be provided in house, or in some cases where specialist experience is not available in house.
5093	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	I can't comment on this really, only to repeat, less resources means less service provision.	Revised funding for schools (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	The Council intends to implement the proposals whilst focusing on key priorities for pupils, parents/carers and staff.
5094	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	I would also like to see schools looking for ways to increase or generate an income to support the schools budgets: Hiring out of halls. School fund raising days.. (I am sure that in some schools parents would be happy to part fund/ support their child/rens education, I.e a part private/ public schooling system... just a thought!!	Revised funding for schools (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Opportunities for fundraising are often pursued by parent councils, and should be encouraged.
5095	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	however the funding streams have to be agreed and each school should be on an equal footing with the other. How does WLC intend to achieve this when we have several schools in dire need of investment & renovation as opposed to those such as West Calder High which has had millions of recent investment to bring it up to date with an entirely new build?	Revised funding for schools (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	School buildings are assessed and prioritised in terms of need with investment programmed into the council's capital programme. West Lothian Council has one of the highest quality school estates in Scotland, as measured by the Scottish Government.
5096	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Don't agree with involvement of 3rd party providers, this is the road to privatisation which we all know is a disaster.	Revised funding for schools (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	In general third party providers are used where this is more efficient or provides a higher quality service than can be provided in house, or in some cases where specialist experience is not available in house.
5097	No Response	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Use of third party providers can be cost effected providing the council has a robust specification in place and third parties are managed.	Revised funding for schools (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	This comment reflects the intention of the proposals.
5098	An employee of West Lothian Council	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	The money for schools such as PEF is ring fenced for those pupils on free school meals, attempts to use this as an excuse to cut money to schools is probably illegal.	Revised funding for schools (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	The Council is following, and will continue to follow appropriate national guidance.
5099	No Response	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	If by third party provider you mean an external agency then I don't agree. This could be done in house cheaper and with people who are much more aware of current situation	Revised funding for schools (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	There is no plan for large scale outsourcing of education functions.
5100	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Agree in principle but not a review by a third party. This is expensive and should be carried out by the council or potential a different council for impartiality.	Revised funding for schools (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The review will be undertaken by Council staff as part of their normal duties, at no additional cost.
5101	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	It is essential that any review of services is carried out by appropriate parties with an overview that isn't just financial but understand the impact on the frontline.	Revised funding for schools (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	The review will be undertaken by Council staff as part of their normal duties, at no additional cost.
5102	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	I do not feel this would beneficial at all. All education needs promoted and not cut to have a better outcome in the future for individuals to live and be able to work in the future and also to be able to change the future with good early education.	Revised funding for schools (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
5103	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Cuts should not be made at the "chalk face". The lack of text books in schools is already a major cause for concern.	Revised funding for schools (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council has put forward proposals that cover the entire range of its activities.
5104	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	I'm not entirely sure how you propose to squeeze any extra money from the education budget	Revised funding for schools (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council has put forward proposals that cover the entire range of its activities.
5105	No Response	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Provide financial & support structures to Headteachers to provide the service we need.	Revised funding for schools (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council has made proposals across the whole range of its activities, including Education. A reduced funding settlement for local government results in less resources, not more, available from local government for schools.

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5106	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	We do not have enough information or detail relating to this saving to make an informed opinion. Has an equality impact assessment been completed for this saving. The council have not made each of the proposals very clear and no specifics, savings appear to be estimated, what is the clear background information relating to each saving, what are the staff/employee implications as well as the implications for service users and the community	Revised funding for schools (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
5107	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	So many people can barely afford the council tax and rent right now. Why not cut down on luxury items like councillors and those in higher money positions.	Revised funding for schools (general)	5a. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because the council is required by law to deliver this work.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
5108	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Any cuts in this regard should only happen if education and childcare are at least supported as much as at present, or ideally more so.	Revised funding for schools (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
5109	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	This sounds more like a threat to service provision. My experience is that there is a shortage of teachers at both primary and secondary level. I am concerned that this is a threat to my children's educational attainment.	Revised funding for schools (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	National class size limits will be adhered to, and the pupil/teacher ratio maintained as required.
5110	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Each school needs to have stable management at the school. This is integral to the greater aims of the council regarding early years intervention and pursuing positive outcomes after school for children. There are so many 'acting' roles within West Lothian education that it seems an unnecessary temporary state for many staff.	Revised funding for schools (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	The Council seeks to have stable management wherever possible, but also recognised the organisational benefit of appropriate secondments. Arrangements to cover maternity and sickness are of necessity temporary.
5111	An employee of West Lothian Council	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Staffing ratios should be protected to ensure the delivery of high quality teaching and learning for all learners.	Revised funding for schools (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	National class size limits will be adhered to, and the pupil/teacher ratio maintained as required.
5112	No Response	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	This impact on the council's provision and is not enough to provide the quality public services required. Concern that this will have an impact on school's ability to support learning and teaching without increasingly the unrealistic demands on class teachers and enable pupils reach their potential.	Revised funding for schools (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposals to rationalise central support to schools seek to balance the important contribution of professional, support and managerial staff, all of whom make an important contribution to the service. They recognise the increased autonomy to be given to headteachers, who will have the ability to prioritise budgets to meet the individual needs of their school. National class size limits will be adhered to, and the pupil/teacher ratio maintained as required.
5113	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	I see this could prove beneficial, I believe the size of school & context should also be given consideration. Working in a school with over 700 pupils, over 50 staff & having no BSM available is extremely challenging (the position is currently a vacancy). In times where there is a national shortage of teachers, leaders in schools are already filling that absence gap on top of their increasing remits giving them less & less time to focus on the expectations of competing demands such as HR, responsible person duties, learning & teaching, curriculum, raising attainment etc. We must try to get a careful balance if this is to have a positive impact without creating a negative one on staff & pupils.	Revised funding for schools (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
5114	No Response	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Support staff in school are a vital part of any school if you are getting it right for every child.	Revised funding for schools (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposals to rationalise central support to schools seek to balance the important contribution of professional, support and managerial staff, all of whom make an important contribution to the service. They recognise the increased autonomy to be given to headteachers, who will have the ability to prioritise budgets to meet the individual needs of their school. National class size limits will be adhered to, and the pupil/teacher ratio maintained as required.
5115	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Our schools are already struggling to deliver good results for the children, any change to this must be made to empower our educators rather than cut funding to make their job harder	Revised funding for schools (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposals to rationalise central support to schools seek to balance the important contribution of professional, support and managerial staff, all of whom make an important contribution to the service. They recognise the increased autonomy to be given to headteachers, who will have the ability to prioritise budgets to meet the individual needs of their school. National class size limits will be adhered to, and the pupil/teacher ratio maintained as required.

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5116	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Stop changing things for the sake of change and let the teachers and other staff get on with the job of teaching. Not more money wasted on consultants who don't hang around to see the consequences of their actions. Sounds like you are outsourcing which will come back and bite you.	Revised funding for schools (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council will only consider outsourcing where this would bring efficiency or effectiveness benefits, but the proposals do not include large scale outsourcing of education services.
5117	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	As noted in my comments above, as long as it is not detrimental to the education of our children. Can you guarantee that?	Revised funding for schools (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. This is the intention of the proposals.
5118	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Please see my response to 1b. - I do not currently have a personal stake in education services and feel unable to comment on how things may be improved. Educational attainment is key in addressing inequalities and other social issues and I do not support	Revised funding for schools (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
5119	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Again a good idea if managed correctly and if it does not result in too many redundancies.	Revised funding for schools (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
5120	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Has an equality impact assessment been carried out for each of the budget proposals? It is essential that this is done at the earliest opportunity in order to assess what the impact will be on those in the protected characteristics groups and those already experiencing disadvantage.	Revised funding for schools (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Equality relevance and impact assessments are being carried out as the proposals progress.
5121	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Hear, hear. Oh no. Look. What is the purpose of this little exercise and how do we assess our success? Savings. Now, no one says that we don't need to make savings. No one says we don't have the money to deliver an excellent service. But it's looking pretty obvious that we are window dressing. And for how many years has this been happening? And for how many years will this continue? Scary stuff.	Revised funding for schools (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
5122	No Response	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	As above - Agree however council needs to ensure consistency of delivery across all schools. Not to detriment of children with autism special needs.	Revised funding for schools (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The proposals to rationalise central support to schools seek to balance the important contribution of professional, support and managerial staff, all of whom make an important contribution to the service. They recognise the increased autonomy to be given to headteachers, who will have the ability to prioritise budgets to meet the individual needs of their school.
5123	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	As above the council probably made a hash of the original set up so review would be long overdue.	Revised funding for schools (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
5124	An employee of West Lothian Council	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	The Scottish Government are forcing this agenda. I think the council should be giving less central resource to schools if the government are giving them money direct. I also think that the protection of schools in the past is wrong - are we saying that schools are fully efficient and no savings can be made? Appreciate this will be hard to deliver due to the PTR (which is not how we should focus on attainment - surely it should be outcomes rather than inputs). I think we need to continue to lobby the Scottish Government on the PTR.	Revised funding for schools (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The Council will continue to discuss the impact of PTR with the Scottish Government. The Scottish Government has issued clear guidance that the additional funding that it has provided is not intended to replace activities currently being undertaken.
5125	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Again given the shortage of teachers etc. how can you have efficient management .support staff etc by cutting funding	Revised funding for schools (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Teachers are employed according to national conditions of service setting out their duties. Their work is directed by Headteachers within the confines of these conditions and their working time agreement.
5126	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Any decision should involve the management and teaching staff in the schools.	Revised funding for schools (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	Staff have the opportunity to respond to this consultation, and implementation of any agreed proposals will conform to the normal consultative and collaborative structures in the Council and schools.
5127	No Response	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	This is also fine as long as all pupils still get their teaching needs met to enable them to perform to their maximum ability.	Revised funding for schools (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Any proposal that the council progresses will continue to meet the needs of parents and pupils.

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5128	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Can details of this plan be published for interested parties to view electronically and/or hardcopy? If there is a reduction of staff does that mean the roles and responsibilities carried out by those people are no longer needed by the schools? If it means more responsibilities by existing staff how will their currently workload be managed and so on? Who are the third party providers referred to in 1c? Maximise technology where possible is ideal, where is it tried and tested and is 'off the shelf' with known upgrade paths.	Revised funding for schools (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposals seek to strike an appropriate balance between front line, management and support functions, all of which play an important role in the service. The Council will consider outsourcing where it cannot provide a service itself, or where there are clear quality or efficiency benefits, but the proposals are not for large scale outsourcing of school provision. The Council has invested in the appropriate use of technology including administrative and educational systems with a focus on national systems which benefit from a high level of support and development.
5129	No Response	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Again makes sense with suitable safeguards and independent complaints procedures, so long as is suggested that there is no change in service provision.	Revised funding for schools (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. An appropriate complaints procedure will be maintained.
5130	No Response	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	School have had teacher levels imposed from government level a new funding model needs to be found	Revised funding for schools (general)	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	Meeting pupil teacher ratio is a condition of funding.
5131	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Why do you only aim to achieve such small saving of £2.5M - I think the savings should be considerable more as presumable Schools' budgets are way much bigger plus don't schools get extra funding from Scot Gov?	Revised funding for schools (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The Council has produces proposals balancing savings across all of its activities.
5132	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	I agree with this proposal. Education budgets cannot continue to be immune from budget cuts if the Scottish Government continue to cut council's funding	Revised funding for schools (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has put forward proposals relating to all areas of its activity.
5133	No Response	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	More should be done to encourage those who contribute to make regular school donations. Certain activities should be organised regionally to save costs. More volunteers should be employed to help at schools. Pupils should be expected to remain throughout the school day and not leave for lunch. The weekly half day should be scrapped.	Revised funding for schools (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Officers will consider whether these proposals could contribute to budget savings,, and how they could be implemented.
5134	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Can West Lothian Council complete the funding model review rather than a third party whom WLC would need to pay a fee to?	Revised funding for schools (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	The review will be undertaken in house by Council staff as part of their regular duties.
5135	An employee of West Lothian Council	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Scotland's education system is already struggling with teacher shortages and pupils attainment levels low, this could only deteriorate with the expansion of IT and staffing cuts.	Revised funding for schools (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposals seek to strike an appropriate balance between front line, support and management staff, all of whom perform an important function within the service, within available resources.
5136	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	I would like to see more information on what this would mean in practice, but in principle would support this. Any third party provider would need to meet security requirements and go through a competitive tender exercise to clearly demonstrate any savings over delivering those services in-house.	Revised funding for schools (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council will only use third party provision where there are quality and or cost benefits.
5137	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	i have grandchildren at school and i feel they deserve a better education	Revised funding for schools (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The quality of education in West Lothian has improved, as recognised by HMIE and Audit Scotland.
5138	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Certainly review structures but do not cut services where there is a detrimental effect on the pupils.	Revised funding for schools (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The proposals seek to strike an appropriate balance between front line, support and management staff, all of whom perform an important function within the service, within available resources.
5139	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	As 1A - Excellent if all of the above are carried out. However on current personally experienced performance it will take a huge effort to even provide an improvement. Further why has the " efficiency and effectiveness" not been applied to current procedures. No real criteria to be reach is actually stated and the starting point for these " efficiency and effectiveness" upgrade to services is not evident. Vagueness in targets to achieve . How will residents know when this is achieved?	Revised funding for schools (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Residents will know this is achieved when agreed savings are made and the revised DSM scheme in place.
5140	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Use resources to maximum effect. Cut out duplication and waste	Revised funding for schools (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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5141	An employee of West Lothian Council	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	As long as the Council can make the savings without impacting on the service then I agree with the proposal.	Revised funding for schools (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The intention is to introduce change without damaging educational outcomes.
5142	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Again should not result in job loses.	Revised funding for schools (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
5143	No Response	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Sounds like staff reductions. This is not good.	Revised funding for schools (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
5144	No Response	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	As long as the reviews do not mean job cuts and that school share resource as this does not work kids end up missing out in vital information.	Revised funding for schools (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
5145	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Not very good pupils would suffer	Revised funding for schools (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
5146	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Given the scale of cost here it is essential that this is reviewed and efficiencies sought. Priority should be given to retaining those resources that have the greatest positive impact on the learners and successful outcomes for them.	Revised funding for schools (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
5147	An employee of West Lothian Council	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	On paper itâ€™s seems easy to do away with staff but services will suffer and can lead to more money being spent just to make it look on paper than savings are being made. There is waste but it has to be made sure that itâ€™s essential for staff be reduced and not then expect people left doing double the work	Revised funding for schools (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
5148	No Response	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Sounds reasonable as long as there is sufficient staff where most needed.	Revised funding for schools (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
5149	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	revised staffing models(presuming this means less staff) at a time of increased pressure is a dangerous approach.	Revised funding for schools (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposals to rationalise central support to schools seek to balance the important contribution of professional, support and managerial staff, all of whom make an important contribution to the service. They recognise the increased autonomy to be given to headteachers, who will have the ability to prioritise budgets to meet the individual needs of their school.
5150	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	This is a dreadful proposal. Schools can barely support the children they have. If any school management are removed then who will do their work? No head teacher or deputy head sits idle, or are doing work that doesn't need doing. They provide fantastic education and opportunities for all children. Support staff help children who cannot cope alone in mainstream education. The policy of integrating children with additional support needs means that more, not less support staff are probably needed.	Revised funding for schools (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposals to rationalise central support to schools seek to balance the important contribution of professional, support and managerial staff, all of whom make an important contribution to the service. They recognise the increased autonomy to be given to headteachers, who will have the ability to prioritise budgets to meet the individual needs of their school.
5151	An employee of West Lothian Council	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	NO TEACHING STAFF SHOULD BE CUT.	Revised funding for schools (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The pupil teacher ratio will be maintained.
5152	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Make sure that the third party providers are experienced in the field, otherwise this would save nothing and prove to be more expensive, in the long run.	Revised funding for schools (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council will only consider outsourcing where this would bring efficiency or effectiveness benefits, but the proposals do not include large scale outsourcing of education services.
5153	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	May have merit. What do teachers think?	Revised funding for schools (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
5154	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	How can you protect services by having them delivered by a third party?	Revised funding for schools (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council will only consider outsourcing where this would bring efficiency or effectiveness benefits, but the proposals do not include large scale outsourcing of education services.

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5155	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Is this revised staffing in running schools or staffing levels in working with children? Positions that must not be affected include all classroom support assistants, all janitorial and cleaning staff. Janitors should be on site throughout school opening times.	Revised funding for schools (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposals to rationalise central support to schools seek to balance the important contribution of professional, support and managerial staff, all of whom make an important contribution to the service. They recognise the increased autonomy to be given to headteachers, who will have the ability to prioritise budgets to meet the individual needs of their school.
5156	No Response	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Caution! When you embark upon a review, with an open mind, you may discover that there are deficiencies in your provision and that you will have to employ more people! However if the required result is to cut numbers, then you will. Of course regarding third party provision, you only get what you pay for. Less, if the contractor can get away with it, especially if the support staff from sections 1 a and b have already been made redundant.	Revised funding for schools (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council will only consider outsourcing where this would bring efficiency or effectiveness benefits, but the proposals do not include large scale outsourcing of education services.
5157	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	I hope these savings will not be detrimental to students, and that 'changes can be made in management restructures and support arrangements,	Revised staffing models for schools - Admin, Management & Support Staff	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	The council is committed to implementing agreed proposals without detriment to pupils
5158	An employee of West Lothian Council	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	From my personal experience of school I believe support and admin services have been reviewed and efficiency maximised already, I do not think there are savings to be made in this area without causing a detrimental effect to those school pupils that most need support	Revised staffing models for schools - Admin, Management & Support Staff	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council is committed to implementing agreed proposals without detriment to pupils
5159	An employee of West Lothian Council	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	However, 'revised staffing models' causes me concern. What does this actually mean? Staff seem already stretched at schools - in my children's school, children had to teach themselves an Advanced Higher which had disastrous consequences for the future of many of those young people!!! this would not help to raise attainment!	Revised staffing models for schools - Admin, Management & Support Staff	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council is committed to implementing agreed proposals without detriment to pupils
5160	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	I have always been of the opinion that a good manager would know the area they are managing, so if schools are run by people who have worked in the profession and also have a qualification in management then this can be a good thing.	Revised staffing models for schools - Admin, Management & Support Staff	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
5161	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	it depends what you mean by revised staffing the teaching staff have a big enough work load	Revised staffing models for schools - Admin, Management & Support Staff	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council is committed to implementing agreed proposals without detriment to pupils
5162	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	I agree with changes to management restructure theres always 2 many chiefs not enough indians	Revised staffing models for schools - Admin, Management & Support Staff	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council is committed to implementing agreed proposals without detriment to pupils
5163	No Response	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Agree that this is a good idea. Schools do need to be looked at in a large scale to see whether things can be re-structured.	Revised staffing models for schools - Admin, Management & Support Staff	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
5164	An employee of West Lothian Council	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Let teachers teach and centralize support services.	Revised staffing models for schools - Admin, Management & Support Staff	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council is committed to implementing agreed proposals without detriment to pupils
5165	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	"Too many chiefs and not enough indians" is routed throughout the council and concentration needs to be on those that actually provide the service and less on the overseers.	Revised staffing models for schools - Admin, Management & Support Staff	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All staff in West Lothian schools are employed to make an appropriate contribution to the delivery of curriculum for excellence, as directed by their headteacher, within the confines of national conditions and their working time agreement. The clear national direction of travel is for greater responsibility and accountability to be placed on individual schools, and therefore their management teams.
5166	An employee of West Lothian Council	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	hopefully this is not aimed solely at mid level management who are already often doubling up their workload	Revised staffing models for schools - Admin, Management & Support Staff	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Staff in West Lothian schools are employed to deliver curriculum for excellence, as directed by their headteacher, within the confines of national conditions and their working time agreement. The clear national direction of travel is for greater responsibility and accountability to be placed on individual schools, and therefore their management teams.

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5167	No Response	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Support workers in schools are vital to the smooth running of the school and support of the pupils. Cutting back on this essential service is more likely to increase the attainment gap and not support our children and young people in the way they need.	Revised staffing models for schools - Admin, Management & Support Staff	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Non-teaching staff are employed to undertake important roles within schools, and are valued by their teaching colleagues, including senior management. The Scottish Government has made maintaining the Pupil/Teacher ratio a condition of funding, and so the council and schools are compelled to focus on the employment of teachers where, in some cases, they may prefer to increase non-teaching staff in preference to this.
5168	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	there needs to be more learning support teachers instead of teaching assistants, my daughter done a cem test recently and due to her dyslexia that has still to be diagnosed despite a two year battle with the school, she never knew how to the test.	Revised staffing models for schools - Admin, Management & Support Staff	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Non-teaching staff are employed to undertake important roles within schools, and are valued by their teaching colleagues, including senior management. The Scottish Government has made maintaining the Pupil/Teacher ratio a condition of funding, and so the council and schools are compelled to focus on the employment of teachers where, in some cases, they may prefer to increase non-teaching staff in preference to this.
5169	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Supported as long as no compulsory redundancies or outsourcing	Revised staffing models for schools - Admin, Management & Support Staff	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	In general third party providers are used where this is more efficient or provides a higher quality service than can be provided in house, or in some cases where specialist experience is not available in house. The proposals do not alter this.
5170	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	reduce the numbers of head teachers, they can rotate around the schools.	Revised staffing models for schools - Admin, Management & Support Staff	4. The council is already doing this.	The council already has a number of small schools which share a headteacher. Opportunities to implement this arrangement will be kept under review.
5171	No Response	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Yet again people who have worked hard over there careers are being pushed out of roles they have worked to achieve while cuts are avoided in less obvious areas	Revised staffing models for schools - Admin, Management & Support Staff	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
5172	No Response	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	With the amount of new homes in the area and the family sizes increasing (through benefit funding in my opinion if they had to pay for them they wouldn't have them trust me I have one and struggle with 2 full time wages yet benefit scroungers can have 5+ don't make me laugh) The school classes getting bigger etc will this service not struggle to deal with the demand If cuts are made to staff etc.	Revised staffing models for schools - Admin, Management & Support Staff	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposal is to consolidate staff into one team so that sufficient resources will be available at peak times to support pupil placement.
5173	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	The description has a lot of words, but actually says very little. I grasp that the intention is to try to use the already under resourced existing supplies and staff to try to deliver more. Teachers are already working far beyond the hours they are paid for. Pushing them to deliver more with less is likely to become detrimental to the pupils who are unlikely to receive the education they deserve, at no fault of the teachers who are expected to be miracle workers	Revised staffing models for schools - Admin, Management & Support Staff	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Teachers in West Lothian are employed to deliver curriculum for excellence, as directed by their headteacher, within the confines of national conditions and their working time agreement.
5174	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	As above, more cuts equals stressed teachers who will leave. A revised management model is leaving less of an incentive for teaching staff to develop their career within West Lothian.	Revised staffing models for schools - Admin, Management & Support Staff	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Headteachers are expected to exercise a high degree of autonomy, and increases are anticipated as part of the national governance review. Teachers work to national conditions of service, performing the same duties in each local authority. In light of the national financial situation, other councils are also considering programmes of transformation, some more severe than that proposed by West Lothian.
5175	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	support where its needed is important - less red tape of management would be preferable	Revised staffing models for schools - Admin, Management & Support Staff	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	The proposals are designed to increase efficiency.
5176	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	I would like more information about the how the staffing models would be revised and the impact that this would have on delivering a high quality education service which meets the requirements if the National Improvement Framework.	Revised staffing models for schools - Admin, Management & Support Staff	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	The Council intends to implement the proposals whilst focusing on key priorities for pupils, parents/carers and staff. Raising Attainment will remain one of the key strategic objectives of the Council.
5177	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	I have no clue what the result of this will actually mean! If changes can be made to management structures then why has that not already been done - surely you don't have to wait for a consultation to be as efficient as you can be?	Revised staffing models for schools - Admin, Management & Support Staff	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	The proposals are designed to increase efficiency.

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5178	An employee of West Lothian Council	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	I think any review in this area would help cut out duplication and a top heavy management structure which can only be a good thing. As per the point raised in question 1a, any streamlining of management and administration will be a worthwhile venture.	Revised staffing models for schools - Admin, Management & Support Staff	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
5179	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	A streamlined model, with shared resources could help deliver some savings	Revised staffing models for schools - Admin, Management & Support Staff	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The new Regional Improvement Collaborative present a new opportunity for delivering shared services.
5180	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Support proposal to centralise and amalgamate services as is seen in all industries to manage costs and savings.	Revised staffing models for schools - Admin, Management & Support Staff	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
5181	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	It would also be good to get life experienced class room assistants to support teachers (not replace them... support them)..	Revised staffing models for schools - Admin, Management & Support Staff	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Staffing ratios set by statute or national agreement will be maintained. The Scottish Government has made maintaining the Pupil/Teacher ratio a condition of funding, and so the council and schools are compelled to focus on the employment of teachers where, in some cases, they may prefer to increase non-teaching staff in preference to this.
5182	No Response	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Constantly reducing staffing levels leads to decrease in achievements	Revised staffing models for schools - Admin, Management & Support Staff	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council intends to implement the proposals whilst focusing on key priorities for pupils, parents/carers and staff. It is not possible to quantify job losses, or reductions in hours, as the Scheme of Devolved Management gives Headteachers considerable freedom to spend their total budget according to the priorities within their school.
5183	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	I take it that "revised staffing models" means "reduced staffing models".	Revised staffing models for schools - Admin, Management & Support Staff	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	It is not possible to quantify job losses, or reductions in hours, as the Scheme of Devolved Management gives Headteachers considerable freedom to spend their total budget according to the priorities within their school.
5184	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	As with 1a, reduction in back office will impact the front line service and continually putting more work on fewer staff is ultimately counterproductive. Technology can help but systems need to be well designed and hardware of sufficient quantity and capability needs to be provided.	Revised staffing models for schools - Admin, Management & Support Staff	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council intends to implement the proposals whilst still delivering key priorities for pupils, parents/carers and staff.
5185	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	you need to make sure the heads actually are efficient to be able to do this - a lot have been teachers and are not capable managers	Revised staffing models for schools - Admin, Management & Support Staff	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Headteachers are expected to exercise a high degree of autonomy, and increases are anticipated as part of the national governance review.
5186	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	I know that administrative and support staff in many schools are extremely overworked. I'm not sure that a reduction in staffing in this part of the service provided in schools would be the most effective way to achieve savings. However, I do appreciate that alternative management structures and ways of operating within schools could be organised more effectively.	Revised staffing models for schools - Admin, Management & Support Staff	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	The Council intends to implement the proposals whilst still delivering key priorities for pupils, parents/carers and staff.
5187	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Cutting support staff is probably counterproductive in financial savings. However cutting head office staff is unlikely to impact on the education of pupils.	Revised staffing models for schools - Admin, Management & Support Staff	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposals affect staff across Education Services. Savings are focused on where they will have least impact on core services. The Scottish Government has made maintaining the Pupil/Teacher ratio a condition of funding, and so the council and schools are compelled to focus on the employment of teachers where, in some cases, they may prefer to increase non-teaching staff in preference to this.
5188	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	The greatest cost in education is teachers' salaries. This review seems to be focused on reducing support staff numbers and their terms and conditions. How can this be cost effective in saving money?	Revised staffing models for schools - Admin, Management & Support Staff	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Scottish Government has made maintaining the Pupil/Teacher ratio a condition of funding, and so the council and schools are compelled to focus on the employment of teachers where, in some cases, they may prefer to increase non-teaching staff in preference to this.
5189	No Response	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Management positions should be reviewed but front line teaching and support staff should be better supported in their ability to teach and not get bogged down in admin	Revised staffing models for schools - Admin, Management & Support Staff	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposals affect staff of all grades within Education Services.

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5190	An employee of West Lothian Council	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Whilst it is good to make efficiencies my concern would be the job losses.	Revised staffing models for schools - Admin, Management & Support Staff	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has an established scheme allowing for the redeployment of staff .
5191	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	there is not enough teachers now ,would this mean even less?	Revised staffing models for schools - Admin, Management & Support Staff	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposals can be delivered whilst maintaining the pupil/teacher ratio which sets the number of teachers required based on changing pupil numbers.
5192	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Do not agree with this approach. We end up with more monitoring processes in place rather than less.	Revised staffing models for schools - Admin, Management & Support Staff	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.
5193	No Response	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Sounds good in theory, but will the reduced support functions be able to manage additional workload placed on them?	Revised staffing models for schools - Admin, Management & Support Staff	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The Council intends to implement the proposals whilst still delivering key priorities for pupils, parents/carers and staff.
5194	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Reducing middle management. Management doing more hands on work within their position.	Revised staffing models for schools - Admin, Management & Support Staff	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
5195	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Support staff are important and they impact on the individuals school experience which is important in gaining them a positive destination	Revised staffing models for schools - Admin, Management & Support Staff	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Non-teaching staff are employed to undertake important roles within schools, and are valued by their teaching colleagues, including senior management. The Scottish Government has made maintaining the Pupil/Teacher ratio a condition of funding, and so the council and schools are compelled to focus on the employment of teachers where, in some cases, they may prefer to increase non-teaching staff in preference to this.
5196	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	All services are management heavy....rationalising this is always a good idea	Revised staffing models for schools - Admin, Management & Support Staff	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The changes to Devolved School Management will increase the autonomy of Headteachers and teachers to make decisions at a local level to benefit pupils in their school. This will include the appropriate mix of staffing.
5197	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Maybe if the heads were responsible they wouldn't let as many things slip as they would see a direct hit to their budget.	Revised staffing models for schools - Admin, Management & Support Staff	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The responsibility and accountability of Headteachers will increase.
5198	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Centralised all school admin and budgets.	Revised staffing models for schools - Admin, Management & Support Staff	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	This suggestion is directly contrary to the national increase in authority and responsibility at school level.
5199	An employee of West Lothian Council	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Get rid of the deadwood in schools. There's an ex Head Teacher from [redacted] who was removed from one school, placed in another, destroyed all parent relations there and has been moved to [redacted] To do the same again!! Absolutely shocking... get rid of her... save £250k over the next 5 yrs with her alone!!	Revised staffing models for schools - Admin, Management & Support Staff	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.
5200	An employee of West Lothian Council	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Good support staff are invaluable and assist teachers in the attainment challenge. However, many schools have multiple people in the front office where 1 or 2 would suffice.	Revised staffing models for schools - Admin, Management & Support Staff	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The changes to Devolved School Management will increase the autonomy of Headteachers and teachers to make decisions at a local level to benefit pupils in their school. This will include the appropriate mix of staffing, although maintaining the pupil/teacher ratio may require the employment of teachers in preference to support staff.
5201	An employee of West Lothian Council	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Admin support and PSW staff have already been cut in our school and we are struggling.	Revised staffing models for schools - Admin, Management & Support Staff	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The changes to Devolved School Management will increase the autonomy of Headteachers and teachers to make decisions at a local level to benefit pupils in their school. This will include the appropriate mix of staffing, although maintaining the pupil/teacher ratio may require the employment of teachers in preference to support staff.

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5202	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Support staff are crucial to schools and should be maintained	Revised staffing models for schools - Admin, Management & Support Staff	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The changes to Devolved School Management will increase the autonomy of Headteachers and teachers to make decisions at a local level to benefit pupils in their school. This will include the appropriate mix of staffing, although maintaining the pupil/teacher ratio may require the employment of teachers in preference to support staff.
5203	An employee of West Lothian Council	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	If there are to be reduced staffing to make way for technology, is one of the aims of maintaining employment in West Lothian no longer an aim? or is it just an aim if you don't work for the Council?	Revised staffing models for schools - Admin, Management & Support Staff	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	The changes to Devolved School Management will increase the autonomy of Headteachers and teachers to make decisions at a local level to benefit pupils in their school. This will include the appropriate level and mix of staffing.
5204	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	School management structures are a joke - you need to flatten and SIMPLIFY - "business managers", "principle teachers".....??? You need a Head Teacher, one or two support staff (admin) and the rest should be in the class TEACHING.	Revised staffing models for schools - Admin, Management & Support Staff	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The changes to Devolved School Management will increase the autonomy of Headteachers and teachers to make decisions at a local level to benefit pupils in their school.
5205	An employee of West Lothian Council	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	I think any cut to support in schools will result in a reduced provision for children. Considering raising attainment is a national priority, in my opinion this will need to be managed very carefully to avoid head teachers spending more time on paperwork and not on their core business which is supporting learning and teaching.	Revised staffing models for schools - Admin, Management & Support Staff	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The changes to Devolved School Management will increase the autonomy of Headteachers and teachers to make decisions at a local level to benefit pupils in their school.
5206	An employee of West Lothian Council	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	I agree that cuts need to be made but feel that any reduction to staffing levels in schools, which reduce support for learners, would be in direct conflict with the governments raising attainment and reducing poverty agendas.	Revised staffing models for schools - Admin, Management & Support Staff	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council has put forward proposals relating to all areas of its activity.
5207	No Response	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Support staff and admin staff are already the lowest paid service within the council and most are the most dedicated and enthusiastic. This will do no good for morale and an already demoralised workplace.	Revised staffing models for schools - Admin, Management & Support Staff	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The changes to Devolved School Management will increase the autonomy of Headteachers and teachers to make decisions at a local level to benefit pupils in their school. This will include the appropriate mix of staffing, although maintaining the pupil/teacher ratio may require the employment of teachers in preference to support staff.
5208	An employee of West Lothian Council	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Without these people our schools can't cope on top of workload of teachers. We need PSW to run effectively as well as admin staff.	Revised staffing models for schools - Admin, Management & Support Staff	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The changes to Devolved School Management will increase the autonomy of Headteachers and teachers to make decisions at a local level to benefit pupils in their school. This will include the appropriate mix of staffing, although maintaining the pupil/teacher ratio may require the employment of teachers in preference to support staff.
5209	No Response	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	You still have support staff in Education on 52 week contracts. Savings could be made by offering such people either a reduction to term time contracts or redeployment to vacant 52 week similar posts within the authority.	Revised staffing models for schools - Admin, Management & Support Staff	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted and will be considered as part of any development of the proposal.
5210	An employee of West Lothian Council	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	We need more support in schools for less capable pupils as there is not enough for all the students who are coming through with additional needs or barely being able to read or write. Yes management structures should be changed to give more opportunities to staff to excel in management and share out the workload.	Revised staffing models for schools - Admin, Management & Support Staff	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The changes to Devolved School Management will increase the autonomy of Headteachers and teachers to make decisions at a local level to benefit pupils in their school. This will include the appropriate mix of staffing.
5211	No Response	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	My concern would be with the reduction of support for office staff who appear to deal with more and more work previously provided centrally.	Revised staffing models for schools - Admin, Management & Support Staff	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposals seek to strike an appropriate balance between management, front line and support staff, all of whom perform important functions within the service.
5212	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	A word to the wise - very few head teachers are managers with a business brain?? Reshape job descriptions for admin staff - think very carefully before leaving HT's in charge of the business side of running a school - is this a step too far? Centralise the function and train people properly. Do NOT reduce support staff for children in schools - do this at your peril - look at the numbers of pupils who require not just support but SIGNIFICANT support as there are fewer and fewer specialist places to accommodate them. SEB needs are rising and becoming more complex - think of the impact on pupils generally of these individuals in the school community. Invest in training in this area do not trim it.	Revised staffing models for schools - Admin, Management & Support Staff	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The changes to Devolved School Management will increase the autonomy of Headteachers and teachers to make decisions at a local level to benefit pupils in their school. This will include the appropriate mix of staffing.

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5213	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	I'm hoping this doesn't mean cuts to teaching jobs making it harder for the remaining teachers to do a good job in educating our children to a high standard.	Revised staffing models for schools - Admin, Management & Support Staff	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The changes to Devolved School Management will increase the autonomy of Headteachers and teachers to make decisions at a local level to benefit pupils in their school. This will include the appropriate mix of staffing.
5214	An employee of West Lothian Council	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	School are at breaking point already. Social workers will have to have permanent positions within schools in the very near future. Teachers are teachers. If they are in Management positions within schools they will need different qualifications. Management Accounts to start with.	Revised staffing models for schools - Admin, Management & Support Staff	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.
5215	An employee of West Lothian Council	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Yes agree we need to cut down on management as we are to top heavy	Revised staffing models for schools - Admin, Management & Support Staff	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The changes to Devolved School Management will increase the autonomy of Headteachers and teachers to make decisions at a local level to benefit pupils in their school. This will include an appropriate mix of management, support and front line staff.
5216	No Response	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Schools cannot afford to lose any more staff.	Revised staffing models for schools - Admin, Management & Support Staff	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has put forward proposals that cover the entire range of its activities.
5217	An employee of West Lothian Council	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	The reduction in educational services is a ridiculous proposal, as attainment is a serious issue in West Lothian and this can only be addressed by employing more teachers and support workers. Stop moving teachers from school to school where they are not given the opportunity to fulfill their potential and make a difference to the children in their care.	Revised staffing models for schools - Admin, Management & Support Staff	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council has put forward proposals relating to all areas of its activity.
5218	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	I would not like to see any cuts in staffing levels	Revised staffing models for schools - Admin, Management & Support Staff	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council has put forward proposals that cover the entire range of its activities.
5219	An employee of West Lothian Council	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	There is a danger that Education will continue to marginalise the most vulnerable children by cutting support to those who need it. This will increase the risk of use of external provision.	Revised staffing models for schools - Admin, Management & Support Staff	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council will continue to prioritise support for those who most need it, in line with its priorities.
5220	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Support staff are a necessity to schools in aiding and supporting the child to attain his or her potential, in supporting and working closely with the class teacher to allow this attainment.	Revised staffing models for schools - Admin, Management & Support Staff	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The changes to Devolved School Management will increase the autonomy of Headteachers and teachers to make decisions at a local level to benefit pupils in their school. This will include an appropriate mix of management, support and front line staff.
5221	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	We already don't have enough support staff in place to properly support our ASN pupils. They are the very people that will lose out with more cuts. GIRFEC will absolutely not work.	Revised staffing models for schools - Admin, Management & Support Staff	4. The council is already doing this.	The Council has a statutory duty to meet the needs of every pupil, and this will continue.
5222	An employee of West Lothian Council	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	PTCs in high schools are already stretched to their limits. Actually introducing more leadership/management roles with smaller remits within schools would improve productivity and reduce stress.	Revised staffing models for schools - Admin, Management & Support Staff	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Headteachers may consider this suggestion within their autonomy to set their own management structure.
5223	An employee of West Lothian Council	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Schools are already operating on skeletal staff numbers, with massive workload and lack of support forcing teachers to seek other avenues of employment. Morale is low and services to young people are impacted as staff in schools do everything they can to keep their heads above water and support the students to achieve their potential. To streamline support staff further would thrust more responsibility into the class teacher, who is already drowning in their own workload. If education remains a priority then the value of properly staffed schools with in-house support must be recognised.	Revised staffing models for schools - Admin, Management & Support Staff	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The respondent advised that they did not agree with the proposal.
5224	An employee of West Lothian Council	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Management structures in schools are already at breaking point. Having one person in charge of several, sometimes up to 5 departments, is unsustainable and is contributing to the workload issues that are causing teachers to leave the profession. There is no more efficiency to be had in the staffing of schools.	Revised staffing models for schools - Admin, Management & Support Staff	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council has put forward proposals across the full range of its activities.

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5225	An employee of West Lothian Council	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Cutting staffing in areas like pupil support have a massive impact on not just the people who have lost jobs but on the people they support. In teaching, where are numbers are "safe" the reduction of pupil support assistants has made everyone's job harder and means that I regularly teach classes containing pupils with significant Additional Support Needs with no support at all. In previous years classes like these would have had at least one and possibly more support assistants. The lack of these assistants impacts not only on the attainment of the pupils who need them, but on the other pupils who the teacher gets to spend less time with. Additionally, this has an impact on teacher mental health.	Revised staffing models for schools - Admin, Management & Support Staff	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The revised scheme of Devolved School Management will allow Headteachers greater freedom to prioritise resources where they are most needed, including determining the appropriate staffing within their school. The maintenance of the Scottish Government's pupil/teacher ratio, however, will continue to constrain choice and may lead to the employment of more teachers and less support staff where this may not necessarily be the staff mix Headteachers consider most desirable.
5226	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	PTC system is not fit for purpose. Bring back paid proper, paid, heads of department that can lead pedagogically. Kids are losing out because their teachers have to plug the gaps that the introduction of PTCs has left behind. As a class teacher, I'm just about managing to do my job...with support from GP and medication...i may add. I have no time or indeed 'power', perceived or otherwise, to make strategic decisions.	Revised staffing models for schools - Admin, Management & Support Staff	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Headteachers will be able to consider this proposal in terms of their new autonomy to set management structures.
5227	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Additionally, PTCs are stretched to the absolute maximum and wedged between a rock and a hard place. They have so many roles and responsibilities that they are not effective at all levels. Whilst collegiate working practices are undoubtedly the way forward, this is not the way to plug a middle management funding gap. As to narrowing the attainment GAP, how can this be done in schools when we can't even fill the recruitment gap? I suggest bringing back the role of Principal Teacher - perhaps job sized so PTs with large departments get remunerated accordingly.	Revised staffing models for schools - Admin, Management & Support Staff	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Headteachers will be able to consider this proposal in terms of their new autonomy to set management structures.
5228	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	This should provide fairness across the management structure where currently some people have more responsibility than others on the same wage. You should clarify what 'fit for purpose' means in this instance. I think we need to protect those non-teaching members of staff who are held in promoted posts in order that they can continue to deliver their service. As before, those members of staff who are not efficient should be held accountable for their actions.	Revised staffing models for schools - Admin, Management & Support Staff	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The changes to Devolved School Management will increase the autonomy of Headteachers and teachers to make decisions at a local level to benefit pupils in their school. Headteachers will have the ability to determine where resources should be spent for the benefit of children, although a continuation of the Pupil/Teacher ratio may result in expenditure on teacher posts where support staff would have a greater impact on learning and teaching.
5229	An employee of West Lothian Council	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	As a teacher in a promoted post I find this proposal very disturbing. At this point I do not have enough time in my working week to complete the extensive responsibilities of my role which results in me working at home, being in school early each morning and staying late each evening. Any revision to staffing models which will increase staff workload even further will result in increased absences due to the stress staff find themselves under.	Revised staffing models for schools - Admin, Management & Support Staff	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Teachers duties are set out in national conditions. Teachers activities are directed by the Headteacher in line with the locally negotiated Working Time Agreement. West Lothian Council has roust policies to address stress and sickness absence.
5230	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	"Revised staffing models will also be introduced that will make changes to management, administrative and support staffing arrangements." - This is NOT how you support students through their education. A students education should be a top priority and not something that the council should be making cuts to. Young people are the future and if they do not have the support, skills and qualifications they require to move onto further/higher education and then into (or) work, you are setting them up to be at a disadvantage to those that were taught in other local authorities.	Revised staffing models for schools - Admin, Management & Support Staff	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council has made proposals across the whole range of its activities, including Education. A reduced funding settlement for local government results in less resources, not more, available from local government for schools.
5231	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Remove one DCE: Remove one of the Education HoS posts in recognition of changing national landscape; Remove head of corporate services post and divide duties amongst other HoS; Reduce 'performance and improvement team' as responsibility is embedded in services; Reduce 'anti-poverty' work.	Revised staffing models for schools - Admin, Management & Support Staff	5d. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it has been previously considered and will not be progressed.	The review of Council activities which gave rise to the current proposals considered all options, but decided not to progress all possibilities. West Lothian Council already has a very lean management structure.
5232	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Redesign can be achieved but needs to be with no affect on support services.	Revised staffing models for schools - Admin, Management & Support Staff	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposals to rationalise central support to schools seek to balance the important contribution of professional, support and managerial staff, all of whom make an important contribution to the service. They recognise the increased autonomy to be given to headteachers, who will have the ability to prioritise budgets to meet the individual needs of their school.

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5233	No Response	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	If support staff are removed from primary schools, there will be uproar! Teachers will leave the profession. Support staff are an essential aspect of a school.	Revised staffing models for schools - Admin, Management & Support Staff	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposals to rationalise central support to schools seek to balance the important contribution of professional, support and managerial staff, all of whom make an important contribution to the service. They recognise the increased autonomy to be given to headteachers, who will have the ability to prioritise budgets to meet the individual needs of their school.
5234	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	I agree re: management structure at civic centre, but staffing is already strained in schools so reviewing support would be detrimental to GIRFEC and closing the equity gap initiatives.	Revised staffing models for schools - Admin, Management & Support Staff	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposals to rationalise central support to schools seek to balance the important contribution of professional, support and managerial staff, all of whom make an important contribution to the service. They recognise the increased autonomy to be given to headteachers, who will have the ability to prioritise budgets to meet the individual needs of their school.
5235	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	2 many managers for one department	Revised staffing models for schools - Admin, Management & Support Staff	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposals to rationalise central support to schools seek to balance the important contribution of professional, support and managerial staff, all of whom make an important contribution to the service.
5236	No Response	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	The unrealistic expectations for teachers means students are having to be taught by assistants, review the work load and they could reduce the number of assistants	Revised staffing models for schools - Admin, Management & Support Staff	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Teachers duties are set out in national conditions. Teachers activities are directed by the Headteacher in line with the locally negotiated Working Time Agreement.
5237	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	So more staff cut backs. 3rd party providers...come on...our children need support to be the best version of themselves possible..to be responsible productive contributors for our future. Office staff and support workers make the difference. MANAGE THEM BETTER.	Revised staffing models for schools - Admin, Management & Support Staff	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council will only consider outsourcing where this would bring efficiency or effectiveness benefits, but the proposals do not include large scale outsourcing of education services. The proposals to rationalise central support to schools seek to balance the important contribution of professional, support and managerial staff, all of whom make an important contribution to the service. They recognise the increased autonomy to be given to headteachers, who will have the ability to prioritise budgets to meet the individual needs of their school.
5238	No Response	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Staffing levels in schools especially those psw and SLT posts have already been cut to the bare minimum and if raising attainment is the common goal, it will be hard to achieve	Revised staffing models for schools - Admin, Management & Support Staff	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council, Schools, Parents/Carers and Pupils all value the contribution of support staff. Headteachers will have the ability to determine where resources should be spent for the benefit of children, although a continuation of the Pupil/Teacher ratio may result in expenditure on teacher posts where support staff would have a greater impact on learning and teaching.
5239	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Again reducing staffing to an absolute minimum will do nothing to support our schools in any way.	Revised staffing models for schools - Admin, Management & Support Staff	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council has put forward proposals across the whole range of its activities.
5240	No Response	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	It cannot be underestimated the improvement to the quality of teaching available by having suitable support staff in place.	Revised staffing models for schools - Admin, Management & Support Staff	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
5241	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Direct support services to young people such as classroom assistants should not be cut. Contracts with service providers should be reviewed to look for savings - these are always too expensive and rarely provide value for money.	Revised staffing models for schools - Admin, Management & Support Staff	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council, Schools, Parents/Carers and Pupils all value the contribution of support staff. Headteachers will have the ability to determine where resources should be spent for the benefit of children, although a continuation of the Pupil/Teacher ratio may result in expenditure on teacher posts where support staff would have a greater impact on learning and teaching. The Council will consider outsourcing where it cannot provide a service itself, or where there are clear quality or efficiency benefits, but the proposals are not for large scale outsourcing of school provision.

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5242	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	If looking at a reduction of Pupil Support Workers (PSW) who then is going to be in class to give the essential support that both pupils and teachers receive from PSW that aids the pupil in attaining their best outcome in learning. CFE	Revised staffing models for schools - Admin, Management & Support Staff	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council, Schools, Parents/Carers and Pupils all value the contribution of support staff. Headteachers will have the ability to determine where resources should be spent for the benefit of children, although a continuation of the Pupil/Teacher ratio may result in expenditure on teacher posts where support staff would have a greater impact on learning and teaching.
5243	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	There are already not enough staff in these roles in school - the proposal of this is ridiculous.	Revised staffing models for schools - Admin, Management & Support Staff	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council, Schools, Parents/Carers and Pupils all value the contribution of support staff. Headteachers will have the ability to determine where resources should be spent for the benefit of children, although a continuation of the Pupil/Teacher ratio may result in expenditure on teacher posts where support staff would have a greater impact on learning and teaching.
5244	No Response	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Support staff jobs should be protected in schools.	revised staffing models for schools - Admin, Management & Support Staff	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The changes to Devolved School Management will increase the autonomy of Headteachers and teachers to make decisions at a local level to benefit pupils in their school. Headteachers will have the ability to determine where resources should be spent for the benefit of children, although a continuation of the Pupil/Teacher ratio may result in expenditure on teacher posts where support staff would have a greater impact on learning and teaching.
5245	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	I do not agree with reducing staff levels in schools. From my experience this is already at a low level. I have concerns about schools having more control over themselves as I feel this could result in huge differences in the quality of teaching etc. and opportunities for children. A postcode lottery.	revised staffing models for schools - Admin, Management & Support Staff	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The changes to Devolved School Management will increase the autonomy of Headteachers and teachers to make decisions at a local level to benefit pupils in their school. Headteachers will have the ability to determine where resources should be spent for the benefit of children, including the appropriate mix of staffing.
5246	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Don't head teachers already have enough to do?	Revised staffing models for schools - Admin, Management & Support Staff	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
5247	An employee of West Lothian Council	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	I wonder where the head teachers will find the time. An ever increasing workload making the job even less desirable! Recruiting the number of staff to fulfill this commitment will be an interesting exercise.	Revised staffing models for schools - Admin, Management & Support Staff	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The changes to Devolved School Management will increase the autonomy of Headteachers and teachers to make decisions at a local level to benefit pupils in their school. Headteachers will have the ability to determine where resources should be spent for the benefit of children, including the appropriate mix of staffing. Greater autonomy may make the role more attractive to some potential applicants.
5248	No Response	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	If service provision is protected as a matter of top priority then redesign would be useful assuming staff numbers are maintained.	Revised staffing models for schools - Admin, Management & Support Staff	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
5249	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Yes fully support as believe these departments can be staff heavy and would not be a disadvantage to have staff working to full capacity	Revised staffing models for schools - Admin, Management & Support Staff	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The changes to Devolved School Management will increase the autonomy of Headteachers and teachers to make decisions at a local level to benefit pupils in their school.
5250	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Head teachers are best placed to make the important decisions about their own school, and their pupils. However, with the responsibility must come accountability.	Revised staffing models for schools - Admin, Management & Support Staff	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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5251	An employee of West Lothian Council	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	As a Pupil Support Worker staffing has already been reduced but work hasn't. Reducing staff or hours is only going to make things worse not better for all concerned mostly the pupils	Revised staffing models for schools - Admin, Management & Support Staff	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council, Schools, Parents/Carers and Pupils all value the contribution of support staff. Headteachers will have the ability to determine where resources should be spent for the benefit of children, although a continuation of the Pupil/Teacher ratio may result in expenditure on teacher posts where support staff would have a greater impact on learning and teaching.
5252	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Consideration needs to be given to 52 week contracted school based support such as librarians, CDT technicians, admin assistants and pupil support managers etc. These workers should either become sessional or be redeployed throughout the council during summer months.	Revised staffing models for schools - Admin, Management & Support Staff	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted and will be considered as part of any development of the proposal.
5253	No Response	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Teachers need to be relieved of admin workload and allowed to focus on teaching. Review of pay, enhancements and allowances are a waste of time if teachers are wasting effort not teaching. (I am not a teacher)	Revised staffing models for schools - Admin, Management & Support Staff	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Teachers' conditions are set nationally. These set out their duties. The proposals to rationalise central support to schools seek to balance the important contribution of professional, support and managerial staff, all of whom make an important contribution to the service. They recognise the increased autonomy to be given to headteachers, who will have the ability to prioritise budgets to meet the individual needs of their school.
5254	No Response	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Management structures in schools - have return to Heads of Department instead of PTC's (a ridiculous and overpaid post) I trust a revised staffing model does not mean cutting the number of teachers	Revised staffing models for schools - Admin, Management & Support Staff	4. The council is already doing this.	Headteachers can consider this suggestion within their own schools. National class size limits will be adhered to, and the pupil/teacher ratio maintained as required.
5255	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Staffing levels should not be reduced to ensure good education for all our children	Revised staffing models for schools - Admin, Management & Support Staff	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	National class size limits will be adhered to, and the pupil/teacher ratio maintained as required.
5256	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Agree with this proposal as with savings of £73 million to be made and the effective ringfencing of the majority of funding for schools through the PEF and Pupil - Teacher ratio requirements, this is an area that needs to be reviewed to assess the scope to reduce costs. Streamlining management and support costs must be an area throughout the council that is looked at to protect services provided to people in West Lothian.	Revised staffing models for schools - Admin, Management & Support Staff	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted.
5257	An employee of West Lothian Council	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	I agree with head teachers having greater control of the running of their school however decentralising support services to them should not detract from their key role - efficient and effective management resulting in increased school attainment.	Revised staffing models for schools - Admin, Management & Support Staff	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted.
5258	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	The council should be wary of making further cuts to staffing levels as things are tough enough for our children as it is, without introducing more cuts within education.	Revised staffing models for schools - Admin, Management & Support Staff	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposals to rationalise central support to schools seek to balance the important contribution of professional, support and managerial staff, all of whom make an important contribution to the service. They recognise the increased autonomy to be given to headteachers, who will have the ability to prioritise budgets to meet the individual needs of their school. Headteachers will have greater autonomy to set their own management structure.
5259	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Changes in management, admin and support staffing arrangements can work well and allow such departments to support more and better but this needs to be done properly. If this turns out to be another way to cut staff or increase their workload without giving them the proper resources to carry out their work it will turn into a disaster. I have seen it in the company where I work where my own department staff level and support were cut and cut again for several years. This ended up costing the company dearly at the end and they now realised that this support department is vital for the rest of the company. We are now seeing an increase in staff and funding level but a lot of damage has been done.	Revised staffing models for schools - Admin, Management & Support Staff	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposals to rationalise central support to schools seek to balance the important contribution of professional, support and managerial staff, all of whom make an important contribution to the service. They recognise the increased autonomy to be given to headteachers, who will have the ability to prioritise budgets to meet the individual needs of their school. Headteachers will have greater autonomy to set their own management structure.

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5260	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	As noted previously, reductions in support staffing often results in a shift of tasks from, for example, unqualified staff to qualified staff reducing the ability of qualified staff doing what they are employed to do and is not an efficient use of expensive resources	Revised staffing models for schools - Admin, Management & Support Staff	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposals to rationalise central support to schools seek to balance the important contribution of professional, support and managerial staff, all of whom make an important contribution to the service. They recognise the increased autonomy to be given to headteachers, who will have the ability to prioritise budgets to meet the individual needs of their school. National class size limits will be adhered to, and the pupil/teacher ration maintained as required.
5261	An employee of West Lothian Council	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Any changes to the structure of management teams must be as a result of carefully considering the needs of individual schools.	Revised staffing models for schools - Admin, Management & Support Staff	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
5262	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	It must be ensured that head teachers and teachers have the necessary skills and support to take on increased responsibility to reduce the risk of stress induced illness.	Revised staffing models for schools - Admin, Management & Support Staff	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Support will continue to be available through the council and from the new Regional Improvement Collaborative. The Council has robust policies to address stress at work and sickness absence.
5263	An employee of West Lothian Council	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Teachers should be focussed on the learning and teaching of our children. They should not be dealing with the administration. Consideration should be given to developing a cluster based administrative support for Primary Schools with minimal support in the schools to achieve the greatest efficiency.	Revised staffing models for schools - Admin, Management & Support Staff	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Officers will consider how this could be developed.
5264	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	The council should publish its revised staffing models and provide opportunities for comments.	Revised staffing models for schools - Admin, Management & Support Staff	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Headteachers will have greater autonomy to set their own structures.
5265	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	agin I object to any cut backs in school staff as this council have implemented many efficiencies in the last 3 years.	Revised staffing models for schools - Admin, Management & Support Staff	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council has put forward proposals across the whole range of its activities.
5266	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	If there are absolute guarantees that the proposed restructure will enable schools to achieve higher standards this would appear to be feasible	Revised staffing models for schools - Admin, Management & Support Staff	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	No absolute guarantees can ever be given, but this is the intention of the proposals.
5267	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	It would be good to review the management structures and make changes where necessary.	Revised staffing models for schools - Admin, Management & Support Staff	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
5268	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	I would be happy for changes to management, admin and support staffing to be made.	Revised staffing models for schools - Admin, Management & Support Staff	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
5269	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Modernising school management structures is a positive step, however care needs to be taken that there is not too much responsibility and expectation placed upon head teachers and school senior management. Again, appropriate support from the centre is required.	Revised staffing models for schools - Admin, Management & Support Staff	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Support will continue to be available from the council and the new Regional Improvement collaborative.
5270	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	If this is a long winded way of saying you plan to reduce staff in schools I am strongly opposed. Reductions in school staffing have already gone way too far and caused a major negative impact on educational outcomes for children. If there is a need to increase council tax to pay for more staff in schools then I would much prefer to pay more than see poorer education	Revised staffing models for schools - Admin, Management & Support Staff	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council has put forward proposals across the whole range of its activities.
5271	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	It would seem a false economy if the proposal is to allocate more administrative responsibility to teachers where this further distances them from the core role of teaching, as well as this not being something they are potentially best trained to do.	Revised staffing models for schools - Admin, Management & Support Staff	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposals to rationalise central support to schools seek to balance the important contribution of professional, support and managerial staff, all of whom make an important contribution to the service. They recognise the increased autonomy to be given to headteachers, who will have the ability to prioritise budgets to meet the individual needs of their school.

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5272	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	I am not entirely sure what you mean by the above, if you mean cutting staff in management, administrative and support roles. I am sure there will be some cuts you can make but if you need them now there needs to be very carefully assessment of the impact removing roles will have as often it just means costs will be incurred in other areas.	Revised staffing models for schools - Admin, Management & Support Staff	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	The proposals to rationalise central support to schools seek to balance the important contribution of professional, support and managerial staff, all of whom make an important contribution to the service. They recognise the increased autonomy to be given to headteachers, who will have the ability to prioritise budgets to meet the individual needs of their school.
5273	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Schools need administrative staff to ensure the smooth running of a school. Support staff are needed to meet learners needs. This should not be reduced.	Revised staffing models for schools - Admin, Management & Support Staff	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposals to rationalise central support to schools seek to balance the important contribution of professional, support and managerial staff, all of whom make an important contribution to the service. They recognise the increased autonomy to be given to headteachers, who will have the ability to prioritise budgets to meet the individual needs of their school.
5274	No Response	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Again I don't really understand but sounds like making another tier with a new manager. I don't normally see any great benefit but expense.	Revised staffing models for schools - Admin, Management & Support Staff	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	The proposals are not for a new layer of management.
5275	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	This sounds like jobs will be lost.	Revised staffing models for schools - Admin, Management & Support Staff	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposals to rationalise central support to schools seek to balance the important contribution of professional, support and managerial staff, all of whom make an important contribution to the service. They recognise the increased autonomy to be given to headteachers, who will have the ability to prioritise budgets to meet the individual needs of their school.
5276	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	I am concerned about suggested changes to staffing models and, in particular to, support staffing arrangements. Classroom teachers require support within in their classrooms and already there has been a removal of classroom assistants. Their support was extremely valuable in helping to address the needs of a diverse range of abilities within the classroom.	Revised staffing models for schools - Admin, Management & Support Staff	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposals to rationalise central support to schools seek to balance the important contribution of professional, support and managerial staff, all of whom make an important contribution to the service. They recognise the increased autonomy to be given to headteachers, who will have the ability to prioritise budgets to meet the individual needs of their school.
5277	An employee of West Lothian Council	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	As a classroom teacher I feel very strongly about the role of support staff at the schools. This includes additional support needs workers, classroom assistants, various technicians and catering and cleaning staff, all of which are fundamental in supporting teaching staff. It is understandable that savings need to be made in order to meet the proposed target however I believe that these positions should be protected as the services provided are essential in the smooth day-to-day running of the school. If there is to be a reduction in staffing levels I believe this would have an adverse impact for teachers as these these roles are integral in supporting the profession. A lack of qualified personnel in these areas can lead to increase in stressful situations which teachers may struggle to manage. This can have a knock on effect since teaching professionals may feel unable to work effectively under these conditions.	Revised staffing models for schools - Admin, Management & Support Staff	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposals to rationalise central support to schools seek to balance the important contribution of professional, support and managerial staff, all of whom make an important contribution to the service. They recognise the increased autonomy to be given to headteachers, who will have the ability to prioritise budgets to meet the individual needs of their school.
5278	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	So less Teachers and support staff ... and cheap and useless third party providers courtesy of race to the bottom procurement	Revised staffing models for schools - Admin, Management & Support Staff	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposals to rationalise central support to schools seek to balance the important contribution of professional, support and managerial staff, all of whom make an important contribution to the service. They recognise the increased autonomy to be given to headteachers, who will have the ability to prioritise budgets to meet the individual needs of their school. National class size limits will be adhered to. The Council will only consider outsourcing where this would bring efficiency or effectiveness benefits, but the proposals do not include large scale outsourcing of education services.

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5279	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	If this means a reduction in staff, I am wholeheartedly opposed to this. Current staff will be even more exhausted and demoralised by having to pick up the slack when staffing is reduced. Ultimately the children will lose out by not having the vital support needed.	Revised staffing models for schools - Admin, Management & Support Staff	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposals to rationalise central support to schools seek to balance the important contribution of professional, support and managerial staff, all of whom make an important contribution to the service. They recognise the increased autonomy to be given to headteachers, who will have the ability to prioritise budgets to meet the individual needs of their school.
5280	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Care must be taken to ensure that this is not simply going to lead to less people doing more work and becoming over burdened.	Revised staffing models for schools - Admin, Management & Support Staff	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposals to rationalise central support to schools seek to balance the important contribution of professional, support and managerial staff, all of whom make an important contribution to the service. They recognise the increased autonomy to be given to headteachers, who will have the ability to prioritise budgets to meet the individual needs of their school.
5281	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Taking into account the proposal under 1c, if you reduce the workforce you may find you need those left behind to work longer to deliver the services.	Revised staffing models for schools - Admin, Management & Support Staff	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposals to rationalise central support to schools seek to balance the important contribution of professional, support and managerial staff, all of whom make an important contribution to the service. They recognise the increased autonomy to be given to headteachers, who will have the ability to prioritise budgets to meet the individual needs of their school.
5282	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	School need to be more staff and less principal teacher just head teacher deputy head teacher then teachers,pupil support worker then office staff and get teachers to do own cleaning as would save lots of money there.	Revised staffing models for schools - Admin, Management & Support Staff	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Headteachers will have greater autonomy to set their own structures and can consider this suggestion. The proposals to rationalise central support to schools seek to balance the important contribution of professional, support and managerial staff, all of whom make an important contribution to the service. They recognise the increased autonomy to be given to headteachers, who will have the ability to prioritise budgets to meet the individual needs of their school. Requiring Teachers to clean would not be a good use of their tie and expertise.
5283	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	School need to be more staff and less principal teacher just head teacher deputy head teacher then teachers,pupil support worker then office staff and get teachers to do own cleaning as would save lots of money there.	Revised staffing models for schools - Admin, Management & Support Staff	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Headteachers will have greater autonomy to set their own structures and can consider this suggestion. The proposals to rationalise central support to schools seek to balance the important contribution of professional, support and managerial staff, all of whom make an important contribution to the service. They recognise the increased autonomy to be given to headteachers, who will have the ability to prioritise budgets to meet the individual needs of their school. Requiring Teachers to clean would not be a good use of their tie and expertise.
5284	An employee of West Lothian Council	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Concerns as to whether reduced staffing levels will be sufficient.	Revised staffing models for schools - Admin, Management & Support Staff	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposals to rationalise central support to schools seek to balance the important contribution of professional, support and managerial staff, all of whom make an important contribution to the service. They recognise the increased autonomy to be given to headteachers, who will have the ability to prioritise budgets to meet the individual needs of their school.
5285	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Justification is also required regarding cutting support staff when there is an anticipated 8% increase in children entering Primary Education	Revised staffing models for schools - Admin, Management & Support Staff	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposals seek to achieve greater efficiency. Investment will, however, be made to reflect population growth.
5286	An employee of West Lothian Council	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Justification is also required regarding cutting support staff when there is an anticipated 8% increase in children entering Primary Education	Revised staffing models for schools - Admin, Management & Support Staff	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposals seek to achieve greater efficiency. Investment will, however, be made to reflect population growth.

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5287	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	they should reduce line managers	Revised staffing models for schools - Admin, Management & Support Staff	5b. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it is likely that the costs of this proposal would outweigh the benefit.	The proposals to rationalise central support to schools seek to balance the important contribution of professional, support and managerial staff, all of whom make an important contribution to the service.
5288	An employee of West Lothian Council	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Justification is also required regarding cutting support staff when there is an anticipated 8% increase in children entering Primary Education	Revised staffing models for schools - Admin, Management & Support Staff	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposals seek to achieve greater efficiency. Investment will, however, be made to reflect population growth.
5289	An employee of West Lothian Council	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Whilst it is noted that there will be reviews, it does not make clear what the result of those reviews will be and so it is difficult to comment. Technology has its uses in improving efficiency, however, that will not be able to completely remove the need for staff. The reference to making greater use of resources is concerning. We should already be using our resources as fully as possible and if we are not that should have been addressed. If we are using our resources very well then it is of concern that unrealistic expectations and increased work and pressure will be placed upon staff that are currently employed. Review of third party provision should occur and past performance of such contracts taken account of when reviewing these provisions and ensuring that the council is getting the best for their money when outsourcing.	Revised staffing models for schools - Admin, Management & Support Staff	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The proposals to rationalise central support to schools seek to balance the important contribution of professional, support and managerial staff, all of whom make an important contribution to the service. They recognise the increased autonomy to be given to headteachers, who will have the ability to prioritise budgets to meet the individual needs of their school.
5290	An employee of West Lothian Council	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Look for cross-Authority sharing of functions such as FM/Security/PPI school management. School Business Management should be at network/Area level. Mirror other best practice and proposals for cross authority working currently underway.	Revised staffing models for schools - Admin, Management & Support Staff	4. The council is already doing this.	The council continually looks at opportunities to develop, share and learn from best practice across all local authorities.
5291	An employee of West Lothian Council	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Supportive in principle based on limited detailed information. It will remain important that teaching positions and staffing numbers are met to ensure educational standards do not fall. There is also the need to ensure that each school has sufficient 'supporting and admin' staff on site, to allow the school to fully operate and facilitate the teachers to do the teaching.	Revised staffing models for schools - Admin, Management & Support Staff	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The proposals to rationalise central support to schools seek to balance the important contribution of professional, support and managerial staff, all of whom make an important contribution to the service. They recognise the increased autonomy to be given to headteachers, who will have the ability to prioritise budgets to meet the individual needs of their school.
5292	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Again the support staff are an invaluable part of any school without the support staff schools would struggle to achieve and maintain. 15 years ago the Scottish government recognized the massive impact support staff have on not only the school environment but also the massive effect they have on the pupils and their carers when they implemented Macrone now the councils want to take a massive step backwards. What the council needs to focus on is streamlining its management structure and leave the support staff alone and recognize the invaluable work that they do and the impact they have on the school environment and the pupils within.	Revised staffing models for schools - Admin, Management & Support Staff	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposals to rationalise central support to schools seek to balance the important contribution of professional, support and managerial staff, all of whom make an important contribution to the service. They recognise the increased autonomy to be given to headteachers, who will have the ability to prioritise budgets to meet the individual needs of their school.
5293	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	There are small opportunities to share resources such as part time secretarial staff but this will not really dent the budget	Revised staffing models for schools - Admin, Management & Support Staff	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The proposals to rationalise central support to schools seek to balance the important contribution of professional, support and managerial staff, all of whom make an important contribution to the service. They recognise the increased autonomy to be given to headteachers, who will have the ability to prioritise budgets to meet the individual needs of their school.
5294	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Our parent forum have raised concerns over the vague information given to date with deep concerns about many cuts hidden within this lengthy, complex and ill distributed survey. Revising staffing models will be required given national proposals however our school will need support taking on devolved school management and we cannot see how this can be provided with £3.6M cuts being made. We are very concerned about how stretched Head Teachers are already and feel there are health implications for them and their support staff who will undoubtedly bear the brunt of this.	Revised staffing models for schools - Admin, Management & Support Staff	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposals to rationalise central support to schools seek to balance the important contribution of professional, support and managerial staff, all of whom make an important contribution to the service. They recognise the increased autonomy to be given to headteachers, who will have the ability to prioritise budgets to meet the individual needs of their school.
5295	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Be careful about third party providers - they are often never as good.	Revised staffing models for schools - Admin, Management & Support Staff	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council will only consider outsourcing where this would bring efficiency or effectiveness benefits, but the proposals do not include large scale outsourcing of education services.

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5296	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	I assume these changes need to dovetail with 1b. If headteachers are going to do their job well they need to have excellent and reliable support resources at the county level.	Revised staffing models for schools - Admin, Management & Support Staff	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The proposals to rationalise central support to schools seek to balance the important contribution of professional, support and managerial staff, all of whom make an important contribution to the service. They recognise the increased autonomy to be given to headteachers, who will have the ability to prioritise budgets to meet the individual needs of their school.
5297	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Presumption of mainstream is difficult to manage in some cases. Thus will be impossible with reduced pupil support workers.	Revised staffing models for schools - Admin, Management & Support Staff	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposals to rationalise central support to schools seek to balance the important contribution of professional, support and managerial staff, all of whom make an important contribution to the service. They recognise the increased autonomy to be given to headteachers, who will have the ability to prioritise budgets to meet the individual needs of their school.
5298	An employee of West Lothian Council	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	As long as care is taken to introduce this idea, scrutinise who we would be working with and not have a negative impact on Education standards.	Revised staffing models for schools - Admin, Management & Support Staff	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
5299	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Does 'revised staffing models' actually mean a reduction of front-line teachers? Economies must be at management/administrative level and not through further increases in student/staff ratio	Revised staffing models for schools - Admin, Management & Support Staff	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The proposals to rationalise central support to schools seek to balance the important contribution of professional, support and managerial staff, all of whom make an important contribution to the service. They recognise the increased autonomy to be given to headteachers, who will have the ability to prioritise budgets to meet the individual needs of their school.
5300	An employee of West Lothian Council	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Every year the support budgets seem to get cut. If the council wish to integrate children who have special needs they have to be prepared to provide sufficient support otherwise they are denying children the education they have a right to.	Revised staffing models for schools - Admin, Management & Support Staff	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposals to rationalise central support to schools seek to balance the important contribution of professional, support and managerial staff, all of whom make an important contribution to the service. They recognise the increased autonomy to be given to headteachers, who will have the ability to prioritise budgets to meet the individual needs of their school.
5301	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	I totally agree with this in every way as long as it does not impact negatively on those pupils who have a designated number of pupil support hours which are required to allow them to more fully access the curriculum.	Revised staffing models for schools - Admin, Management & Support Staff	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
5302	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	OK. Third party providers is one of the areas that may prove most costly under DSM - there must be opportunity for economy of scale/better contract management if third parties provide services to clusters or numerous schools. And this would also provide consistency of service/advice etc for pupils across West Lothian.	Revised staffing models for schools - Admin, Management & Support Staff	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council will only consider outsourcing where this would bring efficiency or effectiveness benefits, but the proposals do not include large scale outsourcing of education services.
5303	An employee of West Lothian Council	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Standardize the school day across the council. Multiple calculations are required by schools and HR to ensure that staff, particularly teachers, are paid correctly if working at multiple schools. Headteachers are finding increasingly difficult to cover 5 day a week posts as staff returning to work after maternity leave opt to work part time leaving HT's with the difficult task of covering a vacancy which generally include Friday mornings.	Revised staffing models for schools - Admin, Management & Support Staff	4. The council is already doing this.	The proposals to rationalise central support to schools seek to balance the important contribution of professional, support and managerial staff, all of whom make an important contribution to the service. They recognise the increased autonomy to be given to headteachers, who will have the ability to prioritise budgets to meet the individual needs of their school.
5304	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Process improvements and redesign of service delivery is to be welcomed.	Revised staffing models for schools - Admin, Management & Support Staff	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
5305	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Support staff are essential to schools especially with the inclusion of children with special needs. This should not be cut any more than it has been.	Revised staffing models for schools - Admin, Management & Support Staff	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposals to rationalise central support to schools seek to balance the important contribution of professional, support and managerial staff, all of whom make an important contribution to the service. They recognise the increased autonomy to be given to headteachers, who will have the ability to prioritise budgets to meet the individual needs of their school.

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5306	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Again there are no details to make comment on. The statement is wide and very difficult for a lay person to know what you are really proposing. Yes we all want an efficient service, however not at the expense of reducing staffing to levels which affect workload and morale. Where will these revised staffing levels take place, what changes to management and support staff arrangements? Until these are identified it is not possible to make further comments with accuracy.	Revised staffing models for schools - Admin, Management & Support Staff	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	The respondent had no comment to make.
5307	No Response	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Don't make head teachers and deputy head teachers do even more as part of the budget cuts. There is already a national shortage of teachers, please don't add to their work load by expecting them to do three peoples jobs. We will lose valuable and hard working staff because they are burnt out and stressed.	Revised staffing models for schools - Admin, Management & Support Staff	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposals do not seek to address the issue of teacher recruitment and retention, which is a national issue. As all local authorities face similar budgetary pressures, it is unlikely that proposals will place West Lothian at a competitive disadvantage in terms of recruitment.
5308	An employee of West Lothian Council	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Management restructures are maybe needed in schools which need two Depute Head Teachers. However in some smaller schools there maybe is a need for a HT, DHT and PT. I know certainly in my workplace due to the excessive workload of our HT that we would be lost without our DHT role. Who would this extra work then fall onto - myself as a teacher or other staff members.	Revised staffing models for schools - Admin, Management & Support Staff	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Teaching Staff are employed according to national conditions of service, which set out clearly the duties they will perform.
5309	An employee of West Lothian Council	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Teacher and Senior Leadership Team workloads have been increasing at a fast pace since the introduction of Curriculum for Excellence which has led to more and more administrative burdens being placed on head teachers and their staff. It is feared that a reduction in admin and management team time will lead to a continued increase in workload as when staff are no longer there to fulfill current duties this will ultimately lead to increased responsibilities being placed on teachers, head teachers etc who do remain in schools. With the current recruitment issues with regards to Head Teachers this may in fact make the situation worse at a time when there are real concerns about those wishing to take on the role of the head teacher. Will these fears be shared with the Scottish Government. If head teachers are in fact to be given time to focus on leading learning and teaching and not be school administrators then this will have to be addressed through governance as ultimately savings at local authority level will lead to more administrative burdens being placed on head teachers rather than less. Will thought be given to the fact that reduced resources, which are already stretched, to support the GIRFEC agenda and presumption of mainstream may negatively impact on attainment and widen the poverty related attainment gap rather than reducing it? What will happen if this is the case? Are these concerns being shared with the Scottish Government who have a clear agenda on closing the poverty related attainment gap? Could free school meals for all P1-3 children regardless of need be readdressed and go back to a system which is currently in place for all P4-7 children based on ability to pay? Could this also be the case for Breakfast Club provision with those able to pay being charged a nominal fee each day? All of the above is all dependent on decision made as a result of the Governance Review and what these will look like when they eventually come to fruition.	Revised staffing models for schools - Admin, Management & Support Staff	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Teaching Staff are employed according to national conditions of service, which set out clearly the duties they will perform. They undertake their duties as directed by their Headteacher, within the confines of national conditions and their working time agreement.
5310	No Response	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Does "revised staffing models" just equal staff cuts? Aren't schools understaffed as they are? Apart from management?	Revised staffing models for schools - Admin, Management & Support Staff	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	West Lothian Council meets national class size regulations in all of its schools, and maintains the pupil/teacher ratio.
5311	No Response	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	I think a review of management could be helpful but the council have already cut support staff in schools. With 'social inclusion' class teachers need support in a number of classes. The cuts should not be applied here! There has to be an assurance that our children are not short-changed.	Revised staffing models for schools - Admin, Management & Support Staff	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The tasks undertaken by support staff are valued by the council, schools, parents and teaching staff. The council is required to maintain a pupil teacher ratio with the result that spending on teaching staff cannot be reduced, thus increasing the impact of any savings required on support staff, even when these staff may play a significant role in supporting learning and teaching.
5312	No Response	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Firstly, our young people with additional support needs require more and not less support. Supporting them and promoting equity should be top priority.	Revised staffing models for schools - Admin, Management & Support Staff	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council remains committed to meeting the needs of every child.
5313	No Response	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Again, ensuring all of our young people are fully supported should be a priority. This should be considered on all decision making.	Revised staffing models for schools - Admin, Management & Support Staff	4. The council is already doing this.	The Council will continue to meet the needs of all pupils.

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5314	No Response	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	I agree that greater use of resources are required. The structure of services has changed and now skilled staff are carrying out administrative tasks that could be carried out by lower grade staff, allowing skilled staff to deal with more complex tasks.	Revised staffing models for schools - Admin, Management & Support Staff	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposals seek to strike an appropriate balance between front line and support services.
5315	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	We have scores of primary schools managing a dozen staff yet all having their own manager, depute manager, senior posts etc., - these should be rationalised and primary schools made accountable to the secondary school which they feed. This would also give smooth progression from one to the other based on common attainment.	Revised staffing models for schools - Admin, Management & Support Staff	4. The council is already doing this.	Opportunities to combine management responsibility for small schools, nurseries and some additional support needs schools and units have been taken, and the Council will continue to put=pursue these opportunities where appropriate.
5316	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	We have scores of primary schools managing a dozen staff yet all having their own manager, depute manager, senior posts etc., - these should be rationalised and primary schools made accountable to the secondary school which they feed. This would also give smooth progression from one to the other based on common attainment.	Revised staffing models for schools - Admin, Management & Support Staff	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The Council has considered opportunities for joint management of schools and education facilities, and will continue to do so, where appropriate.
5317	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	I would not agree if sole purpose is to simply make redundancies	Revised staffing models for schools - Admin, Management & Support Staff	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
5318	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Revised staffing models sounds like staff cuts - there have already been too many teaching staff cuts and our children will suffer as a result. I would be very disappointed with that.	Revised staffing models for schools - Admin, Management & Support Staff	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
5319	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	From my limited experience there seems to be a large contingent of teaching staff involved in strategic (central) posts which do not include direct teaching. This should be reviewed in lieu of the levels of teacher vacancies	Revised staffing models for schools - Admin, Management & Support Staff	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The service seeks to strike the appropriate balance between front line and support and development services, but this will be kept under review.
5320	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	It completely depends on the detail of this restructure. I suspect that the most valuable resource that an education department can have is a well-supported, inquisitive and creative team of teachers and support workers.	Revised staffing models for schools - Admin, Management & Support Staff	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The service seeks to strike the appropriate balance between front line and support and development services, but this will be kept under review.
5321	An employee of West Lothian Council	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Reducing administration in schools centrally / administrative processes, duplication of workloads across the schools and reviewing payments to third parties to make them more efficient are welcomed.	Revised staffing models for schools - Admin, Management & Support Staff	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
5322	No Response	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Again this seems to be staff that will be losing jobs or their employment being affected in some way.	Revised staffing models for schools - Admin, Management & Support Staff	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	The impact on staffing levels will depend on decisions taken after the close of the consultation.
5323	An employee of West Lothian Council	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Agreed as above regarding checks and complaints, so long as service provision is maintained	Revised staffing models for schools - Admin, Management & Support Staff	4. The council is already doing this.	A complaints procedure, meeting SPSO requirements, will be maintained.
5324	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Outsourcing is no good.	Revised staffing models for schools - Admin, Management & Support Staff	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council will consider outsourcing where it cannot provide a service itself, or where there are clear quality or efficiency benefits, but the proposals are not for large scale outsourcing of school provision.
5325	An employee of West Lothian Council	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Rationalising the role of workers to provide a holistic approach to meeting the child's needs	Revised staffing models for schools - Admin, Management & Support Staff	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The Council remains committed to meeting the needs of every child.
5326	An employee of West Lothian Council	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Rationalising the role of workers to provide a holistic approach to meeting the child's needs	Revised staffing models for schools - Admin, Management & Support Staff	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	The comment does not propose any specific action.
5327	An employee of West Lothian Council	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Depends on whether the council are going to remove teachers from schools and put them into 'development posts' or secondments in supporting roles to the schools, therefore having to pay for these new roles whilst also having to recruit new teachers in schools to fill these roles (often at management pay scales) or, worse, not being able to replace them at all (or not having the money to).	Revised staffing models for schools - Admin, Management & Support Staff	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The Council and Headteachers will require to consider carefully the cost and benefits of secondments and development posts in every case.
5328	No Response	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	I am appalled that there are plans in place to reduce the number of staff or redeploy them elsewhere- the headteacher at my kids school (windyknowe) already leads multiple schools and it is something which I feel does not work well. Do not agree with this at all	Revised staffing models for schools - Admin, Management & Support Staff	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposals seek to strike an appropriate balance between front line, management and support functions, all of which play an important role in the service.

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5329	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Levels of management should be reduced. Focus more on the classroom needs.	Revised staffing models for schools - Admin, Management & Support Staff	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposals seek to strike an appropriate balance between front line, management and support functions, all of which play an important role in the service.
5330	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	I think it is vital that our children are supported as much as possible and our support staff in the schools are employed by WLC. I don't think we should be looking for provision from third party providers for all our education staff, I believe this should be controlled totally by WLC.	Revised staffing models for schools - Admin, Management & Support Staff	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposals seek to strike an appropriate balance between front line, management and support functions, all of which play an important role in the service. The Council will consider outsourcing where it cannot provide a service itself, or where there are clear quality or efficiency benefits, but the proposals are not for large scale outsourcing of school provision.
5331	No Response	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	I think it is good for third parties to get involved and to be able to provide further support and services including funding.	Revised staffing models for schools - Admin, Management & Support Staff	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The Council will consider outsourcing where it cannot provide a service itself, or where there are clear quality or efficiency benefits, but the proposals are not for large scale outsourcing of school provision.
5332	No Response	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Care must be taken that non-teaching roles are not reduced to the point that functionality is impossible and teaching staff have to pick up the shortfall	Revised staffing models for schools - Admin, Management & Support Staff	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The tasks undertaken by support staff are valued by the council, schools, parents and teaching staff. The council is required to maintain a pupil teacher ratio with the result that spending on teaching staff cannot be reduced, thus increasing the impact of any savings required on support staff, even when these staff may play a significant role in supporting learning and teaching.
5333	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Existing school management teams are already stretched so I disagree with this. Management structures above school level could be looked at.	Revised staffing models for schools - Admin, Management & Support Staff	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposals seek to strike an appropriate balance between front line, management and support functions, all of which play an important role in the service.
5334	No Response	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	No reduction to front lineschool teachers or support staff in schools. Any reductions should be within council hq	Revised staffing models for schools - Admin, Management & Support Staff	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposals seek to strike an appropriate balance between front line, management and support functions, all of which play an important role in the service.
5335	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Agree, get rid of dead wood.	Revised staffing models for schools - Admin, Management & Support Staff	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The proposals seek to strike an appropriate balance between front line, management and support functions, all of which play an important role in the service.
5336	No Response	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Schools must be staffed by sufficiently well qualified teachers, in management and education.	Revised staffing models for schools - Admin, Management & Support Staff	4. The council is already doing this.	The Council conforms to national class size regulations, the national pupil/teacher ratio, and GTCs standards
5337	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	I work in a SEBN provision and our staffing situation is below minimum for safety reasons. Again the pressure of reducing support staff will add to stress levels and reduce positive outcomes for children.	Revised staffing models for schools - Admin, Management & Support Staff	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	West Lothian Council meets staffing levels set by statute and national agreement, and this will continue to be the case.
5338	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	I see the squeeze in schools where the support is now limited and withdrawn far too soon. This cut will impact negatively on the children's outcomes.	Revised staffing models for schools - Admin, Management & Support Staff	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council intends to implement the proposals whilst continuing to meet the needs of every pupil.
5339	No Response	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	More shuffling about of people. More cuts. Yet more people moving into the area? To me this just doesn't make sense	Revised staffing models for schools - Admin, Management & Support Staff	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
5340	No Response	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Again a reduction in the support staff will mean the burden will be placed on current non-admin staff such as teachers. they are already overloaded and understaffed so seems a false economy.	Revised staffing models for schools - Admin, Management & Support Staff	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council is required to maintain a pupil teacher ratio with the result that spending on teaching staff cannot be reduced, thus increasing the impact of any savings required on support staff, even when these staff may play a significant role in supporting learning and teaching.

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5341	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	A good level of support staff available within classrooms is essential to enable teachers to teach effectively. Having left behind special schools there is absolutely a need for effective support to be provided for children with learning difficulties. Without such support within the classrooms it is difficult to see how a teacher can teach a whole class effectively.	Revised staffing models for schools - Admin, Management & Support Staff	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council is required to maintain a pupil teacher ratio with the result that spending on teaching staff cannot be reduced, thus increasing the impact of any savings required on support staff, even when these staff may play a significant role in supporting learning and teaching.
5342	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	More for less in overworked teachers and staff.	Revised staffing models for schools - Admin, Management & Support Staff	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposals seek to strike an appropriate balance between front line, support and management staff, all of whom perform an important function within the service, within available resources.
5343	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	To attempt to reduce or alter school management structures would not be a good idea. Schools need on site management available to deal with parents etc. Support staff are vital to the running of a school and this is not an area to be reduced.	Revised staffing models for schools - Admin, Management & Support Staff	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposals seek to strike an appropriate balance between front line, support and management staff, all of whom perform an important function within the service, within available resources.
5344	No Response	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Without support staff teachers are less able to delivery their lessons	Revised staffing models for schools - Admin, Management & Support Staff	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposals seek to strike an appropriate balance between front line, support and management staff, all of whom perform an important function within the service, within available resources.
5345	No Response	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Hopefully not at the expense of teacher contact times with the children if teachers are going to be sked to contribute to admin etc.	Revised staffing models for schools - Admin, Management & Support Staff	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	National and local agreements on class contact time will not be altered by this proposal.
5346	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Why we are only thinking of doing this just now?	Revised staffing models for schools - Admin, Management & Support Staff	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
5347	An employee of West Lothian Council	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	It would be very important to engage all WLC schools directly in discussions as to how this can be done to the benefit of pupils. All staff should be involved in informal meetings to provide their perspectives.	Revised staffing models for schools - Admin, Management & Support Staff	4. The council is already doing this.	Implementation of any agreed change will work best if accompanied by appropriate staff engagement and involvement.
5348	An employee of West Lothian Council	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	I would review staffing levels as a last resort. Would need to ensure that the work can still be carried out successfully by staff in place.	Revised staffing models for schools - Admin, Management & Support Staff	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposals seek to strike an appropriate balance between front line, support and management staff, all of whom perform an important function within the service, within available resources.
5349	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	I assume by 'revised staffing models' you mean to cut jobs. It has been proven time and again in several sectors that using third party providers dilutes and weakens service provision, please see the prison and probation services as a prime example.	Revised staffing models for schools - Admin, Management & Support Staff	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council will consider outsourcing where it cannot provide a service itself, or where there are clear quality or efficiency benefits, but the proposals are not for large scale outsourcing of school provision.
5350	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Schools are already stretched and there are minimal support staff and office staff available. Any further cuts would reduce the quality of schools and only serve to help distinguish between the good and bad schools as a "good" school with an active PTA would continue to fund raise to support the school	Revised staffing models for schools - Admin, Management & Support Staff	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Nationally agreed staffing levels, and the pupil/teacher ratio will be maintained.
5351	No Response	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	New management arrangements must be transparent and accountable with clear governance arrangements and publication of performance indicators.	Revised staffing models for schools - Admin, Management & Support Staff	4. The council is already doing this.	This is the culture of West Lothian Council.
5352	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	provided that there is no impact on staffing levels	Revised staffing models for schools - Admin, Management & Support Staff	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The Council will continue to meet the needs of every child. Staffing ratios set by statute or national agreement will be maintained. The Scottish Government has made maintaining the Pupil/Teacher ratio a condition of funding, and so the council and schools are compelled to focus on the employment of teachers where, in some cases, they may prefer to increase non-teaching staff in preference to this.

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5353	No Response	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	By removing Some Education officers you could save money and use some more to support children with special needs. I think good support staff is necessary and it seems to me that there are still too many layers of management	Revised staffing models for schools - Admin, Management & Support Staff	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposals seek to strike an appropriate balance between front line, support and management staff, all of whom perform an important function within the service, within available resources.
5354	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	As mentioned earlier, reductions to middle management can be a great aid to improved efficiency. However, as a parent, it is clear that there is no room for further cuts in the current education system.	Revised staffing models for schools - Admin, Management & Support Staff	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposals seek to strike an appropriate balance between front line, support and management staff, all of whom perform an important function within the service, within available resources.
5355	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	teachers must be given required support	Revised staffing models for schools - Admin, Management & Support Staff	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposals seek to strike an appropriate balance between front line, support and management staff, all of whom perform an important function within the service, within available resources.
5356	An employee of West Lothian Council	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	This sounds like a reduction in support and admin staff. I have had the good fortune you work with pupil support workers, they are stretched to capacity as it is, what are our schools going to look like with less of them? How about the young people that depend on them for practical help or emotional help to make their school days bearable.	Revised staffing models for schools - Admin, Management & Support Staff	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposals seek to strike an appropriate balance between front line, support and management staff, all of whom perform an important function within the service, within available resources.
5357	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Support staff are already at a bare minimum in our schools and they are struggling to cope with pupils (and their behaviour) who should not be in mainstream schools. What strategies do you plan to put in place to cope with the loss of additional staffing? Schools NEED admin staff, technicians, librarians, support workers etc to support teaching staff do their jobs - teach. Schools cannot function properly with less support staff - this will lead to pressure on remaining staff, challenging behaviour from pupils and ultimately will affect attainment - a key priority for WLC. PEF funding was put in place to support pupils - and we also need to retain the staff we have to support this initiative further.	Revised staffing models for schools - Admin, Management & Support Staff	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposals seek to strike an appropriate balance between front line, support and management staff, all of whom perform an important function within the service, within available resources.
5358	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	"Revised staffing models" again sounds like the proposed saving will come from the reduction in numbers of council staff, something that would be counter-productive with a growing population, increasing demand for council services and increasingly overworked members of staff.	Revised staffing models for schools - Admin, Management & Support Staff	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposals are designed to reduce expenditure, but budget increases to cope with demographic change operate independently of this process. Revised staffing models will be supported by increased use of technology. Class size limits and the pupil/teacher ration will not be breached.
5359	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	If current work load continues the reduction/ change of management and revising staffing models will only increase stress and have a negative impact on staff's Health and Well Being.	Revised staffing models for schools - Admin, Management & Support Staff	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Revised staffing models will be supported by increased use of technology. Class size limits and the pupil/teacher ration will not be breached.
5360	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Justification is also required regarding cutting support staff when there is an anticipated 8% increase in children entering Primary Education	Revised staffing models for schools - Admin, Management & Support Staff	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposals are designed to reduce expenditure, but budget increases to cope with demographic change operate independently of this process.
5361	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Management structures should be as light as possible whilst maintaining proper levels of service and effectivity.	Revised staffing models for schools - Admin, Management & Support Staff	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposals seek to strike an appropriate balance between front line, management and support functions, all of which play an important role in the service.
5362	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	I think your support staffing arrangements have been whittled to the bone and could endure no further cuts without endangering your early years and schooling priorities.	Revised staffing models for schools - Admin, Management & Support Staff	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposals seek to strike an appropriate balance between front line, management and support functions, all of which play an important role in the service.
5363	An employee of West Lothian Council	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Justification is also required regarding cutting support staff when there is an anticipated 8% increase in children entering Primary Education.	Revised staffing models for schools - Admin, Management & Support Staff	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposals are designed to reduce expenditure, but budget increases to cope with demographic change operate independently of this process.
5364	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	I also think that changing classroom support assistants based in mainstream schools should not be fixed in one particular location but flexible to work in different settings depending on a month by month rota (when working with children who have no additional needs).	Revised staffing models for schools - Admin, Management & Support Staff	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Officers will consider how this could be developed, where practical.
5365	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Perhaps instead of paying third part providers for support, the council could make this provided by in-house staff, encouraging experienced local staff to be responsible, as they'd have more of an interest in looking for the best.	Revised staffing models for schools - Admin, Management & Support Staff	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council will consider outsourcing where it cannot provide a service itself, or where there are clear quality or efficiency benefits, but the proposals are not for large scale outsourcing of school provision.

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5366	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Again, need to ensure reduction in admin support does not mean these tasks being given to teachers. This could result in a need for more teachers - which will be more expensive.	Revised staffing models for schools - Admin, Management & Support Staff	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Teaching Staff are employed according to national conditions of service, which set out clearly the duties they will perform. They undertake their duties as directed by their Headteacher, within the confines of national conditions and their working time agreement.
5367	An employee of West Lothian Council	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	schools are already struggling to cope with the pressures put in place with limited (or no) support staff.	Revised staffing models for schools - Admin, Management & Support Staff	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The tasks undertaken by support staff are valued by the council, schools, parents and teaching staff. The council is required to maintain a pupil teacher ratio with the result that spending on teaching staff cannot be reduced, thus increasing the impact of any savings required on support staff, even when these staff may play a significant role in supporting learning and teaching.
5368	An employee of West Lothian Council	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Reviewing staffing models is fine - but perhaps look at the salaries of your management structure within the council and take some of that money to pay support assistants for schools!	Revised staffing models for schools - Admin, Management & Support Staff	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The proposals seek to strike an appropriate balance between front line, management and support functions, all of which play an important role in the service.
5369	An employee of West Lothian Council	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	It seems a pity that this has to happen when teacher numbers are once again protected - regardless of performance.	Revised staffing models for schools - Admin, Management & Support Staff	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	Maintaining the Pupil Teacher Ratio is a requirement of the Scottish Government.
5370	An employee of West Lothian Council	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	will this result in job losses?	Revised staffing models for schools - Admin, Management & Support Staff	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. This will depend on the outcome of the consultation, and the budget decisions taken by the Council.
5371	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Again, lessons can be learned from private organisations in terms of efficient operations.	Revised staffing models for schools - Admin, Management & Support Staff	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council will use external providers where it lacks capacity or expertise to make provision itself, or where there are quality or efficiency benefits.
5372	No Response	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	I agree that restructuring and better management can provide savings, but care must be taken that already overworked and stressed members of staff are not pushed beyond what is acceptable.	Revised staffing models for schools - Admin, Management & Support Staff	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Teachers are employed according to national conditions of service setting out their duties. Their work is directed by Headteachers within the confines of these conditions and their working time agreement.
5373	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	As I have highlighted above there is a need to protect frontline staffing and admin posts - less of a need to protect the senior management grades within school structures in my opinion and developmental posts perhaps need to be reduced at present until we are in a better economic position.	Revised staffing models for schools - Admin, Management & Support Staff	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposals seek to strike an appropriate balance between front line and support services. Headteachers are responsible for how they spend their budget, including the creation of development posts.
5374	No Response	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Again we need more staff working with children and fewer on admin. As it is support for less able children is very patchy and these are our most vulnerable pupils. Let's have more trained learning support staff and support assistants.	Revised staffing models for schools - Admin, Management & Support Staff	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	The proposals to rationalise central support to schools seek to balance the important contribution of professional, support and managerial staff, all of whom make an important contribution to the service. They recognise the increased autonomy to be given to headteachers, who will have the ability to prioritise budgets to meet the individual needs of their school.
5375	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Management of third party providers is crucial to ensure value for money. Would hate to think tasks functions delegated to industry partners with poor control over negotiated contracts and recharge rates.	Revised staffing models for schools - Admin, Management & Support Staff	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council will only consider outsourcing where this would bring efficiency or effectiveness benefits, but the proposals do not include large scale outsourcing of education services.
5376	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	WLC already has a staffing model which has less school management roles per school roll than other local authorities. How can reducing this further make the schools more effective and help close the attainment gap which we repeatedly hear of?	Revised staffing models for schools - Admin, Management & Support Staff	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposals to rationalise central support to schools seek to balance the important contribution of professional, support and managerial staff, all of whom make an important contribution to the service. They recognise the increased autonomy to be given to headteachers, who will have the ability to prioritise budgets to meet the individual needs of their school.

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5377	No Response	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Revised staffing models that reduces staffing levels to already stretched staff in schools means the children suffer as a result as their education is compromised. We should be putting money into our schools.	Revised staffing models for schools - Admin, Management & Support Staff	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposals to rationalise central support to schools seek to balance the important contribution of professional, support and managerial staff, all of whom make an important contribution to the service. They recognise the increased autonomy to be given to headteachers, who will have the ability to prioritise budgets to meet the individual needs of their school.
5378	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	In both the Primary school and secondary school where I am involved via my children, it seems that there is already a real stretch on management, admin and support staffing. Surely there is a tipping point on how fewer and fewer staff can cope with an ever increasing workload. As a health professional, I am very concerned as to the health implications for staff and an increase in sick leave. Staffing systems could crumble if you continue to withdraw resource and support. Again, it is time for council and the Scottish government to look at generating revenue; we are no longer in a position to justify free meals, school clothing allowances, prescriptions, travel passes etc across the board, while continually making cuts in crucial areas.	Revised staffing models for schools - Admin, Management & Support Staff	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposals to rationalise central support to schools seek to balance the important contribution of professional, support and managerial staff, all of whom make an important contribution to the service. They recognise the increased autonomy to be given to headteachers, who will have the ability to prioritise budgets to meet the individual needs of their school.
5379	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Revised staffing models should not include cuts to front-line teaching staff	Revised staffing models for schools - Admin, Management & Support Staff	4. The council is already doing this.	The pupil teacher ratio will be maintained.
5380	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	As with my comment earlier - partnerships are a way forward. Worried over job cuts.	Revised staffing models for schools - Admin, Management & Support Staff	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
5381	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Any services which are duplicated should be overviewed and consolidated into one area to save on admin and running costs	Revised staffing models for schools - Admin, Management & Support Staff	4. The council is already doing this.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. This has been considered in producing the proposals.
5382	No Response	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	I'm not really sure what support staff you mean - if you mean cleaners for example - the schools are pretty filthy and need more staff.	Revised staffing models for schools - Admin, Management & Support Staff	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposals to rationalise central support to schools seek to balance the important contribution of professional, support and managerial staff, all of whom make an important contribution to the service. They recognise the increased autonomy to be given to headteachers, who will have the ability to prioritise budgets to meet the individual needs of their school.
5383	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Reducing support for the most vulnerable in the community seems to be becoming a theme at the heart of your saving cuts.	Revised staffing models for schools - Admin, Management & Support Staff	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
5384	An employee of West Lothian Council	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Revising staff models should not mean marginalising the staff already in place. Some school staff are already under too much pressure.	Revised staffing models for schools - Admin, Management & Support Staff	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The changes to Devolved School Management will increase the autonomy of Headteachers and teachers to make decisions at a local level to benefit pupils in their school. Individual Headteachers can consider this suggestion within the context of the needs of their school.
5385	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Improved efficiency in management is appealing. Again, provided this does not mean removal of support from head teachers.	Revised staffing models for schools - Admin, Management & Support Staff	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
5386	No Response	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Fine with proposed review and rationalisation of school support arrangements, but this cannot lead to a degrading of the learning experience for our young persons. If the burden of administration, management and educational support passes to teaching staff due to restructuring / reductions in resourcing then there maybe a corresponding negative effect to teaching quality.	Revised staffing models for schools - Admin, Management & Support Staff	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The changes to Devolved School Management will increase the autonomy of Headteachers and teachers to make decisions at a local level to benefit pupils in their school. Individual Headteachers can consider this suggestion within the context of the needs of their school.
5387	An employee of West Lothian Council	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	good in principle but consider which groups of society will be affected through losing jobs - last time this impacted most of women of a certain age and status (usually those whose need is most).	Revised staffing models for schools - Admin, Management & Support Staff	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	This point will be considered in the equality impact process.

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5388	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Again, hopefully integration of services etc., will not impact on quality.	Revised staffing models for schools - Admin, Management & Support Staff	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
5389	An employee of West Lothian Council	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Any cut on support services also impacts on our learners and I would urge caution here.	Revised staffing models for schools - Admin, Management & Support Staff	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
5390	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Cuts to staffing in education are not acceptable This will put the attainment agenda at risk	Revised staffing models for schools - Admin, Management & Support Staff	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council has put forward proposals across the whole range of its activities.
5391	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Any revision of staffing of schools will have to ensure there is no further reduction in staffing. Schools are already working on reduced staffing due to previous cuts however still expected to provide the same level of education fo children. Especially in respect of support staff who are vital in closing the attainment gap required by the government.	Revised staffing models for schools - Admin, Management & Support Staff	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council will only consider outsourcing where this would bring efficiency or effectiveness benefits, but the proposals do not include large scale outsourcing of education services. The proposals to rationalise central support to schools seek to balance the important contribution of professional, support and managerial staff, all of whom make an important contribution to the service. They recognise the increased autonomy to be given to headteachers, who will have the ability to prioritise budgets to meet the individual needs of their school.
5392	An employee of West Lothian Council	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Admin changes are a concern as there is a constant pressure from the council on school admin teams. Changes should allow school admin to focus on school business only.	Revised staffing models for schools (Admin)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The changes to Devolved School Management will increase the autonomy of Headteachers and teachers to make decisions at a local level to benefit pupils in their school. Headteachers will have the ability to determine where resources should be spent for the benefit of children, including on support areas like admin.
5393	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Please don't remove all the clerical/admin support that are based in schools - the staff at Linlithgow Primary are superb and both my daughter and I appreciate what they do and how they interact with pupils and parents,	Revised staffing models for schools (Admin)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The changes to Devolved School Management will increase the autonomy of Headteachers and teachers to make decisions at a local level to benefit pupils in their school. Headteachers will have the ability to determine where resources should be spent for the benefit of children, including on support areas like admin.
5394	No Response	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Maybe have a central admin team looking after a cluster of schools, heads covering more schools although this may already happen	Revised staffing models for schools (Admin)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Officers will consider how this could be developed.
5395	An employee of West Lothian Council	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	As an admin in a school at present I am under great pressure always trying to support Head Teacher and Teacher and pupils and parents. I would welcome a restructure that would help manage the current workload	Revised staffing models for schools (Admin)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The proposals to rationalise central support to schools seek to balance the important contribution of professional, support and managerial staff, all of whom make an important contribution to the service. They recognise the increased autonomy to be given to headteachers, who will have the ability to prioritise budgets to meet the individual needs of their school. Headteachers will have greater autonomy to set their own management structure.
5396	An employee of West Lothian Council	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	I would be appalled if administrative staff or support staff were cut from schools. Schools are already at breaking point due to an extreme lack of staffing. This has been highlighted repeatedly in the press and by professional bodies.	Revised staffing models for schools (Admin)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposals to rationalise central support to schools seek to balance the important contribution of professional, support and managerial staff, all of whom make an important contribution to the service. They recognise the increased autonomy to be given to headteachers, who will have the ability to prioritise budgets to meet the individual needs of their school. National class size limits will be adhered to, and the pupil/teacher ration maintained as required.

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5397	An employee of West Lothian Council	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Likewise, if there is reduced administrative staff, there will be an increased burden on teaching staff. It is my understanding that this would be contrary to the council's (and the national) position on reducing teacher workload. To reduce these areas of support would be totally hypocritical.	Revised staffing models for schools (Admin)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposals to rationalise central support to schools seek to balance the important contribution of professional, support and managerial staff, all of whom make an important contribution to the service. They recognise the increased autonomy to be given to headteachers, who will have the ability to prioritise budgets to meet the individual needs of their school. National class size limits will be adhered to, and the pupil/teacher ration maintained as required.
5398	An employee of West Lothian Council	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Administrative staff in schools are already stretched beyond breaking point and are sorely under appreciated.	Revised staffing models for schools (Admin)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposals to rationalise central support to schools seek to balance the important contribution of professional, support and managerial staff, all of whom make an important contribution to the service. They recognise the increased autonomy to be given to headteachers, who will have the ability to prioritise budgets to meet the individual needs of their school.
5399	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	again Admin should always be a consolidated consideration . Centralizing the core tasks will benefit all	Revised staffing models for schools (Admin)	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	The proposals envisage greater devolution to schools, not increased centralisation.
5400	An employee of West Lothian Council	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Changes to support staffing in school will place extra stress of teachers who are already unable to meet the needs of all children. The children who will suffer are those most vulnerable and in need of support. It would be a poor system which identifies need and then lacks the resources to meet that need.	Revised staffing models for schools (Admin)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council will continue to meet the needs of every child. Staffing ratios set by statute or national agreement will be maintained.
5401	No Response	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	In my opinion the support and admin provision in education in WL is already inadequate. I fear these proposals will lead to a deepening the recruitment/retention crisis in teaching which will ultimately impact outcomes for children in WL. As both a teacher and a parent living in WL these proposals deeply concern me.	Revised staffing models for schools (Admin)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposals seek to strike an appropriate balance between front line and support functions. Teachers are employed according to national conditions, which specify their duties, and work within a working time agreement.
5402	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	There are minimal support staff as it is- cannot improve attainment without them	Revised staffing models for schools (Admin)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposals seek to strike an appropriate balance between front line, management and support functions, all of which play an important role in the service.
5403	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Each school should be allocated additional funding to cope with the additional admin support and effect of decentralisation. There are opportunities to maximise the benefit of shared services between secondary schools and feeder primary schools that should be examined such as HR, sport, health, counselling and environment within schools.	Revised staffing models for schools (Admin)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The proposals are to reduce, not increase funding, but suggestions for potential savings will be examined.
5404	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	As long as support staffing arrangements are maintained- would be a false economy.	Revised staffing models for schools (Admin)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The tasks undertaken by support staff are valued by the council, schools, parents and teaching staff. The council is required to maintain a pupil teacher ratio with the result that spending on teaching staff cannot be reduced, thus increasing the impact of any savings required on support staff, even when these staff may play a significant role in supporting learning and teaching.
5405	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	I hope the council will ensure that reducing support staff of any kind within schools has no effect on the type of educational help some children require within mainstream or special needs schools. Often children need support during the school day which cannot always be provided by a teacher alone, who has a class of sometimes up to 30 children. Teachers can work with groups of children who needs greater support for longer because they have support within their classroom.	Revised staffing models for schools (Admin)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The tasks undertaken by support staff are valued by the council, schools, parents and teaching staff. The council is required to maintain a pupil teacher ratio with the result that spending on teaching staff cannot be reduced, thus increasing the impact of any savings required on support staff, even when these staff may play a significant role in supporting learning and teaching.
5406	No Response	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	I'm surprised that in this day and age that schools all have their own admin team, this surely could be centralised to save money.	Revised staffing models for schools (Admin)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The proposals seek to strike an appropriate balance between front line, support and management staff, all of whom perform an important function within the service, within available resources.

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5407	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Another admin and support cut - see above	Revised staffing models for schools (Admin)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposals seek to strike an appropriate balance between front line, support and management staff, all of whom perform an important function within the service, within available resources.
5408	No Response	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	As per my comments above re resources and access to staff. Technology cannot replace the key role that support staff provide.	Revised staffing models for schools (Admin)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council has introduced technology will success, but recognises that not all tasks lent themselves to this approach.
5409	An employee of West Lothian Council	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	I have worked in different local authorities where the administration has been drastically reduced and passed onto other workers, this is ok on paper but careful consideration needs to be taken to get a balance as paperwork is a big part of staff's jobs to meet the objectives and standards required and to provide an continuing excellent educational service. Through this experience I have seen and been involved in instances where the amount of administration in a job role is underestimated and I am concerned this may impact on the work being carried out but can understand that decisions and cuts have to be made but I feel this needs to be done in a realistic understanding of what is involved in each role.	Revised staffing models for schools (Admin)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The changes to Devolved School Management will increase the autonomy of Headteachers and teachers to make decisions at a local level to benefit pupils in their school, including the appropriate mix of staff. Individual Headteachers can consider this suggestion within the context of the needs of their school.
5410	An employee of West Lothian Council	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Please come into a school office and see if you can make the proposed changes - it is a very busy environment with telephone calls, parents and general admin duties for teachers.	Revised staffing models for schools (Admin)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The changes to Devolved School Management will increase the autonomy of Headteachers and teachers to make decisions at a local level to benefit pupils in their school, including the appropriate mix of staff. Individual Headteachers can consider this suggestion within the context of the needs of their school.
5411	No Response	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Admin support must be increased as a matter of priority in schools.	Revised staffing models for schools (Admin)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The purpose of the proposals is to achieve savings rather than to identify areas for increased expenditure.
5412	No Response	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Administrative and support staffing MUST be increased not 'revised' otherwise pupils will suffer.	Revised staffing models for schools (Admin)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
5413	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	The reduction in support staff in our schools is detrimental to the health and wellbeing of teachers and will only continue to see people leaving the profession. There is too much pressure on teachers and the reduction of support staff will not alleviate this but will increase it as teachers struggle to fulfil their commitments to the very mixed classes of children in front of them everyday/.	Revised staffing models for schools (Admin)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council will only consider outsourcing where this would bring efficiency or effectiveness benefits, but the proposals do not include large scale outsourcing of education services. The proposals to rationalise central support to schools seek to balance the important contribution of professional, support and managerial staff, all of whom make an important contribution to the service. They recognise the increased autonomy to be given to headteachers, who will have the ability to prioritise budgets to meet the individual needs of their school.
5414	An employee of West Lothian Council	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	All teachers should be expected to use modern technology. It is a lottery for many children who have teachers who do not know how to use resources properly.	Use of technology in schools	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	All teachers are trained and support is available in the use of appropriate technology.
5415	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	What further use of technology??? This provides no details and is simply hollow promises	Use of technology in schools	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Significant investment has been made by the council, and also nationally, to provide electronic systems to reduce bureaucracy.
5416	No Response	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Better use of technology to decrease face to face meetings or letters etc.	Use of technology in schools	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thanks you for comment. Your feedback has been noted. Increased use of technology already features in proposals.
5417	No Response	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	technology is a great aspect for education but children are loosing the skills we find so basic like writing spelling etc all by using millions of pounds of computers and so they can have access to these things people who have worked for 50 years or less are loosing jobs to make cuts. There is no need to fancy smart boards etc when cuts have to be made sadly it is a waste of money children learn equally well using pens and paper with less of a use of computers they equally become more social and learn new skills they have not learned before.	Use of technology in schools	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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5418	No Response	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	dont just write "including further use of technology," without actually explaining that. It potentially places a huge strain on existing IT resources without any accountability.	Use of technology in schools	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Significant investment has been made by the council, and also nationally, to provide electronic systems to reduce bureaucracy.
5419	An employee of West Lothian Council	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Is it possible to have children's details that are regularly required for school trips held electronically to avoid filling in the same form each time? Trip payment and acceptance could be through the IPayimpact system.	Use of technology in schools	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The Council has started to look at electronic solutions, and will explore electronic management of the school excursion process further as part of the channel shift process.
5420	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Use of technology can reduce costs but it is the effective management and delivery of services which is key & this is usually delivered by people so this needs to be considered carefully.	Use of technology in schools	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	The Council intends to implement the proposals whilst focusing on key priorities for pupils, parents/carers and staff.
5421	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Introduce Virtual Teaching class studies to 5th & 6th year students with the new I-Teach Pads	Use of technology in schools	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Opportunities for individual learning supported by IT exist, but all suggestions for increasing these opportunities will be considered.
5422	An employee of West Lothian Council	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	I fully support further use of technology within schools but not at the expense of 1-1 learning. It is important for pupils to be able to interact 1-1 with teaching staff, with technology added as a support.	Use of technology in schools	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Staffing levels required by statute and national agreement will be maintained.
5423	An employee of West Lothian Council	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Technology use is great but the infrastructure needs to be there first. In my school building there are more than just a few "dead zones" in wifi/network coverage which is blamed on thick walls and no additional routers can be installed due to "asbestos risk"....so how did the original ones get installed/maintained??	Use of technology in schools	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	This comment would be best directed to school management who would be in a position to assess and address it.
5424	No Response	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Careful consideration should be given to less obvious revenue costs that may be associated with areas such as increased use of technology (license fees, increased energy consumption etc).	Use of technology in schools	4. The council is already doing this.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. These costs are considered.
5425	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	"Further use of technology" - like the dozens of iPads bought which spend most of their time locked in a cupboard.	Use of technology in schools	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
5426	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	In terms of further use of technology support workers who have a smart phone should have them internet enabled so that they can check information without having to use their own phones or return to the office.	Use of technology in schools	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
5427	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	The use of tablets and other technology should be reviewed if there are not enough in the class to provide one for each child to use at the same time. Maintenance of electronic equipment is essential and if not done properly can end up costing more in replacements, or nothing gets done and the equipment is left unused (eg smartboards), which is a big waste of money. Perhaps this should be more restricted and a other delivery methods used.	Use of technology in schools	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	These points will be considered in relation to their purchase and use of technology.
5428	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Improved technology that helps provide savings is always a bonus, but again any savings should be put straight into the actual schools budget.	Use of technology in schools	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	If savings are returned to school budgets, they would not, unfortunately, be savings.
5429	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	As above schools are tight for paid staff as it is.... it is good to introduce more technology but we need teachers and helpers to provide the support especially as there is more and more children in mainstream classes that have additional support needs...	Use of technology in schools	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The Council, Schools, Parents/Carers and Pupils all value the contribution of support staff. Headteachers will have the ability to determine where resources should be spent for the benefit of children, although a continuation of the Pupil/Teacher ratio may result in expenditure on teacher posts where support staff would have a greater impact on learning and teaching.
5430	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Again the use of technology is a positive. As is redesign to optimise resources. As long as it has no negative impact on employment.	Use of technology in schools	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The Council has invested in technology to support education , management and administration, including systems such as GLOW and SEEMIS.
5431	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	As long as further use of technology is correctly supported.	Use of technology in schools	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The Council has invested in technology to support education , management and administration, including systems such as GLOW and SEEMIS. These are well maintained, up to date, fit for purpose and secure.
5432	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	It cannot be underestimated the improvement to the quality of teaching available by having suitable support staff in place. If technology is going to be used to supplement this then it needs to be well maintained , up-to-date, fit for purpose and secure.	Use of technology in schools	4. The council is already doing this.	The Council has invested in technology to support education , management and administration, including systems such as GLOW and SEEMIS. These are well maintained, up to date, fit for purpose and secure.

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5433	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	It cannot be underestimated the improvement to the quality of teaching available by having suitable support staff in place. If technology is going to be used to supplement this then it needs to be well maintained , up-to-date, fit for purpose and secure.	Use of technology in schools	4. The council is already doing this.	The Council has invested in technology to support education , management and administration, including systems such as GLOW and SEEMIS. These are well maintained, up to date, fit for purpose and secure.
5434	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	AS I MENTIONED EARLIER. BETTER USE OF TECHNOLOGY AND REDUCTION OF WASTE IS A PRIORITY RATHER THAN MOVE FOLK AROUND FROM A TO B	Use of technology in schools	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. This is the aim of the proposals.
5435	No Response	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	If technology is going to be used to supplement this then it needs to be well maintained , up-to-date, fit for purpose and secure.	Use of technology in schools	4. The council is already doing this.	The Council has invested in technology to support education , management and administration, including systems such as GLOW and SEEMIS. These are well maintained, up to date, fit for purpose and secure.
5436	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Use on-line technology to support the breadth of the teaching curriculum.	Use of technology in schools	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council has invested in technology to support education , management and administration, including systems such as GLOW and SEEMIS, with positive impact, but recognises that not all tasks can be accomplished using technology.
5437	An employee of West Lothian Council	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	however I am not certain that new IT systems and third party intervention is the way forward. Systems that have recently been introduced have resulted in duplication. I think given the grade of staff you have in post in school they are great value in many ways.	Use of technology in schools	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council has already increased efficiency where appropriate with educational and admin packages such as GLOW and SEEMIS to reduce workload and duplication. The Council will only consider outsourcing where this would bring efficiency or effectiveness benefits, but the proposals do not include large scale outsourcing of education services.
5438	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Use of technology is great and essential so is a staff who are not overloaded with work and being absent through stress making it more and more difficult for the remaining staff to provide a good service and remain healthy themselves.	Use of technology in schools	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The Council has invested in technology to support education , management and administration, including systems such as GLOW and SEEMIS, with positive impact, but recognises that not all tasks can be accomplished using technology.
5439	An employee of West Lothian Council	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Furthering the use of technology does not reduce the need for administration either as packages need human beings to set them up and monitor them.	Use of technology in schools	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council has invested in technology to support education , management and administration, including systems such as GLOW and SEEMIS, with positive impact, but recognises that not all tasks can be accomplished using technology.
5440	An employee of West Lothian Council	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Furthering the use of technology does not reduce the need for administration either as packages need human beings to set them up and monitor them.	Use of technology in schools	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council has invested in national systems such as GLOW and SEEMIS with extensive national and self help support.
5441	An employee of West Lothian Council	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Schools needs to have the latest technology to ensure children are able to integrate into the workplace. This is important for their life chances and in securing employment opportunities going forward.	Use of technology in schools	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The Council has invested in technology to support education , management and administration, including systems such as GLOW and SEEMIS, with positive impact, but recognises that not all tasks can be accomplished using technology.
5442	No Response	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Furthering the use of technology does not reduce the need for administration either as packages need human beings to set them up and monitor them.	Use of technology in schools	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council has invested in technology to support education , management and administration, including systems such as GLOW and SEEMIS, with positive impact, but recognises that not all tasks can be accomplished using technology.
5443	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Any redesign to use technology to increase efficiency would be worthwhile.	Use of technology in schools	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The Council has invested in technology to support education , management and administration, including systems such as GLOW and SEEMIS, with positive impact, but recognises that not all tasks can be accomplished using technology.
5444	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Increased use of technology can have it's own issues, systems would need to be robust, tested and user friendly. I would agree if the council made the decision to make an initial investment on this to realise the cost saving in the future. Technology is great, when it's working!	Use of technology in schools	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council has invested in technology to support education , management and administration, including systems such as GLOW and SEEMIS, with positive impact, but recognises that not all tasks can be accomplished using technology.

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5445	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Another way of saving money within the schools would be more effective use of technology such as email, social media & yammer, whiteboards and smartboards rather than using groupcall and photocopying which both cost money.	Use of technology in schools	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Officers will consider how this could be developed.
5446	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Too much money wasted in schools. Use more technology less copying. Why do we still use color copying.	Use of technology in schools	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Officers will consider how this could be developed.
5447	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Furthering the use of technology does not reduce the need for administration either as packages need human beings to set them up and monitor them.	Use of technology in schools	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council has invested in technology to support education , management and administration, including systems such as GLOW and SEEMIS, with positive impact, but recognises that not all tasks can be accomplished using technology.
5448	An employee of West Lothian Council	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Furthering the use of technology does not reduce the need for administration either as packages need human beings to set them up and monitor them.	Use of technology in schools	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council has invested in technology to support education , management and administration, including systems such as GLOW and SEEMIS, with positive impact, but recognises that not all tasks can be accomplished using technology.
5449	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	As previously indicated, I agree with proposals to make full use of technology to streamline administrative functions. Frontline delivery of services needs to be protected.	Use of technology in schools	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The Council has invested in technology to support education , management and administration, including systems such as GLOW and SEEMIS, with positive impact, but recognises that not all tasks can be accomplished using technology.
5450	An employee of West Lothian Council	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Furthering the use of technology does not reduce the need for administration either as packages need human beings to set them up and monitor them.	Use of technology in schools	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council has invested in technology to support education , management and administration, including systems such as GLOW and SEEMIS, with positive impact, but recognises that not all tasks can be accomplished using technology.
5451	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Technology is very important in schools for support for children & families.	Use of technology in schools	4. The council is already doing this.	The Council has invested in national systems such as GLOW and SEEMIS with extensive national and self help support.
5452	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	More use should be made of remote and IT enabled learning and teaching tools.	Use of technology in schools	4. The council is already doing this.	The Council has invested in national systems such as GLOW and SEEMIS with extensive national and self help support.
5453	An employee of West Lothian Council	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Use of Attendance Allowance to self manage equipment/adaptation needs.	Use of technology in schools	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Officers will consider how this could be developed.
5454	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Maybe spend less money on fancy equipment for schools like unused televisions and spend it on giving the young people more learning opportunities	Use of technology in schools	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	The changes to Devolved School Management will increase the autonomy of Headteachers and teachers to make decisions at a local level to benefit pupils in their school.
5455	No Response	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Why is the use of technology always mentioned - when the council cannot afford to keep up to date with new technologies - therefore you cannot be at your most efficient if you are not up to date with technologies. It's easy to say we will become more efficient with better use of technology - it doesn't happen unless true investment is put in place - so if this is a way forward you need to invest in it.	Use of technology in schools	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council has invested significantly in management and educational software and its effective use, for example SEEMIS and GLOW.
5456	No Response	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	technology in this school is ten years out of date leaving the young people struggling to fully access the curriculum - this is particularly impacting on PEF pupils	Use of technology in schools	4. The council is already doing this.	The Council has invested significantly in technology.
5457	An employee of West Lothian Council	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	no idea what this means for staff in schools - not enough detail. Are schools over staffed? are there duplications? Technology is great, when it works, which it often does not.	Use of technology in schools	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	The response does not propose any specific action.
5458	No Response	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	I agree technology could be exploited to improve these areas, making them more cost efficient. This is favourable to me so long as it doesn't, again, disrupt employment and take away the personal, human element, which could prove detrimental to growth and development in schools.	Use of technology in schools	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has invested heavily in the introduction and use of administrative and educational technology.
5459	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Reviews do not have to mean expensive changes - if it aint broke, don't fix it. While it is necessary for young people to experience and be familiar with technology, over reliance on technology can get in the way of good teaching. And pencils and paper are cheap. Technology for management is only a worthwhile investment if the resultant time savings and analytical capabilities are a real improvement.	Use of technology in schools	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has invested heavily in the introduction and use of administrative and educational technology, which have resulted in savings and reduced bureaucracy. Use of technology in the classroom is guided by the teacher's professional judgement.

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5460	No Response	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	I question whether money spent on technology in schools is spent wisely for example, do pupils share equipment etc or does each individual need to be provided for. Perhaps schools should buy less equipment and let pupils share.	Use of technology in schools	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Headteachers are responsible for purchases within their school, and will consider how this could be developed.
5461	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Using technology has to be backed up with concrete materials to allow the children to have real life experiences and gain necessary skills for their future.	Use of technology in schools	4. The council is already doing this.	The council has invested heavily in the introduction and use of administrative and educational technology, which have resulted in savings and reduced bureaucracy. Use of technology in the classroom is guided by the teacher's professional judgement.
5462	No Response	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Area could also be redeveloped and more inclusive of modern technologies to drive service efficiency.	Use of technology in schools	4. The council is already doing this.	The Council will continue to explore options for efficiency, as suggested.
5463	An employee of West Lothian Council	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	When technology doesn't work, which has been happening of late the system fails. We are too reliant on technology. Children are forgetting the basics of writing and spelling as machines do it for them. We are also making an assumption that all households have access to technology. If you cut library services, pupils who have no internet - where do they go. If we continue to aim solely on technology we are making a difference to children who can't readily access it.	Use of technology in schools	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council has invested heavily in the introduction and use of administrative and educational technology, which have resulted in savings and reduced bureaucracy. Use of technology in the classroom is guided by the teacher's professional judgement.
5464	No Response	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Technology should only ever be used to enhance learning. Real teaching cannot be replaced, especially in climate where schools are constantly under pressure to improve attainment.	Use of technology in schools	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council has invested heavily in the introduction and use of administrative and educational technology, which have resulted in savings and reduced bureaucracy. Use of technology in the classroom is guided by the teacher's professional judgement.
5465	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Most of the savings will come from staff reduction. This can be achieved by enabling them e.g. through technology. This will need a robust business case for any investment	Use of technology in schools	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
5466	An employee of West Lothian Council	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	It may be possible to make more savings in this part than any other mentioned in this section. Technology is not used to its full potential at this stage but we have limitations due to IT protocols etc.	Use of technology in schools	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The Council has invested heavily in IT packages to support both administration and learning, and on supporting their use.
5467	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Furthering the use of technology does not reduce the need for administration either as packages need human beings to set them up and monitor them.	Use of technology in schools	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council has invested significantly in management and educational software and its effective use, for example SEEMIS and GLOW, with a focus on national packages with a high degree of support.
5468	An employee of West Lothian Council	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Furthering the use of technology does not reduce the need for admin either as packages need human beings to set them up and monitor them.	Use of technology in schools	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council has invested in both educational and administrative IT with a focus on national packages that benefit from a high level of development and support.
5469	An employee of West Lothian Council	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Furthering the use of technology does not reduce the need for administration either as packages need human beings to set them up and monitor them.	Use of technology in schools	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council has invested significantly in management and educational software and its effective use, for example SEEMIS and GLOW, with a focus on national packages with a high degree of support.
5470	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Education is an area where the increased implementation of technology devices (i.e. smart boards) would save costs. Children enjoy using these devices and most classrooms already have them. By only purchasing basic physical resources money will be saved.	Use of technology in schools	4. The council is already doing this.	The Council will continue to explore options for efficiency, as suggested.
5471	An employee of West Lothian Council	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Further use of technology is a cop-out to save money but DOES NOT WORK! Pupils need interactions with staff, not more technology. No wonder more and more are starting secondary school with such poor literacy/numeracy rates - all they see is technology! This will maybe provide 'efficient' service but will not truly support the learners.	Use of technology in schools	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Technology to support learning is used under the supervision of teachers who use their professional judgement to assess its suitability for any given pupil and situation.
5472	An employee of West Lothian Council	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Upgrades to technology could provide savings.	Use of technology in schools	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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5473	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Again I understand that technology can be a good money saving mechanism but key roles within schools is always necessary such as support workers, efficient office staff and many more. The pupils relate to these members of staff.	Use of technology in schools	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposals to rationalise central support to schools seek to balance the important contribution of professional, support and managerial staff, all of whom make an important contribution to the service. They recognise the increased autonomy to be given to headteachers, who will have the ability to prioritise budgets to meet the individual needs of their school.
5474	An employee of West Lothian Council	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Children need the support of people not software	Use of technology in schools	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council has invested in technology to support education , management and administration, including systems such as GLOW and SEEMIS, with positive impact, but recognises that not all tasks can be accomplished using technology.
5475	An employee of West Lothian Council	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	Education should be using technology to deliver subjects where there have limited numbers involved, with video conferencing etc allowing two-way communication with a teacher in another location. Better use of technology could deliver more blended learning.	Use of technology in schools	4. The council is already doing this.	The Council has invested in technology to support education , management and administration, including systems such as GLOW and SEEMIS.
5476	An employee of West Lothian Council	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	An increase to ICT within schools and better training provisions for staff to teach children would be more cost effective in the future. Our world is moving towards a more digitally focused world and it is up to educators to provide the children with the essential skills in order to keep up to date with current changes.	Use of technology in schools	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The Council has introduced both educational and administrative IT packages to good effect and will continue to explore opportunities to use IT effectively.
5477	An individual	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	I would also need a more detailed explanation of the further use of technology, including the funding of this technology.	Use of technology in schools	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
5478	An employee of West Lothian Council	1c. Redesign Scheme of Devolved School Management	The idea of somehow technology helping us have fewer staff at a joke - I'm sure a computer programme will have great success dealing with a severely autistic child having a meltdown in a way that a real live pupil support worker couldn't!!!	Use of technology in schools	4. The council is already doing this.	The Council has already increased efficiency where appropriate with educational and admin packages such as GLOW and SEEMIS. There are obviously tasks for which technology is not suited.
5479	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	I always thought this already happened	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
5480	No Response	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Agree that this is a good idea.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
5481	An employee of West Lothian Council	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	If this can provide savings then it should be pursued.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
5482	No Response	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Agree to all suggested proposals	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
5483	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	good if it happens	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
5484	An employee of West Lothian Council	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Supportive of this proposal.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
5485	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Looks fine	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
5486	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	This defo needs looked at	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
5487	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	sounds reasonable	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
5488	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
5489	No Response	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
5490	No Response	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Would agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
5491	An employee of West Lothian Council	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	SEEMS GOOD PLAN	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
5492	An employee of West Lothian Council	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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5493	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Support this proposal	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
5494	An employee of West Lothian Council	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Good idea !	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
5495	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Any savings are welcome.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
5496	No Response	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Seems logical.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
5497	An employee of West Lothian Council	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Happy with this proposal.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
5498	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	No comment. Sounds reasonable.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
5499	No Response	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	All good and positive thoughts with this.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
5500	No Response	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	this could work, hopefully	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
5501	No Response	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Have no objection	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
5502	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Support proposal.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
5503	An employee of West Lothian Council	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	As long as the nursery has the staff.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
5504	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	This is essential to invest in	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
5505	No Response	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	It's about time parents took more responsibility in funding this. Why should you have to fund it.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
5506	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	I agree.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
5507	An employee of West Lothian Council	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	I agree with this	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
5508	No Response	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	great	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
5509	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
5510	No Response	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	agree.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
5511	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
5512	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Agree.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
5513	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Fine.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
5514	No Response	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Good	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
5515	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
5516	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Yes, agree.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
5517	No Response	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	I agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
5518	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Agree.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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5519	An employee of West Lothian Council	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
5520	An employee of West Lothian Council	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
5521	No Response	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	I agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
5522	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Agreed.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
5523	No Response	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Good.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
5524	No Response	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	I agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
5525	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
5526	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Positive	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
5527	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	This is a good idea	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
5528	An employee of West Lothian Council	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
5529	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	The strengthening of link between school and nursery is good.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
5530	No Response	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Seems like a good idea as long as the staff are available to provide good quality care	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
5531	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	go ahead with the savings	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
5532	No Response	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Agree that this in the circumstances seems the correct approach.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
5533	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	I think this should be done.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
5534	An employee of West Lothian Council	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Childcare provision should be a priority.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
5535	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Sound good.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
5536	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Achievable	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
5537	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	I support this change	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
5538	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	I agree with the Council's proposals for the moment to see how they all work out. Thank you.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
5539	No Response	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Nurseries are being managed effectively by Primary Heads in other authorities.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
5540	An employee of West Lothian Council	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	I think the support we receive from the Early Learning and Childcare team is excellent. I feel confident that they will continue to support us with changes ahead.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
5541	No Response	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Streamline early learning with Early Years professionals working with Headteachers.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
5542	No Response	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	I have no children therefore would cut back on placements.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
5543	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Agree cut as much as possible here - this service is over emphasised by central government.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
5544	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	I think this is important to save 1.5 million here.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
5545	No Response	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	I agree with the proposal	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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5546	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	This already happens in West Lothian.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
5547	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	I SUPPORT THIS PLAN.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
5548	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	This is certainly an area where savings should be made, if at all possible.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
5549	An employee of West Lothian Council	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	I am supportive of this.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
5550	An employee of West Lothian Council	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Feel this may be manageable	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
5551	An employee of West Lothian Council	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
5552	An employee of West Lothian Council	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Sounds good to me!	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
5553	No Response	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Ok	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
5554	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Sounds fair	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
5555	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	no issue with this	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
5556	An employee of West Lothian Council	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
5557	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
5558	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	ok.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
5559	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
5560	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Good	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
5561	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Good idea	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
5562	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Seems reasonable	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
5563	No Response	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Ok	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
5564	No Response	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
5565	An employee of West Lothian Council	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	good	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
5566	An employee of West Lothian Council	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
5567	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	I agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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5568	An employee of West Lothian Council	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Good idea	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
5569	No Response	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
5570	No Response	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
5571	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Good idea.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
5572	An employee of West Lothian Council	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Agree.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
5573	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
5574	No Response	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Agree with this proposal	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
5575	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
5576	An employee of West Lothian Council	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	agree with this proposal	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
5577	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Ok	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
5578	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	I agree with this proposal.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
5579	An employee of West Lothian Council	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
5580	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
5581	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	This seems a reasonable measure, though it is hard to form any definite view without knowing what the outcome might be.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
5582	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Should be happening already	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
5583	No Response	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	I agree that nursery school provision should be closely linked and managed at each primary school. I also feel that more parents should be encouraged to get involved in their children's education especially at this early age.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
5584	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	I have no reason to believe that any damage will be done by these changes proposed.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
5585	No Response	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Very important part of learning and fully support	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
5586	No Response	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Agree. Ensure delivery of services, but only if the services being delivered are of a high standard.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
5587	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	If this will save the council money then, I see no objection to this proposal.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
5588	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	The commitment to deliver early childcare is an excellent one, I have no objection to this.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
5589	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Sounds sensible.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
5590	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	I support this proposal.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
5591	An employee of West Lothian Council	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
5592	An employee of West Lothian Council	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Would agree.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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5593	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Good.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
5594	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Seems ok.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
5595	No Response	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Other Authorities already have Head Teachers running nurseries and it seems to work well	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
5596	An employee of West Lothian Council	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Agree with this proposal.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
5597	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
5598	No Response	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Ok.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
5599	No Response	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Save the £1.5 m	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
5600	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	All seems reasonable.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
5601	An employee of West Lothian Council	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Makes sense and I support this.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
5602	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Agree, remove duplication and provide a saving.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
5603	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	I think the responsibility for childcare and nursery facilities should be the responsibility of the parents not the taxpayer.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
5604	No Response	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	This seems like a sensible and cost-effective approach	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
5605	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	I would support this in principle.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
5606	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Agree with proposal	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
5607	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
5608	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Sounds fine	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
5609	No Response	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Again it's ensuring the best possible start for children and ensuring the level of care is sustainable and appropriate.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
5610	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Headteachers should manage associated nurseryâ€™s	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
5611	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
5612	No Response	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Ok	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
5613	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Makes sense	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
5614	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	This is a good idea.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
5615	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
5616	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
5617	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
5618	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	I would support this	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
5619	No Response	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	I agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
5620	An employee of West Lothian Council	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Completely agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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5621	An employee of West Lothian Council	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	agree with proposal	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
5622	An employee of West Lothian Council	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
5623	No Response	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
5624	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	I agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
5625	No Response	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Agree with this proposal	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
5626	An employee of West Lothian Council	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
5627	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	I agree with this proposal	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
5628	An employee of West Lothian Council	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
5629	No Response	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Fine.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
5630	An employee of West Lothian Council	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Agree.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
5631	No Response	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
5632	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	I support this proposal as it no longer impacts on my child.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
5633	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Yes good	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
5634	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	This is a good change	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
5635	No Response	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Agree that this is required in the community	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
5636	An employee of West Lothian Council	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Happy with this proposal.....	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
5637	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Makes sense.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
5638	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Agree with this.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
5639	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Support this	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
5640	An employee of West Lothian Council	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
5641	An employee of West Lothian Council	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Agree.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
5642	No Response	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Keep helping them as they are our future	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
5643	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Beneficial structured approach may be needed.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
5644	No Response	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	I agree with this proposal as long as the council are able to provide adequate staff to cover the childcare hours.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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5645	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Having early learning managed by Head Teachers would allow for an easier transition from nurseries to Primary schools for young children.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
5646	An employee of West Lothian Council	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Positive proposal	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
5647	No Response	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Great news	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
5648	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
5649	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Happy with this.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
5650	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	This appears reasonable to ensure equity of provision.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
5651	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Seems a reasonable suggestion	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
5652	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Supportive of it.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
5653	An employee of West Lothian Council	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	I think this would be welcomed and support young children with transition	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
5654	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Great	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
5655	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	I agree to this point	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
5656	No Response	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	I agree to this point	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
5657	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Good	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
5658	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
5659	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	I would support any enhancement to this area.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
5660	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Makes perfect sense. Keep it consistent and simple. This is a Scottish Government priority not necessarily a West Lothian one so work out the minimum required to comply and then think carefully about how much more is required.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
5661	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Agree. Seems an efficient use of resource	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
5662	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Sounds ok	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
5663	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Totally in agreement with the above.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
5664	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Depends on the detail of whats being proposed but fine in principle.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
5665	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Generally agree.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
5666	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	This sounds logical.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
5667	An employee of West Lothian Council	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	I agree with this proposal	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
5668	No Response	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
5669	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Agree to a certain extent	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
5670	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	OK, would need more detail to fully understand this proposal.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
5671	An employee of West Lothian Council	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Integration of the primary and nursery schools seems sensible.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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5672	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Strongly in favour of this	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
5673	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
5674	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
5675	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Support	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
5676	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
5677	An employee of West Lothian Council	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Support	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
5678	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Agree.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
5679	An employee of West Lothian Council	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	I support this measure.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
5680	An employee of West Lothian Council	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Makes good sense.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
5681	No Response	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	I think this is the right thing to do.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
5682	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Agree.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
5683	An employee of West Lothian Council	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Supportive in principle based on limited detailed information. The well being of the children and high standard of childcare is essential.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
5684	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Streamlining this service would be most effective	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
5685	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	This is desirable but may have to be sacrificed in terms on quantity	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
5686	No Response	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	agree with this proposal	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
5687	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	This sounds fine.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
5688	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
5689	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Good idea	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
5690	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	I totally agree with this especially if it allows a greater consistency of service delivery across the whole council.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
5691	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Looks like a not bad proposal	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
5692	An employee of West Lothian Council	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	I agree with this.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
5693	An employee of West Lothian Council	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Agree.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
5694	An employee of West Lothian Council	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Ok	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
5695	An employee of West Lothian Council	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	I agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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5696	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Agree with statement	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
5697	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
5698	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Look okay as it is possible to evaluate given the vague descriptions given in the 'Transforming Your Council'	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
5699	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	I agree with the proposal.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
5700	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	All proposals are sound.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
5701	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	This is an area that seems to work, so don't meddle with it.	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
5702	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	We should not be making a saving in this area when the national government have made this a priority and are putting extra money into this.	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
5703	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	It is irresponsible to even suggest taking money away from services like these. They are so heavily relied on by SO many people.	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
5704	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Feelenough being done for pre school already	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
5705	An employee of West Lothian Council	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	I think how this works now should not be affected	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
5706	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	This paragraph doesn't actually say anything about what you are going to change or cut back. As my child is currently in an early years service, I disagree with it as it's unclear what you're going to cut.	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
5707	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	children deserve to be looked after and educated. no cuts.	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
5708	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Do not cut funding from this area. This is needed by Boghall and further	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
5709	No Response	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	LEAVE THE SYSTEM ALONE!	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
5710	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	No additional early learning is needed.	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
5711	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	If mums were not pushed so hard to go out and get a job when we would much rather be at home and look after our own children. I don't agree with this proposal.	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
5712	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	I'm sceptical about savings on this aspect	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
5713	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	no	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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5714	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	I do not support this proposal	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
5715	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Again, young people should not be disadvantaged by these cuts.	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
5716	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	I do not agree with this proposal.	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
5717	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	No	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
5718	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	I really disagree	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
5719	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Disagree with this - costs should be saved elsewhere	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
5720	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	A focus on getting the right support and resources in place in the early years, to enable school readiness and attainment will alleviate the pressures of the other priorities identified later in life, enabling a more robust and resilient population which is less reliant on council services in West Lothian in the future.	Early Learning & Childcare (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Current Council practice is to provide high quality early learning, accessible to all parents, with integrated delivery of the 3
5721	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	I would minimize savings in this area as it is important to focus on supporting children and their parents/carers. These children are the future of our community/country and therefore most in need of investment.	Early Learning & Childcare (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council is committed to implementing agreed proposals without detriment to children
5722	An employee of West Lothian Council	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	As the rest of Europe have the full time nursery available from generation this is great idea. the only think is that working parents which received child benefit will have reduced charges for full time nursery, as many people are unemployment and they not want to change their status as they better on benefits that the minimum pay I think that the nursery should be only available for am or pm session. We should encourage people to work not to stay on a benefits which is happened now.	Early Learning & Childcare (general)	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	The increase in hours is Scottish Government policy. Longer hours are intended to encourage people back to work. High quality early learning and childcare has significant benefits for young people
5723	An employee of West Lothian Council	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	parents are charge a lot of money for the private care and often one pay goes to the nursery this is not really encourage people to back to work. Free nurseries will be damage budget and please remember that full day nursery required more space, place for folding beds for the nap time, each class should have own bathroom suitable to the children, nursery teacher, medical nurse etc...	Early Learning & Childcare (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
5724	An employee of West Lothian Council	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	childcare and nursery education are important however better use of resources is needed and at times may require focussed delivery and not just a "blanket " use	Early Learning & Childcare (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The proposal is to use existing resources more efficiently.
5725	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	I think more resources need to go in main stream secondary schools first.	Early Learning & Childcare (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The increase in hours is Scottish Government policy. Efficient delivery of the increased service will minimise budget reductions in other areas.
5726	An employee of West Lothian Council	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	I feel there has been a huge input (quite rightly) to early years recently and would be happy to see more of a maintenance approach to allow funding to be allocate to other areas more in need now.	Early Learning & Childcare (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The increase in hours is Scottish Government policy. Efficient delivery of the increased service will minimise budget reductions in other areas.
5727	An employee of West Lothian Council	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	The council need to look at the areas it can influence in education as there are many areas that it cannot.	Early Learning & Childcare (general)	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	The comment does not propose any specific action.
5728	No Response	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Sometimes there is too many staff	Early Learning & Childcare (general)	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	The comment does not propose any specific action.

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5729	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Will a review really change anything? The main issue with childcare is poor wages, poor training / insufficient training and too much of a softly softly approach when deal with children and poor parenting skills	Early Learning & Childcare (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
5730	No Response	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	I have no idea how this will save money. I expect increasing the provision to commit to 1140 hours will cost money. How is every eligible 2, 3 and 4 year olds going to increase their hours to double and save money. Where are the extra rooms in nurseries to accommodate, staffing and the hours to ensure every child receives this quality learning.	Early Learning & Childcare (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	The increase in hours is Scottish Government policy. Additional funding and workforce planning will ensure availability of suitably qualified staff.
5731	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Feel the provision for 2 year old care is not required to be funded by WLC as this appears to be a resource for some and not all - better use for 3 and 4 yr old places.	Early Learning & Childcare (general)	5a. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because the council is required by law to deliver this work.	Provision for eligible 2s is National policy.
5732	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Wraparound care is not as user friendly or cost effective for parents.	Early Learning & Childcare (general)	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Access to and uptake of wraparound care has expanded significantly over the last three years. Further increases in hours and flexibility and choice will improve the situation.
5733	No Response	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	There are extremely high rates of success from early years centre's for children and their families. One of the main Factors for this was the outreach support that staff could offer to support parenting, nutrition, child development and more over child protection. This is an invaluable resource in improving outcome for children and their families in the early years.	Early Learning & Childcare (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	The approach adopted by early years centres will remain within the expanded service.
5734	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Totally believe in this suggestion and feel that this would be of a benefit for all.	Early Learning & Childcare (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
5735	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	I have a young family so looking forward to eventually making use of these services so support development and consistency.	Early Learning & Childcare (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
5736	No Response	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	I agree as long as adequate provision for wraparound care is available	Early Learning & Childcare (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Access to and uptake of wraparound care has expanded significantly over the last three years. Further increases in hours and flexibility and choice will improve the situation.
5737	An employee of West Lothian Council	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	This seems to be sensible.	Early Learning & Childcare (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
5738	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Good proposal but needs to be high quality in areas of deprivation. Under 3 in Blackburn has significantly different needs from one in Linlithgow. The provision should not be a cheap child care option for well off parents.	Early Learning & Childcare (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thanks you for comment. Your feedback has been noted. This will be considered as part of the implementation plan for the expansion of early learning and childcare.
5739	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Does this mean the full commitment will be met by council facilities only or that private facilities will be included? And if they are, how will the council ensure standards across the service?	Early Learning & Childcare (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	The Council currently employs a full time officer to support the 6 partner provider nurseries.
5740	No Response	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Nursery education is a fantastic service one which I use for my son. I do disagree however with unemployed mothers and fathers having a service in which their children get extra hours of childcare in these services when they do not work themselves they are at home they should be looking after their children they choose to have. I work full time and so does my partner yet I can't afford to pay for child care yet people I know don't work have multiple children and yet get child care so they can in turn sit in front of a television a little longer. And if they council and the governments are that blind to think this is not what is happening they need to visit people's homes and speak to people living in these areas because working class people are sick of being cut back and left to get on with it while every other person gets hands out we all pay for!	Early Learning & Childcare (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Early Learning and Childcare is a universal service offered to all children regardless of whether their parents work or not.
5741	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	primary schools offer earlier intergration to offer nursery care invite more parent or voluntary help to staff and run these schemes	Early Learning & Childcare (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thanks you for comment. Your feedback has been noted. This will be considered as part of the expansion plan for early learning and childcare
5742	No Response	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	The council should consider charging parents (where able to) for the care of their children while looked after away from home by the local authority.	Early Learning & Childcare (general)	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	The council has a statutory responsibility to provide services to children with additional support needs.
5743	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Having supported education as the number 1 priority, I am in favour of any method which will aid the early learning ability of children	Early Learning & Childcare (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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5744	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	another redesign i.e. review waste of money again	Early Learning & Childcare (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
5745	An employee of West Lothian Council	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Agree education needs to modernise	Early Learning & Childcare (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
5746	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Nurseries should provide learning through play not just child amusement.	Early Learning & Childcare (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	Early learning and childcare is an important part of the early stage of curriculum for excellence and should not be considered 'child amusement'.
5747	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Do the Head Teachers have time and resources to do this?	Early Learning & Childcare (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Headteachers are expected to exercise a high degree of autonomy, and increases are anticipated as part of the national governance review. All but three nurseries are already managed by primary HTs. This arrangement ensures continuity of the 3-18 curriculum and eases transition from nursery to primary.
5748	An employee of West Lothian Council	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Where will the additional necessary staff and resources come from to provide this? Does the council have enough capacity in their current estate to make this workable. If staff and buildings are no problem, then yes, this would probably work.	Early Learning & Childcare (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Staffing and physical resources will be considered as part of the implementation plan for the expansion of early learning and childcare.
5749	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	start with a positive base from as young as possible	Early Learning & Childcare (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
5750	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	I genuinely don't see how this can result in a reduction in spend.	Early Learning & Childcare (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Savings can be achieved through efficient use of existing resources.
5751	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Presume this is the removal of partnership funding to private nurseries. No issues as long as wrap around care is in place at ALL state nurseries. Otherwise this doesn't help working families and impacts on the ability of the Council to deliver its employability priority	Early Learning & Childcare (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The funding framework will be set nationally by the Scottish Government.
5752	An employee of West Lothian Council	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Pressure should be placed on Scottish Government that if they want to implement a policy they should fully fund the delivery of it.	Early Learning & Childcare (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	This will be considered as part of the implementation plan for the expansion of early learning and childcare.
5753	An employee of West Lothian Council	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	A more focused and streamlined approach will be beneficial for all service users.	Early Learning & Childcare (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
5754	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	You are tinkering with the biggest part of your budget when you should be bold and realise bigger savings. Charge for early learning.	Early Learning & Childcare (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council has no plans to close schools as part of the current proposals.
5755	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Charge for it.	Early Learning & Childcare (general)	5a. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because the council is required by law to deliver this work.	The funding framework will be set nationally by the Scottish Government.
5756	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	People who can afford to pay for childcare should do so. Agree	Early Learning & Childcare (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The funding framework will be set nationally by the Scottish Government.
5757	No Response	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Will this actually be deliverable while still making savings	Early Learning & Childcare (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	The Council is committed to introducing change with no detriment to children. The expansion of early learning and childcare is expected to improve outcomes for young people.
5758	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	I would like the current nursery support to continue, but perhaps on a means basis. If parents can afford to pay for their children to attend pre school they should pay, this way the council isn't having to fund the full amount.	Early Learning & Childcare (general)	5a. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because the council is required by law to deliver this work.	The funding framework will be set nationally by the Scottish Government.
5759	An employee of West Lothian Council	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Forest school models are showing excellent attainment and are cost effective due to reduced building costs	Early Learning & Childcare (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	This will be considered as part of the implementation plan for the expansion of early learning and childcare.
5760	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	It seems a massive waste of money building and opening a new nursery in Torphichen when Westfield is already established and has the capacity as it does now for provision to children from Torphichen	Early Learning & Childcare (general)	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	The new nursery will be necessary to deliver 1140 hours by 2020.

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5761	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	I do not have children so do not have any first hand experience. Agree with the principles outlined.	Early Learning & Childcare (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
5762	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	The council must ensure robust checking is in place in terms of children's addresses falling within council boundaries, to ensure NO instances of children outwith the county being given preference in and funding for the nurseries.	Early Learning & Childcare (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	Each council is funded for the children who attend nurseries in its area, not those who live in its area.
5763	An employee of West Lothian Council	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	This should not be subject to cuts due to the fundamental importance of early years learning. If standards drop then the local authority will face, in the future, a drop in school performance and a drop in the employment prospects (and associated income generation for the council) of its people.	Early Learning & Childcare (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council is committed to introducing change with no detriment to children. The expansion of early learning and childcare is expected to improve outcomes for young people.
5764	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Nursery provision may be critical to early learning and child welfare. As I said above, employment leads to wellbeing; a parent (usually the mother) able to access child care and nursery facilities or kindergarten of some description is available to the job market. Employed parents means a happy, prosperous and stress-free household ideal for children's early development.	Early Learning & Childcare (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Increased hours of early learning and childcare with accessible wraparound care will support parents into employment
5765	No Response	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	It would be difficult not to agree with the statement above, however there is insufficient detail to allow me to comment specifically.	Early Learning & Childcare (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
5766	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	let parents provide the child care I had too	Early Learning & Childcare (general)	5a. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because the council is required by law to deliver this work.	The expansion of early learning and childcare is a national government initiative.
5767	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Agree savings should be made here. Schools should not be seen by parents as crÃches and if kids do have to have these services; that they are productive and learn.	Early Learning & Childcare (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
5768	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Again disabled and special needs children and their carers are not adequately provided for. Yet this is a crucial time of learning; failing to provide this support is a catalyst in widening the gap between the able and less able. Failure to assess, diagnose and identify the childâ€™s needs is also critical at this stage. The current service acts more as a brick wall to carers and their children opposed to support.	Early Learning & Childcare (general)	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	The council has arrangements to meet the needs of children with additional support needs in early learning and childcare.
5769	No Response	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Sounds sensible....but theres no detail in this statement....does using all resources mean that some children will be asked to travel for early learning , or does it mean that skilled staff will be deployed where the need is greatest ?	Early Learning & Childcare (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council will retain its practice of offering early learning and childcare a reasonable distance from each child's home.
5770	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	make sure you have the staff to be able to offer this - also appropriate facilities and resources and space	Early Learning & Childcare (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	Staffing and physical resources will be considered as part of the implementation plan for the expansion of early learning and childcare.
5771	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	It is important that 1140 hours funding follows the child and gives parents a choice as well as then being able to deliver flexible high quality childcare. The council will also need to invest in new staff to accommodate these flexible hours as well as up to date training for their current team to ensure all national policies and best practice can be adhered to. Where vulnerable twos are concerned council staff working in local authority nurseries will therefore need to be trained in the pre-birth to three curriculum and be aware of the importance of attachments within the first three years of a child's life. As above the teams could be led by a graduate as opposed to a teacher	Early Learning & Childcare (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	This will be considered as part of the implementation plan for the expansion of early learning and childcare.
5772	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Flexibility needed. Why not give vouchers that can be used across nursery providers locally?	Early Learning & Childcare (general)	5a. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because the council is required by law to deliver this work.	The funding framework will be set nationally by the Scottish Government.
5773	An employee of West Lothian Council	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	if this proposal will help deliver a good service then yes I agree.	Early Learning & Childcare (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
5774	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	There is no outline in this statement saying how you are going to make sure the resources are available whilst redesigning the support within the business model.	Early Learning & Childcare (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Staffing and physical resources will be considered as part of the implementation plan for the expansion of early learning and childcare.
5775	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Like this idea, closer relationships with primary schools	Early Learning & Childcare (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council is committed to making early learning and childcare available which is integrated to the local primary school through the 3-18 curriculum
5776	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Make parents more accountable in their contribution.	Early Learning & Childcare (general)	5a. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because the council is required by law to deliver this work.	The expansion of early learning and childcare is a national government initiative.
5777	An employee of West Lothian Council	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	1,140 hours of early learning seems excessive, but that's what we're stuck with, so looking at ways to save money whilst taking on this new responsibility seems sensible.	Early Learning & Childcare (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The expansion of early learning and childcare is a national government initiative.

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5778	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Early learning and child care to be more flexible, this would allow parents to attend work and earn more.	Early Learning & Childcare (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thanks you for comment. Your feedback has been noted. This will be considered as part of the expansion plan for early learning and childcare
5779	No Response	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Agree it all starts here overall with the younger generation	Early Learning & Childcare (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
5780	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Allow the 5 free half days of childcare to be used at anytime (morning and afternoon) to allow parents to get sustained part time work if needed therefore reducing unemployment and deprivation therefore reducing inequality.	Early Learning & Childcare (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thanks you for comment. Your feedback has been noted. This will be considered as part of the expansion plan for early learning and childcare
5781	No Response	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Children of hard working parents are not assisted and therefore this is not a fundone source I agree with	Early Learning & Childcare (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Current Council practice is to provide high quality early learning, accessible to all parents, with integrated delivery of the 3-18 curriculum and clear transition to P1. The proposals aim to strengthen this provision.
5782	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Stop subsidising Simply Play. They get free property and restrict the real private sector providers.	Early Learning & Childcare (general)	5c. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it is not consistent with the council's values and priorities.	Simply play provide an accessible and affordable service valued by any parents
5783	An employee of West Lothian Council	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	With clear and consistent guidance as well as training this could work.	Early Learning & Childcare (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
5784	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Early education is crucial and should not experience cuts.	Early Learning & Childcare (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Current Council practice is to provide high quality early learning, accessible to all parents, with integrated delivery of the 3-18 curriculum and clear transition to P1. The proposals aim to strengthen this provision.
5785	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	It is vital that the council recognises early years education as the most important stage of education and that teacher numbers in the nursery class are maintained.	Early Learning & Childcare (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Current Council practice is to provide high quality early learning, accessible to all parents, with integrated delivery of the 3-18 curriculum and clear transition to P1. The proposals aim to strengthen this provision.
5786	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	It is also essential that all children have access to high quality early years education that is affordable and flexible in order to tackle the attainment gap	Early Learning & Childcare (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	Current Council practice is to provide high quality early learning, accessible to all parents, with integrated delivery of the 3-18 curriculum and clear transition to P1. The proposals aim to strengthen this provision.
5787	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	This is a decent idea in that the nurseries will wrk closely with schools and integration etc will be better however more needs to be done on the education and teaching side of nursery. This is failing. Yes kids are looked after and parents have more chance to work etc but children's learning is not being met. Cuts will only make that worse. Maybe more targeted /structured early education would be better	Early Learning & Childcare (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Current Council practice is to provide high quality early learning, accessible to all parents, with integrated delivery of the 3-18 curriculum and clear transition to P1. The proposals aim to strengthen this provision.
5788	No Response	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Yes I think councils have taken over the role of the family in the early years and the cost of this is massive	Early Learning & Childcare (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Current Council practice is to provide high quality early learning, accessible to all parents, with integrated delivery of the 3-18 curriculum and clear transition to P1. The proposals aim to strengthen this provision.
5789	No Response	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Do not agree children should receive funding for 2yr provision only if the mother or father is on benefits. This should be cut to save money.	Early Learning & Childcare (general)	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	Eligibility is set by the Scottish Government.
5790	An employee of West Lothian Council	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	To improve the attainment level and positive destinations for school children, you need to begin at Nursery and Primary Years to instill the need to want to improve as an individual in children. This will safeguard the future and cannot be done the other way about. Without early children having the correct early intervention then you can wave cheerio to improving those children's attainment and positive destinations.	Early Learning & Childcare (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	Current Council practice is to provide high quality early learning, accessible to all parents, with integrated delivery of the 3-18 curriculum and clear transition to P1. The proposals aim to strengthen this provision.

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5791	An employee of West Lothian Council	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	For the future workforce, it is essential that children leave school to a positive destination where they can evolve into well rounded individuals with experience as well as qualifications therefore benefiting the working environment. By intervening early in a child's life, you can stop the cycle of deprivation hitting these children and thereby promoting equality for all children. To do this, you cannot detract from education by adversely affecting teacher numbers or by adversely affecting the staff:student ratio.	Early Learning & Childcare (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	Current Council practice is to provide high quality early learning, accessible to all parents, with integrated delivery of the 3-18 curriculum and clear transition to P1. The proposals aim to strengthen this provision.
5792	An employee of West Lothian Council	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Work with local businesses to provide creche facilities	Early Learning & Childcare (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted and will be considered as part of any development of the proposal.
5793	No Response	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Great if it's actually possible?	Early Learning & Childcare (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Current Council practice is to provide high quality early learning, accessible to all parents, with integrated delivery of the 3-18 curriculum and clear transition to P1. The proposals aim to strengthen this provision.
5794	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Resources available for early learning and childcare must be focused on the outcomes of the families involved. It will be entirely possible to redesign this service to ensure savings are made but offered a reduced outcomes to those families using the service. If outcomes for families are met then the best possible use of the resource will be made. To focus on service and delivery is a short sighted approach and loses sight of the outcomes that the provision of additional support is designed for. The council must take care not to create a new system that is unworkable for families intending to use the additional childcare.	Early Learning & Childcare (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	Current Council practice is to provide high quality early learning, accessible to all parents, with integrated delivery of the 3-18 curriculum and clear transition to P1. The proposals aim to strengthen this provision.
5795	An employee of West Lothian Council	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	More flexible childcare could enable parents to work if they wanted, care during school holidays and extended hours would be needed. This would have to be looked at with the child's best interest at heart. It poses the question that do young children benefit from being separated from principle care givers for long periods of time? What if someone wants to be a "stay at home parent", how will they be supported?	Early Learning & Childcare (general)	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	Eligibility and hours of provision are set nationally by the Scottish Government. The Council has a duty to make provision. Parents are not obliged to take it up.
5796	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Hard to see how this can be achieved - surely capital works needed to provide the hours of early learning.	Early Learning & Childcare (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	Additional investment in staff and facilities will be made utilising additional funding to be made available by the Scottish Government.
5797	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Scottish Government has introduced the policy, they should pay for it. It should not be local council tax payers	Early Learning & Childcare (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	Additional investment in staff and facilities will be made utilising additional funding to be made available by the Scottish Government.
5798	An employee of West Lothian Council	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	These are very important years for child development.	Early Learning & Childcare (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Current Council practice is to provide high quality early learning, accessible to all parents, with integrated delivery of the 3-18 curriculum and clear transition to P1. The proposals aim to strengthen this provision.
5799	No Response	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Cost of child care has spiralled out out control. Families need help with this so would benefit from specialist financial staff looking after the cost of this	Early Learning & Childcare (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	Current Council practice is to provide high quality early learning, accessible to all parents, with integrated delivery of the 3-18 curriculum and clear transition to P1. The proposals aim to strengthen this provision.
5800	No Response	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Family centres, outreach, surestart early 2s provision for nurseries should not be cut!	Early Learning & Childcare (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. These services are not covered by the proposal
5801	No Response	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Continue to offer early support and nursery provision without cuts	Early Learning & Childcare (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Current Council practice is to provide high quality early learning, accessible to all parents, with integrated delivery of the 3-18 curriculum and clear transition to P1. The proposals aim to strengthen this provision.
5802	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Early year provisoin should be proritised for working parents. 45%of average wage is paid out on childcare	Early Learning & Childcare (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	Eligibility and hours of provision are set nationally by the Scottish Government. The Council has a duty to increase flexibility and choice, and has done so to benefit working parents.

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5803	An employee of West Lothian Council	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Research suggest that there should be a greater investment in childcare/early years in order to provide supports and interventions at the earliest opportunity to remediate the development lag of those children from less advantageous backgrounds. The taper in investment in learning should be greatest at EY reducing through primary and being lowest at upper secondary (c.f Finland and Canada and Namibia - all proven successful POLITICAL choices - not those of arithmetic driven accountants).WLC should demand of their CPP partners that they fulfil their statutory/expert duties as best possible ensuring that universal offers are such e/g. not 'missing 25% (528 children) a year in their development assessments.	Early Learning & Childcare (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Current Council practice is to provide high quality early learning, accessible to all parents, with integrated delivery of the 3-18 curriculum and clear transition to P1. The proposals aim to strengthen this provision.
5804	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Parents need to take a larger role in the care of their offspring. I did, my extended family, friends and colleagues do. Society is broken when there is A£5.2 Million to be SAVED in the councils budget for child care - which should NOT be their responsibility in the first place.	Early Learning & Childcare (general)	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	Eligibility and hours of provision are set nationally by the Scottish Government.
5805	An employee of West Lothian Council	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	While we all appreciate the value of early learning. In my view it is a parents right and duty to spend time with their children in the formative years. I do not feel providing full time early learning is the most appropriate way forward for most children.	Early Learning & Childcare (general)	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	Eligibility and hours of provision are set nationally by the Scottish Government.
5806	An employee of West Lothian Council	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	I think the national priority to provide increased provision in early years will result in a "watered down" service which will not match current provision. I think having a national priority to raise attainment will not be supported by removing qualified teachers from our nurseries. What will be provided is free child care, not quality learning experiences which will ultimately have a positive impact on attainment for all children.	Early Learning & Childcare (general)	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	Eligibility and hours of provision are set nationally by the Scottish Government.
5807	An employee of West Lothian Council	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Although I am completely for better child care provision for early years I feel education at this stage is being viewed as free childcare rather than an importance placed on educational benefits.	Early Learning & Childcare (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	Current Council practice is to provide high quality early learning, accessible to all parents, with integrated delivery of the 3-18 curriculum and clear transition to P1. The proposals aim to strengthen this provision.
5808	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Nursery provision is essential to provide children and families with the fundamentals pre school..i.e socialization, providing educational building blocks, introduction to core subjects.	Early Learning & Childcare (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	Current Council practice is to provide high quality early learning, accessible to all parents, with integrated delivery of the 3-18 curriculum and clear transition to P1. The proposals aim to strengthen this provision.
5809	An employee of West Lothian Council	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Too much offered and often additional hours taken up by parents who don't need it for work or retraining often used by parents, the long hours make it difficult for staff who have their own children .	Early Learning & Childcare (general)	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	Eligibility and hours of provision are set nationally by the Scottish Government.
5810	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	I support the national commitment - but they need to make sure the funding is in place to deliver this commitment. If WLC needs to deliver more early learning and childcare hours, how has an estimated saving been identified. Don't understand this proposal.	Early Learning & Childcare (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	The proposals will reduce costs in service delivery, but additional funding from the Scottish Government will be utilised to support the service expansion.
5811	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Early years is a high importance and should not be cut	Early Learning & Childcare (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Current Council practice is to provide high quality early learning, accessible to all parents, with integrated delivery of the 3-18 curriculum and clear transition to P1. The proposals aim to strengthen this provision.
5812	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Should be trying to reach more eligible 2's by more ground work speaking to people at the centre helping to complete forms etc.	Early Learning & Childcare (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Although this is already done, opportunities to do it better will be explored.
5813	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Is it childcare or education we want to provide?? Decide - incentivise childminders, playgroups and the private sector (most children do not thrive in a busy nursery school environment in any case) get businesses on board - surely they would benefit from reduced absence, recruitment and training costs if they invested in facilities for their staffs children. Put teachers back into nurseries - tie them in with local playgroups and childminders to achieve valuable synergies??	Early Learning & Childcare (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Current Council practice is to provide high quality early learning, accessible to all parents, with integrated delivery of the 3-18 curriculum and clear transition to P1. The proposals aim to strengthen this provision.
5814	No Response	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	There is no consistency when nursery nurses are being replaced with support workers. Just a cheaper replacement but still expected to tick the same boxes.	Early Learning & Childcare (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Current Council practice is to provide high quality early learning, accessible to all parents, with integrated delivery of the 3-18 curriculum and clear transition to P1. The proposals aim to strengthen this provision.
5815	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Agree with this opportunity to review and change. This point doesn't clarify anything further.	Early Learning & Childcare (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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5816	An employee of West Lothian Council	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	As an early years worker and working closely with eligible 2 year olds I don't understand how the council intend to save money in early years when they are doubling the amount of hours a 2,3 and 4 year old receive at nursery. Surely you will be recruiting staff needing resources and looking at how establishments can achieve this and this takes money! Children at this age should have a balance of education and being with care givers, Doubling the hours is not the answer.	Early Learning & Childcare (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposals will reduce costs in service delivery, but additional funding from the Scottish Government will be utilised to support the service expansion. Eligibility and hours of provision are set nationally by the Scottish Government.
5817	An employee of West Lothian Council	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Not increasing the early years 1140 hours would be a start. Early years do not have to be at nursery for 6 hours per day. Having 2 disabled nephews and my sister receiving Cla and having the boys picked up in taxis and both getting free meals. I'm sure my sister and other families as she receives more money for having disabled children could afford to subsidise her own children's packed lunches or dinners.	Early Learning & Childcare (general)	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	Eligibility and hours of provision are set nationally by the Scottish Government.
5818	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Childcare should be free for working parents of 2 year olds. Love Parents who are not working are at home getting benefits to look after their children -income support.	Early Learning & Childcare (general)	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	Eligibility and hours of provision are set nationally by the Scottish Government. The Council has increased flexibility and choice to benefit working parents.
5819	No Response	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	See above. Also priority for increased early years provision should be given to working parents.	Early Learning & Childcare (general)	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	Eligibility and hours of provision are set nationally by the Scottish Government. The Council has increased flexibility and choice to benefit working parents.
5820	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Emphasis on providing quality of early learning is not only cost effective, but has been proven to raise productivity and enhance general health as part of long term future planning.	Early Learning & Childcare (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	West Lothian Council recognises the benefit of Early Learning and Childcare.
5821	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Parents should take responsibility for raising their children and I do not agree that the rest of society is responsible for providing paid child care for other people's very young children.	Early Learning & Childcare (general)	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	Eligibility and hours of provision are set nationally by the Scottish Government.
5822	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Availability of affordable childcare (and the impact on employment of parents) is of concern, but the approach taken by Westminster does not encourage long-term solutions in this area. Focus should be on provision, even if this lessens the savings in this area	Early Learning & Childcare (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
5823	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	This is something that needs to be very carefully thought through. Will these new hours be taken up? are they cost effective? how will they be staffed? and most importantly do they meet the needs of the CHILDREN??	Early Learning & Childcare (general)	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	Eligibility and hours of provision are set nationally by the Scottish Government. Additional investment in staff and facilities will be made utilising additional funding to be made available by the Scottish Government.
5824	No Response	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Really? Child care is paramount to enabling a large section of the population gain employment and support the economy. Without this or reducing this will have a large impact on the ability of parents to get back into the workforce whilst their child or children are young or at school. Again, without the detail required, I can only assume that you are thinking of reducing this service and cannot therefore, comment any further.	Early Learning & Childcare (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Current Council practice is to provide high quality early learning, accessible to all parents, with integrated delivery of the 3-18 curriculum and clear transition to P1. The proposals aim to strengthen this provision.
5825	No Response	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	The issue is not provide policies to get public support but don't look at the cost implications	Early Learning & Childcare (general)	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. The comment does not propose any specific action.
5826	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	As long as parents do not have hours taken away for early learning as this means they may not be able to work due to childcare issues. More people not working can surely only negatively impact the community and make West Lothian look poor in this area compared to surrounding areas.	Early Learning & Childcare (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Current Council practice is to provide high quality early learning, accessible to all parents, with integrated delivery of the 3-18 curriculum and clear transition to P1. The proposals aim to strengthen this provision. Increased hours will be provided.
5827	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Not very clear how you are going to achieve the saving. As long as the quality and accessibility of early learning and childcare don't suffer, it's a good way to save.	Early Learning & Childcare (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The proposals will reduce costs. Additional investment in staff and facilities will be made utilising additional funding to be made available by the Scottish Government.
5828	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	I do not feel that changing early education would benefit any future endeavours if the children and their opportunities they have are cut	Early Learning & Childcare (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Current Council practice is to provide high quality early learning, accessible to all parents, with integrated delivery of the 3-18 curriculum and clear transition to P1. The proposals aim to strengthen this provision. Increased hours will be provided.

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5829	No Response	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	We should means test early childcare.	Early Learning & Childcare (general)	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	Eligibility and hours of provision are set nationally by the Scottish Government.
5830	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Nursery teachers are essential to the quality of the education!	Early Learning & Childcare (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The implementation plan will include a workforce plan which will assess and deliver the appropriate staff to each nursery.
5831	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	It concerns me that nursery classes are not always run by a qualified teacher (although I know some very good support workers who do a good job). If we are serious about improving the early years and Closing the Gap we need to engage those parents with learning activities to allow them to view education in a more positive manner.	Early Learning & Childcare (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Current Council practice is to provide high quality early learning, accessible to all parents, with integrated delivery of the 3-18 curriculum and clear transition to P1. The proposals aim to strengthen this provision. Increased hours will be provided.
5832	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Nurseries need teachers to lead the learning. Teachers are trained and equipped to deal with meeting the needs of all learners and can provide support & challenge where required. Removing teachers from nurseries will lead to children not being able to reach their own personal potential.	Early Learning & Childcare (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The implementation plan will include a workforce plan which will assess and deliver the appropriate staff to each nursery.
5833	An employee of West Lothian Council	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Pupils are already starting secondary school with reading ages of 6 and 7. This is totally unacceptable and only goes to exacerbate the attainment gap problems. Reducing provisions in early learning will make this problem worse not better.	Early Learning & Childcare (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Current Council practice is to provide high quality early learning, accessible to all parents, with integrated delivery of the 3-18 curriculum and clear transition to P1. The proposals aim to strengthen this provision. Increased hours will be provided.
5834	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	If the council will 'make sure that all resources available for early learning and childcare are appropriately used to support service delivery' why haven't they been doing this before now and how is it £1.5 Million can be saved all of a sudden? Have those responsible to date for making sure of these matters suddenly had an epiphany? Details?	Early Learning & Childcare (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
5835	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	I do believe that the Council has not helped itself by focussing on provision of care within Council services rather than working effectively with private sector partners who have suffered job cuts and financial hardship as a result. This model should change.	Early Learning & Childcare (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	West Lothian Council has extremely efficient early learning and childcare, as it does not rely on high cost private sector providers, as is the case in many other areas of Scotland.
5836	An employee of West Lothian Council	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	There is a big difference in the quality of early learning and childcare that can be provided by a nursery nurse compared to a pupil support worker. Nursery nurses have a deep knowledge of child development and learning that pupil support workers don't have. I am concerned that nursery teachers are being removed from nurseries and support staff are being increasingly used to cover staffing gaps.	Early Learning & Childcare (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The implementation plan will include a workforce plan which will assess and deliver the appropriate staff to each nursery.
5837	An employee of West Lothian Council	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Please do not sacrifice school attainment for universal childcare provision - people who can already afford to use private nurseries will have free childcare at the expense of older children.	Early Learning & Childcare (general)	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	Eligibility and hours of provision are set nationally by the Scottish Government.
5838	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	There is no doubt that the provision of childcare should be a top priority although there would appear to be an imbalance between any cutbacks and a rapidly increasing population as shown in the National Statistics predictions for the next ten years. Again I would hope that officials can work hand-in-glove with Head teachers in the implementation of their management of nursery provision in associated(?) primary schools.	Early Learning & Childcare (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	Current Council practice is to provide high quality early learning, accessible to all parents, with integrated delivery of the 3-18 curriculum and clear transition to P1. The proposals aim to strengthen this provision.
5839	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Stop giving free childcare you have the children you look after them and feed them, why should other people take care of your children.	Early Learning & Childcare (general)	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	Eligibility and hours of provision are set nationally by the Scottish Government.
5840	No Response	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	I simply do not understand, why unemployed people with children receive free childcare, where working couples have to pay for such service. Stop giving away money to such people and give more to disabled ones and you still have thousands of pounds in your pocket.	Early Learning & Childcare (general)	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	Eligibility and hours of provision are set nationally by the Scottish Government.

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5841	No Response	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	I would comment that early learning and childcare is a minefield for parents and when considering the impact this can have on family life, it is important to get this right. Early learning provision needs to be prioritised to those who need it most, as far as national commitments will allow. There seems to be great promises to deliver early learning and childcare to those on low incomes and whilst I can understand the rationale behind this being to encourage parents to move into or to increase employment - there is little incentive or support for those parents already in employment! An example being the prospect of two working parent family having to opt to keep their child in private nursery beyond the age of 3, despite an entitlement to, as well as some financial need, for state nursery provision, due is largely due to the fact that there is no priority given to nursery hours required by working parents over non-working parents. I also believe that nursery provision is not clearly managed/ facilitated by either the nursery's or pupil placement with various points of crossover creating confusion, delay, extra workload and often mistakes to be made - all of which ultimately result in increased costs on the council.	Early Learning & Childcare (general)	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	Eligibility and hours of provision are set nationally by the Scottish Government. The Council has increased flexibility and choice for working parents. Centralised placement contributes to the very low costs of the service in West Lothian.
5842	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Will this saving have a negative impact on children and young people with varying disabilities. Has an equality impact assessment been completed for this saving. The council have not made each of the proposals very clear and no specifics, savings appear to be estimated, what is the clear background information relating to each saving, what are the staff/employee implications as well the implications for service users and the community.	Early Learning & Childcare (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	The Council has a statutory duty to meet the needs of all children, including those with a disability, and will continue to do so.
5843	An employee of West Lothian Council	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	You say that you are committed to early learning and childcare and yet reduce nursery teachers to .5. Research has shown that the quality of early years provision is directly related to the educational level of the staff delivering it. Clearly, the local authority chooses to ignore this finding as early years learning and child care provision is increasingly staffed by those with fewer qualifications and consequently less knowledge and understanding of pedagogy. Economically it makes more sense to invest more in early years and early intervention rather than pick up the pieces later.	Early Learning & Childcare (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The implementation plan will include a workforce plan which will assess and deliver the appropriate staff to each nursery.
5844	No Response	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	I think the standard sessions are enough for early years children. They are given opportunities to create bonds with peers in small doses and are beginning to wean themselves from parents in preparation for school. Not to be babysat. Some parents actually enjoy spending time with their children and longer hours is just encouraging parents to have more "free time".	Early Learning & Childcare (general)	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	Eligibility and hours of provision are set nationally by the Scottish Government.
5845	An employee of West Lothian Council	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	I am not in agreement to the extra hours I feel this is not being used for working parents and is being used for the wrong reasons.	Early Learning & Childcare (general)	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	Eligibility and hours of provision are set nationally by the Scottish Government.
5846	An employee of West Lothian Council	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	More money is needed to support families before their child enters nursery. If you can support these families when their children are younger, they won't come to nursery/school with as many problems as they currently have. We need more health visitors visiting Home rather than putting the pressure on school nurseries and HT.	Early Learning & Childcare (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Greater integration of children's services is a positive suggestion for officers and partner agencies to consider.
5847	No Response	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Early learning and care will be increased from 600 to 1140 hours in 2020. Increasing the entitlement will require a substantially larger workforce, significant investment in infrastructure, and new, innovative models of delivery. With this in mind how will the money be saved? .	Early Learning & Childcare (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	The proposals will reduce costs. Additional investment in staff and facilities will be made utilising additional funding to be made available by the Scottish Government.
5848	No Response	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Further, is the council proposing integrating a full 10 hour 250 day nursery service? How is the new service to be integrated with current private sector nursery providers? There are too many unknowns to answer this question. Come up with a workable model and ask again.	Early Learning & Childcare (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
5849	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	I have had a very positive experience with early learning with my own child. I would like to see the standard continue.	Early Learning & Childcare (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	Current Council practice is to provide high quality early learning, accessible to all parents, with integrated delivery of the 3-18 curriculum and clear transition to P1. The proposals aim to strengthen this provision.
5850	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Allow all early years services to remain the same level but under the control of central government and the school. Remove all local authority services	Early Learning & Childcare (general)	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	The Scottish Government has determined that local authorities are best placed to take responsibility for this service.
5851	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Agree with this but the extra 'hours' have not always been user friendly for parents, therefore not used..is it a waste of time...sounds good but it was always a way to get parents to 'feel good ' about current administration at government level.	Early Learning & Childcare (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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5852	An employee of West Lothian Council	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	if it saves money and children and families are not effected by this idea	Early Learning & Childcare (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
5853	No Response	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	How are all resources going to be available, etc. when staff are being cut?	Early Learning & Childcare (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	The proposals will reduce costs. Additional investment in staff and facilities will be made utilising additional funding to be made available by the Scottish Government.
5854	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	More parent ,, vounteer involement again,, small charges to be applied,	Early Learning & Childcare (general)	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	The Council cannot charge for Early Learning and Childcare.
5855	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Not sure what exactly is proposed here but you should again make sure you engage the public and listen to parents suggestions or complains on the current status.	Early Learning & Childcare (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
5856	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	It is important that consistency of service is agreed at some stage but priority should be given to those areas with most need i.e. where there is a lack of affordable or quality private care. What assistance will head teachers be given to allow them to focus efforts on this and how to effectively manage new budgets/spending powers?	Early Learning & Childcare (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	Investment is being targeted where there is greatest need for expansion. All but three nurseries are already managed by Primary Headteachers, and there are clear benefits in terms of integration of delivery of the 3-18 curriculum and transition.
5857	No Response	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	More jargon, no meaningful content. Why can't you just state in plain English what you are proposing?	Early Learning & Childcare (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
5858	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Early education is necessary for the younger child, but concerned that if the infra - structure changes then head teachers are then doing more and more and worried that something may slide to the detriment of schools, pupils, teachers, staff and families.	Early Learning & Childcare (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	All but three nurseries are already managed by Primary Headteachers, and there are clear benefits in terms of integration of delivery of the 3-18 curriculum and transition.
5859	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	children need support. this is needed.	Early Learning & Childcare (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Current Council practice is to provide high quality early learning, accessible to all parents, with integrated delivery of the 3-18 curriculum and clear transition to P1. The proposals aim to strengthen this provision.
5860	An employee of West Lothian Council	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Looking at appropriately qualified staff to look after children (not over qualified over paid) which more use of support staff.	Early Learning & Childcare (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	The implementation plan will include a workforce plan which will assess and deliver the appropriate staff to each nursery.
5861	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	childcare should be funded by the parents	Early Learning & Childcare (general)	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	Eligibility and hours of provision are set nationally by the Scottish Government.
5862	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Like the idea of management by Head Teachers of cluster primary schools. They know what they need.	Early Learning & Childcare (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
5863	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	3 hours of care a day with no widely available wrap around care options is not suitable for many parents who are then forced to pay for full time private nursery with no funding given by the council.	Early Learning & Childcare (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	Hours and eligibility are set by the Scottish Government. West Lothian Council has increased full day provision and will continue to do so.
5864	No Response	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Parents should be paying for this service rather than being subsidised by tax payers who don't have children. After all these parents already receive tax credits from the government and they should be using this money to pay for nursery care	Early Learning & Childcare (general)	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	Eligibility and hours of provision are set nationally by the Scottish Government.
5865	No Response	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Parents need to feel responsible for their children's development, I do appreciate the need to support them in this however is it really the best use of taxpayer's money?	Early Learning & Childcare (general)	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	Eligibility and hours of provision are set nationally by the Scottish Government.
5866	No Response	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Parents are being led to believe that the best start for their children is to increase the number of hours in nursery. I believe that this is undermining the role of the family and credit should be given to the valuable learning which happens at home. It's not true to say that every or even most children need these additional hours.	Early Learning & Childcare (general)	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	Eligibility and hours of provision are set nationally by the Scottish Government.

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5867	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Ridiculous proposal - how on earth do you expect a 3 year old to cope with almost 22 hours per week . In addition, has anyone actually worked out how much this initiative will cost as the additional resource to deliver will be considerable The estimated saving quoted is laughable !	Early Learning & Childcare (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. Costings have been undertaken, and submitted to the Scottish Government, which will then decide on resources available to fund expansion. At the same time the Council has calculated that it is possible to provide the service, including the expanded service, in a more efficient way. Hours of attendance are set by the Scottish Government, and offered to parents, they are not compulsory. The estimated saving is achievable, the proposal sound.
5868	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	This should be arranged in the most efficient way. Cuts may be needed to achieve this.	Early Learning & Childcare (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
5869	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Would be interested to see how you would ensure children of parents who work are not disadvantaged like my daughter is due to birthday	Early Learning & Childcare (general)	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	Eligibility and hours of provision are set nationally by the Scottish Government.
5870	An employee of West Lothian Council	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Parents have a responsibility for their own children and should not expect others to provide for them.	Early Learning & Childcare (general)	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	Eligibility and hours of provision are set nationally by the Scottish Government.
5871	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	The council will make sure that all resources available for early learning and childcare are appropriately used to support service delivery.' - please elaborate	Early Learning & Childcare (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
5872	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	If people have children, surely it is their responsibility to look after them and not the councils.	Early Learning & Childcare (general)	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	Eligibility and hours are set nationally.
5873	No Response	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Nursery education always seems to be another easy target for cuts, this seems like an area which is being unfairly marginalised.	Early Learning & Childcare (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Current Council practice is to provide high quality early learning, accessible to all parents, with integrated delivery of the 3-18 curriculum and clear transition to P1. The proposals aim to strengthen this provision.
5874	No Response	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Need to be reviewed to ensure all families are being supported by all appropriate professionals when required to avoid any crisis.	Early Learning & Childcare (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Current Council practice is to provide high quality early learning, accessible to all parents, with integrated delivery of the 3-18 curriculum and clear transition to P1. The proposals aim to strengthen this provision.
5875	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Nursery provision should be paid for by parents at the cost of the minimum wage to the school for reinvestment in the service delivery at the school.	Early Learning & Childcare (general)	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	Eligibility and hours are set nationally.
5876	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	As long as time isn't taken away from early learning and childcare then fund it how you like and get whoever to run nurseries. would depend on the size of primary for a head teacher to run both and maybe have a separate person run the nursery is needed.	Early Learning & Childcare (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	All but three nurseries are run by primary headteachers and this arrangement has proved beneficial.
5877	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Is this this not just child minding. Why make it more costly by giving it an education tag.	Early Learning & Childcare (general)	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	Early Learning is not childminding. Current Council practice is to provide high quality early learning, accessible to all parents, with integrated delivery of the 3-18 curriculum and clear transition to P1. The proposals aim to strengthen this provision.
5878	No Response	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Council might consider whether pressure for early learning is really for child care and provide a suitable service.	Early Learning & Childcare (general)	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	Early Learning is not childminding. Current Council practice is to provide high quality early learning, accessible to all parents, with integrated delivery of the 3-18 curriculum and clear transition to P1. The proposals aim to strengthen this provision.

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5879	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	There should be adequate provision for working parents. Staffing levels should be maintained to provide good pre school care and education.	Early Learning & Childcare (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	Current Council practice is to provide high quality early learning, accessible to all parents, with integrated delivery of the 3-18 curriculum and clear transition to P1. The proposals aim to strengthen this provision. Flexibility to support working parents has increased.
5880	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	It is widely acknowledged that the first five years of a child's life are the most crucial in terms of learning and development. I understand that the electorate respond well to policies promising more childcare provided by the government, however, this has led to nurseries turning into crèches with the learning aspect stripped out of them. I believe that the provision of extra hours is unhealthy for children who spend hours and hours away from their families. This will impact on the bonds and attachments that they form with their families which will affect their whole lives and places stress on not only the children but also the staff who are already stretched to their limits and underpaid.	Early Learning & Childcare (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Early Learning is not childminding. Current Council practice is to provide high quality early learning, accessible to all parents, with integrated delivery of the 3-18 curriculum and clear transition to P1. The proposals aim to strengthen this provision.
5881	No Response	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	I am concerned what level of care / learning opportunities that children will receive by a £1.5 million reduction - this does not make sense considering Early Intervention as a Key Priority?!	Early Learning & Childcare (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
5882	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	You say that early learning and care will be increased from 600 to 1140 hours in 2020. so more teachers, significant investment in infrastructure, and new, innovative models of delivery including perhaps a full 10 hour 250 day nursery service. I am concerned that this will cost rather than save money, and your mission statement is ambiguous, either intentionally or not.	Early Learning & Childcare (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	The proposals will save money through greater efficiency but at the same time additional investment will be made to expand the service.
5883	No Response	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Fine words that are difficult to disagree with. What does it mean at the coal face? Where will the £1.5M actually come from?	Early Learning & Childcare (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The proposals will save money through greater efficiency but at the same time additional investment will be made to expand the service.
5884	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	The provision of free childcare hours is vital to allow parents to return to work and contribute their taxes to society. Childcare hours must take work patterns into account, as short time slots spread across different days are impossible for most working parents to utilise, given that most people have to commute to their work place.	Early Learning & Childcare (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	Current Council practice is to provide high quality early learning, accessible to all parents, with integrated delivery of the 3-18 curriculum and clear transition to P1. The proposals aim to strengthen this provision. Flexibility to support working parents has increased.
5885	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	With the increase in early learning services that will come through doubling the hours provided by the council, this seems a sensible option to make savings while improving the level of service.	Early Learning & Childcare (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. This is the purpose of the proposals.
5886	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	This comment applies to many sections in this document - anywhere where the words 'redesign', 'rationalisation', 'restructure' 'streamlining' are included. The saving is given but not the current spend, or the cost required to achieve the 4 million, or the time for return on investment. I am puzzled that after 10 years of cuts the service is thought to still have enough fat to achieve this saving without impact on service. There is a lot of building going on in WL. If the current funding (even with the resulting increase in council tax) is not sufficient to cater for the increased population this expansion should be stopped, or the developers charged to cover the cost.	Early Learning & Childcare (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
5887	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	If this means also being able to use private nursery and registered childminding facilities to deliver this commitment, then I would welcome this proposal.	Early Learning & Childcare (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The proposal is to make best use of existing resources.
5888	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	There should be more focus on early intervention for children with additional support needs, such as autism spectrum disorder; including the roll out of courses to help parents support their child's development. This should be made available to children under the age of 3 years, as the earliest intervention is critical.	Early Learning & Childcare (general)	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	The proposal is not about services for children with additional support needs.
5889	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	More integration of nursery and primary schools	Early Learning & Childcare (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. This is the purpose of the proposals.
5890	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Early years provision in my opinion is a top priority. Getting it right for every child will surely reduce pressure on services in the future. Mental health and psychological problems might be reduced along with addiction issues which in my opinion will reduce pressure on all services. I think this needs to be our starting point if we are going to build resilient communities for the future.	Early Learning & Childcare (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	Current Council practice is to provide high quality early learning, accessible to all parents, with integrated delivery of the 3-18 curriculum and clear transition to P1. The proposals aim to strengthen this provision.
5891	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Again, staff are having to take on unrealistic workloads and the removal of early years teachers is short sighted as they make a difference for young children. The evidence is clear that teacher-led provision leads to better outcomes for children.	Early Learning & Childcare (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The implementation plan will include a workforce plan which will ensure suitably qualified staff matched to each setting.

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5892	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	I absolutely believe that every pound spend on children education or protection now is several pounds that the taxpayer will not have to pay in the future. Early learning, childcare, social services, schools . . . etc are all necessary and I don't think any further cuts in these areas can be justified. I remember a polish flatmate who absolutely love the fact that she could pretty much pick and chose any job she wanted in certain areas of Glasgow. When I asked why/how she explained that the people looking for jobs in these areas were so badly educated that even with her poor english speaking she was still a better choice for employers in the area. While I was a retail manager for a few years in Edinburgh I was also regularly shocked by the poor education and manners displayed by some of the british young job seekers and had to use non-local staff on many occasions. I remember using nearly 80% foreign employees on one occasion to cover the extra needed three months before christmas as the british applicants were just awful. No communication skills, no manners, no education. Foreigners who could barely speak english were a better choice!	Early Learning & Childcare (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council has put forward proposals across the whole range of its activities.
5893	No Response	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	I think that the money would be better spent on training the parents to take an interest in their children's school work. It reads well but words are cheap.	Early Learning & Childcare (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The forthcoming Education Bill will increase school responsibility for parental engagement.
5894	An employee of West Lothian Council	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Funding should be given to provide early intervention to families. The education role of early learning settings should be kept at the centre and parents should be supported to make sure their child's health needs are met through outside agencies. BCore staffing rather than shift working should be maintained to allow children to develop vital attachments in their early years.	Early Learning & Childcare (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	Current Council practice is to provide high quality early learning, accessible to all parents, with integrated delivery of the 3-18 curriculum and clear transition to P1. The proposals aim to strengthen this provision.
5895	No Response	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	The withdrawal of teachers from early years provision will have an impact on the quality of this sector. Early years teachers make a difference for young children. The evidence is clear that teacher-led provision leads to better outcomes for children.	Early Learning & Childcare (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The implementation plan will include a workforce plan which will ensure suitably qualified staff matched to each setting.
5896	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	These changes have supported working families by reducing their childcare costs.	Early Learning & Childcare (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Current Council practice is to provide high quality early learning, accessible to all parents, with integrated delivery of the 3-18 curriculum and clear transition to P1. The proposals aim to strengthen this provision.
5897	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	While I approve of efficiency measures they cannot be at the expense of the service being delivered. There is a careful balance to be had here	Early Learning & Childcare (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Current Council practice is to provide high quality early learning, accessible to all parents, with integrated delivery of the 3-18 curriculum and clear transition to P1. The proposals aim to strengthen this provision.
5898	An employee of West Lothian Council	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Again, this is totally out of sync with any kind of research around the early years. It is proven that these are the most important stages in a child's development and they already receive a pittance compared to, say, higher education. Please, please reconsider cuts to early learning and child care. The work done in this area is extremely good value.	Early Learning & Childcare (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Current Council practice is to provide high quality early learning, accessible to all parents, with integrated delivery of the 3-18 curriculum and clear transition to P1. The proposals aim to strengthen this provision.
5899	No Response	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	I don't believe teachers should be removed from Early Years/Nursery classes. This time is really important and we need to get it right to ensure attainment for later in life.	Early Learning & Childcare (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The implementation plan will include a workforce plan which will ensure suitably qualified staff matched to each setting.
5900	No Response	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Sounds good but have you taken into consideration kids with special needs that are using mainstream	Early Learning & Childcare (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council will meet the needs of all children.
5901	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Please invest in early intervention. Please pay particular attention to ACES and to the role of trauma open Young people on our Society. This must be a priority	Early Learning & Childcare (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Current Council practice is to provide high quality early learning, accessible to all parents, with integrated delivery of the 3-18 curriculum and clear transition to P1. The proposals aim to strengthen this provision.
5902	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	West Lothian council unashamedly ignores the childcare problem for parents of disabled children. They offer no financial support to ventures like The Tree Club to enable parents to continue to work full time and pay their taxes. In short talk of further cuts is a disgrace.	Early Learning & Childcare (general)	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	The proposal is not about services for children with additional support needs.
5903	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	To ensure consistency robust monitoring will be needed.	Early Learning & Childcare (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. This will be considered when the agreed proposal is developed.

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5904	An employee of West Lothian Council	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	The Scottish Government needs to reconsider its commitment, where is the money going to come to fund the building of new facilities	Early Learning & Childcare (general)	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. Eligibility and hours are set nationally.
5905	An employee of West Lothian Council	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	do all children actually need this amount of child care where is the place for the home to nature a child!	Early Learning & Childcare (general)	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. Eligibility and hours are set nationally.
5906	No Response	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	It is a crying shame that so few parents are now deemed to be able to bring up our own children safely and well. How did our parents manage with single incomes, stay at home mothers and no pre-school provision? Central government are trying too hard to appeal to voters and handing you too much to fund.	Early Learning & Childcare (general)	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. Eligibility and hours are set nationally.
5907	No Response	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	1D) The National commitment to deliver 1140 additional hours of early learning and childcare is despicable. People have children to look after them. It should not be the job of nurseries to rear children until they reach school age, this is Parental responsibility. The money would be better spent educating the parents on proper parenting skills and those parents identified as needing this and refusing it should be referred to Social Services or risk having their family allowance payments stopped.	Early Learning & Childcare (general)	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. Eligibility and hours are set nationally.
5908	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	I believe children should be at home with the family until the age of three. A vast amount of money is spent on extended childcare. I think parents and families should be responsible for their children until the age of 3 when normal nursery provision should be offered.	Early Learning & Childcare (general)	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. Eligibility and hours are set nationally.
5909	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Have parents actually asked for this? Do parents actually really need this? It's difficult to comprehend why other more needed services should suffer because of a pledge that the Government made with no thought as to how they could pay for it.	Early Learning & Childcare (general)	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. Eligibility and hours are set nationally.
5910	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Nursery education is the start of building educational foundation for children, if this isn't done properly then the foundation isn't stable thereby the rest that follows is more difficult for the child & causes more problems. Get it right at the start & the rest should be easier.	Early Learning & Childcare (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	Current Council practice is to provide high quality early learning, accessible to all parents, with integrated delivery of the 3-18 curriculum and clear transition to P1. The proposals aim to strengthen this provision.
5911	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	I believe that families need as much support as possible to make sure every child has the best chance and care.	Early Learning & Childcare (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	Current Council practice is to provide high quality early learning, accessible to all parents, with integrated delivery of the 3-18 curriculum and clear transition to P1. The proposals aim to strengthen this provision.
5912	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	How will the council ensure that all resources are appropriately used?	Early Learning & Childcare (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	By applying best value in expenditure and investment decisions.
5913	An employee of West Lothian Council	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	The further loss of the role of Nursery teacher in our nurseries does not support the recognition of the importance of early years and that pro active resourcing at this stage can reduce negative outcomes in the longer term.	Early Learning & Childcare (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The implementation plan will include a workforce plan which will ensure suitably qualified staff matched to each setting.
5914	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	If there are so many cutbacks in support staff and school staff, how can government commitment to increase in nursery provision be provided for. I object to any proposal if supervision ration of children is increased from 1:4 to 1:6.	Early Learning & Childcare (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Supervision ratios will be maintained.
5915	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Why have you been wasting so much of our money up to this point?	Early Learning & Childcare (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.
5916	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	If there are absolute guarantees that the proposed restructure will enable schools to achieve higher standards this would appear to be feasible	Early Learning & Childcare (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
5917	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Consider a wider use of registered Childminders to deliver the 1140 hours.	Early Learning & Childcare (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Childminders are already used in 2 year old provision.
5918	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Children need to play more and be around their parents. We are trying too hard to start them into the school chain with early years at the age of 3. Instead of nursery intake at 3 years cut this to only a pre school year. This could be a saving parents should use play schools.	Early Learning & Childcare (general)	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. Eligibility and hours are set nationally.

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5919	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	I would prefer that the core years of children's education (P1 - S6 and in particular the secondary school years) are prioritized. I'm slightly surprised at the commitment played out here as this is seen, for many, as free child care for the parents rather than a demonstrable benefit for the child. Ensuring our children leave school with the best skills is surely more important than that of 3 / 4 year old children doing finger painting.	Early Learning & Childcare (general)	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. Eligibility and hours are set nationally.
5920	An employee of West Lothian Council	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Don't reduce early child care	Early Learning & Childcare (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
5921	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Don't think it is the Council's job - it is something parents should be able to get up and do.	Early Learning & Childcare (general)	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. Eligibility and hours are set nationally.
5922	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Services offered must be assessed with regard to utilisation or the benefits will not be achieved and there are costs associated with providing those services that could be used elsewhere.	Early Learning & Childcare (general)	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. Eligibility and hours are set nationally.
5923	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Early years services need to be effective and give children the best start in life and education, helping them to attain better and to live in a more healthy environment. Reductions in such services would seriously impact and potentially undo good work by practitioners and the centres. Consistency of offer is a great ideal however each centre and community have their own issues so they need to be afforded flexibility to allow them to respond appropriately to the need of the children and families in their care. Increasing burdens on head teachers further is not the answer to making budget cuts at the centre. Early years services are a crucial intervention and access point for vulnerable families, a review needs to examine this carefully and be sure that reduction is the right way forward. Does the budget cut outweigh the needs of those vulnerable families.	Early Learning & Childcare (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Current Council practice is to provide high quality early learning, accessible to all parents, with integrated delivery of the 3-18 curriculum and clear transition to P1. The proposals aim to strengthen this provision.
5924	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Impirtant that consistency of service does not mean settling for the lowest common denominator, but that delivery still seeks improvement and excellence.	Early Learning & Childcare (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	Current Council practice is to provide high quality early learning, accessible to all parents, with integrated delivery of the 3-18 curriculum and clear transition to P1. The proposals aim to strengthen this provision.
5925	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	It was felt that although there is a statutory requirement to provide early years education from 2 years, a lot of our children only received a few hours, a few days a week and this was not to their detriment. Perhaps the Scottish government need to reassess their commitment and if they won't find the funding to allow councils to carry this out.	Early Learning & Childcare (general)	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. Eligibility and hours are set nationally.
5926	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Nursery Education has ceased to be an education, it's merely become an extension of child care. Over worked and under paid Nursery nurses cannot cope as it stands.	Early Learning & Childcare (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Current Council practice is to provide high quality early learning, accessible to all parents, with integrated delivery of the 3-18 curriculum and clear transition to P1. The proposals aim to strengthen this provision.
5927	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Each Primary school should have childcare provision from 1 year. This would be paid for by the parent as they would pay for private nursery but because the child would be able to attend playgroup and then nursery with wrap around care, paid for by the parent, this would give consistency of care for the child, would be a pathway to school and would provide the school with income.	Early Learning & Childcare (general)	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	Eligibility and hours are set nationally. The Council cannot charge for core Early Learning and Childcare.
5928	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	We need to ensure that our youngest children get the best start possible. Any cuts in Nursery provision will impact negatively.	Early Learning & Childcare (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council has put forward proposals across the whole range of its activities.
5929	No Response	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Parents should supply the money, if not they shouldn't have children-responsibility! Why	Early Learning & Childcare (general)	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	Eligibility and hours are set nationally. The Council cannot charge for core Early Learning and Childcare.
5930	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Good choice - and proves that all levels of education must be valued and retained	Early Learning & Childcare (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	Current Council practice is to provide high quality early learning, accessible to all parents, with integrated delivery of the 3-18 curriculum and clear transition to P1. The proposals aim to strengthen this provision.

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5931	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Does consistency of service, cover staff needed to help children in nursery with learning difficulties, on top of teaching children to go to the toilet, showing children how to eat, teaching children words helping them to speak, dealing with tantrums and changing nappies. Over and above the usual day to day running of a nursery.	Early Learning & Childcare (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The implementation plan will include a workforce plan which will ensure suitably qualified staff matched to each setting.
5932	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	As above - lets have a root and branch review of the service and delivery. It isn't necessary to increase costs when efficiencies can be identified. A business approach is what is needed to ensure the correct spending on items needed is controlled.	Early Learning & Childcare (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. This is the purpose of the proposals.
5933	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	I think that this is an area where savings can be made. I think so much free nursery provision is unnecessary in my experience- I think there needs to be clear evidence that this is cost-effective. I am unclear how the council can influence this if it is a government directive though.	Early Learning & Childcare (general)	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	Eligibility and hours are set nationally. The Council cannot charge for core Early Learning and Childcare.
5934	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Early learning should be integrated into an efficient model of schools provision, giving a continuum of education.	Early Learning & Childcare (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	Current Council practice is to provide high quality early learning, accessible to all parents, with integrated delivery of the 3-18 curriculum and clear transition to P1. The proposals aim to strengthen this provision.
5935	No Response	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Part of the problem is that some children are 'neglected' by their parents as they do not know how to look after them.	Early Learning & Childcare (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Promoting parenting skills remains important.
5936	An employee of West Lothian Council	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Redesigning the early learning and childcare system is an excellent way of supporting families for getting back into work, however if this is to go ahead to help with the employment figures, then reducing essential services such as Educational Psychology will be reducing the supports available for early intervention. Providing early intervention with interventions such as parenting programmes (for support), assessments for additional support needs and training in areas such as trauma and attachment, help to minimize supports required later on in a child's life, which could have a significant beneficial impact to the councils expenditure in years to come.	Early Learning & Childcare (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council intends to implement the proposal relating to educational psychology whilst still fulfilling its duty to meet the needs of every child.
5937	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Again use of volunteers ,retired teachers etc	Early Learning & Childcare (general)	5c. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it is not consistent with the council's values and priorities.	The implementation plan will include a workforce plan which will ensure suitably qualified staff matched to each setting.
5938	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Quality Early Years Learning is essential, a review of these services is welcomed, as reviews can identify efficiencies, however, cuts cannot lead to a reduction in quality or availability of services, as this will have an impact upon the future education and welfare of our children.	Early Learning & Childcare (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Current Council practice is to provide high quality early learning, accessible to all parents, with integrated delivery of the 3-18 curriculum and clear transition to P1. The proposals aim to strengthen this provision.
5939	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Do parents have no responsibility for early teaching and childcare? Why is it assumed that government should increasingly supply said services whilst parental child responsibility and care is reduced?	Early Learning & Childcare (general)	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. Eligibility and hours are set nationally.
5940	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	How much are staff who are delivering the service being involved in its re-design? They have a lot of knowledge to offer, which I don't. Do not include only managers in re-design plans. This is true for all points.	Early Learning & Childcare (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	Implementation will be informed by staff engagement.
5941	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	However for the early learning and childcare hours to have a positive impact on children and families they have to be flexible to respond to the very real needs of families, and can then also have a positive impact on other priority areas such as employment and reducing poverty.	Early Learning & Childcare (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	Current Council practice is to provide high quality early learning, accessible to all parents, with integrated delivery of the 3-18 curriculum and clear transition to P1. The proposals aim to strengthen this provision.
5942	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Where is the context. Are you already providing in excess of this? What does it mean? Is moving it internally to associated primary schools cheaper and there will implications for private providers.	Early Learning & Childcare (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	All but three nurseries are run by primary headteachers and this arrangement has proved beneficial.
5943	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	We would be keen to encourage West Lothian council to utilise all provision for council delivery and maintain jobs and help to get displaced staff qualified for the additional posts required.	Early Learning & Childcare (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how it could be developed.
5944	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	That seem fine, just wish we could let them be children with no pressures to perform too early.	Early Learning & Childcare (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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5945	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	In spite of any "national commitment", the first responsibility for childcare and early learning must rest with the parents.	Early Learning & Childcare (general)	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. Eligibility and hours are set nationally.
5946	An employee of West Lothian Council	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	This provision is essential, but we can't avoid dealing with the existing issue of 12-16 year olds that are struggling in, not coping with and being excluded from educational provision.	Early Learning & Childcare (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
5947	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Please see my response to 1b.I do not currently have a personal stake in education services and feel unable to comment on how things may be improved. Educational attainment is key in addressing inequalities and other social issues and I do not support any change that leads to fewer chances for young people in West Lothian. I therefore support rationalisation where this addresses duplication and achieves administrative efficiencies rather than measures that would cut activities of direct benefit to children and young adults	Early Learning & Childcare (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
5948	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Simply Play would welcome the opportunity for increased partnership working, in childcare and play provision, through co-production of new/expanded services, in order to meet the increasing demands of the sector and to meet Government's targets. A more co-ordinated, strategic approach would reduce potential duplication and/or competition, eg. Wraparound and out of school care. This would maximise the opportunities from Simply Play's best practice model, which has already been recognised for delivering on quality, flexibility, affordability and accessibility across West Lothian. To maintain out of school care provision across West Lothian it is essential that Council continues its practice of not charging community-based out of school care groups for lets in schools and community centres. This recognises the essential nature of this provision and its significant economic and community impact in enabling parents to maintain their employment and bring in Millions of pounds to West Lothian's economy.	Early Learning & Childcare (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted and will be considered as part of any development of the proposal.
5949	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Child care is so important if reduce staff staking away quality of service	Early Learning & Childcare (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The implementation plan will include a workforce plan which will ensure suitably qualified staff matched to each setting.
5950	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Early intervention in early years is crucial for reducing the likelihood of problems later on. even involving charity organisations along with social work and psychology departments.	Early Learning & Childcare (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	Current Council practice is to provide high quality early learning, accessible to all parents, with integrated delivery of the 3-18 curriculum and clear transition to P1. The proposals aim to strengthen this provision.
5951	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	I support this but there also needs to be work with families where children in nursery demonstrate anti social behaviour, apathy and motivation. classes should be held for parents helping them to encourage their children. Books and educational toys should be available on loan to them.	Early Learning & Childcare (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
5952	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Good be good but more work for schools and teachers.	Early Learning & Childcare (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
5953	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Nursery provisions should not be cut as they provide an important role within childrens lives.	Early Learning & Childcare (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Current Council practice is to provide high quality early learning, accessible to all parents, with integrated delivery of the 3-18 curriculum and clear transition to P1. The proposals aim to strengthen this provision.
5954	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	As long as there is oversight by the Council ensuring minimum safe standards of provision.	Early Learning & Childcare (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Robust oversight will remain, to the maximum extent allowed by the Scottish Government when funding follows the child is introduced.
5955	An employee of West Lothian Council	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	The National commitment to deliver 1140 additional hours of early learning and childcare is despicable. People have children to look after them. It should not be the job of nurseries to rear children until they reach school age, this is Parental responsibility. The money would be better spent educating the parents on proper parenting skills and those parents identified as needing this and refusing it should be referred to Social Services or risk having their family allowance payments stopped.	Early Learning & Childcare (general)	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. Eligibility and hours are set nationally.

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5956	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Broxburn Family Centre would like to maximise the opportunities for partnership working, in family learning, early years, play provision and childcare for our most vulnerable families. Across the sector we have the expertise and relationships with local people and the wider community, to continue to deliver best practice and reduce any opportunities for duplication, thus delivering best value for all. There are key issues around parenting, early childhood development and a widening attainment gap in schools that need the support of local community organisations to effectively address. Through working together we can continue to be an effective partner in addressing these issues.	Early Learning & Childcare (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Officers will consider how the expertise of existing family centre staff can contribute to the expanded early learning and childcare service.
5957	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Meeting the national level of childcare provision is a must but the focus should be on the quality of education these young people are receiving, something which will become increasingly more difficult with a stretched and under pressure workforce.	Early Learning & Childcare (general)	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	The implementation plan will include a workforce plan which will ensure suitably qualified staff matched to each setting.
5958	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Personally I think there should be childcare provision for families who need the support, but other families would be better looking after the children themselves - I realize this is central government issue but I think we are pushing people back to work too fast as a society this is detrimental to healthy families. Childcare allowance for stay at home mums should be introduced instead. We should be proud to bring up our own children.	Early Learning & Childcare (general)	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. Eligibility and hours are set nationally.
5959	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	A focus on getting the right support and resources in place in the early years, to enable school readiness and attainment will alleviate the pressures of the other priorities identified later in life, enabling a more robust and resilient population which is less reliant on council services in West Lothian in the future.	Early Learning & Childcare (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	Current Council practice is to provide high quality early learning, accessible to all parents, with integrated delivery of the 3-18 curriculum and clear transition to P1. The proposals aim to strengthen this provision.
5960	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Has an equality impact assessment been carried out for each of the budget proposals? It is essential that this is done at the earliest opportunity in order to assess what the impact will be on those in the protected characteristics groups and those already experiencing disadvantage.	Early Learning & Childcare (general)	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Equality relevance and impact assessments are being carried out as the proposals progress.
5961	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	A focus on getting the right support and resources in place in the early years, to enable school readiness and attainment will alleviate the pressures of the other priorities identified later in life, enabling a more robust and resilient population which is less reliant on council services in West Lothian in the future.	Early Learning & Childcare (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	Current Council practice is to provide high quality early learning, accessible to all parents, with integrated delivery of the 3-18 curriculum and clear transition to P1. The proposals aim to strengthen this provision.
5962	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Again this is nonsense, just saying you plan to review it and make it more efficient is not useful. Tell me exactly what you will do to make it more efficient then I can comment on if I think it's a good idea or not	Early Learning & Childcare (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
5963	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Often just subsidised baby sitting service. Needs to improve and become more efficient. Go for it.	Early Learning & Childcare (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Early Learning is not childminding. Current Council practice is to provide high quality early learning, accessible to all parents, with integrated delivery of the 3-18 curriculum and clear transition to P1. The proposals aim to strengthen this provision
5964	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Consistency with a bias (if there is a bias) towards those areas with lowest SIMD	Early Learning & Childcare (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
5965	No Response	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Need to comply with government policy	Early Learning & Childcare (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	The council is already doing this.
5966	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Nursery is a important starting point, so the focus needs to be consistant here, something you have failed at in the past	Early Learning & Childcare (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	Early Learning is not childminding. Current Council practice is to provide high quality early learning, accessible to all parents, with integrated delivery of the 3-18 curriculum and clear transition to P1. The proposals aim to strengthen this provision
5967	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Not needed. If parents choose to have children they should use the resources around them and not expect government to support this further.	Early Learning & Childcare (general)	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. Eligibility and hours are set nationally.
5968	An employee of West Lothian Council	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Care needs to be taken not to disadvantage already struggling diadvantaged vulnerable groups.	Early Learning & Childcare (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
5969	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	This is extremely important to get it right.	Early Learning & Childcare (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Early Learning is not childminding. Current Council practice is to provide high quality early learning, accessible to all parents, with integrated delivery of the 3-18 curriculum and clear transition to P1. The proposals aim to strengthen this provision

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5970	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	This should be largely the responsibility of parents.	Early Learning & Childcare (general)	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. Eligibility and hours are set nationally.
5971	An employee of West Lothian Council	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Resources should be targeted to the most needy demographic. ie those qualifying for free school meals.	Early Learning & Childcare (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
5972	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Process improvements and redesign of service delivery is to be welcomed.	Early Learning & Childcare (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
5973	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Don't you do all that anyway? Again it seems odd that WLC can save £1.5 M by doing what one would expect.	Early Learning & Childcare (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
5974	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	important priority	Early Learning & Childcare (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	Early Learning is not childminding. Current Council practice is to provide high quality early learning, accessible to all parents, with integrated delivery of the 3-18 curriculum and clear transition to P1. The proposals aim to strengthen this provision
5975	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Can you be more precise on how the saving will be delivered	Early Learning & Childcare (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	The proposals will save money through greater efficiency but at the same time additional investment will be made to expand the service.
5976	No Response	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Under 5's need staff who have skills appropriate to their needs.	Early Learning & Childcare (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	The implementation plan will include a workforce plan which will ensure suitably qualified staff matched to each setting.
5977	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	An increase in this year's Council Tax would have helped this issue.	Early Learning & Childcare (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
5978	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	In terms of additional childcare for ages 2, 3 and 4 year olds - great idea - but more pressure! Do parents spend any time with children? Sad day!	Early Learning & Childcare (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
5979	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Early learning and childcare will be increased from 600 to 1140 hours in 2020. Increasing the entitlement will require a substantially larger workforce, significant investment in infrastructure, and new, innovative models of delivery. With this in mind how will the money be saved? Further, is the council proposing integrating a full 10 hour 250 day nursery service? How is the new service to be integrated with current private sector nursery providers? There are too many unknowns to answer this questions.	Early Learning & Childcare (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	The implementation plan will include a workforce plan which will ensure suitably qualified staff matched to each setting. Flexibility and choice will be increased in line with Scottish Government guidance.
5980	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Modernising Early learning hours - this is a cheap form of child care is retained charges must be made to cover full cost of teachers. If retaining perhaps a means test or like should be made to encourage payments by the majority of those requiring the service.	Early Learning & Childcare (general)	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	Eligibility and hours are set nationally. The Council cannot charge for core Early Learning and Childcare.
5981	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	How would this save money?	Early Learning & Childcare (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	The proposals will save money through greater efficiency but at the same time additional investment will be made to expand the service.
5982	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	I worry this is going to take away the key worked system in nurseries, this has been huge support to my child's learning & development	Early Learning & Childcare (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Current Council practice is to provide high quality early learning, accessible to all parents, with integrated delivery of the 3-18 curriculum and clear transition to P1. The proposals aim to strengthen this provision.
5983	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Charge for child care.	Early Learning & Childcare (general)	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	Eligibility and hours are set nationally. The Council cannot charge for core Early Learning and Childcare. A charge is already made for wraparound care.
5984	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	I feel there should be more under 5 groups and activities in and around Livingston. The majority of activities and public centres revolve around 4-5 and over. There aren't many things for children in the towns surrounding Livingston centre other than swing parks which have minimal activities for children under 3 years.	Early Learning & Childcare (general)	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	The purpose of the consultation is to identify areas where efficiencies can be achieved, not areas for expansion.
5985	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	I would reduce the money in pre school activities such as child care	Early Learning & Childcare (general)	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	Eligibility and hours are set nationally.

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5986	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Start charging Simply Play for the use of their council owned premises to help pay for maintenance. This is an outsourced business disguised as a charity that the council sub.	Early Learning & Childcare (general)	5c. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it is not consistent with the council's values and priorities.	Simply Play is a valued partner organisation providing a service valued by many parents.
5987	No Response	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	early learning centres not working as more and more 5 year olds entering primary schools without basic learning including behavior issues as they are treated like babies in early learning	Early Learning & Childcare (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Current Council practice is to provide high quality early learning, accessible to all parents, with integrated delivery of the 3-18 curriculum and clear transition to P1. The proposals aim to strengthen this provision.
5988	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Looking after young people, people with difficulties and the elderly is paramount. Invest in people and they will give you more money, isn't that how it works?	Early Learning & Childcare (general)	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	The comment does not make a suggestion for specific action.
5989	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	I believe that this is a worthwhile investment, however it involves more expense for the council in providing extra staffing to cover the extra hours and ensuring the nursery meets regulatory requirements.	Early Learning & Childcare (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The Scottish Government has made commitments to fund the expansion to 1140 hours.
5990	An employee of West Lothian Council	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	It is not clear how savings will be made if the aim is to use current resources and services. Other than spreading thin an already thin management.	Early Learning & Childcare (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposals do not envisage additional resources being given to schools, but rather core functions of schools protected.
5991	An employee of West Lothian Council	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	I believe that the importance of appropriately trained staff to deliver services in ELCC is paramount early intervention will only work if it is staffed by high quality individuals with a deep understanding of the needs of our young children, parents, carers and communities.	Early Learning & Childcare (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The Council agrees with this comment, and will seek to ensure the highest quality workforce, and ensure effective early intervention.
5992	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	The nursery pathway to access placements is a joke. West Lothian attempt to restrict parental choice at the cost of our kids. Why not review that process? Review the poorly functioning panel.	Early Learning & Childcare (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	West Lothian policy is designed to ensure the highest quality provision, with clear transition through the early stage of curriculum for excellence.
5993	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Again councils going round in circles. Nurseries do what they are told to do. They have children attending now with nappies, speech problems, behavioural problems, no social skills, dietary problems, eyesight, hearing problems, family issues. These need addressed and not by restructuring.	Early Learning & Childcare (general)	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	The proposals are not designed to address the issues raised. The council already has a duty to meet the needs of every child.
5994	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	There looks to be new costs here; rather than savings. Consistency costs money especially where delivery is 'devolved'	Early Learning & Childcare (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposals are designed to reduce not increase expenditure. Overall costs in Early Learning and Childcare will rise as the service expands.
5995	An employee of West Lothian Council	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	The Scottish Government will need to commit to increased staffing with the introduction of 1140 hours as this will ultimately lead to more staff being employed to meet these demands which ultimately will lead to greater funding levels being put in place for nurseries.	Early Learning & Childcare (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	The proposals are designed to reduce not increase expenditure. Overall costs in Early Learning and Childcare will rise as the service expands.
5996	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	As I understand it, the 1140 hours is an increase. This does not explain how that increase will be achieved, nor where 'savings' are coming from. This provision is fundamentally important and should be fully supported.	Early Learning & Childcare (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	The proposals are designed to reduce not increase expenditure. Overall costs in Early Learning and Childcare will rise as the service expands.
5997	An employee of West Lothian Council	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Nursery provision is good in West Lothian and should continue to be so.	Early Learning & Childcare (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Current council practice designed to maximise quality of provision, consistency of delivery of the 3-18 curriculum, effective early intervention, effective transition and best value.
5998	An employee of West Lothian Council	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	How will you meet targets such as attainment and closing the gap if you effectively reduce the quality of this service?	Early Learning & Childcare (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Current council practice designed to maximise quality of provision, consistency of delivery of the 3-18 curriculum, effective early intervention, effective transition and best value.
5999	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	The West Lothian policy to deliver funded nursery places via school placements is to be commended. However only if this offers flexibility to working parents. I note that wraparound care charging has changed from by the hour (even if the service was only open for part of the hour) to per session. The addition of the pilot scheme and 2 full days at nursery is welcome. How will West Lothian deliver the additional funded nursery places. Is this to be via school placements or will it be supplemented by funding private nursery placements? If there are to be extensions to school nurseries to accommodate the additional places how and when will this be delivered?	Early Learning & Childcare (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Current council practice designed to maximise quality of provision, consistency of delivery of the 3-18 curriculum, effective early intervention, effective transition and best value, with a focus on making best use of existing resources. Additional resources are expected from the Scottish Government to increase provision.
6000	An employee of West Lothian Council	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	I believe nursery is where children learn to socialise mainly through play. Over the last few years there has been an increase in the amount of work/observations the staff in nurseries have had to do. I would rather the staff concentrated their time teaching the children through play instead of trying to get observations. School is when they start to learn through work.	Early Learning & Childcare (general)	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	The proposals do not affect the range of activities undertaken in nurseries.

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6001	No Response	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Do not know a lot about this but I think it should not be necessary to provide free child care for under 3s	Early Learning & Childcare (general)	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	West Lothian Council will meet its statutory duty to secure 1140 hours of free early learning and childcare for every parent who requests it. Statutory Guidance requires provision for eligible 2s.
6002	No Response	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	I do not know enough about early learning changes, however, I understand that West Lothian Council are committed to giving the children and families a better start in life and consistency of service delivery will help to improve this.	Early Learning & Childcare (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Current council practice designed to maximise quality of provision, consistency of delivery of the 3-18 curriculum, effective early intervention, effective transition and best value.
6003	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	The council should not become a 'nanny state'. Parents (in the main) decide to have children - they should live with the consequences rather than burdening everyone.	Early Learning & Childcare (general)	5a. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because the council is required by law to deliver this work.	The provision of Early Learning and Childcare is statutory.
6004	No Response	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Statement is unclear how Â£1.5 million savings can be made without creating cuts to delivering services to children and their families. Staffing cuts will impact on the consistency of existing nurseries and childcare arrangements.	Early Learning & Childcare (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Current council practice designed to maximise quality of provision, consistency of delivery of the 3-18 curriculum, effective early intervention, effective transition and best value, with a focus on making best use of existing resources. Additional resources are expected from the Scottish Government to increase provision.
6005	An employee of West Lothian Council	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Again as a parent early intervention is key. I wouldn't want my daughter going to an institution where they were not receiving the best early care and education. Another must keep.	Early Learning & Childcare (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	Current council practice designed to maximise quality of provision, consistency of delivery of the 3-18 curriculum, effective early intervention, effective transition and best value, with a focus on making best use of existing resources.
6006	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Is the implication here is that you will remove assisted places at private nurseries? Or is it that you will remove Headteachers from Council Nursery Schools? (I feel I would be better placed to respond with this clarified.)	Early Learning & Childcare (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Current council practice designed to maximise quality of provision, consistency of delivery of the 3-18 curriculum, effective early intervention, effective transition and best value, with a focus on making best use of existing resources.
6007	An employee of West Lothian Council	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	reduce nursery teachers and have senior nursery nurses instead.	Early Learning & Childcare (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	The proposals seek to identify the most appropriate staffing and management arrangements for early learning and childcare.
6008	An employee of West Lothian Council	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Childcare provision to designed around supporting parents to be able to work and enter the world of work after having a children. Hours and options for childcare to be devised around the needs of the children and support parents accessing jobs.	Early Learning & Childcare (general)	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Early Learning and Childcare has a strong focus on ensuring that young people have the best possible start in life, in line with Council values.
6009	An employee of West Lothian Council	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Universal provision seems inconsistent with prioritising support for those families who are most disadvantaged. Is there evidence to support even the current level of spend on EL&C?	Early Learning & Childcare (general)	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	Statutory guidance requires universal provision to be offered. Parents are not compelled to accept this offer of provision.
6010	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Unrealistic to provide this support for everyone , Nursery teaching is the foundation of a good education. This will turn our nurseries into cr�ches and puts unnecessary strain on the staff . Far too many changes and I assume people are getting paid to come up with this , ,	Early Learning & Childcare (general)	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	Statutory guidance requires universal provision to be offered. Parents are not compelled to accept this offer of provision.
6011	An employee of West Lothian Council	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	for those employed in he childcare/education sector, salaries do not reflect the amount of work and responsibility they are asked to take on. Better salary would attract better quality of staff and boost morale. early years are important but we need to back up policy with staff support and salaries.	Early Learning & Childcare (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The ELC expansion plan will include a workforce plan setting out the skills required by staff to deliver high quality ELC.
6012	No Response	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Using Family Centres to their full potential, ie,affordable childcare for working families which will also generate an income for them to help with running costs. Savings could be made on the cr�che facility that is used for group work, as currently if the cr�che staff are not required they need to be given a weeks notice, if not they are still paid. Any other agency staff are given 24 hours notice, savings could be made here?	Early Learning & Childcare (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Officers will examine potential synergies between family centres and the provision of ELC.
6013	An employee of West Lothian Council	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Should be looked at.	Early Learning & Childcare (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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6014	An employee of West Lothian Council	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	I think that the recent pilot of offering two full days rather than mornings or afternoons has been a fantastic resource to parents within West Lothian. I think this should be offered throughout West Lothian. Good quality childcare benefits the child and childcare that is flexible and allows the parents to work supports parents to work. Previously parents had to be reliant on private provision due to inflexibility in the council nurseries. This is changing and is something that should continue.	Early Learning & Childcare (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	The Council will continue to expand this service in response to positive reaction from parents, and demand for other areas of West Lothian.
6015	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	1,140 hours is not always achievable , its high cost and people use it for baby sitting rather than educational .	Early Learning & Childcare (general)	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	West Lothian Council will meet its statutory duty to secure 1140 hours of free early learning and childcare for every parent who requests it.
6016	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Sounds good. Parents' working hours should be taken into consideration.	Early Learning & Childcare (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. The Council is expanding provision, and making it more flexible.
6017	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	I'm not particularly concerned with additional early years provision- I think it is a very expensive item that is likely not needed by many.	Early Learning & Childcare (general)	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	West Lothian Council will meet its statutory duty to secure 1140 hours of free early learning and childcare for every parent who requests it.
6018	No Response	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Don't agree with extra hours or children going to structured institutions so young	Early Learning & Childcare (general)	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	West Lothian Council will meet its statutory duty to secure 1140 hours of free early learning and childcare for every parent who requests it.
6019	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	early learning has been proven crucial to a child development. the council should closely monitor this service,	Early Learning & Childcare (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	Current council practice designed to maximise quality of provision, consistency of delivery of the 3-18 curriculum, effective early intervention, effective transition and best value, with a focus on making best use of existing resources. Officers are employed to monitor the service.
6020	An employee of West Lothian Council	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Early learning always get hit the most , which costs parents even more money , we need early learning to socialize and get kids ready for school	Early Learning & Childcare (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Current council practice designed to maximise quality of provision, consistency of delivery of the 3-18 curriculum, effective early intervention, effective transition and best value, with a focus on making best use of existing resources. Additional resources will be delivered by the Scottish Government to fund expansion.
6021	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Being able to combine pre school nursery hours with paid childcare for working parents ie wraparound was ideal when our children were at nursery and hopefully this set up will continue to be available to parents in West Lothian.	Early Learning & Childcare (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	Wraparound care will continue to be available where sufficient demand exists. The Council has expanded this service.
6022	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	You don't say what the redesign is. It's worrying that you seek a reduction when required to meet a national commitment. Why not exceed the commitment. If you fail at this provision you will fail in education, falter in education and contribute to further deprivation, crime, poverty and unemployment. I vote against any cuts in nursery provision, and prefer an investment in services.	Early Learning & Childcare (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposals are designed to reduce not increase expenditure. Overall costs in Early Learning and Childcare will rise as the service expands.
6023	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Each school must ensure a common approach to ensure young learners all have same opportunities.	Early Learning & Childcare (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	Current council practice designed to maximise quality of provision, consistency of delivery of the 3-18 curriculum, effective early intervention, effective transition and best value, with a focus on making best use of existing resources.
6024	No Response	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	I think that no cuts should be made to early learning ad childcare. All support and funding and additional support is always best. The early years for our children is very important and the correct support should be given to the children, parents and staff.	Early Learning & Childcare (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposals are designed to reduce not increase expenditure. Overall costs in Early Learning and Childcare will rise as the service expands.
6025	No Response	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	We are providing child care for children - we need to be consistant and I think delegation to head teachers is a good idea.	Early Learning & Childcare (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Current council practice designed to maximise quality of provision, consistency of delivery of the 3-18 curriculum, effective early intervention, effective transition and best value, with a focus on making best use of existing resources. This will be facilitated by integration of ELC with school provision. All but three nurseries are already managed by primary Headteachers.

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6026	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Can details of this plan be published for interested parties to view electronically and/or hardcopy? What will the impact be on the Primary Head Teachers with this level of increase in pupil and staff numbers, both from a managerial and administrative perspective? What other staffing will be put into place to support the Primary Head Teacher? What will the HT's estimated time reduction be in matters dealing with their Primary School Pupils?	Early Learning & Childcare (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	Current council practice designed to maximise quality of provision, consistency of delivery of the 3-18 curriculum, effective early intervention, effective transition and best value, with a focus on making best use of existing resources. This will be facilitated by integration of ELC with school provision. All but three nurseries are already managed by primary Headteachers.
6027	No Response	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	I believe early learning investment should be concentrated where the need is greatest and be means tested. For example, working parents who can afford to pay contributions for early years, should be contributing towards this agenda.	Early Learning & Childcare (general)	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	West Lothian Council will meet its statutory duty to secure 1140 hours of free early learning and childcare for every parent who requests it. Statutory Guidance prevents charging.
6028	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Personally I feel that services should only be free to those who require them to be. This does not just relate to this topic but services as a whole. Yes I understand things like everyone gets so many hours free childcare is a good news story for political parties and in many cases this is fantastic especially for those on low incomes or who are looking to get back into employment etc. but for those who are on a substantial income who are able to afford within affecting true priorities like inclusion, education, I don't see why it should be free when important services are being cut due to this.	Early Learning & Childcare (general)	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	West Lothian Council will meet its statutory duty to secure 1140 hours of free early learning and childcare for every parent who requests it. Statutory Guidance prevents charging.
6029	An employee of West Lothian Council	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Provision needs to meet statutory obligations and not contain padding to relieve parents of basic obligations such as getting their children to the establishment made available to them.	Early Learning & Childcare (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	The Council will continue to meet its statutory obligations. No transport to nursery will be provided.
6030	An employee of West Lothian Council	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	What impact does this have on private nurseries and thus choice for parents.	Early Learning & Childcare (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	West Lothian Council will meet its statutory duty to secure 1140 hours of free early learning and childcare for every parent who requests it. The Council expects to be able to offer a place in its own establishments to all parents who want one. Scottish Government proposals for 'money to follow the child' are not yet finalised.
6031	No Response	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	This could be effective and efficient and support integration	Early Learning & Childcare (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	Current council practice designed to maximise quality of provision, consistency of delivery of the 3-18 curriculum, effective early intervention, effective transition and best value, with a focus on making best use of existing resources. This will be facilitated by integration of ELC with school provision.
6032	An employee of West Lothian Council	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Won't there be a high initial cost involved? Making nurseries bigger to accommodate all children at 1 time, kitchens to cook lunches, more equipment for all children to have access at the same time? Are lunches going to be free like with P1-3?	Early Learning & Childcare (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposals are designed to reduce not increase expenditure. Overall costs in Early Learning and Childcare will rise as the service expands. Lunches will be provided in line with statutory guidance to eligible children
6033	No Response	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	As above - Again makes sense with suitable safeguards and independent complaints procedures, so long as is suggested that there is no change in service provision.	Early Learning & Childcare (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. Access to a complaints procedure will be maintained.
6034	No Response	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	I believe that including childminders in the funded provision of early years childcare in west lothian would provide parents with a better choice, more flexibility and continuity of care. For some children a blended care approach of childminder and nursery provides the best option for that particular child.	Early Learning & Childcare (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The ELC expansion plan will address this point.
6035	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Cutting teachers out of nurseries devalues what is trying to be achieved in the early years.	Early Learning & Childcare (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The ELC expansion plan will include a workforce plan setting out the skills required by staff to deliver high quality ELC.
6036	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Nursery provision is essential to improve the outcome of the future workforce.	Early Learning & Childcare (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Current council practice designed to maximise quality of provision, consistency of delivery of the 3-18 curriculum, effective early intervention, effective transition and best value.

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6037	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	All research points to early intervention and to the fact that more qualified staff have an impact on children's learning and development. So I find it difficult to comprehend how taking away nursery teachers from this sector of education can even be considered. It would not be tolerated in primary or secondary schools. Why are young children considered to need less qualified staff? I understand that the Scottish Government have allocated funding for 19 Early Years graduates in the most deprived areas of West Lothian. However, not all of these will be teachers, and those who are teachers will not be paid at the same salary rate or have the same kind of training. It also leads to the question of the other children in the nearly 40 nurseries who will not be allocated a graduate.	Early Learning & Childcare (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The ELC expansion plan will include a workforce plan setting out the skills required by staff to deliver high quality ELC.
6038	No Response	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Early education is vital to the success of any community, we must get it right and qualified staff are essential from early years onwards.	Early Learning & Childcare (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The ELC expansion plan will include a workforce plan setting out the skills required by staff to deliver high quality ELC.
6039	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Early learning and care will be increased from 600 to 1140 hours in 2020. So more teachers, significant investment in infrastructure, and new, innovative models of delivery including perhaps a full 10 hour 250 day nursery service. How can this save money?	Early Learning & Childcare (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposals are designed to reduce not increase expenditure. Overall costs in Early Learning and Childcare will rise as the service expands.
6040	No Response	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	I think this is a good idea, if attainable and it doesn't add extra pressure on to the already stressed work force	Early Learning & Childcare (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Current council practice designed to maximise quality of provision, consistency of delivery of the 3-18 curriculum, effective early intervention, effective transition and best value, with a focus on making best use of existing resources. This will be facilitated by integration of ELC with school provision. All but three nurseries are already managed by primary Headteachers.
6041	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	The wraparound service offered in West Lothian is excellent and any improvement for young children and new parents would, understandably be attractive to a wide number of residents.	Early Learning & Childcare (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	The Council has expanded this service in response to parental demand.
6042	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Nursery provision should not be free	Early Learning & Childcare (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	West Lothian Council will meet its statutory duty to secure 1140 hours of free early learning and childcare for every parent who requests it. Statutory Guidance prevents restricting provision to working parents.
6043	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Nurseries should still have a full time fully qualified teacher!	Early Learning & Childcare (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The ELC expansion plan will include a workforce plan setting out the skills required by staff to deliver high quality ELC.
6044	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Let parents do childcare, it is not the function of the state. Force employers to pay parents enough that 2 do not have to work or single parents can afford childcare. Schools should not be for babysitting and feeding.	Early Learning & Childcare (general)	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	Thanks you for your comment. We will pass your feedback onto the relevant organisations responsible for this.
6045	No Response	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Again seems to be a lot of more workload being handed to head teachers. Will they be able to cope with the increased pressures and still be able to deliver the core responsibilities on educating the children.	Early Learning & Childcare (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Current council practice designed to maximise quality of provision, consistency of delivery of the 3-18 curriculum, effective early intervention, effective transition and best value, with a focus on making best use of existing resources. This will be facilitated by integration of ELC with school provision. All but three nurseries are already managed by primary Headteachers.
6046	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	I am not sure how the increased staffing costs and the cost of adapting buildings and infrastructure to meet this requirement can save money?	Early Learning & Childcare (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposals are designed to reduce not increase expenditure. Overall costs in Early Learning and Childcare will rise as the service expands.
6047	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	This does not state any method of saving money what so ever. It merely highlights the work that is being done at present and the council agreeing to make sure nationally stipulated levels of childcare are provided. Where is the magic £1.5 million coming from.	Early Learning & Childcare (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposals are designed to reduce not increase expenditure. Overall costs in Early Learning and Childcare will rise as the service expands.
6048	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Providing value for money through consistency of service delivery is the key factor here. There should be limited of bespoke services unless a benefit to the service or local area can be demonstrated. Today's society is extremely mobile.	Early Learning & Childcare (general)	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	West Lothian Council will meet its statutory duty to secure 1140 hours of free early learning and childcare for every parent who requests it. Statutory Guidance requires flexibility and choice.

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6049	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	I think this will be a good way to go only if Education in WL really can run their school as an effective business and all that entails. Giving more control to schools for their funding without them seeing themselves as business managers will be a disaster.	Early Learning & Childcare (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Headteachers are expected to exercise a high degree of autonomy, and increases are anticipated as a result of the national review of governance. Current council practice designed to maximise quality of provision, consistency of delivery of the 3-18 curriculum, effective early intervention, effective transition and best value, and this will be enhanced by integration of ELCC with school provision.
6050	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Consistency does not necessarily equate to quality.	Early Learning & Childcare (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	West Lothian Council is committed to quality of early learning and childcare.
6051	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Parents should be responsible for pre school learning. No need for council to spend more	Early Learning & Childcare (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	It is a statutory requirement to provide Early Learning and Childcare, although parents are not obliged to make use of it.
6052	An employee of West Lothian Council	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Key phrase here is national commitment. WL must continue support the outstanding ELC staff who have already embraced changes in provision over the last few years through transparency, collegiality, engagement in decision making and discussion around change and the provision of the highest level CLPL to all practitioners to build sustainability and leadership at all levels.	Early Learning & Childcare (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	The Expansion plan will include a workforce plan to ensure that staff are suitably equipped to deliver the expanded service. West Lothian Council is proud of the quality of its ELC provision, supported by all of the staff in the service.
6053	No Response	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	The removal of primary school teachers from preschool classes should be reversed.	Early Learning & Childcare (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The ELC expansion plan will include a workforce plan setting out the skills required by staff to deliver high quality ELC.
6054	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	I think 3 years old is too early for kids to be at school in the first place.	Early Learning & Childcare (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Provision of Early Learning and Childcare is a statutory requirement.
6055	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	The priority in nurseries should be education with staffing to include a teacher rather than a childcare facility.	Early Learning & Childcare (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The ELC expansion plan will include a workforce plan setting out the skills required by staff to deliver high quality ELC.
6056	No Response	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	This service is important to a lot of families, and probably requires more money not less !	Early Learning & Childcare (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposals are designed to reduce expenditure, but additional investment will be made to support expansion.
6057	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Strongly disagree. The money should be pumped into secondary and primary school funding and NOT nursery care and free childcare for under fives. This is not good use of the extremely limited funding (and now cuts) - a national decision I know. I would be supportive of money being diverted from under 5 age group to help fund secondary and primary schooling.	Early Learning & Childcare (general)	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	Provision of Early Learning and Childcare is a statutory requirement, as is the expansion and the provision of increased flexibility and choice. West Lothian recognises the positive impacts of ELC.
6058	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Cuts to schools should be minimised. Children are the future. Need to stop reinventing the wheel with initiatives like curriculum for excellence and focus back on the basics. There is for too much change resulting in uncertainty for children, parents and prospective employers.	Early Learning & Childcare (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council has put forward proposals for budget reductions across the full range of its responsibilities.#
6059	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	I don't understand this, 1,140hours for children that's parents don't work. This means more wages for the staff, more heating bills and more electricity bills.	Early Learning & Childcare (general)	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	Provision of Early Learning and Childcare is a statutory requirement, as is the expansion and the provision of increased flexibility and choice. West Lothian recognises the positive impacts of ELC.
6060	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	It is a large commitment which should include increasing staff to support the services so it is hard to see where real cost savings could be made in this area.	Early Learning & Childcare (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	The proposals are designed to reduce expenditure, but additional investment will be made to support expansion.
6061	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	This is extremely important. Early years are as important as S4,5 and 6	Early Learning & Childcare (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	West Lothian recognises the positive impacts of ELC.

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6062	An employee of West Lothian Council	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	To provide a suitable environment for three year olds to have essentially double the hours of nursery entitlement they currently have, a massive investment in infrastructure will be necessary. As an early years officer in a West Lothian nursery, the environment of existing buildings is not suitable for children who still require sleep during the day. I appreciate that this is a Scottish government initiative that the council must implement and that the council can only work with the resources it has however to force the staff to change their working hours, often to the detriment of their own families, is not fair. Nurseries will be offering childcare from 7.00am to 6.30pm to encourage parents to go back to work, but what happens when the child starts school? Will school hours also be changing to allow this?	Early Learning & Childcare (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	Expansion will be supported by investment in both infrastructure and staffing.
6063	No Response	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	I think Nursery Education is very important, but would question the need for so many hours. Surely one to one with the child's parent or guardian must be a priority. Some children will scarcely spend time with their parents. We should not be a babysitting service!	Early Learning & Childcare (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The provision of early learning and childcare is a statutory requirement.
6064	An employee of West Lothian Council	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Would comment that this again places additional pressures on Head Teachers based on the information provided but I would have assumed that Head Teachers were involved in the running of nursery facilities associated with their school anyway. If efficiencies can be made that allow commitments to be met then this would seem to be appropriate.	Early Learning & Childcare (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	All but three nurseries are already managed by primary Headteachers. There are significant benefits in terms of continuity of delivery of the 3-18 curriculum and effective transition from ELC to primary.
6065	No Response	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Too much emphasis on early years, more should be spent in later education and not so much in early years.	Early Learning & Childcare (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The provision of early learning and childcare is a statutory requirement.
6066	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	I think excellence rather than consistency should be an agenda. Our kids and society don't need consistency over excellence. Diversity might even bring more value. I do not support this strategy yet.	Early Learning & Childcare (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	West Lothian Council supports consistency of quality, and does not believe quality should be compromised. Within this consistently high quality provision, flexibility and choice is available.
6067	An employee of West Lothian Council	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	This would depend on the change of how this was delivered and what types of families may benefit/may not. I would not want WLC to cut corners or savings on early learning and childcare. Speaking as a mum, it is difficult for the working class families (financially) to provide childcare with childcare costs being so expensive when other families are means tested on benefit but yet having the opportunity for free childcare places and education for their children as early as 2 years old but this is not available to working families with an income. I think if anything, money should be injected into re-design and not saved.	Early Learning & Childcare (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	The proposals are designed to reduce expenditure, but additional investment will be made to support expansion.
6068	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	If they have the right ideals and outcomes for young and not too stretched	Early Learning & Childcare (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
6069	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	will you have enough head teachers?	Early Learning & Childcare (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Staffing levels required by statute and national agreement will be maintained.
6070	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	I believe early learning investment should be concentrated where the need is greatest and be means tested. For example, working parents who can afford to pay contributions for early years, should be contributing towards this agenda.	Early Learning & Childcare (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Provision of early learning and childcare is a statutory requirement, and it is not possible to charge for the statutory hours.
6071	No Response	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	If you want to "close the gap" you have to invest in early years. This is the point where the biggest impact can be made.	Early Learning & Childcare (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	West Lothian Council remains committed to early years education.
6072	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	we would have the same concerns with early years interventions as commented on before	Early Learning & Childcare (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	West Lothian Council remains committed to early years education.
6073	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	This is needed because it is a huge part of young children's life and effects there full school career and there life after, and these nursery's give the adults a change to be with children and help them at the beginning of life which is what all humans need.	Early Learning & Childcare (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	West Lothian Council remains committed to early years education.
6074	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	A vital services again with staff who are dedicated to providing the best service possible for our young children, hopefully all things have been considered including how this will effect the people who provide this service. As with any job in this sector the hours are never just school ones.	Early Learning & Childcare (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	West Lothian Council remains committed to early years education, and is proud of the quality of the service supported by dedicated staff.
6075	No Response	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	I fully support further extension of early learning provision. Having a son in private nursery, i can see how much it benefits him in terms of developing social skills and being independent, each kid should have this opportunity	Early Learning & Childcare (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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6076	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	There needs to be considerable discussion with those who are involved in the current models; which should include questions such as 'Is the establishment fit for purpose'; are there sufficient staff members to meet the ratios? The Council should be evaluating the service with higher priority being placed on the valuing of staff members. Once again, the statement is generic and insufficient information gained to make transparent informed choices.	Early Learning & Childcare (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Expansion will be supported by investment in both infrastructure and staffing.
6077	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Why not set up the local authority early learning and childcare services as business, charging the same as the private sector. This would subsidise the free services provided as the national commitment.	Early Learning & Childcare (general)	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Charging for wraparound care already happens.
6078	An employee of West Lothian Council	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Numerous studies have shown that young children should be with their parents/carers for as long as possible. Many parents nowadays are unable to "parent" their children. They fail to discipline properly, don't seem to realise that children need structures and boundaries and all too easily look for "professional" help to gain these skills. They have lose confidence and this money would be better spent on teaching young adults how to bring up children rather than childcare.	Early Learning & Childcare (general)	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	Eligibility and hours of provision are set nationally by the Scottish Government. Breakfast clubs have health and wellbeing, and educational benefits.
6079	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Could voluntary and charities be used more to support this service?	Early Learning & Childcare (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	The Council is in partnership with playgroups to deliver services to eligible 2 year olds, and will continue to explore this option.
6080	An employee of West Lothian Council	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	I do not feel i can comment on this as I am unfamiliar with how nurseries operate. However I feel it is vital that any learning provider has the autonomy to make decisions for the best of their learners this means looking at their children, families and staff and acting in their interests not following a prescribed set of guidelines - across all life stages one size does not fit all.	Early Learning & Childcare (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	Headteachers have a high degree of autonomy to tailor services to the needs of their school and to individual children.
6081	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	As 1A - Excellent if all of the above are carried out. However on current personally experienced performance it will take a huge effort to even provide an improvement. Further why has the "efficiency and effectiveness" not been applied to current procedures. No real criteria to be reach is actually stated and the starting point for these "efficiency and effectiveness" upgrade to services is not evident. Vagueness in targets to achieve. How will residents know when this is achieved?	Early Learning & Childcare (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Residents will know this has been achieved when any savings agreed following consultation are achieved, and service standards maintained or improved as described in the proposal.
6082	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Too much spent on nursery care,parents need to contribute more.	Early Learning & Childcare (general)	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	Eligibility and hours of provision are set nationally by the Scottish Government.
6083	An employee of West Lothian Council	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	The Curriculum for Excellence is a 3 - 18 years curriculum which should be led by teachers on a full time basis with support from nursery staff.	Early Learning & Childcare (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Expansion plan will include a workforce plan to ensure that staff are suitably equipped to deliver the expanded service. West Lothian Council is proud of the quality of its ELC provision, supported by all of the staff in the service.
6084	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	As above - Use resources to maximum effect. Cut out duplication and waste	Early Learning & Childcare (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
6085	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	I strongly believe that all 3 and 4 year old should have DAILY access to a fully qualified early years teacher. If WLC priority is early years, then retain and invest in the best staff possible.	Early Learning & Childcare (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Expansion plan will include a workforce plan to ensure that staff are suitably equipped to deliver the expanded service. West Lothian Council is proud of the quality of its ELC provision, supported by all of the staff in the service.
6086	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Early Education and Childcare is a non statutory sevice and while it is important I am firmly against the extra funding that has been reserved for the increase in hours for Nursery aged children. This extra funding could be divided between other vital services at this vulnerable time. Our Nursery Education provides a high quality service. If it isn't broken don't mess with it.	Early Learning & Childcare (general)	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	The extension to 1140 hours is a national policy aspiration.
6087	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	This sounds like staff working in Nurseries are going to have to adapt to big changes over the coming years and possibly not for the better.	Early Learning & Childcare (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Current council practice designed to maximise quality of provision, consistency of delivery of the 3-18 curriculum, effective early intervention, effective transition and best value. These principles will be maintained in the proposed service.

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6088	No Response	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	I believe the early years as proposed is not the correct balance. A poorer quality of education over a longer period is not a replacement for quality education/staff over a shorter period. Perhaps a better solution would be to subsidise childcare in general through private nurseries which would be paid for from the tax revenue of the families who use the facilities rather than offering free child care for those who do not need it and would be a means for having someone take their kids off their hands. Educating our children to a high standard and training them in work which is relevant to the current economic demands is what will support our economy, attract new business and drive employment and in turn would remove the burden from the state and provide a quality of life. You give a poor man a fish and you feed him for a day. You teach him to fish and you give him an occupation that will feed him for a lifetime. Tackling these issues will help solve others.	Early Learning & Childcare (general)	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	The extension to 1140 hours is a national policy aspiration, and its implementation will be guided by statute or national guidance.
6089	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	I don't believe in saving money here, why not improve provision instead?	Early Learning & Childcare (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	West Lothian Council is proud of the high quality provision in its pre-school establishments.
6090	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	As there is a national directive to increase the availability (hours) of early learning and childcare (I believe at no or reduced cost to the parents) - I am not sure how this directive for more resources and a plan to reduce the overall cost by Â£1.5 million fit together. Certainly within WLC - there is currently a mix of Private Nurseries and School based Nurseries/Early Learning centres - would the plan be to utilise both the private and state services together? I understand the expansion of the school based Nurseries has put some pressure on the private nursery sector - not sure how this "competing" element within this sector will impact the need to ramp up the available spaces and resources.	Early Learning & Childcare (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	The proposals are designed to decrease expenditure, but additional expenditure will be made to support expansion, funded by the Scottish Government. West Lothian Council will continue to make best use of existing resources.
6091	No Response	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	As there is a national directive to increase the availability (hours) of early learning and childcare (I believe at no or reduced cost to the parents) - I am not sure how this directive for more resources and a plan to reduce the overall cost by Â£1.5 million fit together. Certainly, within WLC - there is currently a mix of Private Nurseries and School based Nurseries/Early Learning centres - would the plan be to utilise both the private and state services together? I understand the expansion of the school based Nurseries has put some pressure on the private nursery sector - not sure how this "competing" element within this sector will impact the need to ramp up the available spaces and resources.	Early Learning & Childcare (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	The proposals are designed to decrease expenditure, but additional expenditure will be made to support expansion, funded by the Scottish Government. West Lothian Council will continue to make best use of existing resources.
6092	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Council will need to consider what it is bound to provide by law.	Early Learning & Childcare (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	Eligibility and hours of provision are set nationally by the Scottish Government.
6093	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Need more information on plans = if you take teachers out of nursery classes I think that this is acceptable as nursery practitioners are highly specialised and more than capable of meeting the needs of the child.	Early Learning & Childcare (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The Expansion plan will include a workforce plan to ensure that staff are suitably equipped to deliver the expanded service. West Lothian Council is proud of the quality of its ELC provision, supported by all of the staff in the service.
6094	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	I would like to see the top 3 items/specific deliverables that contribute to this redesign.	Early Learning & Childcare (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	The proposal will consider: 1. ELC better integrated with primary education. 2. expansion of service. 3. appropriate staffing deployed to support ELC.
6095	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Fine if resourced and set up but will need support through transition	Early Learning & Childcare (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	The proposals are designed to decrease expenditure, but additional expenditure will be made to support expansion, funded by the Scottish Government.
6096	An employee of West Lothian Council	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	I can't see the potential savings in this section from the description provided. I can only see potential future benefits but not savings for the council.	Early Learning & Childcare (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	The proposals are designed to decrease expenditure, but additional expenditure will be made to support expansion, funded by the Scottish Government.
6097	An employee of West Lothian Council	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Nursery children require the day time sessions. The extra hours given are they really needed. Head teachers can manage nursery and staff. A saving could be made within nursery provision by removing the extra hours given in the morning or afternoon. Breakfast clubs are the same is this the best use of monies?	Early Learning & Childcare (general)	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	Eligibility and hours of provision are set nationally by the Scottish Government. Breakfast clubs have health and wellbeing, and educational benefits.
6098	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	If early years learning and childcare provision is increasing, how can the Council possibly the costs here?	Early Learning & Childcare (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	The proposals are designed to decrease expenditure, but additional expenditure will be made to support expansion, funded by the Scottish Government.

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6099	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	TUS would be keen to see the majority of nursery provision being provided by the Council. Staff on the redeployment list could be retrained as nursery nurses and early years staff.	Early Learning & Childcare (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	This is in line with current council practice.
6100	No Response	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	i do not think ealy learning centres teach to the level they are there for . mainly used as a babysitting service	Early Learning & Childcare (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	West Lothian Council is committed to early learning. Early Learning and childcare should not be compared to babysitting.
6101	No Response	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Early years is very important, this drive to increase kids hours is great however there is more that could be focused on! We all grew up on a few hours a day! We struggle for jobs and childcare however nursery should not be a babysitting service	Early Learning & Childcare (general)	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	Eligibility and hours of provision are set nationally by the Scottish Government. West Lothian Council recognised the benefits of ELC.
6102	No Response	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Nursery provision is already falling behind England and Wales. Schools children should start a year earlier and consequently nursery a year earlier (as in England and Wales). This time in life is key and you have already cut it to bare minimum.	Early Learning & Childcare (general)	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	Eligibility and hours of provision are set nationally by the Scottish Government. West Lothian Council follows the Scottish education system, as it is located in Scotland, and falls under the jurisdiction of the Scottish Government.
6103	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	The need to attract and retain good quality nursery staff is vital if consistency is to be maintained	Early Learning & Childcare (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	The Expansion plan will include a workforce plan to ensure that staff are suitably equipped to deliver the expanded service. West Lothian Council is proud of the quality of its ELC provision, supported by all of the staff in the service.
6104	An employee of West Lothian Council	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	The National commitment to deliver 1140 additional hours of early learning and childcare is despicable. People have children in order to look after them. It should not be the job of nurseries to rear children until they reach school age, this is Parental responsibility. The money would be better spent educating the parents on proper parenting skills and those parents identified as needing this and refusing it should be referred to Social Services or risk having their family allowance payments stopped.	Early Learning & Childcare (general)	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	The extension to 1140 hours is a national policy aspiration, and its implementation will be guided by statute or national guidance.
6105	An employee of West Lothian Council	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	The National commitment to deliver 1140 additional hours of early learning and childcare is despicable. People have children to look after them. It should not be the job of nurseries to rear children until they reach school age, this is Parental responsibility. The money would be better spent educating the parents on proper parenting skills and those parents identified as needing this and refusing it should be referred to Social Services or risk having their family allowance payments stopped.	Early Learning & Childcare (general)	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	Eligibility and hours of provision are set nationally by the Scottish Government. West Lothian Council has no authority to stop benefit payments.
6106	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	The new initiative to encourage younger children to attend nursery is great. Early Childhood Education is key to ensure that developmental goals are met and socialisation of a child is encouraged. This initiative also helps parents return to work or become encouraged to go to work.	Early Learning & Childcare (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council recognises these benefits of Early Learning and Childcare.
6107	An employee of West Lothian Council	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	It would be useful if the review included some measurement of the impact of this commitment on employment and attainment.	Early Learning & Childcare (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	West Lothian Council recognises the benefits of early intervention in terms of later attainment and progression to a positive destination.
6108	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Re-employ nursery nurses within specialist units.	Early Learning & Childcare (general)	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	The Council has taken a considered decision on the nature of staff necessary to best support children in special schools and units.
6109	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Better communication within the change of command.	Early Learning & Childcare (general)	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
6110	No Response	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	I feel again there is no mention of children with disabilities or special educational needs who require additional support.	Early Learning & Childcare (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Additional support is provided within early learning and childcare, where required.
6111	An employee of West Lothian Council	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Early intervention in support for children is a key priority and should be protected as far as possible.	Early Learning & Childcare (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	Current council practice designed to maximise quality of provision, consistency of delivery of the 3-18 curriculum, effective early intervention, effective transition and best value, with a focus on making best use of existing resources. This will be facilitated by integration of ELC with school provision. All but three nurseries are already managed by primary Headteachers.
6112	No Response	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	This is an important group. This should still go on.	Early Learning & Childcare (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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6113	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	This is a good proposal and will ensure that nurseries do not become just a babysitting service. It is vital that staff in the nursery are properly trained and suited to stimulating young children	Early Learning & Childcare (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
6114	No Response	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	I think the extra hours should not be a babysitting service . There has to be properly qualified people working with young children, so that they can be educated in interacting with others and discovering new skills and adventures.	Early Learning & Childcare (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Current Council practice is to provide high quality early learning, accessible to all parents, with integrated delivery of the 3-18 curriculum and clear transition to P1. The proposals aim to strengthen this provision.
6115	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Any review and changes to save the sums involved seem significant change. Happy to support needy children. Happy for those who have children to support their needs too.	Early Learning & Childcare (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Current Council practice is to provide high quality early learning, accessible to all parents, with integrated delivery of the 3-18 curriculum and clear transition to P1. The proposals aim to strengthen this provision.
6116	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Whilst the delivery of early learning and childcare no doubt has the best interests of the child at heart, it seems that the role of the parent has been replaced by the Council. All too often nurseries are being used by parents and carers as unpaid childminding services and no responsibility taken by them for the early learning of the child. Perhaps more emphasis should be placed on educating the parents/carers.	Early Learning & Childcare (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Current Council practice is to provide high quality early learning, accessible to all parents, with integrated delivery of the 3-18 curriculum and clear transition to P1. The proposals aim to strengthen this provision. Working closely with parents is a positive suggestion.
6117	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	I believe that children do not need to go to early childcare until they are age 4-5	Early Learning & Childcare (general)	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	Eligibility and hours are set nationally.
6118	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Early years provision is essential however providing breakfast and extended hours is of benefit to parents (childcare) and not of any educational benefit to children.	Early Learning & Childcare (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Current Council practice is to provide high quality early learning, accessible to all parents, with integrated delivery of the 3-18 curriculum and clear transition to P1. The proposals aim to strengthen this provision.
6119	No Response	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	See above - Sounds like staff reductions. This is not good.	Early Learning & Childcare (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
6120	An employee of West Lothian Council	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	where are you going to find staff??? we are always needing PSW's and teachers - they aren't any!!!! space in schools for these children??- if you cut back anymore money from schools they will not have the right resources?	Early Learning & Childcare (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
6121	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Should we integrate early years services with social care?	Early Learning & Childcare (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.
6122	An employee of West Lothian Council	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	I agree that Early Years is important, however the provision for free childcare for three year olds in Nursery is killing Playgroups. Again, can this not be subsidised by parents?	Early Learning & Childcare (general)	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	Eligibility and hours are set nationally.
6123	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Too much maybe being asked of head Teachers. Early years intervention is important though to eradicate attainment gap from the start of young lives and may offset more expensive interventions later.	Early Learning & Childcare (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	All but three nurseries are currently managed by primary headteachers and this arrangement has proved beneficial.
6124	An employee of West Lothian Council	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	deliver what the government require no more	Early Learning & Childcare (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	Current Council practice is to provide high quality early learning, accessible to all parents, with integrated delivery of the 3-18 curriculum and clear transition to P1. The proposals aim to strengthen this provision.
6125	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Early learning is important and gives children the basic skills to set them up for school however I would say the focus should certainly be school education. It is also up to parents to learn and teach their children.	Early Learning & Childcare (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Current Council practice is to provide high quality early learning, accessible to all parents, with integrated delivery of the 3-18 curriculum and clear transition to P1. The proposals aim to strengthen this provision.
6126	An employee of West Lothian Council	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	1d It is not clear what is to be changed so where are the savings to be made? As far as I am aware all resources for Early Learning and Childcare are already appropriately used. I can understand that it makes sense for Primary Headteachers to be responsible for local nurseries. This works well and is a continuation of changes that have already taken place.	Early Learning & Childcare (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	All but three nurseries are currently managed by primary headteachers and this arrangement has proved beneficial. The proposals will reduce costs. Additional investment in staff and facilities will be made utilising additional funding to be made available by the Scottish Government.

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6127	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	It is important to help young children from an early age as it can help those who are most vulnerable to achieve later in life. Money spent now is money saved later on.	Early Learning & Childcare (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	Current Council practice is to provide high quality early learning, accessible to all parents, with integrated delivery of the 3-18 curriculum and clear transition to P1. The proposals aim to strengthen this provision.
6128	An employee of West Lothian Council	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	What is being consulted on here? The first detail in this consultation is provided which is good. However, not all relevant detail is provided for me to make any actual comment on this point. Are all nurseries in West Lothian currently associated with a primary school? Will they be when there is a change? What happens to those nurseries which are not associated with a primary school? Is a primary school head teacher qualified to manage a child's early learning needs provider? Are primary school head teachers going to get paid more money to take on this dual role? What will happen to nursery school staff? Will the head teacher be in control of the nursery staff or will this remain with the council? What does the phrase "The council will make sure that all resources available for early learning and childcare are appropriately used to support service delivery" tell me about what is going to happen and how this will result in an estimated saving of £1.5m.	Early Learning & Childcare (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	The response contains no suggestions for action.
6129	No Response	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	this is very important and should always be supported	Early Learning & Childcare (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	Current Council practice is to provide high quality early learning, accessible to all parents, with integrated delivery of the 3-18 curriculum and clear transition to P1. The proposals aim to strengthen this provision.
6130	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Management by Head Teachers at associated PS is a positive suggestion. However I think the implementation of the expanded hours will be difficult as parents who work will be looking for a different offering of hours than those who do not and/or have children already in school and this will need to be considered as many families use flexible working to allow for childcare to be used to allow them to work.	Early Learning & Childcare (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	All but three nurseries are currently managed by primary headteachers and this arrangement has proved beneficial. The council has expanded flexibility and choice and will continue to do so.
6131	No Response	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Good services in this area are essential to ameliorate the effects of poor quality home childcare and to free up parents to seek employment which ultimately leads to better environments for pre-school and nursery age children. Head teachers at primary schools will be in a good position to ensure the consistency of the services provided but primary schools are themselves failing at the moment.	Early Learning & Childcare (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
6132	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Our schools need more funding than early years does.	Early Learning & Childcare (general)	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	Early Learning and Childcare is statutory provision.
6133	No Response	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Start diet and exercise classes at nursery, start with breakfast to ensure all kids know what it is	Early Learning & Childcare (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your comment which will be considered as part of any service redesign
6134	No Response	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Don't agree with the national commitment stipulated by the Scottish Government. How you plan to meet resourcing to achieve this provision while reducing costs must mean a cut in some other locations. It would be interesting to know the details of how this is going to be achieved.	Early Learning & Childcare (general)	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	Eligibility and hours are set nationally.
6135	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Please include Childminders as part of this provision - getting it right for every child as a full day in a nursery setting may not be what each child needs	Early Learning & Childcare (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	Childminders are engaged to provide services for eligible 2 year olds.
6136	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	As long as hours remain the same and children still get same amount of hours at nursery and good level of activity	Early Learning & Childcare (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Hours will expand, and quality will be maintained.
6137	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	I dont actually agree with increased nursery hours/childcare for preschoolers; days as long enough for most children as it is!!	Early Learning & Childcare (general)	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	Hours and eligibility are set nationally.
6138	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Whilst supporting children and their families is important, early learning should be play focused including access to outdoor facilities and parks.	Early Learning & Childcare (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	Learning through play, and outdoor learning are important features of Early Learning and Childcare.
6139	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Another role for the Head Teacher. Deputy Head and Principal Teachers could also offer support to early years team. I think councils need to look at early years supply bank as it can be hard to cover staff when off sick. Early Years staff who have temporary contracts for a year at a time and have contributed well within a team should be offered a new contract each year. Gives children continuity.	Early Learning & Childcare (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.

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6140	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	I don't agree with this national commitment, so would do the minimum possible.	Early Learning & Childcare (general)	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	Hours and eligibility are set nationally.
6141	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Sounds reasonable. Consolidation of hours into 2-3 days per pupil instead of Monday - Friday in more nurseries could make efficient use of the resource and also make arranging childcare easier for working parents.	Early Learning & Childcare (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted and will be considered as part of any development of the proposal.
6142	No Response	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Fine if you can do this without too much impact on day to day nursery. Consolidating the hours for each child across a few days instead of Mon-Friday could be more efficient for nurseries and make it easier to arrange childcare for working parents.	Early Learning & Childcare (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
6143	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Effective early learning and child care cannot be provided with insufficient staff.	Early Learning & Childcare (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The implementation plan will include a workforce plan which will ensure suitably qualified staff matched to each setting.
6144	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	This is not effective consultation as there is no clarity about the nature of the proposals. Any changes to the provision of early years education would be counter productive. Removing teachers from early years education would be a mistake. It was recognised some time ago that teachers play a vital role in early intervention. The removal of teachers from early years will inevitably mean that greater resources will be required at a later stage. Why are we now departing from the principles of early intervention?	Early Learning & Childcare (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposals to rationalise central support to schools seek to balance the important contribution of professional, support and managerial staff, all of whom make an important contribution to the service. They recognise the increased autonomy to be given to headteachers, who will have the ability to prioritise budgets to meet the individual needs of their school.
6145	No Response	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	This will then allow the parents to work more without child care costs which with then in turn reduce our benefit payments.	Early Learning & Childcare (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
6146	No Response	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	I can't really comment on this as my children are passed nursery stage and I'm not sure what the provision is like. When mine were small if you wanted to work you had to use a private nursery and pay for it. More affordable childcare would make it a lot easier for people to go back to work.	Early Learning & Childcare (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
6147	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Agree. Volunteers should be used to enhance services.	Early Learning & Childcare (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	West Lothian Council is committed to ensuring all staff are suitably qualified.
6148	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	There is no doubt that effective early intervention will improve the lot of children's level of attainment. I trust that is your objective.	Early Learning & Childcare (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	Current Council practice is to provide high quality early learning, accessible to all parents, with integrated delivery of the 3-18 curriculum and clear transition to P1. The proposals aim to strengthen this provision.
6149	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Please ensure that resources are not wasted	Early Learning & Childcare (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
6150	An employee of West Lothian Council	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	not only consistency of service but QUALITY and of best impact (tailored accordingly)	Early Learning & Childcare (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	Current Council practice is to provide high quality early learning, accessible to all parents, with integrated delivery of the 3-18 curriculum and clear transition to P1. The proposals aim to strengthen this provision.
6151	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	I don't feel education services have coped with the extra hours provision to our communities two year olds. Evidence and studies have produced and quantify that what happens in the early years has biological consequences for what happens in later years. There fore monies put in to early years saves society money in the long term and it has been shown that it is better economics and also has a positive impact on individuals well being which relates to human physiology. Family centres should provide this nurturing service for two years olds.	Early Learning & Childcare (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Options to integrate the expertise of family centres into the service will be explored.
6152	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Too much intrusion into Nursery Care can be counter-effective. A child becomes institutionalised all too soon at school - a more open approach to PLAY LEARNING is much more appropriate.	Early Learning & Childcare (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	Current Council practice is to provide high quality early learning, accessible to all parents, with integrated delivery of the 3-18 curriculum and clear transition to P1. Learning through play is recognised as an important tool. The proposals aim to strengthen this provision.
6153	An employee of West Lothian Council	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Early education is crucial and it is important that West Lothian council continues to fund this area sufficiently. A key resource to nursery provision is a full time member of teaching staff in the nursery to work with and lead the nursery team effectively.	Early Learning & Childcare (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	Current Council practice is to provide high quality early learning, accessible to all parents, with integrated delivery of the 3-18 curriculum and clear transition to P1. The proposals aim to strengthen this provision.

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6154	An employee of West Lothian Council	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	This is an important service that contributes to reducing the inequalities gap. If redesign can be achieved without the service being compromised, this would work. The impact	Early Learning & Childcare (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	Current Council practice is to provide high quality early learning, accessible to all parents, with integrated delivery of the 3-18 curriculum and clear transition to P1. The proposals aim to strengthen this provision.
6155	An employee of West Lothian Council	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	The link between private nurseries and the current school nursery provision appears to only be through checking provisions carried out by the care commission, The funding will still come from the public purse via tax benefits and child tax credits , why cant there be a communal approach in these deliveries.	Early Learning & Childcare (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
6156	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Again early years interventions are what make a difference to behaviour and the impact is significant.	Early Learning & Childcare (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	Current Council practice is to provide high quality early learning, accessible to all parents, with integrated delivery of the 3-18 curriculum and clear transition to P1. The proposals aim to strengthen this provision.
6157	No Response	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Early years is in my opinion the place where we are potentially able to make most impact	Early Learning & Childcare (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	Current Council practice is to provide high quality early learning, accessible to all parents, with integrated delivery of the 3-18 curriculum and clear transition to P1. The proposals aim to strengthen this provision.
6158	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	At what cost? Which service is reduced to address this? Surely the council should have been already ensuring that these resources were being appropriately used to support service delivery.	Early Learning & Childcare (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
6159	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	by improving services for pre-school and school aged children will raise attainment, encouraging more private business and more apprenticeships, would solve a whole host of social problems that blight all towns and villages in west lothian; unemployment, drug and alcohol abuse and crime.	Early Learning & Childcare (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	The Council remains committed to improving outcome for young people through effective early intervention and high quality pre-school and school services.
6160	An employee of West Lothian Council	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	This is a Government policy that we must deliver on. Early years is a vital stage in Education and should be staffed by suitably qualified nursery teachers.	Early Learning & Childcare (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The implementation plan will include a workforce plan which will ensure suitably qualified staff matched to each setting.
6161	No Response	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	This is crucial - if any potential educational issues are identified early, it means that early interventions can be put in place to stop young people from falling through the net later in their school career.	Early Learning & Childcare (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	Early intervention is a key feature of the Council's provision.
6162	An employee of West Lothian Council	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Seems fair - major savings already in recent years with Early Years Centres being managed by Head Teachers at associated Primary schools.	Early Learning & Childcare (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
6163	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	I don't know how this would be a saving at all as there are more family houses in West Lothian Area now than every before. I think we were they highest at building new homes, this of course means that we know have more young people having children which will increase the Early Learning & Childcare and schools not decrease. There are not enough schools in Livingston to accompany the children now (including high schools) so I can't see how there are going to be savings made.	Early Learning & Childcare (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	Investment is made to increase service provision when the population expands. The proposals will make this provision more efficient.
6164	An employee of West Lothian Council	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	do nursery teachers and managers not need to be registered with the SSSC?	Early Learning & Childcare (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	All Council staff are qualified as required by their role.
6165	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Charge for nursery care.	Early Learning & Childcare (general)	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	Eligibility and hours are set nationally. The entitlement is free.
6166	No Response	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Not sure how cuts can improve provision here.	Early Learning & Childcare (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
6167	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	I think this service should be made more suitable for parents and that it fits around them and their work.	Early Learning & Childcare (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	The Council has increased flexibility and will continue to do so.
6168	An employee of West Lothian Council	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Must invest in early childcare and make sure resources are there to support young children and get interventions in early to make sure they achieve and succeed. Could be redesigned but must support all young children.	Early Learning & Childcare (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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6169	An employee of West Lothian Council	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	We know youâ€™re going to pull out the teachers and put in less qualified people so thereâ€™s not much point in fighting it. Just so long as you donâ€™t expect nurseries to be anything more than childcare facilities...	Early Learning & Childcare (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The expansion plan for early learning and childcare includes a workforce plan to match appropriate staff into each setting.
6170	No Response	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	The council should consider an approach of combining child care and senior care as seen overseas. This method has many benefits to those younger and older members of society	Early Learning & Childcare (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted and will be considered as part of any development of the proposal.
6171	An employee of West Lothian Council	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Need quality staff with the right qualifications in our early years settings. Increase of hours should not have negative impact on childrenâ€™s learning experiences. Staff right now are on their knees with no time to complete relevant paperwork. Itâ€™s a stressful job. Time within the day for quality observations and tracking and assessing and planning need to be built in when considering staffing.	Early Learning & Childcare (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	The expansion plan for early learning and childcare includes a workforce plan to match appropriate staff into each setting.
6172	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Nursery schools should not become child care facilities.	Early Learning & Childcare (general)	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	Plans for expansion of hours and eligibility are set nationally.
6173	No Response	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	This should only be free for those who need it/ means tested.	Early Learning & Childcare (general)	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	Eligibility and hours are set nationally.
6174	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	This sounds very positive as early intervention is key to successful outcomes for children.	Early Learning & Childcare (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
6175	An employee of West Lothian Council	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Too vague to comment - what impact on the children?	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
6176	No Response	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	No comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
6177	An employee of West Lothian Council	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	No comment - I do not have enough information regarding this.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
6178	An employee of West Lothian Council	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	No comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
6179	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	I have no opinion to offer on this subject	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
6180	An employee of West Lothian Council	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	I have no comment to make on this.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
6181	No Response	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	No comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
6182	An employee of West Lothian Council	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	no comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
6183	No Response	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	As above.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
6184	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Not at all sure what this is saying!	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
6185	An employee of West Lothian Council	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Sorry but the above statement does not tell me how you intend to save money.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
6186	No Response	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Can't Comment don't know current system	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
6187	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	I donâ€™t believe I have the relevant knowledge to comment on this subject.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
6188	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	-	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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6189	An employee of West Lothian Council	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	no comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
6190	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	N/A	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
6191	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	No comment.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
6192	An employee of West Lothian Council	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	don't know enough to comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
6193	An employee of West Lothian Council	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	N/A	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
6194	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	No comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
6195	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	No comment.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
6196	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	no comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
6197	An employee of West Lothian Council	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	no comment however comments above will impact upon this as again HT's and school staff will have to do more with less.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
6198	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	What does redesign mean	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
6199	No Response	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	No comment (don't know enough regards this topic)	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
6200	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	not interested	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
6201	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	This sounds ok but doesnt explain in depth what the changes would be to comment on.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
6202	No Response	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	No comment to make.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
6203	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Do know enough to comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
6204	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	I am not well enough informed to comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
6205	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	You have provided insufficient information to comment.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
6206	An employee of West Lothian Council	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	This doesn't set out how a change would be implemented.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
6207	No Response	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	I have no views on this.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
6208	No Response	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Can not see what you plan to do to make a saving in th above statement?	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
6209	An employee of West Lothian Council	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Already happening in West Lothian	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
6210	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	No real comment on this	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
6211	An employee of West Lothian Council	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Difficult to comment also as it is not evident what the changes would look like.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
6212	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	No comments on this.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
6213	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	I don't understand budgeting advantages and restraints enough to comment.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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6214	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	I have no idea what this means. Please explain better.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
6215	An employee of West Lothian Council	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	I dont not know wat this means	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
6216	No Response	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Don't know enough about this area to comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
6217	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Not really any clear idea from this statement as to how you claim you can making savings. This is just jargonese.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
6218	No Response	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Balance has to be attained	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
6219	An employee of West Lothian Council	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	No idea if this is good or bad as I have no children in the school system.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
6220	An employee of West Lothian Council	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	I am not in a position to comment on this	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
6221	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	No comment on this	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
6222	An employee of West Lothian Council	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Very difficult to comment as itâ€™s not clear what your proposing .. very misleading and more transparency is needed here	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
6223	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Your statement is unclear on how you are going to save 1.5 million and maintain the standards stated	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
6224	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	-	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
6225	No Response	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	No comment.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
6226	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	No comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
6227	No Response	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	No comments	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
6228	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	No comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
6229	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	No comment.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
6230	No Response	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	No comment!	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
6231	No Response	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
6232	An employee of West Lothian Council	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	No comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
6233	An employee of West Lothian Council	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	No comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
6234	An employee of West Lothian Council	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Nursery is such a valuable resource for children and parents. How are services going to be changed?	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
6235	An employee of West Lothian Council	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Not sure if this is a practical solution.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
6236	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Early years interventions are important in life outcomes especially in deprived areas - sad to see cuts here	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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6237	An employee of West Lothian Council	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	No comment as have no young kids but I do know from research that early years is vital to change outcomes - even before birth.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
6238	No Response	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	This point needs further clarification. What are the planned changes exactly?	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
6239	An employee of West Lothian Council	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	I am not clear from the description provided how this is going to save money.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
6240	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Does not really explain where the savings are to be made	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
6241	An employee of West Lothian Council	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Im sure the education staff will comment fully on 1b,c and d	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
6242	An employee of West Lothian Council	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	I'm not sure where the savings would be here or what it would look like. Sorry that's not very clear!	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
6243	An employee of West Lothian Council	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	I am not informed enough to make a comment on this proposal	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
6244	An employee of West Lothian Council	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	As previous response	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
6245	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	This fails to spell out what it is the Council actually proposes to deliver.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
6246	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	This is too woolly a proposal to comment seriously on.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
6247	No Response	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	No comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
6248	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	No Comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
6249	An employee of West Lothian Council	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	No comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
6250	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	-	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
6251	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	No comment.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
6252	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	No comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
6253	An employee of West Lothian Council	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	wdswq	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
6254	No Response	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	It's just a drop in the ocean.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
6255	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Shorter survey please	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
6256	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	I hope that the SNP-dominated government are paying for this	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
6257	No Response	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Your description above does not give actual details as to what you plan on doing therefore it is impossible for me to comment.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
6258	No Response	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	I don't have a comment, I don't nor do I plan any children	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
6259	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Again, who's going to lose out as the savings are £1.5 million.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
6260	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	No comments as I do not have children	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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6261	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	This wouldnt make a diffrence were i stay.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
6262	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	No detail at all provided for what this means. Impossible to comment.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
6263	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	no comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
6264	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	no comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
6265	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	No comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
6266	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	No comment as I have little knowledge of how the education system works.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
6267	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	The summary above is uninformativ and woolly - how can we be expected to comment meaningfully on this?	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
6268	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Again, how can we possibly comment on your proposal to 'review and change' services? This is meaningless and I can't see how I can offer a meaningful response to the above!	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
6269	No Response	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Can't Comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
6270	No Response	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	No comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
6271	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	no comments	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
6272	An employee of West Lothian Council	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	No comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
6273	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	No comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
6274	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	There's not much detail	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
6275	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Not enough information here to understand what you are proposing.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
6276	An employee of West Lothian Council	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	I'd imagine all resources are already appropriately used so not sure what is meant by this.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
6277	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	This makes no sense to me - a vague, wordy statement that tells me nothing so I am unable to give you any comments.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
6278	An employee of West Lothian Council	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	no comments	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
6279	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	No comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
6280	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	not relevant to me	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
6281	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Nothing in the above statement suggests how such savings will be made therefore it is impossible to comment.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
6282	No Response	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	no comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
6283	An employee of West Lothian Council	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	No comments	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
6284	An employee of West Lothian Council	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	NO COMMENT	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
6285	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Insufficient details to make an informed comment. Impact? No support	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
6286	No Response	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	So no change there then. Why is this item up for comment?	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
6287	No Response	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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6288	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	No account is given of where the saving will be made, so what is there to comment on?	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
6289	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	No comment.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
6290	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	No comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
6291	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	No comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
6292	An employee of West Lothian Council	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	I am unclear from the description which services will be cut/which areas of early childcare provision will be affected. This should be made much clearer.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
6293	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	no detail as to how this amount of saving can be achieved some examples would have been helpful	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
6294	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Need to involve parents the rest is too unspecific to comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
6295	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Anything we can do to help young children to prepare for school is commendable .	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
6296	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	no comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
6297	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Eh?	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
6298	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	We do not believe we have the knowledge or experience of this area to be able to make an informed comment on it.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
6299	An employee of West Lothian Council	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	The council have not provided enough indepth information for me to make an informed comment on this, as all information about this whole consultation is more secret that area 51.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
6300	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	As 1b.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
6301	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	The information provided does not really give anything to comment on more detail of proposed changes would be required.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
6302	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	No comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
6303	An employee of West Lothian Council	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	I don't have children	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
6304	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	More information is required to answer this. We don't know what this change would entail.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
6305	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	From the above comments I don't understand how you can save money, detail please	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
6306	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	unable to comment as not in plain english	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
6307	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	And what does this mean? 1.5 million saved by "using all resources available". "Consistency of service delivery". This suggests a poorer service methinks.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
6308	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Don't know	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
6309	An employee of West Lothian Council	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
6310	An employee of West Lothian Council	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Does not affect me from a work or personal point of view.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
6311	An employee of West Lothian Council	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	I do not enough experience of this subject to comment,	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
6312	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Insufficient information provided above & no personal knowledge to comment on this.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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6313	An employee of West Lothian Council	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	No Comment.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
6314	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	No comment.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
6315	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	no comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
6316	An employee of West Lothian Council	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Children and families is an important area as we need to support families in any way to promote development and relationships.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
6317	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	parents responsibility unless disability or learning difficulties (early years).	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
6318	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	National Commitment - Early Learning - Could save more. Nurseries not registered at such an early age.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
6319	An employee of West Lothian Council	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	I don't understand how we can make cuts and still justify increasing the number of hours for each preschool education.	Nursery management provision	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	The increase in hours is Scottish Government policy, whilst the council must still ensure efficiency in delivering the service.
6320	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	I am all for head teachers being in charge but for this extra hours to work the council are going to need a lot more qualified nursery nurses on board I am intrigued as to how you are going to implement this with the resources you have.	Nursery management provision	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Additional funding and workforce planning will ensure availability of suitably qualified staff.
6321	An employee of West Lothian Council	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	There is no detail on how Â£1.5m will be saved here. Is this proposal about cutting nursery HTs?	Nursery management provision	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	The proposals include consistency of management structures across all early learning and childcare provision..
6322	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	This is putting too much power and responsibility in the hands of Head Teachers. This crucial responsibility needs to be shared.	Nursery management provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Headteachers are expected to exercise a high degree of responsibility and autonomy, and increases are anticipated as part of the national governance review.
6323	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Primary HT roles are already over stretched, start respecting them and our nursery provisions my increasing staff not reducing it	Nursery management provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Headteachers are expected to exercise a high degree of autonomy, and increases are anticipated as part of the national governance review. All but three nurseries are already managed by primary HTs.
6324	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	The idea of nurseries being managed by head teachers is a good idea that will help the nurseries integrate better with the school and also help with transfer from nursery to school for the children	Nursery management provision	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	This comment reflects the intention of the proposal.
6325	An employee of West Lothian Council	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Nursery provision yes, all for it. baby-sitting service absolutely not. About time people took responsibility for their own children instead of passing the buck.	Nursery management provision	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Early learning and childcare is an important part of the early stage of curriculum for excellence and should not be demeaned as akin to 'babysitting.'
6326	An employee of West Lothian Council	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Nursery provision is good in my experience. No problems to changes in management if delivery standards continue	Nursery management provision	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	All but three nurseries are already managed by primary HTs. This arrangement ensures continuity of the 3-18 curriculum and eases transition from nursery to primary.
6327	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	I think primary head teachers have enough to do looking after the school without the nursery as well.	Nursery management provision	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	All but three nurseries are already managed by primary HTs. This arrangement ensures continuity of the 3-18 curriculum and eases transition from nursery to primary.
6328	No Response	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Nurseries should be managed by Head teachers	Nursery management provision	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	This is contained within the proposals in order to ensure continuity of the 3-18 curriculum and ease transition from nursery to primary.
6329	No Response	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Consistency of service and clusters are all good ideas	Nursery management provision	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
6330	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Again the Head Teacher posts seem difficult to fill so burdened them with more duties is not likely to improve this.	Nursery management provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Headteachers are expected to exercise a high degree of autonomy, and increases are anticipated as part of the national governance review.

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6331	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	At what point do Head Teacher stop becoming Head Teacher and become Administrators. Surely all this is doing is push the work that should be done centrally and not buck pass this on the teaching staff. Teachers are their to teacher children how to read and write and not be baby sitter and mother.	Nursery management provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Headteachers are expected to exercise a high degree of autonomy, and increases are anticipated as part of the national governance review. Early learning and childcare is an important part of the early stage of curriculum for excellence and should not be demeaned as akin to 'babysitting.'
6332	No Response	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Would it not be better to use all head teachers to manage all facilities in local clusters?	Nursery management provision	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thanks you for comment. Your feedback has been noted. This will be considered as part of the expansion plan for early learning and childcare
6333	An employee of West Lothian Council	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	This does seem to make good sense giving the head teacher the authority to manage nurseries.	Nursery management provision	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council is committed to making early learning and childcare available which is integrated to the local primary school through the 3-18 curriculum
6334	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	more work for heads, not a good idea	Nursery management provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Headteachers are expected to exercise a high degree of autonomy, and increases are anticipated as part of the national governance review.
6335	An employee of West Lothian Council	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	I absolutely agree with this - why small nursery schools have a head teacher all to themselves is a joke. They are paid a fortune for doing the same job as someone with multiple classes/staff/children...	Nursery management provision	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The Council has taken the opportunity to combine headships where possible and will continue to do so.
6336	No Response	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Agreeing by the fact the head teacher should manage the nursery that is integrated	Nursery management provision	4. The council is already doing this.	All but three nurseries are already managed by primary Headteachers, and this model ha proved successful.
6337	An employee of West Lothian Council	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	See previous comments - Schools, like every other service in the council, are already stretched to their limit. Giving the schools and head teachers responsibility for attainment and more direct control over funding is just another way of saying you're going to take away jobs at the back end and give more work to the teaching staff, causing more stress. Teachers already spend a lot of their own money and time to support the schools and what is being proposed is completely unfair (I am not a teacher but I do know what's happening in our schools	Nursery management provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The changes to Devolved School Management will increase the autonomy of Headteachers and teachers to make decisions at a local level to benefit pupils in their school. There is no expectation that teachers use their own money to support learning and teaching. Teacher duties are set out clearly in national conditions, and all teachers work within a working time agreement.
6338	An employee of West Lothian Council	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Do HTs have time to so this if they are also getting additional responsibility regarding management of their own schools?	Nursery management provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The changes to Devolved School Management will increase the autonomy of Headteachers and teachers to make decisions at a local level to benefit pupils in their school.
6339	An employee of West Lothian Council	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Care should be taken to ensure that primary school principals have sufficient knowledge and experience in relation to the needs of nursery students as this can vary dramatically from the needs of primary aged children.	Nursery management provision	4. The council is already doing this.	All but three nurseries are already managed by primary Headteachers, and this model ha proved successful.
6340	An employee of West Lothian Council	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	See answer to 1b - Sharing a home with three local authority teachers I am acutely aware of the work demands and pressures experienced by teaching staff, which are well beyond the average experience in other areas of council employment. Further increasing education staff responsibilities without a corresponding increase in staffing or resources is more likely to erode the work-force than increase efficiency, which will in turn reduce service and morale and ultimately result in increased costs. I advocate any measures that free teaching professionals from the many and increasing additional demands, for example picking up the slack in reducing social services, so they can focus on what they do best.	Nursery management provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The changes to Devolved School Management will increase the autonomy of Headteachers and teachers to make decisions at a local level to benefit pupils in their school. There is no expectation that teachers use their own money to support learning and teaching. Teacher duties are set out clearly in national conditions, and all teachers work within a working time agreement.
6341	An employee of West Lothian Council	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Again not being informed but what jumps out at me is the additional pressure on Head Teachers if this is an additional responsibility expected from them.	Nursery management provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The changes to Devolved School Management will increase the autonomy of Headteachers and teachers to make decisions at a local level to benefit pupils in their school. This will include the appropriate level and mix of staffing, within available budget.
6342	No Response	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	I feel that the link with the nurseries and associated primary schools would benefit families, children and staff ensuring that the delivery of services is monitored and lead with best practice and continuity	Nursery management provision	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
6343	No Response	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	As long as there is no detriment to the child's needs. My concern would be if the Head Teachers didn't have enough experience with all issues that arise.	Nursery management provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The changes to Devolved School Management will increase the autonomy of Headteachers and teachers to make decisions at a local level to benefit pupils in their school.

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6344	No Response	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Would headteachers fit in nursery management?	Nursery management provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All but three nurseries are already managed by primary Headteachers, and this model has proved successful.
6345	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Headteachers should be looking after schools not nurseries that should be a headteacher at the nursery	Nursery management provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All but three nurseries are currently run by Primary Headteachers, and the arrangement has proved successful.
6346	An employee of West Lothian Council	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	This will only work if the Head Teacher has to time to oversee/manage this service.	Nursery management provision	4. The council is already doing this.	All but three nurseries are managed by Headteachers, and this arrangement has proved beneficial.
6347	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Again we cannot expect HCs to do everything but I do think there are opportunities in this area and support this .	Nursery management provision	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
6348	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Nurseries should have their own headteachers	Nursery management provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All but three nurseries are currently managed by primary headteachers and this model has proved successful.
6349	An employee of West Lothian Council	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	I understand the logic of HTs managing associated nurseries - however I would be interested to know how these HTs feel about this suggestion, whether they think it is feasible within their current workload and responsibilities. Also, it is not clear what would happen with regards to current nursery management - presumed job losses but no detail.	Nursery management provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All but three nurseries are currently managed by primary headteachers and this model has proved successful.
6350	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Hopefully the head teacher work load not heavily over subscribed as their day is already extremely busy.	Nursery management provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The changes to Devolved School Management will increase the autonomy of Headteachers and teachers to make decisions at a local level to benefit pupils in their school. Headteachers will have the ability to determine where resources should be spent for the benefit of children.
6351	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Having no nursery teacher to manage the Curriculum in nurseries means that our children are at a disadvantage. The very people that we should be protecting.	Nursery management provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The implementation plan for expansion of early learning and childcare includes a workforce plan which will ensure appropriate staffing to support early learning and childcare.
6352	An employee of West Lothian Council	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Head Teachers of primary schools do not run nurseries. The needs of a toddler developing an awareness of their world and self are vastly different from that of a child embarking on a formal education in school. To burden a primary head teacher with the running of an early learning and childcare provision would be irresponsible. The methods of teaching a toddler in nursery to teaching a primary 7 are worlds apart and cannot be reduced down to component "good practice" models. The pre-school provision takes a whole different approach and the Shannari indicators of a thriving child at this stage look very different than a child in P3, P5 or P7, preparing for high school. This cannot be combined.	Nursery management provision	4. The council is already doing this.	Headteachers of primary schools run all but three council nurseries, and this model has proved successful.
6353	No Response	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	I feel that the role of the head teacher is already one that is quite stretched. To give them responsibility of Nursery schools I think would result in poor management of the nurseries	Nursery management provision	4. The council is already doing this.	Headteachers of primary schools run all but three council nurseries, and this model has proved successful.
6354	An employee of West Lothian Council	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Adding to Head Teachers' workload at a time where we are in the midst of a recruitment crisis, particularly in the recruitment of Head Teachers, seems short sighted.	Nursery management provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council has put forward proposals across the full range of its activities.
6355	No Response	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Is this putting more pressure on head teachers ?	Nursery management provision	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
6356	An employee of West Lothian Council	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	If providing high quality early level education is so important then it should be reflected in the appointment of those specifically tasked with this. To 'tag it on' to the remit of Primary Head Teachers already under huge pressure due to the difficulties of their own job lacks foresight and screams of financial motivation rather than in what is best for children.	Nursery management provision	4. The council is already doing this.	All but three nurseries are currently run by Primary Headteachers, and the arrangement has proved successful.
6357	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	I don't think head teachers should have to manage nurseries and that early care should not have money reduced.	Nursery management provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All but three nurseries are currently managed by primary headteachers and this model has proved successful.
6358	No Response	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Head teachers at primary managing nurseries too? Where will the time to do this be fitted into the heads day? What role will they play. What about private nurseries? This is a risky and potentially an over burden on the heads already busy role. The idea would be good for consistency of younger learners translations and development recording.	Nursery management provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All but three nurseries are currently managed by primary headteachers and this model has proved successful.

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6359	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	We have greatly benefited from our children attending a private nursery with funded places - the nursery was well managed and appropriate early learning provided without intervention from the teachers of local primary schools. I would hate to see private partnership nurseries close as a result of having to be managed by someone remote who knew little (nothing) about small scale nursery provision.	Nursery management provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All but three nurseries are currently managed by primary headteachers and this model has proved successful. The proposal is not for council headteachers to manage private nurseries.
6360	An employee of West Lothian Council	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Head Teachers who are responsible for nursery provision should be able to appoint quality staff (EYO) to lead and manage the early learning and childcare. There are many establishments where this has not been possible because of existing staffing structures. It's really important that all establishments have an EYO in place now in preparation for these changes - ideally with all of them taking part in the leadership learning programme.	Nursery management provision	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The early years expansion plan will include a staffing plan to ensure appropriate staff are available to support expansion. Headteachers will have greater autonomy to set their own staffing structures.
6361	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	More work for Head Teachers at a time when central government are already adding to their responsibilities?	Nursery management provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The changes to Devolved School Management will increase the autonomy of Headteachers and teachers to make decisions at a local level to benefit pupils in their school. Headteachers will have the ability to determine where resources should be spent for the benefit of children.
6362	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	I don't know enough about the proposed change to management but I do wonder how we expect head teachers to effectively take on more responsibility to an already over stretched role?	Nursery management provision	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	The changes to Devolved School Management will increase the autonomy of Headteachers and teachers to make decisions at a local level to benefit pupils in their school. Headteachers will have the ability to determine where resources should be spent for the benefit of children.
6363	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Again, I don't fully understand this. To me, it reads like an additional burden being placed on the Head Teachers. Might be good in principle, what is the response from Head Teachers?	Nursery management provision	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
6364	No Response	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	I do agree the head teacher should run the nurseries .	Nursery management provision	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
6365	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	It is good to link the nurseries to schools as gives a natural progression for the children however not all council nurseries support working families who need full day support or the flexibility with hours. Often nursery hour blocks don't March the schools with alot of children not getting the opportunity to utilise the full allocated hours due to early pick up of school children etc....	Nursery management provision	4. The council is already doing this.	The Council has increased flexibility and choice and will continue to do so.
6366	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Do head teachers at primary schools not have enough to do?	Nursery management provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
6367	An employee of West Lothian Council	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Yes I believe shared management allows for a stronger transition programme from nursery to primary..	Nursery management provision	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	All but three nurseries are currently managed by headteachers and this arrangement works well.
6368	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Nurseries used to be managed by head teachers at local primary school and this worked well and helped enhance z consistent approach and smooth transition to primary school	Nursery management provision	4. The council is already doing this.	This is the purpose of the proposal.
6369	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	How will applicants who wish to attend private nurseries claim funding, as this is only a small proportion of the applicants as a whole, and if these are all granted automatically this will have a detrimental effect on budget available to deliver council places especially with the increased cost of increasing the provision.	Nursery management provision	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Officers will require to consider the detrimental impact on the majority if greater priority is given to providing a higher cost service to the minority.
6370	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	This is adding to an already over worked and underpaid role of Primary school headteachers - this will result in a reduction in quality and service. Do not pay for kids to go to private nurseries - everyone should go to state nursery (when full time care is provided) to save costs.	Nursery management provision	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed, within the confines of a national proposal for 'money to follow the child'.
6371	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Many nurseries are already managed by Head Teachers of the associated primary anyway.	Nursery management provision	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. This arrangement has proved successful.
6372	No Response	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Nursery staff in my experience are few and far between at the moment so in order to provide the 1140 hours a recruitment drive is needed to utilise the fantastic knowledge, passion and resources we have in West Lothian.	Nursery management provision	4. The council is already doing this.	The expansion plan will include a workforce plan to ensure suitably qualified staff can be employed.
6373	An employee of West Lothian Council	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	It sounds like you are putting a lot onto Headteachers who are already stressed and overworked.	Nursery management provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Headteachers will take on more responsibility, but support will be available from the new Regional Improvement Collaborative as well as from Local Government.

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6374	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	I think that the head of the associated primary taking control of the nursery is an excellent idea. It would allow for continuity and early identification of any potential issues of children attending the school.	Nursery management provision	4. The council is already doing this.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
6375	An employee of West Lothian Council	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Again, this doesn't tell us what we need to know. By them being managed by head teachers to we mean there will only be nurseries at schools? Will they close them in small areas meaning people have to travel to take their kids to them and possibly make it impossible for them? If it does it won't save money.	Nursery management provision	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Nursery provision will be expanded not reduced.
6376	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Nursery and Primary school connection is important for the transition of children into education so Head Teacher Management seems sensible. Consistency and appropriate use of resources sounds great. So how are these savings actually being made? Where is the money now not going that it used to?	Nursery management provision	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal. Efficient use of existing resources will achieve further savings.
6377	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	In practice, how will management of a nursery by a head teacher be feasible ... given the head teacher at present will rarely be seen in a nursery.	Nursery management provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All but three nurseries are run by primary headteachers and this arrangement has proved beneficial.
6378	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	The emphasis is on nursery provision being managed by Head Teachers. How much time do these professionals have? There are only 24 hours in any one day and considering other management duties that are being allocated to teachers, the job objectives will be difficult to achieve.	Nursery management provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All but three nurseries are run by primary headteachers and this arrangement has proved beneficial.
6379	An employee of West Lothian Council	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	If nurseries are to be managed by Head teachers at associated primary schools without a Nursery teacher presence then I believe that to maintain a quality provision we need to appoint a nursery manager for each setting. Perhaps this would be the next step up from an EYO, giving Nursery Nurseries a much need career progression pathway. With the knowledge that 1140 hours is approaching, which will most likely lead to our nurseries being open 50 weeks a year, resulting in 11 weeks in a year when the Head teacher is not present in the building. This will lead to possibly two scenarios: a head teacher dealing with issues while on holiday or a reduction in quality where nursery staff are dealing with issues beyond their knowledge and experience. I believe that each nursery needs their own manager who would in turn be managed by the head teacher. This would ensure each setting is being well led and would result in a quality provision as these managers would be experienced early years practitioners who could lead the pedagogy in the setting.	Nursery management provision	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Appropriate support for Headteachers will be considered as part of the implementation plan.
6380	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	My concern here is nurseries being managed by Head teachers. I know a few head teachers and they are currently over stretched and already working very long hours and during holidays. I feel that taking a Nursery Teacher away will result in a decline in the quality of provision and may push Head teachers over their limit. I also feel it devalues and shows no respect for the Nursery Nurse profession as they are not paid the salary to reflect the duties they will need to perform if a teacher is taken away.	Nursery management provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All but three nurseries are run by primary headteachers and this arrangement has proved beneficial.
6381	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Careful consideration of the time management requirements needed of the primary heads to meet this proposal needs to be made, otherwise it may be delivered at detriment of the primary schooling, which should take precedence.	Nursery management provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All but three nurseries are run by primary headteachers and this arrangement has proved beneficial.
6382	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Many Primary Head Teachers come from an upper primary background and have little knowledge of early childhood development, or even little interest in it. As they are now in control of the nursery sector, which is very different from the primary sector, or should be, they need training and advice on how best to deliver education to the early years. Childcare is not always concerned with education but education can make a huge difference to a child's life chances when delivered at this age.	Nursery management provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All but three nurseries are run by primary headteachers and this arrangement has proved beneficial.
6383	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	I am unsure about nursery provision as I feel that childhood passes very quickly and formal education should wait until age 5	Nursery management provision	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	Eligibility and hours are set nationally.
6384	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Head teachers are already stretched in what is expected of them. If they are to take on full responsibility for nurseries I hope that will have proper support.	Nursery management provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All but three nurseries are run by primary headteachers and this arrangement has proved beneficial.
6385	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Yet another headache for the Head Teachers on top of their existing workload. No wonder you find it difficult to recruit and retain Head teachers.	Nursery management provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All but three nurseries are run by primary headteachers and this arrangement has proved beneficial.

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6386	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Why change it. If it's not broke don't fix it. Head Teachers have enough to do, why put nurseries onto them as well?	Nursery management provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All but three nurseries are run by primary headteachers and this arrangement has proved beneficial.
6387	An employee of West Lothian Council	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Head Teachers work 35 hours, how will they realistically be able to cope with this additional burden and lead and manage the school. The council are experiencing difficulty with recruiting to senior teaching posts, what steps will be taken to ensure that these additional pressures do not lead to a crisis in the teaching profession.	Nursery management provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All but three nurseries are run by primary headteachers and this arrangement has proved beneficial.
6388	No Response	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Good idea, enables teachers in the primary school to build relationships with the pre schoolers enabling them to monitor their development and needs from three to twelve years. Teachers in nurseries have been at the forefront of babies development through the peep program, this has to continue learning	Nursery management provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The implementation plan will include a workforce plan which will ensure suitably qualified staff matched to each setting.
6389	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	1d Increasing work load and pressure on head teachers, great idea, when it is difficult to find and keep headteachers in schools due to workload.	Nursery management provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All but three nurseries are run by primary headteachers and this arrangement has proved beneficial.
6390	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	More work for head teachers! Do we need to put more into nursery services? Can parents not care for their children.	Nursery management provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All but three nurseries are run by primary headteachers and this arrangement has proved beneficial.
6391	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	I have no concerns with nurseries being managed by Head Teachers at associated primary schools. However, the saving versus attainment needs to be clearly demonstrated.	Nursery management provision	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	All but three nurseries are run by primary headteachers and this arrangement has proved beneficial.
6392	No Response	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	It sounds again as though more and more will be placed on the headteachers.	Nursery management provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All but three nurseries are run by primary headteachers and this arrangement has proved beneficial.
6393	No Response	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Where are these head teachers to get the time? Again too little information here.	Nursery management provision	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	All but three nurseries are run by primary headteachers and this arrangement has proved beneficial.
6394	An employee of West Lothian Council	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	I actually thought this was already the case. My son is now a P2 pupil and he (and my wife and myself) have always seen the Head Teacher of that school as the over-arching figurehead of the school since he was in pre-school nursery. The school itself is fantastic and staff are enthusiastic and dedicated. If this school is run in this way others should follow suit. Both nursery provision and learning opportunities in his first two years have been excellent.	Nursery management provision	4. The council is already doing this.	All but three nurseries are run by primary headteachers and this arrangement has proved beneficial, as reported in the comment.
6395	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	This sounds all right in principle, with the Head Teachers of associated primary schools being in overall charge, but there should always be a trained early learning teacher on the nursery staff.	Nursery management provision	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The implementation plan will ensure that suitably qualified staff are employed in each nursery.
6396	An employee of West Lothian Council	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Learners should be adequately supported at these early stages of development. Nursery and primary school teachers are under a great deal of stress to provide and deliver a curriculum that will be effective in preparing learners for the transition to secondary school. This includes the development of appropriate literacy and numeracy skills and levels. Science is also a broad subject that should be introduced at primary school level and should be continuously supported throughout the years of learning. The council should ensure that structures are present to support primary school teachers in ensuring that learners are able to make the transition seamlessly and therefore develop further at the secondary school level. With this proposal Head Teachers must also be given sufficient time and resources in order to manage the early learning stages effectively.	Nursery management provision	4. The council is already doing this.	Current Council practice is to provide high quality early learning, accessible to all parents, with integrated delivery of the 3-18 curriculum and clear transition to P1. The proposals aim to strengthen this provision.
6397	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Why primary head teachers ? why not worker coops or worker and parent coops running nursery and child care provision ... set them free to trade and care	Nursery management provision	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. Parents or other individuals are free to set up provision.
6398	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Again, what is the detail of the 'how'? Who is accountable if the Head Teachers simply fail to be able to take on this additional load whilst doing all the other matters?	Nursery management provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All but three nurseries are managed by headteachers and this arrangement has proved beneficial.
6399	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Again, even more tasks given to already overstretched Head Teachers. Set up times are already affected in Nurseries by wraparound care as staff are involved in manning this so are unable to prepare for the day ahead as effectively as they used to.	Nursery management provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All but three nurseries are managed by headteachers and this arrangement has proved beneficial.

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6400	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	What do HTs know about nurseries.	Nursery management provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All but three nurseries are managed by headteachers and this arrangement has proved beneficial.
6401	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	This will be a burden on Head Teachers who are assuming a greater governance role as a result of the national restructuring.	Nursery management provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All but three nurseries are already managed by Primary Headteachers and this arrangement has proved beneficial.
6402	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	This should be implemented and the link with primary school would mean the janitorial services would be of more benefit.	Nursery management provision	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	All but three nurseries are already managed by Primary Headteachers and this arrangement has proved beneficial, with benefit for educational as well as support provision.
6403	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	There would need to be a great increase in the amount of nurseries to accommodate this. Would this mean Headteachers being allocated nurseries off campus as part of their responsibilities. Proper management of a busy nursery is not a bolt on to already onerous responsibilities within a school.	Nursery management provision	4. The council is already doing this.	All but three nurseries are already managed by Primary Headteachers and this arrangement has proved beneficial.
6404	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	An obvious question would be do Head Teachers not already have enough workload to deal with and by then asking them to manage nurseries which will take commitment of their time how will they then be able to deal with this additional task?	Nursery management provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All but three nurseries are run by primary headteachers and this arrangement has proved beneficial.
6405	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	What are you writing about please answer. Children are not going to be able to enjoy childhood if head teacher are the head of child nurseries.	Nursery management provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All but three nurseries are run by primary headteachers and this arrangement has proved beneficial.
6406	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	It is important that there is still a qualified teacher in every nursery. This is essential for early years development and children's further development once at school. Both of which are the councils priorities.	Nursery management provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The implementation plan will ensure that suitably qualified staff are employed in each nursery.
6407	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Heads should be managing nurseries anyway.	Nursery management provision	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	All but three nurseries are run by primary headteachers and this arrangement has proved beneficial.
6408	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Again this seems to add increased pressure to the currently stretched HTs at primary school level.	Nursery management provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All but three nurseries are run by primary headteachers and this arrangement has proved beneficial.
6409	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Seems more additional tasks for Head Teachers.	Nursery management provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All but three nurseries are run by primary headteachers and this arrangement has proved beneficial.
6410	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	There still needs to be management across WL. HTs in primary schools can hardly do the job they already have they are so stretched and stressed.	Nursery management provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All but three nurseries are run by primary headteachers and this arrangement has proved beneficial.
6411	No Response	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	I would like to see a qualified teacher overseeing the work of nursery nurses in early years.	Nursery management provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The implementation plan will ensure that suitably qualified staff are employed in each nursery.
6412	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	A qualified teacher is essential in all nursery schools.	Nursery management provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The implementation plan will ensure that suitably qualified staff are employed in each nursery.
6413	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	A good idea to have Head Teachers manage nurseries. This should help secure a focus on learning and build a consistent approach across West Lothian, if there are sufficient measures in place for quality assurance/improvement.	Nursery management provision	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	All but three nurseries are run by primary headteachers and this arrangement has proved beneficial.
6414	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	We shouldn't have a shortage of teaching staff, never mind head teachers running both primary schools & nurseries. They are already over-stretched with unfair workloads (as with other education staff). We want quality education staff who aren't strained under an ever-growing load.	Nursery management provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All but three nurseries are run by primary headteachers and this arrangement has proved beneficial.
6415	No Response	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	This is already happening. It's ok if you get a good head or deputy head who commits to leading the nursery effectively as well as looking after the school, but as I said in my previous comment, it's asking more and more of already stressed and hard working staff.	Nursery management provision	4. The council is already doing this.	West Lothian policy is designed to ensure the highest quality provision, with clear transition through the early stage of curriculum for excellence.

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6416	An employee of West Lothian Council	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	It makes sense that stand alone nurseries are managed by head teachers in schools with no current nursery provision as this is the case for many stand alone nurseries currently in West Lothian.	Nursery management provision	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
6417	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Head teachers are already overloaded with work. Surely making them responsible for nurseries will serve only to put further pressure on the Head Teachers as well as reducing oversight of everyday running of the nursery.	Nursery management provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Headteachers are expected to exercise a high degree of autonomy, and increases are anticipated as a result of the national review of governance. Current council practice designed to maximise quality of provision, consistency of delivery of the 3-18 curriculum, effective early intervention, effective transition and best value, and this will be enhanced by integration of ELCC with school provision.
6418	An employee of West Lothian Council	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Need to be careful not to over burden Head Teachers.	Nursery management provision	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Headteachers are expected to exercise a high degree of autonomy, and increases are anticipated as part of the national governance review.
6419	An employee of West Lothian Council	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Management by head teachers again pragmatic but requires the above checks and complaints access	Nursery management provision	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
6420	An employee of West Lothian Council	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Not sure primary Head Teachers are best placed to manage nurseries. I say this out of lack of knowledge rather than any negative thoughts towards the proposal.	Nursery management provision	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Current council practice designed to maximise quality of provision, consistency of delivery of the 3-18 curriculum, effective early intervention, effective transition and best value, with a focus on making best use of existing resources. This will be facilitated by integration of ELC with school provision.
6421	No Response	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	I am not sure if primary Head Teachers are in the best position to manage nurseries. I only say this out of lack of knowledge rather than experience.	Nursery management provision	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Current council practice designed to maximise quality of provision, consistency of delivery of the 3-18 curriculum, effective early intervention, effective transition and best value, with a focus on making best use of existing resources. This will be facilitated by integration of ELC with school provision.
6422	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	invest in council run nurseries and stop paying over the odds for private ones	Nursery management provision	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Current council practice designed to maximise quality of provision, consistency of delivery of the 3-18 curriculum, effective early intervention, effective transition and best value, with a focus on making best use of existing resources. The Council expects to be able to offer a place at its own establishments to all parents who request one.
6423	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Ensure high-quality across the range of nursery provision.	Nursery management provision	4. The council is already doing this.	Current council practice designed to maximise quality of provision, consistency of delivery of the 3-18 curriculum, effective early intervention, effective transition and best value, with a focus on making best use of existing resources.
6424	No Response	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Head Teachers are best placed.	Nursery management provision	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Current council practice designed to maximise quality of provision, consistency of delivery of the 3-18 curriculum, effective early intervention, effective transition and best value, with a focus on making best use of existing resources. This will be facilitated by integration of ELC with school provision.
6425	An employee of West Lothian Council	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	I do not fully understand how a Head teacher, who is already over worked and has recently had the named person policy heaped on them too can possibly take on more work, which extending nursery hours would do.	Nursery management provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Current council practice designed to maximise quality of provision, consistency of delivery of the 3-18 curriculum, effective early intervention, effective transition and best value, with a focus on making best use of existing resources. This will be facilitated by integration of ELC with school provision. All but three nurseries are already managed by primary Headteachers.

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6426	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	I think that individual schools and nurseries should retain some control over service delivery in order to best meet the needs of each community	Nursery management provision	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	The proposals will not affect the discretion of Headteachers to adapt service delivery to local need, which will increase as a result of the governance review.
6427	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	If you want consistency of delivery across the council area for this, it seems counterintuitive to have the nurseries run by their associated Head Teacher, rather than a centralised service.	Nursery management provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Current council practice designed to maximise quality of provision, consistency of delivery of the 3-18 curriculum, effective early intervention, effective transition and best value, with a focus on making best use of existing resources. This will be facilitated by integration of ELC with school provision. All but three nurseries are already managed by primary Headteachers.
6428	No Response	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Nursery managers over head teachers any day. As a recently qualified nursery practitioner now studying a HND to become a nursery manager, it is my belief that a head teacher could not manage a nursery as well as their own school. Nurseries, especially private ones are extremelt different from mainstream nurseries.	Nursery management provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Current council practice designed to maximise quality of provision, consistency of delivery of the 3-18 curriculum, effective early intervention, effective transition and best value, with a focus on making best use of existing resources. This will be facilitated by integration of ELC with school provision. All but three nurseries are already managed by primary Headteachers.
6429	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	The feedback I get from head teachers and their staff - always relates to more and more tasks being put on them - resulting in stress and less resources/time in the classroom.	Nursery management provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Current council practice designed to maximise quality of provision, consistency of delivery of the 3-18 curriculum, effective early intervention, effective transition and best value, with a focus on making best use of existing resources. This will be facilitated by integration of ELC with school provision. All but three nurseries are already managed by primary Headteachers.
6430	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Early intervention is the best way to raise attainment so I disagree with the removal of nursery teachers in nursery.	Nursery management provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The ELC expansion plan will include a workforce plan setting out the skills required by staff to deliver high quality ELC.
6431	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Currently there are three Nursery settings that are not managed by HTs at associated primary schools: Ladywell, Inveralmond EYC and Bathgate Early Years Centre. I feel strongly that this should continue as we need flagship centres that can lead practice and support all ELC staff across West Lothian. We need centres of excellence that are led by specialist Early Years HTs who can support their fellow HTs in primary schools who have schools and nurseries to run.	Nursery management provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Current council practice designed to maximise quality of provision, consistency of delivery of the 3-18 curriculum, effective early intervention, effective transition and best value, with a focus on making best use of existing resources. This will be facilitated by integration of ELC with school provision. All but three nurseries are already managed by primary Headteachers.
6432	No Response	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	This has the potential to be effective as they are closely linked and could potentially improve the transition for children between nursery and primary school.	Nursery management provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Current council practice designed to maximise quality of provision, consistency of delivery of the 3-18 curriculum, effective early intervention, effective transition and best value, with a focus on making best use of existing resources. This will be facilitated by integration of ELC with school provision. All but three nurseries are already managed by primary Headteachers.
6433	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	More work for head teachers ?	Nursery management provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Current council practice designed to maximise quality of provision, consistency of delivery of the 3-18 curriculum, effective early intervention, effective transition and best value, with a focus on making best use of existing resources. This will be facilitated by integration of ELC with school provision. All but three nurseries are already managed by primary Headteachers.
6434	An employee of West Lothian Council	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Again, consultation with nursery staff is very important to ensure any restructures protect the needs of youngsters on a local level.	Nursery management provision	4. The council is already doing this.	The Council has consulted on proposals.

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6435	An employee of West Lothian Council	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	I agree with this proposal however have some reservations as to how the head teacher of the school could also manage their time to sufficiently provide the level of management required for the nursery setting. This would need to be closely monitored.	Nursery management provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Current council practice designed to maximise quality of provision, consistency of delivery of the 3-18 curriculum, effective early intervention, effective transition and best value, with a focus on making best use of existing resources. This will be facilitated by integration of ELC with school provision. All but three nurseries are already managed by primary Headteachers.
6436	No Response	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	It seems as though the solution to many of these problems is to give head teachers more work. Is this fair? Will they be paid more? More responsibility should equal more pay, which begs the question, is this a saving at all?	Nursery management provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Current council practice designed to maximise quality of provision, consistency of delivery of the 3-18 curriculum, effective early intervention, effective transition and best value, with a focus on making best use of existing resources. This will be facilitated by integration of ELC with school provision. All but three nurseries are already managed by primary Headteachers.
6437	An employee of West Lothian Council	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	It is a ridiculous idea to take Teachers out of Nursery as the experience they have is vital to early years.	Nursery management provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The ELC expansion plan will include a workforce plan setting out the skills required by staff to deliver high quality ELC.
6438	An employee of West Lothian Council	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Agree nurseries should be closely linked to their primary school and run by Head Teacher. We should also be trying to encourage parents/carers to follow through nursery to adjacent primary school as it is good for children's social skills as they are already meeting other children within the PS when they are integrating e.g. assemblies, lunch time etc.	Nursery management provision	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Current council practice designed to maximise quality of provision, consistency of delivery of the 3-18 curriculum, effective early intervention, effective transition and best value, with a focus on making best use of existing resources. This will be facilitated by integration of ELC with school provision. All but three nurseries are already managed by primary Headteachers.
6439	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Nurseries should be managed by Head Teachers but also with appropriate staffing levels.	Nursery management provision	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Current council practice designed to maximise quality of provision, consistency of delivery of the 3-18 curriculum, effective early intervention, effective transition and best value, with a focus on making best use of existing resources. This will be facilitated by integration of ELC with school provision. All but three nurseries are already managed by primary Headteachers.
6440	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	I agree with head teachers at the primary managing the nursery - this was the case at my sons nursery and it proved a smooth transition into primary as the head teacher was always between the nursery and school and knew the needs of the children.	Nursery management provision	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	This comment supports current council policy and practice. Current council practice designed to maximise quality of provision, consistency of delivery of the 3-18 curriculum, effective early intervention, effective transition and best value, with a focus on making best use of existing resources. This will be facilitated by integration of ELC with school provision. All but three nurseries are already managed by primary Headteachers.
6441	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	I think its too much to expect a head teacher to have this huge remit to add nurseries to their responsibility.	Nursery management provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All but three nurseries are already managed by primary Headteachers. There are significant benefits in terms of continuity of delivery of the 3-18 curriculum and effective transition from ELC to primary.
6442	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Not clear from the statement how savings are going to be made. Are nurseries currently managed by the primary Head Teachers? If the proposal is to combine nursery head with primary head then in most cases I would imagine that is too much of an increase in workload for one person and therefore unachievable.	Nursery management provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All but three nurseries are already managed by primary Headteachers. There are significant benefits in terms of continuity of delivery of the 3-18 curriculum and effective transition from ELC to primary.
6443	An employee of West Lothian Council	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	I do not agree that Nurseries should be managed by head teachers at associated primaries - they simply do not have time to do this as well as run their school.	Nursery management provision	4. The council is already doing this.	All but three nurseries are already managed by primary Headteachers. There are significant benefits in terms of continuity of delivery of the 3-18 curriculum and effective transition from ELC to primary.

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6444	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	I don't agree that nurseries should be managed by head teachers at associated primary schools - I think that the primary head teachers have enough in their remit =, and simply don't have the time required to spend with the nurseries.	Nursery management provision	4. The council is already doing this.	All but three nurseries are already managed by primary Headteachers. There are significant benefits in terms of continuity of delivery of the 3-18 curriculum and effective transition from ELC to primary.
6445	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Pity you can't still employ Nursery headteachers.	Nursery management provision	4. The council is already doing this.	All but three nurseries are already managed by primary Headteachers. There are significant benefits in terms of continuity of delivery of the 3-18 curriculum and effective transition from ELC to primary.
6446	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	agree with head teachers managing	Nursery management provision	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	All but three nurseries are already managed by primary Headteachers. There are significant benefits in terms of continuity of delivery of the 3-18 curriculum and effective transition from ELC to primary.
6447	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	I would question a Head Teachers suitability for managing nurseries whilst taking on the additional responsibilities devolved to them for running their schools. Over burdening these teachers will have a detrimental effect on the provision of services to children during the important early stages of their development	Nursery management provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All but three nurseries are already managed by primary Headteachers. There are significant benefits in terms of continuity of delivery of the 3-18 curriculum and effective transition from ELC to primary.
6448	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	good idea to make head teachers responsible	Nursery management provision	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	All but three nurseries are already managed by primary Headteachers. There are significant benefits in terms of continuity of delivery of the 3-18 curriculum and effective transition from ELC to primary.
6449	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	The head teachers will need support with this.	Nursery management provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All but three nurseries are already managed by primary Headteachers. There are significant benefits in terms of continuity of delivery of the 3-18 curriculum and effective transition from ELC to primary.
6450	An employee of West Lothian Council	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Primary head teachers are already overstretched and additional responsibilities regarding managing primary schools will lead to a reduction in the quality of leadership in our primary schools. A ridiculous idea.	Nursery management provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All but three nurseries are already managed by primary Headteachers. There are significant benefits in terms of continuity of delivery of the 3-18 curriculum and effective transition from ELC to primary.
6451	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	A school HT has enough to do running a primary school, never mind a nursery as well.	Nursery management provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All but three nurseries are already managed by primary Headteachers. There are significant benefits in terms of continuity of delivery of the 3-18 curriculum and effective transition from ELC to primary.
6452	No Response	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Centres must be fully utilised better. Numbers attending should be monitored, and those centres not functioning properly should be closed. Staff resources and facility outlay would be reduced.	Nursery management provision	4. The council is already doing this.	The allocation process matches children to physical capacity and allocated only enough staffing to meet this demand ensuring a high degree of efficiency. West Lothian Council has no plans to close facilities.
6453	An employee of West Lothian Council	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	If the level of service at point of contact for the children and parents can be maintained or improved upon then I agree with the proposal. However, what oversight is being provided for the management by the Head Teachers.	Nursery management provision	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	All but three nurseries are already managed by primary Headteachers. There are significant benefits in terms of continuity of delivery of the 3-18 curriculum and effective transition from ELC to primary.
6454	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	More responsibility devolved to Head Teachers. Will they cope?	Nursery management provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All but three nurseries are already managed by primary Headteachers. There are significant benefits in terms of continuity of delivery of the 3-18 curriculum and effective transition from ELC to primary.
6455	No Response	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	This is a good idea. My son has recently started attending a nursery school where overall responsibility is with the head teacher. This can help transitioning from nursery to primary school.	Nursery management provision	4. The council is already doing this.	The Expansion plan will include a workforce plan to ensure that staff are suitably equipped to deliver the expanded service. West Lothian Council is proud of the quality of its ELC provision, supported by all of the staff in the service.

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6456	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Adding more pressure on Head teachers?????!!!!	Nursery management provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All but three nurseries are already managed by primary Headteachers. There are significant benefits in terms of continuity of delivery of the 3-18 curriculum and effective transition from ELC to primary.
6457	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Sensible if necessary support is provided to head teachers to support and manage this additional responsibility. If appears a lot is being devolved to already stretched staff without any concessions to support this. The council must not place itself in a position of forcing valuable staff out of the area.	Nursery management provision	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	All but three nurseries are already managed by primary Headteachers. There are significant benefits in terms of continuity of delivery of the 3-18 curriculum and effective transition from ELC to primary.
6458	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	In terms of Head Teachers managing nursery facilities this is a good idea. Head Teachers should get to know early years officers on an individual level to ensure that lines of communication are clear and to encourage an effective integration of education and social care	Nursery management provision	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	All but three nurseries are already managed by primary Headteachers. There are significant benefits in terms of continuity of delivery of the 3-18 curriculum and effective transition from ELC to primary.
6459	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	This doesn't say how this likely to be done. Yes, consistency across the sector is important, but will this put the head teachers under more pressure with extra work.	Nursery management provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All but three nurseries are already managed by primary Headteachers. There are significant benefits in terms of continuity of delivery of the 3-18 curriculum and effective transition from ELC to primary.
6460	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	I am unsure how this will be delivered and would be interested in being provided with more clarity to the information about how this will be taken forward. Again, this has an impact on the work load of schools. I fear that the cost cutting exercise so far is just cutting services at the centre and pushing added workload out to schools. Schools are already managing with tight budgets and staffing. I fear that the service delivery will not be manageable without appropriate support and funding.	Nursery management provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All but three nurseries are already managed by primary Headteachers. There are significant benefits in terms of continuity of delivery of the 3-18 curriculum and effective transition from ELC to primary.
6461	An employee of West Lothian Council	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Yet again more work being given to schools to deal with - early years is scientifically proven to be crucial - those in charge should be focused solely on this, which through not fault of their own, HTs of associated primary schools may not be as they have schools to run!	Nursery management provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All but three nurseries are already managed by primary Headteachers. There are significant benefits in terms of continuity of delivery of the 3-18 curriculum and effective transition from ELC to primary.
6462	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	I would prefer nursery provision be managed by those in the know the Nursery Teachers themselves although if this saving is necessitated to save other services for children, then I agree.	Nursery management provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All but three nurseries are already managed by primary Headteachers. There are significant benefits in terms of continuity of delivery of the 3-18 curriculum and effective transition from ELC to primary.
6463	An employee of West Lothian Council	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	We are providing child care for children - we need to be consistent and I think delegation to head teachers is a good idea.	Nursery management provision	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
6464	An employee of West Lothian Council	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	If the head teacher can handle the doubled-up workload then go ahead.	Nursery management provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Current council practice designed to maximise quality of provision, consistency of delivery of the 3-18 curriculum, effective early intervention, effective transition and best value, with a focus on making best use of existing resources. This will be facilitated by integration of ELC with school provision. All but three nurseries are already managed by primary Headteachers.
6465	No Response	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	I thought nurseries were already run by their local head teachers!	Nursery management provision	4. The council is already doing this.	All but three nurseries are currently managed by primary headteachers and this arrangement has proved beneficial.
6466	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Do Head Teachers have the capacity to management nurseries as well as primary schools? My thoughts are that this may spread resources too thinly, thereby reducing efficiency in both nursery and school. My preference is that Head Teachers focus on the primary school environment where their expertise lies.	Nursery management provision	4. The council is already doing this.	All but three nurseries are currently managed by primary headteachers and this arrangement has proved beneficial.
6467	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Not sure where you will get teachers for this, there isn't enough teachers as it is.	Nursery management provision	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	The proposal is not to employ more teachers.
6468	An employee of West Lothian Council	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	The strain on head teachers is already immense. This would be a step too far without proper resources.	Nursery management provision	4. The council is already doing this.	All but three nurseries are currently managed by primary headteachers and this arrangement has proved beneficial.

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6469	An employee of West Lothian Council	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	I can understand that it makes sense for Primary Headteachers to be responsible for local nurseries. This works well and is a continuation of changes that have already taken place.	Nursery management provision	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	All but three nurseries are currently managed by primary headteachers and this arrangement has proved beneficial.
6470	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	This isn't clear but it looks like a proposal to remove head teachers from nursery schools and reallocate the duties to head teachers of primary schools.	Nursery management provision	4. The council is already doing this.	All but three nurseries are currently managed by primary headteachers and this arrangement has proved beneficial.
6471	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Fine but it sounds like you are diluting a head teacher's efforts in achieving attainment targets. Otherwise no opinion	Nursery management provision	4. The council is already doing this.	All but three nurseries are currently managed by primary headteachers and this arrangement has proved beneficial.
6472	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Agree that this area must also be reviewed and continue to be under the management of associated Head Teachers with efficient staffing arrangements and maintaining high quality staff development.	Nursery management provision	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	All but three nurseries are currently managed by primary headteachers and this arrangement has proved beneficial.
6473	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	If the proposed model where all nursery settings are managed by HTs of associated schools there must be delegated management within the school with a commitment to maintain the high quality provision of ELC which most of our ELC settings are now offering.	Nursery management provision	4. The council is already doing this.	All but three nurseries are currently managed by primary headteachers and this arrangement has proved beneficial.
6474	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Again, this is more work being added to a HT's remit. Whilst not against the idea of HTs managing their associated nurseries, more support/staffing has to be available to HTs in order to take responsibility for another area of work.	Nursery management provision	4. The council is already doing this.	All but three nurseries are currently managed by primary headteachers and this arrangement has proved beneficial.
6475	An employee of West Lothian Council	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	I feel that the policy of having a teacher within each nursery was the correct one and I am worried that the redesign of EL provision will see the complete removal of this provision.	Nursery management provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council is investing in appropriately qualified staff to ensure effective early learning and childcare. The link with primary schools ensures continued access to qualified teachers.
6476	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Don't remove Teachers from nurseries. Head Teachers can't take on anymore	Nursery management provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council is investing in appropriately qualified staff to ensure effective early learning and childcare. The link with primary schools ensures continued access to qualified teachers.
6477	No Response	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Taking Nursery teachers out of nurseries is putting more pressure on head teachers	Nursery management provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council is investing in appropriately qualified staff to ensure effective early learning and childcare. The link with primary schools ensures continued access to qualified teachers.
6478	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	I trust all nursery schools/classes WILL have a qualified teacher on their staff. Nursery nurses are wonderful, but a qualified teacher with infant experience is also essential. How many of West Lothian's primary school Head Teachers have nursery experience, or even infant experience? Cutting teaching staff from nurseries will NOT increase attainment.	Nursery management provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council is investing in appropriately qualified staff to ensure effective early learning and childcare. The link with primary schools ensures continued access to qualified teachers.
6479	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Hopefully Head Teachers involvement in the management of the nurseries will not be detrimental to the education of the pupils in the primary schools.	Nursery management provision	4. The council is already doing this.	All but three nurseries are currently managed by primary headteachers and this arrangement has proved beneficial.
6480	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Feel too much pressure on Head Teachers as it is and therefore there should be someone appointed to be in charge of the nursery provision.	Nursery management provision	4. The council is already doing this.	All but three nurseries are currently managed by primary headteachers and this arrangement has proved beneficial.
6481	No Response	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	agree with integrating the head teachers to manage the nurseries, cuts costs and keeps everything central.	Nursery management provision	4. The council is already doing this.	All but three nurseries are currently managed by primary headteachers and this arrangement has proved beneficial.
6482	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Managing nurseries with an off site headteacher who has no experience of early years pedagogy is not a wise move. However nurseries can be effectively managed by competent skilled early years officers who are in many cases much better leaders of learning than head teachers whose experience does not cover early years	Nursery management provision	4. The council is already doing this.	All but three nurseries are currently managed by primary headteachers and this arrangement has proved beneficial.
6483	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Many of your services could / should be provided by others (Nurseries) but no one else will provide these things.	Nursery management provision	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	The context of the comment is not clear.
6484	No Response	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	I feel that those households that can afford private nursery care should pay for it.	Nursery places in partner providers	5a. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because the council is required by law to deliver this work.	National policy will be to deliver 1140 hours free to all parents by 2020.
6485	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Maybe include childminders in the proposals for extra childcare hours. Again, they play a vital role but are badly paid and receive very little recognition. The majority feel they will no longer have a role to play as more parents apply for the increased hours in nurseries. Surely a better way, would be to work in partnership with childminders and that would ease the burden on the finance of building new nurseries and employing more staff.	Nursery places in partner providers	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	This will be considered as part of the implementation plan for the expansion of early learning and childcare.
6486	No Response	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Have a set amount that the council are prepared to pay as some nurseries are very expensive	Nursery places in partner providers	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	This will be considered as part of the implementation plan for the expansion of early learning and childcare.

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6487	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	More partner organisations helping to provide early learning and childcare provisions for 1140 hours would benefit working parents and provide a much more nurturing environment for children.	Nursery places in partner providers	4. The council is already doing this.	National government policy is likely to increase access to private nurseries. It is not agreed, however, that these provide a 'more nurturing' environment.
6488	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Remove duplication from the system by reducing the number of unnecessary private sector places purchased.	Nursery places in partner providers	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thanks you for comment. Your feedback has been noted. This will be considered as part of the expansion plan for early learning and childcare
6489	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	The issue of quality and capacity is a huge issue of this. Certainly partnerships need agreed but quality must be a key driving factor - without managing the quality of the childcare it is pointless	Nursery places in partner providers	4. The council is already doing this.	Maintaining quality is a central principal of the expansion plan.
6490	An employee of West Lothian Council	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Unsure of provision being provided by a third party as I would be wary of the council choosing the cheapest provider regardless of competency and how the council would oversee the running of this provision.	Nursery places in partner providers	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council will only consider outsourcing where this would bring efficiency or effectiveness benefits, but the proposals do not include large scale outsourcing of education services.
6491	No Response	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Private nurseries are being put out of business due to lack of partner provision allocation so please don't cut early years services now on top.	Nursery places in partner providers	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
6492	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	This seems okay on the surface, but could this childcare be provided for less by the Council outsourcing some work to private nurseries?	Nursery places in partner providers	5b. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it is likely that the costs of this proposal would outweigh the benefit.	West Lothian Council has one of the most efficient Early learning and childcare provisions in Scotland. One of the reasons for this is that it is not compelled to depend on the private sector, as is the case in many other areas.
6493	No Response	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Ensure that non-statutory family & early years support funded and included in partnership to complement the work of the statutory services, ensure a more holistic approach to early learning & childcare.	Nursery places in partner providers	4. The council is already doing this.	The Council works closely with community planning partners to provide integrated support to early years children and families.
6494	An employee of West Lothian Council	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	women who could drop their kids of locally may have to give up their jobs and collect benefits. Like most cuts it will unfairly impact women who take most of the caring responsibilities.	Nursery places in partner providers	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. Nursery provision will be expanded not reduced.
6495	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	I read this to mean, the council will stop providing funding to partnership nurseries. This will marginalise children whose parents have to work long hours and for whom council nurseries cannot ever meet their childcare needs as a result. It is supposed to facilitate childcare for all, and with these changes, it most certainly is not.	Nursery places in partner providers	4. The council is already doing this.	Flexibility and choice has increased and this will continue. Surveys have revealed that parents support greater flexibility at a Council run establishment, and patterns of choice have demonstrated that parents will choose this option when available.
6496	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Full day nursery provision (albeit requiring use of wraparound services) has had a detrimental impact on a number of the private nurseries in the area and I don't believe it has been in the best interests of the children.	Nursery places in partner providers	4. The council is already doing this.	Flexibility and choice has increased and this will continue. Surveys have revealed that parents support greater flexibility at a Council run establishment, and patterns of choice have demonstrated that parents will choose this option when available.
6497	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Vouchers for private nurseries giving parents real choice	Nursery places in partner providers	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	The Scottish Government may consider this option.
6498	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	I fully agree a review is required as a local council nursery has multiple afternoon spaces where as council are paying for children to go to a partnership nursery, also allocation seems crazy in that those who has birthday's earlier in academic cycle are allocated partnership places as requested but those with November birthdays are not meaning the council nursery has 'held' the place for a few months meanwhile paying partnership nursery since august. I'm also unsure on cost per child of council nursery v. Partnership nursery for current 16hr/wk.	Nursery places in partner providers	4. The council is already doing this.	Current allocation policy has resulted in one of the most efficient early learning and childcare provisions in Scotland. This is, in part, due to avoiding costly private placements where sufficient capacity exists in Council establishments.

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6499	An employee of West Lothian Council	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Would using partner providers to support early education be more efficient? There is currently a reluctance to do so. This model would allow flexibility without employing staff or building, leasing or extending existing nursery buildings. Any increase in nursery provision could be dealt with quickly and would improve employment in West Lothian. Would staff costs, building maintenance costs and capital investment really be more cost effective?	Nursery places in partner providers	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Current allocation policy has resulted in one of the most efficient early learning and childcare provisions in Scotland. This is, in part, due to avoiding costly private placements where sufficient capacity exists in Council establishments. Employment is created in both the private and public sectors at the same level as supervision ratios are mandatory. The private sector has staff, maintenance and capital requirement, and also the requirement to make a profit.
6500	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	All nurseries need to meet national standards irrespective of whether third party or Council run.	Nursery places in partner providers	4. The council is already doing this.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
6501	No Response	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	I actually agree with this my sons nursery was attached to his primary which allowed his peers to socialise with him that he wasn't singled out as different I think that nursery should be part of school that older kids should be involved with teaching and playing with preschoolers	Nursery places in partner providers	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	West Lothian policy is designed to ensure the highest quality provision, with clear transition through the early stage of curriculum for excellence.
6502	An employee of West Lothian Council	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	The removal of payments to private nurseries, if this is part of this, should be reviewed.	Nursery places in partner providers	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Current council practice designed to maximise quality of provision, consistency of delivery of the 3-18 curriculum, effective early intervention, effective transition and best value, with a focus on making best use of existing resources.
6503	No Response	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Consideration could be given to a reduction in contracts with private nurseries (partnership) now that the council offers a much more flexible pre school provision and with greater choice.	Nursery places in partner providers	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.
6504	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	If our own school estate provides enough capacity to meet the demand in numbers for nursery placements, why do we continue to place children with other providers?	Nursery places in partner providers	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your comment which will be considered as part of any service redesign
6505	An employee of West Lothian Council	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Most other authorities currently have nurseries attached to the schools which again provides further opportunities for growth and development within staff. I agree that all children should be offered the free hours of nursery care as it should be fair for all and every child should get the same opportunity in life.	Nursery places in partner providers	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
6506	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	The 1,140 is unachievable in many Nursery buildings. The council should ensure that all nurseries have suitable space inside and outside before proposing this. An audit should be made of each nursery building and any changes that have to be made should not come from the schools budget. Nurseries should also still have access to a Nursery Teacher - at least of 0.5 of the time as it has been this year. Although NN and EYO's are an excellent resource, not all have the training to ensure that the learning is being brought forward. How are the council going to ensure that the new benchmarks for early level and also the key aspects of Learning are met? To ensure that the service provided is consistent a teacher is essential.	Nursery Places	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Staffing and physical resources will be considered as part of the implementation plan for the expansion of early learning and childcare. Officers will consider appropriate qualification levels for staff, and how best to achieve access to a teacher as part of these deliberations.
6507	An employee of West Lothian Council	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	By increasing school hours for some may mean some can't get a place at all.	Nursery Places	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The expansion plan will guarantee a place for every child.
6508	No Response	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Good in theory as long as all units that are staffed are full, examples of nursery staff out numbering the pupils at certain times of the day, not cost effective.	Nursery Places	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	In order to provide flexibility and choice staff must be available at times that meet parent's needs, which can decrease efficiency. This flexibility is a statutory requirement and valued by working parents.
6509	An employee of West Lothian Council	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Child care needs to make life easier for children and parents; not harder. Full day places in nurseries, rather than half days, should be available to all. What is the point in parents still having to pay childminders to keep places, pick up during the day etc?	Nursery Places	4. The council is already doing this.	The Council has expanded flexibility and choice significantly and will continue to do so.
6510	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	I think that parents that can afford nursery education should pay for it, or at least part of it, themselves rather than being subsidised by the taxpayer.	Nursery Places	5a. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because the council is required by law to deliver this work.	The council cannot charge for statutory provision.
6511	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Perhaps more flexibility on spaces not just being afternoon or morning (unless this has changed since my kids were young. Full days at a time would be more beneficial for many working parents than 5 half days.	Nursery Places	4. The council is already doing this.	The council has increased availability of flexible placements and will continue to do so.

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6512	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	I feel for a child of 3/4 the current number of formal nursery hours is enough. At this age I feel it is much more important for them to have experiences out with, family supporting learning.	Nursey Places	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	Eligibility and hours of provision are set nationally by the Scottish Government. Hours must be offered. Parents are not compelled to take them up.
6513	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	I support this as I have to pay for my children to go to nursery as we can't get places or free but children who's parents don't work seem to get more use out of nursery's. I support any changes in this area.	Nursey Places	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
6514	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Recent changes to nursery provision have seemed positive ie , allowing parents to choose the hours to fit around working hours . This needs to be developed further.	Nursey Places	4. The council is already doing this.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
6515	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Do not compromise existing private nurseries which provide a 6am to 8pm 5 days a week all year round. It would be easy for the council to destroy this.	Nursey Places	4. The council is already doing this.	The Council is expanding flexibility and choice significantly, and patterns of choice indicate a strong demand for places at Council nurseries offering extended hours.
6516	No Response	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	I'm of the 'old school' and uneasy at transfer of child care from parents to others outside the family. We, as parents, took responsibility for looking after our own children and appreciated sessions at playgroup, nursery school then on to primary school. there was no expectation that our children would be farmed out from early morning until late afternoon to enable us to go out to work. Today's young parents - in the main - are pressured into feeling the need to 'have it all'. SO.....i'm not a supporter of public money being spent on ever increasing childcare provision.	Nursey Places	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. Eligibility and hours are set nationally.
6517	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Yes agree longer hours in school nursery only for working parents and to encourage parents to work.	Nursey Places	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. Eligibility and hours are set nationally.
6518	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	The National commitment to deliver 1140 additional hours of early learning and childcare is despicable. People have children to look after them. It should not be the job of nurseries to rear children until they reach school age, this is Parental responsibility. The money would be better spent educating the parents on proper parenting skills and those parents identified as needing this and refusing it should be referred to Social Services or risk having their family allowance payments stopped	Nursey Places	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. Eligibility and hours are set nationally.
6519	An employee of West Lothian Council	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	The National commitment to deliver 1140 additional hours of early learning and childcare is despicable. People have children to look after them. It should not be the job of nurseries to rear children until they reach school age, this is Parental responsibility. The money would be better spent educating the parents on proper parenting skills and those parents identified as needing this and refusing it should be referred to Social Services or risk having their family allowance payments stopped.	Nursey Places	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. Eligibility and hours are set nationally.
6520	An employee of West Lothian Council	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	With the introduction of the flexi provision of nursery provision which is making use of local authority nurseries for working parents then consideration should be made to reducing the number of partnership nurseries in the area when the provision is now more flexible and could be rolled out to other nurseries.	Nursey Places	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Officers will consider how this could be developed within the confines of Scottish Government policy.
6521	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	I personally feel the additional provision for nursery would be better spent on school provision. This is yet another way in for free childcare for all rather than targeted help for those who need it most.	Nursey Places	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. Eligibility and hours are set nationally.
6522	An employee of West Lothian Council	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	scrap the 2 yr old provision, not needed and the people who get this aren't working or if they are they are only working limited hours. Completely in agreement with integrating the head teachers with nursery as it keeps all as one.	Nursey Places	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	Eligibility and hours are set nationally. All but three nurseries are managed by primary headteachers and this arrangement works well.
6523	An employee of West Lothian Council	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Working parents should be allocated priority places to enable them to return to work and contribute to the local economy	Nursey Places	4. The council is already doing this.	Flexibility and choice has increased and this will continue.
6524	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Will there be the same focus from private providers where the council are unable to place children in the authorities nurseries?	Nursey Places	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Current council practice designed to maximise quality of provision, consistency of delivery of the 3-18 curriculum, effective early intervention, effective transition and best value, with a focus on making best use of existing resources. The Council expects to be able to offer a place at its own establishments to all parents who request one.

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6525	No Response	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	There is already disparity in service provision. Due to my child being a Feb birthday she was denied her funded place the the private nursery. I do not see how a cut in funding will lead to better consistency.	Nursey Places	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	Intake dates are set nationally by the Scottish Government. The proposals are designed to reduce not increase expenditure. Overall costs in Early Learning and Childcare will rise as the service expands.
6526	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	keep money for nursery place. all children should go to nursery.	Nursey Places	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposals are designed to reduce not increase expenditure. Overall costs in Early Learning and Childcare will rise as the service expands. The Council will continue to offer a place to every parent who requests one, but parents are not compelled to take up a place.
6527	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	All children should have nursery places	Nursey Places	4. The council is already doing this.	The Council will continue to offer a place to every parent who requests one, but parents are not compelled to take up a place.
6528	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	it is important to provide nursery places for all young children	Nursey Places	4. The council is already doing this.	The Council will continue to offer a place to every parent who requests one, but parents are not compelled to take up a place.
6529	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	This is being abused. Parents who don't work are using this provision to the full extent for no reason. I have seen 1 child in a nursery until closing time and the parents waiting until the last minute to pick them up because it's their right to do so. The hours were increased to support working parents but again is open to abuse with no monitoring of this.	Nursey Places	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	West Lothian Council will meet its statutory duty to secure 1140 hours of free early learning and childcare for every parent who requests it. Statutory Guidance prevents restricting provision to working parents.
6530	No Response	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Is there a way to work with private nurseries to improve capacity and training and further commercialise wrap around to generate income? Less teacher time in nurseries is a backward move	Nursey Places	4. The council is already doing this.	The Council already has contractual relationships with private nurseries to provide capacity, flexibility and choice.
6531	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Early learning and childcare should be free for the poor. The people who can afford to pay for it should pay.	Nursey Places	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	West Lothian Council will meet its statutory duty to secure 1140 hours of free early learning and childcare for every parent who requests it. Statutory Guidance prevents charging
6532	An employee of West Lothian Council	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Free good quality childcare is very important in order to encourage employment/education and provide children with a positive start in life- investing in the future.	Nursey Places	4. The council is already doing this.	This is in line with Council values.
6533	No Response	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Do early yeas children really require that much time? For decades the timing system of pre school has worked so why change and cost the council even more money it doesnt have especially when majority of hours will only be used by 2 year olds whose parents are on benefits. Not a fair system at all!	Nursey Places	5a. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because the council is required by law to deliver this work.	Hours and eligibility are set by statutory guidance.
6534	No Response	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	I see no reason why ability to pay for nursery provision should not be means tested as university education is means tested. Then more families who need access free childcare might get it, and those who can pay, should pay	Nursey Places	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	West Lothian Council will meet its statutory duty to secure 1140 hours of free early learning and childcare for every parent who requests it. Statutory Guidance prevents charging
6535	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Why is the council having to provide nursery space for 2 year olds when the parents do it work and are already at home and able to look after their child surely this should be stopped as I dread to think how much it costs	Nursey Places	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	It is a statutory requirement to provide Early Learning and Childcare to eligible 2 year olds.
6536	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	provided no impact on number of nursery places for children	Nursey Places	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The number of nursery places for children will increase as the service is expanded.
6537	No Response	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	The Council need to ensure that nursery places continue to be available to all families in West Lothian - it is important for children to become familiar with the school environment before starting P1.	Nursey Places	4. The council is already doing this.	Current council practice designed to maximise quality of provision, consistency of delivery of the 3-18 curriculum, effective early intervention, effective transition and best value, with a focus on making best use of existing resources. This will be facilitated by integration of ELC with school provision. All but three nurseries are already managed by primary Headteachers.
6538	An employee of West Lothian Council	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	I absolutely agree with being able to condense nursery hours over certain days. This would certainly allow parents, especially mothers to return to work. In my situation it would mean I would have to pay out less for childcare in turn helping my financial situation. This should be rolled out to all nurseries in West Lothian.	Nursey Places	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	This reflects current practice, with expansion of flexibility and choice continuing year on year.

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6539	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	The National commitment to deliver 1140 additional hours of early learning and childcare is despicable. People have children to look after them. It should not be the job of nurseries to rear children until they reach school age, this is Parental responsibility. The money would be better spent educating the parents on proper parenting skills and those parents identified as needing this and refusing it should be referred to Social Services or risk having their family allowance payments stopped.	Nursey Places	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	Eligibility and hours of provision are set nationally by the Scottish Government. West Lothian Council has no authority to stop benefit payments.
6540	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Provision should be provided as cheaply and efficiently as possible. Government stipulate this requirement and they should pay for it!	Nursey Places	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The proposals are designed to decrease expenditure, but additional expenditure will be made to support expansion, funded by the Scottish Government.
6541	No Response	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Childcare for single parents should be free or the other parent should be made to pay half. The price of childcare is ridiculous and makes it not worth working when you are a single parent bringing home nothing at the end of the week.	Nursey Places	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	Eligibility and hours of provision are set nationally by the Scottish Government. West Lothian Council has no powers to charge for this.
6542	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Should be central funding for this as it's a national commitment	Nursey Places	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	The proposals are designed to decrease expenditure, but additional expenditure will be made to support expansion.
6543	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Children do not need 2 years nursery before school. Put it back to one year.	Nursey Places	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	Eligibility and hours of provision are set nationally by the Scottish Government.
6544	An employee of West Lothian Council	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	the provision of mornings or afternoon sessions at nursery must change as the working population has changed to meet their needs better	Nursey Places	4. The council is already doing this.	The Council has increased flexibility and choice and will continue to do so.
6545	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Child care is extremely expensive to provide. Will funding this not impact on other services such as road maintenance. Only the first child should receive free preschool place. If people want more children then they need to cut their cloth to suit. The state should not simply be used as a child minding service.	Nursey Places	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	Eligibility and hours are set nationally.
6546	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	I don't believe in the national commitment. Anybody who has children should be prepared to pay for childcare costs themselves and not expect others to pay for them	Nursey Places	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	Eligibility and hours are set nationally.
6547	An employee of West Lothian Council	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Why should parent who do not work be entitled to free childcare when working parents have to pay. Scrapping the funding for under 3 will result in saving and encourage stay at home parents to interact with their own children.	Nursey Places	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	Eligibility and hours are set nationally.
6548	No Response	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Looking into 2yr provision, quite possibly even scrapping it or tightening the requirements.	Nursey Places	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	Eligibility and hours are set nationally.
6549	An employee of West Lothian Council	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Need to ensure nurseries are open when people are at work. otherwise no benefit	Out of school care	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thanks you for comment. Your feedback has been noted. This will be considered as part of the implementation plan for the expansion of early learning and childcare.
6550	No Response	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Some parents will see Breakfast clubs and after school clubs as cheap child minding, tough!. It's a cost to the council as is providing free school meals during summer holidays. I accept there will be genuine cases where a family needs help / support.	Out of school care	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	The comment does not make any proposal for action.
6551	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	what about youth clubs and afterschool clubs they are also given children and young people from poor background chances to do thing we need theses	Out of school care	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council will continue to produce a statutory CLD plan, to be delivered through the learning community partnerships centred of non-denominational secondary schools, with a focus on partnership working between schools and the third sector.

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6552	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Nursery provision beyond the normal school day would help those parents who have working commitments.	Out of school care	4. The council is already doing this.	Flexibility and choice have increased and this expansion will continue.
6553	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Use childminders to provide free early learning and childcare. They are rated higher by the Care Inspectorate than nurseries !	Out of school care	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed. Childminders are already used to provide services to 2 year olds.
6554	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Please make sure that provision in this area is accessible for the increasing number of working parents. Afternoon only places make this very difficult.	Out of school care	4. The council is already doing this.	The council has increased significantly the number of full day places and will continue to do so.
6555	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Too much spent here. Encourage parents to look after their own children. My generation didn't have child care. If you want children then pay for them.	Out of school care	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	Eligibility and hours are determined nationally.
6556	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	A widening of flexible options for children in early years child care across West Lothian would enable a greater proportion of the working age population to enter employment. For example some nursery's offer full days care while others do not. Considering standardising this could at low cost meet one the 8 objectives highlighted.	Out of school care	4. The council is already doing this.	The council has increased significantly the number of full day places and will continue to do so.
6557	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Priority for full day provision should be given to working parents	Out of school care	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted and will be considered as part of any development of the proposal.
6558	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	3 hours of care a day with no widely available wrap around care options is not suitable for many parents who are then forced to pay for full time private nursery with no funding given by the council.	Out of school care	4. The council is already doing this.	The Council has expanded full day placement significantly and will continue to do so.
6559	An employee of West Lothian Council	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Pre school provision is a luxury and should be considered by parents when planning their family. Parents themselves have the biggest role in their child's pre school education and need to ensure that they can provide this demanding time.	Out of school care	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	Eligibility and hours are determined nationally.
6560	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Consistency of early learning and childcare is long overdue. Mostly the affluent areas such as Livi village, Linlithgow and murleston have wrap around but more deprived areas don't. Wraparound costs should be available for all schools. Commercial rates should also be considered too.	Out of school care	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Wraparound has expanded significantly, and future consultations will seek interest from parents to support further expansion.
6561	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	I think extended childcare should be available specifically to those who require/benefit from it, e.g. single parents who ARE out at work.	Out of school care	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. Eligibility and hours are set nationally.
6562	No Response	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Affordable childcare for working parents	Out of school care	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	The proposals are designed to increase efficiency, not costs, as suggested,
6563	No Response	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	This is killing local nursery private business - and these are the businesses that provide what working parents need. This could be means tested - give the extra childcare hours to those who really need it- to get them back into work. Those on higher salaries will pay for childcare needless of whether they get 'free hours' or not!	Out of school care	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	West Lothian Council will meet its statutory duty to secure 1140 hours of free early learning and childcare for every parent who requests it. Statutory Guidance prevents charging for these 1140 hours.
6564	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Bring childcare back in-house and use as a potential revenue stream for the schools. you already own the buildings so take advantage of this	Out of school care	4. The council is already doing this.	This is the basis of current council practice designed to maximise quality of provision, consistency of delivery of the 3-18 curriculum, effective early intervention, effective transition and best value.
6565	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Unemployed parents who are not actively looking for employment should not be using free childcare as a babysitting service	Out of school care	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	West Lothian Council will meet its statutory duty to secure 1140 hours of free early learning and childcare for every parent who requests it. Statutory Guidance prevents restricting provision to working parents.
6566	An employee of West Lothian Council	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	More 8-6 provision	Out of school care	4. The council is already doing this.	The Council will continue to increase full day provision.
6567	An employee of West Lothian Council	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Also, parents and management need to realise that school Nurseries are not babysitting services and are trying to provide an education service to the children. However having young 3 year olds put in school nurseries for full days is making this very difficult.	Out of school care	5a. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because the council is required by law to deliver this work.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. Hours of provision are set nationally.

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6568	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Childcare and early learning improvements are vital to allow families to maintain jobs and a sufficient standard of living. However, nurseries need to be suitable in terms of numbers of children and activities and not just a place to leave children for the day.	Out of school care	4. The council is already doing this.	West Lothian recognises both positive impacts of ELC.
6569	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Make use of registered Childminders within council area. As an ex-childminder the provision of care provided offers a higher level of interaction than nurseries due to the lower Adult to child ratio than nursery can offer- thereby reducing the need for extensions to nursery building and hours to provide the care required .	Out of school care	4. The council is already doing this.	Childminders are used to provide services to eligible 2 year olds and many parents make use of a blended model including both Council Nurseries and childminders to give them the overall childcare they need. This will still be the case after the expansion to 1140 hours, as 1140 hours does not equate to the working week.
6570	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Parents should be encouraged to stay at home to look after their children until they are 4 years old and only get one year of nursery education. How much would that save?	Out of school care	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	Eligibility and hours of provision are set nationally by the Scottish Government. West Lothian Council has no influence over the working patterns of parents.
6571	An individual	1d. Redesign of Early Learning & Childcare	Charge for child care	Out of school care	4. The council is already doing this.	Wraparound care is currently charged for.
6572	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	The restructure of this service seems sensible.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
6573	An employee of West Lothian Council	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Community learning has to be integrated with schools.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
6574	An employee of West Lothian Council	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	If this can provide savings then it should be pursued.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
6575	No Response	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Agree to all suggested proposals	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
6576	An employee of West Lothian Council	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Supportive of this proposal.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
6577	An employee of West Lothian Council	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
6578	No Response	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
6579	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Agree with this proposal.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
6580	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	sounds reasonable	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
6581	No Response	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	I agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
6582	No Response	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
6583	An employee of West Lothian Council	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
6584	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Sounds good hopefully it works	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
6585	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Excellent proposal.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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6586	No Response	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Glad to hear it	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
6587	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Agree this proposal.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
6588	No Response	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Have no objection	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
6589	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	I agree with this also	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
6590	An employee of West Lothian Council	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Agree excellent initiative	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
6591	An employee of West Lothian Council	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	This is a good thing.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
6592	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	If it works, go for it.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
6593	No Response	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	good work	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
6594	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	I very much support this enterprise. I hope that in future there will be more publicity given in schools to the excellent work done by Colleges where courses are available which prepare young people for work, rather than the emphasis which has been laid on gaining a university place. This has led to a feeling of failure among young people who do not gain a university [place.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
6595	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Agree to this	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
6596	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
6597	No Response	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	fully support.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
6598	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
6599	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Agree.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
6600	An employee of West Lothian Council	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
6601	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	I agree.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
6602	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
6603	No Response	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Agree.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
6604	An employee of West Lothian Council	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Happy with this.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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6605	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
6606	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Yes agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
6607	No Response	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Yes, I agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
6608	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Agree.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
6609	An employee of West Lothian Council	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
6610	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Agree.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
6611	An employee of West Lothian Council	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
6612	No Response	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Good.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
6613	No Response	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	i agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
6614	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
6615	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
6616	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Positive	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
6617	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	This is a good idea	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
6618	An employee of West Lothian Council	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
6619	No Response	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
6620	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Combining these services seems logical.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
6621	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	This is reasonable.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
6622	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	go ahead with the savings	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
6623	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	This seems good in principle	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
6624	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	I think this should be done.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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6625	No Response	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	MCMC were a great help to my nephew.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
6626	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Achievable	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
6627	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	I agree with the Council's proposals for the moment to see how they all work out. Thank you.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
6628	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Sounds good to me. Young people should aim to work or study.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
6629	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	I agree with this and feel that this would make a big difference over many aspects of a young individuals life	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
6630	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Agree with this approach. Need to have much earlier interventions at an earlier age	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
6631	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	I support all initiatives on education	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
6632	An employee of West Lothian Council	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Sounds like a program to help kids who were brought up by parents who didn't give them a good upbringing, a shame to cut it but needs must.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
6633	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	I fully support this.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
6634	No Response	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	I agree with the proposal	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
6635	No Response	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Makes sense, at least there's a bit of detail here	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
6636	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Agree with proposed saving here.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
6637	An employee of West Lothian Council	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Yes would agree with this.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
6638	No Response	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	I agree.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
6639	An employee of West Lothian Council	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
6640	An employee of West Lothian Council	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Sounds good to me!	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
6641	No Response	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Ok	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
6642	No Response	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
6643	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	no issue with this	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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6644	An employee of West Lothian Council	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
6645	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	ok	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
6646	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	ok.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
6647	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
6648	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
6649	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Sounds fine	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
6650	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Good	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
6651	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	good idea	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
6652	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	I agree with this.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
6653	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
6654	No Response	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
6655	An employee of West Lothian Council	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
6656	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Good	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
6657	An employee of West Lothian Council	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Sounds good	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
6658	No Response	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
6659	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Sounds fine.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
6660	An employee of West Lothian Council	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Agree.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
6661	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Acceptable.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
6662	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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6663	No Response	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Totally agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
6664	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	This makes sense.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
6665	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
6666	An employee of West Lothian Council	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	agree with this proposal	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
6667	No Response	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
6668	No Response	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Excellent	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
6669	An employee of West Lothian Council	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	ok	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
6670	An employee of West Lothian Council	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
6671	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
6672	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
6673	An employee of West Lothian Council	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Fully supportive of this proposal.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
6674	An employee of West Lothian Council	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Unfortunate but necessary.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
6675	No Response	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	I agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
6676	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	good investment in my eyes , give youths hope .	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
6677	No Response	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Agree with this.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
6678	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Sounds sensible.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
6679	An employee of West Lothian Council	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
6680	An employee of West Lothian Council	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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6681	An employee of West Lothian Council	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Would agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
6682	No Response	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
6683	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Sounds good.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
6684	No Response	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Agree.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
6685	No Response	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Reasonable.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
6686	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	I agree with this proposal	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
6687	An employee of West Lothian Council	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Agree.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
6688	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Sounds good	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
6689	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Sounds ok	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
6690	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Happy with that	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
6691	An employee of West Lothian Council	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Agree with this proposal.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
6692	No Response	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Save the Â£1.6m	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
6693	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	I agree with this proposal.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
6694	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Makes sense - if you can achieve the same results with fewer people and less money.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
6695	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Feel that this is an area where savings could be made	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
6696	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Should be streamlined where possible where maintaining choices and standards.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
6697	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Agree 100% with these children and young people are our future.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
6698	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Saving seems worthwhile.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
6699	An employee of West Lothian Council	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	I strongly agree with this.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
6700	No Response	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Fully supportive	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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6701	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	I agree with the above.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
6702	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
6703	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	I would support this proposal.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
6704	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Agreed.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
6705	An employee of West Lothian Council	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	No comment on this section as this sounds like a good proposal.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
6706	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	aims are acceptable	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
6707	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
6708	No Response	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Ok	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
6709	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
6710	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
6711	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Fair enough.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
6712	An employee of West Lothian Council	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
6713	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	I would support this	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
6714	No Response	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	I agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
6715	An employee of West Lothian Council	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Completely agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
6716	An employee of West Lothian Council	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	agree with proposal	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
6717	An employee of West Lothian Council	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
6718	No Response	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
6719	No Response	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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6720	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	I agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
6721	An employee of West Lothian Council	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
6722	An employee of West Lothian Council	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	I agree with this proposal.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
6723	An employee of West Lothian Council	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
6724	No Response	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
6725	An employee of West Lothian Council	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
6726	No Response	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Fine.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
6727	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
6728	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
6729	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Supported	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
6730	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Okay	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
6731	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	I accept this proposal.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
6732	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	This is a positive change which will produce positive results	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
6733	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Sounds good.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
6734	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Good	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
6735	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Agree with this.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
6736	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
6737	An employee of West Lothian Council	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Good proposal....	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
6738	An employee of West Lothian Council	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	if this does actually work then keep it	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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6739	An employee of West Lothian Council	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Good idea.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
6740	No Response	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Keep this support 100%	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
6741	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	I am happy with this.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
6742	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
6743	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Agree. Youngsters should be motivated to be productive instead of living on benefits.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
6744	No Response	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Sounds reasonable. Important to get people motivated towards getting a job and being self sufficient rather than relying on benefits.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
6745	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Supportive of this.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
6746	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
6747	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Seems reasonable	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
6748	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
6749	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Good idea	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
6750	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	ok	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
6751	An employee of West Lothian Council	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	I agree with this proposal.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
6752	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Agree.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
6753	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Ok	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
6754	An employee of West Lothian Council	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	There are other bodies providing education so I support this.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
6755	An employee of West Lothian Council	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Do this - it seems a good saving	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
6756	No Response	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	This sounds like the correct decision amongst difficult choices	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
6757	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Not sure exactly what this means however I agree with supporting services which are proven to work and if they don't, or have minimal benefit, then they should be discontinued.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
6758	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Can't disagree.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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6759	An employee of West Lothian Council	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	I agree with this proposal	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
6760	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Fine.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
6761	No Response	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
6762	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
6763	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	In principle this sounds acceptable.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
6764	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Strongly support	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
6765	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
6766	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
6767	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Support	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
6768	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
6769	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Agree.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
6770	An employee of West Lothian Council	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Support	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
6771	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Agree.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
6772	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Agree with the proposal	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
6773	An employee of West Lothian Council	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	This sounds like a reasonable proposal.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
6774	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	This should be implemented.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
6775	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
6776	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
6777	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Fine as long as this continues to meet the needs	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
6778	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	This will have a negative impact but is deliverable	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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6779	An employee of West Lothian Council	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Understandable, if this needs to be cut it is something that isn't deemed as a priority.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
6780	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Yes. Sensible refocus.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
6781	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
6782	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	This sounds fine.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
6783	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
6784	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Ok.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
6785	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Agree with proposal	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
6786	An employee of West Lothian Council	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Agree this role needs to be filled by the private sector and not driven by the authority.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
6787	An employee of West Lothian Council	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	I agree with this.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
6788	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Seems sensible	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
6789	An employee of West Lothian Council	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Agree.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
6790	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	OK.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
6791	An employee of West Lothian Council	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Ok	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
6792	An employee of West Lothian Council	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	I agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
6793	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Support this review	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
6794	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
6795	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Look okay as it is possible to evaluate given the vague descriptions given in the 'Transforming Your Council'	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
6796	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	I agree with the proposal.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
6797	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	All proposals are sound.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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6798	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	restructure another word for review and waste of money	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
6799	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	I disagree and again it will cost not save	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
6800	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Again, I can not support the removal of services from our most vulnerable people.	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
6801	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Don't cut funding for such vulnerable young people.	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
6802	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	I do not support this cut.	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
6803	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	I do not support this change.	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
6804	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	No "... They need all the support we can give. Don't make any cuts here.	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
6805	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	More help for young people and those who need help. do not cut funding for this area	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
6806	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	More job losses	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
6807	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	There should be no changes to the existing!	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
6808	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Possible incentives to remain in education or further education. Reducing this service would see more youngsters on streets without income or anything to do.	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
6809	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Not suitable need more support for community projects	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
6810	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	no	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
6811	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	No cuts should be made to these services	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
6812	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	none	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
6813	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	I do not support this proposal	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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6814	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Please don't base the whole service on More Choices More Chances which I support and applaud your commitment to this service. However greater diversity in support models is needed across the board. Adult learning at all levels is vital, therefore I would oppose any cuts in this area. No savings here.	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
6815	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	I really disagree with this	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
6816	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Disagree need more supervised youth clubs	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
6817	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Disagree - more stuff needed for kids	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
6818	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	I completely agree with this.	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
6819	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	do not support - youth work is a vital service	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
6820	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	There is not enough provision at the moment and not enough positive destinations for young people	More Choice More Chances (MCMC)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	West Lothian's support for MCMC pupils has proved effective at increasing numbers progressing to a positive destination. West Lothian Council has little control over the supply of positive destinations.
6821	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	There is no incentive to encourage young people to continue their education for a better future. It is time that young people are listened to and the Government implement something like they had in place in the 80's to encourage people into employment.	More Choice More Chances (MCMC)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	West Lothian's support for MCMC pupils has proved effective at increasing numbers progressing to a positive destination. West Lothian Council has little control over the supply of positive destinations.
6822	An employee of West Lothian Council	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	having experience of working with young people who become involved in anti social behaviour is seems that the majority of the young people are lacking any structure that they are happy with, they are abstracting themselves from school and the only alternative seems to be to remain on the street and causing trouble	More Choice More Chances (MCMC)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council will continue to produce a statutory CLD plan, to be delivered through the learning community partnerships centred of non-denominational secondary schools, with a focus on partnership working between schools and the third sector.
6823	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	there needs to be more scope for the youth of west Lothian with high un employment and people with low or very poor basic education. I do not feel this service needs cut.	More Choice More Chances (MCMC)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	West Lothian's support for MCMC pupils has proved effective at increasing numbers progressing to a positive destination. The proposal is that this part of the service is not cut.
6824	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	More advertising of the adult services available may allow more adults to make use of the services as they would know they are available and how to access them. This may then improve unemployment. Advertising needs to be done in different way for those who cannot read and those who don't speak English.	More Choice More Chances (MCMC)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thanks you for comment. Your feedback has been noted. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed, while implementing the proposal.
6825	No Response	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	I do feel helping people get to work is a great idea and especially young people but where the issues lie is not with the kids it's with the heart lazy generation you have created through spoon feeding there needs with benefits and kids are growing up to these people being there role models. Perhaps if kids seen working class living in better areas, driving better cars, going holidays, wearing nice clothes. They would aspire to reach these goals but when the working class are the poorest out of the street why would u not want to sit on the dole and skip school. It's not discriminating against anyone on benefits because a percentage have been put there through cuts like your proposals and they have been hung out to dry. The police should be working more closely with the youngsters and educating them along with the council they are the ones setting fires to destroy properties, walk ways, grassy areas swing parks. They are the ones causing fighting in the streets etc because there is no education of this is not what u do there either. There mums and dads are sitting drinking, smoking, parting on benefits and they want to do the same	More Choice More Chances (MCMC)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council will continue to produce a statutory CLD plan, to be delivered through the learning community partnerships centred of non-denominational secondary schools, with a focus on partnership working between schools and the third sector.

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6826	An employee of West Lothian Council	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	MCMC seems to be a good service and one area of provision they work closely with is Steps2Work, which I believe is also a valuable service. The WomenN2Work service (personal development/employability) for adult females is also very valuable and I believe this kind of service could be rolled out to other client groups such as males, and young people.	More Choice More Chances (MCMC)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The council will continue to focus on MCMC work., and will consider this suggestion.
6827	No Response	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Good to keep a focus on mcmc.	More Choice More Chances (MCMC)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council will continue to focus on MCMC work.
6828	An employee of West Lothian Council	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	More joined up thinking within secondary education for those with difficulties may avoid the need for MCMC so much. As a parent of a dyslexic child communication within the school does not seem to operate effectively and parents are not communicated with enough.	More Choice More Chances (MCMC)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The Council will explore how best to support MCMC pupils with additional support needs.
6829	No Response	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	MCMC may have to be reviewed to ensure it has the right programme in place, has targets to meet in terms of positive destinations, and that the young people fully engage with it. Otherwise, it is just a paper exercise.	More Choice More Chances (MCMC)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council will continue to focus on MCMC work.
6830	No Response	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	The MCMC team is important, we need to reduce the amount of young people not moving onto further education or employment. This service provides much needed support.	More Choice More Chances (MCMC)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council will continue to focus on MCMC work.
6831	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	More should be done to help the educational system to diversify with extra circular activities being developed to help educationally challenged and vulnerable children and young people find other ways of obtaining life skills. well educationally rounded and confident children and young people, whether this be through mainstream education or other means will save us millions in the future.	More Choice More Chances (MCMC)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Officers will consider how links with extra curricular activities could be developed.
6832	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Once MCMC have a destination they appear to back off which enrages me.	More Choice More Chances (MCMC)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council will continue to focus on MCMC work.
6833	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	This work is valuable. Must ensure that More Choices, More Chances type of programmes continue to operate with increasing effectiveness.	More Choice More Chances (MCMC)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
6834	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	MCMC is an excellent service however schools already have SDS career advisers, transition to work coordinator's (on high salaries) and pupil support managers to support none attendees and who are able to promote reengagement. At times this service is used for children with behaviour issues which should be dealt with by the school. The schools should hold the budget and decide if they want an MCMC worker then should pay for the service by reducing high salaries in other areas.	More Choice More Chances (MCMC)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council will continue to focus on MCMC work.
6835	An employee of West Lothian Council	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	MCMC is a great programme with a great support team involved. The team are very hard working and already working at a stretched capacity.	More Choice More Chances (MCMC)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council will continue to focus on MCMC work.
6836	An employee of West Lothian Council	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	MCMC is an invaluable service to those children that do not conform to schools perceived idea that only University and college are the natural progression from school. this service could be very useful to those young people who even although have college/uni entrance qualifications have to fight the system not to go and are therefore not given any support via the school.	More Choice More Chances (MCMC)	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	It is proposed to prioritise MCMC work within the new service.
6837	An employee of West Lothian Council	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	REMOVE NON STUTORY SERVICES ALTOGETHER AND FOCUS SOLY ON THE MCMC OUTCOMES	More Choice More Chances (MCMC)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is proposed to prioritise MCMC work within the new service.
6838	An employee of West Lothian Council	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Focussing on MCMC is dangerous totally underestimating the work done in youth clubs etc. and their impact on community life ..	More Choice More Chances (MCMC)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council will continue to produce and deliver a Community Learning and Development plan, with delivery increasingly through the learning communities based on non-denominational school catchment areas, and greater partnership between schools and the third sector.
6839	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Improved partnership working to support MCMC delivery	More Choice More Chances (MCMC)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thanks you for comment. Your feedback has been noted. Increased partnership working is a feature of the proposal.
6840	An employee of West Lothian Council	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Close working (at early stages) is essential. Also the MCMC service needs to have a higher profile and it needs to be clear how and when to access.	More Choice More Chances (MCMC)	4. The council is already doing this.	The proposals will increase the focus on MCMC work by the service.

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6841	An employee of West Lothian Council	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	an emphasis should be placed on apprenticeships and training which would help with employment rates and future development. Instead of people obtaining qualifications that they will not use.	More Choice More Chances (MCMC)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The MCMC team seek to provide a wide range of options, including training and extended work experience, as well as promoting apprenticeships where available.
6842	No Response	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Yes McMc do great work with our young people in need and is a much more targeted approach	More Choice More Chances (MCMC)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	West Lothian's support for MCMC pupils has proved effective at increasing numbers progressing to a positive destination.
6843	An employee of West Lothian Council	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	I worked with MCMC students and they were fantastic. It was a great experience for me and for them. Each service, including Education, ought to have MCMC Apprentices.	More Choice More Chances (MCMC)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	West Lothian's support for MCMC pupils has proved effective at increasing numbers progressing to a positive destination.
6844	An employee of West Lothian Council	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	MCMC has been successful and has proven to be a good model in the past.	More Choice More Chances (MCMC)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	West Lothian's support for MCMC pupils has proved effective at increasing numbers progressing to a positive destination.
6845	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Do not agree entirely as MCMC is not prevalent in all schools. Some young people go under the radar at schools where MCMC is available and need additional support.	More Choice More Chances (MCMC)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	West Lothian's support for MCMC pupils has proved effective at increasing numbers progressing to a positive destination.
6846	An employee of West Lothian Council	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Finally wipe it out you mean! There is no meaningful or effective community development support available to our disadvantaged citizens and communities. Despite CPP and WLC commitments to empowerment and community engagement - the prevailing model remains one of DAD (Decide/Announce/Defend - as exemplified by this consultation) The little that remains of former Community Development/work/education services has meant that those staff are no longer resourced or allowed to make the positive and life changing impacts they were trained for.	More Choice More Chances (MCMC)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
6847	An employee of West Lothian Council	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	This proposal is based on MCMC not being subject to any budgeting pressures I am guessing !	More Choice More Chances (MCMC)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	West Lothian's support for MCMC pupils has proved effective at increasing numbers progressing to a positive destination.
6848	No Response	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	more needs to be done and available for special needs young adults for when they leave high school and wanting to work	More Choice More Chances (MCMC)	4. The council is already doing this.	Support is available to all pupils at points of transition.
6849	No Response	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	more help for young adults with disabilities to get employment as there is nothing	More Choice More Chances (MCMC)	4. The council is already doing this.	All pupils receive support and guidance regarding their opportunities on leaving school.
6850	No Response	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Surely this is a matter for the parents of young people who are NEET? I fail to see how throwing money at this type of service will improve the situation.	More Choice More Chances (MCMC)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	West Lothian's support for MCMC pupils has proved effective at increasing numbers progressing to a positive destination.
6851	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	As someone who is aware of the work MCMC do they provide a much needed service for young people who do not "fit" into the education system. They provide an invaluable service for those young people whose academic skills are often lacking but can blossom in a more practical setting.	More Choice More Chances (MCMC)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	West Lothian's support for MCMC pupils has proved effective at increasing numbers progressing to a positive destination.
6852	No Response	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	I would be delighted to see this continue to ensure our young people and their future are given the best possible chance of success	More Choice More Chances (MCMC)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The proposal would continue to fulfilling its duty to meet the needs of every child.
6853	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	To make sure that youth work continues with support its getting now all emphasis she be on reaching our young people.	More Choice More Chances (MCMC)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council will continue to produce a statutory CLD plan, to be delivered through the learning community partnerships centred of non-denominational secondary schools, with a focus on partnership working between schools and the third sector.
6854	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	I feel that the MCMC services is really important services in helping young people to achieve their full potential and to build up their employability skills to help them to become employable	More Choice More Chances (MCMC)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	West Lothian's support for MCMC pupils has proved effective at increasing numbers progressing to a positive destination.
6855	No Response	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	MCMC is a hugely beneficial programme.	More Choice More Chances (MCMC)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	West Lothian's support for MCMC pupils has proved effective at increasing numbers progressing to a positive destination.
6856	No Response	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	What has Adult learning and English teaching got to do with MCMC? What is it that is being planned here (this is very confusing)?	More Choice More Chances (MCMC)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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6857	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Closer working between schools and community learning partners? What does this even mean... This is not very clear but it sounds to me like MCMC is a ongoing priority which i have never heard of but if it helps youths then it must be good.	More Choice More Chances (MCMC)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The Council will continue to produce a statutory CLD plan, to be delivered through the learning community partnerships centred of non-denominational secondary schools, with a focus on partnership working between schools and the third sector. West Lothian's support for MCMC pupils has proved effective at increasing numbers progressing to a positive destination.
6858	An employee of West Lothian Council	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	WLC needs programmes such as MCMC to remain and to thrive with our support to ensure our young people are motivated to better themselves and to reach positive destinations. Ultimately, this will impact the economic development of the council area as a whole and so it should not be under-funded or under-valued.	More Choice More Chances (MCMC)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	West Lothian's support for MCMC pupils has proved effective at increasing numbers progressing to a positive destination.
6859	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	MC and Skills for Work courses is the way forward for a huge percentage of West Lothian's pupils	More Choice More Chances (MCMC)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	West Lothian's support for MCMC pupils has proved effective at increasing numbers progressing to a positive destination.
6860	An employee of West Lothian Council	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	The pupils who are targeted by MCMC are some of the most vulnerable. This provision needs to be continued.	More Choice More Chances (MCMC)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	West Lothian's support for MCMC pupils has proved effective at increasing numbers progressing to a positive destination.
6861	No Response	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	MCMC keyworkers play a valuable role in supporting young people. Preference would be for MCMC staff to be on permanent contacts with at least one fulltime MCMC keyworker in each school.	More Choice More Chances (MCMC)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	West Lothian's support for MCMC pupils has proved effective at increasing numbers progressing to a positive destination.
6862	An employee of West Lothian Council	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	At a time when the Scottish Government places increasing emphasis on Positive Destinations and on schools to increase the numbers of these for their students, any attempt to cut back in terms of support for MCMC students is short sighted at best and foolish at worst. Whilst focus may be on MCMC students there are many who do not come under this umbrella who will continue to require support. Cutting back on this may well become counter productive if students are unable to secure employment/ training/ further study upon leaving school and potentially enter the Welfare System as a result.	More Choice More Chances (MCMC)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The proposal is to retain MCMC provision. West Lothian's support for MCMC pupils has proved effective at increasing numbers progressing to a positive destination.
6863	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	As long as the smaller team are still able to cope with the demand on this service then it makes sense.	More Choice More Chances (MCMC)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
6864	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	How is it possible to reduce the size of the team which delivers these without reducing the service provided unless it has been over staffed until now ? Details ?	More Choice More Chances (MCMC)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	The comment contains no relevant suggestion.
6865	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	If a smaller team is planned it must have appropriate support and associated training to ensure the provision of service is not negatively effected	More Choice More Chances (MCMC)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	The Council will continue to produce a statutory CLD plan, to be delivered through the learning community partnerships centred of non-denominational secondary schools, with a focus on partnership working between schools and the third sector.
6866	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Why has the council decided to focus on this one area of work, what evidence is there to support that the MCMC programme has the greatest impact and on whom? What community groups will be directly affected by this saving, more specific information is required to answer specifically how this saving will impact on those with varying disabilities and the wider equality groups. Has an equality impact assessment been completed for this saving.	More Choice More Chances (MCMC)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council will continue to produce a statutory CLD plan, to be delivered through the learning community partnerships centred of non-denominational secondary schools, with a focus on partnership working between schools and the third sector. Equality relevance and impact assessments will be undertaken as proposals are developed.
6867	No Response	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	I understand that More Choices More Chances key workers provide intensive support to identified young people and cover all 11 mainstream secondary schools and this is to be applauded. However valuable work is also undertaken by voluntary organisations. In Linlithgow LYPP provides an excellent service and has recently taken on an outreach programme. I am sure that the Linlithgow community would be devastated were funding to LYPP to be reduced or withdrawn. Adult learning is vital I would oppose any cuts in this area.	More Choice More Chances (MCMC)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Greater partnership working is a key feature of the proposals.
6868	An employee of West Lothian Council	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Yes I believe mcmc is a valued programme within education	More Choice More Chances (MCMC)	4. The council is already doing this.	West Lothian's support for MCMC pupils has proved effective at increasing numbers progressing to a positive destination.
6869	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	This involves engagement by the young person and consistency which is often not the case now due to high case loads and not enough staff to administer the MCMC programme.	More Choice More Chances (MCMC)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	West Lothian's support for MCMC pupils has proved effective at increasing numbers progressing to a positive destination.

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6870	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Agree with MCMC being a focus but there are many other vital services that students need for their health and well being - schools are neither equipped or have staff with the necessary training to assist all young people in every aspect of their lives. This is detrimental to the citizens of West Lothian as young people and then as adults in our community.	More Choice More Chances (MCMC)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council will continue to produce a statutory CLD plan, to be delivered through the learning community partnerships centred of non-denominational secondary schools, with a focus on partnership working between schools and the third sector.
6871	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	I assume that your equalities assessment will ensure that young people with a disability are also included in this MCMC programme	More Choice More Chances (MCMC)	4. The council is already doing this.	The Council already has a statutory duty to meet the needs of all pupils, including needs arising from a protected characteristic.
6872	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Is there evidence that MCMC is a successful model? What is the success rate in terms of achieving positive destinations?	More Choice More Chances (MCMC)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. 89% or 244 out of the 274 young people are supported.
6873	An employee of West Lothian Council	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Whilst the MCMC group need support reduced funds will mean that the middle group ie those not going to university or college may slip through the net and fail to achieve a positive outcome.	More Choice More Chances (MCMC)	4. The council is already doing this.	West Lothian's support for MCMC pupils has proved effective at increasing numbers progressing to a positive destination.
6874	An employee of West Lothian Council	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	This is a service which is not, it seems to me, provided by anyone else, and should be supported, in order to make young people looking to become part of West Lothian's workforce as well trained and prepared for working life as possible. Any reduction in staff which would harm the effectiveness of the service should be resisted.	More Choice More Chances (MCMC)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council will continue to produce a statutory CLD plan, to be delivered through the learning community partnerships centred of non-denominational secondary schools, with a focus on partnership working between schools and the third sector.
6875	An employee of West Lothian Council	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Youth work really supports the reduction in crime within west Lothian so feel reducing this will have a negative impacts on crime and social work areas. Moving the problem/costs from one area to another. MCMC are a great service and do great work but their area really only addressing the really hard to reach in the community leaving the youths in the middle to fend for themselves.	More Choice More Chances (MCMC)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council will continue to produce a statutory CLD plan, to be delivered through the learning community partnerships centred of non-denominational secondary schools, with a focus on partnership working between schools and the third sector.
6876	No Response	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Mcmc work cant claim to have had the impact implied in this statment, the national unemployment figures have reduced, are you seriously claiming that this is a direct result if this team and not the efforts if a whole alliance of practitioners around them	More Choice More Chances (MCMC)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	West Lothian's support for MCMC pupils has proved effective at increasing numbers progressing to a positive destination.
6877	An employee of West Lothian Council	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	If MCMC works best that what we should do but other avenues may still be needed for specialised support. Without details I can't comment.	More Choice More Chances (MCMC)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	West Lothian's support for MCMC pupils has proved effective at increasing numbers progressing to a positive destination.
6878	No Response	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	I worry that a smaller team means less quality service	More Choice More Chances (MCMC)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
6879	An employee of West Lothian Council	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	MCMC needs to deliver an outcome for the participant at the end of their programme, an incentive to continue with this type of further education. They are within the in-between bracket where school no longer wants them but they don't have the experience or confidence to know how to progress and parents find it difficult to support them financially. Confidence needs to be built into their curriculum.	More Choice More Chances (MCMC)	4. The council is already doing this.	West Lothian's support for MCMC pupils has proved effective at increasing numbers progressing to a positive destination. Unfortunately West Lothian has limited influence on the availability of opportunities.
6880	An employee of West Lothian Council	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	McMc is a great programme. My child has mental issues and been out of secondary school for the past near four years. McMc have been involved with my child, but at moment my child is not in the position to even think about education. But the fact that MCMC are still accessible to my child is a great relief. Once my child's mental health issues and difficulties are dealt with then the fact that knowing MCMC workers are there to help is a great help. My child is currently classed as being in xxx at xxxx Academy. She may end up a few years behind her peers doing qualifications, going to college or Uni. But the fact she has access to MCMC is a great thing on our part as parents. It means she is not just being left due to having mental health issues and not being able to go to school and gain qualifications like her peers. Young people like my daughter need this help. Otherwise what future would she have.	More Choice More Chances (MCMC)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	West Lothian's support for MCMC pupils has proved effective at increasing numbers progressing to a positive destination.
6881	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	MCMC can be a very positive programme, and more links with community learning partners and employers will be welcome.	More Choice More Chances (MCMC)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	West Lothian's support for MCMC pupils has proved effective at increasing numbers progressing to a positive destination.
6882	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Agree with MCMC.	More Choice More Chances (MCMC)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	West Lothian's support for MCMC pupils has proved effective at increasing numbers progressing to a positive destination.

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6883	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	I would like to see more provision for mature people without jobs	More Choice More Chances (MCMC)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The Council will continue to produce a statutory CLD plan, to be delivered through the learning community partnerships centred of non-denominational secondary schools, with a focus on partnership working between schools and the third sector.
6884	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	MCMC needs to widen its understanding of young people with additional support needs as a result of asn and associated mental health issues who could achieve if the right environment is provided for them. The current range of options offers little to individuals who have the capacity to achieve but require more intensive one to one support rather than standard group work or apprenticeship opportunities	More Choice More Chances (MCMC)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The Council supports young people with ASN, but any opportunity to improve should be taken.
6885	An employee of West Lothian Council	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	The council deliver a worthwhile youth programme which takes young people off the streets and gives them opportunities to develop and experience new things. Rather than cutting this service completely, could the service be attempted to be delivered on the basis that it has to cover its costs. Perhaps children could be encouraged to attend clubs across West Lothian rather than just locally if resources are stretched. MCMC is valuable resource and needs to be continued for the young people of West Lothian.	More Choice More Chances (MCMC)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Officers will consider how this could be developed.
6886	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	MCMC is a very expensive programme. I think it should have a finite time limit per individual. If an individual is not engaging with the program then they should be cut loose.	More Choice More Chances (MCMC)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	West Lothian's support for MCMC pupils has proved effective at increasing numbers progressing to a positive destination.
6887	No Response	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	This services is essential, allowing to re-engage with education, learning their civil responsibilities and how to make a contribution to the community and society.	More Choice More Chances (MCMC)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	West Lothian's support for MCMC pupils has proved effective at increasing numbers progressing to a positive destination.
6888	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	good luck.....in trying to make young people have self respect and some confidence.....feel part of a community or a team and be willing to contribute to the good of their environment. respect is one of these fast disappearing words. There seems to be very little self respect.....or respect in general.	More Choice More Chances (MCMC)	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
6889	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	I would concentrate this service on youth development and employment initiatives.	More Choice More Chances (MCMC)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	West Lothian's support for MCMC pupils has proved effective at increasing numbers progressing to a positive destination.
6890	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	If there are absolute guarantees that the proposed restructure will enable schools to achieve higher standards this would appear to be feasible	More Choice More Chances (MCMC)	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Absolute guarantees can never be offered, but this is the intention.
6891	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	If this can be achieved without loss of attainment.	More Choice More Chances (MCMC)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
6892	An employee of West Lothian Council	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	I support the focus on MCMC. The role of volunteering and the many excellent voluntary youth groups in West Lothian will also be key to continuing with suitable youth provision.	More Choice More Chances (MCMC)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	West Lothian's support for MCMC pupils has proved effective at increasing numbers progressing to a positive destination.
6893	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Cut MCMC key workers are only working with a small group of kids from each school mainly the bad behaved. Skills Scotland could pick this up.	More Choice More Chances (MCMC)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	West Lothian's support for MCMC pupils has proved effective at increasing numbers progressing to a positive destination.
6894	An employee of West Lothian Council	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	I agree with programs that focus on getting young people into education, training or employment - this will ideally reduce benefits being given to those who do not actually need to be on them.	More Choice More Chances (MCMC)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	West Lothian's support for MCMC pupils has proved effective at increasing numbers progressing to a positive destination.
6895	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	There is benefit from closer working between schools and community learning partners. Not all young people thrive in a school environment	More Choice More Chances (MCMC)	4. The council is already doing this.	The council is already doing this.

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6896	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Adult and youth services are valuable to young people, in particular those in more deprived areas. They allow them to access services and information they may not otherwise. Reducing team sizes will again put pressure on headteachers as more will be expected of them in terms of working with CLD services. Again, this needs to be fully risk assessed. No cost saving can be made at the detriment of the staff delivering services, this would have the opposite effect than what the council is looking to achieve. ESOL services are more important than they have ever been, the number of people who either don't have any English or only a small amount need to be able to live and work in our communities. This service is one I would like to see at very least maintain it's funding. Having less access to ESOL services will make people feel more isolated and will have a negative impact on community integration and tolerance. People need to communicate to be able to access services, they will not if this service is reduced.	More Choice More Chances (MCMC)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council will continue to produce a statutory CLD plan, to be delivered through the learning community partnerships centred of non-denominational secondary schools, with a focus on partnership working between schools and the third sector.
6897	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	I accept that MCMC is a proven technique but its not the only scheme. Need more research to prove the value of all optional schemes. It may be that they all need support.	More Choice More Chances (MCMC)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council will continue to produce a statutory CLD plan, to be delivered through the learning community partnerships centred of non-denominational secondary schools, with a focus on partnership working between schools and the third sector.
6898	An employee of West Lothian Council	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Poorer people who need youth services will be affected.	More Choice More Chances (MCMC)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council will continue to produce a statutory CLD plan, to be delivered through the learning community partnerships centred of non-denominational secondary schools, with a focus on partnership working between schools and the third sector.
6899	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	It's very important to equip young people with the skills to enable them to gain employment	More Choice More Chances (MCMC)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	West Lothian's support for MCMC pupils has proved effective at increasing numbers progressing to a positive destination.
6900	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	I see no evidence that MCMC makes a real difference ...the amount of resources and £ spent would be better used at an early intervention stage . I sit on the Children's Panel and see far too many kids that barely attend school yet WLC does not use the powers available to step in quickly and secure their attendance .....yet you are quick enough to send out letters if a parent takes a child (who has otherwise perfect attendance) for a day or 2 off school for a special holiday . early intervention will help children benefit from routines and boundaries and above all an education that will fit them well for the future challenges of finding work in adulthood please don't reduce the youth service in all our kids clubs in our communities I am dismayed and indeed disgusted that very little value seems to be given to youth services . The services are critical to engaging with the young people in our communities and to help shape them into valuable citizens for future . The clubs and groups foster inter race , religion and cultural diversity . They do great work in teaching about all subjects ...from healthy eating and exercise , to community projects such as our own Armadale War Memorial fundraising group ...the club learned about the war memorial and the names of the 152 who are named on the memorial ....the kids used enterprise skills , worked as individuals and as groups and raised almost £800 for the memorial . At Christmas they attend the Old Folks residential places and entertain with songs .....they are off the streets and actively participating in community beneficial activities . Please, please don't take this away from them ...they are the future lifeblood of West Lothian . perhaps look to reduce the seas of white (and other colours !) pool cars that I see parked up ...never moving ....surely a high cost of leases . I photograph them every time I am at the Civic entre ...the ones that are there when I arrive to sit on the Children's Panel are still there when I leave many hours later ...what's the average mileage per car ? I am also concerned to see the massive rise in senior posts of salary 50k and over ...an increase of 36% at the same time a drastic reduction in front line operatives ...eg NETS -20.4%....does the term too many chiefs and not enough Indians not ring true ?	More Choice More Chances (MCMC)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	West Lothian's support for MCMC pupils has proved effective at increasing numbers progressing to a positive destination. The Council takes a robust approach to absence, including parents who take children out of school for holidays. The Council will continue to produce a statutory CLD plan, to be delivered through the learning community partnerships centred of non-denominational secondary schools, with a focus on partnership working between schools and the third sector.
6901	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	MCMC work is supported by other teams across the council, all of which contribute to young people's attendance, achievement, attainment and positive destinations. There is no concrete evidence that the service makes its greatest impact through MCMC alone, as suggested in the above statement. Young people's participation in other youth work activities such as youth clubs, doing accreditation through Duke of Edinburgh's Award, JASS, YYA, youth forums, youth exchange programmes, school work and sports clubs support positive destinations. Closing other youth activities is short sighted. Young people and adults with disabilities are going to be impacted by the proposals. Adequate skills knowledge and expertise needs to be retained to drive any new changes forward strategically and operationally. Equality Impact Assessment.	More Choice More Chances (MCMC)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council will continue to produce a statutory CLD plan, to be delivered through the learning community partnerships centred of non-denominational secondary schools, with a focus on partnership working between schools and the third sector.

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6902	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	If primary and secondary education were excellent this would not be required and would save more than £1.6 million!	More Choice More Chances (MCMC)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
6903	No Response	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Why will English be a second language. It's our language.	More Choice More Chances (MCMC)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council will meet its obligations in terms of ESOL. There are many benefits to society of ensuring residents have appropriate communication skills.
6904	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Again - proves that if you cut any other educational services - you will have an Even bigger problem in this area	More Choice More Chances (MCMC)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
6905	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	As long as it covers properly the service and opportunities the young people and adults should get.	More Choice More Chances (MCMC)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The Council will continue to produce a statutory CLD plan, to be delivered through the learning community partnerships centred of non-denominational secondary schools, with a focus on partnership working between schools and the third sector.
6906	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	This is an area where I am happy for partner organisations to be involved and allow council savings	More Choice More Chances (MCMC)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
6907	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Adult education can often be provided efficiently online, so efficient teaching and less contact time.	More Choice More Chances (MCMC)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Officers will consider how this could be developed.
6908	No Response	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	A lot of staff are not interested in adult learning.	More Choice More Chances (MCMC)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
6909	An employee of West Lothian Council	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	I think that the MCMC service has been extremely beneficial in improving the positive outcomes for children and young people when they leave school, which suggests to me that it is a crucial investment for the council in terms of improving employment figures for the authority and subsequently reducing the poverty gap.	More Choice More Chances (MCMC)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	West Lothian's support for MCMC pupils has proved effective at increasing numbers progressing to a positive destination.
6910	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Although I recognise the value and benefits of the McMc approach, this process starts in the later stages of a Child's education, Early Intervention and prevention is also absolutely essential. Effective Youth work by Council staff and partner agencies contributes to young people not requiring McMc key worker involvement. The McMc approach is developing in schools earlier, however, it continues to require external agency support.	More Choice More Chances (MCMC)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council will continue to produce a statutory CLD plan, to be delivered through the learning community partnerships centred of non-denominational secondary schools, with a focus on partnership working between schools and the third sector.
6911	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	If Children's and Youth work is lost, we will have more young people isolated and not excelling in skills outwith the core educational curriculum, Literacy and numeracy, which although vital, does not alone create confident, aspiring and fulfilled young people in our communities. There are opportunities to attract external funding and develop further partnership with the third sector and through Social Enterprise work to ensure that our children and young people achieve maximum potential. As chair of West Lothian's Children and Young People's Third sector forum, I and colleagues would welcome the opportunity to contribute to any Strategy redevelopment of services in this area. Our agency has recently developed a funding strategy to attract funding externally from the council and to look at ways to restructure our organisation to maximise investment, therefore reducing reliance on Council funding. This takes time, therefore we would welcome a staged approach to any cuts made in the area. Opportunities are available to reduce funding from council into this area of work but require open partnership discussions. The fear of job losses does not create a good culture for this to take place at times. I hope the Value of Youth work and targeted interventions with young people are not de-valued.	More Choice More Chances (MCMC)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council will continue to produce a statutory CLD plan, to be delivered through the learning community partnerships centred of non-denominational secondary schools, with a focus on partnership working between schools and the third sector.
6912	No Response	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Alternative opportunities than academia should be available at school.	More Choice More Chances (MCMC)	4. The council is already doing this.	The council is already doing this.
6913	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	If a review has shown that the greatest impact is made through MCMC, then that is the way in which to proceed. Any programme which gets young people into employment, education or training is to be applauded. If young people are left out in the cold, then they become disengaged from society, feel not valued or needed and this sows the seeds of bitterness which can lead to a life of crime.	More Choice More Chances (MCMC)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	West Lothian's support for MCMC pupils has proved effective at increasing numbers progressing to a positive destination.
6914	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Good Jobs provide training do not see how a 1.6 million reduction will achieve anything	More Choice More Chances (MCMC)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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6915	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Agreed, but again be wary of how many times you can go to the tertiary providers before they are no longer able to support the service expected, will not be held responsible, and it then turns back on central/local government to be there to accept responsibility for the results from ill conceived 'initiatives' and over optimistic 'savings'.	More Choice More Chances (MCMC)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
6916	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Will all who need this service still get it if staffing is reduced?	More Choice More Chances (MCMC)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	The Council will continue to produce a statutory CLD plan, to be delivered through the learning community partnerships centred of non-denominational secondary schools, with a focus on partnership working between schools and the third sector.
6917	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Other bodies like colleges do education leave the council to run schools	More Choice More Chances (MCMC)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council will continue to produce a statutory CLD plan, to be delivered through the learning community partnerships centred of non-denominational secondary schools, with a focus on partnership working between schools and the third sector.
6918	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Reduction in the number of young people not in education, employment and training must remain a priority as there are issues for poverty, crime, wellbeing etc.	More Choice More Chances (MCMC)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	West Lothian's support for MCMC pupils has proved effective at increasing numbers progressing to a positive destination.
6919	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	volunteering fits well here!	More Choice More Chances (MCMC)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Officers will consider how this could be developed.
6920	An employee of West Lothian Council	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Good to continue focus on areas that are delivering results.	More Choice More Chances (MCMC)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
6921	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	This sounds like a simple cut in staff which will result in a reduction in service delivery, with the chosen focus on MCMC. The cut to other services will have a negative impact on important Council priorities which is very disappointing.	More Choice More Chances (MCMC)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council will continue to produce a statutory CLD plan, to be delivered through the learning community partnerships centred of non-denominational secondary schools, with a focus on partnership working between schools and the third sector.
6922	No Response	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	I support the maintenance of MCMC.	More Choice More Chances (MCMC)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	West Lothian's support for MCMC pupils has proved effective at increasing numbers progressing to a positive destination.
6923	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	A greater understanding of the MCMC programme and how it interacts with other council services to deliver is required to make a contribution on this saving.	More Choice More Chances (MCMC)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	West Lothian's support for MCMC pupils has proved effective at increasing numbers progressing to a positive destination.
6924	No Response	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	agree MCMC make biggest impact but need to identify and engage young people earlier	More Choice More Chances (MCMC)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	West Lothian's support for MCMC pupils has proved effective at increasing numbers progressing to a positive destination.
6925	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	I agree that supporting a programme that has been demonstrated to have an impact makes sense. Assume that a focus on MCMC would mean that it would benefit from reduced 'competition' from other less effective programmes.	More Choice More Chances (MCMC)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	West Lothian's support for MCMC pupils has proved effective at increasing numbers progressing to a positive destination.
6926	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Having worked with MCMC personally, i find this this service is be continued ithas to be better managed and supervised. The workers chose when and when not to engage and are can be very discouraging to the young people and the carers , If this service cannot be improved then it should be discontinued or vastly improved.	More Choice More Chances (MCMC)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	West Lothian's support for MCMC pupils has proved effective at increasing numbers progressing to a positive destination.
6927	An employee of West Lothian Council	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	MCMC do not offer a consistent service to the more challenging young people who are not in education. The Youth Inclusion Project offer a persistent keyworker approach and have taken on a number of young people who have either not been offered a service, or the service has been withdrawn. There has to be a better way of integrating these services.	More Choice More Chances (MCMC)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	West Lothian's support for MCMC pupils has proved effective at increasing numbers progressing to a positive destination. The Council will continue to produce a statutory CLD plan, to be delivered through the learning community partnerships centred of non-denominational secondary schools, with a focus on partnership working between schools and the third sector.
6928	An employee of West Lothian Council	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	every pupil leaving school should have the opportunity to access an apprenticeship	More Choice More Chances (MCMC)	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	The Council works in partnership to promote opportunities, but there are limits to its influence on employers.

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6929	An employee of West Lothian Council	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Given the amount of illiteracy within the younger population it is important to have facilities on offer that encourage people to read and write as this could have a wider impact on their wellbeing and future life.	More Choice More Chances (MCMC)	4. The council is already doing this.	Literacy and numeracy are a key feature in school.
6930	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Anything which reduces the number of pupils not in education or training has to be good.	More Choice More Chances (MCMC)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	West Lothian's support for MCMC pupils has proved effective at increasing numbers progressing to a positive destination.
6931	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Adult learning is the only service that I currently use. It is not just about education although I am learning a lot its also about social interaction and confidence.	More Choice More Chances (MCMC)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council will continue to produce a statutory CLD plan, to be delivered through the learning community partnerships centred of non-denominational secondary schools, with a focus on partnership working between schools and the third sector.
6932	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	I attend adult learning and get a lot from it.	More Choice More Chances (MCMC)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council will continue to produce a statutory CLD plan, to be delivered through the learning community partnerships centred of non-denominational secondary schools, with a focus on partnership working between schools and the third sector.
6933	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Gobbledygook - how do you measure success rate?	More Choice More Chances (MCMC)	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
6934	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Youth clubs and children's clubs and CLD practitioners should not be cut as they enable YP to live! They also serve an important part of society. Question for WLC - Without CLD youth services we will not meet GIRFEC, national YW outcomes, no safeguarding, kids on streets - unsafe, no community, destroy sense of community, no inter-generational work, no DoF. There is disrespect in this section to children, young people, workers, volunteers, parents, guardians, families and work with our hardest to reach in society. It's simply abhorrent. I am in shock at the disgrace thinking even to attempt to cut this area. Shame on all involved. Anger reigns in West Lothian and in turn this is not positive on people's health - shame! MCMC do a good job however not to the detriment of CLD youth & children's services mainstream work it's a different service	More Choice More Chances (MCMC)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council will continue to produce a statutory CLD plan, to be delivered through the learning community partnerships centred of non-denominational secondary schools, with a focus on partnership working between schools and the third sector.
6935	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	We understand that More Choice More Chances key workers provide intensive support to individual identified young people and cover all 11 mainstream secondary schools and this is to be applauded. However valuable work is also undertaken by voluntary organisations, in Linlithgow LYPP, and we trust that this will continue to be supported. We would oppose basing youth services on only MCMC. Adult learning is vital we would oppose any cuts in this area.	More Choice More Chances (MCMC)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council will continue to produce a statutory CLD plan, to be delivered through the learning community partnerships centred of non-denominational secondary schools, with a focus on partnership working between schools and the third sector.
6936	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	You are discriminated against all people who have a disability and breaking the EQUALITY ACT. When something works why close it down.	More Choice More Chances (MCMC)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Any agreed proposal will be subject to appropriate Equality relevance and impact assessments.
6937	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Does this mean the children/young people's clubs will no longer be supported by the council? If this is the case, have you considered that the success of MCMC is due to the positive impact the "youth" clubs have had. If these are no longer, then the MCMC may need a bigger workforce in future years.	More Choice More Chances (MCMC)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council will continue to produce a statutory CLD plan, to be delivered through the learning community partnerships centred of non-denominational secondary schools, with a focus on partnership working between schools and the third sector.
6938	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	I think specialist youth services e.g. autism spectrum clubs, LGBT Clubs etc. should be protected as they are a vital service for people isolated in their communities.	More Choice More Chances (MCMC)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council will continue to produce a statutory CLD plan, to be delivered through the learning community partnerships centred of non-denominational secondary schools, with a focus on partnership working between schools and the third sector.
6939	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	the council should make sure school leavers especially care leavers aren't made homeless.	More Choice More Chances (MCMC)	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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6940	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Don't know what MCMC is. Sports groups youth groups are important , worried about youth offending.	More Choice More Chances (MCMC)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council will continue to produce a statutory CLD plan, to be delivered through the learning community partnerships centred of non-denominational secondary schools, with a focus on partnership working between schools and the third sector.
6941	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	I don't want to loose my literacy class. I have improved my English, I have employment . I am getting qualification and I can help my children with school work. I am learning to drive and really value this class. It has made a huge difference to my life. I am now part of my community. I would be in a much worst place if I didn't have my literacy class. I can communicate with people.	More Choice More Chances (MCMC)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council will continue to produce a statutory CLD plan, to be delivered through the learning community partnerships centred of non-denominational secondary schools, with a focus on partnership working between schools and the third sector.
6942	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	I would lose the support to help me wit my English which is important for me to help with my future employment.	More Choice More Chances (MCMC)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council will meet its obligations in terms of ESOL. There are many benefits to society of ensuring residents have appropriate communication skills.
6943	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Look at support from your local employers. Apprentice schemes and early industry career mapping and in-house training (the banks used to be good at this) remove the need in many cases for tertiary education which quite often leads to students accessing 'university' courses with no clear career target in mind. If you can direct students (fully literate and numerate students) to an early pathway to employment you reduce the burden on education staffing and give youngsters an income.	More Choice More Chances (MCMC)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	West Lothian Council is keen to pursue partnership with employers.
6944	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Priority must be given to young people to get them in to employment and break the deprivation cycle.	More Choice More Chances (MCMC)	4. The council is already doing this.	West Lothian's support for MCMC pupils has proved effective at increasing numbers progressing to a positive destination.
6945	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Hopefully the smaller team would not be to the detriment of the programme.	More Choice More Chances (MCMC)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council will continue to produce a statutory CLD plan, to be delivered through the learning community partnerships centred of non-denominational secondary schools, with a focus on partnership working between schools and the third sector.
6946	An employee of West Lothian Council	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	I have never know what this service delivers. Surely in time the need for this service reduces if our attainment is increasing.	More Choice More Chances (MCMC)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The Council will continue to produce a statutory CLD plan, to be delivered through the learning community partnerships centred of non-denominational secondary schools, with a focus on partnership working between schools and the third sector.
6947	No Response	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Outdoor Education is a proven means of engaging young people and getting them on track. Engage and invest in your providers, make this service a priority in MCMC.	More Choice More Chances (MCMC)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The comment makes no specific suggestion for action.
6948	An employee of West Lothian Council	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	There is a great need for this to continue to support those young people through these difficult times in their life to get the most they can from education and hopefully continue their learning into higher education or work.	More Choice More Chances (MCMC)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council will continue to produce a statutory CLD plan, to be delivered through the learning community partnerships centred of non-denominational secondary schools, with a focus on partnership working between schools and the third sector.
6949	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Thought kids were paid not to leave the school	More Choice More Chances (MCMC)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Education Maintenance Allowance is a national scheme.
6950	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Again while this laudable, it looks to cost more, rather than lead to savings	More Choice More Chances (MCMC)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The proposal is designed to reduce costs.
6951	No Response	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	I believe that close examination should be paid to staffing numbers in these departments. Small teaching units may be desirable however not Sibelius when the council is being forced to cut costs.	More Choice More Chances (MCMC)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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6952	No Response	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	This is an important bridge to employment and needs attention, particularly if you want to keep crime down.	More Choice More Chances (MCMC)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	West Lothian's support for MCMC pupils has proved effective at increasing numbers progressing to a positive destination. West Lothian Council has little control over the supply of positive destinations. The Council will continue to produce a statutory CLD plan, to be delivered through the learning community partnerships centred of non-denominational secondary schools, with a focus on partnership working between schools and the third sector.
6953	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Where these savings are concerned, it must not be destructive to the program as proposed.	More Choice More Chances (MCMC)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	West Lothian's support for MCMC pupils has proved effective at increasing numbers progressing to a positive destination. West Lothian Council has little control over the supply of positive destinations. The Council will continue to produce a statutory CLD plan, to be delivered through the learning community partnerships centred of non-denominational secondary schools, with a focus on partnership working between schools and the third sector.
6954	An employee of West Lothian Council	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	MCMC is vital to those who can not cope with mainstream schooling. this must be maintained aswell as EAL assistants.	More Choice More Chances (MCMC)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	West Lothian's support for MCMC pupils has proved effective at increasing numbers progressing to a positive destination. West Lothian Council has little control over the supply of positive destinations. The Council will meet its obligations in terms of ESOL. There are many benefits to society of ensuring residents have appropriate communication skills.
6955	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Lifelong learning is key to enhancing opportunities for individuals and for redressing inequalities. (See your own priorities on employment and inequality.)	More Choice More Chances (MCMC)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	West Lothian's support for MCMC pupils has proved effective at increasing numbers progressing to a positive destination. West Lothian Council has little control over the supply of positive destinations. The Council will continue to produce a statutory CLD plan, to be delivered through the learning community partnerships centred of non-denominational secondary schools, with a focus on partnership working between schools and the third sector.
6956	An employee of West Lothian Council	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Agree the focus should be supporting MCMC young people particularly during and once they have transitioned from school to the world of education, employment or training.	More Choice More Chances (MCMC)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council will continue to focus on MCMC work.
6957	An employee of West Lothian Council	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	We MUST continue our focus on youth services this is a very important and valuable service for a number of reasons.	More Choice More Chances (MCMC)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council will continue to produce a statutory CLD plan, to be delivered through the learning community partnerships centred of non-denominational secondary schools, with a focus on partnership working between schools and the third sector.
6958	An employee of West Lothian Council	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	In agreement with this -working in partnership with this group and helping each other engage in our good outcomes	More Choice More Chances (MCMC)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
6959	An employee of West Lothian Council	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Are we confident that the upstream issues causing MCMC are being tackled? Are the aspirations of MCMC challenging enough - could our young MCMC people achieve even more?	More Choice More Chances (MCMC)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	West Lothian's support for MCMC pupils has proved effective at increasing numbers progressing to a positive destination. West Lothian Council works in partnership to maximise impact on the issues causing MCMC and to maximise the effectiveness of action to address these, but has limited ability to control all potential causal factors.
6960	An employee of West Lothian Council	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	I assumed this new MCMC programme will included the Deaf Adult & Youth in using their services. The council should be able to deliver adult learning and English to a Deaf British Sign Language User as their second language.	More Choice More Chances (MCMC)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.

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6961	An employee of West Lothian Council	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	MCMC is not totally funded by WL Council and workers are on short term contracts. If the service is important, why are the employees not permanent staff? this would boost morale and encourage a more consistent approach.	More Choice More Chances (MCMC)	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	Workers are on short term contracts because they are not funded by West Lothian Council and continuation of funding cannot be guaranteed.
6962	An employee of West Lothian Council	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	I am aware of a young person who has positively benefitted from this type of service. I feel strongly that it is an essential service to help reduce the potential for young people falling through the net and leading to longer term issues with obtaining and maintaining employment in their future lives.	More Choice More Chances (MCMC)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council will continue to produce a statutory CLD plan, to be delivered through the learning community partnerships centred of non-denominational secondary schools, with a focus on partnership working between schools and the third sector.
6963	No Response	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Although I do see a need for ESOL learning, I think this should only be provided for refugees. I think if people are choosing to come to live in the UK they should pay to learn English. The MCMC programme should be supported, however the council should be careful of pushing more work on to schools who are already juggling too many balls.	More Choice More Chances (MCMC)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	West Lothian's support for MCMC pupils has proved effective at increasing numbers progressing to a positive destination, and will continue as a priority. The Council will meet its obligations in terms of ESOL. There are many benefits to society of ensuring residents have appropriate communication skills.
6964	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Educate 15/16 year-olds in school about other alternatives to academic further education. Raise awareness of MCMC and other schemes.	More Choice More Chances (MCMC)	4. The council is already doing this.	The council is already doing this.
6965	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	If the MCMC has been proven to be successful - do it more!	More Choice More Chances (MCMC)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	West Lothian's support for MCMC pupils has proved effective at increasing numbers progressing to a positive destination. West Lothian Council works in partnership to maximise impact on the issues causing MCMC and to maximise the effectiveness of action to address these.
6966	No Response	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Yet again another restructure for youth services?! I do agree that MCMC should continue and expand but i hope its not at the expense of other youth provisions eg community centre groups and armadale youth space	More Choice More Chances (MCMC)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council will continue to produce a statutory CLD plan, to be delivered through the learning community partnerships centred of non-denominational secondary schools, with a focus on partnership working between schools and the third sector.
6967	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	MCMC aims are somewhat adrift from its outcomes. The amount saved is paltry. Children lost to school are too often lost for good. Mean decision.	More Choice More Chances (MCMC)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposal is to maintain MCMC support, but with a closer linkage to schools.
6968	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Do not take the money away from Youth & Childrens Clubs in favour of MCMC These clubs are equally important for young people	More Choice More Chances (MCMC)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council will continue to produce a statutory CLD plan, to be delivered through the learning community partnerships centred of non-denominational secondary schools, with a focus on partnership working between schools and the third sector.
6969	No Response	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Children who are leaving school need support and a focus - keep the MCMC - it is very valuable - to help all our children achieve their best.	More Choice More Chances (MCMC)	4. The council is already doing this.	The Council, working in partnership, seeks to deliver an appropriate curriculum for all young people to maximise their opportunity to progress to a positive destination.
6970	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Can details of this plan be published for interested parties to view electronically and/or hardcopy? Where can we see details of MCMC. It is great to share good news, particularly at times like this?	More Choice More Chances (MCMC)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Detailed implementation plans will not be available until the consultation is complete and decisions on what proposals to take forward are made.
6971	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	The MCMC Team have helped me throughout my time since leaving school and I feel that this is a really important service especially Activity Agreement as this has helped me with my confidence and employability skills.	More Choice More Chances (MCMC)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	MCMC activity will be maintained.
6972	An employee of West Lothian Council	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	MCMC is very important	More Choice More Chances (MCMC)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	MCMC activity will be maintained.
6973	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	This is a very important area of education and needs very special consideration.	More Choice More Chances (MCMC)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council will continue to produce a statutory CLD plan, to be delivered through the learning community partnerships centred of non-denominational secondary schools, with a focus on partnership working between schools and the third sector.

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6974	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Keep this going.	More Choice More Chances (MCMC)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council will continue to produce a statutory CLD plan, to be delivered through the learning community partnerships centred of non-denominational secondary schools, with a focus on partnership working between schools and the third sector.
6975	No Response	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	This is essential to pick up young people who have not been able to engage at school, but again if early education was better this service would not be so necessary.	More Choice More Chances (MCMC)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council will continue to produce a statutory CLD plan, to be delivered through the learning community partnerships centred of non-denominational secondary schools, with a focus on partnership working between schools and the third sector.
6976	No Response	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	The more done for younger adults the better	More Choice More Chances (MCMC)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council will continue to produce a statutory CLD plan, to be delivered through the learning community partnerships centred of non-denominational secondary schools, with a focus on partnership working between schools and the third sector.
6977	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	I totally agree that it is vital for young people to have choices. However encouraging many to stay on at school and go into further education when they are clearly not interested in academic study, seems a waste of resources. I would like to see more of the resources go into apprenticeships and employment training.	More Choice More Chances (MCMC)	4. The council is already doing this.	The Council works in partnership to maximise opportunities for apprenticeships and training.
6978	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Absolutely vital to these adults and young adults. Seriously not an area to cut.	More Choice More Chances (MCMC)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council will continue to produce a statutory CLD plan, to be delivered through the learning community partnerships centred of non-denominational secondary schools, with a focus on partnership working between schools and the third sector.
6979	No Response	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	College places Collaboration Dialogue	More Choice More Chances (MCMC)	4. The council is already doing this.	West Lothian Council works in close partnership with West Lothian College.
6980	An employee of West Lothian Council	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	MCMC sounds very worthwhile and hopefully there is sound evidence to suggest that participants in this programme will have improved outlooks and contribute positively to society, therefore reducing future council spending. Its very important that non English speaking citizens are able to access classes easily and I believe it is essential to ensure they can become part of the wider community. I have come across a lot of children in WLC schools who have English as a 2nd language and still struggle to communicate despite being here for a number of years. This doesn't benefit anyone. If their parents had been taught, they could help this.	More Choice More Chances (MCMC)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	West Lothian's support for MCMC pupils has proved effective at increasing numbers progressing to a positive destination. West Lothian Council has little control over the supply of positive destinations. The Council will meet its obligations in terms of ESOL. There are many benefits to society of ensuring residents have appropriate communication skills.
6981	No Response	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Sounds like a waste of money these people have to take responsibility for themselves	More Choice More Chances (MCMC)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The comment does not propose any specific action.
6982	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	MCMC and other previous iterations of schemes to encourage people into work are vital to ensuring that the larger economic impacts of unemployment are reduced. If the number of placements were to drop as a result of this funding cut then it should be reconsidered.	More Choice More Chances (MCMC)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The proposal is that MCMC support is not cut.
6983	No Response	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	A smaller team will mean a less directed education which may result in taking longer to qualify from any courses, meaning that more money will have to be spent.	More Choice More Chances (MCMC)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposals are designed to decrease, not increase expenditure.
6984	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	If something works build on it whilst ensuring everyone is clear why it works, how it impacts on delivery of strategic aims and there is a mechanism to share good practice in order that it can be replicated.	More Choice More Chances (MCMC)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
6985	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	I am concerned with staffing levels. Spread the staff too thinly and the end result is poor	More Choice More Chances (MCMC)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council will continue to produce a statutory CLD plan, to be delivered through the learning community partnerships centred of non-denominational secondary schools, with a focus on partnership working between schools and the third sector.
6986	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	More choices. Give kids more choice to learn music. And I don't play an instrument but have seen first hand the amazing impact learning a musical instrument has had on my son's life, behaviour. The benefits are too numerous to mention here.	More Choice More Chances (MCMC)	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.

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6987	No Response	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Another important service, required to help people improve.	More Choice More Chances (MCMC)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council will continue to produce a statutory CLD plan, to be delivered through the learning community partnerships centred of non-denominational secondary schools, with a focus on partnership working between schools and the third sector.
6988	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	It depends what structure this takes as to whether people benefit from it if it is just something unemployed young people are forced into - therefore using up resources with no recognised output or enthusiasm from the individuals to take part or make anything of it.	More Choice More Chances (MCMC)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	West Lothian's support for MCMC pupils has proved effective at increasing numbers progressing to a positive destination.
6989	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Given the cuts we can no longer provide services such as this. This cannot be our priority.	More Choice More Chances (MCMC)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
6990	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Support for youth services is vital	More Choice More Chances (MCMC)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council will continue to produce a statutory CLD plan, to be delivered through the learning community partnerships centred of non-denominational secondary schools, with a focus on partnership working between schools and the third sector.
6991	No Response	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	This is a good investment for the future , both socially and practically. It is vital that young adults are able to train for employment to give them a purpose in life and enjoy the fruits of their labour. It is also vital for a settled and satisfied society.	More Choice More Chances (MCMC)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council will continue to produce a statutory CLD plan, to be delivered through the learning community partnerships centred of non-denominational secondary schools, with a focus on partnership working between schools and the third sector.
6992	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Agree MCMC work is hugely important in improving both the destinations of young people leaving school and also those who have already left and need extra support to become involved in training/education/employment. Programmes such as Skills Training Programme and Activity Agreements are partly funded through Scottish Government and European Social Fund, must ensure we make the best use of other sources of funding such as these.	More Choice More Chances (MCMC)	4. The council is already doing this.	The Council will make best use of partnership opportunities to support MCMC work.
6993	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	I support getting young people into work.	More Choice More Chances (MCMC)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
6994	An employee of West Lothian Council	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	I believe young people should be maintained in mainstream education at al costs, schemes such as MCMC whilst valuable are not a substitute for full time education.	More Choice More Chances (MCMC)	4. The council is already doing this.	Pupils are supported to stay on at school through appropriate curricula and Education maintenance Allowance, but some young people make the informed decision to pursue other options, including training, employment or further education.
6995	An employee of West Lothian Council	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	All young people should be in mainstream education and scheme like MCMC should not be a substitute for this.	More Choice More Chances (MCMC)	4. The council is already doing this.	Pupils are supported to stay on at school through appropriate curricula and Education maintenance Allowance, but some young people make the informed decision to pursue other options, including training, employment or further education.
6996	No Response	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Looking back, I feel that during my time in high school, I was never made aware of many choices beyond university. I know many who went to university without really knowing why. I know people who panicked but couldn't figure out how to get a job or what job, or post-school occupation. For the MDMC programme, I think it is important to really offer all the options to all people, so people are not left making choices that don't suit them at all.	More Choice More Chances (MCMC)	4. The council is already doing this.	All pupils have access to careers advice sand support to help them decide from amongst the options available.
6997	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	I think the work MCMC carry out and is a good thing. I don't agree with looking at savings in this area.	More Choice More Chances (MCMC)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The proposal is to maintain MCMC.
6998	An employee of West Lothian Council	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	MCMC are very good at engaging with the young people they work with and have good support networks too. The Youth Action Project also do great work.	More Choice More Chances (MCMC)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	West Lothian's support for MCMC pupils has proved effective at increasing numbers progressing to a positive destination. West Lothian Council has little control over the supply of positive destinations. The Council will continue to produce a statutory CLD plan, to be delivered through the learning community partnerships centred of non-denominational secondary schools, with a focus on partnership working between schools and the third sector.

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6999	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Every effort should be made to maintain the services for young people as this is the next generation, these are the people who will be paying taxes soon so we should give them the best chance they can of a sound education, training and employment.	More Choice More Chances (MCMC)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council will continue to produce a statutory CLD plan, to be delivered through the learning community partnerships centred of non-denominational secondary schools, with a focus on partnership working between schools and the third sector.
7000	An employee of West Lothian Council	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Of course MCMC is vital but there is so much more to working with school aged children than this. Youth work in its broadest sense enriches lives by giving young people experiences, opportunities, ideas and motivations they didn't know existed. Youth work through projects and club's give young people a safe place where they can learn, engage, interact, access role models, be role models, choose, explore and be themselves. There are 12 year olds who cannot identify a cucumber, 15 year olds who think once you go over the forth road bridge you are in England, and young girls who think having a baby will get you forever love, happiness and a house - Youth work can help to address this. The breadth of learning experiences a young person gets through youth work is so varied and meets THEIR needs but unfortunately very hard to quantify. These experiences can lead to improved life choices, healthier lifestyles, increased confidence, safer choices that can impact on community safety and of course employability and attainment. Many of these experiences are provided at a much reduced cost which helps to close the gap between the rich and poor and begins to address the inequality in our communities. Youth work also values young people who otherwise might be overlooked because they don't get good grades etc, young people have a chance to shine and are recognised for it through accreditation and internal awards. Personally it is my greatest ambition to raise my children to experience new things, have the confidence to explore, the motivation to try but what if I don't have the skills, resources or funds to make this happen, just accept they will miss out??? I have seen parents weep with gratitude that their child is attending a weekend away or a meal in a restaurant, I've seen a p7 talk about their best memory being an overnight at lowport when they were in p3. I've seen a child take home a pizza they've made in a club and the parent says wow that has just saved me a fiver I didn't have. I've seen my youth workers tell a parent their child is being bullied and help them come up with a plan, I've heard a young person telling me I'VE changed their life. Please do not take youth work away, invest in it!!	More Choice More Chances (MCMC)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council will continue to produce a statutory CLD plan, to be delivered through the learning community partnerships centred of non-denominational secondary schools, with a focus on partnership working between schools and the third sector.
7001	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	As 1A - Excellent if all of the above are carried out. However on current personally experienced performance it will take a huge effort to even provide an improvement. Further why has the "efficiency and effectiveness" not been applied to current procedures. No real criteria to be reach is actually stated and the starting point for these "efficiency and effectiveness" upgrade to services is not evident. Vagueness in targets to achieve. How will residents know when this is achieved?	More Choice More Chances (MCMC)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Residents will know this has been carried out is projected savings are achieved whilst maintaining those parts of the service identified.
7002	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Giving all young people the opportunity to gain experience of the self disciplines necessary for either employment or further education is very important both to the individual and to the community. I have no experience of the MCMC programme, but I do have experience of the StepsN2Work scheme - as utilised in the retail (specifically independent booksellers environment) and this has very successful enabled several young troubled "school drop-outs" gain confidence and be inspired to go back into further education and be great examples of how the right combination of WLC sponsored scheme - yields great results. Similarly I have long (successful and rewarding) experience of employing Technical apprentices both in WLC (at Cameron/Wyman Gordon) and in several other companies within the UK - I would advocate these schemes - are key elements in a successful Youth Policy.	More Choice More Chances (MCMC)	4. The council is already doing this.	The Council will continue to work in partnership to offer as many work experience and training opportunities as possible to school leavers.
7003	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Again, no detail provided for what services available now would not be available after proposed cuts. Impossible to comment.	More Choice More Chances (MCMC)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
7004	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Not sure the smaller team can adequately deliver/meet demands.	More Choice More Chances (MCMC)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council will continue to produce a statutory CLD plan, to be delivered through the learning community partnerships centred of non-denominational secondary schools, with a focus on partnership working between schools and the third sector.

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7005	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	More detail required in terms of what services will be provided. MCMC needs to link in better with other council services to improve life chances for young people.	More Choice More Chances (MCMC)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	The proposal will consider: 1. a statutory CLD plan, to be delivered through the learning community partnerships centred of non-denominational secondary schools, with a focus on partnership working between schools and the third sector. 2. a continued focus on MCMC in order to maximise progression to positive destination. 3. continuation of ESOL and statutory adult learning services.
7006	No Response	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Need to catch children early. I have evidence of a child highlighted at primary age but nothing is being done- this will only cause issues for this group.	More Choice More Chances (MCMC)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council will continue to produce a statutory CLD plan, to be delivered through the learning community partnerships centred of non-denominational secondary schools, with a focus on partnership working between schools and the third sector.
7007	No Response	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	This should be dealt with in last years in high school, preparing kids for the future instead of unnecessary subjects	More Choice More Chances (MCMC)	4. The council is already doing this.	Pupils receive careers advice, and other support to access positive destinations, and a variety of curricular choices are available to support pupils.
7008	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Education remains the best enabler to employment and out of poverty. It also encourages and enables positive choices. This will remove services to the most vulnerable. Has consideration been given to pursuing some means of sponsorship with local employers?	More Choice More Chances (MCMC)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your comment which will be considered as part of any service redesign
7009	An employee of West Lothian Council	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Whilst many adolescents are not staying in full time education or moving into employment EMA funding should not be paid just to entice these people to stay in education as they are not gaining from this and are draining the public purse. If people who do stay in further education need financial assistance then the way in which this cash is spent should be closely monitored as it's widely abused. It's all very well training people for employment but the jobs are simply not there to be had.	More Choice More Chances (MCMC)	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	Education Maintenance Allowance is a national scheme.
7010	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	To save money in this area why not have more after-school clubs whereby teenagers are supervised by parent volunteers. Adult statutory learning should be minimised and courses should be run through the collage for education	More Choice More Chances (MCMC)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Working with the third (voluntary) sector is part of the proposals. The Council will continue to explore opportunities for partnership working with West Lothian college.
7011	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Seems reasonable, as long as there continues to be easy access to these for all the council residents.	More Choice More Chances (MCMC)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The Council will continue to produce a statutory CLD plan, to be delivered through the learning community partnerships centred of non-denominational secondary schools, with a focus on partnership working between schools and the third sector.
7012	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	working with targeted audiences is essential to improve employment for young people in West Lothian. However, much of the other targeted work develops the whole young person too. EG. the LGBT community, and these programmes support employment too, just not in a direct fashion.	More Choice More Chances (MCMC)	4. The council is already doing this.	The Council will continue to support MCMC work, and is committed to promoting equality for groups including the LGBT community, for example with joint working with Stonewall and LGBT youth.
7013	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	More connections with WL college for apprenticeships etc for those who do not wish to stay on after 4th year	More Choice More Chances (MCMC)	4. The council is already doing this.	The Council will continue to work in partnership to offer as many work experience and training opportunities as possible to school leavers.
7014	No Response	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	There is a need to support the Youth, as it is challenging for the young people these days in securing a job/career due to the lack of vacancies. This can be quite demoralising for them, especially if they have left school and the Job Centre puts pressures on people to secure a job. As they are given targets/deadlines which impacts on any benefits they are entitled to. There needs to be better communication for the Youth, to explain all of the above and give them guidelines	More Choice More Chances (MCMC)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council will continue to produce a statutory CLD plan, to be delivered through the learning community partnerships centred of non-denominational secondary schools, with a focus on partnership working between schools and the third sector.
7015	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Continue to provide options for school leavers with support, do not decrease spending within youth groups and extra curricular activities. Continue to work with partner agencies and families to give the best support there is.	More Choice More Chances (MCMC)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council will continue to produce a statutory CLD plan, to be delivered through the learning community partnerships centred of non-denominational secondary schools, with a focus on partnership working between schools and the third sector.
7016	An employee of West Lothian Council	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	what would be the impact on service delivery and accessibility of these?	More Choice More Chances (MCMC)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	The Council will continue to produce a statutory CLD plan, to be delivered through the learning community partnerships centred of non-denominational secondary schools, with a focus on partnership working between schools and the third sector.

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7017	No Response	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	I would like to see more support groups for young people with learning and physical disabilities, as well as mental health or drug and alcohol issues.	More Choice More Chances (MCMC)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Officers will consider how these groups in particular can be supported.
7018	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	If smaller teams are delivering statutory adult learning and English as a second language, will MCMC have provision for increased numbers or will people miss out completely?	More Choice More Chances (MCMC)	4. The council is already doing this.	The Council intends to maintain MCMC provision at its current level.
7019	An employee of West Lothian Council	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Children who are leaving school need support and a focus - keep the MCMC - it is very valuable - to help all our children achieve their best.	More Choice More Chances (MCMC)	4. The council is already doing this.	The Council intends to maintain MCMC provision at its current level.
7020	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	So what is being cut exactly? This proposal is not entirely clear of if things like the MCMC team will be cut or not. The adult learning team seems to be getting cut, but you give not clear answer on how big the cut will be or how it will change things.	More Choice More Chances (MCMC)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council will continue to produce a statutory CLD plan, to be delivered through the learning community partnerships centred of non-denominational secondary schools, with a focus on partnership working between schools and the third sector. ESOL provision, statutory adult learning and MCMC support will be maintained.
7021	An employee of West Lothian Council	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	I would hope that the informal learning opportunities that children and young people are provided with through youth services will not be cut, as they provide children with diversionary activities in the community, provide them with the chance to meet other young people with a common purpose and goal. This may be the only social interaction young people get as it is free, and in their local community.	More Choice More Chances (MCMC)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council will continue to produce a statutory CLD plan, to be delivered through the learning community partnerships centred of non-denominational secondary schools, with a focus on partnership working between schools and the third sector.
7022	An employee of West Lothian Council	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	English as a second language? If this really helps the youth to attain gainful employment then go for it.	More Choice More Chances (MCMC)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The Council will meet its obligations in terms of ESOL. There are many benefits to society of ensuring residents have appropriate communication skills.
7023	An employee of West Lothian Council	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Having worked with vulnerable adults I know that learning opportunities can turn their lives around so it is sad to see this reduced to statutory adult learning whatever that is and ESOL.	More Choice More Chances (MCMC)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council will continue to produce a statutory CLD plan, to be delivered through the learning community partnerships centred of non-denominational secondary schools, with a focus on partnership working between schools and the third sector.
7024	An employee of West Lothian Council	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Lipreading is a vital communication skill which helps with isolation and brings people back into society. Lipreading should not be thought of as a leisure activity or hobby, but as a definable skill that can be acquired and developed, as found in the Action for Hearing loss report titled "Not just lip service" In funding the work of the Scottish Lipreading Strategy Group between 2012 -2014 the Scottish Government acknowledged that learning to lipread plays an important role in helping people to manage their hearing loss, as well as improving communication, health and wellbeing. Therefore I deem lipreading to fall under the Statutory Services for Adult Learning. By continuing to supply lipreading classes in West Lothian the council would be supporting people to live well and have greater choice and independence. In conclusion I feel that given the fractional percentage of the overall educational budget that providing vital Lipreading classes would require, alongside the real difference it makes to the quality of vulnerable people's lives it offers good value for money.	More Choice More Chances (MCMC)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your comment which will be considered as part of any service redesign
7025	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	I think that adult learners should have to pay for English lessons or alternatively we should look at once we have taught them for free then they need to volunteer for x amount of hours to help someone else. There should be an expectation that when people come to live and work in the UK that they have a basic level of English. Perhaps there would be retired people who would be willing to teach adult learners for free. I agree with this proposal	More Choice More Chances (MCMC)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council will meet its obligations in terms of ESOL. There are many benefits to society of ensuring residents have appropriate communication skills.
7026	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Pupils not in education or who do not attend school may not always be academic so its important that they are offered other opportunities of which may of interest to them. An introduction to health, beauty, physical activity and various trades may be the path they would like to go down.	More Choice More Chances (MCMC)	4. The council is already doing this.	The Council provides a variety of options within the curriculum, working in partnership with Community Planning Partners, and the Developing the Young Workforce partnership. West Lothian's support for MCMC pupils has proved effective at increasing numbers progressing to a positive destination.
7027	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Fine. But remember that not everyone wants to learn so getting youngsters into work is preferable.	More Choice More Chances (MCMC)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	West Lothian's support for MCMC pupils has proved effective at increasing numbers progressing to a positive destination.
7028	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Well structured learning environments with less stringent rules will be beneficial to the young ones. The cost benefit analysis to the Council will be greater than anticipated.	More Choice More Chances (MCMC)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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7029	An employee of West Lothian Council	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	1e The MCMC team is very good and I am pleased that it will continue. I am not clear about what services will stop with the reduction in the Adult Learning Team so it is difficult to comment.	More Choice More Chances (MCMC)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	West Lothian's support for MCMC pupils has proved effective at increasing numbers progressing to a positive destination.
7030	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	i think MCMC should be saved because i am on an activity agreement and has helps me a lot and other people my age. It is not fair on people who will leave school to nothing MCMC helps me and a lot of other people.	More Choice More Chances (MCMC)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	West Lothian's support for MCMC pupils has proved effective at increasing numbers progressing to a positive destination.
7031	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	MCMC has helped me with many things and i hope will continue to. I hope one day MCM can help more young people like me.	More Choice More Chances (MCMC)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	West Lothian's support for MCMC pupils has proved effective at increasing numbers progressing to a positive destination.
7032	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Agree that the key area for sustaining provision is MCMC.	More Choice More Chances (MCMC)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	West Lothian's support for MCMC pupils has proved effective at increasing numbers progressing to a positive destination.
7033	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Supporting young people as they make choices for further education, training and jobs with advice and work experience which can be low cost can have invaluable positive outcomes. Supporting apprenticeships should be a priority for the council.	More Choice More Chances (MCMC)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	West Lothian's support for MCMC pupils has proved effective at increasing numbers progressing to a positive destination. The Council works in partnership to maximise opportunities for work experience, training, apprenticeships etc.
7034	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	MCMC provide a vital service, especially for some of the most vulnerable young people in our community. This provision should not be removed or reduced.	More Choice More Chances (MCMC)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	West Lothian's support for MCMC pupils has proved effective at increasing numbers progressing to a positive destination.
7035	No Response	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	West Lothian is seriously lacking in opportunities for young school leavers. More apprentices and learning through work is needed.	More Choice More Chances (MCMC)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	West Lothian's support for MCMC pupils has proved effective at increasing numbers progressing to a positive destination. The Council works in partnership to maximise opportunities for work experience, training, apprenticeships etc.
7036	No Response	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Agree with the focus on mcmc and supporting those in greatest need. Youth services could be based in Secondary Schools and CLD managers could attend all secondary HT meetings and other opportunities for joint planning could be set up. Bringing in community with secondary schools as hubs for family learning and engagement would be key. This to ensure that joint planning takes place with GIRFEC outcomes as the clear focus for identified children and young people.	More Choice More Chances (MCMC)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The Council will continue to produce a statutory CLD plan, to be delivered through the learning community partnerships centred of non-denominational secondary schools, with a focus on partnership working between schools and the third sector. West Lothian's support for MCMC pupils has proved effective at increasing numbers progressing to a positive destination. The Council works in partnership to maximise opportunities for work experience, training, apprenticeships etc.
7037	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	English is our FIRST LANGUAGE and should be promoted as such.	More Choice More Chances (MCMC)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Gaelic also has a legal status in Scotland. The Council will meet its obligations in terms of ESOL. There are many benefits to society of ensuring residents have appropriate communication skills.
7038	An employee of West Lothian Council	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Ensure support is giving to Young People without positive destinations	More Choice More Chances (MCMC)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	West Lothian's support for MCMC pupils has proved effective at increasing numbers progressing to a positive destination. The Council works in partnership to maximise opportunities for work experience, training, apprenticeships etc.
7039	An employee of West Lothian Council	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	The impact on communities will be felt if there is no other youth provision. Local communities benefit from services for young people particularly perception of community safety. No other provision will impact on other services e.g. police, criminal justice and education.	More Choice More Chances (MCMC)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council will continue to produce a statutory CLD plan, to be delivered through the learning community partnerships centred of non-denominational secondary schools, with a focus on partnership working between schools and the third sector.
7040	An employee of West Lothian Council	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	I feel this is easily achievable when you see the pupil v teacher ratio that this service provides. Burnhouse Skillcentre and Connolly School may suffer a little, but mainstream will suffer more if these close. Why not resourced this through back to work charities and private funding .	More Choice More Chances (MCMC)	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	The proposal is not about ASN schools.
7041	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	I feel that we should be concentrating on youth services to keep children off the street. I feel there needs to be an emphasis on employment and education with West Lothian's young people. I do not agree with half days on a Friday within schools.	More Choice More Chances (MCMC)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council will continue to produce a statutory CLD plan, to be delivered through the learning community partnerships centred of non-denominational secondary schools, with a focus on partnership working between schools and the third sector.

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7042	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	The emphasis needs to be on self management and employability to help young people be responsible for their choices and also the consequences of these. More Skilled to Go courses and other vocational short courses to give an idea of what the world of work entails. Youth work provision is of value if it is targeted and challenges attitudes.	More Choice More Chances (MCMC)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	This is the intention of the proposal. The Council will continue to produce a statutory CLD plan, to be delivered through the learning community partnerships centred of non-denominational secondary schools, with a focus on partnership working between schools and the third sector. West Lothian's support for MCMC pupils has proved effective at increasing numbers progressing to a positive destination. The Council works in partnership to maximise opportunities for work experience, training, apprenticeships etc.
7043	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Really important to have a combination of youth work services and not put your eggs all in one basket! With regard to Adult Learning - I personally would be devastated if this was removed. I have been involved in adult learning provision for over 4 years now and it keeps my brain active, has improved my confidence and has helped me with my medical condition. In fact I feel that there should be a wider range of adult learning opportunities available as over the past few years community classes and classes available in such as the Schools/community centres has been sadly depleted. What is classed as "statutory" adult learning ?? Not enough information available to us as to what your intentions are in this area.	More Choice More Chances (MCMC)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council will continue to produce a statutory CLD plan, to be delivered through the learning community partnerships centred of non-denominational secondary schools, with a focus on partnership working between schools and the third sector.
7044	No Response	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	I feel that we should be concentrating on youth services to keep children off the street. I feel there needs to be an emphasis on employment and education with West Lothian's young people. I do not agree with half days on a Friday within schools.	More Choice More Chances (MCMC)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council will continue to produce a statutory CLD plan, to be delivered through the learning community partnerships centred of non-denominational secondary schools, with a focus on partnership working between schools and the third sector.
7045	An employee of West Lothian Council	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	English as a second language is a vital resource in our schools. Teachers have students in front of them who cannot access the curriculum. Please do not cut any further this vital service.	More Choice More Chances (MCMC)	4. The council is already doing this.	The Council will meet its obligations in terms of ESOL. There are many benefits to society of ensuring residents have appropriate communication skills.
7046	No Response	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Again, a crucial service. So many of our young people would be at a great disadvantage if these services were to be affected.	More Choice More Chances (MCMC)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council will continue to produce a statutory CLD plan, to be delivered through the learning community partnerships centred of non-denominational secondary schools, with a focus on partnership working between schools and the third sector.

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7047	An employee of West Lothian Council	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	I am pleased to read the comments and the recognition of the work of the MCMC team, I am part of this team and has been a pleasure to support our young people move forward to achieving their goals and aspirations and seeing and believing their own potential. I work on the Skills Training Programme and which has supported many young people gain valuable work experience within the council and other companies, life skills and also gaining a further West Lothian Employability Award qualification which they are very proud of as are we. This has been achieved through working closely as a team and working in partnership with the Health Inclusion Team (providing a cook to support our young people in health cooking and life skills) and the impact of our life coach delivering Releasing your Potential [REDACTED] We also work in joint partnership with other departments within the council to support our young people break down their barriers and external partners when is appropriate for the young person; without this partnership working our young people wouldn't achieve what they have. What has been fabulous is the young people coming back and letting us know how well they have been doing, not just about moving them onto a positive destination but they are sustaining them too and many of the young people have said our programme has been life changing for them. I have worked in employability services all of my working life and been working in West Lothian for the past 4 years and thoroughly enjoy my job all be it a very difficult and demanding job but I see a team with a passion for supporting our young people see their potential, achieve their goals and continue to move towards their achieving their aspirations. I have worked in Careers in the past for many years, worked as a Careers Adviser and Key Worker and experienced and witnessed the excellent work and outcomes delivered by offering a Key Worker Led Model. In my many years experience of working in various areas of Guidance and Employability and the changes it has presented I feel the MCMC Team in West Lothian offers a crucial service to the young people of West Lothian and we all work closely together to provide an excellent and valuable service. STP offers an excellent opportunity to the young people of West Lothian and I have previous colleagues in other areas who wish they had a programme like the Skills Training Programme to refer to (this works because of the make up of the team, how it is delivered; life skills and personal development and the partnership working within the MCMC team, departments within the council and external partners and agencies) There has also been excellent partnership working with other staff in Youth Services and Adult	More Choice More Chances (MCMC)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	West Lothian's support for MCMC pupils has proved effective at increasing numbers progressing to a positive destination.
7048	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	This is an important area of service, and should be supported. I am not clear from the above what would be lost from existing provision, and the impact of such changes.	More Choice More Chances (MCMC)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council will continue to produce a statutory CLD plan, to be delivered through the learning community partnerships centred of non-denominational secondary schools, with a focus on partnership working between schools and the third sector.
7049	An employee of West Lothian Council	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	A good focus - MCMC - along with other initiatives hopefully not a massive impact felt on delivery of this service.	More Choice More Chances (MCMC)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is proposed that MCMC provision is maintained.
7050	An employee of West Lothian Council	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	This programme is a good idea but not an essential service. Instead of staff being paid additional money to deliver this programme it could be built in to the school day.	More Choice More Chances (MCMC)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.
7051	No Response	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Agree that this should be preserved where possible.	More Choice More Chances (MCMC)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The Council will continue to produce a statutory CLD plan, to be delivered through the learning community partnerships centred of non-denominational secondary schools, with a focus on partnership working between schools and the third sector.
7052	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Makes sense. Keep it consistent and simple but again must be balanced with education being a key priority.	More Choice More Chances (MCMC)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
7053	No Response	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	This service should continue.	More Choice More Chances (MCMC)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council will continue to produce a statutory CLD plan, to be delivered through the learning community partnerships centred of non-denominational secondary schools, with a focus on partnership working between schools and the third sector.
7054	No Response	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Should be done outwith school environment by professionals.	More Choice More Chances (MCMC)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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7055	An employee of West Lothian Council	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Too vague to comment - what impact?	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
7056	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
7057	No Response	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	No comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
7058	An employee of West Lothian Council	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	No comment - I do not have enough information regarding this.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
7059	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	I have no opinion on this	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
7060	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Im not sure on this one	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
7061	No Response	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	no comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
7062	No Response	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	It would be difficult not to agree with the statement above, however there is insufficient detail to allow me to comment specifically.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
7063	An employee of West Lothian Council	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	No comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
7064	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	N/A	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
7065	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	NO comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
7066	An employee of West Lothian Council	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	No comment.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
7067	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	No comment.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
7068	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	not sure	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
7069	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Your not saying what your going to reduce.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
7070	No Response	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	English as a SECOND language!!!! Pfffft!!!!	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
7071	No Response	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	No comment (don't know enough regards this topic)	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
7072	No Response	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	No comment to make.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
7073	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	I am not well enough informed to comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
7074	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	You have provided insufficient information to comment.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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7075	An employee of West Lothian Council	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Again, it doesn't state the changes that would be implemented.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
7076	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Didn't even know this service existed!	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
7077	No Response	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Not really sure about how this area functions	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
7078	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	No comment on this	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
7079	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	No comments as I have no contact with these services	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
7080	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	I don't understand budgeting advantages and restraints enough to comment.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
7081	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	I have no idea what this means. Please explain better.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
7082	An employee of West Lothian Council	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	i dont not know wat this means	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
7083	No Response	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Cannot comment as have no contact with this	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
7084	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Again without inside knowledge it is impossible to tell what changes you are planning on making. The statement says what you want to still support, but not what you plan to get rid of.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
7085	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Poor school performers should not be rewarded over and above their peers.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
7086	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	I would have to inform myself further on (MCMC) before commenting. I will contact my local community centre and hope they can furnish me with the details of said programme and forward a response post haste. With regards to the second point in this statement, I thought that west lothian college provided language classes? Is this what the statement implied or is there a different strategy which could be beneficial for college tutors and most importantly the students?	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
7087	No Response	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	??	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
7088	An employee of West Lothian Council	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Again not clear so can't comment as I feel many others will find it difficult to comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
7089	No Response	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	No comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
7090	No Response	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	No comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
7091	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	No comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
7092	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	No comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
7093	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	No comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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7094	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	I don't know enough about this to comment.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
7095	No Response	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	No comments	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
7096	An employee of West Lothian Council	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
7097	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Not sure	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
7098	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	No comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
7099	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	No comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
7100	No Response	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
7101	No Response	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	no comments	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
7102	An employee of West Lothian Council	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	No comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
7103	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Not my area though being bilingual I appreciate that ESL is critical to ensure that immigrants learn English and become involved in local society especially women and the elderly	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
7104	An employee of West Lothian Council	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	No comment as don't know enough.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
7105	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Sounds like more redundancies	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
7106	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	From the limited info provided, I can't comment on the practical implications of this proposal.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
7107	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	W	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
7108	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	What does it mean for my youth clubs that I have attended since I was a child.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
7109	No Response	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	hhhhh	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
7110	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Once again there is no clear indication of what this actually means. What services will be discontinued?	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
7111	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	They are great places for everyone to feel welcome in their local area	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
7112	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	nil	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
7113	No Response	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	no comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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7114	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	No Comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
7115	An employee of West Lothian Council	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	No comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
7116	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	No comment.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
7117	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	No comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
7118	An employee of West Lothian Council	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	No comment.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
7119	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	So how will this work if the budget is cut?	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
7120	No Response	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	No comment as dont know enough about this area to offer opinion.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
7121	An employee of West Lothian Council	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	wd	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
7122	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	It is not clear what will be lost here from your description	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
7123	No Response	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Acronyms should be avoided and educational innovations communicated in clear language without jargon.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
7124	No Response	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Your description above does not give actual details as to what you plan on doing therefore it is impossible for me to comment.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
7125	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	How will the savings be made?	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
7126	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	There are no details given on the services that will be cut. So it is difficult to provide an informed opinion.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
7127	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	No comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
7128	No Response	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	No comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
7129	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	An important , priority area.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
7130	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	No comment as I have little knowledge of how the education system works.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
7131	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Again - this is just woolly. What do you really mean?	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
7132	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Difficult to comment. You say MCMC will be the focus; but what is changing. I would need to know what is currently in place; and therefore being cut; in order to comment on whether I agree with a focus on MCMC.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
7133	No Response	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Can't Comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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7134	No Response	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	No comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
7135	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	No comment.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
7136	No Response	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	No comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
7137	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	No comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
7138	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	no comments	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
7139	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	No comment as I have no experience of adult/youth learning provision.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
7140	An employee of West Lothian Council	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	no comments	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
7141	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	No comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
7142	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	This doesn't really state how £1.6million will be saved or what a restructure means for this service	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
7143	No Response	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	no comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
7144	An employee of West Lothian Council	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	No comments	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
7145	An employee of West Lothian Council	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	NO COMMENT	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
7146	No Response	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	My daughter was unemployed for nearly 2 years and got NO help finding a college place or work	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
7147	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	I hope this is true.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
7148	No Response	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
7149	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	no comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
7150	An employee of West Lothian Council	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	This statement doesn't say how the saving will be made - what is being lost/improved or substituted?????????	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
7151	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Not sure what this all about to comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
7152	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Once again there is no account of what will be given up, so how am I to comment meaningfully?	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
7153	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Again, it will be interesting to see if this will produce the outcomes detailed above.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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7154	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	No comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
7155	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	No comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
7156	No Response	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	no comments	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
7157	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	No comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
7158	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	I don't know enough about this although I do know that services in the area have already been closed down.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
7159	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Not knowledgeable enough to comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
7160	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Very vague - really?	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
7161	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	measure overall effectiveness	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
7162	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	needs cut deeper, the rest is too unspecific to comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
7163	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	This is not an area of the council that impacts me directly and I would hope that this is developed but that the amount allocated to this is quantifiable to the results achieved .	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
7164	No Response	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	There are other bodies such as colleges providing education. The council spends enough on education in schools.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
7165	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	More choices, more chances more jargon.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
7166	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	No comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
7167	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	no comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
7168	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Unable to comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
7169	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Eh?	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
7170	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	1e repeat this question lacks detail and makes it difficult to comment on the provision of such vital services being delivered to young people and adults.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
7171	An employee of West Lothian Council	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	The financial implications of this are unclear.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
7172	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	No comments	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
7173	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	No comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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7174	An employee of West Lothian Council	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	The council have not provided enough indepth information for me to make an informed comment on this, as all information about this whole consultation is more secret that area 51.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
7175	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	As 1b.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
7176	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Can't comment, am not aware of MCMC	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
7177	An employee of West Lothian Council	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	does not affect me	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
7178	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Again explain, detail please	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
7179	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	unable to comment as not in plain english	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
7180	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	sorry never heard of the above which is no surprise	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
7181	An employee of West Lothian Council	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
7182	An employee of West Lothian Council	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Does not affect me from a work or personal point of view.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
7183	An employee of West Lothian Council	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	No comment.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
7184	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	No comment.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
7185	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Gets you out the house. Get to meet your friends. Have a safe place to go where you won't get judged. I got more confidence coming here. I've met some of my closest friends here.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
7186	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	I like meeting my pals here and playing with all the stuff and i also like getting out the house from my brother.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
7187	An employee of West Lothian Council	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Within this section youth work is not mentioned, despite this playing an important role in young peoples life's within West Lothian.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
7188	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	I like coming to clubs because it's fun, it makes me happy, there is loads of things to do and it makes children make friends.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
7189	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	I like coming to Thursday Club because it gives me something to do and it's fun.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
7190	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	I like to come because it gives me something to do.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
7191	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	I like the club because i/m bored in the house all the time. It stops me playing my xbox all the time.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
7192	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	I like the club so I dn't get out of trouble.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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7193	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	I go to the Monday Art club, self confidence group and the Friday drop in and used to go to the after school club I benefited from this because it got me out of the house and I found some new friends. I can trust members of staff and can talk to them for advise.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
7194	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	I Like coming to the Thursday club as it gives me something to do and I get to enjoy activities with my peers.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
7195	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	I like coming to Thursday club.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
7196	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	I like coming to the club because i am normaly bored.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
7197	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	I really like coming to Thursday club because it's something for me to do and keeps me out of trouble.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
7198	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	I like coming to Thursday club because there's something to do and there's stuff for our age and it keeps all of us out of trouble.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
7199	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	I like going to the club it's so fun and there's lots of things to do and it gets me out of the house.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
7200	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	I like coming to Thursday club because it gives us something to do and you get to see your friends.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
7201	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	I come to the Friday night drop in so I am not on the street. If this wasn't here I don't know what I'd be doing.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
7202	An employee of West Lothian Council	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	as a sessional part time youth worker I get no extra allowances or overtime, unless I cover an extra club. We only work during school terms. Any summer clubs we do are covered by our local community centre funding courtesy of our Comm Ed Worker. There is talk that youth clubs for all ages could be asked to be funded by local community centre management commitees. If this was the case club weekly prices would have to go up, and there is the concern of insurance and if any child was injured say who would be responsible. Parents in the clubs I do would not be willing to pay say £5.00 for an hour and a half or two hours. I work in deprived areas in West Lothian. A price hike would result in a lot of the young people I work with not being able to come to youth clubs.	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The Council will continue to produce a statutory CLD plan, to be delivered through the learning community partnerships centred of non-denominational secondary schools, with a focus on partnership working between schools and the third sector.
7203	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Children's clubs/youth clubs promote self esteem, team building and a safe place to learn, have fun meet friends - sometimes the only time in a week for some kids/young people. Do not do away with clubs for children/young people.	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council will continue to produce a statutory CLD plan, to be delivered through the learning community partnerships centred of non-denominational secondary schools, with a focus on partnership working between schools and the third sector.
7204	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	I have 3 children - 2 currently in school and one baby. My children participate weekly in youth clubs activities organised by West Lothian Council although these activities are structured and keeping our kids off the street. These clubs are at risk of losing funding. These activities run for the school term and give the kids an opportunity to play with their friends in a safe and organised environment. During the holidays they provide classes on a weekly basis usually 4 days in classes and playing games and doing sporting activities and the final day doing a group day out. My children look forward to this greatly and as it is subsidised by the club often they are trips that I wouldn't be able to take them to on my own. My kids have participated in a youth club since primary 1 and till look forward to a Friday for club now. Please don't cut their funding the kids need these safe environment to play in more so now than ever.	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council will continue to produce a statutory CLD plan, to be delivered through the learning community partnerships centred of non-denominational secondary schools, with a focus on partnership working between schools and the third sector.
7205	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	As a mother with kids who attend the youth and childrens clubs that are provided by the council in broxburn please don't take away the funding that allows my children to take part in fun games and activities where they have both made new friends - ones for life. Also they have tried lots of new things that I didn't expect them to.	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council will continue to produce a statutory CLD plan, to be delivered through the learning community partnerships centred of non-denominational secondary schools, with a focus on partnership working between schools and the third sector.

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7206	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Removal of Bursaries, Grants and enducement's to Young Adults who go to College only to avoid getting a job - results/behaviour driven rather than handed over in advance.	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council will continue to produce a statutory CLD plan, to be delivered through the learning community partnerships centred of non-denominational secondary schools, with a focus on partnership working between schools and the third sector.
7207	No Response	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	The responsibility for learning English as a second language should be on the individual and/or their family. If they wish to make the UK their home, they should ensure that they learn the language themselves. This should not be funded by the taxpayer.	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council will meet its obligations in terms of ESOL. There are many benefits to society of ensuring residents have appropriate communication skills.
7208	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Any savings are welcome, and as long as Learning has a meaning / practical use and addresses gaps in the market.	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
7209	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Youth services - repeat absconders from childrens units create a significant costs for both the council and partners so action to tackle this could present significant savings opportunities.	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed, while implementing the proposal.
7210	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	What does the saving of £1.6m actually mean in practice - job cuts?	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	This will depend on the decisions taken following consultation and during implementation. The Council will seek to minimise adverse impacts on service provision and staff, where possible.
7211	No Response	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	I personally don't feel the council should be spending money educating people the English language I feel people of other languages should have to pay for these services them self, Or at minimum contribute towards this, or at Least pay it back over time when they are working to re fund the service for others.	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council will meet its obligations in terms of ESOL. There are many benefits to society of ensuring residents have appropriate communication skills.
7212	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Without the support in mainstream youth work many more young people will be hanging about the streets getting into trouble. Sometimes the time a young person spends in a club is their only safe time in a week where they can be valued and listened to as an individual. Don't rob them if the opportunity to be the best they can	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council will continue to produce a statutory CLD plan, to be delivered through the learning community partnerships centred of non-denominational secondary schools, with a focus on partnership working between schools and the third sector.
7213	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	As previously mentioned, I feel that the assistance given to immigrants who are learning English as a second language must continue to be supported. Integration can be better achieved when immigrants have a good command of the English language. Any proposed reduction in this part of adult education may not improve the ability of non English speakers to take their place within the West Lothian Community	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council will meet its obligations in terms of ESOL. There are many benefits to society of ensuring residents have appropriate communication skills.
7214	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	A lot of resource wasted in this area. Particularly, employability services and into work programmes for over 20's. Prevention is better than cure. Vocational programmes in school should be included for those choosing not to be academic.	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	The Council is providing work experience, placements and apprenticeships. The Council is working through the Developing the Young Workforce Board to promote these sort of positive outcomes.
7215	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Why is English as a second language provided free through the council? Surely a contribution to the cost could be provided by those accessing the services who are in a position to do so.	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council will meet its obligations in terms of ESOL. There are many benefits to society of ensuring residents have appropriate communication skills.
7216	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	If this area is cut there will be a larger number of young adults in unemployment. Statistically it has been proven time and time again that this can increase crime and antisocial behaviour. This will in turn cause more problems.	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council will continue to produce a statutory CLD plan, to be delivered through the learning community partnerships centred of non-denominational secondary schools, with a focus on partnership working between schools and the third sector.
7217	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	So long as this doesn't add more pressure to schools at a point other services supporting the schools are being removed. Timing and a clear understanding of the impact on education is not negative.	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council will continue to produce a statutory CLD plan, to be delivered through the learning community partnerships centred of non-denominational secondary schools, with a focus on partnership working between schools and the third sector.
7218	An employee of West Lothian Council	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Cut back on non statutory service provision	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The Council will continue to produce a statutory CLD plan, to be delivered through the learning community partnerships centred of non-denominational secondary schools, with a focus on partnership working between schools and the third sector.

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7219	An employee of West Lothian Council	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	A valuable service	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council will continue to produce a statutory CLD plan, to be delivered through the learning community partnerships centred of non-denominational secondary schools, with a focus on partnership working between schools and the third sector.
7220	An employee of West Lothian Council	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Youth services - create a baseline for communities - one youth club one childrens club if cutting International youth work - Exchanges - although they are of great importance in the world of travel work and engagement in Europe do this not to the detriment of local services being slashed. Start putting value and recognition of CLD practitioners and the work they do. By cutting this will add to loss in communities. Breaking down communication barriers - ESOL - if this is cut again the barrier will grow in communities not get broken down - not a good idea.	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council will continue to produce a statutory CLD plan, to be delivered through the learning community partnerships centred of non-denominational secondary schools, with a focus on partnership working between schools and the third sector.
7221	An employee of West Lothian Council	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	I feel so strongly about this point. Do not cut Childrens services in CLD this was attempted before and the decision was turned around by politicians, councillors etc. Please put the value on play that it deserves. We had a West Lothian Council - Play strategy produced by xxxxx and xxxxx was paid off (fix term contract ended not renewed - no sustainability!!!!) and it has sat on a shelf since. This should not be the case. Under UNCRC Articles the children have the right to play - this is not respected enough.	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council will continue to produce a statutory CLD plan, to be delivered through the learning community partnerships centred of non-denominational secondary schools, with a focus on partnership working between schools and the third sector.
7222	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	I understand that the adult and youth services were separate entities and that neither has a statutory basis. I do not agree that the main focus of the youth service should be mcmc and work with schools only The mainstream youth and childrens club provision which provides alternative activities in our communities is valuable and important as it provides a net which many children need to develop and avoid anti social activities. nearly every community has one or two of these clubs	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council will continue to produce a statutory CLD plan, to be delivered through the learning community partnerships centred of non-denominational secondary schools, with a focus on partnership working between schools and the third sector.
7223	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	as long as the NEET are not excluded from progression or transition onto a positive destination through to adulthood and employability	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council will continue to focus on MCMC work.
7224	An employee of West Lothian Council	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	It would be good if these programmes had more opportunities for people with additional needs also. Seems at present the main focus is college after school but for some this is not best suited.	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The council will continue to focus on MCMC work.
7225	An employee of West Lothian Council	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	It is essential that all are taught to read and write in English.	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	This represents the intention of the proposal
7226	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	What about younger kids? There are proposals for early learning and also for the kids who are ready to leave school but nothing for the kids in between. Again i would go back to my previous comments. Doing youth work I can see the benefits when kids move to high school who have been involved in local clubs delivered by youth work staff. Generally they settle in quicker, not as many issues with behaviour, very aware of their community. It does not make sense to put all the eggs in one basket. Early intervention is still required with this in between age group.	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Officers will consider how links with extra curricular activities in schools, and opportunities provided by the third sector such as simply play, could be developed.
7227	An employee of West Lothian Council	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Maybe providing more practical subjects for young people at an earlier age would give young people more scope to make future choices. too much focus on academic achievement which doesn't work for all.	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	Schools will provide a curriculum which meets the needs of each young person, which can include access to a wide range of
7228	An employee of West Lothian Council	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	A more focused and streamlined approach will be beneficial for all service users.	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
7229	No Response	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Reducing youth services will lead to greater costs in youth justice further down the line	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council will continue to produce a statutory CLD plan, to be delivered through the learning community partnerships centred of non-denominational secondary schools, with a focus on partnership working between schools and the third sector.
7230	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	There is already a lack of activities, youth clubs and the likes for the young people of West Lothian and reducing this further will mean that some areas have nothing at all to offer.	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council will continue to produce a statutory CLD plan, to be delivered through the learning community partnerships centred of non-denominational secondary schools, with a focus on partnership working between schools and the third sector.

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7231	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	English as Second Language is an area where savings could be made, as it should not be incumbent on the council to offer this service for free to people electing to come into the area, particularly as there is no guarantee that those making use of the service will remain in the area	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council will meet its obligations in terms of ESOL. There are many benefits to society of ensuring residents have appropriate communication skills.
7232	No Response	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	There should be closer partnership working with Homeless services and other services working with vulnerable young people to better engage them in these services.	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The Council will continue to produce a statutory CLD plan, to be delivered through the learning community partnerships centred of non-denominational secondary schools, with a focus on partnership working between schools and the third sector.
7233	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Employ these young people in the council at the minimum wage and get them working. The experience and confidence from a real job is worth more than all the support to them unemployed.	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	The Council is providing work experience, placements and apprenticeships. The Council is committed to paying the living wage.
7234	An employee of West Lothian Council	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	basic skills and ESOL should still be delivered to support adults to improve their skills	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
7235	No Response	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Anything that can educate and help and assist youths to have better attitudes as they mature	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	The Council will continue to produce a statutory CLD plan, to be delivered through the learning community partnerships centred of non-denominational secondary schools, with a focus on partnership working between schools and the third sector.
7236	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Focused program sounds like it will deliver most cost effective results. Reasonable.	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
7237	No Response	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Adult Learning and ESOL can be delivered by other agencies, team work and partnerships can provide appropriate provision	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council will continue to produce a statutory CLD plan, to be delivered through the learning community partnerships centred of non-denominational secondary schools, with a focus on partnership working between schools and the third sector. The Council will meet its obligations in terms of ESOL. There are many benefits to society of ensuring residents have appropriate communication skills.
7238	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	This area needs to be cut in the current climate. if an individual is already at a certain level of education then this additional support shouldn't be given or provided. This support should only be for very poorly educated individuals.	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The Council will continue to produce a statutory CLD plan, to be delivered through the learning community partnerships centred of non-denominational secondary schools, with a focus on partnership working between schools and the third sector. The Council will meet its obligations in terms of ESOL. There are many benefits to society of ensuring residents have appropriate communication skills.
7239	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	WLC has systematically undermined and eroded wider youth education services over the past 7 years. Anything that can be done to bolster children's and young peoples chances in life needs to be done however putting all your eggs in one basket with the MCMC programme is just ridiculous. It is proven that not all children & young people have the same learning needs.	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	The Council will continue to produce a statutory CLD plan, to be delivered through the learning community partnerships centred of non-denominational secondary schools, with a focus on partnership working between schools and the third sector.
7240	No Response	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Agreed a proposed review here could have a good positive outcome. Young people into employment or training has often benefited from reviews/refreshes over time.	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
7241	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	I have no direct knowledge of this programme or its success rate or what the outcomes from the partnership arrangements are. In terms of English as a second language, I have no understanding of the numbers involved in this programme but appreciate that with an ever increasing EU population/others within west Lothian, integration into work, day to day activities requires English language to be provided. With no data it is difficult to see whether such a provision should be means tested or purely a signpost to voluntary sector would be more appropriate.	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	The Council will meet its obligations in terms of ESOL. There are many benefits to society of ensuring residents have appropriate communication skills.

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7242	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Equality of learning is something which all should access but that does not mean that it has to be paid for by the taxpayer.(If however there is a statutory obligation on the council, a more financial beneficial approach should be undertaken)	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council will meet its obligations in terms of ESOL. There are many benefits to society of ensuring residents have appropriate communication skills.
7243	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	There should be a charge for teaching English as a second language	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council will meet its obligations in terms of ESOL. There are many benefits to society of ensuring residents have appropriate communication skills.
7244	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	This looks like more job losses	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	This will depend on the decisions taken following consultation and during implementation. The Council will seek to minimise adverse impacts on service provision and staff, where possible.
7245	No Response	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	People who want to learn English as a second language should pay for this service	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council will meet its obligations in terms of ESOL. There are many benefits to society of ensuring residents have appropriate communication skills.
7246	An employee of West Lothian Council	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	We need our young adults to go into paid employment, decent job so by investing and encouraging business, growth will encourage confidence. This is very high on my list	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council will continue to focus on MCMC work.
7247	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	We need the yp supported into a positive destination. What is happening with career choices. I know that A2E deliver a very efficient service to young and old.	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council will continue to focus on MCMC work.
7248	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	there should be no choice if you are of school age you attend school, all for giving education to those that need it outwith school age, if someone cannot speak English let them learn themselves at their costs why should we provide this servie if its going to take away money from general education or care of elderly	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council will meet its obligations in terms of ESOL. There are many benefits to society of ensuring residents have appropriate communication skills.
7249	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	If less time was spent of trying to say something that it isnâ€™t, instead spend the money on â€œdoingâ€™; your statement should read â€œless choices, less chancesâ€™ because you have less money to achieve it. Be honest and sincere and say â€œWhat is the best we can do with what money weâ€™ve gotâ€™.	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council will continue to focus on MCMC work.
7250	No Response	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	We have a responsibility as a society to look after those less fortunate than ourselves so long as they are willing to help themselves. I do not support any reduction in the teams bringing support to those with physical or mental handicap	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Thanks you for comment. Your feedback has been noted. The proposal is not aimed at those with a disability.
7251	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	making sure all services link up and that they know what the other service is doing	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
7252	No Response	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	ESOL is not an effective tool for someone learning English quick. ESOL takes along time, and the programme starts by focusing on trivial words such as weather, household items like kettles and irons, and costs around Â£50 per hour. A private tutor would cost around Â£25 per hour	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thanks you for comment. Your feedback has been noted. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.
7253	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Target support at hardest to reach of the 500+ young people who are unemployed	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council will continue to focus on MCMC work.
7254	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	I agree that all of the above services provided are valuable. It is not clear from this how you plan to save Â£1.6 million from a service restructure.	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council will continue to produce a statutory CLD plan, to be delivered through the learning community partnerships centred of non-denominational secondary schools, with a focus on partnership working between schools and the third sector.
7255	No Response	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	this is all well, but has been a problem within west Lothian for many years, and lots of funding and resources have been used in this area over the years, good luck	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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7256	An employee of West Lothian Council	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	How many jobs would be gone by applying this measure? It is important to integrate people with less opportunities in our society, if we dont do this, crime may increase.	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Any reduction in staffing will depend on the decisions taken following consultation and during implementation. The Council will seek to minimise adverse impacts on service provision and staff, where possible. The Council will continue to produce a statutory CLD plan, to be delivered through the learning community partnerships centred of non-denominational secondary schools, with a focus on partnership working between schools and the third sector.
7257	An employee of West Lothian Council	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Do we really need another review of CLD-YS? Don't close clubs for those who need it, including disabled people. Surely the council shouldn't be offering ESOL.	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council will continue to produce a statutory CLD plan, to be delivered through the learning community partnerships centred of non-denominational secondary schools, with a focus on partnership working between schools and the third sector. The Council will meet its obligations in terms of ESOL. There are many benefits to society of ensuring residents have appropriate communication skills.
7258	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	It seems ridiculous that money is being spent on young people who have already made it clear they have no investment in the education system. However, English as a second language is key to integration of the older learner.	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council will continue to focus on MCMC work. The Council will meet its obligations in terms of ESOL. There are many benefits to society of ensuring residents have appropriate communication skills.
7259	An employee of West Lothian Council	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	This reduction in a smaller team will obviously impact on already vulnerable adults.	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council will continue to produce a statutory CLD plan, to be delivered through the learning community partnerships centred of non-denominational secondary schools, with a focus on partnership working between schools and the third sector.
7260	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	More provision of out of school clubs but ensure that charges are fully recovered. Make sure that the offerings meet the needs of parents, particularly during school holidays, when current service doesn't cover the entire working day.	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The aim of the service has not been to provide childcare for working parents. This is provided through third sector organisations such as Simply Play.
7261	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Makes sense don't let children slip through the net and leave school with no prospects from 3rd year onwards if child not able to get the grades and more interested in labour skills is joinery mechanics etc then start them on training courses early with English and maths thrown in,	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council will continue to focus on MCMC work.
7262	An employee of West Lothian Council	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	I feel strongly that the onus should be the individual to learn English via their own means and money should not be heavily invested in this area. Schools supply sufficient support for children to learn English in the curriculum.	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council will meet its obligations in terms of ESOL. There are many benefits to society of ensuring residents have appropriate communication skills.
7263	No Response	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Why more focus on young people? There are a number of adults who require additional skills and training, e.g. women returners who would benefit from confidence building and updating of skills	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council will continue to produce a statutory CLD plan, to be delivered through the learning community partnerships centred of non-denominational secondary schools, with a focus on partnership working between schools and the third sector.
7264	An employee of West Lothian Council	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	again the above statement does not inform me how you intend to save money, so unable to comment.	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
7265	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Agree to an extent but young people also need leisure and social facilities in an organised setting to avoid them acting unlawfully and causing a nuisance after school etc. Adult learning and facilities for people with disabilities is also important.	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The Council will continue to produce a statutory CLD plan, to be delivered through the learning community partnerships centred of non-denominational secondary schools, with a focus on partnership working between schools and the third sector.
7266	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	I know of young people who simply don't engage but have a high expectation of receiving financial reward for non attendance.	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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7267	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Schools and youth services must learn to work better together as partners not just as assets to be used. If schools and youth services have a closer relationship both the formal and informal settings could benefit the young people better.	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
7268	An employee of West Lothian Council	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	This is an area where we need to invest to ensure we are giving the young people the best possible skills to become productive members of our future society. Promotion of employments, training and education will increase employability and reduce the social inequalities that exist.	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council will continue to produce a statutory CLD plan, to be delivered through the learning community partnerships centred of non-denominational secondary schools, with a focus on partnership working between schools and the third sector.
7269	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	I would prioritize this area, and would like that savings in this area be minimized.	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council will continue to produce and deliver a Community Learning and Development plan, with delivery increasingly through the learning communities based on non-denominational school catchment areas, and greater partnership between schools and the third sector.
7270	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Young people in West Lothian need to be given maximum support and encouragement, to avoid their becoming discouraged and cynical, and therefore alienated from society in general, and their local community in particular.	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council will continue to produce and deliver a Community Learning and Development plan, with delivery increasingly through the learning communities based on non-denominational school catchment areas, and greater partnership between schools and the third sector.
7271	An employee of West Lothian Council	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	I think that the young people on the benefits should be force to do this courses to improve their chance for the employment if the qualification which they already have or not have any are too low to find employment, which I mean they do not want as west Lothian have great manufacturing companies which always looks to employee picker, packers, factory operative etc...	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	The council targets MCMC support at those most at risk of not progressing to a positive destination.
7272	An employee of West Lothian Council	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	more input is needed regarding looked after children. Employment cannot be sustained if young people do not have good relationships and decent accomodation	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The council targets MCMC support at those most at risk of not progressing to a positive destination.
7273	An employee of West Lothian Council	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	what is statutory adult learning ?/ There are many people who require a wide range of learning input for survival /employment etc. people who require ESOL should pay for it at college.	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council will continue to produce and deliver a statutory Community Learning and Development plan, with delivery increasingly through the learning communities based on non-denominational school catchment areas, and greater partnership between schools and the third sector.
7274	An employee of West Lothian Council	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Focussing on MCMC is dangerous totally underestimating the work done in youth clubs etc. and their impact on community life ..	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council will continue to produce and deliver a Community Learning and Development plan, with delivery increasingly through the learning communities based on non-denominational school catchment areas, and greater partnership between schools and the third sector.
7275	No Response	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	I feel that Youth Services are very important in supporting individuals to become responsible citizens. I would be against any reduction in youth service provision.	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council will continue to produce and deliver a Community Learning and Development plan, with delivery increasingly through the learning communities based on non-denominational school catchment areas, and greater partnership between schools and the third sector.
7276	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	I think these services have been cut too much and there is not enough support in the community for adult learning and youth services. I think it is shocking you want to cut these even further.	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council will continue to produce and deliver a Community Learning and Development plan, with delivery increasingly through the learning communities based on non-denominational school catchment areas, and greater partnership between schools and the third sector.
7277	An employee of West Lothian Council	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Employability and poverty cannot be improved without adult literacy and numeracy learning. Encouraging family learning serves to also empower better skilled parents to then, in turn, help their own children and become more active in their local schools and hopefully help close the gap.	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Initiatives to support family learning may help deliver this.
7278	An employee of West Lothian Council	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	The council need to look at the areas it can influence in education as there are many areas that it cannot.	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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7279	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	If we focus on education in the schools this will soon be a thing of the past. Still needed at the moment though	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council will continue to produce and deliver a Community Learning and Development plan, with delivery increasingly through the learning communities based on non-denominational school catchment areas, and greater partnership between schools and the third sector.
7280	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	these kids should be allowed to take up a work based placement from s4onwards on say one day release to get them ready for work stop using the softly softly approach with them a lot of teenagers now need some form of discipline .	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	The council targets MCMC support at those most at risk of not progressing to a positive destination. This will include extended work experience.
7281	An employee of West Lothian Council	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	A lot of these services reach/interact with a very small number of people but cost a lot of money to run. Careful consideration has to be given to delivering these types of programmes at all by local authorities.	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The Council will continue to produce and deliver a Community Learning and Development plan, with delivery increasingly through the learning communities based on non-denominational school catchment areas, and greater partnership between schools and the third sector.
7282	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	WLC are generally invisible in this area so any cuts wont be noticed	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The Council will continue to produce and deliver a Community Learning and Development plan, with delivery increasingly through the learning communities based on non-denominational school catchment areas, and greater partnership between schools and the third sector.
7283	No Response	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	I strongly believe youth work helps so many young people	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council will continue to produce and deliver a Community Learning and Development plan, with delivery increasingly through the learning communities based on non-denominational school catchment areas, and greater partnership between schools and the third sector.
7284	An employee of West Lothian Council	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Could some of this not be done via e-learning	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thanks you for comment. Your feedback has been noted. It should be noted that E-learning may not suit all learners.
7285	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	All youth services should stsy	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council will continue to produce and deliver a Community Learning and Development plan, with delivery increasingly through the learning communities based on non-denominational school catchment areas, and greater partnership between schools and the third sector.
7286	An employee of West Lothian Council	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	I have concerns that the mainstream work which will be lost here will mean an increase in the number of young people who then require the more intensive services. Early intervention and prevention approaches are proven to work.	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council will continue to produce and deliver a Community Learning and Development plan, with delivery increasingly through the learning communities based on non-denominational school catchment areas, and greater partnership between schools and the third sector.
7287	No Response	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Children's work and youth clubs in West Lothian do fantastic work engaging young people in activities within the youth clubs. Targeting this age range makes an early start in getting the young people engaged in supported work focusing on the young people making a difference to every one of them.	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council will continue to produce and deliver a Community Learning and Development plan, with delivery increasingly through the learning communities based on non-denominational school catchment areas, and greater partnership between schools and the third sector.
7288	No Response	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Need an appropriate number of suitably qualified members of staff to delivery the Council's statutory duty in relation to Education at basic level. Priorities need to be in teaching reading, writing and arithmetic. Ensuring all children are provided with the same level of teaching.	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
7289	No Response	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Could these youth services be incorporated into school buildings rather than trying to communicate between them all?	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The Council will continue to produce and deliver a Community Learning and Development plan, with delivery increasingly through the learning communities based on non-denominational school catchment areas, and greater partnership between schools and the third sector.

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7290	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Greater need in secondary schools to prepare students for life after soon and real life learning required ie budgeting, applying for jobs etc	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Work is, however, undertaken by schools in this area.
7291	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Can't English as a second language not be handed over to the voluntary sector?	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Increased third sector partnership is a feature of the proposals. Another suggestion was increased use of e-learning.
7292	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Reducing any educational provision is cutting off the ability to ensure people have the necessary knowledge and skills to create the changes in the community that you say you want to see. Without access to education there is little hope that lives can change for the better.	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council will continue to produce and deliver a Community Learning and Development plan, with delivery increasingly through the learning communities based on non-denominational school catchment areas, and greater partnership between schools and the third sector.
7293	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	as a person who has been involved in youth work for over 20 years in various guises, the constant cuts have left this a shadow of what was once a thriving system, a system that kept kids out of trouble and in a friendly, helpful environment away from school and parents. The young people of my time constantly say to me " if it wasn't for youth work I would hate to think where I would be (jail maybe) or worse.....I remember when community centre's were the hub of the town for young people (and old too) now its the streets these kids occupy, what is left of youth provision isn't attractive to the majority of kids these days unfortunately.	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council will continue to produce and deliver a Community Learning and Development plan, with delivery increasingly through the learning communities based on non-denominational school catchment areas, and greater partnership between schools and the third sector.
7294	No Response	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	this service could be more inclusive to external partner agencies working alongside the council, it does not appear to be happening this way at the moment, no sharing of courses available	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thanks you for comment. Your feedback has been noted. Increased partnership working is a feature of the proposal.
7295	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	I support opportunities for young people as can be difficult to get into work from school/college/university. Support greater integration of non-English speakers to community.	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The Council will continue to produce and deliver a Community Learning and Development plan with a focus on MCMC work and EOSL, with delivery increasingly through the learning communities based on non-denominational school catchment areas, and greater partnership between schools and the third sector.
7296	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	I think it is important to provide basic education including ESOL to adults. There should be a greater emphasis on the college providing leisure/evening classes.	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thanks you for comment. Your feedback has been noted. Increased partnership is a feature of the proposals. Another suggestion was increased use of e-learning.
7297	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Does this translate to job losses?	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Implementation of the proposals will result in fewer council posts.
7298	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Too much wasted on supporting projects with no real tangible benefits.	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
7299	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	English as a second language team being reduced seem silly when the population of migrants here is growing!	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	It is proposed to maintain ESOL services.
7300	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Integrate youth services with west Lothian youth action project. Too much overlap and duplication	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Increased partnership working is a feature of the proposals.
7301	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Scrap supporting those who don't want to work. Stop wasting resources on the few.	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
7302	No Response	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Provided that the quality of service is not diminished then integration with other services seems sensible.	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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7303	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	I agree that the way we deliver youth services should be reviewed, and should be supported in the future through close working with schools and community partners.	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
7304	An employee of West Lothian Council	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	We need to continue to focus on young people and the more of them we get back into education/work/training the better it is for the economy of West Lothian. Surely ESOL is not a statutory requirement?	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	West Lothian's support for MCMC pupils has proved effective at increasing numbers progressing to a positive destination. The Council will meet its obligations in terms of ESOL. There are many benefits to society of ensuring residents have appropriate communication skills.
7305	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	this must be done in greater collaboration with community planning partners and third sector organisations and delivered in way that fits with community planning priorities of tackling inequality	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Increased partnership working is a feature of the proposals.
7306	An employee of West Lothian Council	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Cutting youth services is not an answer for our vulnerable young people. with the rate of self harm, eating disorders, social media bullying and suicide as well as mental health problems increasing in our younger population, this is one area we should invest in. Our young people are under more pressure than ever and cutting valuable youth services will add pressure to our already pressurised NHS and education services.	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council will continue to produce a statutory CLD plan, to be delivered through the learning community partnerships centred of non-denominational secondary schools, with a focus on partnership working between schools and the third sector.
7307	No Response	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Unsure how the introduction of more people and businesses shutting across the county can result in anything but more people not working.	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	The respondent's comment was not relevant to the question
7308	An employee of West Lothian Council	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	fully support this - promoting employment will prove to be a great investment in the long term.	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	West Lothian's support for MCMC pupils has proved effective at increasing numbers progressing to a positive destination.
7309	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	This is the way forward to allow younger people to make life choices with support. There are plenty of support services out there and we need to make better use of them allowing better partnership working.	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	West Lothian's support for MCMC pupils has proved effective at increasing numbers progressing to a positive destination.
7310	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Youth services are really important for communities - especially the smaller ones without ancillary provisions that you have at say Livingston and Linlithgow.	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council will continue to produce a statutory CLD plan, to be delivered through the learning community partnerships centred of non-denominational secondary schools, with a focus on partnership working between schools and the third sector.
7311	An employee of West Lothian Council	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Again, like in schools, the Council needs to be careful when reducing ESOL that this does not have a detrimental effect on learners.	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	The Council will meet its obligations in terms of ESOL. There are many benefits to society of ensuring residents have appropriate communication skills.
7312	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Further priority needs to be given to offering alternative activities for youths in the area to reduce crime and antisocial behaviour	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council will continue to produce a statutory CLD plan, to be delivered through the learning community partnerships centred of non-denominational secondary schools, with a focus on partnership working between schools and the third sector.
7313	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	CLD and Youth Services are not essential services	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council will continue to produce a statutory CLD plan, to be delivered through the learning community partnerships centred of non-denominational secondary schools, with a focus on partnership working between schools and the third sector.
7314	An employee of West Lothian Council	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Bear in mind : socio-economic duty; community empowerment legislation, CLD Regulations etc. - all statutory requirements of local govt. These proposals exemplify an on-going attack on the poorest and most vulnerable families and citizens in West Lothian and reflect a damning failure on the part of West Lothian Council and its partners to redress intergenerational disadvantage and poverty (c.f (NON) regeneration areas. Over the past 10 years much research has robustly evidenced that institutions decisions (including local govt.) have had a disproportionality negative impact upon the poor. The ' golden rule' is that whoever has the gold makes the rule - WLC seems incredibly risk averse to making the right decisions for the future (best to keep affluent Linlithgow and similar places happy/quiet!)	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council will continue to produce a statutory CLD plan, to be delivered through the learning community partnerships centred of non-denominational secondary schools, with a focus on partnership working between schools and the third sector.

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7315	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Yes make this more efficient, but I would be wary of cost cutting her as 16+ is a very vulnerable time for those NEETs.	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is not intended to reduce MCMC provision. West Lothian's support for MCMC pupils has proved effective at increasing numbers progressing to a positive destination.
7316	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Too many young adults look upon college as an opt-out from actually seeking employment, and then disrupt the learning of those wanting to better themselves by their behaviour in class, being unwilling to meet reasonable deadlines for work due, and poor attendance (all meaning that they then tie-up Teaching resources to 'get back on track' and those students actually seeking attainment are neglected) . Bursaries and grants should be dependant on attainment and behaviours, not handed out without constraints. They should be administered (or withheld) over the length of the course and NEVER paid upfront/in advance. Students repeatedly lacking any desire to achieve should be excluded and moneys returned to central coffers - with a proviso that they need to perform some perfunctory community service before they are allowed to sign up for another course - to prove they have changed their ways!	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	Thanks you for your comment. We will pass your feedback onto the relevant organisations responsible for this.
7317	No Response	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Again as long as its not taking teachers out of classrooms.	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The Council will continue to produce a statutory CLD plan, to be delivered through the learning community partnerships centred of non-denominational secondary schools, with a focus on partnership working between schools and the third sector.
7318	An employee of West Lothian Council	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	English as a second language should have a hub teacher that all Syrian families should go to which will help them learn the language quicker.	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The Council will meet its obligations in terms of ESOL. There are many benefits to society of ensuring residents have appropriate communication skills.
7319	An employee of West Lothian Council	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Reasons have to be given to help these children want to stay in education. Happy teachers, people happy to see them and to help them. Kindness is king	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	West Lothian's support for MCMC pupils has proved effective at increasing numbers progressing to a positive destination.
7320	No Response	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Obviously a smaller team will manage to do less. Will they have sufficient manpower.	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council will continue to produce a statutory CLD plan, to be delivered through the learning community partnerships centred of non-denominational secondary schools, with a focus on partnership working between schools and the third sector.
7321	No Response	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	The council should be very cautious reducing any budgets for adult learning and youth services.	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council will continue to produce a statutory CLD plan, to be delivered through the learning community partnerships centred of non-denominational secondary schools, with a focus on partnership working between schools and the third sector.
7322	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Focus should be on the reasons for these people not being in education so that the root cause can be addressed rather than accepting that a set number of young people won't attend school	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	West Lothian's support for MCMC pupils has proved effective at increasing numbers progressing to a positive destination.
7323	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Agreed in principle but the council could charge delegates and attendees for the statutory service if it can't be afforded by the delegate.	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
7324	An employee of West Lothian Council	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	I am a part time youth worker and this is a vital service for young people in West Lothian. I do children's work in Blackridge and the young people not only come along for fun it's a safe haven for some. Having young people come to the youth clubs early on increases the chances of making changes early. The youth clubs I have worked in have great numbers of young people who use the service so it is needed in the community.	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council will continue to produce a statutory CLD plan, to be delivered through the learning community partnerships centred of non-denominational secondary schools, with a focus on partnership working between schools and the third sector.
7325	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	I am unclear on this proposal. Does this include youth services in terms of youth club provision as this service is essential to capture children as early as possible, otherwise it's a lost opportunity. In areas of social and financial deprivation children's clubs play an essential role. Villages such as Stoneburn have no paths in or out of the village, hence the important role of community centres and youth work. Without these facilities the children would have no other accessible facility to suit their age and stage.	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council will continue to produce a statutory CLD plan, to be delivered through the learning community partnerships centred of non-denominational secondary schools, with a focus on partnership working between schools and the third sector.

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7326	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Youths need an area to tshirt part in sports and activities to keep them off the streets and getting into trouble.	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council will continue to produce a statutory CLD plan, to be delivered through the learning community partnerships centred of non-denominational secondary schools, with a focus on partnership working between schools and the third sector.
7327	No Response	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	For anyone making the UK their home, the onus should be on the individual and/or their family to ensure they can speak our language. The taxpayer should not be funding this. Anything that encourages young people to make positive choices should continue to be fully funded	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council will meet its obligations in terms of ESOL. There are many benefits to society of ensuring residents have appropriate communication skills.
7328	An employee of West Lothian Council	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Bring back YTS and Apprenticeships.	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	West Lothian Council works in partnership to maximise opportunities for work experience, training and employment.
7329	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	I disagree with providing funding any of these services. Young people have had seven years of Primary Education and between four and six years of secondary education, they have had their chance to prepare themselves for the future. There comes a time when society has to say enough.	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The Council will continue to produce a statutory CLD plan, to be delivered through the learning community partnerships centred of non-denominational secondary schools, with a focus on partnership working between schools and the third sector.
7330	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	As for English as a second language, why? If people want to come and live in this country it is incumbent upon them to be able to communicate. I see no reason why I should be expected to pay for anyone else to learn a language.	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council will meet its obligations in terms of ESOL. There are many benefits to society of ensuring residents have appropriate communication skills.
7331	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Those in social work services these days are too young and have no commitment, they cost the services due to their days off.	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. The respondent's comment is not relevant to the question
7332	An employee of West Lothian Council	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	As well as this specific budget cut, reduction in services elsewhere will have an impact on the adult learning service. E.g. if community centres go into community ownership, would this be accounted for in an adult learning budget? What about referrals and partnership working within the council? A big part of adult learning is close working relationships with other council services. How can this be addressed.	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	The proposals are for increased partnership working.
7333	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Again adult learning is continuing but staff are fewer. Possibility that greater class sizes may negatively impact the attendance of people to these classes as they may feel embarrassed to go along.	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
7334	An employee of West Lothian Council	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Keeping young people in some sort of education that cannot cope with mainstream would prevent placements outwith WLC saving the council money. If a child in a residential unit then full time education should be mandatory as it would in a residential school outwith authorities. Burnhouse should not be allowed to return kids back to their residential home as they are misbehaving. They would not do this if they were at home.	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. The respondent's comment was not relevant to the question.
7335	No Response	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	The council should look at enhanced partnership working to ensure young people are kept in the school system and have access to support.	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Increased partnership working is a feature of the proposals.
7336	An employee of West Lothian Council	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Youth services including those provided by the third sector needs to be targeted at risk.	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The Council will continue to produce a statutory CLD plan, to be delivered through the learning community partnerships centred of non-denominational secondary schools, with a focus on partnership working between schools and the third sector.
7337	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Is this where the support workers role will be best used to again allow pupil to achieve their full potential.	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	West Lothian's support for MCMC pupils has proved effective at increasing numbers progressing to a positive destination.

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7338	No Response	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	I believe the impact of CLD Youth Services must not be overlooked. As a Member of Scottish Parliament, I would not have had access to numerous opportunities I have had due to the support of CLD Youth Services. Furthermore, the Youth clubs and groups run by CLD Youth Services are crucial in giving young people a safe place to develop and socialise. Finally, though there are several other triumphs I could list, CLD Youth Services are currently restructuring the Youth Participation structure in West Lothian. This restructure is underpinned by a wide consultation outlining what young people want. The participation body this will result in is important for democracy and is a symbol that West Lothian values the views of it's young people in a meaningful way.	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council will continue to produce a statutory CLD plan, to be delivered through the learning community partnerships centred of non-denominational secondary schools, with a focus on partnership working between schools and the third sector.
7339	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	You already support the younger generation with supported work provision but what about the adults in West Lothian that find themselves out of work? Where do they get the support that they need? Many will have children which means further numbers of children living in poverty.	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council will continue to produce a statutory CLD plan, to be delivered through the learning community partnerships centred of non-denominational secondary schools, with a focus on partnership working between schools and the third sector.
7340	An employee of West Lothian Council	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	The authority is accepting more and more EAL pupils on a regular basis. These pupils need thorough time and teaching to ensure that they can access the curriculum, attain, get a job, provide for their families, be healthy, stay out of crime - West Lothian's priorities. How are we going to deal with the rapid and ever increasing amount of EAL pupils with a smaller team?	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	The Council will meet its obligations in terms of ESOL. There are many benefits to society of ensuring residents have appropriate communication skills.
7341	An employee of West Lothian Council	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	ESOL is already not offered on a broad enough basis for the amount of pupils in our school system who do not communicate well in English. This should be higher up the list of the priorities, instead of being reduced. Opportunities to better use school staff already qualified to deliver this should be looked at - several language teachers (and indeed other specialists) already can and have offered this before and are currently needed for "cover" so often that there is no time to apply their skills in this way.	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The Council will meet its obligations in terms of ESOL. There are many benefits to society of ensuring residents have appropriate communication skills.
7342	An employee of West Lothian Council	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Equally, reducing the number of staff delivering EAL provision is very short-sighted, considering the growing number of EAL people in the council area.	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council will meet its obligations in terms of ESOL. There are many benefits to society of ensuring residents have appropriate communication skills.
7343	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	More youth services required in the evenings	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council will continue to produce a statutory CLD plan, to be delivered through the learning community partnerships centred of non-denominational secondary schools, with a focus on partnership working between schools and the third sector.
7344	No Response	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	I work for the west Lothian youth action project we have been the longest serving provider of youth services in west Lothian. In every area and community through out. We have often seen vital funds from council diverted from us to other projects of council provision. The need for voluntary sector organisations is important as we often take the cases from social work police yip and mcmc workers who have ran out of ideas what to do with the young people they refer to us. It's this simple you reduce our funding take the groups of kids work with them then pass them to us expecting us to still pick up the referral and cover the cost without the funding we previously had for that piece of work. Innoarticular supporting in schools one to one and early intervention we provide a service that is not funded by any wic our that sends the referral to us. More money needs provided to the partnership orgs council use like mine at the youth action project. We habe 39k cut from ours this year. Staff have lost 1 weeks holiday and had a pay freeze since 2009 to keep withing the budgets provided from council core funding. While agencies like mcmc and yip where born off our work receive funds we NEED To work with the at risk kids they can't engage with. Collaboration needs improved in shared funds and resources.	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council will continue to produce a statutory CLD plan, to be delivered through the learning community partnerships centred of non-denominational secondary schools, with a focus on partnership working between schools and the third sector.
7345	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Youth services are not just about getting young people into education, work or training. Services such as Youth Clubs and Drop-in centres are required to provide young people a space for social interaction and to provide somewhere other than the streets to be sociable.	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council will continue to produce a statutory CLD plan, to be delivered through the learning community partnerships centred of non-denominational secondary schools, with a focus on partnership working between schools and the third sector.
7346	No Response	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Agreed. Also look at accessing lottery and additional grants.	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted and will be considered as part of any development of the proposal.

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7347	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Don't cut this - too many around here grow up with limited chances.	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council will continue to produce a statutory CLD plan, to be delivered through the learning community partnerships centred of non-denominational secondary schools, with a focus on partnership working between schools and the third sector.
7348	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	This is an important function of the council related to local economy at end of day so great care should be taken to protect and support such services to increase opportunities for young people.	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council will continue to produce a statutory CLD plan, to be delivered through the learning community partnerships centred of non-denominational secondary schools, with a focus on partnership working between schools and the third sector.
7349	An employee of West Lothian Council	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Schools already have close links with West Lothian College and offer alternative curricular choices, concentrate resources in schools.	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	Continued partnership working with West Lothian College is envisaged within the proposals.
7350	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	I've followed the N.E.E.T programme over the years and any effort to assist those who fall through "the Safety Net" has to be applauded. My fear is that these young people will become merely statistics to be viewed by the Government as "employed" when in fact all they get is what used to be called work experience and not a full-time, permanent employment.	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	West Lothian's support for MCMC pupils has proved effective at increasing numbers progressing to a positive destination.
7351	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Better support in school may reduce the need for this. As the parent of a dyslexic child it seems to be a fight to get any help and even then it is inconsistent.	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. The respondent's comment was not relevant to the question.
7352	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	I don't know what the size of the current team is and what you intend to reduce it by? By streamlining this, are you placing the admin burden elsewhere.	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	The Council will continue to produce a statutory CLD plan, to be delivered through the learning community partnerships centred of non-denominational secondary schools, with a focus on partnership working between schools and the third sector.
7353	No Response	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Given the high level of Eastern European residents, it is vital they do not feel excluded from their communities by not being able to access Adult learning opportunities that are vital for intergration.	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council will meet its obligations in terms of ESOL. There are many benefits to society of ensuring residents have appropriate communication skills.
7354	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Will the smaller team be able to provide the same service with less staff?	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	The Council will continue to produce a statutory CLD plan, to be delivered through the learning community partnerships centred of non-denominational secondary schools, with a focus on partnership working between schools and the third sector.
7355	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	You have not explained how the savings will be achieved so will just have to assume this can be done and improve the current situation.	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	The Council will continue to produce a statutory CLD plan, to be delivered through the learning community partnerships centred of non-denominational secondary schools, with a focus on partnership working between schools and the third sector.
7356	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	As long as enough staff	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The Council will continue to produce a statutory CLD plan, to be delivered through the learning community partnerships centred of non-denominational secondary schools, with a focus on partnership working between schools and the third sector.
7357	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	In principle, this seems fine. However, for English as a second language, does the Council have to provide this themselves? Again could this not be provided at a lower cost by the Council outsourcing this service and not actually running it themselves?	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The Council will meet its obligations in terms of ESOL. There are many benefits to society of ensuring residents have appropriate communication skills.

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7358	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Not sure I understand this. English as a second language? .is this free lessons for those not educated/born here originally? This should be volunteer based anyway. Those learning should teach also. Youth services are important if it helps lead to further education or better life choices.	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council will meet its obligations in terms of ESOL. There are many benefits to society of ensuring residents have appropriate communication skills. The Council will continue to produce a statutory CLD plan, to be delivered through the learning community partnerships centred of non-denominational secondary schools, with a focus on partnership working between schools and the third sector.
7359	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	This is good, if it goes hand in hand with increasing the availability of jobs for them leaving school/college	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	West Lothian's support for MCMC pupils has proved effective at increasing numbers progressing to a positive destination. The Council has little control over the factors affecting employment opportunities.
7360	An employee of West Lothian Council	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	From experience, community learning partners are only valuable at school level if they understand the curriculum before offering their services. I do not want to disparage these partners, as their offer of help is extremely generous, however, in many cases, these 'real-life skills' workshops tend to be a rehash of subjects covered in the main school curriculum and do not add anything to the pupils' education (one would argue that due to the time out of class, they could be detrimental in some cases)	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council will continue to produce a statutory CLD plan, to be delivered through the learning community partnerships centred of non-denominational secondary schools, with a focus on partnership working between schools and the third sector.
7361	An employee of West Lothian Council	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	It's a great idea only if there is oportunities at the end of it example employment.	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	West Lothian's support for MCMC pupils has proved effective at increasing numbers progressing to a positive destination.
7362	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	More work place involvement,, from earlier age,, education not always the best policy,, workplace training,,	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	West Lothian's support for MCMC pupils has proved effective at increasing numbers progressing to a positive destination.
7363	No Response	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	A more cohesive approach to provision involving both statutory & non-statutory services is key the success of the continued effectiveness of adult learning & youth services.	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council will continue to produce a statutory CLD plan, to be delivered through the learning community partnerships centred of non-denominational secondary schools, with a focus on partnership working between schools and the third sector.
7364	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	I think there should be more funds put into adult & youth services. Especially the youth in west lothian who seem to turn to crime more and more, theft, vandalism, throwing stones at cars at dark hours - no cutting is needed but more attention, more resources and creating affordable access to clubs, education, gyms and other activity that poor families get the same opportunity to send their kids... even fund it for them - as that's what creates more poverty and crime in the west lothian.	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council will continue to produce a statutory CLD plan, to be delivered through the learning community partnerships centred of non-denominational secondary schools, with a focus on partnership working between schools and the third sector.
7365	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Also, adult education should be provided for people who are unemployed, people who try to return to work or re-train and this should be affordable too.	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council will continue to produce a statutory CLD plan, to be delivered through the learning community partnerships centred of non-denominational secondary schools, with a focus on partnership working between schools and the third sector.
7366	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	IT IS IMPORTANT THIS GOOD WORK CONTINUES AND THE EXISTING CENTRES PROVIDING THIS PROVISION REMAIN OPEN	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council will continue to produce a statutory CLD plan, to be delivered through the learning community partnerships centred of non-denominational secondary schools, with a focus on partnership working between schools and the third sector.
7367	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Adult learning here seems to be taking very much a back seat. Many young people slip through the net and some only realise missed opportunities when they are more mature. In the main these are people desperate to learn, achieve basic skills level and achieve self worth. They should not be abandoned.	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council will continue to produce a statutory CLD plan, to be delivered through the learning community partnerships centred of non-denominational secondary schools, with a focus on partnership working between schools and the third sector.
7368	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Adult learning and ESL is important as with the learning happening it will allow adults and young people access into work and therefore will reduce the financial constraints in providing financial benefits etc.	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council will continue to produce a statutory CLD plan, to be delivered through the learning community partnerships centred of non-denominational secondary schools, with a focus on partnership working between schools and the third sector.

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7369	No Response	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Teachers are a very valuable resources and there is fantastic work going on to support adult learning through our school including Parents as Partners weeks where parents share in their child's learning and are offered support in developing their own abilities. Speak to schools about this and you will find a great resource to be utilised.	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. The respondent's comment was not relevant to the question
7370	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Adult learning should be cost neutral wherever possible, with the cost burden placed upon those financially capable of paying for courses, particularly where it will lead to a financial benefit for the learner.	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted and will be considered as part of any development of the proposal.
7371	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Although in practice this is good we are seen to be regarding youths for non attendance or behaviour issues - the costs for summer clubs and days out is excessive and should be financially supported by parents and not the council or tax payers	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The Council will continue to produce a statutory CLD plan, to be delivered through the learning community partnerships centred of non-denominational secondary schools, with a focus on partnership working between schools and the third sector.
7372	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Could a charge be made for English classes to make it pay for itself? People may be happy to at least make a contribution.	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council will continue to produce a statutory CLD plan, to be delivered through the learning community partnerships centred of non-denominational secondary schools, with a focus on partnership working between schools and the third sector.
7373	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	children deserve to be looked after and educated. no cuts. adults with disabilities need support to help them. no cuts	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council will continue to produce a statutory CLD plan, to be delivered through the learning community partnerships centred of non-denominational secondary schools, with a focus on partnership working between schools and the third sector.
7374	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	those with disabilities should always be helped. this is needed.	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council will continue to produce a statutory CLD plan, to be delivered through the learning community partnerships centred of non-denominational secondary schools, with a focus on partnership working between schools and the third sector.
7375	An employee of West Lothian Council	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	While this may seem the right thing to do I have concerns about the future with more people being out of work and needing financial support from the government. Are we storing up trouble for the future?	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council will continue to produce a statutory CLD plan, to be delivered through the learning community partnerships centred of non-denominational secondary schools, with a focus on partnership working between schools and the third sector.
7376	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Regional skills assessments and positive destinations have continued to develop the pathways for young people. DYW has encouraged more industry links with secondary schools. Adult education and ESOL, outsourced to FE provision	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	West Lothian's support for MCMC pupils has proved effective at increasing numbers progressing to a positive destination. Ongoing partnership working with West Lothian College is a feature of the proposals.
7377	No Response	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Surely if people come west lothian and English is not their main language, then surely it should be up to them and not the council tax payers to fund this. If I was to go to another country and I wanted to speak the local language, this would have to be for privately and not by the local govt in that country. Surely mind should also involve working with the private sector also.	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council will meet its obligations in terms of ESOL. There are many benefits to society of ensuring residents have appropriate communication skills.
7378	No Response	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Surely getting the Primary and Secondary educations systems working well would reduce / remove the need for further initiatives?	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	The Council will continue to produce a statutory CLD plan, to be delivered through the learning community partnerships centred of non-denominational secondary schools, with a focus on partnership working between schools and the third sector.
7379	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Waste of time, I am a business owner and I am unable to give jobs away. I feel this spending in this way is wasted. Teaching people to speak English is not something I approve off as this really should be something the person that can't speak English should either learn before they come to Scotland or fund to learn.	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council will meet its obligations in terms of ESOL. There are many benefits to society of ensuring residents have appropriate communication skills.
7380	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	English as a second language is important but I do believe that adult learners who wish to learn English should fund themselves to do so. If I were to choose to live in another country I would expect to pay to learn that language not be subsidised by that country. I have studied at university as an adult and no funding was made available to me. I did not expect it and I was improving myself to improve my career and future.	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council will meet its obligations in terms of ESOL. There are many benefits to society of ensuring residents have appropriate communication skills.

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7381	No Response	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Learning opportunities should be available to everyone as and when they are willing to take them. Too many students are pushed towards courses and placements they have no interest in or intention to complete.	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council will continue to produce a statutory CLD plan, to be delivered through the learning community partnerships centred of non-denominational secondary schools, with a focus on partnership working between schools and the third sector.
7382	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	too many kids leave primary school with a very poor reading and counting abilitie, surely the last thing they need is to be told they have to learn a foreign language and Physics..	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
7383	No Response	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	ESL support is already minimal having been the target of previous cuts. With the commitment to supporting refugees in West Lothian, this seems an unwise area to subject to further cutbacks.	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council will meet its obligations in terms of ESOL. There are many benefits to society of ensuring residents have appropriate communication skills.
7384	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Closer ties with Community Councils to support this	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Officers will consider how this could be developed.
7385	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	What if a bigger team is needed due to all these other changes forcing people to either need to be unemployed , out of education at a young age ect. But again as long as the help is still there and it is just as effective, even more effective would be better.	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	The Council will continue to produce a statutory CLD plan, to be delivered through the learning community partnerships centred of non-denominational secondary schools, with a focus on partnership working between schools and the third sector.
7386	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Training for staff in education on English as a second language should be promoted, as this is and needs to be recognised as an additional support need, in order that such children are given equal opportunities to learn and develop.	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The Council will meet its obligations in terms of ESOL. There are many benefits to society of ensuring residents have appropriate communication skills.
7387	An employee of West Lothian Council	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Volunteers / charities could assist with teaching English as a second language.	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The Council will meet its obligations in terms of ESOL. There are many benefits to society of ensuring residents have appropriate communication skills.
7388	No Response	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	This reads like the Youth Services provision will no longer exist and will be replace by non degree qualified MCMC workers who may engage with young people but they certainly do not have the same theory, knowledge and understanding of a qualified Community Education Worker. No reference is made to the provision of main stream and focused youth work (provided by Youth Services) which fills me with fear - if children have no where to go to meet with peers in a safe informal setting it will be to the detriment of the young people in our county. Many young people to not enjoy / engage in school but have a positive experience in informal settings such as youth work. BAD idea to cut youth services and qualified experienced staff.	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council will continue to produce a statutory CLD plan, to be delivered through the learning community partnerships centred of non-denominational secondary schools, with a focus on partnership working between schools and the third sector.
7389	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Hopefully the council could use partnership working with charities that could provide some of these services.	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Officers will consider how this could be developed.
7390	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	make use of retired skilled and professional local people. encourage pupils to engage with twinning groups who normally have some skill in French etc.	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Officers will consider how this could be developed.
7391	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Agree there is a need to prioritise funding to those most in need of youth services. With the level of savings required it does seem that identifying and providing for statutory needs is going to be required in a number of council services.	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The Council will continue to produce a statutory CLD plan, to be delivered through the learning community partnerships centred of non-denominational secondary schools, with a focus on partnership working between schools and the third sector.
7392	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	This comment applies to many sections in this document - anywhere where the words 'redesign', 'rationalisation', 'restructure' 'streamlining' are included. The saving is given but not the current spend, or the cost required to achieve the 4 million, or the time for return on investment. I am puzzled that after 10 years of cuts the service is thought to still have enough fat to achieve this saving without impact on service. There is a lot of building going on in WL. If the current funding (even with the resulting increase in council tax) is not sufficient to cater for the increased population this expansion should be stopped, or the developers charged to cover the cost.	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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7393	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	It is vital that services such as this are not impacted upon to the detriment of the service users.	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council will continue to produce a statutory CLD plan, to be delivered through the learning community partnerships centred of non-denominational secondary schools, with a focus on partnership working between schools and the third sector.
7394	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Despite the Scottish government's best efforts to dumb down educational standards, children should be encouraged to stay on until 6th year or attend a college if there is no immediate employment opportunity	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	The council promotes a range of appropriate positive destinations.
7395	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Adult learning provides lipreading classes for deaf and hard of hearing people in west Lothian. I am shocked to see that services such as these to support people with disabilities are being considered non-essential. I would like to ask the question why the council proposes to support English classes for non-English speakers in favour of lip-reading classes. Surely classes to support basic communication skills in society should be accessible and available to all. It is not just non-English speakers who face communication barriers. Possibly the council is unaware of the lifeline that these classes provide. These classes teach skills which assist deaf and hard of hearing people to communicate in all aspects of daily life. In addition, it provides a support network and essential information about services which are available to deaf people such as communication aids, access to work, fire safety, understanding hearing loss, information about hearing aids, cochlear implants and deaf counselling services to name but a few. These classes provide more than just communication support and are available to people of all ages and all backgrounds. Is the council aware that social isolation, depression, mental health issues and unemployment are frequently associated with deafness as a direct result of a persons inability to communicate with those around them? As a young deafened adult these classes have provided me with essential support and have ultimately provided information and skills which have assisted me to stay in employment. I therefore consider this an essential and important service which should be supported and maintained.	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your comments in relation to lip reading.
7396	An employee of West Lothian Council	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Reduction in provision is likely to have impact on those in the community who need the most support.	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The Council will continue to produce a statutory CLD plan, to be delivered through the learning community partnerships centred of non-denominational secondary schools, with a focus on partnership working between schools and the third sector.
7397	No Response	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Encouragement needs to come from an very early age at schools and extra support for pupils struggling - early intervention this may prevent additional support required for pupils when they eventually leave school ,	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council will continue to produce a statutory CLD plan, to be delivered through the learning community partnerships centred of non-denominational secondary schools, with a focus on partnership working between schools and the third sector.
7398	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	This is in my opinion important work if we are looking at less future dependency on services. It might be short sighted to prioritise only the most vulnerable as we could be creating more vulnerable adults for the future.	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council will continue to produce a statutory CLD plan, to be delivered through the learning community partnerships centred of non-denominational secondary schools, with a focus on partnership working between schools and the third sector.
7399	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	While it is welcomed that the council have a commitment to MCMC service, the reality is that the lack of commitment from the council to support community partners has had an impact on the opportunities that are in existence, e.g. The loss of BLES training and the closure of Cafe Mistura in Broxburn. It is a concern that EAL and adult learning are going to be reduced as "Life Long Learning" is an important principle as many adults often seek a second chance at education due to different circumstances when they were younger. Also, council hasn't made it clear how they are going to provide greater opportunities for helping young people and adults with disabilities, including learning , social and emotional as well as physical move into employment.	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council will continue to produce a statutory CLD plan, to be delivered through the learning community partnerships centred of non-denominational secondary schools, with a focus on partnership working between schools and the third sector.
7400	No Response	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	I think that you have to decide whether education is to improve the mind, so that subjects such as second language material to the system, but are of little use afterwards.	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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7401	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Generally agree but the details would be more helpful! Please don't cut all adult education e.g. the lip reading classes. They are a lifeline and prevent social isolation for adults with deafness. I'd rather you cut the English as a second language class for those who want to work here. I applaud that aim but in every other country in the world you would be expected to pay for it yourself.	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
7402	An employee of West Lothian Council	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Youth services are important and the council should ensure there is still enough wider, adequate provision being offered through these partnerships with schools and partners	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council will continue to produce a statutory CLD plan, to be delivered through the learning community partnerships centred of non-denominational secondary schools, with a focus on partnership working between schools and the third sector.
7403	No Response	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	While it is welcomed that the council have a commitment to MCMC service, the reality is that the lack of commitment from the council to support community partners has had an impact on the opportunities that are in existence, e.g. The loss of BLES training and the closure of Cafe Mistura in Broxburn. It is a concern that EAL and adult learning are going to be reduced as "Life Long Learning" is an important principle as many adults often seek a second chance at education due to different circumstances when they were younger. Also, council hasn't made it clear how they are going to provide greater opportunities for helping young people and adults with disabilities, including learning, social and emotional as well as physical move into employment.	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council will continue to produce a statutory CLD plan, to be delivered through the learning community partnerships centred of non-denominational secondary schools, with a focus on partnership working between schools and the third sector.
7404	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	These proposals make sense. There are an increasing number of children in schools with English as a second language so I feel there should still be support available with this.	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The Council will meet its obligations in terms of ESOL. There are many benefits to society of ensuring residents have appropriate communication skills.
7405	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	While I approve of efficiency measures they cannot be at the expense of the service being delivered. There is a careful balance to be had here	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
7406	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	English lessons are vital and shouldn't be cut. Anyone who doesn't speak English is going to struggle to get a job here, so help should be available to help them learn English and find work, to prevent them claiming benefits.	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council will meet its obligations in terms of ESOL. There are many benefits to society of ensuring residents have appropriate communication skills.
7407	No Response	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Not up to speed on this	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	The respondent had no comment.
7408	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Key to success of the area. Stop unemployment cycle before it has the opportunity to become a habit	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	West Lothian's support for MCMC pupils has proved effective at increasing numbers progressing to a positive destination.
7409	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Are you planning on cutting back on the services already offered here? Again maybe more Money should be spent on preventative measures because if not then it just moves the problems elsewhere.	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council will continue to produce a statutory CLD plan, to be delivered through the learning community partnerships centred of non-denominational secondary schools, with a focus on partnership working between schools and the third sector.
7410	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Would wish to safeguard youth club support as this is a great way to keep youths busy	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council will continue to produce a statutory CLD plan, to be delivered through the learning community partnerships centred of non-denominational secondary schools, with a focus on partnership working between schools and the third sector.
7411	An employee of West Lothian Council	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	The numbers of children attending Youth clubs needs investigation as some clubs are running with only two people in attendance	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Officers will consider how this could be developed.
7412	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	It is imperative to cater for those with further educational needs in order to provide the Future workforce with the skills they require in order to keep unemployment levels down and inclusivity levels high.	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	The council is already doing this.
7413	No Response	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Laudable- but again resist the urge to employ lots of layers of managers .	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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7414	No Response	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	The numbers of children attending Youth clubs needs investigation as some clubs are running with only two people in attendance	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Officers will consider how this could be developed.
7415	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	I do not want to see impacts to Adult learning and Youth services. I believe it is important to give as much help as possible to people to get them into work as in the long term this will reduce the impact on other services helping keep their costs down.	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council will continue to produce a statutory CLD plan, to be delivered through the learning community partnerships centred of non-denominational secondary schools, with a focus on partnership working between schools and the third sector.
7416	An employee of West Lothian Council	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Lack of support for this vital area will result in negative outcomes for our young people - adult learning supports learning of their children and community -	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council will continue to produce a statutory CLD plan, to be delivered through the learning community partnerships centred of non-denominational secondary schools, with a focus on partnership working between schools and the third sector.
7417	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Why have you been wasting so much of our money up to this point?	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	The respondent had no comment that provides any useful guide to action.
7418	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Some people will never go into employment. Why should we pay to teach foreigners English? If we are in such dire straits and they want to live here they should pay for the tuition themselves.	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council will meet its obligations in terms of ESOL. There are many benefits to society of ensuring residents have appropriate communication skills.
7419	An employee of West Lothian Council	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	What will be included for those who have disabilities and parents are left to make provisions for themselves?	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council will continue to produce a statutory CLD plan, to be delivered through the learning community partnerships centred of non-denominational secondary schools, with a focus on partnership working between schools and the third sector. This plan can reflect the current balance of services for people with disabilities as at present.
7420	An employee of West Lothian Council	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Empowering communities should be a priority for the council. Adult education is a crucial element of this.	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council will continue to produce a statutory CLD plan, to be delivered through the learning community partnerships centred of non-denominational secondary schools, with a focus on partnership working between schools and the third sector.
7421	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	We have concerns about the total removal of generic youth work as we see this as a valuable resource to improve the education, social skills of young people in informal settings. Youth clubs within local centres provide opportunities for young people to socialise, gather knowledge and improve their skills in a safe place and we believe help reduce antisocial behaviour and operate out of school hours. We believe that youth work provision must be balanced and give young people have a variety of opportunities to engage with young people. Staff within these services often link in with other organisations, including our own charity to work in partnership in developing resources and implementing new approaches all designed to improve the outcomes and life chances of young people. If this staffing resource is lost, then there will also be a reduction in the opportunities for partnership working.	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council will continue to produce a statutory CLD plan, to be delivered through the learning community partnerships centred of non-denominational secondary schools, with a focus on partnership working between schools and the third sector.
7422	No Response	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Surely in West Lothian there are enough vacancies for young people who are not in education or training to be placed in vacancies identified through Careers Scotland. Vacancies should be identified in the local area and suitable jobs for suitable youngsters made known to them.	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	West Lothian's support for MCMC pupils has proved effective at increasing numbers progressing to a positive destination. The Council works in partnership to maximise opportunities for work experience, training, apprenticeships etc.
7423	An employee of West Lothian Council	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	As benefits become more focused on individuals making claims themselves and being responsible for accessing online claims for HB/CTR and also their own income such as UC, its important that people with learning disabilities in adulthood or limited IT skills receive the support that they require and deserve.	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council will continue to produce a statutory CLD plan, to be delivered through the learning community partnerships centred of non-denominational secondary schools, with a focus on partnership working between schools and the third sector. This plan can reflect the current balance of services for people with disabilities as at present.
7424	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Schools should be working with community partners to get the best use of the services available. Adult learning could be done in schools where their are already specialists on hand to help out.	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Officers will consider how this could be developed.

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7425	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	As above - lets have a root and branch review of the service and delivery. It isn't necessary to increase costs when efficiencies can be identified. A business approach is what is needed to ensure the correct spending on items needed is controlled.	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
7426	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	More jobs lost.	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
7427	No Response	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	It needs to be mandatory that anyone allowed to settle in this country speaks our language - funding coming directly from the Scottish exec with contributions made by the immigrants. A policy of every young person leaving school to be in gainful employment - contributing to the community - a bit like national service. The work ethic is SO important. Our forefathers had no 'choice' with respect to employment ! none of this "what would you LIKE to do" !	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	5c. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it is not consistent with the council's values and priorities.	The Council will meet its obligations in terms of ESOL. There are many benefits to society of ensuring residents have appropriate communication skills.
7428	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Whilst many adolescents are not staying in full time education or moving into employment EMA funding should not be paid just to entice these people to stay in education as they are not gaining from this and are draining the public purse. If people who do stay in further education need financial assistance then the way in which this cash is spent should be closely monitored as it's widely abused. Itâ€™s all very well training people for employment but the jobs are simply not there to be had	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. EMA is a national scheme.
7429	An employee of West Lothian Council	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Whilst many adolescents are not staying in full time education or moving into employment EMA funding should not be paid just to entice these people to stay in education as they are not gaining from this and are draining the public purse. If people who do stay in further education need financial assistance then the way in which this cash is spent should be closely monitored as it's widely abused. Itâ€™s all very well training people for employment but the jobs are simply not there to be had.	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. EMA is a national scheme.
7430	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Why should it be the councils responsibility to provide tuition on English as a Second Language. This is not an area that would be supported by any other country. If immigrants choose to come to an English speaking country then surely it is there own responsibility to learn the language. Having had a child recently come through the education system and having previously worked within Education, MCMC is seen my many as rewarding bad behaviour.	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	5c. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it is not consistent with the council's values and priorities.	The Council will meet its obligations in terms of ESOL. There are many benefits to society of ensuring residents have appropriate communication skills.
7431	An employee of West Lothian Council	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	This link and service is absolutely essential and in my view needs to be expanded and focused especially on LAC children and the poor outcomes we are continuing to achieve for them.	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council will continue to produce a statutory CLD plan, to be delivered through the learning community partnerships centred of non-denominational secondary schools, with a focus on partnership working between schools and the third sector.
7432	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	They need more youth groups around West Lothian	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council will continue to produce a statutory CLD plan, to be delivered through the learning community partnerships centred of non-denominational secondary schools, with a focus on partnership working between schools and the third sector.
7433	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Need to boost adult confidence and retrain. How you going to do a service if you reduce staff. Disillusioned youth - worried kids. need to inspire the young people.	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council will continue to produce a statutory CLD plan, to be delivered through the learning community partnerships centred of non-denominational secondary schools, with a focus on partnership working between schools and the third sector.
7434	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Further cutbacks in schools will have an impact on AL. Schools should provide adult learning classes with teachers delivering.	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Officers will consider how this could be developed.
7435	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	There needs to be more apprenticeships in worthwhile jobs. We are short of plumbers, joiners and electricians and we have hundreds, of young people studying media studies. I'm sure there are some jobs for the best pupils but not for the majority. please ensure these courses are worthwhile not just a way of keeping youths occupied. I live in Linlithgow and I am not aware of any adult learning facility delivered by the council. i have to travel to Edinburgh. I have a Celta qualification and have volunteered to help with English as a second language at no cost to the council but this help has been declined. Could the use of volunteers not extend the EFL provision instead of cutting it.	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	The council promotes a range of appropriate positive destinations, but its influence on employers is limited. There is no proposal to cut ESOL.

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7436	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Youth clubs are ESSENTIAL!!!! To child development and social mental well being.	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council will continue to produce a statutory CLD plan, to be delivered through the learning community partnerships centred of non-denominational secondary schools, with a focus on partnership working between schools and the third sector.
7437	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	I think that these services are important due to a lot a children slipping through the net after school and them not getting the support and help needed to make them ready for employment.	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council will continue to produce a statutory CLD plan, to be delivered through the learning community partnerships centred of non-denominational secondary schools, with a focus on partnership working between schools and the third sector.
7438	An employee of West Lothian Council	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Whilst many adolescents are not staying in full time education or moving into employment EMA funding should not be paid just to entice these people to stay in education as they are not gaining from this and are draining the public purse. If people who do stay in further education need financial assistance then the way in which this cash is spent should be closely monitored as it's widely abused. Itâ€™s all very well training people for employment but the jobs are simply not there to be had.	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. EMA is a national scheme.
7439	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	A greater focus and financial commitment to health and wellbeing and quality of education rather than the cheapest to deliver, from an earlier age should be taken to minimise the number of disengaged youths and young adults. Lack of focus at an earlier stage is resulting on a broken system which looks short on planning and very reactive.	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	The council is already doing this.
7440	An employee of West Lothian Council	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Initiatives should already be working closely with schools and community learning.	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	The council is already doing this.
7441	An employee of West Lothian Council	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Supportive in principle based on limited detailed information. It will remain vital that support continues to be available throughout the calendar year (not simply during school/academic periods).	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The Council will continue to produce a statutory CLD plan, to be delivered through the learning community partnerships centred of non-denominational secondary schools, with a focus on partnership working between schools and the third sector.
7442	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Our education system with a focus on academic achievement does not suit every learning style, therefore other options should be available including vocational learning to ensure that every young person has access to the education they require to achieve their goals.	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	The council provides a varied curriculum which can be tailored to the needs of individual pupils.
7443	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	The council must consider how they support their citizens especially the elderly and those less literate in the move to a more digital world to ensure that these groups who rely on council services the most are not marginalised and left behind. The council should consider provided adult education/ongoing support to these group to enable the digital revolution to be a success	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council will continue to produce a statutory CLD plan, to be delivered through the learning community partnerships centred of non-denominational secondary schools, with a focus on partnership working between schools and the third sector.
7444	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Has an equality impact assessment been carried out for each of the budget proposals? It is essential that this is done at the earliest opportunity in order to assess what the impact will be on those in the protected characteristics groups and those already experiencing disadvantage.	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Equality impact assessments and relevance assessments will be conducted as proposals are agreed for further development.
7445	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	The academic focus of our education system doesn't suit everyone, there must be other approaches to education which take other learning styles and individual's goals into account, including a focus on vocational training.	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	The council provides a varied curriculum which can be tailored to the needs of individual pupils.
7446	An employee of West Lothian Council	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	This will have an impact on access to statutory services and other efficiency savings - e.g. channel shift. If learners aren't giving support to function more independently, there will be a greater support need from other council services. Likewise, current youth work helps young people avoid needing support through MCMC. Consideration could be given to introducing some element of charging for Adult Learning classes, in particular for adults who are post working age. Currently about one quarter of IT Learners and three quarters of lipreading learners are over 65. Introducing charging to cover tutor costs may be an alternative to removing provision for these learners altogether. Charging for lipreading already exists in other local authority areas. It may also be worth thinking about creating opportunities for income generation through delivering leisure classes with a charge for participants.	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Officers will consider how this could be developed.

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7447	An employee of West Lothian Council	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	There needs to be a clear review of the needs of individual service needs rather than a blanket approach which then impacts on service users. E.g. I would be unhappy to see the loss of Adult Learning night classes which meet the needs of learners in order to save staffing costs in allowances, whereas some shift patterns in other teams may have greater flexibility.	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council will continue to produce a statutory CLD plan, to be delivered through the learning community partnerships centred of non-denominational secondary schools, with a focus on partnership working between schools and the third sector.
7448	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Adult learning should be the basics - so adults should have the opportunity to get to the level of high school in any subject. In terms of young people not in education there should be more apprenticeships / chances to work while learning. The apprenticeship should either pay minimum wage or the student is given a loan/ bursary so they can afford to do it.	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The Council will continue to produce a statutory CLD plan, to be delivered through the learning community partnerships centred of non-denominational secondary schools, with a focus on partnership working between schools and the third sector. The council promotes a range of positive destinations, but has limited ability to require employers to offer apprenticeships.
7449	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	This appears to be a good focus but we are not told what services will disappear as a result.	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted.
7450	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Sounds good. Hope it delivers. Not good that you've not said what's being lost in the provision. Not good that the changes are being made because of a review? Transparency of this?	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted.
7451	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Close collaboration with the FE college sector and directly with employers will be crucial for development of youth services.	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted.
7452	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	I attend a lip reading class and have found that many in the class who are more profoundly deaf than myself have greatly benefited from attending. If this class was discontinued they would be more isolated and depressed. Having the class has enabled them to regain their confidence and self worth. I don't consider this class to be a leisure pursuit but a necessity. If the class was to close it would be willing to pay something towards the cost of this service.	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Officers will consider how this could be developed.
7453	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Adult learning is so important. Covering young adults with help to get into employment right up to Adults with disabilities. Lip reading classes cover a wide range of skills, not only lip reading but social aspects have to cope in health appointment saving having to have a note taker or interpreter. Deafness is a noticeable disability unless you are born deaf. There is little or no help. Having been part of the hearing world you are isolated and withdrawn leading to depression. Lip reading is an essential part of learning to cope in a world of more or less silence. It would be unfair to be asked to pay for these classes as it is essential to be able to communicate and how to cope in bewildering world you are forced into. Lip reading is not a social club but an educational necessity. I have the right to communicate as well as a hearing person.	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted.
7454	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Concern that support does go those needing assistance	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council will continue to produce a statutory CLD plan, to be delivered through the learning community partnerships centred of non-denominational secondary schools, with a focus on partnership working between schools and the third sector.
7455	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Where is the commitment to long term reduction in inequalities. There are direct links between provision of service particularly in areas of deprivation and increases in antisocial behaviour and such like.	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council will continue to produce a statutory CLD plan, to be delivered through the learning community partnerships centred of non-denominational secondary schools, with a focus on partnership working between schools and the third sector.
7456	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	again an important priority but to reduce even further as this area has been cut drastically already is spreading people far to thinly to effectively deliver a structured consistent access to quality learning opportunities	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council will continue to produce a statutory CLD plan, to be delivered through the learning community partnerships centred of non-denominational secondary schools, with a focus on partnership working between schools and the third sector.
7457	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	See comment to item 1d above. An increase in this year's Council Tax would have helped this issue.	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The comment does not propose any specific action.

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7458	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	In principal the restructuring of Adult Learning and Youth Services to do more focused work is a good idea. Embedding lifelong learning should be a priority, with a particular focus on the most vulnerable, disadvantaged and marginalised in our communities. The offer of adult learning needs to be made available to those in most need. Literacies, numeracy, digital learning, English as a Second Language, Lip reading etc.	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council will continue to produce a statutory CLD plan, to be delivered through the learning community partnerships centred of non-denominational secondary schools, with a focus on partnership working between schools and the third sector.
7459	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	The MCMC programme is not a stand alone activity. It is supported by work carried out by schools, other council services as well as external partners. Evidence shows that young people who are engaged in out of school learning (sports,arts and youth clubs, Duke of Edinburgh Award's, youth forums etc.) are more likely to engage and build the confidence to learn, achieve qualifications, awards and skills for life learning and work. These activities also support physical and mental wellbeing, inclusion, community cohesion and prevent young people from getting involved in anti-social behaviour and criminal activity. A limited focus on employability will impact on those young people who are vulnerable in other ways and need support to build their confidence, self-esteem, for social and personal development, to have their voices heard. To be involved in local decision-making, those who are LGBT and need support, or young people with physical and or learning disabilities. The planned ceasing of children's clubs and youth clubs could be costly in the longer term - increased school absence, family problems, anti-social behaviour and involvement in crime.	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council will continue to produce a statutory CLD plan, to be delivered through the learning community partnerships centred of non-denominational secondary schools, with a focus on partnership working between schools and the third sector.
7460	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	The young people need so much support now due tot the breakdown of families and lack of communities that these services are essential!	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council will continue to produce a statutory CLD plan, to be delivered through the learning community partnerships centred of non-denominational secondary schools, with a focus on partnership working between schools and the third sector.
7461	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	WLC should continue to continue to support The Duke of Edinburgh's Award which is run across most WLC schools & community groups.	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council will continue to produce a statutory CLD plan, to be delivered through the learning community partnerships centred of non-denominational secondary schools, with a focus on partnership working between schools and the third sector.
7462	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	I feel that the clubs should stay open because they're fun and active and the staff are kind.	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council will continue to produce a statutory CLD plan, to be delivered through the learning community partnerships centred of non-denominational secondary schools, with a focus on partnership working between schools and the third sector.
7463	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	I feel that the West Lothian clubs should stay on because they're fun and they are very active. The clubs should also stay on because the staff are kind, loving and respectful people.	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council will continue to produce a statutory CLD plan, to be delivered through the learning community partnerships centred of non-denominational secondary schools, with a focus on partnership working between schools and the third sector.
7464	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Keep youth clubs for young people and children and keep the standard of early years & education. Youth clubs are important for children from the age of 5 years and are greatly needed for helping children to interact socially with each other, meeting new friends outside of the school environment. They are very important to the development of young people.	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council will continue to produce a statutory CLD plan, to be delivered through the learning community partnerships centred of non-denominational secondary schools, with a focus on partnership working between schools and the third sector.
7465	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Keep the youth clubs because kids meet new friends and there is lots of good, fun activities.	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council will continue to produce a statutory CLD plan, to be delivered through the learning community partnerships centred of non-denominational secondary schools, with a focus on partnership working between schools and the third sector.
7466	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Please keep youth clubs open	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council will continue to produce a statutory CLD plan, to be delivered through the learning community partnerships centred of non-denominational secondary schools, with a focus on partnership working between schools and the third sector.

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7467	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	I want my youth club to stay open.	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council will continue to produce a statutory CLD plan, to be delivered through the learning community partnerships centred of non-denominational secondary schools, with a focus on partnership working between schools and the third sector.
7468	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	I want my youth club to stay open because it's fun and I enjoy it.	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council will continue to produce a statutory CLD plan, to be delivered through the learning community partnerships centred of non-denominational secondary schools, with a focus on partnership working between schools and the third sector.
7469	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Please do not close our club we meet our friends.	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council will continue to produce a statutory CLD plan, to be delivered through the learning community partnerships centred of non-denominational secondary schools, with a focus on partnership working between schools and the third sector.
7470	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	I like coming to the youth clubs. Do not shut them down.	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council will continue to produce a statutory CLD plan, to be delivered through the learning community partnerships centred of non-denominational secondary schools, with a focus on partnership working between schools and the third sector.
7471	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	I like coming to Toronto Friday club because I like the dodgeball.	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council will continue to produce a statutory CLD plan, to be delivered through the learning community partnerships centred of non-denominational secondary schools, with a focus on partnership working between schools and the third sector.
7472	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	I like coming to play at Toronto Friday club.	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council will continue to produce a statutory CLD plan, to be delivered through the learning community partnerships centred of non-denominational secondary schools, with a focus on partnership working between schools and the third sector.
7473	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	As a mother whose both children attend after school clubs and youth clubs it's a vital service where my children have fun in a safe environment. It helps their social skills, confidence making new friends and playing with old friends. My children love going to all the different clubs and would miss them dearly. Please continue to keep the fund available to keep this service open and continue to provide a safe environment for all young people in West Lothian. Youth services = reduced crime rates.	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council will continue to produce a statutory CLD plan, to be delivered through the learning community partnerships centred of non-denominational secondary schools, with a focus on partnership working between schools and the third sector.
7474	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	I like seeing my friends and I like playing games with my friends and having tuck (Toronto Children's Club)	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council will continue to produce a statutory CLD plan, to be delivered through the learning community partnerships centred of non-denominational secondary schools, with a focus on partnership working between schools and the third sector.
7475	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	I like coming so I can play games and make friends at Toronto children's club.	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council will continue to produce a statutory CLD plan, to be delivered through the learning community partnerships centred of non-denominational secondary schools, with a focus on partnership working between schools and the third sector.
7476	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	I like art at Toronto Club	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council will continue to produce a statutory CLD plan, to be delivered through the learning community partnerships centred of non-denominational secondary schools, with a focus on partnership working between schools and the third sector.

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7477	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	In Toronto Primary Friday club it's good, loud, noisy. We can keep the volume down but I personally love it because there's a wide range of activities in the Friday club. I love the club.	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council will continue to produce a statutory CLD plan, to be delivered through the learning community partnerships centred of non-denominational secondary schools, with a focus on partnership working between schools and the third sector.
7478	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	I come to Toronto Primary Friday club because I enjoy playing dodgeball and different games and playing on my phone. I meet my friends.	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council will continue to produce a statutory CLD plan, to be delivered through the learning community partnerships centred of non-denominational secondary schools, with a focus on partnership working between schools and the third sector.
7479	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	I would feel the adult learning group that I go to should not be cut as it is a big help to me with my spelling, reading and writing. Also, I feel my confidence level is going up and that is a good help to me.	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The Council will continue to produce a statutory CLD plan, to be delivered through the learning community partnerships centred of non-denominational secondary schools, with a focus on partnership working between schools and the third sector.
7480	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	My brother, sister and me come to the club every week and have fun. We play games, make stuff cook and get to use computers. If there is no money for clubs we will be sad and bored.	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council will continue to produce a statutory CLD plan, to be delivered through the learning community partnerships centred of non-denominational secondary schools, with a focus on partnership working between schools and the third sector.
7481	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	I don't know why the council think it is a good idea to close all young people clubs. I have been coming to clubs for a few years and also to holiday clubs. The staff really care about us and we give them ideas for activities that we really really want to do or trips to go on and we always get to do fun things. All my friends go and if we did not have youth clubs my Mum would not let me go and hang out on the streets with my friends as she says it is not safe. Please let us keep our club it is not fair to stop them.	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council will continue to produce a statutory CLD plan, to be delivered through the learning community partnerships centred of non-denominational secondary schools, with a focus on partnership working between schools and the third sector.
7482	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	I want it to stay open because I came here a lot during S1 & 2 and wasn't as confident. I met some of my close friends at youth club and have also done a lot throughout the community with Youth Club.	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council will continue to produce a statutory CLD plan, to be delivered through the learning community partnerships centred of non-denominational secondary schools, with a focus on partnership working between schools and the third sector.
7483	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	The youth club in Armadale is so important to me, it means I am not drinking on a Friday night and it gives me an excuse not to go out drinking - which some of my friends are starting to do. Having too space means I can come along and learn life skills such as cooking, teamwork and confidence building - if the club closes i won't know what to do.	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council will continue to produce a statutory CLD plan, to be delivered through the learning community partnerships centred of non-denominational secondary schools, with a focus on partnership working between schools and the third sector.
7484	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	The same amount of money or depending on the money that they need in order to run. I would hate to see all these clubs close I would probably lose a large amount of my social life as i don't really go out apart from the night that these clubs are going and if they close I probably would only leave my house to go to school.	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council will continue to produce a statutory CLD plan, to be delivered through the learning community partnerships centred of non-denominational secondary schools, with a focus on partnership working between schools and the third sector.
7485	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	I go to 3 clubs a week and these clubs are important to me because it helps me be myself at the club. Plus I meet new people, it also helps me be helpful at parties.	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council will continue to produce a statutory CLD plan, to be delivered through the learning community partnerships centred of non-denominational secondary schools, with a focus on partnership working between schools and the third sector.
7486	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	I like coming to Friday Club because I like the staff, you meet new friends, great staff, get involved in community, helping and become more confident and have fun.	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council will continue to produce a statutory CLD plan, to be delivered through the learning community partnerships centred of non-denominational secondary schools, with a focus on partnership working between schools and the third sector.

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7487	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	I attend a youth club it is important to me because I can make new friends and I get space and time to relax	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council will continue to produce a statutory CLD plan, to be delivered through the learning community partnerships centred of non-denominational secondary schools, with a focus on partnership working between schools and the third sector.
7488	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	As a grandparent bringing grand kids to clubs I see what a great job the staff do. Building relationships with kids and extended family. Encouraging them to make friends, learn new skills, feel safe and have fun. It is false economy to remove funding from clubs as the crime rate is bound to increase through boredom.	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council will continue to produce a statutory CLD plan, to be delivered through the learning community partnerships centred of non-denominational secondary schools, with a focus on partnership working between schools and the third sector.
7489	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	I attend youth club and it's important to me because I meet new friends. I get new skills. On a Thursday night there is a lot of stuff to do and on Friday as well. It's also important because it stops people from drinking.	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council will continue to produce a statutory CLD plan, to be delivered through the learning community partnerships centred of non-denominational secondary schools, with a focus on partnership working between schools and the third sector.
7490	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	I don't think clubs should shut down because there kind and people at the club will help you make friend.	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council will continue to produce a statutory CLD plan, to be delivered through the learning community partnerships centred of non-denominational secondary schools, with a focus on partnership working between schools and the third sector.
7491	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Attending a youth club. More confident and learning new skills and learn to cook. I think the youth club helps our community and makes new pals.	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council will continue to produce a statutory CLD plan, to be delivered through the learning community partnerships centred of non-denominational secondary schools, with a focus on partnership working between schools and the third sector.
7492	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Attending a youth club helps me to make new friends. It also has helped me to get more involved in work in the community and made me more confident. I think it is also good because it keeps young teenagers from doing bad things because they have somewhere to go.	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council will continue to produce a statutory CLD plan, to be delivered through the learning community partnerships centred of non-denominational secondary schools, with a focus on partnership working between schools and the third sector.
7493	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Attending a youth club makes me more confident and learning new skills. I think the youth club helps our community.	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council will continue to produce a statutory CLD plan, to be delivered through the learning community partnerships centred of non-denominational secondary schools, with a focus on partnership working between schools and the third sector.
7494	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	I attend the youth club because I get to meet new friends and I enjoy youth club.	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council will continue to produce a statutory CLD plan, to be delivered through the learning community partnerships centred of non-denominational secondary schools, with a focus on partnership working between schools and the third sector.
7495	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Attending a youth club helps me to help in my community, learn new skills, make new friends. I Think youth clubs/work is an important part of our community. It also keeps young teenagers out of trouble by giving them somewhere to go.	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council will continue to produce a statutory CLD plan, to be delivered through the learning community partnerships centred of non-denominational secondary schools, with a focus on partnership working between schools and the third sector.
7496	An employee of West Lothian Council	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Youth services provide an important role for the young people in West Lothian. Keeping clubs running and provide a safe environment for our young people to meet their friends, enjoy social interaction, supporting activities, life skills, new skills through having the opportunity to try different things. Please don't cut the funding from this department.	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council will continue to produce a statutory CLD plan, to be delivered through the learning community partnerships centred of non-denominational secondary schools, with a focus on partnership working between schools and the third sector.

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7497	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	I attend the youth club three times a week and I personally believe that it has benefitted me greatly. I have made new friends and experienced a lot of things. I have been attending the Armadale youth forum girls group Armadale Friday night drop in which is ran by West lothian Council and the Thursday night drop in which is ran by youth action project for the last three years and before that I attended the Friday club for primary age childre, because of this I have experienced lots of new things that I probably wouldn't have if i didn't have the opportunity toattend these clubs. I think it is completely unfair for West Lothian Council to give money to 15-16 year olds who are leaving school because all young people are entitled to the money. These clubs arn't getting enough money to be able to stay open, so they will possibly need to be closed and if these clubs close a lot of young people will lose out in these experiences and I will probably lose out in more experiences that have yet to come. I think that everyone should be given.	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council will continue to produce a statutory CLD plan, to be delivered through the learning community partnerships centred of non-denominational secondary schools, with a focus on partnership working between schools and the third sector.
7498	An employee of West Lothian Council	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	I believe that funding to young people in particular youth groups should not be cut. These services are vital to young people. It helps them learn important social and life skills in a fun and engaging way. It gives them a safe place and keeps them out of trouble on the streets. For some children in disadvantaged areas this is the only chance they get to attend a club and so funding should not be cut.	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council will continue to produce a statutory CLD plan, to be delivered through the learning community partnerships centred of non-denominational secondary schools, with a focus on partnership working between schools and the third sector.
7499	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	I used to come to this youth club when I was younger and it developed my confidence to talk to new people that is how I made new friends. When I came to the club they always had new ideas of activities that we could do. I developed into becoming a volunteer at this club and I hope to continue as it could help me get a job when i am older.	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council will continue to produce a statutory CLD plan, to be delivered through the learning community partnerships centred of non-denominational secondary schools, with a focus on partnership working between schools and the third sector.
7500	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Don't cut funds to young peoples youth groups or day car groups as they give good care. As is we need more not less, we should learn from our mistakes of the past. You can only re-invent the wheel so many times.	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council will continue to produce a statutory CLD plan, to be delivered through the learning community partnerships centred of non-denominational secondary schools, with a focus on partnership working between schools and the third sector.
7501	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	I don't want youth clubs to be cancelled. I like going to the youth clubs that I go to. If you try and take our money away there will be problems . Crime will be committed.	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council will continue to produce a statutory CLD plan, to be delivered through the learning community partnerships centred of non-denominational secondary schools, with a focus on partnership working between schools and the third sector.
7502	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	i go to Friday Club and enjoy meeting my friends from school. I enjoy all the sports and craft activities. I like chatting to [REDACTED] and i learn lots it is more fun than school. I learned how to work as a team and made me more confident. i was shy but it helped me. It makes me get out the house and makes me understand more. Staff and volunteers are funny plus friendly. All my friendds go here so I have lots of company. I enjoy the sports hall next door [REDACTED] is the best she is funny. Please please please! don't shut it down I really really really like it I would be sad. P.S. If you shut it down I'd be dissapointed also.	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council will continue to produce a statutory CLD plan, to be delivered through the learning community partnerships centred of non-denominational secondary schools, with a focus on partnership working between schools and the third sector.
7503	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	I feel that youth clubs are very important in young peoples life's because we enjoy trying new things and meeting new people. This club makes me Tuesday fun and every week we try new things and go on trips.	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council will continue to produce a statutory CLD plan, to be delivered through the learning community partnerships centred of non-denominational secondary schools, with a focus on partnership working between schools and the third sector.
7504	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	At Friday Club I love all of the activities and I have so much fun. At Friday Club I love to play with my friends and the staff are really funny and kind. At Friday Club the staff are really helful. At Friday Club I am more confident and I love to go in the hall and play games.	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council will continue to produce a statutory CLD plan, to be delivered through the learning community partnerships centred of non-denominational secondary schools, with a focus on partnership working between schools and the third sector.
7505	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	I used to come to youth clubs in Armadale throuthout my childhood and early teenage years. I feel like they benefit children of all ages and provide a comfortable environment to enable children to build confidence and grow as individuals. I then progresses onto volunteering at the clubs for a number of years before working at them. they are vital to the community.	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council will continue to produce a statutory CLD plan, to be delivered through the learning community partnerships centred of non-denominational secondary schools, with a focus on partnership working between schools and the third sector.

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7506	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	You shouldn't cut money from youth clubs because they are a really good place to go to if you want to meet your friends and be in a safe place at the same time. They offer a snack and a bunch of fun activities that you can chose from. If you take these clubs away we will have big problems so keep the club	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council will continue to produce a statutory CLD plan, to be delivered through the learning community partnerships centred of non-denominational secondary schools, with a focus on partnership working between schools and the third sector.
7507	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	I don't want youth clubs to be cancelled. I think the clubs should stay because I try new things and it is fun. I meet up with my friends.	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council will continue to produce a statutory CLD plan, to be delivered through the learning community partnerships centred of non-denominational secondary schools, with a focus on partnership working between schools and the third sector.
7508	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	I make loads of new friends. Like all of the activities. You have loads of fun. The staff are really nice. I got more confident. If you take Friday Club away we all will be sad and will never see our friends again. If you take it away and [REDACTED] that is really funny will go away.	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council will continue to produce a statutory CLD plan, to be delivered through the learning community partnerships centred of non-denominational secondary schools, with a focus on partnership working between schools and the third sector.
7509	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	I don't want youth clubs to be cancelled because it is a safe place where you can meet with your pals and have fun	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council will continue to produce a statutory CLD plan, to be delivered through the learning community partnerships centred of non-denominational secondary schools, with a focus on partnership working between schools and the third sector.
7510	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	I don't want youth clubs to be cancelled	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council will continue to produce a statutory CLD plan, to be delivered through the learning community partnerships centred of non-denominational secondary schools, with a focus on partnership working between schools and the third sector.
7511	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	I go to Friday Club. It's fun. Make new friends. Spend more time with BFF. Like new activities. Amazing, helpful, caring staff. Play outside and inside. I get involved in the community. Activities such as :- friendship bracelets, poppies, snack, exercise, gym, scobbies, sock puppets	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council will continue to produce a statutory CLD plan, to be delivered through the learning community partnerships centred of non-denominational secondary schools, with a focus on partnership working between schools and the third sector.
7512	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	I don't want youth clubs to be cancelled and shut down	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council will continue to produce a statutory CLD plan, to be delivered through the learning community partnerships centred of non-denominational secondary schools, with a focus on partnership working between schools and the third sector.
7513	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	We have fun. We have exercise. We have our snack. We made scobby's. We made hands.	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council will continue to produce a statutory CLD plan, to be delivered through the learning community partnerships centred of non-denominational secondary schools, with a focus on partnership working between schools and the third sector.
7514	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	I don't want youth clubs to be cancelled because its fun	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council will continue to produce a statutory CLD plan, to be delivered through the learning community partnerships centred of non-denominational secondary schools, with a focus on partnership working between schools and the third sector.
7515	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	I don't want youth clubs to be cancelled	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council will continue to produce a statutory CLD plan, to be delivered through the learning community partnerships centred of non-denominational secondary schools, with a focus on partnership working between schools and the third sector.

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7516	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	I go to Friday Club and I like how there are sport activities to keep you fit. I learn how to make things that I don't know how to make. I used to be shy before I came to Friday Club but because of all the team activities it made me not shy any more. I come to the club because it is soooooo fun! All the workers are so nice to all of us.	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council will continue to produce a statutory CLD plan, to be delivered through the learning community partnerships centred of non-denominational secondary schools, with a focus on partnership working between schools and the third sector.
7517	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	I don't want youth clubs to be cancelled	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council will continue to produce a statutory CLD plan, to be delivered through the learning community partnerships centred of non-denominational secondary schools, with a focus on partnership working between schools and the third sector.
7518	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	I don't want youth clubs to be cancelled	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council will continue to produce a statutory CLD plan, to be delivered through the learning community partnerships centred of non-denominational secondary schools, with a focus on partnership working between schools and the third sector.
7519	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Good thing giving more ownership to the communities, however withdrawing the support won't work - not a good idea	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council will continue to produce a statutory CLD plan, to be delivered through the learning community partnerships centred of non-denominational secondary schools, with a focus on partnership working between schools and the third sector.
7520	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	I go to Friday Club and i enjoy all the games. I like spending time with friends. I enjoy chatting to staff and friends. We learn a fun way. We learned to do teamwork better. I wouldn't like it if the club were to be shut. I come and i have fun. Staff are very friendly. Easy to get to. i like using the sports hall.	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council will continue to produce a statutory CLD plan, to be delivered through the learning community partnerships centred of non-denominational secondary schools, with a focus on partnership working between schools and the third sector.
7521	No Response	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	I don't want the youth club to be shut down	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council will continue to produce a statutory CLD plan, to be delivered through the learning community partnerships centred of non-denominational secondary schools, with a focus on partnership working between schools and the third sector.
7522	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	I feel that this cut should not happen as these groups and organisations help and support both young and old within the communities which is greatly needed.	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council will continue to produce a statutory CLD plan, to be delivered through the learning community partnerships centred of non-denominational secondary schools, with a focus on partnership working between schools and the third sector.
7523	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	I would not be happy to see the funding removed from youth clubs and children's work or the elderly day care	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council will continue to produce a statutory CLD plan, to be delivered through the learning community partnerships centred of non-denominational secondary schools, with a focus on partnership working between schools and the third sector.
7524	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	I feel that the community needs a place like the Vennie where young youths can socialise and to stay safe and out of trouble. The Vennie and other youth groups help save the community by having children and young adults at the youth clubs and not out in the community causing trouble of even setting fires or that. That's why we need the youth centres in the communities.	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council will continue to produce a statutory CLD plan, to be delivered through the learning community partnerships centred of non-denominational secondary schools, with a focus on partnership working between schools and the third sector.
7525	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	I go to Friday Club and enjoy sports activities and like coming to met my friends. It gives me something to do. I like chatting to staff and learn lots of new things all the time. Friday club makes learning fun and funer than school. I reaned how to work better and in groups. I wouldn't like it if Friday Club shut down. I learned more about the war memorial in club and i really really enjoy Friday Club. The staff are very friendly and it is easy to get to and i like using the sports hall. It is really fun.	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council will continue to produce a statutory CLD plan, to be delivered through the learning community partnerships centred of non-denominational secondary schools, with a focus on partnership working between schools and the third sector.

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7526	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	I have been going to youth clubs for six years. I enjoy meeting my friends that are there and want this to continue.	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council will continue to produce a statutory CLD plan, to be delivered through the learning community partnerships centred of non-denominational secondary schools, with a focus on partnership working between schools and the third sector.
7527	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	I think that the Vennie is a great place to come and meet new friends and communicate with others and take part in different games and activities. The Vennie is a great community for people who have spare time that they can come and enjoy with staff. We have lots of people that attend our parties. There are lots of different activities like: parties, games, and also the park.	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council will continue to produce a statutory CLD plan, to be delivered through the learning community partnerships centred of non-denominational secondary schools, with a focus on partnership working between schools and the third sector.
7528	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	I think the Vennie should not shut because it would tear apart the people - you will not get to see them that much (communication).	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council will continue to produce a statutory CLD plan, to be delivered through the learning community partnerships centred of non-denominational secondary schools, with a focus on partnership working between schools and the third sector.
7529	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Please keep my after school club open	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council will continue to produce a statutory CLD plan, to be delivered through the learning community partnerships centred of non-denominational secondary schools, with a focus on partnership working between schools and the third sector.
7530	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	I go to Friday Club and like: meeting people, having fun, spending time with friends, getting active, learning in a fun way because school is boring. All the parties are super fun and least of all please keep Friday Club. P.S. it's really easy for me to get to because I live in Kingstreet.	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council will continue to produce a statutory CLD plan, to be delivered through the learning community partnerships centred of non-denominational secondary schools, with a focus on partnership working between schools and the third sector.
7531	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	I would be sad because I have lots of clubs here at the Vennie and girls club I have the most fun ever.	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council will continue to produce a statutory CLD plan, to be delivered through the learning community partnerships centred of non-denominational secondary schools, with a focus on partnership working between schools and the third sector.
7532	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	I love my youth club group, I would like to see it continue, I love and enjoy it	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council will continue to produce a statutory CLD plan, to be delivered through the learning community partnerships centred of non-denominational secondary schools, with a focus on partnership working between schools and the third sector.
7533	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	This cut is unrealistic. This £600k is equivalent to 40% cut which is unsustainable. The voluntary sector can access money & grants from outwith West Lothian. Youth clubs provide a strategic service and is essential for their transition into adulthood. The loss of this would impact immensely on their future. The cut or loss of service to elderly people at a time when people are living longer would be drastic. This service prevents or reduces social isolation & encourages participation.	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council will continue to produce a statutory CLD plan, to be delivered through the learning community partnerships centred of non-denominational secondary schools, with a focus on partnership working between schools and the third sector.
7534	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	As my children attend out of school clubs and some of elderly relatives go to day centres. I would like funding for these to be maintained.	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council will continue to produce a statutory CLD plan, to be delivered through the learning community partnerships centred of non-denominational secondary schools, with a focus on partnership working between schools and the third sector.
7535	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	At Friday Club i like to come because i get to meet new friends, learn new stuff, to enjoy myself. A few months ago i moved new schools so here i get to catch up with old friends. At this club the staff are very funny, helpful, enthusiastic & it also gives our parents piece and quiet. It helps people be more confident & be a more intelligent person because you get to express your likes/personality through art, games, music, clothes partyies & even Friday Clubs got talent. I LOVE Friday Club & those were my reasons why.	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council will continue to produce a statutory CLD plan, to be delivered through the learning community partnerships centred of non-denominational secondary schools, with a focus on partnership working between schools and the third sector.

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7536	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	The Vennie is a voluntary community group in Knightsridge. As a group on a Thursday night we put down all our issues which would concern us if we didn't have our youth club. We would not have: a free bike library (for exercise), free food & drink, socialising with others, the learning aspect (we are taught how to respect others, understanding people's needs, manners), access to computers or games & pool tables, somewhere to go when it's cold or wet, nice staff that we can talk to, a safe place to be, advice on keeping safe, fun trips & activities, parties, outside games & activities.	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council will continue to produce a statutory CLD plan, to be delivered through the learning community partnerships centred of non-denominational secondary schools, with a focus on partnership working between schools and the third sector.
7537	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Childrens clubs are good for children to make friends and socialise and to have fun. It's somewhere children can be themselves and it can make them confident. It gets the children involved in the community. It gets the children off the streets and keeps them out of trouble. From coming to the clubs children grow up and some of them go on to volunteering and then become staff members. Children form bonds with staff and if they don't have a good home life or background it gives them somewhere to come and relax and chill.	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council will continue to produce a statutory CLD plan, to be delivered through the learning community partnerships centred of non-denominational secondary schools, with a focus on partnership working between schools and the third sector.
7538	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	This cut is not right as there is not a lot to for children to do in many areas and this is a vital support for kids in the area.	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council will continue to produce a statutory CLD plan, to be delivered through the learning community partnerships centred of non-denominational secondary schools, with a focus on partnership working between schools and the third sector.
7539	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	With youth clubs running it can help young teens age 13-16 in volunteering so keeping them to think about possibly jobs also keeping young trouble makers of the streets. Also if peoples parents want their kids to make more friends they can go to nearby youth clubs. So please don't cut youth clubs money back.	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council will continue to produce a statutory CLD plan, to be delivered through the learning community partnerships centred of non-denominational secondary schools, with a focus on partnership working between schools and the third sector.
7540	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	I like the staff because they are great and funny and i like meeting new friends.	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council will continue to produce a statutory CLD plan, to be delivered through the learning community partnerships centred of non-denominational secondary schools, with a focus on partnership working between schools and the third sector.
7541	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	I make new friends. I meet my cousins/family. I love games we play. All of the staff/helpers. Love all messy activities. I learn new games/activities. Love meeting up with friends after school. If you take Friday Club away lots of people will be sad and will not see their friend any more. If you take Friday Club away i will go home and i will be sad and very upset. I will cry every day and night.	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council will continue to produce a statutory CLD plan, to be delivered through the learning community partnerships centred of non-denominational secondary schools, with a focus on partnership working between schools and the third sector.
7542	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	I feel like this should not happen because we need somewhere like the Vennie for younger people to keep them satisfied and if that gets taken away we might not be able to pay electricity to keep this place open. We would like this place to stay open. Please keep this place open. I won't forgive you if you shut the place down. Please.	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council will continue to produce a statutory CLD plan, to be delivered through the learning community partnerships centred of non-denominational secondary schools, with a focus on partnership working between schools and the third sector.
7543	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	I like Friday Club because i make new friends and i also like the activities i have fun and the staff are funny. If i go my Mum gets piece my brother is very excited to start. I like Kelly's nails.	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council will continue to produce a statutory CLD plan, to be delivered through the learning community partnerships centred of non-denominational secondary schools, with a focus on partnership working between schools and the third sector.
7544	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Do not take money away from youth clubs. Thanks	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council will continue to produce a statutory CLD plan, to be delivered through the learning community partnerships centred of non-denominational secondary schools, with a focus on partnership working between schools and the third sector.
7545	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	I go to Friday club it is fun. Great staff. I make lots of new friends. I like the activities. I get to play and have fun. I get to eat food. Great wall art. Great rules. Great staff. Sensible people.	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council will continue to produce a statutory CLD plan, to be delivered through the learning community partnerships centred of non-denominational secondary schools, with a focus on partnership working between schools and the third sector.

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7546	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	I like the Friday Club because : meet new friends like new activities have fun great staff get involved in community more confident	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council will continue to produce a statutory CLD plan, to be delivered through the learning community partnerships centred of non-denominational secondary schools, with a focus on partnership working between schools and the third sector.
7547	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Meeting loads of friends. Have fun. Play new games. Great staff. Like & new activities. More confident. Meet up with friends.	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The Council will continue to produce a statutory CLD plan, to be delivered through the learning community partnerships centred of non-denominational secondary schools, with a focus on partnership working between schools and the third sector.
7548	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	I like the club because it's fun and I meet new friends.	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council will continue to produce a statutory CLD plan, to be delivered through the learning community partnerships centred of non-denominational secondary schools, with a focus on partnership working between schools and the third sector.
7549	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	It is fun and spend time with friends. I like the activities. You have great staff and volunteers. More confident. Meet new friends.	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council will continue to produce a statutory CLD plan, to be delivered through the learning community partnerships centred of non-denominational secondary schools, with a focus on partnership working between schools and the third sector.
7550	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	I think the club because it is fun. I have met new friends. Great staff. Fun and new activities.	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council will continue to produce a statutory CLD plan, to be delivered through the learning community partnerships centred of non-denominational secondary schools, with a focus on partnership working between schools and the third sector.
7551	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	I like coming to youth club because i meet new friends and have fun and i like the staff.	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council will continue to produce a statutory CLD plan, to be delivered through the learning community partnerships centred of non-denominational secondary schools, with a focus on partnership working between schools and the third sector.
7552	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	I like making new frinds at the club and it is very fun. I like going to the youth club because they have good staff.	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council will continue to produce a statutory CLD plan, to be delivered through the learning community partnerships centred of non-denominational secondary schools, with a focus on partnership working between schools and the third sector.
7553	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	I meet new friends.	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council will continue to produce a statutory CLD plan, to be delivered through the learning community partnerships centred of non-denominational secondary schools, with a focus on partnership working between schools and the third sector.
7554	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	We do arts and crafts. Snack. Play games. Make things to match what it is near (christmas). Get to the park (water balloon fight). More confidence. New friends. I like coming to this club because i like how we do different things every week. We have a good laugh. Most importantly.... WE HAVE FUN	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council will continue to produce a statutory CLD plan, to be delivered through the learning community partnerships centred of non-denominational secondary schools, with a focus on partnership working between schools and the third sector.
7555	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Don't close youth clubs because we don't like you	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council will continue to produce a statutory CLD plan, to be delivered through the learning community partnerships centred of non-denominational secondary schools, with a focus on partnership working between schools and the third sector.

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7556	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	I would like the youth clubs to stay open	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council will continue to produce a statutory CLD plan, to be delivered through the learning community partnerships centred of non-denominational secondary schools, with a focus on partnership working between schools and the third sector.
7557	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Volunteering. I like at the youth club because we get to teach other things to kids. Everyone is nice to each other. Meeting new people. Great staff. Having fun.	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council will continue to produce a statutory CLD plan, to be delivered through the learning community partnerships centred of non-denominational secondary schools, with a focus on partnership working between schools and the third sector.
7558	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	I like the club I don't want it to close	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council will continue to produce a statutory CLD plan, to be delivered through the learning community partnerships centred of non-denominational secondary schools, with a focus on partnership working between schools and the third sector.
7559	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	We do arts and crafts, sports. We have fun. Meet new friends. Like staff and volunteers. Good things with the community. Makes more confident.	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council will continue to produce a statutory CLD plan, to be delivered through the learning community partnerships centred of non-denominational secondary schools, with a focus on partnership working between schools and the third sector.
7560	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	I like going to friday because i have fun.	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council will continue to produce a statutory CLD plan, to be delivered through the learning community partnerships centred of non-denominational secondary schools, with a focus on partnership working between schools and the third sector.
7561	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	I believe that the youth groups after school on a Tuesday and Friday at Mosswood are a good thing. I have children in both and they enjoy them very much. They find them very good to be able to interact with friends and peers outside of school in a safe environment	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council will continue to produce a statutory CLD plan, to be delivered through the learning community partnerships centred of non-denominational secondary schools, with a focus on partnership working between schools and the third sector.
7562	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	I have been coming to the clubs for 5 years. I like to play games meet friends and go on trips	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council will continue to produce a statutory CLD plan, to be delivered through the learning community partnerships centred of non-denominational secondary schools, with a focus on partnership working between schools and the third sector.
7563	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Make new friends like new activities have fun great staff more confident getting involved in the community.	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council will continue to produce a statutory CLD plan, to be delivered through the learning community partnerships centred of non-denominational secondary schools, with a focus on partnership working between schools and the third sector.
7564	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	I want the Vennel to stay open and Mosswood youth clubs to stay open because you make new friends and meet new people. Its fun as well because you get to play games and go on trips	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council will continue to produce a statutory CLD plan, to be delivered through the learning community partnerships centred of non-denominational secondary schools, with a focus on partnership working between schools and the third sector.
7565	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Have fun. Get new friends. Great staff come here again.	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council will continue to produce a statutory CLD plan, to be delivered through the learning community partnerships centred of non-denominational secondary schools, with a focus on partnership working between schools and the third sector.

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7566	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	I want the youth clubs NOT to close down because it is somewhere were children can make new friends and can talk about how we feel and they are there for us and we can tell them if someone is picking on us and we do lots of fun things like going on trips, playing sports, going outside, making jewellery and lot smore things. Please don't shut down the youth clubs. If you do then you don't know how many children you are breaking.	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council will continue to produce a statutory CLD plan, to be delivered through the learning community partnerships centred of non-denominational secondary schools, with a focus on partnership working between schools and the third sector.
7567	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	I like making new friends, Great staff	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council will continue to produce a statutory CLD plan, to be delivered through the learning community partnerships centred of non-denominational secondary schools, with a focus on partnership working between schools and the third sector.
7568	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	We would not like the youth clubs to shut down because we have came here for years upon years and the staff are super friendly. Also these clubs actually make people happy. If you do this I will write a letter complaining about this. DONT SHUT THEM DOWN, DO NOT MAKE THE WORNG CHOICE	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council will continue to produce a statutory CLD plan, to be delivered through the learning community partnerships centred of non-denominational secondary schools, with a focus on partnership working between schools and the third sector.
7569	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	We do lots of arts and crafts. More confident. We have snack. Play games. Meet new friends. Like new activities. Great staff.	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council will continue to produce a statutory CLD plan, to be delivered through the learning community partnerships centred of non-denominational secondary schools, with a focus on partnership working between schools and the third sector.
7570	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	I want youth clubs to stay open. Being there helps us be positive. And they give a good snack and more	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council will continue to produce a statutory CLD plan, to be delivered through the learning community partnerships centred of non-denominational secondary schools, with a focus on partnership working between schools and the third sector.
7571	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	I would like to all youth clubs to continue because its good for people to meet new people and it helps people who cant come out side your house . You get to do lots of different activities like bike cycling, art and trips. The Vennel and Mosswood have made me come out the house more and made me realise that the outdoors is fun and now I come out the hosue more. DONT SHUT THEM DOWN! If you do you are hurting people and how many memories your will destroy.	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council will continue to produce a statutory CLD plan, to be delivered through the learning community partnerships centred of non-denominational secondary schools, with a focus on partnership working between schools and the third sector.
7572	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Keep youth clubs open	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council will continue to produce a statutory CLD plan, to be delivered through the learning community partnerships centred of non-denominational secondary schools, with a focus on partnership working between schools and the third sector.
7573	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Keep youth clubs open	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council will continue to produce a statutory CLD plan, to be delivered through the learning community partnerships centred of non-denominational secondary schools, with a focus on partnership working between schools and the third sector.
7574	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	I would like to see youth clubs stay open	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council will continue to produce a statutory CLD plan, to be delivered through the learning community partnerships centred of non-denominational secondary schools, with a focus on partnership working between schools and the third sector.
7575	An employee of West Lothian Council	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	As a youth worker I am apalled that our service is under threat. I remember going to youth clubs as a child myself and both my children attended youth clubs. My daughter went from attending a youth club to volunteering to now being on the bank for youth work. This work is so important and should be kept as a matter of priority. I also work in a high school and can see kids progressing through the years. Without a doubt its clear that kids who hae gone through youth clubs are more often than not, very respectful to me in high school and engage more. People who have made the decision to hang yoouth work out to dry clearly do not know what they are throwing away.	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council will continue to produce a statutory CLD plan, to be delivered through the learning community partnerships centred of non-denominational secondary schools, with a focus on partnership working between schools and the third sector.

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7576	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Youth services should be more accessible for local towns.	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council will continue to produce a statutory CLD plan, to be delivered through the learning community partnerships centred of non-denominational secondary schools, with a focus on partnership working between schools and the third sector.
7577	An employee of West Lothian Council	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Adult learning is extremely important for those who are learning in later life especially for those who are learning to lip read. If someone loses their learning it has a huge impact on their lives. This is where a lipreading class comes in very useful. It gives them confidence and come assertive in explaining to people that they lipread and sharing their feelings in the class is important for them too. For most of them they do not feel so isolated.	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council will continue to produce a statutory CLD plan, to be delivered through the learning community partnerships centred of non-denominational secondary schools, with a focus on partnership working between schools and the third sector.
7578	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	This is concern for job centres not cutting services for youth and children's clubs - SCOTTISH GOVERNMENT on record as saying 16 year olds are ADULTS. English as a second language should be paid for by those using the service. If we moved to a foreign country we would have to pay for language lessons and translators they are not provided.	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council will meet its obligations in terms of ESOL. There are many benefits to society of ensuring residents have appropriate communication skills. The Council will continue to produce a statutory CLD plan, to be delivered through the learning community partnerships centred of non-denominational secondary schools, with a focus on partnership working between schools and the third sector.
7579	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	All youth work contributes to curriculum for excellence, raising attainment, through positive engagement in learning. This leads to positive destinations, reducing numbers of young people not in education, employment or training.	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council will continue to produce a statutory CLD plan, to be delivered through the learning community partnerships centred of non-denominational secondary schools, with a focus on partnership working between schools and the third sector.
7580	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Youth clubs in West Lothian should be the utmost priority keeps young people out of trouble and crime down. Young people and children need these clubs to build their confidence and self esteem improving their social education and communication skills. My children certainly can't do without them. To lose them would create serious problems in the community	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council will continue to produce a statutory CLD plan, to be delivered through the learning community partnerships centred of non-denominational secondary schools, with a focus on partnership working between schools and the third sector.
7581	An employee of West Lothian Council	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Do not close youth clubs Do not close services for young people from 16-9. These youngsters need opportunities for training, college or employment	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council will continue to produce a statutory CLD plan, to be delivered through the learning community partnerships centred of non-denominational secondary schools, with a focus on partnership working between schools and the third sector.
7582	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Do not take the money away from or youth club	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council will continue to produce a statutory CLD plan, to be delivered through the learning community partnerships centred of non-denominational secondary schools, with a focus on partnership working between schools and the third sector.
7583	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	I like the youth club in Deans. Save the youth club.	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council will continue to produce a statutory CLD plan, to be delivered through the learning community partnerships centred of non-denominational secondary schools, with a focus on partnership working between schools and the third sector.
7584	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	We want to stay so save the youth clubs do not take the money away. I have got new friends here an met some to. Save the youth club. Don't take the club away plz.	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council will continue to produce a statutory CLD plan, to be delivered through the learning community partnerships centred of non-denominational secondary schools, with a focus on partnership working between schools and the third sector.
7585	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	The present service of lip-reading classes gives exceptional support & help for deaf people. Having suddenly become deaf after an attack of Meniere's disease, it has been the only place of support for me. I am extremely grateful for this. I hope West Lothian Council can continue giving the service which it does at present.	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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7586	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Adult education is of great importance to West Lothian residents of all age groups. The help, assistance and advice given is necessary for those seeking to improve their abilities and life style. If people wish to learn they should be encouraged in every way and not miss out on opportunities to help them become more skilled and confident. The end result would surely be an asset to West Lothian.	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council will continue to produce a statutory CLD plan, to be delivered through the learning community partnerships centred of non-denominational secondary schools, with a focus on partnership working between schools and the third sector.
7587	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	It is worth keeping the youth clubs open is that it gives you something to do and helps you make friends. I have got more confident and have more of a voice. Since I have come here I feel safe and it is better than going out and doing stupid things outside.	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council will continue to produce a statutory CLD plan, to be delivered through the learning community partnerships centred of non-denominational secondary schools, with a focus on partnership working between schools and the third sector.
7588	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Youth work/clubs are very important for our children. These groups can be the only place a child may have to meet new people, feel safe and learn life skills. Children need this resource to expand their social skills, health & well being. We need to encourage our children to become confident, trustworthy individuals and youth clubs are the only way to get this message across to them. Where is the enjoyment of walking the streets? Sitting at home alone? Having no-one to talk to? What if the child needs help and has nowhere to turn? Our children are our future so they deserve our support now!	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council will continue to produce a statutory CLD plan, to be delivered through the learning community partnerships centred of non-denominational secondary schools, with a focus on partnership working between schools and the third sector.
7589	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	I don't want the clubs to go down because they are fun and they give me something to do.	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council will continue to produce a statutory CLD plan, to be delivered through the learning community partnerships centred of non-denominational secondary schools, with a focus on partnership working between schools and the third sector.
7590	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	I don't want the club to be canceled because it gives me things to do when i am bored and it is so fun.	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council will continue to produce a statutory CLD plan, to be delivered through the learning community partnerships centred of non-denominational secondary schools, with a focus on partnership working between schools and the third sector.
7591	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	I want all youth clubs to stay open because it is somewhere to go on a Friday or Thursday night where I can be trusted to go.	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council will continue to produce a statutory CLD plan, to be delivered through the learning community partnerships centred of non-denominational secondary schools, with a focus on partnership working between schools and the third sector.
7592	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	I like the youth clubs don't take them away. I like seeing my friends and playing games and I won't have any more clubs that are fun. Save the youth club don't take the clubs away. Save the youth club.	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council will continue to produce a statutory CLD plan, to be delivered through the learning community partnerships centred of non-denominational secondary schools, with a focus on partnership working between schools and the third sector.
7593	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	We don't want to cut the money from the youth club because I like seeing my friends and and [REDACTED] they are kind and funny and the best people and I enjoy coming to the youth club we do different activities each week. Please don't take the youth club away from us.	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council will continue to produce a statutory CLD plan, to be delivered through the learning community partnerships centred of non-denominational secondary schools, with a focus on partnership working between schools and the third sector.
7594	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	I do not want the money away for the youth club becoes we have get fun and we love being my friends. Save the youth club at deans	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council will continue to produce a statutory CLD plan, to be delivered through the learning community partnerships centred of non-denominational secondary schools, with a focus on partnership working between schools and the third sector.
7595	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Don't take money away from the youth clubs because I love playing games and seeing my friends who I don't see often and it gives me things to do on a Wednesday evning don't take the clubs away. SAVE THE YOUTH CLUB!!! PLZ don't take away the club!!	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council will continue to produce a statutory CLD plan, to be delivered through the learning community partnerships centred of non-denominational secondary schools, with a focus on partnership working between schools and the third sector.

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7596	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Please do not close youth clubs because I have fun	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council will continue to produce a statutory CLD plan, to be delivered through the learning community partnerships centred on non-denominational secondary schools, with a focus on partnership working between schools and the third sector.
7597	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	I feel that youth clubs within West Lothian are vital to the community and the young people - if we didn't have the youth clubs I truly believe the police stats would be up, risk taking behaviour would be up as would the substance misuse within the area. Therefore I would strongly recommend as a resident that the youth clubs remain open for the young people to keep them off the streets.	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council will continue to produce a statutory CLD plan, to be delivered through the learning community partnerships centred on non-denominational secondary schools, with a focus on partnership working between schools and the third sector.
7598	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Since 1835 Deaf Action has been working with D/deaf, deafened, hard of hearing, and deafblind people. We work in conjunction with a number of key partners that include Local Authorities, Health Board, other organisations and the Scottish Government & we are a recognised delivery partner for the latter, for example having delivered upon a joint sensory pilot and supporting the implementation of the British Sign Language (Scotland) Act 2015. We currently have a contract with West Lothian Council Social Policy for the provision of a Community Care Assistant (3 days per week), the provision of specialist equipment to enable people who are deaf or who have hearing loss to live independently and safely in their homes, and interpreting to enable Council staff to communicate and engage effectively with British Sign Language speakers. We attempted to raise awareness of the budget consultation with service users and individuals known to us, but this was problematic for several reasons. We are concerned that such people have not effectively contributed towards the consultation and the Council's thinking in what are clearly difficult times. There was no British Sign Language (BSL) version available, meaning it was not accessible to the 463 individuals in West Lothian who speak BSL at home (2011 Census); for the majority of these individuals written English will be a poor second to their BSL. Within the context of the British Sign Language (Scotland) Act 2015 and the first National Plan (which includes specific goals and actions around public services and democracy) this is something the council will need to seriously consider going forward with its own Authority Plan (which includes a duty to consult with the local deaf community) due next year. I understand West Lothian Council's Equality Officer is already engaging with Deaf Action on this basis, but Deaf Action would welcome further dialogue in future on how deaf people - including BSL speakers - can be fully included. The majority of our service users who are deaf (i.e. those who did not become deaf at birth or pre-lingual & sometimes referred to those as "deafening with hearing loss") tend to be in the older age group and from those we attempted to engage with expressed uncertainty as to what was being asked and were not keen to respond. It is our experience that people in this group can be very isolated and cut-off from society due to their deafness, and can experience a great deal of anxiety. The See Hear strategy disseminated by the Scottish Government has a number of recommendations and it is clear that there needs to be emphasis on joined-up working and an effective care/service pathway that ensures people diagnosed as being deaf receive support and services at the earliest possible opportunity. With an estimated 1 in 5 people living with deafness in Scotland, and West Lothian, it is very apparent that not everybody living with deafness is being reached, for various reasons. This is not unique to deafness & the Royal National Institute of Blind People, RNIB, have estimated that they reach only 1 in 3 people who are blind or partially sighted. Sadly, it is our experience that despite a seemingly lack of demand does not equate to a lack in need & just because problems are not being reported it, it does not mean there are no problems. We will attempt to outline the current situation for deaf people in this response. Deaf Action has been mainly focused on direct service delivery, and where possible we have attempted to support development work but our resources are fully committed in what is a challenging economic climate. However, we are always keen to enter into dialogue with partners, including local authorities, to look at ways of working together effectively. In terms of some of the specific headings under the consultation, we would make the following comments: Supporting children and young people to get the best possible start in life As per the See Hear policy, there must be better joined-up working that ensures children and families living with deafness receive appropriate information, advice and guidance at the earliest possible opportunity. Newborn hearing screening has existed for some time, which is an effective tool at identifying deaf children very early on but there continues to be evidence that families are not receiving appropriate information and support early on to make informed choices. The British Sign Language National Plan (enabled by the British Sign Language (Scotland) Act 2015) makes specific reference to this area as an overarching ambition with several associated action points. Deaf Action was previously partners with RNIB leading on an Early Intervention project with families who are affected by deafness, blindness or partially sighted (the funding ceased, unfortunately). Deaf Action has been involved in a number of initiatives looking at improving early intervention work, including supporting the formulation of Standards in Early Years Work with Deaf Children in conjunction with the Scottish Sensory Centre and other partners, and as such has extensive knowledge and experience of this area. Improving the employment position in West Lothian There is evidence and research that clearly identifies deaf people as being	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Officers will consider how this could be developed.
7599	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Is very important category for Adult Education. The lip reading classes I attend are vital in my well being, offering so much information and importantly sharing experiences of being deaf and the confidence building. We all share experiences and can help each other in all aspects of our hearing loss which can lead to isolation and lots of other side effects.	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your comments in relation to lip reading.
7600	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	I go to a lip reading class once a week. After I found I was losing my hearing, I find the class to be a very good learning experience. I don't think I would even go out other places if I hadn't been learning. It's given me more confidence. Lip reading is not a leisurely thing, you have to work hard and concentrate.	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your comments in relation to lip reading.
7601	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Don't cut funding to LGBT and Boggall youth forum there should be one in every village as these types of services are important for LGBT and youth and their parents as they need help and support. This promotes equality of access	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your comments in relation to the LGBT community.
7602	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	I attend lip reading classes in West Lothian and feel very strongly that these continue. I have found huge benefit from these classes. My mental health has greatly improved since attending and my confidence to do things on my own without assistance has improved. I would be very sorry if these classes were cut or stopped. I do not treat this class as a hobby class or a social class, it is helping my whole well being and reduced depression. I would be willing to pay a small donation in order to keep this class going.	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
7603	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	I have been deaf in left ear since I was born. My right ear is now hard of hearing. I have attended my lip reading class for over 3 years. It has helped going and being in with people in same situation. If it was taken away I would be in a lonely place, it takes a lot of learning to go out in public.	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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7604	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	I am part of this group and I have come on leaps and bounds since I have started so you can't cut this.	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council will continue to produce a statutory CLD plan, to be delivered through the learning community partnerships centred of non-denominational secondary schools, with a focus on partnership working between schools and the third sector.
7605	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	I attend a lip reading class in West Lothian and it is as helping me very much, if I didn't learn the lip reading skills I need to help me communicate with the hearing world I would need assistance with visits to doctors, dentists and I would once again withdraw into myself. Deafness is very isolating and debilitating. Being deaf is not visible we do not have white sticks or wheelchairs. I think everyone should wear some kind of ear equipment and spend a few days without hearing and see what it feels like. Why take away a class that could be a life saver for some. The councils are always making cuts but the councillors and council heads earn large amounts and get pay rises â€ you could save some money there. There are always cuts being made to classes that are well attended. Maybe ask why they are well attended?? BECAUSE THERE IS A NEED. If you allow people to do English as a second language I consider lip reading to be a second language. We need these classes it improves our physical and mental health thus we need more visits to NHS etc.	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
7606	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Need more tutors to get more people to take part in our group. Learn what you want to learn at the ABE group. Get meet new people. Get homework home for you to learn more. Do group work. If you took it away I would not learn how to us tills at a job that is why I love to come to this group to learn everything I need to so I can help myself in future.	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council will continue to produce a statutory CLD plan, to be delivered through the learning community partnerships centred of non-denominational secondary schools, with a focus on partnership working between schools and the third sector.
7607	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	I attend classes run by adult education. These classes have changed my life and made me a more confident person. The tutors are very hardworking and never give up on you no matter how much you up on yourself. I would be really disappointment if these classes were cancelled as I would have no where else to help me learn.	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council will continue to produce a statutory CLD plan, to be delivered through the learning community partnerships centred of non-denominational secondary schools, with a focus on partnership working between schools and the third sector.
7608	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Withat the support for learning I wald lose the support wald the support that I need to help me gain my qualification in numeracy. I would also miss the social aspect of the group and the friends I have made.	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council will continue to produce a statutory CLD plan, to be delivered through the learning community partnerships centred of non-denominational secondary schools, with a focus on partnership working between schools and the third sector.
7609	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	This services was cut we wouldn't be able to get our education and we need the (help) loosing this would affect my chances off employment and I would like to get a job. This is our goal and if we don't have the money then we cant better ourself's and our (tutors) I couldn't do it with out them. We do need this please give us a chance.	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council will continue to produce a statutory CLD plan, to be delivered through the learning community partnerships centred of non-denominational secondary schools, with a focus on partnership working between schools and the third sector.
7610	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	I attend lip reading group and it is the highlight of my week. I get so much from my class, emotionally and mentally. I have made many friends who have likewise problems. No one can appreciate what it means to lose hearing apart from likewise (friends!). Talking over our problems, learning to lipread, the laughs we get meeting socially. What a difference this has made to me. To lose this class would be devastating and is something I need and do not feel I should have to pay.	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
7611	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Improving the quality of life for the elderly. For example = Lipreading. It is now proven that elderly people have a better life and healthier life style through interaction with groups such as lipreading which helps them and only when socialising - shopping, traveling. I disagree that we should have to decide which are the most important courses, the one I think that should be taken off the list is reducing crime! This is something is not a help to anyone other than criminals who should be dealt with by the law. I belong to a lipreading class in STRATHBROCK Broxburn if we were to close it would devastating for us! This is a necessity for deaf people! If all else failed we would be willing to pay a small fee to be able to still attend, which is not easy for several people. If you are allowing people to learn English as a second language then as a deaf person lipreading is my second language.	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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7612	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	If the time is taken to deal with these issues at an earlier time (school) then less input will be needed. If employment and education and a priority then less will turn to alcohol and drugs and therefore reducing the funding required.	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council will continue to produce a statutory CLD plan, to be delivered through the learning community partnerships centred of non-denominational secondary schools, with a focus on partnership working between schools and the third sector.
7613	An employee of West Lothian Council	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	The numbers of children attending Youth clubs needs investigation as some clubs are running with only two people in attendance.	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Officers will consider how this could be developed.
7614	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Looking after young people, people with difficulties and the elderly is paramount. Invest in people and they will give you more money, isn't that how it works?	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
7615	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Overall, this seems reasonable. However, English as a second language is not a cost which should be borne by council tax payers. At the very least, some sort of contributory fee should be expected from service users.	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council will meet its obligations in terms of ESOL. There are many benefits to society of ensuring residents have appropriate communication skills.
7616	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Not sure how you manage to come up with a saving for this activity. Doing away with any spend on Gaelic as a 2nd 3rd or even 4th language would be an easy saving. Train station signs - what's all that about? "More Information: An Cearcall Gaidhlig (The Gaelic Circle) is a drop-in facility for native Gaelic speakers and learners at all levels." on your website is not even available in Gaelic. What is the turnout for these events? What are the true benefits?	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council will continue to produce a statutory CLD plan, to be delivered through the learning community partnerships centred of non-denominational secondary schools, with a focus on partnership working between schools and the third sector. The promotion of the Gaelic Language is governed by statute.
7617	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	At last a simple statement. When children enter education that is where their needs should be met. Schools fail here. By age 12 many children still can't read. More money will not help but a change in curriculum priorities will. I agree with youth programmes etc but the words personal responsibility must be used. Social problems, poverty, lifestyles need to be looked at.	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
7618	An employee of West Lothian Council	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	I don't think the council should be paying for training beyond training for work such as apprenticeships. Especially for things such as teaching English. There are training courses at local colleges for this, there are paid ways of doing it to take a lot of pressure off the council.	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	West Lothian's support for MCMC pupils has proved effective at increasing numbers progressing to a positive destination. West Lothian Council has little control over the supply of positive destinations. The Council will meet its obligations in terms of ESOL. There are many benefits to society of ensuring residents have appropriate communication skills.
7619	No Response	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	More onus being placed on teachers to deliver what should be being delivered by specialists.	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	West Lothian's support for MCMC pupils has proved effective at increasing numbers progressing to a positive destination. West Lothian Council has little control over the supply of positive destinations. The Council will continue to produce a statutory CLD plan, to be delivered through the learning community partnerships centred of non-denominational secondary schools, with a focus on partnership working between schools and the third sector.
7620	An employee of West Lothian Council	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Youth services - try and reduce the number of young people looking for accommodation. Provide information to schools and colleges about the difficulties in trying to sustain a tenancy when there is no decent income/support. Many youths are taking on tenancies which then fail and this results in additional costs to WLC to re-let properties.	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
7621	No Response	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	These young people need to be considered also. Revision/changes need to be carefully considered for maximum impact.	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	West Lothian's support for MCMC pupils has proved effective at increasing numbers progressing to a positive destination. West Lothian Council has little control over the supply of positive destinations. The Council will continue to produce a statutory CLD plan, to be delivered through the learning community partnerships centred of non-denominational secondary schools, with a focus on partnership working between schools and the third sector.

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7622	No Response	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Community Benefits provide fantastic support to young people not in education, employment or training. Supply chain support in our community is vital, and can be achieved at no additional cost to the council e.g. plumbing materials contract has secured 1 x full time permanent local job for 12 months. The person will be trained over the 12 month period before being moved to a different WL location/branch. A new full time permanent job will be created; this will continue for the term of the 5 year contract i.e. 5 full time permanent jobs created from 1 contract. Work experience will also be provided, 4 weeks per person. Financial support based on contract spend will be offered to local voluntary organisations.	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Officers will consider how this could be developed.
7623	No Response	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Education is being supported by involving our children in project design, creation and implementation i.e. Polbeth community Gardens is a prime example. These types of community benefits are normal when we tender and award contracts. Our supply chain welcome the opportunity to help our/their local community.	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Officers will consider how this could be developed.
7624	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	This service is required for people like me. Who were not taught grammar thanks to a new teaching initiative that wasn't to crush an expressive child.	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council will continue to produce a statutory CLD plan, to be delivered through the learning community partnerships centred of non-denominational secondary schools, with a focus on partnership working between schools and the third sector.
7625	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	You should explore retired individuals doing this as a voluntary project.	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your comment which will be considered as part of any service redesign
7626	No Response	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	I think closer working between Schools and West Lothian for Adult Learning and Youth Services and perhaps even integration some areas could create efficiencies.	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
7627	An employee of West Lothian Council	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	With an ever growing Non-British population arriving in the area the council must do all it can to make these pupils and families settle in to Scottish life and culture and education.	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	The Council will meet its obligations in terms of ESOL. There are many benefits to society of ensuring residents have appropriate communication skills.
7628	An employee of West Lothian Council	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	If the focus is for MCMC young people with the removal of other parts of the service, the service would need to be located with services providing similar support rather than left in isolation.	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
7629	An employee of West Lothian Council	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Rationalising the role of workers to provide a holistic approach to meeting the child's needs	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The comment does not make any specific proposal for action.
7630	An employee of West Lothian Council	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Adult Services and Community Youth Services have already had a restructure in the past few years - more change is not beneficial. No mention of Working with Young People Team and the services they offer - there are too many community education workers though.	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The Council will continue to produce a statutory CLD plan, to be delivered through the learning community partnerships centred of non-denominational secondary schools, with a focus on partnership working between schools and the third sector.
7631	An employee of West Lothian Council	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Think all young adults not in employment should be required to do voluntary work for council.	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	5b. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it is likely that the costs of this proposal would outweigh the benefit.	This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. The Council has not power to compel the unemployed to provide unpaid labour for community benefit.
7632	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	will there be a youth service left, this service has been cut to the bone over the years, youth clubs used to be the back bone of community centres throughout west Lothian, can you say that now!	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council will continue to produce a statutory CLD plan, to be delivered through the learning community partnerships centred of non-denominational secondary schools, with a focus on partnership working between schools and the third sector.
7633	An employee of West Lothian Council	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	I think this also requires support for those young people to access support through 1:1 support and relationship building it will not be sufficient just to provide the workshops but young people need practical and emotional support to access some of these opportunities.	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council will continue to produce a statutory CLD plan, to be delivered through the learning community partnerships centred of non-denominational secondary schools, with a focus on partnership working between schools and the third sector.

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7634	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Seems reasonable, but lacking in detail.	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
7635	No Response	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Real opportunities are needed	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	West Lothian's support for MCMC pupils has proved effective at increasing numbers progressing to a positive destination. West Lothian Council works in partnership to maximise impact on the issues causing MCMC and to maximise the effectiveness of action to address these, but has limited ability to control all potential causal factors including availability of opportunities.
7636	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Council funding for English as a second language ought to be cut.	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council will meet its obligations in terms of ESOL. There are many benefits to society of ensuring residents have appropriate communication skills.
7637	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	whilst this is an important service, adults and young people are able to apply for colleges to do higher and national equivalents with 100% funding from SAAS.	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The comment does not propose any specific action.
7638	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Employment support for young people should be a priority	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
7639	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	I don't see this proposal being a great deal of use, however I do not have a great deal of knowledge on this so perhaps it will benefit people.	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
7640	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	I feel it is important to help young people that may have fallen through the cracks at school, this service will be an assist to the community.	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council will continue to produce a statutory CLD plan, to be delivered through the learning community partnerships centred of non-denominational secondary schools, with a focus on partnership working between schools and the third sector.
7641	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Youth services key to ensuring young people can maximise employment opportunities.	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council will continue to produce a statutory CLD plan, to be delivered through the learning community partnerships centred of non-denominational secondary schools, with a focus on partnership working between schools and the third sector.
7642	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Catching young people at school is essential before they are off the radar. Perhaps the learning English as second language team could be assisted by volunteers e.g senior school pupils who are thinking of a career in teaching or the healthcare professions. All applications for higher education expect senior pupils to have done some form voluntary engagement.	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.
7643	No Response	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	English as a second language should be a paid for service as they have chosen to live in a country where the language is not their first. This would generate money for the council.	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council will meet its obligations in terms of ESOL. There are many benefits to society of ensuring residents have appropriate communication skills.
7644	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	keep all money for all children and youth clubs. This is something that really matters to me.	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council will continue to produce a statutory CLD plan, to be delivered through the learning community partnerships centred of non-denominational secondary schools, with a focus on partnership working between schools and the third sector.
7645	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Do not take away our Childrens clubs or youth clubs	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council will continue to produce a statutory CLD plan, to be delivered through the learning community partnerships centred of non-denominational secondary schools, with a focus on partnership working between schools and the third sector.

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7646	No Response	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	shame this needs to be included as this could impact on the vulnerable children	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council will continue to produce a statutory CLD plan, to be delivered through the learning community partnerships centred of non-denominational secondary schools, with a focus on partnership working between schools and the third sector.
7647	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	I think it is important that young adults are not vulnerable as they fall through the net when they are not academically disposed and that there is a support network for them with pathways into different types of education, employment or training.	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	The Council, working in partnership, seeks to deliver an appropriate curriculum for all young people to maximise their opportunity to progress to a positive destination.
7648	No Response	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	I think statutory adult learning and English as a second language through a smaller group is acceptable and I think that English as a second language should be chargeable at some cost to the person who requires it.	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council will meet its obligations in terms of ESOL. There are many benefits to society of ensuring residents have appropriate communication skills.
7649	No Response	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	The council still needs to provide some provision to help non engaging youths as if they have no stimulation then they turn to crime for their excitement.	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council will continue to produce a statutory CLD plan, to be delivered through the learning community partnerships centred of non-denominational secondary schools, with a focus on partnership working between schools and the third sector.
7650	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	How does the reduction of the English as a Second language team fit with the modelling of incomers to West Lothian who do not speak English? What will the impact be on schools?	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposal is to retain support for ESOL. There are many benefits to society of ensuring residents have appropriate communication skills.
7651	No Response	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	I support getting young people into work. I do not support providing free English lessons to those where English is a second language - people who want to live and work here must contribute to their own success and free lessons paid for by British taxpayers does nothing to foster good relations between groups.	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council will meet its obligations in terms of ESOL. There are many benefits to society of ensuring residents have appropriate communication skills.
7652	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	I feel that the main education bodies should be able to pick up this. Can we work closer with colleges and high schools to develop support around areas of life that will make a huge difference to individuals. I also feel there are multiples charity organisations which the council does not fund available to pick some of this up	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. The Council will continue to produce a statutory CLD plan, to be delivered through the learning community partnerships centred of non-denominational secondary schools, with a focus on partnership working between schools and the third sector.
7653	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	It has also been beneficial for me as a young person to have Adult Learning as part of my activity agreement.	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	Statutory adult learning will be maintained.
7654	An employee of West Lothian Council	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Sounds sensible. Can the voluntary sector contribute more and be supported to contribute more?	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. The Council will continue to produce a statutory CLD plan, to be delivered through the learning community partnerships centred of non-denominational secondary schools, with a focus on partnership working between schools and the third sector.
7655	No Response	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	The council should develop stronger links with West Lothian College, which does a lot of work already with diverse groups. If the college carried out some of this work for the council, more money could be saved	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	The council will continue to explore options for increased partnership working to improve services and increase efficiency.
7656	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	We must be careful here as these kids may be the problem of the future!	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council will continue to produce a statutory CLD plan, to be delivered through the learning community partnerships centred of non-denominational secondary schools, with a focus on partnership working between schools and the third sector.
7657	An employee of West Lothian Council	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	You don't actually say where the savings will be made or how?	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Savings could be made by discontinuing those services not identified as a priority.

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7658	No Response	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Yes to be encouraged-recently engaging this group to add to the Early and Effective Intervention screening group	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The comment does not propose any specific action.
7659	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Don't base the whole service on More Choices More Chances. We need diversity in support models. Adult learning is vital; Oppose any cuts in this area. No savings!	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council will continue to produce a statutory CLD plan, to be delivered through the learning community partnerships centred of non-denominational secondary schools, with a focus on partnership working between schools and the third sector.
7660	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Presumably all this learning is to be delivered by West Lothian College through financial support from the Council.	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	West Lothian Council works in close partnership with West Lothian College.
7661	No Response	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Once again parents need to encourage their children and give guidance. It's not just down to the teachers,	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The comment does not propose any specific action.
7662	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Maximising opportunities for positive destinations should be a high priority. Further emphasis should be placed on promoting traditional trades and apprenticeships. This will assist the small to medium enterprises to engage more in educational initiatives. Not everyone needs to go to university to be successful.	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	The Council works in partnership to maximise opportunities for apprenticeships and training.
7663	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	No wonder children want to leave school when w/c spend no money on schools!	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	The high level of investment in education in West Lothian is well documented.
7664	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	English as a second language? Is this a free provision at present and if so, could a charge be introduced? How much do interpreters cost as and when they are required? Does the Council pick up the bill for this service and if so, can a charge be implemented?	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council will meet its obligations in terms of ESOL. There are many benefits to society of ensuring residents have appropriate communication skills.
7665	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	If someone cannot speak English then the work opportunity is very low, it makes sense to provide a service which will result in the person finding employment and paying council tax. Same with adult education	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	The proposal is that ESOL and statutory adult learning are maintained.
7666	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	I agree with adult learning to make them more employable but object to the costs of translation services. Other countries only provide this facility for those arrested	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Translation services are provided where necessary to ensure residents can access the services to which they are entitled.
7667	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Teaching English as a second language seems something that should be a much lower priority than ensuring those with English as a first language can read and write and get better school teaching and opportunities (including the ability to learn a musical instrument).	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council will meet its obligations in terms of ESOL. There are many benefits to society of ensuring residents have appropriate communication skills.
7668	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	How can you provide more opportunities with less resources? How can you say you are committed to early years and then let kids drop of the face of a cliff when they present problems as teenagers?	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council will continue to produce a statutory CLD plan, to be delivered through the learning community partnerships centred of non-denominational secondary schools, with a focus on partnership working between schools and the third sector.
7669	No Response	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	There are paid alternatives for things such as learning English at colleges including West Lothian College, so you could save more money by the council not providing unnecessary courses. If someone wanted to learn French they would need to pay so pay to learn English too.	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council will meet its obligations in terms of ESOL. There are many benefits to society of ensuring residents have appropriate communication skills.
7670	An employee of West Lothian Council	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Youth service - MC, MC still an important priority. However, there is still a case for targeting other youth work provision on the most disadvantaged areas and communities.	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	MCMC provision will remain. The Council will continue to produce a statutory CLD plan, to be delivered through the learning community partnerships centred of non-denominational secondary schools, with a focus on partnership working between schools and the third sector.
7671	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	As an undiagnosed person with some of the symptoms of Aspergers Syndrome. My learning has been slow and stop in some cases, due to a lack of knowledge and understanding, of the condition.	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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7672	An employee of West Lothian Council	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	I agree with delivering statutory adult learning, however think the council should put more responsibility on the individual to learn the English language which relieve council resources in this field.	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council will meet its obligations in terms of ESOL. There are many benefits to society of ensuring residents have appropriate communication skills.
7673	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	If its statutory adult learning surely you can't cut it back. How much do youth services reduce crime?	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The plan is to maintain statutory adult learning. The Council will consider any available statistics that demonstrate a causal link between crime and youth work in the implementation of any agreed proposal..
7674	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	I do not support providing free English lessons to those where English is a second language - people who want to live and work here must contribute to their own success and free lessons paid for by British taxpayers does nothing to foster good relations between groups.	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council will meet its obligations in terms of ESOL. There are many benefits to society of ensuring residents have appropriate communication skills.
7675	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	informal learning opportunities for the public in their communities is very important as is social and recreational opportunities for young people - take this away and you provide nothing for all age groups in communities to improve or develop outside of school or college	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council will continue to produce a statutory CLD plan, to be delivered through the learning community partnerships centred of non-denominational secondary schools, with a focus on partnership working between schools and the third sector.
7676	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Youth services are very important to the development of children. Extra-curricular activities, such as music, helps children and young people to develop as a person by allowing them to gain confidence in themselves. It also encourages young people to work as a team to achieve an end goal, and this prepares children for life in the adult world. As well as this, things like bands and clubs help children to create positive relationships with other children with whom they share the same interests with. This may not happen in a classroom as children may get bullied for many things, and in this case, coming to band or a club allows a positive escape for them, where they can actively take part in activities and not have to worry about being themselves.	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council will continue to produce a statutory CLD plan, to be delivered through the learning community partnerships centred of non-denominational secondary schools, with a focus on partnership working between schools and the third sector. All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
7677	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	So a smaller team saves A£1.6 million, not sure why English is a second language though.	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
7678	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	I think promoting the involvement of young people in these initiatives will be very important and I can't reasonably see a large downside to this.	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council will continue to produce a statutory CLD plan, to be delivered through the learning community partnerships centred of non-denominational secondary schools, with a focus on partnership working between schools and the third sector.
7679	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	does this not contradict your future plans for learning disabilities and day services?	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
7680	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Options are often limited for young people due to lack of training, if this provides them with more choices for reaching their goals and joining the workforce with confidence in themselves its a service worth having, Adult and second language learning are important as we have a wide and varied culture within West Lothian.	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The proposals echo these sentiments.
7681	No Response	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	I don't understand why English is being taught to people for free(I get asylum seekers requiring this service) but if I wanted to learn another language, I would have to pay for this myself.	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council will meet its obligations in terms of ESOL. There are many benefits to society of ensuring residents have appropriate communication skills.
7682	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	What consideration has been given to the fact that generally those most in need of specialist services are resistant to any form of social work involvement; therefore if this service is consolidated / amalgamated with social work resources this will not have the desired outcome of affording our most vulnerable members of society an opportunity for early intervention at the most crucial time of their lives.	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	There is no proposal to amalgamate youth services with social policy services.
7683	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	I believe young adults deserve to have an option as they may not have excelled at school and this should not hinder them when it comes to seeking employment.	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	MCMC services will continue to be a priority.

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7684	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Good to keep the choices going to improve life for the young.	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	MCMC services will continue to be a priority.
7685	No Response	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	The closure of BLIS for vulnerable young adults was a huge loss. There needs to continue to provide a service for adults too.	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	The Council will continue to work in partnership to maximise opportunities for young people to pursue a variety of training and work experience options.
7686	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Adult learning is very important to me. I come on a Tuesday night for two hours. It is helping me to meet people, gain more confidence and read more. I'm working towards gaining a qualification which I never did at school	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	The Council will continue to support statutory adult learning.
7687	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	I depend on the adult education services they help me through my adult life. I dont know what I would do without them, please rethink your policies.	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	The Council will continue to support statutory adult learning.
7688	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	My Adult Learning Tutors are very helpful and I dont know what I would do without them once again PLEASE RETHINK.	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
7689	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	i have been to adult learning for three year and staff help me alot with my learning and dyslexia and got lots of awards .it is imporent to me that thias service is kept going for others.	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	The Council will continue to support statutory adult learning.
7690	An employee of West Lothian Council	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	You should not be cutting adult learning this much	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council will continue to support statutory adult learning.
7691	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Makes sense. However English as a second language is offered by many colleges and other organisations, does the council really need to continue to spend money on this?	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council will meet its obligations in terms of ESOL. There are many benefits to society of ensuring residents have appropriate communication skills.
7692	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Same applies - Use resources to maximum effect. Cut out duplication and waste	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The Council's proposals seek to achieve these aims.
7693	An employee of West Lothian Council	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Seems to be an excellent idea - using a proven successful structure to build upon.	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
7694	No Response	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	more tutor because you can do more classes and get more people involved. we do group work as a team and help each other. we also do more homework at home to lean a bit more work.	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council will continue to produce a statutory CLD plan, to be delivered through the learning community partnerships centred of non-denominational secondary schools, with a focus on partnership working between schools and the third sector.
7695	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Better partnership deals with business may help?	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your comment which will be considered as part of any service redesign
7696	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	i attend classes run by adult education and i owe a lot to the tutors that i have had. i dont know where i would be without these classes and i am very gratefull for attending them cause they have helped my confidence and made me a better person. i have also made new friends at the course these courses have made my life a whole lot better	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council will continue to support statutory adult learning.
7697	No Response	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	i think you should have more tutor for more classes for new people to learn there owen thing in the class. i love this class i am learning everything so i can get myself back into work i miss been at work. i also like to make new friend and also learn new thing that i have not done before and friend can also help as well. can if young people/students do this sort of class they parents will be well happy with them that they are learning diffrent things. we all do group work so we help each other to understand and spell. we also get homework as well so it helps us to learn more at home.	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council will continue to support statutory adult learning.

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7698	No Response	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Adult Learning is an extremely important part of the Council's service delivery. It is important to lots of adults who are keen to improve their skills to help them in their everyday lives and to improve their employability opportunities. Adult Learning is the last chance for many adults and I feel it is important that the service is not reduced in any way.	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council will continue to support statutory adult learning.
7699	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	I go to an adult learning group and i am learning to read. i am not keen on big groups of people but if group sizes had to increase to save the service then i would just have to try to learn to cope because i enjoy going to the group.	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council will continue to support statutory adult learning.
7700	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	I attend adult learning group and would not want it to change.	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council will continue to support statutory adult learning.
7701	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Agree with proposals for benefit of the Youth	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The Council will continue to produce a statutory CLD plan, to be delivered through the learning community partnerships centred of non-denominational secondary schools, with a focus on partnership working between schools and the third sector.
7702	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	If schools were properly scheduled / operating there should be little need for adult learning. This could have a proposed saving	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The Council will continue to support statutory adult learning.
7703	No Response	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Giving all young people the opportunity to gain experience of the self disciplines necessary for either employment or further education is very important both to the individual and to the community. I have no experience of the MCMC programme, but I do have experience of the StepsN2Work scheme - as utilised in the retail (specifically independent booksellers environment) and this has very successfully enabled several young troubled "school drop-outs" gain confidence and be inspired to go back into further education and be great examples of how the right combination of WLC sponsored scheme - yields great results. Similarly I have long (successful and rewarding) experience of employing Technical apprentices both in WLC (at Cameron/Wyman Gordon) and in several other companies within the UK - I would advocate these schemes - are key elements in a successful Youth Policy.	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	The Council will continue to work in partnership to offer as many work experience and training opportunities as possible to school leavers.
7704	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	I would like to see the top 3 items/specific deliverables that contribute to this redesign.	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	The proposal will consider: 1. a statutory CLD plan, to be delivered through the learning community partnerships centred of non-denominational secondary schools, with a focus on partnership working between schools and the third sector. 2. a continued focus on MCMC in order to maximise progression to positive destination. 3. continuation of ESOL and statutory adult learning services.
7705	No Response	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	adult learning definitely requires rationalisation	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The Council will continue to produce a statutory CLD plan, to be delivered through the learning community partnerships centred of non-denominational secondary schools, with a focus on partnership working between schools and the third sector.
7706	No Response	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	English as a second language- I don't understand this but it sounds like a waste of money just to be politically correct.	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council will meet its obligations in terms of ESOL. There are many benefits to society of ensuring residents have appropriate communication skills.
7707	An employee of West Lothian Council	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Whilst many adolescents are not staying in full time education or moving into employment EMA funding should not be paid just to entice these people to stay in education as they are not gaining from this and are draining the public purse. If people who do stay in further education need financial help then the way in which this cash is spent should be closely monitored as it's widely abused. Also it's all very well training for employment but the jobs are simply not there to be had.	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	Education Maintenance Allowance is a national scheme.

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7708	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	I think this is a very important service but again, a 'smaller team' means more workload for the team left to manage a cut in staff and resources.	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council will continue to produce a statutory CLD plan, to be delivered through the learning community partnerships centred of non-denominational secondary schools, with a focus on partnership working between schools and the third sector.
7709	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	People who cannot speak English when they arrive here should pay for lessons themselves. The only exception should be the genuine refugees.	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council will meet its obligations in terms of ESOL. There are many benefits to society of ensuring residents have appropriate communication skills.
7710	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Cutting resources and stuffing for youth services is false economy. Early intervention across the board for all young people is essential. Targeting if provision is not good enough. Adult Learning is also essential to ensure West Lothian citizens have sufficient and the correct skills required to build a well paid workforce with meaningful employment. Cuts to this service will hinder people moving from poverty and embed the poverty cycle still further. I feel this service should be protected from cuts	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council will continue to produce a statutory CLD plan, to be delivered through the learning community partnerships centred of non-denominational secondary schools, with a focus on partnership working between schools and the third sector.
7711	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	If our schools work properly there should be less need for learning as adults	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
7712	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	youth clubs are a good idea because kids/ adults can have some free time after a hard day at work or school, it helps us make new friends and get more people to come along to youth clubs.	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council will continue to produce a statutory CLD plan, to be delivered through the learning community partnerships centred of non-denominational secondary schools, with a focus on partnership working between schools and the third sector.
7713	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	young people enjoy spending time with friends so they can go to a youth club with their friends so they are happy and they know the people around them.	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	West Lothian's support for MCMC pupils has proved effective at increasing numbers progressing to a positive destination. The Council will meet its obligations in terms of ESOL. There are many benefits to society of ensuring residents have appropriate communication skills.
7714	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	youth clubs have to have adults there because if they don't then the kids will just run about like mad and won't really have fun.	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	West Lothian's support for MCMC pupils has proved effective at increasing numbers progressing to a positive destination. The Council will meet its obligations in terms of ESOL. There are many benefits to society of ensuring residents have appropriate communication skills.
7715	No Response	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	If we had a proper education system that really was able to teach, then our need for adult learning would be much less	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
7716	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	youth clubs are really good it would be a shame to cut them down	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council will continue to produce a statutory CLD plan, to be delivered through the learning community partnerships centred of non-denominational secondary schools, with a focus on partnership working between schools and the third sector.
7717	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	I think this is bad because this is the time for young people can relax and have fun. This is also bad because this can earn money for the youth services so it would be a shame to stop them.	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council will continue to produce a statutory CLD plan, to be delivered through the learning community partnerships centred of non-denominational secondary schools, with a focus on partnership working between schools and the third sector.
7718	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	I have no particular comments to make other than no child should leave school in such a predicament in the first place.	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
7719	An employee of West Lothian Council	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Service needs to be much more focused.	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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7720	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	the council should continue to provide these youths club	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council will continue to produce a statutory CLD plan, to be delivered through the learning community partnerships centred of non-denominational secondary schools, with a focus on partnership working between schools and the third sector.
7721	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	The council should continue to provide youth clubs to younger people because it helps them connect with other kids and express their talents and enjoy .	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council will continue to produce a statutory CLD plan, to be delivered through the learning community partnerships centred of non-denominational secondary schools, with a focus on partnership working between schools and the third sector.
7722	No Response	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Put the money into the schools & educate the children to stay in school. What is statutory adult learning & English as a 2nd language?	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
7723	An employee of West Lothian Council	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	there is no point having people on courses they don't want to do just to tick a box to make figures look better.	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
7724	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Agree that every effort should be made to assist young people into employment	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	West Lothian's support for MCMC pupils has proved effective at increasing numbers progressing to a positive destination.
7725	No Response	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	See above - Sounds like staff reductions. This is not good.	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
7726	An employee of West Lothian Council	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Agree that priority should be ensuring young people are involved in education, employment and training to better their chances and reduce demand on social services/adult learning in the future.	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	West Lothian's support for MCMC pupils has proved effective at increasing numbers progressing to a positive destination.
7727	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	If schools had the proper staff this would be less of a problem.	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
7728	An employee of West Lothian Council	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Any ESL teachers should be properly qualified not solely in EFL/ESL, ideally to Degree standard in English (English Language or equivalent) if they are to be teaching English as a Second Language. This way the teaching can be effective and will not require to be "dragged-out" and repeated by individuals or groups who are often desperate to learn our language to be able to become integrated into society and feel part of the community as soon as possible. Using under qualified or ineffective ESL teachers is not conducive to effective learning to individuals, some of whom will be keen to participate and contribute to wider society and their own local communities.	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The Council will meet its obligations in terms of ESOL. There are many benefits to society of ensuring residents have appropriate communication skills.
7729	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Looks like contraction in an important area of work. Again asking a lot of schools and community partners.	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council will continue to produce a statutory CLD plan, to be delivered through the learning community partnerships centred of non-denominational secondary schools, with a focus on partnership working between schools and the third sector.
7730	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Anything which enhances the lives of adults and young people through training and community learning is a plus and I think it should continue	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	West Lothian's support for MCMC pupils has proved effective at increasing numbers progressing to a positive destination.
7731	An employee of West Lothian Council	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	if it can be streamlined all the better but these services are important to train workers of the future who will pay council tax and contribute to the workforce	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	West Lothian's support for MCMC pupils has proved effective at increasing numbers progressing to a positive destination.
7732	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	This is an area that the council could use volunteers. Not " the voluntary sector ". - Just ordinary people - with skills and are willing to give their time for free.	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your comment which will be considered as part of any service redesign

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7733	An employee of West Lothian Council	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	What is the current team size? How will this be cut? What impact assessment on how this will affect the numerous West Lothian residents for whom English is not their first language? What happens to those who are not classed as "young people" or "old people"? How will they be supported into education, employment or training? What work will you be doing with schools? Does this not depend on what the new head teacher wants to do with the school? Who are our community learning partners? How are they funded? Who will be leading in these partnerships?	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
7734	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Can a smaller team effectively reach and impact the number of clients that are to be worked with?	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
7735	No Response	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	I really think this adult learning services as I take part in these services when a started a was very vurnable and these services helped build by confidence with the support too come into the community and learn for work and build my confidence as a vurnable person	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	The proposal is for adult learning to continue to be delivered.
7736	No Response	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	more staff and more prioritice too the adult learning team ect and bring back more staff for us too have more support	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	The consultation is required in order to reduce the council's budget.
7737	No Response	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	This is unclear as to exactly what services will be cut. What is 'statutory'?	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
7738	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	This proposal fills me with consternation, particularly if adult lip-reading classes are to end. Personally I believe this is a health issue rather than an educational one however the powers at be think differently. Recent medical research has indicated that the onset of deafness in middle age is a major factor in the development of dementia (far greater than diet or lack of exercise). Such deafness leads to lack of social interaction which in turn can lead to dementia. As older people become progressively deaffer the effort involved in interacting socially and at work can become so great that many give up. Learning lip reading skills can delay or even stop this self-imposed this social isolation. Apart from the personal cost, the savings in delaying dementia say for 10 years are enormous. As someone who paid for lip reading before becoming aware of the Council's provision I am sure the many who attend would be willing to contribute towards the costs involved in keeping classes going.	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Any decision in relation to particular service provision will take account of equality impact assessments.
7739	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	See my comment at 1E. This proposal fills me with consternation, particularly if adult lip-reading classes are to end. Personally I believe this is a health issue rather than an educational one however the powers at be think differently. Recent medical research has indicated that the onset of deafness in middle age is a major factor in the development of dementia (far greater than diet or lack of exercise). Such deafness leads to lack of social interaction which in turn can lead to dementia. As older people become progressively deaffer the effort involved in interacting socially and at work can become so great that many give up. Learning lip reading skills can delay or even stop this self-imposed this social isolation. Apart from the personal cost, the savings in delaying dementia say for 10 years are enormous. As someone who paid for lip reading before becoming aware of the Council's provision I am sure the many who attend would be willing to contribute towards the costs involved in keeping classes going.	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	West Lothian Council places a high priority of facilitating equality, in terms of its equalities duties, and will consider this suggestion.
7740	An employee of West Lothian Council	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Youth work is a key part in communities and transitions between primary and high school.	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council will continue to produce a statutory CLD plan, to be delivered through the learning community partnerships centred of non-denominational secondary schools, with a focus on partnership working between schools and the third sector.
7741	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Many young people have benefitted and moved into positive destinations as a result of MCMC work. Continuing this work is a positive	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	West Lothian's support for MCMC pupils has proved effective at increasing numbers progressing to a positive destination.

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7742	No Response	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Providing assistance to young people not actively involved with society is essential to fulfill the council's objectives of reducing poverty, increasing employment and the consequences of failure in those areas. The modern apprenticeship scheme is a prime example of how to give young people an awareness of benefits of working and the skills to allow them to integrate and progress in life.	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	The Council will continue to produce a statutory CLD plan, to be delivered through the learning community partnerships centred of non-denominational secondary schools, with a focus on partnership working between schools and the third sector. West Lothian's support for MCMC pupils has proved effective at increasing numbers progressing to a positive destination.
7743	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Joining up of all services is essential and will reduce costs. Too many services are operating independantly from each other and if joined up would save money and speed up services. Eg schools, police, social services, health, childrens panel etc	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The proposals prioritise partnership working.
7744	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Sensible to focus on a programme which delivers best results. What else would be cut to achieve the savings? Adults needing to learn English as a second language should not be disadvantaged further by making it more difficult to access eg through fewer teachers or fewer venues.	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The Council will meet its obligations in terms of ESOL. There are many benefits to society of ensuring residents have appropriate communication skills.
7745	No Response	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Agreed that youth engagement must be maintained to provide a avenue of opportunity and change, particularly within more deprived areas of the region.	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council will continue to produce a statutory CLD plan, to be delivered through the learning community partnerships centred of non-denominational secondary schools, with a focus on partnership working between schools and the third sector.
7746	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Agree continuation of statutory adult learning and English as a Second Language.	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The Council will meet its obligations in terms of ESOL. There are many benefits to society of ensuring residents have appropriate communication skills.
7747	An employee of West Lothian Council	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	There is a significant number of young people who arrive in our schools and do not speak English. A number of years ago EAL provision was reduced and I worry if this is redcued again. It is very difficult for some of these young people to settle into mainstream education with the limited support that is currently available. Again teaching staff do their very best with these young people but more not less support is needed in this area especially given the commitment to re-settling refugee families within West Lothian.	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	The Council will meet its obligations in terms of ESOL. There are many benefits to society of ensuring residents have appropriate communication skills.
7748	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	I donâ€™t think there is enough for children and youths and this is a huge disappointment in West Lothian clubs that were running are being shut down due to funding so if anything more should be put into this. We want our children to have somewhere safe to go and at the minute your putting them on the streets shutting youth clubs	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council will continue to produce a statutory CLD plan, to be delivered through the learning community partnerships centred of non-denominational secondary schools, with a focus on partnership working between schools and the third sector.
7749	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	I am concerned about facilities for young people, outwith school hours/holidays. Provision needs to be made to maintain youth clubs/ forums, within each community. Volunteers should be used to enhance services.	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council will continue to produce a statutory CLD plan, to be delivered through the learning community partnerships centred of non-denominational secondary schools, with a focus on partnership working between schools and the third sector.
7750	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Agree that young people should be encouraged work or improve there chances through further learning	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	West Lothian's support for MCMC pupils has proved effective at increasing numbers progressing to a positive destination. The Council works in partnership to maximise opportunities for work experience, training, apprenticeships etc.
7751	No Response	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Ditto 1d. Also: Are we expecting fewer non-English speakers 'in education' due to the effects of leaving the E U? Not exactly rocket-science then.	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council will meet its obligations in terms of ESOL. There are many benefits to society of ensuring residents have appropriate communication skills.
7752	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Cutting services in education provision, including reducing the necessary amount of staff, will have an impact (negative) on the number of future users of this service.	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council will continue to produce a statutory CLD plan, to be delivered through the learning community partnerships centred of non-denominational secondary schools, with a focus on partnership working between schools and the third sector.
7753	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	English as a second language should be funded by National government	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council will meet its obligations in terms of ESOL. There are many benefits to society of ensuring residents have appropriate communication skills.

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7754	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	I think it is important that the council helps young people get work. The skills training programme and Steps N2 Work has helped me to get work and I couldn't have done it without them.	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	Support for young people to help them achieve positive destinations will remain a priority.
7755	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	How about a scheme to encourage people not to just think of "employment", but running their own businesses??	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed, potentially in partnership with local entrepreneurs.
7756	No Response	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	The proposals will provide less opportunities for socialisation for young people with disabilities in reducing the youth club provision.	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
7757	An employee of West Lothian Council	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Adults and youth who are not willing to work should not be given the opportunity for more money to be wasted on them. Courses such as English as a second language would be beneficial for people at a small fee because if they want to work/learn the language then they will do so. Lots of people have moved to the country and rely on their children to translate for them rather than go and get help themselves.	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	5c. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it is not consistent with the council's values and priorities.	The Council will meet its obligations in terms of ESOL. There are many benefits to society of ensuring residents have appropriate communication skills.
7758	An employee of West Lothian Council	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Consider charging for adult classes, especially 'English as a Second Language'. Perhaps Management Committees could be asked to part fund these as many are sitting with significant sums of money in their accounts. If youth services does stay, provide a clearer instruction of what's expected of the service/staff - you get a very different level of service dependent on who you are working with. Its not a very 'visible' service in some places.	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The Council will meet its obligations in terms of ESOL. There are many benefits to society of ensuring residents have appropriate communication skills. The Council will continue to produce a statutory CLD plan, to be delivered through the learning community partnerships centred of non-denominational secondary schools, with a focus on partnership working between schools and the third sector.
7759	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	With the amount of non- English speakers flooding our schools it is imperative that the team dealing with this is not decreased.	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	The Council will meet its obligations in terms of ESOL. There are many benefits to society of ensuring residents have appropriate communication skills.
7760	An individual	1e. Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services	Again this is very positive and I believe should be linked with DYW and local business to develop skills for life and work and gain a smooth transition for young people to re engage and ensure success.	Service Restructure of Adult Learning & Youth Services (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is the intention to continue to work in partnership with Delivering the Young Workforce and local businesses as suggested.
7761	No Response	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	Agree. This should be one team.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
7762	An employee of West Lothian Council	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	If this can provide savings then it should be pursued.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
7763	No Response	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	Agree to all suggested proposals	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
7764	An individual	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
7765	An employee of West Lothian Council	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	Supportive of this proposal.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
7766	An employee of West Lothian Council	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	This is a sensible idea.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
7767	An individual	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	Great	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
7768	No Response	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
7769	No Response	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	Ok	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
7770	An individual	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	Agree with this proposal.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
7771	An individual	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	sounds reasonable	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
7772	An individual	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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7773	No Response	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
7774	An individual	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	Seems sensible.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
7775	An employee of West Lothian Council	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	SEEMS A GOOD PROPOSAL, ECONOMIES OF SCALE	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
7776	An employee of West Lothian Council	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	Yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
7777	An individual	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	think this is a good suggestion.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
7778	No Response	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	This is a sensible plan	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
7779	An individual	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	Any savings are welcome.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
7780	An individual	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	Redeployment of psychologists useful .	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
7781	An individual	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	Makes perfect sense	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
7782	An employee of West Lothian Council	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	Sure	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
7783	An employee of West Lothian Council	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	The above makes sense.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
7784	An employee of West Lothian Council	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	Agree - makes sense	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
7785	An individual	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	Agree this proposal.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
7786	No Response	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	Have no objection	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
7787	An individual	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	Makes total sense - should have been done before now.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
7788	An individual	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	Sensible initiative	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
7789	An employee of West Lothian Council	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	Sound sensible	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
7790	An individual	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	Sounds viable but again would depend on how the service users would be affected.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
7791	An individual	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	If their mission is similar then this would make sense. Will the current level of service be reduced or maintained?	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
7792	An individual	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	Agree that appears to make sense	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
7793	An individual	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	you could save money here without cutting too many corners	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
7794	An employee of West Lothian Council	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	Support idea	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
7795	An individual	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	If it can be achieved, go for it.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
7796	An employee of West Lothian Council	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	This sounds like a good amalgamation of services.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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7797	An employee of West Lothian Council	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
7798	An employee of West Lothian Council	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	Good.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
7799	No Response	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	great	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
7800	An individual	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
7801	No Response	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	Supported	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
7802	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	Agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
7803	An individual	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	Agree.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
7804	An individual	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	Fine.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
7805	An employee of West Lothian Council	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
7806	An individual	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	This makes sense.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
7807	An individual	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
7808	No Response	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	Agree.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
7809	No Response	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	Great idea	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
7810	No Response	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	I agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
7811	An employee of West Lothian Council	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	Happy with this.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
7812	An individual	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
7813	An employee of West Lothian Council	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
7814	An individual	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	Ok with this.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
7815	An individual	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	Yes makes sense.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
7816	An individual	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	Agree.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
7817	An employee of West Lothian Council	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
7818	An individual	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	Agree.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
7819	An employee of West Lothian Council	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
7820	No Response	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	I agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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7821	An individual	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	Agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
7822	No Response	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	Good.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
7823	An individual	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
7824	No Response	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	i agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
7825	No Response	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	makes sense	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
7826	An individual	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	Good idea.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
7827	An individual	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
7828	An individual	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	Definitely	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
7829	An individual	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	ok	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
7830	An individual	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	Positive	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
7831	No Response	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
7832	An individual	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	Family learning is a big thing now, therefore it seems sensible to combine these.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
7833	No Response	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	Quite right, as I am sure there is an overlap of tasks between the two groups	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
7834	No Response	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	Sounds like good sense.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
7835	An individual	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	Makes sense, just do it	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
7836	An employee of West Lothian Council	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	Agree. This function should be modernised.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
7837	An individual	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	Acceptable as long as it meets the requirements.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
7838	An individual	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	This is reasonable.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
7839	An individual	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	This seems like a sensible way for families to access support.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
7840	An individual	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	go ahead with the savings	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
7841	An employee of West Lothian Council	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	It makes sense to combine services which are for the same audience for similar information.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
7842	No Response	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	Sounds ok	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
7843	No Response	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	Agree this seems the correct approach.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
7844	No Response	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	A good idea.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
7845	An individual	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	I think this should be done.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
7846	An individual	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	This sounds practical in delivering effective results.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
7847	No Response	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	If this will benefit customers without detriment then I would agree with this	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
7848	No Response	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	Is it works then fine.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
7849	An individual	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	This seems a good idea.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
7850	No Response	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	This is a sensible proposal	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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7851	An individual	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	I support this change	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
7852	An individual	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	I agree with the Council's proposals for the moment to see how they all work out. Thank you.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
7853	An individual	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	Again, this seems sensible.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
7854	An individual	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	no issue with thos	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
7855	An individual	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	Again makes sense.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
7856	No Response	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	Sounds ok	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
7857	An individual	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	Sounds positiveproviding change is handled sensitively	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
7858	An individual	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	Sounds an amazing saving here!	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
7859	An employee of West Lothian Council	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	Yes this should be considered if it allows for streamlining	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
7860	No Response	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	I agree with the proposal	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
7861	An individual	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	that's a start	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
7862	An employee of West Lothian Council	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	I have no issue with this	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
7863	An individual	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	I THINK THIS WILL BE GOOD PLAN	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
7864	An individual	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	I don't think I would notice a difference from my point of view if this happened.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
7865	An individual	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	This is a sensible approach.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
7866	No Response	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	This seems a good idea	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
7867	An employee of West Lothian Council	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	In agreement.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
7868	An individual	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	This makes perfect sense.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
7869	No Response	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	I agree.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
7870	An individual	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
7871	An employee of West Lothian Council	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	Makes sense.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
7872	An employee of West Lothian Council	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
7873	An employee of West Lothian Council	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	Sounds good to me!	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
7874	No Response	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	Ok	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
7875	An employee of West Lothian Council	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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7876	An individual	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	ok	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
7877	An individual	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	ok.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
7878	An individual	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
7879	An individual	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	makes sense	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
7880	An individual	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
7881	An individual	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	This is a good idea.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
7882	An individual	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	Agree.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
7883	An individual	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	Good	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
7884	No Response	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	Sounds fine.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
7885	An individual	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	Seems reasonable	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
7886	No Response	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	Ok	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
7887	No Response	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	Agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
7888	An individual	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	This seems sensible.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
7889	An employee of West Lothian Council	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
7890	An employee of West Lothian Council	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	Seems reasonable.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
7891	An individual	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	Agree.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
7892	An individual	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	I would support this.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
7893	An employee of West Lothian Council	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	I agree with this proposal.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
7894	No Response	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
7895	An employee of West Lothian Council	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	Sounds good	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
7896	An individual	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	Good idea??	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
7897	An individual	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	No issue.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
7898	An employee of West Lothian Council	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	Agreed.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
7899	An individual	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	Yes good idea	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
7900	No Response	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	Yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
7901	An individual	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	Sounds fine	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
7902	An individual	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	Long overdue	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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7903	No Response	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	Sounds sensible.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
7904	An individual	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	Sounds reasonable	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
7905	An individual	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	Agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
7906	No Response	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
7907	An individual	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
7908	An employee of West Lothian Council	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	Sounds good.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
7909	An employee of West Lothian Council	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	agree with this proposal	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
7910	An individual	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	Ok	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
7911	An individual	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
7912	An individual	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	This seems sensible	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
7913	An individual	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	I agree with this proposal	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
7914	No Response	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	fine	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
7915	An employee of West Lothian Council	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	ok	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
7916	An individual	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	great	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
7917	An employee of West Lothian Council	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	Makes sense.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
7918	An individual	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	agreed.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
7919	An individual	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	A positive move to offer consistency throughout the area.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
7920	An employee of West Lothian Council	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	Any rationalisation and streamlining makes sense and is essential in light of the funding restrictions placed on the council.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
7921	An individual	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	Again, should have been done by now	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
7922	No Response	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	This makes a lot of sense. Again a potential area where cross over costs are quite possible.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
7923	An individual	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	This would appear to be sensible.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
7924	An employee of West Lothian Council	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	Ok if service delivery is not compromised	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
7925	An individual	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	I agree , makes common sense to consolidate .	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
7926	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	Great idea might mean there is more interaction with the parents	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
7927	An individual	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	Good call.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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7928	An individual	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	This sounds like it would benefit the people involved here.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
7929	An individual	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	I have no objection to this.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
7930	No Response	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	Totally agree with this.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
7931	No Response	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	This sounds reasonable.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
7932	An employee of West Lothian Council	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	Sounds like a good idea.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
7933	An individual	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	Agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
7934	An individual	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	Sounds sensible.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
7935	An individual	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	I support this proposal.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
7936	An individual	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	Sounds sensible.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
7937	An employee of West Lothian Council	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
7938	An employee of West Lothian Council	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
7939	An employee of West Lothian Council	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
7940	An employee of West Lothian Council	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	Would agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
7941	An employee of West Lothian Council	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	Sounds fine.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
7942	No Response	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
7943	No Response	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	I agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
7944	No Response	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	Sounds good.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
7945	An individual	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	Seems reasonable	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
7946	An individual	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	I agree with this proposal	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
7947	An employee of West Lothian Council	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	Agree.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
7948	An individual	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	Good	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
7949	An individual	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	Ok.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
7950	An individual	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	Good	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
7951	No Response	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	Seems fine	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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7952	An employee of West Lothian Council	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	Agree with this proposal.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
7953	An individual	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
7954	An individual	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	Sounds like a sensible alignment.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
7955	No Response	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	Yes please Maybe then decisions will be faster !	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
7956	An individual	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	Makes sense to deliver efficiencies.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
7957	An individual	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	I totally agree.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
7958	An individual	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	This sees to make sense.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
7959	An individual	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	It would make sense to streamline these activities under one body.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
7960	An individual	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	Agree 100%	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
7961	An individual	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	Saving seems worthwhile.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
7962	No Response	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	This is a good proposal as these two units often cross over. Fewer people dealing in a case can only be a good thing.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
7963	An individual	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	More streamlined and I agree the council should integrate teams to ensure no duplication of work	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
7964	An individual	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	I support.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
7965	An individual	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	Seems fine	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
7966	An individual	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	Ok, if it works effectively	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
7967	An employee of West Lothian Council	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	This proposition would seem to make sense.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
7968	An individual	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	Considering this is public money this should have been done long ago. As many team services as possible should be consolidated and centralised.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
7969	An individual	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	Agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
7970	An individual	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	I would support this proposal.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
7971	An individual	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	Agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
7972	An individual	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	Agreed.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
7973	An individual	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	Sounds reasonable	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
7974	An employee of West Lothian Council	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	Good idea.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
7975	An individual	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	I think this is a good idea	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
7976	An individual	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	good !	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
7977	An employee of West Lothian Council	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	No comment on this section as this sounds like a good proposal.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
7978	An employee of West Lothian Council	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	Merging into a smaller team would be beneficial.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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7979	An individual	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	One team would make more sense	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
7980	An individual	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	acceptable	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
7981	An individual	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	Agreed.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
7982	An individual	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	Reasonable	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
7983	An individual	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
7984	No Response	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	Ok	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
7985	An individual	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	Seems reasonable.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
7986	An individual	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
7987	An individual	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
7988	An individual	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	I agree with this.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
7989	An individual	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	Agree.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
7990	An individual	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	Ok	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
7991	An employee of West Lothian Council	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
7992	An individual	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	Yes.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
7993	No Response	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	Agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
7994	An individual	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	sounds fine	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
7995	An individual	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	I would support this	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
7996	No Response	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	Do it!	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
7997	No Response	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
7998	An employee of West Lothian Council	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	agree with proposal	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
7999	An employee of West Lothian Council	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8000	No Response	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8001	An individual	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	I agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8002	No Response	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	Agree with this proposal	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8003	No Response	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	Should have been done years ago	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8004	An employee of West Lothian Council	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	I agree with this proposal.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8005	An individual	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	I agree with this proposal	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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8006	An employee of West Lothian Council	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8007	No Response	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8008	An employee of West Lothian Council	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	Agree.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8009	An employee of West Lothian Council	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8010	An individual	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	seems sensible	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8011	No Response	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	Fine.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8012	An individual	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8013	An employee of West Lothian Council	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	Agree.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8014	An individual	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	This seems sensible.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8015	An employee of West Lothian Council	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	I agree with this.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8016	An individual	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	OK.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8017	No Response	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8018	An individual	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	okay	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8019	An individual	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	supported	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8020	An individual	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	Okay	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8021	An individual	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	This will be a positive move	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8022	An individual	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	if it works, do it!	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8023	An individual	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	Sounds okay if standards can be maintained	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8024	An individual	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	sound good	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8025	An employee of West Lothian Council	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	sounds feasible	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8026	No Response	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	I feel that this seems like a rationale proposal.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8027	An individual	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	Accept this	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8028	An individual	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	Sounds sensible	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8029	An individual	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	Sounds good.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8030	An individual	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8031	An individual	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	Sensible approach.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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8032	An individual	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	Seems reasonable	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8033	An individual	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	I agree with this proposal	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8034	An individual	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	Agreed.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8035	An individual	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	Agree with this proposal.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8036	An employee of West Lothian Council	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	Good idea.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8037	No Response	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	Keep this support	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8038	An employee of West Lothian Council	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	if it can be done it makes sense	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8039	No Response	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	makes sense	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8040	An individual	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8041	No Response	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	As above streamlining works so it's good.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8042	No Response	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	Agreed.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8043	An individual	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	Great idea.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8044	No Response	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	Good idea.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8045	An individual	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	Seems reasonable	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8046	An individual	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	Agree.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8047	An individual	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	Fully agree.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8048	An individual	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	Yes.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8049	An individual	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	Seems a sensible move.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8050	An individual	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	Fine with this	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8051	An individual	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	If this improves the service then I agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8052	No Response	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	I agree to this point	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8053	An employee of West Lothian Council	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	Good	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8054	An employee of West Lothian Council	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	Sensible approach	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8055	An individual	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8056	An individual	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	yes I agree with this.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8057	An individual	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	ok	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8058	An individual	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	Good	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8059	An individual	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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8060	An individual	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	Ok	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8061	An individual	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	Appears generally sensible, but I do not have enough information or knowledge to comment in detail.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8062	An individual	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	This makes good sense	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8063	No Response	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	This sounds appropriate.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8064	An individual	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	Makes perfect sense and is normal in all other workplaces.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8065	No Response	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	This should occur	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8066	No Response	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	Good. Make greater savings in this area.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8067	No Response	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	This seems another common sense saving but form speaking to current Council staff, their work load is constantly increasing and some have to resort to taking work home - by consolidating services this could increase this even further. This can obviously result in stress which comes with it's own cost and problems.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8068	An individual	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	Seems logical.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8069	An individual	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	From my experience combining staff teams that work closely with each other can only lead to a more efficient service so would support this proposal.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8070	An individual	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	What's with all of these teams!?? We never had all of this resource and managed fine - money could be saved here.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8071	An individual	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	If a smaller team can do the same or a better job, then it should have been implemented a long time ago.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8072	An individual	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	This sounds like a positive suggestion which will also provide consistent information.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8073	No Response	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	Good idea, there can't be much for the team to do all year.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8074	An individual	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	This sounds like an efficiency which could be of benefit to the council	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8075	An employee of West Lothian Council	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	Seems sensible.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8076	An employee of West Lothian Council	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	I agree with this proposal	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8077	An individual	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	Fine	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8078	An individual	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	Sounds fair	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8079	An individual	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	Agree in principle	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8080	No Response	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8081	An individual	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	Not before time.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8082	An employee of West Lothian Council	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	This is a sensible consolidation measure which I support.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8083	An individual	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	I agree with the proposed consolidation.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8084	An individual	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	Sounds worthwhile.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8085	An individual	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	Agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8086	An individual	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	ok.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8087	An individual	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	Agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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8088	An individual	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	Sounds sensible	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8089	An individual	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8090	An employee of West Lothian Council	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8091	An individual	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	Support	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8092	An individual	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8093	An individual	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	Sounds reasonable.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8094	An employee of West Lothian Council	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	Support	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8095	An individual	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	Agree.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8096	An individual	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	I agree with this.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8097	An individual	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8098	An individual	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	Seems sensible	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8099	An employee of West Lothian Council	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	This sounds like a reasonable proposal.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8100	An individual	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	This seems a fair thing to do.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8101	No Response	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	sounds good sense	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8102	An individual	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	Can see that this could work	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8103	An individual	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8104	An individual	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	OK.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8105	An individual	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8106	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	Agreed.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8107	An individual	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	Good	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8108	No Response	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	agree offer more streamlined service	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8109	An employee of West Lothian Council	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	Supportive in principle based on limited detailed information	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8110	An individual	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	I fully agree with this proposal. There is no valid point in having two services.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8111	An individual	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	Fine with this	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8112	An individual	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	Yes. See above.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8113	An individual	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	would be a good move.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8114	An individual	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	Fine	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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8115	An individual	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	Agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8116	An individual	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8117	An individual	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	This is a good idea.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8118	An individual	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8119	An individual	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	OK with this	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8120	An employee of West Lothian Council	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	That makes sense	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8121	An individual	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	yes centralised team	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8122	An individual	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	seems reasonable proposal	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8123	An individual	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	Sounds logical.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8124	An individual	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	Sounds sensible.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8125	An employee of West Lothian Council	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	Ok	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8126	An employee of West Lothian Council	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	I agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8127	An employee of West Lothian Council	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8128	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	This sounds a useful suggestion that could have been included in the review proposed in 1a.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8129	An individual	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	Good idea	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8130	An individual	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8131	An individual	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	Look okay as it is possible to evaluate given the vague descriptions given in the 'Transforming Your Council'	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8132	An individual	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	I agree with the proposal.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8133	An individual	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	All proposals are sound.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8134	An individual	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	Education customer care!!!!???? You are having a laugh.	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8135	No Response	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	Disagree. Parents need to take more ownership to promote learning therefore I would cut this team to 0.	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8136	An individual	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	I understand this service already struggles with workload so I would be against any further consolidation.	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8137	An individual	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	no	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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8138	An individual	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	We have had wonderful help from this team in the past so very sad to see cuts even if you are a middle income family	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8139	An individual	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	There should be no changes to the existing!	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8140	No Response	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	Not got a clue what they do and it sound like it's not working so think again.	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8141	An individual	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	no	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8142	An individual	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	none	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8143	An individual	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	With the expanding population and the extending of schools, it does not make sense to reduce services which are vital to maintaining and supporting schools.	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8144	An individual	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	really!	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8145	An individual	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	I don't not care about saving in this area. Increase taxes if necessary instead. If the consolidation into one team gives parent and carers better support then by all means do it. The aim here should be to improve the support parents and carers get, not to save money in this area. Again I believe any pound spent in helping parents and carers now is several pounds saved at a later date. It makes financial sense to spend on early learning, children, carers and parent support,	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8146	An individual	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	Do not consolidate	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8147	An individual	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	I completely agree with this.	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8148	An employee of West Lothian Council	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	This seems a very specific proposal compared to the rest of the consultation. It is difficult to comment on it without knowing the background and context.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8149	An employee of West Lothian Council	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	What impact?	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8150	An individual	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8151	No Response	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	No comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8152	An employee of West Lothian Council	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	No comment - I do not have enough information regarding this.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8153	An individual	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	Nothing to add.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8154	No Response	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	No comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8155	An individual	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	No opinion.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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8156	An employee of West Lothian Council	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	no comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8157	No Response	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	I do not have any children, so do not have any opinions on this.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8158	An employee of West Lothian Council	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	No comments	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8159	No Response	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	It's just good management	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8160	An individual	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	Cannot comment on what impact such a move would make as have no knowledge of what these teams currently undertake.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8161	An individual	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	Unaware if what activity these 2 teams do to comment on the saving	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8162	An individual	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	I have no comment to make	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8163	An individual	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	yet again	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8164	An employee of West Lothian Council	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	Don't know enough about either team's jobs to comment.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8165	An individual	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	I cannot comment on this as I have no knowledge in this area.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8166	An individual	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	greed	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8167	An individual	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	No comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8168	An employee of West Lothian Council	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	N/A	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8169	An employee of West Lothian Council	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	No comment.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8170	An individual	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	No comment.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8171	No Response	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	Any excuse to waste money!!!	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8172	No Response	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	No comment (don't know enough regards this topic)	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8173	No Response	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	No comment to make.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8174	An individual	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	I am not well enough informed to comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8175	An employee of West Lothian Council	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	It would have been helpful to have a rough idea of the activities they undertake.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8176	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	Don't know enough about this service	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8177	An employee of West Lothian Council	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	Just needs to ensure consistency across the Council but this approach may achieve this.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8178	No Response	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	I am not a parent so have no views on this matter. I was a carer for 3 adults for 15 years and never once received any offer of support so fail to see what difference this proposed consolidation would make.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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8179	An individual	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	No comments as I have no contact with these services	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8180	An individual	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	I don't understand budgeting advantages and restraints enough to comment.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8181	An individual	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	I have no idea what this means. Please explain better.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8182	An employee of West Lothian Council	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	I dont not know wat this means	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8183	No Response	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	I am unclear as to the remit if those teams.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8184	An employee of West Lothian Council	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	I'm not certain of the impact here as I have had no involvement with this team.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8185	An employee of West Lothian Council	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	I work in education and I don't know what this means or what impact it would have, so I doubt a lot of other people would.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8186	No Response	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	Concerned about the effects of this proposal	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8187	An individual	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	Don't have anything to comment on this as never had problems	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8188	An individual	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	Not enough information to comment.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8189	An individual	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	No comment on this	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8190	No Response	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	?	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8191	An individual	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	-	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8192	No Response	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	No comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8193	No Response	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	No comment.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8194	An individual	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	No comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8195	An individual	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	Unsure	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8196	An individual	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	No comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8197	No Response	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	No comments	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8198	An employee of West Lothian Council	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8199	An individual	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	No comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8200	No Response	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8201	An employee of West Lothian Council	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	No comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8202	An individual	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	Just words without substance	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8203	An employee of West Lothian Council	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	Cannot comment on the practicality of this measure.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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8204	An employee of West Lothian Council	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	No comment as don't know enough but if parents can afford private care they should.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8205	An employee of West Lothian Council	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	Without you quantifying what you mean by "rationalisation" and its impact on the service that is delivered, how am i supposed to give a meaningful answer?	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8206	An individual	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	More redundancies	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8207	An employee of West Lothian Council	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	I do not have enough information to comment.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8208	No Response	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	hhhhh	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8209	An employee of West Lothian Council	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	not enough information to comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8210	An employee of West Lothian Council	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	Not able to provide a comment - have no school age children.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8211	An individual	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	nil	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8212	No Response	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	no comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8213	An individual	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	No Comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8214	An employee of West Lothian Council	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	No comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8215	An individual	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	No comment.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8216	An individual	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	No comment.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8217	An individual	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	No comment.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8218	No Response	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	No comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8219	An individual	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	No comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8220	An individual	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	Cannot comment not sure of impact of this.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8221	No Response	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	I don't have any knowledge of this service so am unable to comment at this time	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8222	An individual	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	No comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8223	An individual	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	no comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8224	An employee of West Lothian Council	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	No comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8225	An employee of West Lothian Council	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	NA	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8226	An employee of West Lothian Council	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	wd	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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8227	An individual	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	Don't know what they help with anyway...	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8228	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	there is not enough information here for us to comment on this ...	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8229	An individual	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	I have no comments regarding this.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8230	An individual	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	no comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8231	No Response	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	no comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8232	An individual	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	No comment as I have little knowledge of how the education system works.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8233	An individual	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	No comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8234	No Response	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	Can't Comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8235	No Response	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	no comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8236	An individual	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	no comments	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8237	An employee of West Lothian Council	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	No opinion.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8238	An employee of West Lothian Council	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	No comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8239	An individual	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	No comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8240	An individual	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	How many jobs will be lost?	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8241	An individual	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	I do not have enough information to comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8242	No Response	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	Do not know enough about this to comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8243	An employee of West Lothian Council	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	Makes go sense	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8244	An employee of West Lothian Council	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	no comments	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8245	An individual	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	No comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8246	An individual	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	Staff reduction to trade off with quality output. I'm not sure.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8247	No Response	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	No comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8248	An employee of West Lothian Council	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	No comments	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8249	An individual	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	Cannot comment as it is not clear what the education customer care team is.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8250	An individual	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	Further detail on service delivery would be required before commenting on this proposal.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8251	No Response	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	I have no experience of using this service.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8252	An individual	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	Insufficient details to make an informed comment. Impact? No support	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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8253	No Response	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	If it is rational and it will work it should have been done as per the comment at 1a, before now. "No Points"	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8254	An individual	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	No comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8255	No Response	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8256	An individual	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	no comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8257	An individual	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	Open to question	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8258	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	We don't know what is meant by "rationalisation and streamlining". Without this information we cannot comment.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8259	An employee of West Lothian Council	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	Sounds good in theory but no practical evidence is given to support this action.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8260	An individual	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	Yet again it is unclear what loss of service or benefits there will be.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8261	An individual	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	Do more with less?	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8262	An individual	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	Again, no information to allow people to make an informed statement/decision.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8263	An individual	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	No comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8264	An individual	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	No comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8265	No Response	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	Again, what details can be provided as to how this "rationalisation and streamlining of activities" will be achieved. It is impossible to comment on such a broad statement which gives no details.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8266	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	More empty words...	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8267	An individual	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	Not enough information to make a comment, other than this seems to indicate significant job losses.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8268	An individual	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	This sounds a useful suggestion that could have been included in the review proposed in 1a.????	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8269	An individual	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	and make more efficient	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8270	An individual	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	Will only work if efficiency is maintained.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8271	An individual	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	It is unclear if this will have an impact on services?	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8272	An individual	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	Not sure in their current role	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8273	An individual	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	Again, I do not feel qualified enough to comment. The saving here seems very small	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8274	An individual	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	Presumably this means more work with less people with more stress on the few staff that are left to do this work.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8275	An individual	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	No comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8276	An individual	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	No comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8277	An individual	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	Eh?	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8278	An individual	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	1e repeat this question lacks detail and makes it difficult to comment on the provision of such vital services being delivered to parents and carers.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8279	An employee of West Lothian Council	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	This proposal lacks specification but clearly will result in staff reductions. It is not clear how this will be more efficient, even if it costs less.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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8280	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	We do not believe we have the knowledge or experience of this area to be able to make an informed comment on it.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8281	An individual	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	Not sure.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8282	An individual	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	No comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8283	No Response	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	I am getting irritated here. I have not got enough information here to make informed comments here.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8284	An employee of West Lothian Council	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	The council have not provided enough indepth information for me to make an informed comment on this, as all information about this whole consultation is more secret that area 51.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8285	No Response	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	I did not see any of these questions in the Bulletin and do not have time to think about it all to reply, Does this mean time spent is wasted?	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8286	An individual	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	Hard to comment having never directly used these services I'm unsure what this change would really mean	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8287	An individual	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	As 1b.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8288	No Response	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	Will this work? What happens if it does not?	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8289	An individual	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	I feel that I am unable to comment as I am not aware of the services that each of these teams deliver and how the integration into the one team can be achieved whilst still delivering the required services.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8290	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	No comments	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8291	An individual	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	Can't comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8292	An employee of West Lothian Council	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	does not affect me	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8293	An individual	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	Explain please	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8294	An individual	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	unable to comment as not in plain english	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8295	An individual	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	Not sure what this means. Suggests job losses.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8296	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	No comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8297	An employee of West Lothian Council	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	can't comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8298	An employee of West Lothian Council	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	Does not affect me from a work or personal point of view.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8299	An employee of West Lothian Council	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	No comment.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8300	An individual	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	No comment.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8301	An individual	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	No comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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8302	An individual	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	We should never become a call centre for members of the public. Directed to relevant departments is fine - but to tackle poverty there needs to be face to face. No matter your position within WLC if you are face to face with a member of public in their own home at any time they should be made aware of the services available within the council. We all need to look outside the box and think of a diagnostic service - not just what we are actually there to do at that time. An easy opt out referral would be a great idea.	Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8303	An individual	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	As I said above too many wasted resources costing too much money.	Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers (general)	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8304	No Response	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	Pupil placement are already overworked and finding it hard to cope with the pressures at key times. Increasing their workload will only make it harder for them to meet targets and support parents and families.	Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council intends to implement the proposals whilst focusing on key priorities for pupils, parents/carers and staff. Amalgamating teams may provide additional resources during peak times.
8305	An individual	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	Rationalising support to parents and carers must equate to a reduced service.	Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council intends to implement the proposals whilst focusing on key priorities for pupils, parents/carers and staff.
8306	An employee of West Lothian Council	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	I have had to use this service recently and wasn't happy with the time taken to process the application	Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers (general)	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Timescales for announcing placement decisions are set by statute.
8307	An employee of West Lothian Council	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	Having a known "one-stop" shop for all educational queries will make it easier for parents	Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8308	An employee of West Lothian Council	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	Hopefully this will lead to an improved service.	Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8309	An employee of West Lothian Council	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	A more focused and streamlined approach will be beneficial for all service users.	Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8310	No Response	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	It will be important to have the right people, with the right skill set, and not just redeploying people into any available position. Full training and ongoing support will be vital for this to succeed.	Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8311	An individual	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	Support proposal to centralise and amalgamate services as is seen in all industries to manage costs and savings.	Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8312	An individual	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	So less service and more stress for the staff remaining. How is that a positive ?	Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council must look at opportunities for efficiency and service transformation in all areas of its responsibility. The proposals primary aim is to protect core services for their recipients rather than provide added benefit to staff.
8313	An individual	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	With what impact to service quality, process timescales ?	Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council intends to implement the proposals whilst focusing on key priorities for pupils, parents/carers and staff.
8314	An individual	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	As long as the services are complimentary and workloads are manageable then this sounds reasonable.	Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8315	No Response	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	Can this streamlining not be used with other areas in the council	Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The consultation provides the opportunity to make such suggestions.

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8316	An employee of West Lothian Council	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	Make schools responsible for their own pupil placement and return the onus to them. Decide on permanent catchment areas and stick to these. Reduce the criteria for challenging decisions. I do not agree with reducing music provision into schools and feel other services should be removed first.	Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The placement process operated within West Lothian has resulted in very efficient budgeting in schools. It is not possible to plan physical resources and to make efficient allocation of staff and pupils in the absence of robust data, and an effective decision support system. If this ability is lost through inappropriate streamlining of procedures, the annual cost is likely to outweigh the anticipated saving. The Council has no control over parents statutory right to challenge decisions. Catchment areas must be capable of being changed to reflect development pressure. All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music, drama, sport and art provision through curriculum for excellence.
8317	No Response	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	could work well and benefit from a refresh.	Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8318	No Response	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	That absolutely makes more sense, having split teams causes an inconsistent service for residents.	Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8319	No Response	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	No objection to this, will need effective and positive management	Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8320	An individual	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	parents and carers should do that not up to council to do this	Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers (general)	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8321	An individual	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	...and less qualified, inexperienced people under increased intense pressure to make crucial decisions on children's future. While those at the top get a pat on the back, promotion or bonus for making a saving. The wrong school for a special needs child does not incur long term saving, it effectively increases the expenditure tenfold. And the workers under pressure? Many result in being off on long term sick leave suffering from depression or stress.	Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers (general)	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	The proposal does not relate to the placement of children with additional support needs.
8322	No Response	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	If this can be achieved whilst maintaining standards then it should be done	Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8323	An individual	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	make sure you can actually speak to a person rather than leaving an email or voicemail so actually feel recognised	Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	This comment should be considered in implementing the proposals.
8324	An individual	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	As said before makes sense to streamline services and not duplicate	Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8325	An employee of West Lothian Council	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	This will add pressure to the personnel left to manage this work with reduced workforce.	Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council must look at opportunities for efficiency and service transformation in all areas of its responsibility.

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8326	An employee of West Lothian Council	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	Whilst consolidating teams does promote more opportunities to share workloads, these teams are both currently extremely stretched and currently require overtime to process workloads. The range of tasks carried out by Education Customer Care team is wide and varied and involves a range of skills and knowledge, accumulated over many years, to deliver services efficiently and effectively, we have already streamlined many process to compensate for the staffing levels. Education Customer Services have taken on an increased workload over the past couple of years and take care of tasks from all areas of education that do not fall under any other area remit. The services delivered support schools, head teachers, heads of education, parents and pupils, MCMC, anti-poverty strategy, website, FOI's, complaints, school letting, education stats, amongst many other activities, with an already extremely small and dedicated team. Further cuts are extremely likely to affect staff morale and health detrimentally. I feel strongly this is an area that requires investment and not considered for cuts/savings streamlining. We should consider introducing charges for FOI's and SAR's in line with other authorities and stop Letting out primary schools, as the cost often outweighs the income generated when all costs are considered. This would increase Lets in our high schools, community halls, church halls and community centres, all of which benefit the wider community helping to the future of these premises.	Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thanks you for comment. Your feedback has been noted. This response contains comments which should be considered in implementing the proposal.
8327	An employee of West Lothian Council	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	Pupil Placement's procedures should be reviewed and streamlined. Like most council sections, they could learn from the best practise of other local authorities. The Education Customer Care team could generate more income by charging for Freedom of Information Requests and for Child Performance Licences. Whilst consolidating teams does promote more opportunities to share workloads, these teams are both currently extremely stretched and currently require overtime to process workloads. The range of tasks carried out by Education Customer Care team is wide and varied and involves a range of skills and knowledge, accumulated over many years, to deliver services efficiently and effectively, we have already streamlined many process to compensate for the staffing levels. Education Customer Services have taken on an increased workload over the past couple of years and take care of tasks from all areas of education that do not fall under any other area remit. The services delivered support schools, head teachers, heads of education, parents and pupils, MCMC, anti-poverty strategy, website, FOI's, complaints, school letting, education stats, amongst many other activities, with an already extremely small and dedicated team. Further cuts are extremely likely to affect staff morale and health detrimentally. I feel strongly this is an area that requires investment and not considered for cuts/savings streamlining.	Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thanks you for comment. Your feedback has been noted. These comments will be considered in implementing the proposal. It is the case, however that the process operated within West Lothian has, however, resulted in very efficient budgeting in schools. It is not possible to plan physical resources and to make efficient allocation of staff and pupils in the absence of robust data, and an effective decision support system. If this ability is lost through inappropriate streamlining of procedures, the annual cost is likely to outweigh the anticipated saving.
8328	An individual	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	Probably more efficient to have one team dealing with, less confusion	Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8329	An individual	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	Again, make parents more accountable. High expectation of councils meeting needs that responsible parenting could contribute to.	Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers (general)	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8330	An employee of West Lothian Council	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	Sensible, but we would have to look at the many tasks done by both teams in advance to consolidation to ensure that priorities are met, as I believe that tasks are being done just now that are not a necessity.	Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	It is obviously true that unnecessary tasks should not be undertaken. The process operated within West Lothian has, however, resulted in very efficient budgeting in schools. It is not possible to plan physical resources and to make efficient allocation of staff and pupils in the absence of robust data, and an effective decision support system.
8331	An employee of West Lothian Council	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	I think we should start charging for Freedom of Information Requests and Subject Access Requests ,as we now have one member of staff dealing with these as a full-time post.	Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.
8332	An employee of West Lothian Council	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	I believe that Pupil Placement gather weekly data regarding births in West Lothian from NHS but this data would also be made known to us using household surveys. Perhaps a bit of overkill and I am unsure if a data sharing agreement is in place with NHS. In other local authorities parents are advised to apply for nursery by other means i.e. schools, social media etc...they certainly are not targeted directly with letters or application forms. I believe that Pupil Placement are entering data on their own system which is a duplication of what schools already have on SEEMiS. Perhaps looking at steps in their procedures could identify ways to save steps and time.	Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Whilst all suggestions for improvement are welcome, the process described has resulted in early learning and childcare within west Lothian being amongst the most efficient in Scotland. It is not possible to plan and to make efficient placement decisions in the absence of robust data, and an effective decision support system. Household surveys have largely stopped, except in new build estates, as they are indeed duplication.

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8333	An employee of West Lothian Council	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	I am aware that Pupil Placement work overtime despite some of the members of staff being so far down in flexi that they are breaching the flexi policy. Perhaps them working weekends for free to get back to zero would be an idea, and looking at their working hours would be an idea. Overtime should be justified and nobody in deficit in their flexi should be eligible to do it.	Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers (general)	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	This consultation is not intended as a forum for staff to make critical comments about each other. Staff, and members of the public, have other avenues available to them to report valid concerns which they can substantiate.
8334	An individual	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	better as linked services	Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8335	An employee of West Lothian Council	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	Where consolidations or teams can be made with the reporting to one manager, these have to be considered especially with streamlining of activities.	Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8336	An individual	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	I hope this will be done to least adversely affect the people in question.	Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council is committed to implementing proposals without negative impact on parents.
8337	An employee of West Lothian Council	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	It is a long time since I have needed to use either of these services but I did feel that it was often difficult to work out the best route to deal with a query regarding pupil placement depending on whether the pupil was new to school/new to the area/moving school etc	Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	Thanks you for comment. Your feedback has been noted. The answers to these questions can be found on the Council's web site.
8338	An employee of West Lothian Council	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	Whilst consolidating teams does promote more opportunities to share workloads, these teams are both currently extremely stretched and currently require overtime to process workloads.	Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council is committed to implementing proposals without negative impact on parents.
8339	An employee of West Lothian Council	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	The range of tasks carried out by Education Customer Care team is wide and varied and involves a range of skills and knowledge, accumulated over many years, to deliver services efficiently and effectively, we have already streamlined many process to compensate for the staffing levels. Education Customer Services have taken on an increased workload over the past couple of years and take care of tasks from all areas of education that do not fall under any other area remit. The services delivered support schools, head teachers, heads of education, parents and pupils, MCMC, anti-poverty strategy, website, FOI's, complaints, school letting, education stats, amongst many other activities, with an already extremely small and dedicated team.	Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council is committed to implementing proposals without negative impact on parents.
8340	An employee of West Lothian Council	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	Further cuts are extremely likely to affect staff morale and health detrimentally. I feel strongly this is an area that requires investment and not considered for cuts/savings streamlining.	Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council is committed to implementing proposals without negative impact on parents.
8341	An employee of West Lothian Council	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	The council need to look at the areas it can influence in education as there are many areas that it cannot.	Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers (general)	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8342	An employee of West Lothian Council	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	I believe that this will give more focus on services not Bureaucracy.	Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8343	An individual	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	much more help for carers	Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers (general)	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8344	An individual	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	I have no particular strong opinion on this but believe in general that economies of scale will always reduce costs and general can provide better and more targeted solutions.	Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8345	An individual	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	If this has a positive impact it would have all services looking at the best interest of individual children and families	Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8346	No Response	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	Cuts put more pressure on exciting issues	Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8347	An individual	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	If same service delivered then why not merge.	Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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8348	An employee of West Lothian Council	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	Pupil Placement should be automated - it can't be difficult to "score" people based on catchment, first-come-first-served, need, etc.	Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	An established decision support system exists to facilitate decision making, but some specific family or personal circumstances do require the application of judgement.
8349	No Response	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	integrating the two departments will cause more efficiency within the council which will allow people to communicate with the department directly. I feel strongly on this as this will benefit in the long run.	Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8350	An employee of West Lothian Council	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	There appears to be two Customer Service areas within the Council. If this service could be streamlined into one service for the Council, duplication of work could be minimised.	Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers (general)	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	The proposal is about merging two areas of education where synergies exist. The work of the customer contact centre is substantially different from the diverse range of duties undertaken by the Education Customer service Team.
8351	An employee of West Lothian Council	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	Personally, I feel that there are two Customer Service areas within the Council and I cannot understand why Education Customer Service can't merge into the other Customer Service area within the Council to minimise duplication of work. Pupil Placement are run off their feet and working weekends as well as overtime during the week to keep up with the workload. Therefore, I can't see how merging these two would save any money.	Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The range of functions undertaken within the Education team differentiates it from the Central Council function.
8352	An employee of West Lothian Council	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	Hopefully the jobs lost in the consolidation of both these teams will be through natural wastage and not packages given to people in the highest paid jobs then suddenly months later you find they are back working at the council in another capacity.	Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	The comment does not make any suggestion for action.
8353	An employee of West Lothian Council	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	Seems to be a very big saving for rationalising two teams. Too much effort is spent on pupil placement for choosy parents. Kids should just go to their local school.	Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers (general)	5a. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because the council is required by law to deliver this work.	Managing parental choice legislation is a statutory function. Managing it efficiently is complex and time consuming. West Lothian Council cannot force parents to send their children to their local school, but must exercise its powers to ensure efficient use of education capital and revenue budgets.
8354	An individual	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	If this makes access to the relevant information for education customers better I support this.	Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8355	An employee of West Lothian Council	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	Agree - use more technology	Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Greater automation is currently being introduced.
8356	An employee of West Lothian Council	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	consistency of activities is key to ensuring high level of service - however consolidation gives the idea that jobs will be lost.	Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8357	An individual	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	Rationalisation is OK as long as quality of provision is not degraded. This support is really crucial for some parents and carers.	Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The intention is to maintain quality of service.
8358	An employee of West Lothian Council	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	1984 double speak Rationalisation = cuts = fewer people doing more work. Outcome = poorer/ineffective service. It'd be useful to see the research/best practice evidence that council has considered for this and all other 'rationalisations'.	Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The intention is to maintain quality of service.
8359	An individual	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	Parenting is the responsibility of the Parent. Don't have children if you are not prepared to support them. Yes circumstances can change but only those who can prove their situation is exceptional should be liable for support. End of.	Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers (general)	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	The Council has certain statutory duties in relation to supporting parents that are exercised by the Customer Care and Pupil Placement Teams including allocation of grants and administration of parental choice legislation.
8360	An individual	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	Having first-hand experience of TWO placing appeals, you are literally bring money. The number of people who were involved (from Council) was ridiculous and we were amused at how incompetent they were. That process is completely broken. And local Councillor's were of absolutely no help either - get rid of that model - we all know its a gravy train.	Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers (general)	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	West Lothian Council has a proven track record of winning almost all Placing in Schools Appeals, as placements are not refused unless statutory grounds of refusal exist.
8361	No Response	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	I am all for this as many pupils miss out on placement. If this is taken from individual schools this should improve controlled by a designated body who could concentrate on the placements.	Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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8362	An individual	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	As long as parents can get advice regarding childcare at all times.	Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers (general)	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	West Lothian Council will provide advice on early learning and Childcare, primarily through the contact centre.
8363	An employee of West Lothian Council	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	Sounds like a good plan. Ensure that the systems speak to each other and good practice and information is shared.	Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8364	An individual	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	Little enough support for parents and carers at the moment, and a saving of £300000 could be made elsewhere by cutting manager positions in corporate structure	Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council has put forward proposals for savings across the whole range of its activities.
8365	No Response	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	Difficult to comment. Just sounds like redundancies will be happening. What does the streamlining involve?	Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8366	An individual	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	Agreed. These teams are helpful and a good resource but combining and streamlining make sense.	Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8367	An employee of West Lothian Council	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	Having dealt with pupil placement many times and finding its service very difficult in communication and the process of starting eligible 2 year olds a lengthy process. I hope this consolidation makes this an easier task.	Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers (general)	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	The statutory guidance regarding placement of eligible 2 year olds result in a complex process, but the Council will seek to streamline it as far as possible.
8368	An individual	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	The vulnerable are at particular risk in the current economic climate. Serious consideration should be given to this proposal particularly given the small savings on offer which do not appear to be justifiable given the potential impact	Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8369	An employee of West Lothian Council	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	Good Idea cutting down in Management and looking after two roles Job sharing	Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8370	An individual	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	Begs the question if this is the saving, why has it not been done previously ?	Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8371	An individual	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	No needed the whole group. This should be part of the school and not an outside body that has no contact. Should be scrapped.	Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Managing parental choice legislation is a statutory function. Managing it efficiently is complex and time consuming. West Lothian Council cannot force parents to send their children to their local school, but must exercise its powers to ensure efficient use of education capital and revenue budgets.
8372	No Response	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	I have no comments on this other than there are better ways to engage with parents on the placement of their children. There is lots of paperwork that could be much better managed if it is directly linked to back end systems through online forms (I appreciate that this isn't a one size fits all but please think about the technologies that can enable a simplification of the administration of lots of paper forms!)	Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	The availability of online forms will be expanded for the 2018 intake with a major increase in use of electronic communication and processing anticipated.
8373	An individual	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	As long as access and quality doesn't suffer	Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8374	An individual	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	I feel this would not be beneficial and that children would end up losing out and missing vital parts or each section due to staff having too much of a workload	Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8375	An individual	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	This looks as if the family who need the support will be the ones to suffer.	Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8376	No Response	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	By doing this are you not going to make it harder for those in need to contact you as there will be less staff available	Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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8377	An individual	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	Yes get rid of "management" positions that are just a name with no focus	Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8378	An employee of West Lothian Council	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	Does rationalisation and Streamlining of provision effectively mean there will be even less likelihood of a parent securing specialist provision for their child?	Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers (general)	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. The proposal does not relate to specialist provision.
8379	No Response	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	This should be a priority as too many carers live in isolation and live in poverty. We are the people who save both council and government money.	Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8380	An employee of West Lothian Council	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	Increase the use of technology to communicate with parents / carers and streamline systems.	Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	The availability of online forms will be expanded for the 2018 intake with a major increase in use of electronic communication and processing anticipated.
8381	An individual	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	Pupil Placement administration can be shambolic at times, with one part not talking to another at times, although I stress that the individuals I have dealt with have been as helpful as possible. I fear that a merger with another team may make the situation worse, not better.	Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8382	An individual	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	Less staff doing the same amount of work - this is a recurring theme across proposed savings but nowhere is there any proposal to reduce the number of councillors to rationalise and streamline their work.	Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The respondent advised that they did not agree
8383	An individual	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	Could technology not be used more effectively in this area? I had to complete a paper application form, then received at least three letters afterwards about my daughters place in nursery, then had the same for entry into P1. Online forms and emails would cut costs here. It might also help stop forms being lost as happened in my daughters case.	Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	The availability of online forms will be expanded for the 2018 intake with a major increase in use of electronic communication and processing anticipated.
8384	An individual	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	You would save a considerable amount of money if you linked your Web form for pupil placement directly to a database, rather than a spreadsheet which needs manually updated. If you cannot link the Web form to the database, Microsoft access can lift this from Excel by linking the spreadsheet to the access database. There's a big button that sets this up for you. I believe this is under the data tab. The current method is slow and I waited 6 weeks for my child to be placed. Most employers won't wait 6 weeks for childcare to be arranged. How many people lose job opportunities, and therefore don't pay council tax, because you can't link a spreadsheet to a database?	Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	The availability of online forms will be expanded for the 2018 intake with a major increase in use of electronic communication and processing anticipated. The process is, however, somewhat more complex than simply transferring data from one place to another. Placement decisions have significant impact on the Council's revenue and capital budgets, and all decisions require to be taken within this context to ensure efficient use of the Council's resources.
8385	An individual	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	Pupils should go to the nearest school unless it's full....simple	Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers (general)	5b. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it is likely that the costs of this proposal would outweigh the benefit.	Managing parental choice legislation is a statutory function. Managing it efficiently is complex and time consuming. West Lothian Council cannot force parents to send their children to their local school, but must exercise its powers to ensure efficient use of education capital and revenue budgets.
8386	An individual	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	Sounds sensible if workload will not stress employees	Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8387	An individual	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	Again, having had to contact the current carers service which appears to me to be staffed by two, who are generally out on home visits thus often times, contact is difficult. Will this improve under your proposed consolidation?	Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers (general)	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. The comment does not appear to relate to the services in question.
8388	No Response	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	As mentioned in a previous comment I have personally experienced where streamlining of pupil placement services could not only incur savings on Council budget but in fact improve customer service.	Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Placement decisions have significant impact on the Council's revenue and capital budgets, and all decisions require to be taken within this context to ensure efficient use of the Council's resources.
8389	No Response	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	Again it is important that the service is not reduced to a level whereby it cannot cope and vulnerable families are left without support	Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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8390	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	What does this saving mean? Again we have insufficient information relating to the specifics of this saving to make an informed decision on who this will affect and how. Has an equality impact assessment been completed for this saving.	Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. Equality Relevance assessments and Impact Assessments are being carried out as proposals are developed.
8391	No Response	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	This service has increased periods of traffic according with the school year, it would be smart if they could call on extra support from other areas during this time that may be quieter for another area?	Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	This is one of the purposes of the proposal.
8392	An individual	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	Streamlining is good if workloads will still be manageable for staff	Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8393	An employee of West Lothian Council	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	Needs to be clearer ? What will change specifically	Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8394	No Response	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	Carers save the country millions already do not cut their support. Local services provide respite for carers vital to them keeping going. Please save these services	Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers (general)	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. The proposal does not affect carers.
8395	No Response	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	I've yet to experience a consolidation and streamlining that has not resulted in a poorer service.	Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8396	An individual	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	Why do internal operational management decisions need to be consulted on? Surely managers are empowered to manage their resources without needing to ask the public!!	Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	The culture of West Lothian Council is to consult the public on issues which affect it.
8397	No Response	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	This seems to look a viable option if workload is not increased significantly.	Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Staff will be able to support each other, and a larger pool will help smooth peaks and troughs.
8398	An individual	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	Would hvse thought this was already one team no need for separate teams	Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8399	An individual	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	Through contact with pupil placement in the past, I know they are always busy, hopefully consolidation will not mean less staff hours.	Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Staff will be able to support each other, and a larger pool will help smooth peaks and troughs.
8400	An employee of West Lothian Council	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	DoE should pay for this.	Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers (general)	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	The consultation on the forthcoming Education Bill makes clear that pupil placement will remain the responsibility of Local Authorities.
8401	An employee of West Lothian Council	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	Again this will impact schools and necessitate more of an administrative burden which if you reduce administrative assistants in schools could make it even more difficult. Great thought and care needs to be exercised with this.	Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	This is not the intention of the proposal. Schools cannot undertake this work, a large proportion of which falls within holiday periods.
8402	An individual	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	Why have two teams when a combined team will be better	Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8403	An individual	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	no matter how eloquently you think you are phrasing that sentence, what you're saying is that you propose to take people away from areas where they are needed most. Away from the most vulnerable people in our communities. Away from people who can't fend for themselves. You can't rationalize that. Can't support it.	Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8404	No Response	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	This will be alright as long as carers do not see a decrease in what they are given. They are given little enough.	Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8405	An individual	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	No this is already poorly funded if itâ€™s to be cut just stop it as it would be pointless if it canâ€™t fully provide the support	Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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8406	An individual	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	This service is already poorly run so streamlining it will either make people up their game or they will be even less capable than now. They don't answer emails or return calls. They are rude and unhelpful and when asked simple questions or advice they are very rarely able to help. Streamlining will only work if they improve their work and have further training.	Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The bulk of public contact is through the Council's contact centre.
8407	An individual	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	Will this deliver the same device or a reduced one.	Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Staff will be able to support each other, and a larger pool will help smooth peaks and troughs.
8408	An employee of West Lothian Council	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	Rationalisation and Streamlining? Cuts then. Its hard to be in agreement with people losing their jobs which is essentially what all of these questions are about.	Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8409	No Response	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	Again make sure streamlining actually improves the service	Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8410	An individual	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	Devolve pupil placement to schools	Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Schools cannot undertake this work, a large proportion of which falls within holiday periods.
8411	An individual	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	There is a risk that this could increase the burden on Schools	Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8412	An individual	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	Agree. If a parent wants his child to go to a certain school, move home, if at all possible, though I do accept that is something people often don't have any control over. All the more reason for the below.... The council should be spending their resources on improving all schools, not having to worry about "ghetto schools" because of this right to choose. When I was at school, even my primary serving mainly a council housing area, was as good as any in the council area. Parent choice has not levelled the playing field, but downgraded the expectations of parents whose children attend the less popular schools. A terrible policy to start off with in my view. By all means simplify and reduce spending in this area and spend it on the schools themselves.	Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8413	An individual	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	Proposal does not seem to have any substance to it; doesn't streamlining and rationalisation mean job cuts?	Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8414	An individual	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	As long as the same time is put into it and the same jobs are being done then that's okay.	Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8415	An individual	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	Use of technology needs to be wise and efficient and well developed I would suggest in order that this can be a long term and ongoing saving.	Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8416	An individual	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	Can you not save more?	Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	The proposals to rationalise central support to schools seek to balance the important contribution of professional, support and managerial staff, all of whom make an important contribution to the service.
8417	No Response	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	Pupil placement needs to be automated. Serious consideration should be given to partnering with a service provider to do the bulk of the repetitive tasks where a business case for the investment in appropriate automated systems can probably not stack up for the relatively small volumes being managed by one small local authority. Alternatively it could be a candidate for a quick win shared service with a partner council.	Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	The process is highly automated, however the Council is committed to consider the individual circumstances of each applicant which requires human input. Not considering individual circumstances would lead to decisions being overturned at appeal which would be more expensive in the long run.
8418	An individual	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	What does rationalisation and streamlining of activities actually entail? This is a very vague statement. I would support this if services are maintained without cuts.	Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8419	An individual	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	I fully support anything that increases the amount of young people in education, employment or training although the training and education need to be appropriate and of sufficient standard. Work supported through working between schools and community learning partners also good. Does this include disabled young people?	Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	West Lothian's support for MCMC pupils has proved effective at increasing numbers progressing to a positive destination. The Council will meet the needs of all pupils.

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8420	No Response	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	If you reduced the requirement for councils and amalgamations and provided proper teaching time for teachers to teach you might get a better outcome.	Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers (general)	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted.
8421	An individual	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	I have not found this to be the most efficient service. Are there models from other councils which could be considered for west Lothian council?	Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	The council compares processes with other councils. The process employed within West Lothian saves significant capital and revenue expenditure every year demonstrating a high level of efficiency.
8422	An individual	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	This makes sense as long as the work load of staff is kept realistic. I do feel that many services which have already been cut/reduced eg. EAL, LAC, Autism outreach etc has put further pressures on schools to fill the void. This is increasingly difficult in times of teacher shortages.	Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8423	No Response	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	Parent/ teacher very important so why lessen it	Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8424	An individual	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	This is an outrageous proposal. These valued services should be increased instead of streamlined. They already have a near impossible task and cutting services to disabled and vulnerable children should be avoided. Streamlined and rationalisation is another word for cuts. The people it's going to hit most are the most vulnerable in our society. Let's see what councillors, politicians and the media make of these proposals.	Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers (general)	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	The respondent appears to be talking about different services.
8425	An employee of West Lothian Council	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	Pupil Placement Information should be undertaken electronically rather than paper based, with the system providing automated responses for acknowledgements and outcomes sent by email to parents and carers rather in the post.	Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	E-forms were piloted last year. It is expected they will be almost universal next year.
8426	No Response	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	You risk losing actual knowledge of the individuals involved. Will you actually identify and effectively manage all the most important cases in time?	Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The process is highly automated, however the Council is committed to consider the individual circumstances of each applicant which requires human input. Not considering individual circumstances would lead to decisions being overturned at appeal which would be more expensive in the long run.
8427	An individual	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	I agree. Pupil placement could be worked primarily through email.	Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8428	No Response	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	If more staff are employed, I know how difficult it is to reach education staff.	Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposals are designed to increase efficiency, not costs, as suggested,
8429	An employee of West Lothian Council	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	The impact of the work and coordination that both of these teams undertake is huge and if the level of service was reduced as support for schools this would result in further workload for schools who are not best trained or equipped to manage this at local level efficiently.	Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8430	An individual	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	however by creating cutbacks will cause greater social isolation which have a greater cost upon society through depreciating health and well being issues.	Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8431	An individual	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	Why have you been wasting so much of our money up to this point?	Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8432	An individual	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	Agreed so long as there is no reduction in the level of support and care	Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8433	An individual	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	Presumably this will be more efficient?	Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8434	An employee of West Lothian Council	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	Will this consolidated team include those who are able to provide information for those who have special needs?	Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	The consolidated team will include the council officers who provide this information.

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8435	An individual	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	If this is done without over burdening existing staff then this principle is ok but not if this gives extra workload to staff that already fully committed.	Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8436	An individual	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	As above, change needs to be managed effectively and carefully and the benefit realised.	Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8437	An individual	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	As I've said in other answers, initial investment may be needed here to ensure systems in place are adequate for the service. Parents need access to support for many reasons through their child's education. Reduction on ESOL services will impact on this also as some parents will not be able to access this service at all.	Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council will meet its obligations in terms of ESOL. There are many benefits to society of ensuring residents have appropriate communication skills.
8438	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	It was agreed that this would make sense as a number of us have been passed between these two departments in the past and found it to be very frustrating. The two departments working together would allow better communications across all areas.	Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8439	An individual	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	Not entirely sure what both teams do. All children should be automatically give a place at their local school. If you had early years provision from 1 year as detailed above you would probably save a lot in this area as the transition to school process would be minimal effort.	Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers (general)	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	Parental choice legislation is statutory, and it requires careful administration to prevent unnecessary expenditure.
8440	An individual	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	Again - must prove it can work - and must not be allowed to function inefficiently	Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8441	An individual	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	Provided the people do not suffer because of this proposal	Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8442	An individual	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	As long as the proper care and time is given to the customer. Not box ticking.	Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8443	An individual	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	As above - lets have a root and branch review of the service and delivery. It isn't necessary to increase costs when efficiencies can be identified. A business approach is what is needed to ensure the correct spending on items needed is controlled.	Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8444	An employee of West Lothian Council	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	I think this potentially makes sense to consolidate the two teams to help information be shared to improve the system for pupil placement and indeed other education enquiries.	Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8445	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	This seems a logical approach, but again should not result in reduced or poor quality services being provided.	Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8446	An individual	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	no problem ....no loss in service I presume	Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8447	An individual	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	My only comment would be that you require to be 100% sure that as a result of said integration the receivers of the services, who I assume are children and young people with challenging circumstances, do not fall through a gap.	Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8448	An individual	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	Again, will all who need this service still get it?	Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8449	An individual	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	What did the ppt do all year anyway.	Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	The pupil placement process is linked to workforce planning and planning of school budgets, planning of the school estate, and property development control, all of which have a major impact on the Council's capital and revenue budgets ensuring a sufficient annual workload.
8450	An individual	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	This should be implemented. Also, parents who wish to send their child to a school outside their catchment area should be liable to organise and pay for transport. This cost should not fall on taxpayers. Further, when considering pupil placement perhaps consideration should be given to extending the walking distance to school. This would save money and increase health benefits to pupils.	Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council is consulting on decreasing school transport.
8451	An employee of West Lothian Council	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	Should remove duplication of work.	Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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8452	An individual	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	More information required to comment as was my thought at most stages of this consultation unfortunately. Does this mean one team in a central location and not school based? This £300,000 saving could be made in the Council systems and structures as I believe this is a poor choice and will have a negative impact on children, especially those not reaching their potential during their time in education due to poverty and other family difficulties.	Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8453	No Response	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	Not sure why this needs to be consulted on. If the council were using a LEAN approach, this would have automatically happened. Disappointed with council review processes here but agree the changes should be implemented.	Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8454	An employee of West Lothian Council	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	This has the potential to put more strain on parents and escalate existing issues. Service needs to be robust and targeted in line with identified needs.	Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8455	An individual	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	Please see my response to 1b. - I do not currently have a personal stake in education services and feel unable to comment on how things may be improved. Educational attainment is key in addressing inequalities and other social issues and I do not support any change that leads to fewer chances for young people in West Lothian. I therefore support rationalisation where this addresses duplication and achieves administrative efficiencies rather than measures that would cut activities of direct benefit to children and young adults	Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8456	An individual	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	I disagree for this. I really disagree with everything in this book. I live in West Lothian and I'm very not happy with this. I am very unhappy with these changes. the council spend money on things when they could be spending it. Council somethings think they need to save money when they clearly don't.	Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8457	An individual	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	I don't think they should not put 2 items into 1	Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8458	An individual	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	As long as the staff are deployed else where as oppose to losing their jobs.	Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. This is in line with council policy.
8459	An individual	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	Spit up of parents in fam units - more reduction in support = more negative for kids and families.	Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8460	An individual	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	Reduce staff in this anyway - so good idea	Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8461	An individual	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	Will it become more effective? i doubt it. I believe carer and parent support is crucial in reducing and perhaps eventually erradicating the problems that are faced in schools.	Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8462	An individual	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	Dropping / cutting this in half will mean that people in need will be lost in the system.	Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8463	An individual	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	Having already experienced a poor level of service from a stretched pupil placement team I do not see how this move can possibly meet the needs of those using these services. Quite frankly I believe these teams will be required more than ever given the devolved powers to HT's, who will be woefully short of the knowledge these teams posses.	Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8464	An employee of West Lothian Council	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	I am unclear what the impact of "rationalisation" would be. Consolodation is of use only where when the teams are consolodated that appropriate training is provided to staff to allow them to eb abelt o work effectively and efficiently within any restructured environment and allow them to do their jobs properly.	Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8465	An individual	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	There are definite improvements that can be made here. Should reduce the need for being passed between departments etc.	Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8466	An individual	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	If no job losses by consolidating into one team.	Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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8467	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	Agreed, where parents and carers have a named person to contact who is aware of their child(ren) and their needs.	Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8468	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	Has an equality impact assessment been carried out for each of the budget proposals? It is essential that this is done at the earliest opportunity in order to assess what the impact will be on those in the protected characteristics groups and those already experiencing disadvantage.	Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Equality impact assessments and relevance assessments will be conducted as proposals are agreed for further development.
8469	An individual	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	As long as the necessary support is still available to parents & carers, and people have a named contact person within this service.	Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8470	An employee of West Lothian Council	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	This should be merged which will allow admin jobs to be done a lot more efficiently.	Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8471	An individual	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	Again this is useless, what are you actually planning on doing?	Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8472	No Response	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	Agree resources should be concentrated on children with clear strategy on special needs and how council values all children in education.	Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers (general)	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	The proposal is not about services for children with additional support needs.
8473	An employee of West Lothian Council	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	Doesn't seem to be a huge saving which makes me wonder if this area can take any more cuts or efficiencies given its important role in care in the community.	Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8474	No Response	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	If the above can be done without the loss of jobs in both teams then it should go forward.	Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8475	An employee of West Lothian Council	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	Hopefully this does not involve job cuts.	Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8476	An employee of West Lothian Council	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	Payments for clothing grants should only be issued in the 4 week period following the start of a new term rather than on an ad hoc basis throughout the year to cut down on administrative and processing time.	Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers (general)	5c. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it is not consistent with the council's values and priorities.	This would have an adverse impact on those most in need. Need can arise at any time in the course of the year.
8477	An individual	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	Concern that support does go those needing assistance	Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8478	An individual	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	Has the previous rationalisation been successful?	Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8479	An individual	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	Again will this mean a bigger workload for fewer staff resulting in more stress as low morale!	Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8480	An individual	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	Limited information provided, but agree in principle.	Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8481	An individual	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	Team seem to be unnecessary	Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The pupil placement process is linked to workforce planning and planning of school budgets, planning of the school estate, and property development control, all of which have a major impact on the Council's capital and revenue budgets ensuring a sufficient annual workload.
8482	No Response	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	I believe this would make a difference, not only avoiding duplication of work but providing a clear process of placements from start to finish. Lessons learned will also be useful to ensure continuous improvement. I don't know how many staff would be involved but it is important to ensure adequate staffing to make the most from the consolidation.	Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Any proposal that the council progresses will continue to meet the needs of parents and pupils, and maintain the levels of satisfaction which are very high across a range of indicators.
8483	An individual	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	I have had dealings with Pupil Placement and found them to be helpful. I didn't know you had an education customer care team.	Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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8484	An employee of West Lothian Council	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	Agree with this measure, would like to see a significant reduction in the number of written letters sent to parent in the run up to pupils starting primary or secondary school. This should be moved to online were possible.	Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Previous reviews, and comments in annual satisfaction surveys, have shown that in general parents want more, and more frequent communication, rather than less, but greater use of on-line systems to achieve this is a positive suggestion.
8485	An employee of West Lothian Council	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	Rationalising the role of workers to provide a holistic approach to meeting the childs needs	Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8486	An individual	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	Meaning "fewer people will be given a remit to do more with reduced resources"	Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Any proposal that the council progresses will continue to meet the needs of parents and pupils, and maintain the levels of satisfaction which are very high across a range of indicators.
8487	An individual	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	you should be putting money into this service	Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Any proposal that the council progresses will continue to meet the needs of parents and pupils, and maintain the levels of satisfaction which are very high across a range of indicators.
8488	An individual	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	Sounds ok if there are enough staff to implement this without being too stretched.	Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Any proposal that the council progresses will continue to meet the needs of parents and pupils, and maintain the levels of satisfaction which are very high across a range of indicators.
8489	An individual	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	Will there be enough support available for parents?	Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Any proposal that the council progresses will continue to meet the needs of parents and pupils, and maintain the levels of satisfaction which are very high across a range of indicators.
8490	No Response	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	Children are the customers and have a right to a broad general education which allows them to achieve in their own time. Funding should be maintained in order to support our young people as is necessary.	Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8491	An individual	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	These two areas seem so interlinked, that one team sounds sensible. It wuld potentially be easier for parents to build up relationships with the team, from placement to ongoing care issues.	Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Any proposal that the council progresses will continue to meet the needs of parents and pupils, and maintain the levels of satisfaction which are very high across a range of indicators.
8492	An individual	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	If the same level of service can be achieved with this consolidation, this saving could be beneficial.	Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Any proposal that the council progresses will continue to meet the needs of parents and pupils, and maintain the levels of satisfaction which are very high across a range of indicators.
8493	An individual	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	Are either of these teams needed. Spend the money on front line education.	Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Efficient pupil placement makes a significant contribution to controlling capital and revenue costs, and it is proposed that these benefits are retained. The Customer Care team is responsible for several statutory functions. The council seeks to strike an appropriate balance between front line, management and support services all of which make an important contribution to education.
8494	An employee of West Lothian Council	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	With classes getting bigger and schools getting crowded is this a good idea	Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Any proposal that the council progresses will continue to meet the needs of parents and pupils, and maintain the levels of satisfaction which are very high across a range of indicators.
8495	An individual	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	Need to ensure standards don't slip and service maintained.	Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Any proposal that the council progresses will continue to meet the needs of parents and pupils, and maintain the levels of satisfaction which are very high across a range of indicators.
8496	No Response	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	I think that this makes sense to consolidate these 2 into one team and this will be a good source of saving money and they could all be one big team.	Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Any proposal that the council progresses will continue to meet the needs of parents and pupils, and maintain the levels of satisfaction which are very high across a range of indicators.
8497	No Response	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	I think this is a good idea - keeping it easier for customers to contact pupil placement - one persons answers the questions.	Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Any proposal that the council progresses will continue to meet the needs of parents and pupils, and maintain the levels of satisfaction which are very high across a range of indicators.

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8498	No Response	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	OK as long as sufficient staff for workload.	Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Any proposal that the council progresses will continue to meet the needs of parents and pupils, and maintain the levels of satisfaction which are very high across a range of indicators.
8499	An individual	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	We need to focus on the priorities and the activities which deliver results. In this case a more focused approach is more beneficial for parents and carers. One team might work well as there has been difficulties with areas not speaking to each other and having a fragmented approach which is not overly affective.	Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Any proposal that the council progresses will continue to meet the needs of parents and pupils, and maintain the levels of satisfaction which are very high across a range of indicators.
8500	An employee of West Lothian Council	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	Sounds sensible if it is based on genuine redesign of services and not simply spreading workload around fewer employees.	Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Any proposal that the council progresses will continue to meet the needs of parents and pupils, and maintain the levels of satisfaction which are very high across a range of indicators.
8501	No Response	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	If the remits of each team support consolidation then this makes sense. However, increased workloads can reduce efficiency and impact on the workforce	Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Efficient pupil placement makes a significant contribution to controlling capital and revenue costs, and it is proposed that these benefits are retained.
8502	An individual	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	I'm surprised these weren't already working as one.	Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Any proposal that the council progresses will continue to meet the needs of parents and pupils, and maintain the levels of satisfaction which are very high across a range of indicators.
8503	An individual	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	Yep, streamline, improve, make more efficient.	Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Any proposal that the council progresses will continue to meet the needs of parents and pupils, and maintain the levels of satisfaction which are very high across a range of indicators.
8504	An individual	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	Having had a very negative experience of the Pupil placement service I hope that this will improve the quality of this service.	Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Any proposal that the council progresses will continue to meet the needs of parents and pupils, and maintain the levels of satisfaction which are very high across a range of indicators.
8505	An individual	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	The work of these teams is crucial in supporting the smooth running of schools. In previous consultations I understood that having these teams actually saved money as the effective placing of children across the authority ensured that all capacity was used. So it would appear that by reducing these teams it could actually cost more money in the long term.	Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Efficient pupil placement makes a significant contribution to controlling capital and revenue costs, and it is proposed that these benefits are retained.
8506	No Response	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	Staff must have adequate knowledge and training to ensure that this service continues to meet the needs of pupils and parents.	Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	This is the intention.
8507	An individual	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	This sounds a useful suggestion that could have been included in the review proposed in 1a.	Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Any proposal that the council progresses will continue to meet the needs of parents and pupils, and maintain the levels of satisfaction which are very high across a range of indicators.
8508	No Response	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	Is the workload lessening due to these cuts? Or are less people expected to complete more work??	Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Any proposal that the council progresses will continue to meet the needs of parents and pupils, and maintain the levels of satisfaction which are very high across a range of indicators.
8509	An individual	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	These teams are already under pressure and consolidation without additional support should well thought out.	Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Any proposal that the council progresses will continue to meet the needs of parents and pupils, and maintain the levels of satisfaction which are very high across a range of indicators.
8510	An individual	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	Disabled children let down by education department Parents need direct support and advise on choices re education placements	Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers (general)	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	ASN placements are dealt with by a separate unit within the Council due to their specialist nature.
8511	An individual	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	Absolute tosh. This service is stretched as it is.	Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Any proposal that the council progresses will continue to meet the needs of parents and pupils, and maintain the levels of satisfaction which are very high across a range of indicators.
8512	An employee of West Lothian Council	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	Agree as long as no reduction in customer service standards	Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Any proposal that the council progresses will continue to meet the needs of parents and pupils, and maintain the levels of satisfaction which are very high across a range of indicators.
8513	No Response	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	Seems a contentious area with not a huge saving. Would this make people receiving the care more vulnerable.	Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Any proposal that the council progresses will continue to meet the needs of parents and pupils, and maintain the levels of satisfaction which are very high across a range of indicators.

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8514	An employee of West Lothian Council	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	can a review of complaints about placement be carried out to ensure lessons are learned	Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your comment which will be considered as part of any service redesign
8515	An individual	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	Big opportunities in this area for process re-design however already seeing the silo working culture of the council ignoring the obvious opportunities to build on existing good practice. Also seeing where council policy is preventing effective solutions being put in place - case of finding reasons not to do something rather than finding reasons to enable you to do the right thing for carers.	Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Any proposal that the council progresses will continue to meet the needs of parents and pupils, and maintain the levels of satisfaction which are very high across a range of indicators.
8516	An individual	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	This team will have to be very well informed of pupil placement issues such as areas with high demand and limited places. Parents can get very emotionally charged and placement issues can quickly escalate into major complaints. Without the separate layer it may be difficult to avoid such escalation.	Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Any proposal that the council progresses will continue to meet the needs of parents and pupils, and maintain the levels of satisfaction which are very high across a range of indicators.
8517	An employee of West Lothian Council	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	Hope this consolidation is not to the detriment of the service.	Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Any proposal that the council progresses will continue to meet the needs of parents and pupils, and maintain the levels of satisfaction which are very high across a range of indicators.
8518	An individual	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	Again this seems to me to be a cost cutting exercise on staffing.	Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Any proposal that the council progresses will continue to meet the needs of parents and pupils, and maintain the levels of satisfaction which are very high across a range of indicators.
8519	An individual	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	Makes sense and I agree as long as they are not overstretched and able to manage the case loads	Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Any proposal that the council progresses will continue to meet the needs of parents and pupils, and maintain the levels of satisfaction which are very high across a range of indicators.
8520	An individual	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	Why not done before?	Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8521	An employee of West Lothian Council	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	Parent are key stakeholders in education. This rationalisation must continue to support them fully without compromise on service delivery.	Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Any proposal that the council progresses will continue to meet the needs of parents and pupils, and maintain the levels of satisfaction which are very high across a range of indicators.
8522	No Response	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	There should be an end to the exclusion of pupils with solutions always found in the local school and targeted resourcing for struggling families	Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers (general)	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Exclusions are governed by national guidance and council policy and only used where appropriate.
8523	An individual	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	I can't comment on this - if you were to say that teams were being reduced from 10 to 2, then that seems a bit drastic. If its 60 to 52 - that might work. I guess what I'm saying is that a % saving in all these questions rather than a monetary value would make it easier for people to comment. eg, by combining roles in the pupil placement and education customer care teams we could make an annual saving of 3%	Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	The comment makes to specific suggestion for action.
8524	No Response	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	Rationalisation always means cuts but these people rely on this service, again very important !	Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council seeks to strike an appropriate balance between front line, management and support services all of which make an important contribution to education.
8525	An individual	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	Providing the services can be adequately delivered - which I cannot know - that seems ok.	Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The comment makes to specific suggestion for action.
8526	An individual	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	Should be streamlined where possible where maintaining choices and standards.	Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council seeks to strike an appropriate balance between front line, management and support services all of which make an important contribution to education.
8527	An individual	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	This means job losses. Avoid this as much as possible	Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council seeks to strike an appropriate balance between front line, management and support services all of which make an important contribution to education.
8528	An individual	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	Rationalisation and streamlining of activities may be a false economy if service is not able to cope with the demand required - again may be false economy .	Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council seeks to strike an appropriate balance between front line, management and support services all of which make an important contribution to education.
8529	No Response	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	Provided this does not cause any issues with placement for new school children.	Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council seeks to strike an appropriate balance between front line, management and support services all of which make an important contribution to education.

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8530	An individual	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	What impact will this have on customer service?	Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	The Council intends to implement the proposals whilst continuing to meet the needs of parents and pupils.
8531	No Response	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	I believe that consolidation of resources into one team should ensure that services are consistent across the county.	Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council seeks to strike an appropriate balance between front line, management and support services all of which make an important contribution to education.
8532	No Response	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	I worry this will lower the skill and expertise that the team have as a whole.	Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council intends to implement the proposals whilst continuing to meet the needs of parents and pupils.
8533	An individual	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	Hopefully again this will not cause a loss of jobs leading to further unemployment.	Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council seeks to strike an appropriate balance between front line, management and support services all of which make an important contribution to education.
8534	No Response	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	With all the new builds, will one team be able to support everyone?	Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Any proposal that the council progresses will continue to meet the needs of parents and pupils.
8535	An individual	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	You need to provide information on which services are going to be "rationalised" and "streamlined". Some could be vital! However, after saying that, I am very curious as to what a "Education customer care team" actually is, and does, when we have a national schools inspectorate organisation.	Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Any proposal that the council progresses will continue to meet the needs of parents and pupils.
8536	An individual	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	Carers and parents need support if this measure means that this is removed or reduced it will only cause more long term expense for the council as you cope with the fall out from short sightedness.. Carers especially struggle as parents and need support.	Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Any proposal that the council progresses will continue to meet the needs of parents and pupils.
8537	An employee of West Lothian Council	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	I am unfamiliar with this service but once again sounds like a blow to families most in need.	Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Any proposal that the council progresses will continue to meet the needs of parents and pupils.
8538	An individual	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	As 1A - Excellent if all of the above are carried out. However on current personally experienced performance it will take a huge effort to even provide an improvement. Further why has the "efficiency and effectiveness" not been applied to current procedures. No real criteria to be reach is actually stated and the starting point for these " efficiency and effectiveness" upgrade to services is not evident. Vagueness in targets to achieve . How will residents know when this is achieved?	Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal. The measure of success will be achieving any agreed saving whilst continuing to provide a service which meets the needs of parents and pupils.
8539	An individual	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	Again to me this suggests less staff doing the job of many.	Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Any proposal that the council progresses will continue to meet the needs of parents and pupils.
8540	An individual	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	I don't understand the jargon? Education Customer Care sounds improbable.	Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Any proposal that the council progresses will continue to meet the needs of parents and pupils.
8541	An individual	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	Not sure I understand the respective roles of these 2 Departments - but if they can achieve the same output, with less Council Management and back office support - then no issue. Assume Â£300K is between 12 to 20 personnel reduction.	Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council seeks to strike an appropriate balance between front line, management and support services all of which make an important contribution to education.
8542	An individual	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	Along as there is no dramatic change which will impact on the care etc.	Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Any proposal that the council progresses will continue to meet the needs of parents and pupils.
8543	An individual	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	Fine if it can be done without job losses for reasons previously outlined.	Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Any proposal that the council progresses will continue to meet the needs of parents and pupils.
8544	No Response	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	Not sure I understand the respective roles of these 2 Departments - but if they can achieve the same output, with less Council Management and back office support - then no issue. Assume Â£300K is between 12 to 20 personnel reduction.	Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council seeks to strike an appropriate balance between front line, management and support services all of which make an important contribution to education.
8545	An individual	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	I'm unclear as to what pupil placement is doing in the category "support to parents and carers". My experience of pupil placement in the last 10 years has not been positive. Whereas I would support a shakeup to improve competence, can it take a hit?	Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Any proposal that the council progresses will continue to meet the needs of parents and pupils, and maintain the levels of satisfaction which are very high across a range of indicators.

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8546	No Response	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	Again as long as it is not taken too far and specialised skills are lost to the detriment of the service.	Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council seeks to strike an appropriate balance between front line, management and support services all of which make an important contribution to education.
8547	No Response	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	Make sure cuts are made in the right areas	Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	The council seeks to strike an appropriate balance between front line, management and support services all of which make an important contribution to education.
8548	No Response	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	This I agree with. As a parent of a child with additional needs I got hardly any support. So if making it one team can work then why not. As a parent I had to fight tooth and nail, that won't change regardless if it's one or two teams. Shouldn't be the case mind you!	Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Any proposal that the council progresses will continue to meet the needs of parents and pupils.
8549	No Response	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	Getting hold of pupil placement is an absolute nightmare. Merging this dept with another? A saving as long as the staff don't simply become totally unobtainable.	Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Most contact with pupil placement is through the customer contact centre.
8550	An individual	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	Support this as it allows a cross trained staff to be able to provide accurate information.	Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Any proposal that the council progresses will continue to meet the needs of parents and pupils.
8551	An individual	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	Makes sense. There should be no duplication of function and minimal overlap between teams.	Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council seeks to strike an appropriate balance between front line, management and support services all of which make an important contribution to education.
8552	No Response	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	Don't think it makes a difference, going into customer service or "citizens advice" give you out the wrong information or don't have a clue what they are on about.	Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Any proposal that the council progresses will continue to meet the needs of parents and pupils, and maintain the levels of satisfaction which are very high across a range of indicators.
8553	An individual	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	I suspect earlier processing of pupil placement in the year could flatten the high demand and urgency that is experienced currently for short periods.	Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Unfortunately many parents/carers choose not to apply by the date requested, and decisions must be taken according to a statutory timetable.
8554	An individual	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	Be careful with this one. But it could be positive.	Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Any proposal that the council progresses will continue to meet the needs of parents and pupils.
8555	An individual	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	Seems an excellent idea, more coordination to fill placements throughout the area is a good idea.	Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Any proposal that the council progresses will continue to meet the needs of parents and pupils, and maintain the levels of satisfaction which are very high across a range of indicators.
8556	An individual	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	I think both of the above teams provide a wealth of support to both parents and school staff. My hope would be that this isn't reduced and that the service is not pushed into schools to deliver.	Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Any proposal that the council progresses will continue to meet the needs of parents and pupils, and maintain the levels of satisfaction which are very high across a range of indicators.
8557	An employee of West Lothian Council	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	Maybe those who are made redundant in this cut could seek help through 'oh so successful' MCMC programme!	Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers (general)	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	The comment does not propose any serious suggestion for action, as people of working age do not fall within the category of young people eligible for support through the successful MCMC approach.
8558	An employee of West Lothian Council	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	This sounds like a reasonable suggestion assuming the systems to support this work are as effective and efficient as possible and that families continue to have a point of contact for discussion and support where required.	Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Any proposal that the council progresses will continue to meet the needs of parents and pupils, and maintain the levels of satisfaction which are very high across a range of indicators.
8559	An employee of West Lothian Council	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	I think this is a good idea - keeping it easier for customers to contact pupil placement - one person answers the questions.	Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Any proposal that the council progresses will continue to meet the needs of parents and pupils, and maintain the levels of satisfaction which are very high across a range of indicators.
8560	An employee of West Lothian Council	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	Happy with this proposal although sounds as if workloads will increase on individuals....	Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Any proposal that the council progresses will continue to meet the needs of parents and pupils, and maintain the levels of satisfaction which are very high across a range of indicators.
8561	An individual	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	This is a good idea since many of the responsibilities overlap. It would also be easier for parents to deal with only one source	Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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8562	No Response	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	This is a good idea as these two can often overlap in practice.	Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8563	An individual	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	it would be a good idea to put the councils placement teams in one build so the council could get more money if they rent it out to another company ect.	Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8564	An individual	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	they should consolidate the teams together because it will save money and there will be a benefit because the workers will get both experiences	Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8565	No Response	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	How can someone comment on this issue without knowing who the teams are & their roles. If restructuring improves the functions going forward then this might be an option.	Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8566	An employee of West Lothian Council	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	doesn't work particuarly well as it is	Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8567	An individual	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	Again, I have concerns around more work being put on fewer members of staff, and the health implications. My impression of pupil placement is that they were already stretched when I was in correspondence with them a number of years ago.	Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8568	No Response	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	See above - Sounds like staff reductions. This is not good.	Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8569	An employee of West Lothian Council	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	yes...never been actually able to speak to anyone when call anyway! having to email and wait for a phone reply when you work fulltime...not very sensible	Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The large majority of contact with the pupil placement team is through the Council's contact centre.
8570	An employee of West Lothian Council	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	Agree, as long as there if minimal impact on the ability of locals to contact the team.	Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The large majority of contact with the pupil placement team is through the Council's contact centre.
8571	An individual	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	Don't think that would work, pupil placement take for every to get back to you on an issue. They would never get back to you if two departments were put together.	Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8572	An individual	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	Any services which are duplicated should be overviewed and consolidated into one area to save on admin and running costs	Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8573	An employee of West Lothian Council	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	1f The Pupil Placement Team and Education Customer Care team are already working flat out. While we are always looking for improvements, we also have increasing demands on these teams - the complexity of the pupil placement work has increased due to changes to pre-school education and will continue to increase with the expansion of Early Learning and Childcare. I strongly feel that a centralised Pupil Placement team is necessary to ensure efficient use of staffing in schools and a fair and consistent approach to allocations. The Education Customer Care team deals with policy development, FOI's, Subject Access Requests, complaints, the website, school benefits/anti-poverty strategy, school holiday lunch clubs, primary school letting, records management, licences for schools, and a whole range of other tasks and projects - e.g. the Objective Project. It is essential to have staff with the knowledge and experience of the service in order to deal with these varied tasks quickly, accurately and effectively. I don't think the proposed saving is realistic. Merging the teams would mean staff can work more flexibly which would be useful, but I do not think we can reduce the size of the teams, any reduction would mean not doing vital tasks. In the long term if more efficient ways of working can be identified, or if through policy changes we stopped delivering all of the services, perhaps we could make some reductions without impacting on our key activities.	Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Placement decisions have significant impact on the Council's revenue and capital budgets, and all decisions require to be taken within this context to ensure efficient use of the Council's resources. The customer care team discharges important statutory functions. These functions will be continued.
8574	An individual	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	Why are there two organisations in the first place? Are they both doing the same job?	Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8575	An individual	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	This proposal seems sensible, assuming the workload on the new consolidated team is not unreasonable.	Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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8576	No Response	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	If consolidation is to take place and roles of staff change then appropriate training should be delivered that is targeted to the roles to allow those involved to be able to effectively and efficiently do their jobs.	Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8577	An employee of West Lothian Council	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	What does any of this mean? Why is there no detail in any of this consultation about how things are currently structured and how they will be restructured to be "rationalised", "streamlined" etc.? It is impossible to provide any comment of any value on any of this document. It is not open and transparent.	Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8578	An individual	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	This would appear to be a sensible decision.	Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8579	No Response	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	council should always look at giving more support too us all as a community and bring back all the resources	Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8580	An employee of West Lothian Council	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	PUPIL PLACEMENT - GO BACK TO THE WAY IT WAS - NO CHOICE - WHATEVER AREA YOU STAY IN - THAT'S THE SCHOOL YOU ATTEND - END OF	Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers (general)	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	Parental choice is enshrined in legislation.
8581	An employee of West Lothian Council	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	Positive proposal	Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8582	An individual	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	Is saving Â£300,000 worth the huge problems this would cause for struggling families and carers?	Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8583	An individual	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	Agree to rationalisation of this area but care must be made to ensure service continuity and retention of key experience and knowledge in what is a sensitive area with material legal implications and costs if things are not done properly. Combining the teams makes sense.	Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8584	An individual	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	at the moment the support offered to parents and carers is limite, will consolation of this team mean a reduce in staff, as I do not believe this is the right decision.	Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8585	An individual	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	Headteachers require a high level of support from both CC and PP team to assist them to address placement issues and also regular concerns and complaints raised by parents and the public.	Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. The intention is for this to continue.
8586	An individual	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	Please make sure they are easy to contact or have some sort of queuing system in order of contact to get back to Parents, Schools asap if this was to merge.	Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The vast bulk of contact is through the Council's customer service centre.
8587	An employee of West Lothian Council	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	Again it would appear that this will lead to people left having a bigger workload and if over the years of cost cutting must be at staffing must be at a minimum already.	Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8588	An individual	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	Agreed - enough admin staff should be retained to process tasks. Rationalisation should be in reduction in management	Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8589	An individual	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	My understanding is both these teams, especially Education Customer Care is already a small team and have many areas of work outside 'customer care' given to them e.g. Holiday Lunch time and Activity Club which takes a great deal of time and administration. Customers are likely to suffer if there is a reduction to this team	Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Placement decisions have significant impact on the Council's revenue and capital budgets, and all decisions require to be taken within this context to ensure efficient use of the Council's resources. The customer care team discharges important statutory functions. These functions will be continued.
8590	An individual	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	With an increasing population and nursery provision, there is likely to be increasing demands on these service areas and disinvestment is likely to lead to pressures leading to increased involvement by senior council officers to resolve issues and complaints. As pupil placement is an essential service, I am unsure the limited savings available in this area balance the potential negative impact to education service users.	Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Placement decisions have significant impact on the Council's revenue and capital budgets, and all decisions require to be taken within this context to ensure efficient use of the Council's resources. The customer care team discharges important statutory functions. These functions will be continued.

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8591	An individual	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	An effective service requires sufficient people to man it.	Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8592	An employee of West Lothian Council	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	The workload on these services at particular times in the year is large and I do not see how these teams can be effectively streamlined without losing the quality they deliver.	Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8593	An individual	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	not sure how this would work, seems less people to deal with the same amount of work	Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8594	An individual	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	Think that if this continues to provide good outcomes for parents and carers then it is a great idea. Just wondered why it has taken this long to put it in place.	Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8595	An individual	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	any reduction in management overhead is a good idea	Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8596	No Response	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	agree with this, they need to be integrated and this will help communication flow and also help with the workload.	Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8597	No Response	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	Ok as long as no family suffers.	Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8598	An employee of West Lothian Council	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	This seems on paper to be fair - thinking that "consolidation" would mean central working, located in one building, pooling of knowledge and skills within the current staff	Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8599	An employee of West Lothian Council	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	I support this. I always wondered what that team did for the whole year.	Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Placement decisions have significant impact on the Council's revenue and capital budgets, and all decisions require to be taken within this context to ensure efficient use of the Council's resources. The customer care team discharges important statutory functions. These functions will be continued.
8600	An employee of West Lothian Council	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	I am unsure of whether this is a positive change. Pupil placement is a very serious matter and I would worry that condensing this job would lead to less thorough decision makin processes	Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Placement decisions have significant impact on the Council's revenue and capital budgets, and all decisions require to be taken within this context to ensure efficient use of the Council's resources. The customer care team discharges important statutory functions. These functions will be continued.
8601	An individual	1f. Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers	If this consolidation does occur, it is essential that the service is run to the utmost of efficiency. More than once, I have been let down by the service and have been caused unnecessary distress not knowing which school my child would be attending and not being able to provide them with the reassurance they required. This was the case amongst many of my friends also.	Rationalisation of Support to Parents & Carers (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Without knowing the details of an individual case it is not possible to comment.
8602	No Response	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Agree to all suggested proposals	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8603	An employee of West Lothian Council	1g. Workforce Arrangements	This is a good idea.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8604	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Agree with this proposal.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8605	No Response	1g. Workforce Arrangements	I agree.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8606	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Cutting down on allowances are a good idea	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8607	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Good if well managed.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8608	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	I would imagine staff and unions will complain bitterly about this but I am in agreement.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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8609	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Agree this proposal.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8610	No Response	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Have no objection	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8611	An employee of West Lothian Council	1g. Workforce Arrangements	I think to a degree this is good, as long as people are not losing jobs, but I'm aware of hours that could be cut to help save money without impact on services	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8612	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	If it can be sold to the staff and the necessary service provided, this is a good concept.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8613	An employee of West Lothian Council	1g. Workforce Arrangements	I think that some easy wins will occur in this area	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8614	An employee of West Lothian Council	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Possibly a 'must'	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8615	An employee of West Lothian Council	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8616	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8617	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8618	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8619	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Good idea.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8620	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Good idea.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8621	An employee of West Lothian Council	1g. Workforce Arrangements	agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8622	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8623	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8624	An employee of West Lothian Council	1g. Workforce Arrangements	agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8625	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Ok with this.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8626	An employee of West Lothian Council	1g. Workforce Arrangements	AGree.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8627	An employee of West Lothian Council	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8628	No Response	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Good.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8629	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Agree..the way this is managed along with sick pay need investigation.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8630	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Acceptable. It should already be like this.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8631	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	There are huge savings to be made here	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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8632	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	I think this is a reality facing many organisations and an essential place to look for savings.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8633	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	go ahead with the savings	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8634	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	This seems fair to explore	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8635	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Crucial area for saving money	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8636	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	I think this should be done.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8637	An employee of West Lothian Council	1g. Workforce Arrangements	I fully agree this this plan.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8638	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	I support the changes to overtime arrangements and allowances. Everyone's contract should reflect flexibility.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8639	An employee of West Lothian Council	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Agreed but there still has to be some incentive for over time.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8640	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	As long as it does meet service requirements.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8641	An employee of West Lothian Council	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Inevitable.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8642	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	I support this change	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8643	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	I agree with the Council's proposals for the moment to see how they all work out. Thank you.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8644	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	I feel this would work well	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8645	An employee of West Lothian Council	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Sounds good but again, the devil is in the details!	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8646	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Agree - standard practice on the private sector	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8647	No Response	1g. Workforce Arrangements	I agree with the proposal	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8648	No Response	1g. Workforce Arrangements	No comment, agree with proposal, in fact I'd take it further to improve the use of technology to maximise workforce capabilities and minimise non-productive time, automate wherever possible.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8649	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	I do not agree with any changes here.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8650	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Agree with the above.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8651	An employee of West Lothian Council	1g. Workforce Arrangements	This seems a logical way forward and I support this.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8652	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Would agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8653	An employee of West Lothian Council	1g. Workforce Arrangements	agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8654	No Response	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Ok	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8655	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	I agree with this	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8656	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	no issue with this	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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8657	An employee of West Lothian Council	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8658	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	ok	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8659	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	ok.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8660	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Excellent idea	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8661	No Response	1g. Workforce Arrangements	I agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8662	No Response	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8663	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	I would support this.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8664	An employee of West Lothian Council	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Good	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8665	No Response	1g. Workforce Arrangements	I agree with this	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8666	No Response	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8667	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Sounds reasonable	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8668	An employee of West Lothian Council	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Agree.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8669	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8670	No Response	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8671	An employee of West Lothian Council	1g. Workforce Arrangements	agreed.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8672	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8673	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8674	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Non critical over-time and non business critical working would seem a sensible way ahead.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8675	An employee of West Lothian Council	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Agree with the proposals	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8676	An employee of West Lothian Council	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Pragmatic approach given the cuts that have to be made	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8677	An employee of West Lothian Council	1g. Workforce Arrangements	AgreeMore	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8678	An employee of West Lothian Council	1g. Workforce Arrangements	This has been required for a number of years. Would agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8679	No Response	1g. Workforce Arrangements	I support this initiative	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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8680	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	I have no objection to this.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8681	No Response	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8682	No Response	1g. Workforce Arrangements	This seems reasonable.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8683	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8684	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	good	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8685	An employee of West Lothian Council	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8686	No Response	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Reasonable.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8687	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Good.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8688	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	I agree with this proposal	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8689	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Good	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8690	No Response	1g. Workforce Arrangements	seems a reasonable proposal given the savings that have to be made	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8691	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Just the same as every other employer is having to do. Why not?	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8692	No Response	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Would agree with this ...would imagine there is a lot that could be done in this area !	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8693	No Response	1g. Workforce Arrangements	This sounds like a good proposal and savings are good.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8694	An employee of West Lothian Council	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Agree generally. However, need to ensure that lower paid employees are not disadvantaged.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8695	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	See my above comments in 1.a	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8696	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	I would agree. Many services don't get over time payments - workers accrue TOIL which seems more financially sensible.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8697	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Should be happening already	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8698	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	I'd go for this one	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8699	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8700	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8701	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Agreed.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8702	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	acceptable	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8703	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8704	No Response	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Ok	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8705	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8706	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Agree.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8707	An employee of West Lothian Council	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8708	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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8709	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Ok	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8710	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Good idea.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8711	No Response	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Do it!	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8712	An employee of West Lothian Council	1g. Workforce Arrangements	agree with proposal	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8713	An employee of West Lothian Council	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8714	No Response	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8715	No Response	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8716	An employee of West Lothian Council	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8717	No Response	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Fine.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8718	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Absolutely.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8719	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	okay	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8720	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Okay	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8721	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Yes this is good	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8722	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	This would be in line with what has already occurred in other workplaces.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8723	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	ok	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8724	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	I agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8725	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8726	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Support this	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8727	An employee of West Lothian Council	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Good idea.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8728	No Response	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Keep this support	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8729	No Response	1g. Workforce Arrangements	I totally agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8730	No Response	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Fine but it needs to make sure that a service can be delivered where necessary.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8731	An employee of West Lothian Council	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Positive proposal	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8732	No Response	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Fully agree, particularly within those council areas which are visible to the public and are source of frustration when witnessing apparent abuse of overtime working plus lack of impetuous during standard working hours.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8733	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Agree as WLC has more generous terms and conditions of service than other areas in Scotland.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8734	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	While this will not be popular, it seems reasonable under the circumstances	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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8735	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Agree but make sure your staff are trained to a high standard - this will save money, in the long run, and deliver an enhanced customer service.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8736	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Yes, fully supportive of this.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8737	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	I agree to this point	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8738	No Response	1g. Workforce Arrangements	I agree to this point	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8739	No Response	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Ok	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8740	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Agree.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8741	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Sensible	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8742	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Makes perfect sense and is normal in all other workplaces.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8743	No Response	1g. Workforce Arrangements	The promotion of workplace efficiency and overtime restrictions is a reasonable expectation given the proposed budget cuts.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8744	No Response	1g. Workforce Arrangements	All services should be reviewed. No service should be exempt. There are out of date practices in some services we all need to embrace change.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8745	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	This seems a sensible idea, though I doubt if the Unions would wholeheartedly agree.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8746	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	This also makes sense although it is important that pay is still in line nationally to ensure we are able to maintain a quality efficient workforce.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8747	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	I cannot argue with the logic.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8748	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Agreed. Some benefits for WLC employees are too much.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8749	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	I would agree with the review of terms and conditions, pay enhancements and allowances.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8750	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Seems harsh but more desirable than losing jobs if that is the alternative.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8751	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Strongly support	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8752	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Has to be tackled - every company in the private sector has to do it. The public sector must follow suit	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8753	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8754	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Agree.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8755	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Support	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8756	An employee of West Lothian Council	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Support	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8757	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Yes I agree that this is a worthwhile area to save money in.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8758	An employee of West Lothian Council	1g. Workforce Arrangements	This sounds like a reasonable proposal.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8759	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8760	An employee of West Lothian Council	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Agreed.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8761	No Response	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Agreed.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8762	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	This makes sense.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8763	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Agree - standardise this	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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8764	An employee of West Lothian Council	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Supportive in principle albeit based on limited detailed information	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8765	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	I fully agree with this proposal	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8766	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	should be the same as the private sector.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8767	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Fine	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8768	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8769	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	agree to this.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8770	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	OK	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8771	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Good idea	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8772	No Response	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8773	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Consistency of approach is welcomed.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8774	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Good.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8775	An employee of West Lothian Council	1g. Workforce Arrangements	yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8776	An employee of West Lothian Council	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8777	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Look okay as it is possible to evaluate given the vague descriptions given in the 'Transforming Your Council'	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8778	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	I agree with the proposal.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8779	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	All proposals are sound.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8780	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Not nice but maybe necessary	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8781	An employee of West Lothian Council	1g. Workforce Arrangements	I think this is something that should be done.	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8782	An employee of West Lothian Council	1g. Workforce Arrangements	If we have reduced staff - we have more technology in place - less staff employed means a direct hit to local businesses and economy as we will have no wages to survive in west Lothian and people will move to where work is leaving communities like ghost towns - please do not be short sighted. Cuts will be a knock on affect to others.	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8783	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Already at a low as currently services are already reduced. See earlier comment reported savings.	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8784	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	I would not support this	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8785	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	You might also consider reviewing your org structure, which could yield more significant benefit than a pure cost cutting exercise. I do not support this strategy as it stands.	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8786	No Response	1g. Workforce Arrangements	In my opinion the work force do an outstanding job with the resources available, cutting staff and then overtime will further impact the high standards which are recurrently in place.	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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8787	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	1g. Workforce Arrangements	this will have a detrimental effect on services being provided to those who are in most need	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8788	No Response	1g. Workforce Arrangements	The terms and conditions are already lean with no pay increase more than 1 % for the last 3 years. Staff are now being replaced when people leave and are being stretched more and more. By reducing overtime payments and allowances people will not want to work or will work in ineffective and dangerous ways. I am not in agreement with this. The savings are now worth the potential dangerous practice and possible cost to lives and poverty of your staff pool.	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8789	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	no	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8790	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	none	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8791	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Sounds like same job, same work load, less money and people. No support	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8792	No Response	1g. Workforce Arrangements	I think this is unfair on the committed staff it will affect.	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8793	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Cutting pay and reducing working conditions will reduce efficiency as staff will be unhappy.	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8794	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	This is unacceptable your employees have already had effective pay cuts as their wages have not risen with inflation. The treatment of public sector workers under the Conservative UK government is unfair in the extreme.	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8795	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	I completely agree with this.	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8796	An employee of West Lothian Council	1g. Workforce Arrangements	I do not agree	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8797	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Disagree	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8798	An employee of West Lothian Council	1g. Workforce Arrangements	How many staff affected? By how much per person?	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8799	No Response	1g. Workforce Arrangements	No comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8800	An employee of West Lothian Council	1g. Workforce Arrangements	No comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8801	No Response	1g. Workforce Arrangements	As long as it's applied across the whole of the council!	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8802	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	This is a 'do your job' statement.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8803	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	More detail should be provided on this. Than that is stated in the paragraph above.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8804	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	I have no comment to make	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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8805	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	I am not well enough informed to make any comment.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8806	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	No comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8807	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	This will depend on the cuts and as the country is suffering from rising inflation which is not in line with salaries and an unsure future with Brexit. Exactly what these cuts/review of terms are and who they will effect, leaves me unable to comment constructively.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8808	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Depends on which jobs within the council	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8809	No Response	1g. Workforce Arrangements	If this contains waiting times for turnaround yes. I cannot see how more cuts in this section is going to help.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8810	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	I don't understand budgeting advantages and restraints enough to comment.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8811	An employee of West Lothian Council	1g. Workforce Arrangements	I already lost an allowance because of a break in service so I am not affected by this.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8812	No Response	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Overtime??	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8813	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	I have no idea what this means. Please explain better.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8814	An employee of West Lothian Council	1g. Workforce Arrangements	i dont not know wat this means	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8815	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Please see my earlier comments re efficiencies	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8816	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	That is your job!!	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8817	No Response	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Would need more information to form a judgement	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8818	An employee of West Lothian Council	1g. Workforce Arrangements	I would need more detail on this before making any informed comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8819	An employee of West Lothian Council	1g. Workforce Arrangements	would need to see how this affects my service	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8820	No Response	1g. Workforce Arrangements	No comment.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8821	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	No comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8822	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Looking after young people, people with difficulties and the elderly is paramount. Invest in people and they will give you more money, isn't that how it works?	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8823	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	I do not know the existing arrangements to comment .	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8824	An employee of West Lothian Council	1g. Workforce Arrangements	This would have no bearing on me personally as the Government dictate the teachers salary. However, a proposed 1.5% is not reflective of the workload of a teacher within the education system.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8825	An employee of West Lothian Council	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Another cut in terms and conditions. Inevitable but not ideal.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8826	An employee of West Lothian Council	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Again greater clarity required.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8827	No Response	1g. Workforce Arrangements	hijkl	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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8828	An employee of West Lothian Council	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Not able to provide a comment at this time.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8829	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Unsure without knowing more details.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8830	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	More detail needed for considered comment.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8831	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	No Comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8832	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	No comment. □	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8833	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	No comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8834	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	This is a tough one, think that	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8835	An employee of West Lothian Council	1g. Workforce Arrangements	wqd	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8836	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	I don't understand this proposal - how do pay enhancements allow for savings. If asking for views, you need to be clear.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8837	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	This is the first place to save money ..	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8838	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	There is, once again, insufficient information within the generic statement to make transparent informed choices. Will the proposals make West Lothian Council an attractive employer or add further constraints on an already over stretched workforce?	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8839	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	A "hot potato" . Good luck	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8840	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	I have no comment on this as I am a new employee of the council and	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8841	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Needs more detailed consultation	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8842	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Ghost workers contribute nothing.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8843	No Response	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Suitably rewarded, engaged and happy workers are the bedrock of any organisation.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8844	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Do you still enrol new employees into final salary pensions?	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8845	An employee of West Lothian Council	1g. Workforce Arrangements	No comments	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8846	No Response	1g. Workforce Arrangements	See prev comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8847	No Response	1g. Workforce Arrangements	I don't really know anything about what your staff get paid so can't really comment. My son attends a special school and the staff there do a great job and deserve every penny they earn and some.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8848	No Response	1g. Workforce Arrangements	.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8849	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Again, I don't know enough about this or indeed what Council intend to do with this!!	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8850	An employee of West Lothian Council	1g. Workforce Arrangements	It is difficult to comment fully when there is no specific information on how the £1.4m savings figure has been identified.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8851	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	No comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8852	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	I do not know enough about this point to comment constructively.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8853	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	How will staff be compensated for wage cuts?	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8854	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	It is important that value for money is obtained from staffing.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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8855	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	The council's terms and conditions are very generous compared to the private sector that I and many others work in. Councils need to remember they are here to provide services to the public, which are paid for by the public. They are not here to maintain outdated staffing conditions because that's the way its always been!	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8856	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	I can see trouble with the workforce - increased union activity and ultimately industrial action.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8857	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Need to ensure that this will not have a knock in effect to local economy. People should be paid a fair wage in any job	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8858	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	An honest day's pay for an honest day's work -cut out dead wood and people who are not giving value for money please. No passengers on the train only participants.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8859	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	These statements again do not provide enough information on how this will be achieved. Changes to terms and conditions across such a vast workforce which may result in pay cuts is unlikely to be well received.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8860	No Response	1g. Workforce Arrangements	The answer is to pay staff properly or you will lose them or they will not come into the profession. Put up the income tax. But that is politically unacceptable. 7 to 10 years of little pay increase is too long.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8861	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Staff are stretched to the limit. Plenty scope in middle management to provide cuts. Do we need so many SDO's or SSO's? Difficult to comment when people don't know what the proposals are yet.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8862	No Response	1g. Workforce Arrangements	The council needs to ensure that the staffing are in place to provide the quality public services which residents in West Lothian want and depend on without council employees having to take on unrealistic workloads.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8863	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Obviously, costs must be under control, but staff cuts must not be allowed to diminish the service levels	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8864	No Response	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Pppffffffttt	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8865	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	This is something for staff & unions to discuss.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8866	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Eh?	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8867	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	I repeat this question lacks detail and makes it difficult to comment on the provision of such vital services being delivered.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8868	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Cannot comment without more information	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8869	An employee of West Lothian Council	1g. Workforce Arrangements	5. Building Services perform much better.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8870	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	1g. Workforce Arrangements	We do not believe we have the knowledge or experience of this area to be able to make an informed comment on it.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8871	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	I work in the private sector - it's not a race to the bottom however I've had a less than inflation pay rise since 2011 (and that's from a 20% pay cut). I work harder and longer now than I ever have, for less pay and more stress.. Unfortunately for all, private and public alike, this is the new norm	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8872	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Not sure.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8873	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	No comments	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8874	No Response	1g. Workforce Arrangements	?	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8875	An employee of West Lothian Council	1g. Workforce Arrangements	so for anybody to make informed comment you provided little or no information to the public or anyone else for that matter.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8876	An employee of West Lothian Council	1g. Workforce Arrangements	I require more information on what this might look like before I can comment.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8877	No Response	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Not enough detail to comment.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8878	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Don't know the details, so can't comment.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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8879	No Response	1g. Workforce Arrangements	need more info to comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8880	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8881	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	no comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8882	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	no comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8883	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Again no detail of how £1.4 million would actually be saved detail required	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8884	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	No comment.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8885	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Recent published figures suggest public sector salaries are higher than the private sector. Also pensions and other benefits are completely out of line with private sector.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8886	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Re the council cutting the percentage that it adds to employees pensions, why should non council employees subsidize pensions, surely this would make a difference to the wages/salaries bill every month.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	The pension fund available to staff is determined and administered by the Lothian Pension Fund. The council does not pay bonuses to staff. Where an employee applies for voluntary severance or early retirement, there must be a robust business case demonstrating cashable savings for the council.
8887	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	How about looking at the pension scheme and reducing costs of contributions.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	The pension fund available to staff is determined and administered by the Lothian Pension Fund. The council does not pay bonuses to staff. Where an employee applies for voluntary severance or early retirement, there must be a robust business case demonstrating cashable savings for the council.
8888	An employee of West Lothian Council	1g. Workforce Arrangements	This process must involve union representation. this will insure fairness.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	Staff and Trade Unions are being consulted on these proposals.
8889	No Response	1g. Workforce Arrangements	This clearly needs to be reviewed as it was suppose to be done under single status.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8890	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	I think that T&Cs should be reviewed at regular periods. I think that more flexible working may deliver more savings.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8891	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	I hope these will affect least the most low-paid of WLC employees.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8892	An employee of West Lothian Council	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Staff costs may be high but bureaucracy is rife and process need to be streamlined before staffing levels are reduced; otherwise customer service will reduce and staff stress levels and moral will increase.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Experience has demonstrated that the council can deliver a more effective and cost effective service through the centralisation of generic tasks with the retention of specialist provision within service.
8893	An employee of West Lothian Council	1g. Workforce Arrangements	The best way to save money but try to keep redundancy to a minimum is able to council workers work from home voluntary (if possible). That will be save money for insurance, electricity, computer updates (as home workers will use own equipment, computers or laptop), heating, can made more space at the civic centre which we will allow smallest offices move under one roof and rent or sell remaining empty properties. As now bigger private companies are provide office space for their employees but the main place of work is from home, that help them save a lot of budget money and improve off sick between employees as well as they do not need to travel to work even they have cold etc..	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has an IT infrastructure which supports working from home and individuals working from various council sites throughout West Lothian. The opportunity to work on a mobile and flexible basis continues to be available to staff.
8894	An employee of West Lothian Council	1g. Workforce Arrangements	The best way to save money but try to keep redundancy to a minimum is able to council workers work from home voluntary (if possible). That will be save money for insurance, electricity, computer updates (as home workers will use own equipment, computers or laptop), heating, can made more space at the civic centre which we will allow smallest offices move under one roof and rent or sell remaining empty properties. As now bigger private companies are provide office space for their employees but the main place of work is from home, that help them save a lot of budget money and improve off sick between employees as well as they do not need to travel to work even they have cold etc..	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has an IT infrastructure which supports working from home and individuals working from various council sites throughout West Lothian. The opportunity to work on a mobile and flexible basis continues to be available to staff.

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8895	An employee of West Lothian Council	1g. Workforce Arrangements	yes reduction in pay enhancements as long as weekend/evening working is not still expected as a result.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The Council will focus on changes to overtime arrangements and allowances that meet service requirements whilst also delivering value for money.
8896	An employee of West Lothian Council	1g. Workforce Arrangements	SEEMS USEFUL, BUT MIGHT BE ERODED BY STAFF GOING ONTO ROTA'S TO COVER WORK DONE ON OVERTIME THEN INCURRING ALLOWANCES.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The Council will focus on changes to overtime arrangements and allowances that meet service requirements whilst also delivering value for money.
8897	An employee of West Lothian Council	1g. Workforce Arrangements	staff cant work any harder they are already working to other staff remits who have currently left. instead of cutting enhanced payments...which are there for a reason.. why not ask senior managers and heads of service to take a 10% reduction in their pay.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	The council is subject to national pay bargaining and the salary scales for officers are determined nationally. The council is subject to national pay bargaining, and terms and conditions.
8898	An employee of West Lothian Council	1g. Workforce Arrangements	if staff felt supported in their role there would be less staff sickness due to stress. Instead of looking at cutting staff money look at the reasons staff are off sick, increased work level and stress	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council actively manages all absences in terms of its sickness absence policy, which is subject to constant review, in consultation with the recognised trade unions, to ensure that it is fit for purpose.
8899	An employee of West Lothian Council	1g. Workforce Arrangements	staff cant work any harder they are already working to other staff remits who have currently left. instead of cutting enhanced payments...which are there for a reason.. why not ask senior managers and heads of service to take a 10% reduction in their pay.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	The council is subject to national pay bargaining and the salary scales for officers are determined nationally. The council is subject to national pay bargaining, and terms and conditions.
8900	An employee of West Lothian Council	1g. Workforce Arrangements	if staff felt supported in their role there would be less staff sickness due to stress. Instead of looking at cutting staff money look at the reasons staff are off sick, increased work level and stress	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council actively manages all absences in terms of its sickness absence policy, which is subject to constant review, in consultation with the recognised trade unions, to ensure that it is fit for purpose.
8901	An employee of West Lothian Council	1g. Workforce Arrangements	I would like you to ensure that jobs where possible are cut as a last resort. The economy needs money flowing through it from employers to shop and services.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	The council has introduced improved workforce planning and greater coordination of vacant posts, fixed term appointments and employees who have been displaced through organisational change. The council is also reviewing the terms of the Redeployment Policy to offer greater opportunities for the redeployment of employees subject to suitable business need.
8902	No Response	1g. Workforce Arrangements	consideration needs to be given to those who are on the receiving end of the service i.e. service users to ensure the quality of provisions remains at a high standard.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The Council will focus on changes to overtime arrangements and allowances that meet service requirements whilst also delivering value for money.
8903	An employee of West Lothian Council	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Temp contracts should be ended and 3rd party assistance should be ended.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council will be seeking to introduce improved workforce planning and greater coordination of vacant posts, fixed term appointments and employees who have been displaced through organisational change.
8904	An employee of West Lothian Council	1g. Workforce Arrangements	I agree that workforce should be looked at. Where some teams are struggling for work they should be cross serviced trained to reduce the overtime budget and provide work for other teams.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council will be seeking to introduce improved workforce planning and greater coordination of vacant posts, fixed term appointments and employees who have been displaced through organisational change. Opportunities to retrain or cross train will be considered where appropriate.
8905	No Response	1g. Workforce Arrangements	. Fixed-term contracts, although they give uncertainty, are a good idea for an evolving service to provide what is required. It will stop outdated services from using money, and will encourage staff to work more efficiently.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has introduced improved workforce planning and greater coordination of vacant posts, fixed term appointments and employees who have been displaced through organisational change. The council is also reviewing the terms of the Redeployment Policy to offer greater opportunities for the redeployment of employees subject to suitable business need.
8906	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	I agree I know of several full time contracts with staff who only work if you are lucky 25hours per week and these resources need to be looked at to make further savings. Or look at utilising the hours not worked.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The Council will focus on changes to overtime arrangements and allowances that meet service requirements whilst also delivering value for money.

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8907	An employee of West Lothian Council	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Staff are also the best resource the council has. Care has to be taken not to effectively be providing a pay cut to staff who are working hard to deliver a good service.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The Council will focus on changes to overtime arrangements and allowances that meet service requirements whilst also delivering value for money.
8908	An employee of West Lothian Council	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Staff cannot be expected to work any hours of the day or night and not be properly re-numerated for that.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The Council will focus on changes to overtime arrangements and allowances that meet service requirements whilst also delivering value for money.
8909	An employee of West Lothian Council	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Do some areas of the council not rely on staff being willing to do additional hours ? Could this lead to a "work to rule"	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The Council will focus on changes to overtime arrangements and allowances that meet service requirements whilst also delivering value for money.
8910	An employee of West Lothian Council	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Has the no redundancy policy of WLC to be abandoned and add to increased levels of unemployment /	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council has introduced improved workforce planning and greater coordination of vacant posts, fixed term appointments and employees who have been displaced through organisational change. The council is also reviewing the terms of the Redeployment Policy to offer greater opportunities for the redeployment of employees subject to suitable business need.
8911	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	If you pay peanuts you get monkeys. Don't force decent staff to leave because they can't afford to work for you, this is far from economical.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Employees are the council's most important asset and the council will continue to invest in training and development of employees. The Council will focus on changes to overtime arrangements and allowances that meet service requirements whilst also delivering value for money.
8912	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	as long as the staff are not being given a pay cut	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The Council will focus on changes to overtime arrangements and allowances that meet service requirements whilst also delivering value for money.
8913	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Agree with reviewing overtime arrangements. Disagree with changing Terms and Conditions of workers contracts so they have less rights.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The Council will focus on changes to overtime arrangements and allowances that meet service requirements whilst also delivering value for money.
8914	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Certain areas of the Council do have a high percentage of time wastage by employees which results in for example a two person Job taking four people to complete. I see this on a regular basis and management who actually know what's going on at ground level need to make tough decisions.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has a number of systems and processes in place which are essential to enable the council to monitor and report service performance and efficiency.
8915	An employee of West Lothian Council	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Agree with this. Also however is important for the council to look at staff retention. Promotion and motivation. Especially in the care sector	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has introduced improved workforce planning and greater coordination of vacant posts, fixed term appointments and employees who have been displaced through organisational change. The council is also reviewing the terms of the Redeployment Policy to offer greater opportunities for the redeployment of employees subject to suitable business need.
8916	No Response	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Reduce the current 6 months full pay/6 months half pay sickness absence allowance - for employees who demonstrate a chronic pattern of sickness absence - as currently services are paying full or half pay to employee off sick, and having to pay staff overtime or bring in Agency staff at premium rates to cover shifts.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council actively manages all absences in terms of its sickness absence policy, which is subject to constant review, in consultation with the recognised trade unions, to ensure that it is fit for purpose.
8917	An employee of West Lothian Council	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Far too many contractors and Project managers being employed with WLC. Invest in the staff you have to help complete these roles.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The use of contractors is limited and used to supplement core resource to cover temporary increases in work in specialised areas. The Council will continue to attempt to recruit temporary employees to cover any temporary increase in business but where this is unsuccessful it may be necessary to continue to rely upon agency resource.

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8918	An employee of West Lothian Council	1g. Workforce Arrangements	It is about time that we stopped taking on contract workers. Since I started in IT several years ago there has always been contractors propping us up costing us a fortune.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The use of contractors is limited and used to supplement core resource to cover temporary increases in work in specialised areas. The Council will continue to attempt to recruit temporary employees to cover any temporary increase in business but where this is unsuccessful it may be necessary to continue to rely upon agency resource.
8919	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	More productivity from Council staff could also be considered.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has a number of systems and processes in place which are essential to enable the council to monitor and report service performance and efficiency.
8920	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Does the council require 3 offices for the political parties? Surely a cost saving would have the elected members hot desk and share an office?	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	The council has a requirement to support the elected members and has delivered this service in as efficient a manner as possible whilst still facilitating elected members in the discharge of their duties to the electorate.
8921	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	The council appear to employ more managers than staff. Too many team leaders and also people who have landed permanent positions through 4 years service. They are on higher paid contracts and but job tasks do not reflect the level they are paid. All staff in same job should be on same pay scale. Council hide staff behind job titles which don't exist. Welfare Rights Officers don't do anything different to Campaign Development Officers but they are paid higher?	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	The council continually reviews the tiers of management and span of control across all service levels against a target 5 x 5 structure. This ensures that the council continues to operate with an effective and efficient managerial structure.
8922	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Agree this needs to be streamlined for all service areas and streamlining of staff and managers and working hours and rotas	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8923	An employee of West Lothian Council	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Locum bureau staff within social policy get paid lowest rate of pay - Cooks , Cleaners , Housing support assistants ALL get paid the minimum wage of Â£8.51 per hour regardless of what shift or day of the week , therefore it is difficult for the managers to fill shifts especially at weekends as there is no weekend enhancement and we have no choice but to use overtime . Perhaps if a small % was added for weekends more locum staff would be willing to work as they can get paid more for working in shops and restaurants at the weekend than they can for providing personal care etc. . Another thing that would help would be if the locum staff got paid weekly as currently they can wait up to 8-9 weeks to get paid for a shift - if they work a shift at beginning of September they wont get it paid till the end of October .St Johns nurse bank pay bank staff on a weekly basis - another suggestion would be to merge with the nurse bank ?	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	5b. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it is likely that the costs of this proposal would outweigh the benefit.	The Council will focus on changes to overtime arrangements and allowances that meet service requirements whilst also demonstrating value for money. The Council is an accredited Living Wage employer and pay the Scottish Local Government Living Wage Rate. The staff on the lowest pay grades therefore receive an uplift in their pay .
8924	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	cut councillors wages	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	Councillors remunerations and expenses are determined by the Scottish Government.
8925	An employee of West Lothian Council	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Staff, who fulfil criteria, should be encouraged to take an option of Flexible Retirement, if areasonable business plan is accepted by management.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	The council has a Early Retirement/Voluntary Severance scheme which is available to all employees subject to a suitable business case being submitted within the set affordability criteria.
8926	An employee of West Lothian Council	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Whilst the cost saving proposals are appreciated the negative consequences to staff morale and willingness to deliver may be significant. This could be seen as an opportunity to devalue staff contribution.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Employees are the council's most important asset and the council will continue to invest in training and development of employees.
8927	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Introducing 'one hour contracts' for staff is just as bad as being a 'zero hour contract employer' . What about top managers taking a pay cut instead of people who are providing services all hours of the day and night.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	The council is subject to national pay bargaining and the salary scales for officers are determined nationally. The council is subject to national pay bargaining, and terms and conditions.
8928	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	The council should also look at why we have agency staff and how much this costs.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	The use of agency staff is limited and used to supplement core resource to cover temporary increases in work in specialised areas.
8929	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	With no council workers no council staffing changes needs to be done	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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8930	No Response	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Council staff have suffered a significant reduction in their real pay for the last 10years. This is not sustainable. Any further cut will reduce the quality of service due to recruitment issues and ability to attract quality staff.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council will focus on changes to overtime arrangements and allowances that meet service requirements whilst also delivering value for money.
8931	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	I do not support cutting payments and conditions for staff who are already suffering unfairly due to long running pay freezes and pay caps. Why not offer early retirement packages to reduce staff numbers as has been done in the past?	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	The council has a Early Retirement/Voluntary Severance scheme which is available to all employees subject to a suitable business case being submitted within the set affordability criteria.
8932	No Response	1g. Workforce Arrangements	The council should be open to flexible and innovative management solutions. Managers are the highest paid staff in the council, so any reductions in the cost of providing management will have more effect than reductions of lower paid staff. If a management solution can be found at a reduced cost, by having senior staff share management tasks for a small uplift in their salary, combining the posts, it should be trialed and monitored for effectiveness.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council continually reviews the tiers of management and span of control across all service levels against a target 5 x 5 structure. This ensures that the council continues to operate with an effective and efficient managerial structure.
8933	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Council staff benefits and terms are very generous - in better financial times would expect this to attract staff from private sector, but as private sector seeing low wage growth, council jobs probably seen as gold mine. Encourages holding on to current job and difficult to find suitable next position, lose productivity increases from job-ability matching and reduces availability of junior positions. I realise this is a bit backwards as good public sector jobs are supposed to drive good private sector jobs but bad times!	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8934	An employee of West Lothian Council	1g. Workforce Arrangements	There are currently a number of areas within the council that are on skeleton staff and other areas that clearly have more than enough bodies to conduct the work required. Instead of looking at overtime costs you should look at the actual staffing problems as if there is enough staff then the overtime will be minimised. There are also officers who are clearly overqualified and underpaid for the work they do whilst others are paid substantially more for less work.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council will focus on changes to overtime arrangements and allowances that meet service requirements whilst also delivering value for money.
8935	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Too many people on over inflated salaries - start looking at those in power who are part of the problem	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	The council is subject to national pay bargaining and the salary scales for officers are determined nationally. The council is subject to national pay bargaining, and terms and conditions.
8936	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	If this is the largest cost to the council, surely this should be where the greatest savings can be made...? Many non council employees have watched their T&Cs be changed to provide savings to their employer, whilst councils seem to be immune to this. Unfortunately, you cannot expect people who are watching their real incomes being reduced continue to pay more and more council tax to ensure councils employees are relatively less affected.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8937	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Perhaps it is time that public sector and private sector were more alike.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8938	No Response	1g. Workforce Arrangements	If staff numbers are cut then remaining staff won't work extra if no overtime enhancements are offered. Where unsociable hours are to be worked without enhancements then it'll be the same - staff won't do it.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council may authorise overtime payments in circumstances where there is a business requirement to undertake work outwith contracted hours. The council undertakes regular review of non basic pay across all service areas.
8939	An employee of West Lothian Council	1g. Workforce Arrangements	hopefully trade unions have been involved in the discussions	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The Council is consulting with staff and trade unions on the proposals.
8940	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	there has already been a huge saving that the council has made compared to the private sector regarding sleep over allowance, and getting payed national working hour per hour that was mentioned at the last briefing held by J ormiston to say that this would be brought up like the private sector this is still to happen! also a 1% pay rise to staff was lower than other local authorities.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council proposes to review pay enhancements and allowances to ensure that these continue to meet service requirements and are applied fairly and equitably whilst achieving value for money
8941	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Public sector workers have already suffered enough owing to pay caps - don't make it worse.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council proposes to review pay enhancements and allowances to ensure that these continue to meet service requirements and are applied fairly and equitably whilst achieving value for money

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8942	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Fine, as long as no compulsory redundancies	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has been able to delivery significant budget reductions in the last 10 years without the requirement for compulsory redundancies. The scale of the further reductions required over the next five years will be challenging and the council will seek to use the existing range of workforce management and organisational change policies to deliver the required reductions in staffing numbers.
8943	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Best use. Of existing resources clearly required. Don't think the councils no redundancy policy realistic at the present time.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The scale of the further reductions required over the next five years will be challenging and the council will seek to use the existing range of workforce management and organisational change policies to deliver the required reductions in staffing numbers.
8944	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	staffing costs have remained low due to govt. wage restraints...the cost of living has gone up, so in real terms staff have been subsidising govt. those salary earners ot the top of the LA's should take a financial hit as they can well afford it.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	The council is subject to national pay bargaining and the salary scales for officers are determined nationally. The council is subject to national pay bargaining, and terms and conditions.
8945	No Response	1g. Workforce Arrangements	This is a great area for cutting especially at the estimated saving. Wage caps of no increase for 2-5 years I think would please people who are at risk of loosing jobs all together. I also think if overtime rates are reduced then this will also not affect people as much as what it would of there was no job at all and if it's saves on average even half of this cost then it is defiantly a more worth option to thousands facing unemployment when we are facing one of the biggest times of unemployment just now with many factory's and businesses closing in the area	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	The council is subject to national pay bargaining and the salary scales for officers are determined nationally. The council is subject to national pay bargaining, and terms and conditions.
8946	An employee of West Lothian Council	1g. Workforce Arrangements	I feel it's very stressful on staff to be told there jobs maybe at risk the council should look at services and how staffing can be altered to save money	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	The council has introduced improved workforce planning and greater coordination of vacant posts, fixed term appointments and employees who have been displaced through organisational change. The council is also reviewing the terms of the Redeployment Policy to offer greater opportunities for the redeployment of employees subject to suitable business need.
8947	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Sickness absence costs significantly. Implement better policy which does not pay people for 6 months whilst off and no payment for first 5 days of absence unless undergoing treatment for i. e. Cancer. Council policy encourages abuse. 1% cut for those earning above Â£300000 Reduce tier of senior management Generate own green energy for buildings	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	The council actively manages all absences in terms of its sickness absence policy, which is subject to constant review, in consultation with the recognised trade unions, to ensure that it is fit for purpose. The council is subject to national pay bargaining and the salary scales for officers are determined nationally. The council is subject to national pay bargaining, and terms and conditions.
8948	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Not paying staff properly or reducing their terms and conditions is the quickest way to a demotivated and demoralised workforce. Not what is needed at a time when staff numbers are reducing and working structures changing. Protect your staff and they will deliver the changes needed. Reducing pay or terms and conditions will likely mean that staff will need to access further benefits themselves in order to maintain standards of living with rising costs in daily life. This goes against reducing poverty as a key aim for lower paid staff. Redundancies do nothing to achieve this target either.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council proposes to review pay enhancements and allowances to ensure that these continue to meet service requirements and are applied fairly and equitably whilst achieving value for money
8949	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Not paying staff properly or reducing their terms and conditions is the quickest way to a demotivated and demoralised workforce. Not what is needed at a time when staff numbers are reducing and working structures changing. Protect your staff and they will deliver the changes needed. Reducing pay or terms and conditions will likely mean that staff will need to access further benefits themselves in order to maintain standards of living with rising costs in daily life. This goes against reducing poverty as a key aim for lower paid staff. The same goes for redundancies.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council proposes to review pay enhancements and allowances to ensure that these continue to meet service requirements and are applied fairly and equitably whilst achieving value for money
8950	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Cut down positions of management who get paid a fortune to make silly decisions.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	The council is subject to national pay bargaining and the salary scales for officers are determined nationally. The council is subject to national pay bargaining, and terms and conditions.

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8951	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Prioritise the jobs needing completed and how many people it takes to complete that task. I.e I witnessed 3 policemen and women out walking around a car park near to roadworks trying to catch people parking on double yellow lines. What a waste of resources, 3 people and all they caught was one person.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	West Lothian Council is not responsible for delivering policing services
8952	An employee of West Lothian Council	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Letâ€™s hope youâ€™re not cutting staff where itâ€™s required.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Experience has demonstrated that the council can deliver an more effective and cost effective service through the centralisation of generic tasks with the retention of specialist provision within service.
8953	No Response	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Yes streamline and cut out unnecessary red tape. Too many bosses and departments mean the service takes too long to come to a resolution for the person requiring help	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council continually reviews the tiers of management and span of control across all service levels against a target 5 x 5 structure. This ensures that the council continues to operate with an effective and efficient managerial structure.
8954	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Much as I would want to support employment with the council, having worked in a large organisation I appreciate that changes such as this are often necessary. A change to T&Cs will be tricky, but necessary.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8955	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Yes. It's important the staffing costs are appropriate, and that resources are not wasted on jobs which are not essential.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Experience has demonstrated that the council can deliver an more effective and cost effective service through the centralisation of generic tasks with the retention of specialist provision within service. This model still allows the opportunity for staff to engage with council officers on a face to face basis at the most effective and convenient level.
8956	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	I finds this difficult that you save money in staffing costs until you review sickness policy	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	The council actively manages all absences in terms of its sickness absence policy, which is subject to constant review, in consultation with the recognised trade unions, to ensure that it is fit for purpose.
8957	No Response	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Far too many tea breaks at all levels. These should be stopped. A lunch break is sufficient.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8958	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	The use of modern technology and practices should allow the reduction of staffing levels. The general perception within the population is that a Council job is a guarantee of permanent employment. This attitude should go.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Experience has demonstrated that the council can deliver an more effective and cost effective service through the centralisation of generic tasks with the retention of specialist provision within service. This model still allows the opportunity for staff to engage with council officers on a face to face basis at the most effective and convenient level.
8959	No Response	1g. Workforce Arrangements	fire worthless employees instead of penalizing those that succeed	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	The council has a number of systems and processes in place which are essential to enable managers to monitor staff performance and efficiency. The council has policies in place which require managers to address issues of poor performance in staff.
8960	An employee of West Lothian Council	1g. Workforce Arrangements	I believe that better communication between management and staff regarding smarter working would be beneficial. Most council staff could make valuable cost saving suggestions about their own service. For example, a freeze on current recruitment, and a realignment of duties within the teams themselves.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Officers will consider how this can be developed.
8961	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Reorganisation always seems to reduce the number of staff who are available to do a job. This may save money but if the work is less efficiently done then the net result is a failure. The people who are meant to be being served will be more slowly dealt with, by someone who has too great a workload. It is important that enough staff are retained to do an efficient job.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Experience has demonstrated that the council can deliver an more effective and cost effective service through the centralisation of generic tasks with the retention of specialist provision within service. This model still allows the opportunity for staff to engage with council officers on a face to face basis at the most effective and convenient level.
8962	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Agreed if required to protect jobs	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8963	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Will only be achieved if the trade unions stop being in control	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The Council are consulting with the trade unions on the proposals which will ultimately be presented to elected members for approval.

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8964	An employee of West Lothian Council	1g. Workforce Arrangements	The Council has a duty to its employees to treat them fairly and equally. The partial adoption of "Single Status" by some departments leaves the Council open to criticism on a National level, which in turn results in posts not being able to be filled in a timeous manner as people are reluctant to be party to this.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council proposes to review pay enhancements and allowances to ensure that these continue to meet service requirements and are applied fairly and equitably whilst achieving value for money
8965	An employee of West Lothian Council	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Terms and conditions cannot be changed without full and frank discussions with the Unions to ensure the Council complies with its Equalities and Diversity policy.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The Council is consulting with staff and trade unions on the proposals.
8966	An employee of West Lothian Council	1g. Workforce Arrangements	The Council has a duty to its employees to treat them fairly and equally. The partial adoption of "Single Status" by some departments leaves the Council open to criticism on a National level, which in turn results in posts not being able to be filled in a timeous manner as people are reluctant to be party to this.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council proposes to review pay enhancements and allowances to ensure that these continue to meet service requirements and are applied fairly and equitably whilst achieving value for money
8967	An employee of West Lothian Council	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Terms and conditions cannot be changed without full and frank discussions with the Unions to ensure the Council complies with its Equalities and Diversity policy.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The Council is consulting with staff and trade unions on the proposals.
8968	An employee of West Lothian Council	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Invest in your employees. Ensure they are suitably trained and adequately resourced to carry out their jobs. Recognise that the Council's biggest asset is their employees.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	Employees are the council's most important asset and the council will continue to invest in training and development of employees.
8969	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Offering redundancies for older workers looking to retire and re-investing some of this cash into young people who will come into the organisation with fresh ideas. The Council's HR Team to carry out re-structures faster to ensure that staff remain motivated.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has a Early Retirement/Voluntary Severance scheme which is available to all employees subject to a suitable business case being submitted within the set affordability criteria.
8970	An employee of West Lothian Council	1g. Workforce Arrangements	We need value for money, look at staff absenteeism,	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The proposed review of terms and conditions would seek to review the use of overtime, allowances and enhancements, whilst at the same time consider the rates payable when used. The council actively manages all absences in terms of its sickness absence policy, which is subject to constant review, in consultation with the recognised trade unions, to ensure that it is fit for purpose.
8971	An employee of West Lothian Council	1g. Workforce Arrangements	As long as it does not impact on the service provided. The team I am in has gone from 21 two years ago to 12 with a similar workload. This can cause stress and mistakes which can both cost the council.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Experience has demonstrated that the council can deliver a more effective and cost effective service through the centralisation of generic tasks with the retention of specialist provision within service. This model still allows the opportunity for staff to engage with council officers on a face to face basis at the most effective and convenient level.
8972	An employee of West Lothian Council	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Likely to be counter-productive. Decrease in staff moral; harder to attract the right candidates.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposed review of terms and conditions would seek to review the use of overtime, allowances and enhancements, whilst at the same time consider the rates payable when used.
8973	An employee of West Lothian Council	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Compulsory redundancy should be ruled out. Higher unemployment rate is likely to increase pressures on other council services such as homelessness, housing, adult learning, trying to attract employers to the area.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The scale of the further reductions required over the next five years will be challenging and the council will seek to use the existing range of workforce management and organisational change policies to deliver the required reductions in staffing numbers.
8974	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Do not see the need for council workers to be working the weekends except possibly bad weather eh snow.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council may authorise overtime payments in circumstances where there is a business requirement to undertake work outwith contracted hours. The council undertakes regular review of non basic pay across all service area
8975	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Having people undertake combined roles could bring about savings	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Officers will consider how this can be developed.
8976	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Lowering of wages by 10-15% for those in the highest positions will also free up extra funds to help achieve a balance Sharing resources is also the best practice to follow	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	The council is subject to national pay bargaining and the salary scales for officers are determined nationally. The council is subject to national pay bargaining, and terms and conditions.

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8977	No Response	1g. Workforce Arrangements	With the amount of money the council has to save over the coming years its a bit ridiculous that jobs are being advertised when the people currently employed with WLC aren't guaranteed their jobs in the future due to budget restraints. Stop advertising posts and make do with the staff you already have, making sure the staff that are currently employed are actually efficient in their job, streamline the service and get the most out of your staff. It's counter productive to employ additional staff whether its on a fixed term basis or not, only to have to let them go due to funding.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council will continue to seek to recruit to fill key posts. The council has introduced improved workforce planning and greater coordination of vacant posts, fixed term appointments and employees who have been displaced through organisational change. The council is also reviewing the terms of the Redeployment Policy to offer greater opportunities for the redeployment of employees subject to suitable business need.
8978	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	I've seen some of the waste that happens in council, the enhancements given to the provost etc. could be drastically cut.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	Councillors remunerations and expenses are determined by the Scottish Government.
8979	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Continuing "aggressive" wage control in the increasing inflationary environment is building up trouble for the future where the Council could struggle to fill positions (assuming private sector wages start to rise).	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council is subject to national pay bargaining and the salary scales for officers are determined nationally. The council is subject to national pay bargaining, and terms and conditions.
8980	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	This is a false economy saving. You keep cutting teams of people, not replacing people when they leave and cutting management only to spread the load on those who are left. The inevitable effect is that you end up with more people off on sickness and absence which costs more than the savings in the long run. Deal with the problem without putting people out of work and putting unemployment figures up. How does this help anyone.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Experience has demonstrated that the council can deliver an more effective and cost effective service through the centralisation of generic tasks and utilisation of technology with the retention of specialist provision within service.
8981	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Freezing wages at a time when the cost of living is at it's highest is not right.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	The council is subject to national pay bargaining and the salary scales for officers are determined nationally. The council is subject to national pay bargaining, and terms and conditions. The council proposes to review pay enhancements and allowances to ensure that these continue to meet service requirements and are applied fairly and equitably whilst achieving value for money.
8982	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Introduce a 4 day week, or drop down to 33 hrs per week, for each staff member if required, to help reduce cost savings. Then when The Council's budgets are more aligned with a credit surplus instead of a negative balance, Council staff can then be awarded higher % wage rises. Thus keeping Staff/Management levels the same.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	The council is subject to national pay bargaining and the salary scales for officers are determined nationally. The council is subject to national pay bargaining, and terms and conditions.
8983	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Introduce a 4 day week, or drop down to 33 hrs per week, for each staff member if required, to help reduce cost savings. Then when The Council's budgets are more aligned with a credit surplus instead of a negative balance, Council staff can then be awarded higher % wage rises. Thus keeping Staff/Management levels the same.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	The council is subject to national pay bargaining and the salary scales for officers are determined nationally. The council is subject to national pay bargaining, and terms and conditions.
8984	No Response	1g. Workforce Arrangements	I do feel that focus on savings could be make on numbers of temporary contract staff situations engaged by the council, some of whom spent years on a specific project. An contracted employee spending many months often years on a line of projects surely justifies a permanent post? Potentially current valued council employees could take up such posts with perhaps necessary training and therefore be on the salary scale opposed to a contractor being paid premium rate over a time. This is also investment in people. The council's biggest asset is after all its staff.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	The council regularly reviews the fixed term staff to identify any posts which should be made permanent.
8985	An employee of West Lothian Council	1g. Workforce Arrangements	I understand the need in this area but you run the risk of further reducing staff morale and motivation which will lead to further inefficiencies. Alongside changes to pay and conditions need to ensure program in place to motivate staff - this could be achieved by changing culture less risk averse, more trusting of staff judgement and autonomy.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The proposed review of terms and conditions would seek to review the use of overtime, allowances and enhancements, whilst at the same time consider the rates payable when used.
8986	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Sounds like a sensible approach. Every employer must review T&Cs to ensure they fit within the "spending envelope". Employees/workers should be paid reasonable rates of pay and there is an expectation that the public sector has a strong focus on staffing ratios and work planning to optimise value for money for the taxpayer. Cheap labour is not something which should be promoted but "auld" practices must be brought into line with the 21st century way of working.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8987	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	As I say, you need to start at the top and work down, not put low earners out of a job. The execs need looked at first for value for money. No one should be earning over 100k it's just not ethical.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	The council is subject to national pay bargaining and the salary scales for officers are determined nationally. The council is subject to national pay bargaining, and terms and conditions.

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8988	No Response	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Yet again another way to reduce staffing satisfaction and increased sickness levels as staff continue to try and do more than they are equipped to do. Does not provide the service required where local authority staff continue to work with reduced pay increases to match the standard of living increase	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council is subject to national pay bargaining and the salary scales for officers are determined nationally. The council is subject to national pay bargaining, and terms and conditions.
8989	No Response	1g. Workforce Arrangements	I agree to an extent. WLC have some small teams who provide a 24 hour service to west Lothian - these teams need to remain competitive in their pay/enhancements/allowances otherwise why would the staff stay?	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council proposes to review pay enhancements and allowances to ensure that these continue to meet service requirements and are applied fairly and equitably whilst achieving value for money.
8990	An employee of West Lothian Council	1g. Workforce Arrangements	all areas of the council should work on a 5 out of 7 contract. service should be open at weekends and bank holidays as standard	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Officers will consider how this can be developed.
8991	An employee of West Lothian Council	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Better working than unemployed	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
8992	No Response	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Employees who have taken an enhancement / package to leave should not be allowed to work part time or as a consultant, the practice must stop with immediate effect.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	5c. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it is not consistent with the council's values and priorities.	The council cannot refuse to employee a former employee into another role at a later date simply because they have taken voluntary severance. The council is required by law to treat all candidate
8993	No Response	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Employ apprentices, train them up for future manager roles	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	The Council already has a successful apprentice programme.
8994	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	We absolutely need a strong authority. I firmly believe that we should be careful on staff reductions however we need to have a good look at sickness levels. If staff don't want to work and be proud to work for West Lothian Council, get rid of them.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council proposes to review pay enhancements and allowances to ensure that these continue to meet service requirements and are applied fairly and equitably whilst achieving value for money.
8995	No Response	1g. Workforce Arrangements	As the council still pays enhanced rates for overtime and allowances, I think a review of this area is well overdue. This should also be considered in the context of how normal it now is for individuals to work evenings and weekends as a matter or choice.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The proposed review of terms and conditions would seek to review the use of overtime, allowances and enhancements, whilst at the same time consider the rates payable when used.
8996	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Cannot comment without more detail. Is this a plan to pay more for normal time working to reduce overtime?	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	The proposed review of terms and conditions would seek to review the use of overtime, allowances and enhancements, whilst at the same time consider the rates payable when used.
8997	An employee of West Lothian Council	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Staff already feel that wages are lagging behind inflation and as a result have a wage cut in real terms for as long as I can remember.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	The council is subject to national pay bargaining and the salary scales for officers are determined nationally. The council is subject to national pay bargaining, and terms and conditions.
8998	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	staff costs are always the main factor or outlay in any business. you need teachers to teacher, road men to work on roads you cant reduce them or nothing will get done	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposed review of terms and conditions would seek to review the use of overtime, allowances and enhancements, whilst at the same time consider the rates payable when used.
8999	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Steps should be taken to retain as many jobs in West Lothian as possible - even if it means changes to terms, conditions, pay enhancements, allowances, etc. Would rather have more people retaining their employment than increasing salaries at the moment with the current economic situation.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The proposed review of terms and conditions would seek to review the use of overtime, allowances and enhancements, whilst at the same time consider the rates payable when used.
9000	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Agree - as long as staff involved are paid fairly. As someone who used to work for the authority these payments are crucial as most who receive this tend to be in the lower end of salaries, and this also helps staff achieve a salary similar to that of the private sector. Agree that all should receive a singular salary scale reflective of work tasks.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The proposed review of terms and conditions would seek to review the use of overtime, allowances and enhancements, whilst at the same time consider the rates payable when used. The council is a living wage employer and staff on the lower grades receive a living wage supplement.
9001	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	These changes need to be made fairly across all levels of the workforce. Our current economic climate rewards those who takes away from the rest.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The proposed review of terms and conditions would seek to review the use of overtime, allowances and enhancements, whilst at the same time consider the rates payable when used.

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9002	No Response	1g. Workforce Arrangements	To be truthful we as carers who work in homes for the elderly or in their own homes definitely dont get any recognition for the hard work we put in ie.pay ect. We all do a very good job with all our hearts because we totally respect our elders? And they deserve it. We have worked for year's without a pay rise never complained in meantime daily living going up do you hear us complain NO? It disgusts me nobody seems to have respect for people who are doing a great job of looking after people who didn't asked to be sick,or get dementia or have a stroke that woul totally change their lives and their families lives and the only way to end their lives with total dignity and respect until the end?.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	The council is subject to national pay bargaining and the salary scales for officers are determined nationally. The council is subject to national pay bargaining, and terms and conditions.
9003	No Response	1g. Workforce Arrangements	T&Cs should be commensurate with the private sector....Pensions in particular	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	The council is subject to national pay bargaining and the salary scales for officers are determined nationally. The council is subject to national pay bargaining, and terms and conditions.
9004	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	pay people who actually do the hard work on the floor rather than those making the policies - there are a lot of janitors in schools who sit about all day looking at computer screens....why??	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	The council has a number of systems and processes in place which allow managers to monitor staff performance and efficiency.
9005	No Response	1g. Workforce Arrangements	If more staff were able to work flexitime, it should reduce the need for overtime all together. As for a review of terms and conditions, more information on what changes are to be proposed before I could post a view.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Flexitime is available to staff where work tasks can be delivered in a flexible manner. The proposed review of terms and conditions would seek to review the use of overtime, allowances and enhancements, whilst at the same time consider the rates payable when used.
9006	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Give staff opportunity to reduce hours/job share	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has a number of policies which allow staff to apply to work reduced hours or to job share. Requests are considered and assessed against the needs of the service.
9007	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Overtime is nessecary in areas such as operational services. Has the council considered having cupulsary shut downs for none essential services at Christmas. Most people would not want to work over Christmas and most don't however buildings are still staffed/heated etc	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Officers will consider how this can be developed.
9008	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Although I would like this not to be the case, I appreciate that changes need to be made to sustain a workforce. The council is a large employer in West Lothian and it is appreciated that they provide a service to communities by providing employment. Cutting the workforce drastically is not acceptable. I would rather continue with a pay increase cap of sorts - I feel it is more acceptable to offer employment at slightly more basic conditions and pay than to cut staffing, making more people unemployed. Having a higher unemployment rate is a major disadvantage to the community and the people's lives. Low paid jobs are not good but they're better than no jobs.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposed review of terms and conditions would seek to review the use of overtime, allowances and enhancements, whilst at the same time consider the rates payable when used.
9009	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	However, I am aware the Council has a no redundancy policy. While this is admirable in many ways, I feel that offering voluntary redundancy or severance across the council may address a workforce reduction better than enforcing cuts - allowing room for movement across services if co-ordinated properly.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The scale of the further reductions required over the next five years will be challenging and the council will seek to use the existing range of workforce management and organisational change policies to deliver the required reductions in staffing numbers.
9010	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	If this is going to done correctly that all levels of staff should be affected the same way. Taking Â£20 from one staff is not the same as taking Â£20 from some seniors managers who are on 6 figure sums with overtime and all the other benefits they get.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The proposed review of terms and conditions would seek to review the use of overtime, allowances and enhancements, whilst at the same time consider the rates payable when used.
9011	No Response	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Staff are the back bone of all departments ,I feel if staff have been with the council over 25 years and are over the age of 55 they should be offered early retirement.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	The council has a Early Retirement/Voluntary Severance scheme which is available to all employees subject to a suitable business case being submitted within the set affordability criteria.
9012	No Response	1g. Workforce Arrangements	I also feel the council should be reviewing their sickness policy and procedures as that where overtime and deficits are created.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The council actively manages all absences in terms of its sickness absence policy, which is subject to constant review, in consultation with the recognised trade unions, to ensure that it is fit for purpose.
9013	An employee of West Lothian Council	1g. Workforce Arrangements	I think 3% increase is reasonable. The council should find ways to reduce the gap by itself. In a way the council need to be more like a private company. Right now supervisors can only open a disciplinary procedure if somebody is skiving or not doing their job and it is very difficult that person is going to change. In the private sector would be less burocracy and the person would be sacked after one warning the most. That is why unfortunately the council are inefficient.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has a number of systems and processes in place which are essential to enable managers to monitor staff performance and efficiency. The council has policies in place which require managers to address issues of poor performance in staff.

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9014	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	How would the terms and conditions change?	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	The council proposes to review pay enhancements and allowances to ensure that these continue to meet service requirements and are applied fairly and equitably whilst achieving value for money
9015	An employee of West Lothian Council	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Staff have ineffectively had a pay cut over the last 10 years - while inflation has been increasing and no rent and council tax increasing on aprox 3% each year staff salaries have not.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The scale of the further reductions required over the next five years will be challenging and the council will seek to use the existing range of workforce management and organisational change policies to deliver the required reductions in staffing numbers.
9016	No Response	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Reduce the number of hours in the standard working week to 35 hours to reduce wage costs.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Officers will consider how this can be developed.
9017	An employee of West Lothian Council	1g. Workforce Arrangements	The job losses proposed are inevitable with the cost being such a large proportion of the budget. Not easy for those who will be displaced	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has introduced improved workforce planning and greater coordination of vacant posts, fixed term appointments and employees who have been displaced through organisational change. The council is also reviewing the terms of the Redeployment Policy to offer greater opportunities for the redeployment of employees subject to suitable business need.
9018	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	agreed -remove inconsistencies in pay arrangements.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
9019	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Every company should be looking at attendance and value for money for people who are constantly and repeatedly on long term sick maby we should be looking at if they are not fit for work then possibly they shouldn't be employed, this could be huge saving to all companies ,	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council actively manages all absences in terms of its sickness absence policy, which is subject to constant review, in consultation with the recognised trade unions, to ensure that it is fit for purpose.
9020	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	as long as it is overall and not the lowest paid	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council proposes to review pay enhancements and allowances to ensure that these continue to meet service requirements and are applied fairly and equitably whilst achieving value for money
9021	An employee of West Lothian Council	1g. Workforce Arrangements	I agree overtime should NOT be paid at enhanced rates and overtime should not be offered where the staff have been off sick in the preceding week/month. This would offer more opportunity for employment of staff at flat rates, reducing unemployment and possibly securing more valued staff that are lost through zero hours contracts as they do not get enough hours.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council proposes to review pay enhancements and allowances to ensure that these continue to meet service requirements and are applied fairly and equitably whilst achieving value for money
9022	An employee of West Lothian Council	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Allowances should be minimal and not the norm. Paying 17.5 % for shift work is well out of line with the private sector. More job could be secured by paying more reasonable basic pay where it is deemed appropriate without the lure of enhancements.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
9023	An employee of West Lothian Council	1g. Workforce Arrangements	maybe if we tackled the violence and aggression that is greatly impacting education by doing this we could reduce sickness, incidents, civil claims, HSE investigations and improvement orders crown prosecutions etc each year the council pays out between Â£3-500,000 in civic payments over 5 years this could be worth Â£2-2.5 million plus savings in staff sick pay, cover, hse costs, not to mention an improvement on moral and a feeling of being supported (which is not there at this time)	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	The Council reviews reported incidents of Violence and Aggression to identify any measures which can be introduced to support staff in the workplace and provide them with the tools, skills and knowledge to deal with and remove themselves where possible from any violent or aggressive situation.
9024	An employee of West Lothian Council	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Offer packages to staff.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has a Early Retirement/Voluntary Severance scheme which is available to all employees subject to a suitable business case being submitted within the set affordability criteria.
9025	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Do not agree. Look to savings for outside contracts, un needed paperwork costs time and money. Been cutting council staff regularly over the last few years. Council staff had no pay rise for years, so not costing more that it used to, in fact with all the cuts must be less wage bill. People cut and not replaced, staff overworked. Look to management and other areas to cut, keep the frontline staff who work for their pay and more	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Experience has demonstrated that the council can deliver a more effective and cost effective service through the centralisation of generic tasks, utilisation of technology and retention of specialist provision within service.
9026	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	More job share positions. 2 posts could be met by 1.5 employees.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	The council has policies in place which allow staff to make an application to work on a job share basis. The council will continue to review opportunities to rationalise

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9027	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Remember some of your workforce are also council tenants you are already proposing to increase rents by 3 or 4%. Given the pay increase this year was only 1% or thereabouts wages are already falling well behind the overall rising cost of living. !	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	The council is subject to national pay bargaining and the salary scales for officers are determined nationally. The council is subject to national pay bargaining, and terms and conditions.
9028	An employee of West Lothian Council	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Agreed, overtime should be looked at and reduced. I am aware that staff have bought extra holidays making a saving for the council, perhaps giving all staff that option would save money across the entire council?	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Staff are entitled to make a request to buy additional leave however, if accepted, this is a permanent change to the employee's contract. As with all requests for leave, this can only be granted if the needs of the service can accommodate the additional leave.
9029	An employee of West Lothian Council	1g. Workforce Arrangements	I believe that taking the May Day public holiday away and giving an additional day's annual leave could save us money, as staff would not be able to claim overtime rates that day.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Officers will consider how this can be developed.
9030	An employee of West Lothian Council	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Could we enable more working from home so to save costs in heating/electricity and rent out office space to businesses as a revenue generator?	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	The council has an IT infrastructure which supports working from home and individuals working from various council sites throughout West Lothian. The opportunity to work on a mobile and flexible basis continues to be available to staff.
9031	An employee of West Lothian Council	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Can staff be given the opportunity to reduce their weekly working hours - some employees could potentially afford to work 3 or 4 days but are usually not given the opportunity.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	The council offers family friendly policies which include provision for staff to request to work a reduced week. This will be considered according to the needs of the service.
9032	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	All workers deserve their pay rise	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	The council is subject to national pay bargaining and the salary scales for officers are determined nationally. The council is subject to national pay bargaining, and terms and conditions.
9033	An employee of West Lothian Council	1g. Workforce Arrangements	It is essential that the council addresses the inconsistencies in pay arrangements across the council. I support this proposal.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council proposes to review pay enhancements and allowances to ensure that these continue to meet service requirements and are applied fairly and equitably whilst achieving value for money
9034	No Response	1g. Workforce Arrangements	I strongly feel again if staff are properly trained and absences addressed and restructure at higher levels this would be the biggest saving in workforce overall rather than cuts to everyday overall effectiveness of service the workforce providing frontline communications	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council actively manages all absences in terms of its sickness absence policy, which is subject to constant review, in consultation with the recognised trade unions, to ensure that it is fit for purpose. The council continually reviews the tiers of management and span of control across all service levels against a target 5 x 5 structure. This ensures that the council continues to operate with an effective and efficient managerial structure.
9035	An employee of West Lothian Council	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Overtime arrangements and allowances should be reviewed but not necessarily eradicated. The council risk losing knowledgeable, experienced staff to better paid private organisations.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The proposed review of terms and conditions would seek to review the use of overtime, allowances and enhancements, whilst at the same time consider the rates payable when used.
9036	An employee of West Lothian Council	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Agree that changes to overtime and allowances should be seriously considered.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
9037	An employee of West Lothian Council	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Also, consideration should be given to a reduction in the standard working week from 36hrs to 35hrs (or less?) with a commensurate reduction in salary. Perhaps this could be voluntary for existing staff, but mandatory for new. By introducing this in line with the financial year, in April, the associated salary reduction would be offset by the annual pay award / increment and the impact on individuals minimised.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Officers will consider how this can be developed.
9038	An employee of West Lothian Council	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Holiday purchase scheme - could an automatic finding in favour of those seeking to purchase additional holiday be implemented for, say, up to two additional weeks? The impact of the above would be in part mitigated for individuals through savings in tax and NI, with the council also saving employer's NI. I'd expect the savings for the council to be substantial, with minimal impact / cost compared to mass redundancies or early retirements, and significantly greater than the Â£1.4m indicated.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	Staff are entitled to make a request to buy additional leave however, if accepted, this is a permanent change to the employee's contract. As with all requests for leave, this can only be granted if the needs of the service can accommodate the additional leave.

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9039	An employee of West Lothian Council	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Cut staff and increase wages to staff who are left so it does not decrease moral.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	The council is subject to national pay bargaining and the salary scales for officers are determined nationally. The council is subject to national pay bargaining, and terms and conditions.
9040	An employee of West Lothian Council	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Service's have already been restructured and wages reduced. Communication throughout these processes have been poor. Staff are expected to continue to work in the same roles, for less money, with less resources.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposed review of terms and conditions would seek to review the use of overtime, allowances and enhancements, whilst at the same time consider the rates payable when used.
9041	An employee of West Lothian Council	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Staff are expected to continue to work in the same roles, for less money, with less resources. The impact that this is having on mental and physical health is clear as is the increasing overturn of staff which must add to the increased hiring costs.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposed review of terms and conditions would seek to review the use of overtime, allowances and enhancements, whilst at the same time consider the rates payable when used.
9042	An employee of West Lothian Council	1g. Workforce Arrangements	There is very little staff development and very little opportunity for promotion.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Employees are the council's most important asset and the council will continue to invest in training and development of employees.
9043	No Response	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Wouldn't argue with any of that. The focus should be on preserving the jobs of those on permanent contracts.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
9044	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Again less management more frontline workers needed.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council continually reviews the tiers of management and span of control across all service levels against a target 5 x 5 structure. This ensures that the council continues to operate with an effective and efficient managerial structure.
9045	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	As before look at the changes from the top down not the bottom up	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council continually reviews the tiers of management and span of control across all service levels against a target 5 x 5 structure. This ensures that the council continues to operate with an effective and efficient managerial structure.
9046	No Response	1g. Workforce Arrangements	making cuts where necessary is something that needs to be done, cutting out long term sick is something that needs to be seriously looked at as this is a re-occurring problem.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council actively manages all absences in terms of its sickness absence policy, which is subject to constant review, in consultation with the recognised trade unions, to ensure that it is fit for purpose.
9047	No Response	1g. Workforce Arrangements	A difficult area. The most important resources a Council has is its staff. Changes to working conditions can cause uncertainty, reduce morale and increase resentment. It is absolutely crucial that the Council ensures that staff are fully kept informed and on board with what's happening. I would not support any measure that unfairly disadvantages staff and expects them to undertake unreasonable additional duties to keep services running. The Council need to avoid such a situation arising.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The Council is consulting with staff and trade unions on the proposed measures.
9048	An employee of West Lothian Council	1g. Workforce Arrangements	More information will be required on the extent of the review on terms and conditions.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	At this stage, detailed budget reduction measures have not been developed, therefore there is no specific information on how the savings will be achieved and the timescales for delivery. This will become clearer as the measures progress following the consultation process and approval of the council's budget strategy. The proposed review of terms and conditions would seek to review the use of overtime, allowances and enhancements, whilst at the same time consider the rates payable when used.
9049	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	A full review of all salaries/wages should be undertaken. Support living wage stance but the salaries of some senior roles should be reduced.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	The council is subject to national pay bargaining and the salary scales for officers are determined nationally. The council is subject to national pay bargaining, and terms and conditions.
9050	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	All Councillor expenses should be reduced/stopped. Allowances should be similarly treated.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	UK legislation sets out the regulations on what remuneration and type of expenses elected members are entitled to claim for. Information on elected members claims are regularly reported in an open and transparent manner.

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9051	An employee of West Lothian Council	1g. Workforce Arrangements	It will be the lowest paid workers within the council that are penalised	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	the Council is a living wage employer and staff on the lowest grades receive a living wage increment.
9052	No Response	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Again...great idea providing you look at all outcomes/effects of doing this?	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
9053	An employee of West Lothian Council	1g. Workforce Arrangements	ok if unions agree	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
9054	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	I am generally against reductions in staff's terms and conditions of employment. I would need to see detailed proposals to make any further comment.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	At this stage, detailed budget reduction measures have not been developed, therefore there is no specific information on how the savings will be achieved and the timescales for delivery. This will become clearer as the measures progress following the consultation process and approval of the council's budget strategy.
9055	An employee of West Lothian Council	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Encourage more flexible working-4 day working etc	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	The council already offers the opportunity for staff to apply for a reduced or flexible working week, subject to the needs of the service.
9056	No Response	1g. Workforce Arrangements	A more robust approach to sickness policy would be more appropriate than the talk of slashing over time and shift allowances. It is demoralising for a worker to read that a saving option could be to revert to shifts and also read that shift allowances will be one of the items looked at. The sickness policy is there for genuine cases and abused by many. A sensible approach to highlighting the staff who abuse the policy would save money and also increase the workforce.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The council actively manages all absences in terms of its sickness absence policy, which is subject to constant review, in consultation with the recognised trade unions, to ensure that it is fit for purpose.
9057	No Response	1g. Workforce Arrangements	As highlighted in many articles and programmes our pay increases have not been in line with growth in comparison to general costs. Often the staff who get pay enhancements are frontline and are paid at the lower end of the bandings. I think it is poor that these staff look to be the ones getting hit in the pocket again.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	The council is subject to national pay bargaining and the salary scales for officers are determined nationally. The council is subject to national pay bargaining, and terms and conditions. The council proposes to review pay enhancements and allowances to ensure that these continue to meet service requirements and are applied fairly and equitably whilst achieving value for money
9058	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Work commitments are about working to the best of your ability and using time to work !! There are many times that overtime is not required but it looks like an easy way of easing pressure on services to deliver within timescales. Staff need to look at their responsibilities in a more positive manner and respect the fact they have a job.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
9059	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Value for money is an easy term to use but a better criterion for delivery should be quality of service. Staffing cuts already mean slower response from Council officers and the rise of risk aversion and support from overworked officers.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
9060	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	No fixed term contracts - everyone should be permanent after a short time. Wastes money on recruitment and training.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	5c. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it is not consistent with the council's values and priorities.	The council regularly reviews the fixed term staff to identify any posts which should be made permanent.
9061	No Response	1g. Workforce Arrangements	How can you justify saying that you are committed to improving the employment rate in west lothian when you are currently employing most new staff on a fixed term basis, with a view to not renewing their contracts? You have stated that you WILL be reducing staff. With that in mind, are these two things not completely contradictory?	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	UK legislation sets out the regulations on what remuneration and type of expenses elected members are entitled to claim for. Information on elected members claims are regularly reported in an open and transparent manner.
9062	An employee of West Lothian Council	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Would it be possible to supplement work by having almost an apprenticeship-styled scheme?	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	The council already has a successful apprentice programme and a graduate programme.
9063	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Look higher up the chain of command for salary savings	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	The council is subject to national pay bargaining and the salary scales for officers are determined nationally. The council is subject to national pay bargaining, and terms and conditions.

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9064	An employee of West Lothian Council	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Hopefully employees, unions ad staff associations will be able to engage in a meaningful and legally compliant consultation when the detail of these proposals are announced - sorry -DAD (Decide/Announce/Defend). Presumably, all employees will ONLY be expected to work their contracted hours and that workloads will be managed so that they are realistic and can be delivered by each 1 FTE per week.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The proposed review of terms and conditions would seek to review the use of overtime, allowances and enhancements, whilst at the same time consider the rates payable when used.
9065	An employee of West Lothian Council	1g. Workforce Arrangements	It would be REALLY USEFUL if the council has a coherent and detailed workforce plan that details requirements for the future as part of this proposal (Remember: work force plan = numbers of staff along with the knowledge, skills expertise and qualifications required to deliver future services) - presumably this will be shared with unions and employees as part of the consultation on workforce arrangements.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	The Council has developed a Corporate Workforce Plan and Service specific workforce plans which monitor staffing requirements and ensure as far as possible that staffing complements and staff skills meet the service requirements.
9066	An employee of West Lothian Council	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Consider having only factor of 5x differential between lowest and highest paid WLC employees. e.g. lowest paid Â£10k annually => highest paid Â£50k annually. Consider alternative employment models - worker co-operatives (Bosch, JL partners etc.) or associates. Consider these along with removal of 'managers/supervisors - staff teams/cadres replacing the purpose (policing and enforcement) of managers and ensuring that all employees are demsnatrying concrete contribution to service delivery and that this contributes DIRECTLY to realisation of outcomes (and outputs).	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	The council is subject to national pay bargaining and the salary scales for officers are determined nationally. The council is subject to national pay bargaining, and terms and conditions.
9067	No Response	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Care should be taken that changes to overtime and allowances do not lead to a loss of valuable staff to the private sector through less competitive packages.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The proposed review of terms and conditions would seek to review the use of overtime, allowances and enhancements, whilst at the same time consider the rates payable when used.
9068	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Utilise community service for menial work. Make the criminals pay for their crime (local initiatives like littering and dog fouling clean-ups) and free up your workforce to do what is necessary.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	The criminal justice system and management of offenders is outwith the remit of West Lothian Council
9069	An employee of West Lothian Council	1g. Workforce Arrangements	A review of management at all levels should be carried out. Staff have left & not been replaced but the management levels remain the same! Staff are fewer, working harder, covering a wider variety of tasks.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	The council continually reviews the tiers of management and span of control across all service levels against a target 5 x 5 structure. This ensures that the council continues to operate with an effective and efficient managerial structure.
9070	An employee of West Lothian Council	1g. Workforce Arrangements	This makes sense but I do wonder if this could go further. As a relatively new member of staff in the Council, I do wonder if there is scope to evaluate, grade and then decide on staff cadres within areas of the Council - this does not always reduce productivity but can have a positive effect. There is also the obvious routes of inviting staff to volunteer for early severance with the Council being able to decide on the most cost effective outcomes from applicants.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	The council has a Early Retirement/Voluntary Severance scheme which is available to all employees subject to a suitable business case being submitted within the set affordability criteria.
9071	An employee of West Lothian Council	1g. Workforce Arrangements	More money could be saved by using performance management to cut staffing levels as there are a lot of staff in my department [Benefits Dept] who do not contribute as much to the team as they should do, there is also a high sickness rate but this does not get managed correctly.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	The council actively manages staff performance and takes steps to ensure that poor performance is addressed. The council has a number of systems and processes in place which support managers to monitor service performance and efficiency
9072	No Response	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Again this looks like an exercise in increased workloads and the removal of protected contractual rights for already overstretched staff. It may not be cost effective when WLC may well find itself in a position where services are ineffective or unavailable for extended periods when stress related sickness, caused by increased workloads on existing staff, increases.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposed review of terms and conditions would seek to review the use of overtime, allowances and enhancements, whilst at the same time consider the rates payable when used.
9073	No Response	1g. Workforce Arrangements	nonsense! Demoralisation. The work force are paid incredibly low! Incredulous asking lowest paid workers to take on even more responsibility.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposed review of terms and conditions would seek to review the use of overtime, allowances and enhancements, whilst at the same time consider the rates payable when used. The council is a living wage employer and staff on the lowest grades receive a

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9074	No Response	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Cutting staff is not the answer staff that are left doing double the work which then him will have an impact on the productivity and sickness will rise	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposed review of terms and conditions would seek to review the use of overtime, allowances and enhancements, whilst at the same time consider the rates payable when used. Any service restructure will be undertaken in accordance with the council organisational change policy and in consultation with the recognised trade unions. The Council has developed a Corporate Workforce Plan and Service specific workforce plans which monitor staffing requirements and ensure as far as possible that staffing complements and staff skills meet the service requirements.
9075	No Response	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Sickness policy could be redesigned to ensure that only serious illness leave is paid i.e first 2 days is unpaid this would reduce costs of sick pay.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	The council actively manages all absences in terms of its sickness absence policy, which is subject to constant review, in consultation with the recognised trade unions, to ensure that it is fit for purpose.
9076	No Response	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Important to get value for money from all staff , people not pulling their weight either not capable or not willing are costing the council money in all areas . It should be easier for managers to feel supported in dismissing such staff .Also good workers are not being recognised individually and often feel their efforts are measured only as a team therefor little incentive to perform.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council actively manages staff performance and takes steps to ensure that poor performance is addressed. The council has a number of systems and processes in place which support managers to monitor service performance and efficiency.
9077	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Staffing levels. Basically, when someone leaves they aren't replaced. Putting more pressure on those still working.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	The council has introduced improved workforce planning and greater coordination of vacant posts, fixed term appointments and employees who have been displaced through organisational change. The council is also reviewing the terms of the Redeployment Policy to offer greater opportunities for the redeployment of employees subject to suitable business need.
9078	An employee of West Lothian Council	1g. Workforce Arrangements	These people who will be out of employment should be placed somewhere else they could be used in the council.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	The council has introduced improved workforce planning and greater coordination of vacant posts, fixed term appointments and employees who have been displaced through organisational change. The council is also reviewing the terms of the Redeployment Policy to offer greater opportunities for the redeployment of employees subject to suitable business need.
9079	An employee of West Lothian Council	1g. Workforce Arrangements	There are definitely tasks that could be done more efficiently for a greater number of people at little additional cost or tasks that could be done over a wider area with little additional effort.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Experience has demonstrated that the council can deliver an more effective and cost effective service through the centralisation of generic tasks and use of technology with the retention of specialist provision within service. This model still allows the opportunity for staff to engage with council officers on a face to face basis at the most effective and convenient level.
9080	An employee of West Lothian Council	1g. Workforce Arrangements	If people are happy and supported by their management and employer they will attend work. If they feel worthless and just a number they won't go the extra.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Employees are the council's most important asset and the council will continue to invest in training and development of employees.
9081	No Response	1g. Workforce Arrangements	All of us are facing more financially difficult times. Everyone need to shoulder some of the burden. How about addressing pension contribution arrangements? I	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	Pension costs have been rebalanced through an increase in employee contributions, and further national cost management changes to the Local Government Pension Scheme.
9082	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Yep, get rid of some managers and you'll easily make that saving. Changing contracts will probably cost more in administration that what you'd save though.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council continually reviews the tiers of management and span of control across all service levels against a target 5 x 5 structure. This ensures that the council continues to operate with an effective and efficient managerial structure.

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9083	No Response	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Rectifying some of the extortionate wages and pensions.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	The council is subject to national pay bargaining and the salary scales for officers are determined nationally. The council is subject to national pay bargaining, and terms and conditions.
9084	No Response	1g. Workforce Arrangements	The overly generous pensions need addressed. Private sector workers have had to make this move. It's time the public sector did too. It is unaffordable. Some of the rates of pay being banded are extremely high for the function the staff serve.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	Pension costs have been rebalanced through an increase in employee contributions, and further national cost management changes to the Local Government Pension Scheme.
9085	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	I'd look at the sickness record of council employees and introduce a proper monitoring programme as I am sure the number of people on long term sick is far higher than it is in the private sector and this is unacceptable.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council actively manages all absences in terms of its sickness absence policy, which is subject to constant review, in consultation with the recognised trade unions, to ensure that it is fit for purpose.
9086	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Staff work under difficult and stressful conditions especially when short staffed, instead of paying overtime employ younger people who have good IT skills.h	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The proposed review of terms and conditions would seek to review the use of overtime, allowances and enhancements, whilst at the same time consider the rates payable when used. Employees are the council's most important asset and the council will continue to invest in training and development of employees.
9087	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Value for money is important but staff need to feel valued also, as long as transparency and communication are primary in any changes and staff are consulted about how the changes impact on their work.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Any service restructure will be undertaken in accordance with the council organisational change policy and in consultation with the recognised trade unions. The Council has developed a Corporate Workforce Plan and Service specific workforce plans which monitor staffing requirements and ensure as far as possible that staffing complements and staff skills meet the service requirements.
9088	An employee of West Lothian Council	1g. Workforce Arrangements	The Council should consider a complete rewrite of the sickness absence policy to save money. Instead of targeting staff who have a run of bad luck after years of excellent attendance you should remove payment for the first three days of any period of absence. This will reduce cost of cover and encourage staff not to go off sick for minor ailments.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	The council actively manages all absences in terms of its sickness absence policy, which is subject to constant review, in consultation with the recognised trade unions, to ensure that it is fit for purpose.
9089	An employee of West Lothian Council	1g. Workforce Arrangements	The Council should also review flexible / home working arrangements and move away from this dated approach of presenteeism. Staff can work effectively from home or in mobile manner. This will increase outputs and allow the Council to downsize property allocation.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	The council has an IT infrastructure which supports working from home and individuals working from various council sites throughout West Lothian. The opportunity to work on a mobile and flexible basis continues to be available to staff.
9090	An employee of West Lothian Council	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Change the sickness absence policy to enable managers to do telephone return to work and counselling meetings	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council actively manages all absences in terms of its sickness absence policy, which is subject to constant review, in consultation with the recognised trade unions, to ensure that it is fit for purpose.
9091	An employee of West Lothian Council	1g. Workforce Arrangements	You have cut the staff in the past causing the problem of working overtime to justify keeping the roles open to the public if you cut any more you will cause staff to become ill	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposed review of terms and conditions would seek to review the use of overtime, allowances and enhancements, whilst at the same time consider the rates payable when used.
9092	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	As long as there is finish staff to do work and paid at a fair wage.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The proposed review of terms and conditions would seek to review the use of overtime, allowances and enhancements, whilst at the same time consider the rates payable when used. Employees are the council's most important asset and the council will continue to invest in training and development of employees.
9093	No Response	1g. Workforce Arrangements	As long as the reduction is at the overpaid management level & not the lower paid staff.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council continually reviews the tiers of management and span of control across all service levels against a target 5 x 5 structure. This ensures that the council continues to operate with an effective and efficient managerial structure.

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9094	No Response	1g. Workforce Arrangements	You have to many bosses for the one job this would save money if you made cuts yourself	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council continually reviews the tiers of management and span of control across all service levels against a target 5 x 5 structure. This ensures that the council continues to operate with an effective and efficient managerial structure.
9095	An employee of West Lothian Council	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Change essential overtime arrangements to meet council targets will just result in people not working the hours needed to obtain the desired figures. Depending on the changes to terms and conditions dictates whether you maintain a happy workforce or one that works to rule!	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposed review of terms and conditions would seek to review the use of overtime, allowances and enhancements, whilst at the same time consider the rates payable when used.
9096	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	A bit late. everywhere else has completed changes to overtime pay etc not much savings.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The proposed review of terms and conditions would seek to review the use of overtime, allowances and enhancements, whilst at the same time consider the rates payable when used.
9097	An employee of West Lothian Council	1g. Workforce Arrangements	It has already been determined that the staff on temporary contracts will be entitled to apply for jobs within the new team and if displaced, have the same entitlements in relation to redeployment. There is concern however on a number of fronts not only for temporary staff but permanent staff also in relation to the terms and conditions of being placed on the redeployment list. Given the number of staff cuts across the council, realistically where are staff on the list going to be redeployed to.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	The council has introduced improved workforce planning and greater coordination of vacant posts, fixed term appointments and employees who have been displaced through organisational change. The council is also reviewing the terms of the Redeployment Policy to offer greater opportunities for the redeployment of employees subject to suitable business need.
9098	No Response	1g. Workforce Arrangements	I can't see how the council will reduce staffing costs without reducing staff. This saving seems to relate to removing overtime and/or allowances but surely we are not paying 1.4 million on these a year? If so, I'd question why we are having to budget this amount to achieve the work required. Also, this will impact IT Services who need to be able to work out of normal working hours to update technology and apply maintenance etc.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The proposed review of terms and conditions would seek to review the use of overtime, allowances and enhancements, whilst at the same time consider the rates payable when used.
9099	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	As long as people are paid what they worked for. Agency workers shouldnt be paid more than usual staff most importantly!!!	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	Where the council is required to engage agency staff to meet a gap in staffing complements, the rates of pay are determined by the contractual terms of the agreement with the agency. Agency staff do not receive holiday or sick pay.
9100	An employee of West Lothian Council	1g. Workforce Arrangements	i think this is long overdue.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
9101	An employee of West Lothian Council	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Cut back on so many temp contracts and ensure there is enough full time/ permanent staff to minimise these and locum workers. Ensure part time workers hours suit the service too. There are too many workers working part time and their hours are hard to fit the shift pattern etc. For example someone working 8 hour shifts on a 20 hour / 30 / 17 hour contract is harder to manage as their is a short fall of hours which means they make their hours up when they are not always needed.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council regularly reviews the fixed term staff to identify any posts which should be made permanent. Fixed term contracts will continue to be used where this is appropriate to manage temporary, fixed term service requirements. The council is required by law to consider requests for part time or flexible working, and will grant this where it meets the needs of the service.
9102	An employee of West Lothian Council	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Investigate long-term sickness.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	The council actively manages all absences in terms of its sickness absence policy, which is subject to constant review, in consultation with the recognised trade unions, to ensure that it is fit for purpose.
9103	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	All areas of the budget must be looked at and public services are no different from industry	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
9104	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	A more "private sector" view needs to be adopted generally as far as the workforce is concerned - the "protect the boys overtime" and "we have always done that" approach needs to be addressed and brought in line with accountable business models and responsibilities. An example would be - at a previous address I lived at - the buckets were emptied on a Saturday in overtime- - this wasn't a temporary measure until say an increase in the number of properties in the area increased - this has happened and - no surprise - the bin lorries still get the overtime!!	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The proposed review of terms and conditions would seek to review the use of overtime, allowances and enhancements, whilst at the same time consider the rates payable when used.

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9105	An employee of West Lothian Council	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Whilst I appreciate that savings in this area are necessary, consideration should be given to paying the solicitors more money in line with other local authorities (ours is Â£32k-Â£37k when others are advertising for Â£35k-Â£39k). I would be willing to look at a reduction in flexi by half a day per month for more money as quite a lot of my flexi is lost anyway due to the number of hours worked and I can't always take this due to the high level of work. Given the turnover on solicitors, I think great consideration should be had into reviewing this area to include bringing back senior solicitor roles to retain staff and avoid people leaving to go to promoted positions in other local authorities; it seems such a loss to put so much time into that solicitor building up knowledge and experience, as well as good relationships with clients to lose it when they leave. If this is not considered, recruitment costs in this regard will remain high. In addition, there are currently just over 2 posts down in litigation. As a result, high costs are being met by the Council in terms of outsourcing cases which the current team does not have capacity to take. In addition, given that there will likely be a need to go back to statutory delivery of services following this consultation, it is very likely to be the case that litigation will be more busy as a support department. In order to be able to provide a buffer and support the various departments which are going to be under immense pressure, we need to be strong to support them. Consideration should also be had to employing trainee solicitors, who would have a valuable support role to solicitors and who would be able to take forward more simple cases themselves with support.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your comment. Officers will consider how this could be developed. The council regularly reviews the provision of enabler and support services to ensure that they are able to support delivery of council services.
9106	An employee of West Lothian Council	1g. Workforce Arrangements	As mentioned above, better value for money could definitely be achieved if the top-heavy management structure was revised.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council continually reviews the tiers of management and span of control across all service levels against a target 5 x 5 structure. This ensures that the council continues to operate with an effective and efficient managerial structure.
9107	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Staff seem to be behind already on salary increases, perhaps t bonuses paid to council management needs to be reviewed first.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	The council is subject to national pay bargaining and the salary scales for officers are determined nationally. The council is subject to national pay bargaining, and terms and conditions.
9108	No Response	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Savings can always be made from the workforce as long as it starts at the top where the bigger savings can be made	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The proposed review of terms and conditions would seek to review the use of overtime, allowances and enhancements, whilst at the same time consider the rates payable when used.
9109	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	People should not be asked to do the same work for reduced pay.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposed review of terms and conditions would seek to review the use of overtime, allowances and enhancements, whilst at the same time consider the rates payable when used.
9110	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	You're cutting off your nose to spite your face with this. A lot of long serving staff will talk with their feet and you will be liable to pay thousands in pensions and lump sums.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Any service restructure will be undertaken in accordance with the council organisational change policy and in consultation with the recognised trade unions. The Council has developed a Corporate Workforce Plan and Service specific workforce plans which monitor staffing requirements and ensure as far as possible that staffing complements and staff skills meet the service requirements. Employees are the council's most important asset and the council will continue to invest in training and development of employees.
9111	An employee of West Lothian Council	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Would it be worthwhile looking at potential retirement packages in teaching especially for those staff looking to retire? If staff at the outset of their teaching career are used to replace said staff there is surely the potential for savings there as well as allowing those looking to leave the profession the opportunity to bow out at a time of their choosing	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	The council has a Early Retirement/Voluntary Severance scheme which is available to all employees subject to a suitable business case being submitted within the set affordability criteria.
9112	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	People deserve to be be paid well for the role they do. However efforts must also be secured to prevent people taking advantage of the system to generate overtime hours when the work could be completed within normal hours.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The proposed review of terms and conditions would seek to review the use of overtime, allowances and enhancements, whilst at the same time consider the rates payable when used.
9113	No Response	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Stop Council workers sitting in vehicles around the county doing absolutely nothing and hiding from superiors.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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9114	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	This may affect talent retention is people believe they will be rewarded better in the private sector.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposed review of terms and conditions would seek to review the use of overtime, allowances and enhancements, whilst at the same time consider the rates payable when used.
9115	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Please aim to pay "every" employee the National Living Wage, not the National Minimum Wage.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	the Council is a living wage employer and staff on the lowest grades receive a living wage increment.
9116	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Staffing costs. Paying people to work. When people take on a job at agreed rates of pay and a definition of the working conditions and scope of work only to have them summarily changed is surely fraudulent ? Changing pay enhancements and allowances, overtime arrangements and allowances is to ignore the responsibilities of an ethical employer. The council is effectively using the dreadful jobs market to force draconian changes on their staff.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposed review of terms and conditions would seek to review the use of overtime, allowances and enhancements, whilst at the same time consider the rates payable when used.
9117	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Councillors should look at their own status which seems to escape any review, rationalisation or streamlining and be ashamed of themselves with their attitude of self preservation at everyone else's expense. Local councillors are of course only some of the many political entities who survive on the backs of other people while purporting to be working for them. MSPs, MPs and MEPs and Peers added to local government give us five tiers of government who have structured the system to serve their own interests above those they govern. Not to forget the Civil Service feeding away in the background.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Councillors are bound by a Code of Conduct. The number of elected members is set by UK legislation which also sets out the regulations on what remuneration and type of expenses they are entitled to claim for. Information on elected members claims are regularly reported in an open and transparent manner.
9118	An employee of West Lothian Council	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Offer voluntary severance to Chartered Teachers. The cost of their salary, in some cases, is impacting negatively on individual school budgets.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	The council has a Early Retirement/Voluntary Severance scheme which is available to all employees subject to a suitable business case being submitted within the set affordability criteria.
9119	No Response	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Agree... but stop PFI contracts	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
9120	No Response	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Agree. but look at workforce spending and funding trips for Councillors on a Jolly!! and spending money on things like artefacts for museums.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	UK legislation sets out the regulations on what remuneration and type of expenses elected members are entitled to claim for. Information on elected members claims are regularly reported in an open and transparent manner.
9121	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	This will no doubt have an impact on the low paid council employees.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposed review of terms and conditions would seek to review the use of overtime, allowances and enhancements, whilst at the same time consider the rates payable when used. The council is a living wage employer and staff on the lowest grades receive a living wage subsidy.
9122	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Fire poor performers in the council. Do not recycle them into other areas.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council actively manages staff performance and takes steps to ensure that poor performance is addressed. The council has a number of systems and processes in place which support managers to monitor service performance and efficiency.
9123	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Agree this sounds like an area where change could represent savings. While this is the case as staff are one of the councils greatest assets this should be done as sensitively as possible using an evidence based approach	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council is subject to national pay bargaining and the salary scales for officers are determined nationally. The council is subject to national pay bargaining, and terms and conditions.
9124	An employee of West Lothian Council	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Shorten the length of time providers contracts run for in order to ensure we always have the best price, instead of running years paying double for things other companies could provide us at half the cost. Using Facilities Management as a prime example of how to save money, they have gone from one admin, two managers to 5 area managers, 5 area co ordinators, god only knows how many cleaning co ordinators and cook co ordinators in the last 12 years.Now given that most of them are running in pairs, using pool cars surely this is not a 2-man operation? Also given the spare time the co ordinators appear to have...it doesnt take a genius to work out where costs can be cut here.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	5b. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it is likely that the costs of this proposal would outweigh the benefit.	For all procurement exercises, cost is not the only consideration. Quality is also a factor which is considered during the evaluation. All council contracts are subject to competition through the relevant procurement processes to ensure value for money.
9125	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Agree the Council governance structure should change to be more effective, reflecting more of a private sector business model.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
9126	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	agree - as noted above proper performance management should ensure only valuable staff are retained.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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9127	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	You're all on db pensions. Virtually no one else is. Surely there's money that can be saved by bringing your pension policy to a dc scheme?	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	Pension costs have been rebalanced through an increase in employee contributions, and further national cost management changes to the Local Government Pension Scheme.
9128	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	This sounds sensible. Important to have unions/partnership involvement to have staff input at every stage so staff opinions are at centre of decisions.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The Council is consulting with staff , trade unions and stakeholders on the proposals.
9129	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	People must not lose out . This is a priority!	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The proposed review of terms and conditions would seek to review the use of overtime, allowances and enhancements, whilst at the same time consider the rates payable when used. The council is a living wage employer and staff on the lowest grades receive a living wage subsidy.
9130	An employee of West Lothian Council	1g. Workforce Arrangements	I would also like to add to the comments I am aware have been made by my colleagues regarding the sick absence payments which I feel need reviewed to stop payment for the first 3 days or even the first week of absence, this would of course need to consider implications for the staff who are justifiably absent with serious health issues. Regards	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council actively manages all absences in terms of its sickness absence policy, which is subject to constant review, in consultation with the recognised trade unions, to ensure that it is fit for purpose.
9131	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	This is down to the nitty-gritty. Almost inevitably the only ways for any Council to make savings is to either cut staff levels, cut services or raise taxes or a combination of all three. Once again I hope that the Council handles it sensitively with no compulsory redundancies and that the bulk of these will be by voluntary redundancy or natural wastage.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has been able to delivery significant budget reductions in the last 10 years without the requirement for compulsory redundancies. The scale of the further reductions required over the next five years will be challenging and the council will seek to use the existing range of workforce management and organisational change policies to deliver the required reductions in staffing numbers.
9132	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Sounds sensible if workload and changes to wages will not stress employees	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The proposed review of terms and conditions would seek to review the use of overtime, allowances and enhancements, whilst at the same time consider the rates payable when used. The council is a living wage employer and staff on the lowest grades receive a living wage subsidy.
9133	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Make all council workers work an honest eight hour day.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	The proposed review of terms and conditions would seek to review the use of overtime, allowances and enhancements, whilst at the same time consider the rates payable when used. The council is a living wage employer and staff on the lowest grades receive a living wage subsidy.
9134	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Salary freeze same as the civil service endured. I bet that would realise substantial savings from West Lothian's biggest employer.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	The council is subject to national pay bargaining and the salary scales for officers are determined nationally. The council is subject to national pay bargaining, and terms and conditions.
9135	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	. Councillor expenses - unknown but I'm sure there would be savings there. merge constituencies and reduce the number of Councillors.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The number of elected members is set by UK legislation which also sets out the regulations on what remuneration and type of expenses they are entitled to claim for. Information on elected members claims are regularly reported in an open and transparent manner.
9136	No Response	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Introducing a redundancy policy again will allow people to leave and thus free up significant sums. There will be large numbers of staff who will willingly take redundancy if the package is good.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	The council has a Early Retirement/Voluntary Severance scheme which is available to all employees subject to a suitable business case being submitted within the set affordability criteria.
9137	No Response	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Whilst staffing can be costly there is no doubt that the fantastic outcomes and services that West Lothian Council delivers could not be achieved without the largely dedicated and motivated staff many services have. I would comment that many council employees work on a flexi system restricted to 8am and 6pm - increasing these flexi hours to say 7am to 7pm or beyond, and allowing more flexible use of the flexi system e.g. on agreement with line manager more than 1.5 days flexi leave in any period, would allow WLC to deliver the same, if not enhanced, services to communities whilst having a lower spend on overtime. E.g. evening work could be done under flexi time rather than paid at an enhanced overtime rate. Introducing more flexibility to the flexi system would allow staff and managers to meet demand at a lower cost to the council.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Officers will consider how this can be developed.

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9138	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Workforce should be lean but we should be careful that we have enough staff to provide the services needed.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The proposed review of terms and conditions would seek to review the use of overtime, allowances and enhancements, whilst at the same time consider the rates payable when used. The council is a living wage employer and staff on the lowest grades receive a living wage subsidy.
9139	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	1g. Workforce Arrangements	What does this saving mean? Again we have insufficient information relating to the specifics of this saving to make an informed decision on who this will affect and how. Has an equality impact assessment been completed for this saving.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	The proposed review of terms and conditions would seek to review the use of overtime, allowances and enhancements, whilst at the same time consider the rates payable when used. The council is a living wage employer and staff on the lowest grades receive a living wage subsidy. Equality Impact assessment will be completed in terms of all proposals which are to be developed into savings measures.
9140	No Response	1g. Workforce Arrangements	It is never nice to hear of people losing their jobs but the council is already stretched in terms of staff across many departments. This is mostly due to sickness where policies can be easily abused in its current state. I believe if this would reviewed the workforce would be at a higher level actually at work and thus more productive.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council actively manages all absences in terms of its sickness absence policy, which is subject to constant review, in consultation with the recognised trade unions, to ensure that it is fit for purpose.
9141	No Response	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Will this mean voluntary redundancies .	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	The council has been able to delivery significant budget reductions in the last 10 years without the requirement for compulsory redundancies. The scale of the further reductions required over the next five years will be challenging and the council will seek to use the existing range of workforce management and organisational change policies to deliver the required reductions in staffing numbers.
9142	An employee of West Lothian Council	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Again this is inevitable however those who provide the front line services in often very difficult circumstances should be properly rewarded through appropriate remuneration.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The proposed review of terms and conditions would seek to review the use of overtime, allowances and enhancements, whilst at the same time consider the rates payable when used. The council is a living wage employer and staff on the lowest grades receive a living wage subsidy.
9143	No Response	1g. Workforce Arrangements	I think that more money should be spent on generous staffing.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposed review of terms and conditions would seek to review the use of overtime, allowances and enhancements, whilst at the same time consider the rates payable when used. The council is a living wage employer and staff on the lowest grades receive a living wage subsidy.
9144	An employee of West Lothian Council	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Sickness Absence is costly to WLC. I propose that the SA Policy is reviewed to give management more discretion (without discriminating) to apply discretion as to whether employees get 6 months full pay (long term absence) or/and remove full payment for short term absence. This will save money on those who abuse the system and where WLC have to pay overtime to deliver statutory services.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council actively manages all absences in terms of its sickness absence policy, which is subject to constant review, in consultation with the recognised trade unions, to ensure that it is fit for purpose.
9145	An employee of West Lothian Council	1g. Workforce Arrangements	. Also feel the councils policy on still receiving holiday entitlement when on sick leave is a lot of money wasted as staff abuse this and are on long term sick leave and then come back and have calculated their annual leave and often leave service short staffed. Term time contracts avoid this as she are not actualy paid for holidays your salary is done pro rata so you receive a monthly salary.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council actively manages all absences in terms of its sickness absence policy, which is subject to constant review, in consultation with the recognised trade unions, to ensure that it is fit for purpose.
9146	An employee of West Lothian Council	1g. Workforce Arrangements	The council will loose its quality of services when it begins to cut the hours put into running services Is the private sector going to be a better option for public services ????	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposed review of terms and conditions would seek to review the use of overtime, allowances and enhancements, whilst at the same time consider the rates payable when used. The council is a living wage employer and staff on the lowest grades receive a living wage subsidy.
9147	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	What is the level of sickness among staff in the council and what is staff turnover - can these be improved?	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	The council actively manages all absences in terms of its sickness absence policy, which is subject to constant review, in consultation with the recognised trade unions, to ensure that it is fit for purpose.

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9148	An employee of West Lothian Council	1g. Workforce Arrangements	There are people within the council who have a high paying job for the sake of it. Roles should be revised so that people are working for their money.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The proposed review of terms and conditions would seek to review the use of overtime, allowances and enhancements, whilst at the same time consider the rates payable when used. The council is a living wage employer and staff on the lowest grades receive a living wage subsidy.
9149	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	This is where most of the savings can be made, the management of staff both in house and out in the field is totally unacceptable. One example 3 men one truck loaded with two tractor grass mowers take one full day to cut an area of grass that should be done in 1 - 2 hour. This is where all the money has gone - get this sorted and you are home and dry	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council continually reviews the tiers of management and span of control across all service levels against a target 5 x 5 structure. This ensures that the council continues to operate with an effective and efficient managerial structure.
9150	No Response	1g. Workforce Arrangements	The problem here is always fear and lack of morale. Approach the problem from the other end. What would make the workforce more efficient and effective then reward it commensurately. Change will need to be properly managed.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposed review of terms and conditions would seek to review the use of overtime, allowances and enhancements, whilst at the same time consider the rates payable when used. The council is a living wage employer and staff on the lowest grades receive a living wage subsidy.
9151	No Response	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Those in the highest positions will remain grossly overpaid and you will continue to squeeze more from those on the lower end of the salary scale for even less return. Increased unemployment and poverty - how does that make for a better West Lothian? A perfect example is the combined salary of the team responsible for this consultation.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposed review of terms and conditions would seek to review the use of overtime, allowances and enhancements, whilst at the same time consider the rates payable when used. The council is a living wage employer and staff on the lowest grades receive a living wage subsidy.
9152	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	I think times have changed and it us rare for alot of large companies to offer overtime or double time anymore... most workers have to take time in lieu or are paid basic rate as with Sunday trading laws changing so did staff contracts.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The proposed review of terms and conditions would seek to review the use of overtime, allowances and enhancements, whilst at the same time consider the rates payable when used.
9153	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Reduce bonuses, outsource more work	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The proposed review of terms and conditions would seek to review the use of overtime, allowances and enhancements, whilst at the same time consider the rates payable when used. The council is a living wage employer and staff on the lowest grades receive a living wage subsidy. The council is not proposing to increase outsourced work as experience shows that this can generally be delivered more effectively by in-house provision.
9154	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	To many mangers for departments	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	The council continually reviews the tiers of management and span of control across all service levels against a target 5 x 5 structure. This ensures that the council continues to operate with an effective and efficient managerial structure.
9155	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Will be cheaper cutting corners u will lose valued staff and put people into fiancial difficulties where they will need financial Help does not make sense	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposed review of terms and conditions would seek to review the use of overtime, allowances and enhancements, whilst at the same time consider the rates payable when used.
9156	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	SAVE MONEY BY: No meal vouchers for councilors.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	UK legislation sets out the regulations on what remuneration and type of expenses elected members are entitled to claim for. Information on elected members claims are regularly reported in an open and transparent manner.
9157	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	SAVE MONEY BY: No one else gets paid for meal breaks!	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	The council is subject to national pay bargaining and the salary scales and terms for officers are determined nationally.
9158	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	SAVE MONEY BY: No contractor on day rate contracts.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	The council will continue to use internal services to deliver services. The Council engages external contractors where required for specialist works. This approach will continue to ensure best value use of resources available within the council.
9159	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	As long as this has no negative impact on ones income it's a good idea.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The proposed review of terms and conditions would seek to review the use of overtime, allowances and enhancements, whilst at the same time consider the rates payable when used.

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9160	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	It sounds as though there may be staff cuts? I would not agree with that. However more efficient use of current staff would be positive.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council has been able to delivery significant budget reductions in the last 10 years without the requirement for compulsory redundancies. The scale of the further reductions required over the next five years will be challenging and the council will seek to use the existing range of workforce management and organisational change policies to deliver the required reductions in staffing numbers.
9161	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Stop hiring expensive day rate contractors. For next 5 years have no day rate contractors hired by the Council. If they must be used stop using recruitment agencies. Freeze all but essential staff training for those directly involved in service delivery (e.g. teachers, nursery nurses, Social Workers, etc.). What business functions can you place offshore or outsource within the UK?	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council will continue to use internal services to deliver services. The Council engages external contractors where required for specialist works. This approach will continue to ensure best value use of resources available within the council.
9162	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Poor thinking. Why why keep trimming staff numbers, and not looking at generating more income.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council will review all opportunities to generate more income from delivery of council services.
9163	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	As with any business and sadly this is how our government sees it..terms and conditions always need revised. If only they did this at higher government levels also we would be saving more. Who would u pay privately more money to? Someone who could save your life/help your child talk/ read etc or someone who decided how your taxes are spent. I applaud local powers of decision making but cuts are cuts and it's appalling.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
9164	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Review individuals in each role to ensure productive.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council actively manages staff performance and takes steps to ensure that poor performance is addressed. The council has a number of systems and processes in place which support managers to monitor service performance and efficiency
9165	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	cut the managers down and save more money.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council continually reviews the tiers of management and span of control across all service levels against a target 5 x 5 structure. This ensures that the council continues to operate with an effective and efficient managerial structure.
9166	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	There has been a lot of consolidation of council services I don't see how further consolidation will work. Putting extra responsibility onto existing staff and then reducing staff or not replacing them when they leave will only see an increase in stress in the workplace and time off due to sickness. Which leads to bad customer service. Mistakes being made, work not being completed.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Experience has demonstrated that the council can deliver an more effective and cost effective service through the centralisation of generic tasks and use of technology with the retention of specialist provision within service. This model still allows the opportunity for staff to engage with council officers on a face to face basis at the most effective and convenient level.
9167	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	The Council would probably make bigger savings by catching the staff they have at the moment hiding behing buildings when they should be working! or visiting their "mates" when they should be working. The amount of man hours lost with council workers skiving is shocking. Just today I witnessed two men sleeping in their council van behind the chemist in Whitburn just after 9am!	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
9168	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Reduce and cut from the top, including ludicrous councillors expenses.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	UK legislation sets out the regulations on what remuneration and type of expenses elected members are entitled to claim for. Information on elected members claims are regularly reported in an open and transparent manner.
9169	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Weed out ineffective and inefficient management	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	The council actively manages staff performance and takes steps to ensure that poor performance is addressed. The council has a number of systems and processes in place which support managers to monitor service performance and efficiency
9170	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Staff are your most important asset. Uncertainty will cause stress and sickness may increase. Sickness policy is not fit for purpose as staff when faced with stage 1 appear to be staying off for 6 months? It would be nice to see the comparison of sickness levels with the previous policy and the current policy If staff jobs were kept I am sure that they would accept that pay increase are not appropriate. Keep staff rather than pay rises	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Experience has demonstrated that the council can deliver an more effective and cost effective service through the centralisation of generic tasks and use of technology with the retention of specialist provision within service. This model still allows the opportunity for staff to engage with council officers on a face to face basis at the most effective and convenient level.

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9171	An employee of West Lothian Council	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Only if people are not put under stress and it is fair to certain circumstances people have, like illnesses, disabilities and the support is still their however it's done.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The proposed review of terms and conditions would seek to review the use of overtime, allowances and enhancements, whilst at the same time consider the rates payable when used. The council will continue to meet its obligations in terms of Equalities legislation and will continue to support and develop staff.
9172	An employee of West Lothian Council	1g. Workforce Arrangements	great but only if there is other opportunities in employment and support in other authorities and councils. The council needs to think hard on employees skills and qualifications.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has introduced improved workforce planning and greater coordination of vacant posts, fixed term appointments and employees who have been displaced through organisational change. The council is also reviewing the terms of the Redeployment Policy to offer greater opportunities for the redeployment of employees subject to suitable business need.
9173	No Response	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Although reducing staff seems like a saving it puts the burden of those particular tasks on to others who are less able to provide the service they are supposed to be working with and is therefore false economy.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Experience has demonstrated that the council can deliver a more effective and cost effective service through the centralisation of generic tasks and use of technology with the retention of specialist provision within service. This model still allows the opportunity for staff to engage with council officers on a face to face basis at the most effective and convenient level.
9174	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Fair pay, streamline middle to top management,,, focus on more ground level services,,,,	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council continually reviews the tiers of management and span of control across all service levels against a target 5 x 5 structure. This ensures that the council continues to operate with an effective and efficient managerial structure.
9175	No Response	1g. Workforce Arrangements	No argument with this, however as an employee of the council I fear that I will lose my job or take on additional duties for no extra reward in a job where I have already taken on a number of additional duties due to efficiency savings over the last few years, so I'm either going to be unemployed or stressed / overworked.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Experience has demonstrated that the council can deliver a more effective and cost effective service through the centralisation of generic tasks and use of technology with the retention of specialist provision within service. This model still allows the opportunity for staff to engage with council officers on a face to face basis at the most effective and convenient level.
9176	No Response	1g. Workforce Arrangements	all unions should be consulted on any changes	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	The council is consulting with staff and trade unions on the proposals.
9177	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Concerned that if downsizing that this will have a detrimental health and well being effect on staff that are expected to do more than presently undertaking.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Experience has demonstrated that the council can deliver a more effective and cost effective service through the centralisation of generic tasks and use of technology with the retention of specialist provision within service. Employees are the council's most important asset and the council will continue to invest in training and development of employees.
9178	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	I find that time/motion studies can be a useful tool in identifying inefficiencies. Also "5S" or "6Sigma" are effective in streamlining processes. Be mindful that introducing said practices by external sources may result in costs which may exceed overall savings and further "streamlining" actions may be necessary.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council's internal performance and improvement team support review of council services using LEAN processes.
9179	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	WLC should seek to reduce staffing costs wherever possible. It seems prudent that internal administration and management tasks, such as HR, are shared with other councils and public authorities to achieve efficiency savings. Where possible, the council should seek to offer professional services to other councils or businesses to further monetise existing services.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has an existing shared service agreement with South Lanarkshire Council for a shared IT data centre and will continue to develop opportunities for further shared service arrangements with other public bodies. The council is also progressing with West Lothian College the provision of shared services opportunities across a range of service areas.

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9180	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Strongly agree al other sectors are being targeted Council should be leading be example. There should be no need for overtime the working week should be aligned to meet needs and changed to suit seasonal demands. Enhancements and any allowances should be stopped as majority of private sector staff live on a salary with no perks. Percentage paid to pensions should be increased by the staff and the amount put in by council should be reduced. Police Scotland staff pay 14.5% off their salary with NO payment from other sources why should Council staff be treated different	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	The proposed review of terms and conditions would seek to review the use of overtime, allowances and enhancements, whilst at the same time consider the rates payable when used.
9181	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Time in Lieu should be the norm, and not overtime. Flexible working is more efficient. Expenses need to be examined and challenged in some cases. Staff sickness levels are too high, and this should be addressed properly.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The proposed review of terms and conditions would seek to review the use of overtime, allowances and enhancements, whilst at the same time consider the rates payable when used. The council actively manages all absences in terms of its sickness absence policy, which is subject to constant review, in consultation with the recognised trade unions, to ensure that it is fit for purpose
9182	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	I feel the council has bowed to the unions for too long, On looking at the council staffing structure it seems to be top heavy. I work in the commercial sector and our business regularly puts departments through consultation to changes hours/contracts. I see no reason why the council should not do the same	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council continually reviews the tiers of management and span of control across all service levels against a target 5 x 5 structure. This ensures that the council continues to operate with an effective and efficient managerial structure.
9183	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	This appears to be a necessary evil.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
9184	No Response	1g. Workforce Arrangements	How about cutting those on big salaries?	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council continually reviews the tiers of management and span of control across all service levels against a target 5 x 5 structure. This ensures that the council continues to operate with an effective and efficient managerial structure. The council is subject to national pay bargaining and the salary scales for officers are determined nationally.
9185	An employee of West Lothian Council	1g. Workforce Arrangements	We must be careful not to burn out staff without providing adequate recompense for their activities. If there is no benefit to doing things and taking on extra responsibility, people will not do so - leaving massive gaps in our middle and upper levels of management.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposed review of terms and conditions would seek to review the use of overtime, allowances and enhancements, whilst at the same time consider the rates payable when used.
9186	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	If shift allowance is part of a contract of work, it would be unfair to remove it. It will cause a lot of ill feeling from staff who get shift allowance because they work unsociable hours. Staff have stuck with WLC through previous reorganisations etc and their salaries should not be compromised.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposed review of terms and conditions would seek to review the use of overtime, allowances and enhancements, whilst at the same time consider the rates payable when used.
9187	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Can foresee a lot of training required for staff to be fully competent at delivering digital services. In the move towards digital, should there not also be a move toward working from home for council workers especially if the contact with the customer is only digital, This would be another way to reduce overheads. And what provision will there be for that section of the community that won't do digital or cannot do digital.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	The council has an IT infrastructure which supports working from home and individuals working from various council sites throughout West Lothian. The opportunity to work on a mobile and flexible basis continues to be available to staff.
9188	An employee of West Lothian Council	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Without staff you might as well shut up shop. As stated earlier WLC has a fantastic multi skilled workforce that go above and beyond what is expected of them. Coupled with the fact that their wages have dropped in real terms over the past 8 years it is a testament to their commitment to their job and to the residents of West Lothian. The current services are running on next to no staff at all. Or is that the plan???	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposed review of terms and conditions would seek to review the use of overtime, allowances and enhancements, whilst at the same time consider the rates payable when used.
9189	An employee of West Lothian Council	1g. Workforce Arrangements	See above re staff supporting members, restructure and cuts could be made here as has happened on the officers part of the council for years.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	5c. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it is not consistent with the council's values and priorities.	The Council is required to provide efficient and effective support for elective members and has reviewed the staffing complement to ensure that it is as efficient as possible whilst still providing appropriate support.
9190	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Disagree. Performance improvement measures will provide best value. Reward the right staff for the jobs done properly. Agree that you lose those under performing or lacking skills.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council actively manages staff performance and takes steps to ensure that poor performance is addressed. The council has a number of systems and processes in place which support managers to monitor service performance and efficiency
9191	An employee of West Lothian Council	1g. Workforce Arrangements	I think people are already doing more for less so if we are letting staff go they should be given the redundancy package they deserve instead of being put on a redeployment list and then terminated at the end. It is a way of getting out of paying redundancy - again making staff feel undervalued.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	The council has a Early Retirement/Voluntary Severance scheme which is available to all employees subject to a suitable business case being submitted within the set affordability criteria.

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9192	An employee of West Lothian Council	1g. Workforce Arrangements	changes need to be made but worried about own future with W.L.C	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has been able to delivery significant budget reductions in the last 10 years without the requirement for compulsory redundancies. The scale of the further reductions required over the next five years will be challenging and the council will seek to use the existing range of workforce management and organisational change policies to deliver the required reductions in staffing numbers.
9193	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	A councils purpose is to provide services for its population, a reduction in staffing levels has to be controlled and appropriate to maintain those service provisions. no compulsory redundancies, reductions should be from natural wastage	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has been able to delivery significant budget reductions in the last 10 years without the requirement for compulsory redundancies. The scale of the further reductions required over the next five years will be challenging and the council will seek to use the existing range of workforce management and organisational change policies to deliver the required reductions in staffing numbers.
9194	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	In a modern council there must be room for improvement by creating flatter management structures.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council continually reviews the tiers of management and span of control across all service levels against a target 5 x 5 structure. This ensures that the council continues to operate with an effective and efficient managerial structure.
9195	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Reduce hierarchy all round in every council division.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council continually reviews the tiers of management and span of control across all service levels against a target 5 x 5 structure. This ensures that the council continues to operate with an effective and efficient managerial structure.
9196	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Money wastef paying council workers to sit in vans and on lawnmowers drinking tea and reading the paper	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
9197	No Response	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Expenses should also be trimmed by only paying for the cheapest option available. E.g using public transport where available	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council's green travel policy includes a travel hierarchy which requires staff to consider the most cost effective and efficient mode of transport. .All of the council's main office buildings in the main towns and villages in West Lothian have facilities for mobile and flexible working which can be booked through the room booking system. In addition, staff who undertake mobile and flexible working have access to IT technology to facilitate this and to support remote attendance at meetings
9198	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Think you need to target much more than Â£1.4m. Certain elements of your workforce are taking the pi**	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
9199	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	The coucil already pay enhanced rates as a local employer in the private sector I have to pay what the market can afford and thatâ€™s in most case Â£7.50 per hour for everything overtime weekends the lot! The fact that you get a better hourly rate working for the coucil and better holidays etc is just inefficient, the coucil like private business must cut there cloth according and spend within its means. This is something I 100% support. The saying goes is enjoy it when times are good but when times are hard everyone shares the pain! Why should coucil workers continue to get good terms and pay when everyone else losses out and businesses hit with rates rises to pay for these good rates and terms have to pay people off and only one set or group of people suffer.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The proposed review of terms and conditions would seek to review the use of overtime, allowances and enhancements, whilst at the same time consider the rates payable when used.
9200	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	I have not yet had a good interaction with the council. I find the staff lazy and unhelpful. They are uncaring and lack basic knowledge.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
9201	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	I would suggest you review management, particularly senior management structure and pay before looking at lower levels as you will be able to make greater savings in this area	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	5c. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it is not consistent with the council's values and priorities.	The council continually reviews the tiers of management and span of control across all service levels against a target 5 x 5 structure. This ensures that the council continues to operate with an effective and efficient managerial structure.

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9202	No Response	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Staff have not had a wage increase which meets the growth or rate of inflation for years now.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	The council is subject to national pay bargaining and the salary scales for officers are determined nationally. The council is subject to national pay bargaining, and terms and conditions.
9203	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Savings need to respect the work being done and the importance of paying for unsocial hours and for the care sector. I am concerned that the council are saving money by making their staff poorer.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposed review of terms and conditions would seek to review the use of overtime, allowances and enhancements, whilst at the same time consider the rates payable when used.
9204	No Response	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Look at the top of the tree pays etc first don't squeeze the lowest paid on the council	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	The council is subject to national pay bargaining and the salary scales for officers are determined nationally. The council is subject to national pay bargaining, and terms and conditions.
9205	No Response	1g. Workforce Arrangements	What a laugh. Cant even pay support staff back pay .every other coucil pays it.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
9206	No Response	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Why is it only manual wor kersey whof seem to bear the brunt while folk at the top get job description so changed to get higher salaries and end of service enhancements	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	The proposed review of terms and conditions would seek to review the use of overtime, allowances and enhancements, whilst at the same time consider the rates payable when used.
9207	An employee of West Lothian Council	1g. Workforce Arrangements	need to support staff to do what is required and not as they want or have always done. Likely to further increase absence which needs to be factored in.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposed review of terms and conditions would seek to review the use of overtime, allowances and enhancements, whilst at the same time consider the rates payable when used.
9208	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Get rid of the employees who hide in their vans til it's clocking off time.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	The council actively manages staff performance and takes steps to ensure that poor performance is addressed. The council has a number of systems and processes in place which support managers to monitor service performance and efficiency
9209	An employee of West Lothian Council	1g. Workforce Arrangements	A review of internal policies may be a better are to focus attention. Managers and services should be allowed to take into account the larger picture when dealing with people who are off long term sick every other year or people who use special leave provisions as additional annual leave. Abuse of the policies is widespread and this not only comes at a huge cost to the council but also puts pressure on dedicated staff and reduces morale within teams.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council actively manages all absences in terms of its sickness absence policy, which is subject to constant review, in consultation with the recognised trade unions, to ensure that it is fit for purpose.
9210	An employee of West Lothian Council	1g. Workforce Arrangements	I would hope that services hit hardest through the DBO process will be less of target this time round. That said, the figures that need to be saved will mean a radical overhaul to service structures or provisions.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council is consulting on the priorities in respect of which resources should be focused going forward. Savings proposals related to staffing reductions shall be developed to ensure that the council continues to deliver on the identified priorities.
9211	An employee of West Lothian Council	1g. Workforce Arrangements	A concern of mine would be around the council's no redundancy policy. With such drastic staffing reductions likely, redeployment of staff will surely be impossible as there quite simply won't be the jobs needing filled. I would hope this policy would be reviewed and that savings that can be made at the earliest opportunity are put in place.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has been able to delivery significant budget reductions in the last 10 years without the requirement for compulsory redundancies. The scale of the further reductions required over the next five years will be challenging and the council will seek to use the existing range of workforce management and organisational change policies to deliver the required reductions in staffing numbers.
9212	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	This should be the subject of perioic review as a matter of good management pratcice.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
9213	An employee of West Lothian Council	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Agree. There should also be more flexibility regarding home working/hot desking for staff to reduce office space.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has an IT infrastructure which supports working from home and individuals working from various council sites throughout West Lothian. The opportunity to work on a mobile and flexible basis continues to be available to staff.
9214	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Many a time I have seen council employees sitting in there vans for hours smoking and eating and drinking maybe if they actually worked instead of sitting around for so long. This is not all employees but some of them.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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9215	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Reduce the Quango organisations that are not directly run by paid staff but drain council resources. Too many boards and committees all taking an income for meeting up and pushing information around without actually achieving anything. Single Outcome Agreement,	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	The council's Standing Orders and scheme of delegation are regularly reviewed to ensure that decisions are taken at appropriate levels and within the terms of the relevant legislation.
9216	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Also reduce the working week to save money - 4 day week or just less hours subject to business needs	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	The council offers opportunity to work flexible hours where this supports the needs of the service. The proposed review of terms and conditions would seek to review the use of overtime, allowances and enhancements, whilst at the same time consider the rates payable when used.
9217	An employee of West Lothian Council	1g. Workforce Arrangements	This has been an area where the council has shied away from in the past due to fear of upsetting the workforce. As a member of staff I would rather we looked at these things, which I'm sure are abused in some areas of the council, than have to lose more jobs. With the reduced funding, we either have to do these things which will impact on a few or find that we don't have a job anymore. I know what I would prefer.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The proposed review of terms and conditions would seek to review the use of overtime, allowances and enhancements, whilst at the same time consider the rates payable when used. The council is a living wage employer and staff on the lowest grades receive a living wage subsidy.
9218	An employee of West Lothian Council	1g. Workforce Arrangements	In relation to staffing costs perhaps a review should be taken of the highest salary earners. Would they be willing to take a salary drop and changes to their terms and conditions? Review the no redundancy policy.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	The council is subject to national pay bargaining and the salary scales for officers are determined nationally. The council is subject to national pay bargaining, and terms and conditions.
9219	No Response	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Introduce more stringent absence policy. I don't know any other organisation that allows such repetitive absenteeism.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	The council actively manages all absences in terms of its sickness absence policy, which is subject to constant review, in consultation with the recognised trade unions, to ensure that it is fit for purpose.
9220	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	More management of out of office workers ie tradesmen is required as well. We have lost count of how many times council vans sit behind our house idling away the hours...how many hours of lost labour is that?	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	The council has a number of systems and processes in place which are essential to enable the council to monitor and report employee performance and efficiency.
9221	No Response	1g. Workforce Arrangements	will this include top level bonuses ??	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	The proposed review of terms and conditions would seek to review the use of overtime, allowances and enhancements, whilst at the same time consider the rates payable when used. The council is a living wage employer and staff on the lowest grades receive a living wage subsidy.
9222	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Huge scope to get rid of high earners in non jobs across all councils, bottomless pit of savings here. Parallel universe of pension packages for over 57,s going on in Councils€™s	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	The council continually reviews the tiers of management and span of control across all service levels against a target 5 x 5 structure. This ensures that the council continues to operate with an effective and efficient managerial structure.
9223	An employee of West Lothian Council	1g. Workforce Arrangements	What about the jobs such as Education Officers and Heads of Service - do they maximise their time efficiently to justify such a huge salary?	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
9224	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	There are over 20 councillors who last year earned a total of £800000. Some overlap at meetings, some turn up for 5 minutes to get a photograph taken, some attend functions - bridge openings, school openings etc etc. Less party political and more working together for the greater good of the county. With labour in administration is it true they get extra £3000 for being on committees? What qualifications do they have to deal with education or planning. Accountability is important. It's our money. I don't want any cuts to services, refuse collectors, land management people, etc. Jobs need kept.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	UK legislation sets out the regulations on what remuneration and type of expenses elected members are entitled to claim for. Information on elected members claims are regularly reported in an open and transparent manner.
9225	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Have you agreed this with the relevant Unions?	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	The council is consulting with Trades Unions on the proposals.
9226	No Response	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Too many council employees are witnessed sitting in lorries and vans for long periods of the day. Fuel is wasted while they return to their depot for lunch breaks. Parks dept staff are issued with expensive wet weather gear so why can they not work when it is raining.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	The council actively manages staff performance and takes steps to ensure that poor performance is addressed. The council has a number of systems and processes in place which support managers to monitor service performance and efficiency

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9227	No Response	1g. Workforce Arrangements	I believe the workforce should not suffer from any changes and cutbacks	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposed review of terms and conditions would seek to review the use of overtime, allowances and enhancements, whilst at the same time consider the rates payable when used. The council is a living wage employer and staff on the lowest grades receive a living wage subsidy.
9228	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Carry out internal reviews of your staffing levels , dont waste money on outside agencies to provide the detail . have a team created to work its way through each division identifying opportunities . Drive this with KPI's but without adding to workload	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	The council has established a team of dedicated officers to review the savings proposals. The team will support the review and analysis of all opportunities to deliver savings.
9229	An employee of West Lothian Council	1g. Workforce Arrangements	provided it doesn't have massive service impact agree. But staff are already demoralised, so taking more money off them may make this worse.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposed review of terms and conditions would seek to review the use of overtime, allowances and enhancements, whilst at the same time consider the rates payable when used. The council is a living wage employer and staff on the lowest grades receive a living wage subsidy.
9230	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	How will staff morale be maintained?	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposed review of terms and conditions would seek to review the use of overtime, allowances and enhancements, whilst at the same time consider the rates payable when used. The council is a living wage employer and staff on the lowest grades receive a living wage subsidy.
9231	An employee of West Lothian Council	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Staff have endured a pay freeze and very minimal pay rises over the last 10 years, while the cost of living keeps rising. I think a small pay rise each year is necessary for staff moral.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	The council is subject to national pay bargaining and the salary scales for officers are determined nationally. The council is subject to national pay bargaining, and terms and conditions.
9232	An employee of West Lothian Council	1g. Workforce Arrangements	The sickness policy is already so tight that staff stress about getting sick. if this is stretched any further you will have staff being disciplined for any kind of sickness whatsoever.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposed review of terms and conditions would seek to review the use of overtime, allowances and enhancements, whilst at the same time consider the rates payable when used. The council actively manages all absences in terms of its sickness absence policy, which is subject to constant review, in consultation with the recognised trade unions, to ensure that it is fit for purpose
9233	An employee of West Lothian Council	1g. Workforce Arrangements	The council operates a no compulsory redundancy policy. Will this change? Staff who are no longer required in their current role will be added to the redeployment list. Where do we go from there as there will be no other posts available??	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	The council has been able to delivery significant budget reductions in the last 10 years without the requirement for compulsory redundancies. The scale of the further reductions required over the next five years will be challenging and the council will seek to use the existing range of workforce management and organisational change policies to deliver the required reductions in staffing numbers. The council has introduced improved workforce planning and greater coordination of vacant posts, fixed term appointments and employees who have been displaced through organisational change. The council is also reviewing the terms of the Redeployment Policy to offer greater opportunities for the redeployment of employees subject to suitable business need.
9234	An employee of West Lothian Council	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Teams are already pushed to limits with limited staff and an older staff population leaving with no one brought in for their place. Teams are struggling especially "teams" where one person takes on a large workload with no support or help such as having one contaminated land officer with an increasing workload but no more support to do it.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposed review of terms and conditions would seek to review the use of overtime, allowances and enhancements, whilst at the same time consider the rates payable when used. The council is a living wage employer and staff on the lowest grades receive a living wage subsidy.
9235	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Service standards could be reviewed to ensure that services can be delivered without the need to incur overtime costs.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The proposed review of terms and conditions would seek to review the use of overtime, allowances and enhancements, whilst at the same time consider the rates payable when used. The council is a living wage employer and staff on the lowest grades receive a living wage subsidy.

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9236	No Response	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Easy way to cut money - look at wages - in a time where wage increases are below inflation - it's just the right thing to do by a caring Council.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	The council is subject to national pay bargaining and the salary scales for officers are determined nationally. The council is subject to national pay bargaining, and terms and conditions.
9237	An employee of West Lothian Council	1g. Workforce Arrangements	I would not stop pay rises for council staff, the public sector have always been hit the hardest in terms of pay.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	The council is subject to national pay bargaining and the salary scales for officers are determined nationally. The council is subject to national pay bargaining, and terms and conditions.
9238	An employee of West Lothian Council	1g. Workforce Arrangements	some staff may wish to be made redundant - ask for voluntary redundancies to reduce costs	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	The council has a Early Retirement/Voluntary Severance scheme which is available to all employees subject to a suitable business case being submitted within the set affordability criteria.
9239	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	I feel that if these savings do not in any way constitute job losses, it should be ok going forward.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The proposed review of terms and conditions would seek to review the use of overtime, allowances and enhancements, whilst at the same time consider the rates payable when used. The council is a living wage employer and staff on the lowest grades receive a living wage subsidy.
9240	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	As long as there is no forced redundancies.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has been able to delivery significant budget reductions in the last 10 years without the requirement for compulsory redundancies. The scale of the further reductions required over the next five years will be challenging and the council will seek to use the existing range of workforce management and organisational change policies to deliver the required reductions in staffing numbers.
9241	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	I think the Council Staff are currently overworked and an easy target. You will find Staff moving to other Employers who treat them better. You may end up with a Council with no Staff - great value for money	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposed review of terms and conditions would seek to review the use of overtime, allowances and enhancements, whilst at the same time consider the rates payable when used. The council is a living wage employer and staff on the lowest grades receive a living wage subsidy.
9242	An employee of West Lothian Council	1g. Workforce Arrangements	The HR policies need to be reconsidered. There are substantial allowances that the private sector do not provide i.e Special Leave for Care of ill dependents, time off to attend hospital appointments, discounted sickness leave during pregnancy etc. Although they were introduced in good faith I feel that some of them encourage staff to take time off work rather than use their holidays. The annual and flexi leave provision is already generous and there is also the addition of 7 public holidays per year. Consideration to reduce the flexi entitlement to one day per period would assist in staffing resource. Although the trade unions are pushing for higher pay increases I personally would prefer to stay on the same salary if it would protect posts. The public perception of the council manual workforce is not a good one and I think that this needs to be addressed as to the output compared to the costs that are incurred.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The proposed review of terms and conditions would seek to review the use of overtime, allowances and enhancements, whilst at the same time consider the rates payable when used. The council is a living wage employer and staff on the lowest grades receive a living wage subsidy.
9243	An employee of West Lothian Council	1g. Workforce Arrangements	I think this review is long overdue. There remains too much unfair inconsistency in how different services (and even teams within services) are managed and treated in terms of overtime.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
9244	An employee of West Lothian Council	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Flexible working within the council should be looked at in a more financially beneficial way. It is often seen as a perk or only put in place if someone requests it for childcare etc, however a more fundamental look at flexible and remote working could potentially bring about significant savings. Closing a building for a half-day or having staff work from home or another council location on a certain day can both benefit the employee and make savings. This should be looked at purely from a financial savings perspective rather than a family friendly one (although the end result may meet both requirements).	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	The council has workforce management policies which allow consideration of flexible working arrangements. Opportunities to expand use of these approaches will be investigated. The council has an IT infrastructure which supports working from home and individuals working from various council sites throughout West Lothian. The opportunity to work on a mobile and flexible basis continues to be available to staff.

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9245	No Response	1g. Workforce Arrangements	A large number of roles are currently filled by unpaid volunteers that is saving the council thousands of pounds.also the average council worker has not or had very little pay increases over the years.therefore it must be councillors and top-level managers that are costing the council these high costs.it would be obvious then that these roles are the first to be looked at and cut saving a huge amount.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	The council is subject to national pay bargaining and the salary scales for officers are determined nationally. The council is subject to national pay bargaining, and terms and conditions. The council continually reviews the tiers of management and span of control across all service levels against a target 5 x 5 structure. This ensures that the council continues to operate with an effective and efficient managerial structure.
9246	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Are the costs being of employees being managed properly at the moment?? The ammount of times you see council vans parked up while driving around the county with the men inside doing nothing makes you wonder.On a regular basis there are four coucil vans parked overnight and over the weekend in the street I live who controls these vans and how the employees use them	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
9247	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Pay cuts to low paid staff?	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	The proposed review of terms and conditions would seek to review the use of overtime, allowances and enhancements, whilst at the same time consider the rates payable when used. The council is a living wage employer and staff on the lowest grades receive a living wage subsidy. The council is a living wage employer.
9248	An employee of West Lothian Council	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Long overdue. The current terms and conditions do not incentivise those individuals who continually perform well, meet outcomes and provide good service to the council, whereas others who may be problematic and are repeatedly off work for significant periods (leaving others to pick up with their work in their absence) receive the same remuneration.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The proposed review of terms and conditions would seek to review the use of overtime, allowances and enhancements, whilst at the same time consider the rates payable when used. The council is a living wage employer and staff on the lowest grades receive a living wage subsidy.
9249	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	This sounds like staff cuts - not sure how the council can deliver good services if you cut staff further.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposed review of terms and conditions would seek to review the use of overtime, allowances and enhancements, whilst at the same time consider the rates payable when used. The council is a living wage employer and staff on the lowest grades receive a living wage subsidy.
9250	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	I support this proposal. I work elsewhere in the public sector; all of us have to accept the reality that either terms and conditions change, or more jobs will go.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The proposed review of terms and conditions would seek to review the use of overtime, allowances and enhancements, whilst at the same time consider the rates payable when used. The council is a living wage employer and staff on the lowest grades receive a living wage subsidy.
9251	An employee of West Lothian Council	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Unfortunately, public sector is getting more and more difficult to work for due to poor terms and conditions/lack of rewards.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposed review of terms and conditions would seek to review the use of overtime, allowances and enhancements, whilst at the same time consider the rates payable when used. The council is a living wage employer and staff on the lowest grades receive a living wage subsidy.
9252	No Response	1g. Workforce Arrangements	As an employee I would be concerned that if these proposal were implemented and estimated savings of Â£1.4 million not reached, the review of terms and conditions would be extended to all staff working for the Council, e.g. reviewing pay scales.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council is subject to national pay bargaining and the salary scales for officers are determined nationally. The council is subject to national pay bargaining, and terms and conditions.
9253	An employee of West Lothian Council	1g. Workforce Arrangements	I am appalled that the Council (you) have even added this question. How can you consider it is acceptable that members of the public should be consulted on Council staff's terms and conditions. This is a Council, COSLA, Union, Employee agreement!	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	The proposed review of terms and conditions would seek to review the use of overtime, allowances and enhancements, whilst at the same time consider the rates payable when used. The council is a living wage employer and staff on the lowest grades receive a living wage subsidy.
9254	An employee of West Lothian Council	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Look at the out of hours service and providing a make safe option. In conjunction with a review of shift patterns for staff to do the work. Stop the 9 day fortnight at Building services - It is only beneficial to staff on this condition and not useful for others or customers - It also means that work is reduced every Friday and will impact on service delivery, customer satisfaction and costs (work not getting done and passed onto out of hours.) introduce time management. Introduce price work. This would ensure competitive rates and reduce staffing levels	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The proposed review of terms and conditions would seek to review the use of overtime, allowances and enhancements, whilst at the same time consider the rates payable when used. The council is a living wage employer and staff on the lowest grades receive a living wage subsidy.

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9255	An employee of West Lothian Council	1g. Workforce Arrangements	This also isn't very clear. Again though I'd stress that the impact of all this on the wellbeing of staff needs to be properly considered.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
9256	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	I think that the value (not just monetary) delivered and created by your staff is the key issue. Do they feel ownership? How empowered are they? Are they encouraged to think creatively? Salaries are what show in the accounts, but that is only half the picture. (If that.) And can you draw further on their knowledge, experience and expertise? (There are stories about plants being thrown out because there is no-one to plant them, and machinery being binned rather than repaired for example - would better communication across departments help?) It sometimes feels that the accountants are driving the strategy. Really it should be the other way round.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	The proposed review of terms and conditions would seek to review the use of overtime, allowances and enhancements, whilst at the same time consider the rates payable when used. The council is a living wage employer and staff on the lowest grades receive a living wage subsidy.
9257	An employee of West Lothian Council	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Offer redundancies for older members of the workforce or flexible working or part time working.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	The council has a Early Retirement/Voluntary Severance scheme which is available to all employees subject to a suitable business case being submitted within the set affordability criteria.
9258	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	All staff over £50,000 should not receive a pay increase for 4 years & staff over £80,000 should take a 1% pay cut each year for 4 years	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	The council is subject to national pay bargaining and the salary scales for officers are determined nationally.
9259	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	All these consultation fees must be adding up, at least the consultants jobs are safe.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Council officers have developed all savings proposals. The council has not employed any consultants to develop savings proposals
9260	An employee of West Lothian Council	1g. Workforce Arrangements	This will impact the quality of good staffing and services.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposed review of terms and conditions would seek to review the use of overtime, allowances and enhancements, whilst at the same time consider the rates payable when used. The council is a living wage employer and staff on the lowest grades receive a living wage subsidy.
9261	An employee of West Lothian Council	1g. Workforce Arrangements	not enough information to comment. Staff are already not earning that much more than 10 years ago, short term contracts seems to be the norm, already we don't get paid overtime.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	The proposed review of terms and conditions would seek to review the use of overtime, allowances and enhancements, whilst at the same time consider the rates payable when used. The council is a living wage employer and staff on the lowest grades receive a living wage subsidy.
9262	An employee of West Lothian Council	1g. Workforce Arrangements	I think it is almost impossible not to consider looking at the payment of shift allowance in some services as it does not seem to be consistent throughout the council.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The proposed review of terms and conditions would seek to review the use of overtime, allowances and enhancements, whilst at the same time consider the rates payable when used. The council is a living wage employer and staff on the lowest grades receive a living wage subsidy.
9263	An employee of West Lothian Council	1g. Workforce Arrangements	As a member of Council staff we have not had pay increases in line with the cost of living for many years and now there is also the proposed increase to Council tax. This feels like we receive our increase in one hand and give out more with the other.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council is subject to national pay bargaining and the salary scales for officers are determined nationally. The council is subject to national pay bargaining, and terms and conditions.
9264	An employee of West Lothian Council	1g. Workforce Arrangements	These savings should come from management roles and a restriction in the amount of hours some employees are doing at present.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	The council continually reviews the tiers of management and span of control across all service levels against a target 5 x 5 structure. This ensures that the council continues to operate with an effective and efficient managerial structure.
9265	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	It is appropriate that staffing is the largest proportion of the councils budget. We are the face of the council at ground level.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposed review of terms and conditions would seek to review the use of overtime, allowances and enhancements, whilst at the same time consider the rates payable when used. The council is a living wage employer and staff on the lowest grades receive a living wage subsidy.
9266	An employee of West Lothian Council	1g. Workforce Arrangements	WLC have already a staff shortage amongst front line staff and all enhancements and overtime is paid to staff who work longer hours and at weekends. Being short staffed leads to stress amongst staff.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposed review of terms and conditions would seek to review the use of overtime, allowances and enhancements, whilst at the same time consider the rates payable when used. The council is a living wage employer and staff on the lowest grades receive a living wage subsidy.

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9267	An employee of West Lothian Council	1g. Workforce Arrangements	If you cut too many staff and reduce the workforce too much then mistakes will happen	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Any service restructure will be undertaken in accordance with the council organisational change policy and in consultation with the recognised trade unions. The Council has developed a Corporate Workforce Plan and Service specific workforce plans which monitor staffing requirements and ensure as far as possible that staffing complements and staff skills meet the service requirements.
9268	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	So eroding the terms and conditions of already hard pressed and put upon staff is seen as a fair and equitable way of making up the budget shortfall? A fantastic way to engage staff and bolster flagging morale!	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposed review of terms and conditions would seek to review the use of overtime, allowances and enhancements, whilst at the same time consider the rates payable when used. The council is a living wage employer and staff on the lowest grades receive a living wage subsidy.
9269	No Response	1g. Workforce Arrangements	As an employee of WLC I already feel staff that stay in the county are already being hit with the budget gap in our private lives and do not feel we need another cut on top of that in our workplace/wages.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposed review of terms and conditions would seek to review the use of overtime, allowances and enhancements, whilst at the same time consider the rates payable when used. The council is a living wage employer and staff on the lowest grades receive a living wage subsidy.
9270	An employee of West Lothian Council	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Staff have already endured 10yrs worth of real time wage cuts and are running at a bare minimum.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	The council is subject to national pay bargaining and the salary scales for officers are determined nationally. The council is subject to national pay bargaining, and terms and conditions. The proposed review of terms and conditions would seek to review the use of overtime, allowances and enhancements, whilst at the same time consider the rates payable when used. The council is a living wage employer and staff on the lowest grades receive a living wage subsidy.
9271	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	biggest savings to be made would be in the management side, too many middle, middle managers	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	The council continually reviews the tiers of management and span of control across all service levels against a target 5 x 5 structure. This ensures that the council continues to operate with an effective and efficient managerial structure.
9272	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	morale is already low and taking pennies from hard working employees is not way forward , save money from the top of tree before pinching from already poorly paid employees .	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council is subject to national pay bargaining and the salary scales for officers are determined nationally. The proposed review of terms and conditions would seek to review the use of overtime, allowances and enhancements, whilst at the same time consider the rates payable when used. The council is a living wage employer and staff on the lowest grades receive a living wage subsidy.
9273	An employee of West Lothian Council	1g. Workforce Arrangements	I think that by allowing people a greater flexibility in their work patterns would allow for this ie some staff are able to be on worksmart patterns but this is not rolled out across the council, by allowing people to be more flexible in how they make up their working day would reduce overtime.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	The council has workforce management policies which allow consideration of flexible working arrangements. Opportunities to expand use of these approaches will be investigated.
9274	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Should be reviwed for staff at all levels of the organisation.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
9275	No Response	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Fine as long as equality is ensured and staff receive an actual LIVING wage.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council is an accredited living wage employer.
9276	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	1g. Workforce Arrangements	All staff do wonderful jobs and deserve to be treated fairly	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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9277	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Reducing staff pay, whether actual or through allowances flies in the face of the councils own strategies and stated aims of reducing poverty and improving employment.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council is subject to national pay bargaining and the salary scales for officers are determined nationally. The proposed review of terms and conditions would seek to review the use of overtime, allowances and enhancements, whilst at the same time consider the rates payable when used. The council is a living wage employer and staff on the lowest grades receive a living wage subsidy.
9278	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	I'd say to provide fair remuneration, but make sure that work done is scrutinized so that it is performed efficiently and effectively. Consider more competitive attractive pay deals alongside the powers to remove underperformers from the organisation, fairly.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The proposed review of terms and conditions would seek to review the use of overtime, allowances and enhancements, whilst at the same time consider the rates payable when used. The council is a living wage employer and staff on the lowest grades receive a living wage subsidy.
9279	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Staffing costs should be taken into account when balancing the books, and the profit that is made by private companies should go to funding staff costs rather than the tax payers paying for it, as the council covering staff costs encourages management and the higher ups in the organisations raising their own salaries rather than those who need it. Cuts should be made here.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	The council is subject to national pay bargaining and the salary scales for officers are determined nationally
9280	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	This could help people in these kinds of situations.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
9281	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Introduce more focus on performance related pay. Appraise people on their performance and relate their pay increase to this. Instead of standard pay rises.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	The council is subject to national pay bargaining and the salary scales for officers are determined nationally. The council has a number of systems and processes in place which are essential to enable the council to monitor and report service performance and efficiency.
9282	No Response	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Fixed term contracts should be reviewed as people have been on these for years. Ending fixed term contracts and reducing the workforce would stop forced redundancy and costs of redundancy.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	UK legislation sets out the regulations on what remuneration and type of expenses elected members are entitled to claim for. Information on elected members claims are regularly reported in an open and transparent manner.
9283	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Consistent with private sector.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
9284	An employee of West Lothian Council	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Staff shortages in key frontline services are an issue due to posts being left unfilled and also high levels of absence. The council must revise the absence policy - which is being "flexed" by some members of staff to a ridiculous level. Their colleagues tire of having to cover for these repeat offenders who work the policy to their advantage and always seem to take the maximum number of days before a trigger hits. Staff with genuine absence are not being supported properly as so much time is spent on people who take the maximum days off and special leave off a year. I think staff absence should be measured over a longer period than 12 months.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council actively manages all absences in terms of its sickness absence policy, which is subject to constant review, in consultation with the recognised trade unions, to ensure that it is fit for purpose.
9285	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	If people retire do not bring them back as consultants. Employ new people. Do not pay for consultants employ and train	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council will continue to use internal services to deliver services. The Council engages external contractors where required for specialist works. This approach will continue to ensure best value use of resources available within the council. The council is required to consider applications for retirement in accordance with the appropriate legislation.
9286	No Response	1g. Workforce Arrangements	It is not from the bottom staff that there needs to be cuts and changes as there has already been significant cuts by not replacing staff when other staff members leaving. Staff working with minimum staffing levels has also reduced costs. Services are running at the minute with low staff. There should be cuts to the management levels within WLC, there does not need to be team leaders and neighbourhood managers and also service development officers. Chief Executive salary should be cut to make savings. There is too many levels of management.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council continually reviews the tiers of management and span of control across all service levels against a target 5 x 5 structure. This ensures that the council continues to operate with an effective and efficient managerial structure.

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9287	No Response	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Do we need all 3 chief execs - and does the chief exec really need to earn over £100k a year???? The middle management needs to be looked at - there are far too many middle managers - too many layers in WLC.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	The council continually reviews the tiers of management and span of control across all service levels against a target 5 x 5 structure. This ensures that the council continues to operate with an effective and efficient managerial structure. The council is subject to national pay bargaining and the salary scales for officers are determined nationally.
9288	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	How will WLC be benchmarking the different areas of staff packages, workload and hours?	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council regularly benchmarks terms and conditions with the other Scottish Local Authorities.
9289	No Response	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Vacancies should be filled internally where possible.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	The council has introduced improved workforce planning and greater coordination of vacant posts, fixed term appointments and employees who have been displaced through organisational change. The council is also reviewing the terms of the Redeployment Policy to offer greater opportunities for the redeployment of employees subject to suitable business need.
9290	An employee of West Lothian Council	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Any changes should be fair and proportionate, ideally with a period of adjustment or applied only to new contracts. Perhaps a more flexible approach to flexible working should be considered to get the best out of staff, particularly if allowances etc are under consideration.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Any service restructure will be undertaken in accordance with the council organisational change policy and in consultation with the recognised trade unions. The Council has developed a Corporate Workforce Plan and Service specific workforce plans which monitor staffing requirements and ensure as far as possible that staffing complements and staff skills meet the service requirements. The council has a flexible working policy and staff can request to work reduced hours, where this meets the needs of the service.
9291	No Response	1g. Workforce Arrangements	This is a matter for agreement with Trade Unions and my concern is that disagreement here will lead to strike action and massive disruption to services	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	The council is consulting with Trades Unions on the proposals.
9292	An employee of West Lothian Council	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Reduce bank holidays to 6 per year with an extra day of annual leave instead.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Officers will consider how this can be developed.
9293	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Community Consultation is vital at each step in the process! Individual communities should be able to stand up and voice their concerns about changes to services, some which may become irreversible. Employment is key to all proposals, the more people in good, well paid jobs equals rent being paid back into the local authority, council tax being paid, money being spent locally within the area. All this will generate revenue to keep our services. We have to invest now in our futures as the past 10 years have been shambolic due to an SNP administration that froze council tax to buy their way into power. They should have concentrated on the day job. We have gone from being UK Council of the year in 2006 to this. Cut backs. We need investment in encouraging businesses to have confidence in West Lothian. We need people in good jobs that in turn will spend money locally. We need the education back to where it once was. We need crime free streets, better health for young and old. We need to move with the times and get the fundamentals right. Our towns and villages are suffering as well. The infrastructure needs looked at. Once we were proud to walk around. The cut backs to roads and NETS is unnecessary. If it means increasing the council tax then so be it. Lack of investment now means we will all suffer later in life.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	The council is consulting with staff, residents, trade unions and community groups and stakeholders on the proposals.
9294	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Something every other company has to do so absolutely the council should do this too. Get rid of unproductive staff.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The proposed review of terms and conditions would seek to review the use of overtime, allowances and enhancements, whilst at the same time consider the rates payable when used. The council is a living wage employer and staff on the lowest grades receive a living wage subsidy.
9295	No Response	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Staff production rates must be improved, there should be better procedures for identifying incompetence and for sacking if necessary.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has a number of systems and processes in place which are essential to enable the council to monitor and report employee performance and efficiency.

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9296	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	A pitifully small saving on a wage bill of about Â£320 million. Include this in 1a.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
9297	No Response	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Again are these cuts putting too much workload/pressure on already maxed out staff members?	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The proposed review of terms and conditions would seek to review the use of overtime, allowances and enhancements, whilst at the same time consider the rates payable when used. The council is a living wage employer and staff on the lowest grades receive a living wage subsidy.
9298	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Having had 2 family members work in local council I believe that there is a degree of inefficiency. While a very nice perk, things like flexi-time with hours being built up for extra days off are maybe a luxury which cannot be sustained in these difficult times.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
9299	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Although this would not be a popular choice by employees, if this can be accommodated in a well thought out way without detriment to statutory services it appears to be a realistic saving.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
9300	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Restructure - have your people take ownership and stop bowing to â€œpolitical corectnessâ€™	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
9301	No Response	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Hope this will not mean the Council will stop it's support of the Living Wage which helps to end poverty in working people.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council is an accredited living wage employer.
9302	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	How can you expect people to work for less, another joke.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposed review of terms and conditions would seek to review the use of overtime, allowances and enhancements, whilst at the same time consider the rates payable when used. The council is a living wage employer and staff on the lowest grades receive a living wage subsidy.
9303	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	The only savings in staffing costs should be in getting rid of upper management who get paid far too much.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	5b. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it is likely that the costs of this proposal would outweigh the benefit.	The council continually reviews the tiers of management and span of control across all service levels against a target 5 x 5 structure. This ensures that the council continues to operate with an effective and efficient managerial structure.
9304	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Has the council considered compulsory redundancies, and does it have a compulsory redundancy policy?	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has been able to delivery significant budget reductions in the last 10 years without the requirement for compulsory redundancies. The scale of the further reductions required over the next five years will be challenging and the council will seek to use the existing range of workforce management and organisational change policies to deliver the required reductions in staffing numbers.
9305	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	There should be no changes to the existing! Salaries and terms/conditions should be improved!	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council is subject to national pay bargaining and the salary scales for officers are determined nationally. The council is subject to national pay bargaining, and terms and conditions.
9306	No Response	1g. Workforce Arrangements	I think the council is to top heavy with management also some of the staff could do with an intensive customer service course as most especially in the housing department are rude and obnoxious. Also the lack of accountability within the council is terrible	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	5b. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it is likely that the costs of this proposal would outweigh the benefit.	The council continually reviews the tiers of management and span of control across all service levels against a target 5 x 5 structure. This ensures that the council continues to operate with an effective and efficient managerial structure.
9307	An employee of West Lothian Council	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Agree although no compulsory redundancies.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has been able to delivery significant budget reductions in the last 10 years without the requirement for compulsory redundancies. The scale of the further reductions required over the next five years will be challenging and the council will seek to use the existing range of workforce management and organisational change policies to deliver the required reductions in staffing numbers.
9308	No Response	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Agree that the Council needs to review this area. Making arrangements more flexible and equal across the board would also sit better with the majority of staff knowing everyone is being treated the same.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The proposed review of terms and conditions would seek to review the use of overtime, allowances and enhancements, whilst at the same time consider the rates payable when used. The council is a living wage employer and staff on the lowest grades receive a living wage subsidy.

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9309	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	More flexibility should be given to public holiday - e.g. Easter Monday etc. Why do you not introduce a scheme where staff could buy extra holidays if need be? Let people who are not happy in the Council go - they only affect the good & hard working staff.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Officers will consider how this can be developed.
9310	An employee of West Lothian Council	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Non essential services should be a mon-fri operation to save pay enhancements, many of the staff who currently must work weekends would prefer this too.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Officers will consider how this can be developed.
9311	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Like any organisation faced with reducing its overheads, maximising the voluntary route first before any forced changes are tabled would allow those staff that wish to leave do so and facilitate either a replacement at a lower staffing level or consumed within the organisation as a saving if the business need allows.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has a Early Retirement/Voluntary Severance scheme which is available to all employees subject to a suitable business case being submitted within the set affordability criteria.
9312	An employee of West Lothian Council	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Although a review of terms and conditions may be required WLC should ensure that this does not prevent them from recruiting and retaining staff as some of these terms and conditions are the only reason that people join councils as often the salary scales are out of line with the private sector - time served trades people Maybe a more relevant review would be off internal policies and procedures. The sickness absence policy is often abused and is clear to see that some individuals take a long period of sick every second year. This is not only a huge cost to the council but can be demoralising for other staff and can have a knock on effect on other employees health due to increased workloads and so on	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council actively manages all absences in terms of its sickness absence policy, which is subject to constant review, in consultation with the recognised trade unions, to ensure that it is fit for purpose.
9313	No Response	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Look at the executives pay before looking at the people who actually work their backsides off for a pittance of what the executives do who spend the majority of the day on their backsides in suits	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	The council is subject to national pay bargaining and the salary scales for officers are determined nationally. The council is subject to national pay bargaining, and terms and conditions.
9314	An employee of West Lothian Council	1g. Workforce Arrangements	This particular proposal is particularly vague with regard to reviewing staff terms, allowances etc. Are you referring to flexi time? If so, this is the only perk some staff have in an otherwise oppressive workplace so it would seem foolish to remove this.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	The proposed review of terms and conditions would seek to review the use of overtime, allowances and enhancements, whilst at the same time consider the rates payable when used. The council has no proposals to remove the flexi scheme.
9315	No Response	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Through not giving staff pay rises the council has engineered very low morale amongst the employees and further streamlining can only make it worse so think again.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council is subject to national pay bargaining and the salary scales for officers are determined nationally. The council is subject to national pay bargaining, and terms and conditions.
9316	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	This should only be put forward with a clear benchmarking of other Local Authority Terms & Conditions. The current status, post Single Status, is a totally unsatisfactory mix of old Red/Green Book conditions and WL specific arrangements. A clearly standardises system should be applied across the council, backed up by comparisons with other Local Authorities to reduce the likelihood of strike actions, which given the bulk of those paid enhancements are within frontline operational services is a considerable risk.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The proposed review of terms and conditions would seek to review the use of overtime, allowances and enhancements, whilst at the same time consider the rates payable when used. The council regularly benchmarks terms and conditions with other Scottish Local Authorities.
9317	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	A change of view on true mobile working and home working should be taken at a senior level to reduce the waste of time and effort that is taken traveling between locations within and outwith West Lothian. It is proven that productivity improves in business where this approach is taken as opposed to a culture of presenteeism which is old fashioned, not in line with digital transformation, and not in customers best interests (as they would rather contact the council outside of the 9-5 for many services.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	The council has an IT infrastructure which supports working from home and individuals working from various council sites throughout West Lothian. The opportunity to work on a mobile and flexible basis continues to be available to staff.
9318	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	The workforce are already underpaid, so a cut in staffing costs is unlikely to allow the same level of service to be delivered. Care must be taken to ensure that any changes are discussed and agreed with the workforce to avoid risk of industrial action, which would negate any savings.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The proposed review of terms and conditions would seek to review the use of overtime, allowances and enhancements, whilst at the same time consider the rates payable when used. Any proposed changes will be discussed and consulted upon with staff and trade unions.
9319	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	I think the effectiveness of decision making process needs a complete overhaul to enable the council and stakeholders to work in a far more agile way. The 'treacle' we go through to make things happen must be costing a fortune. If the structures and roles are changed but not the environment in which these new roles operate this will be a wasted effort in my experience.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	The council's Standing Orders and scheme of delegation are regularly reviewed to ensure that decisions are taken within the terms of the relevant legislation.
9320	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Remember staff are people with commitments. Goodwill only goes so far and in my experience is diminishing with every saving. We live in a society dependent on people spending as retail is the main employer. Reduced spending power of staff will negatively impact on the local economy. So far many of your savings look as if they will increase staff responsibility if not their workload and then you will in effect decrease their income. A moral dilemma?	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	The proposed review of terms and conditions would seek to review the use of overtime, allowances and enhancements, whilst at the same time consider the rates payable when used.

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9321	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Presumably workforce structure will reflect finalised priorities as approved by Council.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The workforce structure will focus on delivery of the priorities as approved by Council.
9322	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Pointless trying to get a job with the council as they are all fixed term now. Who wants that?	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	UK legislation sets out the regulations on what remuneration and type of expenses elected members are entitled to claim for. Information on elected members claims are regularly reported in an open and transparent manner.
9323	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Concerns over pay for staff on lower grades. An increase of 1% is minimal on a low wage in comparison to 1% for those in top managerial positions isn't good enough. There should be a greater pay increase for those on lower grades who are struggling	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	The council is subject to national pay bargaining and the salary scales for officers are determined nationally. The council is subject to national pay bargaining, and terms and conditions. The council is a living wage employer and staff on lowest grades receive a living wage allowance.
9324	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Staff salaries being reduced? This will be at the bottom end of the pay scale where staff undoubtedly find it extremely hard to budget in terms of mortgage, rent and food bills. Can top management be asked to take a cut in salary? Can staff salaries on the bottom scales get the pay increase with top managers refusing the salary increase. Frontline staff are generally those who experience the most stress	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	The proposed review of terms and conditions would seek to review the use of overtime, allowances and enhancements, whilst at the same time consider the rates payable when used. The council is subject to national pay bargaining and the salary scales for officers are determined nationally. The council is subject to national pay bargaining, and terms and conditions.
9325	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Good luck to you since the unions will be there but of course nobody is ever sacked in the public sector - mores the pity.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
9326	No Response	1g. Workforce Arrangements	All managers should spend part of their week in face to face client contact.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	5b. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it is likely that the costs of this proposal would outweigh the benefit.	Managers are tasked with strategic
9327	No Response	1g. Workforce Arrangements	The use of private business consultants should be banned.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council will continue to use council staff to undertake service delivery with the use of external contractors where required for specialist works. This approach will continue to ensure best value use of resources available within the council.
9328	No Response	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Staff should be encouraged to engage in additional voluntary work - most already do but it's unacknowledged. Senior managers should lead by example and have agree to a pay reduction.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	The council is subject to national pay bargaining and the salary scales for officers are determined nationally.
9329	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	I agree for the guys who sit in the vans, most days. I watch them park up vans, just to head out in cars to god knows where, then back in the vans after a few hours. What are they up too? Private jobs, the councils answer to that is the vans are tracked!!! But the van never moves, its on the job but the worker isn't.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
9330	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	It is my understanding that the council pays all staff their calculated living wage - Â£8.15 or abouts. This is way too generous for under 18s. Most young people working part time are getting minimum wage, but at council run cafes they are being paid twice that (min wage for under 18s is Â£4.05).	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	The council is subject to national pay bargaining and the salary scales for officers are determined nationally. The council is subject to national pay bargaining, and terms and conditions. The council is a living wage employer and staff on lowest grades re
9331	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	No compulsory redundancies should be made.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	The council has been able to delivery significant budget reductions in the last 10 years without the requirement for compulsory redundancies. The scale of the further reductions required over the next five years will be challenging and the council will seek to use the existing range of workforce management and organisational change policies to deliver the required reductions in staffing numbers.

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9332	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Again no compulsory redundancies.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	The council has been able to delivery significant budget reductions in the last 10 years without the requirement for compulsory redundancies. The scale of the further reductions required over the next five years will be challenging and the council will seek to use the existing range of workforce management and organisational change policies to deliver the required reductions in staffing numbers.
9333	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Please ensure that any review of terms and conditions extends to the very top of the council (I suspect people with incomes that do not rely on overtime).	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The proposed review of terms and conditions would seek to review the use of overtime, allowances and enhancements, whilst at the same time consider the rates payable when used.
9334	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Should be streamlined where possible where maintaining standards.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
9335	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	I've seen 3 vans at the same job what's the point in that..... have someone plan jobs for the work men and have a van sharing policy.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
9336	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Saving seems worthwhile but concern staff workload could have an overall impact on services.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The proposed review of terms and conditions would seek to review the use of overtime, allowances and enhancements, whilst at the same time consider the rates payable when used.
9337	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	How more do you feel it is necessary to penalise staff? With virtual paycuts over several years you will lose good staff and be left with the dross and the ones batting their time out to retirement	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposed review of terms and conditions would seek to review the use of overtime, allowances and enhancements, whilst at the same time consider the rates payable when used.
9338	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Cuts and caps to councilors expenses should be highest priority- too many chiefs taking high end salaries resulting in the."on the shop floor" workers facing the.majorotu of the cutbacks.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	UK legislation sets out the regulations on what remuneration and type of expenses Councilors are entitled to claim for. Information on elected members claims are regularly reported in an open and transparent manner. The council is subject to national pay bargaining and the salary scales for officers are determined nationally. The council is subject to national pay bargaining, and terms and conditions.
9339	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Ok provided services are not impacted by the changes	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The proposed review of terms and conditions would seek to review the use of overtime, allowances and enhancements, whilst at the same time consider the rates payable when used.
9340	An employee of West Lothian Council	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Agree to an extent â€ Could staff be offered reduced hours? Those not financially or generally ready for retirement might be interested in this.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The proposed review of terms and conditions would seek to review the use of overtime, allowances and enhancements, whilst at the same time consider the rates payable when used. The council has a flexible working policy and staff can request to work reduced hours, where this meets the needs of the service.
9341	No Response	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Instead of pay rises, keep the staff the same and keep more of the staff. forcing already pushed resources to shrink more would have a very negative effect on the council.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	The council is subject to national pay bargaining and the salary scales for officers are determined nationally.
9342	An employee of West Lothian Council	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Need to get rid of deadwood staff that have been there so long and don't adapt to change and do the absolute minimum. Instead good staff with good customer service values on contracts will go before these people who have been with the council long enough to have a permanent contract.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Any service restructure will be undertaken in accordance with the council organisational change policy and in consultation with the recognised trade unions. The Council has developed a Corporate Workforce Plan and Service specific workforce plans which monitor staffing requirements and ensure as far as possible that staffing complements and staff skills meet the service requirements.

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9343	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Staff should be paid for what they are worth in working and to be able to complete the job required.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The proposed review of terms and conditions would seek to review the use of overtime, allowances and enhancements, whilst at the same time consider the rates payable when used.
9344	An employee of West Lothian Council	1g. Workforce Arrangements	I understand why this will be required to be investigated, however maintaining the no redundancy policy should not be compromised because of this.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has been able to delivery significant budget reductions in the last 10 years without the requirement for compulsory redundancies. The scale of the further reductions required over the next five years will be challenging and the council will seek to use the existing range of workforce management and organisational change policies to deliver the required reductions in staffing numbers.
9345	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Use of outside contractors/agency should be reduced first	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council will continue to use internal services to deliver services where possible. The Council engages external contractors where required for specialist works. This approach will continue to ensure best value use of resources available within the council.
9346	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	I agree overtime should be kept to a minimum and there should be no agency staff employed. Vacancies should be filled internally where possible. It would help if those earning above Â£45,000 p.a. did not receive pay increases for a specified period for example 5 years; appreciate this is outwith council control	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has introduced improved workforce planning and greater coordination of vacant posts, fixed term appointments and employees who have been displaced through organisational change. The council is also reviewing the terms of the Redeployment Policy to offer greater opportunities for the redeployment of employees subject to suitable business need.
9347	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	cut back on suits	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	The council continually reviews the tiers of management and span of control across all service levels against a target 5 x 5 structure. This ensures that the council continues to operate with an effective and efficient managerial structure.
9348	An employee of West Lothian Council	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Public sector workers have experienced very low pay increases over a number of years and further negative impact on wages will result in staff discontent leading to poorer less effective services.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposed review of terms and conditions would seek to review the use of overtime, allowances and enhancements, whilst at the same time consider the rates payable when used. The council has a flexible working policy and staff can request to work reduced hours, where this meets the needs of the service.
9349	An employee of West Lothian Council	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Staff have not a payrise in years, to get the best from staff at all levels they have to feel valued and have to be paid a decent salary. when jobs and areas are being condolidated and staff are taking on extra roles and responsibilities and are being paid the same amount of money.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	The council is subject to national pay bargaining and the salary scales for officers are determined nationally.
9350	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	That may be a difficult thing to implement, it seems very unfair to loyal staff.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposed review of terms and conditions would seek to review the use of overtime, allowances and enhancements, whilst at the same time consider the rates payable when used. The council has a flexible working policy and staff can request to work reduced hours, where this meets the needs of the service.
9351	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	I hope this will not leave families where this is the breadwinners job struggling financially. People should also be given fair warning of the forthcoming changes to give them time to consider seeking other employment.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The proposed review of terms and conditions would seek to review the use of overtime, allowances and enhancements, whilst at the same time consider the rates payable when used. The council has a flexible working policy and staff can request to work reduced hours, where this meets the needs of the service.
9352	No Response	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Please ensure you Keep the experienced and skilled staff	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The proposed review of terms and conditions would seek to review the use of overtime, allowances and enhancements, whilst at the same time consider the rates payable when used. The council has a flexible working policy and staff can request to work reduced hours, where this meets the needs of the service.

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9353	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Puzzled! How can you enhance pay and make savings in staffing costs? I assume there will be no compulsory redundancies?	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	The council has been able to delivery significant budget reductions in the last 10 years without the requirement for compulsory redundancies. The scale of the further reductions required over the next five years will be challenging and the council will seek to use the existing range of workforce management and organisational change policies to deliver the required reductions in staffing numbers.
9354	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	After nearly ten years of continuous cuts. Is there any scope to cut salaries?	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	The council is subject to national pay bargaining and the salary scales for officers are determined nationally. The council is subject to national pay bargaining, and terms and conditions.
9355	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	It seems that frontline staffing is where the cuts are. I believe that there are unnecessary multiple management levels and this is where there are higher salaries. These tiers of management should be considered and allow the "lower levels" of staff continue serving the public.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council continually reviews the tiers of management and span of control across all service levels against a target 5 x 5 structure. This ensures that the council continues to operate with an effective and efficient managerial structure.
9356	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Whilst often a standing joke. The amount of work you are getting for your money is something that should be looked at, utilising time and motion studies on many of your staff may reveal substantial efficiencies.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The proposed review of terms and conditions would seek to review the use of overtime, allowances and enhancements, whilst at the same time consider the rates payable when used.
9357	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	They are already on small salaries. Make sure you treat them fairly.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Any service restructure will be undertaken in accordance with the council organisational change policy and in consultation with the recognised trade unions. The Council has developed a Corporate Workforce Plan and Service specific workforce plans which monitor staffing requirements and ensure as far as possible that staffing complements and staff skills meet the service requirements. The council has a number of systems and processes in place which are essential to enable the council to monitor and report service performance and efficiency.
9358	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	I don't think that staff should be reduced	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Any service restructure will be undertaken in accordance with the council organisational change policy and in consultation with the recognised trade unions. The Council has developed a Corporate Workforce Plan and Service specific workforce plans which monitor staffing requirements and ensure as far as possible that staffing complements and staff skills meet the service requirements. The council has a number of systems and processes in place which are essential to enable the council to monitor and report service performance and efficiency.
9359	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Redundancies should not be considered yet. Natural attrition will reduce employment figures if those roles are not replaced.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has been able to delivery significant budget reductions in the last 10 years without the requirement for compulsory redundancies. The scale of the further reductions required over the next five years will be challenging and the council will seek to use the existing range of workforce management and organisational change policies to deliver the required reductions in staffing numbers.
9360	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Stop using contractors in all areas. Stop using recruitment agencies which charge a fee. Do more direct advertising and use Job Centres. Stop wasting public money on expensive staff resources and middle men!	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council will continue to use internal services to deliver services where possible. The Council engages external contractors or agencies where required for specialist works. This approach will continue to ensure best value use of resources available within the council.

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9361	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	As 1A - Excellent if all of the above are carried out. However on current personally experienced performance it will take a huge effort to even provide an improvement. Further why has the " efficiency and effectiveness" not been applied to current procedures. No real criteria to be reach is actually stated and the starting point for these " efficiency and effectiveness" upgrade to services is not evident. Vagueness in targets to achieve . How will residents know when this is achieved?	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The proposed review of terms and conditions would seek to review the use of overtime, allowances and enhancements, whilst at the same time consider the rates payable when used. The council has a flexible working policy and staff can request to work reduced hours, where this meets the needs of the service.
9362	No Response	1g. Workforce Arrangements	. it is important that employee conditions are maintained in order to maintain moral and provide a tantalising environment for future employees.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposed review of terms and conditions would seek to review the use of overtime, allowances and enhancements, whilst at the same time consider the rates payable when used. The council has a flexible working policy and staff can request to work reduced hours, where this meets the needs of the service.
9363	An employee of West Lothian Council	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Does the Council intend revising its no compulsory redundancy policy to ensure that the workforce is reduced when natural wastage does not meet the requirements.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	The council has been able to delivery significant budget reductions in the last 10 years without the requirement for compulsory redundancies. The scale of the further reductions required over the next five years will be challenging and the council will seek to use the existing range of workforce management and organisational change policies to deliver the required reductions in staffing numbers.
9364	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	This could influence the workforces motovation. Does this also include high earners?	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The proposed review of terms and conditions would seek to review the use of overtime, allowances and enhancements, whilst at the same time consider the rates payable when used.
9365	An employee of West Lothian Council	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Could savings possibly be made by looking at management across the council? By looking at duplication of roles? Integration of services?	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Experience has demonstrated that the council can deliver an more effective and cost effective service through the centralisation of generic tasks, use of technology and retention of specialist provision within service. This model still allows the opportunity for staff to engage with council officers on a face to face basis at the most effective and convenient level. The council will continue to review opportunities for integration and modernisation of service delivery. The council continually reviews the tiers of management and span of control across all service levels against a target 5 x 5 structure. This ensures that the council continues to operate with an effective and efficient managerial structure.
9366	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	All very depressing. guess the consolidation of the "Lothians" back into a single authority - would cut out 2 sets of senior management - which would save Â£millions per year for all 3 of the Authorities (Maybe roll in Edinburgh - sounds like back to the 1990's organisation!	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	The Local Government etc. (Scotland) Act 1994 established the local government areas for the administration of local government in Scotland.
9367	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	a lot of people do a lot above their job and get little in return.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposed review of terms and conditions would seek to review the use of overtime, allowances and enhancements, whilst at the same time consider the rates payable when used.
9368	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Need to ensure there is no impact on staff wages by making any changes. As would result in potential staff leaving and no retaining good staff as a result. Need to make it fair all round	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	The proposed review of terms and conditions would seek to review the use of overtime, allowances and enhancements, whilst at the same time consider the rates payable when used. The council has a flexible working policy and staff can request to work reduced hours, where this meets the needs of the service.

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9369	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	It is important to recognise the need for front line staff in all service areas, and any loss of staff in any service area should be handled with appropriate emotional management for the staff facing job loss. There is no point in not acknowledging this aspect of the plan to save financially as the handling of interpersonal relations is more important than ever with the coming transformation. This really goes for all the areas reflected in the consultation so this is a general response to the overall savings proposed. Please see this link for some ideas: https://www.gsb.stanford.edu/insights/jeff-weiner-manage-compassionately-prepare-next-worker-revolution If many people are going to be facing job losses, there should be some consideration as to how they can be supported in finding alternative work, alternative trades, alternative education perhaps, as this will directly affect the council services in another regard, i.e. more people on benefits perhaps?	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Officers will consider how this can be developed.
9370	An employee of West Lothian Council	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Also introduce options for employees to 'buy' additional annual leave.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council offers opportunity to work flexible hours, work part time or purchase additional holidays where this supports the needs of the service.
9371	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	As an employee I would like to see our current flexi system remain in place.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council is not proposing to remove the flexi working scheme. The proposed review of terms and conditions would seek to review the use of overtime, allowances and enhancements, whilst at the same time consider the rates payable when used. The council has a flexible working policy and staff can request to work reduced hours, where this meets the needs of the service.
9372	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	West Lothian Council is an accredited living wage employer, and has a responsibility as the largest employer in the local authority to remain so. While staff present the largest proportion of the council's budget, they're also responsible for everything positive that the council does in the local community. When allocating council funding, notice should be paid to social value, rather than cost. It would be impossible to evidence that any loss of jobs would have a positive effect on the local community, nor on the remaining workers required to pick up the created additional work, so the council should look to retain staffing numbers regardless of the budget gap. Any adverse change to terms and conditions of WLC employees would, I expect, be fiercely opposed by the recognised trade unions.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposed review of terms and conditions would seek to review the use of overtime, allowances and enhancements, whilst at the same time consider the rates payable when used. Any service restructure will be undertaken in accordance with the council organisational change policy and in consultation with the recognised trade unions. The Council has developed a Corporate Workforce Plan and Service specific workforce plans which monitor staffing requirements and ensure as far as possible that staffing complements and staff skills meet the service requirements.
9373	No Response	1g. Workforce Arrangements	A Council wide "pay cut" is probably not great for staff morale - as a Manager it is always better to physically reduce numbers as opposed to cut everyone's pay. Its tough, but if handled correctly there can be a bounce back after redundancy. But a complete pay cut to everyone can be a very difficult plan to implement - with long standing resentments. However £1.4 million would equate to about 50 staff - but appreciate this on top of the reductions detailed above. Also not sure of the "one off cash cost" of such large redundancy numbers.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The proposed review of terms and conditions would seek to review the use of overtime, allowances and enhancements, whilst at the same time consider the rates payable when used.
9374	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	I would like to see the top 3 items/specific deliverables that contribute to this redesign.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	At this stage, detailed budget reduction measures have not been developed, therefore there is no specific information on how the savings will be achieved and the timescales for delivery. This will become clearer as the measures progress following the consultation process and approval of the council's budget strategy.
9375	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Obviously jobs will be lost and wages frozen or held back. Not sure you can achieve aims with reductions that are proposed.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council is subject to national pay bargaining and the salary scales for officers are determined nationally. The proposed review of terms and conditions would seek to review the use of overtime, allowances and enhancements, whilst at the same time consider the rates payable when used. The council has a flexible working policy and staff can request to work reduced hours, where this meets the needs of the service.

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9376	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	I can understand the reasons why this has to be done but as a council employee I would be considered that any proposed changes to my terms and conditions could be to my disadvantage.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The proposed review of terms and conditions would seek to review the use of overtime, allowances and enhancements, whilst at the same time consider the rates payable when used. The council has a flexible working policy and staff can request to work reduced hours, where this meets the needs of the service.
9377	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Unions must be involved in any renegotiation of terms and conditions, and senior staff should suffer the same reductions as other staff.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The proposed review of terms and conditions would seek to review the use of overtime, allowances and enhancements, whilst at the same time consider the rates payable when used. The council has a flexible working policy and staff can request to work reduced hours, where this meets the needs of the service. Trade Unions and staff will be consulted on proposed changes to terms and conditions.
9378	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	1g. Workforce Arrangements	JTUC is very concerned and disappointed that staff's terms and conditions are out for public consultation rather than negotiations with the recognised trade unions. The joint trade unions will strenuously defend terms and conditions.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposed review of terms and conditions would seek to review the use of overtime, allowances and enhancements, whilst at the same time consider the rates payable when used. The council has a flexible working policy and staff can request to work reduced hours, where this meets the needs of the service. Trade Unions and staff will be consulted on proposed changes to terms and conditions.
9379	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	1g. Workforce Arrangements	More detail required. The JTUs are looking for assurances that the administration's commitment to no compulsory redundancies remains. However, we will strenuously oppose back door methods of trying to reduce numbers of staff.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	The council has been able to delivery significant budget reductions in the last 10 years without the requirement for compulsory redundancies. The scale of the further reductions required over the next five years will be challenging and the council will seek to use the existing range of workforce management and organisational change policies to deliver the required reductions in staffing numbers.
9380	No Response	1g. Workforce Arrangements	It appears that for every step forward the Council makes in bringing employees into the modern working world, budget cuts come along and all progress and improvements are discarded. To maintain the best quality of staff & service the Council has to provide competitive terms & conditions.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposed review of terms and conditions would seek to review the use of overtime, allowances and enhancements, whilst at the same time consider the rates payable when used. The council has a flexible working policy and staff can request to work reduced hours, where this meets the needs of the service.
9381	An employee of West Lothian Council	1g. Workforce Arrangements	one thing which might make working more efficient is to have all software updating carried out outwith 8am - 6pm. Currently software is often updated during these times resulting in lost production and staff with nothing to do. If the IT staff had contracts which required them to carry out this work out of normal office hours there would be less disruption to the rest of the staff. While this might mean giving some incentive to IT staff I think this would be more than compensated for by the periods when other staff are unproductive as this can amount to hundreds of man hours lost.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Officers will consider how this can be developed.
9382	No Response	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Be careful. Our workforce is your biggest ally. Reward the people on the front line (usually least senior members of staff) as these are the ones that keep everything running	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The proposed review of terms and conditions would seek to review the use of overtime, allowances and enhancements, whilst at the same time consider the rates payable when used. The council has a flexible working policy and staff can request to work reduced hours, where this meets the needs of the service.

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9383	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Reductions in staffing levels must be carefully balanced against increase in workload as increased stress levels produce more sick days and an increase in supply workers.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The proposed review of terms and conditions would seek to review the use of overtime, allowances and enhancements, whilst at the same time consider the rates payable when used. The council has a flexible working policy and staff can request to work reduced hours, where this meets the needs of the service. Any service restructure will be undertaken in accordance with the council organisational change policy and in consultation with the recognised trade unions. The Council has developed a Corporate Workforce Plan and Service specific workforce plans which monitor staffing requirements and ensure as far as possible that staffing complements and staff skills meet the service requirements.
9384	No Response	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Maybe have more parttime positions for people to job share so it suits around family life better	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council offers opportunity to work flexible hours, including part time hours, where this supports the needs of the service.
9385	No Response	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Think better training off staff will sort your problem, have people dedicated to specific areas that actually know what they are talking about	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Any service restructure will be undertaken in accordance with the council organisational change policy and in consultation with the recognised trade unions. The Council has developed a Corporate Workforce Plan and Service specific workforce plans which monitor staffing requirements and ensure as far as possible that staffing complements and staff skills meet the service requirements.
9386	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Staff need to be kept motivated. This will surely cause a drop in morale among the workforce.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposed review of terms and conditions would seek to review the use of overtime, allowances and enhancements, whilst at the same time consider the rates payable when used. The council has a flexible working policy and staff can request to work reduced hours, where this meets the needs of the service.
9387	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Priorty should be given to reviewing these t&cs for non-frontline staff. And if better processes could in some instances reduce the needs for overtime (see question above)	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The proposed review of terms and conditions would seek to review the use of overtime, allowances and enhancements, whilst at the same time consider the rates payable when used. The council has a flexible working policy and staff can request to work reduced hours, where this meets the needs of the service.
9388	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Perhaps time and money could be saved if all software upgrades etc were carried out after working hours. Recently CRM upgrades caused lost production time with a number of staff. If IT staff had changed contracts which required them to work out of normal working hours so that loss of productivity is kept to absolute minimum this could save money. A few IT staff having to be paid overtime would be less cost than large number of staff being unable to work during updates. I'm not aware of any private companies who have large numbers of staff sitting around unable to work while software us upgraded.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Officers will consider how this can be developed.
9389	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Is there a no redundancy policy? What staff are going to loose their jobs?	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	The council has been able to delivery significant budget reductions in the last 10 years without the requirement for compulsory redundancies. The scale of the further reductions required over the next five years will be challenging and the council will seek to use the existing range of workforce management and organisational change policies to deliver the required reductions in staffing numbers.

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9390	No Response	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Perhaps savings could be made by insuring that all software upgrades made to either all staff of sections of staff could be carried out after the core working time. For example work was recently carried out on CRM which meant staff using this system could not work effectively or several hours. The number of man hours lost must have been greater than the cost of asking a few IT staff work out of their normal working time, even if overtime had to be paid. Most private sector businesses do not lose working time due to regular software upgrades, the contacts of IT staff are such that they are expected at certain times to work outwith core times to minimise or prevent any loss of time for other staff.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Officers will consider how this can be developed.
9391	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	I'm sure present staff will be up in arms about this, but they will have to accept the workplace market has changed, and very few people enjoy term and conditions that they do. Encouraging staff to accept that services need to be provided outwith Mon - Fri 9-5 is important, especially as council constituents are already well aware of this themselves, with more and more people having to work weekends, evenings, nights, and holidays, without extra payments.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The proposed review of terms and conditions would seek to review the use of overtime, allowances and enhancements, whilst at the same time consider the rates payable when used. The council has a flexible working policy and staff can request to work reduced hours, where this meets the needs of the service.
9392	An employee of West Lothian Council	1g. Workforce Arrangements	In other words, no pay rise for public sector worker as usual. Therefore putting pressure on people to live comfortable lifestyles while their wages do not rise in line with inflation.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposed review of terms and conditions would seek to review the use of overtime, allowances and enhancements, whilst at the same time consider the rates payable when used. The council has a flexible working policy and staff can request to work reduced hours, where this meets the needs of the service. The council is subject to national pay bargaining and the salary scales for officers are determined nationally. The council is subject to national pay bargaining, and terms and conditions.
9393	No Response	1g. Workforce Arrangements	This will need to be looked in to fairly as could impact on staff morale, and if they incur pay cuts their home life	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Any service restructure will be undertaken in accordance with the council organisational change policy and in consultation with the recognised trade unions. The Council has developed a Corporate Workforce Plan and Service specific workforce plans which monitor staffing requirements and ensure as far as possible that staffing complements and staff skills meet the service requirements. The council has a number of systems and processes in place which are essential to enable the council to monitor and report service performance and efficiency.
9394	An employee of West Lothian Council	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Staffing costs have been under pressure and personnel reduced already more reduction would impact on services	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Any service restructure will be undertaken in accordance with the council organisational change policy and in consultation with the recognised trade unions. The Council has developed a Corporate Workforce Plan and Service specific workforce plans which monitor staffing requirements and ensure as far as possible that staffing complements and staff skills meet the service requirements. The council has a number of systems and processes in place which are essential to enable the council to monitor and report service performance and efficiency.
9395	An employee of West Lothian Council	1g. Workforce Arrangements	I understand the savings have to be found from some element of downgrading pay and conditions. However, there is widespread lack of consistency between how service managers, heads of service and HR view the current arrangements. The recent review of TOIL arrangements took place at some considerable effort to gather the data and nothing came from it - so once again an exercise was started and not completed. If the council actually insisted on these managers following the policies and guidance that is laid down, there would be little deviation and less waste. It seems that these things are viewed as too difficult to enforce - when in reality abiding by HR policy is part of managers role. There are savings to be made through enforcement of the existing policies.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The proposed review of terms and conditions would seek to review the use of overtime, allowances and enhancements, whilst at the same time consider the rates payable when used. The council has a flexible working policy and staff can request to work reduced hours, where this meets the needs of the service.

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9396	An employee of West Lothian Council	1g. Workforce Arrangements	To date is has not been about streamlining processes and delivery, merely about rationalising the people - leaving those left to suffer under increasing demands. This work must include an end to the open-ended flexible retirement farce which has left services with the burden of staff on salaries which are graded to include responsibilities which have been stripped from them due to them not being full-time.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Any service restructure will be undertaken in accordance with the council organisational change policy and in consultation with the recognised trade unions. The Council has developed a Corporate Workforce Plan and Service specific workforce plans which monitor staffing requirements and ensure as far as possible that staffing complements and staff skills meet the service requirements.
9397	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Reflect the pay to the job descriptions and responsibilities.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The proposed review of terms and conditions would seek to review the use of overtime, allowances and enhancements, whilst at the same time consider the rates payable when used.
9398	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	It is important to ensure that already over-worked and stressed staff are not pushed beyond their capabilities. We do not want to lose the best staff,	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The proposed review of terms and conditions would seek to review the use of overtime, allowances and enhancements, whilst at the same time consider the rates payable when used.
9399	No Response	1g. Workforce Arrangements	See comment above regarding stress levels of members of staff : "care must be taken that already overworked and stressed members of staff are not pushed beyond what is acceptable."	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Any service restructure will be undertaken in accordance with the council organisational change policy and in consultation with the recognised trade unions. The Council has developed a Corporate Workforce Plan and Service specific workforce plans which monitor staffing requirements and ensure as far as possible that staffing complements and staff skills meet the service requirements.
9400	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	They made changes last year staff having a pay off to leave the service saying that this would cut costs where they see this I do not know as they have has to bring in casual staff constantly or asking staff to do over time so I do not know where	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	The proposed review of terms and conditions would seek to review the use of overtime, allowances and enhancements, whilst at the same time consider the rates payable when used.
9401	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Staff in West Lothian need to have pay increases inline with inflation etc. As Bank of England have recently announced increases it is important that staff are given pay increases in line with this. Staff are being expected to be more effective, take on more and this needs reflected in their salaries and shown that they are valued employees.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	The council is subject to national pay bargaining and the salary scales for officers are determined nationally. The council is subject to national pay bargaining, and terms and conditions.
9402	An employee of West Lothian Council	1g. Workforce Arrangements	I think this is an area that is highly contentious. Most staff are already overworked, rather than cutting posts as and when someone leaves the authority, it would be more beneficial if there was more that could be done to discipline staff who are not meeting the needs of their client group or expectations of the service and terminating the employment of people who have terrible sickness records. this is where there is thousands of pounds being lost every year. If there is to be more expected of staff, as their work load will increase, there should be some insight and investment into on-going training and up skilling for these workers who are left with extra tasks.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Any service restructure will be undertaken in accordance with the council organisational change policy and in consultation with the recognised trade unions. The Council has developed a Corporate Workforce Plan and Service specific workforce plans which monitor staffing requirements and ensure as far as possible that staffing complements and staff skills meet the service requirements. The council actively manages all absences in terms of its sickness absence policy, which is subject to constant review, in consultation with the recognised trade unions, to ensure that it is fit for purpose
9403	An employee of West Lothian Council	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Staffing loss should be kept to a minimum....you do not want to loose experience. Basic wages should not be cut....it will only lead to conflict and strikes and loss of services.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council is subject to national pay bargaining and the salary scales for officers are determined nationally. The council is subject to national pay bargaining, and terms and conditions. Any service restructure will be undertaken in accordance with the council organisational change policy and in consultation with the recognised trade unions. The Council has developed a Corporate Workforce Plan and Service specific workforce plans which monitor staffing requirements and ensure as far as possible that staffing complements and staff skills meet the service requirements. The council has a number of systems and processes in place which are essential to enable the council to monitor and report service performance and efficiency.

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9404	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	The council should work to protect jobs. Workforce planning during previous cuts was non-existent. Those with skills and experience were allowed to leave and later replaced - this was a waste of talent and money.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Any service restructure will be undertaken in accordance with the council organisational change policy and in consultation with the recognised trade unions. The Council has developed a Corporate Workforce Plan and Service specific workforce plans which monitor staffing requirements and ensure as far as possible that staffing complements and staff skills meet the service requirements
9405	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	The staff are the most important commodity in west Lothian council. Staff have not had a decent and reasonable pay rise for far too long already and now you are proposing as a council to take reduce their current terms and conditions. I feel that if staff have any sense they should propose this and fight it through their union and legally dragging it out which will in the end make any saving much reduced from your proposal above. If you want to reduce staffing costs - get rid of some of your highest most senior management posts or make cuts to terms and conditions or salaries above £70,000 only, give them a reduced pay rise. Get rid of development posts and that will save money. Cutting allowances and overtime arrangements is only going to result in demotivated staff not willing to give any goodwill charging for every minute extra of their time. They will be resentful of giving any part of themselves and you will end up with higher sickness, lower retention, unmotivated, unproductive staff and those who will absolutely work to rule. This is the worst proposal of them all!	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposed review of terms and conditions would seek to review the use of overtime, allowances and enhancements, whilst at the same time consider the rates payable when used. The council is subject to national pay bargaining and the salary scales for officers are determined nationally. The council is subject to national pay bargaining, and terms and conditions.
9406	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	It is important not to hit staff too hard with cutting Terms and Conditions. It is important to keep staff focused and treated fairly. The reason for these ridiculous cuts is a Scottish Government who have taken Council Tax freeze to impossible levels. Nobody can operate with no increase for all of these years and they certainly can't!! Residents should be constantly reminded about where the blame lies	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposed review of terms and conditions would seek to review the use of overtime, allowances and enhancements, whilst at the same time consider the rates payable when used.
9407	No Response	1g. Workforce Arrangements	This seems an obvious saving possibility, but care should be taken not to use people beyond what they are paid to do.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The proposed review of terms and conditions would seek to review the use of overtime, allowances and enhancements, whilst at the same time consider the rates payable when used.
9408	An employee of West Lothian Council	1g. Workforce Arrangements	If pay cuts, loss of sleepovers, loss of shift allowance, loss of overtime is implemented then I would hope that this is from the top down...cutting pay for front line workers demoralises staff and could possibly lead to staff leaving Front line staff have a hard enough time trying to budget their salary without the stress of more cuts How about implementing the sickness policy and cutting staff who relentlessly play the system, 6 months full pay off sick and then magically cured of whatever illness they were off with !! and then back to work until they can take the 6 months off again	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The proposed review of terms and conditions would seek to review the use of overtime, allowances and enhancements, whilst at the same time consider the rates payable when used. The council actively manages all absences in terms of its sickness absence policy, which is subject to constant review, in consultation with the recognised trade unions, to ensure that it is fit for purpose
9409	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	I recon this would be a good idea because there could be extra money for the council but make sure the staff get at least half of their current wage	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The proposed review of terms and conditions would seek to review the use of overtime, allowances and enhancements, whilst at the same time consider the rates payable when used.
9410	An employee of West Lothian Council	1g. Workforce Arrangements	As above, will the Council consider retraining staff in line with digital strategy so that they are not let go, increasing unemployment in the region?	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council has introduced improved workforce planning and greater coordination of vacant posts, fixed term appointments and employees who have been displaced through organisational change. The council is also reviewing the terms of the Redeployment Policy to offer greater opportunities for the redeployment or training of employees subject to suitable business need.
9411	No Response	1g. Workforce Arrangements	You can't ask people to work for nothing, staffing levels in areas have been cut if you keep doing so you will have major health issue problems as ur staff will be off with stress.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposed review of terms and conditions would seek to review the use of overtime, allowances and enhancements, whilst at the same time consider the rates payable when used.
9412	An employee of West Lothian Council	1g. Workforce Arrangements	staff absence needs to be addressed.people taking 6 months off and then have all their accrued holidays to take	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council actively manages all absences in terms of its sickness absence policy, which is subject to constant review, in consultation with the recognised trade unions, to ensure that it is fit for purpose.

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9413	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Employees pay awards should not be compromised as many staff are already having to deal with excess workloads.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council is subject to national pay bargaining and the salary scales for officers are determined nationally. The council is subject to national pay bargaining, and terms and conditions.
9414	No Response	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Sounds like pay cuts as end results. If so, protect the lower salaries, ie grades 1-4	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council is an accredited living wage employer and staff on the lowest grades receive a living wage subsidy.
9415	An employee of West Lothian Council	1g. Workforce Arrangements	teachers may be striking next year if they do not get a pay increase....	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	The council is subject to national pay bargaining and the salary scales for officers are determined nationally. The council is subject to national pay bargaining, and terms and conditions.
9416	An employee of West Lothian Council	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Staff are the largest cost however also the largest asset when they feel valued - cuts to current arrangements could lead to a drop in morale and therefor service delivery standards.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The proposed review of terms and conditions would seek to review the use of overtime, allowances and enhancements, whilst at the same time consider the rates payable when used.
9417	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	If pay and conditions arent great you wont attract good people to your roles.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposed review of terms and conditions would seek to review the use of overtime, allowances and enhancements, whilst at the same time consider the rates payable when used.
9418	An employee of West Lothian Council	1g. Workforce Arrangements	I would recommend the following: 2. Better succession planning and knowledge transfer instead of staff creating niche posts for themselves.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Any service restructure will be undertaken in accordance with the council organisational change policy and in consultation with the recognised trade unions. The Council has developed a Corporate Workforce Plan and Service specific workforce plans which monitor staffing requirements and ensure as far as possible that staffing complements and staff skills meet the service requirements.
9419	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Again job cuts. Will facilities be well looked after following these proposals?	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposed review of terms and conditions would seek to review the use of overtime, allowances and enhancements, whilst at the same time consider the rates payable when used. The council will continue to invest in its property portfolio.
9420	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	The workforce is a key aspect of West Lothian Councils performance and success. Reducing staffing could significantly could have a negative impact on this but various services joining and working together may save additional staffing requirements.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposed review of terms and conditions would seek to review the use of overtime, allowances and enhancements, whilst at the same time consider the rates payable when used. The council will continue to look for opportunities for services to work together to deliver efficiencies.
9421	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	The key to all services operating within the council lies with the staffing roles. In order to keep their jobs I would imagine staff would rather take an additional responsibilities and work closely with others rather than loose their position within the council. If staff working with the council for a long period of time loose their job this would show the councils flaws of recruiting too much staff and not taking the budget into account in the first place.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has introduced improved workforce planning and greater coordination of vacant posts, fixed term appointments and employees who have been displaced through organisational change. The council is also reviewing the terms of the Redeployment Policy to offer greater opportunities for the redeployment of employees subject to suitable business need.
9422	No Response	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Council staff have been on a pay freeze for a number of years. Given some of the specialised and professional jobs being done within the council, these are not well paid in comparison to private practice, yet the roles are becoming increasingly more difficult and increased pressure being put on staff and resources. Staff are now expected to give more and more, whilst receiving less and less in terms of salary and benefits. We are seeing higher staff turnover and are struggling to get and maintain staff as we are not able to be competitive. This will get worse over time due to the proposals. Given there is to be a 3% increase in council tax which staff resident in the area will require to pay to make up the shortfall in the budget, there is no such increase in salary for staff. What we need is trained, good quality staff that can be invested in and that is not what is happening, and will not happen in the future and higher staff turnover will cost the council more in the long term and impact on ability to provide services.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	The council is subject to national pay bargaining and the salary scales for officers are determined nationally. The council is subject to national pay bargaining, and terms and conditions.

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9423	No Response	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Comments are as per above.: Council staff have been on a pay freeze for a number of years. Given some of the specialised and professional jobs being done within the council, these are not well paid in comparison to private practice, yet the roles are becoming increasingly more difficult and increased pressure being put on staff and resources. Staff are now expected to give more and more, whilst receiving less and less in terms of salary and benefits. We are seeing higher staff turnover and are struggling to get and maintain staff as we are not able to be competitive. This will get worse over time due to the proposals. Given there is to be a 3% increase in council tax which staff resident in the area will require to pay to make up the shortfall in the budget, there is no such increase in salary for staff. What we need is trained, good quality staff that can be invested in and that is not what is happening, and will not happen in the future and higher staff turnover will cost the council more in the long term and impact on ability to provide services.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	The council is subject to national pay bargaining and the salary scales for officers are determined nationally. The council is subject to national pay bargaining, and terms and conditions.
9424	An employee of West Lothian Council	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Which work is being considered for cross-council delivery? How will this work in practice? How many jobs are expected to be lost within West Lothian Council to generate an estimated saving of Â£10.4m? How will this affect the local economy? How will staff losses and cross-council delivery impact on service delivery? Who would WLC work with? COSLA? Neighbouring councils? What is the statutory basis for the cross-council delivery of services?	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	At this stage, detailed budget reduction measures have not been developed, therefore there is no specific information on how the savings will be achieved and the timescales for delivery. This will become clearer as the measures progress following the consultation process and approval of the council's budget strategy.
9425	An employee of West Lothian Council	1g. Workforce Arrangements	It is inevitable that there will be further staffing cuts, but that should be aligned with a realistic approach to what and what cannot be delivered by remaining staff.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Any service restructure will be undertaken in accordance with the council organisational change policy and in consultation with the recognised trade unions. The Council has developed a Corporate Workforce Plan and Service specific workforce plans which monitor staffing requirements and ensure as far as possible that staffing complements and staff skills meet the service requirements.
9426	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	I am not happy with this although I accept that it is essential. West Lothian Council shall have to work hard with the trade unions to deliver this. I am a supporter of "No compulsory redundancies" although I am realistic enough to accept that this position shall be very difficult to maintain.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council is subject to national pay bargaining and the salary scales for officers are determined nationally. The council is subject to national pay bargaining, and terms and conditions.
9427	No Response	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Staff are already under stress of trying to deliver the identified better outcomes of the council. As staffing levels digress the amount of work on the remaining workforce increases and staff are going off with stress and motivation is sinking. Staff are taking on more admin duties and spending less time out doing their work with their clients.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Any service restructure will be undertaken in accordance with the council organisational change policy and in consultation with the recognised trade unions. The Council has developed a Corporate Workforce Plan and Service specific workforce plans which monitor staffing requirements and ensure as far as possible that staffing complements and staff skills meet the service requirements.
9428	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Temporary Staff... - Are they needed - NO?	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	The council engages staff on fixed term contracts where this meets the needs of the service to Fixed term contracts will continue to be used where this is appropriate to manage temporary, fixed term service requirements.
9429	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Consider other incentives - eg. flexible working, home working reduces overheads massively.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council is subject to national pay bargaining and the salary scales for officers are determined nationally. The council is subject to national pay bargaining, and terms and conditions. All of the council's main office buildings in the main towns and villages in West Lothian have facilities for mobile and flexible working which can be booked through the room booking system. In addition, staff who undertake mobile and flexible working have access to IT technology to facilitate this, including remotely accessing meetings. The council offers opportunity to work flexible hours where this supports the needs of the service.

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9430	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Cut pay and the generous public sector pensions. About time!	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	The council is subject to national pay bargaining and the salary scales for officers are determined nationally. The council is subject to national pay bargaining, and terms and conditions. The proposed review of terms and conditions would seek to review the use of overtime, allowances and enhancements, whilst at the same time consider the rates payable when used.
9431	No Response	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Keep pay freeze in place	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	The council is subject to national pay bargaining and the salary scales for officers are determined nationally. The council is subject to national pay bargaining, and terms and conditions.
9432	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Maybe they should look at staff in higher positions as if they are needed or if they are duplicates instead of people on the floor lever which are needed more	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council continually reviews the tiers of management and span of control across all service levels against a target 5 x 5 structure. This ensures that the council continues to operate with an effective and efficient managerial structure.
9433	No Response	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Long term retention and security of employment is vital to local economy	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The proposed review of terms and conditions would seek to review the use of overtime, allowances and enhancements, whilst at the same time consider the rates payable when used.
9434	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	needs to be a reduction in management/salaries. However, all council staff need to work efficiently (no time wasting on mobiles etc!)	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council is subject to national pay bargaining and the salary scales for officers are determined nationally. The council is subject to national pay bargaining, and terms and conditions.
9435	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Staff should be given cost of living rises. However this should be in line with private sector workers. Not all private sector workers have had cost of living rise in the last 5 years.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The proposed review of terms and conditions would seek to review the use of overtime, allowances and enhancements, whilst at the same time consider the rates payable when used. The council is subject to national pay bargaining and the salary scales for officers are determined nationally. The council is subject to national pay bargaining, and terms and conditions.
9436	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	This is of concern at a time when public sector employees have been faced with the real terms pay cuts over the last 9 years. The removal of overtime and additional allowances will impact negatively on staff. Consideration should be given to senior management pay increases and whether any savings can be made in this area.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposed review of terms and conditions would seek to review the use of overtime, allowances and enhancements, whilst at the same time consider the rates payable when used. The council is subject to national pay bargaining and the salary scales for officers are determined nationally. The council is subject to national pay bargaining, and terms and conditions.
9437	No Response	1g. Workforce Arrangements	I think more managed staff and more focus on job do right first time.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has a number of systems and processes in place which are essential to enable the council to monitor and report service performance and efficiency.
9438	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Think you should also be looking at your absentee policy at the moment council staff can be absent for 6 months and still be paid. This must be costing the budget	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council actively manages all absences in terms of its sickness absence policy, which is subject to constant review, in consultation with the recognised trade unions, to ensure that it is fit for purpose.
9439	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	I trust staff are not being made to suffer a downgrade in quality of life.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The proposed review of terms and conditions would seek to review the use of overtime, allowances and enhancements, whilst at the same time consider the rates payable when used.
9440	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	You must pay appropriate salaries to attract the best people - too much money is spent on unnecessary management positions. Teachers are not paid a fair wage for the job that they have to do and I'm sure this is the case for many employees.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	The council is subject to national pay bargaining and the salary scales for officers are determined nationally. The council is subject to national pay bargaining, and terms and conditions. The council continually reviews the tiers of management and span of control across all service levels against a target 5 x 5 structure. This ensures that the council continues to operate with an effective and efficient managerial structure.

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9441	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	How will this affect service delivery?	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	The proposed review of terms and conditions would seek to review the use of overtime, allowances and enhancements, whilst at the same time consider the rates payable when used.
9442	An employee of West Lothian Council	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Do not want any compulsory redundancies - would rather have a moderate salary than lose my job	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has been able to delivery significant budget reductions in the last 10 years without the requirement for compulsory redundancies. The scale of the further reductions required over the next five years will be challenging and the council will seek to use the existing range of workforce management and organisational change policies to deliver the required reductions in staffing numbers.
9443	No Response	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Nothing saves on payroll like strike action. Is this the place to make the observation that of the three Depute Chief Executives one has but one direct report? This may be reflected in his remuneration but hopefully when all the functionality improvements have been made the structure will require only two DCE's. A "top-to-bottom" review I presume.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
9444	An employee of West Lothian Council	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Good - but consider those in senior management first! The biggest savings will be met here. Also a number of staff were due to have been lost following the last round of cuts, but they're still here! Equity of pay - more females are paid less/ in lower paid jobs in the first place!!	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council continually reviews the tiers of management and span of control across all service levels against a target 5 x 5 structure. This ensures that the council continues to operate with an effective and efficient managerial structure.
9445	An employee of West Lothian Council	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Will there be redundancy packages available, and if so how will staff access this information to make the 'best' decision?	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has a Early Retirement/Voluntary Severance scheme which is available to all employees subject to a suitable business case being submitted within the set affordability criteria.
9446	An employee of West Lothian Council	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Consider closing most non-essential council premises over the Xmas & new year period, closing buildings and providing a skeleton staff at a central location where required. Would be good to know what savings in facilities management and running costs this would bring. Consider removing the May day public holiday and replacing this with an additional days annual leave. Changes to the council sickness policy would help to deliver savings.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Officers will consider how to develop the comments regarding closure of council buildings. The council actively manages all absences in terms of its sickness absence policy, which is subject to constant review, in consultation with the recognised trade unions, to ensure that it is fit for purpose
9447	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	this proposal is much the same as most employers are having to do	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
9448	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Concentrate the review on the contribution/worth of senior managers	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council continually reviews the tiers of management and span of control across all service levels against a target 5 x 5 structure. This ensures that the council continues to operate with an effective and efficient managerial structure.
9449	An employee of West Lothian Council	1g. Workforce Arrangements	If pay and conditions deteriorate, we will lose out on the best candidates who will find better pay and conditions elsewhere. A short-term fix, but not a long-term solution.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposed review of terms and conditions would seek to review the use of overtime, allowances and enhancements, whilst at the same time consider the rates payable when used.
9450	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Why overtime? People could work shift times thus cutting out overtime costs.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The proposed review of terms and conditions would seek to review the use of overtime, allowances and enhancements, whilst at the same time consider the rates payable when used.
9451	No Response	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Terms and conditions should be retained for staff currently in employment. Salaries for the top earners should be addressed.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposed review of terms and conditions would seek to review the use of overtime, allowances and enhancements, whilst at the same time consider the rates payable when used. The council is subject to national pay bargaining and the salary scales for officers are determined nationally. The council is subject to national pay bargaining, and terms and conditions.
9452	An employee of West Lothian Council	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Staffing costs could be reduced by reducing sick pay to a minimum and tightening up conditions for the staff that abuse this system.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council actively manages all absences in terms of its sickness absence policy, which is subject to constant review, in consultation with the recognised trade unions, to ensure that it is fit for purpose.

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9453	An employee of West Lothian Council	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Allowing more staff to buy extra leave even on a temporary basis would result in savings rather than job cuts. Better to be short staffed a few weeks than for good.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	The council offers opportunity to work flexible hours or to by additional holidays, where this supports the needs of the service.
9454	An employee of West Lothian Council	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Disagree. Council staff are our strongest asset and have already seen their pay eroded in recent years. Staff are going to have work harder than ever with even more cuts so should not have their pay and conditions changed for the worst.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposed review of terms and conditions would seek to review the use of overtime, allowances and enhancements, whilst at the same time consider the rates payable when used.
9455	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	I would be concerned that this will result in less people doing even more work to cover the gaps when people choose to leave the employment of the council. The latter will happen of course as there is only so much employees will be prepared to put up with.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Any service restructure will be undertaken in accordance with the council organisational change policy and in consultation with the recognised trade unions. The Council has developed a Corporate Workforce Plan and Service specific workforce plans which monitor staffing requirements and ensure as far as possible that staffing complements and staff skills meet the service requirements.
9456	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Could sickness absence policy be looked at some workplaces do not pay staff for first 2 days of illness.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council actively manages all absences in terms of its sickness absence policy, which is subject to constant review, in consultation with the recognised trade unions, to ensure that it is fit for purpose.
9457	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Encourage/Allow staff to work from home	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	The council has an IT infrastructure which supports working from home and individuals working from various council sites throughout West Lothian. The opportunity to work on a mobile and flexible basis continues to be available to staff.
9458	An employee of West Lothian Council	1g. Workforce Arrangements	The current shift working patterns do not deliver value for money. I agree that these should be reviewed, although not necessarily removed. It may be that changing to different arrangements will produce efficiencies and allow staff involved to return current levels of income.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The proposed review of terms and conditions would seek to review the use of overtime, allowances and enhancements, whilst at the same time consider the rates payable when used.
9459	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	If pay enhancements and allowances are cut and the level changes to critical for the elderly care then we will have fewer staff willing to stay in the care sector and less people wanting to work in the care sector, which will cause a lot of problems in the long term.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposed review of terms and conditions would seek to review the use of overtime, allowances and enhancements, whilst at the same time consider the rates payable when used
9460	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	I feel the council sickness policy should be looked at staff who are off sick still receive an enhancement? why as they will not be working shifts if they are sick Domestic staff still receive time and half and double time at the weekend also when off long term sick? I understand we have to reduce our costs in the council, however when you see money that could be saved like the examples I have given above then I feel making cuts that effect the elderly is a bit unfair.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council actively manages all absences in terms of its sickness absence policy, which is subject to constant review, in consultation with the recognised trade unions, to ensure that it is fit for purpose.
9461	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	to much middle management at west lothian council, its not the workers who should be penalised due to poor money management	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council continually reviews the tiers of management and span of control across all service levels against a target 5 x 5 structure. This ensures that the council continues to operate with an effective and efficient managerial structure.
9462	An employee of West Lothian Council	1g. Workforce Arrangements	There should be options for staff to voluntarily change contract terms and conditions to increase their holiday entitlement. This would result in savings and increase flexibility for staff as staff could choose extra holidays rather than part time working. It would also increase equality. Previously staff have been given this option and have contracts with increased holidays but this option is not currently available. It should also be easier for staff to become part time or reduce their hours and it should be publicised that these options are available.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	The council offers opportunity to work flexible hours or to by additional holidays, where this supports the needs of the service.
9463	An employee of West Lothian Council	1g. Workforce Arrangements	There should be options for staff to voluntarily change contract terms and conditions to increase their holiday entitlement. This would result in savings and increase flexibility for staff as staff could choose extra holidays rather than part time working. It would also increase equality. Previously staff have been given this option and have contracts with increased holidays but this option is not currently available. It should also be easier for staff to become part time or reduce their hours and it should be publicised that these options are available.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	The council offers opportunity to work flexible hours or to by additional holidays, where this supports the needs of the service.

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9464	An employee of West Lothian Council	1g. Workforce Arrangements	The abolition of flexible working hours and a 9 to 5 hour day implemented. This would have a potential of increasing workforce effectiveness as a person would no longer have a potential to take an extra 18 days flexible leave in a year, on top of their 25/30 days. And no abuse of flexible working hours would be available to the workforce, along with less administrative work to do in correcting adjustments etc. An overview of how much overtime is actually needed and if constant overtime has been approved during weekends in certain areas surely a question should be asked as to "why this is needed". And if needed could this not be more effective to employ a fixed term employee to the required area.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Officers will consider how to develop the proposals in relation to the flexible working scheme. The proposed review of terms and conditions would seek to review the use of overtime, allowances and enhancements, whilst at the same time consider the rates payable when used
9465	An employee of West Lothian Council	1g. Workforce Arrangements	I am currently in a year to year fixed term position and have been since I started 4 years ago with continuous service recognised, I recognise I chose to accept these terms and conditions but it would certainly be better to have a contract running longer than year to year. I really enjoy my job and enjoy working in West Lothian supporting our young people but when my contract is due for renewal I do worry about whether I will have my contract extended year on year. I understand this is due to funding but would be less stressful to have a contract that runs longer than yearly.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council engages staff on fixed term contracts where this meets the needs of the service to Fixed term contracts will continue to be used where this is appropriate to manage temporary, fixed term service requirements.
9466	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	The easiest way to use staff resources efficiently is to make them work a full 40 hour week and give them the statutory 28 days holiday per year. This will reduce your staff overhead by around 25% and provide massive savings. The cosy council job nonsense must stop if services are to be maintained and improved.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council is subject to national bargaining in relation to core terms and conditions.
9467	An employee of West Lothian Council	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Do away with agency staffing	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council will continue to use internal services to deliver services where possible. The Council engages external contractors where required for specialist works. This approach will continue to ensure best value use of resources available within the council.
9468	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	This appears generally sensible; in a society when many people cannot easily access services at the times they have traditionally been provided, the council has to consider broadening availability of services, something that many other businesses have taken on already.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The proposed review of terms and conditions would seek to review the use of overtime, allowances and enhancements, whilst at the same time consider the rates payable when used.
9469	An employee of West Lothian Council	1g. Workforce Arrangements	We already have a top heavy management structure in place perhaps this would be a better place to start looking for savings?	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council continually reviews the tiers of management and span of control across all service levels against a target 5 x 5 structure. This ensures that the council continues to operate with an effective and efficient managerial structure.
9470	An employee of West Lothian Council	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Is it not time to actively seek staff approaching retirement who are looking for a severance package?	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has an Early Retirement/Voluntary Severance scheme which is available to all employees subject to a suitable business case being submitted within the set affordability criteria.
9471	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	There has been very little in the way of wage rises at one time the council was a good employer with wages being one of the benefits, now with the reduced wages no highly qualified person wants to work here as the staff cuts don't only mean you deal with the job you were taken on for you have to deal with other jobs on top. Other councils who are doing the same job have higher wages. With the wages being low and the bills rising on everything, the jobs are not appealing to the person you wish to have within your organisation. Council tax is going up 3% and the wages are not even near that. There are probably places you can still streamline and people that have been on the relocation scheme may have to be looked at. But for some sections there are just not enough people for the workload and for the professionalism that is required to be kept at a very high standard.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	The council is subject to national pay bargaining and the salary scales for officers are determined nationally. The council is subject to national pay bargaining, and terms and conditions. The council has introduced improved workforce planning and greater coordination of vacant posts, fixed term appointments and employees who have been displaced through organisational change. The council is also reviewing the terms of the Redeployment Policy to offer greater opportunities for the redeployment of employees subject to suitable business need.
9472	An employee of West Lothian Council	1g. Workforce Arrangements	We have to be more efficient, there should be meaningful consultation with everyone through not just the unions.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council will consult with staff and trade unions on proposals which will result in changes to terms and conditions.
9473	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Maybe you should look at different things like Staff being of sick and being paid with only working 16 hours..	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council actively manages all absences in terms of its sickness absence policy, which is subject to constant review, in consultation with the recognised trade unions, to ensure that it is fit for purpose.

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9474	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Its not overtime that's the issue its the people who are milking the system,, The council should look at the whole of the sickness benefit .. If they werent getting paid they would come to work ... Im not talking about the genuine people ...	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council actively manages all absences in terms of its sickness absence policy, which is subject to constant review, in consultation with the recognised trade unions, to ensure that it is fit for purpose.
9475	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	I work in a kitchen and I never have a full staff ... Its time for the softly softly approach ...If they don't want to come to work why have they still got jobs ..	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
9476	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Great does this mean maybe one day in my kitchen I will have a full staff In the last 3 years I think I have had a full staff only 3 months and do we ever get cover NO we do not .. I will ba happy if this ever come off ..But with my past experiences I think NOT	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
9477	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Having seen the council's pay structure there is obviously room for cuts. The top end of the pay scale requires review.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council is subject to national pay bargaining and the salary scales for officers are determined nationally. The council is subject to national pay bargaining, and terms and conditions.
9478	An employee of West Lothian Council	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Meal allowances for some employees that are in receipt of a healthy salary (e.g FMS in schools) Why?	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
9479	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Public workers to pay for their pension.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	The council is subject to national pay bargaining and the salary scales for officers are determined nationally. The council is subject to national pay bargaining, and terms and conditions.
9480	An employee of West Lothian Council	1g. Workforce Arrangements	The cost of living keeps increasing so employees should be respected and paid in accordance to this.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	The council is subject to national pay bargaining and the salary scales for officers are determined nationally. The council is subject to national pay bargaining, and terms and conditions.
9481	No Response	1g. Workforce Arrangements	The council makes a mockery of their statement of zero tolerance of any abuse of their staff when they won't protect their school staff, this is from top to bottom from cleaners and class room assistants to senior teachers.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	The council promotes a policy of zero tolerance to any violence against staff. The council is currently reviewing the information and messages which are issued to customers to ensure that this reinforces the zero tolerance position.
9482	An employee of West Lothian Council	1g. Workforce Arrangements	No redundancy and no changes to terms and conditions. Investment in staff key to motivating and retaining a highly skilled workforce to deliver wider council objectives.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposed review of terms and conditions would seek to review the use of overtime, allowances and enhancements, whilst at the same time consider the rates payable when used. The council has been able to delivery significant budget reductions in the last 10 years without the requirement for compulsory redundancies. The scale of the further reductions required over the next five years will be challenging and the council will seek to use the existing range of workforce management and organisational change policies to deliver the required reductions in staffing numbers.
9483	An employee of West Lothian Council	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Review flexible working: for the many, the working window of 8am and 6pm is restrictive. Many of us work in open plan offices which can be noisy with lots of interruptions. Working later in the day/evening would benefit both staff and council: officers would be more productive as fewer disruptions and for some this could incorporate evening meetings and reduce the TOIL accumulated. Would also provide staff with a work/life balance: win/win!	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Officers will consider how this can be developed.
9484	An employee of West Lothian Council	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Reduce the working week from 36hrs to 35. That would absorb the pay increases. Some services (social policy admin / revenues) appear to have a culture of staff working every weekend: these people are full time during the week so doing overtime at time and a half / double time. How often is this scrutinised? Is there a cheaper way of getting the work done.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The proposed review of terms and conditions would seek to review the use of overtime, allowances and enhancements, whilst at the same time consider the rates payable when used
9485	An employee of West Lothian Council	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Sickness Absence; I'm not sure how we do it sensitively but reduce the amount of staff absences. Our service is sitting at over 9% on a regular basis and its crippling us. Our overtime budget is sky high and the amount of time which goes into compiling rotas, completing paperwork, hosting review meetings is ridiculous. And so many people seem to come back to work after 6 months.....?? Could the council meet with the NHS/GP's to ask why so many sicklines are for 2 weeks or more now. Never used to be like this? Could we work together to reduce absences?	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council actively manages all absences in terms of its sickness absence policy, which is subject to constant review, in consultation with the recognised trade unions, to ensure that it is fit for purpose.

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9486	An employee of West Lothian Council	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Smoking during paid time: still a culture of staff smoking during core time. Time wasted and not fair on others.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has a smoking policy which does not permit smoking during working hours.
9487	An employee of West Lothian Council	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Make sure staff are doing grade appropriate work eg do not have G grade managers covering reception desks.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
9488	An employee of West Lothian Council	1g. Workforce Arrangements	I work piles over the amount I am contracted to you and don't get any overtime pay so it's really hard to care about this.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
9489	No Response	1g. Workforce Arrangements	The council should begin with a review of executive and managerial costs before general staff take the brunt.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council continually reviews the tiers of management and span of control across all service levels against a target 5 x 5 structure. This ensures that the council continues to operate with an effective and efficient managerial structure. The council is subject to national pay bargaining and the salary scales for officers are determined nationally. The council is subject to national pay bargaining, and terms and conditions.
9490	No Response	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Jobs should be safe.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has been able to delivery significant budget reductions in the last 10 years without the requirement for compulsory redundancies. The scale of the further reductions required over the next five years will be challenging and the council will seek to use the existing range of workforce management and organisational change policies to deliver the required reductions in staffing numbers.
9491	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Paycuts or redundancies to the higher paid top heavy management would be a good start.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	The council is subject to national pay bargaining and the salary scales for officers are determined nationally. The council is subject to national pay bargaining, and terms and conditions.
9492	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	this will only affect lower paid employees in the council, surely fixing the absence levels in the council would be more cost effective	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	The council actively manages all absences in terms of its sickness absence policy, which is subject to constant review, in consultation with the recognised trade unions, to ensure that it is fit for purpose.
9493	No Response	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Agree with capping pay etc. Teachers think they have a longer hours or their job is harder...they haven't tried the corporate private world with 5 weeks holiday in an entire year and 60h weeks!!	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council is subject to national pay bargaining and the salary scales for officers are determined nationally.
9494	An employee of West Lothian Council	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Once again it will be the people who are paid the least and with the poorest terms and conditions that will be asked to make the biggest sacrifices.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposed review of terms and conditions would seek to review the use of overtime, allowances and enhancements, whilst at the same time consider the rates payable when used.
9495	An employee of West Lothian Council	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Is it not time that people nearing the end of their working lives and have given good service to the council are given the same opportunity as senior managers and allowed the option of a severance package?	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	The council has a Early Retirement/Voluntary Severance scheme which is available to all employees subject to a suitable business case being submitted within the set affordability criteria.
9496	No Response	1g. Workforce Arrangements	As long as appropriate services are still being given to families and individuals. Workforce is already struggling as not enough staff to reduce waiting list times.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The proposed review of terms and conditions would seek to review the use of overtime, allowances and enhancements, whilst at the same time consider the rates payable when used.
9497	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	avoid strikes	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	The council has been able to delivery significant budget reductions in the last 10 years without the requirement for compulsory redundancies. The scale of the further reductions required over the next five years will be challenging and the council will seek to use the existing range of workforce management and organisational change policies to deliver the required reductions in staffing numbers.

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9498	An employee of West Lothian Council	1g. Workforce Arrangements	I am sure that shaving some of the top salaries would probably save more than a few hours of the cleaning and janitorial services which are now desperate.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	The council is subject to national pay bargaining and the salary scales for officers are determined nationally.
9499	No Response	1g. Workforce Arrangements	I am amazed that is taken a cost cutting exercise for Senior Management to realise that some Council Workers certainly do NOT demonstrate value for money. I can sympathise that due to the Council being run by Public money that some Council workers do get a tough time but there are other workers - in particular departments - that are renowned for NOT giving value for money. It is a difficult job to balance work and individuals but some workers are work shy and should no longer be council employees.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The proposed review of terms and conditions would seek to review the use of overtime, allowances and enhancements, whilst at the same time consider the rates payable when used.
9500	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Comparatively a pitifully small saving on a wage bill of about £320 million. Why focus only on a relatively small aspect of the overall wage bill. Include this in 1a above.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
9501	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	try making people work smarter and reward initiative and results.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
9502	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Pay freeze, cut overtime level (i.e. standard time rate), monitor efficiency of workforce and interaction between departments.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	The council is subject to national pay bargaining and the salary scales for officers are determined nationally.
9503	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	This comment applies to many sections in this document - anywhere where the words 'redesign', 'rationalisation', 'restructure' 'streamlining' are included. The saving is given but not the current spend, or the cost required to achieve the 4 million, or the time for return on investment. I am puzzled that after 10 years of cuts the service is thought to still have enough fat to achieve this saving without impact on service. There is a lot of building going on in WL. If the current funding (even with the resulting increase in council tax) is not sufficient to cater for the increased population this expansion should be stopped, or the developers charged to cover the cost.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
9504	An employee of West Lothian Council	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Rather than focusing on the terms and conditions of lower paid staff, more significant savings could be achieved by introducing a maximum wage, reducing the salaries of senior council officers. This aligns with the council commitment to the living wage and the endeavour to reduce poverty amongst local people.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	The council is subject to national pay bargaining and the salary scales for officers are determined nationally.
9505	No Response	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Make sure that we have adequate staff to support the service and we are not requiring staff to constantly work overtime, also more requirement from back office staff to assist in emergencies - more support for front line services and less for back office, concentrating on delivering services bins getting emptied housing repairs street lighting education. Look at the supply and demand if service not required in an area why keep supporting it when other areas are struggling with staffing and resources	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Any service restructure will be undertaken in accordance with the council organisational change policy and in consultation with the recognised trade unions. The Council has developed a Corporate Workforce Plan and Service specific workforce plans which monitor staffing requirements and ensure as far as possible that staffing complements and staff skills meet the service requirements.
9506	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	We should not be eroding workers rights but we need to also come in line with the private sector who are less generous to workers. I agree that to save jobs and provide services that we all need to take a more realistic view.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposed review of terms and conditions would seek to review the use of overtime, allowances and enhancements, whilst at the same time consider the rates payable when used.
9507	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	I thought consultant companies fees and temporary staffs were two of the biggest spend for the council? Increase flexibility for current staff such as working from home, real flexible hours (not pretend ones!) . . . etc would also be a way to save money on temp staff and help with parent and carer support. While many government companies (council, nhs, prison) are including these "agile" working options in their policies, I have found that on the ground many managers are very resistant to these changes and sometimes simply refuse to give their staff access to these options.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	The council has an IT infrastructure which supports working from home and individuals working from various council sites throughout West Lothian. The opportunity to work on a mobile and flexible basis continues to be available to staff.
9508	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Will that be for everyone including the chief executive. Pay the top 5% less and leave the lower paid staff alone! Sure cut wastage but thus us cynical at best. Again once you've cut the top 5% salaries I'd be happier to pay more council tax rather than see this happen!	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	The council is subject to national pay bargaining and the salary scales for officers are determined nationally. The council is subject to national pay bargaining, and terms and conditions.
9509	No Response	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Wage cuts will further decrease the already depleted availability of specialist service staff who fundamentally strive to provide a level of service delivery in an already budget reduced service Safety and care will decline Employees will struggle to provide for their families These cuts will be life changing for many young and old	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposed review of terms and conditions would seek to review the use of overtime, allowances and enhancements, whilst at the same time consider the rates payable when used.

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9510	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Staff costs should not be reduced. The council has already experienced years of cuts. There is no further scope for reduction whilst maintaining current services.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposed review of terms and conditions would seek to review the use of overtime, allowances and enhancements, whilst at the same time consider the rates payable when used.
9511	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Offer employees opportunity to reduce hours worked, 5 days to 4, term time off etc. across the council. Promote job share.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council offers opportunity to work flexible or reduced hours where this supports the needs of the service.
9512	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	What this will probably mean is the good staff leaving, or taking voluntary severance (and returning as a higher paid temporary worker).	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposed review of terms and conditions would seek to review the use of overtime, allowances and enhancements, whilst at the same time consider the rates payable when used.
9513	An employee of West Lothian Council	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Staff are not being replaced and further pressures on them with less resources is a pressure cooker waiting to explode. The absence policy is already very strict and can often result in hitting trigger levels if you only have one self certificated absence which results in 6 days and even a doctors line does not prevent triggers and if staff are stretched to the max and yet fall ill they still come to work due to this policy and the fear of hitting trigger levels only to infect others and put more pressure on staff when sickness spreads. Furthermore increases in cost of living and potential increases in taxes etc whilst wage rises are falling short of inflation will only mean more working people being put more on the path to poverty which is an issue (poverty) that government want to prevent but yet will be creating.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council actively manages all absences in terms of its sickness absence policy, which is subject to constant review, in consultation with the recognised trade unions, to ensure that it is fit for purpose.
9514	An employee of West Lothian Council	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Reduction in amount of overtime given to road staff when they do not appear to achieve much during the week but there will be full crews standing about on a Sunday!	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposed review of terms and conditions would seek to review the use of overtime, allowances and enhancements, whilst at the same time consider the rates payable when used.
9515	An employee of West Lothian Council	1g. Workforce Arrangements	The Council receives a considerable amount of goodwill from its staff and a lot of work and positive outcomes are achieved off of this goodwill. Continued erosion to terms and conditions of service, reduction in benefits, increased workload, increased stress all lead to a reduction in goodwill and therefore a reduction in productivity.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposed review of terms and conditions would seek to review the use of overtime, allowances and enhancements, whilst at the same time consider the rates payable when used.
9516	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Also re terms and conditions consideration should be give to not paying sick pay for the first say 3 days this would discourage those who abuse the system from taking sick days when they are not relevant. Managers need to deal with staff who are excessively off sick quicker.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council actively manages all absences in terms of its sickness absence policy, which is subject to constant review, in consultation with the recognised trade unions, to ensure that it is fit for purpose.
9517	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Those employees who are not performing to expected standard should be dealt with quicker as I do know of staff who have been passed from one area to another more than once but should have been dealt with by the original manager.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has a number of policies and procedures which support managers to monitor and manage staff performance and efficiency.
9518	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	It is time to review the no redundancy policy as it must be becoming extremely difficult to manage a workforce that cannot be made redundant.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has been able to delivery significant budget reductions in the last 10 years without the requirement for compulsory redundancies. The scale of the further reductions required over the next five years will be challenging and the council will seek to use the existing range of workforce management and organisational change policies to deliver the required reductions in staffing numbers.
9519	An employee of West Lothian Council	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Toolbox money should be ceased.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The proposed review of terms and conditions would seek to review the use of overtime, allowances and enhancements, whilst at the same time consider the rates payable when used.
9520	An employee of West Lothian Council	1g. Workforce Arrangements	However, the council also need to campaign at a national level to address the issues with Teachers pay. Development Money paid to teachers for taking on additional pieces of work should be reviewed with a protocol in place for when it can be used and the use of the money closely monitored.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	The council is subject to national pay bargaining and the salary scales for officers are determined nationally. The council is subject to national pay bargaining, and terms and conditions.
9521	An employee of West Lothian Council	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Leave arrangements for council staff should be monitored closely.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The proposed review of terms and conditions would seek to review the use of overtime, allowances and enhancements, whilst at the same time consider the rates payable when used.
9522	An employee of West Lothian Council	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Sick leave needs to be reduced, as this is a huge cost to the council,	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council actively manages all absences in terms of its sickness absence policy, which is subject to constant review, in consultation with the recognised trade unions, to ensure that it is fit for purpose.

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9523	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Its about time cut back on lazy people how many times i have watch council workmen just having agreat day sitting in a van doing nothing bring back the scheme where the work shy people have to do work in their community such as picking up litter and cutting back the overgrown trees and bushes	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The proposed review of terms and conditions would seek to review the use of overtime, allowances and enhancements, whilst at the same time consider the rates payable when used.
9524	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	I agree. Retirement incentive packages should be offered to those on large salaries who are eligible.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has a Early Retirement/Voluntary Severance scheme which is available to all employees subject to a suitable business case being submitted within the set affordability criteria.
9525	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Aye and review staff monitoring as across West Lothian council workers spend a lot of time on 'tea breaks at 08:30 till 09:30 and finish early on a Friday and be out at weekend putting up Christmas lights!!!	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The proposed review of terms and conditions would seek to review the use of overtime, allowances and enhancements, whilst at the same time consider the rates payable when used.
9526	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Review all out of core hours services and workstreams to be more efficient.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The proposed review of terms and conditions would seek to review the use of overtime, allowances and enhancements, whilst at the same time consider the rates payable when used.
9527	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Also review expenses Councilors get and what they spend money on.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	Councillors remunerations and expenses are determined by the Scottish Government. The council is subject to national pay bargaining and the salary scales for officers are determined nationally.
9528	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Why have you been wasting so much of our money up to this point?	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The proposed review of terms and conditions would seek to review the use of overtime, allowances and enhancements, whilst at the same time consider the rates payable when used.
9529	An employee of West Lothian Council	1g. Workforce Arrangements	3. Make sure supervisors are insuring staff are performing to a high rate.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The proposed review of terms and conditions would seek to review the use of overtime, allowances and enhancements, whilst at the same time consider the rates payable when used.
9530	An employee of West Lothian Council	1g. Workforce Arrangements	4. Make sure staff at recycling centres are working and not just sitting around.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The proposed review of terms and conditions would seek to review the use of overtime, allowances and enhancements, whilst at the same time consider the rates payable when used.
9531	An employee of West Lothian Council	1g. Workforce Arrangements	6. Stop high level of Staff Skiving!!!!	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The proposed review of terms and conditions would seek to review the use of overtime, allowances and enhancements, whilst at the same time consider the rates payable when used.
9532	An employee of West Lothian Council	1g. Workforce Arrangements	This proposal will not improve employment in West Lothian and will do nothing to tackle poverty. As the biggest employer in the area, any erosion of therms and conditions will result in staff having less money to put into the local economy.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposed review of terms and conditions would seek to review the use of overtime, allowances and enhancements, whilst at the same time consider the rates payable when used.
9533	An employee of West Lothian Council	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Staff are being asked to do more for less and senior management are also expecting staff to start earlier (than are contracted to), stay later and work out of office times. This is having a detrimental effect on staff morale. Staff are being "pit upon" more and more and I suspect that this will continue even more with further budget cuts.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposed review of terms and conditions would seek to review the use of overtime, allowances and enhancements, whilst at the same time consider the rates payable when used.
9534	An employee of West Lothian Council	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Disgraceful that the council should discuss changing terms and conditions with the public rather than the recognised trade unions.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposed review of terms and conditions would seek to review the use of overtime, allowances and enhancements, whilst at the same time consider the rates payable when used.
9535	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	The biggest challenge will be to get work force on board.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The proposed review of terms and conditions would seek to review the use of overtime, allowances and enhancements, whilst at the same time consider the rates payable when used.
9536	An employee of West Lothian Council	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Terms and conditions should be bench-marked to ensure that they are in line with those in other councils.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The proposed review of terms and conditions would seek to review the use of overtime, allowances and enhancements, whilst at the same time consider the rates payable when used.
9537	An employee of West Lothian Council	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Payments made should be fair and equitable across sections.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The proposed review of terms and conditions would seek to review the use of overtime, allowances and enhancements, whilst at the same time consider the rates payable when used.

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9538	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	You can't put up rents, council tax etc and not pay your workforce the cost of living rate. How does that balance????????	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposed review of terms and conditions would seek to review the use of overtime, allowances and enhancements, whilst at the same time consider the rates payable when used. The council is a living wage employer and staff on the lowest grades are paid a living wage subsidy.
9539	An employee of West Lothian Council	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Look at people's jobs there are sometimes clerical staff typing up hand written documents this is a duplication on work if it was done directly to computer it would save time and money. There are also staff who are on a lower position payed during paperwork hours but this is not part of there job scope, if this could be reduced and only done the extra hours for staff meetings this would save money without losing jobs	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Any service restructure will be undertaken in accordance with the council organisational change policy and in consultation with the recognised trade unions. The Council has developed a Corporate Workforce Plan and Service specific workforce plans which monitor staffing requirements and ensure as far as possible that staffing complements and staff skills meet the service requirements.
9540	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	I agree savings should be made here, if staffing costs represent the largest proportion of the councils budget, then maybe more than £1.4 million savings should be made!	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The proposed review of terms and conditions would seek to review the use of overtime, allowances and enhancements, whilst at the same time consider the rates payable when used.
9541	An employee of West Lothian Council	1g. Workforce Arrangements	More efficient deployment of staff would be a great idea. As a Council staff member, I believe that there is a lot of slack that could be fixed to save money. Particularly in office based environments; staff could be allocated more work.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Experience has demonstrated that the council can deliver a more effective and cost effective service through the centralisation of generic tasks with the retention of specialist provision within service.
9542	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	The council needs to be careful that it loses the good staff it has and some of the staff remaining may not be of the quality required to take the council forward. To deliver change effectively requires good and strong staff/managers to manage and deliver the change.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The proposed review of terms and conditions would seek to review the use of overtime, allowances and enhancements, whilst at the same time consider the rates payable when used.
9543	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Simply reduce the number of highly paid managerial posts instead of those at the bottom level like cleaners etc.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	5b. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it is likely that the costs of this proposal would outweigh the benefit.	The council continually reviews the tiers of management and span of control across all service levels against a target 5 x 5 structure. This ensures that the council continues to operate with an effective and efficient managerial structure.
9544	An employee of West Lothian Council	1g. Workforce Arrangements	A more progressive working culture needs to be embraced with a greater level of home working and hot desking. Hot desking would free up space within existing building allowing rationalisation of buildings and potential income if office space can be let to other public sector organisations. This approach is proven at the Civic Centre and other Partnership centres in West Lothian. Given Livingston's proximity to Edinburgh this may be an attractive proposition to public sector bodies with expensive Edinburgh office space.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	4. The Council is already doing this.	The Council has an IT infrastructure which supports working from home and individuals working from various Council sites throughout West Lothian. The opportunity to work on a mobile and flexible basis continues to be available to staff.
9545	An employee of West Lothian Council	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Consideration should be given to a proposal that staff would forgo pay rises to avoid redundancy. Lower pay grades would be exempt from this proposal.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	The council is subject to national pay bargaining and the salary scales for officers are determined nationally. The council is subject to national pay bargaining, and terms and conditions.
9546	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Reduction in staff numbers is not the answer! any change to service may require an initial investment to make sure that what follows is fit for purpose, credible and has public support.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Any service restructure will be undertaken in accordance with the Council organisational change policy and in consultation with the recognised trade unions. The Council has developed a Corporate Workforce Plan and Service specific workforce plans which monitor staffing requirements and ensure as far as possible that staffing complements and staff skills meet the service requirements.
9547	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Cost savings in this area can only be achieved through effective negotiation with trade unions. Any changes to salaries, overtime and allowances should be done for new entrants rather than existing staff as it would be too negative on staff morale and motivation, as well as increase the risk of strike action being taken.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The proposed review of terms and conditions would seek to review the use of overtime, allowances and enhancements, whilst at the same time consider the rates payable when used.
9548	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	If changes to working conditions limit access or increase costs to groups, then this may force some out of existence as there are no, or few alternative facilities in some communities.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposed review of terms and conditions would seek to review the use of overtime, allowances and enhancements, whilst at the same time consider the rates payable when used.

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9549	An employee of West Lothian Council	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Would not want to see conditions for employees changing as things such as flexi, the standard working week can really help families manage childcare and other responsibilities. One issue is why there is allowed to be a flexi debit? Surely staff should only be allowed to take flexi time if they have worked the time rather than the 10 hour deficit allowed - this is time lost to the Council.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposed review of terms and conditions would seek to review the use of overtime, allowances and enhancements, whilst at the same time consider the rates payable when used.
9550	An employee of West Lothian Council	1g. Workforce Arrangements	I already feel that the sickness absence is already harmful in some cases as a lot of my colleagues feel they need to come to work when they are really sick for fear of the policy. Yes, it stops those who taken advantage but the genuine people who are sick, are then stressed about being off work sick and then end up even more ill.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council actively manages all absences in terms of its sickness absence policy, which is subject to constant review, in consultation with the recognised trade unions, to ensure that it is fit for purpose.
9551	An employee of West Lothian Council	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Suggest staff taking a reduction in salaries to protect services and jobs	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	The council is subject to national pay bargaining and the salary scales for officers are determined nationally. The council is subject to national pay bargaining, and terms and conditions.
9552	An employee of West Lothian Council	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Unfortunately all inequalities related to payments made to staff have not yet been addressed, disappointing and extremely costly over the years, considering many of these were raise at Single Status and assurances were given to staff that they would be addressed. For example some staff have continued to get enhancements and payments with total disregard and unfairness to colleagues who have contributed comparable service/duties with no salary payments made (e.g. staff who take time back in lieu and do not claim overtime, e.g. staff who work outwith flexi hours to deal with reactive customer issues/demands, e.g. staff who do duties without additional payment that others in the Council do get additional payments for, e.g. staff who work 7day then 3day week rota to ensure consistent frontline service delivery and support every day to customers). When will all current inequalities be addressed and what saving is this estimated to make? Has a cost analysis already been completed that acknowledges the services that are Parks & Woodland provide a service across its Country Parks 7days a week, every week of the year. The demand for that service can be particularly heightened over weekends, public holidays and holiday periods placing significant pressure and responsibilities on a small number of staff and the service functions they oversee.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The proposed review of terms and conditions would seek to review the use of overtime, allowances and enhancements, whilst at the same time consider the rates payable when used.
9553	An employee of West Lothian Council	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Disappointingly no detail has been given on what areas, services, teams this will affect. That would have been informative. We would also hope that WLC has a true understanding of what needs to be where to enable services to function. Will the current review of enhancements consider the variation in demand and responsibilities for our 7 day service and the existing staffing level available within that service to enable the service to function? Has a cost analysis been completed and what is the estimated saving? The cost in having the staff on winter standby for 6months of the year is unsustainable. It badly affects those small teams of staff that do not have a big enough complement of staff to cover the absence of winter standby staff. It is also grossly unfair to the majority of WLC employees, with the enhanced payments and generous time off. There are also examples quoted of winter standby staff turning up for work without being issued with PPE, mobiles, etc. that they need to do the task, not knowing who is managing what but being happy to "take the money" - the whole process needs a thorough overhaul on the basis of Health & Safety alone. There are members of staff who participate in winter standby who receive in excess of £10k a year on top of their normal salary! How is this quantifiable and justifiable, it is obscene. Surely there is a better way to deliver this service. If winter standby is part of a Job Outline then it is just that and should be included in the job outline with no additional "perks" or "bonuses". There are staff in the Council who cleverly manoeuvre themselves as they rely on and benefit unfairly on these enhancements. Is it clearly proven that there is an actual demand that warrants this level of payment for this long a period for these staff? Could other contractors/service agreements/working rota arrangements not be negotiated at a lower annual cost? Why does the WLC not include in its proposals the option for redundancy, can you explain this? Also explain why and when WLC would consider introducing a redundancy policy? Redeployment just one example that WLC needs to strengthen and apply policies that have been introduced e.g. redeployment, disciplinary process, driving policy.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	The proposed review of terms and conditions would seek to review the use of overtime, allowances and enhancements, whilst at the same time consider the rates payable when used.

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9554	An employee of West Lothian Council	1g. Workforce Arrangements	There are staff who should have been terminated on redeployment but they are still here and the disciplinary process needs to be much more rigorously applied.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	The council has introduced improved workforce planning and greater coordination of vacant posts, fixed term appointments and employees who have been displaced through organisational change. The council is also reviewing the terms of the Redeployment Policy to offer greater opportunities for the redeployment of employees subject to suitable business need.
9555	An employee of West Lothian Council	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Poor workforce planning has placed unfair pressure on existing managers and staff. Please remember that employers have a duty of care to its employees. -Seasonal staff (employed seasonally to target peak times when staff are required to assist the service achieve its targets, parks & Woodland have retained staff over a number of years building up their knowledge and skills base for them to become reliable employees but the annual recruitment process over the last few years has been disrespectful to managers and staff, chaotic and shambolic to say the least. Managers know that they need to recruit the skilled staff early, they want to retain and develop those staff have worked with us previously and are committed in wanting to return to us but they are stopped from doing this, leaving the service planning and staff cover in an unacceptable situation.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The proposed review of terms and conditions would seek to review the use of overtime, allowances and enhancements, whilst at the same time consider the rates payable when used.
9556	An employee of West Lothian Council	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Managers are under unacceptable pressure to get shifts covered and tasks completed despite not have the staff in position. This is unsustainable. - Some seasonal staff within the Council were changed onto year contracts but others were not. Why was this not been applied fairly across all seasonal posts at the same time? Can we convert our seasonal Ranger commitment into 2year contract posts? It gives the impression to staff that certain sections of the Council have been given more "protection" than others, which would shameful if unfairly applied. - Parks & Woodland have not been able to recruit a permanent Access Ranger post (possibly because the post advertised was not permanent) and are left with no-one in position to address the access responsibilities of WLC. This may fall onto the shoulders of the Ranger Service which exists of x3 permanent and x1 Apprentice. It is not feasible that the Ranger Service can continue to cover all work tasks required including any new tasks with just 3 permanent staff, without committing to seasonal staff posts or converting seasonal allocation to fixed 1 or 2 year posts (that can then be extended) or a complete overhaul of their aims and objectives.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The proposed review of terms and conditions would seek to review the use of overtime, allowances and enhancements, whilst at the same time consider the rates payable when used.
9557	An employee of West Lothian Council	1g. Workforce Arrangements	The council has avoided dealing with the widespread discrepancies in enhancements and allowances and this measure is long overdue.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The proposed review of terms and conditions would seek to review the use of overtime, allowances and enhancements, whilst at the same time consider the rates payable when used.
9558	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	seems like a big ask of staff ....I hope you will ensure they are trained for the task and supported with the inevitable increased workload and pressures	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The proposed review of terms and conditions would seek to review the use of overtime, allowances and enhancements, whilst at the same time consider the rates payable when used.
9559	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Equality Impact Assessment. Any changes should ensure fairness and consistency of approach for all employees.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The proposed review of terms and conditions would seek to review the use of overtime, allowances and enhancements, whilst at the same time consider the rates payable when used.
9560	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Good staff should be paid appropriately, savings should be made in taking more things back in house. Don't pay a private company for road repairs etc they have to make a profit. Employ the staff yourself and do it not for profit. Don't outsource cleaning to contractors pay your own staff...you should be able to do it for less!	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposed review of terms and conditions would seek to review the use of overtime, allowances and enhancements, whilst at the same time consider the rates payable when used. The council will continue to use internal services to deliver services. The Council engages external contractors where required for specialist works. This approach will continue to ensure best value use of resources available within the council.
9561	An employee of West Lothian Council	1g. Workforce Arrangements	All the savings seem to be coming from one budget, that does not seem fair when there is a distinct lack of information on how the other budgets are being spent and if they are achieving value for money, can and will you provide this information????	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	The council reports on (and publishes) detailed financial information. This includes the allocation of financial resources to services, how council budgets are spent and the cost of providing services.
9562	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Shift allowance should be phased out across the Council.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The proposed review of terms and conditions would seek to review the use of overtime, allowances and enhancements, whilst at the same time consider the rates payable when used.

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9563	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Agreed And perhaps redundancy and early retirement and bonuses should be cut too. Executive salaries recalculated to match central government .	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The proposed review of terms and conditions would seek to review the use of overtime, allowances and enhancements, whilst at the same time consider the rates payable when used. The council is subject to national pay bargaining and the salary scales for officers are determined nationally. The council is subject to national pay bargaining, and terms and conditions.
9564	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Remove the final pension in line with most other businesses.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	The Local Government Pension Scheme is out with the control of the Council and is set nationally.
9565	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Again as long as its not cut back so much that it affects the quality of service, and is just ticking boxes.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The proposed review of terms and conditions would seek to review the use of overtime, allowances and enhancements, whilst at the same time consider the rates payable when used.
9566	An employee of West Lothian Council	1g. Workforce Arrangements	I find it insulting that John McGinty, in a speech last year, complimented what an excellent workforce West Lothian Council was comprised of. Yet now this proposal involved in reducing that so called 'excellent' workforce.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council is subject to national pay bargaining and the salary scales for officers are determined nationally. The council is subject to national pay bargaining, and terms and conditions.
9567	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	As above - lets have a root and branch review of the service and delivery. It isn't necessary to increase costs when efficiencies can be identified. A business approach is what is needed to ensure the correct spending on items needed is controlled.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council is subject to national pay bargaining and the salary scales for officers are determined nationally. The council is subject to national pay bargaining, and terms and conditions.
9568	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Remember that recruitment and short-staff are also costs which should be avoided with fair reward.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council is subject to national pay bargaining and the salary scales for officers are determined nationally. The council is subject to national pay bargaining, and terms and conditions.
9569	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	As 1a. What will be the impact on remaining employees and services to the community.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	The council is subject to national pay bargaining and the salary scales for officers are determined nationally. The council is subject to national pay bargaining, and terms and conditions.
9570	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	There are still a large number of staff who do not 'pull their weight'. The council should be more robust in dealing with officers who operate inefficiently. The council's sickness absence policy needs an overhaul. Officers who have four short periods of absence can find themselves on a final absence meeting while others can be sick for a year and return at Level 1 of the policy. This dissuades rather than encourages staff back to work.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council actively manages all absences in terms of its sickness absence policy, which is subject to constant review, in consultation with the recognised trade unions, to ensure that it is fit for purpose.
9571	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Staff are already dressed and stretched. Good experienced staff will leave as morale is already low	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council is subject to national pay bargaining and the salary scales for officers are determined nationally. The council is subject to national pay bargaining, and terms and conditions.
9572	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Staffing costs are always significant in the delivery of services, and this is always a sensitive issue, however we all need to ensure value for money. I am aware that procedures will be carefully adhered to in relation to contract changes. I am currently consolidating our staffing structures in order to maximise our outcomes and value for money for our organisation, as discussed with Council colleagues during our recent Health Check.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council is subject to national pay bargaining and the salary scales for officers are determined nationally. The council is subject to national pay bargaining, and terms and conditions.
9573	No Response	1g. Workforce Arrangements	The reintroduction of an appealing early retirement package and redundancy packages this would assist the progression of those volunteering and provide longer term savings without devaluing those that continue to work for the council.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	The council has a Early Retirement/Voluntary Severance scheme which is available to all employees subject to a suitable business case being submitted within the set affordability criteria.
9574	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Any changes to contracts will be met by the strongest protest. The services offered by the council will not be effective, efficient or fit for purpose if there are less staff or if there are significant changes to salary, overtime payments or to allowances. Staff are your biggest asset and they need to feel valued and that they are making a difference or morale will sink to rock bottom and little will be achieved.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposed review of terms and conditions would seek to review the use of overtime, allowances and enhancements, whilst at the same time consider the rates payable when used.
9575	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Reducing the disposable income of west lothian workers will have a detriment impact on retail and service sector workers in west lothian .. its a vicious downward spiral which will increase strain on council and health services .. Stand Up and say no to scottish imposed austerity	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposed review of terms and conditions would seek to review the use of overtime, allowances and enhancements, whilst at the same time consider the rates payable when used.

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9576	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Start at the top! The usual approach is to start at the lower end of the pay-scale. Start with the large total packages paid (including pensions, benefits etc) to those in senior management and Council positions comparing the amount of work being done versus those you ask to cover multiple roles lower down the pay-scale.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council continually reviews the tiers of management and span of control across all service levels against a target 5 x 5 structure. This ensures that the council continues to operate with an effective and efficient managerial structure.
9577	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	This could make staff feel overworked and undervalued.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposed review of terms and conditions would seek to review the use of overtime, allowances and enhancements, whilst at the same time consider the rates payable when used.
9578	No Response	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Tightening up of allowances would make sense - sick leave, etc	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council actively manages all absences in terms of its sickness absence policy, which is subject to constant review, in consultation with the recognised trade unions, to ensure that it is fit for purpose.
9579	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	All modernization techniques should be used	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
9580	No Response	1g. Workforce Arrangements	This is a priority - effective and efficient use of resources.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
9581	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	1g. Workforce Arrangements	These have to be fair and implemented in consultation with staff and unions. Work should not be outsourced at a cheaper pay rate as an alternative.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The proposed review of terms and conditions would seek to review the use of overtime, allowances and enhancements, whilst at the same time consider the rates payable when used.
9582	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Staffing is any employers biggest asset and staff who do not feel valued will not deliver the services that they need to. Whilst pay is not the only way that value is expressed, it is hugely significant and should not be seen as value for money to reduce this. Low paid staff must be protected and are you saying that current payments are not value for money? Councils often lead the way on fairness and equality (and at others lag painfully behind) so please do not lose this.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposed review of terms and conditions would seek to review the use of overtime, allowances and enhancements, whilst at the same time consider the rates payable when used. The council is a living wage employer and staff on the lowest grades are paid
9583	No Response	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Agree a review should take place but the council also needs to lead the way in demonstrating a fair pay for a fair days work. Reduction in staff though as much as possible should be through natural wastage rather than over the top redundancy handouts to the 'nearly retiring age, workers that have benefitted from organisational restructuring in the past. Not sure why pensions contributions or redundancy payments are not included in this review. Both are too generous and some cuts here would bring some substantial savings too.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The proposed review of terms and conditions would seek to review the use of overtime, allowances and enhancements, whilst at the same time consider the rates payable when used. The council has introduced improved workforce planning and greater coordination of vacant posts, fixed term appointments and employees who have been displaced through organisational change. The council is also reviewing the terms of the Redeployment Policy to offer greater opportunities for the redeployment of employees subject to suitable business need.
9584	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Services should be provided during normal working hours. If service needed out with these times then should be chargeable.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has introduced improved workforce planning and greater coordination of vacant posts, fixed term appointments and employees who have been displaced through organisational change. The council is also reviewing the terms of the Redeployment Policy to offer greater opportunities for the redeployment of employees subject to suitable business need.
9585	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	The council trumpet their living wage policy - pay rates should be cut to minimum levels. Overtime and shift payments should be stopped. Again we live and work in a seven day society so pay rates should be the same for every day of the week and for each shift pattern.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The proposed review of terms and conditions would seek to review the use of overtime, allowances and enhancements, whilst at the same time consider the rates payable when used.
9586	No Response	1g. Workforce Arrangements	The only proposal in this consultation that I can actually comment on (since the rest of the proposals are pretty vague). Which services and what pay levels will this affect? If this affects front line staff near the bottom of the pay scale? We don't have enough staff as it is to run the service and if you get rid of overtime or cut it to single time then no one will want to cover because it just won't be worth our time.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposed review of terms and conditions would seek to review the use of overtime, allowances and enhancements, whilst at the same time consider the rates payable when used. The council is a living wage employer and staff on the lowest grades are paid
9587	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	1g. Workforce Arrangements	GMB is disappointed that West Lothian council appear to negotiating with the public before having meaningful dialogue with the Trade unions. It is a clear feeling of total disregard for collection bargaining in our opinion.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	The proposed review of terms and conditions would seek to review the use of overtime, allowances and enhancements, whilst at the same time consider the rates payable when used.

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9588	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	I am a resident of West Lothian and I also have contact with Council staff in my working life. From this contact I am aware that over a number of years the workforce has shrunk but the workload has not. There are instances of staff picking up a number of topics that previously had a staff member working on them full time. This is not tenable for either individual staff members or the effective delivery of areas of work that are deemed additions to already full job plans. I fully recognise the difficulties that the Council faces but further paring back of staffing costs for staff who are already over-subscribed in many respects does not seem likely to make the Council a good place to work or West Lothian a good place to live.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposed review of terms and conditions would seek to review the use of overtime, allowances and enhancements, whilst at the same time consider the rates payable when used.
9589	An employee of West Lothian Council	1g. Workforce Arrangements	There are more ways to save money in relation to staffing costs. The councils policies on sickness absence, special leave and flexi to name 3 only, are not strict enough. Why does the council allow staff to have 15 hours debit apart from Friday of week 4. Has analysis been done on how many staff actually owe the council more than 2 days work in any given week. Reduce the debit allowed and only if you have the time for a flexi 1/2 or full day do you get it. The sickness absence policy encourages people to stay off. The change to 6 days 4 periods within 12 months was a good thing but why disregard absences if they are not excluded from our performance targets. Make every absence count towards moving through the stages. That way staff will return to work after hospital stays a bit quicker than they do now. Special leave has become an extension to some staff's annual leave in other words eg if they are coming up to the end of a rolling 12 month period and they have not exhausted their 5 days 'care of an ill dependent' you can almost be guaranteed that the need to take a day will arise. Again it would be useful to see how many staff within the council have had the need to use all of their special leave entitlement every year since the beginning of their employment. Make the policies work to encourage staff to actually be at their work and not take advantage of some additional leave because it makes no odds to where they find themselves in relation to sickness absence.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council actively manages all absences in terms of its sickness absence policy, which is subject to constant review, in consultation with the recognised trade unions, to ensure that it is fit for purpose.
9590	An employee of West Lothian Council	1g. Workforce Arrangements	I want to put a suggestion forward if there is not support for the increase. Freeze pay increases for the staff who will remain in employment after these savings are met. My understanding is that the 2 year 2% and the 3 year 1.5% wage increase has an estimated cost attached to it of £7m. That should meet some of the savings and I am sure those staff would be grateful that they were still in a job given the alternative	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	The council is subject to national pay bargaining and the salary scales for officers are determined nationally.
9591	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	As long as this looks at those who are highest paid and does not punish those on lower incomes or cut imporant parts of the councils services, such as those who are responsible for refuse pick up and the support staff in schools and health centres.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The proposed review of terms and conditions would seek to review the use of overtime, allowances and enhancements, whilst at the same time consider the rates payable when used. The council is a living wage employer and staff on the lowest grades are paid
9592	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Staff should be treated with respect. Any changes should be considered and wholly reasonable.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The proposed review of terms and conditions would seek to review the use of overtime, allowances and enhancements, whilst at the same time consider the rates payable when used.
9593	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Cut Christmas bonuses 4 bosses. All job types should be the same (if some staff don't have overtime then no one should).	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	The council does not have a bonus scheme.
9594	An employee of West Lothian Council	1g. Workforce Arrangements	The amount spent on local Councilors is excessive especially when there are three Councilors covering one ward.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	Councillors remunerations and expenses are determined by the Scottish Government.
9595	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Please be aware of cutting too deeply now and having to recruit again later. WLC wouldn't be the first organisation to fall foul of this approach.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The proposed review of terms and conditions would seek to review the use of overtime, allowances and enhancements, whilst at the same time consider the rates payable when used.

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9596	An employee of West Lothian Council	1g. Workforce Arrangements	The council requires to be competitive to be able to retain its staff that have been invested in. we need good quality staff that do not come through our doors and end up with high staff turnover. We need to consider the long term impact of poor pay and benefits being offered to staff. It affects staff motivation, commitment and willingness to work to capacity. In private practice pay levels are much higher and traditionally staff in local authority jobs have had reater benefits. thats has significantly reduced over time and now they are underpaid for high pressure professional jobs and the benefits that initially drew and kept staff are beign ebbed away gradually. We will end up in a situation whereby it is only the poor performing staff that are left with good quality staff leaving for other opportunities. Considering there will be a 3% increase in council tax (after a 3% increase for several higher bandings last year) and very little pay increases for all staff is a poor investment. care will also have to be taken to changing employemtn contracts and can be costly in the event that claims are made against the authority which reduce any potential saving to be made. Staff are being put under increasing pressure in their work with people leaving and resources reducing and not being replaced. This is putting existing staff under increased stress and is having an impact on attendance. this will ultimately be a trend that continues as resources and staff continue to be reduced. Reduction can only tak pace so far, it then begins to get more expensive again as services are unabelt o be provided and work is outsourced to external agencies costing more money to the council.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposed review of terms and conditions would seek to review the use of overtime, allowances and enhancements, whilst at the same time consider the rates payable when used.
9597	No Response	1g. Workforce Arrangements	I think most of the staff do a very good, i find it hard you can even more from the staff. How much do you save in good will, staff that are expected to work outside of their hours for free.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposed review of terms and conditions would seek to review the use of overtime, allowances and enhancements, whilst at the same time consider the rates payable when used.
9598	No Response	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Poor staff! And who knows what consequences it will have in the community, for example for school lets???	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposed review of terms and conditions would seek to review the use of overtime, allowances and enhancements, whilst at the same time consider the rates payable when used.
9599	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	If provides savings and staff are consulted about the changes.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The proposed review of terms and conditions would seek to review the use of overtime, allowances and enhancements, whilst at the same time consider the rates payable when used.
9600	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Has an equality impact assessment been carried out for each of the budget proposals? It is essential that this is done at the earliest opportunity in order to assess what the impact will be on those in the protected characteristics groups and those already experiencing disadvantage.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	The council is conducting Equality Impact Assessment on the proposals to assess the impact on persons with protected characteristics.
9601	An employee of West Lothian Council	1g. Workforce Arrangements	To recruit and retain the best employees requires an appropriate salary. If salaries and conditions (and respect) are not attractive, future expenditure could be adversely affected.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposed review of terms and conditions would seek to review the use of overtime, allowances and enhancements, whilst at the same time consider the rates payable when used.
9602	An employee of West Lothian Council	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Terms and conditions should be consistent through services too many decisions made 'at Managers' discretion	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The proposed review of terms and conditions would seek to review the use of overtime, allowances and enhancements, whilst at the same time consider the rates payable when used.
9603	An employee of West Lothian Council	1g. Workforce Arrangements	A restructure is necessary and I feel that service requirements may have to change and the public will need to accept this.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Any service restructure will be undertaken in accordance with the council organisational change policy and in consultation with the recognised trade unions. The Council has developed a Corporate Workforce Plan and Service specific workforce plans which monitor staffing requirements and ensure as far as possible that staffing complements and staff skills meet the service requirements.
9604	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	No, staff are important and deserve to have these benefits Council workers are often doing very difficult jobs so in order to keep good workers you need to pay them properly and give them these benefits or you will not have these good workers Also even the best worker will struggle to do a good job if they are struggling financially or have too much stress	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposed review of terms and conditions would seek to review the use of overtime, allowances and enhancements, whilst at the same time consider the rates payable when used.
9605	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Yes, VFM is essential. Push this one hard.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The proposed review of terms and conditions would seek to review the use of overtime, allowances and enhancements, whilst at the same time consider the rates payable when used.

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9606	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Any changes should have LEAST impact on those on MINIMUM wages.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The proposed review of terms and conditions would seek to review the use of overtime, allowances and enhancements, whilst at the same time consider the rates payable when used. The council is a living wage employer and staff on the lowest grades receive a living wage subsidy.
9607	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	That's going to go down well. Happy workforce? No. That's not important. Let's cut their meagre pay and then expect them to deliver the best service.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposed review of terms and conditions would seek to review the use of overtime, allowances and enhancements, whilst at the same time consider the rates payable when used.
9608	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Yes and like everywhere else make sure all staff benefits are reduced to as low a level as possible.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The proposed review of terms and conditions would seek to review the use of overtime, allowances and enhancements, whilst at the same time consider the rates payable when used.
9609	An employee of West Lothian Council	1g. Workforce Arrangements	This council needs to seriously look at more home working, in line with most other authorities (e.g.; East Dunbartonshire have a minimum of 2 days working at home, Edinburgh Council Planning staff have just been told to work one day a week at home, Borders Council, again staff work a minimum of 2 days at home) and trusting staff to produce when not actually in a council building, rather than an obsession with being seen / available in the Civic Centre. This could lead to closure of a at least a whole floor and save on heating / electricity costs or lease out to others / commercial sector to generate a revenue stream It could also reduce the number of Pool cars > site visits / meetings ie staff would more effectively arrange multiple meetings / visits in one whole day out the office rather than spread over 5 days. Working time should be extended from 7am - 7pm as 8am - 6pm is too constrictive. This would allow staff to work a 35hr week (in reality most do 40 hrs) over 4 days ie 4 X 9 (or 9.5hr) days. (Do you realise some people are sleeping in their cars as they arrive at 7.30am and cant get in the east staff entrance !). Technology, properly rolled out to staff, would allow them to work just, if not even more so, effectively at home. This also reduces commuting time, reduces traffic on the roads that is a general environmental benefit and would be better for "work / home life" balance.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	The council has an IT infrastructure which supports working from home and individuals working from various council sites throughout West Lothian. The opportunity to work on a mobile and flexible basis continues to be available to staff.
9610	An employee of West Lothian Council	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Please see my previous comments on greater working at home for staff to increase productivity but save on heat / electricity - close a floor of Civic Centre or rent it out. & also extending the working day to 7am - 7pm, but over a 4 day period	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	The council has an IT infrastructure which supports working from home and individuals working from various council sites throughout West Lothian. The opportunity to work on a mobile and flexible basis continues to be available to staff.
9611	An employee of West Lothian Council	1g. Workforce Arrangements	It is expected that with such significant savings to be delivered that a review of workforce arrangements will be undertaken.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
9612	An employee of West Lothian Council	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Overtime should only be available where staffing shortages are identified. Part time working arrangement need to be reviewed to ensure that adequate cover is available over all five days of the working week. Where multiple staff in one area are working reduced hours consideration should be given to job share of 5 out of 10 days to provide adequate cover over working week.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The proposed review of terms and conditions would seek to review the use of overtime, allowances and enhancements, whilst at the same time consider the rates payable when used.
9613	An employee of West Lothian Council	1g. Workforce Arrangements	There is no indication of how the £1.4 million saving has been calculated - what changes are being considered to generate this saving?	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	At this stage, detailed budget reduction measures have not been developed, therefore there is no specific information on how the savings will be achieved and the timescales for delivery. This will become clearer as the measures progress following the consultation process and approval of the council's budget strategy.
9614	An employee of West Lothian Council	1g. Workforce Arrangements	It is important that terms and conditions are kept the same as far as possible, as most people rely on the flexi- time and adapted hours to suit their lifestyle. I do think, however that the sickness absence policy could be looked at more closely and I wonder if it would be possible to perhaps increase the length of time before new employees are considered for sickness pay - perhaps to 9 months. Additionally I think that perhaps the length that sickness pay is paid could be slightly reduced. If this saved jobs then I would be willing to have this as an option. Longer term or multiple absences from work perhaps would benefit from closer scrutiny.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	The council actively manages all absences in terms of its sickness absence policy, which is subject to constant review, in consultation with the recognised trade unions, to ensure that it is fit for purpose.

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9615	An employee of West Lothian Council	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Feel that the sickness policy could be better managed, I feel that it should be looked as how many occasions you are off sick & not days, also if you have a doctors certificate unless occupational health can help to do something to help you get back to work then refereeing someone to them is not a good use of resources & the policy also encourages people to either come to work when they are genuinely ill which could mean other people get ill or come back to work before they are fit enough to return. also feel that overtime should only be in extreme cases and if required and should be as much as possible done on days the building is open, which saves the extra utilities	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council actively manages all absences in terms of its sickness absence policy, which is subject to constant review, in consultation with the recognised trade unions, to ensure that it is fit for purpose.
9616	An employee of West Lothian Council	1g. Workforce Arrangements	At the moment I work compressed hours since having my daughter in 2014 and without this being an option I would struggle to be able to come back to work on a full time basis. I feel this is an essential way of working with West Lothian Council.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The proposed review of terms and conditions would seek to review the use of overtime, allowances and enhancements, whilst at the same time consider the rates payable when used.
9617	An employee of West Lothian Council	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Whilst I understand staffing costs need to be reviewed, it is very obvious that some services have additional unnecessary costs that could be reviewed without penalising every service that actually adhere to strict overtime arrangements etc. There is also talk about reviewing several policies including sickness absence which is already very tight... I feel staff are going to be working with more severe policies and consequences. I believe the sickness absences have increased since the number of cleaning hours have been cut, our office can be very dirty and without proper, regular cleaning staff will become ill and then are subject to any reviewed sickness absence policy.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council actively manages all absences in terms of its sickness absence policy, which is subject to constant review, in consultation with the recognised trade unions, to ensure that it is fit for purpose.
9618	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	the budget gap would not have been so big if the Council had raised the Council Tax for the year. Any changes to terms and conditions must have the full support of the staff involved.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The proposed review of terms and conditions would seek to review the use of overtime, allowances and enhancements, whilst at the same time consider the rates payable when used.
9619	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Flexi time should be kept. It encourages people to work up the extra time to take a day off when it is suitable for them & the service. The maximum debit allowed could be reduced to 8 hrs.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The proposed review of terms and conditions would seek to review the use of overtime, allowances and enhancements, whilst at the same time consider the rates payable when used.
9620	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Good idea but problems especially unions!	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The proposed review of terms and conditions would seek to review the use of overtime, allowances and enhancements, whilst at the same time consider the rates payable when used.
9621	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Try working full week not when we have done our 300 buckets we can finish or hide until end of shift.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The proposed review of terms and conditions would seek to review the use of overtime, allowances and enhancements, whilst at the same time consider the rates payable when used.
9622	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	1g. Workforce Arrangements	We have no objection to this proposal but would contend that efficiency and effectiveness in the workforce can be realised through a process of continuous training and proper change management. Any change has to be properly managed and rumour and fear dispelled at an early stage.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Any service restructure will be undertaken in accordance with the council organisational change policy and in consultation with the recognised trade unions. The Council has developed a Corporate Workforce Plan and Service specific workforce plans which monitor staffing requirements and ensure as far as possible that staffing complements and staff skills meet the service requirements.
9623	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Pay some staff off. Freeze council wages for the next 5 years.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	The council is subject to national pay bargaining and the salary scales for officers are determined nationally. The council is subject to national pay bargaining, and terms and conditions.
9624	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Need for this but trade unions must be convinced	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The proposed review of terms and conditions would seek to review the use of overtime, allowances and enhancements, whilst at the same time consider the rates payable when used.
9625	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Cap salaries at £48,000 per year	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	The council is subject to national pay bargaining and the salary scales for officers are determined nationally. The council is subject to national pay bargaining, and terms and conditions.
9626	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	The council should consider more outsourcing of public works e.g. property repairs and renovation. Jobs undertaken by council take a long time to complete e.g. flats on South Street and Station Road in Armadale.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	5c. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it is not consistent with the council's values and priorities.	It is not council policy to outsource service functions. This saving will be delivered through increased rental, management fee and service charge income.

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9627	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Address sickness absence and monitor leave provisions of ALL staff (including teachers).	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council actively manages all absences in terms of its sickness absence policy, which is subject to constant review, in consultation with the recognised trade unions, to ensure that it is fit for purpose.
9628	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Keep no redundancy policy, reduce staffing through natural turnover, not renewing temporary contracts, reducing shift allowances to refuge collectors, standby and overtime payments and re-training and redeploying staff if necessary	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The proposed review of terms and conditions would seek to review the use of overtime, allowances and enhancements, whilst at the same time consider the rates payable when used. The council has been able to delivery significant budget reductions in the last 10 years without the requirement for compulsory redundancies. The scale of the further reductions required over the next five years will be challenging and the council will seek to use the existing range of workforce management and organisational change policies to deliver the required reductions in staffing numbers.
9629	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Workforce and management barriers to such change must be swept away as a priority.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Experience has demonstrated that the council can deliver an more effective and cost effective service through the centralisation of generic tasks, use of technology and retention of specialist provision within service.
9630	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Often too many persons are dealing with work - surely there could be less persons to supervise or instruct	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The council will investigate ways to consolidate and better coordinate activities to allow streamlining of operations and removal of duplication. This will help ensure that activities are completed and managed in the most effective way.
9631	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Cut down on expenses & perks for council workers (jamborees abroad with twinned towns, etc).	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The proposed review of terms and conditions would seek to review the use of overtime, allowances and enhancements, whilst at the same time consider the rates payable when used.
9632	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Very often, council workers are sitting in vans (eating & sleeping) - how many breaks do they need?	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has a number of systems, procedures and processes in place which enable managers to monitor and manage staff performance and efficiency.
9633	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	1g. Workforce Arrangements	All staff in work by 9am and sign in for hours worked to prove council tax payers are getting value for our money and prove all employees are responsible for a days work.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council offers opportunity to work flexible or reduced hours where this supports the needs of the service. The council has a number of systems, procedures and processes in place which enable managers to monitor and manage staff performance and efficiency.
9634	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Sick, overtime and shift allowance payments could be reviewed to save money as working patterns in this modern day have changed and this has not been addressed with council workers in the public sector. Too many uncertainties to agree any increase at this time.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council actively manages all absences in terms of its sickness absence policy, which is subject to constant review, in consultation with the recognised trade unions, to ensure that it is fit for purpose. The proposed review of terms and conditions would seek to review the use of overtime, allowances and enhancements, whilst at the same time consider the rates payable when used.
9635	An employee of West Lothian Council	1g. Workforce Arrangements	entitlement and payments for staff on sick leave needs reviewed. Weekend and shift enhancement payments incl. overtime rates require to be urgently reviewed/stopped	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The proposed review of terms and conditions would seek to review the use of overtime, allowances and enhancements, whilst at the same time consider the rates payable when used.
9636	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	How many people will you be making redundant, even if its voluntary including in schools? What steps were taken to ensure that the relevant decision makers has regard for equality duty?	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	At this stage, detailed budget reduction measures have not been developed, therefore there is no specific information on how the savings will be achieved and the timescales for delivery. This will become clearer as the measures progress following the consultation process and approval of the council's budget strategy. The council is conducting Equality Impact Assessment on the proposals to assess the impact on persons with protected characteristics.

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9637	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	How many people will you be making redundant, even if its voluntary including in schools? What steps were taken to ensure that the relevant decision makers has regard for equality duty?	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	At this stage, detailed budget reduction measures have not been developed, therefore there is no specific information on how the savings will be achieved and the timescales for delivery. This will become clearer as the measures progress following the consultation process and approval of the council's budget strategy. The council is conducting Equality Impact Assessment on the proposals to assess the impact on persons with protected characteristics.
9638	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	How many people will you be making redundant, even if its voluntary including in schools? What steps were taken to ensure that the relevant decision makers has regard for equality duty?	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	The council has been able to delivery significant budget reductions in the last 10 years without the requirement for compulsory redundancies. The scale of the further reductions required over the next five years will be challenging and the council will seek to use the existing range of workforce management and organisational change policies to deliver the required reductions in staffing numbers.
9639	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	How many people will you be making redundant, even if its voluntary including in schools? What steps were taken to ensure that the relevant decision makers has regard for equality duty?	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	At this stage, detailed budget reduction measures have not been developed, therefore there is no specific information on how the savings will be achieved and the timescales for delivery. This will become clearer as the measures progress following the consultation process and approval of the council's budget strategy. The council is conducting Equality Impact Assessment on the proposals to assess the impact on persons with protected characteristics.
9640	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	How many people will you be making redundant, even if its voluntary including in schools? What steps were taken to ensure that the relevant decision makers has regard for equality duty?	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	At this stage, detailed budget reduction measures have not been developed, therefore there is no specific information on how the savings will be achieved and the timescales for delivery. This will become clearer as the measures progress following the consultation process and approval of the council's budget strategy. The council is conducting Equality Impact Assessment on the proposals to assess the impact on persons with protected characteristics.
9641	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	1g. Workforce Arrangements	One point I would raise is the man power levels of the council's workforce. There always seems to be extra men on work jobs whether it is gardening or road repainting. Also, every fourth or fifth vehicle on the road is either a council van or lorry. Both these points required to be studied to cut back on excesses.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	The council has a number of systems, processes and procedures in place which are essential to enable managers to monitor and manage staff performance and efficiency.
9642	An employee of West Lothian Council	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Terms and conditions review what does this mean and what will be looked at / considered.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	The proposed review of terms and conditions would seek to review the use of overtime, allowances and enhancements, whilst at the same time consider the rates payable when used.
9643	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Agreed The workforce arrangements should be reviewed as well as staffing levels.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The proposed review of terms and conditions would seek to review the use of overtime, allowances and enhancements, whilst at the same time consider the rates payable when used.
9644	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	More home working would save money in social policy.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	The council has an IT infrastructure which supports working from home and individuals working from various council sites throughout West Lothian. The opportunity to work on a mobile and flexible basis continues to be available to staff.
9645	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Cut the amount of WLC staff - the council is already bloated and people in jobs for life which is not appropriate in this day.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
9646	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Reduction of wages of top earners within the council by at least 10-15% to free up more budget for other salary based requirements	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	The council is subject to national pay bargaining and the salary scales for officers are determined nationally.

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9647	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	I do support increasing council tax but still think decreasing full time hours from 36hpw to 35hpw would be one of the best options.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response Officers will consider how this proposal can be developed.
9648	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	The money could be saved by not paying permanent Council staff full pay for 6 months when off sick encouraging them to stay off.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The proposed review of terms and conditions would seek to review the use of overtime, allowances and enhancements, whilst at the same time consider the rates payable when used.
9649	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	No compulsory redundancies	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	The council has been able to delivery significant budget reductions in the last 10 years without the requirement for compulsory redundancies. The scale of the further reductions required over the next five years will be challenging and the council will seek to use the existing range of workforce management and organisational change policies to deliver the required reductions in staffing numbers.
9650	An employee of West Lothian Council	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Reduce the staff who are costing the Council money but not contributing due to high level of absence	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
9651	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Review expenses policy for council staff at all levels of the organisation.	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	The council has process and procedures to ensure that expenses are only paid where reasonably incurred in the exercise of council business.
9652	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Are sick pay and absence rates under control to offer the tax payer value for every penny?	Workforce Arrangements - (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	The council actively manages all absences in terms of its sickness absence policy, which is subject to constant review, in consultation with the recognised trade unions, to ensure that it is fit for purpose. The proposed review of terms and conditions would seek to review the use of overtime, allowances and enhancements, whilst at the same time consider the rates payable when used.
9653	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	How staff within Operational and Housing Services still get paid the OT rates they do is beyond anyone. Staff within offices don't get treated the same as though in a his vis. Why? They very often earn more anyway. Please review OT within these services.	Workforce Arrangements - Overtime & Allowances	4. The council is already doing this.	The council may authorise overtime payments in circumstances where there is a business requirement to undertake work outwith contracted hours. The council undertakes regular review of non basic pay across all service areas.
9654	No Response	1g. Workforce Arrangements	As a Council employee, this is very relevant to me. I feel that overtime is unnecessary for many roles, so a reduction in overtime offered would be a good idea.	Workforce Arrangements - Overtime & Allowances	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
9655	An employee of West Lothian Council	1g. Workforce Arrangements	I feel strongly that the council should stop time and a half/double time overtime payments, this is not common place in the private sector.	Workforce Arrangements - Overtime & Allowances	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
9656	An employee of West Lothian Council	1g. Workforce Arrangements	I also feel staff who are in deficit with their working hours/TMS OR who have been off sick in the week/month should not be offered overtime. Time over the 10 hours deficit permitted should be recouped from salary at the end of every 4 week period, encouraging staff to attend and work their core hours each week.	Workforce Arrangements - Overtime & Allowances	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
9657	An employee of West Lothian Council	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Supportive of review of overtime arrangements but more detail on allowances proposal required?	Workforce Arrangements - Overtime & Allowances	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
9658	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	To ensure transparency overtime rates should be made public	Workforce Arrangements - Overtime & Allowances	5c. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it is not consistent with the council's values and priorities.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
9659	An employee of West Lothian Council	1g. Workforce Arrangements	given the lack of detail about the possible changes to terms and conditions / changes to overtime arrangements it is difficult to comment - I am aware that many staff work "over and above" their agreed hours / contracts to ensure services are delivered therefore any changes need to be seen to be fair (and agreed by unions) or else this may result in staff feeling undervalued and withdrawing the additional hours / work they do at present for which they are not paid	Workforce Arrangements - Overtime & Allowances	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The Council will focus on changes to overtime arrangements and allowances that meet service requirements whilst also demonstrating value for money.

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9660	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Need to look at managers supervisors and chargehands all doing overtime and getting paid time and half when theres a part time worker could be doing this getting paid single time	Workforce Arrangements - Overtime & Allowances	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The Council will focus on changes to overtime arrangements and allowances that meet service requirements whilst also demonstrating value for money.
9661	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Im all for no sick pay to people under 5 years service will have more people st there work	Workforce Arrangements - Overtime & Allowances	5c. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it is not consistent with the council's values and priorities.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
9662	An employee of West Lothian Council	1g. Workforce Arrangements	I agree with some of this proposal as I am aware that there are different terms and conditions regarding overtime/TOIL and use of unsociable hours payments for different staff teams. This should be standardised across the council.	Workforce Arrangements - Overtime & Allowances	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
9663	No Response	1g. Workforce Arrangements	While I can see the advantages of this - there should be heavy consideration for the benefits of overtime/allowance to the employee with already strained pay bands and the living wage. There is also a consideration about overtime being required to allow work to be completed out of normal business hours that would interrupt WLC Services if not completed out of hours.	Workforce Arrangements - Overtime & Allowances	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The Council will focus on changes to overtime arrangements and allowances that meet service requirements whilst also demonstrating value for money.
9664	No Response	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Do not pay a blanket % enhanced rate for weekend working - revert back to paying an enhanced rate for "actual" weekend working.	Workforce Arrangements - Overtime & Allowances	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The Council will focus on changes to overtime arrangements and allowances that meet service requirements whilst also demonstrating value for money.
9665	No Response	1g. Workforce Arrangements	It does not make sense for certain units to be open for overtime at the weekends. Opening buildings for a handful of staff is not cost effective - not only in wages but running costs of lighting/electricity etc. Perhaps look at a total ban on overtime for the units who are not face to face with customers rather than the continual mentioning of this. Staff who are not part of an emergency repair team or customer requirement should not have an option to do overtime.	Workforce Arrangements - Overtime & Allowances	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The Council will focus on changes to overtime arrangements and allowances that meet service requirements whilst also demonstrating value for money.
9666	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Streamline staff working hours to reduce out of hour costs.	Workforce Arrangements - Overtime & Allowances	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your comment. Officers will consider how this could be developed.
9667	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Unrealistic to short-change the workers. Certainly, if I worked for the Council I would not undertake overtime at a reduced rate. If the Council runs a bonus scheme, cut that first.	Workforce Arrangements - Overtime & Allowances	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your comment. Officers will consider how this could be developed.
9668	An employee of West Lothian Council	1g. Workforce Arrangements	end all overtime as this was discussed before and I am aware there are still some people who work overtime.	Workforce Arrangements - Overtime & Allowances	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
9669	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	While understanding the issue and options, If remuneration is reduced, there is a risk to staff moral and willingness to volunteer for these services if they are not contractual.	Workforce Arrangements - Overtime & Allowances	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The Council will focus on changes to overtime arrangements and allowances that meet service requirements whilst also demonstrating value for money.
9670	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Staff have been receiving a below average pay rise for a number of years, while every day living costs have increased. Pay enhancements are essential in keeping in line with the cost of living due to poor pay rises. The council should look closely at why overtime is needed and address this in each service. I am aware that staff shortages have put a strain on staff and they are being asked to do overtime as the council is not employing after staff have left.	Workforce Arrangements - Overtime & Allowances	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council may authorise overtime payments in circumstances where there is a business requirement to undertake work outwith contracted hours. The council undertakes regular review of non basic pay across all service areas. However where work is non contractual there may be situations where individual is entitled to earn elements of overtime. The council will continue to monitor the cost, use and allocation of such activity.
9671	No Response	1g. Workforce Arrangements	This is a sensible plan. This should ensure that there is less work left until the weekend when certain employees are on enhanced rates.	Workforce Arrangements - Overtime & Allowances	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
9672	No Response	1g. Workforce Arrangements	There are many areas of the council that operate on the basis of frequent/regular overtime being undertaken and paid at enhanced rates. It would be good to establish changing working patterns to ensure that these overtime commitments are kept to a minimum.	Workforce Arrangements - Overtime & Allowances	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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9673	An employee of West Lothian Council	1g. Workforce Arrangements	surely overtime and civica on demand staff would be automatically stopped when we are facing such severe budget cuts and looking to make maximum savings	Workforce Arrangements - Overtime & Allowances	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council may authorise overtime payments in circumstances where there is a business requirement to undertake work outwith contracted hours. The council undertakes regular review of non basic pay across all service areas.
9674	An employee of West Lothian Council	1g. Workforce Arrangements	This is only going to hit the hard working staff. If theyâ€™re having to work overtime to meet targets then targets need to be changed or more staff employed. You canâ€™t just make the overtime go away and you cannot expect people to work for nothing.	Workforce Arrangements - Overtime & Allowances	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council may authorise overtime payments in circumstances where there is a business requirement to undertake work outwith contracted hours. The council undertakes regular review of non basic pay across all service areas.
9675	An employee of West Lothian Council	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Put staff on shift system that negates overtime being paid would be best plan. Eg Why no weekend hospital discharges. Back and night shifts to optimise building vehicles etc.	Workforce Arrangements - Overtime & Allowances	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your comment. Officers will consider how this could be developed.
9676	An employee of West Lothian Council	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Saturday and Sundays have become part of the normal week for a long time now and we should recognise this within our own T&C's working 5 from 7 with no need for OT and ALW, removing these additional payments could make the payroll processing much simpler and for different systems to speak to each other. The CSC is open 365 days with staff requesting PH as days off - why can this not be the same for operational services and HCBS?	Workforce Arrangements - Overtime & Allowances	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your comment. Officers will consider how this could be developed.
9677	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	If staff need to work at certain times then they should be recompensed for this	Workforce Arrangements - Overtime & Allowances	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council proposes to review pay enhancements and allowances to ensure that these continue to meet service requirements and are applied fairly and equitably whilst achieving value for money.
9678	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	i was always brought up with a fixed wage and contract but with the proviso that hours included possible OT (acceptable unpaid) to get job done properly	Workforce Arrangements - Overtime & Allowances	4. The council is already doing this.	The council may authorise overtime payments in circumstances where there is a business requirement to undertake work outwith contracted hours. The council undertakes regular review of non basic pay across all service areas.
9679	No Response	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Time off in Lieu should be offered instead of overtime, as happens in third sector organisations. Sickness rates in the Council are too high, leading to short staffing and low moral. This needs to be addressed as a high priority.	Workforce Arrangements - Overtime & Allowances	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council actively manages all absences in terms of its sickness absence policy, which is subject to constant review, in consultation with the recognised trade unions, to ensure that it is fit for purpose. The council may authorise overtime payments in circumstances where there is a business requirement to undertake work outwith contracted hours. The council undertakes regular review of non basic pay across all service areas.
9680	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Reducing overtime will save money short term, but in some instances it is a necessary evil	Workforce Arrangements - Overtime & Allowances	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
9681	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Support proposal as other industries particularly in the private sector have had to reduce bonuses, overtime to reduce costs.	Workforce Arrangements - Overtime & Allowances	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
9682	No Response	1g. Workforce Arrangements	If more west Lothian council staff were able to start working Flexitime then it should reduce the amount of overtime.	Workforce Arrangements - Overtime & Allowances	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your comment. Officers will consider how this could be developed.
9683	An employee of West Lothian Council	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Enhancements and bonuses are not fair or equal just now. I work long shifts as a senior social care worker with a 14% shift allowance. i work long stints without days off and work 3 weekends out of four, working hours start at 8am and finish at ten pm. Our night staff get 33% shift allowance which is huge! and kitchen staff get weekend enhancements even when on holiday! managers get 7% shift allowance but work mon/fri! Shift allowances shouldnâ€™t be paid when off sick and sick pay could be reduced. I work very hard and donâ€™t take sick time, my shift allowance is vital for my family needs and if my council tax rises then even more so. shift allowances, enhancements and sick pay need to be fair and even across the workforce, they are not just now. if all allowances are stopped the social care team will lose huge amounts of valued long term staff and find it difficult to recruit for future vacancies as staff will all want to work mon/fri if there are no enhancements for shift work	Workforce Arrangements - Overtime & Allowances	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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9684	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Why not just have a no overtime policy? Apply it across the whole council and stick to it with no exceptions. Why should staff have to work overtime anyway? If the correct number of staff is employed they don't. Overtime is bad for staff well being. Overtime will almost certainly increase under these proposals as you are planning to have fewer staff.	Workforce Arrangements - Overtime & Allowances	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council may authorise overtime payments in circumstances where there is a business requirement to undertake work outwith contracted hours. The council undertakes regular review of non basic pay across all service areas.
9685	No Response	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Duty Officers get paid for a phone call when they are called out from home. The men don't get paid for a phone call why should the duty officers when they already get paid standby money the same as the men. There should also be one rate for the duty officers and not one person earning far more than another when they are doing the same job. The shift allowance of 7% should also be removed as this is a waste of money.	Workforce Arrangements - Overtime & Allowances	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council proposes to review pay enhancements and allowances to ensure that these continue to meet service requirements and are applied fairly and equitably whilst achieving value for money.
9686	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Yes all pay enhancements and allowances should be reviewed. Having worked in three local authorities all seem to have illogical enhancements around overtime and anti-social hours that have been left to run because nobody wanted to deal with the employee moral issue if cut and inevitable union wrangling.	Workforce Arrangements - Overtime & Allowances	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council proposes to review pay enhancements and allowances to ensure that these continue to meet service requirements and are applied fairly and equitably whilst achieving value for money.
9687	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Allow employees to buy and sell leave days to potentially generate revenue e.g. someone well off, coasting toward retirement might happily pay to get extra holidays.	Workforce Arrangements - Overtime & Allowances	4. The council is already doing this.	Staff are entitled to make a request to buy additional leave however, if accepted, this is a permanent change to the employee's contract. As with all requests for leave, this can only be granted if the needs of the service can accommodate the additional leave.
9688	No Response	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Again the council's staff is it's biggest asset. In my own experience have found that overtime has been put in place always to fulfill and progress necessary and essential upgrades/roll outs and on going maintenance (systems based mainly here). This work not being able to be undertaken during normal working hours. Perhaps a change in rate for specific days?	Workforce Arrangements - Overtime & Allowances	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council proposes to review pay enhancements and allowances to ensure that these continue to meet service requirements and are applied fairly and equitably whilst achieving value for money.
9689	No Response	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Already WLC is not geared towards shift workers, annual leave and enhancements are not the best for those who work shifts, separate protocols need to be looks at for mon-fri workers and those who work rolling/24 hour shift patterns	Workforce Arrangements - Overtime & Allowances	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council proposes to review pay enhancements and allowances to ensure that these continue to meet service requirements and are applied fairly and equitably whilst achieving value for money.
9690	An employee of West Lothian Council	1g. Workforce Arrangements	What allowance are likely to be affected by this measure?	Workforce Arrangements - Overtime & Allowances	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	The council may authorise overtime payments in circumstances where there is a business requirement to undertake work outwith contracted hours. The council undertakes regular review of non basic pay across all service areas.
9691	No Response	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Services should not require overtime	Workforce Arrangements - Overtime & Allowances	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council may authorise overtime payments in circumstances where there is a business requirement to undertake work outwith contracted hours. The council undertakes regular review of non basic pay across all service areas.
9692	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	It is incomprehensible why overtime is being paid and bank staff are used when proper permanent contracts could be offered i.e. if overtime is needed, then the staffing must be inadequate.	Workforce Arrangements - Overtime & Allowances	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council may authorise overtime payments in circumstances where there is a business requirement to undertake work outwith contracted hours. The council undertakes regular review of non basic pay across all service areas.
9693	An employee of West Lothian Council	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Staff that received payments for working evenings and weekends should continue to receive payment for this work.	Workforce Arrangements - Overtime & Allowances	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council proposes to review pay enhancements and allowances to ensure that these continue to meet service requirements and are applied fairly and equitably whilst achieving value for money.
9694	An employee of West Lothian Council	1g. Workforce Arrangements	If we had access to more supply staff then their would not be a need for overtime rates to be paid at time and half or paying higher graded staff to complete lower grade work.	Workforce Arrangements - Overtime & Allowances	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council proposes to review pay enhancements and allowances to ensure that these continue to meet service requirements and are applied fairly and equitably whilst achieving value for money.
9695	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	bring in more availability of shift work for staff or flexible working patterns for staff. It has proven itself at a national level that flexible working patterns produce better productivity.	Workforce Arrangements - Overtime & Allowances	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your comment. Officers will consider how this could be developed.
9696	An employee of West Lothian Council	1g. Workforce Arrangements	I rarely work overtime, but if I do, I am happy to take toil instead.	Workforce Arrangements - Overtime & Allowances	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
9697	An employee of West Lothian Council	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Stop paying time and a half overtime.	Workforce Arrangements - Overtime & Allowances	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your comment. Officers will consider how this could be developed.

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9698	No Response	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Stop paying time and a half for overtime.	Workforce Arrangements - Overtime & Allowances	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your comment. Officers will consider how this could be developed.
9699	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	There should be no pay enhancements or extra allowances - staff are paid to work their contracted hours so I'm unsure why or how an enhancement or extra allowance would be awarded in the first place???? Surely just pay the workforce for their contracted hours!!	Workforce Arrangements - Overtime & Allowances	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council proposes to review pay enhancements and allowances to ensure that these continue to meet service requirements and are applied fairly and equitably whilst achieving value for money.
9700	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	When there is an admin team working constant overtime in one section (i.e. social policy) can this work not be moved to another admin department within the Council to reduce overtime costs and make the admin teams more cost effective.	Workforce Arrangements - Overtime & Allowances	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The council may authorise overtime payments in circumstances where there is a business requirement to undertake work outwith contracted hours. The council undertakes regular review of non basic pay across all service areas and will review opportunities to avoid duplication through sharing of generic tasks across teams.
9701	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Stop paying overtime, give time off. This is what the private sector do.	Workforce Arrangements - Overtime & Allowances	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your comment. Officers will consider how this could be developed.
9702	No Response	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Yes I work flexi and have TOIL out of hours and works ok for me won overtime payments and if it saves redundancies all the better	Workforce Arrangements - Overtime & Allowances	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
9703	No Response	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Cutting overtime or cutting enhancements is fine however this will be costly on team spirit and the people who may offer to do this now may find it is not worth their time to work the extra overtime.	Workforce Arrangements - Overtime & Allowances	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council continually reviews the tiers of management and span of control across all service levels against a target 5 x 5 structure. This ensures that the council continues to operate with an effective and efficient managerial structure.
9704	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	I agree with this proposal. The council needs to look at stopping shift allowance payments which appear outdated.	Workforce Arrangements - Overtime & Allowances	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
9705	An employee of West Lothian Council	1g. Workforce Arrangements	A significant review of the overtime being worked by some operatives is required to ensure that this is only being allowed when it is vital to the operation of the council and not allowing operatives to delay works to allow them to justify working overtime to complete the works.	Workforce Arrangements - Overtime & Allowances	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The proposed review of terms and conditions would seek to review the use of overtime, allowances and enhancements, whilst at the same time consider the rates payable when used.
9706	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	I am not well enough informed to comment, however, rewards should be made for overtime working - this could be simply giving the time back	Workforce Arrangements - Overtime & Allowances	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The proposed review of terms and conditions would seek to review the use of overtime, allowances and enhancements, whilst at the same time consider the rates payable when used.
9707	An employee of West Lothian Council	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Overtime paid back in TOIL.	Workforce Arrangements - Overtime & Allowances	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your comment. Officers will consider how this could be developed.
9708	An employee of West Lothian Council	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Make sure staff are paid for the job that they do. Some staff have to work out of hours and weekends - so should be paid accordingly. Others currently get shift allowances when they don't work shifts	Workforce Arrangements - Overtime & Allowances	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council proposes to review pay enhancements and allowances to ensure that these continue to meet service requirements and are applied fairly and equitably whilst achieving value for money.
9709	No Response	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Stop paying private contractors and council employees unnecessary overtime.	Workforce Arrangements - Overtime & Allowances	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The proposed review of terms and conditions would seek to review the use of overtime, allowances and enhancements, whilst at the same time consider the rates payable when used.
9710	An employee of West Lothian Council	1g. Workforce Arrangements	The council can not function without staff and needs to be careful that staff are not detrimentally disadvantaged. Can working patterns be changed so overtime requirements are minimised? Why is overtime required in the first place? If services have too much work and fewer staff then surely this needs to be addressed.	Workforce Arrangements - Overtime & Allowances	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The council will review working patterns to minimise the requirement for staff to work overtime.
9711	No Response	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Is overtime really needed - look for savings and if this is actually required. Saturday closure of some services	Workforce Arrangements - Overtime & Allowances	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your comment. Officers will consider how this could be developed.
9712	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Overtime payments would not be required if workload planning was effectively implemented	Workforce Arrangements - Overtime & Allowances	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council will review working patterns to minimise the requirement for staff to work overtime.

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9713	No Response	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Cutting overtime payments will cause more stress, particularly in households who rely on this a part of their annual income.	Workforce Arrangements - Overtime & Allowances	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposed review of terms and conditions would seek to review the use of overtime, allowances and enhancements, whilst at the same time consider the rates payable when used.
9714	An employee of West Lothian Council	1g. Workforce Arrangements	The cost of work undertaken out of hours is far too high and a number of tasks that are done could wait. The long week, short week arrangement should be reviewed and put in place that will enable work to be undertaken off-peak at no additional cost. The rule which gives manual workers rest days when they work beyond a certain time out of hours should be reviewed and the deal either extended to other groups of workers or withdrawn altogether.	Workforce Arrangements - Overtime & Allowances	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The proposed review of terms and conditions would seek to review the use of overtime, allowances and enhancements, whilst at the same time consider the rates payable when used.
9715	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	It would be good to ensure that practices are consistent across the council in terms of overtime and TOIL. There seems to be different practices across different services, meaning that staff in some services are disadvantaged.	Workforce Arrangements - Overtime & Allowances	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The proposed review of terms and conditions would seek to review the use of overtime, allowances and enhancements, whilst at the same time consider the rates payable when used.
9716	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	There must be savings here and consolidation across the various sites should save cash as well as looking at overtime, shift allowances etc	Workforce Arrangements - Overtime & Allowances	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The proposed review of terms and conditions would seek to review the use of overtime, allowances and enhancements, whilst at the same time consider the rates payable when used.
9717	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	I do not agree with reviewing terms of conditions, pay or allowances. However, conditions for receiving overtime and allowances could be reviewed.	Workforce Arrangements - Overtime & Allowances	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposed review of terms and conditions would seek to review the use of overtime, allowances and enhancements, whilst at the same time consider the rates payable when used.
9718	An employee of West Lothian Council	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Yes change OT rate and remove shift working and associated allowances where possible.	Workforce Arrangements - Overtime & Allowances	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The proposed review of terms and conditions would seek to review the use of overtime, allowances and enhancements, whilst at the same time consider the rates payable when used.
9719	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Overtime can be replaced by time back and is an effective way to achieve savings - but requires effective management. The proposal to reduce management would place pressure on the ability to realise this saving.	Workforce Arrangements - Overtime & Allowances	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The proposed review of terms and conditions would seek to review the use of overtime, allowances and enhancements, whilst at the same time consider the rates payable when used.
9720	An employee of West Lothian Council	1g. Workforce Arrangements	WLC Currently depend on overtime/additional hours payments to maintain service delivery in many areas - any changes to pay enhancements may result in a reduction in staff willing to work additional hours. As long as absence ratios are in excess of the 3.6% target, we will continue to depend on the goodwill of our staff.	Workforce Arrangements - Overtime & Allowances	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposed review of terms and conditions would seek to review the use of overtime, allowances and enhancements, whilst at the same time consider the rates payable when used.
9721	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Absolutely look at overtime arrangements. I met a worker one day emptying the dog waste bins on a public holiday and he was being paid triple time ! Triple time for absolutely no reason. All the dog waste bins are emptied very regularly and one day extra wouldn't have made a difference. And when the bin men 'forget' to empty a bin, they come round at the weekend - I assume that is paid at an overtime premium ? So cancel all non critical public holiday cover and weekend bin collections. Also why should some teams be offered 14% shift allowances for only working on average one weekend in 5 (Whole Family Support Service)? Should that not only by 7% maximum	Workforce Arrangements - Overtime & Allowances	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The proposed review of terms and conditions would seek to review the use of overtime, allowances and enhancements, whilst at the same time consider the rates payable when used.
9722	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	I would be in favour of staff reducing from double time on Sundays to time and a half.	Workforce Arrangements - Overtime & Allowances	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The proposed review of terms and conditions would seek to review the use of overtime, allowances and enhancements, whilst at the same time consider the rates payable when used.
9723	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	why not put an overtime ban	Workforce Arrangements - Overtime & Allowances	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The proposed review of terms and conditions would seek to review the use of overtime, allowances and enhancements, whilst at the same time consider the rates payable when used.
9724	An employee of West Lothian Council	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Stop overtime, you shouldn't be cutting staff levels if they can't get the job done without using overtime to get it done.	Workforce Arrangements - Overtime & Allowances	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The proposed review of terms and conditions would seek to review the use of overtime, allowances and enhancements, whilst at the same time consider the rates payable when used.
9725	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	So will overtime be necessary to do the job but wont be paid.	Workforce Arrangements - Overtime & Allowances	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposed review of terms and conditions would seek to review the use of overtime, allowances and enhancements, whilst at the same time consider the rates payable when used.
9726	An employee of West Lothian Council	1g. Workforce Arrangements	changes to overtime arrangements should be looked at and only paid when it is required. The services with the biggest overtime bills should be looked at more closely.	Workforce Arrangements - Overtime & Allowances	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The proposed review of terms and conditions would seek to review the use of overtime, allowances and enhancements, whilst at the same time consider the rates payable when used.

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9727	An employee of West Lothian Council	1g. Workforce Arrangements	A change in overtime arrangements will result in a reduced workforce willing to work out of hours. IT Systems need constant out of hours work to reduce downtime for daily employees. A review of the change and conditions of employment I hope will be met with force from UNISON. How will this affect condensed working? Which is the employment rights act 1996. Can this be changed?	Workforce Arrangements - Overtime & Allowances	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposed review of terms and conditions would seek to review the use of overtime, allowances and enhancements, whilst at the same time consider the rates payable when used.
9728	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Some staff already don't have enough time in their contracted time to complete the work they have to do - especially teachers. Removing any time that outside of their contracted time (e.g. school hours) is the wrong thing to do. Teachers are already doing much more than is expected of them and to take any paid time away from them would put them under a lot more stress and probably cause a drop in teacher numbers. This would probably deter potential teachers from thinking about doing this for a living.	Workforce Arrangements - Overtime & Allowances	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposed review of terms and conditions would seek to review the use of overtime, allowances and enhancements, whilst at the same time consider the rates payable when used.
9729	An employee of West Lothian Council	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Don't pay shift allowances when staff are off sick which would no doubt see an improvement in sickness absence. Stop paying staff excess travel expenses if relocated to another area of West Lothian.	Workforce Arrangements - Overtime & Allowances	5c. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it is not consistent with the council's values and priorities.	The council actively manages all absences in terms of its sickness absence policy, which is subject to constant review, in consultation with the recognised trade unions, to ensure that it is fit for purpose
9730	An employee of West Lothian Council	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Overtime. Certain people are and have been getting this for over 5 years in the same area, my understanding was overtime is a temporary arrangement, one person claiming 50 hours in a month over this period is ridiculous and a serious management issue. Look at this problem, fix this problem and save a fortune.	Workforce Arrangements - Overtime & Allowances	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The proposed review of terms and conditions would seek to review the use of overtime, allowances and enhancements, whilst at the same time consider the rates payable when used.
9731	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	employ more staff and pay them the national living wage and that should help cut the overtime out.	Workforce Arrangements - Overtime & Allowances	4. The council is already doing this.	The Council is a living wage employer and staff on the lowest grades receive a living wage increment.
9732	No Response	1g. Workforce Arrangements	With the stopping of overtime the council will lose the most hard working element of the workforce.	Workforce Arrangements - Overtime & Allowances	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposed review of terms and conditions would seek to review the use of overtime, allowances and enhancements, whilst at the same time consider the rates payable when used.
9733	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Lack of staff in areas causes the need for overtime as the existing staff cannot cope with the workload spending	Workforce Arrangements - Overtime & Allowances	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The proposed review of terms and conditions would seek to review the use of overtime, allowances and enhancements, whilst at the same time consider the rates payable when used.
9734	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Happy for overtime rate to be reduced however staff pay needs to incorporate and increase to help with the ever increasing cost of living.	Workforce Arrangements - Overtime & Allowances	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The proposed review of terms and conditions would seek to review the use of overtime, allowances and enhancements, whilst at the same time consider the rates payable when used.
9735	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	I don't have enough info to comment on this, but it seems sensible to pay people fairly, to minimise overtime which just leads to stress and illhealth on the long run.	Workforce Arrangements - Overtime & Allowances	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	The proposed review of terms and conditions would seek to review the use of overtime, allowances and enhancements, whilst at the same time consider the rates payable when used.
9736	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	No inflated overtime rates. WE NEED TO EARN OUR LIVING HONESTLY .	Workforce Arrangements - Overtime & Allowances	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The proposed review of terms and conditions would seek to review the use of overtime, allowances and enhancements, whilst at the same time consider the rates payable when used.
9737	An employee of West Lothian Council	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Yes I agree. Overtime should be avoided.	Workforce Arrangements - Overtime & Allowances	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
9738	An employee of West Lothian Council	1g. Workforce Arrangements	How much overtime are those staff receiving.. unnecessary and a waste of public service funds Staff could agree to work flexible working hours instead.	Workforce Arrangements - Overtime & Allowances	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The proposed review of terms and conditions would seek to review the use of overtime, allowances and enhancements, whilst at the same time consider the rates payable when used.
9739	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	teachers work many hours for nothing, reviewing t&c will only make them work to rule	Workforce Arrangements - Overtime & Allowances	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposed review of terms and conditions would seek to review the use of overtime, allowances and enhancements, whilst at the same time consider the rates payable when used.
9740	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	I would agree that a reduction in overtime/allowances is acceptable if this means more people can stay in employment.	Workforce Arrangements - Overtime & Allowances	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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9741	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	With very low wage increases and increasing costs putting more of a burden on staff will lead to increased pressure and ultimately to lack of job satisfaction. Valued employees will have no option but to move on.	Workforce Arrangements - Overtime & Allowances	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	The council is subject to national pay bargaining and terms and conditions and the salary scales for officers are determined nationally.
9742	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Sometimes the overtime may be due to the fact that staff already overstretched within the working day and have no other option but to work later to met the target deadlines that they already have. If then reducing staff this surely will impact more on the overtime allocation.	Workforce Arrangements - Overtime & Allowances	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposed review of terms and conditions would seek to review the use of overtime, allowances and enhancements, whilst at the same time consider the rates payable when used.
9743	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	I can imagine that this whole section will end up being overblown with negotiations with trade unions and never implemented. The proposals you have listed here are no different to what us workers in the private sector take for granted - overtime and allowances are things of the past for most of us and council workers should not be any different	Workforce Arrangements - Overtime & Allowances	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The proposed review of terms and conditions would seek to review the use of overtime, allowances and enhancements, whilst at the same time consider the rates payable when used.
9744	An employee of West Lothian Council	1g. Workforce Arrangements	If new terms and conditions are imposed on the workforce morale will be badly affected. West Lothian Council is seen by many staff as a good employer and any diminution of terms and conditions will impact on that view. Staff will be more prepared to look elsewhere for employment and it will be more difficult to fill posts.	Workforce Arrangements - Overtime & Allowances	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposed review of terms and conditions would seek to review the use of overtime, allowances and enhancements, whilst at the same time consider the rates payable when used.
9745	An employee of West Lothian Council	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Feel this will have an negative impact not only on employees motivation and sense of feeling valued but also on the employees health and well being. Staff are already doing more for less and employees have set their household budgets on what they earn. To reduce their earnings by removing shift allowances could mean people lose their homes as they no longer have the income they were employed with and staff struggling with stress and anxiety as a result. I agree that OT should be reduced but to do this their has to be the right amount of staff employed to deliver the service that is being offered. It is surely more expensive to be paying OT that just paying the staff a salary as an employee.	Workforce Arrangements - Overtime & Allowances	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposed review of terms and conditions would seek to review the use of overtime, allowances and enhancements, whilst at the same time consider the rates payable when used.
9746	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	I am not currently aware of what arrangements are in place for authorising overtime payments but I would expect that there is some mechanism in place to ensure that overtime is only offered as a last resort, to cover essential services when all other options of staffing have been exhausted. If not, this should be considered. It could be that there are some tasks currently undertaken by staff on a Sunday, attracting a higher rate of overtime, when these could be completed on another day or in the evening mid-week. In my opinion this should be closely managed to prevent misuse or missed opportunities for savings.	Workforce Arrangements - Overtime & Allowances	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The proposed review of terms and conditions would seek to review the use of overtime, allowances and enhancements, whilst at the same time consider the rates payable when used.
9747	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	without staff a council cannot provide services. without the properly motivated and paid staff a high level of service will not be maintained. overtime arrangements should be scrutinised and changes made where applicable	Workforce Arrangements - Overtime & Allowances	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The proposed review of terms and conditions would seek to review the use of overtime, allowances and enhancements, whilst at the same time consider the rates payable when used.
9748	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Councils have the most generous pension, overtime and employment conditions of any workers. This must change	Workforce Arrangements - Overtime & Allowances	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
9749	No Response	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Disgraceful, people have extra payments for a reason, normally the sacrifices they make in order to help others when they could be spending the time with there own families	Workforce Arrangements - Overtime & Allowances	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposed review of terms and conditions would seek to review the use of overtime, allowances and enhancements, whilst at the same time consider the rates payable when used.
9750	No Response	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Again this should be like the private sector where most overtime is unpaid but necessary.	Workforce Arrangements - Overtime & Allowances	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The proposed review of terms and conditions would seek to review the use of overtime, allowances and enhancements, whilst at the same time consider the rates payable when used.
9751	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Perhaps if they upped their game and worked harder during their normal hours overtime would not be required.	Workforce Arrangements - Overtime & Allowances	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
9752	No Response	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Flexible hours contracts could help with this and perhaps reduce the overtime bill.	Workforce Arrangements - Overtime & Allowances	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council offers opportunity to work flexible hours where this supports the needs of the service. The proposed review of terms and conditions would seek to review the use of overtime, allowances and enhancements, whilst at the same time consider the rates payable when used.
9753	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Efficient workers, and accountable management are essential. Overtime should not be permitted, except in emergencies. Switch back to 40 hour weeks instead on 35.5.	Workforce Arrangements - Overtime & Allowances	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The proposed review of terms and conditions would seek to review the use of overtime, allowances and enhancements, whilst at the same time consider the rates payable when used.

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9754	An employee of West Lothian Council	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Cutting allowances, making the workforce more miserable than they already are will make them less efficient. Maybe just looking at freezing them on the very highest tiers.	Workforce Arrangements - Overtime & Allowances	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposed review of terms and conditions would seek to review the use of overtime, allowances and enhancements, whilst at the same time consider the rates payable when used.
9755	No Response	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Why do you pay overtime in the first place?	Workforce Arrangements - Overtime & Allowances	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The proposed review of terms and conditions would seek to review the use of overtime, allowances and enhancements, whilst at the same time consider the rates payable when used.
9756	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	I agree with changing overtime. If there is not money to spend then why give overtime.	Workforce Arrangements - Overtime & Allowances	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
9757	No Response	1g. Workforce Arrangements	I feel that council staff are underappreciated most of the time, and cutting down on overtime that is essential for a lot of staff to live on to support their families will show the council is not supporting staff.	Workforce Arrangements - Overtime & Allowances	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposed review of terms and conditions would seek to review the use of overtime, allowances and enhancements, whilst at the same time consider the rates payable when used.
9758	An employee of West Lothian Council	1g. Workforce Arrangements	If your staff didn't do overtime your services would not run and if you cut staff then you won't have any services cause no one can do the job on 3 to 4 people on their own	Workforce Arrangements - Overtime & Allowances	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposed review of terms and conditions would seek to review the use of overtime, allowances and enhancements, whilst at the same time consider the rates payable when used.
9759	An employee of West Lothian Council	1g. Workforce Arrangements	If you have the correct number of staff to cover the work required, you would not need to offer additional overtime etc to cover services.	Workforce Arrangements - Overtime & Allowances	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The proposed review of terms and conditions would seek to review the use of overtime, allowances and enhancements, whilst at the same time consider the rates payable when used.
9760	An employee of West Lothian Council	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Some of the enhancements and allowances in place may be valid and in line with industry standards, a review of these may be worthwhile, but may make the council a less attractive place to work as some of the salary bands, especially for skilled trades people are below industry standards.	Workforce Arrangements - Overtime & Allowances	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposed review of terms and conditions would seek to review the use of overtime, allowances and enhancements, whilst at the same time consider the rates payable when used.
9761	An employee of West Lothian Council	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Overtime arrangements, particularly around weekend work need to be reviewed and drastically. I know of too many employees happy and able to work at inflated overtime rates at weekends when the work should be carried out during normal working hours.	Workforce Arrangements - Overtime & Allowances	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The proposed review of terms and conditions would seek to review the use of overtime, allowances and enhancements, whilst at the same time consider the rates payable when used.
9762	An employee of West Lothian Council	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Agree with changes to overtime arrangements	Workforce Arrangements - Overtime & Allowances	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The proposed review of terms and conditions would seek to review the use of overtime, allowances and enhancements, whilst at the same time consider the rates payable when used.
9763	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	I agree with this - ban overtime unless absolutely essential and subject to a rigorous approval process	Workforce Arrangements - Overtime & Allowances	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The proposed review of terms and conditions would seek to review the use of overtime, allowances and enhancements, whilst at the same time consider the rates payable when used.
9764	An employee of West Lothian Council	1g. Workforce Arrangements	I am glad to hear that jobs are not being cut and if cutting overtime is what is needed to secure jobs then this is not a bad thing.	Workforce Arrangements - Overtime & Allowances	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The proposed review of terms and conditions would seek to review the use of overtime, allowances and enhancements, whilst at the same time consider the rates payable when used.
9765	An employee of West Lothian Council	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Overtime - the council could save money by doing jobs such as roadworks, Christmas lights etc. during the working week and not at weekends where they get paid overtime for doing so.	Workforce Arrangements - Overtime & Allowances	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The proposed review of terms and conditions would seek to review the use of overtime, allowances and enhancements, whilst at the same time consider the rates payable when used.
9766	No Response	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Weekend overtime should only be authorised when the work cannot be done at other times.	Workforce Arrangements - Overtime & Allowances	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The proposed review of terms and conditions would seek to review the use of overtime, allowances and enhancements, whilst at the same time consider the rates payable when used.
9767	An employee of West Lothian Council	1g. Workforce Arrangements	I don't agree with paying overtime, but if staff levels continue to deplete there is no alternative. Staff are becoming more and more stressed as the work level rises with less staff to meet the standards demanded by the council.	Workforce Arrangements - Overtime & Allowances	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The proposed review of terms and conditions would seek to review the use of overtime, allowances and enhancements, whilst at the same time consider the rates payable when used.
9768	An employee of West Lothian Council	1g. Workforce Arrangements	I agree that overtime should be scrutinized more, maybe only offer basic hourly rate as i feel staff can take advantage of the chance to earn more.	Workforce Arrangements - Overtime & Allowances	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The proposed review of terms and conditions would seek to review the use of overtime, allowances and enhancements, whilst at the same time consider the rates payable when used.
9769	No Response	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Rather than paying overtime, it would be more beneficial to have the correct number of staff available, with shift patterns agreed to ensure cover at all times.	Workforce Arrangements - Overtime & Allowances	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The proposed review of terms and conditions would seek to review the use of overtime, allowances and enhancements, whilst at the same time consider the rates payable when used.

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9770	An employee of West Lothian Council	1g. Workforce Arrangements	shift patterns stop overtime	Workforce Arrangements - Overtime & Allowances	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The proposed review of terms and conditions would seek to review the use of overtime, allowances and enhancements, whilst at the same time consider the rates payable when used.
9771	No Response	1g. Workforce Arrangements	I noticed that there were a number of WLC vehicles and members of staff working on the Christmas Lights on Sunday 29 October 2017 in the towns of Torphichen and Linlithgow. Can this work not be scheduled during the normal working week rather than the staff be paid at enhanced weekend payments.	Workforce Arrangements - Overtime & Allowances	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The proposed review of terms and conditions would seek to review the use of overtime, allowances and enhancements, whilst at the same time consider the rates payable when used.
9772	An employee of West Lothian Council	1g. Workforce Arrangements	I do not agree with overtime payments - if flexible working/toil is managed correctly it would do away with the need for overtime and the hours paid back can fit in with the needs of the business. As an employee who has worked in the private sector you worked the hours to meet the business needs, with no overtime to your salary.	Workforce Arrangements - Overtime & Allowances	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The proposed review of terms and conditions would seek to review the use of overtime, allowances and enhancements, whilst at the same time consider the rates payable when used.
9773	An employee of West Lothian Council	1g. Workforce Arrangements	With the reduction in FTE across the council it may force the remaining employees into having to work overtime. If there is no pay for this there then cannot be an expectation for employees to do so. If it is impossible for an employee to fulfill all of their duties withing the contracted hours i dont feel it would be correct to punish that employee for not fulfilling their duties i.e. not working overtime.	Workforce Arrangements - Overtime & Allowances	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposed review of terms and conditions would seek to review the use of overtime, allowances and enhancements, whilst at the same time consider the rates payable when used.
9774	No Response	1g. Workforce Arrangements	It may be useful for the council to stop using toil or put a hold on using it with staff in all departments as this is costing the council a lot of money.	Workforce Arrangements - Overtime & Allowances	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The proposed review of terms and conditions would seek to review the use of overtime, allowances and enhancements, whilst at the same time consider the rates payable when used.
9775	No Response	1g. Workforce Arrangements	The only issue i have with this is that with the reduction in FTE this may force people into having to work overtime. If you stop paying for overtime you then can't expect people to work beyond their hours. As a result i feel it would be unfair to then punish someone for not fulfilling their duties in a situation where it is impossible for them to fulfill their duties without working overtime.	Workforce Arrangements - Overtime & Allowances	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposed review of terms and conditions would seek to review the use of overtime, allowances and enhancements, whilst at the same time consider the rates payable when used.
9776	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Less overtime for things such as putting up Christmas lights perhaps?? Better use of resource	Workforce Arrangements - Overtime & Allowances	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The proposed review of terms and conditions would seek to review the use of overtime, allowances and enhancements, whilst at the same time consider the rates payable when used.
9777	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Overtime for non-essential activities should be minimised.	Workforce Arrangements - Overtime & Allowances	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The proposed review of terms and conditions would seek to review the use of overtime, allowances and enhancements, whilst at the same time consider the rates payable when used.
9778	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Stop Sunday working (overtime) for non urgent services. Look at shift patterns and labour resources actually required eg linlithgow recycling centre has 3 or 4 staff members who appear to struggle to get out their deck chairs. Only 1 is needed to open up and control public access.	Workforce Arrangements - Overtime & Allowances	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The proposed review of terms and conditions would seek to review the use of overtime, allowances and enhancements, whilst at the same time consider the rates payable when used.
9779	An employee of West Lothian Council	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Service's could be affected here as money saving through cutbacks in staffing area , overtime could be looked at by introducing shift patterns cutting back on staff vehicles and spreading staff on to jobs where needed instead of three to four guys going round in one vehicle to do jobs that two could do	Workforce Arrangements - Overtime & Allowances	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The proposed review of terms and conditions would seek to review the use of overtime, allowances and enhancements, whilst at the same time consider the rates payable when used.
9780	No Response	1g. Workforce Arrangements	If the correct staff were in place that would cut back overtime - get the balance right from the ground up - the whole structure needs to be looked at. Front line services should not be reduced or cut back any further. Are there jobs that are overlapping each other. Can we benchmark off other local authorities or other companies ie Scottish Power, Virgin	Workforce Arrangements - Overtime & Allowances	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The proposed review of terms and conditions would seek to review the use of overtime, allowances and enhancements, whilst at the same time consider the rates payable when used.
9781	No Response	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Any reduction in overtime payments would lead to staff not volunteering and failure in service provision. Overtime needs to be attractive, or employ more staff and then there would be no need for overtime.	Workforce Arrangements - Overtime & Allowances	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposed review of terms and conditions would seek to review the use of overtime, allowances and enhancements, whilst at the same time consider the rates payable when used.
9782	No Response	1g. Workforce Arrangements	I agree overtime should be kept to a minimum and there should be no agency staff employed.	Workforce Arrangements - Overtime & Allowances	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The proposed review of terms and conditions would seek to review the use of overtime, allowances and enhancements, whilst at the same time consider the rates payable when used. Where the council is required to engage agency staff to meet a gap in staffing complements.
9783	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	I feel that in many areas overtime seems to be used like an employee benefit and is almost expected. We would be better spending this morning developing and improving these areas to make them more efficient and effective so there would not be a need for overtime. With the exception of staff cover should we not be asking why are we not hitting our expectations/targets on a regular basis? This would provide significant savings going forward also.	Workforce Arrangements - Overtime & Allowances	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The proposed review of terms and conditions would seek to review the use of overtime, allowances and enhancements, whilst at the same time consider the rates payable when used.

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9784	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	An already low paid workforce will suffer due to the removal of overtime and shift allowances. These will effect those that need it the most - changes must start from the top down not the bottom up.	Workforce Arrangements - Overtime & Allowances	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposed review of terms and conditions would seek to review the use of overtime, allowances and enhancements, whilst at the same time consider the rates payable when used.
9785	An employee of West Lothian Council	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Non-basic pay allowances and working week/days arrangements require an overhaul. Public services should take priority over being excessively nice to employees.	Workforce Arrangements - Overtime & Allowances	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The proposed review of terms and conditions would seek to review the use of overtime, allowances and enhancements, whilst at the same time consider the rates payable when used.
9786	An employee of West Lothian Council	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Overtime should be looked at, it is unfair that certain services can work extra hours and get paid and other services cannot.	Workforce Arrangements - Overtime & Allowances	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The proposed review of terms and conditions would seek to review the use of overtime, allowances and enhancements, whilst at the same time consider the rates payable when used.
9787	No Response	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Larger reductions should be targeted in this area. No overtime as base position	Workforce Arrangements - Overtime & Allowances	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The proposed review of terms and conditions would seek to review the use of overtime, allowances and enhancements, whilst at the same time consider the rates payable when used.
9788	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	As a teacher I don't get overtime pay for the excess of hours I do weekly. Which on average is 15-20 hours per week.	Workforce Arrangements - Overtime & Allowances	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The proposed review of terms and conditions would seek to review the use of overtime, allowances and enhancements, whilst at the same time consider the rates payable when used.
9789	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Many private sector workers don't get extra money for overtime, this is an area where focus could hopefully be placed.	Workforce Arrangements - Overtime & Allowances	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The proposed review of terms and conditions would seek to review the use of overtime, allowances and enhancements, whilst at the same time consider the rates payable when used.
9790	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	cut overtime	Workforce Arrangements - Overtime & Allowances	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The proposed review of terms and conditions would seek to review the use of overtime, allowances and enhancements, whilst at the same time consider the rates payable when used.
9791	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	This should have been done when single status was introduced. Agree that overtime should be plain time only and shifts should be rotated to include weekend work. Perhaps real monitoring on whether overtime is required at all - if regular overtime is required then the service should staff the area properly.	Workforce Arrangements - Overtime & Allowances	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The proposed review of terms and conditions would seek to review the use of overtime, allowances and enhancements, whilst at the same time consider the rates payable when used.
9792	An employee of West Lothian Council	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Flexi time for more council workers saving time and money. Review all overtime if been carried over a long period of time. May be time to rearrange the work pattern.	Workforce Arrangements - Overtime & Allowances	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The proposed review of terms and conditions would seek to review the use of overtime, allowances and enhancements, whilst at the same time consider the rates payable when used.
9793	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Definitely changes to overtime should be made - why would you have the Council putting Christmas lights up in October - on a Sunday?	Workforce Arrangements - Overtime & Allowances	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The proposed review of terms and conditions would seek to review the use of overtime, allowances and enhancements, whilst at the same time consider the rates payable when used.
9794	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	I agree with this proposal. The council should look to introduce shift working which can eliminate the need to pay overtime rates	Workforce Arrangements - Overtime & Allowances	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The proposed review of terms and conditions would seek to review the use of overtime, allowances and enhancements, whilst at the same time consider the rates payable when used.
9795	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	To maximise the savings that can be generated from staffing costs the Council should examine this area closely. I believe excessive overtime is an indicator of inefficiency as the service can not be delivered in normal working hours. I acknowledge there are instances where overtime must be used but in a limited way. Innovate shift patterns should be encouraged or maximised. Please do not mistake this for flexibility. I believe the public sector has become too flexible with staff conditions and service delivery has been compromised over the last decade. The Council are here to provide a service to the public and that should always be the primary objective. Each decision must be for the benefit of the service and in certain situations staff conditions may become less attractive or not as flexible. Please remember that decisions cost money. The trade unions require to work in partnership with the Council to deliver efficient services whilst safeguarding jobs.	Workforce Arrangements - Overtime & Allowances	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The proposed review of terms and conditions would seek to review the use of overtime, allowances and enhancements, whilst at the same time consider the rates payable when used.
9796	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	I don't get overtime and I work for the council. I think people should have to only do overtime if it is really needed. Save money have it done properly in the first place.	Workforce Arrangements - Overtime & Allowances	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The proposed review of terms and conditions would seek to review the use of overtime, allowances and enhancements, whilst at the same time consider the rates payable when used.
9797	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Overtime should be brought in line with everywhere else, weekends and unsociable hours are part of life now and any enhanced rates should be removed	Workforce Arrangements - Overtime & Allowances	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The proposed review of terms and conditions would seek to review the use of overtime, allowances and enhancements, whilst at the same time consider the rates payable when used.

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9798	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Council needs to ensure that pay arrangements for staff are reflective of what is required to deliver services, any premium payments such as overtime should only be used where absolutely necessary and rates should be comparable to other councils and the private sector	Workforce Arrangements - Overtime & Allowances	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	The council is subject to national pay bargaining and terms and conditions and the salary scales for officers are determined nationally.
9799	No Response	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Work should be manageable within normal hours, to avoid the use of overtime. If it isn't, you either have too much work or not enough staff.	Workforce Arrangements - Overtime & Allowances	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The proposed review of terms and conditions would seek to review the use of overtime, allowances and enhancements, whilst at the same time consider the rates payable when used.
9800	An employee of West Lothian Council	1g. Workforce Arrangements	pay increases have been very minimal over the years so pay freeze or minimal pay increase I feel will not affect employees much. Allowances to a degree but depending on what the proposal to reduce allowances are.	Workforce Arrangements - Overtime & Allowances	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	The council is subject to national pay bargaining and terms and conditions and the salary scales for officers are determined nationally.
9801	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Agree, there are certain groups of staff that get additional allowances for working shifts but do not actually work those shifts.	Workforce Arrangements - Overtime & Allowances	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The proposed review of terms and conditions would seek to review the use of overtime, allowances and enhancements, whilst at the same time consider the rates payable when used.
9802	An employee of West Lothian Council	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Within my service overtime is only given when Locum cover cannot be sourced. If not managed correctly this can often lead to fulltime workers being a little disheartened and potentially lead to sickness levels increasing so this if often not cost effective.	Workforce Arrangements - Overtime & Allowances	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposed review of terms and conditions would seek to review the use of overtime, allowances and enhancements, whilst at the same time consider the rates payable when used.
9803	An employee of West Lothian Council	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Reduce overtime arrangements to only those which are essential could be a saving	Workforce Arrangements - Overtime & Allowances	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The proposed review of terms and conditions would seek to review the use of overtime, allowances and enhancements, whilst at the same time consider the rates payable when used.
9804	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Don't really need overtime we should stick to our working hours. Flexible working and shift changes	Workforce Arrangements - Overtime & Allowances	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The proposed review of terms and conditions would seek to review the use of overtime, allowances and enhancements, whilst at the same time consider the rates payable when used.
9805	An employee of West Lothian Council	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Introduce two shifts, day-shift and back-shift, within building services thus reducing overtime payments after 16:30 and also providing appointments for tenants in the evening to accommodate availability for repairs.	Workforce Arrangements - Overtime & Allowances	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The proposed review of terms and conditions would seek to review the use of overtime, allowances and enhancements, whilst at the same time consider the rates payable when used.
9806	An employee of West Lothian Council	1g. Workforce Arrangements	some employees get overtime for working from 5pm to 7pm. All staff should only earn overtime after 6pm as per their core hours	Workforce Arrangements - Overtime & Allowances	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The proposed review of terms and conditions would seek to review the use of overtime, allowances and enhancements, whilst at the same time consider the rates payable when used.
9807	An employee of West Lothian Council	1g. Workforce Arrangements	It is all very well saying you would like to change overtime arrangements but one problem is that some Council departments have been left so short staffed (either through staff leaving and not being replaced or long-term sickness) that overtime is needed to maintain the service.	Workforce Arrangements - Overtime & Allowances	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposed review of terms and conditions would seek to review the use of overtime, allowances and enhancements, whilst at the same time consider the rates payable when used.
9808	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Agreed, and all overtime should be banned for all but essential statutory work!	Workforce Arrangements - Overtime & Allowances	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The proposed review of terms and conditions would seek to review the use of overtime, allowances and enhancements, whilst at the same time consider the rates payable when used.
9809	An employee of West Lothian Council	1g. Workforce Arrangements	If it saves vital services then as an employee in receipt of unsociable working hours I can accept this.	Workforce Arrangements - Overtime & Allowances	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The proposed review of terms and conditions would seek to review the use of overtime, allowances and enhancements, whilst at the same time consider the rates payable when used.
9810	An employee of West Lothian Council	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Staff are already cut to such a severe level that overtime is the only way departments can get through work. If the staff are cut any further the work cant be completed in the proposed time frames. There should be no reason for overtime.	Workforce Arrangements - Overtime & Allowances	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The proposed review of terms and conditions would seek to review the use of overtime, allowances and enhancements, whilst at the same time consider the rates payable when used.
9811	An employee of West Lothian Council	1g. Workforce Arrangements	It should not be necessary to work overtime. Staffing levels should be such that the work is done on budget and on time by fully trained staff. Staff currently work within the flexible working system. The flexible hours should be extended to allow more work to be done outwith the phone opening hours.	Workforce Arrangements - Overtime & Allowances	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your comment. Officers will consider how this could be developed.
9812	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Minimise overtime	Workforce Arrangements - Overtime & Allowances	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The proposed review of terms and conditions would seek to review the use of overtime, allowances and enhancements, whilst at the same time consider the rates payable when used.

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9813	An employee of West Lothian Council	1g. Workforce Arrangements	I'm not sure what sections within the council require overtime etc. but it seems unreasonable for this to be required unless they are essential and/or emergency services.	Workforce Arrangements - Overtime & Allowances	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The proposed review of terms and conditions would seek to review the use of overtime, allowances and enhancements, whilst at the same time consider the rates payable when used.
9814	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Overtime arrangements should only be a last resort	Workforce Arrangements - Overtime & Allowances	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The proposed review of terms and conditions would seek to review the use of overtime, allowances and enhancements, whilst at the same time consider the rates payable when used.
9815	No Response	1g. Workforce Arrangements	at present staff cover absence /holidays with very little overtime or supply cover, nowhere near the real cost that should be provided. staff with reduced allowances and enhancements would certainly not cover absence without overtime arrangements . fair days pay for a fair days work	Workforce Arrangements - Overtime & Allowances	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposed review of terms and conditions would seek to review the use of overtime, allowances and enhancements, whilst at the same time consider the rates payable when used.
9816	No Response	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Overtime- I'm sure many people are on the fiddle and money is wasted here. However, staff such as carers should be compensated appropriately for any excellent overtime they do.	Workforce Arrangements - Overtime & Allowances	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The proposed review of terms and conditions would seek to review the use of overtime, allowances and enhancements, whilst at the same time consider the rates payable when used.
9817	No Response	1g. Workforce Arrangements	As a employee of West Lothian council within the social care sector, I work late nights and weekends. I feel I earn every penny of my pay including enhancements. My job is both mentally and physically demanding. The council has always paid their employees better than the private sector. This has always been a positive for the council and given the council that extra edge. If this is taken away I would have to seriously reconsider my job choice. Due to not earning enough to pay bills and live. I understand the council needs to save money but I feel this is a step to far.	Workforce Arrangements - Overtime & Allowances	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposed review of terms and conditions would seek to review the use of overtime, allowances and enhancements, whilst at the same time consider the rates payable when used.
9818	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Minimal time plus rated overtime should be worked. It would possibly be better to employ more staff paid at single hourly rate to work any longer hours needing covered and / or more part time staff maybe.	Workforce Arrangements - Overtime & Allowances	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your comment. Officers will consider how this could be developed.
9819	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	I think the conditions for unsociable hours should be looked at.	Workforce Arrangements - Overtime & Allowances	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your comment. Officers will consider how this could be developed.
9820	An employee of West Lothian Council	1g. Workforce Arrangements	if the focus is to attract and retain the best staff for council by reducing allowances may result in lower standards of work	Workforce Arrangements - Overtime & Allowances	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposed review of terms and conditions would seek to review the use of overtime, allowances and enhancements, whilst at the same time consider the rates payable when used.
9821	An employee of West Lothian Council	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Reduction of staff with a budget for additional overtime can work out better value for money if controlled and rota properly. Also with this opportunity it would keep staff more focussed and positive towards there position/jobs.	Workforce Arrangements - Overtime & Allowances	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The proposed review of terms and conditions would seek to review the use of overtime, allowances and enhancements, whilst at the same time consider the rates payable when used.
9822	An employee of West Lothian Council	1g. Workforce Arrangements	If WLC had the right number of staff to do the work then possibly overtime could be but - but the staffing needs to be correct.	Workforce Arrangements - Overtime & Allowances	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The proposed review of terms and conditions would seek to review the use of overtime, allowances and enhancements, whilst at the same time consider the rates payable when used.
9823	An employee of West Lothian Council	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Happy with this proposal especially if it looks into the need for overtime in certain service areas & the productivity it produces..... Will shift patterns be looked at in certain service areas.....	Workforce Arrangements - Overtime & Allowances	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The proposed review of terms and conditions would seek to review the use of overtime, allowances and enhancements, whilst at the same time consider the rates payable when used.
9824	An employee of West Lothian Council	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Shift allowance is for working unsocial hours and weekends, Its paid whether you work early shift back shift or weekends, go back to the original system of paying staff this allowance when they work unsocial hours and weekends and not as the blanket 14% for whatever they work Also this allowance is paid when people are off long term sick ! isn't it reasonable to not to be paid shift allowance when your off sick	Workforce Arrangements - Overtime & Allowances	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The proposed review of terms and conditions would seek to review the use of overtime, allowances and enhancements, whilst at the same time consider the rates payable when used.
9825	An employee of West Lothian Council	1g. Workforce Arrangements	If reducing overtime saves jobs or many even create some jobs then it's a good idea	Workforce Arrangements - Overtime & Allowances	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The proposed review of terms and conditions would seek to review the use of overtime, allowances and enhancements, whilst at the same time consider the rates payable when used.
9826	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Overtime should be monitored closely.	Workforce Arrangements - Overtime & Allowances	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The proposed review of terms and conditions would seek to review the use of overtime, allowances and enhancements, whilst at the same time consider the rates payable when used.
9827	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	This is happening across the private sector, the same should be looked at in the public sector. A lot of workers in the private sector do not get paid for over-time, its part of the job and the culture to put extra time in.	Workforce Arrangements - Overtime & Allowances	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The proposed review of terms and conditions would seek to review the use of overtime, allowances and enhancements, whilst at the same time consider the rates payable when used.

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9828	An employee of West Lothian Council	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Saturday and Sunday shifts should be eliminated unless absolutely necessary. For example: Services such as pest control should take place during the week and not at the weekend. There should be no opportunity for abusing the overtime system. Time management online course could be offered to assist staff in accommodating their working week to Monday - Friday unless set out in the T's and C's of their contract and deemed absolutely necessary.	Workforce Arrangements - Overtime & Allowances	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The proposed review of terms and conditions would seek to review the use of overtime, allowances and enhancements, whilst at the same time consider the rates payable when used.
9829	An employee of West Lothian Council	1g. Workforce Arrangements	I think, and not alone in thinking, that cuts to pay and allowances and no pay enhancements has a much bigger effect on the 90% as opposed to the high earners at the top. The cuts to salaries or amount of staff should be on a means tested basis just like the tax system. It seems the top end on high salaries continue to be relatively unaffected in both job efficiencies and general pay enhancement reviews.	Workforce Arrangements - Overtime & Allowances	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The proposed review of terms and conditions would seek to review the use of overtime, allowances and enhancements, whilst at the same time consider the rates payable when used. The council is subject to national pay bargaining and the salary scales for officers are determined nationally. The council is subject to national pay bargaining, and terms and conditions.
9830	An employee of West Lothian Council	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Where a service operates outwith councils core hours, restructuring or alterations must balance with needs of customers and the work life balance for staff. Those staff who work set shift patterns that do operate through night time, must have greater say in what the work is done to review a service. That staff need to be informed of what the business model is for their service and that they have input in how changes are made to a service as they are the ones most directly affected by changes.	Workforce Arrangements - Overtime & Allowances	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The proposed review of terms and conditions would seek to review the use of overtime, allowances and enhancements, whilst at the same time consider the rates payable when used. The council will consult with staff and trade unions on any proposals to change terms and conditions.
9831	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	appropriate pay for work involved seems reasonable. Overtime or other benefits need to be reduced if the work can be done in normal working hours.	Workforce Arrangements - Overtime & Allowances	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The proposed review of terms and conditions would seek to review the use of overtime, allowances and enhancements, whilst at the same time consider the rates payable when used.
9832	An employee of West Lothian Council	1g. Workforce Arrangements	I don't know the detail of this proposal. I can understand that we would aim to avoid overtime where possible.	Workforce Arrangements - Overtime & Allowances	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The proposed review of terms and conditions would seek to review the use of overtime, allowances and enhancements, whilst at the same time consider the rates payable when used.
9833	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	If you are enhancing pay and allowances you are not saving money. Maybe those at the top could take a pay cut.	Workforce Arrangements - Overtime & Allowances	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The proposed review of terms and conditions would seek to review the use of overtime, allowances and enhancements, whilst at the same time consider the rates payable when used.
9834	An employee of West Lothian Council	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Which departments receive overtime and allowances?? What are current overtime and allowances costs? What is proposed in place of overtime? Will staff still be expected to deliver the same service but only on a fixed salary? Will services be cut to core hours only? Will this affect all staff currently entitled to overtime and allowances? If reducing services, will emergency services need to be outsourced? Have these been costed within the estimated £1.4m saving?	Workforce Arrangements - Overtime & Allowances	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	The council is subject to national pay bargaining and terms and conditions and the salary scales for officers are determined nationally.
9835	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	I would suggest that consideration on allowance and overtime payments is appropriate given the change in the work environments where other people working outwith council services are paid a rate irrespective on when they work their hours. I would also suggest that payments while on sick leave require to be reviewed. Weekend allowances and unsocial shift allowances/payments that are paid when someone is off sick requires stopped.	Workforce Arrangements - Overtime & Allowances	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The proposed review of terms and conditions would seek to review the use of overtime, allowances and enhancements, whilst at the same time consider the rates payable when used.
9836	No Response	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Council staff have been subject to pay freezes/reduced pay increases for a significant number of years. The council need to recognise that this has been in the face of continued increases in the cost of living.	Workforce Arrangements - Overtime & Allowances	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	The council is subject to national pay bargaining and terms and conditions and the salary scales for officers are determined nationally.
9837	An employee of West Lothian Council	1g. Workforce Arrangements	IF THE STAFFING LEVELS WERE AT THE CORRECT LEVEL WITHIN THE COUNCIL - THERE SHOULD BE NO NEED FOR OVERTIME AT ALL!!!!!! BUT THE FLIP OF THE COIN IS THAT COUNCIL WAGES ARE THAT LOW - OVERTIME MAY BE NEEDED TO BOOST INCOME - ABOVE THE POVERTY LINE	Workforce Arrangements - Overtime & Allowances	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council is subject to national pay bargaining and terms and conditions and the salary scales for officers are determined nationally.
9838	An employee of West Lothian Council	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Staff who are on long term sick should not be paid there shift allowance as they are not working that shift so should not get paid	Workforce Arrangements - Overtime & Allowances	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council actively manages all absences in terms of its sickness absence policy, which is subject to constant review, in consultation with the recognised trade unions, to ensure that it is fit for purpose
9839	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Overtime should only be provided when there is a genuine need, contracts should be structured in a way that would allow the greatest workforce flexibility.	Workforce Arrangements - Overtime & Allowances	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The proposed review of terms and conditions would seek to review the use of overtime, allowances and enhancements, whilst at the same time consider the rates payable when used.

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9840	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Important to ensure that essential services are not cut due to reduction in overtime allowances eg Evening/ overnight care to vulnerable people.	Workforce Arrangements - Overtime & Allowances	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposed review of terms and conditions would seek to review the use of overtime, allowances and enhancements, whilst at the same time consider the rates payable when used.
9841	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Agreed - reduction in overtime payments is sensible	Workforce Arrangements - Overtime & Allowances	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The proposed review of terms and conditions would seek to review the use of overtime, allowances and enhancements, whilst at the same time consider the rates payable when used.
9842	An employee of West Lothian Council	1g. Workforce Arrangements	SHIFT ALLOWANCES MUST BE RETAINED IF YOU WANT TO RETAIN EXPERIENCED STAFF	Workforce Arrangements - Overtime & Allowances	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposed review of terms and conditions would seek to review the use of overtime, allowances and enhancements, whilst at the same time consider the rates payable when used.
9843	An employee of West Lothian Council	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Flexible working arrangements allocated to staff on overtime..	Workforce Arrangements - Overtime & Allowances	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council is required by law to consider requests for part time or flexible working, and will grant this where it meets the needs of the service.
9844	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Most, if not all, teaching and non-teaching staff in schools work a substantial number of unpaid hours on a regular basis. This is not replicated in other areas of the Council where overtime appears to be readily available.	Workforce Arrangements - Overtime & Allowances	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The proposed review of terms and conditions would seek to review the use of overtime, allowances and enhancements, whilst at the same time consider the rates payable when used.
9845	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	About time that the council workers stopped getting extra allowances etc that private workers don't get but still be expected to work extra to get their work done. Think there is a real opportunity to get this reduced even further.	Workforce Arrangements - Overtime & Allowances	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The proposed review of terms and conditions would seek to review the use of overtime, allowances and enhancements, whilst at the same time consider the rates payable when used.
9846	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	I support this. The Council should aim to avoid reliance on overtime with more flexible rostering. However it should avoid split shifts.	Workforce Arrangements - Overtime & Allowances	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The proposed review of terms and conditions would seek to review the use of overtime, allowances and enhancements, whilst at the same time consider the rates payable when used.
9847	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Workers are well paid and the reality is overtime is being replaced with continental shifts everywhere.	Workforce Arrangements - Overtime & Allowances	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The proposed review of terms and conditions would seek to review the use of overtime, allowances and enhancements, whilst at the same time consider the rates payable when used.
9848	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	There is room for improvement - example Christmas lights being put up on a Sunday - does this incur overtime costs?	Workforce Arrangements - Overtime & Allowances	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The proposed review of terms and conditions would seek to review the use of overtime, allowances and enhancements, whilst at the same time consider the rates payable when used.
9849	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	I agree in part with this proposal, but would express concern about those areas that due to existing cuts require staff to work additional hours. How would they be paid?	Workforce Arrangements - Overtime & Allowances	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposed review of terms and conditions would seek to review the use of overtime, allowances and enhancements, whilst at the same time consider the rates payable when used.
9850	An employee of West Lothian Council	1g. Workforce Arrangements	First thought here is that overtime in all or most cases is necessary. A particular example here is maintenance weekends undertaken by IT Services staff about 4 over an annual period. This is crucial to upkeep and security on servers and systems. Non essential overtime of course is something that the council has addressed in recent years rightly so as this has demonstrated value for money.	Workforce Arrangements - Overtime & Allowances	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposed review of terms and conditions would seek to review the use of overtime, allowances and enhancements, whilst at the same time consider the rates payable when used.
9851	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	I feel sure staffing costs could be reduced by less weekend working some of which seems unnecessary	Workforce Arrangements - Overtime & Allowances	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The proposed review of terms and conditions would seek to review the use of overtime, allowances and enhancements, whilst at the same time consider the rates payable when used.
9852	No Response	1g. Workforce Arrangements	It must be recognised that if opportunities for overtime payment are withdrawn, there can be no expectation that staff will work unpaid overtime.	Workforce Arrangements - Overtime & Allowances	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The proposed review of terms and conditions would seek to review the use of overtime, allowances and enhancements, whilst at the same time consider the rates payable when used
9853	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Overtime should be reduced and even more flexible working allowed under the control of managers.	Workforce Arrangements - Overtime & Allowances	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The proposed review of terms and conditions would seek to review the use of overtime, allowances and enhancements, whilst at the same time consider the rates payable when used
9854	An employee of West Lothian Council	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Review where overtime is paid, e.g. Building Services - reduce hours worked by trades and work a 5 day week as opposed to a 9 day fortnight.	Workforce Arrangements - Overtime & Allowances	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The proposed review of terms and conditions would seek to review the use of overtime, allowances and enhancements, whilst at the same time consider the rates payable when used

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9855	No Response	1g. Workforce Arrangements	The overtime process should be restricted to absolute business need rather than based on the times of clocking in and out. More supervision needed here and could be fixed immediately. The aspiration of £1.4M saving doesn't seem much of a stretch?	Workforce Arrangements - Overtime & Allowances	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The proposed review of terms and conditions would seek to review the use of overtime, allowances and enhancements, whilst at the same time consider the rates payable when used
9856	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Overtime should only be paid as an exception rather than a rule.	Workforce Arrangements - Overtime & Allowances	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The proposed review of terms and conditions would seek to review the use of overtime, allowances and enhancements, whilst at the same time consider the rates payable when used
9857	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Could people working anti social hours e.g. gritting teams etc have shift allowances rather than overtime?	Workforce Arrangements - Overtime & Allowances	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The proposed review of terms and conditions would seek to review the use of overtime, allowances and enhancements, whilst at the same time consider the rates payable when used
9858	An employee of West Lothian Council	1g. Workforce Arrangements	I agree with this proposal. This should be complemented with a review of the need for overtime working in the first place.	Workforce Arrangements - Overtime & Allowances	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The proposed review of terms and conditions would seek to review the use of overtime, allowances and enhancements, whilst at the same time consider the rates payable when used
9859	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	I don't understand why you feel the need to enhance pay and allowances to make changes to overtime arrangements. Council staff already have better pay rates and pension provisions than anyone else in the private sector. They need to get real and realise just how good a deal they've got.	Workforce Arrangements - Overtime & Allowances	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The proposed review of terms and conditions would seek to review the use of overtime, allowances and enhancements, whilst at the same time consider the rates payable when used
9860	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	I am concerned that the future plans assume expectation of employees doing overtime as part of the management plan to deliver the required works. If staff take up for overtime diminishes, then the quality of services provided will be affected.	Workforce Arrangements - Overtime & Allowances	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposed review of terms and conditions would seek to review the use of overtime, allowances and enhancements, whilst at the same time consider the rates payable when used
9861	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Please consider better use of technology for Skype meetings and more working from home to reduce travel costs and premises costs. Overtime is a rare commodity in the private sector and where possible working practices could be altered to remove this.	Workforce Arrangements - Overtime & Allowances	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The proposed review of terms and conditions would seek to review the use of overtime, allowances and enhancements, whilst at the same time consider the rates payable when used. All of the council's main office buildings in the main towns and villages in West Lothian have facilities for mobile and flexible working which can be booked through the room booking system. In addition, staff who undertake mobile and flexible working have access to IT technology to facilitate this.
9862	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	I wonder what consequences that will have for communities. Will changes to overtime mean end of school let's?	Workforce Arrangements - Overtime & Allowances	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The proposed review of terms and conditions would seek to review the use of overtime, allowances and enhancements, whilst at the same time consider the rates payable when used
9863	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Efficiencies in staff costs is a delicate area, while I approve of some rationalisation of things like overtime costs it will need to be implemented well to avoid some common issues	Workforce Arrangements - Overtime & Allowances	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The proposed review of terms and conditions would seek to review the use of overtime, allowances and enhancements, whilst at the same time consider the rates payable when used
9864	An employee of West Lothian Council	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Remove "stand by" services and introduce set shifts for evening and weekends	Workforce Arrangements - Overtime & Allowances	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The proposed review of terms and conditions would seek to review the use of overtime, allowances and enhancements, whilst at the same time consider the rates payable when used
9865	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Reads like the poorest paid staff will have overtime pay and allowances cut which will not improve morale or productivity.	Workforce Arrangements - Overtime & Allowances	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposed review of terms and conditions would seek to review the use of overtime, allowances and enhancements, whilst at the same time consider the rates payable when used
9866	An employee of West Lothian Council	1g. Workforce Arrangements	No overtime should be paid. Shift allowance should only be paid for staff who are working shifts.	Workforce Arrangements - Overtime & Allowances	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The proposed review of terms and conditions would seek to review the use of overtime, allowances and enhancements, whilst at the same time consider the rates payable when used
9867	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Other industries, and public sector services have had experienced pay freezes and a reduction in enhancements and allowances, changes for criteria to be met for overtime	Workforce Arrangements - Overtime & Allowances	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The proposed review of terms and conditions would seek to review the use of overtime, allowances and enhancements, whilst at the same time consider the rates payable when used
9868	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Agreed. The huge disparities in shift allowances for example need a complete overhaul to make them fit for purpose.	Workforce Arrangements - Overtime & Allowances	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The proposed review of terms and conditions would seek to review the use of overtime, allowances and enhancements, whilst at the same time consider the rates payable when used

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9869	An employee of West Lothian Council	1g. Workforce Arrangements	1. Remove shift allowances.	Workforce Arrangements - Overtime & Allowances	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The proposed review of terms and conditions would seek to review the use of overtime, allowances and enhancements, whilst at the same time consider the rates payable when used
9870	An employee of West Lothian Council	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Overtime needs to be avoided wherever possible and a renewed focus placed on achieving the required tasking during normal working hours. SLAs with tenants etc. may need to be extended to avoid incurring overtime. It may be a difficult concept to sell to some stakeholder groups but it's essential that the challenge is communicated effectively to the public to try and gain a common understanding of the public's part in meeting the financial challenge.	Workforce Arrangements - Overtime & Allowances	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The proposed review of terms and conditions would seek to review the use of overtime, allowances and enhancements, whilst at the same time consider the rates payable when used
9871	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	1g. Workforce Arrangements	It was agreed that a number of organisations did not pay enhanced rates to staff for overtime and weekend working and this is a term that people enter the workplace fully aware of.	Workforce Arrangements - Overtime & Allowances	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The proposed review of terms and conditions would seek to review the use of overtime, allowances and enhancements, whilst at the same time consider the rates payable when used
9872	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Agree in principal however staff should be rewarded when they have anti social or out of hours roles as this is disruptive to their lives. I also feel very strongly that there are certain functions that require seasonal workers and these should not be taken as the 'easy option' as this has a serious affect on the ability to deliver the services required by the community. It would be far better to look at how the winter working is resourced and the vast amounts that certain members of staff are then taking home for providing and out of hours service. As stated above they deserve an enhancement but this should reflect what is actually worked! It would be far more effective to allow the front line teams to put forward suggestions related to the savings that that section if expected to make and assess the pros and cons for the various options.	Workforce Arrangements - Overtime & Allowances	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The proposed review of terms and conditions would seek to review the use of overtime, allowances and enhancements, whilst at the same time consider the rates payable when used
9873	An employee of West Lothian Council	1g. Workforce Arrangements	I would imagine that investigating the arrangements for overtime might be beneficial, to ensure that only essential overtime costs are implemented.	Workforce Arrangements - Overtime & Allowances	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The proposed review of terms and conditions would seek to review the use of overtime, allowances and enhancements, whilst at the same time consider the rates payable when used
9874	An employee of West Lothian Council	1g. Workforce Arrangements	No reason why contracts cannot be looked at to employ people on different hours/ to provide services on standard hour payments without overtime.	Workforce Arrangements - Overtime & Allowances	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The proposed review of terms and conditions would seek to review the use of overtime, allowances and enhancements, whilst at the same time consider the rates payable when used
9875	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	This should be activated by ensuring enough staff are employed to cover the work required without overtime rates.	Workforce Arrangements - Overtime & Allowances	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The proposed review of terms and conditions would seek to review the use of overtime, allowances and enhancements, whilst at the same time consider the rates payable when used
9876	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	This should be easily achieved using technology to facilitate meetings etc. Also, staff undertaking voluntary overtime at sites away from their designated place of work should not be given travel allowance nor paid for travel time.	Workforce Arrangements - Overtime & Allowances	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The proposed review of terms and conditions would seek to review the use of overtime, allowances and enhancements, whilst at the same time consider the rates payable when used. All of the council's main office buildings in the main towns and villages in West Lothian have facilities for mobile and flexible working which can be booked through the room booking system. In addition, staff who undertake mobile and flexible working have access to IT technology to facilitate this.
9877	An employee of West Lothian Council	1g. Workforce Arrangements	As long as revised arrangements adequately reflect work carried out and not just being cut for the purposes of savings. Accept that tasks are all too often being carried out at weekends at premium rates when efficiencies could mean they are carried out during normal hours.	Workforce Arrangements - Overtime & Allowances	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The proposed review of terms and conditions would seek to review the use of overtime, allowances and enhancements, whilst at the same time consider the rates payable when used.

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9878	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Across the council there are historic inconsistent arrangements in relation to overtime and allowances. In some instances this means that some staff are being paid on an enhanced basis when it isn't clear that this is appropriate, there is no clear justification for it and there is no evidence that they are carrying out roles or functions which justify it. There must be equality of approach across the council to these issues. However, historically these payments will have been made to compensate and recognise that some functions attract additional payments because they are not reflected by salaries paid/hours worked. It is therefore critical that in any changes to overtime and allowances, there is a full and detailed review of those circumstances in which they are paid and the reasons for that, and a review of the roles and functions to be undertaken in the future, with appropriate grading considerations where necessary. Where there is a genuine need for overtime it must be ensured that either there is a uniform approach to it across the council, or if the intention is that it be limited, then it is essential to ensure that there are sufficient staff in posts to deliver services without the need of overtime. Working practices will need to be reviewed to ensure they are efficient and effective to support this and managers will require to properly and consistently manage staff in relation to this. Ensuring a uniform approach to overtime and allowances and achieving clarity as to when, how and why they are being paid can only be a positive outcome	Workforce Arrangements - Overtime & Allowances	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The proposed review of terms and conditions would seek to review the use of overtime, allowances and enhancements, whilst at the same time consider the rates payable when used.
9879	An employee of West Lothian Council	1g. Workforce Arrangements	A suggestion would be to reduce the enhancements and allowances etc. and give flexi instead. There is a problem with an ageing workforce, sickness, etc. Voluntary redundancies may be an option. Work that is being distributed out to others services or third parties could be brought back in house to save expense and this would provide more funds to pay employees.	Workforce Arrangements - Overtime & Allowances	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The proposed review of terms and conditions would seek to review the use of overtime, allowances and enhancements, whilst at the same time consider the rates payable when used.
9880	An employee of West Lothian Council	1g. Workforce Arrangements	I appreciate that all staffing teams and service areas are under pressure. In my service area we need to do work at weekends and in the evening to accommodate our service users and our ability to recruit. We would have to carefully consider how staff who are already under pressure are compensated for taking this additional responsibility on. There is already a tremendous reliance on staff's good will and this can't just be ignored or taken for granted. Staff fully appreciate the constraints on finances and budgets, but have a limit to how much good will they have if there is no benefit or acknowledgement and it is just expected of them.	Workforce Arrangements - Overtime & Allowances	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposed review of terms and conditions would seek to review the use of overtime, allowances and enhancements, whilst at the same time consider the rates payable when used.
9881	No Response	1g. Workforce Arrangements	The council has failed to address the discrepancies in enhancements, allowances and overtime payments, particularly among Facilities Management staff, for many year and this is long overdue.	Workforce Arrangements - Overtime & Allowances	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The proposed review of terms and conditions would seek to review the use of overtime, allowances and enhancements, whilst at the same time consider the rates payable when used.
9882	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Council staff have already faced years of salary falling behind in real terms. Surely cutting overtime payments will discourage staff from doing it and by reducing enhancements for unsocial hours will do little for staff morale	Workforce Arrangements - Overtime & Allowances	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposed review of terms and conditions would seek to review the use of overtime, allowances and enhancements, whilst at the same time consider the rates payable when used.
9883	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	If you need overtime - issue with planning + workload. Go onto continental shift.	Workforce Arrangements - Overtime & Allowances	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The proposed review of terms and conditions would seek to review the use of overtime, allowances and enhancements, whilst at the same time consider the rates payable when used.
9884	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Paying overtime is a no go - should get rid.	Workforce Arrangements - Overtime & Allowances	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The proposed review of terms and conditions would seek to review the use of overtime, allowances and enhancements, whilst at the same time consider the rates payable when used.
9885	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Many staff in your employment ie teachers who take a large part of the budget do not get overtime pay. They take children to sport activities, school camps etc with no enhancement to pay or conditions. Many staff in other areas ie shop assistants, beauticians, hairdressers etc. do not get overtime for working on Saturdays and Sundays but time off in lieu.	Workforce Arrangements - Overtime & Allowances	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The proposed review of terms and conditions would seek to review the use of overtime, allowances and enhancements, whilst at the same time consider the rates payable when used.
9886	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Although the staffing levels and funding will shrink, WLC will still have an expectation to deliver similar services to that they have always done. Reviewing overtime and allowances of an already stretched, demoralised and demotivated workforce will not increase output and productivity.	Workforce Arrangements - Overtime & Allowances	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposed review of terms and conditions would seek to review the use of overtime, allowances and enhancements, whilst at the same time consider the rates payable when used.
9887	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	A reduction of overtime and the provision of sufficient staff to complete the work required under normal hours and hence at standard rates of pay seems sensible.	Workforce Arrangements - Overtime & Allowances	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The proposed review of terms and conditions would seek to review the use of overtime, allowances and enhancements, whilst at the same time consider the rates payable when used.
9888	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	I agree with the proposal to make savings in staffing costs, where there are currently inefficiencies, and to review the use of overtime pay, where the work could be carried out during normal working hours.	Workforce Arrangements - Overtime & Allowances	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The proposed review of terms and conditions would seek to review the use of overtime, allowances and enhancements, whilst at the same time consider the rates payable when used.

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9889	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Overtime is required to provide some services e.g.gritting and whilst the use of compressed hours could make some savings emergencies e.g flooding will require a major response from time to time. Some services could make better use of differing winter/summer hours or working shift patterns to maximise the use of plant and vehicles .	Workforce Arrangements - Overtime & Allowances	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The proposed review of terms and conditions would seek to review the use of overtime, allowances and enhancements, whilst at the same time consider the rates payable when used.
9890	An employee of West Lothian Council	1g. Workforce Arrangements	I do not understand how you can cut costs in staffing but offer enhancements and allowances.	Workforce Arrangements - Overtime & Allowances	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The proposed review of terms and conditions would seek to review the use of overtime, allowances and enhancements, whilst at the same time consider the rates payable when used.
9891	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	1g. Workforce Arrangements	People should be paid for the work they do, with overtime only when unavoidable	Workforce Arrangements - Overtime & Allowances	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The proposed review of terms and conditions would seek to review the use of overtime, allowances and enhancements, whilst at the same time consider the rates payable when used.
9892	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Staff should be paid for the work they do, but overtime should only be approved when absolutely necessary.	Workforce Arrangements - Overtime & Allowances	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The proposed review of terms and conditions would seek to review the use of overtime, allowances and enhancements, whilst at the same time consider the rates payable when used.
9893	No Response	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Council should not just stop payments without clear approach to how our services need to be delivered and ensure working patterns reflect needs and statutory requirements. Is there a need for all staff to be available at core times can patterns be stretched / adapted to cover requirements at reduced cost. Can essential statutory requirements be delivered in a more joined up way	Workforce Arrangements - Overtime & Allowances	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The proposed review of terms and conditions would seek to review the use of overtime, allowances and enhancements, whilst at the same time consider the rates payable when used.
9894	An employee of West Lothian Council	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Our service currently offers overtime arrangements and there are a number of staff who undertake overtime on a regular basis. With overtime in place I feel the service is already stretched and staff are already under a lot of pressure. Therefore I feel if overtime was removed completely we would be under additional pressure to complete the same workload but with less time. I also feel more could be done in terms of sickness absence at a more preventative level. To reduce sickness I feel more time could be taken to reduce stress at work and also to reduce fatigue etc. For example providing classes on mindfulness or making use of the space in the West Lothian Council buildings and host exercise classes which in turn would boost both mental wellbeing and physical.	Workforce Arrangements - Overtime & Allowances	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposed review of terms and conditions would seek to review the use of overtime, allowances and enhancements, whilst at the same time consider the rates payable when used.
9895	An employee of West Lothian Council	1g. Workforce Arrangements	We are under increasing pressure at the moment with regards to our workload and are expected to spin a number of plates, multitask and meet performance targets when we have less staff due to them not being replaced and an increasing amount of work, and variety of work on a daily basis. Overtime is offered at the moment which helps with performance however if this was to be removed, or the rate reduced this would have a negative impact as not a lot of people would be willing to volunteer to work additional hours which would in turn increase the workload even more. More pressure leads to additional stress which may then lead to further sickness absence. I feel the sickness absence policy that we have is poor with regards to the number of days before triggering as in this day and age an illness can last more than a few days which again puts you under pressure, especially when working in an environment where bugs etc are easily circulated due to the air conditions that we work under. I do not feel there should be any further changes to the absence policy. Pay enhancements need to be reviewed as the cost of living is increasing all of the time in all aspects of day to day life.	Workforce Arrangements - Overtime & Allowances	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposed review of terms and conditions would seek to review the use of overtime, allowances and enhancements, whilst at the same time consider the rates payable when used.
9896	An employee of West Lothian Council	1g. Workforce Arrangements	If staff are required to work overtime due to business need they should be compensated appropriately.	Workforce Arrangements - Overtime & Allowances	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposed review of terms and conditions would seek to review the use of overtime, allowances and enhancements, whilst at the same time consider the rates payable when used.
9897	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Stop punishing the hard working council employee and start from the top. The fat cat salaries of the councils Executive Management Team, followed up with fat cat pensions as well as the fat cat expenses of the Councilors all need addressed before overtime and shift allowances.	Workforce Arrangements - Overtime & Allowances	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposed review of terms and conditions would seek to review the use of overtime, allowances and enhancements, whilst at the same time consider the rates payable when used.
9898	An employee of West Lothian Council	1g. Workforce Arrangements	It needs to be more fair. OT should be allocated because it is needed to run the service and not just because some services/jobs/roles can get it when they want it - like Revenues and IT.	Workforce Arrangements - Overtime & Allowances	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The proposed review of terms and conditions would seek to review the use of overtime, allowances and enhancements, whilst at the same time consider the rates payable when used.
9899	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Only very essential services should be carried out as overtime eg gritting roads.	Workforce Arrangements - Overtime & Allowances	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The proposed review of terms and conditions would seek to review the use of overtime, allowances and enhancements, whilst at the same time consider the rates payable when used.

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9900	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Councillors expenses should be changed as well.	Workforce Arrangements - Overtime & Allowances	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	Councillors remunerations and expenses are determined by the Scottish Government
9901	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Reduce the need to work overtime in the first place e.g. restrict community centre opening times at weekends and evenings.	Workforce Arrangements - Overtime & Allowances	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The proposed review of terms and conditions would seek to review the use of overtime, allowances and enhancements, whilst at the same time consider the rates payable when used.
9902	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	I agree saving need to be made. Overtime and allowances should only be paid in exceptional circumstances.	Workforce Arrangements - Overtime & Allowances	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The proposed review of terms and conditions would seek to review the use of overtime, allowances and enhancements, whilst at the same time consider the rates payable when used.
9903	No Response	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Agree with proposal as there is an unfair application of policies across the council ie certain teams are paid overtime whilst other only have the opportunity to claim time off (often not at enhanced rates)	Workforce Arrangements - Overtime & Allowances	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The proposed review of terms and conditions would seek to review the use of overtime, allowances and enhancements, whilst at the same time consider the rates payable when used.
9904	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	I was of the understanding that there was an overtime ban many years ago - unfairness then amongst workers!	Workforce Arrangements - Overtime & Allowances	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The proposed review of terms and conditions would seek to review the use of overtime, allowances and enhancements, whilst at the same time consider the rates payable when used.
9905	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Stop paying staff overtime - full stop. Review all staff's T&Cs (including teachers)	Workforce Arrangements - Overtime & Allowances	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The proposed review of terms and conditions would seek to review the use of overtime, allowances and enhancements, whilst at the same time consider the rates payable when used.
9906	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Reduce personal expenses.	Workforce Arrangements - Overtime & Allowances	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The proposed review of terms and conditions would seek to review the use of overtime, allowances and enhancements, whilst at the same time consider the rates payable when used.
9907	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	No need to pay refuse collectors a shift allowance, empty bins during normal working hours	Workforce Arrangements - Overtime & Allowances	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The proposed review of terms and conditions would seek to review the use of overtime, allowances and enhancements, whilst at the same time consider the rates payable when used.
9908	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Perhaps contracts should reflect a 7/7 working arrangement. no overtime.	Workforce Arrangements - Overtime & Allowances	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The proposed review of terms and conditions would seek to review the use of overtime, allowances and enhancements, whilst at the same time consider the rates payable when used.
9909	An employee of West Lothian Council	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Agreed. Road works, filling grit bins, etc etc should not be carried out at weekends or on Sundays at enhanced rates of pay. Schedule though the week at flat rate of pay.	Workforce Arrangements - Overtime & Allowances	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The proposed review of terms and conditions would seek to review the use of overtime, allowances and enhancements, whilst at the same time consider the rates payable when used.
9910	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	More savings at the Civic Centre would be good. Lots of overtime given to council workers,	Workforce Arrangements - Overtime & Allowances	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The proposed review of terms and conditions would seek to review the use of overtime, allowances and enhancements, whilst at the same time consider the rates payable when used.
9911	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	The council should not pay overtime. Only offer time in lieu. It's unhealthy to ask staff to work long hours and they should be encouraged to take time back.	Workforce Arrangements - Overtime & Allowances	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The proposed review of terms and conditions would seek to review the use of overtime, allowances and enhancements, whilst at the same time consider the rates payable when used.
9912	An employee of West Lothian Council	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Reduce wasted overtime for some council workers i.e. things being done on Sundays instead of week days. .	Workforce Arrangements - Overtime & Allowances	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The proposed review of terms and conditions would seek to review the use of overtime, allowances and enhancements, whilst at the same time consider the rates payable when used.
9913	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Review enhanced overtime rates.	Workforce Arrangements - Overtime & Allowances	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The proposed review of terms and conditions would seek to review the use of overtime, allowances and enhancements, whilst at the same time consider the rates payable when used.
9914	An employee of West Lothian Council	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Consider removing the payment of excess travel if a member of staff moves location. We work for WLC and our contract states we can be asked to work anywhere. Why should some staff have part of their travelling costs met by the council?	Workforce Arrangements - Overtime & Allowances	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The proposed review of terms and conditions would seek to review the use of overtime, allowances and enhancements, whilst at the same time consider the rates payable when used.

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9915	An employee of West Lothian Council	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Staff have been subject to real terms pay cuts over the last 10 years. In addition there are many positions that rely on the enhancements to augment their salary. Employees lives revolve around their take home pay and any reductions to that are likely to affect front line employees at the lower end of the pay scale. This in turn will have an impact on employee retention and moral. Whilst these changes will inevitably have to be made, they must be communicated and transitioned to reduce, where possible any negative effects.	Workforce Arrangements - Pay Enhancements	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council will focus on changes to overtime arrangements and allowances that meet service requirements whilst also delivering value for money.
9916	An employee of West Lothian Council	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Work duplication must be reduced in order to attain efficiency. Don't make staff reductions just on pay structure but on necessity of that role.	Workforce Arrangements - Pay Enhancements	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Experience has demonstrated that the council can deliver an more effective and cost effective service through the centralisation of generic tasks with the retention of specialist provision within service. The Council will focus on changes to overtime arrangements and allowances that meet service requirements whilst also delivering value for money.
9917	An employee of West Lothian Council	1g. Workforce Arrangements	You must understand that we have already had what is in essence a pay cut over the last number of years. Terms and conditions must not be altered to mitigate any pending wage rises.	Workforce Arrangements - Pay Enhancements	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council will focus on changes to overtime arrangements and allowances that meet service requirements whilst also delivering value for money.
9918	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Staff have already endured pay rises below inflation therefore I do not agree with further reductions.	Workforce Arrangements - Pay Enhancements	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council will focus on changes to overtime arrangements and allowances that meet service requirements whilst also delivering value for money.
9919	An employee of West Lothian Council	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Staff should be offered pay enhancements if, in the long run, savings are made within the specified five years.	Workforce Arrangements - Pay Enhancements	5b. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it is likely that the costs of this proposal would outweigh the benefit.	The Council will focus on changes to overtime arrangements and allowances that meet service requirements whilst also delivering value for money.
9920	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Without effecting the service all staff between £50,000 & £80,000 should not have any pay increase for the next 4 years and Staff above £80,000 a pay cut of 1% each year for 4 years.	Workforce Arrangements - Pay Enhancements	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	The council is subject to national pay bargaining and terms and conditions and the salary scales for officers are determined nationally.
9921	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	People are paid enhanced rates for working unsociable hours. Savings are more likely to be achieved by cutting the annual wages paid to those earning £75k per annum and putting a freeze on pay for those earning £50k and above.	Workforce Arrangements - Pay Enhancements	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	The council is subject to national pay bargaining and terms and conditions and the salary scales for officers are determined nationally.
9922	No Response	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Disagree with this proposal. The public sector get paid very little as it is and have just come out of a pay freeze. Additionally any pay increases fail to meet rising inflation costs. I say leave terms and conditions alone.	Workforce Arrangements - Pay Enhancements	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council proposes to review pay enhancements and allowances to ensure that these continue to meet service requirements and are applied fairly and equitably whilst achieving value for money.
9923	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Look at salary cuts for those with larger salaries	Workforce Arrangements - Pay Enhancements	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	The council is subject to national pay bargaining and terms and conditions and the salary scales for officers are determined nationally.
9924	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	pay enhancements for council staff what about the NHS works who do a much harder job and yet again another review. Perhaps don't give the councillors a pay rise and give it to the hard working public sector workers who have been struggling for years	Workforce Arrangements - Pay Enhancements	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	The council is subject to national pay bargaining and terms and conditions and the salary scales for officers are determined nationally.
9925	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Again in theory sounds reasonable, however, many council employees are already very poorly paid	Workforce Arrangements - Pay Enhancements	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The Council is an accredited living wage employer and staff on lowest grades are paid a living wage supplement.
9926	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Reduce the salaries of those who earn over 60,000 GBP within the Council. No such higher salary is warranted for anyone except the head of the Council...	Workforce Arrangements - Pay Enhancements	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	The council is subject to national pay bargaining and terms and conditions and the salary scales for officers are determined nationally.
9927	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Not paying staff properly or reducing their terms and conditions is the quickest way to a demotivated and demoralised workforce. Not what is needed at a time when staff numbers are reducing and working structures changing.	Workforce Arrangements - Pay Enhancements	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council proposes to review pay enhancements and allowances to ensure that these continue to meet service requirements and are applied fairly and equitably whilst achieving value for money.

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9928	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Protect your staff and they will deliver the changes needed. Reducing pay or terms and conditions will likely mean that staff will need to access further benefits themselves in order to maintain standards of living with rising costs in daily life. This goes against reducing poverty as a key aim for lower paid staff	Workforce Arrangements - Pay Enhancements	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council proposes to review pay enhancements and allowances to ensure that these continue to meet service requirements and are applied fairly and equitably whilst achieving value for money.
9929	An employee of West Lothian Council	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Cut back the management salaries and reduce the amount of managers.	Workforce Arrangements - Pay Enhancements	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	The council is subject to national pay bargaining and terms and conditions and the salary scales for officers are determined nationally. The council continually reviews the tiers of management and span of control across all service levels against a target 5 x 5 structure. This ensures that the council continues to operate with an effective and efficient managerial structure.
9930	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Value for money is all very well but The money, in terms of wage or salary, should be value for work done too . To pare away at wages so that people become poorer only means that more people need to seek benefits, so no real savings are made.	Workforce Arrangements - Pay Enhancements	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council proposes to review pay enhancements and allowances to ensure that these continue to meet service requirements and are applied fairly and equitably whilst achieving value for money.
9931	No Response	1g. Workforce Arrangements	The council must take care not to take advantage of their staff. A number of disciplines already are paid below what could be achieved in the private sector for similar posts and further cuts or changes to salary benefits could result in further dissatisfaction.	Workforce Arrangements - Pay Enhancements	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council proposes to review pay enhancements and allowances to ensure that these continue to meet service requirements and are applied fairly and equitably whilst achieving value for money.
9932	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Council staff have had their wages held back over the last 7 years - its about time the staff were given a decent wage increase to match the cost of living / inflation.	Workforce Arrangements - Pay Enhancements	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	The council is subject to national pay bargaining and terms and conditions and the salary scales for officers are determined nationally.
9933	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	We need to adopt fairer pay and lessen the widening gap between upper management, middle management and core workers.	Workforce Arrangements - Pay Enhancements	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	The council is subject to national pay bargaining and terms and conditions and the salary scales for officers are determined nationally.
9934	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Performance related pay and overtime is the way to go. Iâ€™m sure projects would be competed more efficiently and quicker should some council teams be paid based on performance rather than by the hour.	Workforce Arrangements - Pay Enhancements	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	The council is subject to national pay bargaining and terms and conditions and the salary scales for officers are determined nationally.
9935	An employee of West Lothian Council	1g. Workforce Arrangements	I work for the council so does my partner and any cut to wages would impact cause us financial hardship this proposal worries me most because of the impact it would economically. I realise savings need to be made but council workers need to make a living wage as well.	Workforce Arrangements - Pay Enhancements	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council proposes to review pay enhancements and allowances to ensure that these continue to meet service requirements and are applied fairly and equitably whilst achieving value for money.
9936	An employee of West Lothian Council	1g. Workforce Arrangements	So less wages? Staff need a decent wage increase over the rate of inflation, they are worse off than before.	Workforce Arrangements - Pay Enhancements	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council proposes to review pay enhancements and allowances to ensure that these continue to meet service requirements and are applied fairly and equitably whilst achieving value for money.
9937	No Response	1g. Workforce Arrangements	It would be interesting to see staff opinion on accepting a pay freeze over the next 5 years with a view to preserving jobs.	Workforce Arrangements - Pay Enhancements	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	The council is subject to national pay bargaining and terms and conditions and the salary scales for officers are determined nationally.
9938	No Response	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Cutting pay will reduce your good work force to perform less	Workforce Arrangements - Pay Enhancements	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council continually reviews the tiers of management and span of control across all service levels against a target 5 x 5 structure. This ensures that the council continues to operate with an effective and efficient managerial structure.
9939	No Response	1g. Workforce Arrangements	With general living costs going up I can't comprehend the wages not also going up.	Workforce Arrangements - Pay Enhancements	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council is subject to national pay bargaining and terms and conditions and the salary scales for officers are determined nationally.

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9940	An employee of West Lothian Council	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Improving pay would help retain, and attract new, staff. Pay scales for middle/senior management are less well paid than, say, City of Edinburgh.	Workforce Arrangements - Pay Enhancements	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	The proposed review of terms and conditions would seek to review the use of overtime, allowances and enhancements, whilst at the same time consider the rates payable when used. The Council has a robust job evaluation process which seeks to ensure that posts are graded according to the tasks undertaken and responsibilities attached to the post.
9941	An employee of West Lothian Council	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Without any detail it is almost impossible to comment on this. What precisely are 'pay enhancements and allowances'? Who gets them and why? Why aren't they just paid for the job they do like the rest of us?	Workforce Arrangements - Pay Enhancements	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	The proposed review of terms and conditions would seek to review the use of overtime, allowances and enhancements, whilst at the same time consider the rates payable when used.
9942	An employee of West Lothian Council	1g. Workforce Arrangements	A review of pay enhancements and allowances is long overdue. The opportunity should be sought to harmonise terms, conditions, pay enhancements and allowances across the organisation, something that should have been dealt with at single-status.	Workforce Arrangements - Pay Enhancements	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The proposed review of terms and conditions would seek to review the use of overtime, allowances and enhancements, whilst at the same time consider the rates payable when used.
9943	An employee of West Lothian Council	1g. Workforce Arrangements	There is also a need to examine how, through outsourcing and or modernising working practices, the need for pay enhancements and allowances can be avoided.	Workforce Arrangements - Pay Enhancements	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Officers will consider how to minimise the requirement for working overtime through modernised ways of working. It is not the council's intention to outsource services.
9944	An employee of West Lothian Council	1g. Workforce Arrangements	We are told our efforts are appreciated, and WLC is one of the top performing councils in the UK, but they refuse to give a pay rise above 1%. Employee pay must increase, if council tax is to increase by 3% they are making their own staff worse off. A yearly bonus scheme could be introduced for units that perform well and meet or exceed their targets.	Workforce Arrangements - Pay Enhancements	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	The council is subject to national pay bargaining and terms and conditions and the salary scales for officers are determined nationally.
9945	No Response	1g. Workforce Arrangements	If by pay enhancements you mean wage rises and grade increments, then I disagree that this acceptable.	Workforce Arrangements - Pay Enhancements	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposed review of terms and conditions would seek to review the use of overtime, allowances and enhancements, whilst at the same time consider the rates payable when used.
9946	No Response	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Stop pay enhancements to save money.	Workforce Arrangements - Pay Enhancements	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The proposed review of terms and conditions would seek to review the use of overtime, allowances and enhancements, whilst at the same time consider the rates payable when used.
9947	An employee of West Lothian Council	1g. Workforce Arrangements	A large number of manual employees receive a bonus but it doesn't improve the quantity of the quality of the work that is completed.	Workforce Arrangements - Pay Enhancements	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The proposed review of terms and conditions would seek to review the use of overtime, allowances and enhancements, whilst at the same time consider the rates payable when used.
9948	No Response	1g. Workforce Arrangements	This sounds like there will a reduction in an individual on a lower pay grade being able to make ends meet via overtime	Workforce Arrangements - Pay Enhancements	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposed review of terms and conditions would seek to review the use of overtime, allowances and enhancements, whilst at the same time consider the rates payable when used. The council is a living wage employer and staff on the lowest grades receive a living wage enhancement.
9949	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Agree. If the council do not have the money to pay existing staff then staff cuts need to be made, and remaining staff need to accept a cut in wages to keep their job (as happens in the private sector i.e. TATA steel) or find employment elsewhere.	Workforce Arrangements - Pay Enhancements	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	The council is subject to national pay bargaining and terms and conditions and the salary scales for officers are determined nationally.
9950	An employee of West Lothian Council	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Although compared to private sector staff are well paid in a number of positions, Many - including me - are not on a large wage and taking away shift allowances etc would reduce that again. I would worry how I could afford to pay childcare and still work.	Workforce Arrangements - Pay Enhancements	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposed review of terms and conditions would seek to review the use of overtime, allowances and enhancements, whilst at the same time consider the rates payable when used.
9951	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	While all organisations seek to minimise staffing overheads, consideration should be given to the quality of life of council staff. The public sector has traditionally paid lower than the private sector with the expectation that quality pensions provided balanced out this pay gap, but in recent years those pensions have been significantly cut and thus public sector staff are no longer well remunerated any sense. This will lead to loss of quality staff, and a poorer staff will lead to service failures. Cuts should not be made to low-mid income staff.	Workforce Arrangements - Pay Enhancements	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council is subject to national pay bargaining and the salary scales for officers are determined nationally. Pension costs have been rebalanced through an increase in employee contributions, and further national cost management changes to the Local Government Pension Scheme.
9952	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	We have had no pay increase in years, savings can be made elsewhere!	Workforce Arrangements - Pay Enhancements	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	The council is subject to national pay bargaining and terms and conditions and the salary scales for officers are determined nationally.

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9953	An employee of West Lothian Council	1g. Workforce Arrangements	So we get a 1% pay rise and with the other hand you take away money. It might only effect some people but for those of us on "standby" where we are most at risk keeping the current pay and conditions seems far. Reducing anything else should be considered.	Workforce Arrangements - Pay Enhancements	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposed review of terms and conditions would seek to review the use of overtime, allowances and enhancements, whilst at the same time consider the rates payable when used.
9954	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Some managers have been receiving shift allowance / pay enhancement for working a shift pattern when they haven't did this for years - how much has this cost and will it be repaid like front line staff have had to do in the past?	Workforce Arrangements - Pay Enhancements	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The proposed review of terms and conditions would seek to review the use of overtime, allowances and enhancements, whilst at the same time consider the rates payable when used.
9955	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Stop using public money to give yourselves a better pension.	Workforce Arrangements - Pay Enhancements	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Pension costs have been rebalanced through an increase in employee contributions, and further national cost management changes to the Local Government Pension Scheme.
9956	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Really simple for me. A pay freeze for the next 5 years for all grades up to and including Councillors. I see a council worker mentality that needs expectations managed accordingly. If you think this is harsh, I am 66 years old, still having to work for the Civil Service and have had no wage increase for 5 years. It has only now been lifted as I'm sure you are aware. I'm still having to work because I failed to make adequate pension provisions in earlier life which I take personal responsibility for. This may be reflected in my other comments e.g.health care!	Workforce Arrangements - Pay Enhancements	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	The council is subject to national pay bargaining and terms and conditions and the salary scales for officers are determined nationally.
9957	No Response	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Unfortunately the pay restrictions will ensure that the hardest working of the workforce will go elsewhere.	Workforce Arrangements - Pay Enhancements	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposed review of terms and conditions would seek to review the use of overtime, allowances and enhancements, whilst at the same time consider the rates payable when used.
9958	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Cut some of your higher up ones pay take a wage cut	Workforce Arrangements - Pay Enhancements	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	The council is subject to national pay bargaining and terms and conditions and the salary scales for officers are determined nationally.
9959	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Cut short term sick pay...dont pay bonuses.	Workforce Arrangements - Pay Enhancements	5c. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it is not consistent with the council's values and priorities.	The council actively manages all absences in terms of its sickness absence policy, which is subject to constant review, in consultation with the recognised trade unions, to ensure that it is fit for purpose
9960	No Response	1g. Workforce Arrangements	A psw salary is the worst paid job in childcare and education. The training and skills we practice on a daily basis are not reflected in our salary as it is.	Workforce Arrangements - Pay Enhancements	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	The council is subject to national pay bargaining and terms and conditions and the salary scales for officers are determined nationally.
9961	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	With very low wage increases and increasing costs putting more of a burden on staff will lead to increased pressure and ultimately to lack of job satisfaction. Valued employees will have no option but to move on.	Workforce Arrangements - Pay Enhancements	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	The council is subject to national pay bargaining and terms and conditions and the salary scales for officers are determined nationally.
9962	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	If staff jobs were kept I am sure that they would accept that pay increase are not appropriate. Keep staff rather than pay rises	Workforce Arrangements - Pay Enhancements	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	The council is subject to national pay bargaining and terms and conditions and the salary scales for officers are determined nationally.
9963	No Response	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Increase this year (and subsequent years) was only 1% whereas rents are going up 3 or 4% and council tax 3% - how are staff supposed to afford these increases without a like for like match in their salary?	Workforce Arrangements - Pay Enhancements	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	The council is subject to national pay bargaining and terms and conditions and the salary scales for officers are determined nationally.
9964	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Staff should be paid as the average in other councils. I don't have info on what's the current situation but if you won't invest in your staff and their progress it'll affect the community.	Workforce Arrangements - Pay Enhancements	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	The council is subject to national pay bargaining and terms and conditions and the salary scales for officers are determined nationally.
9965	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	I FEEL THAT THE GOVERNMENT SHOULD BE MORE SUPPORTIVE IN ASSISTING PAY IN ESSENTIAL AREAS LIKE TEACHING	Workforce Arrangements - Pay Enhancements	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	The council is subject to national pay bargaining and terms and conditions and the salary scales for officers are determined nationally.

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9966	No Response	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Wage rises of 1% when at the same time enforcing more work on already overworked staff will bring them to breaking point.	Workforce Arrangements - Pay Enhancements	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	The council is subject to national pay bargaining and terms and conditions and the salary scales for officers are determined nationally.
9967	No Response	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Wage rises of 1% when at the same time enforcing more work on already overworked staff will bring them to breaking point.	Workforce Arrangements - Pay Enhancements	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	The council is subject to national pay bargaining and terms and conditions and the salary scales for officers are determined nationally.
9968	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	As a national civil servant who has seen her conditions, pay and pensions eroded over the last 8 years I have huge concerns that once again public servants will pay for financial mismanagement at senior levels of local and national government.	Workforce Arrangements - Pay Enhancements	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposed review of terms and conditions would seek to review the use of overtime, allowances and enhancements, whilst at the same time consider the rates payable when used.
9969	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Overtime arrangements should be explored for better management options. A freeze on pay must be avoided.	Workforce Arrangements - Pay Enhancements	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The proposed review of terms and conditions would seek to review the use of overtime, allowances and enhancements, whilst at the same time consider the rates payable when used.
9970	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Start at the top and remove bonus's for managers for achieving targets - targets will always be met where there is a financial incentive to achieve them. Achieving targets linked to bonus is notoriously open to abuse.	Workforce Arrangements - Pay Enhancements	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The proposed review of terms and conditions would seek to review the use of overtime, allowances and enhancements, whilst at the same time consider the rates payable when used.
9971	An employee of West Lothian Council	1g. Workforce Arrangements	disagree with changing terms and conditions.	Workforce Arrangements - Pay Enhancements	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposed review of terms and conditions would seek to review the use of overtime, allowances and enhancements, whilst at the same time consider the rates payable when used.
9972	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Reducing enhancements in sectors that already struggle to recruit will be a huge step backwards, for example for care provision. Reasonable reductions would be to reduce catering weekend enhancements which cost a fortune and bring them into line with carers. Their contracts include weekend working...why not catering staff?	Workforce Arrangements - Pay Enhancements	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposed review of terms and conditions would seek to review the use of overtime, allowances and enhancements, whilst at the same time consider the rates payable when used.
9973	An employee of West Lothian Council	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Allowances are often paid for a reason so it would have to be clear that there was good reason to remove them.	Workforce Arrangements - Pay Enhancements	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposed review of terms and conditions would seek to review the use of overtime, allowances and enhancements, whilst at the same time consider the rates payable when used.
9974	No Response	1g. Workforce Arrangements	This may impact people taking on roles where shift work is part of the job as they will not be getting the enhanced rate etc.	Workforce Arrangements - Pay Enhancements	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposed review of terms and conditions would seek to review the use of overtime, allowances and enhancements, whilst at the same time consider the rates payable when used.
9975	An employee of West Lothian Council	1g. Workforce Arrangements	I don't receive any pay enhancements or allowances, but would imagine that the staff that do will not be happy about losing this.	Workforce Arrangements - Pay Enhancements	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposed review of terms and conditions would seek to review the use of overtime, allowances and enhancements, whilst at the same time consider the rates payable when used.
9976	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	As long as all staff roles are looked at equally and not just the lowest paid. It is difficult to comment without knowing the details of allowances. If staff use contract taxis this is something to review.	Workforce Arrangements - Pay Enhancements	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The proposed review of terms and conditions would seek to review the use of overtime, allowances and enhancements, whilst at the same time consider the rates payable when used. The Council is a living wage employer and staff on the lowest grade will receive a living wage allowance.
9977	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Again, top managers salaries should be reduced rather than lower level staff.	Workforce Arrangements - Pay Enhancements	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	The council is subject to national pay bargaining and terms and conditions and the salary scales for officers are determined nationally.
9978	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Given the number of employees and level of salaries and employment benefits, this is a paltry sum.	Workforce Arrangements - Pay Enhancements	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
9979	An employee of West Lothian Council	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Staff salaries have fallen behind and are worse off in real terms so any changes that make cuts to pay will impact the morale	Workforce Arrangements - Pay Enhancements	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council is subject to national pay bargaining and terms and conditions and the salary scales for officers are determined nationally.

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9980	No Response	1g. Workforce Arrangements	It would help if those earning above £45,000 p.a. did not receive pay increases for a specified period for example 5 years.	Workforce Arrangements - Pay Enhancements	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	The council is subject to national pay bargaining and terms and conditions and the salary scales for officers are determined nationally.
9981	An employee of West Lothian Council	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Does this mean staff will have more work to do, but less chance of a pay rise? But Council Tax is likely to increase, where do council staff find this extra money if there is no pay award?	Workforce Arrangements - Pay Enhancements	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposed review of terms and conditions would seek to review the use of overtime, allowances and enhancements, whilst at the same time consider the rates payable when used.
9982	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Staff across the council should not be receiving pay increase every year this should be based on actual performance like it is in private sector.	Workforce Arrangements - Pay Enhancements	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	The council is subject to national pay bargaining and terms and conditions and the salary scales for officers are determined nationally.
9983	No Response	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Would appear that WLC are taking money off the lower paid, people on a low income depend on these enhancements and I strongly disagree with this. We are not reducing the pay of the may managers WLC employ on very high salaries.	Workforce Arrangements - Pay Enhancements	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposed review of terms and conditions would seek to review the use of overtime, allowances and enhancements, whilst at the same time consider the rates payable when used. The Council is a living wage employer and staff on the lowest grade will receive
9984	An employee of West Lothian Council	1g. Workforce Arrangements	I think that pay enhancements and allowances should be removed.	Workforce Arrangements - Pay Enhancements	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
9985	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	I think that pay enhancements should be reviewed, and also that across the council, travel expenses an other 'expenses' should be removed / drastically reduced. This includes councillors expenses. Free catering should NOT be included in staff training days .	Workforce Arrangements - Pay Enhancements	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The proposed review of terms and conditions would seek to review the use of overtime, allowances and enhancements, whilst at the same time consider the rates payable when used. Council staff are not provided with catering at meetings. UK legislation sets out the regulations on what remuneration and type of expenses they are entitled to claim for. Information on elected members claims are regularly reported in an open and transparent manner.
9986	An employee of West Lothian Council	1g. Workforce Arrangements	higher management costs are what need to be looked at..... lower graded staff provide the vital services,,,, higher management pay and benefits need sorted.	Workforce Arrangements - Pay Enhancements	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	The council is subject to national pay bargaining and terms and conditions and the salary scales for officers are determined nationally.
9987	An employee of West Lothian Council	1g. Workforce Arrangements	What provision has been put in place for those staff who will see a reduction in their income or an increase in their hours to sustain the same level of earnings.	Workforce Arrangements - Pay Enhancements	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposed review of terms and conditions would seek to review the use of overtime, allowances and enhancements, whilst at the same time consider the rates payable when used. The Council is a living wage employer and staff on the lowest grade will receive a living wage allowance.
9988	An employee of West Lothian Council	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Public sector frontline staff have had their pay frozen/minimal increases over the last few years. Their pay has not kept up with inflation and this makes managing their finances/paying their bills increasingly difficult.	Workforce Arrangements - Pay Enhancements	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council is subject to national pay bargaining and terms and conditions and the salary scales for officers are determined nationally.
9989	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	I don't know how much the chief executive receives but high end bonuses and incentives seem like a good place to start.	Workforce Arrangements - Pay Enhancements	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	The council is subject to national pay bargaining and the salary scales for officers are determined nationally. Chief Officers do not receive bonus payments.
9990	An employee of West Lothian Council	1g. Workforce Arrangements	I'm not sure what sections within the council require pay enhancements, but it seems unreasonable for this to be required unless they are essential and/or emergency services.	Workforce Arrangements - Pay Enhancements	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The proposed review of terms and conditions would seek to review the use of overtime, allowances and enhancements, whilst at the same time consider the rates payable when used.

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9991	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	I appreciate that cuts have to be made, however, given that many council workers are taking on additional tasks due to restructuring of services, I'd hope that they are compensated in their pay and that the public sector pay freeze is lifted and annual pay rises are made in line with inflation.	Workforce Arrangements - Pay Enhancements	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	The proposed review of terms and conditions would seek to review the use of overtime, allowances and enhancements, whilst at the same time consider the rates payable when used. The council is subject to national pay bargaining and the salary scales for officers are determined nationally. The council is subject to national pay bargaining, and terms and conditions.
9992	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	In this time of continued wage constraint on public sector pay I think this might be hard to achieve. I would expect the council to reward good efforts and penalise those who continue to under achieve.	Workforce Arrangements - Pay Enhancements	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposed review of terms and conditions would seek to review the use of overtime, allowances and enhancements, whilst at the same time consider the rates payable when used.
9993	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Staff have only very recently benefited from the lifting of the freeze on public sector wages. Whilst appreciative of the fact that staffing costs are the biggest proportion of the council's budget, it seems harsh to 'strike them again.'	Workforce Arrangements - Pay Enhancements	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposed review of terms and conditions would seek to review the use of overtime, allowances and enhancements, whilst at the same time consider the rates payable when used.
9994	No Response	1g. Workforce Arrangements	also cuts/wage freeze in councilors wages should be considered	Workforce Arrangements - Pay Enhancements	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	The council is subject to national pay bargaining and terms and conditions and the salary scales for officers are determined nationally.
9995	An employee of West Lothian Council	1g. Workforce Arrangements	I think, and not alone in thinking, that cuts to pay and allowances and no pay enhancements has a much bigger effect on the 90% as opposed to the high earners at the top. The cuts to salaries or amount of staff should be on a means tested basis just like the tax system. It seems the top end on high salaries continue to be relatively unaffected in both job efficiencies and general pay enhancement reviews.	Workforce Arrangements - Pay Enhancements	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	The council is subject to national pay bargaining and terms and conditions and the salary scales for officers are determined nationally.
9996	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Restructure pay gap at the top.	Workforce Arrangements - Pay Enhancements	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	The council is subject to national pay bargaining and terms and conditions and the salary scales for officers are determined nationally.
9997	An employee of West Lothian Council	1g. Workforce Arrangements	The council should be looking to bridge the pay gap for WLC employees.	Workforce Arrangements - Pay Enhancements	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	The council is subject to national pay bargaining and terms and conditions and the salary scales for officers are determined nationally.
9998	An employee of West Lothian Council	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Pay enhancement restriction is a tricky one as Public Sector employees have been stretched in recent years. Many staff have already taken on additional tasks and responsibilities in recent years as team numbers have diminished - some staff not being replaced. This is fine, staff accept that these are challenging times and this is part of life. Continued use of flexible working hours is important here.	Workforce Arrangements - Pay Enhancements	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The proposed review of terms and conditions would seek to review the use of overtime, allowances and enhancements, whilst at the same time consider the rates payable when used.
9999	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	By all means review staffing costs. Workmen working weekends...and presumably on overtime rates...is a particular bugbear of mine. Archaic overtime and pay rates, particularly those which discriminate mainly between traditional male and female jobs e.g. Roadworks as opposed to equally if not more challenging teaching assistant posts should certainly be reviewed. But council workers have probably suffered one of the longest stagnation on pay rises. Such a large proportion of West Lothian residents work in council services. Raising the Council tax and improving pay rates for those employees, with a fairer pay rate across the different jobs, will ensure the pay rates at least rise with inflation, the very least an employer should strive to do. However, DO feel that in comparison to other jobs, administration staff, certainly in non-managerial posts, ARE paid very well. Raise pay rates for those working with children, especially at the early stages please.	Workforce Arrangements - Pay Enhancements	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The proposed review of terms and conditions would seek to review the use of overtime, allowances and enhancements, whilst at the same time consider the rates payable when used.
10000	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	The public sector enhancements should be brought in line with private sector enhancements within the area.	Workforce Arrangements - Pay Enhancements	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The proposed review of terms and conditions would seek to review the use of overtime, allowances and enhancements, whilst at the same time consider the rates payable when used.
10001	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	cutting back on pay enhancements and eroding staff morale through efficiencies will have have a negative impact on take home pay which has not kept up with inflation growth in the last five years. This is making the private sector look more attractive than public sector to be employed within.	Workforce Arrangements - Pay Enhancements	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposed review of terms and conditions would seek to review the use of overtime, allowances and enhancements, whilst at the same time consider the rates payable when used.

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10002	An employee of West Lothian Council	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Pay enhancements have been so limited over the last 5 years especially when living costs have risen - to reduce anything further could result in low staff morale and good employees leaving; however there is a lot of staff that could do with being better managed or else there are too many managers.	Workforce Arrangements - Pay Enhancements	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposed review of terms and conditions would seek to review the use of overtime, allowances and enhancements, whilst at the same time consider the rates payable when used.
10003	An employee of West Lothian Council	1g. Workforce Arrangements	protecting jobs must be a priority but staff have already been hit with cuts such as low pay awards and the loss of allowances.	Workforce Arrangements - Pay Enhancements	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposed review of terms and conditions would seek to review the use of overtime, allowances and enhancements, whilst at the same time consider the rates payable when used.
10004	No Response	1g. Workforce Arrangements	the council has avoided dealing with the widespread discrepancies in enhancements and allowances and this measure is long overdue	Workforce Arrangements - Pay Enhancements	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The proposed review of terms and conditions would seek to review the use of overtime, allowances and enhancements, whilst at the same time consider the rates payable when used.
10005	No Response	1g. Workforce Arrangements	The council has avoided dealing with the widespread and inequitous discrepancies in enhancements and allowances and this measure is overdue.	Workforce Arrangements - Pay Enhancements	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The proposed review of terms and conditions would seek to review the use of overtime, allowances and enhancements, whilst at the same time consider the rates payable when used.
10006	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Cut the wages - bonuses - allowances to the heads of council	Workforce Arrangements - Pay Enhancements	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	The council is subject to national pay bargaining and the salary scales for officers are determined nationally.
10007	An employee of West Lothian Council	1g. Workforce Arrangements	A full revamp on payments etc. is required to restore the Councils equality on how all staff are rewarded. Seems to have degenerated into a whole series of local agreements which benefit some while others have been left behind. This is leading to great resentment within the Councils workforce and needs sorted asap. I believe we should include in this section the cost of democracy. Payments at all the elections being carried out seem extravagant the further up the list you go for delivering these events. This should be part of the officers duties and catered for in their salaries.	Workforce Arrangements - Pay Enhancements	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The proposed review of terms and conditions would seek to review the use of overtime, allowances and enhancements, whilst at the same time consider the rates payable when used
10008	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Workforce pay should reflect current market practice.	Workforce Arrangements - Pay Enhancements	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The proposed review of terms and conditions would seek to review the use of overtime, allowances and enhancements, whilst at the same time consider the rates payable when used
10009	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	There is little in terms of development and incentives for staff as it is. If you remove or change allowances and further lower real take home pay, how do you propose to keep staff motivated? What is the proposed costs for the "Transformation Team" and "Digital Transformation Team" in salary and on-costs on an annual basis in comparison to the proposed saving? Could proposed cuts be offset or softened by utilising savings held by Council?	Workforce Arrangements - Pay Enhancements	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposed review of terms and conditions would seek to review the use of overtime, allowances and enhancements, whilst at the same time consider the rates payable when used
10010	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Living Wage is a great idea but given the budget position can the council really continue to pay over the national minimum (not the Scottish level)?	Workforce Arrangements - Pay Enhancements	5c. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it is not consistent with the council's values and priorities.	The council is a living wage employer and staff on the lowest grades receive a living wage subsidy.
10011	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	The current level of remuneration packages paid to senior staff is excessive and cannot be justified in the current economic climate, particularly when compared to the remuneration paid to the UK prime minister! Such salaries should be reduced/pegged to, say 5x the FTE of the lowest salary in the Council.	Workforce Arrangements - Pay Enhancements	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	The Council is subject to national pay bargaining and the salary scales for officers are determined nationally. The Council is subject to national pay bargaining, and terms and conditions.
10012	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	The current level of remuneration packages paid to senior staff is excessive and cannot be justified in the current economic climate, particularly when compared to the remuneration paid to the UK prime minister! Such salaries should be reduced/pegged to, say 5x the FTE of the lowest salary in the council.	Workforce Arrangements - Pay Enhancements	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	The council is subject to national pay bargaining and the salary scales for officers are determined nationally. The council is subject to national pay bargaining, and terms and conditions.
10013	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	The current level of remuneration packages paid to senior staff is excessive and cannot be justified in the current economic climate, particularly when compared to the remuneration paid to the UK prime minister! Such salaries should be reduced/pegged to, say 5x the FTE of the lowest salary in the council.	Workforce Arrangements - Pay Enhancements	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	The council is subject to national pay bargaining and the salary scales for officers are determined nationally. The council is subject to national pay bargaining, and terms and conditions.
10014	An employee of West Lothian Council	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Social workers should get the same salary as teachers, not higher.	Workforce Arrangements - Pay Enhancements	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	The council is subject to national pay bargaining and the salary scales for officers are determined nationally. The council is subject to national pay bargaining, and terms and conditions.

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10015	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	I would cap pensions, and top earners wages also do away with final salary pensions I know that's a hard one to take especially for people in job long time I myself have been in my job 24 years and have lost my final salary and went to defined benefits pension Yes caused lot of grief but was that or mass redundancy or closure	Workforce Arrangements - Pay Enhancements	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	The council is subject to national pay bargaining and the salary scales for officers are determined nationally. The council is subject to national pay bargaining, and terms and conditions.
10016	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Reduce wages of the government and senior Councilors	Workforce Arrangements - Pay Enhancements	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	Councillors remunerations and expenses are determined by the Scottish Government. The council is subject to national pay bargaining and the salary scales for officers are determined nationally. The council is subject to national pay bargaining, and terms and conditions.
10017	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Staffing costs (incl. performance related pay & overtime) Sickness and performance Operating model redesign	Workforce Arrangements - Pay Enhancements	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The proposed review of terms and conditions would seek to review the use of overtime, allowances and enhancements, whilst at the same time consider the rates payable when used. The council actively manages all absences in terms of its sickness absence policy, which is subject to constant review, in consultation with the recognised trade unions, to ensure that it is fit for purpose
10018	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Council staff savings. Pension and salary reviews. Much more Outsourcing of Labour and services.	Workforce Arrangements - Pay Enhancements	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	The council is subject to national pay bargaining and the salary scales for officers are determined nationally. The council is subject to national pay bargaining, and terms and conditions. It is not council policy to outsource service functions. This saving will be delivered through increased rental, management fee and service charge income.
10019	An employee of West Lothian Council	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Chief executive wage cut	Workforce Arrangements - Pay Enhancements	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	The council is subject to national pay bargaining and the salary scales for officers are determined nationally. The council is subject to national pay bargaining, and terms and conditions.
10020	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Stop council bonuses	Workforce Arrangements - Pay Enhancements	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The proposed review of terms and conditions would seek to review the use of overtime, allowances and enhancements, whilst at the same time consider the rates payable when used.
10021	An individual	1g. Workforce Arrangements	Do council management salaries offer good value for the tax payer? Are all other council salaries comparable to similar level employment in the business world?	Workforce Arrangements - Pay Enhancements	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	The council is subject to national pay bargaining and the salary scales for officers are determined nationally. The council is subject to national pay bargaining, and terms and conditions.
10022	An employee of West Lothian Council	1g. Workforce Arrangements	how about cutting chief executive pay	Workforce Arrangements - Pay Enhancements	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	The council is subject to national pay bargaining and the salary scales for officers are determined nationally. The council is subject to national pay bargaining, and terms and conditions.
10023	No Response	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Agree to all suggested proposals	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
10024	No Response	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	I agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
10025	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Good luck	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
10026	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	This will be good as it could give the public more choice on the services	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
10027	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Shared services excellent. Worked well when Lothian Region was in charge.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
10028	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Agree this proposal.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
10029	No Response	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Have no objection	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
10030	No Response	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	fire them all	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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10031	An employee of West Lothian Council	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	It has to be looked at, but I loathe the idea of redundancies when Council Tax freezes for the last 10 years have contributed to the current financial position.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
10032	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	On the face of it this sounds like a sensible proposal, but it needs care management to make sure that there are sufficient resources to be shared.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
10033	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
10034	An employee of West Lothian Council	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Sounds sensible	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
10035	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Good idea.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
10036	An employee of West Lothian Council	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
10037	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
10038	An employee of West Lothian Council	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Happy with this.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
10039	No Response	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
10040	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Agreed.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
10041	An employee of West Lothian Council	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
10042	No Response	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Good.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
10043	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
10044	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Combining or sharing services seems logical.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
10045	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Unfortunately this will be needed.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
10046	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Make sense for all local councils to share best practice and identify where costs can be saved.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
10047	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	This looks like a good initiative	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
10048	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	go ahead with the savings	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
10049	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	I think this should be done.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
10050	An employee of West Lothian Council	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	I like this idea	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
10051	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	As long as West Lothian Council can keep the high standards that it has as it is still the best council.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
10052	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	I support this change	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
10053	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	I agree with the Council's proposals for the moment to see how they all work out. Thank you.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
10054	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	I feel this is adequate however difficult to understand	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
10055	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	As long as there is a good service delivered	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
10056	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	This sounds fair and reasonable.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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10057	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	This seems reasonable, though the proposal is not specific enough to be able to comment in detail.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
10058	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Shared services are sensible wherever practicable.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
10059	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Can only be good as long as the area doesn't suffer because of cuts	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
10060	No Response	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	I agree with the proposal	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
10061	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Exploring delivering shared services looks like a sensible approach.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
10062	An employee of West Lothian Council	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Obviously those services that have no statutory or regulatory will need to be charged for or no longer provided by the council.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
10063	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Sounds good to me.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
10064	No Response	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
10065	No Response	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Good luck!	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
10066	No Response	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Agreed.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
10067	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	ok	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
10068	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	ok.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
10069	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Sounds reasonable	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
10070	No Response	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	I agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
10071	No Response	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
10072	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Agree.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
10073	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	I would support this.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
10074	No Response	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
10075	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Support this	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
10076	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
10077	No Response	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
10078	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
10079	An employee of West Lothian Council	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Something that will have to happen.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
10080	An employee of West Lothian Council	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Good idea to work together	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
10081	An employee of West Lothian Council	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	In principle this seems to be a reasonable good proposal.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
10082	No Response	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
10083	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	good.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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10084	An employee of West Lothian Council	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
10085	No Response	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Fine	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
10086	An employee of West Lothian Council	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Agree, however any proposals must be thoroughly investigated, discussed and consulted upon with the relevant services' staff and proposed partners (staff who actually deliver the service) other than kneejerk decisions made just to balance the books (made by accountants) with the blinkered approach just to make financial savings.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
10087	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Needed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
10088	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Change is needed.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
10089	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
10090	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
10091	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
10092	No Response	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Ok	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
10093	An employee of West Lothian Council	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
10094	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Agree.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
10095	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	ok	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
10096	An employee of West Lothian Council	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
10097	An employee of West Lothian Council	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
10098	An employee of West Lothian Council	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
10099	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Fine	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
10100	No Response	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Fine.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
10101	No Response	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
10102	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	okay	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
10103	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Very important going forward.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
10104	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	ok	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
10105	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	I agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
10106	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
10107	An employee of West Lothian Council	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Good idea.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
10108	No Response	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Keep the important things running	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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10109	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Pupil Support Workers do an amazing job for a pitifully low salary. Their experience with the kids they work with is worth a lot more to the council than they are paid for. They are needed and deserve more job security. We could loose experienced staff throwing special education classes into chaos leaving the council open to being sued if anyone is hurt.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
10110	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
10111	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Agree this is necessary and work should be on-going for this over the coming years.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
10112	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Sounds ok	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
10113	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Yes, happy to support this.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
10114	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Could make sense if well implemented.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
10115	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Ok	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
10116	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
10117	No Response	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	This could work.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
10118	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Makes perfect sense and is normal in all other workplaces.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
10119	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	This also makes sense although it is important that pay is still in line nationally to ensure we are able to maintain a quality efficient workforce.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
10120	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	I very much agree with this, council should be looking to make savings where they can in terms of assets, capital works etc	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
10121	An employee of West Lothian Council	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Makes sense.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
10122	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Sensible	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
10123	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Agreed Non-statutory services must justify their existence by either income/savings/outcomes delivered.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
10124	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Shame, but we are all having to tighten our belts.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
10125	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Support	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
10126	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
10127	An employee of West Lothian Council	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Support	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
10128	No Response	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Agreed.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
10129	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
10130	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Good idea as previously mentioned in 1a	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
10131	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Good luck on this, I'll keep up to date on your achievements	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
10132	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	I fully agree with this proposal	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
10133	An employee of West Lothian Council	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	agreed. no comments	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
10134	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Yes. Work smarter, not harder.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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10135	An employee of West Lothian Council	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	While I agree that the council has to make cuts, services have to be maintained.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
10136	An employee of West Lothian Council	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Disappointing but necessary	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
10137	An employee of West Lothian Council	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
10138	An employee of West Lothian Council	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
10139	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Yes - must adapt to changing circumstances	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
10140	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
10141	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Look okay as it is possible to evaluate given the vague descriptions given in the 'Transforming Your Council'	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
10142	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	I agree with the proposal.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
10143	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	All proposals are sound.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
10144	An employee of West Lothian Council	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Again this is a feasible proposal for a local authority in an impossible situation. The proposals and implications are thoroughly depressing.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
10145	An employee of West Lothian Council	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	This would be concerning local services should remain	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
10146	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	This is absurd and deliberately worded ambiguously to trick people into not responding which is shady and wrong. No, I do not support this proposal at all. Everywhere is understaffed, if you want people to be able to do a good job and you want services to communities to continue improving areas all over west lothian you would be insane to make these cuts.	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
10147	An employee of West Lothian Council	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	We have to be honest. People will lose their jobs and these will be, in the main younger people on fixed term contracts. Its a shame, what councils and the government really need is young people with fresh ideas and a better grip on technology.	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
10148	An employee of West Lothian Council	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Concerning.	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
10149	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	I strongly disagree on point 1b	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
10150	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Shared service you get what you pay for poor services and people dying	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
10151	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	We are already in a situation where corners have been cut to save money. Reduction in services are not something I would be comfortable with	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
10152	No Response	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	It is nigh on impossible to actually speak to anyone in the correct department as it is, not sure how cutting staff even further will help the public.	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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10153	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Always a concern. Cutting staffing across the board for the sake of it should be avoided. Increased unemployment in west lothian will not benefit council funding. In most cases it would be cheaper to bring some services in house and dump expensive service providers but this has to be a long term plan to ensure continuity of service levels and competence.	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
10154	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	I feel staff are already stretched with increasing population and demands. This would cause staff to be very stressed and risk increase in staff sickness/absence due to stress.	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
10155	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Disagree. WLC financial planning should be robust and visionary enough to see decades ahead. Reactive accounting and budgeting year on year over the next 5 years is doomed to failure and guaranteed to disappoint everyone. This approach above will certainly drive our economic prospects every further downwards.	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
10156	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Too many cuts have already been made !	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
10157	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	There should be no changes to the existing!	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
10158	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	as above	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
10159	No Response	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Again I feel that this is a mistake - short term saving but with very frightening long term consequences.	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
10160	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	no	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
10161	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	none	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
10162	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Sounds like same job, same work load, less money and people. No support	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
10163	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	This will make the services even more remote than they are now when can't provide a good service for some areas at the moment.	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
10164	No Response	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Gobsnacked	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
10165	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Don't agree	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
10166	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	I completely agree with this.	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
10167	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Review the pensions that staff get, when so many in private sector have to fund their own.	General Balance of Savings to be Identified (general)	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	The pension fund available to staff is determined and administered by the Lothian Pension Fund. The council does not pay bonuses to staff. Where an employee applies for voluntary severance or early retirement, there must be a robust business case demonstrating cashable savings for the council.

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10168	No Response	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Would agree - this is something that is consistently mentioned but not taken forward.	General Balance of Savings to be Identified (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has a proven track record of partnership working and would wish to build on this to continue providing local services. Through integration, and potentially sharing services with partners, it is expected that access and individual experiences will be improved. There would be less duplication and more streamlining of services.
10169	An employee of West Lothian Council	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Privatisation was and will be the best option for the service provides as Council will only pay for the service not for pay, insurance, equipment, offices etc...	General Balance of Savings to be Identified (general)	5c. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it is not consistent with the council's values and priorities.	The council has a best value framework which requires the council to consider best value and all possible ways of delivering services, including use of external contractors. There are currently no proposals on the widespread outsourcing of council services to external providers.
10170	An employee of West Lothian Council	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Public should be made aware of exactly what reductions in service will happen as a result of changes to service delivery and staffing levels before it takes place, rather than staff having to deal with the fall out after a change has been made.	General Balance of Savings to be Identified (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Public consultation on changes to services is an integral part of the change management process to help identify alternatives and opportunities for service delivery. The council endeavours to fully consult with the public on all proposed changes to service delivery as part of the implementation process.
10171	An employee of West Lothian Council	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	West Lothian has a reputation for sound financial planning so it is important that this continues and that politicians support the medium to long term aspirations. Short term planning does not support the strategic picture nor lay foundations for continuing effective service delivery through the change management process.	General Balance of Savings to be Identified (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	West Lothian Council agreed in February 2017 to a five year revenue budget strategy to support medium to long term planning. In developing the Corporate Plan and revenue and capital strategies, officers are focused on continuing to deliver sound financial planning.
10172	An employee of West Lothian Council	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	As I pointed out previously, better to place emphasis on necessity not pay.	General Balance of Savings to be Identified (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	All services will be reviewed based on the impact they have on priorities. It is proposed that future spending will be aligned to the priorities in the Transforming Your Council consultation document.
10173	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	The Council has achieved a lot during the continued austerity period, but to be honest we need to pay for services so the Council tax needs to be reviewed. However, this cannot be a free for all and the money raised should be clearly as to where it is to be spent. No mention of removing twinning arrangements, stopping grants to various organisations etc.	General Balance of Savings to be Identified (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax. The council's aim is, and always will be, to ensure that West Lothian continues to be a great place to live, work, visit and do business. To achieve this aim we will continue to prioritise the money that we spend on services to make sure that our investment has the biggest and most positive impact on the community.
10174	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Support efficiency and productivity improvements	General Balance of Savings to be Identified (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has a number of processes in place to monitor and report service performance and efficiency. Areas of low performance are reviewed and interventions applied where required.
10175	No Response	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	This sounds very much like we will be expected to pay more for less service.	General Balance of Savings to be Identified (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	As the council will have less overall resources, the number of services delivered will have to reduce with services being reviewed based on the impact they have on priorities. This will include changes to service standards and the way remaining services are delivered. It is proposed that future spending will be aligned to the priorities in the Transforming Your Council consultation document.
10176	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Yet again it will be those on the front line who will suffer	General Balance of Savings to be Identified (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	As the council will have less overall resources, the number of services delivered will have to reduce with services being reviewed based on the impact they have on priorities. This will include changes to service standards, the way remaining services are delivered and a reduced workforce. It is proposed that future spending will be aligned to the priorities in the Transforming Your Council consultation document.

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10177	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	More modernisation with less costs being doing repeat jobs. This applies to all areas of the council from housing repairs to road repairs and maintaining high costing buildings. If something is broken, is it always best to fix it? Maybe it is time to start again.	General Balance of Savings to be Identified (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council's property asset management strategy and capital programme seek to identify planned maintenance to building fabric to minimise reactive maintenance going forward and maintain assets essential for the delivery of council services. The new ten year capital investment strategy will aim to maintain assets as much as possible within capital funding constraints to minimise the impact on revenue maintenance budgets.
10178	No Response	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	It would be good to see what changes to service delivery will be proposed, i.e. what cut backs. I guess savings will be made via headcount and doing away with some services / reducing other services. That would be a real shame. Try and make savings through more collaborative working, working more efficiently and effectively.	General Balance of Savings to be Identified (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The council has a proven track record of partnership working and would wish to build on this to continue providing local services. Through integration, and potentially sharing services with partners, it is expected that access and individual experiences will be improved. There would be less duplication and more streamlining of services. All services will be reviewed based on the impact they have on priorities. It is proposed that future spending will be aligned to the priorities in the Transforming Your Council consultation document.
10179	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	£10.4m seems far too aggressive a saving for something which, if I'm reading this right, is stuff you don't yet know what it is.	General Balance of Savings to be Identified (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	The balance of savings is the value of savings to be identified to make sure that the council continues to have a balanced budget over the five years, as is required by law. Throughout the course of the five years more detailed savings proposals will need to be identified otherwise the council will not have a balanced budget.
10180	An employee of West Lothian Council	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Invest now	General Balance of Savings to be Identified (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	The council continues to invest in its assets through an extensive capital programme. Spend to save projects are considered where there is a robust business case.
10181	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Not really a proposal. It is a balancing figure without a plan	General Balance of Savings to be Identified (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	The balance of savings is the value of savings to be identified to make sure that the council continues to have a balanced budget over the five years, as is required by law. Throughout the course of the five years more detailed savings proposals will need to be identified otherwise the council will not have a balanced budget.
10182	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	First and foremost, the council should stop undertaking "fact finding" trips and limit travel to a level where it is strictly needed	General Balance of Savings to be Identified (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The council has relatively low travel costs compared to other local authorities. As outlined in the TYC consultation, the council is committed to reducing travel costs further.
10183	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Again, less resources, less service provision.	General Balance of Savings to be Identified (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	As the council will have less overall resources, the number of services delivered will have to reduce with services being reviewed based on the impact they have on priorities. This will include changes to service standards and the way remaining services are delivered. It is proposed that future spending will be aligned to the priorities in the Transforming Your Council consultation document.
10184	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	If you can save £10.4 million then proceed with the stated service delivery and staffing levels changes. However, without further detail of the consequential impacts of the £10.3m savings it is not possible to comment further.	General Balance of Savings to be Identified (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The balance of savings is the value of savings to be identified to make sure that the council continues to have a balanced budget over the five years, as is required by law. Throughout the course of the five years more detailed savings proposals will need to be identified otherwise the council will not have a balanced budget. Further information will be provided on potential additional savings throughout the course of the next five years as part of the budget setting process.
10185	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Need to lower expectations of customers as reduced staffing cannot provide the same quality of service without excessive stress levels.	General Balance of Savings to be Identified (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	As part of the changes to service delivery, the council will clearly set out and establish revised service levels and performance standards within the context of available resources.

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10186	No Response	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Identify key areas that must be delivered, reduce things that are nice but not legally required	General Balance of Savings to be Identified (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	All services will be reviewed based on the impact they have on priorities. It is proposed that future spending will be aligned to the priorities in the Transforming Your Council consultation document.
10187	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	I agree that this should be revisited on a regular basis by the Council Mngement to look for areas that need to change or areas that more money could be saved.	General Balance of Savings to be Identified (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	All services will be reviewed based on the impact they have on priorities. It is proposed that future spending will be aligned to the priorities in the Transforming Your Council consultation document.
10188	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Not a penny of council money, either direct or indirectly ,should be spent on twinning. There is no tangible benefit to a single person other than those who get a wee trip away. It is actually disgraceful that public money is given to the twining associations. Areas such as walking clubs and some of the 'nice to do but nobody really benefits' services need to stop. Most of these strange things take place in Social Policy and this money should be better spent.	General Balance of Savings to be Identified (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	All services will be reviewed based on the impact they have on priorities. It is proposed that future spending will be aligned to the priorities in the Transforming Your Council consultation document.
10189	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Yep put more pressure on remaining staff and make more people unemployed that will solve lots of things.... Cut people cut services the short term cost saving is far outweighed by the long term knock on effect which will be far more expensive to resolve. But hey that will be the next administrations problem won't it.	General Balance of Savings to be Identified (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	As the council will have less overall resources, the number of services delivered will have to reduce with services being reviewed based on the impact they have on priorities. This will include changes to service standards, the way remaining services are delivered and a reduced workforce. It is proposed that future spending will be aligned to the priorities in the Transforming Your Council consultation document.
10190	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	This fluid approach is sensible but would require more detail on what changes to service delivery and staffing levels would mean and what actual services would be changed.	General Balance of Savings to be Identified (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The balance of savings is the value of savings to be identified to make sure that the council continues to have a balanced budget over the five years, as is required by law. Throughout the course of the five years more detailed savings proposals will need to be identified otherwise the council will not have a balanced budget. Further information will be provided on potential additional savings throughout the course of the next five years as part of the budget setting process.
10191	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Look at some of the disasters within Police Scotland and the move to merge forces. Everyone, everywhere is being asked to do more for less and we need to look at the bigger picture i.e. stopping brexit due to the disastrous consequences this is going to have. And voting on a load of lies is not democratic or a democratic process.	General Balance of Savings to be Identified (general)	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	As the council will have less overall resources, the number of services delivered will have to reduce with services being reviewed based on the impact they have on priorities. This will include changes to service standards, the way remaining services are delivered and a reduced workforce. It is proposed that future spending will be aligned to the priorities in the Transforming Your Council consultation document.
10192	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	The details of which service areas are most likely effected should be provided in more detail.	General Balance of Savings to be Identified (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Further information will be provided on potential additional savings throughout the course of the next five years as part of the budget setting process. Further consultation with stakeholders on detailed proposals will be undertaken as required.
10193	An employee of West Lothian Council	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	We have to take a hit, if that means work or not, it is a no brainer	General Balance of Savings to be Identified (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
10194	An employee of West Lothian Council	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Level of service will be badly affected	General Balance of Savings to be Identified (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The balance of savings is the value of savings to be identified to make sure that the council continues to have a balanced budget over the five years, as is required by law. Throughout the course of the five years more detailed savings proposals will need to be identified otherwise the council will not have a balanced budget.
10195	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Focus should also be put on Income streams.	General Balance of Savings to be Identified (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The scope for charging will be considered, taking account current charges, the position in other local authorities, the impact of charges on vulnerable people and the availability of concessions.

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10196	An employee of West Lothian Council	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	I realise changes to services need to be made but not to the detriment of the people who need to access these services.	General Balance of Savings to be Identified (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The council's aim is, and always will be, to ensure that West Lothian continues to be a great place to live, work, visit and do business. To achieve this aim we will continue to prioritise the money that we spend on services to make sure that our investment has the biggest and most positive impact on the community. When redesigning or changing services consideration will be given to how customers access services.
10197	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	agree with this. the council should also be investing in a team which looks at how it can make money. i.e selling of services or materials collected at recycling centres.	General Balance of Savings to be Identified (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
10198	No Response	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	This money needs to be saved and the gap bridged reforms will need to be made	General Balance of Savings to be Identified (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
10199	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	This is again not clear what is meant. The council already works with other councils and public authorities. My concern is the amount of time lost in incessant meetings. A single management structure would help with such contracts - after the model of the armed forces when they are working with that of other countries.	General Balance of Savings to be Identified (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The council has a proven track record of partnership working and would wish to build on this to continue providing local services. Through integration, and potentially sharing services with partners, it is expected that access and individual experiences will be improved. There would be less duplication and more streamlining of services. Any partnership arrangement would need to contribute to the council's agreed priorities.
10200	No Response	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	It is a difficult task to continually reduce budgets and deliver the same quality of service. I agree that streamlining processes and systems is the most prudent method to meet budget.	General Balance of Savings to be Identified (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council will continue to investigate ways to consolidate and better coordinate activities to allow streamlining of operations and removal of duplication. This will help ensure that activities are completed and managed in the most effective way.
10201	No Response	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	this is certainly to be the biggest consideration and to be treated carefully as bad decisions with again effect all overall saving and performance in general regards our capability as a service provider	General Balance of Savings to be Identified (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The council's aim is, and always will be, to ensure that West Lothian continues to be a great place to live, work, visit and do business. To achieve this aim we will continue to prioritise the money that we spend on services to make sure that our investment has the biggest and most positive impact on the community.
10202	An employee of West Lothian Council	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	As above with any service redesign there has to be an ability to manage expectations, there has to be consistency for all customers. There should be no loop holes or pressure from Councillors.	General Balance of Savings to be Identified (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	As part of the changes to service delivery, the council will clearly set out and establish revised service levels and performance standards within the context of available resources.
10203	No Response	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Understandable but hope this can be done through natural wastage and not people losing their jobs	General Balance of Savings to be Identified (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is hoped that the council's current workforce management policies could be utilised to deliver changes to staffing establishments.
10204	No Response	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	again, focusing on self aided services by reporting online and promoting this to customers will ease the contact centre and other services that will be having to multitask.	General Balance of Savings to be Identified (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The council is committed to the digital by choice ethos and will continue to develop and promote a range of contact methods to suit the varied needs of customers.
10205	An employee of West Lothian Council	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Have you considered raising the Council Tax? Surely an extra Â£15 each would give the council Â£2.5m give or take?	General Balance of Savings to be Identified (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax.
10206	No Response	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Again...careful consideration must be taken before doing this as it could end up a shambles?	General Balance of Savings to be Identified (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
10207	An employee of West Lothian Council	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	So, in other words, this is Â£10.4 million of savings that you have not yet identified.....	General Balance of Savings to be Identified (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	The balance of savings is the value of savings to be identified to make sure that the council continues to have a balanced budget over the five years, as is required by law. Throughout the course of the five years more detailed savings proposals will need to be identified otherwise the council will not have a balanced budget.

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10208	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	You need to be more specific on what changes to services you propose. Without this I cannot support this strategy.	General Balance of Savings to be Identified (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The balance of savings is the value of savings to be identified to make sure that the council continues to have a balanced budget over the five years, as is required by law. Throughout the course of the five years more detailed savings proposals will need to be identified otherwise the council will not have a balanced budget.
10209	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	With reference to the budget measures which is the most important - the West Lothian Council must ensure it has the best "Business Plan Model" that has been re-checked to ensure that it would "Deliver" the achievable forecasted savings outcome. Without a good Business Structured Model all forecasted measures would fail.	General Balance of Savings to be Identified (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	The council's aim is, and always will be, to ensure that West Lothian continues to be a great place to live, work, visit and do business. To achieve this aim we will continue to prioritise the money that we spend on services to make sure that our investment has the biggest and most positive impact on the community. As validated by external auditors and other inspection bodies, West Lothian Council continues to perform well against key performance indicators and activities. This will continue to be monitored and reviewed.
10210	No Response	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Get a decent questionnaire - that's meaningful please. Sorry, rant over.	General Balance of Savings to be Identified (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	The council believes that all stakeholders should be consulted on the priorities for the council and options to address the anticipated budget gap. Due to the wide range of stakeholders the document has to be general so not to exclude any individual group from the process.
10211	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	It would be really worrying if the Council has Â£10.4 Million it can't account for because it has no idea of the rough value of it's investments & savings. In fact it would suggest malpractice. As for income - there should be zero tolerance on Council Tax and Rent Arrears (there are plenty of people looking for homes - so evict anyone not able to meet the - usually lower than the going rate - rental costs).	General Balance of Savings to be Identified (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	The balance of savings is the value of savings to be identified to make sure that the council continues to have a balanced budget over the five years, as is required by law. Throughout the course of the five years more detailed savings proposals will need to be identified otherwise the council will not have a balanced budget. The council is subject to rigorous external audit and both Audit Scotland and EY have confirmed, over a number of years, that the council has robust financial management. The council actively pursues all debt, including council tax, community charge, rent and commercial debtors arrears.
10212	An employee of West Lothian Council	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	help customers as benefit team already ask for information required. Perhaps join up with welfare fund team	General Balance of Savings to be Identified (general)	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
10213	An employee of West Lothian Council	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Safely is paramount no matter what job you hold. No cut should effect anyone's safety.	General Balance of Savings to be Identified (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	All services will be reviewed based on the impact they have on priorities. It is proposed that future spending will be aligned to the priorities in the Transforming Your Council consultation document. In addition to this consideration will always be given to potential impact on individuals and groups safety.
10214	No Response	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Front line staff must be protected over administrative positions.	General Balance of Savings to be Identified (general)	5c. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it is not consistent with the council's values and priorities.	As the council will have less overall resources, the number of services delivered will have to reduce with services being reviewed based on the impact they have on priorities. This will include changes to service standards, the way remaining services are delivered and a reduced workforce. It is proposed that future spending will be aligned to the priorities in the Transforming Your Council consultation document. The focus will be on posts that support the priorities rather than whether they are front line or back office based.

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10215	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Budget cuts are inevitable in the current climate but the difficult issue is reduction in service delivery and staffing that still enables a viable service. Recent changes to Frontline services, has impacted on training, sickness levels and service delivery, alongside this in community centres continuity of staffing is important and this last 18 months has seen staff moral drop as well as customer satisfaction. Staff must be feeling a growing corrosion of their roles and worth.	General Balance of Savings to be Identified (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	As the council will have less overall resources, the number of services delivered will have to reduce with services being reviewed based on the impact they have on priorities. This will include changes to service standards and the way remaining services are delivered. It is proposed that future spending will be aligned to the priorities in the Transforming Your Council consultation document.
10216	No Response	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	This sounds very much like we will be asked to pay more for less service. If you are reducing services, you cannot demand we pay any more.	General Balance of Savings to be Identified (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposed 3% increase in council tax would contribute to the overall resources of the council available to fund service delivery. As the council will have less overall resources, the number of services delivered will have to reduce with services being reviewed based on the impact they have on priorities. It is proposed that future spending will be aligned to the priorities in the Transforming Your Council consultation document.
10217	An employee of West Lothian Council	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Reduce the levels of staff and you reduce the service provided. You'll soon have the public having to pay for services that they no longer receive!	General Balance of Savings to be Identified (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	As the council will have less overall resources, the number of services delivered will have to reduce with services being reviewed based on the impact they have on priorities. This will include changes to service standards and the way remaining services are delivered. It is proposed that future spending will be aligned to the priorities in the Transforming Your Council consultation document.
10218	An employee of West Lothian Council	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Working with other councils is possible but mind must be paid to geographical difficulties - many of us are commuters from quite some distance given WLC's central location. Follow in global companies' example and make use of VC technology to better facilitate this. People could conference in from their normal place of work and this would ease the burden on individuals time, travel and indeed facilities provision.	General Balance of Savings to be Identified (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The council has a proven track record of partnership working and would wish to build on this to continue providing local services. Through integration, and potentially sharing services with partners, it is expected that access and individual experiences will be improved. There would be less duplication and more streamlining of services. Any partnership arrangement would need to contribute to the council's agreed priorities and outline service delivery levels.
10219	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	can sww problems here as all services are already cut to the bone	General Balance of Savings to be Identified (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	As the council will have less overall resources, the number of services delivered will have to reduce with services being reviewed based on the impact they have on priorities. This will include changes to service standards and the way remaining services are delivered. It is proposed that future spending will be aligned to the priorities in the Transforming Your Council consultation document.
10220	No Response	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Ensure Council only reduces staff numbers in the correct areas (see above). Council must maintain enough staff to provide essential services.	General Balance of Savings to be Identified (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	All services will be reviewed based on the impact they have on priorities. It is proposed that future spending will be aligned to the priorities in the Transforming Your Council consultation document.
10221	No Response	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Collaboration could be good but to have say one park ranger for 2 councils would be a doubling of work for The same pay. Very unfair if this is the meaning of likely to be from staffing cost for savings.	General Balance of Savings to be Identified (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	As the council will have less overall resources, the number of services delivered will have to reduce with services being reviewed based on the impact they have on priorities. This will include changes to service standards and the way remaining services are delivered. It is proposed that future spending will be aligned to the priorities in the Transforming Your Council consultation document.

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10222	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Quote - 'work with other councils and public authorities to deliver shared services' This begs the question why have so many separate councils in the first place ? Rationalise the number of separate councils - big savings must be possible here with the potential of drastic reductions in number of councillors and far fewer councillors could be tasked with what can be regarded as the same work covering a larger area. After all this is essentially what councillors are proposing across the board for all other public sector workers. Quote - 'The nature of medium to long-term financial planning means that it becomes increasingly difficult to identify with certainty expenditure, income and savings.' Even more so when you find yourself being paid less than you were promised when you took on a job of work.	General Balance of Savings to be Identified (general)	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	The overall structure of local government, including the total number of councils and councillors, is determined by the Scottish Government.
10223	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	It is difficult to argue with this strategy as these appear to be the only options. However in taking these steps I would like to think that those who access the Services will be advised about the staep being discussed and the outcomes which will, inevitably, affect them also.	General Balance of Savings to be Identified (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Public consultation on changes to services is an integral part of the change management process to help identify alternatives and opportunities for service delivery.
10224	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Sounds sensible if workload and changes to wages will not stress employees	General Balance of Savings to be Identified (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	As the council will have less overall resources, the number of services delivered will have to reduce with services being reviewed based on the impact they have on priorities. This will include changes to service standards and the way remaining services are delivered. It is proposed that future spending will be aligned to the priorities in the Transforming Your Council consultation document.
10225	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Stop bringing refugees into the country. Make them fight for their own rights the same as we have done in this country.	General Balance of Savings to be Identified (general)	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	The policy with regard to refugees is set nationally by the UK Government.
10226	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	I thought that having all the services located under one roof was to be a cost saving for years to come?	General Balance of Savings to be Identified (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The council has delivered substantial savings through the introduction of partnership centres. Further opportunities to consolidate services both internally and with partners could be investigated.
10227	No Response	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	I would hope the council are exploring options that not adversely impact on peoples quality of life, especially the more vulnerable people in our communities.	General Balance of Savings to be Identified (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	All services will be reviewed based on the impact they have on priorities. It is proposed that future spending will be aligned to the priorities in the Transforming Your Council consultation document. This will inevitably including supporting vulnerable people in the community.
10228	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	What does this saving mean? Again we have insufficient information relating to the specifics of this saving to make an informed decision on who this will affect and how. Has an equality impact assessment been completed for this saving.	General Balance of Savings to be Identified (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	In line with established budget setting processes, all proposed reduction measures will be subject to an equality impact assessment.
10229	An employee of West Lothian Council	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	We don't work effeciently in lots of departments, we don't stick to our service standards, and this results in further cost to us as a local authority, sometimes this is anything for an easier life for repeat customer's who just expect us to do anything they wish. The savings we have to make are now going to impact worse due to us not sticking to our service standards. .	General Balance of Savings to be Identified (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	As the council will have less overall resources, the number of services delivered will have to reduce with services being reviewed based on the impact they have on priorities. This will include changes to service standards and the way remaining services are delivered. It is proposed that future spending will be aligned to the priorities in the Transforming Your Council consultation document.
10230	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	stop spending money on fancy things concentrate on basics	General Balance of Savings to be Identified (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	All services will be reviewed based on the impact they have on priorities. It is proposed that future spending will be aligned to the priorities in the Transforming Your Council consultation document.
10231	No Response	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	As in any business where savings are required, then these savings should be found in areas where the largest expenditure occurs, including staff costs.	General Balance of Savings to be Identified (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	All services will be reviewed based on the impact they have on priorities. It is proposed that future spending will be aligned to the priorities in the Transforming Your Council consultation document.
10232	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	This would depend on the amount of cuts being made. Speaking of increasing employment and then talking about what would appear to be malice spike redundant seems counter productive.	General Balance of Savings to be Identified (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
10233	No Response	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	ask the people who do the job to show how efficiency savings can be made.	General Balance of Savings to be Identified (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	This consultation exercise provides an opportunity for all stakeholders, including staff, to provide ideas on how the council can address the budget gap.

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10234	An employee of West Lothian Council	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Plans should be developed for these savings ASAP. It is important that long term plans are developed early to ensure changes are structured and not reactive.	General Balance of Savings to be Identified (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	The council recognises the importance of medium to long term financial planning. It provides certainty for stakeholders and makes sure that changes are implemented in a structured and robust manner.
10235	No Response	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	As above if an outside agency can deliver the same service more cost effective this must be the correct move for the tax payers living within West Lothian	General Balance of Savings to be Identified (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	The council has a best value framework which requires the council to consider best value and all possible ways of delivering services, including use of external contractors.
10236	An employee of West Lothian Council	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Consider joint tendering for recurring staples e.g. grit with neighbouring authorities?	General Balance of Savings to be Identified (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	The council currently uses national contracts for a number of items.
10237	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Consolidation of activity with other councils is a great idea but generally does not happen because jobs are put at risk.	General Balance of Savings to be Identified (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has a proven track record of partnership working and would wish to build on this to continue providing local services. Through integration, and potentially sharing services with partners, it is expected that access and individual experiences will be improved. There would be less duplication and more streamlining of services. In addition to investigating partnership working, the council will continue to remove internal duplication and consolidate teams where appropriate.
10238	No Response	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Run it like a business!	General Balance of Savings to be Identified (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The council undertakes efficiency appraisals in the same manner as the private sector. The council is committed to reviewing service delivery and identifying efficiencies.
10239	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	As a regular reader of the financial pages, it angers me that local government is being hit upon for mismanagement of the financial sector and lack of HMRC resources and targeting of progressive and corporate taxation. The amount of cumulative job losses FTE/PTE must be some of the highest of all employers in West Lothian and this should be made public so that the scale of cuts is public information. I am surprised at the lack of understanding about what is going on in the public sector in terms of cuts by acquaintances.	General Balance of Savings to be Identified (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	The proposed reductions will result in the reduction of staffing levels. West Lothian Council has always been committed to being honest and open regarding staffing reductions where robust information is available.
10240	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Im sure there are plenty of opportunities to save costs . again build a team that can look at all areas to identify these opportunities	General Balance of Savings to be Identified (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	The consultation document represents the culmination of significant work undertaken by the Corporate Management Team to review all service activities to identify savings. The savings identified were not done lightly and considered all options available.
10241	No Response	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Not balanced - get rid of the big money earners - too many of them sitting on fat cat salaries in the council and use the money more effectively. Look at job roles within the highest earners - are they worth it - what impact do they really make - do they provide value for money - are the necessary for the public purse - get them to justify themselves - if they can't get rid - because it always seems to be those on lower wages who suffer and those that are on high salaries don't.	General Balance of Savings to be Identified (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	The council continually reviews the tiers of management and span of control across all service levels. This ensures that the council continues to operate with an effective and efficient managerial structure.
10242	An employee of West Lothian Council	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	I think that the staff need to understand the reality of the situation that the council faces and although budget briefings have been given there are some staff who still think that this does not impact them. Until proposals are put on the table of the services impacted and the specifics there will be some staff who have their heads in the sand.	General Balance of Savings to be Identified (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	All services, including non statutory services, will be reviewed based on the impact they have on priorities. It is proposed that future spending will be aligned to the priorities in the Transforming Your Council consultation document. This document is the first stage of public consultation. Further public consultation on specific changes to services is an integral part of the change management process and will be undertaken as proposals are developed further.
10243	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Remove overhead costs and those associated with bureaucracy and award applications. The council employ a whole team of people in each service to polish badges by filling in application forms for awards. Holding the awards is kudos for the C Exec and politicians but delivers nothing to front line and is resented by those delivering the real service.	General Balance of Savings to be Identified (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The council does not employ any teams specifically for the purposes of applying for awards. The council does participate in quality management exercises and frameworks to facilitate benchmarking and help improve service delivery. The council is committed to reducing bureaucracy wherever possible without impacting on governance requirements.

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10244	An employee of West Lothian Council	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Of course, the irony is that all this stems from more and more people living in West Lothian, having families, living longer, requiring more from our services, whilst having less and less money to deliver our services. If there is now less money to deal with more people, what we are looking at is for this council to basically become absolutely ineffective and redundant as we will be completely unable to offer any functioning service to the people that live here. Why is this seen as acceptable at any level? Where is the pushback for this?	General Balance of Savings to be Identified (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	The council regularly emphasises to the Scottish Government the need for a fair settlement for local government as well as working with COSLA (the body that collectively represents local government in Scotland) to emphasise this point.
10245	An employee of West Lothian Council	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Given previous cost cutting measures that have already taken place over the years - what else is left that could be cut back on !!!!	General Balance of Savings to be Identified (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Given the level of previous financial savings, the next five years will require the council to fundamentally review and change how it delivers services.
10246	An employee of West Lothian Council	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Concerned that some services will become the dumping ground as part of other service savings, full scoping exercise should be undertaken where business will go and if other parts of the council can cope.	General Balance of Savings to be Identified (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	As part of a project approach to developing and delivering specific proposals arising from the TYC consultation, full consideration will be given to independencies and links between council services.
10247	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	At last. A bit of honesty. Staff will be cut. People need to know this and understand what this will actually mean in practice.	General Balance of Savings to be Identified (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	As the council will have less overall resources, the number of services delivered will have to reduce with services being reviewed based on the impact they have on priorities. This will include changes to service standards and the way remaining services are delivered. It is proposed that future spending will be aligned to the priorities in the Transforming Your Council consultation document.
10248	No Response	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Careful consideration must be made in this process	General Balance of Savings to be Identified (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	All services will be reviewed based on the impact they have on priorities. It is proposed that future spending will be aligned to the priorities in the Transforming Your Council consultation document.
10249	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	cut the hands on workforce, you cut the service and therefore lose your standing and support of the people	General Balance of Savings to be Identified (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	As the council will have less overall resources, the number of services delivered will have to reduce with services being reviewed based on the impact they have on priorities. This will include changes to service standards and the way remaining services are delivered. It is proposed that future spending will be aligned to the priorities in the Transforming Your Council consultation document.
10250	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Collaboration could be an effective way of streamlining.	General Balance of Savings to be Identified (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has a proven track record of partnership working and would wish to build on this to continue providing local services. Through integration, and potentially sharing services with partners, it is expected that access and individual experiences will be improved. There would be less duplication and more streamlining of services.
10251	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Maintain quality services	General Balance of Savings to be Identified (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	As the council will have less overall resources, the number of services delivered will have to reduce with services being reviewed based on the impact they have on priorities. This will include changes to service standards and the way remaining services are delivered. It is proposed that future spending will be aligned to the priorities in the Transforming Your Council consultation document.
10252	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	To be supported if genuine. West Lothian does not have a good track record of co-operation with other councils.	General Balance of Savings to be Identified (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has a proven track record of partnership working and would wish to build on this to continue providing local services. Through integration, and potentially sharing services with partners, it is expected that access and individual experiences will be improved. There would be less duplication and more streamlining of services.

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10253	No Response	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Budgeting together with effective risk and issues management plus good debt and revenues management will improve accuracy of budgeting and forecasting. Councillors should invest in optimal financial management to avoid having to make cuts because adequate provisions were not made.	General Balance of Savings to be Identified (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	The council has delivered balanced budgets each year since 1996. The budget gap faced by the council is a result of funding being insufficient to cover the increasing cost of delivering services due to factors such as population growth and indexation. The council is subject to rigorous external audit and both Audit Scotland and EY have confirmed, over a number of years, that the council has robust financial management.
10254	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	I do not think that certain services should have reduced employee numbers. Particularly in education	General Balance of Savings to be Identified (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	As the council will have less overall resources, the number of services delivered will have to reduce with services being reviewed based on the impact they have on priorities. This will include changes to service standards and the way remaining services are delivered. It is proposed that future spending will be aligned to the priorities in the Transforming Your Council consultation document. On this basis no service can be excluded from initial consideration for savings.
10255	An employee of West Lothian Council	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Cutting back on services ? Bad idea they take away services but still expect to get council tax paid !	General Balance of Savings to be Identified (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposed 3% increase in council tax would contribute to the overall resources of the council available to fund service delivery. As the council will have less overall resources, the number of services delivered will have to reduce with services being reviewed based on the impact they have on priorities. It is proposed that future spending will be aligned to the priorities in the Transforming Your Council consultation document.
10256	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Access local firms for catering, decorating, etc. Give priority to local people in jobs, housing, etc	General Balance of Savings to be Identified (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	The council has a best value framework which requires the council to consider best value and all possible ways of delivering services, including use of external contractors.
10257	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Can details of this plan be published for interested parties to view electronically and/or hardcopy? When more details are available maybe people could make more suggestions.	General Balance of Savings to be Identified (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	Further details on proposed measures will be included in the revenue budget strategy report which will be available on COINS, the council's committee services system on the website.
10258	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Just come out and say what extra cuts will be needed. This makes it sound like you ran out of ideas and are hoping that something will turn up, sometime.	General Balance of Savings to be Identified (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The balance of savings is the value of savings to be identified to make sure that the council continues to have a balanced budget over the five years, as is required by law. Throughout the course of the five years more detailed savings proposals will need to be identified otherwise the council will not have a balanced budget.
10259	An employee of West Lothian Council	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Inevitable in a five year programme sitting in the context of short-term budget allocations from both governments.	General Balance of Savings to be Identified (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
10260	No Response	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Staff should be accountable for the work they undertake	General Balance of Savings to be Identified (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	Staff are accountable for the work they undertake through the Appraisal and Development Review (ADR) and work plan process.
10261	No Response	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	I think this is a ridiculous proposal! Due to the increase in local houses, how can all these cuts be proposed?	General Balance of Savings to be Identified (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	As the council will have less overall resources, the number of services delivered will have to reduce with services being reviewed based on the impact they have on priorities. This will include changes to service standards and the way remaining services are delivered. It is proposed that future spending will be aligned to the priorities in the Transforming Your Council consultation document.

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10262	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	I would have concerns about the council's ability to provide it's services should this happen	General Balance of Savings to be Identified (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The balance of savings is the value of savings to be identified to make sure that the council continues to have a balanced budget over the five years, as is required by law. Throughout the course of the five years more detailed savings proposals will need to be identified otherwise the council will not have a balanced budget.
10263	An employee of West Lothian Council	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	More sponsorship for schools etc	General Balance of Savings to be Identified (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Scope for advertising and sponsorship will be considered.
10264	An employee of West Lothian Council	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Stop presentation dinner/dance events. Shows council in a bad light when we need to save money. Too much back slapping within the council and all these functions do not come free.	General Balance of Savings to be Identified (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
10265	No Response	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	There is a need for more accountability and openness from the council. Over the past 10 years the council has built new houses and schools, but there has been little to no money invested in old housing stock. Also do the council really need a new fleet of cars, vans, and lorries every 3/4 years? Also do the uniforms need to change colour every year at the tax payers expense.	General Balance of Savings to be Identified (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	Provision of council houses, including maintenance costs, is paid for from council house rents not council tax and general services which is the subject of this consultation. All houses currently meet Scottish Quality Housing Standards. Council vehicles are leased as this represents the best value for the council.
10266	An employee of West Lothian Council	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	This is also vague. 10.4 million will presumably occur from a substantial number of job cuts and major changes to service delivery. Does this include the include of such venues as the ability centre and Elburn centre?	General Balance of Savings to be Identified (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The balance of savings is the value of savings to be identified to make sure that the council continues to have a balanced budget over the five years, as is required by law. Throughout the course of the five years more detailed savings proposals will need to be identified otherwise the council will not have a balanced budget. This does not include the day centres which are considered under TYC section 2.
10267	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Front line services need to be protected. I would hope that social work services are not compromised as this area has undergone reductions in staffing in the past. If the Council decides to withdraw or reduce service delivery in certain areas of the local authority, I trust that they will explore opportunities that the service delivery could be substituted with third party providers. By doing this, it will maintain services to the public and encourage investment by private companies in the wider community.	General Balance of Savings to be Identified (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	As the council will have less overall resources, the number of services delivered will have to reduce with services being reviewed based on the impact they have on priorities. This will include changes to service standards, the way remaining services are delivered and a reduced workforce. It is proposed that future spending will be aligned to the priorities in the Transforming Your Council consultation document. The focus will be on posts that support the priorities rather than whether they are front line or back office based.
10268	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Should be streamlined where possible where maintaining standards.	General Balance of Savings to be Identified (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Opportunities to streamline process and remove duplication will continued be considered.
10269	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Could it be worthwhile to ask people in West Lothian for ideas of services they view could be improved/reduced or potential ideas for revenue generation for the council?	General Balance of Savings to be Identified (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Public consultation on changes to services is an integral part of the change management process to help identify alternatives and opportunities for service delivery.
10270	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	How more do you feel it is necessary to penalise staff? With virtual paycuts over several years you will lose good staff and be left with the dross and the ones battling their time out to retirement.	General Balance of Savings to be Identified (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	As the council will have less overall resources, the number of services delivered will have to reduce with services being reviewed based on the impact they have on priorities. This will include changes to service standards, the way remaining services are delivered and a reduced workforce. It is proposed that future spending will be aligned to the priorities in the Transforming Your Council consultation document. The focus will be on posts that support the priorities rather than whether they are front line or back office based.
10271	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Care must be taken to ensure service is not compromised. Things like IT support/telephone answering services may be an area which can be reduced or outsourced.	General Balance of Savings to be Identified (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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10272	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Savings need to be made through efficiency measures and not service cuts	General Balance of Savings to be Identified (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	The budget gap faced by the council means that efficiency alone will not be enough to meet the projected budget gap and fundamental changes will be required to the way the council delivers services.
10273	No Response	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	I think the Council should , as a priority, challenge the Scottish Government to explain how to make savings. They are going down the Income Tax route,rather than biting the bullet and removing the Council Tax cap. It is ridiculous that we are cutting so many valuable services to keep this Government in power!!!! Cutting staff is OK from time to time , but this is now ridiculous	General Balance of Savings to be Identified (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	Currently the Scottish Government only allows councils to increase council tax by a maximum of 3% annually. The council will consider your suggestion however it would have to be raised with the Scottish Government. The council regularly emphasises to the Scottish Government the need for a fair settlement for local government as well as working with COSLA (the body that collectively represents local government in Scotland) to emphasise this point.
10274	An employee of West Lothian Council	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Agree with partnership working and information sharing, there are opportunities for this and to cut duplication. An in house performance based review of staff? ADR outcomes taken into account. Staff performance reviews ?	General Balance of Savings to be Identified (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has a proven track record of partnership working and would wish to build on this to continue providing local services. Through integration, and potentially sharing services with partners, it is expected that access and individual experiences will be improved. There would be less duplication and more streamlining of services.
10275	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Technology should enable staff to be much less office based thereby requiring less permanent office space in council buildings. If staff were expected/encouraged to work from home as a base with IT access there, this could provide an opportunity for office space to be rented out to other Agencies or buildings to be sold all together. This reduces maintenance costs and generates an income from rental. Some Services would need less admin support as practitioners are increasingly responsible for their use of IT and mobile phones would provide direct contact with practitioners/managers in their absence. Review buildings currently being used and consider if they the best way to operate a Service from. Some services use community centres to run groups from and this seems financially more sensible rather than a whole building being used for one Service to operate out of and the costs this entails. It would also enable groups to be located in the areas most in need and may reduce costs for parents to be transported by Services to attend.	General Balance of Savings to be Identified (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	We will review our property assets and rationalise usage where possible taking into account the review and redesign of services delivered and investigating opportunities for coordinating availability of facilities. This includes maximising the use of council office space. The council continues to investigate opportunities for further flexible working and use of technology.
10276	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	I deplore the cuts to council budgets made by the UK government since 2010. Although, it looks to me like the Â£73m savings over 5 years represents approx. 3.5% of your anticipated budget - am I wrong?	General Balance of Savings to be Identified (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Your response has been noted.
10277	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	This item is very non-descriptive. I am sure that are many areas where the council can identify additional revenue streams instead on focusing on cuts.	General Balance of Savings to be Identified (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The scope for charging will be considered, taking account current charges, the position in other local authorities and the impact of charges on vulnerable people and the availability of concessions.
10278	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Whilst inevitable all reduction in services should be avoided, although in most cases many of these services can remain with reduced staffing.	General Balance of Savings to be Identified (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	As the council will have less overall resources, the number of services delivered will have to reduce with services being reviewed based on the impact they have on priorities. This will include changes to service standards, the way remaining services are delivered and a reduced workforce. It is proposed that future spending will be aligned to the priorities in the Transforming Your Council consultation document.
10279	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Reduction in Service delivery is the only option	General Balance of Savings to be Identified (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	As the council will have less overall resources, the number of services delivered will have to reduce with services being reviewed based on the impact they have on priorities. This will include changes to service standards and the way remaining services are delivered. It is proposed that future spending will be aligned to the priorities in the Transforming Your Council consultation document.

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10280	An employee of West Lothian Council	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	As WLC is the largest employee in West Lothian this could have catastrophic effects on the local economy. In my view the council should be looking at ways of bringing money in, protect jobs, protect services.	General Balance of Savings to be Identified (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The scope for charging will be considered, taking account current charges, the position in other local authorities and the impact of charges on vulnerable people and the availability of concessions. The council currently generates income from providing a range of services to partners and organisations. Further opportunities to expand this could be investigated.
10281	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	As 1A - Excellent if all of the above are carried out. However on current personally experienced performance it will take a huge effort to even provide an improvement. Further why has the "efficiency and effectiveness" not been applied to current procedures. No real criteria to be reached is actually stated and the starting point for these "efficiency and effectiveness" upgrade to services is not evident. Vagueness in targets to achieve. How will residents know when this is achieved?	General Balance of Savings to be Identified (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	The budget report will clearly set out in detail measures to balance the budget including the potential impact on equality and performance. The council has a robust approach to monitoring financial performance during the year with reports provided to Council Executive. All of these reports are available to the public on COINS, the committee system.
10282	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Guess the Devolved Holyrood Parliament has added another level of Government and therefore expensive personnel - can Holyrood be significantly reduced - with more of their powers devolved down to fewer Local Governments - with more clout????	General Balance of Savings to be Identified (general)	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	The areas of responsibility for the Scottish Government are determined by the UK Government. The Scottish Government determines the remit of all Scottish public bodies.
10283	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Again need care on any major impact decisions made, that could impact on delivery, maintaining services to the public	General Balance of Savings to be Identified (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	As the council will have less overall resources, the number of services delivered will have to reduce with services being reviewed based on the impact they have on priorities. This will include changes to service standards and the way remaining services are delivered. It is proposed that future spending will be aligned to the priorities in the Transforming Your Council consultation document.
10284	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Closing some council run venues on Sundays would perhaps be one way to lower the overall costs of the many venues that are owned and managed by WLC.	General Balance of Savings to be Identified (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The review of council facilities will consider a number of factors but the demand and current use of the facility will be one of the main considerations.
10285	No Response	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	All very depressing. guess the consolidation of the "Lothians" back into a single authority - would cut out 2 sets of senior management - which would save £millions per year for all 3 of the Authorities (Maybe roll in Edinburgh - sounds like back to the 1990's organisation! Certainly cuts at the top save the most - but to be successful and dynamic - Local Government need to attract real organisational and switched on talent. Guess the Devolved Holyrood Parliament has added another level of Government and therefore expensive personnel - can Holyrood be significantly reduced - with more of their powers devolved down to fewer Local Governments - with more clout????	General Balance of Savings to be Identified (general)	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	The areas of responsibility for the Scottish Government are determined by the UK Government. The Scottish Government determines the remit of all Scottish public bodies.
10286	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	I would like to see the top 3 items/specific deliverables that contribute to this redesign.	General Balance of Savings to be Identified (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The council's aim is, and always will be, to ensure that West Lothian continues to be a great place to live, work, visit and do business. To achieve this aim we will continue to prioritise the money that we spend on services to make sure that our investment has the biggest and most positive impact on the community.
10287	An employee of West Lothian Council	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	5. Really need to think about the proposed Council Tax and rent increases as the Council currently run with over 1 million pound in unpaid rents. If the 3% increase goes ahead along with the introduction of universal credit the deficit will surely just spiral out of control?	General Balance of Savings to be Identified (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	The council actively pursues all debt, including council tax, community charge, rent and commercial debtors arrears. The council will investigate other ways to improve debt collections including strengthening corporate debt management activity.
10288	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Why not focus on income generation?	General Balance of Savings to be Identified (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	The scope for charging will be considered, taking account current charges, the position in other local authorities and the impact of charges on vulnerable people and the availability of concessions. The council currently generates income from providing a range of services to partners and organisations. Further opportunities to expand this could be investigated.

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10289	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	The scope of work should be agreed with the local population prior to implementation	General Balance of Savings to be Identified (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	This document is the first stage of public consultation. Further public consultation on specific changes to services is an integral part of the change management process and will be undertaken as proposals are developed further.
10290	No Response	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	cuts already gone to far , council tax freeze over the years has caused this shambles	General Balance of Savings to be Identified (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The balance of savings is the value of savings to be identified to make sure that the council continues to have a balanced budget over the five years, as is required by law. Throughout the course of the five years more detailed savings proposals will need to be identified otherwise the council will not have a balanced budget.
10291	No Response	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Be careful. Lessons to be learned from Police Scotland. Listen to local people	General Balance of Savings to be Identified (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	This document is the first stage of public consultation. Further public consultation on specific changes to services is an integral part of the change management process and will be undertaken as proposals are developed further.
10292	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	These cuts should not disproportionately affect vulnerable residents who are less visible. These services should be prioritised to and protected wherever possible.	General Balance of Savings to be Identified (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	The council's aim is, and always will be, to ensure that West Lothian continues to be a great place to live, work, visit and do business. To achieve this aim we will continue to prioritise the money that we spend on services to make sure that our investment has the biggest and most positive impact on the community.
10293	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Use the extra money to support the music service you are considering scrapping	General Balance of Savings to be Identified (general)	5b. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it is likely that the costs of this proposal would outweigh the benefit.	The balance of savings is the value of savings to be identified to make sure that the council continues to have a balanced budget over the five years, as is required by law. Throughout the course of the five years more detailed savings proposals will need to be identified otherwise the council will not have a balanced budget. The balance is required to meet the gap of £73 million therefore it could not be used to replace a measure which is already included in the £73 million. An additional saving, over and above the balance, would need to be found to replace instrumental music.
10294	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	If you spent less money on frivolous stuff like Gaelic signs which only 2% of Scotland's population can read, and more on real education and leisure, we would be better off. No more pointless quangoes and jobs or those who cant get real jobs - put the money into educating our young people as they are our future. Better management of finances rather than cutting spending on key services please.	General Balance of Savings to be Identified (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	West Lothian Council does not have any Gaelic signs. The budget gap faced by the council is a result of funding being insufficient to cover the increasing cost of delivering services due to factors such as population growth and indexation. The council is subject to rigorous external audit and both Audit Scotland and EY have confirmed, over a number of years, that the council has robust financial management.
10295	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	If people paid for visits to the doctors surgery, paid for prescriptions and stopped wasting valuable time - this would be a better way of saving money?	General Balance of Savings to be Identified (general)	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	Where relevant, we will forward these comments to the appropriate organisations.
10296	An employee of West Lothian Council	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	The focus seems to be on staffing and education - two areas that will have long-term negative effects on the council area. Parents will be made redundant or have hours or overtime reduced, thus potentially falling into poverty; the cycle of which is increasingly difficult to break. This will impact children's education which will then lead them into poverty and it's not like they'll be able to get a job at the council or an apprenticeship as things will be so slimline by then or every human job will be replaced by 'efficient use of technology' but don't worry, they can use the MCMC services provided!	General Balance of Savings to be Identified (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council currently has a priority to minimise poverty, the cycle of deprivation and promote equality. The new anti-poverty service will allow the council to deliver this priority. When developing the new Anti Poverty Strategy consideration will be given to the causes of poverty and potential interventions to help minimise their impact on vulnerable families.

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10297	An employee of West Lothian Council	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	These savings need to be made though reduction of waste and consistency of approach in services to workforce planning and management.	General Balance of Savings to be Identified (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	All services will be reviewed based on the impact they have on priorities. It is proposed that future spending will be aligned to the priorities in the Transforming Your Council consultation document. This will include eliminating waste and streamlining approaches where appropriate.
10298	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	If you stop rewarding your staff for doing their job with junkets and meals out you would make a saving. Good work should be expected from employees, bad work penalised.	General Balance of Savings to be Identified (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	The council's hospitality budget was removed a number of years ago. Celebrating Success is fully funded through sponsorship.
10299	No Response	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	I am hopeful that this means no further money will be taken from social care or elderly services.	General Balance of Savings to be Identified (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	All services will be reviewed based on the impact they have on priorities. It is proposed that future spending will be aligned to the priorities in the Transforming Your Council consultation document.
10300	No Response	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	As mentioned in my first comment, I believe there are many savings to be made through more efficient procedures, less bureaucracy, better management information systems. All of these will require a change in culture within the council and adoption of more private enterprise ideals.	General Balance of Savings to be Identified (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	All services will be reviewed based on the impact they have on priorities. It is proposed that future spending will be aligned to the priorities in the Transforming Your Council consultation document. This will include eliminating waste and streamlining approaches where appropriate.
10301	An employee of West Lothian Council	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	It seems to me that some savings could have been made engaging actively with staff and seeking their ideas however the process that has been used has alienated people and so the loss of good will and commitment will make services harder to run well. Own goal.	General Balance of Savings to be Identified (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your comments which have been noted. This consultation is the first stage of the process to enable the council to develop a five year plan. Detailed proposals will be worked up following the outcome of this consultation. The council believes that all stakeholders should be consulted on the priorities for the council and options to address the anticipated budget gap.
10302	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	The Council has an impossible job here. We will end up with a Council that can not afford to run proper services and Residents will undoubtedly. Suffer	General Balance of Savings to be Identified (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The balance of savings is the value of savings to be identified to make sure that the council continues to have a balanced budget over the five years, as is required by law. Throughout the course of the five years more detailed savings proposals will need to be identified otherwise the council will not have a balanced budget.
10303	No Response	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	The reason for all of this saving is the ridiculous cap on Council budgets. Nobody with any sense would put a freeze on public spending for this long. The Council should make clear to West Lothian residents that the blame for all of these cuts lies with Holyrood,,	General Balance of Savings to be Identified (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. The budget gap faced by the council is a result of funding being insufficient to cover the increasing cost of delivering services due to factors such as population growth and indexation.
10304	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	The delivery of various services has been impacted already by cost cutting measures in the past - you need only look at the state of the roads, the multitude of weeds growing from drains at the kerbside, reduction in snow clearing measures, residential care home fees etc - exactly how far can these cuts go?	General Balance of Savings to be Identified (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	As the council will have less overall resources, the number of services delivered will have to reduce with services being reviewed based on the impact they have on priorities. This will include changes to service standards and the way remaining services are delivered. It is proposed that future spending will be aligned to the priorities in the Transforming Your Council consultation document.
10305	No Response	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Go back to the government & say these are unreasonable targets. The population in West Lothian has grown with the number of new houses being built in recent years & staff are needed to do their jobs to be a successful community & it can't happen on thin air. Again the spongers in society should be made to pay there way as they are bleeding the system dry.	General Balance of Savings to be Identified (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	The council regularly emphasises to the Scottish Government the need for a fair settlement for local government as well as working with COSLA (the body that collectively represents local government in Scotland) to emphasise this point.
10306	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	In many of your proposals the wording is very general and the meaning quite hidden. There is no indication of where staff will be cut and how overtime etc will affect services. I think there should have been a lot more specific information and detail throughout this proposal.	General Balance of Savings to be Identified (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The council believes that all stakeholders should be consulted on the priorities for the council and options to address the anticipated budget gap. Your feedback will be considered when developing future consultation exercises.
10307	An employee of West Lothian Council	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Increase Council Tax to help offset some of the costs.	General Balance of Savings to be Identified (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Currently the Scottish Government only allows councils to increase council tax by a maximum of 3% annually. The council will consider your suggestion however it would have to be raised with the Scottish Government.

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10308	No Response	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	spend the budget in more priority like schools abe youth clubs ect more staff	General Balance of Savings to be Identified (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	All services will be reviewed based on the impact they have on priorities. It is proposed that future spending will be aligned to the priorities in the Transforming Your Council consultation document.
10309	No Response	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	The uncertainty extends to the measure being taken apparently and yet from this uncertainty will come £10.4 million of savings. Curious! Not sure how anyone is to comment on this sort of vagueness.	General Balance of Savings to be Identified (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	The balance of savings is the value of savings to be identified to make sure that the council continues to have a balanced budget over the five years, as is required by law. Throughout the course of the five years more detailed savings proposals will need to be identified otherwise the council will not have a balanced budget.
10310	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	It makes sense to maximise efficient use of resources, provided this does not disadvantage vulnerable service users.	General Balance of Savings to be Identified (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	As the council will have less overall resources, the number of services delivered will have to reduce with services being reviewed based on the impact they have on priorities. This will include changes to service standards and the way remaining services are delivered. It is proposed that future spending will be aligned to the priorities in the Transforming Your Council consultation document.
10311	No Response	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Notwithstanding the required maintenance of the key 8 priorities, where savings can be made with rationalisation of resourcing these must be pursued.	General Balance of Savings to be Identified (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	As the council will have less overall resources, the number of services delivered will have to reduce with services being reviewed based on the impact they have on priorities. This will include changes to service standards and the way remaining services are delivered. It is proposed that future spending will be aligned to the priorities in the Transforming Your Council consultation document.
10312	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Certain job roles could be centralised with other councils, However how does West Lothian Council plan to split costs with other councils indeed if other councils are willing to share.	General Balance of Savings to be Identified (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The allocation of costs associated with shared service delivery would be agreed in advance with relevant partners.
10313	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Alongside other councils and public authorities, the council should be looking at efficiencies within singular management structures for all arms length organisations (ALEOs) delivering services on behalf of West Lothian council whilst retaining core provision for customers i.e. integration/absorption.	General Balance of Savings to be Identified (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The council commissions the majority of services delivered by the third sector, therefore funding is committed on a competitive basis for services delivered. Third sector partners are required to demonstrate delivery of the council's priorities.
10314	No Response	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Being more active in a focus groups across all councils has to be good. Ideas shared and experience learned.	General Balance of Savings to be Identified (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	This consultation is the first stage of the process to enable the council to develop a five year plan. Detailed proposals will be worked up following the outcome of this consultation.
10315	No Response	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Before making a lot of cuts to services maybe you should consult with Edinburgh council who did a similar thing a few years ago and then had to reinstate most of the services as it didn't work!	General Balance of Savings to be Identified (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	The council benchmarks with others to seek good ideas and identify best practice.
10316	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Make use of volunteers to help bridge this gap.	General Balance of Savings to be Identified (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The council is supportive of volunteering. The council is currently considering how to facilitate the greater involvement of volunteers.
10317	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Please work with other councils - adopt best practice from whoever is having success - STOP spending time re-inventing the wheel - it wastes money, time.	General Balance of Savings to be Identified (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council currently benchmarks with both public and private sector service providers. This helps the council to incorporate best practice and ensure that resources are used to deliver best value. The council has a proven track record of partnership working and would wish to build on this to continue providing local services.
10318	No Response	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Ah well, maybe I should have made 'Improving the employment position in West Lothian' my first choice priority. Yes, cross-border working is very sensible. There must be lots of areas where corridors of responsibility can be created to avoid unnecessary demarcation. Physically and administratively.	General Balance of Savings to be Identified (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has a proven track record of partnership working and would wish to build on this to continue providing local services. Through integration, and potentially sharing services with partners, it is expected that access and individual experiences will be improved. There would be less duplication and more streamlining of services.
10319	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	I agree to this point As long as it is not vulnerable groups which are effected	General Balance of Savings to be Identified (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	All services will be reviewed based on the impact they have on priorities. It is proposed that future spending will be aligned to the priorities in the Transforming Your Council consultation document.

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10332	An employee of West Lothian Council	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	There also needs to be consideration of whether some of the small primary schools which do not make economic sense should be closed.	General Balance of Savings to be Identified (general)	5c. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it is not consistent with the council's values and priorities.	Currently the council is not considering the closure of any schools.
10333	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	This, says the Council will make a further saving of £10.4million but we do not know where the saving will be made. How can one give an opinion on this? Also, again, why is this not part of 1a. In addition if your financial forecasting is so poor, how believable can the rest of your budget proposals be? Perhaps some new modelling is needed or a new financial dept....which could save money.	General Balance of Savings to be Identified (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	The balance of savings is the value of savings to be identified to make sure that the council continues to have a balanced budget over the five years, as is required by law. Throughout the course of the five years more detailed savings proposals will need to be identified otherwise the council will not have a balanced budget. As these savings have not yet been identified they will not necessarily be through service redesign (1a). The council has delivered balanced budgets each year since 1996. The council is subject to rigorous external audit and both Audit Scotland and EY have confirmed, over a number of years, that the council has robust financial management.
10334	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Start means tested contribution for care services.	General Balance of Savings to be Identified (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The scope for charging will be considered, taking account current charges, the position in other local authorities and the impact of charges on vulnerable people and the availability of concessions.
10335	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	this is what I would expect you to be doing, there is no painless way to modernise and increase efficiency, you could try zero based budgeting.	General Balance of Savings to be Identified (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	The council uses zero based budgeting for staffing budgets, which is the largest component of the council's budget. The council continues investigate ways to consolidate, modernise and better coordinate activities to allow streamlining of operations and removal of duplication. This will help ensure that activities are completed and managed in the most effective way.
10336	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	A restructuring of the council to negate the use of consultants; private contractors and a reduction in overtime could potentially save money. A reshuffle in council personnel to make better use of resources without having to diminish staffing numbers and potential redundancies should be considered.	General Balance of Savings to be Identified (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	The council makes limited use of consultants. Private contractors are used where best value is demonstrated, with the number of private contractors being used diminishing.
10337	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Not 10 years ago, west Lothian council made a big deal of not raising council tax rates for 3+ consecutive years. This short-sighted boast has contributed if not created this budget deficit. I'm sure that many residents wouldn't have minded paying an extra £10 a month to avoid the current situation. I would urge the council to make proper efficiencies but also to be true to honest financial projections in order that residents contribute appropriately and evenly.	General Balance of Savings to be Identified (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	For the past nine years the Scottish Government restricted councils' ability to raise council tax through the financial settlement. In 2017/18 councillors froze council tax. The budget gap faced by the council is a result of funding being insufficient to cover the increasing cost of delivering services due to factors such as population growth and indexation. The council is subject to rigorous external audit and both Audit Scotland and EY have confirmed, over a number of years, that the council has robust financial management.
10338	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Mill Road BID rely on the staffing of the revenues section (amongst others) to ensure our levy is collected from businesses and held in the BID levy account. This ensures our funds are administered and managed through the careful processes of the local authority and when there are queries, the revenues team are able to address and resolve these at pace. Should WLC propose any reduction in the resource to this area, Mill Road BID would oppose this.	General Balance of Savings to be Identified (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Revenues team will remain and will deliver essential services however there maybe some efficiencies in how they undertake their tasks with a focus on priority areas.
10339	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Perhaps the council should reflect on what actions it has taken that have in fact made a difference over the last 10 years.	General Balance of Savings to be Identified (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	The council is committed to reviewing performance and reports regularly on achievement of corporate planning priorities.
10340	An employee of West Lothian Council	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	I'd like to be more informed as to which services were to be streamlined before making any decisions about it.	General Balance of Savings to be Identified (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	This consultation is the first stage of the process to enable the council to develop a five year plan. Detailed proposals will be worked up following the outcome of this consultation.
10341	No Response	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Staffing costs are always a huge part of any business. They deserve to earn sufficiently.	General Balance of Savings to be Identified (general)	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	The council's pay structure was agreed as part of the introduction of single status. The council implements nationally agreed pay awards.

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10342	No Response	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	I'd like to be more informed as to which services were to be streamlined before making any decisions about it.	General Balance of Savings to be Identified (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	This consultation is the first stage of the process to enable the council to develop a five year plan. Detailed proposals will be worked up following the outcome of this consultation.
10343	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	I believe it is right to look at costs across the board as all sectors both public and private have had to do this, however this needs to be done right with no/minimal impact to services. Consideration also needs to be given to the knock on effect this could have on other services.	General Balance of Savings to be Identified (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	As the council will have less overall resources, the number of services delivered will have to reduce with services being reviewed based on the impact they have on priorities. This will include changes to service standards, staffing levels and the way remaining services are delivered. It is proposed that future spending will be aligned to the priorities in the Transforming Your Council consultation document.
10344	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	less money spent on leisure and recreation as we have already ex facilities on cycle tracks etc. spent on admin and creating more positions and groups researching various possibilities. try to inform public on how to be more responsible as individuals and in volunteer groups, to help improve our towns and the environment, I bring to mind Burgh Beautiful in Linlithgow. Try to instill a pride in our environment .....and the realisation that the council cannot do everything so we all have to help in some way.	General Balance of Savings to be Identified (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	These are good ideas. Officers will consider how these proposals can be developed.
10345	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Educating the public of the cost of abusing public spaces would be money well spent	General Balance of Savings to be Identified (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Officers will consider how this could be developed.
10346	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	It is very sad if staff lose their jobs, particularly in key areas of our communities. I suggest reducing the number of councillors.	General Balance of Savings to be Identified (general)	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	The number of councillors for each council area is determined by statute by the Scottish Parliament.
10347	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	1h when will key council officers stand up and oppose they cut backs strongly and publicly denounce these efficiency measures. For too long the provision of services have been a political football amongst the electorate and unquestionably agreeing to national government policy. Elected officers and their officers were put in place to best represent the interest of their constituents, not to implement drastic cutbacks without real and public objection, to the cost to population and employees.	General Balance of Savings to be Identified (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	The council regularly emphasises to the Scottish Government the need for a fair settlement for local government as well as working with COSLA (the body that collectively represents local government in Scotland) to emphasise this point.
10348	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Why have you been wasting so much of our money up to this point?	General Balance of Savings to be Identified (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council has delivered balanced budgets each year since 1996. The budget gap faced by the council is a result of funding being insufficient to cover the increasing cost of delivering services due to factors such as population growth and indexation. The council is subject to rigorous external audit and both Audit Scotland and EY have confirmed, over a number of years, that the council has robust financial management. External audit and regulation provides no evidence of reckless spending.
10349	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	I believe there is always scope for review of staffing so long as service levels are at least sustained or better still, improved	General Balance of Savings to be Identified (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	As the council will have less overall resources, the number of services delivered will have to reduce with services being reviewed based on the impact they have on priorities. This will include changes to service standards, staffing levels and the way remaining services are delivered. It is proposed that future spending will be aligned to the priorities in the Transforming Your Council consultation document.
10350	An employee of West Lothian Council	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	This proposal lacks specification. Fewer staff may be cheaper but it is not clear how it will be more efficient. What changes will be made to service delivery? What reductions will there be in staffing levels? What impact will this have on service delivery?	General Balance of Savings to be Identified (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	As the council will have less overall resources, the number of services delivered will have to reduce with services being reviewed based on the impact they have on priorities. This will include changes to service standards, staffing levels and the way remaining services are delivered. It is proposed that future spending will be aligned to the priorities in the Transforming Your Council consultation document.

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10351	An employee of West Lothian Council	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Perhaps the council should consider the specialist team to look into the £40m+ money owed in council tax from citizens of WL area as well as other debt owed and written off??	General Balance of Savings to be Identified (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	The council actively pursues all debt, including council tax, community charge, rent and commercial debtors arrears. The council will investigate other ways to improve debt collections including strengthening corporate debt management activity. The council currently has a Corporate Debt Management Team.
10352	An employee of West Lothian Council	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Why isn't the Council transparent and open in saying there will have to be redundancies and major cuts to services? Why is the Council wasting money on a sham consultation when managers have already been told that decisions have been taken and elected members are also saying that the consultation exercise is a sham?	General Balance of Savings to be Identified (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposals in the consultation document are officer measures. Decisions on whether these proposals are implemented will be made by elected members in February 2018. The council will consider every comment received as part of this consultation exercise.
10353	An employee of West Lothian Council	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	The council should set out in the budget report which areas will be explored for these further savings. It would be good to look further at income generation opportunities, scope for property rationalisation, more use of digital technology, and potential for shared services.	General Balance of Savings to be Identified (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	The budget report will include information on areas and ideas to be investigated to meet the balance of savings to be identified.
10354	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Council stop paying tenants gas and electricity and then give them the fuel allowance when they don't pay any in the first instance.	General Balance of Savings to be Identified (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	The council does not pay tenants gas and electricity bills.
10355	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Ultimately though you may ask why have 32 LA's (with 32 well paid Chief Execs, Finance Officers etc and support staff) when we could go back to no more than a dozen. Er...kind of, like we had.	General Balance of Savings to be Identified (general)	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	The structure of local government is determined at a national level.
10356	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	As above, the changes need to be considered, managed and the benefits realised.	General Balance of Savings to be Identified (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
10357	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Equality Impact Assessment should be produced and distributed prior to implementation of any changes	General Balance of Savings to be Identified (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	In line with established budget setting processes, all proposed reduction measures will be subject to an equality impact assessment.
10358	An employee of West Lothian Council	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	I take it from the 5 year plan you know your block grant for the next 5 years, it seems a bit premature to be planning for 5 years if you don't have the correct figures, will you be doing another re-design when the scot gov block grant is less that you anticipated, which it inevitably will be.	General Balance of Savings to be Identified (general)	5c. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it is not consistent with the council's values and priorities.	The council currently only receives one year settlements from the Scottish Government however the council is still required to produce medium to long term financial plans. The council's financial forecasts are based on the most up to date information available and predictions from bodies such as the Fraser of Allander Institute.
10359	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	If inefficiencies are existing - so be it - and readjustments must be delivered	General Balance of Savings to be Identified (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council will investigate ways to consolidate and better coordinate activities to allow streamlining of operations and removal of duplication. This will help ensure that activities are completed and managed in the most effective way.
10360	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Can't help but think in some instances this will reduce the quality of care further which has already suffered in some cases.	General Balance of Savings to be Identified (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council's aim is, and always will be, to ensure that West Lothian continues to be a great place to live, work, visit and do business. To achieve this aim we will continue to prioritise the money that we spend on services to make sure that our investment has the biggest and most positive impact on the community. As validated by external auditors and other inspection bodies, West Lothian Council continues to perform well against key performance indicators and activities. This will continue to be monitored and reviewed.
10361	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	As above - lets have a root and branch review of the service and delivery. It isn't necessary to increase costs when efficiencies can be identified. A business approach is what is needed to ensure the correct spending on items needed is controlled.	General Balance of Savings to be Identified (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	All services will be reviewed based on the impact they have on priorities. It is proposed that future spending will be aligned to the priorities in the Transforming Your Council consultation document.
10362	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	A further review of non core services is required.	General Balance of Savings to be Identified (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	All services will be reviewed based on the impact they have on priorities. It is proposed that future spending will be aligned to the priorities in the Transforming Your Council consultation document.

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10363	An employee of West Lothian Council	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Need to continually look at ways to be more efficient and cost effective.	General Balance of Savings to be Identified (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	The council will continue to investigate ways to review, consolidate and better coordinate activities to allow streamlining of operations and removal of duplication. This will help ensure that activities are completed and managed in the most effective and efficient way.
10364	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Have you ever considered earning income from traded services ... a new focus on commercial management to develop the ability to sell services to other organisations should bring in income to support existing services.	General Balance of Savings to be Identified (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The council currently generates income from providing a range of services to partners and organisations. Further opportunities to expand this could be investigated.
10365	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Reduce costs through 1/ Eliminating subsidised canteens within council buildings 2/ Eliminating all free school transport to pupils within the 2 mile limit 3/ Eliminating use of council property (cars, vans etc) being used for staff transportation to and from the workplace (transport shouldn't be taken home!)	General Balance of Savings to be Identified (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Officers will consider how this could be developed.
10366	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	how could volunteers provide value?	General Balance of Savings to be Identified (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The council is supportive of volunteering. The council is currently considering how to facilitate the greater involvement of volunteers.
10367	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	There is a need to be careful here that any cuts in the short term do not end up costing more in the longer term. Healthcare and provision for the elderly should be protected.	General Balance of Savings to be Identified (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	All services will be reviewed based on the impact they have on priorities. It is proposed that future spending will be aligned to the priorities in the Transforming Your Council consultation document.
10368	No Response	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	So not £25.3 million savings identified as declared in your opening statement, only £14.9 million, leaving 41% of the projected total savings still to be found. Come on, you really need to be doing better than that. What about a review of all the council houses that people live in, but actually don't. They are not too hard to spot. Just take your dog for a walk around your local community. What about more mobile libraries and libraries and community education centres being amalgamated reducing premises costs and streamlining community services. What about more support for local businesses who try to keep our town centres vibrant. Investment can generate income, employment, improved local environments, all key priority areas you identified.	General Balance of Savings to be Identified (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Officers will consider how this could be developed. House rent income can only be used to provide council houses and cannot be used for non housing services therefore it cannot be used to cover the £73 million gap.
10369	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	A full and proper review of roles, functions and services will highlight saving opportunities as the programme develops and officers and staff become engaged in the process of modernisation. Effective use of technology will support this. The level of saving required may have been identified but should not be approached as a financial puzzle to be solved by accountants, savings can only follow and be aligned to review of functions, ensuring appropriate staff are in post and that working practices are aligned to corporate priorities. If the process is driven only by financial considerations then doubtless savings can be made but there will be less certainty over whether they have been achieved in a manner which ensures continuing staff and service sustainability and development	General Balance of Savings to be Identified (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	The council has established a priority based approach to budgeting which was approved by councillors. All services will be reviewed based on the impact they have on priorities. It is proposed that future spending will be aligned to the priorities in the Transforming Your Council consultation document. Consideration is given to whether services should continue and what efficiency savings could be generated whilst meeting statutory requirements.
10370	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Vitally important to communicate with customers both internal and externally. Protect this area an. Bulletin is a good product to have.	General Balance of Savings to be Identified (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
10371	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	As long as services are being met & staff reductions do not mean it's not possible to meet standards	General Balance of Savings to be Identified (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	As the council will have less overall resources, the number of services delivered will have to reduce with services being reviewed based on the impact they have on priorities. This will include changes to service standards, staffing levels and the way remaining services are delivered. It is proposed that future spending will be aligned to the priorities in the Transforming Your Council consultation document.
10372	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	This is fine , as long as West Lothian Council still accepts responsibility for the the way such shared services are delivered if problems arise .	General Balance of Savings to be Identified (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has a proven track record of partnership working and would wish to build on this to continue providing local services. Any partnership arrangement would need to contribute to the council's agreed priorities and outline service delivery levels.

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10373	An employee of West Lothian Council	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Reducing pressures in one area will create pressures in others - particularly children and families. The people currently involved in strategic planning do not have operational experience and I hope managers and workers are given the opportunity to influence these.	General Balance of Savings to be Identified (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	As the council will have less overall resources, the number of services delivered will have to reduce with services being reviewed based on the impact they have on priorities. This will include changes to service standards and the way remaining services are delivered. It is proposed that future spending will be aligned to the priorities in the Transforming Your Council consultation document. This document is the first stage of public consultation. Further public consultation on specific changes to services is an integral part of the change management process and will be undertaken as proposals are developed further.
10374	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Different delivery models should be explored including contracting to non-statutory services.	General Balance of Savings to be Identified (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	All services will be reviewed based on the impact they have on priorities. It is proposed that future spending will be aligned to the priorities in the Transforming Your Council consultation document. There are no plans for wide scale outsourcing of council activities. The council will continue to use contractors where best value is demonstrated.
10375	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Has an equality impact assessment been carried out for each of the budget proposals? It is essential that this is done at the earliest opportunity in order to assess what the impact will be on those in the protected characteristics groups and those already experiencing disadvantage.	General Balance of Savings to be Identified (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	In line with established budget setting processes, all proposed reduction measures will be subject to an equality impact assessment.
10376	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Sounds like the Council budget is not enough. Who'd have thought?	General Balance of Savings to be Identified (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
10377	No Response	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Agree but need to ensure statutory services remain compliant. Continue to deliver good services but there needs to be management of public expectations on what will continue to be delivered. Focus staffing resource where needed cut out waste. Redesign as one not in silos	General Balance of Savings to be Identified (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	As the council will have less overall resources, the number of services delivered will have to reduce with services being reviewed based on the impact they have on priorities. This will include changes to service standards, staffing levels and the way remaining services are delivered. It is proposed that future spending will be aligned to the priorities in the Transforming Your Council consultation document.
10378	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Depends if this will lead to a efficiency in the service or just deliver another level of bureaucracy.	General Balance of Savings to be Identified (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	All services will be reviewed based on the impact they have on priorities. It is proposed that future spending will be aligned to the priorities in the Transforming Your Council consultation document.
10379	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Quality provision should be of the essence.	General Balance of Savings to be Identified (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The council's aim is, and always will be, to ensure that West Lothian continues to be a great place to live, work, visit and do business. To achieve this aim we will continue to prioritise the money that we spend on services to make sure that our investment has the biggest and most positive impact on the community. As validated by external auditors and other inspection bodies, West Lothian Council continues to perform well against key performance indicators and activities. This will continue to be monitored and reviewed.
10380	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	outsource more work	General Balance of Savings to be Identified (general)	5c. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it is not consistent with the council's values and priorities.	There are no plans for wide scale outsourcing of council activities. The council will continue to use contractors where best value is demonstrated.
10381	An employee of West Lothian Council	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	leasing cars and other unessential vehicles .	General Balance of Savings to be Identified (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	This is being considered within proposal 7e - green fleet.

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10382	An employee of West Lothian Council	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Remove non statutory services if available locally in a private capacity. ie.Trade waste collection	General Balance of Savings to be Identified (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The council has established a priority based approach to budgeting which was approved by councillors. All services will be reviewed based on the impact they have on priorities. It is proposed that future spending will be aligned to the priorities in the Transforming Your Council consultation document. Consideration is given to whether services should continue and what efficiency savings could be generated whilst meeting statutory requirements.
10383	An employee of West Lothian Council	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	See comment for 1g above There is no indication of how the £1.4 million saving has been calculated - what changes are being considered to generate this saving? - what is being considered here and why has this not been shared?	General Balance of Savings to be Identified (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	More detail on the phasing of savings will be provided in the budget report to be presented to Council for approval in February 2018.
10384	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Why does cost cutting always come down to staffing!!! Often it is a case that there are too many chiefs and not enough Indians and it is the Indians that are always on the receiving end of staff cuts. Is every council in the same situation, sharing best practice often provides an insight into new ideas, sharing of resource and better planning. Priority should surely go to teaching and health, look at the other council's workforce and see where costs can be shared.	General Balance of Savings to be Identified (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council continually reviews the tiers of management and span of control across all service levels. This ensures that the council continues to operate with an effective and efficient managerial structure. West Lothian Council has a relatively lean senior management structure compared to many local authorities of similar size.
10385	An employee of West Lothian Council	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	We should look at funding provided to other companies and making sure we are getting value from them.	General Balance of Savings to be Identified (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	All payments to external providers will be reviewed to ensure they continue to contribute to the council's priorities and demonstrate value for money.
10386	An employee of West Lothian Council	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	When savings are suggested it is unlikely that staffing levels will not be affected. Staffing levels should not be cut where quality cannot be guaranteed.	General Balance of Savings to be Identified (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	As the council will have less overall resources, the number of services delivered will have to reduce with services being reviewed based on the impact they have on priorities. This will include changes to service standards, staffing levels and the way remaining services are delivered. It is proposed that future spending will be aligned to the priorities in the Transforming Your Council consultation document.
10387	An employee of West Lothian Council	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	It is very important that good levels of staffing are maintained within front-line services. Without this, services will break down which will have a significant impact on the community, and for example, within social work services, increasing risks to service users.	General Balance of Savings to be Identified (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	As the council will have less overall resources, the number of services delivered will have to reduce with services being reviewed based on the impact they have on priorities. This will include changes to service standards, the way remaining services are delivered and a reduced workforce. It is proposed that future spending will be aligned to the priorities in the Transforming Your Council consultation document. The focus will be on posts that support the priorities rather than whether they are front line or back office based.
10388	An employee of West Lothian Council	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Why are we introducing a new WLC logo at a time when we have to make cuts. Are vehicles, paperwork and uniforms being updated? If so this is very unnecessary at this time when jobs are at risk.	General Balance of Savings to be Identified (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The new branding has been introduced at minimum cost with most of the changes implemented electronically only. Physical changes to branding will only be undertaken when the piece of equipment needs replaced.
10389	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	This would not have been such a big problem had the Council raised the Council Tax for this year. Surely this proposal should have been something that should have been set-up years ago when the Council first realized that there was a shortfall in their budget that could not be covered by their contingency fund.	General Balance of Savings to be Identified (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax. The council has always delivered savings through service redesign, integration and modernisation. These savings build upon the savings delivered over the previous ten years.
10390	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Sounds good as a statement - the most savings to be made in the least identified area - does "changes to service delivery" just mean poorer services?	General Balance of Savings to be Identified (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	As the council will have less overall resources, the number of services delivered will have to reduce with services being reviewed based on the impact they have on priorities. This will include changes to service standards and the way remaining services are delivered. It is proposed that future spending will be aligned to the priorities in the Transforming Your Council consultation document.

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10391	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	On reflection it sounds like a big society approach - work for nothing, volunteering is good for all, until no one is earning - no one is spending - no local business is thriving - no income - no spend, simple - so local businesses will suffer - West Lothian will become a ghost town region! Disgusting when we were a leading council!	General Balance of Savings to be Identified (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The budget gap faced by the council is a result of funding being insufficient to cover the increasing cost of delivering services due to factors such as population growth and indexation. As the council will have less overall resources, the number of services delivered will have to reduce with services being reviewed based on the impact they have on priorities. This will include changes to service standards and the way remaining services are delivered. It is proposed that future spending will be aligned to the priorities in the Transforming Your Council consultation document.
10392	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Council finding- £4.5 million - planning etc cut back in departments such as BIDs waste of money - nothing seen for this.	General Balance of Savings to be Identified (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
10393	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	People who break the law for e.g. burglary - breach of the peace. Should have to do community service like picking litter, digging, older people, gardens + cutting old peoples grass for them. Tidying up graffiti, it might make them think twice about doing a crime again. There are lots of houses empty that have lay empty for years these houses should be cleaned by criminal so that family can move in. Everyone should be given a compost bin free to save waste. There far to many drugs all over. Sometimes you can smell it if you pass a house or a building. This should be looked at by police. To save money the council should get rid of some street lighting. There is no need for lighting on both sides of a street they should spread the lights out a bit instead of having to double up one side of the road to the other. Enforcement officers need to crack down on dog fouling and litter dropper the money from fines would need help out a lot instead of enforcement officer sitting in vans eating all day	General Balance of Savings to be Identified (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Officers will consider how this could be developed. Some of these areas are out with the control of the council and cannot be considered - justice and crime prevention.
10394	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Get unemployed to do community/volunteer work thus helping mental health and their environment. Being proud is good.	General Balance of Savings to be Identified (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The council is supportive of volunteering. The council is currently considering how to facilitate the greater involvement of volunteers.
10395	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Charging for access to parks, charging for car parks. Introduction of donation boxes. Issues with transport Services of vehicles more cost effective to have specific companies on a contract to deliver in a timely fashion - what level of Service! Over a week for the service and no preparation. Attitude, willingness and helpfulness. Fleet service eco fleet - what is the plan the council MORE SHARED RESOURCES ACROSS THE SERVIES. REVIEW OF WHY WE ARE DOING WHAT WEE ARE DOING NI THE WAY WE ARE DOING IT. Are all the pickups in the council required - is there a better value option / not environmentally friendly / fuel efficient. Stop vehicles going home Review how operations are worked are there some areas that could be started and finished form home. Excess land - sale of/ given to the community - identified by land managers Allow where appropriate garden extensions (sale of land) Woodland burial sites green burial site Review he drive CPC roll out to the staff - big cost for the council Carbon off setting by planting of trees - allowing for paying less tax. Crowd funding - types asking for money Energy efficiency for the buildings Donating scheme Promotion of hires venues across services/ booking system for plant & machinery Turf and topsoil ids there an opportunity	General Balance of Savings to be Identified (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The scope for charging will be considered, taking account current charges, the position in other local authorities and the impact of charges on vulnerable people and the availability of concessions. The council currently generates income from providing a range of services to partners and organisations. Further opportunities to expand this could be investigated. The council does not have charitable status therefore it could not undertake fundraising in the manner suggested. All services will be reviewed based on the impact they have on priorities. It is proposed that future spending will be aligned to the priorities in the Transforming Your Council consultation document.
10396	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Would like to comment that the information provided in paper appears deliberately confusing and complex and doesn't actually say what would change for people on a day to day basis. The language is difficult to understand - particularly as it is unclear who will make the decisions as my elected councillor said he has not been involved in the budget proposals. I believe the exercise is pointless and only views from businesses will be taken into account. I understand the government is reducing money - why is this not being fought as clearly West Lothian needs more money to look after its citizens!	General Balance of Savings to be Identified (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The council believes that all stakeholders should be consulted on the priorities for the council and options to address the anticipated budget gap. Your feedback will be considered when developing future consultation exercises.
10397	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Build on brown field sites.	General Balance of Savings to be Identified (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	The council has a disposal process for assets declared surplus to requirements with receipts reinvested in council assets. By law income received from the sale of assets can only be used for capital expenditure or repaying debt.
10398	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	D) More emphasis on community spirit - reporting and fixing minor problems.	General Balance of Savings to be Identified (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Officers will consider how this could be developed.

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10399	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	E) Maximisation of potential incomes - parking, rentals, to name two.	General Balance of Savings to be Identified (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The scope for charging will be considered, taking account current charges, the position in other local authorities and the impact of charges on vulnerable people and the availability of concessions. The council currently generates income from providing a range of services to partners and organisations. Further opportunities to expand this could be investigated.
10400	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Care not to overload staff as this will result in stress with no one able to pick up workload. Does the provost need a car and chauffeur?	General Balance of Savings to be Identified (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	As the council will have less overall resources, the number of services delivered will have to reduce with services being reviewed based on the impact they have on priorities. This will include changes to service standards and the way remaining services are delivered. It is proposed that future spending will be aligned to the priorities in the Transforming Your Council consultation document.
10401	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Stop buying new cars and houses every year. That well saves money to stop closing whats working.	General Balance of Savings to be Identified (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	This is being considered within proposal 7e - green fleet.
10402	An employee of West Lothian Council	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	I have all wise said people on dole get too much money as they can go out get food delivery and holidays should bring back the people who you to visit and dont write let them know your coming and only let them have one kid less they work to keep them.	General Balance of Savings to be Identified (general)	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	Benefits are decided by the UK and Scottish governments. This includes the parameters and income levels used to determine benefit entitlement.
10403	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	We need to make changes with the amount of people claiming benefits and disability allowance. It has to be investigated more and interviewed and tracked more often. People who claim disability some are given car allowance (top of the range cars!) People who pay there taxes are expected to pay more council tax to fund this - not right!	General Balance of Savings to be Identified (general)	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	Benefits are decided by the UK and Scottish governments. This includes the parameters and income levels used to determine benefit entitlement. The council does not fund PIP or national benefit payments.
10404	An employee of West Lothian Council	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	What I would say is we probably need to review and redefine what the council requires (essential services) to provide and be empowered to say no to = requests that do not meet the essential criteria/statutory provision. As someone who lives, works and has a family in West Lothian I make these comments with concern & sincerity.	General Balance of Savings to be Identified (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	The council has established a priority based approach to budgeting which was approved by councillors. All services will be reviewed based on the impact they have on priorities. It is proposed that future spending will be aligned to the priorities in the Transforming Your Council consultation document. Consideration is given to whether services should continue and what efficiency savings could be generated whilst meeting statutory requirements.
10405	An employee of West Lothian Council	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	introduce charging for non-statutory services	General Balance of Savings to be Identified (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The scope for charging will be considered, taking account current charges, the position in other local authorities and the impact of charges on vulnerable people and the availability of concessions.
10406	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Of the £73 million you are going to save over 5 years how much is targeted to be saved in each of the years?	General Balance of Savings to be Identified (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	More detail on the phasing of savings will be provided in the budget report to be presented to Council for approval in February 2018.
10407	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	You employ environmental health officers who openly admit they have no budget to 'enforce' particularly when it comes to 'noise pollution', perhaps you should have a look at this ineffective team.	General Balance of Savings to be Identified (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	All services will be reviewed based on the impact they have on priorities. It is proposed that future spending will be aligned to the priorities in the Transforming Your Council consultation document. Officers will consider how this proposal could be developed.
10408	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Of the £73 million you are going to save over 5 years how much is targeted to be saved in each of the years?	General Balance of Savings to be Identified (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	More detail on the phasing of savings will be provided in the budget report to be presented to Council for approval in February 2018.
10409	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	You employ environmental health officers who openly admit they have no budget to 'enforce' particularly when it comes to 'noise pollution', perhaps you should have a look at this ineffective team.	General Balance of Savings to be Identified (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	All services will be reviewed based on the impact they have on priorities. It is proposed that future spending will be aligned to the priorities in the Transforming Your Council consultation document. Officers will consider how this proposal could be developed.
10410	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Of the £73 million you are going to save over 5 years how much is targeted to be saved in each of the years?	General Balance of Savings to be Identified (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	More detail on the phasing of savings will be provided in the budget report to be presented to Council for approval in February 2018.

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10411	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	You employ environmental health officers who openly admit they have no budget to 'enforce' particularly when it comes to 'noise pollution', perhaps you should have a look at this ineffective team.	General Balance of Savings to be Identified (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	All services will be reviewed based on the impact they have on priorities. It is proposed that future spending will be aligned to the priorities in the Transforming Your Council consultation document. Officers will consider how this proposal could be developed.
10412	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Of the £73 million you are going to save over 5 years how much is targeted to be saved in each of the years?	General Balance of Savings to be Identified (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	More detail on the phasing of savings will be provided in the budget report to be presented to Council for approval in February 2018.
10413	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	You employ environmental health officers who openly admit they have no budget to 'enforce' particularly when it comes to 'noise pollution', perhaps you should have a look at this ineffective team.	General Balance of Savings to be Identified (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	All services will be reviewed based on the impact they have on priorities. It is proposed that future spending will be aligned to the priorities in the Transforming Your Council consultation document. Officers will consider how this proposal could be developed.
10414	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Of the £73 million you are going to save over 5 years how much is targeted to be saved in each of the years?	General Balance of Savings to be Identified (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	More detail on the phasing of savings will be provided in the budget report to be presented to Council for approval in February 2018.
10415	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	You employ environmental health officers who openly admit they have no budget to 'enforce' particularly when it comes to 'noise pollution', perhaps you should have a look at this ineffective team.	General Balance of Savings to be Identified (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	All services will be reviewed based on the impact they have on priorities. It is proposed that future spending will be aligned to the priorities in the Transforming Your Council consultation document. Officers will consider how this proposal could be developed.
10416	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	I also feel that council beauracacy is causing expenses and also makes council services confusing and inaccessible to people.	General Balance of Savings to be Identified (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The council is committed to reducing bureaucracy wherever possible without impacting on governance requirements.
10417	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	We should not be spending money nearing the end of the financial year just to ensure it is spent but it should be transferred over to other services where need is required	General Balance of Savings to be Identified (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	The phasing of spending on all budgets will reviewed and if spending is higher towards the year end this will be investigated. The council balances the budget over all services with underspends conserved to cover overspends in other areas.
10418	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	If decreasing things there will be less jobs and people out of jobs. It is already hard to get a job so more people will go on benefits and you will lose even more money. The money goes into society so you may not be able to keep your family happy safe and healthy creating problems with everyone around about you which is wrong due to setting children up to fail. This is making it worse for children lifes.	General Balance of Savings to be Identified (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	As the council will have less overall resources, the number of services delivered will have to reduce with services being reviewed based on the impact they have on priorities. This will include changes to service standards, staffing levels and the way remaining services are delivered. It is proposed that future spending will be aligned to the priorities in the Transforming Your Council consultation document.
10419	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	It is time for councillors travel expenses and payments to be reviewed	General Balance of Savings to be Identified (general)	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	The Local Government (Allowances and Expenses) (Scotland) Regulations 2007 set councillors remuneration and expenses.
10420	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Again indicated that over the next 5 years £10.4 million will be putting people out of jobs surely this is a backward step. We should be increasing the workforce to meet the needs of the people in West Lothian and no selling yourselves to the highest bidder(private sector) who seem to make a profit form the services they provide. If they can do it so can West Lothian Council.	General Balance of Savings to be Identified (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	As the council will have less overall resources, the number of services delivered will have to reduce with services being reviewed based on the impact they have on priorities. This will include changes to service standards, staffing levels and the way remaining services are delivered. It is proposed that future spending will be aligned to the priorities in the Transforming Your Council consultation document. There are no plans for wide scale outsourcing of council activities. The council will continue to use contractors where best value is demonstrated.
10421	An employee of West Lothian Council	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	The Government need to be lobbied for additional funds, cost-cutting in this way is playing with people's lives.	General Balance of Savings to be Identified (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	The council regularly emphasises to the Scottish Government the need for a fair settlement for local government as well as working with COSLA (the body that collectively represents local government in Scotland) to emphasise this point.

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10422	An employee of West Lothian Council	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	More Tax funds should be used for this.	General Balance of Savings to be Identified (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Currently the Scottish Government only allows councils to increase council tax by a maximum of 3% annually. The council will consider your suggestion however it would have to be raised with the Scottish Government.
10423	No Response	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Work should be identified before budgets allocated. the current system of receiving a budget first then trying to achieve spend is bad financial management in my view?	General Balance of Savings to be Identified (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	The council has established a priority based approach to budgeting which was approved by councillors. All services will be reviewed based on the impact they have on priorities. It is proposed that future spending will be aligned to the priorities in the Transforming Your Council consultation document.
10424	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Would ask to see detailed breakdown of revenue sources & expenditure so that this can be reviewed for potential savings. Would be good to see calculations that led to forecast of 16.9m budget gap.	General Balance of Savings to be Identified (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	Full details of how the council allocates its resources to individual services is provided in the annual activity budget which is available on the council's website. A summary of key areas of spend are included in the council tax leaflet which is provided along with bills.
10425	No Response	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Basically it will mean either redeployment of staff, or cutting staffing - why don't you just say this instead of saying increasing efficiency etc. How budgets are spent create inefficiencies, how budgets are worked throughout the year create inefficiencies - why when there is an underspend on a particular budget can it not be moved to a budget that it struggling - in accounting terms this is called virement, rather than saying oh we must spend this money on what it was allocated for and then spend it on something just for the sake of it.	General Balance of Savings to be Identified (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	As the council will have less overall resources, the number of services delivered will have to reduce with services being reviewed based on the impact they have on priorities. This will include changes to service standards, staffing levels and the way remaining services are delivered. It is proposed that future spending will be aligned to the priorities in the Transforming Your Council consultation document. The council balances the budget over all services with underspends conserved to cover overspends in other areas.
10426	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	I would support this proposal and also suggest that it reviews pension arrangements for council staff to ensure they are delivering best value for the staff and the authority.	General Balance of Savings to be Identified (general)	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	The pension fund available to staff is determined and administered by the Lothian Pension Fund.
10427	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	The biggest cost other thn direct wages is pension provision. A move towards a sytem nearer to that in operation in the private sector could be considered.	General Balance of Savings to be Identified (general)	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	The pension fund available to staff is determined and administered by the Lothian Pension Fund.
10428	An employee of West Lothian Council	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	We have an expanding population and WLC wants to cut back on buildings/services/staff? Is this not short sighted. The financial structure needs to change - why not have a WLC lottery to supplement services such as ENBALE and any area that is able to receive such funding.	General Balance of Savings to be Identified (general)	5a. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because the council is required by law to deliver this work.	The council is required by law to have a balanced budget. The budget gap faced by the council is a result of funding being insufficient to cover the increasing cost of delivering services due to factors such as population growth and indexation. As the council will have less overall resources, the number of services delivered will have to reduce with services being reviewed based on the impact they have on priorities. This will include changes to service standards and the way remaining services are delivered. It is proposed that future spending will be aligned to the priorities in the Transforming Your Council consultation document.
10429	An employee of West Lothian Council	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	t	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
10430	An employee of West Lothian Council	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Does this mean losing staff / services? Unclear and vague	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
10431	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Again say what you really mean. If you know what these 'specific measures' are then say so and stop speaking with forked tongue. Set out your real intentions and create an honest dialogue.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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10432	No Response	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	No comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
10433	An employee of West Lothian Council	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Noted.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
10434	No Response	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	You should be pulling together anyway, but you can't provide the same level of service with less money and less staff! Not possible, let's not kid ourselves.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
10435	No Response	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	I think I covered this proposal above.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
10436	No Response	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	It would be difficult not to agree with the statement above, however there is insufficient detail to allow me to comment specifically.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
10437	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	can't see how this would work	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
10438	An employee of West Lothian Council	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	see previous	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
10439	An employee of West Lothian Council	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	see 1g	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
10440	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	I repeat ,the council is a major employer,young people must have hope of employment or encourage alternative employers into the area	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
10441	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	As a lay-person, it is hard to comment on this. It depends which services will be changed.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
10442	An employee of West Lothian Council	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	This will remove the currently already stretched resources to achieve minor miracles	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
10443	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	I do not have enough information to comment on this subject.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
10444	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Is this just an aspiration I don't see any plan	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
10445	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Not enough detail to comment.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
10446	No Response	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Typical! Think of thyself!!!	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
10447	No Response	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Lip service	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
10448	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Not enough detail provided for me to comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
10449	An employee of West Lothian Council	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	This is challenging	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
10450	An employee of West Lothian Council	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Again, this doesn't address how it would happen.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
10451	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Not enough information to make an informed judgement	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
10452	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	As above - salaries and pensions.... Pay the best performers more, get rid of the under performers. Financial education for teachers - request that Teachers perhaps downgrade the BMW's and Audis and live within more their means - that way they won't be constantly bleating about money - (which seems to be a magical panacea which will solve all their problems).	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
10453	No Response	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Not sure what you kind of comment you are looking for in relation to the above statement. It already reads as a 'done deal' and therefore there's no point in commenting as it's clear the decision has already been taken to chop and change services to suit as the 'plan' progresses..	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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10454	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	If the staffing levels are to be effected can I ask how that then links into the Council using terms such as "modernising", "transforming". All I can see is cuts and services being slashed. Nothing Modern in that.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
10455	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Hope this doesn't put too many people out of a job	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
10456	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Late (look at England and Wales)	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
10457	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	I don't understand budgeting advantages and restraints enough to comment.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
10458	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	I have no idea what this means. Please explain better.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
10459	An employee of West Lothian Council	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	i dont not know wat this means	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
10460	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	This is signifact gap and challenge the council to identify further areas. Not acceptable to have this big a gap with unidentified initiatives. This is 'white space ' and typically goes unfilled .	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
10461	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Again will be the young and elderly that will suffer.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
10462	An employee of West Lothian Council	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	please be more specific	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
10463	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Why is this not being done already?	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
10464	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	This is too vague a proposal to comment on.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
10465	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Seems poor that this is just a catch all area with the focus on staff reductions.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
10466	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	This is a wonderful proposal, the majority of cuts yet to be identified? How is serious comment on this possible	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
10467	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Don't know who you'd team up with that isn't also struggling.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
10468	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Not enough detail provided to make a comment on â€œassumedâ€ savings	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
10469	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	as with any change its job losses and a lot of unhappy people.Who suffers at the end of the day..THE CHILDREN.	No preference given	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
10470	An employee of West Lothian Council	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	I would need more detail on this before making any informed comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
10471	No Response	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	This is very vague and more detailed information would be required to make a judgement on this proposal.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
10472	No Response	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Don't understand this one .	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
10473	No Response	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	No comment.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
10474	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	No comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
10475	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	No comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
10476	No Response	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	No comments	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
10477	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Not sure	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
10478	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	No comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
10479	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	How can one comment without knowing where the axe will fall? With no idea of this, asking for comment appears to be worthless.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
10480	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	This is meaningless 'gobduly gook' and certainly does not warrant being worth Â£10.4 million	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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10481	An employee of West Lothian Council	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	This just sounds like job cuts again, where the minimum wage/living wage staff losing jobs again	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
10482	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	See answer above.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
10483	An employee of West Lothian Council	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	I think this is a statement of intent and is therefore a waste of time responding. It certainly appears that all the decisions are already made and we are being given the courtesy of "having a say"	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
10484	No Response	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	ghjk	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
10485	No Response	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	It would be helpful to have more detailed proposals on what the changes to service delivery and staffing levels will look like	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
10486	An employee of West Lothian Council	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Can not comment as proposal too vague.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
10487	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	No detail on what this refers to or impacts on. More specific details with examples are needed.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
10488	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Sounds like complete waffle. Given this is your largest saving area identified, further clarity on these savings should be set out	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
10489	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	No Comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
10490	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	No comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
10491	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	This says the Council will make a further saving of £10.4million but we do not know where the saving will be made. How can we give an opinion on this?	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
10492	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	This not clear and sounds like waffle. A general comment on the whole of this document: there is a lot of very vague descriptions of what might be done. There is no detail about what services / facilities are actually going to be cut or reduced and what are the likely impacts of these. The council should be exposing the likely results of these proposed cuts - this document does not give any real examples or details about what is proposed it is general waffle rather than practical examples.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
10493	An employee of West Lothian Council	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	wdq	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
10494	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	A large sum. Hard to see how this can be delivered without impact over the above	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
10495	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	An impossible situation when what is needed is more money.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
10496	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	This is a substantial predicted saving however there is not enough information in this section to make a comment.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
10497	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Large sum to not be able to identify	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
10498	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Again, this is very unclear. Is this just jargon for redundancies and closures.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
10499	No Response	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Your description above does not give actual details as to what you plan on doing therefore it is impossible for me to comment.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
10500	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	So there will be redundancies over the next 5 years, lets hope its by retirement and not forced redundancies.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
10501	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Again appropriate notice of forthcoming changes should be given to all staff included in these areas.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
10502	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	The statement is extremely vague so cannot be commented on.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
10503	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	no comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
10504	No Response	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	no comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
10505	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	One of the advantages of a council of West Lothian's size is that there is accountability at a local level and decisions can be seen to be made as being for the best interests of local residents. Staff also have the benefit of local knowledge of the area and the people.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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10506	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	No comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
10507	No Response	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	N/a	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
10508	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	I'd like to be more informed as to which services were to be streamlined before making any decisions about it.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
10509	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Worrying!	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
10510	An employee of West Lothian Council	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	I'd like to be more informed as to which services were to be streamlined before making any decisions about it.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
10511	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Sounds woolly - no idea what you are proposing.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
10512	An employee of West Lothian Council	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	This is understandable but concerning so more information on this would need to be forth coming.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
10513	No Response	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	no comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
10514	No Response	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	No comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
10515	An employee of West Lothian Council	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	NO COMMENT	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
10516	No Response	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
10517	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	It is always easy to put in a non-specific saving, but this figure is huge, and should be more detailed.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
10518	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	How will the cuts to service delivery and staffing levels be identified? We don't know what impact this reduction will have for carers and young carers. Unless we are given more detail we are unable to comment.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
10519	An employee of West Lothian Council	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	More detail required before anyone could give a judgement on this proposal.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
10520	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	You have a difficult task, and I think you're all doing a great job with what you have!	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
10521	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	No comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
10522	An employee of West Lothian Council	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	N/a	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
10523	An employee of West Lothian Council	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	staffing levels made mention to in response above. Generally staffing levels are affected by "natural wastage" - staff moving on and retirement.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
10524	An employee of West Lothian Council	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Hard to comment in a vacuum on this.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
10525	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	can't see how working with other councils could work the rest is too unspecific to comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
10526	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	This is a big concern for people who rely on council services - what will happen if the savings are not made. Will it mean the most vulnerable people lose their care and support? the council needs to identify options to make these savings.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
10527	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Cutting workforce if they are necessary to do the work will reduce overall efficiency.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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10528	An employee of West Lothian Council	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	arguably this should follow a review of local government....do we really need 32 local councils,	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
10529	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Again, care has to be taken that this would not have effect on local economy	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
10530	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	An honest day's pay for an honest day's work -cut out dead wood and people who are not giving value for money please. No passengers on the train only participants.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
10531	An employee of West Lothian Council	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	It is vital that once these additional measures are identified that staff and local people are given the opportunity to contribute to proposals.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
10532	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	These cuts will impact on the council's provision and is not enough to provide the quality public services that residents in West Lothian need and depend on. Previous cost cutting has had an impact and services have already been under real pressure and members are having to take on unrealistic workloads	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
10533	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Shockingly worded question. What does this mean?..... es share services and save money but what dies changes to service delivery and staffing levels mean? Less bin collections? Daft jobs like clearing leaves in autumn.? Or job losses? If you are going to consult don't play at it do it properly. What isn't this in every door in West Lothian? Why no details? Why such meaningless questions? This seems like a whitewash to me. I get that the Scottish Government has cut budgets but the solution is simple put up council tax! If you put £50-£100 on everyone's bill what would we see? Less reduced services!	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
10534	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	The saving here is huge and I would hope it could be achieved.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
10535	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Too vague, more information should be provided on this as soon as proposals are worked up.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
10536	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	A difficult and fine line to follow.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
10537	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	No comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
10538	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Without more detail on the proposed changes, it is difficult to provide comment on this area regarding the possible shared services.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
10539	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Far too vague a description for ordinary citizens to have any input into this proposal.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
10540	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Eh?	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
10541	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	We do not believe we have the knowledge or experience of this area to be able to make an informed comment on it.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
10542	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Can't see this being a benefit ???	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
10543	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	N/A	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
10544	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	We respond we go 1g wrt impact on voluntary groups.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
10545	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Can not comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
10546	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	So more than half the needed savings are yet to be identified.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
10547	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	See comments above	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
10548	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	As above....change your model.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
10549	An employee of West Lothian Council	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	See previous comment.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
10550	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	As 1g.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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10551	An employee of West Lothian Council	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	I require more information on what this might look like before I can fully comment.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
10552	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	As above	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
10553	No Response	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	as above	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
10554	No Response	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	not well enough informed / not enough detail / examples to comment.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
10555	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Without details it is impossible to comment.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
10556	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Don't know the details, so can't comment.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
10557	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Again this is very difficult to comment on as there is no clarity. It simply seems to be an estimated number that is job cuts. Very poor to be able to make any real comment as it could mean cutting all unnecessary senior posts or cutting essential services on the ground, the former might be more preferred than the latter.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
10558	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	How can you respond on the unknown.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
10559	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	More information required to have a meaningful discussion on these proposals.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
10560	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	As it is not stated what services are being considered it is hard to comment therefore I feel more information needed	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
10561	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Don't know if this is a good idea or not, sounds like it would be good.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
10562	An employee of West Lothian Council	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	See comments above. Also, this is almost impossible to comment upon in detail due to it being so vague and that in the future we will develop specific measures. we have no idea what those would be and what their impact would be.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
10563	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	unable to comment as not in plain english	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
10564	No Response	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	n.a	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
10565	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Don't understand	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
10566	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	N/A	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
10567	An employee of West Lothian Council	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
10568	An employee of West Lothian Council	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Insufficient detail to be able to comment.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
10569	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	No comment.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
10570	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	On the further unidentified Â£10 million cuts we can have no opinion.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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10571	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Within a 5 year budget plan there would be a great degree of flexibility to allow central government to be able to fund projects that become more priority in turn, possibly creating more financial hits on West Lothian Council. Frontline services no matter how the public think they are funded, expect first class accountable outputs where every pound has to be accounted for, it is therefore in my opinion that all the spare fat has been trimmed and it will boil down as to how you can get a workforce providing the same expected level of service without the same level of funding, this in turn creates uncertainty, morale problems. The workforce more than ever need security (jobs) a wage commensurate with inflation and a commitment from management that jobs etc are not on the line however I'm sure everyone and everything to save money must be considered.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
10572	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Prescription charges could be brought back for under 60's. Therefore over 60's and the unemployed could continue to receive prescriptions free of charge.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
10573	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Not clear what services this proposal is affecting. We are concerned about losing local services that are accountable to the residents of West Lothian. "Do you care about what people need or will you just do it anyway"?	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
10574	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	To help health why not have a small charge for prescriptions to everyone. I find this hard as I also do not see very well so do not write very much.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
10575	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Procurement could be pooled with other councils to maximise savings. Current standards of service delivery need to be met. The SLA needs to be comprehensive and enforced.	Procurement (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The Council already utilises national frameworks for procurement of contracts where this is the best method of procuring goods and services.
10576	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	If you don't pay a good wage you won't get good well trained staff who won't to do a good job & stay in it. There should be one buying authority for the whole of Scotland rather than individual councils.	Procurement (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The Council already utilises national frameworks for procurement of contracts where this is the best method of procuring goods and services.
10577	An employee of West Lothian Council	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	5D) A look at the council's Procurement department is needed as the current PECOS system is time consuming, overpriced and sometimes the materials that we are forced to purchase are substandard.	Procurement (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	West Lothian Council has to comply with national and EU legislation and competitive methods are employed. All appropriate suppliers can bid and contracts are tendered taking into consideration price, quality and total cost for all products contained within the contract. It is always possible to identify what seems a better price but staff costs in sourcing, ordering and administration of other suppliers may negate any perceived saving. The system used by the council for ordering goods is PECOS.
10578	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Make sure we get the best out of contracting with others. Are the contracts tight enough. Are there enough experienced lawyers at the council to do this.	Procurement (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	West Lothian Council has to comply with national and EU legislation and competitive methods are employed. All appropriate suppliers can bid and contracts are tendered taking into consideration price, quality and total cost for all products contained within the contract. It is always possible to identify what seems a better price but staff costs in sourcing, ordering and administration of other suppliers may negate any perceived saving. The system used by the council for ordering goods is PECOS.
10579	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	How is procurement managed? Any options to come together with other councils or health boards to improve the contracts secured? Can more of the contact with the council be managed online? Income generation opportunities in the buildings, parks, etc owned/operated by WLC? Outsourcing doesn't always provide the best service and unless the contract is iron clad will result in ad hoc payments being made.	Procurement (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	The Council already utilises national frameworks for procurement of contracts where this is the best method of procuring goods and services.
10580	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	A saving that has not been mentioned, which could be significant, would be to allow council workers/ schools etc to purchase items from cheaper places i.e. Amazon, instead of the council being ripped off by companies registered with PICOS ordering system.	Procurement (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	West Lothian Council has to comply with national and EU legislation and competitive methods are employed. All appropriate suppliers can bid and contracts are tendered taking into consideration price, quality and total cost for all products contained within the contract. It is always possible to identify what seems a better price but staff costs in sourcing, ordering and administration of other suppliers may negate any perceived saving. The system used by the council for ordering goods is PECOS.

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10581	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Council is one of the largest buyers in the area , when a contract goes out you should be making sure we are getting the best value for money with clauses in contracts to advise if they don't supply on time at the right time then contracts will be ended and new suppliers will be sought	Procurement (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The Corporate Procurement Unit supports services to undertake procurement exercises in a way that is consistent with standing orders and legislation. The Corporate Procurement Unit works with Services to ensure that appropriate contract conditions are entered into to allow the delivery of the contract to be effectively managed.
10582	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Ridiculous to even suggest that citting staff makes everything better. A lot of West Lothian are employed by council, you are just moving the debt around, less in work means less council tax etc coming in from people unemployed through cuts. Look to savings on buying goods and services in, better deals. Go in with the other councils to bit for goods and services in a bulk capacity, more people putting in to purchase means more savings. So many little things that could save a lot and save jobs. All this restructuring costs money!	Procurement (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	The Council already utilises national frameworks for procurement of contracts where this is the best method of procuring goods and services.
10583	No Response	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Get rid of PECOS the most ineffective/expensive way to order things. Always at least 3 X more expensive despite the assurance of best deals!	Procurement (general)	5c. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it is not consistent with the council's values and priorities.	West Lothian Council has to comply with national and EU legislation and competitive methods are employed. All appropriate suppliers can bid and contracts are tendered taking into consideration price, quality and total cost for all products contained within the contract. It is always possible to identify what seems a better price but staff costs in sourcing, ordering and administration of other suppliers may negate any perceived saving. The system used by the council for ordering goods is PECOS.
10584	An employee of West Lothian Council	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Ensure procurement contracts are the best they can be	Procurement (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	West Lothian Council has to comply with national and EU legislation and competitive methods are employed. All appropriate suppliers can bid and contracts are tendered taking into consideration price, quality and total cost for all products contained within the contract.
10585	An employee of West Lothian Council	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Allow schools to purchase products from any source that provides best value.	Procurement (general)	5b. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it is likely that the costs of this proposal would outweigh the benefit.	West Lothian Council has to comply with national and EU legislation and competitive methods are employed. All appropriate suppliers can bid and contracts are tendered taking into consideration price, quality and total cost for all products contained within the contract.
10586	An employee of West Lothian Council	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	In my opinion the procurement system PECOS wastes a lot of money, having to buy items which you know can be purchased cheaper and often with better service!	Procurement (general)	5c. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it is not consistent with the council's values and priorities.	West Lothian Council has to comply with national and EU legislation and competitive methods are employed. All appropriate suppliers can bid and contracts are tendered taking into consideration price, quality and total cost for all products contained within the contract. It is always possible to identify what seems a better price but staff costs in sourcing, ordering and administration of other suppliers may negate any perceived saving. The system used by the council for ordering goods is PECOS.
10587	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Procurement process and companies used should be relaxed with departments allowed to use different suppliers. WLC is currently being overcharged for everything which is probably the biggest saving that could be made.	Procurement (general)	5b. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it is likely that the costs of this proposal would outweigh the benefit.	West Lothian Council has to comply with national and EU legislation and competitive methods are employed. All appropriate suppliers can bid and contracts are tendered taking into consideration price, quality and total cost for all products contained within the contract.

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10588	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Procurement should be easier for bespoke items as exemption orders take far too long even with a suitable business case	Procurement (general)	5b. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it is likely that the costs of this proposal would outweigh the benefit.	West Lothian Council has to comply with national and EU legislation and competitive methods are employed. All appropriate suppliers can bid and contracts are tendered taking into consideration price, quality and total cost for all products contained within the contract. It is always possible to identify what seems a better price but staff costs in sourcing, ordering and administration of other suppliers may negate any perceived saving. The system used by the council for ordering goods is PECOS.
10589	An employee of West Lothian Council	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Huge savings could be made through the purchasing of equipment. The eprocurement scheme (pecos) does not offer best value as the majority of my purchase needs could have be sourced elsewhere for less.	Procurement (general)	5b. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it is likely that the costs of this proposal would outweigh the benefit.	West Lothian Council has to comply with national and EU legislation and competitive methods are employed. All appropriate suppliers can bid and contracts are tendered taking into consideration price, quality and total cost for all products contained within the contract. It is always possible to identify what seems a better price but staff costs in sourcing, ordering and administration of other suppliers may negate any perceived saving. The system used by the council for ordering goods is PECOS.
10590	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Personally though I would prefer review of external provider contracts.	Procurement (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	The council undertakes supplier management of all external contracts to ensure that they continue to deliver cost effective and efficient services which meet customers needs.
10591	An employee of West Lothian Council	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	We are wasting a lot of money in our budgets. Personally, I work in a school within the council. Recently I was forced to buy books at a higher price through our supplier instead of buying them cheaper from another one simply because we had a contract. This is frequently the case with the cost of stationary, packet of pencils from Consortium is 20p, while they are Â£1.00 from Lyreco. Lyreco have the contract so we pay the higher price, to detriment of our budgets and education systems. Schools, hospitals and all council services should be free to buy from the cheapest supplier and not the preferred one. If we must buy from preferred suppliers, contracts should be renegotiated to accommodate the cheapest prices for the same/similar product.	Procurement (general)	5b. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it is likely that the costs of this proposal would outweigh the benefit.	West Lothian Council has to comply with national and EU legislation and competitive methods are employed. All appropriate suppliers can bid and contracts are tendered taking into consideration price, quality and total cost for all products contained within the contract. It is always possible to identify what seems a better price but staff costs in sourcing, ordering and administration of other suppliers may negate any perceived saving. The system used by the council for ordering goods is PECOS.
10592	An employee of West Lothian Council	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Revamp the purchasing dept and get in specialists to negotiate better pricing. Drop PECOS system and source locally and empower local manager to manage pricing. that would save millions being wasted.	Procurement (general)	5b. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it is likely that the costs of this proposal would outweigh the benefit.	West Lothian Council has to comply with national and EU legislation and competitive methods are employed. All appropriate suppliers can bid and contracts are tendered taking into consideration price, quality and total cost for all products contained within the contract. It is always possible to identify what seems a better price but staff costs in sourcing, ordering and administration of other suppliers may negate any perceived saving. The system used by the council for ordering goods is PECOS.
10593	An employee of West Lothian Council	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Pecos should be scrapped, costs too much money. Higher up management pay cuts.	Procurement (general)	5b. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it is likely that the costs of this proposal would outweigh the benefit.	West Lothian Council has to comply with national and EU legislation and competitive methods are employed. All appropriate suppliers can bid and contracts are tendered taking into consideration price, quality and total cost for all products contained within the contract. It is always possible to identify what seems a better price but staff costs in sourcing, ordering and administration of other suppliers may negate any perceived saving. The system used by the council for ordering goods is PECOS.

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10594	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Re-evaluate procurement to include other third sector organisations and partners to ensure best delivery at lowest prices.	Procurement (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	West Lothian Council has to comply with national and EU legislation and competitive methods are employed. All appropriate suppliers can bid and contracts are tendered taking into consideration price, quality and total cost for all products contained within the contract.
10595	An employee of West Lothian Council	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	All staff involved in procurement exercises should be given training in advance, not just on procurement legislation but also tactics of private sector firms and the whole culture that they are being exposed to. Many staff are naïve about intentions of firms they are engaging with, and the overarching message around EU procurement regs doesn't empower managers to make good long-term decisions. Process improvement recommendations through this initiative need to be taken on board by relevant managers rather than seen as an option to be considered. Thought should be given to how this is enforced to deliver the anticipated efficiencies.	Procurement (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	The Corporate Procurement Unit supports services to undertake procurement exercises in a way that is consistent with standing orders and legislation. Corporate Procurement is committed to providing information and support to improve users knowledge of procurement processes. West Lothian Council has to comply with national and EU legislation and competitive methods are employed. All appropriate suppliers can bid and contracts are tendered taking into consideration price, quality and total cost for all products contained within the contract.
10596	No Response	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Services should be provide with purchase cards instead of being forced to use hugely overpriced online services such as Pecos. Having access to purchase card would allow services to make better choices when making purchases	Procurement (general)	5b. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it is likely that the costs of this proposal would outweigh the benefit.	West Lothian Council has to comply with national and EU legislation and competitive methods are employed. All appropriate suppliers can bid and contracts are tendered taking into consideration price, quality and total cost for all products contained within the contract. It is always possible to identify what seems a better price but staff costs in sourcing, ordering and administration of other suppliers may negate any perceived saving. The system used by the council for ordering goods is PECOS.
10597	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	It would be beneficial if schools weren't tied to specific suppliers, on PICOS.	Procurement (general)	5b. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it is likely that the costs of this proposal would outweigh the benefit.	West Lothian Council has to comply with national and EU legislation and competitive methods are employed. All appropriate suppliers can bid and contracts are tendered taking into consideration price, quality and total cost for all products contained within the contract. It is always possible to identify what seems a better price but staff costs in sourcing, ordering and administration of other suppliers may negate any perceived saving. The system used by the council for ordering goods is PECOS.
10598	No Response	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	The private sector has only one aim, to make a profit ; third party providers must be strictly monitored and held to account.	Procurement (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	The council regularly monitors the performance of third party provides to ensure that they continue to deliver value for money services.
10599	No Response	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Third party providers typically cost more than incumbent staff, make sure you use professional purchasing support to ensure you receive best value for moneydc	Procurement (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	West Lothian Council has to comply with national and EU legislation and competitive methods are employed. All appropriate suppliers can bid and contracts are tendered taking into consideration price, quality and total cost for all products contained within the contract.
10600	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	The council should closely analyse the use of third party providers, as it has been found that in the long term they often prove to be more costly than internal provision. The council should also ensure the the appropriate structures are set up to measure and manage the quality of any services provided by 3rd parties.	Procurement (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	The council regularly monitors the performance of third party provides to ensure that they continue to deliver value for money services.
10601	An employee of West Lothian Council	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	More sponsorship for schools etc Review all contractors and the prices they charge the council. This also applies to all materials sourced.	Procurement (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	The council regularly monitors the performance of third party provides to ensure that they continue to deliver value for money services.
10602	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Provision to negotiate local contracts rather than accept Scottish wide procurements which does not factor in local businesses and sustainability. In addition the option to negotiate contracts with existing suppliers rather than retender/renew.	Procurement (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	West Lothian Council has to comply with national and EU legislation and competitive methods are employed. All appropriate suppliers can bid and contracts are tendered taking into consideration price, quality and total cost for all products contained within the contract.

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10603	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	I think sometimes when it's the council buying anything it's a chase of think of a figure double it and chance your luck. Better procurement needed.	Procurement (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	West Lothian Council has to comply with national and EU legislation and competitive methods are employed. All appropriate suppliers can bid and contracts are tendered taking into consideration price, quality and total cost for all products contained within the contract.
10604	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	A look at the council's Procurement department is needed as the current PECOS system is time consuming, overpriced and sometimes the materials that we are forced to purchase are substandard.	Procurement (general)	5c. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it is not consistent with the council's values and priorities.	West Lothian Council has to comply with national and EU legislation and competitive methods are employed. All appropriate suppliers can bid and contracts are tendered taking into consideration price, quality and total cost for all products contained within the contract. It is always possible to identify what seems a better price but staff costs in sourcing, ordering and administration of other suppliers may negate any perceived saving. The system used by the council for ordering goods is PECOS.
10605	An employee of West Lothian Council	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	A look at the council's Procurement department is needed as the current PECOS system is time consuming, overpriced and sometimes the materials that we are forced to purchase are substandard.	Procurement (general)	5c. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it is not consistent with the council's values and priorities.	West Lothian Council has to comply with national and EU legislation and competitive methods are employed. All appropriate suppliers can bid and contracts are tendered taking into consideration price, quality and total cost for all products contained within the contract. It is always possible to identify what seems a better price but staff costs in sourcing, ordering and administration of other suppliers may negate any perceived saving. The system used by the council for ordering goods is PECOS.
10606	An employee of West Lothian Council	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	A look at the council's Procurement department is needed as the current PECOS system is time consuming, overpriced and sometimes the materials that we are forced to purchase are substandard.	Procurement (general)	5c. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it is not consistent with the council's values and priorities.	West Lothian Council has to comply with national and EU legislation and competitive methods are employed. All appropriate suppliers can bid and contracts are tendered taking into consideration price, quality and total cost for all products contained within the contract. It is always possible to identify what seems a better price but staff costs in sourcing, ordering and administration of other suppliers may negate any perceived saving. The system used by the council for ordering goods is PECOS.
10607	An employee of West Lothian Council	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	In my experience of business when a company gets the chance to quote for 'the council' they increase the cost significantly and its rarely challenged despite procurement policies being in place. this may be the case here.	Procurement (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	West Lothian Council has to comply with national and EU legislation and competitive methods are employed. All appropriate suppliers can bid and contracts are tendered taking into consideration price, quality and total cost for all products contained within the contract.
10608	An employee of West Lothian Council	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	More centralisation of purchasing items such as stationery, furniture, outside courses as each Partnership probably has a surplus of items that might be used in other Partnership centres and courses could be given in-house. Approvals for purchases should be more strict as it becomes easy under pressure of other work just to 'click' approved without fully understanding that the resource ordered may actually be sitting in a stockroom elsewhere.	Procurement (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	West Lothian Council has to comply with national and EU legislation and competitive methods are employed. All appropriate suppliers can bid and contracts are tendered taking into consideration price, quality and total cost for all products contained within the contract.
10609	No Response	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Reiterating the stress levels for Council Staff who give 100% in their job, I sympathise with them. As much as I have a good grasp of the PECOS system is still fails to amaze me that the Council still use the suppliers that the do - to enable a more effective service to the county, affordable, LOCAL services would help towards closing the deficit. On the PECOS topic sometimes by spending slightly more money, the 'resource' can be more effective as it last longer and is better quality, once again helping reduce the deficit.	Procurement (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	West Lothian Council has to comply with national and EU legislation and competitive methods are employed. All appropriate suppliers can bid and contracts are tendered taking into consideration price, quality and total cost for all products contained within the contract. It is always possible to identify what seems a better price but staff costs in sourcing, ordering and administration of other suppliers may negate any perceived saving. The system used by the council for ordering goods is PECOS.

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10610	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Noticeable that Procurement savings are not even mentioned once in this consultation. Do Procurement Services actually deliver any material savings? If ever a service need outsourced it has to be Procurement.	Procurement (general)	5c. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it is not consistent with the council's values and priorities.	The Corporate Procurement Unit supports services to undertake procurement exercises in a way that is consistent with standing orders and legislation. Corporate Procurement is committed to providing information and support to improve users knowledge of procurement processes.
10611	No Response	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	5D) A look at the council's Procurement department is needed as the current PECOS system is time consuming, overpriced and sometimes the materials that we are forced to purchase are substandard.	Procurement (general)	5b. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it is likely that the costs of this proposal would outweigh the benefit.	West Lothian Council has to comply with national and EU legislation and competitive methods are employed. All appropriate suppliers can bid and contracts are tendered taking into consideration price, quality and total cost for all products contained within the contract. It is always possible to identify what seems a better price but staff costs in sourcing, ordering and administration of other suppliers may negate any perceived saving. The system used by the council for ordering goods is PECOS.
10612	An employee of West Lothian Council	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	The council needs to increase its focus and resources to ensure effective procurement of supplies, services and works through enhanced technology, data and a rigorous compliance culture to ensure best value contracts are established and mandated across the council. Waste needs to be identified and eliminated from he supply chain.	Procurement (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	West Lothian Council has to comply with national and EU legislation and competitive methods are employed. All appropriate suppliers can bid and contracts are tendered taking into consideration price, quality and total cost for all products contained within the contract.
10613	An employee of West Lothian Council	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Resources for schools currently have to be ordered through the PICOS system. When we order from this, PICOS seems to want us to order the cheapest resources which do not last. In the long run we are probably spending more money on cheap items than we might if we were allowed to buy the better quality items needed in classes. I have had cheap pencils, pens etc... which quite often have gone straight into the bin because they are rubbish! A total waste of money.	Procurement (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	West Lothian Council has to comply with national and EU legislation and competitive methods are employed. All appropriate suppliers can bid and contracts are tendered taking into consideration price, quality and total cost for all products contained within the contract. It is always possible to identify what seems a better price but staff costs in sourcing, ordering and administration of other suppliers may negate any perceived saving. The system used by the council for ordering goods is PECOS.
10614	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	I think there is a lot of waste due to the Council taving to use particular suppliers. I have seen this first hand on local psa where a new library was being created. All furniture, shelves etc had to be purchase from a particular catalogue which had extortionate prices. Good joiners could have made shelving etc more cheaply and just as safe. It's like a diet you just swap to less calorific items but you can still eat!!	Procurement (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	West Lothian Council has to comply with national and EU legislation and competitive methods are employed. All appropriate suppliers can bid and contracts are tendered taking into consideration price, quality and total cost for all products contained within the contract. It is always possible to identify what seems a better price but staff costs in sourcing, ordering and administration of other suppliers may negate any perceived saving. The system used by the Council for ordering goods is PECOS.
10615	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	A look at the council's Procurement department is needed as the current PECOS system is time consuming, overpriced and sometimes the materials that we are forced to purchase are substandard.	Procurement (general)	5b. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it is likely that the costs of this proposal would outweigh the benefit.	West Lothian Council has to comply with national and EU legislation and competitive methods are employed. All appropriate suppliers can bid and contracts are tendered taking into consideration price, quality and total cost for all products contained within the contract. It is always possible to identify what seems a better price but staff costs in sourcing, ordering and administration of other suppliers may negate any perceived saving. The system used by the council for ordering goods is PECOS.

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10616	An employee of West Lothian Council	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	A look at the council's Procurement department is needed as the current PECOS system is time consuming, overpriced and sometimes the materials that we are forced to purchase are substandard.	Procurement (general)	5b. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it is likely that the costs of this proposal would outweigh the benefit.	West Lothian Council has to comply with national and EU legislation and competitive methods are employed. All appropriate suppliers can bid and contracts are tendered taking into consideration price, quality and total cost for all products contained within the contract. It is always possible to identify what seems a better price but staff costs in sourcing, ordering and administration of other suppliers may negate any perceived saving. The system used by the council for ordering goods is PECOS.
10617	An employee of West Lothian Council	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	5D) A look at the council's Procurement department is needed as the current PECOS system is time consuming, overpriced and sometimes the materials that we are forced to purchase are substandard.	Procurement (general)	5b. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it is likely that the costs of this proposal would outweigh the benefit.	West Lothian Council has to comply with national and EU legislation and competitive methods are employed. All appropriate suppliers can bid and contracts are tendered taking into consideration price, quality and total cost for all products contained within the contract. It is always possible to identify what seems a better price but staff costs in sourcing, ordering and administration of other suppliers may negate any perceived saving. The system used by the council for ordering goods is PECOS.
10618	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	As someone who has taught in West Lothian for many years I am aware that significant savings could be made from allowing schools to purchase resources outwith the current business support model. Schools would be able to make better choices when allowed to purchase from a free market. I am aware that this would be more time consuming initially and that may outweigh the savings initially but it can only benefit in the longer term.	Procurement (general)	5b. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it is likely that the costs of this proposal would outweigh the benefit.	West Lothian Council has to comply with national and EU legislation and competitive methods are employed. All appropriate suppliers can bid and contracts are tendered taking into consideration price, quality and total cost for all products contained within the contract. It is always possible to identify what seems a better price but staff costs in sourcing, ordering and administration of other suppliers may negate any perceived saving. The system used by the council for ordering goods is PECOS.
10619	An employee of West Lothian Council	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Removal of Pecos as the purchasing mechanism would probably create these savings on it's own.	Procurement (general)	5b. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it is likely that the costs of this proposal would outweigh the benefit.	West Lothian Council has to comply with national and EU legislation and competitive methods are employed. All appropriate suppliers can bid and contracts are tendered taking into consideration price, quality and total cost for all products contained within the contract. It is always possible to identify what seems a better price but staff costs in sourcing, ordering and administration of other suppliers may negate any perceived saving. The system used by the council for ordering goods is PECOS.
10620	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Central ordering would greatly reduce costs to the council.	Procurement (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council utilises the PECOS system to facilitate central ordering of goods and services.
10621	An employee of West Lothian Council	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	The electronic purchasing system PECOS is grossly inefficient. The prices from official suppliers are rarely the cheapest way to purchase - and often much more expensive. By scrapping this and allowing departments to find the cheapest and best product in an open market could save the Council a considerable sum. Also, admin and support staff provide vital services. We can only cut these so far before vital services are affected.	Procurement (general)	5b. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it is likely that the costs of this proposal would outweigh the benefit.	West Lothian Council has to comply with national and EU legislation and competitive methods are employed. All appropriate suppliers can bid and contracts are tendered taking into consideration price, quality and total cost for all products contained within the contract. It is always possible to identify what seems a better price but staff costs in sourcing, ordering and administration of other suppliers may negate any perceived saving. The system used by the Council for ordering goods is PECOS.
10622	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	The Procurement team are adding time onto every contract due to delays issuing tenders, creating problems with site start times. Remove this step from the contracts process.	Procurement (general)	5b. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it is likely that the costs of this proposal would outweigh the benefit.	The Corporate Procurement Unit supports services to undertake procurement exercises in a way that is consistent with standing orders and legislation. Corporate Procurement is committed to providing information and support to improve users knowledge of procurement processes.

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10623	An employee of West Lothian Council	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Return procurement tasks to individual services rather than centralising within a Corporate Procurement unit. Reduce focus on internal reporting and performance management.	Procurement (general)	5b. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it is likely that the costs of this proposal would outweigh the benefit.	The Corporate Procurement Unit supports services to undertake procurement exercises in a way that is consistent with standing orders and legislation. Corporate Procurement is committed to providing information and support to improve users knowledge of procurement processes. The Council has a number of systems and processes in place which are essential to enable the Council to monitor and report performance and efficiency.
10624	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	purchase else where apart from pecos as this is not always the best value for money.	Procurement (general)	5b. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it is likely that the costs of this proposal would outweigh the benefit.	West Lothian Council has to comply with national and EU legislation and competitive methods are employed. All appropriate suppliers can bid and contracts are tendered taking into consideration price, quality and total cost for all products contained within the contract. It is always possible to identify what seems a better price but staff costs in sourcing, ordering and administration of other suppliers may negate any perceived saving. The system used by the council for ordering goods is PECOS.
10625	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Train procurement staff properly so that they can negotiate the best deals possible.	Procurement (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	The Corporate Procurement Unit supports services to undertake procurement exercises in a way that is consistent with standing orders and legislation. Corporate Procurement is committed to providing information and support to improve users knowledge of procurement processes.
10626	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Make bulk purchases for geographical location across councils to achieve economies of scale. Promote volunteer opportunities.	Procurement (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Officers will consider how this can be developed.
10627	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Not paying more than needed just because its not on a contract, haggle, get good deals put in joint bids for goods and services. So many silly small things that add up to a lot of money!	Procurement (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	West Lothian Council has to comply with national and EU legislation and competitive methods are employed. All appropriate suppliers can bid and contracts are tendered taking into consideration price, quality and total cost for all products contained within the contract.
10628	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Avoid giving contracts to "friends and family" of Councilors and staff, publish contract details (easily done without exposing sensitive material) stating why this firm was chosen over that one. A more expensive firm might offer better value somewhere else. People need to see this otherwise it's brown envelope territory again.	Procurement (general)	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	West Lothian Council has to comply with national and EU legislation and competitive methods are employed. All appropriate suppliers can bid and contracts are tendered taking into consideration price, quality and total cost for all products contained within the contract.
10629	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	False economy savings. Outsourcing to the lowest bidder with the best service delivery plan sounds like a sound idea however when that provider then decides to, for example, cut their staffing levels half way through the contract in order to make cost savings to give themselves a better financial return the service delivery may still make the bare minimum requirement to maintain the contract however the service delivery becomes substandard.	Procurement (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council regularly monitors supplier performance to ensure that contracts continue to deliver efficient and effective goods and services to the council.
10630	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	I don't oppose this increase but I do think that there are some simple steps that West Lothian could do to start to close the budget gap. Forcing employees to order through the PECOS system means that we spend more on goods than if we searched ourselves. Whilst each person's savings would not be huge, as a total the council would get much more goods for its pounds making it more efficient.	Procurement (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	West Lothian Council has to comply with national and EU legislation and competitive methods are employed. All appropriate suppliers can bid and contracts are tendered taking into consideration price, quality and total cost for all products contained within the contract. It is always possible to identify what seems a better price but staff costs in sourcing, ordering and administration of other suppliers may negate any perceived saving. The system used by the council for ordering goods is PECOS.
10631	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	You currently pay how much to be a member of Scotland Exel? Don't pay it and get a better deal on all the contracts they are meant to be saving you! Or get rid of your procurement team as the task of exel is to get best value for all councils which to be honest isn't happening looking around some of your buildings	Procurement (general)	5b. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it is likely that the costs of this proposal would outweigh the benefit.	The council utilises Scotland Excel framework agreements where these are considered to provide the best value for the council and deliver the more cost effective solution to support delivery of council services.

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10632	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Review current process and buying with a collaborative discussion on a joint venture with neighboring councils	Procurement (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	The council utilises framework agreements where these are considered to provide the best value for the council and deliver the more cost effective solution to support delivery of council services.
10633	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Locally based service providers, especially those with charitable status who have to apply yearly, struggle to build on and develop these services, due to the commissioning process. There is a need to ensure value for money and the needs of the user being met, but there has been no increase in the cost for a number of years.	Procurement (general)	5b. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it is likely that the costs of this proposal would outweigh the benefit.	West Lothian Council has to comply with national and EU legislation and competitive methods are employed. All appropriate suppliers can bid and contracts are tendered taking into consideration price, quality and total cost for all products contained within the contract.
10634	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Procurement systems are costing schools a fortune for inferior goods. Start reducing teacher workload and improving well-being	Procurement (general)	5b. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it is likely that the costs of this proposal would outweigh the benefit.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
10635	An employee of West Lothian Council	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Ensure the tenders don't allow for adhoc charges to be applied on top of agreed unit costs.	Procurement (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council's Corporate Procurement Unit works with Services to deliver contracts which provide best value for the council and to avoid introduction of clauses which permit ad hoc charges to be applied.
10636	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Review procurement policies.	Procurement (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	The council regularly reviews procurement policies and procedures to ensure that they support effective delivery of the procurement function.
10637	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	This is of course a huge savings. I wish to point out that working "with other councils and public authorities to deliver shared services" raises alarm bells with me, and I would insist on assurances that West Lothian Council would not be subsumed and overwhelmed by Edinburgh Council, resulting in services being 'migrated' to Edinburgh. This would be detrimental and a huge loss both in practical terms eg travel times and costs; as well as being a threat to our local 'identity', which arises from, inter alia, long-established local organizations, deeply rooted in the community, and attuned to the specific social and economic needs of the West Lothian population.	Shared Services	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The council has a proven track record of partnership working and would wish to build on this to continue providing local services. Through integration, and potentially sharing services with partners, it is expected that access and individual experiences will be improved. There would be less duplication and more streamlining of services. Access to services would be an essential consideration in the development of any plans to consolidate activities with partners. Any partnership arrangement would need to contribute to the council's agreed priorities.
10638	An employee of West Lothian Council	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	LOOK AT DISBANDING LOCAL SERVICE AND GOING IN WITH EDINBURGH OR CENTRAL'S SERVICE	Shared Services	5c. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it is not consistent with the council's values and priorities.	Whilst maintaining local services the council has a proven track record of partnership working and would wish to build on this to continue providing local services. Through integration it is expected that access and individual experiences will be improved. There would be less duplication and more streamlining of services.
10639	An employee of West Lothian Council	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	I think there are obvious logistical problems working across more than one local authority but partnership working is always a good approach	Shared Services	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The council has a proven track record of partnership working and would wish to build on this to continue providing local services. Through integration, and potentially sharing services with partners, it is expected that access and individual experiences will be improved. There would be less duplication and more streamlining of services. Access to services would be an essential consideration in the development of any plans to consolidate activities with partners.
10640	An employee of West Lothian Council	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	It is very important that all local authorities look at shared services. It is talked about but never really pursued. It is important for each local authority to be brave enough and hand-over control of some of its services to another authority if they do it better/more efficiently.	Shared Services	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has a proven track record of partnership working and would wish to build on this to continue providing local services. Through integration, and potentially sharing services with partners, it is expected that access and individual experiences will be improved. There would be less duplication and more streamlining of services.

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10641	An employee of West Lothian Council	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	this is so general it is impossible to comment on - it is unclear what work would be shared with other councils - I would have concerns that shared services resulted in people having to travel further / being unable to access services - for example currently DWP assessments are not carried out within West Lothian and claimants have to travel to Edinburgh - for clients that require to be accompanied this results in staff spending several hours escorting a client to / from Edinburgh - another example would be the Challenging Behaviour GP practice which again is based in Edinburgh which has resulted in clients who are not able to travel unaccompanied / whose lives are too chaotic being left without a GP	Shared Services	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The council has a proven track record of partnership working and would wish to build on this to continue providing local services. Through integration, and potentially sharing services with partners, it is expected that access and individual experiences will be improved. There would be less duplication and more streamlining of services. The services highlighted in the comment are not delivered by the council but by the national government and health. Access to services would be an essential consideration in the development of any plans to consolidate activities with partners.
10642	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Sharing of services between Councils would appear to be a sensible means of saving costs and avoiding duplication.	Shared Services	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has a proven track record of partnership working and would wish to build on this to continue providing local services. Through integration, and potentially sharing services with partners, it is expected that access and individual experiences will be improved. There would be less duplication and more streamlining of services.
10643	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Look to outsourcing some areas to reduce costs and get best value	Shared Services	5c. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it is not consistent with the council's values and priorities.	The council has a best value framework which requires the council to consider best value and all possible ways of delivering services, including use of external contractors. There are currently no proposals on the widespread outsourcing of council services to external providers.
10644	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Shared services are attractive but having seen some of this in effect with many other councils, there is a risk to efficiency and prioritising work depending which is the lead authority.	Shared Services	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The council has a proven track record of partnership working and would wish to build on this to continue providing local services. Through integration, and potentially sharing services with partners, it is expected that access and individual experiences will be improved. There would be less duplication and more streamlining of services. Any partnership arrangement would need to contribute to the council's agreed priorities.
10645	An employee of West Lothian Council	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	The Council must seriously considered joint services.	Shared Services	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has a proven track record of partnership working and would wish to build on this to continue providing local services. Through integration, and potentially sharing services with partners, it is expected that access and individual experiences will be improved. There would be less duplication and more streamlining of services.
10646	An employee of West Lothian Council	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Shared service delivery has not been a very successful model to date. Perhaps there is scope within corporate and support services elements, but not in terms of frontline delivery services. Reductions in staffing to provide budget savings will have to be honestly reflected in reductions in service delivery.	Shared Services	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has a proven track record of partnership working and would wish to build on this to continue providing local services. Through integration, and potentially sharing services with partners, it is expected that access and individual experiences will be improved. There would be less duplication and more streamlining of services. Any partnership arrangement would need to contribute to the council's agreed priorities.
10647	No Response	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	The delivery of shared services has been mentioned often in the past but there doesn't appear to have been much progress. It should be explored more aggressively, but I would doubt if the estimated saving of £10.4m could be found by that means alone.	Shared services	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has a proven track record of partnership working and would wish to build on this to continue providing local services. Through integration, and potentially sharing services with partners, it is expected that access and individual experiences will be improved. There would be less duplication and more streamlining of services.
10648	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	the council should look at other partners within the community partnership to see if they can work together to deliver shared services.	Shared services	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	West Lothian has a proven track record of partnership working and would wish to build on this. Through integration it is expected that access and individual experiences will be improved. There would be less duplication and more streamlining of services.

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10649	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Collaborations don't always work and quite often don't realise the savings expected. WLC were formerly part of Lothian Region which was split up in the 1990's, bigger doesn't always mean better. Shared services and resources clearly means a reduction in staff numbers.	Shared services	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	West Lothian has a proven track record of partnership working and would wish to build on this. Through integration it is expected that access and individual experiences will be improved. There would be less duplication and more streamlining of services.
10650	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Fine. I think working with other councils is good practice to share services and buy in specialised expertise when required. Before losing popular services, however, I personally would like to be asked first of all if I would be prepared to pay for the service first.	Shared Services	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has a proven track record of partnership working and would wish to build on this to continue providing local services. Through integration, and potentially sharing services with partners, it is expected that access and individual experiences will be improved. There would be less duplication and more streamlining of services.
10651	No Response	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Shared services take a long time to deliver and embed so although a good approach, may not materialise any savings in the five year period.	Shared Services	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has a proven track record of partnership working and would wish to build on this to continue providing local services. Through integration, and potentially sharing services with partners, it is expected that access and individual experiences will be improved. There would be less duplication and more streamlining of services. Consideration would be given to the level of savings that could be generated from any shared services arrangement before implementation.
10652	An employee of West Lothian Council	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	I think this makes complete sense. Delivering shared services such as IT, HR and payroll to name but a few seems the way forward. Reducing duplication throughout WLC would also make sense. As it stands WLC currently have Housing (via housing officers), the Corporate Advice Team, The Corporate Debt Team and the Advice Shop all tackling similar issues.	Shared Services	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has a proven track record of partnership working and would wish to build on this to continue providing local services. Through integration, and potentially sharing services with partners, it is expected that access and individual experiences will be improved. There would be less duplication and more streamlining of services. In addition to investigating partnership working, the council will continue to remove internal duplication and consolidate teams where appropriate.
10653	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Support proposal to centralise and amalgamate services as is seen in all industries to manage costs and savings.	Shared Services	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has a proven track record of partnership working and would wish to build on this to continue providing local services. Through integration, and potentially sharing services with partners, it is expected that access and individual experiences will be improved. There would be less duplication and more streamlining of services. In addition to investigating partnership working, the council will continue to remove internal duplication and consolidate teams where appropriate.
10654	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	The concept of 'shared services' has been demonstrated as impractical, expensive and delivering very little outturn savings where it has been trialled.	Shared Services	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council has a proven track record of partnership working and would wish to build on this to continue providing local services. Through integration, and potentially sharing services with partners, it is expected that access and individual experiences will be improved. There would be less duplication and more streamlining of services. Consideration would be given to the level of savings that could be generated from any shared services arrangement before implementation.
10655	No Response	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Will this mean what happened before with district and regional councils forming again? How will shared services work these ideas should be shared with the community	Shared Services	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The structure of local government is determined at a national level. The council would be looking for opportunities to work closer with partners and other local authorities to deliver some services.

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10656	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Again, this could significantly impact jobs but I can't see any other options but to share services with other councils to reduce your costs. Again, measuring that service delivery effectiveness is being maintained is critical.	Shared Services	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has a proven track record of partnership working and would wish to build on this to continue providing local services. Through integration, and potentially sharing services with partners, it is expected that access and individual experiences will be improved. There would be less duplication and more streamlining of services. Any partnership arrangement would need to contribute to the council's agreed priorities and outline service delivery levels.
10657	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Shared services across local authority boundaries appears to function successfully. So far this survey makes no mention of revenue generating activities. Given the huge range of services a council delivers and the skills and equipment in-house, it should be capable of selling some of these services externally throughout the region.	Shared Services	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The council currently generates income from providing a range of services to partners and organisations. Further opportunities to expand this could be investigated.
10658	No Response	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	This could work well. Some service areas aren't top heavy with staff already in West Lothian. A shared resource could well maintain and perhaps improve some service delivery.	Shared Services	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has a proven track record of partnership working and would wish to build on this to continue providing local services. Through integration, and potentially sharing services with partners, it is expected that access and individual experiences will be improved. There would be less duplication and more streamlining of services.
10659	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	There was shared services before - they were called Regional Councils - and they didn't work!	Shared Services	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The structure of local government is determined at a national level. The council would be looking for opportunities to work closer with partners and other local authorities to deliver some services.
10660	No Response	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Some services may benefit from shared services as long as both parties in the shared service has equal footing	Shared Services	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has a proven track record of partnership working and would wish to build on this to continue providing local services. Through integration, and potentially sharing services with partners, it is expected that access and individual experiences will be improved. There would be less duplication and more streamlining of services. Any partnership arrangement would need to contribute to the council's agreed priorities.
10661	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	It's time to modernise the council and get rid of the old DLO workforce. Huge savings could be made by going out to tender and replace the workers that have been wrapped in cotton wool for the last 15 years.	Shared Services	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council is subject to rigorous external audit and both Audit Scotland and EY have confirmed, over a number of years, that the council has robust financial management and delivers best value in the use of public resources. All services will be reviewed based on the impact they have on priorities. It is proposed that future spending will be aligned to the priorities in the Transforming Your Council consultation document.
10662	No Response	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Partnership working with other councils and public authorities may work providing there is a consistent approach e.g. waste management - neighbouring councils have different systems, there must be standardisation in processes, systems (and vehicles)	Shared Services	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has a proven track record of partnership working and would wish to build on this to continue providing local services. Through integration, and potentially sharing services with partners, it is expected that access and individual experiences will be improved. There would be less duplication and more streamlining of services. Any partnership arrangement would need to contribute to the council's agreed priorities and outline service delivery levels.

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10663	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Sharing back office functions with other councils is sensible but what is the impact on staff numbers and how does this reduce numbers if a "No redundancy" policy is in place?	Shared Services	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has a proven track record of partnership working and would wish to build on this to continue providing local services. Through integration, and potentially sharing services with partners, it is expected that access and individual experiences will be improved. There would be less duplication and more streamlining of services. Any partnership arrangement would need to contribute to the council's agreed priorities. It is hoped that the council's current workforce management policies could be utilised to deliver changes to staffing establishments.
10664	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Over 20 years ago, re-regionalisation resulted in a huge improvement in the services provided in West Lothian. Previously, Edinburgh spent much of its revenue from all the Lothians on Edinburgh. They were also autocratic in their approach opposed to the democratic approach that W Lothian practised. It would to West Lothian's demise to revert back the original system. However, it would be an advantage if WL joined services with Midlothian.	Shared Services	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The structure of local government is determined at a national level. The council would be looking for opportunities to work closer with partners and other local authorities to deliver some services.
10665	No Response	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Movement towards shared service provision makes sense. Will this lead in time to Scotland-wide services and hence removal of the need for local councils at all?	Shared Services	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The structure of local government is determined at a national level. The council would be looking for opportunities to work closer with partners and other local authorities to deliver some services.
10666	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Perhaps we should be exploring the potential for more sharing and amalgamation of services and resources with neighboring local authorities. Is it really feasible to have separate HR departments, Education depts, Chief executives etc. There are County councils and police forces in England that pool and share resources we should be looking at the same.	Shared Services	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has a proven track record of partnership working and would wish to build on this to continue providing local services. Through integration, and potentially sharing services with partners, it is expected that access and individual experiences will be improved. There would be less duplication and more streamlining of services.
10667	An employee of West Lothian Council	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	A Scotland wide Freedom of Information Agency could be set up to deal with the numerous requests that come mostly from political parties and newspaper reporters. If all 32 Scottish local authorities are dealing with the same requests - surely time could be saved by taking the same approach rather than 32 people trying to work out what exactly is being asked for.	Shared Services	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	Scotland wide agencies are identified and created at Scottish Government level. The council would be looking for opportunities to work closer with partners and other local authorities to deliver some services.
10668	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	We appear to be moving back to regional working which we were previously told was expensive and that local councils were the way to go to provide efficient service delivery. Why do we not regionalise the national service areas such as education again and make a huge cost saving. this would leave a leaner council to deliver local initiatives.	Shared Services	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The structure of local government is determined at a national level. The council would be looking for opportunities to work closer with partners and other local authorities to deliver some services.
10669	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Shared services works in other areas	Shared Services	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has a proven track record of partnership working and would wish to build on this to continue providing local services. Through integration, and potentially sharing services with partners, it is expected that access and individual experiences will be improved. There would be less duplication and more streamlining of services.
10670	An employee of West Lothian Council	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	We could share certain services with neighbouring authorities, going back to a certain extent to Lothian Region days.	Shared Services	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has a proven track record of partnership working and would wish to build on this to continue providing local services. Through integration, and potentially sharing services with partners, it is expected that access and individual experiences will be improved. There would be less duplication and more streamlining of services.
10671	An employee of West Lothian Council	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	There are some essential services that are fairly standard across areas. Is there scope to work closely with the smaller LA's such as Clackmannanshire?	Shared Services	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has a proven track record of partnership working and would wish to build on this to continue providing local services. Through integration, and potentially sharing services with partners, it is expected that access and individual experiences will be improved. There would be less duplication and more streamlining of services.

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10672	An employee of West Lothian Council	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Delivering shared services makes sense if that is practicable.	Shared Services	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has a proven track record of partnership working and would wish to build on this to continue providing local services. Through integration, and potentially sharing services with partners, it is expected that access and individual experiences will be improved. There would be less duplication and more streamlining of services.
10673	No Response	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Joint working initiatives could certainly bring efficiencies and savings.	Shared Services	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has a proven track record of partnership working and would wish to build on this to continue providing local services. Through integration, and potentially sharing services with partners, it is expected that access and individual experiences will be improved. There would be less duplication and more streamlining of services.
10674	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Health and social care have been trying to integrate services for many years. Not working that well so does not bode well for other areas. Areas of expertise not often recognised or valued	Shared Services	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council has a proven track record of partnership working and would wish to build on this to continue providing local services. Through integration, and potentially sharing services with partners, it is expected that access and individual experiences will be improved. There would be less duplication and more streamlining of services.
10675	An employee of West Lothian Council	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Shared services seems like a sensible approach.	Shared Services	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has a proven track record of partnership working and would wish to build on this to continue providing local services. Through integration, and potentially sharing services with partners, it is expected that access and individual experiences will be improved. There would be less duplication and more streamlining of services.
10676	An employee of West Lothian Council	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Shared services between councils such as roads, NETS, etc.	Shared Services	5d. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it has been previously considered and will not be progressed.	The council has a proven track record of partnership working and would wish to build on this to continue providing local services. Through integration, and potentially sharing services with partners, it is expected that access and individual experiences will be improved. There would be less duplication and more streamlining of services. In addition to investigating partnership working, the council will continue to remove internal duplication and consolidate teams where appropriate.
10677	An employee of West Lothian Council	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	The council has been slow to embrace shared servicing with other local authorities and public bodies.	Shared Services	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has a proven track record of partnership working and would wish to build on this to continue providing local services. Through integration, and potentially sharing services with partners, it is expected that access and individual experiences will be improved. There would be less duplication and more streamlining of services.
10678	No Response	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	merging waste and nets together i.e. bin men can also cover litter picking etc. Also front line staff are already short staffed so minimum losses in this area would be beneficial for Residents in West Lothian	Shared Services	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The council has a proven track record of partnership working and would wish to build on this to continue providing local services. Through integration, and potentially sharing services with partners, it is expected that access and individual experiences will be improved. There would be less duplication and more streamlining of services. In addition to investigating partnership working, the council will continue to remove internal duplication and consolidate teams where appropriate.
10679	An employee of West Lothian Council	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Shared services may be useful, however, would this not promote large initial outlays? This may also not be useful for staff morale - large scale changes may not be best suited, resulting in staff leaving and therefore leaving gaps in workforce.	Shared Services	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has a proven track record of partnership working and would wish to build on this to continue providing local services. Consideration would be given to the level of savings that could be generated from any shared services arrangement before implementation.

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10680	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Partnership working is important and regardless of your job sharing best practice is important.	Shared Services	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has a proven track record of partnership working and would wish to build on this to continue providing local services. Through integration, and potentially sharing services with partners, it is expected that access and individual experiences will be improved. There would be less duplication and more streamlining of services.
10681	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	There should be more shared working across council, similar to East/Mid Lothian. Close links to Falkirk Council.	Shared Services	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has a proven track record of partnership working and would wish to build on this to continue providing local services. Through integration, and potentially sharing services with partners, it is expected that access and individual experiences will be improved. There would be less duplication and more streamlining of services.
10682	An employee of West Lothian Council	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Working with other council's and public bodies can be a good thing, but must not compromise on service provision.	Shared Services	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has a proven track record of partnership working and would wish to build on this to continue providing local services. Any partnership arrangement would need to contribute to the council's agreed priorities and outline service delivery levels.
10683	An employee of West Lothian Council	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	This is a no brainer and should, like many other potential efficiencies, have been delivered as part of the Christie commission/public sector reform agenda many years ago. There is no need (other than political ego) for 32 local authorities in a country as small as Scotland with such a small population. 7 regions would probably suffice (as long as this protected democracy through very localised 'community councils' - such as those across France, Norway, Germany etc.) The historical centralisation of staff and services in west Lothian has not served democracy well - nor citizens. The importance of local govt in the eyes of the electorate is clearly diminished when looking at trends and turnout in (all) elections referenda etc. As a resident, the frequency and quality of services have already diminished significantly, the creation of pseudo ALEO has been a complete farce, obviously poorer roads, paths and greenery/parks maintenance is going to be more expensive in the medium and long term.	Shared Services	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	The structure of local government is determined at a national level. The council would be looking for opportunities to work closer with partners and other local authorities to deliver some services.
10684	No Response	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Centralising or moving work between / working alongside other councils is good and well as long as the necessary knowledge and experience is shared.	Shared Services	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has a proven track record of partnership working and would wish to build on this to continue providing local services. Through integration, and potentially sharing services with partners, it is expected that access and individual experiences will be improved. There would be less duplication and more streamlining of services.
10685	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Do not lose control or become subservient to other councils if this happens - our proximal councils are pretty powerful and bossy?!? Estimation bit big and very vague - get with it!	Shared Services	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has a proven track record of partnership working and would wish to build on this to continue providing local services. Any partnership arrangement would need to contribute to the council's agreed priorities and outline service delivery levels.
10686	No Response	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	If services can be provided then seem good idea to have cooperation between other bodies.	Shared Services	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has a proven track record of partnership working and would wish to build on this to continue providing local services. Through integration, and potentially sharing services with partners, it is expected that access and individual experiences will be improved. There would be less duplication and more streamlining of services.
10687	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Shared services and out sourcing provided it is properly costed us a great idea.	Shared Services	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has a proven track record of partnership working and would wish to build on this to continue providing local services. Consideration would be given to the level of savings that could be generated from any shared services arrangement before implementation.

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10688	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Agree with sharing services with other authorities. This make sense to me and I would support it.	Shared Services	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has a proven track record of partnership working and would wish to build on this to continue providing local services. Through integration, and potentially sharing services with partners, it is expected that access and individual experiences will be improved. There would be less duplication and more streamlining of services.
10689	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Cross-authority initiatives would appear prudent.	Shared Services	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has a proven track record of partnership working and would wish to build on this to continue providing local services. Through integration, and potentially sharing services with partners, it is expected that access and individual experiences will be improved. There would be less duplication and more streamlining of services.
10690	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Consolidation within the council and cooperation with other local council to deliver economies of scale should be looked into, but any proposal to outsource to non-public organisations should not be considered.	Shared Services	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has a proven track record of partnership working and would wish to build on this to continue providing local services. Through integration, and potentially sharing services with partners, it is expected that access and individual experiences will be improved. There would be less duplication and more streamlining of services.
10691	No Response	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	See my answers to 1a. Consolidation of services with other councils and consolidation of technologies would be a significant saving across Scotland.	Shared Services	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has a proven track record of partnership working and would wish to build on this to continue providing local services. Through integration, and potentially sharing services with partners, it is expected that access and individual experiences will be improved. There would be less duplication and more streamlining of services.
10692	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Shared services sounds feasible.	Shared Services	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has a proven track record of partnership working and would wish to build on this to continue providing local services. Through integration, and potentially sharing services with partners, it is expected that access and individual experiences will be improved. There would be less duplication and more streamlining of services.
10693	An employee of West Lothian Council	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Looking at the bigger picture to establish positive means of sharing services could be successful - however it would depend which other councils we would be reaching out to... For example, if we linked up with Edinburgh council we probably wouldn't have a lot of say in important matters due to the size difference of the authorities.	Shared Services	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has a proven track record of partnership working and would wish to build on this to continue providing local services. Any partnership arrangement would need to contribute to the council's agreed priorities and outline service delivery levels.
10694	An employee of West Lothian Council	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Sharing resources with other councils wherever possible would help both WLC and he other council's involved.	Shared Services	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has a proven track record of partnership working and would wish to build on this to continue providing local services. Through integration, and potentially sharing services with partners, it is expected that access and individual experiences will be improved. There would be less duplication and more streamlining of services.
10695	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Do not agree that there should be shared services, as above the ability to manage staffs time would solve this problem.	Shared Services	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council has a proven track record of partnership working and would wish to build on this to continue providing local services. Through integration, and potentially sharing services with partners, it is expected that access and individual experiences will be improved. There would be less duplication and more streamlining of services.
10696	No Response	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	WLC should be looking to be at the forefront of change and performance to ensure shared service provision provides job security for existing employees, if we can do it better then we can take work from other local authorities, not lose staff and work to others.	Shared Services	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has a proven track record of partnership working and would wish to build on this to continue providing local services. Through integration, and potentially sharing services with partners, it is expected that access and individual experiences will be improved. There would be less duplication and more streamlining of services.

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10697	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Shared practice is not a negative thing can have very positive rewards. Think council would need to look very clearly at what expected, outcomes, responsibilities and ensuring that staff have a good work and home-life balance.	Shared Services	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has a proven track record of partnership working and would wish to build on this to continue providing local services. Any partnership arrangement would need to contribute to the council's agreed priorities and outline service delivery levels.
10698	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	If you are going to pay outside companies to do repairs, building, admin etc when there are people who are already trained to do these roles within the council then there is no point in them being employed so either make them redundant which will have a HUGE affect on the citizens of West Lothian or STOP PAYING OUTSIDE COMPANIES TO DO THE WORK COUNCIL EMPLOYEES ARE TRAINED TO DO!! For example, putting building work out to tender to other companies?! There are people being paid by the council who are trained to do this work and are being paid regardless of whether they are doing this work or not, surely there is a saving to be made there? Also, stop charging the council as separate departments and services - everyone works for the same organisation so why does one department have to charge another to use their services?	Shared Services	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The council is subject to rigorous external audit and both Audit Scotland and EY have confirmed, over a number of years, that the council has robust financial management and delivers best value in the use of public resources. All services will be reviewed based on the impact they have on priorities. It is proposed that future spending will be aligned to the priorities in the Transforming Your Council consultation document. The council is required to make sure that all expenditure demonstrates best value therefore the council is required to put specific projects out to tender in the competitive market.
10699	No Response	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Shared services has been on the table for years with nothing more than lip service to it	Shared Services	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The council has a proven track record of partnership working and would wish to build on this to continue providing local services. Through integration, and potentially sharing services with partners, it is expected that access and individual experiences will be improved. There would be less duplication and more streamlining of services.
10700	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Introduce shared services with other councils to save on management costs	Shared Services	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has a proven track record of partnership working and would wish to build on this to continue providing local services. Through integration, and potentially sharing services with partners, it is expected that access and individual experiences will be improved. There would be less duplication and more streamlining of services.
10701	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Combine with Falkirk Council and save millions	Shared Services	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has a proven track record of partnership working and would wish to build on this to continue providing local services. Through integration, and potentially sharing services with partners, it is expected that access and individual experiences will be improved. There would be less duplication and more streamlining of services.
10702	No Response	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Similar to previous reply. There are probably areas where expensive equipment ie grass cutting, specialised medical equipment etc can be shared between councils and hospitals.	Shared Services	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The council has a proven track record of partnership working and would wish to build on this to continue providing local services. Through integration, and potentially sharing services with partners, it is expected that access and individual experiences will be improved. There would be less duplication and more streamlining of services.
10703	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Shared services make sense. The last sentence sounds inevitable, and is one of the few specific proposals made.	Shared Services	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has a proven track record of partnership working and would wish to build on this to continue providing local services. Through integration, and potentially sharing services with partners, it is expected that access and individual experiences will be improved. There would be less duplication and more streamlining of services.
10704	An employee of West Lothian Council	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	It is common sense that if there are services that can be shared with other bodies then that is the approach to take.	Shared Services	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has a proven track record of partnership working and would wish to build on this to continue providing local services. Through integration, and potentially sharing services with partners, it is expected that access and individual experiences will be improved. There would be less duplication and more streamlining of services.

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10705	An employee of West Lothian Council	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Shared services seems to take for ever to get anywhere. We need to let go of ego and internal politics to make any headway.	Shared Services	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has a proven track record of partnership working and would wish to build on this to continue providing local services. Through integration, and potentially sharing services with partners, it is expected that access and individual experiences will be improved. There would be less duplication and more streamlining of services.
10706	No Response	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Shared services is something we have been doing for a number of years and has its benefits. However, it also has problems, in particular where different objectives are identified by each service. Myself and colleagues are very keen to secure savings and believe we have the skills to do so, by setting up contracts, rather than wasting valuable resources trying to manage poorly awarded frameworks that do not meet the needs of our services.	Shared Services	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has a proven track record of partnership working and would wish to build on this to continue providing local services. Any partnership arrangement would need to contribute to the council's agreed priorities and outline service delivery levels. Council procurement activity is determined through European legal requirements and directives.
10707	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Shared services is undoubtedly the way to go. I'm only surprised that no serious work has been done on this area already.	Shared Services	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has a proven track record of partnership working and would wish to build on this to continue providing local services. Through integration, and potentially sharing services with partners, it is expected that access and individual experiences will be improved. There would be less duplication and more streamlining of services.
10708	An employee of West Lothian Council	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	I can't imagine how this would work or what it would look like. When there are already huge wait times on most services, cutting these down and merging them together doesn't sound like it is going to make it easier for more people to be seen.	Shared Services	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	As the council will have less overall resources, the number of services delivered will have to reduce with services being reviewed based on the impact they have on priorities. This will include changes to service standards and the way remaining services are delivered. It is proposed that future spending will be aligned to the priorities in the Transforming Your Council consultation document.
10709	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Yes to looking outwith the Council for examples of good and efficient practice.	Shared Services	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council currently benchmarks with both public and private sector service providers. This helps the council to incorporate best practice and ensure that resources are used to deliver best value.
10710	An employee of West Lothian Council	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Consideration needs to be given to shared work between education and social care to avoid duplication.	Shared Services	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has a proven track record of partnership working and would wish to build on this to continue providing local services. Through integration, and potentially sharing services with partners, it is expected that access and individual experiences will be improved. There would be less duplication and more streamlining of services. In addition to investigating partnership working, the council will continue to remove internal duplication and consolidate teams where appropriate.
10711	An employee of West Lothian Council	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Shared service is good where it is practical with the particular scope of work undertaken. Obviously there will be particular services suitable for this and others that would compromise service users	Shared Services	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has a proven track record of partnership working and would wish to build on this to continue providing local services. Through integration, and potentially sharing services with partners, it is expected that access and individual experiences will be improved. There would be less duplication and more streamlining of services.
10712	An employee of West Lothian Council	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	More cross-council and multi-partner working should be encouraged.	Shared Services	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has a proven track record of partnership working and would wish to build on this to continue providing local services. Through integration, and potentially sharing services with partners, it is expected that access and individual experiences will be improved. There would be less duplication and more streamlining of services.
10713	An employee of West Lothian Council	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Working with other councils may be tricky as some others may not have the same objectives.	Shared Services	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The council has a proven track record of partnership working and would wish to build on this to continue providing local services. Any partnership arrangement would need to contribute to the council's agreed priorities and outline service delivery levels.

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10714	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Shared services ! You can't even manage to cut the grass in west Lothian.	Shared Services	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. The council has approved service standards in relation to grounds maintenance.
10715	An employee of West Lothian Council	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	has consideration with collaboration / sharing of 'internal functions' with other local authorities been considered.	Shared Services	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has a proven track record of partnership working and would wish to build on this to continue providing local services. Through integration, and potentially sharing services with partners, it is expected that access and individual experiences will be improved. There would be less duplication and more streamlining of services.
10716	An employee of West Lothian Council	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Sharing services with other councils I think is the way forward and could be a sign of going back to regional areas.	Shared Services	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has a proven track record of partnership working and would wish to build on this to continue providing local services. Through integration, and potentially sharing services with partners, it is expected that access and individual experiences will be improved. There would be less duplication and more streamlining of services. The structure of local government is determined at a national level.
10717	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	So in this proposed saving, shared and centralised services are cheaper. So why are school budgets devolved and responsibility for nurseries localised? Surely the Principal should be the same across the board? It is concerning that the largest amount of savings are still to be identified.	Shared Services	5a. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because the council is required by law to deliver this work.	Funding to schools must be delivered through devolved school management schemes as required by the Scottish Government. The level of devolved responsibility will likely increase as a result of Scottish Government proposed changes to school governance.
10718	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Please don't share any services with Edinburgh Council, I have previously lived in Edinburgh and still work and in the city. Our services in West Lothian are so much better!	Shared Services	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council has a proven track record of partnership working and would wish to build on this to continue providing local services. Any partnership arrangement would need to contribute to the council's agreed priorities and outline service delivery levels.
10719	No Response	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Shared services sound great but only saving would be on equipment as still need staff to cover larger areas.	Shared Services	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has a proven track record of partnership working and would wish to build on this to continue providing local services. Through integration, and potentially sharing services with partners, it is expected that access and individual experiences will be improved. There would be less duplication and more streamlining of services.
10720	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	It would make economic and financial sense for neighbouring council with a vested interest to pool resources and work in partnership where saving can be achieved	Shared Services	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has a proven track record of partnership working and would wish to build on this to continue providing local services. Through integration, and potentially sharing services with partners, it is expected that access and individual experiences will be improved. There would be less duplication and more streamlining of services.
10721	An employee of West Lothian Council	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Trying to deliver shared services has been tried before unsuccessfully, hopefully it works better this time.	Shared Services	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has a proven track record of partnership working and would wish to build on this to continue providing local services. Through integration, and potentially sharing services with partners, it is expected that access and individual experiences will be improved. There would be less duplication and more streamlining of services.
10722	No Response	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Shared services where possible is a good idea.	Shared Services	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has a proven track record of partnership working and would wish to build on this to continue providing local services. Through integration, and potentially sharing services with partners, it is expected that access and individual experiences will be improved. There would be less duplication and more streamlining of services.

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10723	No Response	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	developing working relationships with other councils could be beneficial.	Shared Services	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has a proven track record of partnership working and would wish to build on this to continue providing local services. Through integration, and potentially sharing services with partners, it is expected that access and individual experiences will be improved. There would be less duplication and more streamlining of services.
10724	No Response	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Work with other councils / authorities to positively deliver shared services.	Shared Services	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has a proven track record of partnership working and would wish to build on this to continue providing local services. Through integration, and potentially sharing services with partners, it is expected that access and individual experiences will be improved. There would be less duplication and more streamlining of services.
10725	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	If there is a political drive to do this but experience from fire and police services sharing resources has culminated in a more national debate rather than improving local service provision	Shared Services	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The council has a proven track record of partnership working and would wish to build on this to continue providing local services. Through integration, and potentially sharing services with partners, it is expected that access and individual experiences will be improved. There would be less duplication and more streamlining of services.
10726	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	The gap has to be closed. That is a given. Shared services and 3rd party involvement would be an avenue to explore. However it should be noted that in frontline services it is the feet on the ground that do the work, so reducing staffing costs in areas such as social work and environmental services will result in significant reductions in standards.	Shared Services	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	As the council will have less overall resources, the number of services delivered will have to reduce with services being reviewed based on the impact they have on priorities. This will include changes to service standards, the way remaining services are delivered and a reduced workforce. It is proposed that future spending will be aligned to the priorities in the Transforming Your Council consultation document. The focus will be on posts that support the priorities rather than whether they are front line or back office based.
10727	An employee of West Lothian Council	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	If authorities decide to share services I would hope that it is not to the detriment of West Lothian as we can already see that shortage of staff is already visible in some Council services.	Shared Services	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The council has a proven track record of partnership working and would wish to build on this to continue providing local services. Any partnership arrangement would need to contribute to the council's agreed priorities and outline service delivery levels.
10728	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	sharing is a good thing but not to the detriment of service	Shared Services	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The council has a proven track record of partnership working and would wish to build on this to continue providing local services. Any partnership arrangement would need to contribute to the council's agreed priorities and outline service delivery levels.
10729	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Shared services must be considered, why does the council and other councils all collect council tax separately, surely a single collection agency across Scotland must be explored. There will be other internal and external services that are provided that could be provided more efficiently under shared services	Shared Services	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has a proven track record of partnership working and would wish to build on this to continue providing local services. Through integration, and potentially sharing services with partners, it is expected that access and individual experiences will be improved. There would be less duplication and more streamlining of services.
10730	No Response	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Combining activities with other councils must be a top priority - with Lanarkshire for Addiewell Prison - with Edinburgh for mental health. Those services run more cheaply at a regional level should be regionalised as soon as possible	Shared Services	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has a proven track record of partnership working and would wish to build on this to continue providing local services. Through integration, and potentially sharing services with partners, it is expected that access and individual experiences will be improved. There would be less duplication and more streamlining of services.

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10731	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	This sounds like a lot of extra work to build up trust and confidence with other councils. As council tax payers we expect council departments to run efficiently.	Shared Services	4. The council is already doing this.	The council has a proven track record of partnership working and would wish to build on this to continue providing local services. Through integration, and potentially sharing services with partners, it is expected that access and individual experiences will be improved. There would be less duplication and more streamlining of services.
10732	An employee of West Lothian Council	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Shared service delivery can result in a reduced level of service so this would need to be looked at in detail if it was to be a viable option. Level of service has to be protected when identifying savings.	Shared Services	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The council has a proven track record of partnership working and would wish to build on this to continue providing local services. Any partnership arrangement would need to contribute to the council's agreed priorities and outline service delivery levels.
10733	An employee of West Lothian Council	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	I agree partly with this - shared services are good in many instances, but should be very selective.	Shared Services	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has a proven track record of partnership working and would wish to build on this to continue providing local services. Through integration, and potentially sharing services with partners, it is expected that access and individual experiences will be improved. There would be less duplication and more streamlining of services.
10734	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	I think that more shared services should be considered.	Shared Services	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has a proven track record of partnership working and would wish to build on this to continue providing local services. Through integration, and potentially sharing services with partners, it is expected that access and individual experiences will be improved. There would be less duplication and more streamlining of services.
10735	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Collaborate with other councils for services	Shared Services	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has a proven track record of partnership working and would wish to build on this to continue providing local services. Through integration, and potentially sharing services with partners, it is expected that access and individual experiences will be improved. There would be less duplication and more streamlining of services.
10736	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	I have heard shared services being talked about for a decade with precious little evidence of change taking place. Please bring forward specific proposals for implementation, before the Scottish Government takes the choice out of your hands by reforming local government and merging councils.	Shared Services	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has a proven track record of partnership working and would wish to build on this to continue providing local services. Through integration, and potentially sharing services with partners, it is expected that access and individual experiences will be improved. There would be less duplication and more streamlining of services.
10737	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Review services or facilities which are under utilised and amalgamate with other nearby council facilities.	Shared Services	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	We will review our property assets and rationalise usage where possible taking into account the review and redesign of services delivered in the community and investigating opportunities for coordinating availability of facilities.
10738	An employee of West Lothian Council	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Council's rarely work well together and this would only cause more issues and costs.	Shared Services	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council has a proven track record of partnership working and would wish to build on this to continue providing local services. Consideration would be given to the level of savings that could be generated from any shared services arrangement before implementation.
10739	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Sharing facilities/staff with other local authorities or government agencies would be worthwhile.	Shared Services	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has a proven track record of partnership working and would wish to build on this to continue providing local services. Through integration, and potentially sharing services with partners, it is expected that access and individual experiences will be improved. There would be less duplication and more streamlining of services.

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10740	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	It seems that the time has arrived to share services with neighbouring councils and run services jointly. I would encourage you to progress discussions with any neighbouring councils open to sharing and to do so before the Budget is implemented or by its earliest revision.	Shared Services	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has a proven track record of partnership working and would wish to build on this to continue providing local services. Through integration, and potentially sharing services with partners, it is expected that access and individual experiences will be improved. There would be less duplication and more streamlining of services.
10741	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Whilst shared services may have financial benefits there is a danger that such local accountability may be lost. There could also be scenarios where services are being provided by outside bodies who do not have such local knowledge and may therefore not make decisions in the best interests of local residents.	Shared Services	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The council has a proven track record of partnership working and would wish to build on this to continue providing local services. Any partnership arrangement would need to contribute to the council's agreed priorities and outline service delivery levels.
10742	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Provide services for other councils and charge them? share resources which are rarely used.	Shared Services	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The scope for charging will be considered, taking account current charges, the position in other local authorities and the impact of charges on vulnerable people and the availability of concessions. The council currently generates income from providing a range of services to partners and organisations. Further opportunities to expand this could be investigated.
10743	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	I'm not at all in favour of working with other councils and public authorities to deliver shared services as this would be to the detriment of the current staff that are already employed within West Lothian Council as it would mean reducing our staff numbers to work with members from other authorities who may have different terms and conditions of employment to us.	Shared Services	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council has a proven track record of partnership working and would wish to build on this to continue providing local services. Any partnership arrangement would need to contribute to the council's agreed priorities and outline service delivery levels.
10744	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Working with other councils and public bodies to consolidate certain functions to minimise the costs for all concerned would make sense. The fewer councils and public bodies with duplicate or overlapping functions the better for all of us, as long as the remaining consolidated functions are adequately staffed.	Shared Services	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has a proven track record of partnership working and would wish to build on this to continue providing local services. Through integration, and potentially sharing services with partners, it is expected that access and individual experiences will be improved. There would be less duplication and more streamlining of services.
10745	An employee of West Lothian Council	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	I'm not at all in favour of working with other councils and public authorities to deliver shared services as this would be to the detriment of the current staff that are already employed within West Lothian Council as it would mean reducing our staff numbers to work with members from other communities who may have different terms and conditions of employment to us. I'd like to be more informed as to which services were to be streamlined before making any decisions about it.	Shared Services	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council has a proven track record of partnership working and would wish to build on this to continue providing local services. Any partnership arrangement would need to contribute to the council's agreed priorities and outline service delivery levels.
10746	An employee of West Lothian Council	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	I'm not at all in favour of working with other councils and public authorities to deliver shared services as this would be to the detriment of the current staff that are already employed within West Lothian Council as it would mean reducing our staff numbers to work with members from other authorities who may have different terms and conditions of employment to us.	Shared Services	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council has a proven track record of partnership working and would wish to build on this to continue providing local services. Any partnership arrangement would need to contribute to the council's agreed priorities and outline service delivery levels.
10747	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Hasn't shared services been discussed for years and never progressed out of first base? I seem to recall conversations with Falkirk Council taking place in the past and coming to no agreement- will it really be any different this time?	Shared Services	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council has a proven track record of partnership working and would wish to build on this to continue providing local services. Through integration, and potentially sharing services with partners, it is expected that access and individual experiences will be improved. There would be less duplication and more streamlining of services.
10748	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	This was always likely to be proposed. Staff won't be happy, but duplication of services in local areas is madness	Shared Services	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has a proven track record of partnership working and would wish to build on this to continue providing local services. Through integration, and potentially sharing services with partners, it is expected that access and individual experiences will be improved. There would be less duplication and more streamlining of services.

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10749	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	I think working with other councils and authorities to deliver shared services is a good idea. Sharing current successes in service delivery will be a way forward.	Shared Services	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has a proven track record of partnership working and would wish to build on this to continue providing local services. Through integration, and potentially sharing services with partners, it is expected that access and individual experiences will be improved. There would be less duplication and more streamlining of services.
10750	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Agree the Council should work with other councils in Scotland to ensure WL is not providing services which other authorities are not and vice versa.	Shared Services	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has a proven track record of partnership working and would wish to build on this to continue providing local services. Through integration, and potentially sharing services with partners, it is expected that access and individual experiences will be improved. There would be less duplication and more streamlining of services.
10751	An employee of West Lothian Council	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Shared services tend to only work if councils of a similar standing and standards join forces.	Shared Services	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The council has a proven track record of partnership working and would wish to build on this to continue providing local services. Any partnership arrangement would need to contribute to the council's agreed priorities and outline service delivery levels.
10752	An employee of West Lothian Council	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Shared services are great in principal however as the councils all work differently it would be hard to imagine how you can reconcile the two	Shared Services	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has a proven track record of partnership working and would wish to build on this to continue providing local services. Through integration, and potentially sharing services with partners, it is expected that access and individual experiences will be improved. There would be less duplication and more streamlining of services.
10753	An employee of West Lothian Council	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Shared services bring a range of additional difficulties and challenges. They have not resulted in successful outcomes in any other local authority area.	Shared Services	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council has a proven track record of partnership working and would wish to build on this to continue providing local services. Through integration, and potentially sharing services with partners, it is expected that access and individual experiences will be improved. There would be less duplication and more streamlining of services.
10754	An employee of West Lothian Council	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Can we work with other local authorities to deliver services - can we bench mark against these local authorities also ie cleansing	Shared Services	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council currently benchmarks with both public and private sector service providers. This helps the council to incorporate best practice and ensure that resources are used to deliver best value. The council has a proven track record of partnership working and would wish to build on this to continue providing local services. Through integration, and potentially sharing services with partners, it is expected that access and individual experiences will be improved. There would be less duplication and more streamlining of services.
10755	An employee of West Lothian Council	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	If it does not go the way of City of Edinburgh council then alright...e.g. Building warrants taking months to process with the council farming out to other councils their services because, I can only assume, forgive the pun...bad planning.	Shared Services	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The council has a proven track record of partnership working and would wish to build on this to continue providing local services. Any partnership arrangement would need to contribute to the council's agreed priorities and outline service delivery levels.
10756	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	I have no problem with shared services however the reality is the cost to implement it will result in short term costs not savings - 5 years isn't long enough to see real savings coming from this as it will take years to implement.	Shared Services	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has a proven track record of partnership working and would wish to build on this to continue providing local services. Through integration, and potentially sharing services with partners, it is expected that access and individual experiences will be improved. There would be less duplication and more streamlining of services.

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10757	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	I fully support collaborative approach. The council need to consider being in the controlling seat with this in supporting the other councils and generating income from them to help rationalise their budgets.	Shared Services	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has a proven track record of partnership working and would wish to build on this to continue providing local services. Through integration, and potentially sharing services with partners, it is expected that access and individual experiences will be improved. There would be less duplication and more streamlining of services.
10758	An employee of West Lothian Council	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	can only be good to share some services	Shared Services	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has a proven track record of partnership working and would wish to build on this to continue providing local services. Through integration, and potentially sharing services with partners, it is expected that access and individual experiences will be improved. There would be less duplication and more streamlining of services.
10759	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Sharing certain activities with other councils make sense provided the quality of delivery is not impaired. Use of technology and centralisation of some activities is handled and resourced properly could yield Significant financial savings.	Shared Services	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has a proven track record of partnership working and would wish to build on this to continue providing local services. Any partnership arrangement would need to contribute to the council's agreed priorities and outline service delivery levels.
10760	An employee of West Lothian Council	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	makes sense to look at partnership working with other councils and providers.	Shared Services	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has a proven track record of partnership working and would wish to build on this to continue providing local services. Through integration, and potentially sharing services with partners, it is expected that access and individual experiences will be improved. There would be less duplication and more streamlining of services.
10761	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Working with other councils and sharing of resources and services may be the way forward in medium to long term. I would encourage Council to explore partnership and sharing with nearby councils.	Shared Services	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has a proven track record of partnership working and would wish to build on this to continue providing local services. Through integration, and potentially sharing services with partners, it is expected that access and individual experiences will be improved. There would be less duplication and more streamlining of services.
10762	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Any services which are duplicated should be overviewed and consolidated into one area to save on admin and running costs. other public services have been overhauled to make savings so should the council's	Shared Services	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The council will investigate ways to consolidate and better coordinate activities to allow streamlining of operations and removal of duplication. This will help ensure that activities are completed and managed in the most effective way.
10763	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Any services which are duplicated should be overviewed and consolidated into one area to save on admin and running costs	Shared Services	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The council will investigate ways to consolidate and better coordinate activities to allow streamlining of operations and removal of duplication. This will help ensure that activities are completed and managed in the most effective way.
10764	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Providing shared working is efficient and shared equally	Shared Services	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has a proven track record of partnership working and would wish to build on this to continue providing local services. Any partnership arrangement would need to contribute to the council's agreed priorities and outline service delivery levels.
10765	An employee of West Lothian Council	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	1h Shared services sound like a good idea, Scotland is not huge and yet we have 32 different local authorities all doing the same thing. However it may mean a loss of local control.	Shared Services	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	The structure of local government is determined at a national level. The council would be looking for opportunities to work closer with partners and other local authorities to deliver some services.
10766	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Councils could work together more and integrate services that are appropriate. What these services are and how much could be saved is for you to tell us. If the effect is a reduction in staff this should be done through voluntary redundancies or natural wastage.	Shared Services	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has a proven track record of partnership working and would wish to build on this to continue providing local services. Through integration, and potentially sharing services with partners, it is expected that access and individual experiences will be improved. There would be less duplication and more streamlining of services.

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10767	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Shared services should definitely be investigated, particularly on the city-region scale, using resources of the City Deal.	Shared Services	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has a proven track record of partnership working and would wish to build on this to continue providing local services. Through integration, and potentially sharing services with partners, it is expected that access and individual experiences will be improved. There would be less duplication and more streamlining of services.
10768	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	West Lothian Council shall have to work hard with the trade unions to deliver this. I am a supporter of "No compulsory redundancies" although i am realistic enough to accept that this position shall be very difficult to maintain. I agree that partnership working across local authorities is essential, road maintenance, waste collection and IT services are some areas where this could be done. However i would be opposed to the outsourcing of services to commercial companies where you end up paying share holders dividends as commercial companies answer to the share holders.	Shared Services	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has a proven track record of partnership working and would wish to build on this to continue providing local services. Through integration, and potentially sharing services with partners, it is expected that access and individual experiences will be improved. There would be less duplication and more streamlining of services. There are currently no proposals on the widespread outsourcing of council services to external providers.
10769	No Response	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Good idea to work with other councillors to deliver shared services. Ergo, somewhat surprised that we have fixated on changing the council brand. Not best use of public money.	Shared Services	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has a proven track record of partnership working and would wish to build on this to continue providing local services. Through integration, and potentially sharing services with partners, it is expected that access and individual experiences will be improved. There would be less duplication and more streamlining of services.
10770	An employee of West Lothian Council	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Will we be going back to Lothian Region? This will take time to implement.	Shared Services	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	The structure of local government is determined at a national level. The council would be looking for opportunities to work closer with partners and other local authorities to deliver some services.
10771	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	I am always surprised that there does not seem to be much sharing of services between authorities, which should be considered.	Shared Services	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has a proven track record of partnership working and would wish to build on this to continue providing local services. Through integration, and potentially sharing services with partners, it is expected that access and individual experiences will be improved. There would be less duplication and more streamlining of services.
10772	An employee of West Lothian Council	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Although the theory of shared services is always good, local knowledge can be compromised and this should then be done with care. It would be prudent to undertake research to see where other councils have done this & with which services & then whether it is a success in reality (i.e. not just the figures in terms of costs but whether it has had an impact positive/ negative on the ground. The potential pitfall is it just leading to rework.	Shared Services	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The council has a proven track record of partnership working and would wish to build on this to continue providing local services. Any partnership arrangement would need to contribute to the council's agreed priorities and outline service delivery levels.
10773	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	That often means that Local Council and Community facilities (sharing with other areas) might be closed certain days of the week thus limiting people access.	Shared Services	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	There is likely to be changes to opening hours. When determining opening hours consideration will be given to the most convenient times for the majority of users.
10774	No Response	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	This will be difficult and my actually incur more hidden costs by sharing series across authorities. Front line services will be diluted and standards will be affected.	Shared Services	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council has a proven track record of partnership working and would wish to build on this to continue providing local services. Any partnership arrangement would need to contribute to the council's agreed priorities and outline service delivery levels.
10775	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Hard to offer specific comment. On shared services the Council should promote and support common business support systems for all Scottish local authorities, starting with the general ledger.	Shared Services	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has a proven track record of partnership working and would wish to build on this to continue providing local services. Through integration, and potentially sharing services with partners, it is expected that access and individual experiences will be improved. There would be less duplication and more streamlining of services.

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10776	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Council need to make the public more aware of exactly how money is divided up and spent over different range of services as without this it is not really possible for members of the public to make comments on how shared delivery of shared services would work, what it would or would not save.	Shared Services	4. The council is already doing this.	Full details of how the council allocates its resources to individual services is provided in the annual activity budget which is available on the council's website. A summary of key areas of spend are included in the council tax leaflet which is provided along with bills.
10777	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Sharing with other councils is a ridiculous proposition. Police services and social services are already on their knees.	Shared Services	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council has a proven track record of partnership working and would wish to build on this to continue providing local services. Through integration, and potentially sharing services with partners, it is expected that access and individual experiences will be improved. There would be less duplication and more streamlining of services.
10778	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	When sharing services with other councils, there will be a risk of having to vie for services. Could result in losing out as was the case with Lothian Region where most of the money and services went to Edinburgh at the cost of West Lothian services. Presumably there will be policies and procedures in place to ensure equity and good practices.	Shared Services	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The council has a proven track record of partnership working and would wish to build on this to continue providing local services. Any partnership arrangement would need to contribute to the council's agreed priorities and outline service delivery levels.
10779	No Response	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Agreeing as communication between other governing bodies and organisations will help strategically by sharing out the responsibilities.	Shared Services	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has a proven track record of partnership working and would wish to build on this to continue providing local services. Through integration, and potentially sharing services with partners, it is expected that access and individual experiences will be improved. There would be less duplication and more streamlining of services.
10780	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	In Social Policy, I would suggest consideration is given to the redesign of the Social Care and Emergency Team. Could this service be integrated with other emergency services either with other councils and service within health?	Shared Services	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has a proven track record of partnership working and would wish to build on this to continue providing local services. Through integration, and potentially sharing services with partners, it is expected that access and individual experiences will be improved. There would be less duplication and more streamlining of services.
10781	No Response	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	As above. The council council should consider sharing services with neighbouring councils to meet efficiency savings	Shared Services	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has a proven track record of partnership working and would wish to build on this to continue providing local services. Through integration, and potentially sharing services with partners, it is expected that access and individual experiences will be improved. There would be less duplication and more streamlining of services.
10782	No Response	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Sounds like an unfortunate necessity. Working with other councils seems logical.	Shared Services	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has a proven track record of partnership working and would wish to build on this to continue providing local services. Through integration, and potentially sharing services with partners, it is expected that access and individual experiences will be improved. There would be less duplication and more streamlining of services.
10783	No Response	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	The move to shared services has been on the scottish government and local authority agendas for several years and yet nothing significant has been delivered. "Looking at the scope to work with other....." still doesn't sound like a real commitment to deliver. This has to be driven forward as an obvious means of delivering services at an acceptable cost to tax payers - council tax or income tax !!!! It will never be achieved by those who have a vested interest in the status quo. External input is the only way to achieve significant success in a timely manner. There are many successful commercial models for shared support services and no reason why this can't be achieved. In addition, to deliver successfully a mature partnership will have to be developed with staff unions. How do you propose to achieve that?	Shared Services	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The council has a proven track record of partnership working and would wish to build on this to continue providing local services. Through integration, and potentially sharing services with partners, it is expected that access and individual experiences will be improved. There would be less duplication and more streamlining of services. Any partnership arrangement would need to contribute to the council's agreed priorities and outline service delivery levels.
10784	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Working with other councils to share services is certainly something worth exploring further, particularly in terms of CPD delivery.	Shared Services	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has a proven track record of partnership working and would wish to build on this to continue providing local services. Through integration, and potentially sharing services with partners, it is expected that access and individual experiences will be improved. There would be less duplication and more streamlining of services.

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10785	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	By reducing the workforce the service delivery will be affected - no matter how much work is shared with other council resources you will be covering a much larger area with less staff.	Shared Services	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	As the council will have less overall resources, the number of services delivered will have to reduce with services being reviewed based on the impact they have on priorities. This will include changes to service standards, staffing levels and the way remaining services are delivered. It is proposed that future spending will be aligned to the priorities in the Transforming Your Council consultation document.
10786	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Clearly the long / medium term financial planning hasn't been done effectively in the past or the council wouldn't be in this position now. Every business has difficulty planning, welcome to the real world. You should be continuously monitoring whether you're achieving good value for money, (and not against some airy fairy set of outcomes either) and indeed whether something is really necessary or not. Of course you should be sharing resources with other councils to get increased efficiency all round.	Shared Services	4. The council is already doing this.	The budget gap faced by the council is a result of funding being insufficient to cover the increasing cost of delivering services due to factors such as population growth and indexation. The council is subject to rigorous external audit and both Audit Scotland and EY have confirmed, over a number of years, that the council has robust financial management.
10787	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	If done properly, shared services can be productive.	Shared Services	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has a proven track record of partnership working and would wish to build on this to continue providing local services. Through integration, and potentially sharing services with partners, it is expected that access and individual experiences will be improved. There would be less duplication and more streamlining of services.
10788	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	I would suggest looking at the failure of other authorities to establish shared services and the massive inefficiency caused by the attempts to implement this before then rejecting it. The difficulties in agreeing things within an authority are difficult enough, trying to do this across authorities is near impossible particularly as this is at the mercy of the prevailing political structure of these authorities	Shared Services	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The council has a proven track record of partnership working and would wish to build on this to continue providing local services. Through integration, and potentially sharing services with partners, it is expected that access and individual experiences will be improved. There would be less duplication and more streamlining of services. Any partnership arrangement would need to contribute to the council's agreed priorities and outline service delivery levels.
10789	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Shared services sounds great in practise (especially for consultants who get paid a lot of money to data analyse and come up with the solution of shared service) however is there any real concrete evidence that it saves money over time?	Shared Services	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council has a proven track record of partnership working and would wish to build on this to continue providing local services. Through integration, and potentially sharing services with partners, it is expected that access and individual experiences will be improved. There would be less duplication and more streamlining of services.
10790	An employee of West Lothian Council	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	As in point 1A - some services require to remain together and if some are combined there can be conflicts of interest between advice and decision makers.	Shared Services	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Although the functions will be combined into a larger service, specialist advice and support will continue to be provided by specific teams. National Standards for Advice Providers ensures that free, impartial advice will be delivered. This includes the ability to challenge decisions which are potentially wrong. The new team will be structured in a way to minimise any potential conflict of interest. This proposal will help ensure that both services are working together to get the best outcomes for a common customer.
10791	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Delivery of shared services has been something the council has considered over a number of years. West Lothian Council in relation to most councils and colleges is the best council at providing a range of services therefore any shared service must be something which must benefit the council and the residents and, must not dilute the standard of any service which is being considered as a share services.	Shared Services	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The council has a proven track record of partnership working and would wish to build on this to continue providing local services. Any partnership arrangement would need to contribute to the council's agreed priorities and outline service delivery levels.
10792	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Would comment that other councils are probably not better placed or organised to run west Lothian services though.	Shared Services	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council has a proven track record of partnership working and would wish to build on this to continue providing local services. Any partnership arrangement would need to contribute to the council's agreed priorities and outline service delivery levels.

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10793	An employee of West Lothian Council	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	1H) I'm not at all in favour of working with other councils and public authorities to deliver shared services as this would be to the detriment of the current staff that are already employed within West Lothian Council as it would mean reducing our staff numbers to work with members from other authorities who may have different terms and conditions of employment to us.	Shared Services	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council has a proven track record of partnership working and would wish to build on this to continue providing local services. Any partnership arrangement would need to contribute to the council's agreed priorities and outline service delivery levels. As the council will have less overall resources, the number of services delivered will have to reduce with services being reviewed based on the impact they have on priorities. This will include changes to service standards, staffing levels and the way remaining services are delivered.
10794	No Response	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	1H) I'm not at all in favour of working with other councils and public authorities to deliver shared services as this would be to the detriment of the current staff that are already employed within West Lothian Council as it would mean reducing our staff numbers to work with members from other authorities who may have different terms and conditions of employment to us.	Shared Services	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council has a proven track record of partnership working and would wish to build on this to continue providing local services. Any partnership arrangement would need to contribute to the council's agreed priorities and outline service delivery levels. As the council will have less overall resources, the number of services delivered will have to reduce with services being reviewed based on the impact they have on priorities. This will include changes to service standards, staffing levels and the way remaining services are delivered.
10795	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Shared services are a good idea	Shared Services	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has a proven track record of partnership working and would wish to build on this to continue providing local services. Through integration, and potentially sharing services with partners, it is expected that access and individual experiences will be improved. There would be less duplication and more streamlining of services.
10796	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	I think working with other councils to share resources is a good idea.	Shared Services	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has a proven track record of partnership working and would wish to build on this to continue providing local services. Through integration, and potentially sharing services with partners, it is expected that access and individual experiences will be improved. There would be less duplication and more streamlining of services.
10797	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Whilst sharing with other councils is in theory plausible West Lothian is a mixed demographic and are needs are of such, these may differ from adjacent councils, however it may be of benefit to share contracts of services or for goods and get a better deal with a larger order	Shared Services	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has a proven track record of partnership working and would wish to build on this to continue providing local services. Any partnership arrangement would need to contribute to the council's agreed priorities and outline service delivery levels.
10798	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Agreed. However, other council's such as Midlothian are looking at exactly the same thing, and so everyone is trying in some ways to get a greater share of an ever diminishing cake. On this basis, how realistic are aspirations of joint working. You only have to look at the Clackmannanshire and Stirling experience to see the difficulties.	Shared Services	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has a proven track record of partnership working and would wish to build on this to continue providing local services. Through integration, and potentially sharing services with partners, it is expected that access and individual experiences will be improved. There would be less duplication and more streamlining of services.
10799	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	I am not in favour, local services should be provided by local staff. The money paid to West Lothian Council staff is generally spent in West Lothian, if we pay people in other authorities to carry out the work local businesses will suffer as a result so it will be a double blow.	Shared Services	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council has a proven track record of partnership working and would wish to build on this to continue providing local services. Through integration, and potentially sharing services with partners, it is expected that access and individual experiences will be improved. There would be less duplication and more streamlining of services.

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10800	An employee of West Lothian Council	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Agree that there may be opportunities to share some services with adjoining small authorities eg Falkirk ie not as large as the former Lothian Regional Council but large enough to allow for a good level of broad professional expertise be developed and to allow for new entrants to learn from more experienced staff which is difficult in small departments.	Shared Services	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has a proven track record of partnership working and would wish to build on this to continue providing local services. Through integration, and potentially sharing services with partners, it is expected that access and individual experiences will be improved. There would be less duplication and more streamlining of services.
10801	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Shared services seems sensible - there must be some commonality between LA's - however the recent failures associated with the consolidation of our Police and Fire Service at the cost of local action / local knowledge / local care - should serve as a salutary warning.	Shared Services	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has a proven track record of partnership working and would wish to build on this to continue providing local services. Through integration, and potentially sharing services with partners, it is expected that access and individual experiences will be improved. There would be less duplication and more streamlining of services.
10802	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Shared services and developing IT and digital solutions jointly with other Local Authorities are strongly supported.	Shared Services	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has a proven track record of partnership working and would wish to build on this to continue providing local services. Through integration, and potentially sharing services with partners, it is expected that access and individual experiences will be improved. There would be less duplication and more streamlining of services.
10803	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	If savings can be made here by working alongside other councils and sharing some services where available then this should be done.	Shared Services	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has a proven track record of partnership working and would wish to build on this to continue providing local services. Through integration, and potentially sharing services with partners, it is expected that access and individual experiences will be improved. There would be less duplication and more streamlining of services.
10804	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	There are a limited number of services which can be shared because they are focussed on local provision	Shared Services	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has a proven track record of partnership working and would wish to build on this to continue providing local services. Through integration, and potentially sharing services with partners, it is expected that access and individual experiences will be improved. There would be less duplication and more streamlining of services.
10805	An employee of West Lothian Council	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Consideration needs to be given to greater collaboration with other councils, public sector bodies and other relevant organisations. Shared services would be a logical consequence of this exercise.	Shared Services	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has a proven track record of partnership working and would wish to build on this to continue providing local services. Through integration, and potentially sharing services with partners, it is expected that access and individual experiences will be improved. There would be less duplication and more streamlining of services.
10806	An employee of West Lothian Council	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Shared services with other councils and public sector bodies should be considered, potentially through establishing Arms Length Organisations or similar.	Shared Services	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has a proven track record of partnership working and would wish to build on this to continue providing local services. Through integration, and potentially sharing services with partners, it is expected that access and individual experiences will be improved. There would be less duplication and more streamlining of services.
10807	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Collaborative working is a great idea, sharing of services and ability access specialist services from one authority when West Lothian does have that is a great idea. Cross-authority working strengthens all local authority services across Scotland. I am in full support of this.	Shared Services	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has a proven track record of partnership working and would wish to build on this to continue providing local services. Through integration, and potentially sharing services with partners, it is expected that access and individual experiences will be improved. There would be less duplication and more streamlining of services.
10808	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Shared services are in some aspects a good idea however, in other aspects ineffective. This should be closely analysed prior to any changes.	Shared Services	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has a proven track record of partnership working and would wish to build on this to continue providing local services. Any partnership arrangement would need to contribute to the council's agreed priorities and outline service delivery levels.

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10809	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Yes delivering shared services makes sense	Shared Services	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has a proven track record of partnership working and would wish to build on this to continue providing local services. Through integration, and potentially sharing services with partners, it is expected that access and individual experiences will be improved. There would be less duplication and more streamlining of services.
10810	An employee of West Lothian Council	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	How much consultation goes on though with neighbouring authorities with regard to sharing services?	Shared Services	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The council has a proven track record of partnership working and would wish to build on this to continue providing local services. Through integration, and potentially sharing services with partners, it is expected that access and individual experiences will be improved. There would be less duplication and more streamlining of services.
10811	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Shared services makes sense where this offers efficiencies and also widens the expertise available.	Shared Services	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has a proven track record of partnership working and would wish to build on this to continue providing local services. Through integration, and potentially sharing services with partners, it is expected that access and individual experiences will be improved. There would be less duplication and more streamlining of services.
10812	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	I understand the need for this and support the shared services approach but do not have information to make comment	Shared Services	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	The council has a proven track record of partnership working and would wish to build on this to continue providing local services. Through integration, and potentially sharing services with partners, it is expected that access and individual experiences will be improved. There would be less duplication and more streamlining of services.
10813	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Changes to service delivery will only be acceptable if there is evidence of increased efficiency and effectiveness.	Shared Services	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has a proven track record of partnership working and would wish to build on this to continue providing local services. Any partnership arrangement would need to contribute to the council's agreed priorities and outline service delivery levels.
10814	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Shared services strategies should have been reviewed, costed and implemented some 10+ years ago. However, many local councils maintain the 'our way is the only way' approach (possibly job protection for the senior management). Your review and decision making cycle on such issues is far too long and complex (therefore costly) and should be the first area of improvement.	Shared Services	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has a proven track record of partnership working and would wish to build on this to continue providing local services. Through integration, and potentially sharing services with partners, it is expected that access and individual experiences will be improved. There would be less duplication and more streamlining of services.
10815	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Does this mean that jobs currently done by West Lothian staff will be done by staff outwith the Council? Don't like the sound of this.	Shared Services	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council has a proven track record of partnership working and would wish to build on this to continue providing local services. Any partnership arrangement would need to contribute to the council's agreed priorities and outline service delivery levels. As the council will have less overall resources, the number of services delivered will have to reduce with services being reviewed based on the impact they have on priorities. This will include changes to service standards, staffing levels and the way remaining services are delivered.
10816	An employee of West Lothian Council	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Huge amount of savings to be made. Possibility of shared services where there is limited need for local issues, knowledge and experience.	Shared Services	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has a proven track record of partnership working and would wish to build on this to continue providing local services. Through integration, and potentially sharing services with partners, it is expected that access and individual experiences will be improved. There would be less duplication and more streamlining of services.

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10817	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	I'm not at all in favour of working with other councils and public authorities to deliver shared services as this would be to the detriment of the current staff that are already employed within West Lothian Council as it would mean reducing our staff numbers to work with members from other authorities who may have different terms and conditions of employment to us. I'd like to be more informed as to which services were to be streamlined before making any decisions about it.	Shared Services	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council has a proven track record of partnership working and would wish to build on this to continue providing local services. Any partnership arrangement would need to contribute to the council's agreed priorities and outline service delivery levels. As the council will have less overall resources, the number of services delivered will have to reduce with services being reviewed based on the impact they have on priorities. This will include changes to service standards, staffing levels and the way remaining services are delivered.
10818	An employee of West Lothian Council	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	I'm not at all in favour of working with other councils and public authorities to deliver shared services as this would be to the detriment of the current staff that are already employed within West Lothian Council as it would mean reducing our staff numbers to work with members from other authorities who may have different terms and conditions of employment to us. I'd like to be more informed as to which services were to be streamlined before making any decisions about it.	Shared Services	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council has a proven track record of partnership working and would wish to build on this to continue providing local services. Any partnership arrangement would need to contribute to the council's agreed priorities and outline service delivery levels. As the council will have less overall resources, the number of services delivered will have to reduce with services being reviewed based on the impact they have on priorities. This will include changes to service standards, staffing levels and the way remaining services are delivered.
10819	An employee of West Lothian Council	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	I believe that there are significant opportunities for working along side other LA's and third sector services and that we need a thoughtful approach across different service areas to consider this. I believe there are more certain specialised services within social policy that need to branch out much more into partnership working.	Shared Services	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has a proven track record of partnership working and would wish to build on this to continue providing local services. Through integration, and potentially sharing services with partners, it is expected that access and individual experiences will be improved. There would be less duplication and more streamlining of services.
10820	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	In that respect, I welcome the suggestion made here that shared services will be investigated. This is also not without its problems but my experience in my professional life is that sharing resources and expertise is both effective and invigorating. The potential savings outlined in 1a - redesign, integration and further use of technology to increase efficiency and effectiveness - should make this more possible.	Shared Services	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has a proven track record of partnership working and would wish to build on this to continue providing local services. Through integration, and potentially sharing services with partners, it is expected that access and individual experiences will be improved. There would be less duplication and more streamlining of services.
10821	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Departments that do overlap - these could be amalgamated. Vehicles bought and only used a few times, can we not use other councils. Councils club together to share vehicles. E.g. HR for all LAs being clubbed together.	Shared Services	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council will investigate ways to consolidate and better coordinate activities to allow streamlining of operations and removal of duplication. This will help ensure that activities are completed and managed in the most effective way.
10822	An employee of West Lothian Council	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	I'm not at all in favour of working with other councils and public authorities to deliver shared services as this would be to the detriment of the current staff that are already employed within West Lothian Council as it would mean reducing our staff numbers to work with members from other authorities who may have different terms and conditions of employment to us. I'd like to be more informed as to which services were to be streamlined before making any decisions about it. EYO Don't think is necessary.	Shared Services	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council has a proven track record of partnership working and would wish to build on this to continue providing local services. Any partnership arrangement would need to contribute to the council's agreed priorities and outline service delivery levels. As the council will have less overall resources, the number of services delivered will have to reduce with services being reviewed based on the impact they have on priorities. This will include changes to service standards, staffing levels and the way remaining services are delivered.
10823	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	I find this quite laughable that the thought of working with and sharing services with neighboring authorities will remedy budget gaps and reduced staffing levels. Neighboring anchorites are going through almost identical cost cutting processes and will be no better placed than WLC to enter into partnership service delivery with their reduced staffing models and services. This will not represent a good level of service for West Lothian residents or that of any other local authority.	Shared Services	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council has a proven track record of partnership working and would wish to build on this to continue providing local services. Any partnership arrangement would need to contribute to the council's agreed priorities and outline service delivery levels.

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10824	An employee of West Lothian Council	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	I agree we should be looking to share certain functions with other Authorities to diminish staffing structures collaboratively. Functional areas to include directorate level management and functions like finance, call centres, Admin support HR, Facilities Management and PPI schools and ICT. We should also review trust status for functions like Leisure.	Shared Services	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has a proven track record of partnership working and would wish to build on this to continue providing local services. Through integration, and potentially sharing services with partners, it is expected that access and individual experiences will be improved. There would be less duplication and more streamlining of services.
10825	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Sharing of resources seems sensible	Shared Services	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has a proven track record of partnership working and would wish to build on this to continue providing local services. Through integration, and potentially sharing services with partners, it is expected that access and individual experiences will be improved. There would be less duplication and more streamlining of services.
10826	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Some overhead costs e.g.payroll could be shared but this was tried with the Regions and priorities were focussed on the larger ares e.g. Edinburgh. West Lothian has been more efficient and delivered better services on its own.	Shared Services	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has a proven track record of partnership working and would wish to build on this to continue providing local services. Through integration, and potentially sharing services with partners, it is expected that access and individual experiences will be improved. There would be less duplication and more streamlining of services.
10827	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Look to share services with the busy councils such as Edinburgh.	Shared Services	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has a proven track record of partnership working and would wish to build on this to continue providing local services. Through integration, and potentially sharing services with partners, it is expected that access and individual experiences will be improved. There would be less duplication and more streamlining of services.
10828	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Integration of services to enable the required savings is a sensible approach, however this will inevitably lead to a reduction in the available resources, so any discussions regarding co-location should involve consultation with the specific communities.	Shared Services	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The council has a proven track record of partnership working and would wish to build on this to continue providing local services. Any partnership arrangement would need to contribute to the council's agreed priorities and outline service delivery levels.
10829	An employee of West Lothian Council	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	"Shared Services" with other authorities have been talked about for years but nothing seems to happen. I'm sure after the last 10 years of cuts and restructuring there is no further change that can be engendered that can save these projected major costs.	Shared Services	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council has a proven track record of partnership working and would wish to build on this to continue providing local services. Through integration, and potentially sharing services with partners, it is expected that access and individual experiences will be improved. There would be less duplication and more streamlining of services.
10830	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	More serious commitment should be made to shared resources and services amongst public sector organisations. It seems to be a very 'bitty' approach.	Shared Services	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has a proven track record of partnership working and would wish to build on this to continue providing local services. Through integration, and potentially sharing services with partners, it is expected that access and individual experiences will be improved. There would be less duplication and more streamlining of services.
10831	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	I don't agree with this proposal. Staff in other local authorities do not know West Lothian and visa versa. I think strong consideration should be given to this proposal before any commitment is undertaken. What shared services? Will staff be made redundant or will they have to travel to other local authorities to work? Although this is identified as a huge saving is it not just going back to the days of Lothian Region which was, for those of us who remember it, not ideal at all.	Shared Services	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council has a proven track record of partnership working and would wish to build on this to continue providing local services. Any partnership arrangement would need to contribute to the council's agreed priorities and outline service delivery levels. As the council will have less overall resources, the number of services delivered will have to reduce with services being reviewed based on the impact they have on priorities. This will include changes to service standards, staffing levels and the way remaining services are delivered.

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10832	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	The collaborative efforts between councils have been well reported. It seems that collaborative effort between Falkirk, North Lanarkshire, etc could yield more efficiency. Alternatively, West Lothian Council could become the centre of excellence for human resources, information technology, finance, facilities, and property management and sell these services to other councils thereby retaining staff for a greater quantity of work carried out more efficiently.	Shared Services	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has a proven track record of partnership working and would wish to build on this to continue providing local services. Through integration, and potentially sharing services with partners, it is expected that access and individual experiences will be improved. There would be less duplication and more streamlining of services.
10833	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	The Council should require its service divisions to publish five year savings plans/commitments as part of the Delivering Better Outcomes process and publish the service baseline as part of community consultation. Comments on budget proposals (as vague as they are) are provided. Any such savings should not be detrimental to one community versus another. There is plenty of money in the Council budgets and if senior officers sat in the middle of full Council meetings say it's not possible to deliver 5% then perhaps the Council needs fewer senior officers. Why are services not shared with other Councils or partners such as NHSNS which is the delivery body for Integrated Services under the Public Service Reform legislation? This would surely realise much greater savings across Scotland as well as West Lothian.	Shared Services	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council has established a priority based approach to budgeting which was approved by councillors. All services will be reviewed based on the impact they have on priorities. It is proposed that future spending will be aligned to the priorities in the Transforming Your Council consultation document. Consideration is given to whether services should continue and what efficiency savings could be generated whilst meeting statutory requirements. The budget gap faced by the council is a result of funding being insufficient to cover the increasing cost of delivering services due to factors such as population growth and indexation. West Lothian Council has a relatively lean senior management structure compared to many local authorities of similar size. The council has developed a number of shared services and will continue to identify opportunities for further shared service delivery.
10834	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Why are services not shared with other Councils or partners such as NHSNS which is the delivery body for Integrated Services under the Public Service Reform legislation? This would surely realise much greater savings across Scotland as well as West Lothian. Workforce and management barriers to such change must be swept away as a priority.	Shared Services	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has a proven track record of partnership working and would wish to build on this to continue providing local services. Through integration, and potentially sharing services with partners, it is expected that access and individual experiences will be improved. There would be less duplication and more streamlining of services.
10835	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Shared Services - national level	Shared Services	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has a proven track record of partnership working and would wish to build on this to continue providing local services. Through integration, and potentially sharing services with partners, it is expected that access and individual experiences will be improved. There would be less duplication and more streamlining of services.
10836	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Sharing best practice with other UK & international councils..	Shared Services	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has a proven track record of partnership working and would wish to build on this to continue providing local services. Through integration, and potentially sharing services with partners, it is expected that access and individual experiences will be improved. There would be less duplication and more streamlining of services.
10837	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Again, biggest challenge will be to get work force on board.	Staffing Levels	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
10838	An employee of West Lothian Council	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Staffing levels need to be looked at in conjunction with customer needs and council processes. very often the processes are effort heavy therefore causing simple task to take much longer than necessary. by simply reducing staff level this will not improve the process.	Staffing Levels	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council is proposing to achieve efficiency savings through modernisation of services and reduction of duplication and will maximise opportunities to automate processes to reduce manual processes
10839	An employee of West Lothian Council	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Please remember that Council staff pay taxes, have families, outgoings and lives to lead just like everyone else in society. Reducing staff numbers will lead to unemployment and problems that will spiral out from this.	Staffing Levels	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
10840	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Accept cuts have to be made but keeping efficient and hard working staff should be a priority.	Staffing Levels	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Employees are the council's most important asset and the council will continue to invest in training and development of employees.

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10841	An employee of West Lothian Council	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Comments are as above re staff being the best council resource and care must be taken that staff are not then too stretched to maintain the standard of professional delivery currently being offered.	Staffing Levels	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Employees are the council's most important asset and the council will continue to invest in training and development of employees.
10842	An employee of West Lothian Council	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Only concern would be if staffing numbers drop and staff members take on more responsibilities that this may create a double negative. More stress/more sickness related issues with staff which leads to more sick days/decrease in performance due to over working. The right structure needs to be in place with technology etc. and a support system needs to be in place before staffing is reduced.	Staffing Levels	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council is proposing to achieve efficiency savings through modernisation of services and reduction of duplication and will maximise opportunities to automate processes to reduce manual processes
10843	An employee of West Lothian Council	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	In some services there are more managers than officers so agree this needs to be addressed. Hopefully the Council can hold on to it's no redundancy policy.	Staffing Levels	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council continually reviews the tiers of management and span of control across all service levels against a target 5 x 5 structure. This ensures that the council continues to operate with an effective and efficient managerial structure.
10844	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	There you go. If you are sharing staff then you need high quality staff, this is not what you'll get if the remittance is lower than average.	Staffing Levels	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	The council is subject to national pay bargaining and the salary scales for officers are determined nationally. The council is subject to national pay bargaining, and terms and conditions.
10845	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	as long as no compulsory redundancies are needed fine.	Staffing Levels	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has been able to delivery significant budget reductions in the last 10 years without the requirement for compulsory redundancies. The scale of the further reductions required over the next five years will be challenging and the council will seek to use the existing range of workforce management and organisational change policies to deliver the required reductions in staffing numbers
10846	No Response	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	How many levels of management?	Staffing Levels	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	The council continually reviews the tiers of management and span of control across all service levels against a target 5 x 5 structure. This ensures that the council continues to operate with an effective and efficient managerial structure.
10847	An employee of West Lothian Council	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	so what- reduce the workforce and then be unable to provide the service at all?? This seems a bit shortsighted and will increase pressure on remaining staff	Staffing Levels	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council is proposing to achieve efficiency savings through modernisation of services and reduction of duplication and will maximise opportunities to automate processes to reduce manual processes
10848	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	A more streamlined service will benefit all, however the council should also ensure that essential services are not cut to the bone and putting additional stress on the employees.	Staffing Levels	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council is proposing to achieve efficiency savings through modernisation of services and reduction of duplication and will maximise opportunities to automate processes to reduce manual processes
10849	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	S already noted, why not offer early retirement packages to reduce staff numbers?	Staffing Levels	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has a Early Retirement/Voluntary Severance scheme which is available to all employees subject to a suitable business case being submitted within the set affordability criteria.
10850	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Just cut the jobs, better to provide no service at all than the poor one currently delivered! The grass on the main Livingston road central reservation is cut twice a year if weâ€™re lucky! Focus on doing less but better! The jobs have to go eventually so letâ€™s just get the pain over and done with!	Staffing Levels	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council is proposing to achieve efficiency savings through modernisation of services and reduction of duplication and will maximise opportunities to automate processes to reduce manual processes
10851	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	would just add that reduction in council jobs at current generous terms will increase demand for remaining jobs and make problems in 1g a bit worse.	Staffing Levels	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council is proposing to achieve efficiency savings through modernisation of services and reduction of duplication and will maximise opportunities to automate processes to reduce manual processes
10852	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	When staff numbers are reduced the service delivery will also be reduced.	Staffing Levels	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council is proposing to achieve efficiency savings through modernisation of services and reduction of duplication and will maximise opportunities to automate processes to reduce manual processes

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10853	An employee of West Lothian Council	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Pay attention to unintended consequences of reducing staffing!	Staffing Levels	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council is proposing to achieve efficiency savings through modernisation of services and reduction of duplication and will maximise opportunities to automate processes to reduce manual processes
10854	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Does this mean there will be more internal issues? Having been faced with issues when dealing with the council already due to staff uncertainty and work overload, making teams smaller does not seem to be ideal unless other measures are put in place.	Staffing Levels	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The scale of the further reductions required over the next five years will be challenging and the council will seek to use the existing range of workforce management and organisational change policies to deliver the required reductions in staffing numbers.
10855	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	The council is a provider of public services. The public who receive services should be able to speak with council staff on a face to face basis and have access to council staff to discuss their issues, not just answer systems. Reductions in staffing will lead to a less person centred response to individual customers needs and the perception of customers will be that they are getting a poor service. The council exists to provide a service to the public- not to be a faceless bureaucratic inflexible organisation	Staffing Levels	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Experience has demonstrated that the council can deliver an more effective and cost effective service through the centralisation of generic tasks with the retention of specialist provision within service. This model still allows the opportunity for staff to engage with council officers on a face to face basis at the most effective and convenient level.
10856	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	A lot of money to save and looks again like simply job cuts. When you reduce the number of council staff posts on the basis of short-term savings/cuts this reduces the number of future opportunities in the labour market for young people. Council simply now part of the system driving down pay, terms and conditions associated with labour market changes sought by UK Conservative Govt.	Staffing Levels	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Experience has demonstrated that the council can deliver an more effective and cost effective service through the centralisation of generic tasks with the retention of specialist provision within service. This model still allows the opportunity for staff to engage with council officers on a face to face basis at the most effective and convenient level.
10857	No Response	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	I feel strongly that staff shouldn't loose jobs to make cuts this country is in enough of a terrible state without more people facing unemployment. This will only add to the growing unemployed, the benefits cost (reduced council tax claiming unemployment benefits etc) , the education costs (people have to re train). I think where possible to loose valued staff should be avoided it's a sad time when people have there life's stripped when there is money spent on things like designer roundabouts, flowers at the road sides, Christmas lighting, architecture, fancy court houses, expensive viehcles, brand new schools, latest technology, and when thousands is outstanding in council tax!!	Staffing Levels	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Experience has demonstrated that the council can deliver an more effective and cost effective service through the centralisation of generic tasks with the retention of specialist provision within service. This model still allows the opportunity for staff to engage with council officers on a face to face basis at the most effective and convenient level.
10858	No Response	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	If/while changing services and reducing staffing levels, again the need to look at potential longer term impact of that reduction on people and their community.	Staffing Levels	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Experience has demonstrated that the council can deliver an more effective and cost effective service through the centralisation of generic tasks with the retention of specialist provision within service. This model still allows the opportunity for staff to engage with council officers on a face to face basis at the most effective and convenient level.
10859	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	reduction in staffing levels is palitable but only if necessary resources are maintained	Staffing Levels	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Experience has demonstrated that the council can deliver an more effective and cost effective service through the centralisation of generic tasks with the retention of specialist provision within service. This model still allows the opportunity for staff to engage with council officers on a face to face basis at the most effective and convenient level.
10860	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	i believe savings on staffing would be made with the proposals above - eg streamlining management, reduction of management, and more use of technology. I do think its important though that the staff who remain, particularly staff doing very difficult work, often out of hours (eg social work support services) should not have any more stripped away from then than there already has been. Some roles are crucial to the wellbeing of children, vulnerable adults, and the general public as a whole, and the staff deserve to be paid accordingly.	Staffing Levels	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Experience has demonstrated that the council can deliver an more effective and cost effective service through the centralisation of generic tasks with the retention of specialist provision within service. This model still allows the opportunity for staff to engage with council officers on a face to face basis at the most effective and convenient level.
10861	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	whilst it is always good to continue to look for sensible savings wherever possible, it is also important to protect jobs for people in our local area, and to make sure that local knowledge and experience is not lost to the council through excessive outsourcing.	Staffing Levels	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Experience has demonstrated that the council can deliver an more effective and cost effective service through the centralisation of generic tasks with the retention of specialist provision within service. This model still allows the opportunity for staff to engage with council officers on a face to face basis at the most effective and convenient level.

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10862	No Response	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Staff are already stretched with workload. Further cuts to staffing levels will not help this in the long terms as value for money is not obtained.	Staffing Levels	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Experience has demonstrated that the council can deliver an more effective and cost effective service through the centralisation of generic tasks with the retention of specialist provision within service. This model still allows the opportunity for staff to engage with council officers on a face to face basis at the most effective and convenient level.
10863	No Response	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Hopefully staffing cuts to frontline workers will be kept to a minimum, and cuts should be made to Higher Management. West Lothian Council currently employs far too many managers within specific services.	Staffing Levels	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Experience has demonstrated that the council can deliver an more effective and cost effective service through the centralisation of generic tasks with the retention of specialist provision within service. This model still allows the opportunity for staff to engage with council officers on a face to face basis at the most effective and convenient level. The council continually reviews the tiers of management and span of control across all service levels against a target 5 x 5 structure. This ensures that the council continues to operate with an effective and efficient managerial structure.
10864	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	So at the end of the day it is your approach to make people unemployed to balance the budget. Let's hope you start at the top. One senior managers cost is likely to be equal to 3 or 4 front line staff. Protect front line service staff in your sword weilding	Staffing Levels	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Experience has demonstrated that the council can deliver an more effective and cost effective service through the centralisation of generic tasks with the retention of specialist provision within service. This model still allows the opportunity for staff to engage with council officers on a face to face basis at the most effective and convenient level. The council continually reviews the tiers of management and span of control across all service levels against a target 5 x 5 structure. This ensures that the council continues to operate with an effective and efficient managerial structure.
10865	An employee of West Lothian Council	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Protect our jobs at all costs, invest in the economy is a priority!	Staffing Levels	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Experience has demonstrated that the council can deliver an more effective and cost effective service through the centralisation of generic tasks with the retention of specialist provision within service. This model still allows the opportunity for staff to engage with council officers on a face to face basis at the most effective and convenient level.
10866	No Response	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	It would be hoped the West Lothian Council remain with a No redundancy Policy.	Staffing Levels	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has been able to delivery significant budget reductions in the last 10 years without the requirement for compulsory redundancies. The scale of the further reductions required over the next five years will be challenging and the council will seek to use the existing range of workforce management and organisational change policies to deliver the required reductions in staffing numbers.
10867	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	As people retire/leave review work flow and assess whether job is still required or could be reassigned	Staffing Levels	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Experience has demonstrated that the council can deliver an more effective and cost effective service through the centralisation of generic tasks with the retention of specialist provision within service. This model still allows the opportunity for staff to engage with council officers on a face to face basis at the most effective and convenient level.
10868	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	I would question why at this critical point the council isn't spending to save by offering voluntary redundancy. The council has already restructured department I would question why is there still people on the redeployment list on the same high graded salary after 2 years!! Redeployment is a short term period to allow a staff member to apply for other positions however we now have these employees on the redeployment list on the same salary that for 2 years haven't actually had a job role.	Staffing Levels	4. The council is already doing this.	The council has a Early Retirement/Voluntary Severance scheme which is available to all employees subject to a suitable business case being submitted within the set affordability criteria.

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10869	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	As above, in relation to the Council's no redundancy policy, I feel that offering voluntary redundancy or severance across the council may address a workforce reduction better than enforcing cuts - allowing room for movement across services if co-ordinated properly.	Staffing Levels	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has a Early Retirement/Voluntary Severance scheme which is available to all employees subject to a suitable business case being submitted within the set affordability criteria.
10870	An employee of West Lothian Council	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	How many jobs would be gone by applying this measure? What services would be more affected?	Staffing Levels	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Experience has demonstrated that the council can deliver an more effective and cost effective service through the centralisation of generic tasks with the retention of specialist provision within service. This model still allows the opportunity for staff to engage with council officers on a face to face basis at the most effective and convenient level. Proposals have not been fully developed and therefore no figures can yet be provided in relation to proposed staffing reductions
10871	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Would this mean compulsory redundancies?	Staffing Levels	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has been able to delivery significant budget reductions in the last 10 years without the requirement for compulsory redundancies. The scale of the further reductions required over the next five years will be challenging and the council will seek to use the existing range of workforce management and organisational change policies to deliver the required reductions in staffing numbers.
10872	An employee of West Lothian Council	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	That is a considerable amount to be saved ! Sounds like more job cuts. D	Staffing Levels	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Experience has demonstrated that the council can deliver an more effective and cost effective service through the centralisation of generic tasks with the retention of specialist provision within service. This model still allows the opportunity for staff to engage with council officers on a face to face basis at the most effective and convenient level.
10873	No Response	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	will this mean a change to the no compulsory redundancy policy	Staffing Levels	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	The council has been able to delivery significant budget reductions in the last 10 years without the requirement for compulsory redundancies. The scale of the further reductions required over the next five years will be challenging and the council will seek to use the existing range of workforce management and organisational change policies to deliver the required reductions in staffing numbers.
10874	An employee of West Lothian Council	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Jobs must be protected and a review of contractual terms and conditions has to be undertaken. As a council, we continually encourage our staff to promote fair pay and good working environments, yet we can only offer the majority of staff fixed term contracts. These contracts are not any more dependable than zero hour contracts which does not allow staff to prepare and plan for the future with things such as mortgages and further education/training. Staffing levels are already low in certain areas of the council due to the last cuts made to council services. This has demoralised the remaining staff who are in constant fear about the status of their fixed term contracts. This has encouraged very experienced staff to move to other local authorities and private sector organisations in order to find stability. With cuts announced to council services at the beginning of 2017, the council were still able to advertise permanent contracts for new roles rather than working to protect those already working for the council on fixed term contracts. The use of fixed term contracts has deterred strong candidates from applying for council jobs as the instability is more often than not, not worth the gamble. I understand that some projects are only short term visions, but there are staff members who have been part of projects and on fixed term contracts for over 5 years with no support for applying for permanency.	Staffing Levels	4. The council is already doing this.	The council has introduced improved workforce planning and greater coordination of vacant posts, fixed term appointments and employees who have been displaced through organisational change. Where appropriate the council will offer permanent contracts to employees.
10875	An employee of West Lothian Council	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Reduce middle managers by combining teams together.	Staffing Levels	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council continually reviews the tiers of management and span of control across all service levels against a target 5 x 5 structure. This ensures that the council continues to operate with an effective and efficient managerial structure.
10876	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Less management more binmen etc	Staffing Levels	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council continually reviews the tiers of management and span of control across all service levels against a target 5 x 5 structure. This ensures that the council continues to operate with an effective and efficient managerial structure.

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10877	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	De layer management structures 20% cuts should require a lot less heads/managers/supervisors	Staffing Levels	4. The council is already doing this.	The council continually reviews the tiers of management and span of control across all service levels against a target 5 x 5 structure. This ensures that the council continues to operate with an effective and efficient managerial structure.
10878	No Response	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Too many tiers of management currently in the Council, that are not actually productive and serving the public. There should be more emphasis on Council staff that actually are productive and are doing the work and less management rolls.	Staffing Levels	4. The council is already doing this.	The council continually reviews the tiers of management and span of control across all service levels against a target 5 x 5 structure. This ensures that the council continues to operate with an effective and efficient managerial structure.
10879	No Response	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Comments as per q.v. above. - A difficult area. The most important resources a Council has is its staff. Changes to working conditions can cause uncertainty, reduce morale and increase resentment. It is absolutely crucial that the Council ensures that staff are fully kept informed and on board with what's happening. I would not support any measure that unfairly disadvantages staff and expects them to undertake unreasonable additional duties to keep services running. The Council need to avoid such a situation arising.	Staffing Levels	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council is proposing to achieve efficiency savings through modernisation of services and reduction of duplication and will maximise opportunities to automate processes to reduce manual processes. Employees are the council's most important asset and the council will continue to invest in training and development of employees.
10880	An employee of West Lothian Council	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Hopefully most of the job losses will be through natural wastage and will not have a knock on effect to the economy of West Lothian as a whole.	Staffing Levels	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
10881	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	reduce full time employees from 36 to 35 hours per week, this would save so much more than anything else.	Staffing Levels	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Officers will consider how this can be developed.
10882	No Response	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Could save money by not increasing wages	Staffing Levels	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	The council is subject to national pay bargaining and the salary scales for officers are determined nationally. The council is subject to national pay bargaining, and terms and conditions.
10883	An employee of West Lothian Council	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Staffing levels will no doubt reduce, this is clear with the enormity of savings still outstanding.	Staffing Levels	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
10884	An employee of West Lothian Council	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Staff are integral to the way the Council functions and the public appear to value these services- especially face-to-face.	Staffing Levels	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Experience has demonstrated that the council can deliver a more effective and cost effective service through the centralisation of generic tasks and use of technology with the retention of specialist provision within service. This model still allows the opportunity for staff to engage with council officers on a face to face basis at the most effective and convenient level.
10885	An employee of West Lothian Council	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	My above point also applies here - this timescale allows a planned approach to establish levels of work that is essential, matched with the number and level of staff required. I have recently worked in a major Whitehall Civil Service Dept where austerity dictated they needed to lose approx. 60 staff - they conducted an exercise where everyone had to apply for a post based on competencies to achieve their outcome.	Staffing Levels	4. The council is already doing this.	Any service restructure will be undertaken in accordance with the council organisational change policy and in consultation with the recognised trade unions. The Council has developed a Corporate Workforce Plan and Service specific workforce plans which monitor staffing requirements and ensure as far as possible that staffing complements and staff skills meet the service requirements.
10886	No Response	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	A reduction in staffing to some services would be of great concern.	Staffing Levels	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Any service restructure will be undertaken in accordance with the council organisational change policy and in consultation with the recognised trade unions. The Council has developed a Corporate Workforce Plan and Service specific workforce plans which monitor staffing requirements and ensure as far as possible that staffing complements and staff skills meet the service requirements.

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10887	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	This seems inevitable, however consistency should be maintained in the council's approach to staff and staff need to be provided with the options that are available to them e.g. voluntary redundancy. Is there a package available to staff, no one seems to know this, and certainly not what that package would be? Also if someone is given a package, they should not then be re-employed on a consultancy or some other sort of basis as has happened many times in the past.	Staffing Levels	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has a Early Retirement/Voluntary Severance scheme which is available to all employees subject to a suitable business case being submitted within the set affordability criteria.
10888	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Staffing is quite dire at the moment, all staff have a wealth of knowledge and experience But are stressed due to staff shortages cutting staff would just cause more problems.	Staffing Levels	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Any service restructure will be undertaken in accordance with the council organisational change policy and in consultation with the recognised trade unions. The Council has developed a Corporate Workforce Plan and Service specific workforce plans which monitor staffing requirements and ensure as far as possible that staffing complements and staff skills meet the service requirements.
10889	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	However staffing levels should be kept and only reduced through leavers and retirement.	Staffing Levels	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Any service restructure will be undertaken in accordance with the council organisational change policy and in consultation with the recognised trade unions. The Council has developed a Corporate Workforce Plan and Service specific workforce plans which monitor staffing requirements and ensure as far as possible that staffing complements and staff skills meet the service requirements.
10890	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	we should recognise the contribution of Council employees through what have been challenging times and ensure that staff are treated with dignity and respect In a time of uncertainty and change. There should be an undertaking that staff will not be impacted by compulsory redundancy - they deserve at least that given their contribution to their community and to local services.	Staffing Levels	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council has been able to delivery significant budget reductions in the last 10 years without the requirement for compulsory redundancies. The scale of the further reductions required over the next five years will be challenging and the council will seek to use the existing range of workforce management and organisational change policies to deliver the required reductions in staffing numbers.
10891	An employee of West Lothian Council	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	still say you have far to many top management sitting in offices twiddling there thumbs you need to get them out there working with the workforce to see what they are doing and at our salary they would soon find out how the other half live	Staffing Levels	4. The council is already doing this.	The council continually reviews the tiers of management and span of control across all service levels against a target 5 x 5 structure. This ensures that the council continues to operate with an effective and efficient managerial structure.
10892	An employee of West Lothian Council	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	I would personally be affected by cuts. Should my job go or salary be cut then I would struggle to support my family.	Staffing Levels	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council has been able to delivery significant budget reductions in the last 10 years without the requirement for compulsory redundancies. The scale of the further reductions required over the next five years will be challenging and the council will seek to use the existing range of workforce management and organisational change policies to deliver the required reductions in staffing numbers.
10893	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	I would worry that a reduction in staffing measures at 'the coal face' would impact on the service delivery and more vitally, knowledge attained by experienced staff.	Staffing Levels	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Any service restructure will be undertaken in accordance with the council organisational change policy and in consultation with the recognised trade unions. The Council has developed a Corporate Workforce Plan and Service specific workforce plans which monitor staffing requirements and ensure as far as possible that staffing complements and staff skills meet the service requirements.
10894	An employee of West Lothian Council	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Given that there will likely be a need to go back to statutory delivery of services, it is very likely to be the case that litigation will be more busy as a support department as a result, more resources should be put into this area to allow us to support the other departments in having as strong cases as we can. We need to be tooled up with the right equipment to ensure that we can support the departments which will be under a lot of pressure as services are squeezed.	Staffing Levels	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The Council shall consider the resources required to support the delivery of council services.

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10895	An employee of West Lothian Council	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Does this mean that people's jobs within the council are at risk when you have clearly stated that employment is a council wide priority?	Staffing Levels	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	The council has been able to delivery significant budget reductions in the last 10 years without the requirement for compulsory redundancies. The scale of the further reductions required over the next five years will be challenging and the council will seek to use the existing range of workforce management and organisational change policies to deliver the required reductions in staffing numbers.
10896	An employee of West Lothian Council	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	This is a completely unacceptable unaccounted-for sum of money. The sentence: "Given that the majority of the council's budget is staffing costs, it is highly likely that the balance will be met by changes to service delivery and staffing levels across the council's workforce." is a scare tactic and is so vague as to be almost worthless.	Staffing Levels	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council has been able to delivery significant budget reductions in the last 10 years without the requirement for compulsory redundancies. The scale of the further reductions required over the next five years will be challenging and the council will seek to use the existing range of workforce management and organisational change policies to deliver the required reductions in staffing numbers.
10897	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Putting people out of a job is only going to make things worse and probably cost more somewhere else in the budget meaning is won't save anything...	Staffing Levels	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council has been able to delivery significant budget reductions in the last 10 years without the requirement for compulsory redundancies. The scale of the further reductions required over the next five years will be challenging and the council will seek to use the existing range of workforce management and organisational change policies to deliver the required reductions in staffing numbers.
10898	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Reduce staffing by firing poor performers.	Staffing Levels	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	The council actively manages staff performance and takes steps to ensure that poor performance is addressed. The council has a number of systems and processes in place which support managers to monitor service performance and efficiency.
10899	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	As long as the staff that are let go are helped to find other positions	Staffing Levels	4. The council is already doing this.	The council has introduced improved workforce planning and greater coordination of vacant posts, fixed term appointments and employees who have been displaced through organisational change. The council is also reviewing the terms of the Redeployment Policy to offer greater opportunities for the redeployment of employees subject to suitable business need.
10900	No Response	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Introducing a redundancy policy again will allow people to leave and thus free up significant sums. There will be large numbers of staff who will willingly take redundancy if the package is good.	Staffing Levels	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has a Early Retirement/Voluntary Severance scheme which is available to all employees subject to a suitable business case being submitted within the set affordability criteria.
10901	An employee of West Lothian Council	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Again, we have too many levels of middle management, jobs that seem to have been created and permanent, where front line staff are on temporary contracts, huge savings could be made by weeding out these positions.	Staffing Levels	4. The council is already doing this.	The council continually reviews the tiers of management and span of control across all service levels against a target 5 x 5 structure. This ensures that the council continues to operate with an effective and efficient managerial structure.
10902	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Unsure how services can be maintained if staff levels drop. Surely, this will place additional pressure on the staff that remain?	Staffing Levels	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Experience has demonstrated that the council can deliver an more effective and cost effective service through the centralisation of generic tasks and use of technology with the retention of specialist provision within service. This model still allows the opportunity for staff to engage with council officers on a face to face basis at the most effective and convenient level.
10903	An employee of West Lothian Council	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Yes ii feel that the council have too many temporary contacts which need reviewd.	Staffing Levels	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council regularly reviews the fixed term staff to identify any posts which should be made permanent. Fixed term contracts will continue to be used where this is appropriate to manage temporary, fixed term service requirement

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10904	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	The council should also consider the nature/type of staff employed rather than simply reducing the numbers or the benefits/terms and conditions of staff. This does not help motivation and engagement. Has the Council identified clearly the activities which are best done in house by permanent staff and which are best outsourced or via contract resource?	Staffing Levels	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Any service restructure will be undertaken in accordance with the council organisational change policy and in consultation with the recognised trade unions. The Council has developed a Corporate Workforce Plan and Service specific workforce plans which monitor staffing requirements and ensure as far as possible that staffing complements and staff skills meet the service requirements.
10905	No Response	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	The collaborative efforts between Councils have been well reported. It seems that collaborative effort between Falkirk, North Lanarkshire, etc could yield more efficiency. Alternatively, West Lothian Council could become the centre of excellence for human resources, information technology, finance, facilities and property management and sell these services to other councils thereby retaining staff for a greater quantity of work carried out more efficiently. It seems this item is a contingency and as such apart from the above contains no ideas so cannot be commented upon.	Staffing Levels	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has an existing shared service agreement with South Lanarkshire Council for a shared IT data centre and will continue to develop opportunities for further shared service arrangements with other public bodies. The council is also progressing with West Lothian College the provision of shared services opportunities across a range of service areas.
10906	No Response	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Less staff surely must equal a lesser service or are you banking on volunteers to pick up the slack again?	Staffing Levels	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Experience has demonstrated that the council can deliver an more effective and cost effective service through the centralisation of generic tasks and use of technology with the retention of specialist provision within service. This model still allows the opportunity for staff to engage with council officers on a face to face basis at the most effective and convenient level.
10907	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	So you want to pay off local council workers and punt our services to other councils and charge them for doing it to save some cash. But people out of work will inevitably have to claim support. This could drive up the costs of other councils who in a few years would look to attempt similar measures. False economy maybe? Is there a proposal I could examine which would explain how 10.4 million pounds can be saved by this action?	Staffing Levels	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council has an existing shared service agreement with South Lanarkshire Council for a shared IT data centre and will continue to develop opportunities for further shared service arrangements with other public bodies. The council is also progressing with West Lothian College the provision of shared services opportunities across a range of service areas. The Council will continue to look for options to deliver shared services to reduce costs.
10908	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Streamlining services and staffing can be a way forward however it usually results in fewer staff on frontline services thus making it difficult to provide a good quality service to those people who are the most vulnerable in our society.	Staffing Levels	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Any service restructure will be undertaken in accordance with the council organisational change policy and in consultation with the recognised trade unions. The Council has developed a Corporate Workforce Plan and Service specific workforce plans which monitor staffing requirements and ensure as far as possible that staffing complements and staff skills meet the service requirements.
10909	An employee of West Lothian Council	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Reducing staff puts more pressure on staff who are already struggling to provide a decent service to clients.	Staffing Levels	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Any service restructure will be undertaken in accordance with the council organisational change policy and in consultation with the recognised trade unions. The Council has developed a Corporate Workforce Plan and Service specific workforce plans which monitor staffing requirements and ensure as far as possible that staffing complements and staff skills meet the service requirements.
10910	An employee of West Lothian Council	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	It is a certainty that there will be staff losses. I am sure that this can be done without a reduction in the service that we offered. I think the council may be better looking at the number of manager/leader positions within the organisation. The managers earn more but in some cases have less knowledge. If you lose too many staff from the lower part of the structure then performance will be affected. Merging departments where possible/feasible and reducing the number of managers first off is where i think the staff reductions should be looked at first.	Staffing Levels	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council continually reviews the tiers of management and span of control across all service levels against a target 5 x 5 structure. This ensures that the council continues to operate with an effective and efficient managerial structure. The council will continue to review opportunities to integrate and modernise council services.

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10911	No Response	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Yet again this is very vague. Will staffing be cut? Is it natural wastage?	Staffing Levels	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Any service restructure will be undertaken in accordance with the council organisational change policy and in consultation with the recognised trade unions. The Council has developed a Corporate Workforce Plan and Service specific workforce plans which monitor staffing requirements and ensure as far as possible that staffing complements and staff skills meet the service requirements.
10912	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	So really what you are saying is you will cut staff which in turn will cut services	Staffing Levels	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Any service restructure will be undertaken in accordance with the council organisational change policy and in consultation with the recognised trade unions. The Council has developed a Corporate Workforce Plan and Service specific workforce plans which monitor staffing requirements and ensure as far as possible that staffing complements and staff skills meet the service requirements.
10913	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Even more redundancies, which I do not agree with	Staffing Levels	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council has been able to delivery significant budget reductions in the last 10 years without the requirement for compulsory redundancies. The scale of the further reductions required over the next five years will be challenging and the council will seek to use the existing range of workforce management and organisational change policies to deliver the required reductions in staffing numbers.
10914	An employee of West Lothian Council	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Is there not a danger that with all these cuts private companies are going to become more attractive and people will either leave to get jobs with them or we end up privatising all services? (something I wouldn't like to see happen).	Staffing Levels	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Any service restructure will be undertaken in accordance with the council organisational change policy and in consultation with the recognised trade unions. The Council has developed a Corporate Workforce Plan and Service specific workforce plans which monitor staffing requirements and ensure as far as possible that staffing complements and staff skills meet the service requirements.
10915	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Staffing levels in education already seem to be at rock bottom, with imminent crisis looming. Social services are struggling to meet demand already. Cut with due caution - the impacts will be with us for at least the next 50 years.	Staffing Levels	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Any service restructure will be undertaken in accordance with the council organisational change policy and in consultation with the recognised trade unions. The Council has developed a Corporate Workforce Plan and Service specific workforce plans which monitor staffing requirements and ensure as far as possible that staffing complements and staff skills meet the service requirements.
10916	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	As long as no compulsory redundancy .	Staffing Levels	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has been able to delivery significant budget reductions in the last 10 years without the requirement for compulsory redundancies. The scale of the further reductions required over the next five years will be challenging and the council will seek to use the existing range of workforce management and organisational change policies to deliver the required reductions in staffing numbers.
10917	An employee of West Lothian Council	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	I don't feel it correct to reduce staff purely to make a saving as the service they provide may need to be maintained. If a well thought through porposal were put forward i would agree but in the above paragraph there is not. To be clear i do not disagree but it is hard to agree to the above as all it says is something needs to be done, not what is going to be done.	Staffing Levels	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Any service restructure will be undertaken in accordance with the council organisational change policy and in consultation with the recognised trade unions. The Council has developed a Corporate Workforce Plan and Service specific workforce plans which monitor staffing requirements and ensure as far as possible that staffing complements and staff skills meet the service requirements.

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10918	An employee of West Lothian Council	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	voluntary redundancies?	Staffing Levels	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	The council has been able to delivery significant budget reductions in the last 10 years without the requirement for compulsory redundancies. The scale of the further reductions required over the next five years will be challenging and the council will seek to use the existing range of workforce management and organisational change policies to deliver the required reductions in staffing numbers.
10919	An employee of West Lothian Council	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	The Council should take into account sickness and absence when reducing staff numbers. There are some members of staff who are always absent from work and have had long term absence. Whereas other members of staff are never absent and provide continuity of service.	Staffing Levels	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council actively manages all absences in terms of its sickness absence policy, which is subject to constant review, in consultation with the recognised trade unions, to ensure that it is fit for purpose
10920	No Response	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Again, less people delivering more is just never going to deliver the same level of service for the region. There will be more instances of staff stress due to pressure and workload.	Staffing Levels	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Any service restructure will be undertaken in accordance with the council organisational change policy and in consultation with the recognised trade unions. The Council has developed a Corporate Workforce Plan and Service specific workforce plans which monitor staffing requirements and ensure as far as possible that staffing complements and staff skills meet the service requirements.
10921	No Response	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	I disagree with cutting staff purely just to bring costs down. If you cut staff are are needed this may not be a saving in the long run. However if FTE can be identified in which a reduction makes sense it would be hard to disagree with. Working with other local authorities can be a good thing but it depends which councils as some are not run brilliantly.	Staffing Levels	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Any service restructure will be undertaken in accordance with the council organisational change policy and in consultation with the recognised trade unions. The Council has developed a Corporate Workforce Plan and Service specific workforce plans which monitor staffing requirements and ensure as far as possible that staffing complements and staff skills meet the service requirements.
10922	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Staffing cuts should only be done if it has been proven that the post unnecessary , you shouldn't not expect remaining staff to do two people's jobs.	Staffing Levels	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Any service restructure will be undertaken in accordance with the council organisational change policy and in consultation with the recognised trade unions. The Council has developed a Corporate Workforce Plan and Service specific workforce plans which monitor staffing requirements and ensure as far as possible that staffing complements and staff skills meet the service requirements.
10923	No Response	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	I think the council staff are already severely pushed to their limits and their workloads are very heavy (specifically social work staff which my mother is part of). Removing staff from these types of roles or putting more on their workload will mean failings for vulnerable people of all ages	Staffing Levels	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Any service restructure will be undertaken in accordance with the council organisational change policy and in consultation with the recognised trade unions. The Council has developed a Corporate Workforce Plan and Service specific workforce plans which monitor staffing requirements and ensure as far as possible that staffing complements and staff skills meet the service requirements.
10924	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Are you effectively led, well managed? Is and Local Authority? How many levels of management can you remove? And can you let people go without filling their mouths with the taxpayers gold? If you were a new company set up to deliver statutory services, how would you be set up? Not as you are, that is a given, and should be the template you pursue to become unidentifiable in a few years.	Staffing Levels	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	The council continually reviews the tiers of management and span of control across all service levels against a target 5 x 5 structure. This ensures that the council continues to operate with an effective and efficient managerial structure.
10925	No Response	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Inevitable but don't start at the bottom of the chain looking for savings. Start at the top and work down	Staffing Levels	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Any service restructure will be undertaken in accordance with the council organisational change policy and in consultation with the recognised trade unions. The Council has developed a Corporate Workforce Plan and Service specific workforce plans which monitor staffing requirements and ensure as far as possible that staffing complements and staff skills meet the service requirements.

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10926	No Response	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	The staff on the ground are working very hard - in Customer Services for example - do we need Service Development Officers?? Going back to previous comment - management does have to be looked into - middle and senior management especially. Can we share services with our neighbouring local authorities. The middle management needs to be looked at - there are far too many middle managers - too many layers in WLC. The whole structure needs to be looked at. Front line services should not be reduced or cut back any further. Are there jobs that are overlapping each other.	Staffing Levels	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council continually reviews the tiers of management and span of control across all service levels against a target 5 x 5 structure. This ensures that the council continues to operate with an effective and efficient managerial structure.
10927	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	I would imagine natural wastage will be sufficient to cover the gap, especially if packages are offered for those wishing to leave the council. This also has to be balanced with service delivery though.	Staffing Levels	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has introduced improved workforce planning and greater coordination of vacant posts, fixed term appointments and employees who have been displaced through organisational change. The council is also reviewing the terms of the Redeployment Policy to offer greater opportunities for the redeployment of employees subject to suitable business need. The council has a Early Retirement/Voluntary Severance scheme which is available to all employees subject to a suitable business case being submitted within the set affordability criteria.
10928	An employee of West Lothian Council	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Any changes should be fair and proportionate. It should also be noted that where there is a reduction in staff in some areas, this may simply mean a higher workload for the remaining individuals. The potential impact on health would need considered particularly if the roles are of a more stressful nature.	Staffing Levels	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Any service restructure will be undertaken in accordance with the council organisational change policy and in consultation with the recognised trade unions. The Council has developed a Corporate Workforce Plan and Service specific workforce plans which monitor staffing requirements and ensure as far as possible that staffing complements and staff skills meet the service requirements.
10929	No Response	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	The council must make sure that any top-heavy management structures are revised to make greater savings on larger salaries and pension contributions, rather than focusing on ordinary service and support staff	Staffing Levels	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council continually reviews the tiers of management and span of control across all service levels against a target 5 x 5 structure. This ensures that the council continues to operate with an effective and efficient managerial structure.
10930	No Response	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Reduce staffing on non compulsory services or support to third party networks. Reduce number if councils officials and adopt a flatter management structure	Staffing Levels	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council continually reviews the tiers of management and span of control across all service levels against a target 5 x 5 structure. This ensures that the council continues to operate with an effective and efficient managerial structure.
10931	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	If costs have to go down then so does headcount. I personally would be comfortable with a slight increase in council tax to offset the reductions though. I also don't know to what extent 'golden handshakes' or 'gilded pensions' still exist but these should be not just looked at but done away with.	Staffing Levels	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Any service restructure will be undertaken in accordance with the council organisational change policy and in consultation with the recognised trade unions. The Council has developed a Corporate Workforce Plan and Service specific workforce plans which monitor staffing requirements and ensure as far as possible that staffing complements and staff skills meet the service requirements. Pension costs have been rebalanced through an increase in employee contributions, and further national cost management changes to the Local Government Pension Scheme.
10932	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Consider compulsory redundancy	Staffing Levels	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has been able to delivery significant budget reductions in the last 10 years without the requirement for compulsory redundancies. The scale of the further reductions required over the next five years will be challenging and the council will seek to use the existing range of workforce management and organisational change policies to deliver the required reductions in staffing numbers.

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10933	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Don't get rid of the frontline staff, they all do a great job under difficult circumstances.	Staffing Levels	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Any service restructure will be undertaken in accordance with the council organisational change policy and in consultation with the recognised trade unions. The Council has developed a Corporate Workforce Plan and Service specific workforce plans which monitor staffing requirements and ensure as far as possible that staffing complements and staff skills meet the service requirements.
10934	An employee of West Lothian Council	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Agree although no compulsory redundancies.	Staffing Levels	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has been able to delivery significant budget reductions in the last 10 years without the requirement for compulsory redundancies. The scale of the further reductions required over the next five years will be challenging and the council will seek to use the existing range of workforce management and organisational change policies to deliver the required reductions in staffing numbers.
10935	No Response	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Looks like a coherent approach will be required to downsize the workforce. Staff are already thinking this is the case so it would be better to get some kind of plan out there for staff to digest. Possibly would sit well with over 55s.	Staffing Levels	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Any service restructure will be undertaken in accordance with the council organisational change policy and in consultation with the recognised trade unions. The Council has developed a Corporate Workforce Plan and Service specific workforce plans which monitor staffing requirements and ensure as far as possible that staffing complements and staff skills meet the service requirements.
10936	An employee of West Lothian Council	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Staffing cuts may be required but this should not be to the detriment of future generations. There is no point cutting staff so that some council operations are not adequately performed, or not performed at all, only to be playing catch up in years to come. This should be considered very seriously before any decisions are made.	Staffing Levels	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Any service restructure will be undertaken in accordance with the council organisational change policy and in consultation with the recognised trade unions. The Council has developed a Corporate Workforce Plan and Service specific workforce plans which monitor staffing requirements and ensure as far as possible that staffing complements and staff skills meet the service requirements.
10937	An employee of West Lothian Council	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	I would review staffing levels as a last resort. Would need to ensure that the work can still be carried out successfully by staff in place.	Staffing Levels	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Any service restructure will be undertaken in accordance with the council organisational change policy and in consultation with the recognised trade unions. The Council has developed a Corporate Workforce Plan and Service specific workforce plans which monitor staffing requirements and ensure as far as possible that staffing complements and staff skills meet the service requirements.
10938	No Response	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Cut the executives and managers first far too many that just aren't required	Staffing Levels	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council continually reviews the tiers of management and span of control across all service levels against a target 5 x 5 structure. This ensures that the council continues to operate with an effective and efficient managerial structure.
10939	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Given staffing costs a major factor the measures outlined clearly essential.	Staffing Levels	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
10940	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Again this seems to be aimed at cutting staff. Do we want to end up the same as Police Scotland who do not seem to have enough officers on the ground	Staffing Levels	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Any service restructure will be undertaken in accordance with the council organisational change policy and in consultation with the recognised trade unions. The Council has developed a Corporate Workforce Plan and Service specific workforce plans which monitor staffing requirements and ensure as far as possible that staffing complements and staff skills meet the service requirements.

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10941	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	My husband works in s school, my best friend works for the social work and I have a friend in housing, they are all understaffed. I don't understand where the reduction would come from	Staffing Levels	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Any service restructure will be undertaken in accordance with the council organisational change policy and in consultation with the recognised trade unions. The Council has developed a Corporate Workforce Plan and Service specific workforce plans which monitor staffing requirements and ensure as far as possible that staffing complements and staff skills meet the service requirements.
10942	No Response	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	I don't think there can be any more cuts with regard to service delivery	Staffing Levels	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Any service restructure will be undertaken in accordance with the council organisational change policy and in consultation with the recognised trade unions. The Council has developed a Corporate Workforce Plan and Service specific workforce plans which monitor staffing requirements and ensure as far as possible that staffing complements and staff skills meet the service requirements.
10943	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	I think instead of saving money by reducing jobs from the bottom, I think the high earners in the council should take a pay freeze, and merge work loads and pay off or make redundant the higher earners. This will save £1000s. Instead of having 10 high earners at the top reduce this to 5. Less crazy wages to pay and more savings. It seems to be cleaners, PSW and kitchen staff who earn the LEAST in the council that suffer due to these savings.	Staffing Levels	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	The council is subject to national pay bargaining and the salary scales for officers are determined nationally. The council is subject to national pay bargaining, and terms and conditions.
10944	No Response	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Reduce staffing levels by offering a voluntary redundancy scheme to over 55's.	Staffing Levels	4. The council is already doing this.	The council has a Early Retirement/Voluntary Severance scheme which is available to all employees subject to a suitable business case being submitted within the set affordability criteria.
10945	No Response	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Instead of pay rises, keep the staff the same and keep more of the staff. forcing already pushed resources to shrink more would have a very negative effect on the council. Along with stop doing silly things like having two managers in planning regardless or not fi they are part time. it offers more positions lower down that don't really have to be there.	Staffing Levels	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	The council is subject to national pay bargaining and the salary scales for officers are determined nationally. The council is subject to national pay bargaining, and terms and conditions. The council continually reviews the tiers of management and span of control across all service levels against a target 5 x 5 structure. This ensures that the council continues to operate with an effective and efficient managerial structure.
10946	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Services should be staffed to the highest standard and ensure the staff for each job are able to perform adequately and efficiently.	Staffing Levels	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Any service restructure will be undertaken in accordance with the council organisational change policy and in consultation with the recognised trade unions. The Council has developed a Corporate Workforce Plan and Service specific workforce plans which monitor staffing requirements and ensure as far as possible that staffing complements and staff skills meet the service requirements.
10947	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	The staff are what makes the Council the quality it is, although lower staffing levels are an obvious saving, losing dedicated, experience and knowledgeable staff is detrimental to the council's quality of services.	Staffing Levels	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Experience has demonstrated that the council can deliver a more effective and cost effective service through the centralisation of generic tasks, use of technology and the retention of specialist provision within services.
10948	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	As above make sure staff really can be saved and that the saving in one service does not knock onto another	Staffing Levels	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Any service restructure will be undertaken in accordance with the council organisational change policy and in consultation with the recognised trade unions. The Council has developed a Corporate Workforce Plan and Service specific workforce plans which monitor staffing requirements and ensure as far as possible that staffing complements and staff skills meet the service requirements.
10949	An employee of West Lothian Council	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Voluntary redundancies would result in a smaller workforce and would probably be welcomed by many.	Staffing Levels	4. The council is already doing this.	The council has a Early Retirement/Voluntary Severance scheme which is available to all employees subject to a suitable business case being submitted within the set affordability criteria.

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10950	An employee of West Lothian Council	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Voluntary redundancies would be welcomed by many council employees within a certain age range.	Staffing Levels	4. The council is already doing this.	The council has a Early Retirement/Voluntary Severance scheme which is available to all employees subject to a suitable business case being submitted within the set affordability criteria.
10951	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	See my above comments in 1.a . As long as the management of Council staff is so poor there is no hope for staff costs reduction. The taxpayer should not be having to take reductions in important services while the staff management in the Council is so poor. Start first with management efficiency.	Staffing Levels	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Any service restructure will be undertaken in accordance with the council organisational change policy and in consultation with the recognised trade unions. The Council has developed a Corporate Workforce Plan and Service specific workforce plans which monitor staffing requirements and ensure as far as possible that staffing complements and staff skills meet the service requirements. The council has a number of systems and processes in place which are essential to enable the council to monitor and report service performance and efficiency.
10952	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	I'd suggest meaningfully offering term time working and reduced hours to staff for a genuine discussion about how this could work for the Service and save substantial salary costs year on year. Put it out there as a genuine option.	Staffing Levels	4. The council is already doing this.	The council has a flexible working policy and staff can request to work reduced hours, where this meets the needs of the service.
10953	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Collaboration will save money however can/will result in unemployment when posts merge how will the council address that?	Staffing Levels	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Any service restructure will be undertaken in accordance with the council organisational change policy and in consultation with the recognised trade unions. The Council has developed a Corporate Workforce Plan and Service specific workforce plans which monitor staffing requirements and ensure as far as possible that staffing complements and staff skills meet the service requirements.
10954	An employee of West Lothian Council	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	The Council, particularly in Social Policy, are already short staffed and under budgeted so to further cut the workforce would have a huge impact on each department.	Staffing Levels	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Any service restructure will be undertaken in accordance with the council organisational change policy and in consultation with the recognised trade unions. The Council has developed a Corporate Workforce Plan and Service specific workforce plans which monitor staffing requirements and ensure as far as possible that staffing complements and staff skills meet the service requirements.
10955	An employee of West Lothian Council	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	West Lothian Council are one of if not the biggest employer in the county. If staffing levels are to be cut, surely this will increase unemployment in the region that you want to avoid?	Staffing Levels	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council has introduced improved workforce planning and greater coordination of vacant posts, fixed term appointments and employees who have been displaced through organisational change. The council is also reviewing the terms of the Redeployment Policy to offer greater opportunities for the redeployment of employees subject to suitable business need.
10956	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	I'm not keen on anyone losing their jobs, but duplication between adjacent councils seems inefficient.	Staffing Levels	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council has an existing shared service agreement with South Lanarkshire Council for a shared IT data centre and will continue to develop opportunities for further shared service arrangements with other public bodies. The council is also progressing with West Lothian College the provision of shared services opportunities across a range of service areas.
10957	An employee of West Lothian Council	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Again cutting staff does not work. All the departments have been cut to the most they can be. If however, staff decide to leave the best way forward would be to freeze staffing levels and not take on more staff. This way staff who want to leave can and you are not forcing staff to leave and pretty much bankrupting them and affecting their families.	Staffing Levels	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council has introduced improved workforce planning and greater coordination of vacant posts, fixed term appointments and employees who have been displaced through organisational change. The council will continue to review all posts which become vacant to identify those which require to be recruited to meet the needs of the customer or to take advantage of opportunities to redesign service delivery to achieve efficiencies.
10958	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	As staff costs are the main items in any balance sheet there's always scope for savings here	Staffing Levels	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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10959	An employee of West Lothian Council	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	If there is a staff cut , service and delivery will obviously be affected and this will have an impact of the recipients. New service standards will have to be drawn to show the changes and make people aware of the inferior service.	Staffing Levels	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council will continue to consult with service users on any proposed changes to service standards.
10960	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	It is imperative that to maintain service delivery that specialise knowledge & skills are not lost in budget cutting.	Staffing Levels	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Experience has demonstrated that the council can deliver a more effective and cost effective service through the centralisation of generic tasks, use of technology and the retention of specialist provision within services.
10961	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	The theme of continuously threatening the jobs of WLC workers in this consultation is thoroughly depressing.	Staffing Levels	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
10962	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Most of the savings will come from staff reduction. This can be achieved by stopping doing things, simplifying how they are done, or enabling them e.g. through technology. First two can be achieved by asking "do we need to do all of these processes?"; the last will need a robust business case for any investment	Staffing Levels	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Experience has demonstrated that the council can deliver an more effective and cost effective service through the centralisation of generic tasks, use of technology and retention of specialist provision within service. This model still allows the opportunity for staff to engage with council officers on a face to face basis at the most effective and convenient level.
10963	An employee of West Lothian Council	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Staffing levels within the department i work are already at the minimum and further staff reductions would mean the service that is provided will not be appropriate. Each department should be carefully assessed to ensure that reduction in staff levels will not be detrimental to the service we should provide.	Staffing Levels	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Any service restructure will be undertaken in accordance with the council organisational change policy and in consultation with the recognised trade unions. The Council has developed a Corporate Workforce Plan and Service specific workforce plans which monitor staffing requirements and ensure as far as possible that staffing complements and staff skills meet the service requirements.
10964	No Response	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Again the Council stand to loose specialised knowledge, skills and expertise. For example the Council is struggling to attract teachers into posts how do the Council propose to function without adequate staff to carry out the work.	Staffing Levels	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Any service restructure will be undertaken in accordance with the council organisational change policy and in consultation with the recognised trade unions. The Council has developed a Corporate Workforce Plan and Service specific workforce plans which monitor staffing requirements and ensure as far as possible that staffing complements and staff skills meet the service requirements.
10965	No Response	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Why is â€œrationalising staffâ€™ always the solution, why do staff suffer when the highest earners of the councils prevail. This is where the savings are needed- wasteful high earners protecting their own interests not in medium and low paid jobs. Those making these decisions should look at their jobs and push this attitude further up to government where waste and unjust wages are prevalent.	Staffing Levels	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council continually reviews the tiers of management and span of control across all service levels against a target 5 x 5 structure. This ensures that the council continues to operate with an effective and efficient managerial structure. The council is subject to national pay bargaining and the salary scales for officers are determined nationally. The council is subject to national pay bargaining, and terms and conditions.
10966	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	I personally am sick of seeing council workers standing in groups of 3 or 4 watching 1 worker do the job, while the others 'supervise'.	Staffing Levels	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
10967	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Do changes to staffing levels mean redundancy? I would be keen for this to be avoided as we aim to increase employment across the authority, not add to unemployment figures.	Staffing Levels	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council has been able to delivery significant budget reductions in the last 10 years without the requirement for compulsory redundancies. The scale of the further reductions required over the next five years will be challenging and the council will seek to use the existing range of workforce management and organisational change policies to deliver the required reductions in staffing numbers.

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10968	No Response	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Need to ensure that cuts are made in the right places, and not leave the Council and their various areas short on the staffing front. As this will just increase the pressure on remaining staff to fill the gaps	Staffing Levels	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Any service restructure will be undertaken in accordance with the council organisational change policy and in consultation with the recognised trade unions. The Council has developed a Corporate Workforce Plan and Service specific workforce plans which monitor staffing requirements and ensure as far as possible that staffing complements and staff skills meet the service requirements.
10969	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Offer redundancy/pension packages.	Staffing Levels	4. The council is already doing this.	The council has a Early Retirement/Voluntary Severance scheme which is available to all employees subject to a suitable business case being submitted within the set affordability criteria.
10970	An employee of West Lothian Council	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	If time study was carried out on all jobs it could highlight areas that could reduce staff. It will not work if staff are cut, then the other people in that team are put under pressure to take on too much work.	Staffing Levels	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Any service restructure will be undertaken in accordance with the council organisational change policy and in consultation with the recognised trade unions. The Council has developed a Corporate Workforce Plan and Service specific workforce plans which monitor staffing requirements and ensure as far as possible that staffing complements and staff skills meet the service requirements.
10971	An employee of West Lothian Council	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Achieving the savings through staffing and structural amendments would appear to be the most effective way forward.	Staffing Levels	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Any service restructure will be undertaken in accordance with the council organisational change policy and in consultation with the recognised trade unions. The Council has developed a Corporate Workforce Plan and Service specific workforce plans which monitor staffing requirements and ensure as far as possible that staffing complements and staff skills meet the service requirements.
10972	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	As long as service is not affected and staff not under increased pressure and are continued to be paid and valued then changes could take place	Staffing Levels	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Any service restructure will be undertaken in accordance with the council organisational change policy and in consultation with the recognised trade unions. The Council has developed a Corporate Workforce Plan and Service specific workforce plans which monitor staffing requirements and ensure as far as possible that staffing complements and staff skills meet the service requirements.
10973	An employee of West Lothian Council	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Will this be through natural wastage or will the no redundancy policy be re-voked???	Staffing Levels	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	The council has been able to delivery significant budget reductions in the last 10 years without the requirement for compulsory redundancies. The scale of the further reductions required over the next five years will be challenging and the council will seek to use the existing range of workforce management and organisational change policies to deliver the required reductions in staffing numbers.
10974	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	So people will be losing their jobs? Could you not simply say so instead of using fancy wording to make the proposal sound different to what it actually is?	Staffing Levels	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Any service restructure will be undertaken in accordance with the council organisational change policy and in consultation with the recognised trade unions. The Council has developed a Corporate Workforce Plan and Service specific workforce plans which monitor staffing requirements and ensure as far as possible that staffing complements and staff skills meet the service requirements.
10975	An employee of West Lothian Council	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Reduce management	Staffing Levels	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council continually reviews the tiers of management and span of control across all service levels against a target 5 x 5 structure. This ensures that the council continues to operate with an effective and efficient managerial structure.

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10976	No Response	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	How can you deliver essential services with fewer staff?	Staffing Levels	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Any service restructure will be undertaken in accordance with the council organisational change policy and in consultation with the recognised trade unions. The Council has developed a Corporate Workforce Plan and Service specific workforce plans which monitor staffing requirements and ensure as far as possible that staffing complements and staff skills meet the service requirements.
10977	An employee of West Lothian Council	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	again be aware of the teacher strikes...	Staffing Levels	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	The council is subject to national pay bargaining and the salary scales for officers are determined nationally. The council is subject to national pay bargaining, and terms and conditions.
10978	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Staffing levels should only be reduced if the consultation shows that that services CAN be efficiently streamlined without loss of quality to the public.	Staffing Levels	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Any service restructure will be undertaken in accordance with the council organisational change policy and in consultation with the recognised trade unions. The Council has developed a Corporate Workforce Plan and Service specific workforce plans which monitor staffing requirements and ensure as far as possible that staffing complements and staff skills meet the service requirements.
10979	An employee of West Lothian Council	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	This will be an extremely difficult objective to deliver and will ultimately involve a council wide reduction in workforce. This will have massive legal implications and potentially opens WLC up to contentious claims against us if not managed properly. This could involve Employment Tribunal cases or even civil actions. For this reason, it is crucial that Legal Services have the correct tools and resources to provide the correct advice along the way in this process, to avoid such complications. I do not believe that this will have an impact purely on those involved in HR and Employment Law but also this will impact on the capacity of the whole service. Legal Services is currently short staffed. There will be further necessity to replenish this staff shortfall to ensure legal compliance in attaining this objective. There will require to be a complement of suitably trained/qualified legal/HR staff to implement this objective and mitigate potential risks.	Staffing Levels	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council recognises the importance of an efficient and effective legal services in supporting and enabling the delivery of transformed council services.
10980	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Look at those at the top	Staffing Levels	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council continually reviews the tiers of management and span of control across all service levels against a target 5 x 5 structure. This ensures that the council continues to operate with an effective and efficient managerial structure.
10981	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	If staff and services are reduced it is important that customer expectations about the level of service that they can expect are properly managed and advertised.	Staffing Levels	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council will consult with and communicate to customers in relation to any changes to service delivery and
10982	An employee of West Lothian Council	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Again less staff employed with bigger workloads	Staffing Levels	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Any service restructure will be undertaken in accordance with the council organisational change policy and in consultation with the recognised trade unions. The Council has developed a Corporate Workforce Plan and Service specific workforce plans which monitor staffing requirements and ensure as far as possible that staffing complements and staff skills meet the service requirements.
10983	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Agreed - enough admin staff should be retained to process tasks. Rationalisation should be in reduction in management	Staffing Levels	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Experience has demonstrated that the council can deliver a more effective and cost effective service through the centralisation of generic tasks, use of technology and the retention of specialist provision within services.

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10984	An employee of West Lothian Council	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Good - but consider those in senior management first! The biggest savings will be met here. Also a number of staff were due to have been lost following the last round of cuts, but they're still here! Equity of pay - more females are paid less/ in lower paid jobs in the first place!! Will there be redundancy packages available, and if so how will staff access this information to make the 'best' decision?	Staffing Levels	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council continually reviews the tiers of management and span of control across all service levels against a target 5 x 5 structure. This ensures that the council continues to operate with an effective and efficient managerial structure. The council is an equal opportunity employer and grades for jobs have been evaluated to ensure that they do not introduce inequity. The council has a Early Retirement/Voluntary Severance scheme which is available to all employees subject to a suitable business case being submitted within the set affordability criteria.
10985	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	less management would be better	Staffing Levels	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council continually reviews the tiers of management and span of control across all service levels against a target 5 x 5 structure. This ensures that the council continues to operate with an effective and efficient managerial structure.
10986	An employee of West Lothian Council	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Staff are already at capacity, many having already absorbed the affect of reduced staffing levels. We can't keep asking people to do more and more without this affecting health and wellbeing.	Staffing Levels	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Any service restructure will be undertaken in accordance with the council organisational change policy and in consultation with the recognised trade unions. The Council has developed a Corporate Workforce Plan and Service specific workforce plans which monitor staffing requirements and ensure as far as possible that staffing complements and staff skills meet the service requirements.
10987	An employee of West Lothian Council	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Early retirement and natural wastage through staff leaving will surely take up a large amount of this estimate Over 5 years , again Sounds good in theory but no practical evidence is given to support this action.	Staffing Levels	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	At this stage, detailed budget reduction measures have not been developed, therefore there is no specific information on how the savings will be achieved and the timescales for delivery. This will become clearer as the measures progress following the consultation process and approval of the council's budget strategy.
10988	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	More support is required for managers to deal with incompetent, not able or not willing staff members to raise expectations.	Staffing Levels	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has a number of policies and procedures in place which support managers to monitor and manage employee performance .
10989	No Response	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	One of the councils priorities is improving employment and yet the solution to the budget problems is to create less jobs. People work for the council because it is considered a good place to work, this will change if staff are being paid off and not being given permanent contracts.	Staffing Levels	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council has introduced improved workforce planning and greater coordination of vacant posts, fixed term appointments and employees who have been displaced through organisational change. The council is also reviewing the terms of the Redeployment Policy to offer greater opportunities for the redeployment of employees subject to suitable business need.
10990	No Response	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Ok, again, as long as workload is not increased and staff are not made redundant. Something may have "to give" as staff in schools in particular cannot take on any more.	Staffing Levels	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has been able to delivery significant budget reductions in the last 10 years without the requirement for compulsory redundancies. The scale of the further reductions required over the next five years will be challenging and the council will seek to use the existing range of workforce management and organisational change policies to deliver the required reductions in staffing numbers.
10991	No Response	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	I am assuming that the above statement does in fact mean staff cuts. I am totally against the reduction of the council's workforce. Savings have already been made in the last few years - staff who have left post or who have retired - have not been replaced. In effect this means that fewer staff are now doing the jobs of two or more people. This increases the stress on the remaining workforce, which impacts on their ability to work productively.	Staffing Levels	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council has been able to delivery significant budget reductions in the last 10 years without the requirement for compulsory redundancies. The scale of the further reductions required over the next five years will be challenging and the council will seek to use the existing range of workforce management and organisational change policies to deliver the required reductions in staffing numbers.
10992	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Reduce the workforce at all levels.	Staffing Levels	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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10993	An employee of West Lothian Council	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	It will only be a better West Lothian if there are still people employed and delivering services to enhance the lives of others rather than everyone being out of work due to Council cuts!!!!	Staffing Levels	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
10994	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	As long as staffing cuts don't mean drastic reduction in services	Staffing Levels	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Any service restructure will be undertaken in accordance with the council organisational change policy and in consultation with the recognised trade unions. The Council has developed a Corporate Workforce Plan and Service specific workforce plans which monitor staffing requirements and ensure as far as possible that staffing complements and staff skills meet the service requirements.
10995	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	I don't believe that staffing levels have been particularly affected so far in the previous cuts. By all means reduce staffing if possible in admin roles, but protect and possibly increase those posts working with children and in roles supporting families living with particular difficulties e.g. Disabled children.	Staffing Levels	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Any service restructure will be undertaken in accordance with the council organisational change policy and in consultation with the recognised trade unions. The Council has developed a Corporate Workforce Plan and Service specific workforce plans which monitor staffing requirements and ensure as far as possible that staffing complements and staff skills meet the service requirements.
10996	No Response	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Every effort should be main to achieve staffing cuts by natural departures, avoiding compulsory redundancies.	Staffing Levels	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has been able to delivery significant budget reductions in the last 10 years without the requirement for compulsory redundancies. The scale of the further reductions required over the next five years will be challenging and the council will seek to use the existing range of workforce management and organisational change policies to deliver the required reductions in staffing numbers.
10997	No Response	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	As stated previously, staff levels are reduced already due to service demand, so cutting back more would be detrimental for patients, carers and families.	Staffing Levels	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Any service restructure will be undertaken in accordance with the council organisational change policy and in consultation with the recognised trade unions. The Council has developed a Corporate Workforce Plan and Service specific workforce plans which monitor staffing requirements and ensure as far as possible that staffing complements and staff skills meet the service requirements.
10998	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Staffing levels shouldn't be changed. We know what this means and it could mean shutting somewhere down just so the council dont need the employees there any more, using machines so employees aren't needed ect. but these people would be at the bottom of the chain, people higher up in the council are safe and probably wont feel any damage done to them. It's an endless cycle, reduce staff in the council creates more unemployed people of all ages and therefore will need the scheme that the council plan to reduce also so will they be given the help they need?	Staffing Levels	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Any service restructure will be undertaken in accordance with the council organisational change policy and in consultation with the recognised trade unions. The Council has developed a Corporate Workforce Plan and Service specific workforce plans which monitor staffing requirements and ensure as far as possible that staffing complements and staff skills meet the service requirements.
10999	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	This item dwarfs all other proposals above and it is very vague - albeit it implicitly means making very widespread redundancies. Does the council currently employ lots of people who don't contribute anything? If not then services will necessarily suffer.	Staffing Levels	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council has been able to delivery significant budget reductions in the last 10 years without the requirement for compulsory redundancies. The scale of the further reductions required over the next five years will be challenging and the council will seek to use the existing range of workforce management and organisational change policies to deliver the required reductions in staffing numbers.

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11000	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Staff cuts will inevitably lead to a poorer service.	Staffing Levels	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Any service restructure will be undertaken in accordance with the council organisational change policy and in consultation with the recognised trade unions. The Council has developed a Corporate Workforce Plan and Service specific workforce plans which monitor staffing requirements and ensure as far as possible that staffing complements and staff skills meet the service requirements.
11001	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Again vague, but I would not support widespread job cuts across services if this is likely to have a detrimental effect on service provision.	Staffing Levels	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Any service restructure will be undertaken in accordance with the council organisational change policy and in consultation with the recognised trade unions. The Council has developed a Corporate Workforce Plan and Service specific workforce plans which monitor staffing requirements and ensure as far as possible that staffing complements and staff skills meet the service requirements.
11002	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	I do not want people to lose their jobs and as we know the demand is still high from the people of West Lothian who have become used to the council providing high levels and quality of services. Not sure how we can maintain the workforce but creating unemployment in times of uncertainty is not an option I could agree with. Reducing staff and increasing workloads for remaining staff may result in burn out stress and increasing absences from work. Perhaps looking at a voluntary redundancy policy may allow for natural wastage.	Staffing Levels	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council has a Early Retirement/Voluntary Severance scheme which is available to all employees subject to a suitable business case being submitted within the set affordability criteria.
11003	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Again, The council needs to ensure that the staffing are in place to provide the quality of service that these service users, families and communities require to ensure positive outcomes for all concerned. This will cause additional stress to families and the council has a duty needs of care . They also. Need to take into consideration that council employees are not having to take on unrealistic workloads. Also this will be interesting to see how this is provided against a background of proposed cuts to adult services, including the specialised Elburn Centre and Ability Centre, Carmondean . Unrealistic	Staffing Levels	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Any service restructure will be undertaken in accordance with the council organisational change policy and in consultation with the recognised trade unions. The Council has developed a Corporate Workforce Plan and Service specific workforce plans which monitor staffing requirements and ensure as far as possible that staffing complements and staff skills meet the service requirements.
11004	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	I am concerned however about the proposed reduction in staff level. Turning taxpayers who provide a community service into people on benefit does not seem like a saving to me. I don't believe social services staff level should be reduced for example.	Staffing Levels	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Any service restructure will be undertaken in accordance with the council organisational change policy and in consultation with the recognised trade unions. The Council has developed a Corporate Workforce Plan and Service specific workforce plans which monitor staffing requirements and ensure as far as possible that staffing complements and staff skills meet the service requirements.
11005	No Response	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	The council needs to ensure that the staffing are in place to provide the quality public services which residents in West Lothian want and depend on without council employees having to take on unrealistic workloads,	Staffing Levels	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Any service restructure will be undertaken in accordance with the council organisational change policy and in consultation with the recognised trade unions. The Council has developed a Corporate Workforce Plan and Service specific workforce plans which monitor staffing requirements and ensure as far as possible that staffing complements and staff skills meet the service requirements.

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11006	No Response	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Staff reduction lower pay and higher living costs leaves little incentive	Staffing Levels	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Any service restructure will be undertaken in accordance with the council organisational change policy and in consultation with the recognised trade unions. The Council has developed a Corporate Workforce Plan and Service specific workforce plans which monitor staffing requirements and ensure as far as possible that staffing complements and staff skills meet the service requirements. The proposed review of terms and conditions would seek to review the use of overtime, allowances and enhancements, whilst at the same time consider the rates payable when used.
11007	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	The range of activity the council undertakes is vast and needs reviewed in light of the resources available. This does not necessarily mean that there should be staff cuts. Staff could be redeployed to carry out priority activity where possible	Staffing Levels	4. The council is already doing this.	The council has introduced improved workforce planning and greater coordination of vacant posts, fixed term appointments and employees who have been displaced through organisational change. The council is also reviewing the terms of the Redeployment Policy to offer greater opportunities for the redeployment of employees subject to suitable business need.
11008	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Job share, reduced hours, upskilling to facilitate opportunities to fulfil several roles if required	Staffing Levels	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	The council has introduced improved workforce planning and greater coordination of vacant posts, fixed term appointments and employees who have been displaced through organisational change. The council is also reviewing the terms of the Redeployment Policy to offer greater opportunities for the redeployment of employees subject to suitable business need.
11009	An employee of West Lothian Council	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	A gradual change in Staffing levels is very important.	Staffing Levels	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11010	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Changes in staffing levels need to be handled with care and negotiated fully with trade unions. My suggestion would be that rather than compulsory redundancies the council should consider a not replacing some category of staff when they leave, offering voluntary exit packages to staff.	Staffing Levels	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has introduced improved workforce planning and greater coordination of vacant posts, fixed term appointments and employees who have been displaced through organisational change. The council is also reviewing the terms of the Redeployment Policy to offer greater opportunities for the redeployment of employees subject to suitable business need.
11011	An employee of West Lothian Council	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	This could provide even less of a service to the public and make the onus on staff to take on more responsibility to the detriment of their health and the good job they try to do.	Staffing Levels	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Any service restructure will be undertaken in accordance with the council organisational change policy and in consultation with the recognised trade unions. The Council has developed a Corporate Workforce Plan and Service specific workforce plans which monitor staffing requirements and ensure as far as possible that staffing complements and staff skills meet the service requirements
11012	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Staffing may be the Council's biggest cost, however the staff are also the organisation's biggest assets. A balance has to be struck between making savings and ensuring services are adequately resourced. Decide what the priority services are and resource them properly. Make the tough choice to dispense with non-priority services. Services that support and enable the delivery of Council priorities, either directly or via income / capital generation, should be protected.	Staffing Levels	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Any service restructure will be undertaken in accordance with the council organisational change policy and in consultation with the recognised trade unions. The Council has developed a Corporate Workforce Plan and Service specific workforce plans which monitor staffing requirements and ensure as far as possible that staffing complements and staff skills meet the service requirements
11013	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Makes sense from a cost saving perspective. I'd like to think that any staff affected by changes will be supported	Staffing Levels	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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11014	An employee of West Lothian Council	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	If the council is able to streamline money spent on overblown management structures in any way these savings could be achieved easily. The issue is protection of grassroots employees who have, for too long, had their income squeezed and workplace development eroded. In my other experience, some services can't work effectively with other areas of our own council let alone with those outside the region.	Staffing Levels	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council continually reviews the tiers of management and span of control across all service levels against a target 5 x 5 structure. This ensures that the council continues to operate with an effective and efficient managerial structure.
11015	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Staffing levels cannot be reduced, staff are already stressed and their morale is low. There will be a knock on effect of staff illness and in sick time, thereby putting even greater pressure on those left to shoulder the increased work load.	Staffing Levels	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Any service restructure will be undertaken in accordance with the council organisational change policy and in consultation with the recognised trade unions. The Council has developed a Corporate Workforce Plan and Service specific workforce plans which monitor staffing requirements and ensure as far as possible that staffing complements and staff skills meet the service requirements
11016	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Staffing levels need to reflect the Council's provision of services in order to ensure a high standard of service delivery.	Staffing Levels	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Any service restructure will be undertaken in accordance with the council organisational change policy and in consultation with the recognised trade unions. The Council has developed a Corporate Workforce Plan and Service specific workforce plans which monitor staffing requirements and ensure as far as possible that staffing complements and staff skills meet the service requirements
11017	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	no compulsory redundancies must be maintained	Staffing Levels	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	The council has been able to delivery significant budget reductions in the last 10 years without the requirement for compulsory redundancies. The scale of the further reductions required over the next five years will be challenging and the council will seek to use the existing range of workforce management and organisational change policies to deliver the required reductions in staffing numbers.
11018	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	While acknowledging that this is a difficult process there are computer models to help. Also, does the council still operate a 'No redundancy policy'? If so perhaps this should be looked at.	Staffing Levels	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has been able to delivery significant budget reductions in the last 10 years without the requirement for compulsory redundancies. The scale of the further reductions required over the next five years will be challenging and the council will seek to use the existing range of workforce management and organisational change policies to deliver the required reductions in staffing numbers.
11019	An employee of West Lothian Council	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	we have to protect jobs if the council is to deliver the high standards expected and that is delivered to the customers	Staffing Levels	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council has introduced improved workforce planning and greater coordination of vacant posts, fixed term appointments and employees who have been displaced through organisational change. The council is also reviewing the terms of the Redeployment Policy to offer greater opportunities for the redeployment of employees subject to suitable business need.
11020	No Response	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Yeah, because that's the way forward isn't it? Cutting staff even more than we already have been which will lead to more stress and sickness and also piss the customers off making them even more aggressive than they already are :) great plan guys.	Staffing Levels	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Any service restructure will be undertaken in accordance with the council organisational change policy and in consultation with the recognised trade unions. The Council has developed a Corporate Workforce Plan and Service specific workforce plans which monitor staffing requirements and ensure as far as possible that staffing complements and staff skills meet the service requirements

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11021	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	As outlined in 1g, I question the likelihood that further savings can be made through changes to staffing levels without it also having an adverse impact on service delivery and quality of life in West Lothian.	Staffing Levels	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Any service restructure will be undertaken in accordance with the council organisational change policy and in consultation with the recognised trade unions. The Council has developed a Corporate Workforce Plan and Service specific workforce plans which monitor staffing requirements and ensure as far as possible that staffing complements and staff skills meet the service requirements
11022	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	By simply reducing staff numbers in order to make financial savings to already depleted areas of the Council, this does not improve efficiency but more than likely reduces efficiency and increases stress levels in staff that are asked to do more, reducing staff moral. It is a downward spiral!	Staffing Levels	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Any service restructure will be undertaken in accordance with the council organisational change policy and in consultation with the recognised trade unions. The Council has developed a Corporate Workforce Plan and Service specific workforce plans which monitor staffing requirements and ensure as far as possible that staffing complements and staff skills meet the service requirements
11023	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Redundancies will not necessarily improve things, unless they are voluntary or positions that become vacant are not refilled (obviously depending on the position).	Staffing Levels	4. The council is already doing this.	The council has introduced improved workforce planning and greater coordination of vacant posts, fixed term appointments and employees who have been displaced through organisational change. The council is also reviewing the terms of the Redeployment Policy to offer greater opportunities for the redeployment of employees subject to suitable business need.
11024	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	5 year programme is doable - agree Save money - sack some of the Councilors too many of them	Staffing Levels	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11025	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	No you can't lose any more staff there aren't enough at the moment	Staffing Levels	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Any service restructure will be undertaken in accordance with the council organisational change policy and in consultation with the recognised trade unions. The Council has developed a Corporate Workforce Plan and Service specific workforce plans which monitor staffing requirements and ensure as far as possible that staffing complements and staff skills meet the service requirements
11026	An employee of West Lothian Council	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Seems a downsize is inevitable. Its how this is done that will matter. It needs to be open and transparent, fair and equal as well as thought through not to just let a skills drain happen then pick up the pieces.	Staffing Levels	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Any service restructure will be undertaken in accordance with the council organisational change policy and in consultation with the recognised trade unions. The Council has developed a Corporate Workforce Plan and Service specific workforce plans which monitor staffing requirements and ensure as far as possible that staffing complements and staff skills meet the service requirements
11027	An employee of West Lothian Council	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Can't see how "Shared Services" will work if other neighbouring central Scotland councils are in the same, or even worse off, position than WLC. Succession Planning is talked about but nothing is ever done. Most Services are far too top heavy with 45- 60 age bracket. With departure and non-replacement of staff over the last 10 years there is a "ticking time bomb" with the current / projected staff age structure and there seems to be very little younger staff coming through (on Management courses - what happened to the Mangers Passport scheme ?), and those at the bottom of the ladder are all on 1 -2 year contracts! I really fear for the future operation of the council in 20 years time.	Staffing Levels	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council has an existing shared service agreement with South Lanarkshire Council for a shared IT data centre and will continue to develop opportunities for further shared service arrangements with other public bodies. The council is also progressing with West Lothian College the provision of shared services opportunities across a range of service areas. Employees are the council's most important asset and the council will continue to invest in training and development of employees and managers .

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11028	An employee of West Lothian Council	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	We cannot afford to lose any more staff in our department due to the massive workload we have at the moment. Reviewing staffing levels in poor performance departments is a must.	Staffing Levels	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Any service restructure will be undertaken in accordance with the council organisational change policy and in consultation with the recognised trade unions. The Council has developed a Corporate Workforce Plan and Service specific workforce plans which monitor staffing requirements and ensure as far as possible that staffing complements and staff skills meet the service requirements
11029	An employee of West Lothian Council	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	This will probably mean more work being added to the people left after the job cuts. Putting too much pressure on staff which will then lead to an increase in sick absence. Staff should be looked after and appreciated.	Staffing Levels	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Any service restructure will be undertaken in accordance with the council organisational change policy and in consultation with the recognised trade unions. The Council has developed a Corporate Workforce Plan and Service specific workforce plans which monitor staffing requirements and ensure as far as possible that staffing complements and staff skills meet the service requirements
11030	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Waffle! Yes, you need to reduce staffing levels, particularly at a senior level, where the cost is highest. Yes you need to see what other councils are doing and copy best practice. But keep it simple. Don't require lots of staff that do nothing but look at the council's operations.	Staffing Levels	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council continually reviews the tiers of management and span of control across all service levels against a target 5 x 5 structure. This ensures that the council continues to operate with an effective and efficient managerial structure.
11031	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	work smarter - increase staff productivity/outputs - slash tasks which are not priorities	Staffing Levels	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Any service restructure will be undertaken in accordance with the council organisational change policy and in consultation with the recognised trade unions. The Council has developed a Corporate Workforce Plan and Service specific workforce plans which monitor staffing requirements and ensure as far as possible that staffing complements and staff skills meet the service requirements
11032	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	I would hope that WLC continue to have a no compulsory redundancy policy	Staffing Levels	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has been able to delivery significant budget reductions in the last 10 years without the requirement for compulsory redundancies. The scale of the further reductions required over the next five years will be challenging and the council will seek to use the existing range of workforce management and organisational change policies to deliver the required reductions in staffing numbers.
11033	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Unfortunate, but necessary to make the savings. There are concerns about skilled and experienced staff going and leaving a void that could prove to be more costly in the longer term.	Staffing Levels	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Any service restructure will be undertaken in accordance with the council organisational change policy and in consultation with the recognised trade unions. The Council has developed a Corporate Workforce Plan and Service specific workforce plans which monitor staffing requirements and ensure as far as possible that staffing complements and staff skills meet the service requirements
11034	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Management levels should be reviewed. Staff have left/retired & not been replaced, reducing the staff levels, but the amount of managers remains the same. There are more savings to me made at managers salary level.	Staffing Levels	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council continually reviews the tiers of management and span of control across all service levels against a target 5 x 5 structure. This ensures that the council continues to operate with an effective and efficient managerial structure.
11035	An individual	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	Should be fewer Councilors.	Staffing Levels	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	The make up of Council Wards is a matter for the Boundary Commission and not West Lothian Council

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11036	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	The Council must not reduce number of staff earning £40,000 or less. I propose that 50% of staff earning an annual salary £50,000 and more be made redundant thus saving the Council millions of pounds over the next 3/4 years.	Staffing Levels	5b. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it is likely that the costs of this proposal would outweigh the benefit.	Any service restructure will be undertaken in accordance with the Council organisational change policy and in consultation with the recognised trade unions. The Council has developed a Corporate Workforce Plan and Service specific workforce plans which monitor staffing requirements and ensure as far as possible that staffing complements and staff skills meet the service requirements
11037	An employee of West Lothian Council	1h. General Balance of Savings to be Identified	this will be the most important part of council workers thinking. Will want job security and to still be able to live comfortably	Staffing Levels	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	The council has introduced improved workforce planning and greater coordination of vacant posts, fixed term appointments and employees who have been displaced through organisational change. The council is also reviewing the terms of the Redeployment Policy to offer greater opportunities for the redeployment of employees subject to suitable business need.
11038	An individual	2a. Care for Children	I think this needs to be modernised a lot.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11039	An employee of West Lothian Council	2a. Care for Children	If this can deliver savings required and provide care to those most in need then it should be pursued.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11040	No Response	2a. Care for Children	Agree to all suggested proposals	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11041	An individual	2a. Care for Children	good	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11042	An employee of West Lothian Council	2a. Care for Children	Supportive of this proposal.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11043	An individual	2a. Care for Children	Agree with this proposal.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11044	No Response	2a. Care for Children	I agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11045	No Response	2a. Care for Children	yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11046	An employee of West Lothian Council	2a. Care for Children	THIS SEEMS TO BE A VERY USEFUL PROPOSAL IN RESPECT OF ECONOMIES OF SCALE	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11047	An individual	2a. Care for Children	Yes good suggestion	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11048	An employee of West Lothian Council	2a. Care for Children	Yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11049	An individual	2a. Care for Children	Essential	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11050	An individual	2a. Care for Children	sounds ok	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11051	An individual	2a. Care for Children	Agree this proposal.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11052	No Response	2a. Care for Children	Have no objection	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11053	An individual	2a. Care for Children	Support proposal.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11054	An individual	2a. Care for Children	Yes. Disabled children should be kept in their local community.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11055	An individual	2a. Care for Children	all fine and well but you wont save money	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11056	An individual	2a. Care for Children	Very commendable, but a risk that apparently lower risk cases will slip through the cracks.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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11057	An individual	2a. Care for Children	This is a good idea, especially as far as keeping young people in, or close to, their local area.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11058	An employee of West Lothian Council	2a. Care for Children	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11059	An employee of West Lothian Council	2a. Care for Children	Sounds fair.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11060	An individual	2a. Care for Children	agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11061	An individual	2a. Care for Children	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11062	An individual	2a. Care for Children	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11063	An individual	2a. Care for Children	Good idea	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11064	An employee of West Lothian Council	2a. Care for Children	agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11065	An individual	2a. Care for Children	agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11066	An employee of West Lothian Council	2a. Care for Children	Happy with this.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11067	An employee of West Lothian Council	2a. Care for Children	agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11068	An individual	2a. Care for Children	Ok with this	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11069	An individual	2a. Care for Children	Yes I agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11070	An individual	2a. Care for Children	Agree.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11071	An individual	2a. Care for Children	happy with this	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11072	An individual	2a. Care for Children	Agreed.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11073	An employee of West Lothian Council	2a. Care for Children	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11074	An individual	2a. Care for Children	Agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11075	No Response	2a. Care for Children	Good.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11076	An individual	2a. Care for Children	Positive	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11077	No Response	2a. Care for Children	This sounds like a good plan.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11078	An individual	2a. Care for Children	As long as the requirements as still met.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11079	An individual	2a. Care for Children	go ahead with the savings	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11080	No Response	2a. Care for Children	This seems the correct approach in the circumstances.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11081	An individual	2a. Care for Children	I think this should be done.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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11082	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	2a. Care for Children	sounds ok but need more in depth information	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11083	An employee of West Lothian Council	2a. Care for Children	Seems sensible but not informed in this area.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11084	An employee of West Lothian Council	2a. Care for Children	Agreed but earlier intervention is needed.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11085	No Response	2a. Care for Children	Without more information it would be difficult to give a definitive answer, however, on the face of it this seems to make sense	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11086	An individual	2a. Care for Children	As long as there is good support in place	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11087	An individual	2a. Care for Children	That sounds good, I hope it is achievable	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11088	An individual	2a. Care for Children	Agreed, nothing to add.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11089	An individual	2a. Care for Children	I agree with the Council's proposals for the moment to see how they all work out. Thank you.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11090	An employee of West Lothian Council	2a. Care for Children	Agree. In particular with allowing children with disabilities to remain in their local community so long as quality provision is made available.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11091	An employee of West Lothian Council	2a. Care for Children	Sounds good but again the devil is in the details!	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11092	An individual	2a. Care for Children	Sounds sensible to me.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11093	An individual	2a. Care for Children	I fully support this.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11094	No Response	2a. Care for Children	I agree with the proposal	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11095	An employee of West Lothian Council	2a. Care for Children	Any modernisation process is a good process in my book	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11096	No Response	2a. Care for Children	This sounds ideal however no actual information is given on what any of the proposals are other than generalisations.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11097	No Response	2a. Care for Children	I have no comment other than I agree that care for the most vulnerable children should be a priority	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11098	An individual	2a. Care for Children	Agree. Needs all people involved with the child to play their part though.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11099	An individual	2a. Care for Children	no objections.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11100	An individual	2a. Care for Children	Would be a significant saving and needed in today's climate	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11101	An individual	2a. Care for Children	Agree. WLC has always been competent and done very well in these areas compared to other Council Regions.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11102	An individual	2a. Care for Children	Sounds good to me.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11103	An employee of West Lothian Council	2a. Care for Children	Agree with this.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11104	No Response	2a. Care for Children	Ok	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11105	No Response	2a. Care for Children	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11106	An individual	2a. Care for Children	no issue with this	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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11107	An employee of West Lothian Council	2a. Care for Children	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11108	An individual	2a. Care for Children	ok.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11109	An individual	2a. Care for Children	Agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11110	An individual	2a. Care for Children	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11111	An individual	2a. Care for Children	Agree.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11112	An individual	2a. Care for Children	Good	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11113	No Response	2a. Care for Children	Sounds fine.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11114	No Response	2a. Care for Children	Agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11115	An individual	2a. Care for Children	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11116	An employee of West Lothian Council	2a. Care for Children	Good	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11117	An individual	2a. Care for Children	I agree with this.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11118	An employee of West Lothian Council	2a. Care for Children	Agree.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11119	An individual	2a. Care for Children	Agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11120	An employee of West Lothian Council	2a. Care for Children	agree with proposal	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11121	An individual	2a. Care for Children	I agree with this proposal.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11122	No Response	2a. Care for Children	Sounds good	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11123	An employee of West Lothian Council	2a. Care for Children	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11124	An individual	2a. Care for Children	Good Idea	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11125	An individual	2a. Care for Children	agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11126	An employee of West Lothian Council	2a. Care for Children	Agree that the focus should be on the high risk cases as we wouldn't want any child being hurt or killed. There has to be savings in this area otherwise we are saying it is fully efficient which I'm sure it is not.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11127	An employee of West Lothian Council	2a. Care for Children	This will be excellent and provide consistency for children with disabilities without uprooting them out with council.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11128	An individual	2a. Care for Children	Agree that council should look to focus resources on those most at risk.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11129	An individual	2a. Care for Children	This sounds and looks to be understandable.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11130	An employee of West Lothian Council	2a. Care for Children	This sounds good, I think early intervention and prevention are key, especially working with families (something that educational psychologists could take more of a role in perhaps?).	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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11131	An employee of West Lothian Council	2a. Care for Children	Sounds ok.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11132	An employee of West Lothian Council	2a. Care for Children	I fully support to proposal for children to be accommodated within West Lothian as I know the costs involved in placing them outwith the region not only in terms of the residential fees but also in terms of staff time visiting outlying establishments to review/support these children to whom we have a responsibility.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11133	An individual	2a. Care for Children	totally agree with keeping residential placements in west lothian	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11134	An individual	2a. Care for Children	great idea , outreach is always good .	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11135	An individual	2a. Care for Children	This sounds like making this change would benefit many people in unfortunate circumstances.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11136	An individual	2a. Care for Children	This seems like a good idea. As long as the families and young people are getting the help that best suits their needs.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11137	An individual	2a. Care for Children	Sounds sensible.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11138	An employee of West Lothian Council	2a. Care for Children	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11139	An employee of West Lothian Council	2a. Care for Children	Would agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11140	No Response	2a. Care for Children	Fully agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11141	An employee of West Lothian Council	2a. Care for Children	Agree.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11142	No Response	2a. Care for Children	Good!	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11143	An individual	2a. Care for Children	Good	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11144	An individual	2a. Care for Children	Sounds reasonable .	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11145	An employee of West Lothian Council	2a. Care for Children	Sounds good!	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11146	An individual	2a. Care for Children	Agree 100%	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11147	An individual	2a. Care for Children	Large saving and hopefully worthwhile with no negative impact to children and families requiring support.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11148	An individual	2a. Care for Children	Yes much better young people being in their own communities	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11149	An employee of West Lothian Council	2a. Care for Children	I strongly agree with this.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11150	An individual	2a. Care for Children	Suported	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11151	An individual	2a. Care for Children	okay as long as this is not detrimental to the young people	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11152	An individual	2a. Care for Children	I would support this in principle.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11153	An individual	2a. Care for Children	Agreed if this is in the best interest of the child and their families.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11154	An individual	2a. Care for Children	Completely agree and money for this should be realised from savings in council internal services and teams.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11155	An individual	2a. Care for Children	Totally agree.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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11156	An individual	2a. Care for Children	Fine	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11157	An employee of West Lothian Council	2a. Care for Children	This appears to be a reasonable proposal.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11158	An individual	2a. Care for Children	Agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11159	An individual	2a. Care for Children	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11160	An individual	2a. Care for Children	OK.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11161	An individual	2a. Care for Children	I would support this	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11162	No Response	2a. Care for Children	I agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11163	An employee of West Lothian Council	2a. Care for Children	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11164	No Response	2a. Care for Children	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11165	No Response	2a. Care for Children	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11166	An individual	2a. Care for Children	I agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11167	No Response	2a. Care for Children	Agree with this proposal	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11168	An employee of West Lothian Council	2a. Care for Children	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11169	An individual	2a. Care for Children	I agree with this proposal	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11170	An employee of West Lothian Council	2a. Care for Children	Agree.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11171	An employee of West Lothian Council	2a. Care for Children	agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11172	No Response	2a. Care for Children	Fine.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11173	An individual	2a. Care for Children	Agree.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11174	No Response	2a. Care for Children	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11175	An individual	2a. Care for Children	Agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11176	An individual	2a. Care for Children	Changes sound good	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11177	An individual	2a. Care for Children	Sounds well thought out	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11178	An employee of West Lothian Council	2a. Care for Children	Happy with this proposal.....	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11179	An individual	2a. Care for Children	ok	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11180	An individual	2a. Care for Children	Agree with proposal	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11181	An individual	2a. Care for Children	Makes sense	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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11182	An individual	2a. Care for Children	Agree with this	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11183	An individual	2a. Care for Children	agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11184	An employee of West Lothian Council	2a. Care for Children	Agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11185	An individual	2a. Care for Children	Theses proposals seem to be sensible, but not easy.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11186	An individual	2a. Care for Children	yyees!!!	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11187	An individual	2a. Care for Children	Cannot comment but sounds like a good idea.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11188	An individual	2a. Care for Children	yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11189	An individual	2a. Care for Children	Agree with this.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11190	An employee of West Lothian Council	2a. Care for Children	Good idea	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11191	An employee of West Lothian Council	2a. Care for Children	Positive proposal	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11192	An individual	2a. Care for Children	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11193	An individual	2a. Care for Children	Agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11194	An individual	2a. Care for Children	Agree that these measures are necessary.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11195	An individual	2a. Care for Children	Supportive of this.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11196	An individual	2a. Care for Children	Agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11197	An individual	2a. Care for Children	Agreed.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11198	An individual	2a. Care for Children	agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11199	No Response	2a. Care for Children	OK	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11200	An employee of West Lothian Council	2a. Care for Children	Completely agree.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11201	An individual	2a. Care for Children	Makes sense	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11202	An individual	2a. Care for Children	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11203	An individual	2a. Care for Children	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11204	An individual	2a. Care for Children	Appears an appropriate response, but I do not have enough information or knowledge to comment in detail.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11205	An employee of West Lothian Council	2a. Care for Children	This proposal seems fair.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11206	An employee of West Lothian Council	2a. Care for Children	vital that this is reviewed so the council is efficient as the costs are high	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11207	An individual	2a. Care for Children	This all makes good sense	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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11208	No Response	2a. Care for Children	All seems reasonable.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11209	No Response	2a. Care for Children	Fine as long as services are adequate	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11210	No Response	2a. Care for Children	Yes I agree with this proposal	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11211	An individual	2a. Care for Children	This seems a logical way of saving	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11212	An individual	2a. Care for Children	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11213	An individual	2a. Care for Children	I support this proposal.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11214	No Response	2a. Care for Children	Appropriate	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11215	An individual	2a. Care for Children	It is important not to make cuts in this key area.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11216	An individual	2a. Care for Children	Ok in principle, more detail needed.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11217	An employee of West Lothian Council	2a. Care for Children	Social care is a hugely important area for the community but is contributing to a large amount of the budget pressure over the five years. It is necessary to look for savings in social care, but there should be an ongoing service for the most vulnerable people. I support this measure as it looks to focus services on the most vulnerable and retain as much as possible within West Lothian.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11218	An individual	2a. Care for Children	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11219	An individual	2a. Care for Children	I agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11220	An individual	2a. Care for Children	Agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11221	An individual	2a. Care for Children	Support	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11222	An individual	2a. Care for Children	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11223	An employee of West Lothian Council	2a. Care for Children	Support	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11224	An individual	2a. Care for Children	Seems reasonable.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11225	An individual	2a. Care for Children	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11226	An individual	2a. Care for Children	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11227	An individual	2a. Care for Children	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11228	An individual	2a. Care for Children	Ok	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11229	An individual	2a. Care for Children	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11230	An individual	2a. Care for Children	This should already be happening.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11231	An individual	2a. Care for Children	Good luck on this	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11232	An individual	2a. Care for Children	Fine with this, but need to protect the most vulnerable people	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11233	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	2a. Care for Children	Agreed, where the child's needs will be met.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11234	An individual	2a. Care for Children	Yes, more focus needed.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11235	An individual	2a. Care for Children	Agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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11236	An individual	2a. Care for Children	Agree.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11237	An individual	2a. Care for Children	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11238	An individual	2a. Care for Children	excellent.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11239	An individual	2a. Care for Children	Seems as good as it can be here	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11240	An employee of West Lothian Council	2a. Care for Children	Agee	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11241	An individual	2a. Care for Children	Sounds sensible.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11242	An employee of West Lothian Council	2a. Care for Children	agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11243	An employee of West Lothian Council	2a. Care for Children	yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11244	An employee of West Lothian Council	2a. Care for Children	agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11245	An employee of West Lothian Council	2a. Care for Children	yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11246	An employee of West Lothian Council	2a. Care for Children	yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11247	An employee of West Lothian Council	2a. Care for Children	yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11248	An employee of West Lothian Council	2a. Care for Children	yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11249	An employee of West Lothian Council	2a. Care for Children	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11250	An individual	2a. Care for Children	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11251	An individual	2a. Care for Children	Look okay as it is possible to evaluate given the vague descriptions given in the 'Transforming Your Council'	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11252	An individual	2a. Care for Children	I agree with the proposal.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11253	An individual	2a. Care for Children	All proposals are sound.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11254	An individual	2a. Care for Children	Early intervention practices with prevention and outreach support being available sounds like this would deliver a better service for our vulnerable young people and families.	Care for children - early intervention and prevention	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11255	An employee of West Lothian Council	2a. Care for Children	Young people with disabilities should be included in the local community however this may not always be possible and should be minimised where possible.	Care for children - early intervention and prevention	4. The council is already doing this.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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11256	An employee of West Lothian Council	2a. Care for Children	Integration in local schools should not be seen as the best option as although it sounds great it is neither good for the family or the young person as the local school will not have the skilled workforce to aid the young person reach their full potential.	Care for children - early intervention and prevention	4. The council is already doing this.	Working together with Education the aim is to ensure that children's needs are met in the most suitable setting, recognising that the most vulnerable may have additional specialist needs
11257	An individual	2a. Care for Children	early intervention is the way to go but don't tamper with this to much they also need familiar routine.	Care for children - early intervention and prevention	4. The council is already doing this.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11258	An employee of West Lothian Council	2a. Care for Children	my concern would be that there would be a "gap" between early intervention and prevention and children not assessed as being at highest risk thus they / their family not receiving a service until the risk escalates - I would also have concerns that this would impact on how children's services are seen (particularly social work services) as only involved in child protection	Care for children - early intervention and prevention	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Work will continue to focus on those who are most vulnerable and have additional needs.
11259	An employee of West Lothian Council	2a. Care for Children	We need to focus interventions on highest need, and have a clear focus to why we are working with a family.	Care for children - early intervention and prevention	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11260	An individual	2a. Care for Children	Personally, I feel there is not enough support for vulnerable and disadvantaged children and families in the area. Whilst I understand budget restrictions will restrict the number of families being supported, what about those that slip through the net, surely early intervention should be a priority and therefore this should be protected	Care for children - early intervention and prevention	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council will always be required to prioritise the needs of people who are most vulnerable, We would also aim to provide early intervention and prevention support where evidence based practice shows that a positive impact can be made
11261	An individual	2a. Care for Children	My issue is that clearly this proposal will give less time to preventative measure and will therefore overload	Care for children - early intervention and prevention	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your comment which will be considered as part of any service redesign
11262	An employee of West Lothian Council	2a. Care for Children	I feel keeping children with disabilities in their local community is a great idea. Social groups that are close and local will be of a huge help, particularly for those who are about to leave school.	Care for children - early intervention and prevention	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11263	No Response	2a. Care for Children	Each family/case should be taken on its own merit. It is not good to put keeping disabled children in West Lothian as the priority, if the service that meets their needs best is in another area. This proposal suggests a one size fits all approach, and when you are dealing with very complex needs, this cannot and should not be applied.	Care for children - early intervention and prevention	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your comment which will be considered as part of any service redesign
11264	An individual	2a. Care for Children	This sounds a sensible approach. Particular focus on allowing children with disabilities to remain in their local community is a worthwhile thing.	Care for children - early intervention and prevention	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11265	An individual	2a. Care for Children	Is there a risk that focusing on high risk cases misses the opportunity to help other cases which then become high risk?	Care for children - early intervention and prevention	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Criteria is set within an assessment framework to ensure people's needs are assessed consistently and fairly. Work will continue to focus on those who are most vulnerable and have additional needs.
11266	An individual	2a. Care for Children	It is increasingly important that the council continue to take intervention and safeguarding seriously with this support being available to children and other professionals involved in safeguarding at all times.!	Care for children - early intervention and prevention	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council will always be required to prioritise the needs of people who are most vulnerable, We would also aim to provide early intervention and prevention support where evidence based practice shows that a positive impact can be made
11267	An employee of West Lothian Council	2a. Care for Children	if changes improve the services then I would be in favour of them.	Care for children - early intervention and prevention	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11268	An individual	2a. Care for Children	Early intervention is key and NOT firefighting at a later stage. Horrible though it is, it would be more cost effective to withdraw support for those entering the sector after a certain age and concentrating the money on the first years of life.	Care for children - early intervention and prevention	5a. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because the council is required by law to deliver this work.	The council will always be required to prioritise the needs of people who are most vulnerable, We would also aim to provide early intervention and prevention support where evidence based practice shows that a positive impact can be made
11269	An individual	2a. Care for Children	Agree that focus should be on highest risk cases	Care for children - early intervention and prevention	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11270	An individual	2a. Care for Children	Think it is a false statement to say that focusing on HIGH risk cases this is to ambiguous. Early intervention and prevention should be the higher priority trying to prevent HIGH risk cases. Once you are onto HIGH risk you are going through a case management process.	Care for children - early intervention and prevention	5b. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it is likely that the costs of this proposal would outweigh the benefit.	The council will always be required to prioritise the needs of people who are most vulnerable, We would also aim to provide early intervention and prevention support where evidence based practice shows that a positive impact can be made

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11271	An individual	2a. Care for Children	Depends on how the risk evaluation is implemented	Care for children - early intervention and prevention	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11272	An employee of West Lothian Council	2a. Care for Children	The reshaping of services for children and families needs to take account of the skill base required for the staff. many of the staff currently developing skills and expertise in this area are on fixed term contracts. a period of training and development would be needed to enable workers to meet the new expectations on them. this needs to be included in cost calculations.	Care for children - early intervention and prevention	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Any changes to structures will require to fully consider the impact on staff
11273	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	2a. Care for Children	With young people and children needing strong and stable adult influences - youth workers can fill this gap if their there.	Care for children - early intervention and prevention	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11274	An individual	2a. Care for Children	Outreach can only be successful if A. There is enough staff B. Enough support for those staff and C. Decent pay to retain these staff	Care for children - early intervention and prevention	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your comment which will be considered as part of any service redesign
11275	An employee of West Lothian Council	2a. Care for Children	ok as long as checks and fail safes in place to ensure 'high risk' cases are not missed due to additional pressure on less staff.	Care for children - early intervention and prevention	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11276	An individual	2a. Care for Children	delivering real early intervention and prevention should NOT be about focusing only on highest risk cases. there will be families who are just getting by that without an early intervention can escalate into higher risk categories very quickly without some small support introduced at an earlier stage. You proposals are not consistent with West Lothian CPP's Lifestages model.	Care for children - early intervention and prevention	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council will always be required to prioritise the needs of people who are most vulnerable. We would also aim to provide early intervention and prevention support where evidence based practice shows that a positive impact can be made
11277	No Response	2a. Care for Children	Surely the focus should already be on highest risk cases with regards to children. this should not be a new idea in terms of reshaping a service.	Care for children - early intervention and prevention	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11278	An individual	2a. Care for Children	Parents need to take more responsibility in caring for their children and their disabilities as they rely on services more and more.	Care for children - early intervention and prevention	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11279	An individual	2a. Care for Children	Rationalisation is perfectly Ok as long as it is not done in an ad hoc fashion and the quality of service provision is improved by the rationalisation. This sector is important in light of the increasing birth rate in the council area.	Care for children - early intervention and prevention	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11280	An individual	2a. Care for Children	Agree with the focus on early intervention and prevention.	Care for children - early intervention and prevention	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11281	An employee of West Lothian Council	2a. Care for Children	Madness! See previous comments and consider international and national research that contradicts this false assertion by WLC. What metrics are being used other than cost? Seems local govt is happy to contribute to the dismantling of the welfare state/safety nets as much as the UK govt is. The best way to reduce the costs of care for children is to remove the cause - early intervention is critical here - yet the lack of joined up service delivery/public sector reform (DESPITE GIRFEC) is embarrassing. With a broad spectrum of needs across ANY population there will always be part of that population that will require very specialist (read expensive) care or support. A sign of compassion and humanity NOT ill informed 'management by numbers'	Care for children - early intervention and prevention	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council will always be required to prioritise the needs of people who are most vulnerable. We would also aim to provide early intervention and prevention support where evidence based practice shows that a positive impact can be made
11282	An individual	2a. Care for Children	Care for children is a high priority especially with the amount of poverty within West Lothian.	Care for children - early intervention and prevention	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11283	No Response	2a. Care for Children	Services need to make better use of support plans to engage with families on outcome focused work and engage families in identifying and making changes	Care for children - early intervention and prevention	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted and will be considered as part of a review of internal processes.
11284	An individual	2a. Care for Children	Young people need support no matter what. Yes early intervention and prevention will help but focusing on highest risk cases isn't the way. Everyone should be supported no matter how big the risk. A young persons care is always a high risk.	Care for children - early intervention and prevention	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council will always be required to prioritise the needs of people who are most vulnerable. We would also aim to provide early intervention and prevention support where evidence based practice shows that a positive impact can be made
11285	An individual	2a. Care for Children	The Health, Safety and wellbeing of the youngest members of society and those who are less able should remain a priority as they do not have a voice unless we talk and act for them	Care for children - early intervention and prevention	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The council will always be required to prioritise the needs of people who are most vulnerable. We would also aim to provide early intervention and prevention support where evidence based practice shows that a positive impact can be made

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11286	An individual	2a. Care for Children	This is how abused and neglected young people slip through the cracks. With early intervention and prevention will the young people and their parents have all the chances to be rehabilitated or will the process be made to a tighter time frame?	Care for children - early intervention and prevention	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council will always be required to prioritise the needs of people who are most vulnerable. We would also aim to provide early intervention and prevention support where evidence based practice shows that a positive impact can be made
11287	An individual	2a. Care for Children	This is an area that will need careful consideration as families who need the help through intervention and support are already under great strain and they depend on the support that they receive. Would like to think that the council will have an alternative space or team that families could access.	Care for children - early intervention and prevention	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your comment which will be considered as part of any service redesign
11288	No Response	2a. Care for Children	A focus on higher risk cases often means missing the opportunity to support families before they reach crisis or a requirement for multi services. There is still often a middle ground of families who require minimum support to work through situations but these supports are not available because they are not high risk enough.	Care for children - early intervention and prevention	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council will always be required to prioritise the needs of people who are most vulnerable. We would also aim to provide early intervention and prevention support where evidence based practice shows that a positive impact can be made
11289	No Response	2a. Care for Children	If it is found that parents cannot effectively cope with their children, then the children should be taken into care much sooner rather than wasting time and money on social workers etc trying to help tge parndnts when ig is obviously a waste of time and money	Care for children - early intervention and prevention	5a. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because the council is required by law to deliver this work.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11290	An individual	2a. Care for Children	Early intervention is worth the investment. What resources will no longer get funding that used to get funding.	Care for children - early intervention and prevention	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council will always be required to prioritise the needs of people who are most vulnerable. We would also aim to provide early intervention and prevention support where evidence based practice shows that a positive impact can be made
11291	An individual	2a. Care for Children	it is my opinion that the eatlier there is positive intervention in a child's life then there is a positive benefit for the child in terms of attainment and for the family.	Care for children - early intervention and prevention	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Work will continue to focus on those who are most vulnerable and have additional needs.
11292	An individual	2a. Care for Children	As there appears to be more and more children who require these services but fewer resources to meet the demands of these children and their families, it concerns me that there will be reductions to these services. In my view reducing these services could put children at risk as there are fewer foster carers an residential accommodation. Keeping children with disabilities in their own community is admirable but shouldnt be at the expense of specialised care that can only be found outwith the authority.	Care for children - early intervention and prevention	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Working together with Education the aim is to ensure that children's needs are met in the most suitable setting, recognising that the most vulnerable may have additional specialist needs
11293	No Response	2a. Care for Children	Supporting a wider range of families and children before they become the highest risk cases is surely a better long term strategy rather than trying to patch things up when it's reached crisis point.	Care for children - early intervention and prevention	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The council will always be required to prioritise the needs of people who are most vulnerable. We would also aim to provide early intervention and prevention support where evidence based practice shows that a positive impact can be made
11294	An individual	2a. Care for Children	Parents wishes must be met but what is best for the welfare and security and well being of the child is vital. You can't have one system fits all. So you can't predict what finances are required.	Care for children - early intervention and prevention	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	The council will always be required to prioritise the needs of people who are most vulnerable. We would also aim to provide early intervention and prevention support where evidence based practice shows that a positive impact can be made
11295	No Response	2a. Care for Children	Although it may be preferable to keep people in their local community it may not always be the most cost effective answer. For instance a child who is extremely disruptive and requires 1 to 1 classroom supervision may in fact be better off in a closed specialised unit. It is unfair on the teacher and other pupils to be continually disrupted when the behaviour is probably not even in the control of the individual. At the same time children with physical difficulties should be able to integrate with their peers in mainstream schools.	Care for children - early intervention and prevention	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Working together with Education the aim is to ensure that children's needs are met in the most suitable setting, recognising that the most vulnerable may have additional specialist needs
11296	An individual	2a. Care for Children	Defineltly look to support disabled and high risk children but also look to cut back on the parents who dont support their own children and expect others to take that responsibility .	Care for children - early intervention and prevention	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11297	An individual	2a. Care for Children	not enough social workers or key workers to work with vunreable families and children	Care for children - early intervention and prevention	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11298	An individual	2a. Care for Children	Judging by current media information etc, it is clear that early intervention and prevention from social work doesn't work. Has this area of work been evaluated and fully evidenced in terms of better outcomes for children? I have heard cases where children are going to formal meetings where they have numerous different workers all vying to make their point/assessment which I would imagine is difficult for children. I though social workers involved with children, worked with children but from what I have heard, it is a myriad of support workers!	Care for children - early intervention and prevention	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your comment which will be considered as part of any service redesign

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11299	An individual	2a. Care for Children	Yes to early intervention - requires a lot of resources in the short term, but impact is profound.	Care for children - early intervention and prevention	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11300	An employee of West Lothian Council	2a. Care for Children	Early intervention is to be welcomed and prioritised. Money spent at this stage saves far more money further down the line and of course importantly provides better outcomes, lives for those people. Spending money on early intervention especially with youth offenders, education for health and more is proven with research based evidence to be a good choice for later outcomes and expenditure.	Care for children - early intervention and prevention	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11301	An employee of West Lothian Council	2a. Care for Children	Focusing purely on high risk cases is a poor approach that does not take into account the large body of evidence that supports early intervention. It is poor practice to provide only a service to those in crisis as helping those in need but not at the highest risk de escalates problems before it becomes detrimental to a child's welfare. The maintenance of outreach family support is of the utmost importance. Families caring for disabled children are some of the most vulnerable in West Lothian. Cutting services and support to them will place pressure of families and potentially cause family breakdown, costing the Council more. Any changes to services should be carefully considered.	Care for children - early intervention and prevention	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council will always be required to prioritise the needs of people who are most vulnerable, We would also aim to provide early intervention and prevention support where evidence based practice shows that a positive impact can be made
11302	An employee of West Lothian Council	2a. Care for Children	Early intervention before problems occur is essential and means issues will hopefully not develop into something far greater which requires far more funding. It's better to spend now and save later in these cases. Children remaining in the community is a good thing provided they still have adequate support.	Care for children - early intervention and prevention	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The council will always be required to prioritise the needs of people who are most vulnerable, We would also aim to provide early intervention and prevention support where evidence based practice shows that a positive impact can be made
11303	An employee of West Lothian Council	2a. Care for Children	The Scottish Government is clear that one of its four national priorities focuses on ensuring the best health and wellbeing for young people. As part of this, I am deeply passionate about the protection of outreach support provision for mental health for young people. This must remain a priority if we are to ensure success for our young people in WL - building on the work currently done with social policy and groups such as CYPT. Vital and too often stretched services.	Care for children - early intervention and prevention	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11304	An individual	2a. Care for Children	There should still be support for parents with handicapped children with excellent facilities such as Beatlie school and respite centres such as Sundach in Livington which provide an outstanding level of care.	Care for children - early intervention and prevention	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Working together with Education the aim is to ensure that children's needs are met in the most suitable setting, recognising that the most vulnerable may have additional specialist needs
11305	An individual	2a. Care for Children	I am concerned by the phrase 'focus on highest risk cases' if that means that 'medium risk cases' have to be ignored until they become highest risk. Waiting until families and children are at serious risk is inhumane and I suspect will not save money in the long run. I do not approve of this money saving strategy.	Care for children - early intervention and prevention	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council will always be required to prioritise the needs of people who are most vulnerable, We would also aim to provide early intervention and prevention support where evidence based practice shows that a positive impact can be made
11306	An individual	2a. Care for Children	Focussing on the highest risk doesn't see needs met. It just means less children's needs being met.	Care for children - early intervention and prevention	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council will always be required to prioritise the needs of people who are most vulnerable, We would also aim to provide early intervention and prevention support where evidence based practice shows that a positive impact can be made
11307	An individual	2a. Care for Children	"Focus on highest risk cases" will result in children suffering and in danger of slipping through the net! This must not be allowed to happen.	Care for children - early intervention and prevention	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council will always be required to prioritise the needs of people who are most vulnerable, We would also aim to provide early intervention and prevention support where evidence based practice shows that a positive impact can be made
11308	No Response	2a. Care for Children	Helping young children at an early stage is the key to a better future for all of us. It is, however, important that efficient and committed staff are available	Care for children - early intervention and prevention	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council will always be required to prioritise the needs of people who are most vulnerable, We would also aim to provide early intervention and prevention support where evidence based practice shows that a positive impact can be made
11309	An employee of West Lothian Council	2a. Care for Children	Agree Need to invest in preventative interventions and avoid very high cost and inefficient options like placements outwith West Lothian	Care for children - early intervention and prevention	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11310	An individual	2a. Care for Children	I agree that a focus should be on the families most in need. However, I would also argue that many families could be supported to make changes and thereby prevent them from becoming a "high risk" case with early intervention. This would be money well spent in the longer term and also more beneficial for the families. Residential placements out of the LA should always be rare. This has always been the case in previous LA's I have worked in as they are very costly. Training and supporting our in house foster carers to be able to care for more challenging young people should be a focus.	Care for children - early intervention and prevention	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your comment which will be considered as part of any service redesign

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11311	An employee of West Lothian Council	2a. Care for Children	Child Protection, and improving mental health services, especially in children/young people, should be protected.	Care for children - early intervention and prevention	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Work will continue to focus on those who are most vulnerable and have additional needs.
11312	An employee of West Lothian Council	2a. Care for Children	While I agree that families should be supported but surely there has to come a time when the child is better out of a toxic environment and the Social Work department directs its resources for a better outcome for the child and not just the family unit.	Care for children - early intervention and prevention	4. The council is already doing this.	Working together with Education the aim is to ensure that children's needs are met in the most suitable setting, recognising that the most vulnerable may have additional specialist needs
11313	An individual	2a. Care for Children	This is a massive "savings" projection - as the experience in Rotherham demonstrates - if there are not rigorous intervention in problem areas for young people - or the lack of support (feet on the ground). I suspect this rationalisation carries with it a massive risk to the safety of the young people who are in these difficult situations	Care for children - early intervention and prevention	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council will always be required to prioritise the needs of people who are most vulnerable. We would also aim to provide early intervention and prevention support where evidence based practice shows that a positive impact can be made
11314	No Response	2a. Care for Children	In an age where we are continually hearing about children who have been failed by the system, is this the right time to try to make such a huge saving?	Care for children - early intervention and prevention	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council will always be required to prioritise the needs of people who are most vulnerable. We would also aim to provide early intervention and prevention support where evidence based practice shows that a positive impact can be made
11315	An individual	2a. Care for Children	Still need to ensure that the right decisions are made with out any heavy impact to the children etc.	Care for children - early intervention and prevention	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11316	An individual	2a. Care for Children	All young people deserve the best start possible.	Care for children - early intervention and prevention	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11317	An individual	2a. Care for Children	If you can reshape care for families and still allow more effective use of resources while creating better outcomes - and still make savings - go for it !	Care for children - early intervention and prevention	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11318	An individual	2a. Care for Children	Keeping children within the local community is important. Focusing on high risk inevitably means that some will be overlooked; that is a bit worrying. It also puts professionals under pressure when assessment of risks/needs is undertaken.	Care for children - early intervention and prevention	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council will always be required to prioritise the needs of people who are most vulnerable. We would also aim to provide early intervention and prevention support where evidence based practice shows that a positive impact can be made
11319	An individual	2a. Care for Children	The council provision need to be available and increased to allow children with disabilities to remain in their local community.	Care for children - early intervention and prevention	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11320	An employee of West Lothian Council	2a. Care for Children	Outreach with families is the way forward. Working with families in their own home or in the children's nursery/school works perfect. Staff would need a base office in order to do paperwork etc. The use of community centres and rooms within schools for parenting group work is ideal. Taking the care into the community is what we should be doing. The use of family centres are no longer needed, its a false environment for families and therefore problem issues are not being faced. Working in the families own environment is where best outcomes happen.	Care for children - early intervention and prevention	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11321	An individual	2a. Care for Children	Keeping people in their own communities makes sense - what will be done to ensure that the services they need are actually provided in West Lothian? Is there expenditure required to ensure that necessary trained staff and facilities will be available in West Lothian? Worried about the focus on "higher risk" cases - particularly at where and how the level for "high risk" will be defined, and what will be put in place for those not falling into this category.	Care for children - early intervention and prevention	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your comments which have been noted. This consultation is the first stage of the process to enable the council to develop a five year plan. Detailed proposals will be worked up following the outcome of this consultation.
11322	No Response	2a. Care for Children	This has to be an area where services must remain strong	Care for children - early intervention and prevention	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11323	No Response	2a. Care for Children	Helping families with a child of any level of disability is most important for all- it is very easy to be overwhelmed and lose sight of everything that's good.	Care for children - early intervention and prevention	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Working together with Education the aim is to ensure that children's needs are met in the most suitable setting, recognising that the most vulnerable may have additional specialist needs
11324	An individual	2a. Care for Children	Concern that a focus on highest risk cases, early intervention and prevention will lead to a stark lack of services for those cases in the middle who may be living on an ongoing basis with significant deprivation, neglect, abuse, ill health etc but don't meet criteria for early or 'high' risk intervention.	Care for children - early intervention and prevention	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council will always be required to prioritise the needs of people who are most vulnerable. We would also aim to provide early intervention and prevention support where evidence based practice shows that a positive impact can be made

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11325	An individual	2a. Care for Children	As long as the outcomes for our young people are better then I would be in agreement. I am keen to see early intervention and prevention in our services, which would lead to reduced cases. Outreach is not always the best possible support mechanism of support as again, this service is already tightly run with resourcing.	Care for children - early intervention and prevention	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council will always be required to prioritise the needs of people who are most vulnerable. We would also aim to provide early intervention and prevention support where evidence based practice shows that a positive impact can be made
11326	An employee of West Lothian Council	2a. Care for Children	Early intervention is key if we are looking at saving money going forward as an authority. It is only if we aim to change the behaviours and support children, young people and their families early in their life, ie, pre 16 years, that we can ensure we are doing as much as we can as an authority to give them the best starts in life. Every Â£1 spent in this area now, can save Â£10 in the future, according to research.	Care for children - early intervention and prevention	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council will always be required to prioritise the needs of people who are most vulnerable. We would also aim to provide early intervention and prevention support where evidence based practice shows that a positive impact can be made
11327	An individual	2a. Care for Children	Again, there are general points with little detail of how this would work in practice and positive language to hide what I see as negative and worrying outcomes. Focus on high risk cases within CAMHS and social care now seems to be moving to highest risk cases which is very concerning and will push services and staff beyond tipping point. Having worked in Psychiatry when there were many cuts and closures in long stay wards and a push to community without adequate resources, I am very concerned that this may now be happening in this arena. It can ONLY be sold as a good thing likely to succeed if there is adequate and proper staffing resources and expert provision. Please review with government ways to generate revenue rather than pushing resources and staff to breaking point.	Care for children - early intervention and prevention	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11328	An employee of West Lothian Council	2a. Care for Children	that is fine if allowing children with disabilities to stay in WL but where will they go??? special schools in WL are full and there is not enough room ...schools having to use annexes as not enough room	Care for children - early intervention and prevention	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Working together with Education the aim is to ensure that children's needs are met in the most suitable setting, recognising that the most vulnerable may have additional specialist needs
11329	No Response	2a. Care for Children	You need to get early intervention to help youngsters stay on the right path hence reducing crime. My own son has been on the slippery slope for some time. I am desperate for help. You couldnt give 2 hoots about early intervention and you really need to get your act together. As it stands he has been failed by the system.	Care for children - early intervention and prevention	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11330	An employee of West Lothian Council	2a. Care for Children	Agree that early intervention, and focussed family support, should be a priority to ensure less demand on services in the future and allow children to stay at home where possible.	Care for children - early intervention and prevention	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11331	An individual	2a. Care for Children	This service is critical, I am not sure how cutting millions is going to have a good outcome. Focusing on highest risk cases is advisable, and I would think that's what should be happening now - but as long as that does not mean that other cases slip through the net - then they become high priority later.	Care for children - early intervention and prevention	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council will always be required to prioritise the needs of people who are most vulnerable. We would also aim to provide early intervention and prevention support where evidence based practice shows that a positive impact can be made
11332	An individual	2a. Care for Children	I think kids care should be a high priority	Care for children - early intervention and prevention	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11333	An individual	2a. Care for Children	Fine with 'high risk' but concerned that others may be overlooked and it does put a large onus on those categorising and prioritising the risks and allocation of resources. Watch that none fall through the net. Keeping children with disabilities in local community is vital.	Care for children - early intervention and prevention	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council will always be required to prioritise the needs of people who are most vulnerable. We would also aim to provide early intervention and prevention support where evidence based practice shows that a positive impact can be made
11334	An individual	2a. Care for Children	There will be cost saving procedures however, I don't see how services for the most vulnerable can be provided to a sufficient and safe level if there are major cuts to this budget. There will be a big strain on the provision which could lead to families being in crisis but with nowhere to go for the required support.	Care for children - early intervention and prevention	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council will always be required to prioritise the needs of people who are most vulnerable. We would also aim to provide early intervention and prevention support where evidence based practice shows that a positive impact can be made
11335	An individual	2a. Care for Children	Any services which are duplicated should be overviewed and consolidated into one area to save on admin and running costs. Greater use of council provision is a plus, not a lot of people out there are aware of what the council have to offer in this area	Care for children - early intervention and prevention	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11336	An individual	2a. Care for Children	These changes sound good. However children with disabilities grow up. If you reduce the support for adults with disabilities, as you intend to, then there will be limited support when they reach adulthood. Support is inadequate when it involves pushing all disabled people into one building, or supporting them out in the community (to the very few places available) by contracting charities. These Charities which are just about managing the situation. The standard they provide falls far short of those centres which come under Council and NHS control. Are you really looking into the future?	Care for children - early intervention and prevention	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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11337	An individual	2a. Care for Children	I agree with this proposal. However, I would be concerned about the level of risk to children who need alternative level of support out with the family home. The estimated cut of Â£5.2 million on top of all the cuts already made seems to be disproportionate.	Care for children - early intervention and prevention	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council will always be required to prioritise the needs of people who are most vulnerable, We would also aim to provide early intervention and prevention support where evidence based practice shows that a positive impact can be made
11338	An individual	2a. Care for Children	I agree that we should be more aware of the children who are within our area who require help with their disabilities and if we could set up more schools here to help with this it would save a fortune rather than having to send the children to schools outwith the West Lothian Area, where not only are you paying for the care in another area, but the transport these children require to get to and from school.	Care for children - early intervention and prevention	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Working together with Education the aim is to ensure that children's needs are met in the most suitable setting, recognising that the most vulnerable may have additional specialist needs
11339	An employee of West Lothian Council	2a. Care for Children	So long as all young people who need this support are able to access it.	Care for children - early intervention and prevention	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Working together with Education the aim is to ensure that children's needs are met in the most suitable setting, recognising that the most vulnerable may have additional specialist needs
11340	No Response	2a. Care for Children	Anything that improves local provision of services for children with disabilities should be welcomed.	Care for children - early intervention and prevention	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Working together with Education the aim is to ensure that children's needs are met in the most suitable setting, recognising that the most vulnerable may have additional specialist needs
11341	An individual	2a. Care for Children	Every child's case should be focused on. I agree about higher risk cases and there should be a team for that so other families also are seen too. Children with disabilities will be able to stay in the community but planning on closing down ability centers for example could drive families away, quite rightly.	Care for children - early intervention and prevention	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11342	An individual	2a. Care for Children	Modernise teams to focus on highest risk cases this suggest highest risk cases are not given a priority at present...is this really the case ? Or is this just a way to word â€˜cleverlyâ€™ that the amount of time and money and effort on all but the high risk cases will be reduced, and the highest risk â€˜focusâ€™ will therefore increase relatively to lower risk cases, but will not actually increase?	Care for children - early intervention and prevention	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council will always be required to prioritise the needs of people who are most vulnerable, We would also aim to provide early intervention and prevention support where evidence based practice shows that a positive impact can be made
11343	An individual	2a. Care for Children	Only focusing on high risk cases means that lower risk families become more vulnerable and require more care in the future. Already, vulnerable children are slipping through the net.	Care for children - early intervention and prevention	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council will always be required to prioritise the needs of people who are most vulnerable, We would also aim to provide early intervention and prevention support where evidence based practice shows that a positive impact can be made
11344	An individual	2a. Care for Children	If a child is at risk, I still expect social services to do their best for the child even if it is not the highest risk! Support in these areas should not be reduced! Early intervention and prevention is best but if missed at an early stage, intervention should still be available. More to the point, care and support for children, disabled children and to an extent parents and carers is always a good investment. Turning them into well adjusted and educated young people that can hold jobs, pay taxes and require less support in the future is the best financial decision. A pound spent on children support and education now is several pounds saved later. This goes for disabled children as well.	Care for children - early intervention and prevention	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11345	An individual	2a. Care for Children	The focus on early intervention always comes at the risk of neglecting those who are already affected by adversity but not quite at high risk.	Care for children - early intervention and prevention	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council will always be required to prioritise the needs of people who are most vulnerable, We would also aim to provide early intervention and prevention support where evidence based practice shows that a positive impact can be made
11346	An individual	2a. Care for Children	My concern is that a focus only on the highest risk cases leaves the rest vulnerable. Local services will require investment in order to be able to manage those most challenging young people who are placed out of the council	Care for children - early intervention and prevention	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council will always be required to prioritise the needs of people who are most vulnerable, We would also aim to provide early intervention and prevention support where evidence based practice shows that a positive impact can be made
11347	An individual	2a. Care for Children	I do not understand how you can possibly save money here. More money should be spent on this area giving these vulnerable people opportunities to live their lives to their full ability. What kind of society do we want to be?	Care for children - early intervention and prevention	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11348	An individual	2a. Care for Children	More children will 'slip under the radar' & be more at risk.	Care for children - early intervention and prevention	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council will always be required to prioritise the needs of people who are most vulnerable, We would also aim to provide early intervention and prevention support where evidence based practice shows that a positive impact can be made
11349	An individual	2a. Care for Children	There is already too much pressure put on the resources for this area	Care for children - early intervention and prevention	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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11350	An individual	2a. Care for Children	Agree with proposal of west Lothian based care provided it is at the same or better standards parents would accepted for children with disabilities.	Care for children - early intervention and prevention	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Working together with Education the aim is to ensure that children's needs are met in the most suitable setting, recognising that the most vulnerable may have additional specialist needs
11351	An individual	2a. Care for Children	Council provisions are usually up and running regardless of capaxtherefore it would make economic sense to utilise these before others.	Care for children - early intervention and prevention	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11352	An individual	2a. Care for Children	I agree there should be better outcomes for young people. They are the future after all.	Care for children - early intervention and prevention	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11353	An employee of West Lothian Council	2a. Care for Children	Negative impact of lack of this resource being reduced would result in greater pressure and higher expectations on schools to deliver and fill the gap however with their reducing budgets will not be able to meet demands.	Care for children - early intervention and prevention	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council will always be required to prioritise the needs of people who are most vulnerable, We would also aim to provide early intervention and prevention support where evidence based practice shows that a positive impact can be made
11354	An individual	2a. Care for Children	I don't understand how this could be a success when outreach services are not specified	Care for children - early intervention and prevention	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11355	An individual	2a. Care for Children	Agreed. If more is done by outreach, then does this mean fewer buildings are necessary?	Care for children - early intervention and prevention	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11356	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	2a. Care for Children	We have also witnessed a reduction in funding for prevention and early intervention work happening within the area of substance misuse over the last year.	Care for children - early intervention and prevention	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11357	An employee of West Lothian Council	2a. Care for Children	Outreach is not always a Suitable option for those with disabilities however during these proposals they are mentioned frequently it's like whoever made up these proposals is clueless on disabilities	Care for children - early intervention and prevention	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Working together with Education the aim is to ensure that children's needs are met in the most suitable setting, recognising that the most vulnerable may have additional specialist needs
11358	An individual	2a. Care for Children	High risk cases should be the priority.	Care for children - early intervention and prevention	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11359	An employee of West Lothian Council	2a. Care for Children	Outreach services are a good idea, as long as appropriate security measures for lone working staff are put in place and adhered to.	Care for children - early intervention and prevention	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11360	An individual	2a. Care for Children	This care provision should be retained. Services should not be withdrawn from these vulnerable families	Care for children - early intervention and prevention	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Work will continue to focus on those who are most vulnerable and have additional needs.
11361	An individual	2a. Care for Children	early intervention is they key	Care for children - early intervention and prevention	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	The council will always be required to prioritise the needs of people who are most vulnerable, We would also aim to provide early intervention and prevention support where evidence based practice shows that a positive impact can be made
11362	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	2a. Care for Children	Greater emphasis on Early Intervention such as that operated by the EEI and Early Intervention and Prevention working group should support this work. Intervention early does prevent crisis and costly services. There again appears to be a lot of High level Strategic costly meetings in this area of work, consolidating services and potential out sourcing service provision through the third sector should be considered, however, clear and transparent systems need to be in place and realistic timeframes for Commissioning and tendering processes need to be in place. We support the outreach approach, such as that provided through the Whole family Support Service, but at present West Lothian struggles to provided the right environment and accommodation for high risk Looked After young people. I am aware that reviews are currently taking place to assess Children and Young People's Services, there are opportunities to work together to reduce expenditure in this area.	Care for children - early intervention and prevention	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11363	No Response	2a. Care for Children	there is a lack of provisions for early intervention. An introduction of early intervention would reduce the costs of services and staffing when the cases reach crisis which is were support is currently being filtered and provided.	Care for children - early intervention and prevention	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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11364	An individual	2a. Care for Children	Focusing on only the highest risk cases and early intervention and prevention will leave those who are stable but struggling in a poor situation. They will quickly become high risk without adequate support.	Care for children - early intervention and prevention	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council will always be required to prioritise the needs of people who are most vulnerable. We would also aim to provide early intervention and prevention support where evidence based practice shows that a positive impact can be made
11365	An individual	2a. Care for Children	A focus on early intervention and prevention is essential to avoid peoplesâ€™ issues escalating and becoming crises. To be effective this strategy must be multi-layered and ensure appropriate interventions and supports along a continuum. This ensures that people get the help that they need, when they need it, to prevent escalation and crisis. We are, however, concerned that reducing or cutting provision at lower tariffs is contrary to the principles of early intervention and prevention and may result in more costly crisis intervention, at a later stage, being required. How does Council plan to assess the potential impact of this on people and budgets?	Care for children - early intervention and prevention	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council will always be required to prioritise the needs of people who are most vulnerable. We would also aim to provide early intervention and prevention support where evidence based practice shows that a positive impact can be made
11366	An employee of West Lothian Council	2a. Care for Children	Not all family support can be safely offered within the family home on an outreach basis. Early intervention to high risk cases can often mean children coming into an environment such as family centres where they are free to develop and learn in a safe nurturing environment. Likewise parents, in particular mums, feel they have space to develop their own skills in a place where they are given time without the daily distraction/ chaos of a home environment. Whilst there is a place for outreach family support, this should not be at the cost of an intensive early intervention care plan designed around promoting an holistic approach, in a play enriched environment, where children will be offered experiences and learning opportunities otherwise not possible in the family home.	Care for children - early intervention and prevention	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council will always be required to prioritise the needs of people who are most vulnerable. We would also aim to provide early intervention and prevention support where evidence based practice shows that a positive impact can be made
11367	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	2a. Care for Children	A focus on early intervention and prevention is essential to avoid peoplesâ€™ issues escalating and becoming crises. To be effective this strategy must be multi-layered and ensure appropriate interventions and supports along a continuum. This ensures that people get the help that they need, when they need it, to prevent escalation and crisis. We are, however, concerned that reducing or cutting provision at lower tariffs is contrary to the principles of early intervention and prevention and may result in more costly crisis intervention, at a later stage, being required. How does Council plan to assess the potential impact of this on people and budgets?	Care for children - early intervention and prevention	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council will always be required to prioritise the needs of people who are most vulnerable. We would also aim to provide early intervention and prevention support where evidence based practice shows that a positive impact can be made
11368	An employee of West Lothian Council	2a. Care for Children	These proposals should already be happening before now. we should already be using our resources to their full potential and where we are already then there is nowhere to go. Working on the basis that highest risk cases is always going to be the priority but if the groundwork is not done at an early stage then more cases will reach a critical level and be high risk. Children with disabilities should remain in their local community and if the local authority does not have the resources to be able to do this then they should be invested in. Local authorities spend millions educating children with additional and complex needs out of area because we do not have our own resources. These individual packages of care can be of significant value and we could provide them in our own resources for a reduced cost and keeping them in their local community.	Care for children - early intervention and prevention	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11369	An employee of West Lothian Council	2a. Care for Children	Prevention is the key here. You could generate a lot of resources and the places will get filled unless there is an emphasis on preventing children and young people being removed from their families. This needs a significant culture shift and improvement in care planning and exit strategies.	Care for children - early intervention and prevention	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council will always be required to prioritise the needs of people who are most vulnerable. We would also aim to provide early intervention and prevention support where evidence based practice shows that a positive impact can be made
11370	An individual	2a. Care for Children	Cutting the support to the most vulnerable children in West Lothian sounds like a recipe for increased costs going forward. If these children and families are neglected now (ie they need to be in crisis or in need of statutory support before they get help) then they are a lot more likely to have negative life chances and need an ongoing increase level of council support throughout their lives.	Care for children - early intervention and prevention	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council will always be required to prioritise the needs of people who are most vulnerable. We would also aim to provide early intervention and prevention support where evidence based practice shows that a positive impact can be made
11371	An individual	2a. Care for Children	Yes focus on the highest risk children is good but I worry does that mean you plan to ignore other children that are at risk? Protecting children from harm is very important	Care for children - early intervention and prevention	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council will always be required to prioritise the needs of people who are most vulnerable. We would also aim to provide early intervention and prevention support where evidence based practice shows that a positive impact can be made
11372	No Response	2a. Care for Children	Agree but service re design in one area needs not to be at extreme expense of just transferring pressure to another area in council. All our children matter except that money to be saved but need to ensure that most vulnerable are not placed in more vulnerable position.	Care for children - early intervention and prevention	4. The council is already doing this.	Working together with Education the aim is to ensure that children's needs are met in the most suitable setting, recognising that the most vulnerable may have additional specialist needs
11373	An individual	2a. Care for Children	Why was these 'more effective use of resources' not instigated years ago? 'Outreach' to me sounds like an increased cost to the Council over carrying it out in-house. The Council's increase in this year's Council Tax would have helped this situation.	Care for children - early intervention and prevention	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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11374	An individual	2a. Care for Children	If the council plan to focus on 'high risk' children and adults & older people have to be in 'critical' need of support, what happens to the thousands who will no doubt fall through the net? We can't allow the focus to be on supporting the most vulnerable and dismiss the needs of other vulnerable families, children & adults. There is a lot of mention of expanding the use of technology in each section and I worry.	Care for children - early intervention and prevention	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council will always be required to prioritise the needs of people who are most vulnerable. We would also aim to provide early intervention and prevention support where evidence based practice shows that a positive impact can be made
11375	An individual	2a. Care for Children	The focus should be on the individuals needs being met, not on location	Care for children - early intervention and prevention	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Criteria is set within an assessment framework to ensure people's needs are assessed consistently and fairly. Work will continue to focus on those who are most vulnerable and have additional needs.
11376	An individual	2a. Care for Children	Whilst outreach services have a place there are also benefits to children socialising with their peers and parents benefit from support and sharing their experiences with other parents in a group setting. Vulnerable parents will not have the confidence to join community groups.	Care for children - early intervention and prevention	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your comment which will be considered as part of any service redesign
11377	No Response	2a. Care for Children	It seems like teams which seem to have been targeted for review/consolidation are all teams which are about early intervention. This may help reduce costs in the short term but in the long term the people who are not receiving help at the early stages are more likely to go on to have problems later which will then need to be addressed which will be more costly in the long term.	Care for children - early intervention and prevention	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council will always be required to prioritise the needs of people who are most vulnerable. We would also aim to provide early intervention and prevention support where evidence based practice shows that a positive impact can be made
11378	No Response	2a. Care for Children	I can support the priority areas point however it should be noted that even where we have another provider there is not enough capacity by these providers to meet the demand. In my area of early and effective intervention for youth offending there are not enough services without are third sector partners to carry out the work and when it is carried out it is very effective	Care for children - early intervention and prevention	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposal is to ensure that all externally commissioned services are also targeted to people with the highest level of need.
11379	An individual	2a. Care for Children	Joined up working between services relating to child protection would be very beneficial.	Care for children - early intervention and prevention	4. The council is already doing this.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11380	An individual	2a. Care for Children	In order for this to happen West Lothian needs to invest in the provision available in the area. There is a reason why services are used outside West Lothian - it's because that is where the quality provision exists.	Care for children - external providers	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Any redesign will require to ensure that there is adequate provision available locally and where this is not possible then external placements will still be commissioned.
11381	An individual	2a. Care for Children	Local authorities paying outside the area for services is crazy. This does not keep anyone in West Lothian, neither does it keep the funds in West Lothian. Creation of better services for tackling problem areas would be more cost effective.	Care for children - external providers	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your comment which will be considered as part of any service redesign
11382	An individual	2a. Care for Children	this is a positive approach - but at present some services outsource to other local authorities due to service cuts - particularly with regards to disabilities / service providers are not at present consistent enough - reduction of existing would make this worse	Care for children - external providers	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Criteria is set within an assessment framework to ensure people's needs are assessed consistently and fairly. Work will continue to focus on those who are most vulnerable and have additional needs.
11383	An individual	2a. Care for Children	I would like to know more about exactly what the 'family support being undertaken on an outreach basis' means in practicality	Care for children - external providers	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11384	An individual	2a. Care for Children	Could this be something that could be shared with neighbouring councils?	Care for children - external providers	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your comment which will be considered as part of any service redesign
11385	An individual	2a. Care for Children	Better working with private sector providers will assist with making these savings	Care for children - external providers	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	West Lothian has a proven track record of partnership working and would wish to build on this.
11386	An employee of West Lothian Council	2a. Care for Children	. As I previously said I worry that the increasing cuts to a range of partner agencies means that schools will be expected to provide more of the interventions and supports for children and young people without any additional staffing, resources time or finance to do this.	Care for children - external providers	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Working together with Education the aim is to ensure that children's needs are met in the most suitable setting, recognising that the most vulnerable may have additional specialist needs
11387	An employee of West Lothian Council	2a. Care for Children	More support and links between education and outside agencies (eg more social work to ensure things aren't at crisis point before intervention is given)	Care for children - external providers	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Working together with Education the aim is to ensure that children's needs are met in the most suitable setting, recognising that the most vulnerable may have additional specialist needs
11388	An individual	2a. Care for Children	If part of this provision is now being handled on an outreach basis, how is employing an external provider going to cost less money? Bring in outside companies similar to care assistants already costs a lot of money and I can't see that this proposal will be any more cost effective.	Care for children - external providers	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11389	No Response	2a. Care for Children	Modern practices are key. The council has lots to learn from other organisations.	Care for children - external providers	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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11390	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	2a. Care for Children	This again could be done in schools, West Lothian Leisure facilities and other council buildings rather than outsourcing. We already have amazing facilities, lets use them effectively and get out money's worth.	Care for children - external providers	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11391	An individual	2a. Care for Children	Shocked that we spend more on additional support needs than roads! Someone must be making a killing out of this. Bring more services in-house rather than outsourcing.	Care for children - external providers	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11392	An employee of West Lothian Council	2a. Care for Children	Any changes that can streamline processes and make savings for the council must and should be pursued.	Care for children - internal teams and process	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	West Lothian has a proven track record of partnership working and would wish to build on more streamlining of services
11393	An individual	2a. Care for Children	I could not disagree with this more. Money needs to be spent on more than just "higher risk" cases.	Care for children - internal teams and process	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council will always be required to prioritise the needs of people who are most vulnerable. We would also aim to provide early intervention and prevention support where evidence based practice shows that a positive impact can be made
11394	No Response	2a. Care for Children	Services need to be appropriately evaluated and be outcome focussed. All teams should be using the same measures. For example engagement in community programmes, nursery attendance, reduction in speech and language referrals.	Care for children - internal teams and process	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted and will be considered as part of a review of internal processes.
11395	An employee of West Lothian Council	2a. Care for Children	Internal teams and processes should be working more closely together to ensure that no child falls through the net.	Care for children - internal teams and process	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted and will be considered as part of a review of internal processes.
11396	An individual	2a. Care for Children	What does "modernise internal teams" even mean?! Again get rid of your glut of management	Care for children - internal teams and process	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted and will be considered as part of any change to management structures.
11397	No Response	2a. Care for Children	Beds should not be cut and a more joined up approach to service delivery is required.	Care for children - internal teams and process	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	West Lothian has a proven track record of partnership working and would wish to build on this.
11398	An individual	2a. Care for Children	Sounds good but will training in new processes negate the benefits	Care for children - internal teams and process	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11399	An individual	2a. Care for Children	This is an already stretched service and I cannot see how any cuts will work. Modernisation is fine as long as the staffing levels are not reduced and the staff left are not under any further pressure.	Care for children - internal teams and process	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11400	An individual	2a. Care for Children	Time for these all to be modernised, some very high level and tragic cases as we all know that indicate the need for joined up thinking	Care for children - internal teams and process	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11401	An employee of West Lothian Council	2a. Care for Children	I would review staffing levels as a last resort. Would need to ensure that the work can still be carried out successfully by staff in place.	Care for children - internal teams and process	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11402	An individual	2a. Care for Children	Should be streamlined where possible where maintaining choices and standards.	Care for children - internal teams and process	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11403	An individual	2a. Care for Children	I would also look at some of your current direct teams and consider their effectiveness.	Care for children - internal teams and process	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11404	An individual	2a. Care for Children	Joining up of all services is essential and will reduce costs. Too many services are operating independantly from each other and if joined up would save money and speed up services. Eg schools, police, social services, health, childrens panel etc All children who need support should have access to diagnosis and services immediately as this will improve care and reduce costs in the longer term	Care for children - internal teams and process	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	West Lothian has a proven track record of partnership working and would wish to build on this.
11405	An individual	2a. Care for Children	Staff in shared buildings, e.g. Integrated Early Years Centres / Family Centres should work more effectively together to ensure best use is made of resources to meet needs of most vulnerable children and families.	Care for children - internal teams and process	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11406	An individual	2a. Care for Children	Modernisation of teams and processes should be done without any loss of prvision or care for young people.	Care for children - internal teams and process	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11407	An individual	2a. Care for Children	Modernising internal teams' sounds like a euphemism for diminishing essential services. Perhaps if the teams were not run by employees promoted beyond their skills base they would be more efficient. Resources are being haemorrhaged because of poorly run units which are having nil effect on clientele.	Care for children - internal teams and process	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted and will be considered as part of any change to management structures.

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11408	An individual	2a. Care for Children	Modernisation of internal teams is supported .	Care for children - internal teams and process	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11409	An employee of West Lothian Council	2a. Care for Children	Against anything which will put our youngsters. If admin savings can be achieved great but no front line cuts please.	Care for children - internal teams and process	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11410	An individual	2a. Care for Children	This is a big saving. However, the words 'modernise internal teams' and 'support on an outreach basis' are a concern. Does this mean reducing the number of workers who deal with these families and if so how will that impact on the welfare of the families and children in care. I agree it is important to keep our young people in West Lothian but to do that staff need to be well supported by having a staffing level top match the workload.	Care for children - internal teams and process	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Any changes to structures will require to fully consider the impact on staff
11411	An individual	2a. Care for Children	Less placements outside local authority area. No private foster placements should be used. Less transporting children by taxi.	Care for children - residential placements	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11412	No Response	2a. Care for Children	young people are people not outcomes.... yes we strive to get them to where they want to be, but that should not always be the main focus, saving money on sending young people outwith west lothian is a good thing though, more provisions in west lothian for housing young people.	Care for children - residential placements	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11413	An individual	2a. Care for Children	I would agree that council provision should be used and that young people, where possible, should remain in their own community and in West Lothian.	Care for children - residential placements	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11414	An individual	2a. Care for Children	Stop sending children outside the county to expensive providers	Care for children - residential placements	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11415	An individual	2a. Care for Children	You donâ€™t look after children with disabilities at the moment so how on earth will streamlining a non existent service help?	Care for children - residential placements	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11416	An individual	2a. Care for Children	Itâ€™s ok saying let children with disabilities remain in there local community yes itâ€™s a good idea but it all depends on what the disability is and the help they would have around them in that area	Care for children - residential placements	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Criteria will be set within an assessment framework to ensure people's needs are assessed consistently and fairly. Work will continue to focus on those who are most vulnerable and have additional needs.
11417	An individual	2a. Care for Children	Utilising early years centres in regards to hours and availability, running more groups in afternoons and during holidays, along with group workers delivering groups during holiday periods or supporting social workers and outreach in facilitating contacts and activities in accordance with interventions and care plans.	Care for children - residential placements	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your comment which will be considered as part of any service redesign
11418	An individual	2a. Care for Children	Residential placements may be the only respite parents of children with disabilities get so this should be managed carefully.	Care for children - residential placements	4. The council is already doing this.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11419	An individual	2a. Care for Children	"...allow children with disabilities to remain in their local community". This would be an astonishing turn-around in West Lothian social work thinking where the past was littered with disastrous outcomes for families with mature handicapped offspring. Happy to provide input on this subject as I have decades of experience fighting off West Lothian's social work team attempting to split, for their own managerial convenience, not only my family but many others.	Care for children - residential placements	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	West Lothian cannot comment on individual circumstances.
11420	An individual	2a. Care for Children	I completely disagree with this decision, the disabled child is rarely â€œpart of its communityâ€œ! They need to be with other children with similar needs and taught in an environment where the teachers have experience and knowledge on how to educate them best. Local mainstream schools cannot provide this, the teachers donâ€™t have the time or expertise. As the level of delivery increases so too does the gap between the able and less able. In a nutshell you are trying to crowbar a child out of its wheelchair and expect it to run! When are you going to create policies which take cognisance of the fact that the wheelchair is part of the child? Itâ€™s not about building a ramp and forcing the child into a building which is otherwise completely unsuitable.	Care for children - residential placements	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Working together with Education the aim is to ensure that children's needs are met in the most suitable setting, recognising that the most vulnerable may have additional specialist needs
11421	An employee of West Lothian Council	2a. Care for Children	Fully agree that allowing children with disability to remain in their local community and supporting them and their families to create better outcomes for them in the long term has to be a positive step.	Care for children - residential placements	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11422	An employee of West Lothian Council	2a. Care for Children	the costs of sending children to residential units outwith WL is staggering. However you will need to improve and increase staff levels to manage the more at risk young people.	Care for children - residential placements	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your comment which will be considered as part of any service redesign

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11423	An individual	2a. Care for Children	Many young people in residential units have parents continuing to fraudulently claim tax credits and child benefit. Once a child is accommodated SW should share this information with the Benefits Agency. In some cases this could lead to parents upping their parenting because they want their benefits back. The tax payer is paying for these children twice - by contributing towards their benefits and the high cost of residential care.	Care for children - residential placements	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your comment which will be considered as part of any service redesign
11424	No Response	2a. Care for Children	More residential units could be build for young people with better support & integration	Care for children - residential placements	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11425	An employee of West Lothian Council	2a. Care for Children	The schools are going to be hit once again as children previously being placed in special facilities will more often than not now be placed in local schools	Care for children - residential placements	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Working together with Education the aim is to ensure that children's needs are met in the most suitable setting, recognising that the most vulnerable may have additional specialist needs
11426	An individual	2a. Care for Children	The service should be maintained and improved. If suitable residential placements cannot be found within West Lothian then placements must be out with West Lothian. I therefore cannot support this strategy as it is a cut in the standard of service.	Care for children - residential placements	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Working together with Education the aim is to ensure that children's needs are met in the most suitable setting, recognising that the most vulnerable may have additional specialist needs
11427	An employee of West Lothian Council	2a. Care for Children	I'm unfamiliar with the current process but keeping children in West Lothian appears to be a positive direction if their needs can be met here.	Care for children - residential placements	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11428	An individual	2a. Care for Children	As someone who both lives and works in West Lothian, my job being in residential care. I am fully aware of the costs involved. I am also fully aware of the vital work/services within early intervention/prevention and am concerned that these areas suffer more cuts and impact upon the young people and families that are in need of the services. It is essential we aim to provide services that enable them to remain within their local community but sadly sometimes this is not available.	Care for children - residential placements	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council will always be required to prioritise the needs of people who are most vulnerable, We would also aim to provide early intervention and prevention support where evidence based practice shows that a positive impact can be made
11429	An employee of West Lothian Council	2a. Care for Children	Inclusion is great in theory but due to the cuts being made to social services we are putting more pressure on families and charitable groups. Schools are bursting at the seams and more pupils with disabilities, mental health issues and behaviour issues are making the work of teachers and school staff more challenging.	Care for children - residential placements	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Working together with Education the aim is to ensure that children's needs are met in the most suitable setting, recognising that the most vulnerable may have additional specialist needs
11430	An individual	2a. Care for Children	Disabled children should be able to stay in mainstream schools if they are able to work and learn this way.	Care for children - residential placements	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Working together with Education the aim is to ensure that children's needs are met in the most suitable setting, recognising that the most vulnerable may have additional specialist needs
11431	An employee of West Lothian Council	2a. Care for Children	Not clear what the changes re-residential placement is? Cannot comment	Care for children - residential placements	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11432	No Response	2a. Care for Children	Many parents rely on services for their disabled children, so any reduction in these would be unacceptable.	Care for children - residential placements	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Work will continue to focus on those who are most vulnerable and have additional needs.
11433	An individual	2a. Care for Children	wow - £5.2 million of a saving. Again makes you question how effective the current use of resources is ? It will be interesting to see how family support can be undertaken on an outreach basis. I think it can only be a good thing to change the residential placements to ensure they meets the needs f the children using them.	Care for children - residential placements	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Working together with Education the aim is to ensure that children's needs are met in the most suitable setting, recognising that the most vulnerable may have additional specialist needs
11434	No Response	2a. Care for Children	Consideration given to closing family centre as not good value for money. Outreach and delivering services in the community would be better value for money.	Care for children - residential placements	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11435	No Response	2a. Care for Children	If you lose specialised care for the disabled you are failing the most vulnerable people in the community. Keeping them in West Lothian does not make sense if you don't have the skills to cope with the issue.	Care for children - residential placements	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Working together with Education the aim is to ensure that children's needs are met in the most suitable setting, recognising that the most vulnerable may have additional specialist needs
11436	An individual	2a. Care for Children	with regards to children with disabilities, thought should be given to the ability of families being able to access respite - days, overnights or short breaks - which is sadly lacking in this authority	Care for children - residential placements	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your comment which will be considered as part of any service redesign
11437	No Response	2a. Care for Children	If you close care centres how can those most dependent on these services remain in their local communities?	Care for children - residential placements	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	The proposal aims to provide support in people's communities rather than in centralised buildings
11438	An individual	2a. Care for Children	Residential placements are fine as long as there is support in schools and not just lip service.	Care for children - residential placements	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Working together with Education the aim is to ensure that children's needs are met in the most suitable setting, recognising that the most vulnerable may have additional specialist needs

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11439	An individual	2a. Care for Children	I THINK THIS IS AN IMPORTANT SERVICE AND WE SHOULD RETAIN THE CENTRES DOING THIS EXCELLENT SPECIAL AREAS OF CARE	Care for children - residential placements	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11440	An individual	2a. Care for Children	Residential services need to become more efficient, and more able to help the young person to achieve the best outcome. They should not just be places to put people. Children with disabilities should ONLY remain in West Lothian if West Lothian has the specialist knowledge and services they need. If this is not the case, and another Authority can fully meet their needs, they should continue to be able to use the services in the other Authority.	Care for children - residential placements	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Working together with Education the aim is to ensure that children's needs are met in the most suitable setting, recognising that the most vulnerable may have additional specialist needs
11441	An individual	2a. Care for Children	Keeping children with disabilities in their own community is admirable but shouldnt be at the expense of specialised care that can only be found outwith the authority.	Care for children - residential placements	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Working together with Education the aim is to ensure that children's needs are met in the most suitable setting, recognising that the most vulnerable may have additional specialist needs
11442	An individual	2a. Care for Children	This sounds dreadful. Fewer residential places - unless this is countered with an increase in 24 hour care provided at home then this can only mean horrendous additional strain on families. Should not happen.	Care for children - residential placements	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. This consultation is the first stage of the process to enable the council to develop a five year plan. Detailed proposals will be worked up following the outcome of this consultation.
11443	An employee of West Lothian Council	2a. Care for Children	I strongly believe children with disabilities should remain in their local community, for many reasons. Most importantly this would mean they would not be separated from their families.	Care for children - residential placements	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11444	An employee of West Lothian Council	2a. Care for Children	This raises questions regarding the provision of respite / residential care for children with disability, that gives the child opportunity for a break, and more realistically, families and carers much needed respite from the caring task they undertake. Given that external third sector providers are either closing or restructuring provision, therefore limiting the available specialist care places. That health have revised criteria for children using their respite provision and that WLC do not have its own provision. There will be potential for families / carers to be placed under more pressure, with the chances of 'break down' in care being increased.	Care for children - residential placements	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	West Lothian has a proven track record of partnership working and would wish to build on this.
11445	An employee of West Lothian Council	2a. Care for Children	I would agree with the above , providing that the resources are available to provide the support within a child's local community. My doubts are that the resources in the local community, may either not be there or not be able to cope with the potential increased demand on their services.	Care for children - residential placements	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11446	No Response	2a. Care for Children	The residential support provides respite to people who are saving the state hundreds of thousands by looking after their relatives at home. What kind of society are we going to be living in?	Care for children - residential placements	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11447	An individual	2a. Care for Children	If residential placements are going suitable places will need to be resourced properly in West Lothian and children not just placed to save money. Respite care is essential to many families and should not be reduced.	Care for children - residential placements	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Working together with Education the aim is to ensure that children's needs are met in the most suitable setting, recognising that the most vulnerable may have additional specialist needs
11448	An individual	2a. Care for Children	If residential services are to be cut the will the council ensure that additional support is provided to children to remain in their local community? Does 'local community' mean own home? If so what happens if their own home is not appropriate for their disabilities? How will the council ensure that keeping these young people in West Lothian will actually address all of their needs and provide a professional level of support?	Care for children - residential placements	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Working together with Education the aim is to ensure that children's needs are met in the most suitable setting, recognising that the most vulnerable may have additional specialist needs
11449	An employee of West Lothian Council	2a. Care for Children	Reduce residential placements by investing in therapeutic home based care.	Care for children - residential placements	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your comment which will be considered as part of any service redesign
11450	An individual	2a. Care for Children	Children should stay in they local community wherever possible	Care for children - residential placements	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11451	An employee of West Lothian Council	2a. Care for Children	Allowing children with disabilities to remain in their local community; this sounds a fine idea until you then close the provision to help them; Ability Centre, Eliburn Support Centre. This provides respite to parents and is a necessary provision.	Care for children - residential placements	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11452	An individual	2a. Care for Children	I think this should be more beneficial for the children to stay in their community.	Care for children - residential placements	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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11453	An employee of West Lothian Council	2a. Care for Children	Children with disabilities should have placements in their local community and local school. There should be more placements for high risk children who cannot cope in their local schools/communities.	Care for children - residential placements	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11454	An individual	2a. Care for Children	Important that disabled children remain in their communities with enough staff to support	Care for children - residential placements	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11455	An individual	2a. Care for Children	Agree focus should be on keeping young people in West Lothian.	Care for children - residential placements	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11456	No Response	2a. Care for Children	This can only be undertaken if the Council can ensure that the individuals/families concerned still get the same level of care whether in the community or residential placement.	Care for children - residential placements	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Working together with Education the aim is to ensure that children's needs are met in the most suitable setting, recognising that the most vulnerable may have additional specialist needs
11457	An individual	2a. Care for Children	Residential and respite care is essential for the care of children and young people. Safety of children is paramount and cannot be compromised	Care for children - residential placements	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Work will continue to focus on those who are most vulnerable and have additional needs.
11458	No Response	2a. Care for Children	I think the changes to residential placements should not be made at the expense of the children who need these residential placement, forcing them back into the community.	Care for children - residential placements	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11459	An individual	2a. Care for Children	What does 'changes to residential placements' mean? That they will be cut? No I do not support that.	Care for children - residential placements	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11460	An employee of West Lothian Council	2a. Care for Children	At present, compared to other local authorities, young people are accommodated as a first resort as opposed to a placement based on need. Placing Social Workers really need to avoid the practice of accommodating 15 and 16 year olds into their first residential placement, especially on voluntary orders. Currently, the majority of residential beds are being used for this criteria of young people. All three residential houses are now looking after 15 and 16 years old who do have other options. Many incidents leading to young people being accommodated happen at weekends where there is no full time social work cover, staffing during these critical periods could not only support families but prevent young people entering the care system.	Care for children - residential placements	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your comment which will be considered as part of any service redesign
11461	An employee of West Lothian Council	2a. Care for Children	Children placed within residential homes are often forgotten about by the placement Social Workers and family work/support if never completed. Children are placed within the home as a first resort without proper exit strategies with the placing Social worker and ultimately get forgotten about until a further breakdown happens. I feel residential workers should be case managers and family work should be provided by residential staff as well as aftercare for young people who have moved on. There are too many teams trying to work with residential young people without having build a working relationship with them. Residential staff are best placed to meet the needs of children in residential care and also continuing this into early adulthood. The thresholds for accommodation of young people should be adapted to support those most in need. Social work assessment often	Care for children - residential placements	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your comment which will be considered as part of any service redesign
11462	An individual	2a. Care for Children	This just sounds very much like cuts to the weakest and most vulnerable young people in society! As a father to a child currently in residential placement this is extremely concerning and frightening. Given the risks involved when councils fail to provide the correct support and services, this is absolutely not an area where the council can look for savings.	Care for children - residential placements	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Work will continue to focus on those who are most vulnerable and have additional needs.
11463	An individual	2a. Care for Children	This must take into account the need for family respite. Many families rely on residential placements for this. also it is not always in the interest of the disabled person to be in the local community. Make sure you don't place vulnerable people at risk to save a few quid.	Care for children - residential placements	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your comment which will be considered as part of any service redesign
11464	An employee of West Lothian Council	2a. Care for Children	I know the huge bill is costs to place vulnerable children outwith West Lothian in residential or secure units and agree that this needs to be reduced. Would a suitable unit be built here to accommodate these children? How do you propose to "modernise" internal teams and processes? Just now there seems to be alot of duplication of referrals to various teams/services in a "scatter gun approach" by schools,GPs, parents and even within social work teams. It would be more effective if there was one central point for a referral and then the best support was decided, be it SW, Health or elsewhere.	Care for children - residential placements	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11465	An individual	2a. Care for Children	I agree that children with disabilities should be kept in their community	Care for children - residential placements	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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11466	An individual	2a. Care for Children	Allowing children with disabilities to remain in their local area is good but only if this is of genuine benefit to the child and not just the cheapest option.	Care for children - residential placements	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Working together with Education the aim is to ensure that children's needs are met in the most suitable setting, recognising that the most vulnerable may have additional specialist needs
11467	An individual	2a. Care for Children	Residential care has a purpose and unless equivalent opportunities can be provided within the community this is in danger of disadvantaging the most vulnerable.	Care for children - residential placements	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Working together with Education the aim is to ensure that children's needs are met in the most suitable setting, recognising that the most vulnerable may have additional specialist needs
11468	An individual	2a. Care for Children	Perhaps more use for assisted home care as opposed to residential care	Care for children - residential placements	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11469	An individual	2a. Care for Children	Iâ€™d be concerned for the welfare of children and families requiring this service. Outreach doesnâ€™t effectively replace residential support. Residential support is a huge support for families with children with disabilities.	Care for children - residential placements	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11470	An individual	2a. Care for Children	Children with disabilities should absolutely be able to stay in their local communities the costs of external placements is ridiculous so I agree with this proposal. I also agree with outreach work 24/7 as opposed to accommodating young people but at an earlier stage.	Care for children - residential placements	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11471	An employee of West Lothian Council	2a. Care for Children	children need to be kept as close to home as possible	Care for children - residential placements	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11472	An employee of West Lothian Council	2a. Care for Children	This may be difficult as there is already a shortage in non residential care provision. Residential placements are often not the most nurturing or personal environments for young people. This would be a welcome change.	Care for children - residential placements	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Working together with Education the aim is to ensure that children's needs are met in the most suitable setting, recognising that the most vulnerable may have additional specialist needs
11473	An individual	2a. Care for Children	Serious thought must be given to children with learning and physical disabilities - allowing care within their family area.	Care for children - residential placements	4. The council is already doing this.	Work will continue to focus on those who are most vulnerable and have additional needs.
11474	An individual	2a. Care for Children	Having myself been sent to Edinburgh to be educated due to my disability I feel it is important to keep children with disabilities within their local community. I feel this way as I am not as familiar with my own community as I am in Edinburgh, and I felt isolated	Care for children - residential placements	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for letting us know about your specific experience, and for your support for our proposal. Working together with Education the aim is to ensure that children's needs are met in the most suitable setting.
11475	An individual	2a. Care for Children	Agree with keeping young people irrespective of whether they have a disability or not in their local community.	Care for children - residential placements	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Working together with Education the aim is to ensure that children's needs are met in the most suitable setting, recognising that the most vulnerable may have additional specialist needs
11476	An individual	2a. Care for Children	It would benefit families if the focus would be on keeping young people in West Lothian but, does West Lothian have the resources, skills and employees to meet the level of need?	Care for children - residential placements	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Working together with Education the aim is to ensure that children's needs are met in the most suitable setting, recognising that the most vulnerable may have additional specialist needs
11477	An individual	2a. Care for Children	I agree that council provision should be expanded in order to reduce residential placements outwith West Lothian, but this needs to be high quality provision and should be funded accordingly	Care for children - residential placements	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Working together with Education the aim is to ensure that children's needs are met in the most suitable setting, recognising that the most vulnerable may have additional specialist needs
11478	An employee of West Lothian Council	2a. Care for Children	I agree that we should be doing our best as a council to provide a safe space for these children. Providing residential care for children is not necessarily a bad thing however children in that environment learn from each other creating more of a toxic environment for them and making it more difficult to return to society	Care for children - residential placements	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Working together with Education the aim is to ensure that children's needs are met in the most suitable setting, recognising that the most vulnerable may have additional specialist needs
11479	An employee of West Lothian Council	2a. Care for Children	as a parent of a child with [REDACTED] issues we have just been introduced to the Family Group Conferencing team, it seems a good thing but our family who are able to help with my child are limited. We were recently knocked back for respite from WL services as we have family that could help. Family include parents who are recovering from cancer. And a brother and his young family who both work full time and have no spare room for my child. We were told by social worker that there is no placement for [REDACTED] that would take on her problems. That [REDACTED] would end up in one of the six bedroom units in West Lothian that would be detrimental to her. So what faith is there in the system there?	Care for children - residential placements	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. This consultation is the first stage of the process to enable the council to develop a five year plan. Detailed proposals will be worked up following the outcome of this consultation.

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11480	An individual	2a. Care for Children	I'm aware West Lothian Council is one of the most generous councils in Scotland in terms of the care and support provided. that is great for the children in West Lothian but isn't sustainable if Â£73 million of savings need to be made. I know some residential placements cost Â£250,000. Surely the council can come up with more innovative ways of looking after a child that would save money and maybe provide better care than some of these establishments!	Care for children - residential placements	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Working together with Education the aim is to ensure that children's needs are met in the most suitable setting, recognising that the most vulnerable may have additional specialist needs
11481	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	2a. Care for Children	What about the current respite provision 'is it likely to change? There is currently no respite provision for children under 16 as this was withdrawn in a previous round of cuts. Is there any change to the current lack of service?	Care for children - residential placements	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11482	An individual	2a. Care for Children	The council needs to ensure that the staffing are in place to provide the quality of service that these young people, families and communities require to ensure positive outcomes for all concerned. Often, young people and adults who have residential placements outwith the authority have specialised support needs and the council needs to ensure they can still provide an equal level of care without council employees having to take on unrealistic workloads. Also this will be interesting to see how this is provided against a background of proposed cuts to adult services, including the specialised Eliburn Centre and Ability Centre, Carmondean and less support to schools.	Care for children - residential placements	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Working together with Education the aim is to ensure that children's needs are met in the most suitable setting, recognising that the most vulnerable may have additional specialist needs
11483	An individual	2a. Care for Children	Keep the provision of care local - this includes the paediatric service at St John's Hospital.	Care for children - residential placements	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11484	An individual	2a. Care for Children	2 a Agree that social care should be put back into West Lothian and less young people sent to residential schools and secure units. Council officers and elected members disregarded clear evidence of positive engagement and reduction in cost sending children to external secure and residential providers. The increased provision of good quality support services will have a cost but it will be much less than accommodation young people out with West Lothian.	Care for children - residential placements	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. The Council is committed to ensure a strong governance framework is in place to make sure quality is at the heart of service delivery.
11485	An employee of West Lothian Council	2a. Care for Children	I agree with keeping children with disabilities a part of the local community.	Care for children - residential placements	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11486	An individual	2a. Care for Children	Consider introducing a financial limit per child for residential placements to ensure an excessive amount is not being spent on any one child. Review of use of agencies for foster carers and whether it would be more cost effective if the council direct employed / engaged with foster carers.	Care for children - residential placements	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11487	An individual	2a. Care for Children	Children with disabilities may be in their local community but this can be at the expense of receiving the proper type of care they should be getting. Which can "have a detrimental impact on lives" especially "at an early stage".	Care for children - residential placements	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Working together with Education the aim is to ensure that children's needs are met in the most suitable setting, recognising that the most vulnerable may have additional specialist needs
11488	An employee of West Lothian Council	2a. Care for Children	This seems like a paradox to me. How are we going to allow children with disabilities to remain in their local community, focusing on keeping young people in West Lothian whilst closing down facilities like the one in Deans?	Care for children - residential placements	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. This consultation is the first stage of the process to enable the council to develop a five year plan. Detailed proposals will be worked up following the outcome of this consultation.
11489	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	2a. Care for Children	I understand the need to reduce the high cost incurred by residential external provision for high risk young people and we need to work in partnership to maximise local service provision in West Lothian.	Care for children - residential placements	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11490	An individual	2a. Care for Children	This should be implemented as quickly as possible to keep youngsters at home/in the community.	Care for children - residential placements	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11491	An individual	2a. Care for Children	Essential keeping young people locally	Care for children - residential placements	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11492	No Response	2a. Care for Children	in order to do this need to be focus on recruiting more foster carers particularly for teenagers and offering more of an outreach service over weekends	Care for children - residential placements	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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11493	An individual	2a. Care for Children	The focus should not be on keeping young people in West Lothian but providing the best location that meets the needs of the young people (person centred planning and delivery). There should be a commitment to providing respite services for families with children with special needs.	Care for children - residential placements	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Working together with Education the aim is to ensure that children's needs are met in the most suitable setting, recognising that the most vulnerable may have additional specialist needs
11494	An employee of West Lothian Council	2a. Care for Children	Education and support to families , not just children should help sustain community placements Drop in centres could help?	Care for children - residential placements	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11495	An individual	2a. Care for Children	I believe that placements need to be effectively monitored so no blank cheques are written, money is continually wasted on this service	Care for children - residential placements	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11496	An individual	2a. Care for Children	I agree that children should be able to keep living in WL where the appropriate resources are available.	Care for children - residential placements	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11497	An individual	2a. Care for Children	Support has to be given for people to remain in their local community.	Care for children - residential placements	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11498	No Response	2a. Care for Children	Would agree that keeping children with disabilities in their own community, where possible, is best for the young person.	Care for children - residential placements	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11499	An individual	2a. Care for Children	Keeping children in foster care in their own environment ie. not moving them out into Edinburgh and send them back and forth to schools in taxis at an enormous cost.	Care for children - residential placements	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11500	An employee of West Lothian Council	2a. Care for Children	Staffing levels in some children's units are too high and others do not have enough to meet the needs for the service. Full time cooks, cleaners and admin workers are not needed and is unnatural and this is not homely. The more adults around can make the young people more unsettled.	Care for children - residential placements	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11501	An employee of West Lothian Council	2a. Care for Children	2a I agree that we should try to keep children with disabilities in their local community where possible, if the facilities available are suitable.	Care for children - residential placements	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Working together with Education the aim is to ensure that children's needs are met in the most suitable setting, recognising that the most vulnerable may have additional specialist needs
11502	An individual	2a. Care for Children	This is extremely tough as it affects children. Any 'gaps' here can be, as we know, catastrophic. Is there any way to reduce these savings?	Care for children (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Work will continue to focus on those who are most vulnerable and have additional needs.
11503	An employee of West Lothian Council	2a. Care for Children	Social care services have to become much leaner and cost effective	Care for children (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	West Lothian has a proven track record of partnership working and would wish to build on this.
11504	An individual	2a. Care for Children	WLC fail in providing Social Support and this will make the issue greater	Care for children (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11505	An employee of West Lothian Council	2a. Care for Children	Again, it is difficult to see how cutting £5m off of a budget can result in improved services. Not enough detail is provided on what is actually being cut here.	Care for children (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11506	An employee of West Lothian Council	2a. Care for Children	Sounds positive - but what services are going to be cut?	Care for children (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11507	An individual	2a. Care for Children	This is a MUST	Care for children (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11508	An individual	2a. Care for Children	Unless you are doing something very wrong at the moment I cannot see how you can create 'better outcomes' while saving £5.2 million in this area. With the workload on social workers, social work nursery/family centres and social care in general, I cannot see how cuts in this area can ever be effective or desirable.	Care for children (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Work will continue to focus on those who are most vulnerable and have additional needs with delivery models changing to be delivered through community outreach rather than in specific buildings. Work will be progressed to establish if more local services can be created to keep our children and young people in West Lothian.
11509	No Response	2a. Care for Children	The council should build up its own fostering and adoption service in order to minimise the amount of children it places with outside agencies' foster carers. The cost of £16.2m to the council of placing children with fostering agencies between 2017 and 2019 could surely be cut drastically if the council employed more foster carers itself.	Care for children (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your comment which will be considered as part of any service redesign

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11510	An employee of West Lothian Council	2a. Care for Children	In agreement with the above.	Care for children (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11511	An employee of West Lothian Council	2a. Care for Children	concerned that disabled children will no longer have access to residential care, day care centres resulting in poor quality of life. if their disability is already disadvantaging them we should not be adding to that	Care for children (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Work will continue to focus on those who are most vulnerable and have additional needs.
11512	An individual	2a. Care for Children	I would be interested to see how this can be made possible, as there are children that are living at risk that slip through the net or there isn't enough support provided due to micro managing and cut backs	Care for children (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Work will continue to focus on those who are most vulnerable and have additional needs.
11513	An individual	2a. Care for Children	Yes but will it ever be enough given the ailing society and lack of personal responsibility for life choices and health issues.	Care for children (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11514	An individual	2a. Care for Children	Again impenetrable language to understand what this means. Calls into question whether this 'consultation' is meaningful in any sense. What does 'modernise internal teams' mean in practice?	Care for children (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11515	No Response	2a. Care for Children	It must be awful to have a disabled child but to have cuts in this area would be disastrous so any cuts that can be made that doesn't result in children leaving the area should be made. We should be supporting these areas more than cutting. But where possible cuts have to be made at a minimum disruption to people	Care for children (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Work will continue to focus on those who are most vulnerable and have additional needs.
11516	An individual	2a. Care for Children	How will you assess what the highest risk cases are?	Care for children (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Criteria will be set within an assessment framework to ensure people's needs are assessed consistently and fairly
11517	An employee of West Lothian Council	2a. Care for Children	I feel to cover " children with learning disabilities " all under one title is unrealistic, learning disabilities is a huge spectrum and has a very wide base of needs so for some, outreach will be a fantastic opportunity for others it will have a very negative impact of the quality of life and of care, I feel higher members of management within the council need to spend time on the floor of services to have realistic views on how services actually run.	Care for children (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. The Council is committed to ensure a strong governance framework is in place to make sure quality is at the heart of service delivery.
11518	An individual	2a. Care for Children	Again, as with families and young children, what happens when someone slips through the net?	Care for children (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11519	An employee of West Lothian Council	2a. Care for Children	What about those considered not highest risk? Are they not important.	Care for children (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	Criteria is set within an assessment framework to ensure people's needs are assessed consistently and fairly
11520	No Response	2a. Care for Children	Parents should shoulder more responsibilities.	Care for children (general)	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11521	An individual	2a. Care for Children	The care of young people is an essential role. parents should be made aware of their responsibilities towards their young. Councils are not their to replace parents.	Care for children (general)	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11522	An employee of West Lothian Council	2a. Care for Children	There has to be provision for reactive use of resources for children/families/older people falling into crisis unexpectedly.	Care for children (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	Thank you for your comment which will be considered as part of any service redesign
11523	No Response	2a. Care for Children	Worrying that some vulnerable young people could slip through the net	Care for children (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Work will continue to focus on those who are most vulnerable and have additional needs.
11524	An individual	2a. Care for Children	As for the ceasing of out of area placements. This approach was previously taken some years back by the council, and was subsequently reversed due to the failure of the policy. There are, and always will be some children in education that West Lothian is not equipped or able to provide an appropriate education or to keep them safe. On these occasions, due to the non-provision of this type of service in the local area, it will ALWAYS be NECESSARY for the council to look to place some vulnerable children/adults to an area that CAN meet their needs and human rights.	Care for children (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Working together with Education the aim is to ensure that children's needs are met in the most suitable setting, recognising that the most vulnerable may have additional specialist needs
11525	An individual	2a. Care for Children	This doesn't even begin to tell me how this will be saved. More information is required.	Care for children (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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11526	An employee of West Lothian Council	2a. Care for Children	Equalities and diversity policy applies.	Care for children (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your comment. An equalities assessment will be undertaken once proposals are defined.
11527	An employee of West Lothian Council	2a. Care for Children	Sounds sensible as long as the support is still available	Care for children (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11528	An employee of West Lothian Council	2a. Care for Children	Any changes must make sure that frontline service provision is not diluted. Again in this area there seems to be too many chiefs and not enough Indians. This not only reduces provision for those that need it the most, but can have a profound and life changing effect on individuals and their families. Any proposals in this area must be investigated thoroughly prior to any changes as the risks are too great to make a mess of this proposal.	Care for children (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your comment which will be considered as part of any service redesign
11529	An individual	2a. Care for Children	Why are you not already doing this ?	Care for children (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11530	An individual	2a. Care for Children	This can only be done if relevant resources are available in the community which will incur capital expenditure.	Care for children (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your comment which will be considered as part of any service redesign
11531	An individual	2a. Care for Children	I think you have no option but to focus on the most difficult or worst situations. I think the "safety net" will be eroded further but you have no choice is costs are to be reduced. Hopefully, the strategy remains coherent and effective.	Care for children (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11532	An individual	2a. Care for Children	make sure those children and families who need support get it - transport was a nightmare this year and you can see where cutbacks have been made	Care for children (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your comment which will be considered as part of any service redesign
11533	An employee of West Lothian Council	2a. Care for Children	Our young people are our future and deserve the best investment we can give them.	Care for children (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11534	An employee of West Lothian Council	2a. Care for Children	Again a huge amount of money is spent of taxis for LAC - can this not be looked at? It is my opinion that local taxi companies put up prices when they know it is a council contract.	Care for children (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your comment which will be considered as part of any service redesign
11535	An individual	2a. Care for Children	Sounds ok but have to make sure children protected	Care for children (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11536	An individual	2a. Care for Children	Take our Young Peoples Residential Units - [REDACTED] is employed in both [REDACTED] [REDACTED]. The [REDACTED] leaves before 4 every day so is not around when the younge people come in from school. [REDACTED] and every day takes something out the freezer for dinner. There is a staff of 3 on every shift. The cooks are not employed at the weekends so the staff cook for the young people. The staff are more than capable of cooking through the week too. There is no value of a cook. Put staff through basic food hygiene - if they are able to cook at weekends they are able to cook through the week too. Staff in the units are fed breakfast lunch and dinner whilst on duty. Staff should either bring in their own food or contribute towards the cost of the food they eat whilst on duty.	Care for children (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your comment which will be considered as part of any service redesign
11537	An individual	2a. Care for Children	Foster Carers have the role of parental responsibility and should transport children to contact and not expect SW to facilitate transport which would be less use of pool cars and non productive use of SW time.	Care for children (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your comment which will be considered as part of any service redesign
11538	An employee of West Lothian Council	2a. Care for Children	Caring for children is the most important service that a council can offer. If they have a poor start it will shape their entire life and impact on society in the long term via crime, joblessness, health, lack of education, drug use etc	Care for children (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11539	An employee of West Lothian Council	2a. Care for Children	Sounds like you are planning to reduce provision for some of the most needy in our community. Dreadful.	Care for children (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Work will continue to focus on those who are most vulnerable and have additional needs.
11540	An employee of West Lothian Council	2a. Care for Children	Agree that the opportunity should be taken to streamlining support services. Agree that funding should be focused on priority services.	Care for children (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11541	No Response	2a. Care for Children	will this reduce the level of care for the most vulnerable and put more stress onto family members	Care for children (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Work will continue to focus on those who are most vulnerable and have additional needs.
11542	An individual	2a. Care for Children	Agree that outreach support has been most beneficial to children and their parents	Care for children (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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11543	An individual	2a. Care for Children	Terrible service at the moment will get worse with these cuts. People needing help not receiving it.	Care for children (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Work will continue to focus on those who are most vulnerable and have additional needs.
11544	An individual	2a. Care for Children	Restructuring and still supporting the vulnerable for less has to be good for everyone.	Care for children (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11545	An individual	2a. Care for Children	Respite services are already under pressure and cuts to services would only make things worse	Care for children (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Work will continue to focus on those who are most vulnerable and have additional needs.
11546	No Response	2a. Care for Children	Yes how about the social policy AIMS team which tackles attendance being absorbed by education clusters and managed within High Schools The Mental Health of children should remain a priority	Care for children (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your comment which will be considered as part of any service redesign
11547	An individual	2a. Care for Children	Seems reasonable, but it is not always in the child's best interest to remain in their local community if there are better options elsewhere.	Care for children (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Working together with Education the aim is to ensure that children's needs are met in the most suitable setting, recognising that the most vulnerable may have additional specialist needs
11548	An individual	2a. Care for Children	Makes sense on the surface, as last Ng as the restructure doesn't end up with top heavy management meaning little can be provided for those that need this support.	Care for children (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11549	No Response	2a. Care for Children	Be very careful.	Care for children (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11550	An individual	2a. Care for Children	It is essential that any cuts do not impact on the suitability and quality of any care provision.	Care for children (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Work will continue to focus on those who are most vulnerable and have additional needs.
11551	An individual	2a. Care for Children	This requires very careful consideration. Will a reduced workforce be equipped to effectively make decisions on the best interest of those involved?	Care for children (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your comment which will be considered as part of any service redesign
11552	An individual	2a. Care for Children	Reducing costs may be possible, but it would be easy for it to be detrimental if not given sufficient resources during implementation	Care for children (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your comment which will be considered as part of any service redesign
11553	An employee of West Lothian Council	2a. Care for Children	If this can be achieved safely and without detriment to children and families this will be quite an achievement.	Care for children (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Work will continue to focus on those who are most vulnerable and have additional needs.
11554	An individual	2a. Care for Children	We need to invest in our future and certainly this is an area that will dictate our future. We need to ensure we spend effectively and continue to invest	Care for children (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11555	No Response	2a. Care for Children	Support given to universal services for children should be withdrawn and the focus be on high risk families.	Care for children (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11556	No Response	2a. Care for Children	Mini buses are an expensive use for transporting families out with their community to centre based interventions. Money would be better spend working with families in their own homes.	Care for children (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11557	An individual	2a. Care for Children	we need to keep this service	Care for children (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11558	No Response	2a. Care for Children	Resources in this area appear to be overstretched as they are. Concerned over the impact this will have on our families and young people.	Care for children (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Work will continue to focus on those who are most vulnerable and have additional needs.
11559	An individual	2a. Care for Children	As long as family centers remain open as they were a great help for me during difficult times.	Care for children (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11560	An individual	2a. Care for Children	I feel that there should be changes to social care in regards to the problems already in social care/work with lack of intervention when needed and children end up seriously hurt and families who are not at risk are being over watched	Care for children (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council will always be required to prioritise the needs of people who are most vulnerable. We would also aim to provide early intervention and prevention support where evidence based practice shows that a positive impact can be made
11561	An employee of West Lothian Council	2a. Care for Children	More family work should be done to prevent some young people entering care especially at an older age. A lot of referrals and placements have been unnecessary and these young people could remain at home with work being carried out with them and the family. There is an increased number of young people seeking to be placed in care due to the money they receive and get spent on them that they would not get at home. This is unmanageable for families and although the children and young people should have the same as every other young person, sometimes it exceeds this and they are still receiving money when it is known it is being spent on inappropriate things.	Care for children (general)	5a. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because the council is required by law to deliver this work.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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11562	An employee of West Lothian Council	2a. Care for Children	Children with disabilities when they reach 18 years of age should be allowed to remain in the community housed and looked after. Children educated at an early age will prevent intervention in later life - reducing costs in the long run.	Care for children (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your comment which will be considered as part of any service redesign
11563	An individual	2a. Care for Children	I would consider child protection a priority with harsher and more immediate benefit penalties required for carers and parents of neglected children. All cash incentives for the parents and carers of neglected children should be removed and a voucher system employed. Likewise accommodation should be conditional for such adults. The council also needs to de-incentivise single parenthood by means of replacing cash payments	Care for children (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your comment which will be considered as part of any service redesign. We have a statutory duty to provide financial support when needed but we can consider the most suitable way of providing that support
11564	An employee of West Lothian Council	2a. Care for Children	Cutting services for children is dangerous given how stretched they are already. This is presumably a proportionate cut as has been done elsewhere to meet the funding gap. I understand the need to work with the available funding though.	Care for children (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Work will continue to focus on those who are most vulnerable and have additional needs.
11565	An individual	2a. Care for Children	As long as the council can guarantee that the support will be there for all and not this "waiting list" that seems to appear.	Care for children (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Criteria is set within an assessment framework to ensure people's needs are assessed consistently and fairly. Work will continue to focus on those who are most vulnerable and have additional needs.
11566	No Response	2a. Care for Children	This saving strikes me as crazy. Far too many children are being neglected and are already falling through the cracks. Cut to this service would mean that you will be putting vulnerable young children at risk.	Care for children (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Criteria is set within an assessment framework to ensure people's needs are assessed consistently and fairly. Work will continue to focus on those who are most vulnerable and have additional needs.
11567	An employee of West Lothian Council	2a. Care for Children	Children who require care are some of the most vulnerable people within the council area. Removing or cutting services can only have a negative impact, leaving the families of these children with a yet greater burden.	Care for children (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Work will continue to focus on those who are most vulnerable and have additional needs.
11568	No Response	2a. Care for Children	Sometimes getting away from your home environment is a good thing and helps not only the person with the disability but the family as a whole. A day, a few hours with different people can be the highlight of a disabled person's week, for some it is their only break.	Care for children (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your comment which will be considered as part of any service redesign
11569	An individual	2a. Care for Children	This is great in principle as long as the majority of children and young people in West Lothian are not disadvantaged by the costs involved.	Care for children (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11570	An employee of West Lothian Council	2a. Care for Children	"Allow children with disabilities to remain in their own environment" - this should only be the case when this is best for the child and their family.	Care for children (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Working together with Education the aim is to ensure that children's needs are met in the most suitable setting, recognising that the most vulnerable may have additional specialist needs
11571	An individual	2a. Care for Children	HHHmmm yes the priority needs to be "highest risk" cases, but that doesn't give the council the right to ignore other cases either. All are important and provision needs to be made to help all who might be in need of the service.	Care for children (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council will always be required to prioritise the needs of people who are most vulnerable. We would also aim to provide early intervention and prevention support where evidence-based practice shows that a positive impact can be made
11572	No Response	2a. Care for Children	I find this area focuses on younger people with needs. The amount of young people with a disability leaving school are ignored. It is the hard work of social work that have to take the decision to tell parents and carers we can't afford it. More needs to be done in this area.	Care for children (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Work will continue to focus on those who are most vulnerable and have additional needs including young people with a disability.
11573	No Response	2a. Care for Children	Maintain staff numbers.	Care for children (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11574	An individual	2a. Care for Children	I don't think this is an area that can afford a cut back as many people rely on this for support. And this can have a huge impact on the lives of young people.	Care for children (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11575	An individual	2a. Care for Children	If this is appropriately addressing needs then it should have been happening already surely? If not why not? Poor council management? Over commitment or poor monitoring?	Care for children (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. The consultation is seeking to gather views on how to best target reducing resources in the future, not about the current systems.
11576	An individual	2a. Care for Children	I feel unless under threat or the family has a huge issue/ stress looking after someone who is disabled children should get to stay with their family and have support provided to them instead of people being placed away and into new homes. I like the idea of children staying in their local community.	Care for children (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Working together with Education the aim is to ensure that children's needs are met in the most suitable setting, recognising that the most vulnerable may have additional specialist needs
11577	An individual	2a. Care for Children	By only focusing on acute issues how can this achieve the aim of better outcomes for young people? Further consultation required regarding detailed proposals	Care for children (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council will always be required to prioritise the needs of people who are most vulnerable. We would also aim to provide early intervention and prevention support where evidence-based practice shows that a positive impact can be made

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11578	An individual	2a. Care for Children	If the best outcome for the young person is outside West Lothian surely that is the right thing to do?	Care for children (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Working together with Education the aim is to ensure that children's needs are met in the most suitable setting, recognising that the most vulnerable may have additional specialist needs
11579	An individual	2a. Care for Children	As long as better outcomes are actually created and it's not purely a cost cutting exercise.	Care for children (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11580	An employee of West Lothian Council	2a. Care for Children	Need to consider Scottish Government funding for childcare and consider how Education and Social Policy can work more closely together. While planning is strong at a management level, does this filter down to direct service provision - it should not matter which service an individual is employed when providing support and care.	Care for children (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Working together with Education the aim is to ensure that children's needs are met in the most suitable setting, recognising that the most vulnerable may have additional specialist needs
11581	An individual	2a. Care for Children	This service should not be cut while other discretionary activities continue in the Council.	Care for children (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11582	An individual	2a. Care for Children	. How would you modernise it? Is this something that could be shared with your DWP colleagues?	Care for children (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	West Lothian has a proven track record of partnership working and would wish to build on this.
11583	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	2a. Care for Children	What does this saving mean? Again we have insufficient information relating to the specifics of this saving to make an informed decision on who this will affect and how. Has an equality impact assessment been completed for this saving. Are the changes to be made to residential places that will make greater use of council provision - does this mean that this is already there but under utilised? What is the criteria for highest risk cases? who decides who fits into this category? and who is entitled to early intervention? Family support - is this service currently being done by the council and will be externalised to an outside agency to save money or is it an existing under utilised service. Other local authorities have adopted and open and transparent public consultation exercise for example Midlothian Council which details the service the saving relates to, the people the saving will affect and how and the cost of that saving. Why has WLC continued to adopt this approach which raises more questions than it answers, full of misdirection, its unclear, its full of jargon and also not in a format that's accessible to all.	Care for children (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. This consultation is a set of proposals to enable officers to prepare for budget setting. More detailed work will be undertaken as the processes progress from this initial formative stage
11584	An employee of West Lothian Council	2a. Care for Children	Yes I feel this could be a saving and more outreach work could be done.	Care for children (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11585	An employee of West Lothian Council	2a. Care for Children	Again words have been chosen here to mislead people into thinking services will improve with the cuts. However these changes will have a detrimental affect on our vulnerable families and kids leaving them in further poverty risk creating more social problems	Care for children (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council will always be required to prioritise the needs of people who are most vulnerable. We would also aim to provide early intervention and prevention support where evidence based practice shows that a positive impact can be made
11586	An employee of West Lothian Council	2a. Care for Children	There are families who are not being supported by WLC social work. I teach a family in my school who should have been taken off their Mum a long time ago. More money needs to go into social and looking after young people in care. Invest now for a more positive future for these children.	Care for children (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11587	An individual	2a. Care for Children	This is just words like all the other statements you do not give any details on how the savings will actually be achieved. This is a very big saving for this area where you are dealing with young and vulnerable children. I am sure that many who have looked at this consultation document are having many sleepless nights - this needs more detail, before making any changes.	Care for children (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. This consultation is a set of proposals to enable officers to prepare for budget setting. More detailed work will be undertaken as the processes progress from this initial formative stage
11588	No Response	2a. Care for Children	As a general comment on this section I am opposed to any cuts in social care. This is a primary responsibility of the Council and an exemplary service should be provided and expected. I just do not believe that £5.2million can be saved without significantly reducing the care. I do not understand the terms "modernizing internal teams" and "family support on an outreach basis" so cannot comment..	Care for children (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council will always be required to prioritise the needs of people who are most vulnerable. We would also aim to provide early intervention and prevention support where evidence based practice shows that a positive impact can be made
11589	An individual	2a. Care for Children	Work in care technology is not that great fails lots of times staff have saved life's not the technology	Care for children (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	The council already deploys technology as part of care and support packages where appropriate. Expanding the use of this to more people will help ensure that direct face to face client time is used to best effect.
11590	An individual	2a. Care for Children	adults need protected not cut look at all your unit managers first and your manger to over see the manager	Care for children (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted and will be considered as part of any change to management structures.
11591	An individual	2a. Care for Children	children should remain in their local community	Care for children (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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11592	An individual	2a. Care for Children	As long as the support takes account of the individual needs of each person, and does not expect one mould to fit all needs	Care for children (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Working together with Education the aim is to ensure that children's needs are met in the most suitable setting, recognising that the most vulnerable may have additional specialist needs
11593	An employee of West Lothian Council	2a. Care for Children	I'm glad to hear that children with disabilities have not been forgotten about as they have more challenges in life.	Care for children (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11594	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	2a. Care for Children	more support required for families with children who have a disability.	Care for children (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11595	No Response	2a. Care for Children	Ensure that the non-statutory services supporting families who are going through a period of difficulty are appropriately funded, to prevent these families reaching a crisis situation where council services including social work become involved.	Care for children (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council will always be required to prioritise the needs of people who are most vulnerable. We would also aim to provide early intervention and prevention support where evidence based practice shows that a positive impact can be made
11596	An individual	2a. Care for Children	Must provide services to allow families to stay together or within easy visiting distance. Not sure if this covers mental health but I know from personal experience many young people requiring assistance in West Lothian are to old for the service before they are offered any assistance.	Care for children (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11597	An individual	2a. Care for Children	Assessed contributions to care.	Care for children (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	There is a further proposal under Income and Concessions which considers how a contributions policy can be introduced subject to the financial assessment of affordability
11598	An individual	2a. Care for Children	Social care should be managed by nhs. Or is the council hoping a private company will do a better job. Funding for nhs, not fts	Care for children (general)	5a. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because the council is required by law to deliver this work.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11599	An individual	2a. Care for Children	it is our duty to look after and give children the best start in life. this is needed.	Care for children (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11600	An employee of West Lothian Council	2a. Care for Children	Sadly I think this will create a greater division between those that have and those that don't	Care for children (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11601	An employee of West Lothian Council	2a. Care for Children	The council spends a great deal of money purchasing services from the likes of the National Fostering Agency, a UK wide body that is 'not for profit' in Scotland but not in England. This means its Scottish profits are sent to England. The council would save money by increasing the number of Social Workers employed in the fostering and adoption service, with a view to keeping the service in house as much as possible.	Care for children (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your comment which will be considered as part of any service redesign
11602	An employee of West Lothian Council	2a. Care for Children	This is only feasible if the community can support them and in some case they need special care and professional help.	Care for children (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Working together with Education the aim is to ensure that children's needs are met in the most suitable setting, recognising that the most vulnerable may have additional specialist needs
11603	An individual	2a. Care for Children	Using council provision within the local community and limiting the need to consider out of area placements will reduce costs and work better for children and their families.	Care for children (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11604	An individual	2a. Care for Children	the more local facilities provided the more duplication is required. centralise services for larger groups	Care for children (general)	5c. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it is not consistent with the council's values and priorities.	The aim is to provide support in settings as close to home as possible, that best meet the needs of children but that are not large institutions.
11605	An individual	2a. Care for Children	There is no universe under which taking away 5.2 million pounds of funding will make things BETTER for children. Focusing on the highest risk cases translates to letting other cases slip through the cracks because 5.2 million POUNDS of their funding was taken away. If you want West Lothian to grow and continue to get better, children need to be a priority, always.	Care for children (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11606	An individual	2a. Care for Children	Young people leave West Lothian as they get trapped in the benefits system as we dont provide jobs other than low pay retail. I support further cuts to this service as it is already underfunded and unable to deliver what it needs to	Care for children (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11607	An individual	2a. Care for Children	It is important that these services are not reduced	Care for children (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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11608	An employee of West Lothian Council	2a. Care for Children	If your saving money people will loose out. We need to look at places where care for children really works and ask what can we be doing sooner. It probably means spending more on care for children but it will save money in the long run. Unfortunately Westminster won't let us do that.	Care for children (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11609	An employee of West Lothian Council	2a. Care for Children	If you focus on early years it is likely to have the biggest long term impact on most of the rest.	Care for children (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The council will always be required to prioritise the needs of people who are most vulnerable. We would also aim to provide early intervention and prevention support where evidence based practice shows that a positive impact can be made
11610	An employee of West Lothian Council	2a. Care for Children	This will need to be supported by targeted publicity to support communities to take responsibility for their own where possible. It will also require some work with Police Scotland to ensure a focus on appropriate referral.	Care for children (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your comment which will be considered as part of any service redesign
11611	An individual	2a. Care for Children	I feel more investigation needs to take place when dealing with children with learning disabilities.	Care for children (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your comment which will be considered as part of any service redesign
11612	An employee of West Lothian Council	2a. Care for Children	As long as the provision meets the demand of the customer.	Care for children (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11613	An individual	2a. Care for Children	Looking after young people, people with difficulties and the elderly is paramount. This answer seems to be the answer to all of your questions. I can't understand why everyone is poorer now than in the 80s, when unemployment was rife. Somebody's got all the money, and it isn't me that's for sure	Care for children (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11614	An individual	2a. Care for Children	"...allow children with disabilities to remain in their local community." Children become adults yet you are closing the Adult Ability Centre in Carmondean and Eliburn to save 2.5 million. Why not use half your 5.2 million saving and keep the centres?	Care for children (general)	5b. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it is likely that the costs of this proposal would outweigh the benefit.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11615	An individual	2a. Care for Children	Does this mean the abolition of the proposed Scottish Government's proposed policy of one minder for each child? Savings of £5.2 million; what is the current budget before cutting?	Care for children (general)	5a. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because the council is required by law to deliver this work.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11616	An employee of West Lothian Council	2a. Care for Children	It is a concern that reduced support for our most vulnerable children and families will lead to increased pressures in schools to support children with additional support needs as a result of family issues e.g. attachment disorders/trauma experiences with decreases in budgets to support children. The demands of the GIRFEC agenda have already led to increased workload for school staff and less support from other services made lead to a further increase in workload and our most vulnerable children not being given support to ensure they reach their full potential and develop skills for learning, life and work. Will this lead to increased pressures on mental health, policing, addiction services in future years when our children become members of the adult population?	Care for children (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Working together with Education the aim is to ensure that children's needs are met in the most suitable setting, recognising that the most vulnerable may have additional specialist needs
11617	An individual	2a. Care for Children	Seems like a lot more cuts for vulnerable children, those least able to pay.	Care for children (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Work will continue to focus on those who are most vulnerable and have additional needs.
11618	An individual	2a. Care for Children	Cut benefits	Care for children (general)	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11619	An employee of West Lothian Council	2a. Care for Children	Better training, delegation, trust and empowerment is required at all levels.	Care for children (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11620	No Response	2a. Care for Children	Prevention, on-going support and making it possible for people to remain in their natural environment should offer a more cost effective options.	Care for children (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11621	An individual	2a. Care for Children	If you are going to focus only on high risk cases what will happen to the medium or low risk cases??	Care for children (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	The council will always be required to prioritise the needs of people who are most vulnerable. We would also aim to provide early intervention and prevention support where evidence based practice shows that a positive impact can be made

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11622	An individual	2a. Care for Children	Does not really explain where the £5.2 million will be saved, what I suspect is that more cut backs are in the offing	Care for children (general)	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11623	An individual	2a. Care for Children	The way that social work assesses and manages risk also has to change. I engage professionally with social work services in another local authority area and much of what I see that is supposedly risk assessment owes far more to covering the local authority's back than to genuine assessment of risk to a child.	Care for children (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11624	An employee of West Lothian Council	2a. Care for Children	Using voluntary sector for support in relation to children with disabilities. There is a lot of charity funding out there can this be used instead of council funded.	Care for children (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your comment which will be considered as part of any service redesign
11625	An employee of West Lothian Council	2a. Care for Children	With an ever growing LAC, young carer etc population the council has a duty to maintain these structures. These young people deserve the same start in life as everyone and should not suffer as a result of budget cuts.	Care for children (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Work will continue to focus on those who are most vulnerable and have additional needs.
11626	An employee of West Lothian Council	2a. Care for Children	Resources needed to be considered for children in care. Not enough is done to meet their needs when leaving care.	Care for children (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your comment which will be considered as part of any service redesign
11627	An employee of West Lothian Council	2a. Care for Children	Work needs to be done in family homes and more use made of telephone support and support plans. Often work is done on a crisis basis and the quickly withdrawn. Consideration given to working with family longer and gradually reducing support however clear and concise support plans need to be utilised involving all agencies. To prevent duplication of work but also to prevent re-referrals for families.	Care for children (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your comment which will be considered as part of any service redesign
11628	An employee of West Lothian Council	2a. Care for Children	I would also suggest closing the family centres or if keeping them open making greater use of them. Only a very small number of families benefit from them and they operate on a very limited time. They could be used in the evening and at weekends by other teams. Too much focus in given to families attending in the mornings and transport provided taking families out of their communities.	Care for children (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your comment which will be considered as part of any service redesign
11629	An employee of West Lothian Council	2a. Care for Children	Ultimately I feel its really important to provide the best level of care	Care for children (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11630	An employee of West Lothian Council	2a. Care for Children	Rationalising the role of workers to provide a holistic approach to meeting the childs needs.	Care for children (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your comment which will be considered as part of any service redesign
11631	An employee of West Lothian Council	2a. Care for Children	A lot of money is spent on secure accommodation for young people - this needs to change. A lot of money is spent on the same families time and time again - they need to take more responsibility for their own lives and nor expect councils to do everything for them.	Care for children (general)	5a. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because the council is required by law to deliver this work.	Thank you for your comment which will be considered as part of any service redesign
11632	An employee of West Lothian Council	2a. Care for Children	I think this is important however it should be on an individual case basis. Greater investment is required in our residential homes for children and how children with very complex and varying needs are being kept safe as well as work with them on an individual basis. In working in this sector I acknowledge that a large amount of money is spent on residential placements however in some cases this is due to the us not having the resources in West Lothian to support these vulnerable children. I also think consideration needs to be given to our fostering service whereby I am aware that we spend large amount of money paying for taxis to take and return children from school - there should be greater emphasis on the carers doing this. Or could consideration be given to volunteer drivers being used to support children to continue to engage in education.	Care for children (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your comment which will be considered as part of any service redesign
11633	An individual	2a. Care for Children	Sounds good. Worth remembering that breastfeeding support services should not be cut considering the very low breastfeeding rates. These low rates have a long term impact on outcomes (see WHO and UNICEF). Health visiting services should not be cut as health visitors are vital for identifying early issues before they become high risk.	Care for children (general)	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11634	No Response	2a. Care for Children	There should be care for children	Care for children (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11635	An individual	2a. Care for Children	This will be very challenging for many families	Care for children (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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11636	An individual	2a. Care for Children	Admirable aspiration, but more detail needed.	Care for children (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. This consultation is the first stage of the process to enable the council to develop a five year plan. Detailed proposals will be worked up following the outcome of this consultation.
11637	No Response	2a. Care for Children	As long as the child and families are seen as customers and the service they receive is not compromised, and ideally improved, proposal seems reasonable.	Care for children (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11638	An individual	2a. Care for Children	Inclusion and cost saving should not be detrimental to current facilities.	Care for children (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11639	An individual	2a. Care for Children	Must say your terse description is worrying. What does modernising mean? The above reads like more targeted approach. Worrying. The above is not a confidence inspiring statement.	Care for children (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. This consultation is the first stage of the process to enable the council to develop a five year plan. Detailed proposals will be worked up following the outcome of this consultation.
11640	An employee of West Lothian Council	2a. Care for Children	I don't understand how some of this can be controlled. It would seem that costs will occur due to the nature of the issues these services will deal with and the council must bear it to make sure children are protected.	Care for children (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11641	No Response	2a. Care for Children	That sounds fine but will still need staff to provide care and support.	Care for children (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11642	An individual	2a. Care for Children	Can details of this plan be published for interested parties to view electronically and/or hardcopy? As a mother with personal experience of a family member with learning difficulties these statements are very worrying, without the detail of the plans. What does 'highest risk' mean - that is the criteria? If you do not meet that criteria are you signposted to other third party organisations or left to your own devices? Will children accessing services outside the local authority be able to stay where they are, as they are there before WLC did not have a provision for them, or will they be moved? If they are moved how will that benefit the child? Will psychologist and specialists be involved with considering any such moves and also new placements? If WLC are planning to expand specialist provision that it great news.	Care for children (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. This consultation is the first stage of the process to enable the council to develop a five year plan. Detailed proposals will be worked up following the outcome of this consultation.
11643	No Response	2a. Care for Children	Yes, fine, we should concentrate on those in greatest need - services for children with disabilities / educational needs should be means tested	Care for children (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11644	An individual	2a. Care for Children	Social work have huge amounts of modernisation to be completed as they are quite a way behind other services. I believe that these changes will give opportunities as long as it is lead but the correct people and significant changes and improvements can only be a good thing in this area.	Care for children (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11645	An individual	2a. Care for Children	In theory this all seems positive however in these instances Council must be guided by the professionals at the "coalface".	Care for children (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your comment which will be considered as part of any service redesign
11646	An employee of West Lothian Council	2a. Care for Children	Sounds sensible. No mention of cooperation and joint working with health board.	Care for children (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your comment which will be considered as part of any service redesign
11647	An employee of West Lothian Council	2a. Care for Children	ASN provision is important but should be consolidated on fewer sites.	Care for children (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11648	No Response	2a. Care for Children	I think that the more money spent on early intervention and prevention the better as this saves far more money further down the line and of course most importantly changes the outcomes for those involved.	Care for children (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council will always be required to prioritise the needs of people who are most vulnerable. We would also aim to provide early intervention and prevention support where evidence based practice shows that a positive impact can be made
11649	An individual	2a. Care for Children	Concerned if the focus is on high risk cases how many less high risk cases might fall through the cracks.	Care for children (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council will always be required to prioritise the needs of people who are most vulnerable. We would also aim to provide early intervention and prevention support where evidence based practice shows that a positive impact can be made

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11650	An individual	2a. Care for Children	There must be day-care provision for children with acute special needs who are making the transition from school to adulthood.	Care for children (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Working together with Education the aim is to ensure that children's needs are met in the most suitable setting, recognising that the most vulnerable may have additional specialist needs
11651	An individual	2a. Care for Children	I would hope that support for disabled children or other conditions families had no say in (e.g. Type 1 diabetes) is absolutely prioritised. It must be so hard to keep things on track with extra challenges such as these and I'd like to think society can absorb any extra costs in order to assist wherever possible as a priority.	Care for children (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11652	No Response	2a. Care for Children	I think more money should be being put into anything to do with the youth of today	Care for children (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11653	An individual	2a. Care for Children	Care of our children should be top of our priority list. Facilities like the children's panel and help for children with disabilities are vital and unfortunately already seem to be struggling. I think this is an area which should be looked at very carefully.	Care for children (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11654	An individual	2a. Care for Children	No new supported housing provision for disabled young people. Young children with disabilities badly let down by workers with limited knowledge and resources to make changes	Care for children (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your comment which will be considered as part of any service redesign
11655	No Response	2a. Care for Children	Whilst the council work hard to achieve its goals in this area, there is only so much you can achieve, ask the Scottish Government for more money to achieve its goals.	Care for children (general)	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11656	An employee of West Lothian Council	2a. Care for Children	Agree although as long as service standards don't slip and risk is managed	Care for children (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11657	No Response	2a. Care for Children	Care must be taken to make sure no young person will be put into a vulnerable position just to make savings. We should be making sure our vulnerable youngsters are catered for fully.	Care for children (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council will always be required to prioritise the needs of people who are most vulnerable. We would also aim to provide early intervention and prevention support where evidence based practice shows that a positive impact can be made
11658	An individual	2a. Care for Children	The service currently provided by the Child Disability team is, in my experience, poor: my daughter is one of the most severely disabled children in the county and we have had no contact from them for TEN YEARS. Luckily for my daughter my husband and I are professionals, in work, and are articulate and savvy enough to access the care she needs without third party support - but not every child has the family support my daughter has. I am concerned that cuts to an already poor service will place more disabled children at further disadvantage. I should also say that I do not and never have had any approach from Social Work either.	Care for children (general)	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11659	No Response	2a. Care for Children	Why do you need to reshape to provide more efficient working why is this not done as good practice?	Care for children (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11660	An individual	2a. Care for Children	Please remember that outreach programmes need to be accessible and the general public should be made aware of their existence. Better communication strategies is needed in this area.	Care for children (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11661	An individual	2a. Care for Children	Surely everyone who needs the service is at risk,	Care for children (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11662	No Response	2a. Care for Children	Cut the number of senior managers	Care for children (general)	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted and will be considered as part of any change to management structures.
11663	An individual	2a. Care for Children	There is a fine line with this some families genuinely need help, the rest play the system. I think we need to get wise and stop being a bunch of softies. Social policy can be taken for a ride, tougher choices on this are required.	Care for children (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11664	An individual	2a. Care for Children	More information is needed on this subject. When you say a modernise team does this mean reduce staff in this area? If so this will have a tremendous negative impact on families who so badly need support but are unable to access services because of waiting lists, staffing issues etc.	Care for children (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. This consultation is the first stage of the process to enable the council to develop a five year plan. Detailed proposals will be worked up following the outcome of this consultation.

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11665	An individual	2a. Care for Children	There should be greater support in special schools to identify issues within families earlier and support offered to assist.	Care for children (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Working together with Education the aim is to ensure that children's needs are met in the most suitable setting, recognising that the most vulnerable may have additional specialist needs
11666	An individual	2a. Care for Children	This sounds as though the focus will be to provide more care at home. That is sensible but depends fully on the nature of the disability, the ability of the family / home life and the level of care at home being sufficient so it is not a one size fits all process.	Care for children (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Working together with Education the aim is to ensure that children's needs are met in the most suitable setting, recognising that the most vulnerable may have additional specialist needs
11667	An employee of West Lothian Council	2a. Care for Children	If more emphasis is to be placed on supporting vulnerable families, how can this be implemented if the social policy budget is to be cut by up to 50%?	Care for children (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	The council will always be required to prioritise the needs of people who are most vulnerable, We would also aim to provide early intervention and prevention support where evidence based practice shows that a positive impact can be made
11668	An employee of West Lothian Council	2a. Care for Children	Agree - could money be spent on preventative care ? Would an investment at this stage be more cost effective long term	Care for children (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council will always be required to prioritise the needs of people who are most vulnerable, We would also aim to provide early intervention and prevention support where evidence based practice shows that a positive impact can be made
11669	An individual	2a. Care for Children	Lots of good buzzwords, again if support is withdrawn in mainstream school more children will require support in special schools/arrangements some of which will have to be outside west lothian.	Care for children (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Working together with Education the aim is to ensure that children's needs are met in the most suitable setting, recognising that the most vulnerable may have additional specialist needs
11670	An individual	2a. Care for Children	Yes, fine, we should concentrate on those in greatest need - services for children with disabilities / educational needs should be means tested	Care for children (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11671	An individual	2a. Care for Children	I think people with disabilities should be kept in their local community.	Care for children (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11672	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	2a. Care for Children	this is going to impact on all services	Care for children (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11673	No Response	2a. Care for Children	Care must be taken not to reduce support for families and young people to a level that families in need find it difficult to access. West Lothian has a high percentage of families in dire need of support, and this must remain a priority.	Care for children (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council will always be required to prioritise the needs of people who are most vulnerable, We would also aim to provide early intervention and prevention support where evidence based practice shows that a positive impact can be made
11674	An individual	2a. Care for Children	I hope the council will ensure that vulnerable children's safety will remain a high priority if there are to be major changes to staffing levels. I fully support the integration of disabled children within the community.	Care for children (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11675	An individual	2a. Care for Children	I agree that children with disabilities should be included more within their local community, however in school, there needs to be additional Pupil Support Staff to help this inclusion.	Care for children (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Working together with Education the aim is to ensure that children's needs are met in the most suitable setting, recognising that the most vulnerable may have additional specialist needs
11676	An individual	2a. Care for Children	It should not just be highest risk cases being focused on, it is important to be able to support all children in need.	Care for children (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council will always be required to prioritise the needs of people who are most vulnerable, We would also aim to provide early intervention and prevention support where evidence based practice shows that a positive impact can be made
11677	An individual	2a. Care for Children	Who identifies 'highest risk' and what happens to the remaining families who require support? That does not sound like a very inclusive proposal	Care for children (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council will always be required to prioritise the needs of people who are most vulnerable, We would also aim to provide early intervention and prevention support where evidence based practice shows that a positive impact can be made
11678	An individual	2a. Care for Children	There does not appear to be sufficient facilities throughout West Lothian for looked after children. The impact these children have on communities is frustrating. They do not appear to have the support they require.	Care for children (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your comment which will be considered as part of any service redesign
11679	No Response	2a. Care for Children	There will always be young people who will require specialised services not available in West Lothian and concern is the level of support provided to families.	Care for children (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Working together with Education the aim is to ensure that children's needs are met in the most suitable setting, recognising that the most vulnerable may have additional specialist needs
11680	An individual	2a. Care for Children	Worried that these cuts will impact on children who are at risk as the teams who deal with it will be stretched further that they already are.	Care for children (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council will always be required to prioritise the needs of people who are most vulnerable, We would also aim to provide early intervention and prevention support where evidence based practice shows that a positive impact can be made

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11681	An individual	2a. Care for Children	It's always cuts to services for young vulnerable people or children because they don't have a voice or anyone to listen to concerns. As much support as possible should be given to young people.	Care for children (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Work will continue to focus on those who are most vulnerable and have additional needs.
11682	An individual	2a. Care for Children	As 1A - Excellent if all of the above are carried out. However on current personally experienced performance it will take a huge effort to even provide an improvement. Further why has the " efficiency and effectiveness" not been applied to current procedures. No real criteria to be reach is actually stated and the starting point for these " efficiency and effectiveness" upgrade to services is not evident. Vagueness in targets to achieve . How will residents know when this is achieved?	Care for children (general)	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. This consultation is the first stage of the process to enable the council to develop a five year plan. Detailed proposals will be worked up following the outcome of this consultation.
11683	An individual	2a. Care for Children	Don't let standards slip	Care for children (general)	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Work will continue to focus on those who are most vulnerable and have additional needs.
11684	An individual	2a. Care for Children	I would like to see the top 3 items/specific deliverables that contribute to this redesign.	Care for children (general)	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. This consultation is the first stage of the process to enable the council to develop a five year plan. Detailed proposals will be worked up following the outcome of this consultation.
11685	An individual	2a. Care for Children	Waiting for help from support services as outlined above takes long enough without cut backs affecting this too!	Care for children (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11686	No Response	2a. Care for Children	This system may need modernising however these groups require assistance. Focus should include the school and asking them if the current situation is appropriate.	Care for children (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Working together with Education the aim is to ensure that children's needs are met in the most suitable setting, recognising that the most vulnerable may have additional specialist needs
11687	An individual	2a. Care for Children	As social workers remain responsible for children placed outwith their original authority, this can mean days and days lost in travel to far away locations, rather than an agreement to 'buy in' a local worker with a good handover and liaison via phone/email to ensure ongoing service but a good use of time/travel.	Care for children (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11688	An individual	2a. Care for Children	I believe this is unrealistic. Specific children and staff who are caring for them will suffer, creating additional pressure to already stretched services.	Care for children (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Working together with Education the aim is to ensure that children's needs are met in the most suitable setting, recognising that the most vulnerable may have additional specialist needs
11689	No Response	2a. Care for Children	Social services need to actually take action into protecting kids BEFORE they are hurt and look for obvious signs, not blind sided by what parents are saying. They are wasting time coming out to households every week but not actually doing anything.	Care for children (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council will always be required to prioritise the needs of people who are most vulnerable, We would also aim to provide early intervention and prevention support where evidence based practice shows that a positive impact can be made
11690	An individual	2a. Care for Children	Is there adequate support in local communities	Care for children (general)	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11691	An individual	2a. Care for Children	I don't believe any cuts should be made that reduce care for children and concentrating on highest risk removes care unfairly from a large number of children. This will ultimately translate long term to higher council costs through crime, unemployment and benefit costs.	Care for children (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11692	An individual	2a. Care for Children	OK sounds like a really big saving - I can only assume more children will be at risk as a result of what can only amount to cut backs.	Care for children (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11693	An individual	2a. Care for Children	Will undoubtedly save money, and provide streamlined service. Parents need to take more responsibility for access services themselves.	Care for children (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11694	An employee of West Lothian Council	2a. Care for Children	This will put pressure on already stretched resources and is not always in the interest of the children with the disabilities	Care for children (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Working together with Education the aim is to ensure that children's needs are met in the most suitable setting, recognising that the most vulnerable may have additional specialist needs

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11695	An employee of West Lothian Council	2a. Care for Children	I think focusing on those most at risk and in need of support is always the best case scenario in an unpleasant situation of cutting vital service.	Care for children (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11696	An individual	2a. Care for Children	Provide adequate care.	Care for children (general)	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11697	An employee of West Lothian Council	2a. Care for Children	has this not got the potential to miss vulnerable groups by only focusing on high risk cases?	Care for children (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council will always be required to prioritise the needs of people who are most vulnerable. We would also aim to provide early intervention and prevention support where evidence based practice shows that a positive impact can be made
11698	An individual	2a. Care for Children	Important to ensure that vulnerable children and those with disabilities are looked after and not seen as a soft target for cuts	Care for children (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council will always be required to prioritise the needs of people who are most vulnerable. We would also aim to provide early intervention and prevention support where evidence based practice shows that a positive impact can be made
11699	No Response	2a. Care for Children	Very important that children with disabilities are considered and again not seen as an easy target for cuts.	Care for children (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council will always be required to prioritise the needs of people who are most vulnerable. We would also aim to provide early intervention and prevention support where evidence based practice shows that a positive impact can be made
11700	An employee of West Lothian Council	2a. Care for Children	These changes need to be made in close collaboration with education services to ensure that the savings are maximised. Education and care are inextricably linked and require to be considered together in order to create services which will meet the needs of our most vulnerable children and young people. There is currently a gap in services (both education and care) for our most challenging young people. This means a number of them require to be supported outwith the authority. The development of internal resources to support this is required. This would require possible external training and development work initially (commissioned from an external partner) with a view to us then becoming self-sufficient in this area in the future and reducing the number of young people requiring external resources.	Care for children (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Working together with Education the aim is to ensure that children's needs are met in the most suitable setting, recognising that the most vulnerable may have additional specialist needs
11701	An individual	2a. Care for Children	Support for families and carers is essential. Cuts to these services can cost more in the long term as carers under stress become unable to support their family members. Evidence elsewhere in England is that number of children in care is increasing, due to cuts in support available in the community. Community support costs less than care - this is where emphasis should be	Care for children (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council will always be required to prioritise the needs of people who are most vulnerable. We would also aim to provide early intervention and prevention support where evidence based practice shows that a positive impact can be made
11702	An employee of West Lothian Council	2a. Care for Children	Seems reasonable however suspect low morale will make this hard and it will be fewer staff doing more with less. = Burnout!	Care for children (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your comment which will be considered as part of any service redesign
11703	An individual	2a. Care for Children	Again this sounds good as long as adequate staffing is available and workloads not impossible.	Care for children (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11704	An employee of West Lothian Council	2a. Care for Children	This seems like a sensible approach and as long as core services are maintained there shouldn't be a big effect on provision and staffing.	Care for children (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11705	An individual	2a. Care for Children	Development of well structured family will require less effort to manage. Help the family by educating them.	Care for children (general)	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11706	An individual	2a. Care for Children	Nothing should be done which will disadvantage disabled children who already face huge challenges, particularly in the current climate of austerity and the introduction of the universal credit.	Care for children (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Work will continue to focus on those who are most vulnerable and have additional needs.
11707	No Response	2a. Care for Children	Care should be taken to ensure that resources are invested in to allow this to happen. Social work are already under resourced at present and if the changes suggest further cuts then staff are going to struggle with their workloads and be unable to achieve better outcomes for young people. Focus should be made on allowing young children with disabilities to remain in their local community and keeping young people in West Lothian, but only where that is in their best interests. Decisions regarding the care of children and young people should not be made on a cost analysis or resource basis, but on a best interests and a needs basis, otherwise we will be unable to achieve better outcomes.	Care for children (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Working together with Education the aim is to ensure that children's needs are met in the most suitable setting, recognising that the most vulnerable may have additional specialist needs

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11708	An employee of West Lothian Council	2a. Care for Children	What is the current "shape" of care for families and young people? What are the proposed changes? How will these allow more effective use of resources? How will this lead to better outcomes for young people? How will teams be modernised? What are the costs of these changes and modernisations? Why only "highest risk" cases? How will "highest risk" be assessed? How will we monitor other cases where the risk increases over time? How will we monitor cases which are not immediately obvious? Do we need already have a focus on "keeping young people in West Lothian"? How many children with disabilities have we been moving out of their local community? How exactly can we make a £5m saving if we have a policy in which disabled children in need of support are moved out of their community/West Lothian (presumably to save costs or because we do not have the resource) but are now deciding we have to actually care for these children in their community/West Lothian? Will we not have to fund this/provide considerable additional resource? I cannot possibly provide useful comment on this proposal because I do not know what is proposed.	Care for children (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. This consultation is the first stage of the process to enable the council to develop a five year plan. Detailed proposals will be worked up following the outcome of this consultation.
11709	An employee of West Lothian Council	2a. Care for Children	There needs to be clear supervision procedures in place for overseeing young people being brought back into the community (from Residential Schools for example). Some of these young people are capable of having a disproportionately negative impact on their local communities, and this needs to be recognised, and addressed.	Care for children (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Working together with Education the aim is to ensure that children's needs are met in the most suitable setting, recognising that the most vulnerable may have additional specialist needs
11710	An individual	2a. Care for Children	I am happy with this although I accept that the are always going to be special cases where care can not be delivered within West Lothian and that it then becomes extremely expensive to supply the required level of care.	Care for children (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Working together with Education the aim is to ensure that children's needs are met in the most suitable setting, recognising that the most vulnerable may have additional specialist needs
11711	No Response	2a. Care for Children	bring back more staff and more support	Care for children (general)	5b. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it is likely that the costs of this proposal would outweigh the benefit.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11712	No Response	2a. Care for Children	always needed too make sure children are safe	Care for children (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	Work will continue to focus on those who are most vulnerable and have additional needs.
11713	An individual	2a. Care for Children	Desirable to keep children with disabilities in their own area provided their particular needs can be properly met.	Care for children (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11714	An individual	2a. Care for Children	As a frequent visitor to the CAMHS Dept at St Johns Hospital, I am all to aware how stretched this facility is. Does reshaping care also mean loss of staff? Not a good idea to a team already struggling to cope with demand.	Care for children (general)	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11715	An individual	2a. Care for Children	Agree that families that are deemed high risk should have most focus. Having had a child in the last 2 years, I felt many of my health visitor appointment's were unnecessary and took up time that would have been better spent with other members of the community.	Care for children (general)	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11716	An individual	2a. Care for Children	Out reach is not always the best option this cost more and not suitable for a lot of people	Care for children (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11717	An employee of West Lothian Council	2a. Care for Children	There are many vulnerable young children/young adults who through no fault of their own need help and with less resources and manpower will be lost in the system and leading to more problems in the future	Care for children (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Work will continue to focus on those who are most vulnerable and have additional needs.
11718	An employee of West Lothian Council	2a. Care for Children	Allowing young people to stay in their local community can only be a good thing, and making savings through allowing them to do this is the right move to make. Cuts to social policy for young people needs to be thought through carefully so as it does not impact on our most vulnerable children and their families.	Care for children (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11719	An individual	2a. Care for Children	This is a worrying situation. There are so many vulnerable families in our area and it is concerning if cutbacks will mean some families who need help are not given it.	Care for children (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Work will continue to focus on those who are most vulnerable and have additional needs.
11720	An individual	2a. Care for Children	Greater deal would be required before commenting on these proposals. The needs of vulnerable children should be at the centre of planning in this area. The importance of effective early intervention cannot be understated.	Care for children (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council will always be required to prioritise the needs of people who are most vulnerable. We would also aim to provide early intervention and prevention support where evidence based practice shows that a positive impact can be made

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11721	An employee of West Lothian Council	2a. Care for Children	INTENSIVE FAMILY SUPPORT(THE WHOLE FAMILY SUPPORT TEAM MUST BE RETAINED AND IF POSSIBLE EXPANDED. IT WORKS WITH THE MOST VULNERABLE FAMILIES IN WEST LOTHIAN AND TRIES TO SUPPORT FAMILIES SO THAT CHILDREN AND YOUNG PEOPLE ARE NOT ACCOMMODATED WHICH SAVES THE COUNCIL A LOT OF MONEY.	Care for children (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council will always be required to prioritise the needs of people who are most vulnerable. We would also aim to provide early intervention and prevention support where evidence based practice shows that a positive impact can be made
11722	No Response	2a. Care for Children	I have a child with a severe disability and it always seems to be their services which are cut first. I can't fault his school but at the moment we have no idea what will be happening for secondary school. I have tried to find clubs for him to attend outside school and there is nothing suitable. As for when he's an adult I have no idea what is going to happen to him. This is a constant worry for parents like myself. What will happen to him when I am too old to look after him and am no longer earning?	Care for children (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Working together with Education the aim is to ensure that children's needs are met in the most suitable setting, recognising that the most vulnerable may have additional specialist needs
11723	An individual	2a. Care for Children	More classes for young mums and babys that are not very expensive.	Care for children (general)	5b. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it is likely that the costs of this proposal would outweigh the benefit.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11724	An individual	2a. Care for Children	It seems highly unlikely that you can improve care while saving £5.2 million.	Care for children (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11725	An individual	2a. Care for Children	What ever happens, staff working directly with children need proper support and training. We have all seen the headlines	Care for children (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	Thank you for your comment which will be considered as part of any service redesign
11726	An individual	2a. Care for Children	More social workers are needed, not fewer. They cannot meet the current needs.	Care for children (general)	5b. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it is likely that the costs of this proposal would outweigh the benefit.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11727	An individual	2a. Care for Children	Positive outcomes must be at the heart of Care for Children	Care for children (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	Work will continue to focus on those who are most vulnerable and have additional needs.
11728	An employee of West Lothian Council	2a. Care for Children	good BUT if you only focus on the 'highest risk' groups, you're in danger of missing out groups who will (through not having support) then become highest/higher risk. This is the group that (with a bit more support) can have their lives transformed permanently. Great about keeping/moving provision into West Lothian for children with disabilities - keep the children in the area, and keeping the money spent on this provision in the area (not sending children/adults to other areas - such as very expensive BUPA care homes in Edinburgh!!!)	Care for children (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11729	An individual	2a. Care for Children	outreach basis: family work is not able to always be carried out with in the family home there needs to be family centres so families can have the service with in the centre where it is a safe secure environment.	Care for children (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11730	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	2a. Care for Children	Concerned about the impact this will have on parent carers.	Care for children (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11731	An employee of West Lothian Council	2a. Care for Children	Care for children who are in the most vulnerable circumstances should be a priority to reduce the inequalities gap.	Care for children (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Work will continue to focus on those who are most vulnerable and have additional needs.
11732	An employee of West Lothian Council	2a. Care for Children	The children will become the future workforce, this is shortsighted. Bearing in mind the percentage of West Lothian tenants on Housing benefit is in the high 40% bracket This provision may need increased if employment is affected by the forthcoming Brexit issues.	Care for children (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11733	An employee of West Lothian Council	2a. Care for Children	I do believe that there are a number of Children's Teams that carry out some duplication of service provision. As a result of this there remains criticisms that children have a plethora of workers all vying for their role with the child. This is disempowering for the children and their parents.	Care for children (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	It is expected that by reducing waste in terms of duplication there will be economies to be made. This will allow more flexible working and opportunities to do things differently.
11734	An individual	2a. Care for Children	Must be an emphasis on continuity and not leave people fall through the cracks.	Care for children (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council will always be required to prioritise the needs of people who are most vulnerable. We would also aim to provide early intervention and prevention support where evidence based practice shows that a positive impact can be made
11735	An individual	2a. Care for Children	good to focus just on the high risk cases, and prioritising children with disabilities.	Care for children (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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11736	An individual	2a. Care for Children	Mental health has to be top priority for the area to flourish and tax revenue will increase in turn.	Care for children (general)	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11737	An individual	2a. Care for Children	I saw on the news last night one of the councils (maybe Clousers) I think this should not happen ... These people are ill and need all the support they can get	Care for children (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11738	An employee of West Lothian Council	2a. Care for Children	Support is essential to ensure all children are safe and secure limiting budgets is not beneficial to helping individuals	Care for children (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11739	An individual	2a. Care for Children	As long as this doesn't affect their care	Care for children (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11740	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	2a. Care for Children	Sounds like the use of council resources is at present shambolic	Care for children (general)	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	All stakeholders are being asked to participate in the consultation
11741	An individual	2a. Care for Children	This all sounds very positive for families. I hope not to hear reports of people like these losing appropriate support over the next five years.	Care for children (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Working together with Education the aim is to ensure that children's needs are met in the most suitable setting, recognising that the most vulnerable may have additional specialist needs
11742	An individual	2a. Care for Children	Don't see how this statement can be easily substantiated - what does modernise a team mean - mobile technology or reeducation?	Care for children (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11743	An employee of West Lothian Council	2a. Care for Children	Care at home and the family is a great thing. I don't want my child going to strangers or a home. But my child is at critical risk for her own health and self care and now she will be 16 in February we are being told there is nothing social work can do. We can't even get respite via social work services, so no wonder I have no faith in social work. No slight on our social worker. Her hands are tied due to resources. It's disgusting to be honest.	Care for children (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. This consultation is the first stage of the process to enable the council to develop a five year plan. Detailed proposals will be worked up following the outcome of this consultation.
11744	No Response	2a. Care for Children	The child / young person (and their families when applicable) should be at the centre of decision making processes and consulted about how they are feeling. The children / young people should also be pivotal speaking to link workers etc with regard to the external care they are receiving. Children should be kept in West Lothian, ideally with parents / relatives with support but residential care West Lothian should not be an option. Reduction of services for young people to engage and express themselves would increase spending as opposed to contribute towards savings.	Care for children (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Working together with Education the aim is to ensure that children's needs are met in the most suitable setting, recognising that the most vulnerable may have additional specialist needs
11745	An individual	2a. Care for Children	Keeping children in the community is an admirable proposal, however this only works if families and carers are supported adequately and communication channels are kept open.	Care for children (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Working together with Education the aim is to ensure that children's needs are met in the most suitable setting, recognising that the most vulnerable may have additional specialist needs
11746	An individual	2a. Care for Children	All residents should remain in the community if that is possible.	Care for children (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Working together with Education the aim is to ensure that children's needs are met in the most suitable setting, recognising that the most vulnerable may have additional specialist needs
11747	An employee of West Lothian Council	2a. Care for Children	I agree with the proposal subject to it being undertaken on a risk based approach and families having adequate capacity to cope with full time care of a dependant.	Care for children (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Work will continue to focus on those who are most vulnerable and have additional needs.
11748	An individual	2a. Care for Children	We need to ensure that there are services for our young adults to ensure they are adequately supported in their transition to independent living and not just young adults currently coming through TCAC and looked after services. I agree highest risk cases should be one of our main focuses however we can not lose sight of others who are vulnerable .	Care for children (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council will always be required to prioritise the needs of people who are most vulnerable. We would also aim to provide early intervention and prevention support where evidence based practice shows that a positive impact can be made
11749	An individual	2a. Care for Children	It is imperative that families with children who have disabilities are fully supported and current services are not impacted upon. A clear explanation of what is being considered here should be fully set out. A separate public consultation should be arranged, so that families can be properly represented.	Care for children (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. This consultation is the first stage of the process to enable the council to develop a five year plan. Detailed proposals will be worked up following the outcome of this consultation.

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11750	An individual	2a. Care for Children	The services for children and adults with disabilities should not be impacted. These include Eliburn Day Care Centre.	Care for children (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11751	An individual	2a. Care for Children	Our vulnerable children need 100% support from our services. Please retain the services for our children with additional support needs, our disabled children, our children who are homeless, our children with mental health issues. and our Looked After Children.	Care for children (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Work will continue to focus on those who are most vulnerable and have additional needs.
11752	An individual	2a. Care for Children	The council should try more to get volunteers from communities in this type of work. There are plenty of caring and knowledgeable people around, perhaps recent retirees who would be happy to give up some time to assist and help young people, working under the supervision of someone more qualified.	Care for children (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11753	An individual	2a. Care for Children	Support in the community sounds more inclusive but services need to be available to support this strategy.	Care for children (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11754	An individual	2a. Care for Children	There seem to be some serious contradiction in the above statement. Focus on keeping young people (disabled or not) in their local community is not necessarily the same as creating a better outcome. If it is better for a young person to move to a more suited area, it should be allowed. More importantly the above statement seems to indicate that you will focus on the highest risk cases but not other.	Care for children (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	Working together with Education the aim is to ensure that children's needs are met in the most suitable setting, recognising that the most vulnerable may have additional specialist needs
11755	An employee of West Lothian Council	2a. Care for Children	It is good to focus on the highest risk cases but there also needs to be focus on those children and families who do not yet meet this threshold but who, without support, will fall into crisis. We need to provide the right support at the right time to avoid this.	Care for children (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council will always be required to prioritise the needs of people who are most vulnerable. We would also aim to provide early intervention and prevention support where evidence based practice shows that a positive impact can be made
11756	An employee of West Lothian Council	2a. Care for Children	Support for families is the only way to ensure positive impact on children. Services for the supporting of the care of children should be protected. These children our the future workforce of Scotland and need to be supported to develop in the best possible way.	Care for children (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council will always be required to prioritise the needs of people who are most vulnerable. We would also aim to provide early intervention and prevention support where evidence based practice shows that a positive impact can be made
11757	No Response	2a. Care for Children	Services could be transformed to provide more care in one area instead of duplicate services spread over Lothian and requiring old buildings to be maintained at high cost change the Environment not the care delivery	Care for children (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11758	An individual	2a. Care for Children	Helping children with disabilities to remain in their local communities must be actively followed.	Care for children (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11759	An individual	2a. Care for Children	If family support is undertaken on an outreach basis on your own heads be it when incidents occur due to inefficiencies with outreach services	Care for children (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. This consultation is the first stage of the process to enable the council to develop a five year plan. Detailed proposals will be worked up following the outcome of this consultation.
11760	An employee of West Lothian Council	2a. Care for Children	Again, the needs of individual children must be fully explored.	Care for children (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Working together with Education the aim is to ensure that children's needs are met in the most suitable setting, recognising that the most vulnerable may have additional specialist needs
11761	An individual	2a. Care for Children	Kids need to be looked after. Someone needs to look out for them.	Care for children (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11762	An individual	2a. Care for Children	Please ensure that all vulnerable parents and young people have access to the support they need and that any issues raised are successfully followed up.	Care for children (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Work will continue to focus on those who are most vulnerable and have additional needs.
11763	An individual	2a. Care for Children	Prevention is better than cure! Should we expect to see more news items where overworked social workers be accused of not doing their job properly when another child or elderly person dies from neglect or abuse?	Care for children (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council will always be required to prioritise the needs of people who are most vulnerable. We would also aim to provide early intervention and prevention support where evidence based practice shows that a positive impact can be made
11764	An individual	2a. Care for Children	object to social worker staff having increased case loads as a consequence of efficiency measures as many struggle to cope with their current levels.	Care for children (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Any changes to structures will require to fully consider the impact on staff
11765	An individual	2a. Care for Children	Why have you been wasting so much of our money up to this point?	Care for children (general)	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	The council will always be required to prioritise the needs of people who are most vulnerable. We would also aim to provide early intervention and prevention support where evidence based practice shows that a positive impact can be made

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11766	An employee of West Lothian Council	2a. Care for Children	What are the proposed changes? How will services be modernised? Do you mean staffing levels will be reduced? How will outreach support work? What changes will be made to ensure that greater use can be made of council provision?	Care for children (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. This consultation is the first stage of the process to enable the council to develop a five year plan. Detailed proposals will be worked up following the outcome of this consultation.
11767	An individual	2a. Care for Children	Unless there is excessive 'fat' in the system at present, it would seem unlikely that by reducing the budget, this would improve services.	Care for children (general)	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11768	An individual	2a. Care for Children	There are lots of great staff on the ground but the organisation and management in care needs a complete review/ restructure and bring in some business minds. It would be good to have a full breakdown of how the money is spent in care.	Care for children (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11769	An individual	2a. Care for Children	Equality Impact Assessment	Care for children (general)	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. This consultation is the first stage of the process to enable the council to develop a five year plan. Detailed proposals will be worked up following the outcome of this consultation.
11770	An individual	2a. Care for Children	Don't know much about this area...but if you can still provide a good service saving Â£5.2 million you must be doing something really wrong just now!	Care for children (general)	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11771	An individual	2a. Care for Children	As above - lets have a root and branch review of the service and delivery. It isn't necessary to increase costs when efficiencies can be identified. A business approach is what is needed to ensure the correct spending on items needed is controlled.	Care for children (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11772	An individual	2a. Care for Children	What about those who are not highest risk but are still cause for some concern?	Care for children (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	The council will always be required to prioritise the needs of people who are most vulnerable. We would also aim to provide early intervention and prevention support where evidence based practice shows that a positive impact can be made
11773	No Response	2a. Care for Children	What is required is a balance of jobs for those who are unable to cope with modern methods. There are more in local authority jobs than outside and care has to be taken that graduates are not emptying bins.	Care for children (general)	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11774	An employee of West Lothian Council	2a. Care for Children	Whilst a presumption of mainstream education for children with additional support needs is beneficial to many children for a number of reasons, this is only the case if the schools have the appropriate supports in place to support these pupils (e.g. support for learning staff, pupil support workers, educational psychologists, family support workers, children and young people team etc.). Keeping pupils within West Lothian wherever possible is a great idea and is likely to save the council a significant amount of money as it can be very costly to place children within outwith residential provisions, however I would argue that at least some of these savings would need to be redeployed to the schools where the pupils will be educated to ensure that the appropriate supports are put in place for these pupils.	Care for children (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Working together with Education the aim is to ensure that children's needs are met in the most suitable setting, recognising that the most vulnerable may have additional specialist needs
11775	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	2a. Care for Children	This means it will be resources led and not needs led. Children with the most challenging needs that need a specialist resource will not have their needs met. This will cause distress to both the individual and their families. I have experience of working in this area and these children often display violent behaviour due to autism and severe learning disabilities. Families will just suffer, they are already it will just become more intense. People at the decision making level have no idea how hard it is for this group of families.	Care for children (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Work will continue to focus on those who are most vulnerable and have additional needs.
11776	An individual	2a. Care for Children	sounds dangerous taking a million pounds out a year is a lot of people no longer providing services to very vulnerable kids are you sure	Care for children (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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11777	An individual	2a. Care for Children	All very credible and worthy of support but again no detail is provided on the 'how', how confident you are of success, who is responsible and 'carries the can', and of the impact on the young people you profess to support.	Care for children (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your comments which have been noted. This consultation is the first stage of the process to enable the council to develop a five year plan. Detailed proposals will be worked up following the outcome of this consultation.
11778	An individual	2a. Care for Children	Again I hope that the most vulnerable will receive the support they require. If they don't it will impact on other aspects of the Council's resources eg schools to work with the challenges they present.	Care for children (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Working together with Education the aim is to ensure that children's needs are met in the most suitable setting, recognising that the most vulnerable may have additional specialist needs
11779	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	2a. Care for Children	The focus here needs to be the outcomes and not the economics.	Care for children (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11780	An individual	2a. Care for Children	how does it save money to train staff and provide specialist equipment if this is not currently being done? (this appears to be the inference from "allow children with disabilities to remain in their local community" that they are not at present?)	Care for children (general)	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Working together with Education the aim is to ensure that children's needs are met in the most suitable setting, recognising that the most vulnerable may have additional specialist needs
11781	An employee of West Lothian Council	2a. Care for Children	Criteria for identifying high risk cases will need to be thorough.	Care for children (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Criteria is set within an assessment framework to ensure people's needs are assessed consistently and fairly. Work will continue to focus on those who are most vulnerable and have additional needs.
11782	An individual	2a. Care for Children	Family support needs to be targeted and effective. There needs to be a mechanism for taking further measures where families either do not engage or do not take responsibility for making required changes.	Care for children (general)	5c. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it is not consistent with the council's values and priorities.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11783	An individual	2a. Care for Children	I am in favour of keeping young people in West Lothian, but if they require a service this may not save money? I have serious concerns about only providing services to people at highest risk and then no detail of how much early intervention and prevention services will be provided. If we do not provide services to children and families in the middle area who are in need it will mean that more will end up in crisis and having the need for more expensive interventions.	Care for children (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Working together with Education the aim is to ensure that children's needs are met in the most suitable setting, recognising that the most vulnerable may have additional specialist needs
11784	No Response	2a. Care for Children	This is a critical area that requires the council to work collaboratively with other statutory and crucially voluntary services to ensure children receive the best care and that they do not become victims of their childhood. If redesigning brings better outcomes then I support this, however focus must remain on all levels of risk.	Care for children (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Working together with Education the aim is to ensure that children's needs are met in the most suitable setting, recognising that the most vulnerable may have additional specialist needs
11785	An employee of West Lothian Council	2a. Care for Children	I agree with this 100% but service and resources need to work alongside each other with a much fuller understanding of the remit and responsibility of each service area. Processes need to be clear and structured and roles and responsibilities need to be clearly identified. The approach to fragmented and random at the moment and there is no overview or wider perspective on things, it is almost every team for themselves. Priorities need to be clearly defined in terms of service delivery to children and families and appropriate resources need to be invested into these services. A culture change is required and has to be embraced by everyone. Legislation and the make up of society has shifted significantly and we have to deliver a service that reflects this. I am concerned that there is an emphasis on "highest risk" that does not include "most vulnerable" as well as these are not always the same in my view. I still feel that even with GIRFEC, Children & Young People's Bill, etc. we are still failing looked after children in not delivering services that are needs led, but that are finance and resource led. We need to find a much better balance between these as it can't be an either or situation.	Care for children (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your comment which will be considered as part of any service redesign
11786	An individual	2a. Care for Children	How can a saving of £5.2M be made at the same time as achieving better outcomes for young people? If you use this logic then why spend anything!!!	Care for children (general)	5c. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it is not consistent with the council's values and priorities.	Work will continue to focus on those who are most vulnerable and have additional needs.
11787	An individual	2a. Care for Children	As long as the children remain the priority.	Care for children (general)	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11788	An individual	2a. Care for Children	The young people must not be left worse off	Care for children (general)	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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11789	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	2a. Care for Children	We are concerned that some of the changes proposed will adversely affect many of the most vulnerable people in our communities, e.g., the raising of thresholds for support or the amalgamation of facilities and reductions in capacity. How will Council ensure that it protects our most vulnerable people and how can we assist with this? We are also concerned that reducing or cutting provision at lower tariffs is contrary to the principles of early intervention and prevention and may result in more costly crisis intervention, at a later stage, being required. How does Council plan to assess the potential impact of this on people and budgets?	Care for children (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council will always be required to prioritise the needs of people who are most vulnerable. We would also aim to provide early intervention and prevention support where evidence based practice shows that a positive impact can be made
11790	An individual	2a. Care for Children	Has £5 mill been wasted previously? Why have they wasted it?	Care for children (general)	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11791	An individual	2a. Care for Children	Excellent idea but some with disabilities would need more help in classes = more resources needed.	Care for children (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Working together with Education the aim is to ensure that children's needs are met in the most suitable setting, recognising that the most vulnerable may have additional specialist needs
11792	An individual	2a. Care for Children	As long as legal requirements are met this could be beneficial	Care for children (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11793	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	2a. Care for Children	Has an equality impact assessment been carried out for each of the budget proposals? It is essential that this is done at the earliest opportunity in order to assess what the impact will be on those in the protected characteristics groups and those already experiencing disadvantage.	Care for children (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. This consultation is the first stage of the process to enable the council to develop a five year plan. Detailed proposals will be worked up following the outcome of this consultation.
11794	An individual	2a. Care for Children	Lets hope the Quality of care is still provided.	Care for children (general)	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. The Council is committed to ensure a strong governance framework is in place to make sure quality is at the heart of service delivery.
11795	An individual	2a. Care for Children	While I think it is essential for children with disabilities to be kept in their own local communities I am aware that this is always practical. I am greatly concerned that this will echo the madness we had when West Lothian Council voted to close all of the SEN units that were attached to mainstream schools and 'dump' all of the children from the units into mainstream settings, often with little or no support causing chaos for the SEN children and those in the mainstream. A great disservice was done to everyone affected by those closures, both adult and child. I would like to think that lessons had been learned from that but I fear they haven't. While focusing on the 'highest risk cases' is essential many of those not deemed as the highest risks may still need that crucial support to prevent them becoming one of the highest risk cases. I can only hope that common sense prevails and this doesn't become simply a cost cutting exercise that ends up doing more harm than good!	Care for children (general)	5c. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it is not consistent with the council's values and priorities.	Working together with Education the aim is to ensure that children's needs are met in the most suitable setting, recognising that the most vulnerable may have additional specialist needs
11796	An employee of West Lothian Council	2a. Care for Children	There are significant challenges to reforming services to children, particularly looked after children, to deliver savings. Looked after children, locally and nationally continue to experience very poor outcomes compared to children who are not looked after. Responding to the significant needs of looked after children and young people should be a key priority for the Council as a whole. At the same time, a reduction in commitment to effective early intervention will have medium to long terms fiscal and outcome costs.	Care for children (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council will always be required to prioritise the needs of people who are most vulnerable. We would also aim to provide early intervention and prevention support where evidence based practice shows that a positive impact can be made
11797	An employee of West Lothian Council	2a. Care for Children	There appears to be a lack of understanding or lack of value given to how digital services can assist social care. Social Policy as a service area lack badly behind the rest of the council in terms of online service provision and use of digital technology to allow customers to "self serve" where possible. The tools are available but no proper resources are given within this area to allow this to progress.	Care for children (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11798	An individual	2a. Care for Children	What council provision is there? The private sector seems to provide much of this service very well. Don't push them out!	Care for children (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11799	An employee of West Lothian Council	2a. Care for Children	What "changes will be made" to generate this saving - how will this be delivered?	Care for children (general)	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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11800	An individual	2a. Care for Children	Will these changes be piloted? Change affecting the most in need of support may work on paper but will it be road tested in reality to ensure changes are actually beneficial for the recipients?	Care for children (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11801	An employee of West Lothian Council	2a. Care for Children	Support should be given to all families including those even on medium or lower risk - I think that this will be hard to achieve as there would need to be monitoring of these families and there is an assumption that there circumstances would not change and that people may not quickly move into a higher risk category.	Care for children (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council will always be required to prioritise the needs of people who are most vulnerable, We would also aim to provide early intervention and prevention support where evidence based practice shows that a positive impact can be made
11802	An employee of West Lothian Council	2a. Care for Children	Care for children is already stretched and putting an unfair onus on schools.	Care for children (general)	5c. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it is not consistent with the council's values and priorities.	Working together with Education the aim is to ensure that children's needs are met in the most suitable setting, recognising that the most vulnerable may have additional specialist needs
11803	An individual	2a. Care for Children	Good idea if there is the infrastructure, knowledge, expertise and capacity locally, as well as effective high quality support to families. Each request should be considered based on the most appropriate support for the individual/family - not simply a cost saving exercise	Care for children (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Working together with Education the aim is to ensure that children's needs are met in the most suitable setting, recognising that the most vulnerable may have additional specialist needs
11804	An individual	2a. Care for Children	Care provision will reduce	Care for children (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11805	An individual	2a. Care for Children	Early intervention is important. So my understanding here is to help the most vulnerable however what about the mid-range of families struggling - these need help as well so as not to fall further.	Care for children (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council will always be required to prioritise the needs of people who are most vulnerable, We would also aim to provide early intervention and prevention support where evidence based practice shows that a positive impact can be made
11806	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	2a. Care for Children	Education and social care are the two primary local authority functions. We are therefore apprehensive of such huge cuts to social care without understanding what is involved and are unable to effectively comment. Without more information we oppose any cuts in this areas. Our comments are based on individual's concerns.	Care for children (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Working together with Education the aim is to ensure that children's needs are met in the most suitable setting, recognising that the most vulnerable may have additional specialist needs
11807	An individual	2a. Care for Children	All the proposals in this section are vague and unspecified. Social Care is inadequately integrated with the devolved Health and Social Care services managed by the joint board. If Edinburgh thinks that its head of social work can run the integrated board without a conflict of interest, then West Lothian should adopt that too and save some senior management costs on top of those proposed in 2F. Savings on elderly assessment and care should be minimised to avoid a cost shift to the NHS acute sector. That doesn't look the way it's currently structured in the proposals.	Care for children (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. This consultation is the first stage of the process to enable the council to develop a five year plan. Detailed proposals will be worked up following the outcome of this consultation.
11808	An individual	2a. Care for Children	It is very important to keep facilities/centres and care for children and young people in local communities.	Care for children (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11809	An employee of West Lothian Council	2a. Care for Children	Ned to ensure service is as close to community as possible. Integrate Health & Care services.	Care for children (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11810	An employee of West Lothian Council	2a. Care for Children	If Surestart classes are to be reduced or removed, instead of this a contribution could be asked for from people attending.	Care for children (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11811	An employee of West Lothian Council	2a. Care for Children	Surestart have been invaluable to me during my maternity leave and supported me through post natal illness. The classes that I attended were excellent with mums travelling across the council to attend them. This is a real positive, successful group which I hope are kept in place. Having these classes and a support network available, I believe helps reduce and support mums who experience post natal illness.	Care for children (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11812	An individual	2a. Care for Children	None.	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11813	An individual	2a. Care for Children	No reduction in this as child care is essential	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11814	An individual	2a. Care for Children	I do not agree with reducing the funding for the above	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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11815	An individual	2a. Care for Children	I would not support this at all as I think the provision at the moment isn't meeting needs, even before this 'saving'.	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11816	An individual	2a. Care for Children	I would not expect cuts here	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11817	No Response	2a. Care for Children	This area struggles enough without further cuts	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11818	An individual	2a. Care for Children	I do not support this change	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11819	An individual	2a. Care for Children	Absolutely NO!!! It is bad enough already trying to get resources for children. And this means you won't meet children's needs out with the council authority.	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11820	An individual	2a. Care for Children	This does not seem feasible. The service is already greatly over stretched.	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11821	An individual	2a. Care for Children	This should never be an area where cuts are made, a total disservice to residents of West Lothian.	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11822	An individual	2a. Care for Children	children deserve to be looked after. no cuts.	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11823	An individual	2a. Care for Children	do not cut funding for this area	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11824	An individual	2a. Care for Children	Without more information I would oppose any cuts in this area.	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11825	An individual	2a. Care for Children	There should be no changes to the existing!	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11826	An individual	2a. Care for Children	sounds like the removal of care for those most at need - not acceptable ABSL	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11827	An individual	2a. Care for Children	This should be supported fully and no cuts in the budget.	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11828	An individual	2a. Care for Children	Don't agree with scale of reduction. Child welfare is paramount.	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11829	An individual	2a. Care for Children	no	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11830	An individual	2a. Care for Children	no reduction should be made to this service	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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11831	An individual	2a. Care for Children	Children's services must be protected	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11832	An employee of West Lothian Council	2a. Care for Children	This resource is already overstretched	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11833	No Response	2a. Care for Children	There should never be a cutback here	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11834	An individual	2a. Care for Children	None	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11835	An individual	2a. Care for Children	Don't agree	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11836	An employee of West Lothian Council	2a. Care for Children	I do not agree	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11837	An individual	2a. Care for Children	I have a commette nurse so you can't cut this as we need them.	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11838	An employee of West Lothian Council	2a. Care for Children	Like many of the proposals in this consultation, it is difficult to comment without knowing more of the context. Do you really expect consultees to disagree with a proposal which says the Council will make more effective use of resources and modernise teams and processes?	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11839	An employee of West Lothian Council	2a. Care for Children	No comment - I do not have enough information regarding this.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11840	An individual	2a. Care for Children	No comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11841	An individual	2a. Care for Children	No opinion	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11842	No Response	2a. Care for Children	I do not have any children, so do not have any opinions on this.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11843	An employee of West Lothian Council	2a. Care for Children	I don't have enough knowledge to comment constructively here	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11844	No Response	2a. Care for Children	I hope its done with consideration.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11845	An individual	2a. Care for Children	This is a huge issue which I don't know enough about to comment.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11846	An individual	2a. Care for Children	Without further detail of the consequential impacts of the £5.2m savings it is not possible to comment further.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11847	An individual	2a. Care for Children	Not applicable to me	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11848	An employee of West Lothian Council	2a. Care for Children	no comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11849	An individual	2a. Care for Children	N/A	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11850	An individual	2a. Care for Children	No comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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11851	An employee of West Lothian Council	2a. Care for Children	N/a	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11852	An employee of West Lothian Council	2a. Care for Children	No comment.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11853	An employee of West Lothian Council	2a. Care for Children	N/A	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11854	No Response	2a. Care for Children	Need more info about what changes are being proposed	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11855	An individual	2a. Care for Children	There is not enough information to really give my opinion on this.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11856	An employee of West Lothian Council	2a. Care for Children	Feel unable to comment on this.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11857	An individual	2a. Care for Children	This is a dangerous and massive saving	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11858	No Response	2a. Care for Children	I have no views on this as I have no children or family.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11859	An employee of West Lothian Council	2a. Care for Children	What about loss of hearing impaired service ? Eal ? Educational psychologists? Lack of speech therapy ? Social work ? Health visitors are in short supply we can't loose anymore.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11860	An individual	2a. Care for Children	I don't understand budgeting advantages and restraints enough to comment.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11861	No Response	2a. Care for Children	Not enough detail to comment: 'modernise internal teams' - what does this entail? 'family support being undertaken on an outreach basis' - again, what does this mean? What 'changes will be made'...?	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11862	An individual	2a. Care for Children	I have no idea what this means. Please explain better.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11863	An employee of West Lothian Council	2a. Care for Children	i dont not know wat this means	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11864	An employee of West Lothian Council	2a. Care for Children	If this is going to be "more effective" and create "better" outcomes then it sounds positive, but I have no direct experience of what currently exists so cannot really comment.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11865	An employee of West Lothian Council	2a. Care for Children	No idea if this is good or bad as I have no children in the school system.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11866	An individual	2a. Care for Children	no comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11867	An individual	2a. Care for Children	No comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11868	An individual	2a. Care for Children	No comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11869	An employee of West Lothian Council	2a. Care for Children	Unable to comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11870	An individual	2a. Care for Children	No comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11871	An individual	2a. Care for Children	No comment.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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11872	An employee of West Lothian Council	2a. Care for Children	No comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11873	An individual	2a. Care for Children	Sounds good, but what will the impact be? Again, without detail of what is proposed, how can one offer any valid comment? And what use is a consultation when one doesn't know the substance of what one is being asked to comment upon?	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11874	An individual	2a. Care for Children	No particular comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11875	An employee of West Lothian Council	2a. Care for Children	This sounds ok but I wonder what it will mean in practice.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11876	An individual	2a. Care for Children	I do not have adequate knowledge to comment on this. Does the council have adequate facilities to allow children with disabilities to remain in their local community?	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11877	No Response	2a. Care for Children	hfdhd	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11878	An individual	2a. Care for Children	Words like "re-shaping" and "modernising" need to be properly explained otherwise it is just meaningless twaddle.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11879	An individual	2a. Care for Children	nil	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11880	An individual	2a. Care for Children	No Comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11881	An employee of West Lothian Council	2a. Care for Children	No comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11882	An individual	2a. Care for Children	No comment.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11883	An employee of West Lothian Council	2a. Care for Children	No comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11884	An individual	2a. Care for Children	Cannot comment do not use these services	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11885	No Response	2a. Care for Children	Can	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11886	An employee of West Lothian Council	2a. Care for Children	No comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11887	An individual	2a. Care for Children	Social care is a primary local authority function. I am unable to comment on such huge cuts to social care without understanding what is involved.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11888	An individual	2a. Care for Children	The wording of the proposal is logical. How that equates to a saving of £5.2 million is not clear or explained in a manner that allows a cogent response.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11889	An individual	2a. Care for Children	Suspect that these people will feel the pinch	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11890	An individual	2a. Care for Children	Not knowing what the social care budget is, a £5.2 million saving is meaningless. I would like to hope that the council supports disabled children and their families on a case by case basis. If support is not available within the local council area I would hope families could access it nearby rather than not have it at all.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11891	An individual	2a. Care for Children	no comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11892	An individual	2a. Care for Children	Unable to comment as little experience of this area.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11893	An individual	2a. Care for Children	No comments as I am not familiar with this subject.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11894	No Response	2a. Care for Children	system at present is a shambles	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11895	An individual	2a. Care for Children	No comment.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11896	An individual	2a. Care for Children	No comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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11897	An individual	2a. Care for Children	OK - not enough info and not clear how you will save such a large sum.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11898	An employee of West Lothian Council	2a. Care for Children	These are presented as statements of fact and the implications are not clear with regards to how the cuts will affect service delivery.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11899	No Response	2a. Care for Children	I do not know enough about this to comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11900	An employee of West Lothian Council	2a. Care for Children	no comments	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11901	An employee of West Lothian Council	2a. Care for Children	no comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11902	An individual	2a. Care for Children	No comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11903	An individual	2a. Care for Children	No comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11904	An employee of West Lothian Council	2a. Care for Children	NO COMMENT	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11905	An individual	2a. Care for Children	Insufficient information to provide informed comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11906	No Response	2a. Care for Children	.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11907	An individual	2a. Care for Children	The text does not make clear what will be given up. If this achieves better outcomes as suggested, there would seem to be nothing to object to. But then why consult?	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11908	An individual	2a. Care for Children	No comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11909	An individual	2a. Care for Children	No comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11910	An individual	2a. Care for Children	This must be treated carefully.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11911	An individual	2a. Care for Children	Social care is a primary local authority function. I am unable to comment on such huge cuts to social care without understanding what is involved. Also how do you "modernise" a team? Without more information I would oppose any cuts in this area	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11912	An individual	2a. Care for Children	Proposal is too unspecific to comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11913	An individual	2a. Care for Children	Children are the future and we all should endeavour to give them the best start to their lives	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11914	An individual	2a. Care for Children	Stop keeping children with inadequate parents where very costly support is required on an ongoing basis. Adopt not foster give those poor children a chance, their parents need to accept the consequences of the poor life choices they have made not the children and certainly not the wider community or local authority budget.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11915	No Response	2a. Care for Children	Where are you going to get that jobs for the young folk who have low intelligence?	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11916	An individual	2a. Care for Children	Strange question and oddly worded. Who would say no to this? If it was so easy to save £5.2 million why hasn't it been done yet? Or should I be cynical? Is this cuts dressed up as savings? Please don't insult my intelligence.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11917	An individual	2a. Care for Children	There seems room for conflict here, and the possibility of negative press reaction.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11918	An employee of West Lothian Council	2a. Care for Children	This is a very vague statement and very hard to process how a 'saving' of 5.2 million could "create better outcomes for young people". This does not send a message that the council values the already vulnerable children within this system who have the right to be cared for with the support from the local authority.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11919	An individual	2a. Care for Children	As you can't provide the services at the moment how can you do it in the future with less money.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11920	An individual	2a. Care for Children	Don't have sufficient information to comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11921	An individual	2a. Care for Children	No comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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11922	An individual	2a. Care for Children	no comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11923	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	2a. Care for Children	We do not believe that enough information or detail has been given to be able to make an informed comment on this area.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11924	An individual	2a. Care for Children	No comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11925	An employee of West Lothian Council	2a. Care for Children	The council have not provided enough indepth information for me to make an informed comment on this, as all information about this whole consultation is more secret that area 51.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11926	An individual	2a. Care for Children	I had a number of detailed comments, but am too depressed to repeat them as I might lose them all again.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11927	An individual	2a. Care for Children	As 1b.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11928	An individual	2a. Care for Children	Don't know the details, so can't comment.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11929	An individual	2a. Care for Children	No comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11930	An employee of West Lothian Council	2a. Care for Children	does not affect me	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11931	An individual	2a. Care for Children	I don't know enough about this area to comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11932	An individual	2a. Care for Children	unable to comment as not in plain english	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11933	An individual	2a. Care for Children	Words fail me.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11934	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	2a. Care for Children	More information required.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11935	An employee of West Lothian Council	2a. Care for Children	no comments	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11936	An employee of West Lothian Council	2a. Care for Children	Does not affect me from a work or personal point of view.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11937	An individual	2a. Care for Children	Don't feel able to comment as not enough information but o do think early years and young people are a priority	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11938	An individual	2a. Care for Children	Unable to comment, insufficient information/knowledge.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11939	An employee of West Lothian Council	2a. Care for Children	No comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11940	An individual	2a. Care for Children	No comment.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11941	An individual	2a. Care for Children	Early year intervention set the standard for life	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11942	An employee of West Lothian Council	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	I suspect a look at the need and the personal circumstances of the customer in a more rounded fashion could be a way forward to target those that would benefit in the longer term and relieve some of the pressure on the service	Adult & older people - assessment criteria	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Criteria will be set within an assessment framework to ensure people's needs are assessed consistently and fairly. Work will continue to focus on those who are most vulnerable and have additional needs.
11943	An employee of West Lothian Council	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	Need to ensure that an equality assessment does not reveal the poor and older people being disadvantaged	Adult & older people - assessment criteria	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Criteria will be set within an assessment framework to ensure people's needs are assessed consistently and fairly. Work will continue to focus on those who are most vulnerable and have additional needs.

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11944	An employee of West Lothian Council	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	It is my opinion the council also requires an eligibility criteria for services and make better use of local resources. Social inclusion within older people is often given out with no real reason as to what for. The use of local resources and voluntary services should be able to support this better and be more cost effective. I have personally seen this time used for care staff to sit and drink tea with an older person to no ones benefit. I feel this should be looked and redesigned or have a criteria. I also feel there should be a clearer criteria for day centre. I have been people be referred who are driving and able to access community services without statutory support but they get accepted.	Adult & older people - assessment criteria	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11945	An employee of West Lothian Council	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	Again my concern would be that the circumstances of those with moderate needs who would no longer receive a service would deteriorate / the level of need would then increase resulting in them having critical / substantial needs - this would also impact on carers if low / moderate needs were not met (for example weekly socialisation may mean that the carer has a period of time - possibly even a couple of hours) to allow them time for themselves but this may be crucial in them being able to continue to provide care	Adult & older people - assessment criteria	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11946	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	Regular assessment is needed for those in this category. Far too many have benefited and not been reassessed when things improved	Adult & older people - assessment criteria	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11947	An employee of West Lothian Council	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	I do not agree entirely with the needs based approach being a [REDACTED] I feel that some people may not get proper support that require it..	Adult & older people - assessment criteria	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Criteria will be set within an assessment framework to ensure people's needs are assessed consistently and fairly
11948	No Response	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	If the threshold levels are to be set at critical/substantial for our Housing with Care service - we would definitely require more staff on the ground to deal with the levels or agreed third party care/support input to cover this increased threshold level.	Adult & older people - assessment criteria	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	The proposal relates to non residential care
11949	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	Carers on outreach are already struggling to see each old person for long enough to make an impact. Someone could be 1 mark away from the threshold and be stuck on their own all day except that one hour(if that long) when someone comes to wash them.	Adult & older people - assessment criteria	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Criteria will be set within an assessment framework to ensure people's needs are assessed consistently and fairly. Work will continue to focus on those who are most vulnerable and have additional needs.
11950	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	You need to be considerate of adult and older people who are at risk and vulnerable to ensure that they don't fall through any nets.	Adult & older people - assessment criteria	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Work will continue to focus on those who are most vulnerable and have additional needs.
11951	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	Sounds as though Council will now only deal with most urgent cases. If you have no resources or focus on prevention or early action then you will simply face a situation where everyone becomes critical or 'substantial' case. Flippant references to what other Councils have done with no hard evidence to back this up doesn't help.	Adult & older people - assessment criteria	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Criteria is set within an assessment framework to ensure people's needs are assessed consistently and fairly
11952	No Response	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	Criteria shouldn't change it should be based on people's need and risk.	Adult & older people - assessment criteria	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Criteria will be set within an assessment framework to ensure people's needs are assessed consistently and fairly
11953	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	Protect free personal care for the elderly. Most canâ€™t fill in forms to be assessed on income and may delay getting care they need	Adult & older people - assessment criteria	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11954	An employee of West Lothian Council	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	Would there be some sort of advisory hub for those not classified as critical/substantial who need immediate help and support?	Adult & older people - assessment criteria	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your comment which will be considered as part of any service redesign
11955	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	Many adults are sustained in the community with relatively small packages of care. Without this care some of these people will not cope in the community, become critical and then require larger packages of care. This will cost more in the long run.	Adult & older people - assessment criteria	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Criteria will be set within an assessment framework to ensure people's needs are assessed consistently and fairly
11956	An employee of West Lothian Council	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	As has been previously stated, whilst means tested payments for elderly care services would appear to be good, by moving forward with these proposals the Council will be actively discriminating against those people, and their families, that have, on the whole, paid all their lives, worked hard and managed their money wisely	Adult & older people - assessment criteria	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11957	No Response	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	Substantial/ critical seems to me to be subjective, and could be left to one person's interpretation of a situation. This would have to be overseen by management, and allow a right to appeal in the case of a poor decision by an individual worker. Otherwise, mistakes will be made.	Adult & older people - assessment criteria	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your comment which will be considered as part of any service redesign
11958	An employee of West Lothian Council	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	Agree with the eligibility changes. However, there is a danger that this will lead to more crisis intervention as we do not manage any preventative work.	Adult & older people - assessment criteria	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Criteria will be set within an assessment framework to ensure people's needs are assessed consistently and fairly
11959	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	The current approach is poor and any change to "raise the bar" which may exclude those who are not deemed "critical/substantial" is short sighted and may result in those not currently in this bracket quickly reaching it because of the lack of early intervention to maintain their mental and physical wellbeing and independence.	Adult & older people - assessment criteria	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council will always be required to prioritise the needs of people who are most vulnerable. We would also aim to provide early intervention and prevention support where evidence based practice shows that a positive impact can be made

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11960	No Response	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	Staffing level reduction meant my mother who has mixed dementia waiting 9 months for a occ health assessment thus causing harm to health. Your new model does not reflect the Scottish Governments stance on care for the elderly	Adult & older people - assessment criteria	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Work will continue to focus on those who are most vulnerable and have additional needs.
11961	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	Itâ€™s usually those who are more in the know of what they can get, who get what they want. Those who make the most noise and are more able to demand help than those who actually need it. Again I think there should be a layered rather than tiered system of support. Where priority is given to those most in need in EACH layer. Rather than only the top layerâ€™s needs met and leaving the majority to suffer in silence.	Adult & older people - assessment criteria	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your comment which will be considered as part of any service redesign
11962	An employee of West Lothian Council	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	I understand that savings need to be made but for many elderly people these services are vital both for them and their carers this needs to be taken in to account before the bar to access these services is raised to high and people start to slip through the net.	Adult & older people - assessment criteria	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Criteria will be set within an assessment framework to ensure people's needs are assessed consistently and fairly
11963	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	old people that have worked all their lives deserve to be looked after ,not a ten minute visit	Adult & older people - assessment criteria	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Work will continue to focus on those who are most vulnerable and have additional needs.
11964	No Response	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	Does the assessment criteria take into account adults supporting those in need of care services?	Adult & older people - assessment criteria	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Criteria is set within an assessment framework to ensure people's needs are assessed consistently and fairly. Work will continue to focus on those who are most vulnerable and have additional needs.
11965	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	Like the supporting at home when able, but have to balance with those who canâ€™t cope at home, will they be supported or strong armed to keep at home	Adult & older people - assessment criteria	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Criteria will be set within an assessment framework to ensure people's needs are assessed consistently and fairly. Work will continue to focus on those who are most vulnerable and have additional needs.
11966	No Response	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	Most vulnerable section of society, having contributed to society all of their working lives to be denied appropriate care when they are not in a position to defend their rights for this is against all natural justice.	Adult & older people - assessment criteria	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11967	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	Care should reflect the input of the individual as well as their needs. If a local resident who has contributed to the community for decades needs help, they should be at the front of any queue. End of. Lifestyle should be the next factor - those who chose a life of obesity, alcohol, tobacco or other drug dependency's (despite decades of being bombarded with information about the long term effects to their wellbeing) should be at the back of the queue. Reap what you sow - don't expect others to pick up the pieces.	Adult & older people - assessment criteria	5a. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because the council is required by law to deliver this work.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11968	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	Care should reflect the input of the individual as well as their needs. If a local resident who has contributed to the community for decades needs help, they should be at the front of any queue. End of. Lifestyle should be the next factor - those who chose a life of obesity, alcohol, tobacco or other drug dependency's (despite decades of being bombarded with information about the long term effects to their wellbeing) should be at the back of the queue. Reap what you sow - don't expect others to pick up the pieces.	Adult & older people - assessment criteria	5a. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because the council is required by law to deliver this work.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11969	No Response	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	I believe that some services should be means tested. There are many elderly people who are more that able to afford to pay for aids and adaptations to their homes. I know this from my own experience of caring for three disabled adults for 15 years in total. My parents were in a position to pay for adaptations (wet room, stair lift.etc) to their home and did so privately.	Adult & older people - assessment criteria	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	There is a further proposal under Income and Concessions which considers how a contributions policy can be introduced subject to the financial assessment of affordability
11970	No Response	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	It is absolutely abhorrent to even think of reducing these already over stretched, under funded services. These people have put a lot into our society. They deserve care and dignity at the very least. They should not need to wait until their situation hits a critical level of stress and strain. I am totally disgusted at the proposals of these cuts and to children's services!	Adult & older people - assessment criteria	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11971	An employee of West Lothian Council	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	However we must not lose sight of the need to apply preventative practise. Low/medium priority can escalate to critical/substantial if left unmet. Self management should be promoted wherever possible.	Adult & older people - assessment criteria	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council will always be required to prioritise the needs of people who are most vulnerable. We would also aim to provide early intervention and prevention support where evidence based practice shows that a positive impact can be made
11972	No Response	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	If this relates to developing new then I would suggest that changing the goal posts to 're-categorise' people is not in their best interest to support needs of individuals. I feel quite strongly that we can save money in other areas than to reduce care provided, through changing the assessment criteria. It costs more in the long term when reducing preventative and supportive care than to, for example, support the provision of care in care homes. We have many opportunities to provide preventative care that will essentially reduce the long term costs associated with assessing people out of criteria.	Adult & older people - assessment criteria	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your comment which will be considered as part of any service redesign

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11973	An employee of West Lothian Council	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	Looking at the size of the saving to be made from this one particular proposal is extremely worrying... How can we be sure that vulnerable people won't be slipping through the net by changing the assessment criteria so drastically?	Adult & older people - assessment criteria	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11974	No Response	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	Critical is to far, support should be made available at an early stage to help prevent problems from increasing. Perhaps saving can be achieved via the assessment process.	Adult & older people - assessment criteria	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your comment which will be considered as part of any service redesign
11975	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	Same answer as above. Yes the priority needs to be based on peoples needs, but that doesn't give the council the right to ignore other cases either. All are important and provision needs to be made to help all who might be in need of the service.	Adult & older people - assessment criteria	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council will always be required to prioritise the needs of people who are most vulnerable, We would also aim to provide early intervention and prevention support where evidence based practice shows that a positive impact can be made
11976	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	If thresholds for access to care are set at critical/substantial, potential clients who need some care may reach critical levels sooner than they would otherwise have done. E.g. informal carers of elderly persons denied access to respite may reach breaking point sooner rather than later resulting in a need for residential care. There needs to be some flexibility here.	Adult & older people - assessment criteria	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council will always be required to prioritise the needs of people who are most vulnerable, We would also aim to provide early intervention and prevention support where evidence based practice shows that a positive impact can be made
11977	No Response	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	Council must provide staff for early intervention to avoid clients moving to Critical/Substantial level.	Adult & older people - assessment criteria	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council will always be required to prioritise the needs of people who are most vulnerable, We would also aim to provide early intervention and prevention support where evidence based practice shows that a positive impact can be made
11978	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	I understand the need to ensure money is saved in this area but increasing the level to critial for new care is a very poor way of doing this. Having seen members of my own family go through the "assessment" process I believe that it is not well tested as it is. Having an assessor spend part of a day with a family then grading them just does not work & raising the level when people would recieve support would place a huge burden on families and the older generation.	Adult & older people - assessment criteria	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your comment which will be considered as part of any service redesign
11979	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	People should not have to be classed as being in a critical/substantial state to get support. Everyone should get the support they need when they say they need it. If someone feels they need a certain type of support, it should not be an assessment criteria that determines if they get it.	Adult & older people - assessment criteria	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11980	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	I fundamentally disagree with this approach, early low cost interventions save money and reduce the risk of significant issues becoming more accrue. Given the integrated care models being developed this seems very short sited, i am concerned short term savings in this area will lead to high medium term costs.	Adult & older people - assessment criteria	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council will always be required to prioritise the needs of people who are most vulnerable, We would also aim to provide early intervention and prevention support where evidence based practice shows that a positive impact can be made
11981	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	This service should not be cut while other discretionary activities continue in the Council.	Adult & older people - assessment criteria	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11982	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	Which representative of the council will be assessing how much care is necessary for someone?	Adult & older people - assessment criteria	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Criteria is set within an assessment framework to ensure people's needs are assessed consistently and fairly. Assessments are undertaken by social work professional staff.
11983	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	I agree that assessment criteria may need to be reviewed in order to identify the most needy cases. It is important however to ensure that the process for requesting assistance remains straightforward and takes into account that the elderly in particular may not have the access to technology that most people now have.	Adult & older people - assessment criteria	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted and will be considered as part of a review of internal processes.
11984	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	2b I support the general idea of a clearer eligibility criteria stance -it's more honest . S12 of the Social Work (Scotland) Act 1968 still contains a duty to provide advice and assistance so how are you going to provide preventative advice and guidance for adults? Some of the oldest and most disabled are not IT savvy or even physically or mentally able to choose digital route. In terms of IJB working effectively- how might health centres be used to run advice and guidance clinics? Can the front-line practitioner and manager relationships across NHS and WLC local areas be improved by regular face to face contact that can often be used to flag up people who are vulnerable and at risk at harm but not engaged with social care services? I am slightly concerned that social work is only mentioned in relation to children. Adult social care can be just as complex. Adult with incapacity, mental health, adult support and protection legislation all need skilled and suitable qualified workers if powers and duties are to met well. SDS is also complex- please don't underestimate the skill and creativeness this might at times require.	Adult & older people - assessment criteria	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your comment which will be considered as part of any service redesign

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11985	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	This must be made as individual as possible. Do not blanket conditions and tar all those with that with the one brush. Each person must be assessed and seen as an individual case.	Adult & older people - assessment criteria	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Criteria is set within an assessment framework to ensure people's needs are assessed consistently and fairly
11986	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	I think this is a very dangerous proposal that could potentially create more critical/substantial cases rather than having the opportunities for early intervention and pro-active social work for individuals. I would be concerned that the council is stripping funds from the most vulnerable individuals in society and that these measures would place people at a greater risk of harm under adult support and protections.	Adult & older people - assessment criteria	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council will always be required to prioritise the needs of people who are most vulnerable. We would also aim to provide early intervention and prevention support where evidence based practice shows that a positive impact can be made
11987	An employee of West Lothian Council	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	Support should be fair for all criteria regardless of the needs assessed. A small change/adaptation for someone can make a big impact on their wellbeing and it would be concerning not to provide equivalent actions for all.	Adult & older people - assessment criteria	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council will always be required to prioritise the needs of people who are most vulnerable. We would also aim to provide early intervention and prevention support where evidence based practice shows that a positive impact can be made
11988	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	This seems fraught with risk, even without detail of what the end result might look like. This sounds like simply tightening the screws and limiting support to vulnerable people.	Adult & older people - assessment criteria	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Work will continue to focus on those who are most vulnerable and have additional needs.
11989	An employee of West Lothian Council	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	Agree. Clients should also be charged for care if they are under 65 as in most other councils.	Adult & older people - assessment criteria	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11990	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	Why is it only set for new recipients of care and not everyone this seems slightly unfair. Generally I am very concerned by an eligibility move to critical. It is shameful that someone would have to get to the point of being in critical need before they can access the support they require. I think it is unsafe.	Adult & older people - assessment criteria	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11991	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	Means test everyone	Adult & older people - assessment criteria	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	There is a further proposal under Income and Concessions which considers how a contributions policy can be introduced subject to the financial assessment of affordability
11992	No Response	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	Again, this reads like the council is proposing to react to crisis points rather than supporting people at an earlier stage of need..short term gain in cutting money spent, but long term pain in cutting support.	Adult & older people - assessment criteria	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council will always be required to prioritise the needs of people who are most vulnerable. We would also aim to provide early intervention and prevention support where evidence based practice shows that a positive impact can be made
11993	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	Savings of £8.8 million; what is the current budget before cutting? 'criteria with access to care based on people's needs and risks to independence'; is this not done already?	Adult & older people - assessment criteria	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Criteria is set within an assessment framework to ensure people's needs are assessed consistently and fairly. The proposal is to set the level where care is provided to only the most vulnerable.
11994	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	Based on my experience (not with WLC) these services are very difficult to access already; reducing their scope is likely to leave vulnerable people in distress, and possibly in hospital, thereby simply shifting the care burden.	Adult & older people - assessment criteria	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council is working with NHS Lothian on a wide reaching Frailty Programme to maximise patient pathways and redesign access to community based services
11995	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	As long as there no risk to the people requiring to be cared for.	Adult & older people - assessment criteria	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
11996	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	So is this a case of lets shaft the weak and vulnerable in our society,who would care for the people not on your critical/substantial list ??	Adult & older people - assessment criteria	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council will always be required to prioritise the needs of people who are most vulnerable. We would also aim to provide early intervention and prevention support where evidence based practice shows that a positive impact can be made
11997	An employee of West Lothian Council	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	All should be assessed and treated fairly.	Adult & older people - assessment criteria	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Criteria is set within an assessment framework to ensure people's needs are assessed consistently and fairly. Work will continue to focus on those who are most vulnerable and have additional needs.
11998	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	This will not be a very caring council if this proceeds, people that are not critical may not be able to afford any assistance as the assessment is not financial, although they have contributed all there working life's.	Adult & older people - assessment criteria	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council will always be required to prioritise the needs of people who are most vulnerable. We would also aim to provide early intervention and prevention support where evidence based practice shows that a positive impact can be made
11999	An employee of West Lothian Council	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	This makes sense as the budget provided to WLC only really allows for help to those in critical/substantial threshold levels. This however will probably put a greater strain on the NHS but i do not have a solution to this.	Adult & older people - assessment criteria	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The Council is working with NHS Lothian on a wide reaching Frailty Programme to maximise patient pathways and redesign access to community based services

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12000	An employee of West Lothian Council	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	Not unexpected, however this has the potential increase stress for ground level staff who will be advising members of the public that services/adaptations will not be provided where the person has not been assessed as in critical /substantial need and such clients are 'very unhappy' with the decision made.	Adult & older people - assessment criteria	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Any changes to services will require to fully consider the impact on staff
12001	An employee of West Lothian Council	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	Consider means testing access to care.	Adult & older people - assessment criteria	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	There is a further proposal under Income and Concessions which considers how a contributions policy can be introduced subject to the financial assessment of affordability
12002	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	i don't fully agree but it could work if pulled off correctly in which you could provide short but regular care visits and not have to rely on tech to check if someone with needs is okay and i wouldn't judge the importance of them getting help on wither or not they are in really bad condition they may be not as bad as other seeking care but maybe less independent	Adult & older people - assessment criteria	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council already deploys technology as part of care and support packages where appropriate. Expanding the use of this to more people will help ensure that direct face to face client time is used to best effect.
12003	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	These are People with needs and should not have to be at critical level to be supported.	Adult & older people - assessment criteria	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12004	An employee of West Lothian Council	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	concerned over what would be classed as 'critical' and who decides who meets the criteria?	Adult & older people - assessment criteria	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Criteria is set within an assessment framework to ensure people's needs are assessed consistently and fairly
12005	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	Great care would need to be taken not to reduce the standard of care at home with with reduction in those deemed eligible for support.	Adult & older people - assessment criteria	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The Council is committed to ensure a strong governance framework is in place to make sure quality is at the heart of service delivery from external partners
12006	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	Again if the most needy are targeted I think there will be a lot who still have needs who might be over looked.	Adult & older people - assessment criteria	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council will always be required to prioritise the needs of people who are most vulnerable, We would also aim to provide early intervention and prevention support where evidence based practice shows that a positive impact can be made
12007	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	In assessing older people I am very concerned at the proposal to reset the threshold level at critical before intervention is entertained.	Adult & older people - assessment criteria	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council will always be required to prioritise the needs of people who are most vulnerable, We would also aim to provide early intervention and prevention support where evidence based practice shows that a positive impact can be made
12008	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	The council should consider means testing the provision of these services.	Adult & older people - assessment criteria	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	There is a further proposal under Income and Concessions which considers how a contributions policy can be introduced subject to the financial assessment of affordability
12009	An employee of West Lothian Council	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	This should be measured on an ongoing basis - risk that elderly population could suffer significantly	Adult & older people - assessment criteria	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12010	No Response	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	Do not like this form of means testing for our older people in West Lothian to receive care.	Adult & older people - assessment criteria	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12011	An employee of West Lothian Council	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	It would be awful for people who were struggling to have little or no care just because they weren't 'struggling enough'.	Adult & older people - assessment criteria	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council will always be required to prioritise the needs of people who are most vulnerable, We would also aim to provide early intervention and prevention support where evidence based practice shows that a positive impact can be made
12012	An employee of West Lothian Council	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	I think that the threshold should be more than critical as needs may not always been noticed/picked up on first visit and money should be invested in the care of those in need.	Adult & older people - assessment criteria	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12013	An employee of West Lothian Council	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	Who decides who is 'most in need'? Some people may not seem as critical however, having a visit may be the only person they see all week.	Adult & older people - assessment criteria	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Criteria is set within an assessment framework to ensure people's needs are assessed consistently and fairly. Work will continue to focus on those who are most vulnerable and have additional needs.

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12014	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	I feel this is the wrong approach, I speak with experience in this area. We should be doing more to help families before the situation becomes 'critical' as this results in mental health issues for carers and the people needing support. This then puts pressure on the NHS and will result in more costs in the long run.	Adult & older people - assessment criteria	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council is working with NHS Lothian on a wide reaching Frailty Programme to maximise patient pathways and redesign access to community based services
12015	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	Care of elderly is critical with an ageing population. Their health and mental wellbeing must not be compromised.	Adult & older people - assessment criteria	4. The council is already doing this.	Work will continue to focus on those who are most vulnerable and have additional needs.
12016	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	This is ludicrous. You are proposing making elderly people wait till they reach a crisis, fall or put themselves at risk with dementia, for input that given earlier would keep people independent, and reduce demand on GPs and hospital services. Ultimately you will be increasing carer stress and health costs - Â£12000 for each hip fracture you allow to happen by not intervening sooner. This is saving your budget at the expense of our elderly people their unpaid family carers and the health service. Think again!!!	Adult & older people - assessment criteria	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12017	No Response	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	I think reducing the threshold levels to critical/substantial could result on vulnerable people not receiving the care and assistance that they require. I believe we have a duty to provide services for these people who may not be able to find the help elsewhere.	Adult & older people - assessment criteria	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council will always be required to prioritise the needs of people who are most vulnerable. We would also aim to provide early intervention and prevention support where evidence based practice shows that a positive impact can be made
12018	An employee of West Lothian Council	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	Investigation needs to be carried out to 'weed out' people who are falsely using these council services when they may not actually require it. Altering the initial assessment criteria should prevent timewasters or 'people who are at it' taking resources from people who actually need it.	Adult & older people - assessment criteria	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your comment which will be considered as part of any service redesign
12019	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	Provision of equipment and care services must be means tested.	Adult & older people - assessment criteria	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	There is a further proposal under Income and Concessions which considers how a contributions policy can be introduced subject to the financial assessment of affordability
12020	An employee of West Lothian Council	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	more means tested assistance would not be bad as some pensioners are better off than working aged residents	Adult & older people - assessment criteria	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	There is a further proposal under Income and Concessions which considers how a contributions policy can be introduced subject to the financial assessment of affordability
12021	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	This proposal does not make any sense - it reads to me that our elderly and some of the most vulnerable members of society will have an added stress of meeting a criteria based on finances! Who decided what substantiates 'critical/substantial' and what happens to those not deemed within the criteria - does this add a further pressure on them or their families. An absolutely abhorrent consideration.	Adult & older people - assessment criteria	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Criteria is set within an assessment framework to ensure people's needs are assessed consistently and fairly
12022	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	Again pressure is on staff with regard to assessments and allocating need.	Adult & older people - assessment criteria	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted and will be considered as part of a review of internal processes.
12023	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	Focus should be on prevention and early intervention alongside partners. Leaving things to the critical stage results in much higher costs for interventions.	Adult & older people - assessment criteria	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council will always be required to prioritise the needs of people who are most vulnerable. We would also aim to provide early intervention and prevention support where evidence based practice shows that a positive impact can be made
12024	No Response	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	Those below this level will be left alone and vulnerable- is that how you would like to feel?	Adult & older people - assessment criteria	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Work will continue to focus on those who are most vulnerable and have additional needs.
12025	An employee of West Lothian Council	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	If a person does not have critical or substantial needs why are they even receiving care? The criteria would need to be clear.	Adult & older people - assessment criteria	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Criteria is set within an assessment framework to ensure people's needs are assessed consistently and fairly
12026	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	I am concerned that lack of provision of social care for those falling below the 'critical' level will result in greater pressures on health care.	Adult & older people - assessment criteria	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council is working with NHS Lothian on a wide reaching Frailty Programme to maximise patient pathways and redesign access to community based services
12027	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	Need to be very careful this does not mean more people developing more complex needs, which cost more, as not addressed early	Adult & older people - assessment criteria	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your comments which have been noted. This consultation is the first stage of the process to enable the council to develop a five year plan. Detailed proposals will be worked up following the outcome of this consultation.
12028	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	Feel unfair if thresholds for all are not reset. Agree with proposal.	Adult & older people - assessment criteria	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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12029	An employee of West Lothian Council	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	I think that needs based care is only good sense in order to direct resources effectively.	Adult & older people - assessment criteria	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12030	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	That is fine but will the Adults who are not willing to work get everything for free as they do now and the people who are willing to work and need help be penalised ?	Adult & older people - assessment criteria	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Criteria is set within an assessment framework to ensure people's needs are assessed consistently and fairly. Work will continue to focus on those who are most vulnerable and have additional needs.
12031	An employee of West Lothian Council	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	This proposal could impact quite severley as this area is growing rapidly & people not meeting the new threshold levels could feel very vungerable & isolated	Adult & older people - assessment criteria	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council will always be required to prioritise the needs of people who are most vulnerable, We would also aim to provide early intervention and prevention support where evidence based practice shows that a positive impact can be made
12032	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	Independent living should be supported. Happy to support most needy at all times	Adult & older people - assessment criteria	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12033	An employee of West Lothian Council	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	Will the Council monitor whether a person turned down for support as their needs are not classed as critical/substantial, later ends up needing this support as they did not receive less expensive support at a lower level? (prevention rather than cure).	Adult & older people - assessment criteria	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council will always be required to prioritise the needs of people who are most vulnerable, We would also aim to provide early intervention and prevention support where evidence based practice shows that a positive impact can be made
12034	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	Can care packages more closely reflect need, my experience with elderly parents is that care needs can fluctuate and they go through periods of ill health when more care is needed, then a period where they can live independently. Fixed care packages are expensive, can they be reviewed on a fortnightly basis? Or can care be provided on alternate days for showering etc?	Adult & older people - assessment criteria	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12035	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	As the population ages this will become even more important. Early intervention and health support should in theory help allow people to life longer in their own homes before the need for expensive residential care is required .	Adult & older people - assessment criteria	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council will always be required to prioritise the needs of people who are most vulnerable, We would also aim to provide early intervention and prevention support where evidence based practice shows that a positive impact can be made
12036	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	I agree that savings need to be made, but find it awful that people who have paid into the system all their lives may find their care requirements falling short of what they were led to expect. The impact on working families is also huge, where people have to juggle work and looking after an ageing relative	Adult & older people - assessment criteria	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12037	An employee of West Lothian Council	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	If care in the home is the way forward, education for the carer/family should be given as to how to support their elderly family member.	Adult & older people - assessment criteria	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12038	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	Again it will put pressure on the assessment process and might lead to people being overlooked.	Adult & older people - assessment criteria	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council will always be required to prioritise the needs of people who are most vulnerable, We would also aim to provide early intervention and prevention support where evidence based practice shows that a positive impact can be made
12039	An employee of West Lothian Council	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	HAVE HAD PERSONAL EXPERIENCE OF THIS - AND BASICALLY WHEN AN ELDERLY RELATIVE IS DISCHARGED FROM HOSPITAL THE AUTHORITIES PROMISE YOU THE MOON - THEN WITHIN SIX WEEKS - THE FAMILY ARE LEFT TO THEIR OWN DEVICES	Adult & older people - assessment criteria	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted and will be considered as part of a review of internal processes.
12040	An employee of West Lothian Council	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	Adult and social care are important areas in social care providing care for the elderly, who cannot be supported at home, as there are more elderly who are now frail and needing 24 hour care, and who are deemed vulnerable in there own environment, and at high risk without the care home package	Adult & older people - assessment criteria	4. The council is already doing this.	Work will continue to focus on those who are most vulnerable and have additional needs.
12041	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	Agreed - however as this is an area of vital importance to the actual people involved, there must be clear path of appeal rather than just a refusal to consider anyone deemed not to have critical/substantial needs.	Adult & older people - assessment criteria	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your comment which will be considered as part of any service redesign
12042	An employee of West Lothian Council	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	I think a creative look at provision and services for older people needs to be adopted. Can services like free bus passes/rail travel be means tested? There are a large number of retired people who do not need to have this as they can afford to fund this themselves.	Adult & older people - assessment criteria	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12043	An employee of West Lothian Council	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	I DO NOT AGREE WITH CHANGING THE ASSESMENT CRITERIA.	Adult & older people - assessment criteria	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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12044	An employee of West Lothian Council	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	I DO NOT agree with setting the assessment criteria threshold levels to CRITICAL - this is madness!!!! Why wait until things become critical before the support is offered? Unless you're looking to reduce the population in West Lothian through death....	Adult & older people - assessment criteria	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12045	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	I believe it would be false economy to only consider adults for assistance when the critical threshold is reached. It has been shown that economic savings can be gained from early intervention. There is also the personal cost to an individual on a physical and psychological level should they sustain an injury or come to harm with resultant knock on effects to health care costs and bed blocking situations. Further, I do not believe that it would be morally right to change the guidelines for intervention and would also be in direct conflict with many health and social care professionals' code of conduct.	Adult & older people - assessment criteria	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council will always be required to prioritise the needs of people who are most vulnerable. We would also aim to provide early intervention and prevention support where evidence based practice shows that a positive impact can be made
12046	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	There should be early interventions to prevent people from reaching critical/substantial levels. I believe that the focus should be at this stage, not when it has reached critical level and is too late.	Adult & older people - assessment criteria	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council will always be required to prioritise the needs of people who are most vulnerable. We would also aim to provide early intervention and prevention support where evidence based practice shows that a positive impact can be made
12047	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	This needs to be considered very carefully, and still treated as priority as needs of elderly people are increasing and need proper access to care.	Adult & older people - assessment criteria	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12048	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	If pay enhancements and allowances are cut and the level changes to critical for the elderly care then we will have fewer staff willing to stay in the care sector and less people wanting to work in the care sector, which will cause a lot of problems in the long term.	Adult & older people - assessment criteria	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12049	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	I feel as though this is an important part of the community however it may mean vulnerable people could fall through the gaps and not the the right amount of help they need	Adult & older people - assessment criteria	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council will always be required to prioritise the needs of people who are most vulnerable. We would also aim to provide early intervention and prevention support where evidence based practice shows that a positive impact can be made
12050	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	Are people who do not meet these criteria to be left with no help or support? Surely more people will end up in a crisis without support, particularly if staff are cut.	Adult & older people - assessment criteria	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council will always be required to prioritise the needs of people who are most vulnerable. We would also aim to provide early intervention and prevention support where evidence based practice shows that a positive impact can be made
12051	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	Assessment criteria should be comparable to other local authorities and be clear to people requiring to access them.	Adult & older people - assessment criteria	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12052	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	Some assessment criteria's can be unfair and dependant on how good your council representative is. If you have a diagnosis or a doctor letter stating that people need this service then it should be given. That's what we all pay our taxes for.	Adult & older people - assessment criteria	4. The council is already doing this.	Criteria is set within an assessment framework to ensure people's needs are assessed consistently and fairly
12053	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	More elderly will be neglected & they too will 'slip under the radar'.	Adult & older people - assessment criteria	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Work will continue to focus on those who are most vulnerable and have additional needs.
12054	No Response	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	This might work if the assessments are done within a week of referral and staff visiting homes are allowed time to travel between clients.	Adult & older people - assessment criteria	4. The council is already doing this.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12055	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	Those with greatest need need to receive more intense support, also what supplant family do to lessen the financial burden to budget as this care offered can be declined by some despite it being paid for	Adult & older people - assessment criteria	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12056	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	Independence in older people is paramount and I believe more emphasis should be placed on this area. Assessing the level of care required is as much social as physical	Adult & older people - assessment criteria	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The approach is to encourage community capacity building and informal networks to ensure people remain connected with their local area
12057	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	There is already a huge pressure on the system. Estimated savings versus risk of serious harm due to lack of support must be considered. I recently experienced a delay in an assessment for a relative, and this has caused serious angst for lots of people within her housing development.	Adult & older people - assessment criteria	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council will always be required to prioritise the needs of people who are most vulnerable. We would also aim to provide early intervention and prevention support where evidence based practice shows that a positive impact can be made
12058	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	This sounds like that there would only be provision at a crisis level, when it is probably too late, don't agree with that.	Adult & older people - assessment criteria	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12059	An employee of West Lothian Council	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	This will mean carers and families will be under even more pressure and services will be more difficult to access. As a child with ASN, older parents and an aunt with dementia it causes severe and unnecessary difficulties waiting on assessments, decisions.	Adult & older people - assessment criteria	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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12060	An employee of West Lothian Council	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	Crisis intervention instead of early intervention and prevention has been proven over and over again to be far more expensive. The IJB should start to come up with some proposals for delivering more effective and streamlined services	Adult & older people - assessment criteria	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council is working with NHS Lothian on a wide reaching Frailty Programme to maximise patient pathways and redesign access to community based services
12061	An employee of West Lothian Council	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	Because of the huge rise in demand it is essential to review the assessment criteria and I support the proposed move to critical / substantial.	Adult & older people - assessment criteria	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12062	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	We would however like to raise our concerns that the criteria for the involvement of Councils teams is proposed to be increased from its current level. We are concerned that increasing the criteria for service access has a negative effect on long term outcomes. We would request that any changes to the criteria for service provision, or service redesign is subject to an Equality Impact Assessment and a review considering the GIRFEC principles and that these are published.	Adult & older people - assessment criteria	4. The council is already doing this.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. This consultation is the first stage of the process to enable the council to develop a five year plan. Detailed proposals will be worked up following the outcome of this consultation.
12063	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	We would however like to raise our concerns that the criteria for receiving services is increased from its current levels to "critical/substantial". We believe that this will not make budget savings, but will move the costs to other service providers, families and the NHS. Health and welfare care recognises the need for early intervention to prevent problems escalating and the pain these cause individuals and families, and the pressures they put on services. We would like to see Equality Impact Assessments being integrated to system and service changes which may impact directly with the groups that these cover.	Adult & older people - assessment criteria	4. The council is already doing this.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. This consultation is the first stage of the process to enable the council to develop a five year plan. Detailed proposals will be worked up following the outcome of this consultation.
12064	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	My son has a service provided by the Inclusion Team based at Lister Road, Livingston which he attends five days a week. He depends on this Team for both his physical and mental wellbeing. He goes swimming, takes part in gym activities such as weight lifting, running machine, cycling machine etc. Because of his disability which affects balance and co-ordination, there is no way he could do any of these things otherwise. He is taken out into the community and is taught the skills needed to cross the road, to buy items in a shop, handle money, self-travel, use a bank etc. None of these taught skills however can be regarded as secure in his case because his retention even at the simplest level cannot be relied on. He has severe cognitive and physical deficits; and he will never improve, but only deteriorate progressively. Even so, because he needs these skills they have to be continually stressed and re-taught. The teaching is ongoing. In this light, it should be noted that nevertheless he has been assessed many times over the years; which is both very stressful for me and at the same time a completely pointless and no doubt expensive exercise. Any change in the service criteria, now or in the future, is not going to diminish any of my son's needs.	Adult & older people - assessment criteria	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. This consultation is the first stage of the process to enable the council to develop a five year plan. Detailed proposals will be worked up following the outcome of this consultation.
12065	An employee of West Lothian Council	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	Why should the thresholds only be on new clients? Surely if a threshold is introduced to assist people it should be across the board regardless or at least those already receiving care should be asked to contribute a percentage if they fall within the new categories.	Adult & older people - assessment criteria	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12066	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	Agree with focusing on those with the greatest need. We cannot afford universal care.	Adult & older people - assessment criteria	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12067	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	If the threshold levels are reset at critical / substantial, then more and more people will require to access services at this level as this is fire fighting. People require support early on in order to prevent them becoming critical. Early intervention will prove much more cost effective, with more people being cared for in their own homes.	Adult & older people - assessment criteria	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council will always be required to prioritise the needs of people who are most vulnerable. We would also aim to provide early intervention and prevention support where evidence based practice shows that a positive impact can be made
12068	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	This should be implemented but must be handled sensitively. Take on board that people with life long disabilities or illness need not be constantly reassessed - they will not ever get better.	Adult & older people - assessment criteria	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12069	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	This area should be protected. Older people who require assistance and services should not have to worry that they will not be available to them.	Adult & older people - assessment criteria	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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12070	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	I am very concerned about the proposed threshold levels on both people requiring support and unpaid Carers who provide that support. It is very disappointing to see the reasoning that other councils have already done this so we will too. I have witnessed this in other areas through my work capacity and it has a very negative impact on people's lives and puts huge strain on unpaid Carers. I think it is important to note that in terms of their human rights it is quite shocking to say that people in need, but not in most Need will not get any service. It is also very poor to consult using these vague terms without detail of what that actually means. Reading the limited amount of information provided in this consultation I am deeply concerned that for families like mine. In our family both parents currently work 28 and 30 hours per week, one parent has a high level of disability, the other provides 35++ hours per week of care with no Carers allowance and no council support. We have had to fight for pieces of equipment in the past and have to pay large amounts to maintain them now (such as ceiling hoist). It is likely that the parent with a disability will not be working in the next 3-5 years and I believe by this consultation would not get services to meet their needs at home during the day, so we are likely as a family to be pushed into poverty and lose our home. The effects of the future already have a negative effect on our health and well-being but this is exacerbated by the cuts proposed to Council services which should be there to support families like ours now, but it looks increasingly unlikely they will be there in the future even when our needs increase.	Adult & older people - assessment criteria	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. This consultation is the first stage of the process to enable the council to develop a five year plan. Detailed proposals will be worked up following the outcome of this consultation.
12071	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	How does critical / substantial relate to other local authorities. If people are left getting a service they don't need, stop it.	Adult & older people - assessment criteria	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12072	An employee of West Lothian Council	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	It would be a better to have all local authorities were using the same assessment criteria. If older people have any relatives, friends etc. more emphasis could be placed here to help assist, rather than all services being placed on the Council.	Adult & older people - assessment criteria	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Criteria is set within an assessment framework to ensure people's needs are assessed consistently and fairly
12073	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	It very much sounds like the assessment criteria has been modified (made more stringent) in order to suit and estimated saving in budget required.	Adult & older people - assessment criteria	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Criteria is set within an assessment framework to ensure people's needs are assessed consistently and fairly
12074	An employee of West Lothian Council	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	From a hospital discharge point of view, not funding moderate or low risk eligibility criteria clients may move further away from objective of early and minimal intervention and could result in increase to hospital admissions. Still more work required to promote the default position that an outcome can only be met by a paid service.	Adult & older people - assessment criteria	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12075	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	I understand the need to focus on critical and substantial need, however a focus on early intervention would enable many of these needs to be addressed and alleviated for a larger number of people with the same resource, reducing the requirement for more acute services for a smaller number of people in the future.	Adult & older people - assessment criteria	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council will always be required to prioritise the needs of people who are most vulnerable. We would also aim to provide early intervention and prevention support where evidence based practice shows that a positive impact can be made
12076	An employee of West Lothian Council	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	I do agree with this, we should be assessing them and only dealing with the highly vulnerable. Other clients that do not fall under the category should potentially be looking into private care.	Adult & older people - assessment criteria	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12077	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	This sounds quite contradictory - to me the more we do to address the moderate needs may prevent more of the critical needs emerging. A lot of people can stay in their own home with a little support - with no or very limited support things escalate to critical quite quickly for more people. It could be a false saving.	Adult & older people - assessment criteria	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council will always be required to prioritise the needs of people who are most vulnerable. We would also aim to provide early intervention and prevention support where evidence based practice shows that a positive impact can be made
12078	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	I agree that for some people 4 visits a day is ridiculous and if it's cheaper to put them in a care home they should be regardless of if they want to stay at home	Adult & older people - assessment criteria	5c. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it is not consistent with the council's values and priorities.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12079	An employee of West Lothian Council	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	The proposal to set eligibility criteria at critical/substantial and, therefore, to cease formal support to people with moderate needs is in direct conflict with the Council's / JJB's stated aim of focusing on early intervention and prevention in order to defer or reduce greater expenditure - how will this be managed and how will strategic plans be amended to reflect this change of approach? Research shows that technology can effectively support the delivery of care at home but cannot routinely replace or provide an alternative to it - what is the basis for estimated savings linked to technology and how is it proposed to use technology in this area?	Adult & older people - assessment criteria	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. This consultation is the first stage of the process to enable the council to develop a five year plan. Detailed proposals will be worked up following the outcome of this consultation.

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12080	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	I agree there are more elderly people needing care. However, from my own experience setting the threshold level at critical/substantial is too high. Many of the carers looking after elderly, what ever their needs, need respite in order to carry on the unpaid work that they do for the council. When careres reach pension age their care allowance is stopped. There is no other support financially for them, they are unpaid workers saving the council millions in care costs. There is very little respite care in west lothian at present and it has to be booked so far in advance. Could this be reviewed in their favour. Carers need to have breaks from their 24/7 days. It will be interesting know technology will support care at home.	Adult & older people - assessment criteria	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12081	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	Setting the levels of care at critical/substantial for all new clients, is a disgrace. I am sure there will be many people who need your help left in despair. A rise in this year's Council Tax would have helped this situation.	Adult & older people - assessment criteria	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12082	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	We are very concerned at the proposal to reset the threshold level at critical before intervention is entertained. This appears a cruel cut.	Adult & older people - assessment criteria	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12083	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	Close scrutiny needs to be made as to the criteria to be used. What do "critical" or "substantial" actually mean? Who undertakes the assessment? How involved is the family/person being assessed?	Adult & older people - assessment criteria	4. The council is already doing this.	Criteria is set within an assessment framework to ensure people's needs are assessed consistently and fairly - family can be involved in the assessment if the person allows this
12084	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	We are also concerned that reducing or cutting provision at lower tariffs is contrary to the principles of early intervention and prevention and may result in more costly crisis intervention being required. How does Council plan to assess the potential impact of this on people and budgets?	Adult & older people - assessment criteria	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council will always be required to prioritise the needs of people who are most vulnerable, We would also aim to provide early intervention and prevention support where evidence based practice shows that a positive impact can be made
12085	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	How does introducing an eligibility criteria for Social Care meet the Improving the Quality of Life for Older People priority?	Adult & older people - assessment criteria	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Criteria is set within an assessment framework to ensure people's needs are assessed consistently and fairly. Work will continue to focus on those who are most vulnerable and have additional needs.
12086	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	How does introducing an eligibility criteria for Social Care meet the Improving the Quality of Life for Older People priority?	Adult & older people - assessment criteria	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Criteria is set within an assessment framework to ensure people's needs are assessed consistently and fairly. Work will continue to focus on those who are most vulnerable and have additional needs.
12087	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	How does introducing an eligibility criteria for Social Care meet the Improving the Quality of Life for Older People priority?	Adult & older people - assessment criteria	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Criteria is set within an assessment framework to ensure people's needs are assessed consistently and fairly. Work will continue to focus on those who are most vulnerable and have additional needs.
12088	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	How does introducing an eligibility criteria for Social Care meet the Improving the Quality of Life for Older People priority?	Adult & older people - assessment criteria	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Criteria is set within an assessment framework to ensure people's needs are assessed consistently and fairly. Work will continue to focus on those who are most vulnerable and have additional needs.
12089	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	How does introducing an eligibility criteria for Social Care meet the Improving the Quality of Life for Older People priority?	Adult & older people - assessment criteria	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Criteria is set within an assessment framework to ensure people's needs are assessed consistently and fairly. Work will continue to focus on those who are most vulnerable and have additional needs.
12090	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	How does introducing an eligibility criteria for Social Care meet the improving the quality of life for older people priority?	Adult & older people - assessment criteria	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Criteria is set within an assessment framework to ensure people's needs are assessed consistently and fairly. Work will continue to focus on those who are most vulnerable and have additional needs.
12091	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	Unsure how this would work in practice. We need more staff to help those most in need often and individual requires more care initially then reduced as time goes on. Unsure changing the assessment criteria would resolve and ever increasing elderly population who unfortunately are not elderly and will but elderly and ill. I would suggest this elderly and well but elderly and ill. I would suggest this need more consideration.	Adult & older people - assessment criteria	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council will always be required to prioritise the needs of people who are most vulnerable, We would also aim to provide early intervention and prevention support where evidence based practice shows that a positive impact can be made

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12092	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	I think that improved partnership working and communication, could reduce any duplication of works in order to make savings.	Adult & older people - assessment criteria	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	West Lothian has a proven track record of partnership working and would wish to build on this. Through integration it is expected that there would be less duplication and more streamlining of services.
12093	No Response	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	Better partnership working with third sector organisations and community groups to provide services.	Adult & older people - assessment criteria	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12094	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	How you go about setting the criteria will need to be carefully considered as putting more financial strain on people and their families may have a serious knock on effect with people becoming more critically unwell and then needing permanent and long term care. It would be sensible to apply some of these approaches to health care provision as well i.e. where able (not on benefits/pension or with a long term condition etc.) people paying a nominal amount for their prescriptions.	Adult & older people - assessment criteria	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Criteria is set within an assessment framework to ensure people's needs are assessed consistently and fairly
12095	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	Whilst I agree in principal that there needs to be more done to address people getting free services/adaptions etc and taking this provision for granted.	Adult & older people - assessment criteria	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	There is a further proposal under Income and Concessions which considers how a contributions policy can be introduced subject to the financial assessment of affordability
12096	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	Financial assessments increase bureaucracy and cost. It would be preferable to leave non-residential care services universally free,	Adult & older people - assessment criteria	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12097	No Response	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	I support the use of technology to support care at home provision e.g. reminders for medication rather than a staff member having to visit for this purpose.	Adult & older people - new technology	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12098	An employee of West Lothian Council	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	needs to be better integration with technology and insurance that the service its replaces is robust enough to serve those most in need. Also training of the elderly to use more technology needs to happen before the switch in service?	Adult & older people - new technology	4. The council is already doing this.	The council already deploys technology as part of care and support packages where appropriate. Expanding the use of this to more people will help ensure that direct face to face client time is used to best effect.
12099	No Response	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	Technology works when the client is able to understand it's reason for being there and when they should use it. Expanding technology in an environment e.g. someone living with dementia - they may have all the technology but a) not understand it's reason for being there or b) may have difficulty in allocating someone to respond to it's activation.	Adult & older people - new technology	4. The council is already doing this.	The council already deploys technology as part of care and support packages where appropriate. Expanding the use of this to more people will help ensure that direct face to face client time is used to best effect.
12100	No Response	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	I have doubts about the use of technology so I would suggest careful consideration of this would be required	Adult & older people - new technology	4. The council is already doing this.	The council already deploys technology as part of care and support packages where appropriate
12101	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	Technology, seriously? Start by improving facilities and quality of Social Workers	Adult & older people - new technology	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. The Council is committed to ensure a strong governance framework is in place to make sure quality is at the heart of service delivery.
12102	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	It is disgusting that our most vulnerable are targeted most. Many elderly people have paid their taxes all their life but can't get the support when they need it now. Many elderly and vulnerable adults are unable to access technology to support their care at home. Shocking!	Adult & older people - new technology	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council already deploys technology as part of care and support packages where appropriate. Expanding the use of this to more people will help ensure that direct face to face client time is used to best effect.
12103	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	great idea but technology cant be used as man power but we use it in housing with care and its a big part of that function	Adult & older people - new technology	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12104	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	The current process of assessment at the council needs a complete overhaul - huge savings could be made if better use of technology and sharing of information became more uniform.	Adult & older people - new technology	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your comment which will be considered as part of any service redesign
12105	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	Technology is great but I still would say that people would prefer to see a person face to face.	Adult & older people - new technology	4. The council is already doing this.	The council already deploys technology as part of care and support packages where appropriate. Expanding the use of this to more people will help ensure that direct face to face client time is used to best effect.
12106	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	Technology is no use to many elderly as they can't use it, e.g. dementia sufferers	Adult & older people - new technology	4. The council is already doing this.	The council already deploys technology as part of care and support packages where appropriate. Expanding the use of this to more people will help ensure that direct face to face client time is used to best effect.

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12107	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	Technology to support home care is a good asset however can not replace the face to face contact many older people need.	Adult & older people - new technology	4. The council is already doing this.	The council already deploys technology as part of care and support packages where appropriate. Expanding the use of this to more people will help ensure that direct face to face client time is used to best effect.
12108	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	I receive care at home through carers. If I am interrupting this correctly I for one would not welcome more technology to support care at home	Adult & older people - new technology	4. The council is already doing this.	The council already deploys technology as part of care and support packages where appropriate. Expanding the use of this to more people will help ensure that direct face to face client time is used to best effect.
12109	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	There needs to be better links within WLC due to the fact that if there are going to be budget cuts for aids and adaptations for older people and people with disabilities then a referral should be made to assist with applying for disability benefits to allow the person to purchase their aids to allow them to remain independent at home.	Adult & older people - new technology	4. The council is already doing this.	West Lothian has a proven track record of partnership working and would wish to build on this. People are always encouraged to get a benefits check undertaken where applicable.
12110	No Response	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	I don't support the use of technology at home if it means reducing personal human contact for the individual as this will increase the already gargantuan problem of loneliness and depression in the elderly and disabled, particularly those who are unable to access external companionship services.	Adult & older people - new technology	4. The council is already doing this.	The council already deploys technology as part of care and support packages where appropriate. Expanding the use of this to more people will help ensure that direct face to face client time is used to best effect.
12111	No Response	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	Social services are evidently struggling to meet all needs just now, additional technology is not going to replace this vital service.	Adult & older people - new technology	4. The council is already doing this.	The council already deploys technology as part of care and support packages where appropriate. Expanding the use of this to more people will help ensure that direct face to face client time is used to best effect.
12112	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	It needs more hands on support rather than technology	Adult & older people - new technology	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council already deploys technology as part of care and support packages where appropriate. Expanding the use of this to more people will help ensure that direct face to face client time is used to best effect.
12113	An employee of West Lothian Council	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	Secondly, the use of technology across the council comes as a natural progression however I'm concerned that this will not support older people as effectively - some may even be put off asking for help if it seems overly complicated or difficult to understand.	Adult & older people - new technology	4. The council is already doing this.	The council already deploys technology as part of care and support packages where appropriate. Expanding the use of this to more people will help ensure that direct face to face client time is used to best effect.
12114	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	Technology is only good if there is a robust and reliable maintenance/monitoring process put in place - my experience with my father was that this was poor.	Adult & older people - new technology	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12115	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	Agree - need to see where technology can help both control cost and improve peoples lives (especially independence)	Adult & older people - new technology	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12116	An employee of West Lothian Council	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	Love the idea of use of technology. I feel social housing for older people will be the best way to ensure support and care.	Adult & older people - new technology	4. The council is already doing this.	The council already deploys technology as part of care and support packages where appropriate. Expanding the use of this to more people will help ensure that direct face to face client time is used to best effect.
12117	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	But why not provide families that do look after elderly parents with a tax respite or something to ease the burden so that less outside care is needed. Personal experience. One of my employees visits her mum before and after work to check all ok. Cameras to monitor support worker effectiveness would be ideal if it didn't infringe human rights...as the majority of lone workers will get lazy. It's a fact if no one is monitoring performance then it drops.	Adult & older people - new technology	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your comment which will be considered as part of any service redesign
12118	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	using technology is the future but not for critical clients who need to see a person.	Adult & older people - new technology	4. The council is already doing this.	The council already deploys technology as part of care and support packages where appropriate. Expanding the use of this to more people will help ensure that direct face to face client time is used to best effect.
12119	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	If technology is going to be used to supplement this then it needs to be well maintained, up-to-date, fit for purpose and secure. Many of the older generation are not comfortable with technology and require a different approach	Adult & older people - new technology	4. The council is already doing this.	The council already deploys technology as part of care and support packages where appropriate. Expanding the use of this to more people will help ensure that direct face to face client time is used to best effect.
12120	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	If technology is going to be used to supplement this then it needs to be well maintained, up-to-date, fit for purpose and secure. Many of the older generation are not comfortable with technology and require a different approach	Adult & older people - new technology	4. The council is already doing this.	The council already deploys technology as part of care and support packages where appropriate. Expanding the use of this to more people will help ensure that direct face to face client time is used to best effect.

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12121	No Response	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	Again technology needs to be fit for purpose and many of the elderly population are not comfortable with its use. This encourages older people to spend their income to ensure they are not eligible for the costs.	Adult & older people - new technology	4. The council is already doing this.	The council already deploys technology as part of care and support packages where appropriate. Expanding the use of this to more people will help ensure that direct face to face client time is used to best effect.
12122	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	Concerns around the use of technology to support home care. This usually applies to the elderly and care has to be taken to ensure effectiveness.	Adult & older people - new technology	4. The council is already doing this.	The council already deploys technology as part of care and support packages where appropriate. Expanding the use of this to more people will help ensure that direct face to face client time is used to best effect.
12123	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	How many older people have access to technology? Sounds like many more older people will not be receiving the vital care they need when many already don't.	Adult & older people - new technology	4. The council is already doing this.	The council already deploys technology as part of care and support packages where appropriate. Expanding the use of this to more people will help ensure that direct face to face client time is used to best effect.
12124	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	I feel a assessed contributions to care system should be introduced. The Government need to scrap free prescriptions for all an return to the previous system where those entitled to some assistance for prescriptions received this. A family member I knew paid a one off payment of around £70 at the time as they required a lot of medication and this was acceptable to them. The money lost in people ordering prescriptions that are never used or cheaper to purchase in the shop than through free prescriptions could be put to better use to support older people.	Adult & older people - new technology	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12125	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	Interesting that you have grouped "Adults" and "Older people" together, without saying that the Adults will be adults with disabilities, and that the proposal is to make the largest savings at the expense of disabled people. Is this a way of trying to disguise that the largest single saving you hope to make is by cutting services to the most vulnerable? I don't like the sound of "...expand on the successful use of technology to support care at home provision" If by this you mean replacing human contact and human decision making with machinery and technology, this should NOT be done in a caring society. People need to interact with other people regularly.	Adult & older people - new technology	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council already deploys technology as part of care and support packages where appropriate. Expanding the use of this to more people will help ensure that direct face to face client time is used to best effect.
12126	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	Technology is only a tool that can help care for elderly at home. More support, people and services are needed in order to reduce numbers needing to go into care. Also, more information on how to access support is needed as at present I'm not sure how readily this is known.	Adult & older people - new technology	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted and will be considered as part of a review of internal processes.
12127	An employee of West Lothian Council	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	Older people struggle with technology! This would mean families would need to care more for their elderly members.	Adult & older people - new technology	4. The council is already doing this.	The council already deploys technology as part of care and support packages where appropriate. Expanding the use of this to more people will help ensure that direct face to face client time is used to best effect.
12128	An employee of West Lothian Council	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	I don't know what technology could replace a home visit to an elderly resident. Often a home visit by Council care staff is the only contact an elderly person will have; it would be a mistake to reduce this service.	Adult & older people - new technology	4. The council is already doing this.	The council already deploys technology as part of care and support packages where appropriate. Expanding the use of this to more people will help ensure that direct face to face client time is used to best effect.
12129	No Response	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	Use of technology is a good idea however many older people are scared of technology and this may be a false economy.	Adult & older people - new technology	4. The council is already doing this.	The council already deploys technology as part of care and support packages where appropriate. Expanding the use of this to more people will help ensure that direct face to face client time is used to best effect.
12130	No Response	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	Technology is great but human contact is essential.	Adult & older people - new technology	4. The council is already doing this.	The council already deploys technology as part of care and support packages where appropriate. Expanding the use of this to more people will help ensure that direct face to face client time is used to best effect.
12131	An employee of West Lothian Council	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	Technology that allows simple face to face contact remotely would be advantageous. We need to use for a variety of services.	Adult & older people - new technology	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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12132	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	If technology is to be used to replace staff I hope it is far better than what is currently in place and that there is a quality workforce behind it or people's lives will be at risk. No doubts about it. Instead of reducing primary care givers and low level management why not review the higher management down? Most organisations prove to be top heavy. It's not just council workmen who have a lack lustre approach at times, long term management should be reviewed to see how well they are performing. In some aspects less would most certainly seem to be more.	Adult & older people - new technology	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted and will be considered as part of any change to management structures.
12133	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	The council would also expand on the successful use of technology to support care at home provision: How?	Adult & older people - new technology	4. The council is already doing this.	The council already deploys technology as part of care and support packages where appropriate. Expanding the use of this to more people will help ensure that direct face to face client time is used to best effect.
12134	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	Improving care at home via technology seems to me likely to remain unachievable until the present elderly population, unfamiliar with technology, dies.	Adult & older people - new technology	4. The council is already doing this.	The council already deploys technology as part of care and support packages where appropriate. Expanding the use of this to more people will help ensure that direct face to face client time is used to best effect.
12135	No Response	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	Technology is vital, however it cannot replace people when dealing with vulnerable persons. Technology breaks, what happens then.	Adult & older people - new technology	4. The council is already doing this.	The council already deploys technology as part of care and support packages where appropriate. Expanding the use of this to more people will help ensure that direct face to face client time is used to best effect.
12136	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	And how can technology care and support someone at home, how can a machine dispense tablets to someone suffering dementia or get them ready for whether they are getting ready for a day centre (which the council will probably close) or getting ready for bed.	Adult & older people - new technology	4. The council is already doing this.	The council already deploys technology as part of care and support packages where appropriate. Expanding the use of this to more people will help ensure that direct face to face client time is used to best effect.
12137	An employee of West Lothian Council	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	Many are not IT literate and only with hands-on care can survive day-to-day.	Adult & older people - new technology	4. The council is already doing this.	The council already deploys technology as part of care and support packages where appropriate. Expanding the use of this to more people will help ensure that direct face to face client time is used to best effect.
12138	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	The expansion of technology to support care at home, is a welcomed proposal. The service currently provided is excellent allowing people greater independence whilst also being an effective use of resources.	Adult & older people - new technology	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12139	An employee of West Lothian Council	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	Technology in this area can be expensive.	Adult & older people - new technology	4. The council is already doing this.	The council already deploys technology as part of care and support packages where appropriate. Expanding the use of this to more people will help ensure that direct face to face client time is used to best effect.
12140	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	Technology and old people usually doesn't mix .	Adult & older people - new technology	4. The council is already doing this.	The council already deploys technology as part of care and support packages where appropriate. Expanding the use of this to more people will help ensure that direct face to face client time is used to best effect.
12141	An employee of West Lothian Council	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	The technology to support care at home should be more accessible for Deaf Service users, more of visual communication.	Adult & older people - new technology	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your comment which will be considered as part of any service redesign
12142	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	Technology is all very well but nothing compares with human intervention.	Adult & older people - new technology	4. The council is already doing this.	The council already deploys technology as part of care and support packages where appropriate. Expanding the use of this to more people will help ensure that direct face to face client time is used to best effect.
12143	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	Technology aid would help but social services seem to already be struggling so cuts here would be bad.	Adult & older people - new technology	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council already deploys technology as part of care and support packages where appropriate. Expanding the use of this to more people will help ensure that direct face to face client time is used to best effect.
12144	An employee of West Lothian Council	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	I agree they should expand on the successful use of technology.	Adult & older people - new technology	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council already deploys technology as part of care and support packages where appropriate. Expanding the use of this to more people will help ensure that direct face to face client time is used to best effect.

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12145	No Response	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	While savings need to be achieved and this is accepted, a plea to remember that older people are not as IT savi as others	Adult & older people - new technology	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12146	An employee of West Lothian Council	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	Technology will hopefully help a lot here. Perhaps there are innovations further afield (America etc) that could be applied to the home care system here.	Adult & older people - new technology	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The council already deploys technology as part of care and support packages where appropriate. Expanding the use of this to more people will help ensure that direct face to face client time is used to best effect.
12147	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	I agree - especially more use of technology to support care at home provision	Adult & older people - new technology	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12148	No Response	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	Introduction of new technologies would be of benefit.	Adult & older people - new technology	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12149	An employee of West Lothian Council	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	By using technology to support care at home takes away the human element and there is simply no substitute for human interaction with the most vulnerable in our society.	Adult & older people - new technology	4. The council is already doing this.	The council already deploys technology as part of care and support packages where appropriate. Expanding the use of this to more people will help ensure that direct face to face client time is used to best effect.
12150	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	Its all very well saying use technology but loneliness is a huge issue and surely the adults need some human contact. I wouldn't like this for my parents.	Adult & older people - new technology	4. The council is already doing this.	The council already deploys technology as part of care and support packages where appropriate. Expanding the use of this to more people will help ensure that direct face to face client time is used to best effect.
12151	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	This will put additional burden on carers. Technology is no substitute for proper care. Again, raise council tax.	Adult & older people - new technology	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council already deploys technology as part of care and support packages where appropriate. Expanding the use of this to more people will help ensure that direct face to face client time is used to best effect.
12152	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	Agree with better use of technology, not sure about rest. e.g. does a bit of supprt at a lower level prevent someone rising to critical/substantial at a higher cost?	Adult & older people - new technology	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council will always be required to prioritise the needs of people who are most vulnerable. We would also aim to provide early intervention and prevention support where evidence based practice shows that a positive impact can be made
12153	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	Technology is a useful tool but face to face is often also important to keep it personal and human.	Adult & older people - new technology	4. The council is already doing this.	The council already deploys technology as part of care and support packages where appropriate. Expanding the use of this to more people will help ensure that direct face to face client time is used to best effect.
12154	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	A lot of elderly people are frightened of technology, would someone be going to show people how to use this and what about people with Dementia or memory impairments. I feel that an elderly person could be forgotten about if nobody sees them.	Adult & older people - new technology	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council already deploys technology as part of care and support packages where appropriate. Expanding the use of this to more people will help ensure that direct face to face client time is used to best effect.
12155	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	Please publish the "expand on the successful use of technology"	Adult & older people - new technology	4. The council is already doing this.	The council already deploys technology as part of care and support packages where appropriate. Expanding the use of this to more people will help ensure that direct face to face client time is used to best effect.
12156	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	Where technology can help this would be positive but care must be taken to ensure those unable to use technology are not disadvantaged.	Adult & older people - new technology	4. The council is already doing this.	The council already deploys technology as part of care and support packages where appropriate. Expanding the use of this to more people will help ensure that direct face to face client time is used to best effect.
12157	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	Consideration of certain assistive technology devices within the community (especially for older adults) should be considered. These do not have to be expensive - some are basic and help people carry out every day tasks. I think that the implementation of more falls devices (alarms) would be an effective way to ensure that our elderly community are able to obtain health and social care when required	Adult & older people - new technology	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12158	An employee of West Lothian Council	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	Enabling older people to live in their own homes for longer through technology makes perfect sense and benefits communities.	Adult & older people - new technology	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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12159	An employee of West Lothian Council	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	Technology isn't always the answer, these people need regular care and support	Adult & older people - new technology	4. The council is already doing this.	The council already deploys technology as part of care and support packages where appropriate. Expanding the use of this to more people will help ensure that direct face to face client time is used to best effect.
12160	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	Expanding use of technology is in my opinion a good proposal - I have significant concern about only looking at critical/substantial for new clients and would instead suggest that other services remain but with a contribution paid by the person wishing to use the service.	Adult & older people - new technology	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	There is a further proposal under Income and Concessions which considers how a contributions policy can be introduced subject to the financial assessment of affordability
12161	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	Use of technology to support independent and safe living at home particularly for the elderly must be Utilised in a manner where it improves life for the person and not isolate the individual from physical human contact which will have a detrimental effect on their mental health, or where the individual is frightened of the technology. It needs to be well supported with person contact as well. This will improve as the generations who have become more used to technology in their day to day life start to become more in need of assistance, they will expect technology to support their independence.	Adult & older people - new technology	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12162	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	Technology can clearly help with this.	Adult & older people - new technology	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12163	An employee of West Lothian Council	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	Adaptions to the family home may be more cost effective than residential care.	Adult & older people - new technology	4. The council is already doing this.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12164	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	Technology is good and useful but face to face contact is also vital for connectivity, sense of community and well being.	Adult & older people - new technology	4. The council is already doing this.	The council already deploys technology as part of care and support packages where appropriate. Expanding the use of this to more people will help ensure that direct face to face client time is used to best effect.
12165	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	The introduction of more technology support in people's homes will only work well with good back up support by actual people. How would better technology help older people in their homes who have increasingly heightened anxiety about how they might cope manage?	Adult & older people - new technology	4. The council is already doing this.	The council already deploys technology as part of care and support packages where appropriate. Expanding the use of this to more people will help ensure that direct face to face client time is used to best effect.
12166	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	Increasing the use of technology can be beneficial in promoting home safety, but many elderly people are socially isolated and human contact to provide some services is essential.	Adult & older people - new technology	4. The council is already doing this.	The council already deploys technology as part of care and support packages where appropriate. Expanding the use of this to more people will help ensure that direct face to face client time is used to best effect.
12167	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	More use of technology to support care at home is a very good idea.	Adult & older people - new technology	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12168	No Response	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	Not sure about the use of technology. Most elderly people need to see an actual person.	Adult & older people - new technology	4. The council is already doing this.	The council already deploys technology as part of care and support packages where appropriate. Expanding the use of this to more people will help ensure that direct face to face client time is used to best effect.
12169	An employee of West Lothian Council	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	Technology to support people at home - where is the humanity in that? Older people - carers may be the only people they ever see! Wrong. Wrong. Wrong.	Adult & older people - new technology	4. The council is already doing this.	The council already deploys technology as part of care and support packages where appropriate. Expanding the use of this to more people will help ensure that direct face to face client time is used to best effect.
12170	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	The use of technology, I understand, can give big savings in this area.	Adult & older people - new technology	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12171	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	not sure technology is the way to go for home visits	Adult & older people - new technology	4. The council is already doing this.	The council already deploys technology as part of care and support packages where appropriate. Expanding the use of this to more people will help ensure that direct face to face client time is used to best effect.
12172	An employee of West Lothian Council	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	However, the introduction of new technology also has the potential to increase loneliness.	Adult & older people - new technology	4. The council is already doing this.	The council already deploys technology as part of care and support packages where appropriate. Expanding the use of this to more people will help ensure that direct face to face client time is used to best effect.

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12173	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	As an individual with 2 disabilities who is unable to live on their own it is important that I have onsite 24hr support, I feel technology is not able to provide the support/personal/medical care that someone like myself needs.	Adult & older people - new technology	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12174	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	Advances in technology sound good for sharing and communicating but are wasted if the hands-on provision is not in place.	Adult & older people - new technology	4. The council is already doing this.	The council already deploys technology as part of care and support packages where appropriate. Expanding the use of this to more people will help ensure that direct face to face client time is used to best effect.
12175	No Response	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	OK, as long as there is a safety net for people in need of assistance should technology be faulty or unreliable.	Adult & older people - new technology	4. The council is already doing this.	The council already deploys technology as part of care and support packages where appropriate. Expanding the use of this to more people will help ensure that direct face to face client time is used to best effect.
12176	An employee of West Lothian Council	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	How can technology support care at home?	Adult & older people - new technology	4. The council is already doing this.	The council already deploys technology as part of care and support packages where appropriate. Expanding the use of this to more people will help ensure that direct face to face client time is used to best effect.
12177	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	Don't see how the council can save anything on this other than sustain the level of service. Innovative use of Skype like services might help support care at home provision.	Adult & older people - new technology	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12178	An employee of West Lothian Council	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	Smart technology should be introduced.	Adult & older people - new technology	4. The council is already doing this.	The council already deploys technology as part of care and support packages where appropriate. Expanding the use of this to more people will help ensure that direct face to face client time is used to best effect.
12179	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	Technology has limited use in this area and it would be a travesty if services became 'remote' in nature.	Adult & older people - new technology	4. The council is already doing this.	The council already deploys technology as part of care and support packages where appropriate. Expanding the use of this to more people will help ensure that direct face to face client time is used to best effect.
12180	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	Agree that use of technology needs to be looked at as much as possible but not sure if that will ever be the same as personal contact from a carer.	Adult & older people - new technology	4. The council is already doing this.	The council already deploys technology as part of care and support packages where appropriate. Expanding the use of this to more people will help ensure that direct face to face client time is used to best effect.
12181	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	Agree that modern technology to support care on demand for the elderly should be promoted, so as to try to maintain as much independence as possible but with the direct access to support if required, e.g. the red button for emergency assistance.	Adult & older people - new technology	4. The council is already doing this.	The council already deploys technology as part of care and support packages where appropriate. Expanding the use of this to more people will help ensure that direct face to face client time is used to best effect.
12182	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	I agree with expanding the use of technology as that assist in keeping the elderly in their own homes.	Adult & older people - new technology	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12183	No Response	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	If we need more technology we need enough IT staff to introduce it and enough lawyers to ensure the contracts are robust. Look at the Trams contract and learn from Edinburgh Councils mistakes.	Adult & older people - new technology	4. The council is already doing this.	The Council is committed to ensure a strong governance framework is in place to make sure quality is at the heart of service delivery from external partners
12184	An employee of West Lothian Council	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	Agree with the increased use of technology	Adult & older people - new technology	4. The council is already doing this.	The council already deploys technology as part of care and support packages where appropriate. Expanding the use of this to more people will help ensure that direct face to face client time is used to best effect.
12185	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	It's people who provide successful support care at home and technology is no substitute for that.	Adult & older people - new technology	4. The council is already doing this.	The council already deploys technology as part of care and support packages where appropriate. Expanding the use of this to more people will help ensure that direct face to face client time is used to best effect.
12186	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	Care for our vulnerable and elderly must not be compromised by a cost cutting exercise - that is not to say that re-organisation and use of technology cannot deliver both cost reduction and better care	Adult & older people - new technology	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council already deploys technology as part of care and support packages where appropriate. Expanding the use of this to more people will help ensure that direct face to face client time is used to best effect.

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12187	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	It has been identified by research that we live in a society where there are a lot of lonely people. Substituting technology for short care visits will only increase people's isolation and loneliness further, and causing more mental health issues for the vulnerable people of our society. I do not think your proposal will be effective in the long term, it will only increase problems further.	Adult & older people - new technology	4. The council is already doing this.	The council already deploys technology as part of care and support packages where appropriate. Expanding the use of this to more people will help ensure that direct face to face client time is used to best effect.
12188	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	Agree with expansion of technology	Adult & older people - new technology	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12189	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	if the use of technology in this situation means less human contact, it would have far reaching and damaging consequences	Adult & older people - new technology	4. The council is already doing this.	The council already deploys technology as part of care and support packages where appropriate. Expanding the use of this to more people will help ensure that direct face to face client time is used to best effect.
12190	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	Expansion on the successful use of technology may have some benefits. However, the technology applied needs to be properly costed.	Adult & older people - new technology	4. The council is already doing this.	The council already deploys technology as part of care and support packages where appropriate. Expanding the use of this to more people will help ensure that direct face to face client time is used to best effect.
12191	An employee of West Lothian Council	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	Greater use of technology could be very helpful.	Adult & older people - new technology	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12192	An employee of West Lothian Council	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	Short care visits are not working - having a Home Carer visit elderly residents for a medication check seems inefficient, as the Carer is being paid mileage to get there, and barely has any time whatsoever to spend with the elderly person. Perhaps technology could be utilised to act as a reminder.	Adult & older people - new technology	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12193	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	I do not see how Technology can support care at home. Elderly people very often depend on carers attending so this is not an area I think should be suffering cuts.	Adult & older people - new technology	4. The council is already doing this.	The council already deploys technology as part of care and support packages where appropriate. Expanding the use of this to more people will help ensure that direct face to face client time is used to best effect.
12194	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	care at home technology! sometimes just seeing someone face to face makes a huge difference.	Adult & older people - new technology	4. The council is already doing this.	The council already deploys technology as part of care and support packages where appropriate. Expanding the use of this to more people will help ensure that direct face to face client time is used to best effect.
12195	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	As 1b. Technology cannot help the elderly in the home when in crisis or simple needs help in everyday tasks i.e. personal hygiene.	Adult & older people - new technology	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	The council already deploys technology as part of care and support packages where appropriate. Expanding the use of this to more people will help ensure that direct face to face client time is used to best effect.
12196	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	Again the most vulnerable in our society will suffer. Each case has to be individually assessed often technology cannot replace a human. I have seen this tried and there is a delay before a personal can respond to the alert of technology leaving people vulnerable. There cannot be one size fits all approach	Adult & older people - new technology	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council already deploys technology as part of care and support packages where appropriate. Expanding the use of this to more people will help ensure that direct face to face client time is used to best effect.
12197	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	Use of technology will help but there is a cost to purchase, development and support.	Adult & older people - new technology	4. The council is already doing this.	The council already deploys technology as part of care and support packages where appropriate. Expanding the use of this to more people will help ensure that direct face to face client time is used to best effect.
12198	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	Technology (Skype?) or befrienders should be used to ensure their circumstances do not change for the worse when they might need an increase in help.	Adult & older people - new technology	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12199	An employee of West Lothian Council	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	Use of technology in residential services to assess more accurately/less judgementally what people may/may not need in the community. Clarity from practice teams to care providers about what they need assessed in their clients and in what timescale. This would allow care providers to give the requested report/feedback more clearly	Adult & older people - new technology	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12200	No Response	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	Some care provided to prompt people with medications, some only take paracetamol but surely they can be prompted through technology rather than visit	Adult & older people - new technology	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council already deploys technology as part of care and support packages where appropriate. Expanding the use of this to more people will help ensure that direct face to face client time is used to best effect.

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12201	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	Increase of technology is a good idea but remember carers have very little life if they are caring for an elderly person with dementia etc - do not cut support for the carers as it would be short-sighted.	Adult & older people - new technology	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12202	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	This could have a detrimental impact on some very vulnerable people who don't have the ability to make use of technology nor able to make contact with services to determine what provisions are available to them. This could result in older people in a unsafe and/or unhealthy environment with no way to access provisions available to them or even provisions being withdrawn altogether due to these cuts .	Adult & older people - new technology	4. The council is already doing this.	The council already deploys technology as part of care and support packages where appropriate. Expanding the use of this to more people will help ensure that direct face to face client time is used to best effect.
12203	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	Agreed, where 1:1 support is also available for those with our access / unable to use the required technology	Adult & older people - new technology	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12204	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	Yes, technology. No, pulling the plug on support to old people, who deserve to be treated with dignity and respect whatever their circumstances.	Adult & older people - new technology	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12205	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	consultation with senior people's forum would have been helpful. What technology? How would elderly cope with this?	Adult & older people - new technology	4. The council is already doing this.	All stakeholders are being asked to participate in the consultation
12206	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	Other council's charge for adaptations. This should be put in place in West Lothian on an income scale. More money invested in day services which is preventative and saves money as it reduces need for residential care placements and home care packages.	Adult & older people - private adaptation grants	4. The council is already doing this.	There is a further proposal under Income and Concessions which considers how a contributions policy can be introduced subject to the financial assessment of affordability
12207	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	Far too many are given cars to so called carers who don't actually use them for the purpose they where given. Why is the allowance for disability car such a high amount? I have yet to see a disability car which is not a high priced vehicle, this funding would be much more useful elsewhere such as more home care visits.	Adult & older people - private adaptation grants	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12208	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	Keeping people in their own home can be more beneficial than putting them in accommodation, however constantly adapting homes and then stripping them out is futile and money wasting.	Adult & older people - private adaptation grants	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your comment which will be considered as part of any service redesign
12209	An employee of West Lothian Council	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	know several people reliant on social care for adaptations and respite services, they all had to wait lengthy periods to be linked to a social worker to be referred to occupational health. It does not seem fare or civilised to leave an individual in a situation where they can not bathe properly for a year due to waiting for a referral for a simple adaptation to allow a normal day to day activity	Adult & older people - private adaptation grants	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Criteria is set within an assessment framework to ensure people's needs are assessed consistently and fairly. Work will continue to focus on those who are most vulnerable and have additional needs.
12210	No Response	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	I have known cases where the individuals concerned had to stay in hospital for extended periods until public money was found to adapt their homes.	Adult & older people - private adaptation grants	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12211	An employee of West Lothian Council	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	I feel people with private adaptation grants should not be penalised because they own their home. I feel there should be one money pot for all housing tenures and all should be considered for paying 20% the grant.	Adult & older people - private adaptation grants	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12212	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	Surely improving the grant for adaptations st home and supporting the elderly at home will decrease the number of people requiring specialist homes or respite care. To cut the funding across the board does not make sense.	Adult & older people - private adaptation grants	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12213	No Response	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	Agree with the revision of private adaption grants	Adult & older people - private adaptation grants	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12214	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	I don't see how you can reduce this budget when people affected are increasing in number. If new services / technologies / products are being introduced could they be made available for a charge? This is not a tax on the old, it would be paying for product / service just like you would buy eg an iPad to enable you to Skype with your family.	Adult & older people - private adaptation grants	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your comment which will be considered as part of any service redesign
12215	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	If there is already care at home in place I don't think we need to spend money on things like wet room showers.	Adult & older people - private adaptation grants	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12216	An employee of West Lothian Council	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	provision for care at home in my opinion needs to be done timeously and with equipment of high standard and not lower costing as this is false economy in the long run.... I have known people who have had equipment for one or other partner who has since passed away but they have been left with the equipment left lying redundant in that house when someone else in need could have used it.	Adult & older people - private adaptation grants	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your comment which will be considered as part of any service redesign
12217	An employee of West Lothian Council	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	Why is the Council providing care services for those with disabilities for free. If they require ongoing care they receive an allowance (Personal Independence Payment) from the Government to help pay for these services.	Adult & older people - private adaptation grants	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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12218	An employee of West Lothian Council	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	will this not drive up costs elsewhere with adaptations being required to provide support at home?	Adult & older people - private adaptation grants	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your comment which will be considered as part of any service redesign
12219	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	People shouldn't have to wait months for adaptations to their homes or accessing the services they need.	Adult & older people - private adaptation grants	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12220	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	When adaptations are made to a home that is privately owned, are these costs recouped if the house, where the adaptations are put in place, is then sold on?	Adult & older people - private adaptation grants	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12221	No Response	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	reviewing the allocation process, only providing Adaptation grants and Occupation Health grants to those who are under the poverty level. Those who can afford should be made to pay. We shouldn't be funding for people who have money to pay for their needs and adaptations.	Adult & older people - private adaptation grants	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	There is a further proposal under Income and Concessions which considers how a contributions policy can be introduced subject to the financial assessment of affordability
12222	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	Many older people living at home can afford to pay for items such as wheeled walkers, handrails etc. Can people be means tested so money can be given to those in greatest need and financial hardship?	Adult & older people - private adaptation grants	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	There is a further proposal under Income and Concessions which considers how a contributions policy can be introduced subject to the financial assessment of affordability
12223	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	Respite provision for families with no support, some are carers with disabilities themselves is a lifeline. If you take that away from people, or fail to provide it, many will not cope and crisis points will be much faster and with a worse long term outcome for families and their long term health and wellbeing.	Adult & older people - respite provision	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Work will continue to focus on those who are most vulnerable and have additional needs.
12224	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	This will result in older people being stuck in hospital unnecessarily	Adult & older people - respite provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council is working with NHS Lothian on a wide reaching Frailty Programme to maximise patient pathways and redesign access to community based services
12225	No Response	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	Respite in the council is a joke when it comes to complex needs of individual. Waiting 3 years for respite is unacceptable.	Adult & older people - respite provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12226	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	Need to protect respite services for people with disabilities.	Adult & older people - respite provision	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Criteria is set within an assessment framework to ensure people's needs are assessed consistently and fairly. Work will continue to focus on those who are most vulnerable and have additional needs.
12227	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	Supporting people to stay in their own communities could be good but how? Quality service providers are withdrawing from this area.	Adult & older people - respite provision	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	West Lothian has a proven track record of partnership working and would wish to build on this.
12228	No Response	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	Money should be spent to try and keep the older generation at home for as long as possible, but shorter visits could mean cutting the only lifeline and human contact that many older people have.	Adult & older people - respite provision	4. The council is already doing this.	The council already deploys technology as part of care and support packages where appropriate. Expanding the use of this to more people will help ensure that direct face to face client time is used to best effect.
12229	No Response	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	We need to provide more than 15 minute slots for people who need care. Allow them the dignity to remain in their own homes as long as they can.	Adult & older people - respite provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Criteria is set within an assessment framework to ensure people's needs are assessed consistently and fairly. Work will continue to focus on those who are most vulnerable and have additional needs.
12230	An employee of West Lothian Council	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	In terms of care, other local authorities charge for things such as respite, care for under 65s. The only free provision is personal care for over 65 year olds.	Adult & older people - respite provision	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	There is a further proposal under Income and Concessions which considers how a contributions policy can be introduced subject to the financial assessment of affordability
12231	An employee of West Lothian Council	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	As highlighted in sect 2a, respite care provision for children and families effected by disability are reliant on external partners. WLC have no in house provision to fill this need. Should investment in this provision be considered in house, rather than continuing reliance external partners, who potentially have a monopoly.	Adult & older people - respite provision	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your comment which will be considered as part of any service redesign
12232	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	I am concerned about reducing respite care to already stretched carers and disagree with this.	Adult & older people - respite provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Work will continue to focus on those who are most vulnerable and have additional needs.
12233	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	Need for appropriate respite units with trained staff.	Adult & older people - respite provision	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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12234	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	Respite care is currently being abused by some so any threshold review is welcome so that those who really require the service can do so.	Adult & older people - respite provision	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12235	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	From personal experience I know the Council has an excellent record in provision of these services. Hopefully it will be possible to make necessary adjustments without seriously reducing standards for priority groups.	Adult & older people - respite provision	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12236	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	Older people staying in their own homes seem to have little enough time spent on them Staying in home accommodation is cheaper than care homes	Adult & older people - respite provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Criteria is set within an assessment framework to ensure people's needs are assessed consistently and fairly
12237	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	Supporting people in their own home is fine when suitable for the individual, but I feel this results in many people becoming more and more isolated and impacts on quality of life, then results in poor health and puts further strain on NHS.	Adult & older people - respite provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council is working with NHS Lothian on a wide reaching Frailty Programme to maximise patient pathways and redesign access to community based services
12238	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	With an ageing population, the priority should be to provide support to allow people to cope in their own home for as long as possible. More needs to be spent on home carers and services for the elderly	Adult & older people - respite provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12239	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	This sounds as though the focus will be to provide more care at home. That is sensible but depends fully on the nature of the disability, the ability of the family / home life and the level of care at home being sufficient so it is not a one size fits all process.	Adult & older people - respite provision	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12240	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	I am only too aware of the support care at home provision and in my mind, a carer in for about 10 minutes, four times a day (if the person is lucky) is not "care". From what I have seen of neighbours having care at home who do not have the luxury of family to help support, this system in my mind does not work.	Adult & older people - respite provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Criteria is set within an assessment framework to ensure people's needs are assessed consistently and fairly. Work will continue to focus on those who are most vulnerable and have additional needs.
12241	An employee of West Lothian Council	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	Would this not put more pressure on carers and expectation that families have to provide even more care for elderly family members?	Adult & older people - respite provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12242	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	These services are crucial. Without respite provision many of our families with vulnerable adults would not be able to cope.	Adult & older people - respite provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Work will continue to focus on those who are most vulnerable and have additional needs.
12243	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	Care for older people is very good. One area which needs to be protected from my own experience is respite care for carers. Huge numbers of these are family members who are not paid but full time care is exhausting and to preserve their health (so they can go on caring!) respite is essential.	Adult & older people - respite provision	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Work will continue to focus on those who are most vulnerable and have additional needs.
12244	No Response	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	Flexible respite accounts need to be stricter as some people have been known to use this for going to a hotel for a night at the cost of £700	Adult & older people - respite provision	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your comment which will be considered as part of any service redesign
12245	No Response	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	Flexible respite needs to be relooked at as there are some people misuse this service which costs a lot of money. Some carers attend people in the community with a medication prompt, sometimes paracetamol the only medication identified. Surely this could be more cost effective in the way a prompt is carried out.	Adult & older people - respite provision	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12246	An employee of West Lothian Council	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	To look at the provision of flexible respite usage and maybe have set providers\ organisations to utilise this rather than people misusing it. to maximise use of current services in place to look at the current in house services that are provided to ensure best use of resources. Possibly to stop in house carers going out in 2's as this is not always necessary.	Adult & older people - respite provision	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12247	An employee of West Lothian Council	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	What constitute critical/substantial threshold levels? Maybe some customers can afford to pay for services in this bracket but less financially fluid customers may not be at a critical/substantial level but may benefit from short term help to cope.	Adult & older people - threshold levels	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The introduction of any contributions policy will be subject to the financial assessment of affordability
12248	An employee of West Lothian Council	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	WOULD SYUGEST A CHARGING POLICY FOR THE SERVICES WE PROVIDE HERE. .	Adult & older people - threshold levels	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The introduction of any contributions policy will be subject to the financial assessment of affordability
12249	An employee of West Lothian Council	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	ALSO CESSATION OF FLEXIBLE RESPITE WHICH BENEFITS THE FEW NOT THE MANY	Adult & older people - threshold levels	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Criteria will be set within an assessment framework to ensure people's needs are assessed consistently and fairly. Work will continue to focus on those who are most vulnerable and have additional needs.

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12250	An employee of West Lothian Council	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	If threshold means how much physical support they 'need' then that makes sense so long as good welfare visits are in place for those falling below that threshold.	Adult & older people - threshold levels	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Criteria will be set within an assessment framework to ensure people's needs are assessed consistently and fairly. Work will continue to focus on those who are most vulnerable and have additional needs.
12251	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	The majority of older people pay Council Tax, therefore, I fail to see why they should be penalised. The statements reads that 'resources would be focussed on supporting those most in need' How will the Council identify this group?	Adult & older people - threshold levels	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Criteria will be set within an assessment framework to ensure people's needs are assessed consistently and fairly
12252	An employee of West Lothian Council	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	And if they're not critical but need help?? What happens then. My mum has dementia and currently lives with me but this cannot continue forever as the impact on my children has been huge. They are scared and unhappy. My mum has worked all her life paying taxes and national insurance, you tell me why she should not get care?	Adult & older people - threshold levels	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Criteria is set within an assessment framework to ensure people's needs are assessed consistently and fairly
12253	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	I think you have no option but to shift costs to the individual in what ever fair way you can by re-setting the threshold levels. There aren't enough wage earners (and taxes leading to your funding) to support the huge increase in people in this category.	Adult & older people - threshold levels	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	There is a further proposal under Income and Concessions which considers how a contributions policy can be introduced subject to the financial assessment of affordability
12254	An employee of West Lothian Council	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	I consider reviewing all the low cost POC, and yes, I agree setting thresholds higher, will help reduce costs.	Adult & older people - threshold levels	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12255	An employee of West Lothian Council	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	I support Changes to thresholds	Adult & older people - threshold levels	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12256	No Response	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	People who receive High rate premium benefits should pay more towards their own care.	Adult & older people - threshold levels	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	There is a further proposal under Income and Concessions which considers how a contributions policy can be introduced subject to the financial assessment of affordability
12257	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	What happens to those who have long term illness whether that is physical or mental? Sometimes all that prevents them from being critical or substantial is the level of care they currently receive.? Greater clarity needs to made on what exactly respiratory is.	Adult & older people - threshold levels	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Criteria is set within an assessment framework to ensure people's needs are assessed consistently and fairly. Work will continue to focus on those who are most vulnerable and have additional needs.
12258	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	I can see the point of keeping older people at home if it's safe to do so but feel there are not enough care homes for the elderly	Adult & older people - threshold levels	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12259	An employee of West Lothian Council	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	Personalisation and the shift to Self Directed Support along with tightened threshold levels don't sit well together.	Adult & older people - threshold levels	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12260	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	I am happy with the proposed changes to the threshold levels however would be keen to ensure that individual cases would be considered on their own merit and not simply threshold levels.	Adult & older people - threshold levels	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Criteria is set within an assessment framework to ensure people's needs are assessed consistently and fairly
12261	No Response	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	Concerned about those that may no longer be supported	Adult & older people - threshold levels	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12262	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	I think the buzzer/bracelet system in use with 24/7 contact is excellent as is the response times to call outs. Having witnessed this several times for my elderly in laws I Have no criticism to make. That said, threshold levels are emotive as some people worked hard, bought their houses and when in need, suddenly have to use their homes to pay for care.meanwhile, those who didn't bother or with no thought of the future will have the same service free of charge. I don't deny these basic rights but how they are paid for or subsidised is a matter for greater debate. Free travel - if working, should you qualify? I'm part time working and I find it a great benefit but should I qualify. Another debating issue	Adult & older people - threshold levels	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12263	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	Care should be provided to those who need it. Means testing is all very well but will it affect the level of care a person gets?	Adult & older people - threshold levels	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Criteria is set within an assessment framework to ensure people's needs are assessed consistently and fairly
12264	No Response	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	I would be very concerned about raising the threshold levels before the Council act. So often acting too late costs so much more than acting appropriately.	Adult & older people - threshold levels	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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12265	No Response	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	A threshold of Critical / Substantial has been in place in a number of local authorities for some time. I understand why this is being considered, but would suggest that support at an earlier stage could prevent some individuals from reaching this stage. therefore allowing WLC to support more people with the same resource.	Adult & older people - threshold levels	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council will always be required to prioritise the needs of people who are most vulnerable. We would also aim to provide early intervention and prevention support where evidence based practice shows that a positive impact can be made
12266	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	The number of elderly and people who need support is increasing and this should be invested in more. You can't assess people based on the same criteria as people have different needs and preventing it from them based on 'less critical' will only cause more frustration and you'll have people who'll be unable to be part of the community.	Adult & older people - threshold levels	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council will always be required to prioritise the needs of people who are most vulnerable. We would also aim to provide early intervention and prevention support where evidence based practice shows that a positive impact can be made
12267	No Response	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	I understand the requirement to focus provision to those who need it most, however there is greater propensity for those requiring assistance to go unnoticed or not receive the actual level of support they need as resources are based on budget constraints, not customer needs.	Adult & older people - threshold levels	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council will always be required to prioritise the needs of people who are most vulnerable. We would also aim to provide early intervention and prevention support where evidence based practice shows that a positive impact can be made
12268	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	Older adults who are already vulnerable need access to care whether that be at home or in a care facility. It seems that more and more families are expected to pick up the care of family members, this can cause stress and financial burdens, often the family find that to look after their elderly parent it requires them to reduce or give up their work, which to me then places bigger burden financial on local government.	Adult & older people - threshold levels	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Work will continue to focus on those who are most vulnerable and have additional needs.
12269	An employee of West Lothian Council	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	It is sad that we have to increase our thresholds but I understand that we need to do something to constrain demand. As everyone else is doing it, we need to do it too.	Adult & older people - threshold levels	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12270	An employee of West Lothian Council	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	agree with threshold levels being raised in the main, however there is definitely a role for early intervention, low level care services, which can avoid a crisis and a more substantial service being required more technology is definitely a good thing	Adult & older people - threshold levels	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12271	An employee of West Lothian Council	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	The aging population is a concern for council and health services everywhere. We must do more to support older people to live longer in their own homes. I think people will be able to pay small amounts to contribute to the cost of care of technology in their homes. Though it should be reasonable and not impoverish the vulnerable older people who are already struggling to make ends meet.	Adult & older people - threshold levels	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	There is a further proposal under Income and Concessions which considers how a contributions policy can be introduced subject to the financial assessment of affordability
12272	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	I am concerned by the phrase 'threshold levels would be set at critical/substantial' if that means that 'not yet critical cases' have to be ignored until they become critical. Waiting until someone's need for care is critical risks moving the responsibility for caring for that person to others - NHS or overstretched families. This does not seem like money saving so much as passing the buck. I do not approve of this money saving strategy.	Adult & older people - threshold levels	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council will always be required to prioritise the needs of people who are most vulnerable. We would also aim to provide early intervention and prevention support where evidence based practice shows that a positive impact can be made
12273	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	Supporting those most in need is absolutely important and although the threshold seems high, it should be flexible in that it can be reviewed where it could have a detrimental impact on a person's wellbeing.	Adult & older people - threshold levels	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Work will continue to focus on those who are most vulnerable and have additional needs.
12274	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	Provision of equipment and care services must be means tested. Why can the new thresholds not be extended to those already in receipt of provision? I would support such a move. This may not be a council issue directly but as an SNP led council, SNP leaders should be aware of public views.	Adult & older people - threshold levels	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12275	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	I think this is unfair for threshold levels. Please look at this proposal again. It is very unsettling for older citizens when they begin to lose their independence.	Adult & older people - threshold levels	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Criteria is set within an assessment framework to ensure people's needs are assessed consistently and fairly. Work will continue to focus on those who are most vulnerable and have additional needs.
12276	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	Ridiculous - this will just add to bed-blocking in the NHS and more complaints and incidents being reported. Setting the threshold at critical/substantial simply adds insult to injury by heaping these cuts on top of the Tories' austerity cuts and the reductions in benefits to the disabled and elderly	Adult & older people - threshold levels	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council is working with NHS Lothian on a wide reaching Frailty Programme to maximise patient pathways and redesign access to community based services
12277	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	I would worry for those people who do not meet the raised threshold and who are in need of support. Raising the threshold for support does not help meet needs, nor do they go away. This would be very concerning to me, given the increased number of people living longer. Rushed visits already result in errors and lack of humanity in the support given to people in need.	Adult & older people - threshold levels	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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12278	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	I find it very disturbing that an elderly person who has worked their whole life, supported their family unaided by the state should find themselves in the position of having to sell their home to pay for care at the end of their life whilst someone who has done the opposite receives the same care for free. I speak from the experience of my own mother. People who have saved/own their house should be able to leave this to their family if they wish. I appreciate the difficulties facing WLC as we do have an increasing elderly population but a more equitable system of assessment and payment must be found.	Adult & older people - threshold levels	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Criteria is set within an assessment framework to ensure people's needs are assessed consistently and fairly. Work will continue to focus on those who are most vulnerable and have additional needs.
12279	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	I am very concerned by the proposal to alter the level of need to critical/substantial for home care provision. This is likely to result in many elderly people not receiving services, thus increasing the likelihood of unmet need resulting in hospital admissions and high career stress.	Adult & older people - threshold levels	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council is working with NHS Lothian on a wide reaching Frailty Programme to maximise patient pathways and redesign access to community based services
12280	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	Totally oppose increasing threshold levels.	Adult & older people - threshold levels	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12281	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	Setting a higher threshold before help is given is a cruel move.	Adult & older people - threshold levels	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Work will continue to focus on those who are most vulnerable and have additional needs.
12282	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	I don't agree with setting as threshold as I don't feel that people who have worked hard and saved for their old age should be penalised. They have paid their NHS through their wages and therefore should not be penalised with the service they receive just because they have funds.	Adult & older people - threshold levels	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12283	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	Hard for me to comment on this. I firmly believe that, wherever possible, care of older family members should be returned to families. Often our old people require greater levels of care when their children are retired themselves, and often it is a short term requirement as I have experienced in my family. Why should, if we can, we not be willing to give our parents some of our time back. I did fir my Mum, at a time when we could ill afford not having me working. Perhaps something very radical. A council payment to cares which allows a member of the family not to work for a while if they are still of working age and grants to help with provision within these fami,y homes. Would surely be a saving on the expensive costs of providing residential care...and, I for one, from personal experience, know that our older people would be SO much happier in the arms of their own family.	Adult & older people - threshold levels	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The approach is to encourage community capacity building and informal networks to ensure people remain connected with their local area
12284	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	In assessing older people I am very concerned at the proposal to reset the threshold level at critical / substantial before intervention is entertained. This would not only exacerbate the budget for medical care but also create a multilayered application of care throughout our community.In addition, without explaining properly and substantively how successful the use of technology has been in home care provision, and considering I have a very elderly relative living locally, how and I able to make an assessment of your proposal/claim?	Adult & older people - threshold levels	4. The council is already doing this.	The council already deploys technology as part of care and support packages where appropriate. Expanding the use of this to more people will help ensure that direct face to face client time is used to best effect.
12285	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	This is a very underfunded area. The increase in threshold levels for all access to care is very worrying. An earlier intervention in many cases will alleviate stress and concern and often save money in the longer term. The most vulnerable members of our society are being neglected in the most shameful way.	Adult & older people - threshold levels	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council will always be required to prioritise the needs of people who are most vulnerable. We would also aim to provide early intervention and prevention support where evidence based practice shows that a positive impact can be made
12286	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	Not providing care to lower risk older people means that they are more likely to end up in hospital requiring more care.	Adult & older people - threshold levels	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council is working with NHS Lothian on a wide reaching Frailty Programme to maximise patient pathways and redesign access to community based services
12287	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	Need to ensure that the change to threshold level does not mean that people then end up in hospital for example because they cannot care for themselves without care. Not acceptable to make WL budget saving but increase costs in another body's budget - and how does this sit with 'Improving the quality of life of older people' and delivering positive outcomes on health.	Adult & older people - threshold levels	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council is working with NHS Lothian on a wide reaching Frailty Programme to maximise patient pathways and redesign access to community based services
12288	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	.Vulnerable people will fall through the net. You are waiting until people become "critical" then you will step in. People remain independent longer if a proactive regime is in place instead of a fire-fighting process.	Adult & older people - threshold levels	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council will always be required to prioritise the needs of people who are most vulnerable. We would also aim to provide early intervention and prevention support where evidence based practice shows that a positive impact can be made

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12289	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	This proposal would be dependent on a robust assessment and review process to ensure that those who do need care are in receipt of it. Does this mean therefore that people who are currently receiving assistance will potentially lose their current services? What happens to those who fall just below the threshold how will support be provided to them? How will council services ensure that these people are reviewed appropriately. The threshold is already set to high with many older people receiving care visits which are as short as 15mins in length which makes good quality care provision impossible. I do not support cuts which may be detrimental and harmful to vulnerable members of our society.	Adult & older people - threshold levels	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council will always be required to prioritise the needs of people who are most vulnerable. We would also aim to provide early intervention and prevention support where evidence based practice shows that a positive impact can be made
12290	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	However I'm strongly against the threshold alterations. I've had experience recently of the short interventions and they are dire! Private companies such as mears paid Â£19 an hour for care in 15 minute chunks. As a result they wont change soiled sheets as it takes too long! The more you focus on the bottom line rather than the care itself the worse it gets. We need to stop the rot bring care in house to the council and pay a living wage to ensure staff can care! It's a national disgrace. Again I'd rather pay more in my council tax!!!!	Adult & older people - threshold levels	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Care and support plans are specific to each person and a review of agreed care and support can be requested if circumstances have changed. All care at home providers in West Lothian are paid an hourly rate based on the UKHCA model and the Scottish Living Wage
12291	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	This could lead to greater expenditure in the longer term as it is likely that if adaptations at the right time, people may require more expensive adaptations. There is a big issue with social isolation. Independent living may not be the only solution, there should be a range of housing options in place for older people including care homes as required. More liaison with the NHS is required as adaptations and social care prevent hospital admissions and there should be budgetary adjustment to the council to reflect this.	Adult & older people - threshold levels	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council is working with NHS Lothian on a wide reaching Frailty Programme to maximise patient pathways and redesign access to community based services
12292	An employee of West Lothian Council	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	Changing threshold levels to critical or substantial increases risk to life. Is the Council prepared to defend themselves in court should a vulnerable person die due to lack of support?	Adult & older people - threshold levels	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Work will continue to focus on those who are most vulnerable and have additional needs.
12293	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	As the proposal is to set the threshold levels at critical/substantial the council should review at an appropriate point e.g. mid way through the 5 year period whether this level is indeed the correct level.	Adult & older people - threshold levels	4. The council is already doing this.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12294	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	If the threshold for residential care is being raised then there needs to be greater support in the community services. The elderly and infirm are vulnerable people and need to be supported	Adult & older people - threshold levels	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	The proposal does not relate to residential care
12295	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	By changing the thresholds you will just end up with more critical/substantial and costly issues. Earlier interventions and lowering thresholds might be more effective.	Adult & older people - threshold levels	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council will always be required to prioritise the needs of people who are most vulnerable. We would also aim to provide early intervention and prevention support where evidence based practice shows that a positive impact can be made
12296	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	We are concerned that some of the changes proposed will adversely affect many of the most vulnerable people in our communities, e.g., the raising of thresholds for support or the amalgamation of facilities and reductions in capacity. How will Council ensure that it protects our most vulnerable people? We are also concerned that reducing or cutting provision at lower tariffs is contrary to the principles of early intervention and prevention and may result in more costly crisis intervention, at a later stage, being required. How does Council plan to assess the potential impact of this on people and budgets?	Adult & older people - threshold levels	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12297	An employee of West Lothian Council	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	If threshold levels are set at critical/substantial then there need to be a robust early intervention process in place. If we only deal with cases when they are at critical we are simply "fire fighting" the emergencies and allowing non emergent cases to be overlooked until such point as they become an emergency. This is no way to manage already stretched resources and means that all work is reactive and unplanned and thus difficult to estimate and plan for.	Adult & older people - threshold levels	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council will always be required to prioritise the needs of people who are most vulnerable. We would also aim to provide early intervention and prevention support where evidence based practice shows that a positive impact can be made
12298	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	Increasing the thresholds for these interventions surely risks people requiring more support when the help does come, it will also increase the possible isolation felt by older people, the group that has contributed a lot to society and who often feel like they are at the end of the queue. I recognise the demands for services by the group increases every year but sever cuts to services to this group probably have and exponentially negative effect on them.	Adult & older people - threshold levels	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12299	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	Short care visits should be reviewed as not effective and too much time wasted travelling between clients. Adult older people assessment threshold levels increased to CRITICAL I do not approve of private companies making profit for shareholders removing resources from the council/community ownership. Increasing threshold levels subjects many people to distress.	Adult & older people - threshold levels	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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12300	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	This will cause more expense if services only focus on critical/substantial difficulties. We don't know how you will judge what is critical. We need to be funding preventative services otherwise the need for critical situations will increase - false economy. The proposed savings seem to be massive - hitting the most vulnerable in our community. Increased needs with more older people and the increase of people affected by mental health problems - a budget saving of 8.8 million seems excessive, damaging and very concerning for us - targeting those must in need.	Adult & older people - threshold levels	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Criteria is set within an assessment framework to ensure people's needs are assessed consistently and fairly. Work will continue to focus on those who are most vulnerable and have additional needs.
12301	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	Growing numbers of people and you are proposing to cut services - doesn't make sense.	Adult & older people (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12302	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	As above, as we are talking about the most vulnerable people.	Adult & older people (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Criteria will be set within an assessment framework to ensure people's needs are assessed consistently and fairly. Work will continue to focus on those who are most vulnerable and have additional needs.
12303	An employee of West Lothian Council	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	RECOMMEND A MOVE TO COMMUNITY CARE WITHIN THE TWO SECTORS OF IJB. WOULD OPTIMISE STAFF OPPORTUNITIES. MINIMISE COSTS OF DUPLICATION AND TRAVEL, AND ENHANCE STAFF RETENTION.	Adult & older people (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	West Lothian has a proven track record of partnership working and would wish to build on this. Through integration it is expected that there would be less duplication and more streamlining of services.
12304	An employee of West Lothian Council	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	Loneliness kills older people at home, address this and I would be in support of older people remaining in their own homes	Adult & older people (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The approach is to encourage community capacity building and informal networks to ensure people remain connected with their local area
12305	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	I think that older people social care should be protected	Adult & older people (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12306	No Response	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	Having worked previously as a home-care assistant in the community, I understand the stresses these staff are put under - the time between visits is not enough, and the time spent with clients is often unbalanced; some people do not have anywhere near enough, other people only require a few minutes. I support the use of technology to support care at home provision e.g. reminders for medication rather than a staff member having to visit for this purpose.	Adult & older people (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12307	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	I think the service we provide at the moment is excellent but again the waiting lists are high. We have the staff but the resources are not being managed or looked at properly.	Adult & older people (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	It is expected that by reducing waste in terms of duplication there will be economies to be made. This will allow more flexible working and opportunities to do things differently.
12308	An employee of West Lothian Council	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	I'm not sure what this proposal means. Does threshold mean how much money they have? Many elderly people have worked all their lives and deserve to receive assistance at this stage in their lives regardless of money and this is an area that I feel should have as much of the limited resource as possible. Less care means these very vulnerable members of our communities are at a greater risk of harm and exploitation as well as possibly being 'missed' and left lonely and unassisted when they need it most because they may have some savings.	Adult & older people (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Criteria will be set within an assessment framework to ensure people's needs are assessed consistently and fairly. Work will continue to focus on those who are most vulnerable and have additional needs.
12309	An employee of West Lothian Council	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	please see previous comments. I feel strongly that WLC should have a charging policy and also not provide free services unless this is required.	Adult & older people (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The introduction of any contributions policy will be subject to the financial assessment of affordability
12310	An employee of West Lothian Council	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	Growing concern regarding support provided for older people in order to help them remain in their own homes. Constantly reading about hospital bed blocking as patients can not get a package of care put in place.	Adult & older people (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	The Council is working with NHS Lothian on a wide reaching Frailty Programme to maximise patient pathways and redesign access to community based services
12311	An employee of West Lothian Council	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	Some times ignoring the lower priority results in an increase of high dependency requirements in the long term. My mother lives in South Lanarkshire and my father-in-law in North Lanarkshire and the service West Lothian provides is far superior in many ways.	Adult & older people (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Criteria will be set within an assessment framework to ensure people's needs are assessed consistently and fairly. Work will continue to focus on those who are most vulnerable and have additional needs.
12312	An employee of West Lothian Council	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	Social care services have to become much leaner and cost effective	Adult & older people (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	West Lothian has a proven track record of partnership working and would wish to build on this. Through integration it is expected that there would be less duplication and more streamlining of services.

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12313	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	don't cut care visits for a lot of older people this may be the only contact they have	Adult & older people (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The approach is to encourage community capacity building and informal networks to ensure people remain connected with their local area
12314	An employee of West Lothian Council	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	Any changes that can streamline processes and make savings for the council must and should be pursued.	Adult & older people (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	West Lothian has a proven track record of partnership working and would wish to build on this. Through integration it is expected that there would be less duplication and more streamlining of services.
12315	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	Consultation with charities is required in this area	Adult & older people (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	All stakeholders are being asked to participate in the consultation
12316	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	This needs more investment not cuts...means testing and non profit provision of services to those that can afford it	Adult & older people (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	There is a further proposal under Income and Concessions which considers how a contributions policy can be introduced subject to the financial assessment of affordability
12317	An employee of West Lothian Council	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	Agree with the use of technology in care and support providing the proper training and introduction methods are used with the service user at the heart of the choice and their views and Choices considered. I also understand how important a 10min care visit can be to a person receiving it is.	Adult & older people (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council already deploys technology as part of care and support packages where appropriate. Expanding the use of this to more people will help ensure that direct face to face client time is used to best effect.
12318	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	Always look after the old	Adult & older people (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	Criteria will be set within an assessment framework to ensure people's needs are assessed consistently and fairly. Work will continue to focus on those who are most vulnerable and have additional needs.
12319	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	Greater use of care at home services and a more reliable private carers scheme	Adult & older people (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	The Council is committed to ensure a strong governance framework is in place to make sure quality is at the heart of service delivery from external partners
12320	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	This is an area, that needs extra provision as more vulnerable people enter the group. Consequently, this would have a double down impact on these services.	Adult & older people (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12321	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	Again this suggests reducing support for the most vulnerable and those lease able to care for themselves. I don't agree that this will save money - it will result in more crisis support and demands at A&E departments.	Adult & older people (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Criteria will be set within an assessment framework to ensure people's needs are assessed consistently and fairly. Work will continue to focus on those who are most vulnerable and have additional needs
12322	No Response	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	Introduce a charging service at real cost for non personal care services such as day care, flexi respite/ sitter service . Have strict guidelines for what constitutes a carer.	Adult & older people (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The introduction of any contributions policy will be subject to the financial assessment of affordability
12323	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	I don't know much about this area but this service sounds like a waste of money to me.	Adult & older people (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12324	An employee of West Lothian Council	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	There should be more trust between council and carer when it comes to care packages and allowances. If the carer is able to organise more things themselves for the person in need then there is less pressure on social work staff e.g. releasing funds to the carer for the person in need rather than the carer having to go through a long drawn out process for things to be approved.	Adult & older people (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	This provision is already in place.
12325	No Response	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	By doing this, then the older generation should not suffer through these cutbacks.	Adult & older people (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Criteria will be set within an assessment framework to ensure people's needs are assessed consistently and fairly. Work will continue to focus on those who are most vulnerable and have additional needs.
12326	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	I agree that self directed support should provide individuals more autonomy over their care and it would be good to see more people living in their own community rather than in residential accommodation.	Adult & older people (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12327	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	A caring society would not do this.	Adult & older people (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Criteria will be set within an assessment framework to ensure people's needs are assessed consistently and fairly. Work will continue to focus on those who are most vulnerable and have additional needs.

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12328	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	This is a disgraceful way to treat anyone and is an attack on the most vulnerable and needy.	Adult & older people (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Criteria will be set within an assessment framework to ensure people's needs are assessed consistently and fairly. Work will continue to focus on those who are most vulnerable and have additional needs.
12329	An employee of West Lothian Council	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	Again, there needs to be a clear focus on what is the job of a social worker, as often this can be muddy.	Adult & older people (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12330	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	Reduce external provision and stop supporting external charities who do not deliver real benefits.	Adult & older people (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12331	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	This would affect me personally. My choice would always be to remain in my current council house which has already had adaptations carried out as opposed to going into any form of care.	Adult & older people (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12332	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	Simply sounds like centralising a service in Livingston to achieve savings. Self-directed support has to date had a fairly minimal impact in terms of take-up numbers so unclear what the Council's references to changing demand and analysis behind it are?	Adult & older people (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The existing building based day centres for adults are already all in Livingston. Our aim is to shift towards an outreach model to allow for further personalisation.
12333	An employee of West Lothian Council	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	I'm aware of some benefits of care at home but a huge part of accessing services is to include social interaction which is important part of life which could have an impact on mental health of those who miss out/ loss out to these cuts	Adult & older people (general)	5b. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it is likely that the costs of this proposal would outweigh the benefit.	Work will continue to focus on those who are most vulnerable and have additional needs.
12334	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	The elderly are already experiencing a limited level of support as is. Health and wellbeing should not be jeopardised by money. Reducing these services or raising the level at which intervention is acceptable is likely to lead to an increased demand on GP and NHS resources, which are also under great strain. Sometimes it is better to retain spending on areas to ease a burden on others.	Adult & older people (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council is working with NHS Lothian on a wide reaching Frailty Programme to maximise patient pathways and redesign access to community based services
12335	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	Sounds like there is a great danger of the services to vulnerable folk being cut too much.	Adult & older people (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Work will continue to focus on those who are most vulnerable and have additional needs.
12336	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	Care services currently provided by external care providers is patchy and varies in quality. It could do with being checked as I'm conscious that where the council might be paying for 30 minutes the cared for person might only receive 10-15 minutes care. The balance can't be accounted for as travel time.	Adult & older people (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	The Council is committed to ensure a strong governance framework is in place to make sure quality is at the heart of service delivery from external partners and that we receive the service we have paid for.
12337	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	that's all fine and well but in care of the elderly when cover is required at minimum notice how does one meet individuals daily care needs	Adult & older people (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your comment which will be considered as part of any service redesign
12338	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	If more emphasis is to be placed on caring for people in their own homes rather than in established care homes it is important that the staff who are visiting and caring should have enough time to do a proper "caring job". A fleeting visit may be all that is needed but where the need is for longer time to be spent then that should be allowed for.	Adult & older people (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The Council is committed to ensure a strong governance framework is in place to make sure quality is at the heart of service delivery from external partners and that we receive the service we have paid for.
12339	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	it should be encouraged to self support at home if applicable but sometimes this is not possible so social care should be a way forward	Adult & older people (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12340	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	This is an essential service due to the number of elderly residents in West Lothian. Supporting independent living is critical for the wellbeing of the individual. I fully support care at home provision.	Adult & older people (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12341	An employee of West Lothian Council	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	Whilst it sounds great, if you can afford to pay for elderly care home environment you should, and if not the local authority should foot the bill. However, what also needs to be taken into consideration is the amount paid into the system by those involved. Generally those that have money in the bank when they are in the situation of requiring assistance have worked very hard, paid into the system and also been carefully with their money. Why should they be penalised? Why should their families be penalised?	Adult & older people (general)	5a. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because the council is required by law to deliver this work.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted..
12342	An employee of West Lothian Council	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	Sounds sensible as long as the support is still available	Adult & older people (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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12343	An employee of West Lothian Council	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	Any changes must make sure that frontline service provision is not diluted. Again in this area there seems to be too many chiefs and not enough Indians. This not only reduces provision for those that need it the most, but can have a profound and life changing effect on individuals and their families. Any proposals in this area must be investigated thoroughly prior to any changes as the risks are too great to make a mess of this proposal.	Adult & older people (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your comment which will be considered as part of any service redesign
12344	No Response	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	Staff will have to be highly trained and experienced to make these kinds of important decisions. I fear that money will be an overriding factor here, above actual need.	Adult & older people (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Criteria will be set within an assessment framework to ensure people's needs are assessed consistently and fairly. Work will continue to focus on those who are most vulnerable and have additional needs.
12345	An employee of West Lothian Council	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	Not enough detail to comment. where are they set just now? how many people affected? would some people not be eligible for any care or assistance? etc	Adult & older people (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12346	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	None of this demand is in your control. Where is the positive earlier medical intervention for the 50-60 year age group to influence lifestyle and health choices that would reduce the later life care needs.	Adult & older people (general)	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12347	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	The council already fails to pay sufficient funds for people in care homes.	Adult & older people (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12348	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	It is hard to see where the stated level of saving can be made in a demand led service.	Adult & older people (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12349	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	Need client contribution to costs. Problem with only high priority support is that the preventative work that avoids the crisis situations don't get support resulting in more expensive crisis management.	Adult & older people (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	There is a further proposal under Income and Concessions which considers how a contributions policy can be introduced subject to the financial assessment of affordability
12350	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	As it should be, support those most in need.	Adult & older people (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12351	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	This should not be allowed to happen. Think about all the people who need help and won't be able to get it? This is a barbaric idea	Adult & older people (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Work will continue to focus on those who are most vulnerable and have additional needs.
12352	An employee of West Lothian Council	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	Would be a longer term saving overall to invest in Local Area Coordination to work with low level (diversionary) needs and prevent service users from requiring statutory intervention at all.	Adult & older people (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your comment which will be considered as part of any service redesign
12353	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	There is a need to accept that the current social work staffing is woefully inadequate or perhaps there is an imbalance in the skill set.	Adult & older people (general)	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12354	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	There is also an absolute need to have better funding decisions and actions taken where individuals are giving personal funding to source respite. The community cannot provide such respite and therefore false expectations on respite provision is provided. I do not agree nor support this approach.	Adult & older people (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your comment which will be considered as part of any service redesign
12355	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	People contact is vital for people living on their own. Old folks need access to face to face care for more than just a half hour visit, give them some quality time with carers not just focusing on basic needs.	Adult & older people (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The approach is to encourage community capacity building and informal networks to ensure people remain connected with their local area
12356	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	As with 2a focus on greatest need my miss the chance to help those needing less help immediately which then deteriorate.	Adult & older people (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	Work will continue to focus on those who are most vulnerable and have additional needs.
12357	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	this should have been done years ago when cutbacks were talked about (about 2010?)	Adult & older people (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12358	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	I have greatly appreciated this service with family members and appreciate the pressure on council staff. Not sure how cutting this too drastically would be of benefit to the community as a whole.	Adult & older people (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12359	No Response	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	As a member of staff in this area I feel the resources ,wailing times , funding etc are at a maximum strain as it is good luck on service delivery here ,I wish I had the answer , cutting staff in this area would help but then ,who will suffer	Adult & older people (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12360	An employee of West Lothian Council	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	Older people are what this country is built on and we owe them a debt of gratitude for what they have done.	Adult & older people (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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12361	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	Agreed that resources should be focused on highest need	Adult & older people (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12362	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	Councils need to review the care provision and really force back costs to the NHS for some of the provision of care. Appreciate they are also on a reduced budget but that should not be the driver for how we change a service. There are a number of hospital discharges that the Council pick up the costs for which should be NHS service budget.	Adult & older people (general)	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12363	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	the council should also consider funding projects which can deliver ad hoc support / short term support to individuals which could prevent the need for further services.	Adult & older people (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	The council already provides a reablement service which supports people to regain / retain their independence over a short period of time.
12364	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	Older People who claim attendance allowance or DLA should contribute to the cost of their care. Family members claiming carers allowance qualify for this benefit by claiming they care 35 hours per week. We need to start really looking at what they can do to reduce the need for POC. If an older person needs assistance with washing and meal prep but no other care requirements that can easily be met within 35 hours a week. Either the person claiming the carers allowance carries out the duties within the 35 hours a week or if they still want a poc they have to pay for it in full if it is under 35 hours a week of care. Some older people are claiming for services because it is free and don't utilise them and care providers don't let on that the 40 minute call in the morning isn't really required because the older person who claims that cant wash or dress themselves actually manages fine but if they were to pay for the service they would soon cancel or reduce the service.	Adult & older people (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	There is a further proposal under Income and Concessions which considers how a contributions policy can be introduced subject to the financial assessment of affordability
12365	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	Older people care within their communities should not be reduced	Adult & older people (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12366	An employee of West Lothian Council	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	We need to ensure that elderly people are not neglected. We will all reach this stage in our life and want to be cared for and treated with dignity.	Adult & older people (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12367	An employee of West Lothian Council	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	Sounds like you are planning to reduce provision for some of the most needy in our community. Dreadful.	Adult & older people (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Criteria will be set within an assessment framework to ensure people's needs are assessed consistently and fairly
12368	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	Get other organisations involved to assist	Adult & older people (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12369	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	This is an area of activity that demands more, not less expenditure.	Adult & older people (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12370	No Response	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	Having had personal experience of this, the service needs to be modernised, to be focused on need and responsive to changes. There needs to be a greater emphasis on ensuring families feel supported and valued and there also needs to be greater feedback of the quality of services provided.	Adult & older people (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your comment which will be considered as part of any service redesign
12371	An employee of West Lothian Council	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	The concern here is that other services may inherit problems/issues which they would not usually be involved with if the level of care is inappropriate. When a customer is unable to get help from one service they will use other services to try to access the help they need. This can be time consuming and without appropriate agencies to refer people onto can be detrimental to the services and the customer. Large amount of resources are focused on vulnerable individuals who if they had the appropriate care services in place would reduce the need for such resources. Examples of this would be customers who phone services repeatedly because they are lonely, scared or confused. The appropriate services need to be the ones who step in. There needs to be a clear line of responsibility.	Adult & older people (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your comment which will be considered as part of any service redesign
12372	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	Dreadful targeting the most vulnerable	Adult & older people (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12373	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	Should we be funding people going on holiday through sds payments?	Adult & older people (general)	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Self-directed supports enables people to choose how their care is met, and by who, as long as it meets their assessed eligible needs

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12374	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	Adopt the same as others.	Adult & older people (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12375	No Response	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	IT is not the fault of our elderly population that we find ourselves in this predicament and they have payed taxes and contributed to society for many years then they surely deserve some looking after irrespective of their situation	Adult & older people (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Work will continue to focus on those who are most vulnerable and have additional needs.
12376	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	I am a disabled older person. I attend the Ability Centre in Carmondean in Livingston twice a week for computing skills (last year I achieved the PC Passport through the Ability Centre) and yoga. Both these activities and help from the support staff have contributed to my continued rehabilitation since I became disabled. Also I have an outreach placement (provided by the Ability Centre in the Lanthorn Community Centre) once a week. This affords me the opportunity to converse with other adults and to do activities and outings , all of which helps with my social skills and mental health. I feel that were you to close the Ability Centre this would be a great loss to individuals (some for whom this is the only day they see and talk to people in a week) and to the community.	Adult & older people (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The aim is to encourage community capacity building and informal networks to ensure people remain connected with their local area rather than through centre based activities alone
12377	No Response	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	This does seem a hefty saving in this particular area. Not sure how you would define "more appropriate interventions".	Adult & older people (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12378	An employee of West Lothian Council	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	Reduce and remove anything which is not statutory.	Adult & older people (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12379	An employee of West Lothian Council	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	It is my experience that a very small level of support can and does often sustain people in their own homes and support the needs of their carers for many years. Without this, many people and their carers can become stressed and less able to deal with their own health needs and tenancies. I would therefore suggest that it may be a false economy to adopt a system that no longer provides a service to those who need only a little support as their needs and circumstances are much more likely to develop to the critical stage.	Adult & older people (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Criteria is set within an assessment framework to ensure people's needs are assessed consistently and fairly. Work will continue to focus on those who are most vulnerable and have additional needs.
12380	An employee of West Lothian Council	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	I feel a charging policy would be a much fairer way of meeting peoples needs, despite the identified risk threshold levels.	Adult & older people (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	There is a further proposal under Income and Concessions which considers how a contributions policy can be introduced subject to the financial assessment of affordability
12381	An employee of West Lothian Council	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	Many people with very high needs have several informal supports in place while those who require minimal support can be very isolated within there community and could be argued as being some of the most vulnerable.	Adult & older people (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Criteria is set within an assessment framework to ensure people's needs are assessed consistently and fairly. Work will continue to focus on those who are most vulnerable and have additional needs.
12382	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	I do not support the above proposal - I know we need to find the funding but not from the individuals who are the most vulnerable	Adult & older people (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12383	No Response	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	This area has been prominent in media reports in recent years therefore minimum loss to services in this area would be beneficial	Adult & older people (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12384	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	This approach is not consistent with current thinking on early intervention and prevention.	Adult & older people (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council will always be required to prioritise the needs of people who are most vulnerable. We would also aim to provide early intervention and prevention support where evidence based practice shows that a positive impact can be made
12385	An employee of West Lothian Council	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	A re-enablement approach should be taken with regard to hospital discharges and crisis interventions and commissioning the independent sector to provide part of this.	Adult & older people (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your comment which will be considered as part of any service redesign
12386	An employee of West Lothian Council	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	Also care agencies should be commissioned to achieve set outcomes with service users rather than just deliver services.	Adult & older people (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	The Council is committed to ensure a strong governance framework is in place to make sure quality is at the heart of service delivery from external partners
12387	An employee of West Lothian Council	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	People need people, humans need human contact.	Adult & older people (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	The council already deploys technology as part of care and support packages where appropriate. Expanding the use of this to more people will help ensure that direct face to face client time is used to best effect.

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12388	No Response	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	As above - Surely the focus should already be on highest risk cases with regards to children. this should not be a new idea in terms of reshaping a service.	Adult & older people (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Work will continue to focus on those who are most vulnerable and have additional needs.
12389	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	As for people affected with dementia there should be special units across West Lothian to allow these people to get the correct care and not integrated into homes without trained staff.	Adult & older people (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12390	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	This seems an impossibly high target given that the elderly are living longer and that the care from families will decrease due to work related factors. Some of the provision could be taken by communities but that would need to be funded adequately.	Adult & older people (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12391	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	There is a need to protect vulnerable people.	Adult & older people (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Work will continue to focus on those who are most vulnerable and have additional needs.
12392	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	Agree that threshold levels for elderly care should be at critical/substantial.	Adult & older people (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12393	No Response	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	Elderly care is provided by private companies who do not always provide what they have been contracted to provide. Fines for companies or reduction to payments where service not provided	Adult & older people (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The Council is committed to ensure a strong governance framework is in place to make sure quality is at the heart of service delivery from external partners
12394	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	Need is increasing not declining More complex needs require longer care visits and more considered care Cannot imagine savings can be made without people falling through the net or being put at risk	Adult & older people (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Work will continue to focus on those who are most vulnerable and have additional needs.
12395	An employee of West Lothian Council	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	This would be a sensible approach though there are more (unpaid) carers now than before, hopefully the new changes would support them too.	Adult & older people (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12396	An employee of West Lothian Council	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	This is no surprise given the history of West Lothian/Livingston. High young population will grow older => increasing older population. This has been projected since the 70's - so could be argued that there was a huge lack of foresight/planning on the part of WLC/CPP. WLC is overstating older people time bomb. Are needs solely those set out in legislation? Who is the arbiter of need? Clinicians? Family? Social workers? Accountants? Flabberghasted that "Social Work resources would be focused on supporting those most in need and short care visits would be reviewed to identify if more appropriate interventions are required. The council would also expand on the successful use of technology to support care at home provision." isn't already the norm.	Adult & older people (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	West Lothian has modelled the demographic growth into its budgets and it is this rising cost against insufficient funding that has created the budget gap. Criteria is set within an assessment framework to ensure people's needs are assessed consistently and fairly. The council already deploys technology as part of care and support packages where appropriate. Expanding the use of this to more people will help ensure that direct face to face client time is used to best effect.
12397	An employee of West Lothian Council	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	Support should be provided for the Careline service, to allow older people to stay in their home. Personal experience has shown this to be a very worthwhile and good service.	Adult & older people (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12398	An employee of West Lothian Council	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	My mother currently makes use of this and it is a very important factor in allowing her to remain at home. Changing this will cause hardship to not only my mother but also our family who are carers	Adult & older people (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Work will continue to focus on those who are most vulnerable and have additional needs.
12399	No Response	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	I believe that personal care at home should continue to be provided free of charge as some elderly people will neglect themselves if they need to pay.	Adult & older people (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Work will continue to focus on those who are most vulnerable and have additional needs.
12400	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	This is an area of concern and worry to most old people. There are constraints on budgets and in the twilight of one's years no one wants to feel a burden. However, no one should have to be without the services they require and assessments need to be carried out fully to meet the needs and take into account budget constraints/service constraints.	Adult & older people (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Criteria is set within an assessment framework to ensure people's needs are assessed consistently and fairly. Work will continue to focus on those who are most vulnerable and have additional needs.
12401	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	Support these findings if they are based on benchmarking on what other local authorities are already providing.	Adult & older people (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12402	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	Needs to make sure each individual is given enough care time not a two minute visit	Adult & older people (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Criteria is set within an assessment framework to ensure people's needs are assessed consistently and fairly

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12403	An employee of West Lothian Council	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	Agencies have to be linked. Information shared on the same system. One agency. Care at home is good but it has to be care not just people ticking boxes. If a person has a 30minute visit they get 30 minutes not just 5 min because they are fine. The person may be very lonely and just needing a blether.	Adult & older people (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	The Council is committed to ensure a strong governance framework is in place to make sure quality is at the heart of service delivery from external partners
12404	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	I think great care needs to be taken to ensure those not 'critical/substantial' do not fall through the gap!	Adult & older people (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council will always be required to prioritise the needs of people who are most vulnerable. We would also aim to provide early intervention and prevention support where evidence based practice shows that a positive impact can be made
12405	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	It is difficult enough to access this service currently without making it near impossible. Leave it alone!	Adult & older people (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12406	No Response	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	Invest in carers to look after our elderly and infirm in the home.	Adult & older people (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12407	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	Care for older people should not suffer.. I agree with streamlining but not to the expense of good care for all older people.	Adult & older people (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12408	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	The elderly population is growing and therefore interventions will be required, it is also clear that assessment criteria might change. Essentially it is better to support people in their own homes as long as the support provided is tailored to need and the whole support mechanism is holistic in its approach, not just 10-15 mins visits that sees cup of tea and medication placed on a table.	Adult & older people (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Criteria is set within an assessment framework to ensure people's needs are assessed consistently and fairly
12409	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	. Quality is important and maybe there is a need to look creatively at how services are provided - lunch clubs, etc that can be accessed and sometimes provided by different agencies, e.g., community centres, churches etc.	Adult & older people (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your comment which will be considered as part of any service redesign
12410	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	We need to care for our old people. With the retirement pension age increasing all the time people will be working longer and paying more tax etc.	Adult & older people (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Work will continue to focus on those who are most vulnerable and have additional needs.
12411	An employee of West Lothian Council	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	Disagree - My understanding was that we were already only considering those most at need...	Adult & older people (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12412	No Response	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	Many homecare visits are too short to provide an adequate level of care. Most elderly people have paid in for 40 or 50 years. They are entitled to be cared for.	Adult & older people (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Criteria is set within an assessment framework to ensure people's needs are assessed consistently and fairly
12413	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	Our older generation have lots of pride in accepting help whether it be financial/health or services.	Adult & older people (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12414	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	It is a shame that older people services appears to be one of the most heavily hit, but completely understand the need for it given the constantly growing numbers of older people.	Adult & older people (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12415	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	Agree with this. Families should be reminded that it is not societies duty to look after elderly parents. Sons and daughters need to be encouraged to take responsibility.	Adult & older people (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12416	An employee of West Lothian Council	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	this would allow those most in need to still access help which is good, however many people can benefit from small levels of help which would allow many to successfully live in their own homes longer. This frees up care homes / hospitals for those most in need.	Adult & older people (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12417	No Response	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	no alternative - but should set up / support volunteering / befriending schemes and enable high schools to get involved. Voluntary opps seem fragmented and unfocussed	Adult & older people (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your comment which will be considered as part of any service redesign
12418	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	We need these services	Adult & older people (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12419	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	More help with elderly people.	Adult & older people (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12420	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	I disagree with this approach I'm concerned about level of home provision and support provide	Adult & older people (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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12421	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	Having watched my mum experience the care system for a number of years there seem to be areas that could be run more efficiently. Short care visits are not popular and the carers seem to rush between clients spending more time travelling than with the old people who usually look forward to the visits. This area should be much more streamlined. One of the biggest areas for concern that we experienced was hospitals discharging before the person was fit to be discharged. So out one day and back in the next. All the work involved in getting the care organised for it to be shelved for a number of days or weeks. This happened several times. This really needs addressing and could save money if done properly.	Adult & older people (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The Council is working with NHS Lothian on a wide reaching Frailty Programme to maximise patient pathways and redesign access to community based services
12422	An employee of West Lothian Council	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	High levels of saving. Need to ensure the policy can work. Health should contribute more as pressures are provided by them.	Adult & older people (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The Council is working with NHS Lothian on a wide reaching Frailty Programme to maximise patient pathways and redesign access to community based services
12423	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	The elderly have worked for many years paying taxes etc and then when they need the support it has and is continually being reduced.	Adult & older people (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12424	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	This sounds like a retrograde step. West Lothian and NHS Lothian have set up some very effective services for identifying individuals at risk and rehabilitating them in the community. When combined with the next measure described in "care for Adults" this seems contradictory.	Adult & older people (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12425	An employee of West Lothian Council	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	I believe that care of the elderly should not be scrimped upon.	Adult & older people (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12426	An employee of West Lothian Council	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	The way to deal with increased budget pressure is not to abandon those who need services.	Adult & older people (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12427	No Response	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	Providing care or assistance at home is a lifeline to some and needs to be maintained. I would say however that things like the homecare system could be charged for, even a nominal amount would be revenue in.	Adult & older people (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	There is a further proposal under Income and Concessions which considers how a contributions policy can be introduced subject to the financial assessment of affordability
12428	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	You cannot cut the human element of elderly care. You risk isolating people in their homes.	Adult & older people (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	The council already deploys technology as part of care and support packages where appropriate. Expanding the use of this to more people will help ensure that direct face to face client time is used to best effect.
12429	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	I have no issue with this as long as long as the gap between visits on the most needy do not leave them in danger.	Adult & older people (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12430	No Response	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	Agreed. Care packages at home need to be supported as well as health recommendations need to be supported to support people at home.	Adult & older people (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12431	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	Also need to find ways of encouraging the local community and family to assist	Adult & older people (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your comment which will be considered as part of any service redesign
12432	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	This represents a huge risk-and reducing the input to people will effectively have a knock on effect on hospital admissions and delays. Need to work closely with health to anticipate the impact these changes would make.	Adult & older people (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The Council is working with NHS Lothian on a wide reaching Frailty Programme to maximise patient pathways and redesign access to community based services
12433	An employee of West Lothian Council	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	We will ALL hopefully become old some day we should take great care to ensure the people who actually pay into the services get their just reward when they/we need it most	Adult & older people (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12434	An employee of West Lothian Council	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	This is our most vulnerable group in society. As people age, they increasingly have more complex health and consequently care issues - protect our elderly, they are the group least able to defend themselves! In other authorities, daily care is not always offered - perhaps every other day - and packages are reviewed regularly. We need to react to changing needs and health requirements - does a person need a full package of support all the time, be more flexible to spread resources!	Adult & older people (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Criteria is set within an assessment framework to ensure people's needs are assessed consistently and fairly
12435	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	The integration of social care provision for the elderly in concert with the hospital services should help to provide a more balanced care package for the most vulnerable people in society. Again this will need to be a long-term strategy to take account of the increase in the numbers of elderly people.	Adult & older people (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The Council is working with NHS Lothian on a wide reaching Frailty Programme to maximise patient pathways and redesign access to community based services

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12436	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	What does this saving mean? Again we have insufficient information relating to the specifics of this saving to make an informed decision on who this will affect and how. Has an equality impact assessment been completed for this saving. What is the criteria, what method will be followed, what is the assessment process? The threshold levels will only exacerbate the situation as more people needing help will reach critical/substantial as they will not get the support they need at an early stage, the same applies for respite as they need the support before they get to a critical stage. Existing clients who need re-assessed because their needs have changed - how do they fit into this new model? Higher chance of the breakdown of families because they won't get early intervention as they need to reach the new threshold of critical/substantial. Where are our rights to citizenship if our life choices and chances are being reduced, as the consultation and these savings will only lead to further isolation and less or no involvement in our communities.	Adult & older people (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. This consultation is a set of proposals to enable officers to prepare for budget setting. More detailed work will be undertaken as the processes progress from this initial formative stage
12437	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	there is a great need for proper care for the elderly. A lot of elderly people do not have family to care for them.	Adult & older people (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12438	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	It is very disappointing that the Council are considering makes cuts like this. I appreciate it is a costly service but you are cutting services from people that have no other options yet you are investing in child care etc which is also very expensive. The reason I say this is that people choose to have children and whilst it may cause great upheaval for families if they cannot access childcare it is not the same as disabled and elderly people who have no other choice in life and didn't necessarily do anything to end up ill. Too many now are obsessed with living in better housing etc and are asking for state support to attain this while disabled and elderly are being denied basic adequate housing and support services resulting in complete isolation and no quality of life. This would be acceptable if they had resources and health to change things but they are backed into a corner.	Adult & older people (general)	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12439	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	Constant reviewing of cases sounds good but how will it impact social work staff workload?	Adult & older people (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted and will be considered as part of a review of internal processes.
12440	An employee of West Lothian Council	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	On the one hand the council are proud to say they have improved the quality of life for older people. Cutting in this service area is only going to leave increased problems for older adults depression loneliness health problems for vulnerable people. Its very frustrating that by law these services are not important	Adult & older people (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. The Council is committed to ensure a strong governance framework is in place to make sure quality is at the heart of service delivery.
12441	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	Again huge savings being proposed. As having experience in this service already, you can't deal properly with the critical/substantial needs at the moment - this is only going to make matter worse.	Adult & older people (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12442	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	I like the idea of nursery kids visiting old people's homes etc as this seemed to have benefits for both.. mentally and physically	Adult & older people (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your comment which will be considered as part of any service redesign
12443	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	This sounds quite vague to me. I am a nurse and feel strongly that the most vulnerable elderly people should have priority.	Adult & older people (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12444	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	Sounds like a road to disaster for our elderly. I see no positive actions to encourage families to look after their elders. We need to shift the culture in this country and the councils that head in this direction. Won't need to provide as much care services. Move in the opposite direction. Rethink your strategy, or a growing ageing population will continue to be a drain on your resources etc.	Adult & older people (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12445	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	Care at Home is fundamental and if increased technology can allow this for more people I think it is a good thing, remembering not to make them isolated.	Adult & older people (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council already deploys technology as part of care and support packages where appropriate. Expanding the use of this to more people will help ensure that direct face to face client time is used to best effect.
12446	An employee of West Lothian Council	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	I am not in a position to comment, however, the council need to be very careful that reorganising such services does not cause people 'on the edge' of vulnerability to suddenly lose any support network they may have	Adult & older people (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	The council will always be required to prioritise the needs of people who are most vulnerable. We would also aim to provide early intervention and prevention support where evidence based practice shows that a positive impact can be made

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12447	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	It is imperative for older people and adults who need care to be treated with the utmost respect and nurturing. Often these people are vulnerable with no family to help out. From personal experience I have been on the receiving end of a parent who needed care. Our family endured care companies who did what they liked, we had social workers who made us feel guilty for asking for more care and having to wait an unacceptable amount of time for equipment which was urgently needed. When my dad did eventually go into full time care it was as an emergency when our family were unable to care for him at home. My worry is that other people will be treated like this with more cuts. It's essential to treat the client but just as essential to help families as without them you lose your frontline carers.	Adult & older people (general)	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	The Council is committed to ensure a strong governance framework is in place to make sure quality is at the heart of service delivery from external partners
12448	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	It is imperative for older people and adults who need care to be treated with the utmost respect and nurturing. Often these people are vulnerable with no family to help out. From personal experience I have been on the receiving end of a parent who needed care. Our family endured care companies who did what they liked, we had social workers who made us feel guilty for asking for more care and having to wait an unacceptable amount of time for equipment which was urgently needed. When my dad did eventually go into full time care it was as an emergency when our family were unable to care for him at home. My worry is that other people will be treated like this with more cuts. It's essential to treat the client but just as essential to help families as without them you lose your frontline carers.	Adult & older people (general)	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	The Council is committed to ensure a strong governance framework is in place to make sure quality is at the heart of service delivery from external partners
12449	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	Grants to owner/occupiers should be removed.	Adult & older people (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your comment which will be considered as part of any service redesign
12450	No Response	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	The service provided to elderly at the moment is stretched. Carers are having to cover massive areas which leave little time to actually care for the elderly and are having to put the adults to bed at 7.30pm at night which is no quality of life whatsoever.	Adult & older people (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council is committed to ensure a strong governance framework is in place to make sure quality is at the heart of service delivery from external partners
12451	No Response	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	The service provided to elderly at the moment is stretched. Carers are having to cover massive areas which leave little time to actually care for the elderly and are having to put the adults to bed at 7.30pm at night which is no quality of life whatsoever.	Adult & older people (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council is committed to ensure a strong governance framework is in place to make sure quality is at the heart of service delivery from external partners
12452	No Response	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	Some sense here, as long as it is sufficiently resourced and technology is fit for purpose then this is achievable.	Adult & older people (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12453	An employee of West Lothian Council	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	Support for this proposal would be dependent on some hard evidence that removal of early intervention, when needs are lower, would not result in more rapid requirement for more expensive critical services.	Adult & older people (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council will always be required to prioritise the needs of people who are most vulnerable. We would also aim to provide early intervention and prevention support where evidence based practice shows that a positive impact can be made
12454	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	The elderly have often worked and paid into the governmental system through tax and then when they require the help find it is not accessible to them. From personal experience if not for the carers who helped with or family needs we would have required my mother to have accessed care home which would have been a more expensive for the council than the care package that we had.	Adult & older people (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12455	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	The elderly require the care. If you cut the costs this means less care will be given, less time will be spent with these individuals. This is not a person centered care approach.	Adult & older people (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12456	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	There is no easy answer to how communities who have become disengaged and dependant on the state become more involved again. It shouldn't be up to just the council to look after people with lower level needs.	Adult & older people (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12457	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	Perhaps the Council could cut back the use of agencies for providing care at home. If the carers were directly employed by the Council who already have admin and HR functions, surely this would be more cost effective than paying agencies who have staff on zero hours contracts and are paid the minimum wage. They provide a most valuable service. Having had this service for my mother before she was placed in a care home, we couldn't have coped without it.	Adult & older people (general)	5b. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it is likely that the costs of this proposal would outweigh the benefit.	Council commissioned care from the private sector can be provided at a lower cost that the council can provide. We work in partnership with our commissioned services and will continue to do so.
12458	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	Closing of the day centres for the elderly is not a good idea.	Adult & older people (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Council purchased day care for older people in the independent sector will continue to be provided for people eligible for day services.

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12459	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	I think there is a need to consider some changes to the way services are delivered to older people with low level need. Short care visits are provided for low level need and at the same time people are in receipt of attendance allowance, perhaps part of the assessment is looking at how this is being utilised to meet the outcomes. Organisations currently providing assistance with shopping eg food train, perhaps could expand to offer assistance with meal preparation cutting down on short visits where assistance with meals is the only task. Staff completing assessments could be more aware of voluntary organisations and local resources to be able to signpost services users and families where their need is low/moderate.	Adult & older people (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your comment which will be considered as part of any service redesign
12460	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	This seems rather a large saving, if this is going to leave more people in harms way I don't agree	Adult & older people (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Work will continue to focus on those who are most vulnerable and have additional needs.
12461	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	It is vital that vulnerable people are not put at risk in order to save money	Adult & older people (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Work will continue to focus on those who are most vulnerable and have additional needs.
12462	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	As long as this does not mean cuts to staffing and less care for the people concerned it sounds ok on paper, but I feel its possibly more sinister.	Adult & older people (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12463	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	Furthermore, the impact of this reduction in the employment opportunities for individuals who work in the care sector is a likely consequence of a reduction in funds for social care.	Adult & older people (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. This consultation is the first stage of the process to enable the council to develop a five year plan. Detailed proposals will be worked up following the outcome of this consultation.
12464	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	Care should be required for vulnerable elderly tenants who need it. More and more younger people who have led abusive lifestyles and continue to do so are accessing services primarily designed for the elderly. These cases should be reviewed and more appropriate care settings provided. Those who can still work should not be in a care setting. If there is harassment issues local council housing officers should deal with it using an integrated approach with police and neighbourhood response.	Adult & older people (general)	5c. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it is not consistent with the council's values and priorities.	We are required by law to cover work which some people may not agree with. In relation to integrated working West Lothian has a proven track record of partnership working and will continue to build on this.
12465	No Response	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	with the constant bed state in NHS lothian at crisis level main due to patients waiting for packages of care blocking beds for anywhere from 2weeks to 8 months how will this help reduce the stress on the NHS	Adult & older people (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council is working with NHS Lothian on a wide reaching Frailty Programme to maximise patient pathways and redesign access to community based services
12466	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	This is huge but as before one prescription can't fit all. Some great incentives are in place here but more investigation of needs must be done. Again the idea of Free has taken over and the county is bearing the brunt. However elderly people need support, stimulating environments and places to live in.	Adult & older people (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Criteria is set within an assessment framework to ensure people's needs are assessed consistently and fairly
12467	No Response	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	As the population gets older there will be an understandable increase in the number of people requiring social services. Training needs to be identified to ensure that Social workers are able to identify when individuals are claiming for services they do not require.	Adult & older people (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12468	An employee of West Lothian Council	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	Again it sounds ok but I wonder what it will mean in practice.	Adult & older people (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your comments which have been noted. This consultation is the first stage of the process to enable the council to develop a five year plan. Detailed proposals will be worked up following the outcome of this consultation.
12469	An employee of West Lothian Council	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	There is a lacking already in support for the elderly. This should be improved drastically and more funding to it and not cut from it. We are all going to grow old, living longer and with more each year needing care. this needs tackled now before it gets any worse.	Adult & older people (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12470	No Response	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	Ridiculous - amount being saved here - it should be more - get your priorities right - get rid of high salaries and provide the right things - people floating about the civic centre - what difference are they making to people's lives - none - far too top heavy.	Adult & older people (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted and will be considered as part of any change to management structures.
12471	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	The older generation need more support and care than what they're receiving	Adult & older people (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Work will continue to focus on those who are most vulnerable and have additional needs.

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12472	An employee of West Lothian Council	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	I think this is a good proposal. Although most older people are vulnerable, there are some that just take advantage of the system and think they should be entitled to it. This leaves more vulnerable elderly to be missed or lose out on the help they need.	Adult & older people (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12473	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	Most of these older people have worked and lived in West Lothian all of their working lives, and have paid their taxes etc, now when they need a little help and assistance, the same Council who have taken their council tax over the years are now turning their backs on them.	Adult & older people (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council will always be required to prioritise the needs of people who are most vulnerable, We would also aim to provide early intervention and prevention support where evidence based practice shows that a positive impact can be made
12474	An employee of West Lothian Council	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	Better training, delegation, trust and empowerment is required at all levels.	Adult & older people (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12475	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	I think more could be done to meet people's needs in the community. My mother benefits from attending social events with friends and acquaintances and I would imagine that having a paid carer to sit at home with her (as some of her friends have) to stop loneliness/isolation would not be good for her wellbeing. However, the council needs to ensure sufficient community resources to fill some of older peoples needs that will no longer be met	Adult & older people (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your comment which will be considered as part of any service redesign
12476	An employee of West Lothian Council	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	Occupational therapy can be used as a preventative measure and used towards keeping people at home in the community for as long as possible.	Adult & older people (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	The approach is to encourage community capacity building and informal networks to ensure people remain connected with their local area
12477	An employee of West Lothian Council	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	Again vulnerable and elderly people deserve the same care as the majority of the population.	Adult & older people (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Work will continue to focus on those who are most vulnerable and have additional needs.
12478	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	If people need the care services they need them and I strongly believe cuts should not be made in this area. If older peoples needs are not met by the local authority it's going to be left up to their relatives to look after them which seems very unfair to me. What will happen to people that don't have anyone to support them? I think changing the threshold levels is a mistake. If they are not receiving low / medium level care and the support they need this will lead to client needs increasing more rapidly.	Adult & older people (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council will always be required to prioritise the needs of people who are most vulnerable, We would also aim to provide early intervention and prevention support where evidence based practice shows that a positive impact can be made
12479	An employee of West Lothian Council	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	Personally I don't think there is enough funding to support the elderly in need of care and I hope this is not the same old story - means testing and the individuals who have worked to save for their old age end up paying for care and the individuals who have spend all their money get everything paid for them or for nothing.	Adult & older people (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12480	An employee of West Lothian Council	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	While I agree with some of this it is very important that isolation is addressed in this category. This is an intervention/prevention that can provide much better outcomes and less expenditure. Of course the most critical must get the care they need but isolation and a holistic approach is vital here	Adult & older people (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12481	An employee of West Lothian Council	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	I am strongly against any changes to elderly care - its a very poor society if we cant care for our elderly	Adult & older people (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12482	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	Disgraceful that you feel that you can still provide a service to look after the most vulnerable citizens and save nearly £9 million . If this was possible why have you been wasting money for years . Surely that would explain the shortfall .	Adult & older people (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council currently provides care for people at all levels - the proposal seeks to raise the threshold for services to target the most vulnerable in our communities.
12483	An employee of West Lothian Council	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	Don't cut the elderly care needs.	Adult & older people (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12484	An employee of West Lothian Council	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	This proposal places the responsibility back on families which means people will have to leave employment to care for elderly relatives affecting the economic prosperity of the local authority. The Council needs to start planning now and thinking creatively about a solution to a problem that they have known is coming.	Adult & older people (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	West Lothian has modelled the demographic growth into its budgets and it is this rising cost against insufficient funding that has created the budget gap.
12485	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	Please dont leave older people without services until crisis point. This could be ineffective saving in the long term. Have other councils worked out the long terms costs of waiting until these people are requiring critical care?	Adult & older people (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	West Lothian has modelled the demographic growth into its budgets and it is this rising cost against insufficient funding that has created the budget gap.

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12486	An employee of West Lothian Council	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	Older people deserve better care none of these services should be cut	Adult & older people (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12487	No Response	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	Again, this will put more pressure on families who are trying to work hard and pay all of the tax required. If there is less support for older people then families will have to do more. What about the elderly who don't have family to step in?	Adult & older people (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Work will continue to focus on those who are most vulnerable and have additional needs.
12488	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	This is seriously worrying. The implications appear to be that means testing is to be employed to ration services. It looks like becoming a service of last resort with only the most in need being provided for. Once again, in almost every sector, the "just about managing" group are worst affected.	Adult & older people (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12489	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	there isn't enough being spent on this provision as it is, as you say there are more elderly people now , so get a more hands on workforce and cut down on some of the technological provision we need more time on home visits, give the elderly a better quality of life , it is 2017 after all!	Adult & older people (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. The Council is committed to ensure a strong governance framework is in place to make sure quality is at the heart of service delivery.
12490	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	ensure pensioners are not readily dismissed for essential needs and care , needs more thought though .	Adult & older people (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Work will continue to focus on those who are most vulnerable and have additional needs.
12491	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	This is a difficult area because people are living longer and with more complex multimorbidity and this is only going to escalate.	Adult & older people (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12492	No Response	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	I thank mabey a little less for this	Adult & older people (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12493	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	Why is this a change, surely it should have been current good practice.	Adult & older people (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	The council currently provides care for people at all levels - the proposal seeks to raise the threshold for services to target the most vulnerable in our communities.
12494	No Response	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	Funding must be preserved to ensure our elderly are not lonely, their dignity and health are preserved and that they receive the care they need when they need it. You only need to think how you would feel if this proposal was applicable to you and yours to know it needs further thought and consideration.	Adult & older people (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12495	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	Care for the elderly and vulnerable people in our community should be one of the councils top priorities and any cuts should be kept to a minimum.	Adult & older people (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12496	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	Having supported my mother-in-law as she suffered from dementia I appreciate how the council services are vital in this regard. I wouldn't want any cuts made to this particular area. It's frightening to think what the future holds for other people needing social care.	Adult & older people (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12497	An employee of West Lothian Council	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	This is a farce , the care system for the elderly is poor and social services and occupational therapy is already struggling on poor budgets ,and the payments from the government mean lots of old people have to pay for sparse services	Adult & older people (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12498	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	OK, so you, again want to concentrate your reduced budget on the most needy. I wonder how this service users and those with unmet needs. Have you, or will you look at other models of the provision of social care being developed in Continental Europe/ Is a local Authority with its very high overhead the best placed organisation to deliver social care?	Adult & older people (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12499	No Response	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	The older generation are not going to get any smaller and more care will be needed as home ownership dwindles and therefore unable to pay for care	Adult & older people (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12500	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	Careline is a great service and so reassuring to many elderly and disabled people in our community - including their families.	Adult & older people (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12501	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	Care packages in place at the moment are an excellent support - enabling people to stay in their own homes.	Adult & older people (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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12502	No Response	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	For some housebound clients the only human contact that they have is their care visits. The 15 minute visit does not even meet their personal needs.	Adult & older people (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Work will continue to focus on those who are most vulnerable and have additional needs.
12503	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	Can details of this plan be published for interested parties to view electronically and/or hardcopy? What is the criteria of a "critical/substantial" need? If you do not meet that criteria are you signposted to other third party organisations or left to your own devices? Far more details is needed to understand what the statement above means and WLC intentions. Short care visits being reviewed sounds like existing people as well as new people? Technology is a huge help and safety net for those who can access it and know how to work it. For those who have learning difficulties, dementia etc technology must be used to enhance someones life. Not be used to replace personal contact. Quality of life is vital. Being scared in your own home, or whilst on your own is unnecessary in our lives today. We need to identify new ways of caring for people.	Adult & older people (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. This consultation is the first stage of the process to enable the council to develop a five year plan. Detailed proposals will be worked up following the outcome of this consultation.
12504	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	Give help to people who really need it. I know of folk who needed help for a few weeks and still get carers a year later. Which they do not want or need!	Adult & older people (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12505	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	The difficulty we have with care is that there is a huge initial cost to be able to provide all current services through council but due to the ever growing old and young population within West Lothian. Funding third parties it is going to work out most expensive long term. This will become a monopoly for the few companies which could realistically provide care.	Adult & older people (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposal is to ensure that all externally commissioned services are also targeted to people with the highest level of need.
12506	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	In theory this all seems positive however in these instances Council must be guided by the professionals at the "coalface".	Adult & older people (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12507	No Response	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	More appropriate interventions is the key part here. The input should be tailored to the specific needs of the older person and more emphasis should be placed on the quality of care and to prevent isolation rather than just focussing on physical needs-which are not often even met.	Adult & older people (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The Council is committed to ensure a strong governance framework is in place to make sure quality is at the heart of service delivery from external partners
12508	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	You have stated a growing need as our elderly population grows but want to cut this service. How is that going to improve the lives of our elderly people?	Adult & older people (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Work will continue to focus on those who are most vulnerable and have additional needs.
12509	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	This is obviously a big issue at a national level. Radical change is required but may be for UK / Scottish government to take lead. No easy answers.	Adult & older people (general)	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12510	No Response	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	Care at home packages are atrocious and I can't see how these would improve.	Adult & older people (general)	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	The Council is committed to ensure a strong governance framework is in place to make sure quality is at the heart of service delivery from external partners
12511	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	This is a growing problem and having worked in the health care system for many years I can see that this is spiralling out of control. This is a major government issue and all stems back to our model of healthcare. More emphasis should be given to prevention, education on healthy lifestyle and large amount of responsibility must be placed on individuals themselves. We are just allowing ourselves to crumble into old age and expect endless services to be provided. I am unsure how individual local councils can deal with this without a nationwide initiative.	Adult & older people (general)	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12512	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	Unacceptable to make savings here. These old people have paid into the system and don't deserve to have corners cut.	Adult & older people (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12513	No Response	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	Hopefully the Council will balance the relatively low cost of early intervention with the higher cost of late intervention which may be incurred if support is not provided at early stages meaning people's conditions get worse, costing more to support them in the long run.	Adult & older people (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council will always be required to prioritise the needs of people who are most vulnerable. We would also aim to provide early intervention and prevention support where evidence based practice shows that a positive impact can be made
12514	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	Supporting local charitable organisations like West Lothian 50+ is a cost-effective way of providing support to the elderly which might make the difference between people remaining independent and in good mental health and being reduced to needing greater direct support from the Council services.	Adult & older people (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your comment which will be considered as part of any service redesign
12515	No Response	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	Go for it and if it's not achievable flag it to the Scottish Government, they are the organisation demanding these cost reductions	Adult & older people (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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12516	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	I think improving quality of life for old people should be first priority because i think they need more support towards their independence to get out there care homes and live a life as some old people are isolated	Adult & older people (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The approach is to encourage community capacity building and informal networks to ensure people remain connected with their local area
12517	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	This is an important area as we are all living longer. I am not experienced in this field but I trust you will be looking at areas of best practice both nationally and internationally. I believe Italy has some innovative ideas in adult and older people assessment.	Adult & older people (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your comment which will be considered as part of any service redesign
12518	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	Most of the older people have contributed all their lives to WLC it is now that they are given priority	Adult & older people (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12519	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	I think the proactive approaches in place could be aligned better to ensure people are using to best advantage all the approaches that exist. I believe this will have longer term savings on needs. What approaches need re-disinged to make people take responsibility for their own long term health?	Adult & older people (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your comment which will be considered as part of any service redesign
12520	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	It would be good to know what contingency plans the council have when care homes close without warning, such as has happened in the case of the Bield homes.	Adult & older people (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	West Lothian has a proven track record of partnership working and would wish to build on this. The Council works closely with all providers to monitor all aspects of their business models and in the case of Bield this was a national decision to change their model, not something linked just to West Lothian Council's commissioned services
12521	An employee of West Lothian Council	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	Hopefully great care is taken when implementing these measures as these adults are at their most vulnerable and the community should be helping. Our elderly have been paying into a system all their working lives and should not be worrying about where they can get help. It should be there.	Adult & older people (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12522	No Response	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	More support for adults and the community. These services appear to have been getting cut over past few years	Adult & older people (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The approach is to encourage community capacity building and informal networks to ensure people remain connected with their local area
12523	No Response	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	Cut the number of senior managers and speed interventions for the provision of support packages and transfers between LA areas	Adult & older people (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted and will be considered as part of any change to management structures.
12524	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	As above, when the elderly given all these gadgets and door railing etc why are they left behind? Why are these not recycled?	Adult & older people (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your comment which will be considered as part of any service redesign
12525	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	Very important. Should be streamlined where possible where maintaining choices and standards.	Adult & older people (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12526	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	Old folk just want to live their twilight years in dignity. Make this possible!	Adult & older people (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Work will continue to focus on those who are most vulnerable and have additional needs.
12527	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	I think much better shared working between health and social care is essential. Understanding eg which residents require support on discharge from hospital, putting the support including technology in place to allow them to remain at home safely for longer is part of this. Likewise better working with third sector and families to fully assess requirements and how they can be provided is essential.	Adult & older people (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The Council is working with NHS Lothian on a wide reaching Frailty Programme to maximise patient pathways and redesign access to community based services
12528	An employee of West Lothian Council	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	All good Again there is also a need to focus on preventative measures - eg promote active aging and tackle the causes that could lead to age related conditions that require care provision.	Adult & older people (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12529	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	There is currently not enough resources to meet the care for clients. People who need the service most are priority, however everyone needs the assistance available and not forgotten about.	Adult & older people (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12530	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	Yes, I agree. Currently older and disabled people are receiving services when many could pay more for their care. For example a wealthy disabled person may secure equipment to help them live at home if an Occupational Therapist agrees - I do not support this sort of spending.	Adult & older people (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	There is a further proposal under Income and Concessions which considers how a contributions policy can be introduced subject to the financial assessment of affordability
12531	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	This is going to impact on care for a large percentage of our Learning Disability clients. Many people with small packages of care are safely sustained in the community and without that this will have an adverse effect on the mental health of our vulnerable patients and increase hospital admissions and use of community services. If small packages of care are removed then it is likely that their needs will become critical and substantial therefore costing more money. As an alternative a way to save more money would be means tested contributions to the client's own service.	Adult & older people (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council will always be required to prioritise the needs of people who are most vulnerable, We would also aim to provide early intervention and prevention support where evidence based practice shows that a positive impact can be made

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12532	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	It's all good and well caring for older people within their own homes but careers are afforded so little time that a comprehensive service cannot be fulfilled.	Adult & older people (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council is committed to ensure a strong governance framework is in place to make sure quality is at the heart of service delivery from external partners
12533	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	If people are to be kept at home you need to provide adequate care. Not only physical but for mental health as well which needs an active social life, they can not do this them selves as physical age is a travel constraint and many older people do not have family.	Adult & older people (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your comment which will be considered as part of any service redesign
12534	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	Feel older people who only need help after being in hospital or cant cope in their home will be most affected.	Adult & older people (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	Work will continue to focus on those who are most vulnerable and have additional needs.
12535	An employee of West Lothian Council	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	Agree that this needs to change but disagree if it's the usual "people on benefits don't need to pay anything whilst working people pay in full". This is unfair on working people. It's all very well on paper saying you can support people at home by technology but some people just want to see a friendly face and enjoy some "real" company.	Adult & older people (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Criteria is set within an assessment framework to ensure people's needs are assessed consistently and fairly. Work will continue to focus on those who are most vulnerable and have additional needs.
12536	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	West Lothian Council and NHS Lothian failed my mother-in-law during the last weeks of her life. Her discharge from hospital to spend her last weeks in her own home were delayed by the inability of the Council and the NHS to put in place a care package. We received a letter to confirm the care package the day after she died. I have very limited confidence in West Lothian Council to deliver care services.	Adult & older people (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The respondent's experience is noted with regret. Ensuring that the right provision is available at the right time is a major priority for us. The Council and NHS Lothian have embarked on a wide reaching Frailty Programme to maximise patient pathways and redesign access to community based services with our care providers.
12537	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	Some of those affected have worked all their days And in their later days some are forgotten so keep the Social Work	Adult & older people (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12538	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	Surely the most vulnerable group of citizens in our society are persons who through no fault of their own are born with severe and complex special needs, who are unable to fully express opinions and who will rely on 24/7 care throughout their lives. Our [REDACTED] is one such citizen and [REDACTED] we have been very appreciative of the care provided by WLC through school years and onto residential placement. It would be our wish that this care is not compromised as financial pressures become increasingly challenging. It is therefore our hope that the Council will give us the comfort we seek as ageing parents in knowing our daughter is given every opportunity to live in a safe, comfortable and happy environment with the right level of support to allow her to flourish and develop her full potential. We're sure you will understand that this element of Social Care provision is very very close to our hearts and we will be watching developments closely on behalf of our special daughter.	Adult & older people (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. This consultation is the first stage of the process to enable the council to develop a five year plan. Detailed proposals will be worked up following the outcome of this consultation.
12539	An employee of West Lothian Council	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	Not as much cuts to services for the elderly	Adult & older people (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12540	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	This will be good, but better value needs to be driven from all of your suppliers to ensure the best possible value and use of public money.	Adult & older people (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The Council is committed to ensure a strong governance framework is in place to make sure quality is at the heart of service delivery from external partners
12541	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	As 1A - Excellent if all of the above are carried out. However on current personally experienced performance it will take a huge effort to even provide an improvement. Further why has the "efficiency and effectiveness" not been applied to current procedures. No real criteria to be reach is actually stated and the starting point for these "efficiency and effectiveness" upgrade to services is not evident. Vagueness in targets to achieve. How will residents know when this is achieved?	Adult & older people (general)	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Thank you for your comments which have been noted. This consultation is the first stage of the process to enable the council to develop a five year plan. Detailed proposals will be worked up following the outcome of this consultation.
12542	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	The people who need these services must be provided for.	Adult & older people (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Criteria is set within an assessment framework to ensure people's needs are assessed consistently and fairly. Work will continue to focus on those who are most vulnerable and have additional needs.
12543	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	The majority of these people will have paid there council tax / rates for years helping to fund local authorities for years it's not their fault for the cuts just bad management /political choices etc. The best care should be provided.	Adult & older people (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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12544	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	Free care for the elderly? More support from central government seems necessary?	Adult & older people (general)	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12545	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	I thought with the massive pressures on the NHS, there were to be increased resources directed towards home care services - basically to free up the the very expensive hospital beds. This proposal seems to be diametrically opposed to this concept. What are Scottish Local Governments and Scottish Health Services views on a "combined NHS Social Care Service" - maybe Local Governments need to be relieved of the social care responsibility and have this combined within the regional Health Boards. Hopefully this isn't just shuffling the deck chairs on the Titanic!	Adult & older people (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	The West Lothian Integrated Joint Board (IJB) directs the council and health agencies to deliver local services. The Council is working with NHS Lothian on a wide reaching Frailty Programme to maximise patient pathways and redesign access to community based services
12546	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	they need social care for people who are most in need	Adult & older people (general)	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12547	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	My family are relying on care for the council.	Adult & older people (general)	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12548	An employee of West Lothian Council	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	This will affect people that have very little communication with the outside world. I wouldn't like to imagine a world where I was stuck in a house with no visitors.	Adult & older people (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Work will continue to focus on those who are most vulnerable and have additional needs.
12549	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	Need to make decisions that support the elderly fairly as a number of these people fall through the net. Need to close any gaps and make sure care does not fall down in anyway due to their vulnerability	Adult & older people (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Criteria is set within an assessment framework to ensure people's needs are assessed consistently and fairly. Work will continue to focus on those who are most vulnerable and have additional needs.
12550	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	This is not sustainable with a growing elderly population in West Lothian, puts older members of our community at risk, and will increase pressure on the health service.	Adult & older people (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council is working with NHS Lothian on a wide reaching Frailty Programme to maximise patient pathways and redesign access to community based services
12551	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	Would need strong support from the Scottish Government to ensure public recognition of this serious problem of the increase in the elderly population.	Adult & older people (general)	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12552	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	I would like to see the top 3 items/specific deliverables that contribute to this redesign.	Adult & older people (general)	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Thank you for your comments which have been noted. This consultation is the first stage of the process to enable the council to develop a five year plan. Detailed proposals will be worked up following the outcome of this consultation.
12553	No Response	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	inevitable but home care is still cheaper and better than hospital care	Adult & older people (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The Council is working with NHS Lothian on a wide reaching Frailty Programme to maximise patient pathways and redesign access to community based services
12554	No Response	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	Maybe offer families the option to be the carer for families to keep them together by offering the same money social work get and people won't feel like they are a burden or the fact strangers will be coming to their house every week, a lot of older people are embarrassed or reluctant to ask for help.	Adult & older people (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	Where appropriate, people who provide care for a family member can ask for a carer's assessment
12555	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	If you want to secure more money for elderly care, you need to seriously look at people who deliberately deprive themselves of property by transferring ownership to their children and then claim they have no money and get care for free. You need to put more money into closing this loophole. I know very well off older people who are legally claiming they have no property, but aren't paying any rent and are then eligible for free care.	Adult & older people (general)	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12556	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	Here we go the old pensioners again, just a thought the majority of pensioners are still paying tax unlike all the can work choose not too generation	Adult & older people (general)	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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12557	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	If this means the elderly are able to live safely in their own homes , then this is a good idea. Problems arise with a lack of coordination of provision of appropriate services for individuals.	Adult & older people (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The Council is working with NHS Lothian on a wide reaching Frailty Programme to maximise patient pathways and redesign access to community based services
12558	An employee of West Lothian Council	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	Council departments need to be more joined up for this to happen effectively. Older people's support should not be cut.	Adult & older people (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12559	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	I believe the Scottish Government only funds free personal care for elderly. Lots of other authorities charge under 65s. WL Council should look at doing this.	Adult & older people (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	There is a further proposal under Income and Concessions which considers how a contributions policy can be introduced subject to the financial assessment of affordability
12560	No Response	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	The recent exposure by the press, and speaking with some friends and family. The support for older people is a concern, in my opinion either the whole service is not managed properly or needs a review. As I think some people who need support fall through the net, as they do not know what they are entitled to and do not have enough information to hand. Along with the fact there needs to be some respect given to them on a whole. Perhaps it is internal council staff training that is required. As their customer service leaves a lot to be desired	Adult & older people (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12561	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	Perhaps we should look at additional care homes and day centres	Adult & older people (general)	5b. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it is likely that the costs of this proposal would outweigh the benefit.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12562	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	More training to provide better care in the community.	Adult & older people (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	The Council is committed to ensure a strong governance framework is in place to make sure quality is at the heart of service delivery from external partners
12563	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	My daughter currently receives care at home services, social support and respite all of which are essential to her health and wellbeing and also in promoting my own ability to continue as her carer. I am very concerned about any cuts that there might be to the level of service that she receives.	Adult & older people (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12564	An employee of West Lothian Council	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	Not sure what a short care visit is but if the planning is done without seeing and sepaking to real people it will be flawed.	Adult & older people (general)	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12565	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	Would adult fostering type payments work even for day care - where an older person joins a family for the day once a week and participates in family life. Could respite fostering for older people in local communities with fostering allowances and fees be trialled as opposed to expensive residential respite - I would be willing to offer this type of service. Relationships would then be built up older people would become part of the local community and people would do much more for them. younger generations would benefit to.	Adult & older people (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your comment which will be considered as part of any service redesign
12566	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	The cuts will affect very vulnerable people. Many old people have few family supports and rely on help from the Council. Any way of preserving services is vital.	Adult & older people (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12567	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	this wouldn't be so great because anything can happen during the time you wouldn't be there	Adult & older people (general)	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12568	An employee of West Lothian Council	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	care at home only works if it is properly funded and managed	Adult & older people (general)	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	The Council is committed to ensure a strong governance framework is in place to make sure quality is at the heart of service delivery from external partners
12569	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	Please more joined up thinking and better communication and shared care with NHS. This doesn't seem an area where more cuts are possible given already reported poor care for some of our elderly and stretched and worn out carers, not to mention overstretched social work staff.	Adult & older people (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council is working with NHS Lothian on a wide reaching Frailty Programme to maximise patient pathways and redesign access to community based services
12570	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	I think the people most at need should receive this.	Adult & older people (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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12571	An employee of West Lothian Council	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	Families should be encouraged to care for their own families wherever possible. Although this is not always an option due to complex care needs, families need to be actively encouraged to care for their own elderly family members.	Adult & older people (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12572	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	Agreed. More care should be taken in supporting those most in need instead of those who know how to play the system	Adult & older people (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12573	An employee of West Lothian Council	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	Caring for the elderly is vital and if there can be efficiencies made without a big impact on the service it should be made. .	Adult & older people (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12574	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	The most at need group should be focused on. Other factors which should be taken into account is family members who care for the elderly, volunteers who may be interested in helping at certain times and the persons pension/savings which they could be paying a small fraction towards the services they may be in need of.	Adult & older people (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12575	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	The council should encourage Family members to participate in their care. Regular visits at Care Homes. More older people should be cared in their homes. Home shared house helps should be a new standard.	Adult & older people (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12576	An employee of West Lothian Council	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	2b I understand that there is a need to prioritise the most urgent cases, however it is unclear to me what this would mean for current service users. Hopefully this will not lead to the neglect and further isolation of elderly people.	Adult & older people (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12577	No Response	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	This may work short term, however, those who initially present as not "critical/substantial" will likely become so over time. This is a "fire fighting" method dealing only with the emergencies when they arise, when further resources and money could be saved with earlier interventions rather than awaiting the point of critical need.	Adult & older people (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council will always be required to prioritise the needs of people who are most vulnerable, We would also aim to provide early intervention and prevention support where evidence based practice shows that a positive impact can be made
12578	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	Given the financial crisis it is difficult not to agree with this measure, although it may not always result in a net saving, especially where preventative services are stopped, which could result in more 'substantial/critical' intervention.	Adult & older people (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council will always be required to prioritise the needs of people who are most vulnerable, We would also aim to provide early intervention and prevention support where evidence based practice shows that a positive impact can be made
12579	An employee of West Lothian Council	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	Why only new clients ? That is fundamentally unfair. All Clients should be reviewed, and re-assessed accordingly, otherwise you are providing a two tier system.	Adult & older people (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12580	An employee of West Lothian Council	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	Care at home is essential for elderly people .	Adult & older people (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12581	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	I don't agree with the plan for all who are in need of care. Think about this very carefully as most families will be visited by a need for care at some point and it is extremely important the council maintains its commitments. I cannot imagine a more miserable place to find yourself as a carer with no support looking after a sick relative / spouse / adult child. What does "... that the threshold levels would be set at critical/substantial for all new clients for care, respite provision and private adaptation grants." mean specifically? Perhaps the council does not value those who have contributed their council tax for years then find themselves, or their nearest, sick and in need of care. If you are alluding to means testing then this is wrong. This is surely why we pay our council tax.	Adult & older people (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12582	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	Not sure what the above means - what are appropriate interventions? Cheaper ones or quality? With people living longer our old people need 1-1 support and care	Adult & older people (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12583	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	Just because people are slightly more able does not mean they should not be provided the same level of care this is discrimination	Adult & older people (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Criteria is set within an assessment framework to ensure people's needs are assessed consistently and fairly. Work will continue to focus on those who are most vulnerable and have additional needs.
12584	An employee of West Lothian Council	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	It needs to be fair and help the really vulnerable ppl in West Lothian. Unfortunately money means these ppl loose out	Adult & older people (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Criteria is set within an assessment framework to ensure people's needs are assessed consistently and fairly. Work will continue to focus on those who are most vulnerable and have additional needs.
12585	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	Again it is worrying that older people may not get the help they require. However there are definitely efficiencies that could be made in this area. Making sure that everyone involved communicates effectively would probably save a lot of time and money	Adult & older people (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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12586	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	This is an area that must cost much and, as such, must always be on the receiving end of frequent efficiency review.	Adult & older people (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12587	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	What ever happens, staff working directly with children need proper support and training. We have all seen the headlines	Adult & older people (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Any changes to management structures will require to fully consider the impact on staff
12588	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	Carers are not recognised enough for the job they do. Their budget is low enough and the service cannot afford cuts. If people receive efficient care at home they do not need residential care. This saves "the public purse" in the long run. It would not be financially prudent to cut levels of care.	Adult & older people (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12589	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	Will this model save money, or leave folk in peril for longer before they reach your proposed critical/substantial level?	Adult & older people (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Work will continue to focus on those who are most vulnerable and have additional needs.
12590	An employee of West Lothian Council	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	Great about keeping/moving provision into West Lothian for adults with disabilities - keep these individuals in the area, and keeping the money spent on this provision in the area (not sending them to other areas - such as very expensive BUPA care homes in Edinburgh!!!)	Adult & older people (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12591	An employee of West Lothian Council	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	Many of the cuts in welfare have not affected pensioners and whilst there are many in poverty, there are many others who are receiving free services who are better able to afford them than those in low paid work but still in poverty, or indeed for kids e.g. free travel, swimming etc.	Adult & older people (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	There is a further proposal under Income and Concessions which considers how a contributions policy can be introduced subject to the financial assessment of affordability
12592	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	Older people must be as much a priority as young people. All too often the elderly are 'sidelined'.	Adult & older people (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Work will continue to focus on those who are most vulnerable and have additional needs.
12593	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	Concerned about the impact on carers. It would appear that as the Carers (Scotland) Act is being introduced to provide enhanced support for carers that services are being withdrawn placing a greater burden on carers.	Adult & older people (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12594	An employee of West Lothian Council	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	Undoubtedly care at home for as long as possible achieves the best outcome.	Adult & older people (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12595	An employee of West Lothian Council	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	The provision of care for this should be further taken up by the NHS not the regional council.	Adult & older people (general)	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12596	An employee of West Lothian Council	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	This will need to be approached with due diligence in relation to being able to signpost and support older people to alternative solutions. The council need to be mindful of the need to ensure that there are community supports and capacity within communities to meet lower level needs.	Adult & older people (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your comment which will be considered as part of any service redesign
12597	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	Focus on folk with no family backup	Adult & older people (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Work will continue to focus on those who are most vulnerable and have additional needs.
12598	An employee of West Lothian Council	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	Look in to paying families to keep older relatives at home for longer rather than admit to care facility	Adult & older people (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12599	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	The resources that are going in to young adults being accommodated are eye-watering and open to complete abuse by a number of individuals who feel entitled and who really need to be given the message that they are responsible for their own lives and the burden of their care is not the responsibility of other tax payers. Granted there might be extenuating circumstances in some case but frankly the system is being exploited to the detriment of other services.	Adult & older people (general)	5a. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because the council is required by law to deliver this work.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12600	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	Difficult to meet the needs of every individual and it is an area of continued increase. It is the quality of intervention that is important though and hopefully this will not be missing with these proposed changes.	Adult & older people (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12601	An employee of West Lothian Council	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	So punish the people who have worked and saved money all their lives by making them pay to support the ones that have played and lived of the system for years!	Adult & older people (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12602	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	suggest that for some services that may be modern such as Day Care, these are charged or contribution is made that takes into account Attendance Allowance. This may off set the estimated cost of savings.	Adult & older people (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	There is a further proposal under Income and Concessions which considers how a contributions policy can be introduced subject to the financial assessment of affordability

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12603	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	This should be part of the NHS.	Adult & older people (general)	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12604	An employee of West Lothian Council	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	Must provide dignity and respect for older people.	Adult & older people (general)	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12605	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	People shouldn't be put into a category on whether they need care or not. They should always be looked at on an individual bases. Most caring industries now or one which I know well, don't focus on the word 'care' it is a quick in and out visit and running to the next person in need. This is coming from an ex carer and knows what it feels like to not be able to give my time to someone who I know needs it.	Adult & older people (general)	5a. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because the council is required by law to deliver this work.	Criteria is set within an assessment framework to ensure people's needs are assessed consistently and fairly. Work will continue to focus on those who are most vulnerable and have additional needs.
12606	No Response	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	This is an area that, as you state, is one of increasing demand/need. It seems odd that you are proposing to cut services. Adjusting thresholds just means less services to fewer people.	Adult & older people (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council will always be required to prioritise the needs of people who are most vulnerable. We would also aim to provide early intervention and prevention support where evidence based practice shows that a positive impact can be made
12607	No Response	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	I am aware that these costs are rising - the best of luck with that	Adult & older people (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12608	No Response	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	The figure of £8.8 million scares me - currently some adults & older people do not receive the care that they should be getting therefore this can only get worse. Short visits are an absolute joke - they are no viable and in around 97% of cases they are to the detriment of the adult / older person - staff here are under so much pressure that 'clients' are afraid to ask anything additional to their work load as they are away of how stretched they are and that they have numerous clients that all need help and support. By expanding on the successful (according to who???)n technology to support care at home contributes to the Council rapidly becoming a faceless service especially for the more vulnerable members of society - i think people to remember and react according at the valuable contributions our older member of the county have contributed in the past.	Adult & older people (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	The council already deploys technology as part of care and support packages where appropriate. Expanding the use of this to more people will help ensure that direct face to face client time is used to best effect.
12609	An employee of West Lothian Council	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	I agree with the proposal subject to it being undertaken on a risk based approach and families having adequate capacity to cope with full time care of a dependant.	Adult & older people (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12610	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	As above. A public consultation should be arranged so that families can be fully represented. It is alarming that cuts are being proposed to services for those who are the most vulnerable in society, and who form a minority. Families with children/adults with disabilities need to be adequately supported. It would be disgraceful to reduce services in this area.	Adult & older people (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	All stakeholders are being asked to participate in the consultation
12611	No Response	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	With elderly parents now needing care I feel the whole system is in need of review. Helping families to understand what services and options are available. Providing more sheltered housing and looking at cost effective models of helping old people used elsewhere would hopefully save money in the long term.	Adult & older people (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	Work will continue to focus on those who are most vulnerable and have additional needs.
12612	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	The focus should be totally on providing support to allow older people to maintain their independence and not having to go into care homes unless unavoidable.	Adult & older people (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12613	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	I think we should introduce a charging policy as people are being given benefits to support their care needs. However we need quality services to be offered to people. The criteria I think will discriminate against those with mental health problems as they may present with a lower criteria. However without support individuals with mental health problems may be more likely to present to health services and crisis may be more likely to occur, I am not sure that we can have a blanket criteria for all service users and think that those with mental health issues should be considered carefully in this process.	Adult & older people (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	There is a further proposal under Income and Concessions which considers how a contributions policy can be introduced subject to the financial assessment of affordability
12614	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	I do believe care at home is best if it is possible and suited to the individual cases. Social care and support at home and the local community can save and free resources for hospitals.	Adult & older people (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	The Council is working with NHS Lothian on a wide reaching Frailty Programme to maximise patient pathways and redesign access to community based services
12615	An employee of West Lothian Council	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	there also needs to be more partnership working to identify those older people not quite meeting the critical threshold who require support to ensure they don't fall into crisis	Adult & older people (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council will always be required to prioritise the needs of people who are most vulnerable. We would also aim to provide early intervention and prevention support where evidence based practice shows that a positive impact can be made

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12616	No Response	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	The older population is increasing mental health issues increasing resources require to be focused on vulnerable adults not removing services .vital to wellbeing	Adult & older people (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12617	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	The priority must be to look after the most serious cases.	Adult & older people (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Work will continue to focus on those who are most vulnerable and have additional needs.
12618	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	Pay carers more money for the difficult emotional and physical work they do.	Adult & older people (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	Criteria is set within an assessment framework to ensure people's needs are assessed consistently and fairly
12619	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	There is already too much pressure put on the resources for this area	Adult & older people (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12620	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	wholeheartedly disagree with savings proposed here. Care homes, especially private sector, are already struggling and that impacts on quality of care for our parents and grandparents.	Adult & older people (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. The Council is committed to ensure a strong governance framework is in place to make sure quality is at the heart of service delivery.
12621	An employee of West Lothian Council	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	Most councils have withdrawn from the Care Home market because of the cost of council staff. Is the council's care home provision providing the best value for money? There needs to be a balance between bed blocking in hospitals and ensuring people go home that is fit for purpose.	Adult & older people (general)	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	The proposal does not relate to residential care
12622	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	try to get families to do more not just put their parents into care homes	Adult & older people (general)	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12623	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	I would not like to be an old person in this local authority. Old people receive minimal support and what is being proposed is verging on increased risk to health and well being of elderly people. this is a local authority with an increasing population, young and old. their is a greater need for services not a reduction. This council should be demanding greater financial budget from Scottish Office as it it one of two local authorities in scotland where population is growing due to government policy for economic and housing development to cater for Edinburgh needs and development along the M8 corridor	Adult & older people (general)	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12624	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	Why have you been wasting so much of our money up to this point?	Adult & older people (general)	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12625	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	As this group is one of the most vulnerable, and also growing in size, it seems unfair that they should be hit by such a large cut.	Adult & older people (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12626	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	I am unsure what the alternative interventions are - I certainly haven't been able to access any interventions for my relative.	Adult & older people (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. This consultation is the first stage of the process to enable the council to develop a five year plan. Detailed proposals will be worked up following the outcome of this consultation.
12627	An employee of West Lothian Council	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	Need to have better links between health care and social care and wherever possible pursue assistance which enables older / sick people to do more for themselves eg home adaption, classes for those with COPD	Adult & older people (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The Council is working with NHS Lothian on a wide reaching Frailty Programme to maximise patient pathways and redesign access to community based services
12628	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	Housing with care complexes manager could be in charge of more than one unit. This could save money.	Adult & older people (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your comment which will be considered as part of any service redesign
12629	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	Cut back on care workers in these places personally they sit around quite a lot.	Adult & older people (general)	5a. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because the council is required by law to deliver this work.	The ratio of care workers in registered care facilities is determined by the Care Inspectorate

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12630	An employee of West Lothian Council	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	Care at home is not a cheaper option and does not promote integration in the community, it segregates people in their own homes sometimes the access to centres is the only socialisation people have. Care at home is often rushed and not up to high standards because of the amount of people requiring care at the same time and doesn't usually include staffs traveling like causing the time to be even shorter	Adult & older people (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Care and support plans are specific to each person and a review of agreed care and support can be requested if circumstances have changed. All care at home providers in West Lothian are paid an hourly rate based on the UKHCA model and the Scottish Living Wage
12631	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	There are lots of great staff on the ground but the organisation and management in care needs a complete review/ restructure and bring in some business minds. It would be good to have a full breakdown of how the money is spent in care.	Adult & older people (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12632	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	placement of older people in care settings is already not an effective service, how can any reduction here be a good thing? I see no benefit other than the council saving some money!	Adult & older people (general)	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12633	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	A number of our members have experience of caring for elderly parents and do not all have the most positive stories to tell. Some of these are around outsourced care provisions, private care homes, housing association sheltered and assisted housing which would be more effective being in house and easier to control standards rather than the council paying for outsourcing.	Adult & older people (general)	5b. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it is likely that the costs of this proposal would outweigh the benefit.	The Council is committed to ensure a strong governance framework is in place to make sure quality is at the heart of service delivery from external partners
12634	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	Equality Impact Assessment	Adult & older people (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. This consultation is the first stage of the process to enable the council to develop a five year plan. Detailed proposals will be worked up following the outcome of this consultation.
12635	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	Again don't pay private companies to look after the elderly pay your own staff to do it, do it not for profit, that has to be cheaper.	Adult & older people (general)	5b. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it is likely that the costs of this proposal would outweigh the benefit.	The Council is committed to ensure a strong governance framework is in place to make sure quality is at the heart of service delivery from external partners
12636	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	This must remain a priority as the population is aging and their welfare must be met.	Adult & older people (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12637	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	As above adults and older people who need care may be in their local community but this can be at the expense of receiving the proper type of care they should be getting. Which can "have a detrimental impact on lives".	Adult & older people (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12638	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	As above - lets have a root and branch review of the service and delivery. It isn't necessary to increase costs when efficiencies can be identified. A business approach is what is needed to ensure the correct spending on items needed is controlled.	Adult & older people (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12639	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	Makes sense. Would also help if any financial support offered for older people eg heating allowances is means tested	Adult & older people (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	There is a further proposal under Income and Concessions which considers how a contributions policy can be introduced subject to the financial assessment of affordability
12640	No Response	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	It reads well, but I am sceptical of the outcome.	Adult & older people (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12641	An employee of West Lothian Council	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	This seems, on the surface, like a sensible proposal. The council should lobby the Government to take more responsibility for our older people.	Adult & older people (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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12642	An employee of West Lothian Council	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	The care service for the elderly already appears to be at a critical level and i feel cutting it back further could have a significant impact on the wellbeing of older people. Having waited over four weeks for social work to put a care package in place for my mother who had been released from hospital with a terminal cancer diagnosis, the bulk of the care at home fell upon myself and my husband (who were both working full time and have two children at home). We were unable to put my mum up in our house for the long term due to the layout of our house, and so she returned home with myself and my husband visiting her everyday. By the time social work had a package to offer, my mum had sadly passed away. I feel this is unacceptable. The alternative was my mum stay in hospital until the care package was organised, but this would have meant her using up a bed place in the hospital ward instead, which are also in short supply. I feel more care staff should be getting trained up to support elderly people in their home instead of the responsibility falling on families.	Adult & older people (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. The Council is working with NHS Lothian on a wide reaching Frailty Programme to maximise patient pathways and redesign access to community based services and this is one of our top priorities
12643	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	OK if closely monitored.	Adult & older people (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12644	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	This is not my area of expertise, however, with a growing elderly population, I understand the constant financial pressure. Transparent and fair needs assessments should be carried out if clients are to incur increased personal care charges, as the elderly are often the sections of society who do not ask for help.	Adult & older people (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	Criteria is set within an assessment framework to ensure people's needs are assessed consistently and fairly. Work will continue to focus on those who are most vulnerable and have additional needs.
12645	No Response	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	The implementation of people using their care and mobility components of finances instead of the council double funding. Transport cost under SDS are very high (taxis) and often use the most of an individuals budget. Increasing the transport fleet and removing the need for private taxis for all services including children's and adult services Not enough respite or appropriate accommodations for service users, resulting in placements out with local authority. Lack of resource for young adults up to 65+ requiring full support and accommodation, older residential services not appropriate for either age group.	Adult & older people (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	There is a further proposal under Income and Concessions which considers how a contributions policy can be introduced subject to the financial assessment of affordability
12646	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	This will result in a reduction in care for the elderly and you need to rethink how you can involve the community in assisting the service meet the needs. You need to devise a strategy to mobilize large amounts of community volunteers from the retiring baby boomers to help provide support to the inter war generation ... community councils could assist with a little training and modest financial support.	Adult & older people (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12647	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	Care for the elderly is key!	Adult & older people (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	Work will continue to focus on those who are most vulnerable and have additional needs.
12648	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	I believe you are incorrect in estimating any savings in this area. This will become increasingly critical in service provision, and said receivers of service provision needs will apply careful thought to their voting choices in future local, council, and general elections.	Adult & older people (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12649	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	After seeing the care provided at some care homes in West Lothian I am shocked that some of our most vulnerable residents have such a poor service with such high costs. Particularly those with dementia which is an illness not covered by the NHS for long term care. Councils give support to drug addicts but demands that dementia patients pay for their care. Over £1000 per week is crippling.	Adult & older people (general)	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12650	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	This is a big cost area we must get value for our council tax pounds	Adult & older people (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12651	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	This is a growing requirement which needs greater national funding. It is unlikely that budget cuts can be made while maintaining and improving provision.	Adult & older people (general)	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12652	No Response	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	As long as these measures help to reduce social isolation as well, as this is a growing issue for our older population.	Adult & older people (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The approach is to encourage community capacity building and informal networks to ensure people remain connected with their local area
12653	An employee of West Lothian Council	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	I feel the longer people can cope at home the better for them as long as there is some sort of support for them	Adult & older people (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Work will continue to focus on those who are most vulnerable and have additional needs.
12654	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	Care at home is better & what most people want but this seems a huge saving with so many more older people to be cared for.	Adult & older people (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12655	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	Flexible respite should not be allowed to used for persons to go on holidays abroad or in the UK, but be used as it was initially designed as a sitter service to enable more flexibility for carers/cared for person in place of Crossroads care. Holidays are NOT required as critical or substantial.	Adult & older people (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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12656	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	Individual needs must always be taken into consideration .	Adult & older people (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12657	An employee of West Lothian Council	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	I agree and feel we need to explore more creative options and involve families and communities in these provisions more.	Adult & older people (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12658	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	The proposal mentions that there are growing numbers of people needing care services. I recognise that there must be a response to this pressure in setting the Council's budgets but is there also work being undertaken on the causes of this increase? It seems futile for West Lothian Council and other local authorities to tackle this issue at the end point where issues become apparent if there is nothing being done to address the source of the problem.	Adult & older people (general)	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12659	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	Again people's support must not be reduced	Adult & older people (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12660	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	Decided not to support these people anymore!	Adult & older people (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12661	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	Social work important, should be reviewed, this is a good idea. What about the old clients? Should review all not just new clients.	Adult & older people (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12662	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	Council needs to focus on helping to help old folk keep healthy. I know you already do this through Xcite and hope there will not be cut as it will be detrimental in the long run.	Adult & older people (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12663	An employee of West Lothian Council	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	The voluntary sector and current natural/community supports couldn't not sustain a swift move toward snot funding moderate and low level clients.	Adult & older people (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12664	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	A focus on early intervention and prevention is essential to avoid peoples' issues escalating and becoming crises. To be effective this strategy must be multi-layered and ensure appropriate interventions and supports along a continuum. This ensures that people get the help that they need, when they need it, to prevent escalation and crisis. We are, however, concerned that reducing or cutting provision at lower tariffs is contrary to the principles of early intervention and prevention and may result in more costly crisis intervention, at a later stage, being required. How does Council plan to assess the potential impact of this on people and budgets? We are also concerned that some of the changes proposed will adversely affect many of the most vulnerable people in our communities, e.g., the raising of thresholds for support or the amalgamation of facilities and reductions in capacity. How will Council ensure that it protects our most vulnerable people and how can we assist with this?	Adult & older people (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. This consultation is the first stage of the process to enable the council to develop a five year plan. Detailed proposals will be worked up following the outcome of this consultation.
12665	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	Any budget cuts made in the area of support for older people, would need to ensure that older people still receive the level of care that they require, as they become more vulnerable, and that the quality of care received is not decreased/reduced.	Adult & older people (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Work will continue to focus on those who are most vulnerable and have additional needs.
12666	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	This is a very difficult area as homes are closing down due to the overhead costs being greater than income and Councils are having to pick up the bits. There may be areas for savings but i have no knowledge or experience of this	Adult & older people (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12667	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	Fine with this, but need to protect the most vulnerable people	Adult & older people (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Work will continue to focus on those who are most vulnerable and have additional needs.
12668	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	Has an equality impact assessment been carried out for each of the budget proposals? It is essential that this is done at the earliest opportunity in order to assess what the impact will be on those in the protected characteristics groups and those already experiencing disadvantage.	Adult & older people (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. This consultation is the first stage of the process to enable the council to develop a five year plan. Detailed proposals will be worked up following the outcome of this consultation.
12669	An employee of West Lothian Council	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	personal care is imperative. Grave concern for those who are vulnerable.	Adult & older people (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council will always be required to prioritise the needs of people who are most vulnerable, We would also aim to provide early intervention and prevention support where evidence based practice shows that a positive impact can be made
12670	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	Care in the community Has failed a number of older people over the years.. These services should be striving for providing quality care at a good price from providers	Adult & older people (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	The Council is committed to ensure a strong governance framework is in place to make sure quality is at the heart of service delivery from external partners

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12671	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	Lets hope the Quality of care is still provided.	Adult & older people (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. The Council is committed to ensure a strong governance framework is in place to make sure quality is at the heart of service delivery.
12672	An employee of West Lothian Council	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	a plea to always look after our elderly as they looked after us.	Adult & older people (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12673	An employee of West Lothian Council	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	How will those not in most need be supported?	Adult & older people (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	The council will always be required to prioritise the needs of people who are most vulnerable, We would also aim to provide early intervention and prevention support where evidence based practice shows that a positive impact can be made
12674	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	Needs must. It seems like there could be more co-ordinated volunteering opportunities and high school involvement with e.g. befriending, tea & cakes, shopping, pension collections etc	Adult & older people (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12675	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	More family responsibility required in this area Can be a money pit we cannot live forever	Adult & older people (general)	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12676	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	I believe that the council should do more to help elderly people as the current system puts the elderly at risk because they are only getting a couple of minutes of help a couple of times a day for example my elderly aunty is prone to falls and when she falls she can't get up by herself I have walked in multiple times find her stuck on the floor where has been stuck for hours.	Adult & older people (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Criteria is set within an assessment framework to ensure people's needs are assessed consistently and fairly - please contact your social worker if a re-assessment is required
12677	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	This takes me back to a previous point on the CLD approach - inter-generational work will not continue! Older citizens will suffer - not correct in my opinion.This section, if acted upon, will be neglect on WLC's behalf - shame on you!	Adult & older people (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12678	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	This sounds like cutbacks, reducing services and centralising facilities - or farming them out to other agencies. Not sure that this has been shown to work.	Adult & older people (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12679	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	Agree to cuts for elderly because they get too much from Government.	Adult & older people (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Criteria is set within an assessment framework to ensure people's needs are assessed consistently and fairly. Work will continue to focus on those who are most vulnerable and have additional needs.
12680	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	I've been lucky to get support from social work but its a shame that more people don't have support to get it. Sometimes people like me feel they shouldn't ask fore more in case its seen as greedy.	Adult & older people (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Criteria is set within an assessment framework to ensure people's needs are assessed consistently and fairly. Work will continue to focus on those who are most vulnerable and have additional needs.
12681	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	Provide for elderly, ill, vulnerable and poor. Create a caring society.	Adult & older people (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	Work will continue to focus on those who are most vulnerable and have additional needs.
12682	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	If you are no more focusing on providing care for the elderly and vulnerable adults do we hear that there are proposals to cut down on the groups at present to them through volunteer-led groups?	Adult & older people (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12683	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	Concerned that people in residential care may not get it.	Adult & older people (general)	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	The proposal does not relate to residential care
12684	An employee of West Lothian Council	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	Alternative to cutting money: 1. Service users pay for day care 2. pay full amount for activities 3. look at transport cost to and from facilities	Adult & older people (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	There is a further proposal under Income and Concessions which considers how a contributions policy can be introduced subject to the financial assessment of affordability
12685	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	Outside agencies that are providing care are not robust enough think this needs to be monitored as often the care is not provided or the care for individuals is to walk around Livingston shopping centre.	Adult & older people (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	The Council is committed to ensure a strong governance framework is in place to make sure quality is at the heart of service delivery from external partners

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12686	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	You'll be lucky to achieve that. The NHS is now able to keep premature and handicapped babies alive into adulthood that would once have died very young. The numbers are growing, as are the numbers of elderly needing care. Dependency will grow and if the budget doesn't, at the very least remain with inflation then suffering will ensue on an exponential basis.	Adult & older people (general)	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12687	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	Once again this seems fine in principle but will there be the resources to oversee this and effectively deliver it? Is the Council staffed and equipped to make such a change or are the resources already unsustainable in terms of the ability to manage change?	Adult & older people (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your comment which will be considered as part of any service redesign
12688	An employee of West Lothian Council	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	If this can deliver savings required and provide care to those most in need then it should be pursued.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12689	No Response	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	Agree to all suggested proposals	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12690	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	good	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12691	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	Great idea	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12692	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	Agree with this proposal.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12693	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12694	No Response	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12695	An employee of West Lothian Council	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	Yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12696	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	Essential	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12697	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	Support proposal.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12698	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	A good approach so long as queues do not develop.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12699	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	I agree to this proposal	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12700	An employee of West Lothian Council	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12701	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12702	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	Good idea	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12703	No Response	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	I agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12704	An employee of West Lothian Council	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12705	An employee of West Lothian Council	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12706	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	Seems sensible	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12707	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	Agree.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12708	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	happy with this	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12709	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	Agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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12710	An employee of West Lothian Council	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12711	No Response	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	Good.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12712	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	Care for elderly needs drastic changes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12713	An employee of West Lothian Council	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	Agree. Should be in line with other councils.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12714	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	As long as the requirements as still met	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12715	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	go ahead with the savings	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12716	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	I think this should be done.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12717	An employee of West Lothian Council	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	Very good proposal	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12718	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	I support this change	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12719	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	I agree with the Council's proposals for the moment to see how they all work out. Thank you.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12720	An employee of West Lothian Council	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	Sounds good but again the devil is in the details!	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12721	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	Mostly agree.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12722	No Response	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	I agree with the proposal	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12723	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	I would support care at home	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12724	An employee of West Lothian Council	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	Great if it works.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12725	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	no objections.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12726	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	Again a potential necessary saving	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12727	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	It must be done as there is not enough to cover our present needs.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12728	An employee of West Lothian Council	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12729	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	Sounds good to me.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12730	An employee of West Lothian Council	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12731	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	ok.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12732	No Response	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	Sounds fine.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12733	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	I agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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12734	An employee of West Lothian Council	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	I agree with this proposal	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12735	No Response	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12736	An employee of West Lothian Council	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	Good	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12737	An employee of West Lothian Council	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	Agreed.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12738	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	Sounds good	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12739	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	Agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12740	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12741	An employee of West Lothian Council	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	agree with proposal	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12742	No Response	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	Agree with this.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12743	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	I agree with this proposal.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12744	An employee of West Lothian Council	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12745	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12746	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	Seems reasonable but sad.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12747	An employee of West Lothian Council	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	Agree - older people are often not treated with the care they deserve.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12748	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	Agree that resources need to focus on those in greatest need.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12749	An employee of West Lothian Council	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	Agree with the focus being on those most in need and expansion of the use of technology to support care at home provision.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12750	An employee of West Lothian Council	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	Would certainly agree.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12751	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	If this has proven successful for other local authorities then I have no objection.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12752	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	Sounds sensible.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12753	No Response	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	fully agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12754	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	Yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12755	No Response	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	Sounds good.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12756	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	Sounds sensible	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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12757	An employee of West Lothian Council	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	Agree.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12758	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	I agree that the council needs to prioritise social care resources on those most in need of support	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12759	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	I agree. We need to start asking families to step up and start taking care of their relatives instead of expecting the council to do everything	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12760	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	Agree 100%	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12761	No Response	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	This seems to be another sensible proposal. It is important that vulnerable people are catered for	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12762	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	I agree with the above.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12763	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	Probably unavoidable but a regrettable consequence of the uk governments austerity strategy.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12764	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	A good saving - if it can be achieved	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12765	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	Agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12766	An employee of West Lothian Council	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	This appears to be a reasonable proposal.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12767	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12768	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12769	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	Fair enough.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12770	No Response	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	I agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12771	An employee of West Lothian Council	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12772	No Response	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12773	An employee of West Lothian Council	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12774	An employee of West Lothian Council	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12775	An employee of West Lothian Council	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12776	An employee of West Lothian Council	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	I agree with this.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12777	No Response	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12778	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	Supported	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12779	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	I agree with this and would support it.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12780	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	ok	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12781	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	Ok	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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12782	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12783	An employee of West Lothian Council	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	Agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12784	An employee of West Lothian Council	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	if this works then use it	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12785	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	This sounds good.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12786	An employee of West Lothian Council	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	Agree.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12787	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	A sensible path to take although extreme care has to be taken to ensure that no individual falls through any service gaps.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12788	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	Agree that this requires to be done.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12789	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	Agreed.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12790	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12791	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12792	An employee of West Lothian Council	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	Agree.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12793	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12794	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12795	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	I agree with the proposal that threshold levels should be set at critical/substantial	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12796	An employee of West Lothian Council	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	This proposal also seems fair	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12797	An employee of West Lothian Council	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	vital that this is reviewed so the council is efficient as the costs are so high	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12798	An employee of West Lothian Council	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	Home technology with care home lines etc are certainly a great benefit. For many this may be adequate without a care package.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12799	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	Makes perfect sense. Focus on genuine need where Council involvement is essential. Assessment criteria need to reflect reality of the situation. The Council is not there to provide a comfort blanket.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12800	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	Agree there is too much demand for service provision. I think this would ensure that the most vulnerable in our society are supported Appropriately.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12801	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	good.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12802	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	Care for our most vulnerable elderly is a basic human right but I know West Lothian is one of the few councils who still provide care for low and moderate needs so if Â£73 million of savings need to be made I would agree that money needs to be prioritised to those who most need care.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12803	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	This seems excellent	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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12804	An employee of West Lothian Council	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	I agree with this proposal. In times of severely restricted resources we have to target those most in need.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12805	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	Agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12806	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12807	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	Agree but reasonable adjustments need to be made.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12808	An employee of West Lothian Council	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	This proposal makes sense.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12809	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	Agree absolutely.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12810	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	Agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12811	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	Support	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12812	An employee of West Lothian Council	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	Support	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12813	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12814	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	These proposals make good sense.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12815	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	Ok	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12816	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12817	An employee of West Lothian Council	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12818	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	Again as long as no one suffers as a result.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12819	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	Good luck on this	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12820	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	Money is continually wasted on the elderly, I fully support that this service should be targeted and saving made	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12821	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12822	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12823	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	excellent.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12824	No Response	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12825	An employee of West Lothian Council	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	Agree that support must be focussed on most at need.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12826	An employee of West Lothian Council	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	I agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12827	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12828	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	I agree with the proposal.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12829	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	All proposals are sound.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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12830	No Response	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	Social cre funding for the elderly should be increased not cut. Increase call times for care calls, stop allowing 15 mins calls. Our elderly deserve better	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12831	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	This is a risky proposal and likely to result in real issues for those requiring support. How does this relate to the Carers Act and requirements placed on the council to deliver. It doesn't seem to work with the creation of a Fairer Scotland. I understand that West Lothian is different in that it's growing at both ends of the age spectrum and that this provides a unique challenge. To slash support at either end would be very shortsighted and dangerous. With the announcement by Bield that they are closing care home, if support to live at home is reduced then how/where are people supposed to live?	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12832	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	That seems a huge cut for such a needed area	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12833	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	None.	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12834	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	This is also essential and should be retained.	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12835	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	This sounds worrying	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12836	No Response	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	Hmmm sounds like a disaster	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12837	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	The service should be maintained and improved. I do not support this strategy.	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12838	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	Older people should not be penalised in favour of spending money elsewhere. I disagree with this saving.	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12839	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	People not technology please!	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12840	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	No !!!!! These are the most needy in society that have no one to stand up for them in society.	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12841	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	Sounds as if only the most vulnerable will get any help whatsoever. Already there is insufficient funding in this area. Think again!	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12842	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	the elderly have worked all their lives and paid into the country. we deserve to be looked after and supported. no cuts	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12843	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	this is vital for me and my peers. with more people living longer lives we need help and support to be social. this is needed.	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12844	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	As an oap. this is an important area for me. this is needed funding. do not cut this area.	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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12845	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	Disagree with this. This places significant burden on families.	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12846	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	I would not support this	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12847	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	There should be no changes to the existing!	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12848	No Response	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	Everyone who needs help should get it without any threshold limit.	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12849	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	sounds like the removal of care for those most at need - ABSOLUTELY not acceptable	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12850	No Response	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	All this means is that people who need care will not receive it. Not acceptable.	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12851	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	There should be no cost savings and even greater money amounts of money should be earmarked for Adult and Older people.	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12852	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	council must not scrimp on care for the elderly	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12853	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	Again, given the impact of recent high profile failures in the care provided to people with special needs, this is not an area where the council can look at cutting costs without leaving themselves at risk of catastrophic failures.	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12854	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	I think people who are older should be cared for no matter what	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12855	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	no	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12856	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	Think this is too severe a saving	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12857	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	I'm shakin ma heid	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12858	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	These people have paid their money all their days, we must not abandon them now.	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12859	No Response	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	Cutbacks here are also big mistake	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12860	An employee of West Lothian Council	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	There is such limited support for older people as it is so reducing support here is a concern.	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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12861	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	There should not be cuts in this kind of key area.	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12862	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	I completely agree with this.	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12863	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	Disagree	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12864	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	I am shocked at the proposal for savings in this area - 2nd only to 1H. I am really concerned about cuts to the most vulnerable in our community. I am caring for my parent who is in their 90's and it would not be possible for them to remain at home without a substantial package. I would be very concerned if there was any cut to the care package in place at present. has the Council considered the knock on effects of reduced community care on the health service, hospital beds etc? - GP's, district nursing. I beg you to please reconsider!	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12865	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	Thresholds are too high	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12866	An employee of West Lothian Council	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	How many people would this impact?	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12867	An employee of West Lothian Council	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	No comment - I do not have enough information regarding this.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12868	An employee of West Lothian Council	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	No comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12869	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	No opinion	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12870	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	I don't know enough about this area.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12871	No Response	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	No comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12872	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	Inevitable.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12873	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	Why is this a separate topic from the following one?	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12874	No Response	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	L	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12875	An employee of West Lothian Council	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	Personally speaking, my mother-in-law recently applied for sheltered housing and was refused. Amongst many other conditions she has degeneration of vision which will only get worse. She has a 3 bedroom house which I'm sure would be desirable, especially to families with children. I found this decision to be rather shocking so I'm not quite sure about the above proposals.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12876	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	someone needs to explain this in simple terms	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12877	An employee of West Lothian Council	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	no comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12878	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	N/A	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12879	An employee of West Lothian Council	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	No comment.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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12880	An employee of West Lothian Council	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	N/A	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12881	An employee of West Lothian Council	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	There's nothing I can say about this. Our care system a mess and its about to get worse.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12882	No Response	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	This could be a recipe for disaster	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12883	An employee of West Lothian Council	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	A huge area and I do wonder / worry about the impact of this level of saving !	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12884	No Response	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	I would hope that the focus would currently be on the most in need at present. If this is not the case then I would question who is getting the support.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12885	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	I don't understand budgeting advantages and restraints enough to comment.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12886	An employee of West Lothian Council	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	i dont not know wat this means	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12887	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	Worded well to simply say that older people with health and care issues won't be treated in the same way from now on as government has wasted the money which the same people have paid into the system throughout their working lives. No surprise there - happens with pensions too. All the money paid into public pensions has vanished. Not to worry, the banks are still doing well.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12888	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	This obviously depends on national policy...	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12889	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	The older generation destroyed the housing market for the rest of us. Why shouldn't they now have to take their share of the consequences?	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12890	An employee of West Lothian Council	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	Don't know enough about this service area to comment.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12891	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	No comment on this	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12892	An employee of West Lothian Council	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	I am not able to comment as i do not have enough knowledge.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12893	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	no comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12894	No Response	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	No comment.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12895	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	No comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12896	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	No comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12897	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	No comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12898	An employee of West Lothian Council	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	-	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12899	No Response	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	No comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12900	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	Who made that one up, Ian Duncan Smith?	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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12901	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	Care for Adults Estimated Saving: £2.5 million The introduction of self-directed support, where individuals can make choices regarding their care packages, has seen a change in the nature of services requested. Incorporating the change in demand, there is a greater need for outreach interventions therefore it is proposed that day care facilities currently provided at three different locations are combined into one at Pathways, in Livingston.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12902	An employee of West Lothian Council	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	Looking at the estimated savings this proposal makes me very nervous, however, I am not informed enough to comment.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12903	No Response	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	hdhd	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12904	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	nil	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12905	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	No Comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12906	An employee of West Lothian Council	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	No comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12907	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	No comment.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12908	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	Cannot comment do not use this service	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12909	An employee of West Lothian Council	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	No comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12910	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	Again tosh.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12911	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	The wording of the proposal is logical. How that equates to a saving of £8.8 million is not clear or explained in a manner that allows a cogent response.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12912	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	Again a lot of savings and some people will suffer that's for sure	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12913	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	If older adults would stop with the stiff upper lip of the British culture, and seek out the support they are entitled to. We would all benefit.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12914	No Response	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	Don't have a view.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12915	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	No comments as I am not familiar with this subject.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12916	An employee of West Lothian Council	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	no comments	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12917	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	No comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12918	No Response	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12919	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	Seems a high level of saving but you do not say what the current spend is.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12920	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	In general this must be right, but again it is unclear what existing benefits will be lost, so it is hard to comment meaningfully.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12921	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	no comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12922	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	While increasingly interested in this area from a personal point of view, I do not have enough information or knowledge to comment in detail.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12923	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	is too unspecific to comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12924	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	Likely to be an outcry on this one.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12925	An employee of West Lothian Council	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	Our older population are not being treated as well as they should. I cannot see how anymore cuts/ changes to this will help in any way.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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12926	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	We do not believe we have enough information around these savings, or experience of this area to be able to make an informed comment on it.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12927	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	No comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12928	An employee of West Lothian Council	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	The council have not provided enough indepth information for me to make an informed comment on this, as all information about this whole consultation is more secret that area 51.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12929	An employee of West Lothian Council	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	I'm not really sure how the council would plan to use technology to support the elderly at home.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12930	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	Don't know the details, so can't comment.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12931	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	unable to commence as not in plain english	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12932	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	God help us.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12933	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	More information required.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12934	No Response	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	na	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12935	An employee of West Lothian Council	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	Does not affect me from a work or personal point of view.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12936	An employee of West Lothian Council	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	No comment.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12937	An individual	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	No comment.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12938	An employee of West Lothian Council	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	It is worrying to see the savings that is going to be made for adult and older people assessment.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12939	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	2b. Adult and Older People Assessment	We understand the need for cuts and the pressure the council is under, but from our own point of view Lothian's Shopmobility unique free wheelchair loan service delivers the best service possible under the current financial restraints we have to bear.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12940	An employee of West Lothian Council	2c. Care for Adults	If this can deliver savings required and provide care to those most in need then it should be pursued.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12941	No Response	2c. Care for Adults	Agree to all suggested proposals	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12942	An employee of West Lothian Council	2c. Care for Adults	Supportive of this proposal.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12943	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	Agree with this proposal.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12944	No Response	2c. Care for Adults	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12945	No Response	2c. Care for Adults	I agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12946	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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12947	An employee of West Lothian Council	2c. Care for Adults	Yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12948	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	argeed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12949	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	Sounds a reasonable initiative.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12950	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	Sound a good way of saving money	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12951	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	Agree this proposal.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12952	No Response	2c. Care for Adults	Have no objection	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12953	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	Support proposal.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12954	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	Can see no reason why this wouldn't work, as long as people are supported with the changes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12955	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	this could work .but how quick would the response time cutting a big corner here	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12956	No Response	2c. Care for Adults	Anything that can reduce the burden on care staff should be encouraged.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12957	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	I would like to leave this support as is	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12958	An employee of West Lothian Council	2c. Care for Adults	I fully support independent/assisted living in the community.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12959	No Response	2c. Care for Adults	Good idea	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12960	An employee of West Lothian Council	2c. Care for Adults	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12961	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	Good idea	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12962	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	This makes sense.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12963	An employee of West Lothian Council	2c. Care for Adults	agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12964	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	Seems sensible	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12965	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	Agree.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12966	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	happy with this	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12967	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	Agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12968	No Response	2c. Care for Adults	Good.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12969	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	Positive	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12970	An employee of West Lothian Council	2c. Care for Adults	I support this proposal	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12971	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	Yes as long as the requirements as still met	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12972	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	go ahead with the savings	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12973	No Response	2c. Care for Adults	This looks like a workable solution.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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12974	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	seems fine	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12975	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	I think this should be done.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12976	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	2c. Care for Adults	Sounds ok	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12977	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	This looks like a good move.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12978	An employee of West Lothian Council	2c. Care for Adults	Very good proposal	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12979	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	I support this change	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12980	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	I agree with the Council's proposals for the moment to see how they all work out. Thank you.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12981	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	Inevitable!	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12982	An employee of West Lothian Council	2c. Care for Adults	Sounds good but again the devil is in the details!	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12983	No Response	2c. Care for Adults	Could be OK	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12984	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	Giving people s choice or a say is always good	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12985	No Response	2c. Care for Adults	I agree with the proposal	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12986	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	There is a lot in here which seem OK on the face of it.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12987	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	no objections.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12988	An employee of West Lothian Council	2c. Care for Adults	I would support this but really don't know the true impact of this on others.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12989	An employee of West Lothian Council	2c. Care for Adults	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12990	No Response	2c. Care for Adults	Ok	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12991	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	This makes sense.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12992	An employee of West Lothian Council	2c. Care for Adults	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12993	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12994	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	Good	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12995	No Response	2c. Care for Adults	I agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12996	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12997	No Response	2c. Care for Adults	Sounds fine.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12998	No Response	2c. Care for Adults	Agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
12999	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	Agreed.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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13000	An employee of West Lothian Council	2c. Care for Adults	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
13001	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
13002	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	I would support this.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
13003	An employee of West Lothian Council	2c. Care for Adults	I agree with this proposal	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
13004	No Response	2c. Care for Adults	agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
13005	An employee of West Lothian Council	2c. Care for Adults	Good	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
13006	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	Good idea	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
13007	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	Sounds fine	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
13008	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	Support	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
13009	An employee of West Lothian Council	2c. Care for Adults	Agree.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
13010	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	Agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
13011	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
13012	An employee of West Lothian Council	2c. Care for Adults	agree with proposal	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
13013	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	I agree with this proposal.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
13014	An employee of West Lothian Council	2c. Care for Adults	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
13015	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
13016	No Response	2c. Care for Adults	Again sounds well thought out .	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
13017	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	Not my area but more big cuts to those in need	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
13018	An employee of West Lothian Council	2c. Care for Adults	no comments, no problems with this	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
13019	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	I believe it would be very feasible to combine these services into one unit at Pathways.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
13020	An employee of West Lothian Council	2c. Care for Adults	Sounds ok.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
13021	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	I think this could be effective in helping people.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
13022	No Response	2c. Care for Adults	fully agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
13023	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	Sounds fine.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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13024	No Response	2c. Care for Adults	Reasonable.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
13025	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	Fine	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
13026	An employee of West Lothian Council	2c. Care for Adults	Agree.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
13027	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	Ok, sounds fair.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
13028	No Response	2c. Care for Adults	Agree with the combining of services	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
13029	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	I agree, makes sense to share the cost with other providers	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
13030	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	Agree 100%	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
13031	No Response	2c. Care for Adults	This seems to be a good way forward.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
13032	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	I agree with the above.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
13033	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	Should hav eall been done long ago!	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
13034	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	Sounds fair	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
13035	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	Agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
13036	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	Totally agree.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
13037	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	OK	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
13038	An employee of West Lothian Council	2c. Care for Adults	This appears to be a reasonable proposal.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
13039	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
13040	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
13041	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	Ok	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
13042	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
13043	An employee of West Lothian Council	2c. Care for Adults	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
13044	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	I agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
13045	An employee of West Lothian Council	2c. Care for Adults	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
13046	An employee of West Lothian Council	2c. Care for Adults	Agree.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
13047	An employee of West Lothian Council	2c. Care for Adults	agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
13048	An employee of West Lothian Council	2c. Care for Adults	I agree with this.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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13049	No Response	2c. Care for Adults	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
13050	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	Supported	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
13051	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	This change sounds good	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
13052	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	I agree with this as above - I have proposed similar myself.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
13053	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	ok	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
13054	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	Agree with this proposal	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
13055	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	Good	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
13056	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
13057	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	Agree with this	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
13058	An employee of West Lothian Council	2c. Care for Adults	Agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
13059	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	I agree efficiencies need to be made	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
13060	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
13061	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	Good idea	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
13062	An employee of West Lothian Council	2c. Care for Adults	Sounds good.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
13063	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	Again, given the financial climate it's difficult not take agree this measure for consideration.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
13064	No Response	2c. Care for Adults	look at the more priority	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
13065	An employee of West Lothian Council	2c. Care for Adults	Positive proposal	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
13066	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	Agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
13067	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	Agree that, given the financial context, this is required.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
13068	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	Supportive of this.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
13069	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
13070	No Response	2c. Care for Adults	OK	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
13071	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
13072	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	Makes sense.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
13073	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
13074	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	Ok	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
13075	An employee of West Lothian Council	2c. Care for Adults	Proposal also seems fair	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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13076	An employee of West Lothian Council	2c. Care for Adults	vital that this is reviewed so the council is efficient as the costs are high	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
13077	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	Agree. Seems obvious if you have three buildings in one town	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
13078	No Response	2c. Care for Adults	All seems reasonable.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
13079	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	Sounds reasonable, but I don't have sufficient knowledge of this area to comment further.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
13080	No Response	2c. Care for Adults	This seems a good idea.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
13081	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	I support this providing there is no detrimental effect on service provision.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
13082	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	good	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
13083	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	Agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
13084	No Response	2c. Care for Adults	Good idea	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
13085	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
13086	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	Seems reasonable from what is briefly outlined.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
13087	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	Ok in principle.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
13088	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	Agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
13089	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	Support	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
13090	An employee of West Lothian Council	2c. Care for Adults	Support	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
13091	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	Agree.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
13092	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
13093	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
13094	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	Ok	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
13095	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
13096	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	This seems sensible.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
13097	An employee of West Lothian Council	2c. Care for Adults	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
13098	No Response	2c. Care for Adults	Support this.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
13099	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	Good luck on this	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
13100	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	Hard decisions which may have to be accepted.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
13101	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	Yes. More efficient and focused.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
13102	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	Sounds fine.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
13103	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
13104	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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13105	An employee of West Lothian Council	2c. Care for Adults	I agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
13106	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
13107	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	All proposals are sound.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
13108	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	We the undersigned ask that the Council reconsider the proposal in 2c Care for Adults to close the existing facilities and concentrate them in one building as a move away from the original model of bringing together people with needs. We feel that this move affecting the ACSS building, which was purpose built to replace Winchburgh Day Centre is short-sighted, as a strong rapport has been built up between staff and clients both past and present and to remove this facility will destroy this trust. The ACSS Centre is the only facility used by many clients and others from the community as a point of contact and as a social gathering place, helping to remove the isolation often felt by both disabled and able-bodied in a caring and friendly atmosphere with all members of the community in West Lothian coming together	Care for adults - day care provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your comments which have been noted. This consultation is the first stage of the process to enable the council to develop a five year plan. Detailed proposals will be worked up following the outcome of this consultation
13109	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	We the undersigned ask that the Council reconsider the proposal in 2c Care for Adults to close the existing facilities and concentrate them in one building as a move away from the original model of bringing together people with needs. We feel that this move affecting the ACSS building, which was purpose built to replace Winchburgh Day Centre is short-sighted, as a strong rapport has been built up between staff and clients both past and present and to remove this facility will destroy this trust. The ACSS Centre is the only facility used by many clients and others from the community as a point of contact and as a social gathering place, helping to remove the isolation often felt by both disabled and able-bodied in a caring and friendly atmosphere with all members of the community in West Lothian coming together	Care for adults - day care provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your comments which have been noted. This consultation is the first stage of the process to enable the council to develop a five year plan. Detailed proposals will be worked up following the outcome of this consultation
13110	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	We the undersigned ask that the Council reconsider the proposal in 2c Care for Adults to close the existing facilities and concentrate them in one building as a move away from the original model of bringing together people with needs. We feel that this move affecting the ACSS building, which was purpose built to replace Winchburgh Day Centre is short-sighted, as a strong rapport has been built up between staff and clients both past and present and to remove this facility will destroy this trust. The ACSS Centre is the only facility used by many clients and others from the community as a point of contact and as a social gathering place, helping to remove the isolation often felt by both disabled and able-bodied in a caring and friendly atmosphere with all members of the community in West Lothian coming together	Care for adults - day care provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your comments which have been noted. This consultation is the first stage of the process to enable the council to develop a five year plan. Detailed proposals will be worked up following the outcome of this consultation
13111	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	We the undersigned ask that the Council reconsider the proposal in 2c Care for Adults to close the existing facilities and concentrate them in one building as a move away from the original model of bringing together people with needs. We feel that this move affecting the ACSS building, which was purpose built to replace Winchburgh Day Centre is short-sighted, as a strong rapport has been built up between staff and clients both past and present and to remove this facility will destroy this trust. The ACSS Centre is the only facility used by many clients and others from the community as a point of contact and as a social gathering place, helping to remove the isolation often felt by both disabled and able-bodied in a caring and friendly atmosphere with all members of the community in West Lothian coming together	Care for adults - day care provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your comments which have been noted. This consultation is the first stage of the process to enable the council to develop a five year plan. Detailed proposals will be worked up following the outcome of this consultation
13112	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	We the undersigned ask that the Council reconsider the proposal in 2c Care for Adults to close the existing facilities and concentrate them in one building as a move away from the original model of bringing together people with needs. We feel that this move affecting the ACSS building, which was purpose built to replace Winchburgh Day Centre is short-sighted, as a strong rapport has been built up between staff and clients both past and present and to remove this facility will destroy this trust. The ACSS Centre is the only facility used by many clients and others from the community as a point of contact and as a social gathering place, helping to remove the isolation often felt by both disabled and able-bodied in a caring and friendly atmosphere with all members of the community in West Lothian coming together	Care for adults - day care provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your comments which have been noted. This consultation is the first stage of the process to enable the council to develop a five year plan. Detailed proposals will be worked up following the outcome of this consultation

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13114	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	We the undersigned ask that the Council reconsider the proposal in 2c Care for Adults to close the existing facilities and concentrate them in one building as a move away from the original model of bringing together people with needs. We feel that this move affecting the ACSS building, which was purpose built to replace Winchburgh Day Centre is short-sighted, as a strong rapport has been built up between staff and clients both past and present and to remove this facility will destroy this trust. The ACSS Centre is the only facility used by many clients and others from the community as a point of contact and as a social gathering place, helping to remove the isolation often felt by both disabled and able-bodied in a caring and friendly atmosphere with all members of the community in West Lothian coming together	Care for adults - day care provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your comments which have been noted. This consultation is the first stage of the process to enable the council to develop a five year plan. Detailed proposals will be worked up following the outcome of this consultation
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14614	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	We the undersigned ask that the Council reconsider the proposal in 2c Care for Adults to close the existing facilities and concentrate them in one building as a move away from the original model of bringing together people with needs. We feel that this move affecting the ACSS building, which was purpose built to replace Winchburgh Day Centre is short-sighted, as a strong rapport has been built up between staff and clients both past and present and to remove this facility will destroy this trust. The ACSS Centre is the only facility used by many clients and others from the community as a point of contact and as a social gathering place, helping to remove the isolation often felt by both disabled and able-bodied in a caring and friendly atmosphere with all members of the community in West Lothian coming together	Care for adults - day care provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your comments which have been noted. This consultation is the first stage of the process to enable the council to develop a five year plan. Detailed proposals will be worked up following the outcome of this consultation
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14629	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	again don't leave them with no where to go day centres are a vital resource.	Care for adults - day care provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The approach is to encourage community capacity building and informal networks to ensure people remain connected with their local area
14630	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	More money invested in day services which is preventative and saves money as it reduces need for residential care placements and home care packages.	Care for adults - day care provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
14631	An employee of West Lothian Council	2c. Care for Adults	I am unclear when "day care facilities" are referred to whether this refers to all client groups and if so does this mean that Pathways would be looking to provide a service across client groups for example learning disability, physical disability, mental health, older people etc - I am unclear what is meant by local solutions though would agree with the principle of allowing people to stay in supported accommodation and as I understand it currently there is a waiting list for all supported accommodation	Care for adults - day care provision	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The proposal is for all client groups day care to be provided in one location.
14632	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	People cannot travel so having one centre is ridiculous	Care for adults - day care provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your comment which will be considered as part of any service redesign
14633	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	Why move the centre of excellence Elburn when the last consultation provided this service to the individual's. Has thought been put in to physical disabilities individuals/service users mixing with learning disability service users? what will the impact be to each and every one service user. Will teams be redeployed, having spent 3.5 million building pathways. how will all three centres be able to combine when pathways are full most days as per the care inspectorate!	Care for adults - day care provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your comment which will be considered as part of any service redesign

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14634	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	That's fine combining it into one building good idea but you also need to make sure there is transport available for people to get to it	Care for adults - day care provision	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your comment which will be considered as part of any service redesign
14635	No Response	2c. Care for Adults	This is a good idea but will travel expenses not overcome the saving costs and will there be enough additional support available for future growth in the demand for this service.	Care for adults - day care provision	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your comment which will be considered as part of any service redesign
14636	An employee of West Lothian Council	2c. Care for Adults	I think out of all the cuts this is the most unrealistic cut. These three services are completely different. With 3 very different client groups. The pathways building is not suitable for a large percentage of service users accessing the bathroom never mind the loss of therapeutic activities like jacuzzi or multi sensory room. The staff the work in the 3 units all have unique qualities and skills to enable them to specialise in the client group they choose to work with. Years ago the client groups were segregated as it was seen as being the best option, however now a few years down the line those same clients are going to be sacrificed to save some money. This will cause of the clients serious stress and anxiety because change is very difficult and find it hard to adjust to change and could set them back many years! There are others means that budget could be cut in these services without closing/merging them. For example, make clients pay for transportation. Stop council contribution to outings. Increase food costs! Look at hours of staff not undertaking paperwork duties. These services don't expect not to have impacts of the cuts but these are essential services in this community and without the or with them being provided in buildings not fit for purpose is not going to save money but will have devastating impact on the life's of those using these services. Most of these service users don't have a voice to oppose these changes so sadly this decision will be taken out of their hands and a independent advocate has not been in place to provide information to the service users in a manner they understand which is a form of discrimination against the people who need these services the most. I would rather pay more council tax than see this proposal go ahead	Care for adults - day care provision	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your comment which will be considered as part of any service redesign
14637	An employee of West Lothian Council	2c. Care for Adults	Again I only agree for certain buildings for example I don't agree with day centres for adults with learning disabilities loosing a very well designed used building to move to buildings not suitable to save the council money !	Care for adults - day care provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your comment which will be considered as part of any service redesign
14638	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	This looks like that councils are stepping back into institutionalisation, in other words stick everyone under the same roof that have learning/physical disabilities. You say it will save 2.5 million, but where and how? Will pathways meet the needs of the individuals that use adult day services in West Lothian, has contributions towards services such as transport and day services been looked at. These services that you propose to possibly close are fundamental to the communities that they support. How much will it cost to adapt pathways to meet the needs of individuals and provide a safe and caring environment. Has group advocacy been sourced for individuals that have difficulty with communication due to disability. How can technology replace a human being as well, technology breaks and takes away security for the individual, they may feel safe knowing someone is in the house. Costs could be saved elsewhere and this should have been consulted before becoming a proposal. Look at the new care principles brought out by the Scottish Government, how many principles have been ignored in the making of this proposal. So all of this meaning that my son has to either lose a service that he gets so much from or use a building not fit for purpose therefore compromising the quality of care he receives, possibly with less staff and less resources to meet my sons needs. Benefits are paid for a reason and contribution to care should be looked at and I certainly wouldn't mind paying more for my sons care as long as he got the same level of care that he receives now, in order to keep the service running.	Care for adults - day care provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your comment which will be considered as part of any service redesign
14639	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	What will this mean for the provision of respite? This is critical for many families and provides key respite for carers. Not clear how greater use of technology will help with this. Might help behind the scenes, but how will it help the person for whom the service is being provided?	Care for adults - day care provision	4. The council is already doing this.	The council already deploys technology as part of care and support packages where appropriate. Expanding the use of this to more people will help ensure that direct face to face client time is used to best effect.
14640	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	The opinions of old folk should be consulted whenever possible. In may not be possible to share facilities with other providers if these are also hard Councils. Sharing with private providers may prove too expensive on hard pressed budgets.	Care for adults - day care provision	4. The council is already doing this.	Council purchased day care for older people in the independent sector will continue to be provided for people eligible for day services.
14641	No Response	2c. Care for Adults	I don't believe that you should close services that are very important to people. Moving all the care services provided into the one centre is not a good idea. How much space is there for 3 centres including 3 lots of service users 3 lots of staff 3 lots of key workers 3 lots of team leaders and 3 lots of managers. The managers are all good and good and what they must provide for each service. How much space will there be in one centre for the care needed for some service users. Just because the council sees the big number of how much the will save does not mean that they will save while making the centre apatable for each and everyone	Care for adults - day care provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your comment which will be considered as part of any service redesign

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14642	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	I am completely against, and very worried and concerned to hear the council are even considering consolidating 3 day centre provisions into only one at Pathways. I am fully aware that even currently the provision for vulnerable adults is sparse, and usually only on a part time basis, so I am certain that this change would further decrease the council's responsibility to provide support to the most vulnerable in our society. It would be against human decency, morality, and would be a further return to the Victorian era, whereby disabled were locked away and unseen/unsupported. It would also put further untold burdens on families - we need support, and the fallout of this decision would be immense.	Care for adults - day care provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your comment which will be considered as part of any service redesign
14643	An employee of West Lothian Council	2c. Care for Adults	Also will transport provision to get people to a different centre negate any savings.	Care for adults - day care provision	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
14644	An employee of West Lothian Council	2c. Care for Adults	Combining services may mean that some cannot access this. Transport for these people should be considered.	Care for adults - day care provision	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
14645	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	It is , absolutely , imperative , that the Ability Centre , in Carmondean , be kept open ! It is not possible to combine people with physical disabilities and people with learning difficulties ! [REDACTED] and myself have had some experience with both groups !	Care for adults - day care provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
14646	No Response	2c. Care for Adults	It will not be possible to maintain these important services by amalgamating them. Everything will become diluted and the quality of life of the disabled service user will suffer as a result	Care for adults - day care provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. The Council is committed to ensure a strong governance framework is in place to make sure quality is at the heart of service delivery.
14647	An employee of West Lothian Council	2c. Care for Adults	Proposed closures of day services for older people will have a huge impact on daily lives. These people have contributed to the local community for a lifetime and deserve something back. Isolating the vulnerable in our community needs to be avoided.	Care for adults - day care provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
14648	An employee of West Lothian Council	2c. Care for Adults	Changing model of day support from building based to outreach models requires community facilities and resources to be available. I have a concern that this is not factored in to other saving measures proposed such as rationalising community centres and halls etc.	Care for adults - day care provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your comment which will be considered as part of any service redesign
14649	An employee of West Lothian Council	2c. Care for Adults	The Pathways building is ABSOLUTELY NOT SUITABLE for the service users that attend Eliburn Support Services day Centre. Pathways building would require MASSIVE renovation and extension at HUGE costs which seems to be defeating the purpose of this which is SAVING MONEY. Eliburn is already fully equipped for the service users needs providing a large dining area as a lot of space is needed to accommodate service users in wheelchairs being aided by staff, rooms fit for wheelchairs, each with dual bathroom/changing room facilities. A fully kitted out physiotherapy room, a jacuzzi, a sensory room and medical department with treatment room. If day care facilities have to be combined it would be LESS DISRUPTIVE, COST LESS and TIMESCALE would be much quicker to transfer TO Eliburn given the service users at the other two locations would not require there to be any alterations to accommodate their inclusion.	Care for adults - day care provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your comment which will be considered as part of any service redesign
14650	No Response	2c. Care for Adults	I think it would be a disgrace to close day centres too as elderly people with all different illnesses require this they need support friends meals this could be the only stimulation they could have? Instead of couped up in their house with nobody else in their lives? It is shocking anyone would want to take that away from them?.	Care for adults - day care provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	West Lothian already commissions day care services from a range of external partners and this will continue for those assessed as eligible who chose to attend day care
14651	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	is there enough space there?	Care for adults - day care provision	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
14652	No Response	2c. Care for Adults	Supported accommodation in the community & tenancy support workers supporting people within their own tenancies is a better solution.	Care for adults - day care provision	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
14653	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	Individual needs should continue to be met by a human and staff ratios should be adhered to to keep morale and quality of care high.	Care for adults - day care provision	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Criteria will be set within an assessment framework to ensure people's needs are assessed consistently and fairly
14654	An employee of West Lothian Council	2c. Care for Adults	the day care service is some people only access to the community as long as they still get day care that's all that should matter	Care for adults - day care provision	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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14655	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	Devolving the money to the client is cost effective as the client can fine tune what it is used for rather than having a paternalistic social work department "dictating" to those who are not aware of the option what will be provided. Is there not a statutory duty to inform clients of these rights?	Care for adults - day care provision	5a. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because the council is required by law to deliver this work.	All clients in adults and older people service and children with a disability service are offered SDS options as part of their care planning
14656	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	Would like to see more grouped community housing provision for adults. This allows a more reactive support provision incorporating a green transport policy . We need to focus on hours of positive contact and not just points of contact. If we consider that having one Pathways facility for West Lothian is okay it contradicts the focus on supported accommodation in their communities. If we don't want adults to travel for accommodation why do we want them to travel for Pathways access.	Care for adults - day care provision	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your comment which will be considered as part of any service redesign
14657	An employee of West Lothian Council	2c. Care for Adults	This makes some sense, though not sure how you support clients that attend Elburn day service on a outreach basis, unless those clients move to Pathways and the more able, get outreach support.	Care for adults - day care provision	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your comment which will be considered as part of any service redesign
14658	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	I receive care at home and would not welcome self - directed support , as a method of getting my care.	Care for adults - day care provision	5a. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because the council is required by law to deliver this work.	Self-directed support is the way of offering people more choice over how they receive any assessed eligible care and people can remain with the council arranging their care if they choose that option.
14659	An employee of West Lothian Council	2c. Care for Adults	assume savings in reducing to one day care facility take in to account additional travel costs - will this seem to be a barrier to some people needing these services? Good if people requiring care can stay local.	Care for adults - day care provision	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Detailed proposal will be worked up following the outcome of this consultation and this will include consideration of transport
14660	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	I didn't think pathways was big enough to do what it needs to at the moment, the car park is not, but if all the centres were together it could save money in community transport, in that you could have one bus going to one town rather than several going to several towns, you could also stagger the times so the buses could do more than one run, again saving money on drivers & buses.	Care for adults - day care provision	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your comment which will be considered as part of any service redesign
14661	An employee of West Lothian Council	2c. Care for Adults	Any merging of services would require sensitivity in relation to clients with diverse needs being supported within the same building. Currently many adults who have received a diagnosis which results in a decline in physical function can often experience a decline in mood, reduced confidence and self esteem. They are already very aware that they are now perceived as being very different within their community and at times by family and friends. A safe environment within a development service could be preserved as a "day centre" and ultimately impact negatively on their receptiveness to a much needed placement.	Care for adults - day care provision	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your comments. The proposal would still see day care delivered for people who have an assessed eligible need. The aim is to encourage community capacity building and informal networks to ensure people remain connected with their local area
14662	An employee of West Lothian Council	2c. Care for Adults	My concern here is people using the other two are taken away from people and facilities they have been relying on, I do not know if the other two are close by.	Care for adults - day care provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. The three day care centres are currently all in Livingston.
14663	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	Absolutely not!!!! Providing "choice" in one facility instead of three is NOT choice! People of many different abilities use these services, and to put them all in ONE place would cause chaos. These people and their families rely on these services to provide respite, support, friendships, a 'normality' that everyone else takes for granted and they SHOULD NOT be tampered with.	Care for adults - day care provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	People who are assessed as eligible for day care can choose to use their agreed budget in a variety of ways, with council run day care being only one option.
14664	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	As a mum of a disabled son who uses [REDACTED] five days a week. The proposed closing of two centres and the incorporation of these centres into one is ludicrous. The adult's who attend this centre have varied, complex and challenging needs. Pathway's only caters to adults with moderate difficulties, whereas, the [REDACTED] is designed for adults with profound difficulties. Cutback's and saving money should not impact on the people who need help the most. The merging of three centres suited for varying levels of difficulties, does not make sense and is effecting the most vulnerable in society. My son has been going to [REDACTED], the shut down of this centre would have a massive impact on his health and well being. The outcome of this closure would more than likely mean he needs more help and assistance. His life would be completely disrupted, as an adult with profound difficulties, this disruption is not necessary and would be detrimental to my son, to me and to his father.	Care for adults - day care provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. This consultation is the first stage of the process to enable the council to develop a five year plan. Detailed proposals will be worked up following the outcome of this consultation.

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14665	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	The ability centre in deans is a big part of my life its the only time i get to socialise and meet other people with disabilities. Its a life line to all the clients it gives them purpose in life we are not staring at four walls in the house. If take this service away you will cause people to take thier life. The ability centre saved my life with the service it provides. Disabilities can happen at any point in your life so you will be depriving people in west Lothian ave made such great friends at the centre seems ending up with a nuroloical condition. Thats why i started the petition and got in touch with the courier. If this service goes you will be taken lifes away. This centre is the heart of West lothian. I wouldn't like your self and family members get a disability if your from Westlothian because they wouldnt have any help.This service has brought my confidence back due to the great staff.	Care for adults - day care provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. This consultation is the first stage of the process to enable the council to develop a five year plan. Detailed proposals will be worked up following the outcome of this consultation.
14666	No Response	2c. Care for Adults	The facilities you propose to close are a lifeline for some of these people. They should remain open & savings be made elsewhere. Supported accommodation in the community is just a euphemism for placing additional burden on families.	Care for adults - day care provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. This consultation is the first stage of the process to enable the council to develop a five year plan. Detailed proposals will be worked up following the outcome of this consultation.
14667	No Response	2c. Care for Adults	I think it is a disgrace your planing on closing the Ability centre in deans disabilities can hapen at any time in life how would you fell if it happen to you or your loved ones. Its been my life line the [redacted] as i got a disability and had to give up my job so you can image what a impact that was now the Ability Centre is my only socialising and we get to help each other its a place to go to. The service provides loads of help to its clients. It has saved my life or i would have took my own life. Its a place we can meet up have lunch and chat its used by other people who come in to the restaurant bit for the same thing	Care for adults - day care provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. This consultation is the first stage of the process to enable the council to develop a five year plan. Detailed proposals will be worked up following the outcome of this consultation.
14668	No Response	2c. Care for Adults	If you take this service away i can see you having blood on your hands its people's life line gives the carers and the person a break to have conversations with other individuals. The person's attending these services learn new skills and it helps them build there confidence back up. Disabiilities can happen at any stage in life there is only one Ability Centre going about my friends from fife and Glasgow are jelous that they dont have this so West lothian should be proud to say we have this service in west Lothian. How would the council feel if it happen to them self or a loved one there would be no place to go. I have been a service user [redacted] before i took un well at the [redacted] so i thought my life was over the Ability centre brought back the best in me with all the great service's they provide would be a huge loss if people in west lothian loss the service	Care for adults - day care provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. This consultation is the first stage of the process to enable the council to develop a five year plan. Detailed proposals will be worked up following the outcome of this consultation.
14669	An employee of West Lothian Council	2c. Care for Adults	Sadly this was the inevitable outcome of SDS. In theory the service user having choice of how they want their needs met. In reality the choice becomes restricted as it is not financially viable to offer all options. Bearing in mind choice does not always mean the client will opt for an outreach option. The traditional day care facility is out of favour at the moment but there will always be an important place for this. Individualised budgets will be more expensive than spot purchased/centralised services. It's concerning as the most vulnerable client groups will lose out in the long run with additional expectations put back on stressed informal carers. The area of assistive technology is interesting, ever advancing and should definitely be explored.	Care for adults - day care provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	People who are assessed as eligible for day care can choose to use their agreed budget in a variety of ways, with council run day care being only one option. Individual budgets are the same regardless of which self-directed support options is selected. The area of technology is already being used where appropriate and we will continue to advance this.
14670	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	We have [redacted] He has been at the [redacted] for the last [redacted] He does [redacted] He is incontinent and needs 24 hour care because he is totally dependent on others at Eliburn Day Service. He has people that have always taken good care of him and to suddenly be stopped from going to this service would completely upset his whole world. He is not very good around strangers and can get very upset. At the Eliburn service he gets the best for his social life. I am a woman of [redacted] and I have health issues of my own. I can not retire from a cleaning job until Sep 2020 after the Gov. put the retirement age up and I am struggling to keep a job, look after a disabled person. My husband will be [redacted] He has his own health issues and he and I really have no life at all. We have one daughter who has a family of her own and is in full-time work so we get no help from her. If the council needs to make cuts disabled people should be the last thing that needs there funding cut.	Care for adults - day care provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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14671	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	I attend the Ability Centre in Livingston. I have a disease which will deteriorate, use a wheelchair, unable to go out unless accompanied and the weather is dry/warm. Have been attending the Ability Centre which i enjoy very much, activities, learning skills, being able to talk to others which helps a great deal with everyday problems. All the staff are brilliant, have a lot of patience always there to listen. With the group being about 15 at the centre it is not too large or noisy, as this affects my ability to concentrate and increase my fatigue. I have attended the in the summer only when weather is dry and warm (managed 1 day this year). I have to rely on my father who resides in the house to go walk along with me and then return in the afternoon. Due to eyesight problems if the weather is cold and damp this causes extreme pain both legs, feet making me feel totally exhausted (oxygen levels unable to pump hard enough). Going to the Ability Centre there is more activities to keep me independent in the home i.e. cooking. Do not think it would work putting those with learning difficulties and those who attend the centre together. Too noisy, different environment, large group. People with neurological conditions cannot deal with a lot of noise. I realise that the Council has to make savings but this solution would not work. I would be willing to pay an amount each week toward the cost of transport. without the ability centre i am unable to go out and would be totally housebound which would have a huge impact on my health and wellbeing.	Care for adults - day care provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. This consultation is the first stage of the process to enable the council to develop a five year plan. Detailed proposals will be worked up following the outcome of this consultation.
14672	No Response	2c. Care for Adults	Consolidating physical locations into one will come at a cost to the individuals involved. Has this been assessed?	Care for adults - day care provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	This is still a proposal at this stage
14673	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	How do people get there? Is there transport provided?	Care for adults - day care provision	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	This is still a proposal at this stage
14674	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	you want to try the bring the changes and savings in relation to most vulnerable people??thats ridiculous. Day care facilities are needed in different locations.	Care for adults - day care provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
14675	An employee of West Lothian Council	2c. Care for Adults	As long as service users still have facilities where they can interact with others and still have services they can access then the changes proposed could work.	Care for adults - day care provision	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your comment which will be considered as part of any service redesign
14676	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	If day care is centralised, will any savings be reducted due to transport and care costs. This should not be looked at in isolation but in conjunction with transport and increased care costs if people are kept at home instead.	Care for adults - day care provision	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your comment which will be considered as part of any service redesign
14677	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	How are people going to get there? It will mean less places in day care facilities. And again you're isolating these people.	Care for adults - day care provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. This consultation is the first stage of the process to enable the council to develop a five year plan. Detailed proposals will be worked up following the outcome of this consultation.
14678	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	All very well but lonely people look to getting out of the house for a time will this leave them housebound awaiting a visit ..I worry about this one	Care for adults - day care provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The approach is to encourage community capacity building and informal networks to ensure people remain connected with their local area
14679	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	Livingston may seem like 'the centre' of West Lothian to the council but there will be some people who cannot get to Livingston and people should not be missing out on a service just because they cannot get to it.	Care for adults - day care provision	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
14680	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	Although not ideal to relocate vulnerable people- a consolidated service would enable a better service to be delivered.	Care for adults - day care provision	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
14681	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	How can you offer real "self directed support" in such a diverse area from just one day care centre?	Care for adults - day care provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Self directed support allows people to select the way they want their assessed needs to be met, with council run day care being only one option.
14682	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	As long as all user can still reach the new facility and the same level of care is on offer	Care for adults - day care provision	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
14683	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	I support that local provision should help people to stay in their own local areas other than residential care outwith the area that they are familiar. This would also help families support them better.	Care for adults - day care provision	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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14684	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	One location sounds logical assuming it can cope with the numbers?	Care for adults - day care provision	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
14685	An employee of West Lothian Council	2c. Care for Adults	This isn't very clear either on how detrimental the impact will be on this client group. Sds has not changed many clients support needs to outreach and day care is still in high demand for respite for many clients. To allow parents to go out and contribute and work while their older child with special needs is cared for in a place where their needs are met and they have the opportunity to gain skills academically and socially . Pathways is not big enough to house all these clients therefore many will be asked to leave , peoples lives being devastated as they have no where to go, left isolated at home . People classed as less vulnerable than others left to burden other services as they have no support to keep them safe and feel valued and live a meaningful life? Other ways to save money can be looked at transport for example? Pay full cost for activities no stationary everything online No lunches provided or provided at a higher cost	Care for adults - day care provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. This consultation is the first stage of the process to enable the council to develop a five year plan. Detailed proposals will be worked up following the outcome of this consultation.
14686	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	when Clarendon and Blackburn were closed and Pathways was built the council decided to have only mainstream special needs in the building and those with more complex special needs were accommodated at Elburn Many of the parents and carers disagreed with this idea but the council decided this was the best way forward .Over the years the parent/carers and friends group at Elburn have raised thousands of pounds which have been spent on the garden, a multi sensory room and a small hydro pool these are all things that are needed and well used by the clients. Money has also been spent recently by the council to make an office and treatment room for the nurses.The building also has an excellent physio room well equipped and a tracking hoist .So now the clients one of which is my daughter are to be move away from this building and all the thousands of pounds that have been put to good use to another building that was never intended to have clients with such complex and profound needs.This is what I call sheer extravagance and a shocking waste of money.	Care for adults - day care provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. This consultation is the first stage of the process to enable the council to develop a five year plan. Detailed proposals will be worked up following the outcome of this consultation. □
14687	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	My tenants struggle with a journey to hospital they go to day centres cause its local they couldn't cope on buses any length time	Care for adults - day care provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. The three day centres are all based in Livingston
14688	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	Everything is becoming so diluted! Self directed support was always intended to shift the responsibility from the local authority, and it appears to have succeeded in that. Supported accommodation can work very well, as long as the right resources and monitoring is in place, but in order to save so much money, I fear the emphasis on quality will reduce..	Care for adults - day care provision	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The Council is committed to ensure a strong governance framework is in place to make sure quality is at the heart of service delivery from external partners
14689	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	Under no circumstances should two disability centres be closed and everyone pushed into the remaining one, on a reduced service. This should not be deemed acceptable, as it will have a devastatingly negative impact on the lives of the vulnerable. A definite NO!! This is targeting the least able in our society, and you should find other ways to save money that don't target the disabled and frail. Using technology instead of human contact in sleepovers etc. should not be an option.	Care for adults - day care provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. This consultation is the first stage of the process to enable the council to develop a five year plan. Detailed proposals will be worked up following the outcome of this consultation.
14690	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	Do you propose to sell off the disability service buildings when you cut the provision? I find this unacceptable.	Care for adults - day care provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
14691	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	Physical care is not the only need of the vulnerable and the council will be in dereliction of its duty of care if the psychological and social needs are not catered for.	Care for adults - day care provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Criteria is set within an assessment framework to ensure people's needs are assessed consistently and fairly. Work will continue to focus on those who are most vulnerable and have additional needs.
14692	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	I'm also appalled at the plans to shut down the Elburn centre and the ability centre and merging them with a different service. I believe these are the most important priorities.	Care for adults - day care provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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14693	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	I'm very disappointed in the council's decision to attack these care services to save money and I know there are a growing number of people becoming aware of this and I can assure you they are disgusted by it. I think it's important to understand why these Centres are so important as individual Centres specifically looking after the people they look after. The ability centre helps to rehabilitate people with brain injuries, strokes, degenerative illnesses like MS, Parkinson's and Huntington's. The list goes on. They have specialized equipment and have added over the years to the centre to provide the best care they possibly can. The other centre looking after adults with severe learning disabilities takes the strain off families looking after someone with learning disabilities. The clients have a much greater quality of life due to the activities and equipment available. This centre has been open for a number of years and I'm aware of fundraising taking place over the years to provide better facilities including a jacuzzi and sensory room. I note they also have a memorial garden for the many people who have passed away far too young. All the hard work put into building these Centres up will be lost and it will be a case of starting over. This affects everyone in the Centres care and the staff also. It is not acceptable to cram everyone in one building and for them to lose services so the council can save money as well as losing access to the equipment that improves their quality of life as well as therapeutic benefits. Not only will this affect the clients and families, but it will affect the staff. This no doubt will mean a cut in staff levels. Each centre is very specialized in the care they provide and if the staff has to cover vastly different areas of care this will affect the clients. In order to save the council money they are willing to ruin the lives of the clients, families and even the staff. I admit I don't believe this will be intentional, but I do not believe enough research and investigation has gone into the planning. Especially, when I constantly see the council advertising spending millions on other areas. Maybe the council should consider cutting the levels they are spending on other areas and spend some of this area. I pray my family and no one else's families have to use these Centres in the future as it's every parent and families worst nightmare for something to happen to their loved ones. But, if these Centres exist it makes a huge difference if the unthinkable does happen.	Care for adults - day care provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. This consultation is the first stage of the process to enable the council to develop a five year plan. Detailed proposals will be worked up following the outcome of this consultation.
14694	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	I think this is a very dangerous proposal that could potentially create more critical/substantial cases rather than having the opportunities for early intervention and pro-active social work for individuals. I would be concerned that the council is stripping funds from the most vulnerable individuals in society and that these measures would place people at a greater risk of harm under adult support and protections.	Care for adults - day care provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council will always be required to prioritise the needs of people who are most vulnerable. We would also aim to provide early intervention and prevention support where evidence based practice shows that a positive impact can be made
14695	An employee of West Lothian Council	2c. Care for Adults	I wouldn't like to see vulnerable individuals confined to their own homes where a sociable environment would benefit them.	Care for adults - day care provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The approach is to encourage community capacity building and informal networks to ensure people remain connected with their local area
14696	An employee of West Lothian Council	2c. Care for Adults	All adults should have to pay a contribution to their self directed support budget as in other councils.	Care for adults - day care provision	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	There is a further proposal under Income and Concessions which considers how a contributions policy can be introduced subject to the financial assessment of affordability
14697	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	Use the Adult Ability Centre in Carmondean and Eliburn as day care centres for the elderly. Built more care homes for the elderly that are nice places to live. Old folk receiving care at home are more isolated and struggle with heating/food bills. Bring more older people together in exciting and comfortable places to live with professional care on hand 24/7.	Care for adults - day care provision	4. The council is already doing this.	Self directed support allows people to select the way they want their assessed needs to be met, with council run day care being only one option.
14698	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	As before - improve residential facilities. Make it everyone's ultimate objective to end up in care locally because it is an improvement and benefit to them and their families whilst creating employment.	Care for adults - day care provision	4. The council is already doing this.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
14699	An employee of West Lothian Council	2c. Care for Adults	I agree that we should consolidate buildings where they are not used to full capacity. People are too tied to buildings rather than the service they receive. Given most people are transported to these centres I don't see the problem with moving from Deans to Craigshill. I know it will be a period of change but we cannot afford to keep running buildings at low capacity. I have found the recent press on this sensational and does not reflect the reality of what this proposal means.	Care for adults - day care provision	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
14700	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	Why Livingston? Is this the centre of the universe? Transport costs? Friendships, security, knowledge of the local community are so important. Don't see people as one remedy fits all. I object to the west moving to Livingston.	Care for adults - day care provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The existing building based day centres for adults are already all in Livingston. Our aim is to shift towards an outreach model to allow for further personalisation.
14701	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	day care facilities currently provided at three different locations are combined into one at Pathways in Livingston. This may be a saving to the Council but adds transport costs to individuals using the service.	Care for adults - day care provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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14702	No Response	2c. Care for Adults	While merging facilities will cut staffing costs , care needs to be taken that the service users are not spending all day being transferred to and from these facilities. Not everyone lives in Livingston.	Care for adults - day care provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The existing building based day centres for adults are already all in Livingston. Our aim is to shift towards an outreach model to allow for further personalisation.
14703	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	How will people in other communities get to Livingston? Might it not be better to say straightforwardly that you propose to cut it altogether?	Care for adults - day care provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The existing building based day centres for adults are already all in Livingston. Our aim is to shift towards an outreach model to allow for further personalisation.
14704	An employee of West Lothian Council	2c. Care for Adults	if the ability centre closes it will be a huge loss to those who use it regularly. Unclear how Pathways can sustain the numbers of people currently at 3 centres	Care for adults - day care provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. This consultation is the first stage of the process to enable the council to develop a five year plan. Detailed proposals will be worked up following the outcome of this consultation.
14705	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	Although the closure of the two centres will be difficult for all involved, it seems to be a positive move to update the model of care and deliver a non centre based service for those who would prefer it.	Care for adults - day care provision	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
14706	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	so who do these people turn to when benefits are cut day centres are closed ??????????	Care for adults - day care provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Work will continue to focus on those who are most vulnerable and have additional needs.
14707	An employee of West Lothian Council	2c. Care for Adults	Will consideration be given on transportation for the people who previously attended local day care centres.	Care for adults - day care provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. This consultation is the first stage of the process to enable the council to develop a five year plan. Detailed proposals will be worked up following the outcome of this consultation.
14708	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	Would it not be better for older people to stay in the communities they know and are familiar with?	Care for adults - day care provision	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The approach is to encourage community capacity building and informal networks to ensure people remain connected with their local area
14709	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	I think that this is a good approach. However, I would urge the council to ensure that community groups using the ability centre are able to transfer to different premises to ensure that these vital support clubs continue to exist particularly in relation to the changes being made in relation to care thresholds	Care for adults - day care provision	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
14710	An employee of West Lothian Council	2c. Care for Adults	The removal of three location does cause concern but if this is elevated but changing and modernising Pathways to support those most in need this becomes less of a concern. There must also not be a reduction of the level of amount of care provided particularly to those most in need. Career need to be consulted and reassured properly doing any changes as this could be very stressful for them. Social isolation is a big concern for those who are maybe not as in need. Support will be needed to ensure communities provision is sufficient and compares to what they have been used to receiving.	Care for adults - day care provision	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your comments which have been noted. This consultation is the first stage of the process to enable the council to develop a five year plan. Detailed proposals will be worked up following the outcome of this consultation.
14711	An employee of West Lothian Council	2c. Care for Adults	I am strongly against any changes - SDS is being used as a smoke screen. The provision at each of these 3 centres is different and putting people together with different needs has been shown NOT to work in other local authority areas	Care for adults - day care provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. This consultation is the first stage of the process to enable the council to develop a five year plan. Detailed proposals will be worked up following the outcome of this consultation.
14712	An employee of West Lothian Council	2c. Care for Adults	Can the people that use the service at the other 2 locations get to pathways. If they can then it appears to be a good idea.	Care for adults - day care provision	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your comments which have been noted. This consultation is the first stage of the process to enable the council to develop a five year plan. Detailed proposals will be worked up following the outcome of this consultation.
14713	An employee of West Lothian Council	2c. Care for Adults	Supporting older people is very important. Day centres are vital. Joined up working is very important with the NHS.	Care for adults - day care provision	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The Council is working with NHS Lothian on a wide reaching Frailty Programme to maximise patient pathways and redesign access to community based services

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14714	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	I moved here from Edinburgh 13 years ago after I had a stroke. I decided to move to West Lothian as I had heard that the social care services provided were really good, and I felt the move would benefit me. I have attended the Ability Centre in Carmondean, and its outreach service at the Lanthorn, every Wednesday and Friday for the [REDACTED]. I tragically lost my son to a Brain [REDACTED] my other son lives in Edinburgh and works full time, so I do not get to see him very often. My niece used to come out from Edinburgh to visit and help me with things, but tragically she died quite recently. I have no other family, so I rely on the Ability centre to provide me with support and the opportunity to socialise. Without the Ability centre I would be in the house all the time and completely isolated.	Care for adults - day care provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. This consultation is the first stage of the process to enable the council to develop a five year plan. Detailed proposals will be worked up following the outcome of this consultation.
14715	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	I have made many friends at the ability centre, many of whom are wheelchair users. My home has steps leading into the property so many of my friends are unable to visit me there, and we rely on the Ability Centre which is fully accessible to meet up. since my stroke I find it difficult to walk long distances, I feel vulnerable due to my disability, and unsure of the local area. I do not feel safe walking under the underpasses and rely on taxis to get around. Due to the expense of taxis if the Ability centre were to close I would be unable to visit friends. Not only do I rely on the Ability centre for allowing me to meet with friends for social support, but I also meet with my support worker [REDACTED] every Friday where I can get support with any issues or worries I have. At the Ability Centres Lanthorn outreach I attend groups such as crafts and go on outings, I would be unable to access this service from home. After my stroke I would not speak, I used one word, or pointed to communicate, I felt too embarrassed to try to speak. People at the ability centre helped me to find my voice, they encouraged me to talk, they made me feel safe. Being around others with a disability and the staff at the Ability centre have made me feel at ease and comfortable, this has helped me with my recovery. At the ability centre everybody knows my name and understands me as a person I feel I belong, cared for and supported. If the Ability centre were to close I would be completely isolated and my mental health would deteriorate. I rely on this service to close it would be devastating.	Care for adults - day care provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. This consultation is the first stage of the process to enable the council to develop a five year plan. Detailed proposals will be worked up following the outcome of this consultation.
14716	An employee of West Lothian Council	2c. Care for Adults	Already aware that the move to Pathways in Livingston is not a move that is being positively viewed by some clients due to increased travelling distance.	Care for adults - day care provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. This consultation is the first stage of the process to enable the council to develop a five year plan. Detailed proposals will be worked up following the outcome of this consultation.
14717	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	I am the father of a child with profound difficulties who attends the Eilburn centre five days a week. I find the proposed closing of this centre and its incorporation into the Pathway's centre deeply concerning. The adult's who attend the Eilburn centre have varied, complex and challenging needs. They are not suitable for home care or any other type of facility that is not as well equipped as the Eilburn centre. The Adult Learning centre is unique - it has trained medical staff, sensory equipment, physio services, a remembrance garden and the ability to care for seizures. The Eilburn centre is fit for purpose when it comes to dealing with profound difficulties, the Pathway's centre is not. On a personal note, my son has been going to the [REDACTED] the shutdown of this centre and the adjustment to a new centre would have a massive impact on his health and well being. His life would be completely disrupted, and as an adult with profound difficulties, this disruption is not necessary and would be detrimental to my son, to me and to his mother. My son is [REDACTED] and the Learning Centre has made special adaptations in order to meet his needs. The Learning centre has the ability to provide one on one care, and when my son was very ill they provided two on one care. This level of care cannot be maintained with three centres merging into one. I understand that cutback's need to be made but these cutback's should not impact the most vulnerable people in society. The merging of three centers suited for varying levels of difficulties into one, does not make sense and will be hurting those who need help the most.	Care for adults - day care provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. This consultation is the first stage of the process to enable the council to develop a five year plan. Detailed proposals will be worked up following the outcome of this consultation.
14718	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	Combined care facilities are a poor idea and would lead to less effective rehab. Getting self directed support/budget for individuals is useless if there are no suitable facilities to use. For example, care at The Ability Centre is excellent but other than that there is no facility for rehab for those brain injured who live in West Lothian. Braid House is not suitable for specialist rehab.	Care for adults - day care provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. This consultation is the first stage of the process to enable the council to develop a five year plan. Detailed proposals will be worked up following the outcome of this consultation.

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14719	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	Keep local daycare centres for the community	Care for adults - day care provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. This consultation is the first stage of the process to enable the council to develop a five year plan. Detailed proposals will be worked up following the outcome of this consultation.
14720	No Response	2c. Care for Adults	These centres provide a safe place where people with complex needs can safely socialise. As Pathways is well used then closure of other units would mean a cut to the service provided.	Care for adults - day care provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. This consultation is the first stage of the process to enable the council to develop a five year plan. Detailed proposals will be worked up following the outcome of this consultation.
14721	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	If you do not meet that criteria are you signposted to other third party organisations or left to your own devices? It seems on some occasions there has been a "chicken and egg" scenario. Places were not available for certain services, as referral were closed and therefore people have had to look for alternatives. Also some services are only available through Social Work referrals, therefore if people are not signposted to them there is no way to access that service. Supported accommodation is ideal for those who want it and being part of the community is incredibly valuable for all involved. To ensure physical and mental well being, where ever someone choses to live can only be done with the correct level of support. The level of support to ensure people get out and about and see friends and family as well as take part in meaningful activities and live a full life. Not merely exist, with 4 x 15 minute visits a day and microwave meals day in and day out.	Care for adults - day care provision	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
14722	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	The ability centre is a crucial lifeline to many people with disabilities. It provides a much needed social link to many organisations and individuals, without which their mental health could suffer due to isolation.	Care for adults - day care provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. This consultation is the first stage of the process to enable the council to develop a five year plan. Detailed proposals will be worked up following the outcome of this consultation.
14723	An employee of West Lothian Council	2c. Care for Adults	This involves a high transport cost which I don't agree with and this should be looked into to reduce costs.	Care for adults - day care provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. This consultation is the first stage of the process to enable the council to develop a five year plan. Detailed proposals will be worked up following the outcome of this consultation.
14724	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	Not in agreement with closing current day care facilities..	Care for adults - day care provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. This consultation is the first stage of the process to enable the council to develop a five year plan. Detailed proposals will be worked up following the outcome of this consultation.
14725	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	I have concerns about the amalgamation of services into one locality	Care for adults - day care provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
14726	No Response	2c. Care for Adults	I have service users which use these services. I do not believe combining 3 day services in to 1 helps the service users, a better use of the facilities and staff would save money and improve service	Care for adults - day care provision	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. This consultation is the first stage of the process to enable the council to develop a five year plan. Detailed proposals will be worked up following the outcome of this consultation.
14727	An employee of West Lothian Council	2c. Care for Adults	Agree that the council need to rationalise day care facilities if there is sufficient capacity at one location cater for all current demand	Care for adults - day care provision	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
14728	No Response	2c. Care for Adults	Agree. it makes sense to rationalise facilities if there is sufficient capacity within one local facility to provide for demand levels	Care for adults - day care provision	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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14729	No Response	2c. Care for Adults	For those who can afford it, a cost that equates to the actual cost of food provided, should be levied for day care,	Care for adults - day care provision	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	There is a further proposal under Income and Concessions which considers how a contributions policy can be introduced subject to the financial assessment of affordability
14730	No Response	2c. Care for Adults	day care provision should be prioritised for service users with a diagnosis of dementia, Alzheimer's, to act as a respite day for spouses/carers. Once service users move into residential care, their day care place should be relinquished	Care for adults - day care provision	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
14731	An employee of West Lothian Council	2c. Care for Adults	what about the impact of transportation and associated costs	Care for adults - day care provision	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. This consultation is the first stage of the process to enable the council to develop a five year plan. Detailed proposals will be worked up following the outcome of this consultation.
14732	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	I strongly agree with this proposal. A move to outreach support is far more effective than the current centre based day care model which is outdated and inflexible	Care for adults - day care provision	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
14733	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	The move to Pathways should be coupled with flexible transport arrangements for those that wish to attend day sessions.	Care for adults - day care provision	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. This consultation is the first stage of the process to enable the council to develop a five year plan. Detailed proposals will be worked up following the outcome of this consultation.
14734	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	If all day care facilities are to be provided at one location, there must be assurances that transport will be provided and that there is enough space to accommodate everyone.	Care for adults - day care provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. This consultation is the first stage of the process to enable the council to develop a five year plan. Detailed proposals will be worked up following the outcome of this consultation.
14735	No Response	2c. Care for Adults	There should be flexibility to attend day care in other LA areas if you live on the border	Care for adults - day care provision	4. The council is already doing this.	People with assessed eligible needs who elect to arrange their care through self-directed support options may be able to elect to attend day care in another authority area if this meets their needs
14736	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	This is getting a bit depressing filling this in as it's all about cutting costs by cutting services. If there are currently 3 day care units that can be incorporated into one on paper it sounds like a no brainer. But if you have 60 people using each of the 3 units on a daily basis - does the 3rd have capacity for 180? I can only comment on the information you give.	Care for adults - day care provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. This consultation is the first stage of the process to enable the council to develop a five year plan. Detailed proposals will be worked up following the outcome of this consultation.
14737	No Response	2c. Care for Adults	I think this is fine provided you are able to provide door-to-door transport for Livingston for the people who need it as and when they need it.	Care for adults - day care provision	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your comments which have been noted. This consultation is the first stage of the process to enable the council to develop a five year plan. Detailed proposals will be worked up following the outcome of this consultation.
14738	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	suggestion to cut back on daycare for the elderly is absolutely a false economy. Quite apart from the misery for carers not getting a break and for elderly people stuck at home - depression support and possible need for care home care would be a lot more expensive.	Care for adults - day care provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. This consultation is the first stage of the process to enable the council to develop a five year plan. Detailed proposals will be worked up following the outcome of this consultation.
14739	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	As above day care should not be changed - many elderly people cannot easily travel far.	Care for adults - day care provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. This consultation is the first stage of the process to enable the council to develop a five year plan. Detailed proposals will be worked up following the outcome of this consultation.

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14740	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	the local day care facilities are really enjoyed those who attend. small groups get to know each other. This would not happen with a large group. The group in Linlithgow is about to move to new accommodation in the old county buildings. Surely this is not being put on hold. As a carer I certainly hope not	Care for adults - day care provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. This consultation is the first stage of the process to enable the council to develop a five year plan. Detailed proposals will be worked up following the outcome of this consultation.
14741	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	Day centres being closed is not good at all. They are a valuable part of the community, many people who use these centres depend on them, as it is the only time they get out of their houses. It also gives their spouse/family or carer some respite while they are at the centre. Older people who have paid their taxes all their lives deserve to be looked after and treated well. Cuts should be made to management wages and bonuses as a first step, rather than taking from the people who really need the services provided by the Council.	Care for adults - day care provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. This consultation is the first stage of the process to enable the council to develop a five year plan. Detailed proposals will be worked up following the outcome of this consultation.
14742	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	the day centre in Linlithgow is a very necessary and successful asset to the clients and also a great help to their carers. To close it would be an insult to all the people who depend on it. The old county buildings is about to open with accommodation for day care. very shortsighted if this does not happen. Going to Livingston should not be considered an option. I	Care for adults - day care provision	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	The proposal for older people's centres is about the council owned centres
14743	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	Day care facilities need to be local to be effective. centralising them excludes those who need them through a lack of ability to travel safely from home.	Care for adults - day care provision	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The approach is to encourage community capacity building and informal networks to ensure people remain connected with their local area
14744	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	some people are disabled and rely on the centers for , company get a hot meal getting out & about meeting people and independence	Care for adults - day care provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. This consultation is the first stage of the process to enable the council to develop a five year plan. Detailed proposals will be worked up following the outcome of this consultation.
14745	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	As Welfare and Financial Guardians of our son/brother , who resides in [REDACTED] and attends [REDACTED] it has been brought to our attention that Elilburn may be proposed for closure. With services being provided at Pathways Adult Support Sevices in Craigshill Livingston. As you can imagine this is of great concern to us all as a family, as we feel that Pathways won't provide the same excellent support and care being provided at Elilburn, assisting him in his day to day activities and giving him a good quality of life. To give you some information about him and his disabilities, he has [REDACTED] . Given his disabilities you can appreciate the complex care that he requires on a day to day basis. He requires and has 24 hour care within the community, which is provided by Ark Housing Association. he has been attending Elilburn since [REDACTED] and we feel this would be a terrible loss of services to the area, and for all those individuals who attend Elilburn on a daily basis. We would be obliged if you could enlighten us as to whether or not Elilburn is actually one of those shortlisted for closure and combined into Pathways Adult Support Services	Care for adults - day care provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. This consultation is the first stage of the process to enable the council to develop a five year plan. Detailed proposals will be worked up following the outcome of this consultation.
14746	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	I think this proposed decision to close the Ability Center is wrong . I personally use this facility every week places like this are getting fewer and making it harder for Disabled people to have places to socialise. I hope you will press the council to reconsider this decision	Care for adults - day care provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. This consultation is the first stage of the process to enable the council to develop a five year plan. Detailed proposals will be worked up following the outcome of this consultation.

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14747	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	<p>I am emailing as I not sure if you will be aware that West Lothian council are proposing to merge three different adult day services into Pathways in Craighill. The council are proposing that this is the best and efficient way to save money, however, they seem to be targeting the most vulnerable within society. The three services that they are looking to merge are three completely different client groups, Elburn Support Services, The Ability Centre and Pathways. Elburn Support Services - Supports individuals with a learning and physical disability, the individuals also have complex levels of needs including healthcare. the service is available to individuals aged between 16 and 65 meeting the criteria. Elburn also provides day respite for carers and family members. The Ability Centre - this area provides a service for adults aged between 16 and 65 with a physical disability, within this service they provide a variety of educational, occupational, therapeutic opportunities and work experience. Pathways - Supports adults with a learning and physical disability, to access activities within the unit and within the community, this service also helps support individuals to develop their independent living skills. These three services provide three different types of support for the individuals attending them, the council would like all three to merge together into pathways to save money, however, they have not looked at the bigger picture. The building they propose to move into is not big enough, it does not have all the facilities to support the service users who would be moving there. So, they would then have to spend MORE money on building an extension and getting all the correct facilities, it requires to support the individuals. I understand that cuts have to be made but I feel there could be other ways this could be done rather than impacting on vulnerable service users whom the majority cannot read or write so who will advocate on their behalf? I was wondering if there was anything you as a councillor could do to support these services and stop these changes from happening? would you or a member of your party be visiting these services prior to the end of the consultation period? So, you will be able to see how different these services are from each other.</p>	Care for adults - day care provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	<p>Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted.</p> <p>This consultation is the first stage of the process to enable the council to develop a five year plan. Detailed proposals will be worked up following the outcome of this consultation.</p>
14748	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	<p>I am writing to express my upmost concerns about the proposal to shut two of the Adult Learning Centre's in Livingston and incorporate these two facilities into the Pathway's centre. As a parent, who's son uses the Adult Learning Centre in Elburn five days a week, this proposal will seriously disrupt my son's life. The adults who attend the Elburn centre have varied, complex and challenging needs. For my son to attend this centre, the Council had to pay for new tables and chairs, had to retrain the staff and had to get anti-glare tiles put on the walls to cater to my son's needs because he is registered blind. A Sense Scotland had to come through to the centre in Elburn to teach the staff how to deal with my son and advise of adaptations that would be needed in order for my son to be in a safe and secure environment. The Pathway centre has none of the above, and only has one adapted toilet that my son can use. The Pathway centre is designed to deal with adults with moderate difficulties, my son and the many others who attend the Elburn centre have profound difficulties. My son has been going to the Elburn Adult Learning centre for the he is comfortable and happy where he is. The shutdown of this centre and the movement of the service to Pathway's will have a massive impact on his health and well being. The outcome of this centre closing would more than likely result in my son needing more help and assistance to deal with this major change in his life. The disruption that this would cause for all the adults who attend this centre, and the families of these adults, would have a devastating effect. I understand the Council has to make cutbacks but these cutbacks should not impact the people who need help the most. The merging of three centres that are suited for varying levels of difficulties, does not make sense and is effecting the most vulnerable in society. As my elected representative I would like you to take my views on board and help my son - and the many others - who will be affected by this proposed closure. Ultimately, I want the Elburn centre to remain open and this proposal never to be implemented.</p>	Care for adults - day care provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	<p>Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted.</p> <p>This consultation is the first stage of the process to enable the council to develop a five year plan. Detailed proposals will be worked up following the outcome of this consultation.</p>

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14749	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	The Ability Centre: Please can you support keeping this unit open. I'm not sure if most people are even aware of The Ability Centre and the fantastic work and support it gives to people suffering neurological conditions. I am now unable to work and the Ability Centre is a haven, a place where people with neurological problems can be ourselves and not have to put on "a face" for others. We all look after each other in our own ways and have built bonds of trust that continue to grow. To give you an example an ex teacher I've met who has the last stage of MS wouldn't eat anything but paninis at lunch because pride wouldn't allow her to ask or accept help. We were introduced on my first day and became firm friends [REDACTED]. Over that time I have her eating a proper meal at lunch and able to tell me when she can no longer manage and allow me to feed her. This couldn't have happened without the Ability Centre. The support of the staff is second to none they are constantly on the go but yet so attentive. I know I and my fellow users will be at a loss without the Ability Centre as it's a lifeline to a social life which many of us loose as par of the course of having these illnesses as well as allowing service users to do things that they can't at home e.g cook , make things with wood using tools with the support of the staff and volunteers. This service is one of a kind as many of my MS friends have nothing like this in their community and are seriously jealous. This also gives my partner/carer a break for a few hours to do his own thing without worrying about me. I am sure it's the same for all the other users and their families/carers. To go back to no social life will be devastating for so many users and outreach only allows a few from a select area to get together, not always the people you enjoy spending those few hours with. West Lothian Council should be so proud of this service instead of closing it's doors.	Care for adults - day care provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. This consultation is the first stage of the process to enable the council to develop a five year plan. Detailed proposals will be worked up following the outcome of this consultation.
14750	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	Does this mean the closure of the St Michael's Hospital Linlithgow? Or just the Day Care Centre? I'm not sure I fully understand the implications - but is the Livingston Pathways facility capable of handling the whole Counties Day Care needs? Again, will these reductions just create greater footfall at St John's A&E - so more pressure on the NHS	Care for adults - day care provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. This consultation is the first stage of the process to enable the council to develop a five year plan. Detailed proposals will be worked up following the outcome of this consultation.
14751	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	it would maybe be a good idea to put different services into one building as long as the level of help does not get worse.	Care for adults - day care provision	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
14752	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	If there is only 1 daycare facility then that will involve the cost of transporting elderly people further so that will be an increased cost.	Care for adults - day care provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. This consultation is the first stage of the process to enable the council to develop a five year plan. Detailed proposals will be worked up following the outcome of this consultation.
14753	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	Will existing users be able to easily access Pathways? Self-directed is potentially a useful way forward provided there is oversight and monitoring that it is achieving outcomes for the person.	Care for adults - day care provision	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. This consultation is the first stage of the process to enable the council to develop a five year plan. Detailed proposals will be worked up following the outcome of this consultation.
14754	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	This will cause stress and anxiety on the people who need to attend these outreach programmes as they may be travelling for some distance now throughout West Lothian. If they require transport to this one location this will increase to incorporate greater distances.	Care for adults - day care provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. This consultation is the first stage of the process to enable the council to develop a five year plan. Detailed proposals will be worked up following the outcome of this consultation.
14755	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	The centre provides: Fully purpose built building. Bathrooms that house hoists, tracking, changing beds for personal changing use. Larger doors for wheelchair access. Physiotherapy Room with adapted Walkers/Physio tables etc. Medical And Nursing care on site. Staff are uniquely trained and qualified. Sensory Rooms with variety of sensory equipment catering for all spectrums. Jacuzzi for additional therapy. Fully qualified kitchen staff preparing all formats of foods/shakes/drinks etc. Remembrance Garden and Friendship Tree. Health screening and Clinic appointments take place within centre too. All of the above are so valuable and needed to the clients attending, it would be devastating to loose such a unique service.	Care for adults - day care provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. This consultation is the first stage of the process to enable the council to develop a five year plan. Detailed proposals will be worked up following the outcome of this consultation.
14756	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	Sounds good as long as the contact with their own communities is maintained	Care for adults - day care provision	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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14757	No Response	2c. Care for Adults	group living is often a good solution where done with imagination - being in one's own flat is not always best.	Care for adults - day care provision	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
14758	No Response	2c. Care for Adults	One centre in Livingston- what about all the other towns adults?	Care for adults - day care provision	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	The three centres are all currently located in Livingston
14759	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	I would like to voice my huge concern and panic of the above. My own loved one attends Eliburn Day Centre which is a unique service with an award winning staff team who are uniquely trained and qualified, within a fully adapted building. This building houses personal care bathrooms fitted with hoists and tracking, as she like all clients there, total dependant on others with her personal care. It has wider doors for access in wheelchairs, physio room with therapy being available within May-walkers etc and trained staff to give on-going physio therapy. In house trained nurses that caters to the clients medical needs, administering medication throughout the day and catering for her daily epileptic seizures, closely and constantly monitoring her and keeping in touch with us when required. This itself overall with all 40 clients takes a huge pressure off the NHS with having trained nurses and staff caring for our adults. All health screening takes place within this centre too and clinics such as Neurology/Epilepsy clinics where as parents/carers we can attend and remove the stress from our adult by keeping them within the same environment to be able to attend this appointment.	Care for adults - day care provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. This consultation is the first stage of the process to enable the council to develop a five year plan. Detailed proposals will be worked up following the outcome of this consultation.
14760	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	Clients at the Eliburn centre have complex medical needs and the majority have individual care plans which the fully trained and qualified nurses keep up to date and communicate direct with the clients GP to ensure all information is correct and up to date. The clients require 1:1 care throughout their time at the centre and to cater for all these clients different feeding regimes with the kitchen preparing all sorts of lunch from integral feeding regime, to puréed foods, lumpy foods, and certain shakes etc for all clients with different swallowing difficulties. These foods are not available within the community to be able to stop and have lunch when out and about. To provide additional therapy within the jacuzzi to clients which the staff themselves fund raised for this facility and have a fully trained and qualified operator of the jacuzzi to ensure its maintained at all times. The clients are able to spend time within the specialist sensory areas with a variety of sensory equipment available for all spectrums to have time out and de-stress from the daily routines. They have a large hall where the clients come to socialise at different events such as wheelchair dancing, certain adapted sports, therapies such as lying stretching out on large bean bags alongside peer groups to avoid isolation and to encourage stimulation and companionship. All clients come together in this room for lunch which has adapted tables for all different heights and widths of wheelchairs, special adapted seating and safety straps for certain clients and full use of adapted crockery and cutlery for those clients who are slightly more able to feed themselves. The room itself is perfect for the clients using their May Walkers and being able to have room to move about in these with support and guidance from the trained and fully qualified staff. It lends itself too housing the clients families to attend certain celebrations throughout the year where we can come along and watch our loved ones take part in shows, adapted sports and seasonal events. We are also able to celebrate a clients life or attend memorial services to those who have sadly lost their life's to life limiting conditions which a huge percentage of the clients have who attend Eliburn. To those clients families there is a Remembrance Garden and Friendship Tree to be able to come along and remember our loved ones. Eliburn Day Centre is a very valuable source for all clients attending, some of which have attended since the building opened and it has become their life line on a Monday to Friday basis.	Care for adults - day care provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. This consultation is the first stage of the process to enable the council to develop a five year plan. Detailed proposals will be worked up following the outcome of this consultation.
14761	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	It is not a possibility or feasible for the clients to be fully catered for and cared for in the appropriate manner should the Eliburn facility change and Pathways is their only option. By doing this, it will completely isolate the clients, changing their life's to the detriment of each of them, causing huge risks to their health. Medical conditions and livelihood and change is such a huge hurdle where in many cases another transition is not possible. I do sincerely hope I have voiced my family's concern about this proposal as our own loved one like all clients who attend Eliburn are not able to verbally communicate, therefore are not able to advocate this themselves. We are their voice and advocates and I can only pray that you not only listen but hear why Eliburn is such a specialist and unique service, and will reconsider this proposal and let the clients remain attending the centre for what remains of their life's there and to be happy and content. Thank you.	Care for adults - day care provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. This consultation is the first stage of the process to enable the council to develop a five year plan. Detailed proposals will be worked up following the outcome of this consultation.

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14762	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	Adequate transport and support must be included. Also ensure consolidated service provide a equal service to that removed.	Care for adults - day care provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. This consultation is the first stage of the process to enable the council to develop a five year plan. Detailed proposals will be worked up following the outcome of this consultation.
14763	An employee of West Lothian Council	2c. Care for Adults	It's all very well combining the three provisions into one as long as this accommodates everyone already using the service.	Care for adults - day care provision	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
14764	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	The problem with centralisation of day care facilities in Livingston is that it will require provision of transport for users throughout the area, and this will also result in a reduction of spaces for users.	Care for adults - day care provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. This consultation is the first stage of the process to enable the council to develop a five year plan. Detailed proposals will be worked up following the outcome of this consultation.
14765	No Response	2c. Care for Adults	Only concern here is how do the people get to the new venue, when they are used to going to one they have gone to for a long time. Vulnerable people as you know do not like changes in their routine/life. Has the impact on undertaking this proposal being fully investigated?	Care for adults - day care provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. This consultation is the first stage of the process to enable the council to develop a five year plan. Detailed proposals will be worked up following the outcome of this consultation.
14766	An employee of West Lothian Council	2c. Care for Adults	I actually think this is an instance where centralisation might lead to improved consistency of provision and would support this. Concentrating the specialist resources in one building will benefit those who work there and those who access the service if it is done well.	Care for adults - day care provision	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your comments which have been noted. This consultation is the first stage of the process to enable the council to develop a five year plan. Detailed proposals will be worked up following the outcome of this consultation.
14767	An employee of West Lothian Council	2c. Care for Adults	how accessible is this for service users?	Care for adults - day care provision	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. This consultation is the first stage of the process to enable the council to develop a five year plan. Detailed proposals will be worked up following the outcome of this consultation.
14768	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	My daughter currently attends Eliburn Support Services so I am concerned that a move to Pathways would remove access to the Multi sensory room and jacuzzi available at Eliburn. Also, I do not want her to lose her provision [REDACTED] or have any significant changes to transport or hours of service provided each day. I am concerned that an increase of service users at one base will decrease the staffing ratio and limit opportunities for meaningful activity within the service base and in the community. This can already be a challenge at Eliburn because of the high support needs of a large group of service users all at the same support service.	Care for adults - day care provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. This consultation is the first stage of the process to enable the council to develop a five year plan. Detailed proposals will be worked up following the outcome of this consultation.
14769	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	Closing Eliburn would be an act of callous social vandalism similar to the imposition of the Poll Tax. Here is how to save the money required to keep Eliburn going. Cut the Chief Executive's pay to Â£100k a year. All other pay to be reduced by the appropriate fraction such that current percentage differentials are maintained. Those earning Â£30k a year to be unaffected. Cut remuneration of Councillors to Â£30k a year with a purge on expenses.	Care for adults - day care provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. This consultation is the first stage of the process to enable the council to develop a five year plan. Detailed proposals will be worked up following the outcome of this consultation.

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14770	An employee of West Lothian Council	2c. Care for Adults	As an employee of WLC, working as the [REDACTED] at the Ability Centre, I fully support the views expressed by the Ability Centre against the proposed changes/cuts to the service and the detrimental impact that this will definitely have on the clients who currently are supported by this service. In addition to this great concern I would also like to put forward my feeling with regards to the valuable art therapy service that is offered as part of the wider programme at the centre. Art Therapy has been a permanent part of our service for about 8 years now, helping clients experiencing emotional distress to continue to attend and engage with (therefore benefit fully from) the Ability Centre service. For the clients living with health difficulties, loss and huge uncertainty, if this role were to change/disappear then this entire part of our support service would be lost and clients would suffer. Already, though this information is new, clients are already expressing their feelings about it in their sessions. Over the years having art therapy offered within the centre has enabled there to be a quick response to identified and emerging need with little or no waiting time so heading off a potential crisis before it develops, thus saving money/resources in the longer run. This may involve working in a joined up way and, for example, supporting the individual to make contact with their doctor, CPN or social worker. Indeed referrals for the service have come from the individual, keyworkers, social workers, doctors, a community nurse and CPNs. We have been able to tailor the art therapy service to fit our clients' needs, e.g. enabling a person to tap back into the service if life events deteriorate and the individual feels that their mood is dipping. Again, this rapid response allows a quick turn-around rather than letting the emotional stress mount up and require longer term treatment/ support to get the person back on track.	Care for adults - day care provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. This consultation is the first stage of the process to enable the council to develop a five year plan. Detailed proposals will be worked up following the outcome of this consultation.
14771	An employee of West Lothian Council	2c. Care for Adults	Some comments from client Evaluations of art therapy are below: "I've felt my life has changed from being down in the dumps. I feel I can now move on. I have more confidence and am more optimistic." "Yes, (it was helpful), having someone that's not involved with my family. You're not judging me. You just listened. You've helped me to look towards positives. I've been used to feeling useless. I've found my personality again instead of sitting in my house bottling things up." "Yes (it was helpful) because it has helped me to understand about things going on in my life. Being able to get my feelings out and what's going on in my head. I just think it has been good for me." "If changes to existing services result in the resources being directed towards those in the higher needs category then I envisage the demand on the service to maintain or increase. Continuing to work in a joined up way, clients from the Supported Employment Service at the AC have had additional art therapy support and also an individual with a dual diagnosis of LD with a physical difficulty referred by the LD nurse. The Supported Employment Service also works with adults who have Autism/Asperger's, Mental Health Problems, and Learning/physical Disabilities so the benefits reach out to a larger client group who use the Art Therapy sessions regularly.	Care for adults - day care provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. This consultation is the first stage of the process to enable the council to develop a five year plan. Detailed proposals will be worked up following the outcome of this consultation.
14772	An employee of West Lothian Council	2c. Care for Adults	A lot of service users attend their art therapy sessions and self travel to the Ability Centre independently, which is made easier due to the good central location, good public transport links and accessible parking on site. As an aside, the art therapy service has supported WLC's commitment to work with education with many student art therapy placements being successfully offered at the AC over the years. So, what savings could be made from the art therapy service? Certainly, the service could be mobile and use a small room in another local authority building, session numbers could be reduced or perhaps a small payment could be requested. What is important is that the clients continue to be supported in this way. In such stressful times of potential further change and loss, these individuals deserve to be as fully supported by their council which, let us not forget, was funded by them through tax for many working years, and this potential change/loss of the AC, a place of safety, support and friends, is unthinkable. It is because of this that I am protesting the proposed cuts/changes to the AC services.	Care for adults - day care provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. This consultation is the first stage of the process to enable the council to develop a five year plan. Detailed proposals will be worked up following the outcome of this consultation.
14773	An employee of West Lothian Council	2c. Care for Adults	This only works if proper accessible transport provided. Day care can be a lifeline for families and individuals.	Care for adults - day care provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. This consultation is the first stage of the process to enable the council to develop a five year plan. Detailed proposals will be worked up following the outcome of this consultation.

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14774	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	Proposed Closure of Ability Centre in Deans Livingston With regards to the Council proposal to merge 3 special needs centres - Eliburn and the Ability Centre with the Pathways Centre in Livingston " I would like to raise some grave concerns. At present my daughter, ██████████ attends the Ability Centre every Wednesday, where she has built up a network of friendships, enjoying lunch, and participating in a wide variety of programmes such as woodwork, cookery and yoga. In particular, by taking part in the benefits of yoga classes, she has been able to walk 17 metres for the first time ██████████ Her fellow clients also have complex physical needs which are catered for by specialist staff in tailored facilities, developing confidence, socialising, and greatly enhancing their mental and emotional wellbeing. I am very concerned that if these 3 facilities are merged, in what is a cost cutting exercise, that the large number of diverse needs of these very different groups of extremely vulnerable adults will no longer be catered for, but will be lumped together in a "one size fits all" facility. The services, care and facilities at the Ability Centre are a lifeline to these vulnerable adults who already have to endure a limited social life. In the proposal it suggests services will be provided on an assessment of needs basis and I am very worried that my daughter will no longer be able to attend a centre on a once weekly basis, but will either have these opportunities decreased or curtailed altogether due to the inevitable increased pressure of numbers of clients on a single centre. The Council states it must prioritise services that matter most to our communities, one of which is vulnerable people. How can the closure of two day centres in the one area be regarded as a positive way to focus resources for those in the community who are most in need? How can you put a monetary value on a service which provides confidence and raises self- esteem? These clients are already facing a very challenging life for a diverse and complex set of circumstances, surely they deserve to have facilities such as the Ability Centre which allow them to lead as full and rewarding lives as possible? I would ask that the 3 centres are kept open and to encourag you to further develop services for some of our most vulnerable young people.	Care for adults - day care provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. This consultation is the first stage of the process to enable the council to develop a five year plan. Detailed proposals will be worked up following the outcome of this consultation.
14775	An employee of West Lothian Council	2c. Care for Adults	I would think people would rather have day care provided locally rather than central	Care for adults - day care provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. This consultation is the first stage of the process to enable the council to develop a five year plan. Detailed proposals will be worked up following the outcome of this consultation.
14776	An employee of West Lothian Council	2c. Care for Adults	is there space at one place???	Care for adults - day care provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. This consultation is the first stage of the process to enable the council to develop a five year plan. Detailed proposals will be worked up following the outcome of this consultation.
14777	An employee of West Lothian Council	2c. Care for Adults	I feel this may have a negative impact on users of centres that will close.	Care for adults - day care provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. This consultation is the first stage of the process to enable the council to develop a five year plan. Detailed proposals will be worked up following the outcome of this consultation.
14778	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	Pathways into one building seems like a radical cut back.	Care for adults - day care provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. This consultation is the first stage of the process to enable the council to develop a five year plan. Detailed proposals will be worked up following the outcome of this consultation.
14779	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	Adults with learning disabilities, by definition, are unlikely to have the capacity to either complain about service levels or the capability to campaign for themselves. Socialising is an important part of anyone's life including for adults with a learning disability. As individuals their physical and mental health will be enhanced by involvement in good structured activities. Putting all adults in one place such as Pathways will put immense strain on the facility. Greater outreach will work for some people but it requires sufficient investment of money and other resources e.g. Support staff. Those people at the most reduced end of the economic spectrum are the ones having to shoulder some of the greatest cuts.	Care for adults - day care provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. This consultation is the first stage of the process to enable the council to develop a five year plan. Detailed proposals will be worked up following the outcome of this consultation.

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14780	An employee of West Lothian Council	2c. Care for Adults	2c If appropriate transport is available to people living elsewhere, then combining the day care provisions seems sensible. Otherwise with cuts to public transport too, it could be very difficult for people to access the service.	Care for adults - day care provision	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
14781	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	How do you honestly think that Pathways could ever provide the services of Eiburn and the Ability Centre? Where are all the disabled people going? Into the community? That'll be the shopping centre then. If the persons who have suggested this have any experience in the disabled community, then shame on you. This is cruel. The experience of dedicated staff in three different and complex areas in the disabled community should be something West Lothian Council should be proud of. Apparently you are not. I do not believe that self directed support is the preferred choice by families. If more people were offered placements at Pathways, which is almost at capacity, they would use it as part of their support choices. The council should perhaps put a monetary value on the carers who look after someone in their home. What would happen if we all just said no? I'm not doing it anymore. I'm too tired, my back aches and now my son has to stay at home all day until I try to sort out his self directed support. Who cares? Not the council, oh no, your not interested in what happens to him. No, you are too busy playing politics with vulnerable disabled people.	Care for adults - day care provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. This consultation is the first stage of the process to enable the council to develop a five year plan. Detailed proposals will be worked up following the outcome of this consultation.
14782	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	What are you going to do to Pathways? Because it is going to be so over crowded that maintenance costs will increase. Oh yes, you will make adaptations, that will be costly. Considering the increase in wheelchair users and others for whom Pathways is currently unsuitable. Of course the car park is not big enough. Not to mention the traffic jam on Fridays. Will you have to build an extension? Oh, no! and you thought you were saving money. Perhaps the Council could build a new, eco-friendly centre to replace the others - but that would be too expensive, too efficient and too effective.	Care for adults - day care provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. This consultation is the first stage of the process to enable the council to develop a five year plan. Detailed proposals will be worked up following the outcome of this consultation.
14783	An employee of West Lothian Council	2c. Care for Adults	What has been the change in the nature of services requested by Adults? Why is this relevant to a change in demand? What has there been an increase in demand for? What has there been a decrease in demand for? This is the second time "outreach intervention" has been mentioned. What is it? What are the three current locations of day care centres? How much will rent costs be reduced by dropping two of those locations? What local solutions will be provided to support those who can no longer attend the new centre? What opportunities for group socialising will be provided for those that cannot attend the centre? Is the supported accommodation an alternative to day care centres? What will be the increase in cost of having staff attend supported accommodation? What technology will be used to support care for adults? Who are the other providers we will share resources with? Is this an outsourcing of the provision of these services? Who pays for the external providers? Will there be a cost to the adult? How else will this be funded?	Care for adults - day care provision	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. This consultation is the first stage of the process to enable the council to develop a five year plan. Detailed proposals will be worked up following the outcome of this consultation.
14784	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	This would be a very controversial if the day care facilities currently provided at three different locations were combined into one at Pathways in Livingston. The users of these services may be suffering from different levels of mental health issues and could be adversely affected by this change to service delivery. This would also incur additional travel time and cost. It would my fear that users of the existing from outlying areas service may not wish to travel to Livingston and would therefore be cut off from the service. West Lothian residents rightly complain about the centralisation of some service provision from St John's Hospital to Edinburgh, although what is being proposed is equivalent to that at a different level.	Care for adults - day care provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. This consultation is the first stage of the process to enable the council to develop a five year plan. Detailed proposals will be worked up following the outcome of this consultation.
14785	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	Closure of the Ability centre will directly impact on me. I get one day's respite a week and without this my stress levels will continue to rise. My daughters needs are such that she will not settle in another environment easily particularly with a different mix of service users.	Care for adults - day care provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. This consultation is the first stage of the process to enable the council to develop a five year plan. Detailed proposals will be worked up following the outcome of this consultation.
14786	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	Giving enough time for carers to visit people in their homes, so that needs are properly met and giving greater access to day care centres and social activities is important for older people and their carers to maintain their independence.	Care for adults - day care provision	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The approach is to encourage community capacity building and informal networks to ensure people remain connected with their local area

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14811	No Response	2c. Care for Adults	We the undersigned are all users of the Day care Centre at Holmes Garden, Broxburn. Following the council's proposal that the centre be closed we wish to object to this in the strongest terms. We feel that this is a vital service to the community and, in particular for ourselves and our families. It gives us and them a break and we all look forward to attending. Many of us have no other social outlet in the week. The centre is regularly assessed by the Care Inspectorate and is always the highest ratings. The fact that the council is proposing to close what is one of the best and vital services is a cause of great distress. We call upon the council to reconsider.	Care for adults - day care provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. This consultation is the first stage of the process to enable the council to develop a five year plan. Detailed proposals will be worked up following the outcome of this consultation.
14812	No Response	2c. Care for Adults	We the undersigned are all users of the Day care Centre at Holmes Garden, Broxburn. Following the council's proposal that the centre be closed we wish to object to this in the strongest terms. We feel that this is a vital service to the community and, in particular for ourselves and our families. It gives us and them a break and we all look forward to attending. Many of us have no other social outlet in the week. The centre is regularly assessed by the Care Inspectorate and is always the highest ratings. The fact that the council is proposing to close what is one of the best and vital services is a cause of great distress. We call upon the council to reconsider.	Care for adults - day care provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. This consultation is the first stage of the process to enable the council to develop a five year plan. Detailed proposals will be worked up following the outcome of this consultation.
14813	An employee of West Lothian Council	2c. Care for Adults	I am very concerned about the council's proposal to close Holmes Gardens Day Resource. This is a valuable service to the local community providing the elderly people of Uphall/Broxburn a social outlet giving them a sense of purpose and inclusion. The clients all look forward to attending. I feel it is a vital service that should continue to be allowed to carry on. The day centre service has regular care inspectorate visits and has scored very high ratings. The fact the council is considering closing such an invaluable service is a cause of great distress.	Care for adults - day care provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. This consultation is the first stage of the process to enable the council to develop a five year plan. Detailed proposals will be worked up following the outcome of this consultation.
14814	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	I think one day care centre is a poor level for old people and their carers.	Care for adults - day care provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. This consultation is the first stage of the process to enable the council to develop a five year plan. Detailed proposals will be worked up following the outcome of this consultation.
14815	An employee of West Lothian Council	2c. Care for Adults	Closing day centres is not the answer - this smacks of NIMBYISM - moving clients to a mega centre is like going back to the dark ages when adults were rounded up into sites such as Gogarburn Hospital!!!!!! DO NOT DO THIS	Care for adults - day care provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. This consultation is the first stage of the process to enable the council to develop a five year plan. Detailed proposals will be worked up following the outcome of this consultation.
14816	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	does leaving one facility enough to replace 3	Care for adults - day care provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. This consultation is the first stage of the process to enable the council to develop a five year plan. Detailed proposals will be worked up following the outcome of this consultation.
14817	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	Interesting but enormous facilities can be intimidating and less intimate.	Care for adults - day care provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. This consultation is the first stage of the process to enable the council to develop a five year plan. Detailed proposals will be worked up following the outcome of this consultation.
14818	An employee of West Lothian Council	2c. Care for Adults	This is a bad idea, These specialist centres have been providing an excellent service for a number of years, pathways is not suitable, or big enough to take care of the services provided at Elburn support service for instance. Get the NHS to take more of the Burden for these centres, again no practical evidence is given to support this action.	Care for adults - day care provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. This consultation is the first stage of the process to enable the council to develop a five year plan. Detailed proposals will be worked up following the outcome of this consultation.

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14819	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	So 2 centres will close, so everything depends on "local solutions" that have not yet been developed. So it is hard to offer meaningful comment. These could be fantastic or diabolical.	Care for adults - day care provision	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. This consultation is the first stage of the process to enable the council to develop a five year plan. Detailed proposals will be worked up following the outcome of this consultation.
14820	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	As a disabled individual I rely on the Ability centre, which is one of the proposed closures. I have volunteered at the Ability centre since its opening in November 2001. My mum, who is in her mid seventies, is my full time un-paid carer, and if were not for the ability centre I would be at home all day, every day relying on my mum to do everything for me. I would be completely isolated. My mental health would completely deteriorate, and would become an issue if the centre were to close. I have provided many years service volunteering to help others with disabilities, at total of service with Disability West Lothian, and the last with This service has given me a reason to get up in the morning, and made me feel needed and wanted. During my years at the ability centre I have lost 9 of my nearest and dearest, and if was not for the support of the ability centre I would have found this even more devastating than it has already been, especially when I lost my Dad earlier this year. Working within the Ability centre I know first hand the impact and effect its closure would have on the disabled community and their families within West Lothian.	Care for adults - day care provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. This consultation is the first stage of the process to enable the council to develop a five year plan. Detailed proposals will be worked up following the outcome of this consultation.
14821	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	The potential decision to move the clients from the Ability centre to Quigley House will not work as they struggle to cope with the numbers they already have, and they do not have the facilities to cater to the needs of the physically disabled. I feel that WLC is trying to put an umbrella over all disabilities, and provide only one accommodation, when every disability has its own requirements. Someone with a learning disability has completely different needs to those with a physical disability. The council is trying to categorise all disabilities as the same. I feel it is West Lothian Council moral obligation to do impact assessments on the ability centres closure, so they themselves can see the detrimental affect the closure would have upon the community. Not only will the closure affect my personal position, but in a professional capacity as well. I feel valued in my volunteer position, I have given my time for 26 years in total to help others. Capability Scotland works in partnership with West Lothian Council to provide an information and advice service for those with disabilities, if the ability centre were to close I would feel worthless, and the disabled community would lose out on a great service. The Ability centre is not just a support service, it is one big family, that is to be cherished and celebrated, not closed!!!	Care for adults - day care provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. This consultation is the first stage of the process to enable the council to develop a five year plan. Detailed proposals will be worked up following the outcome of this consultation.
14822	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	Again, not enough information - what is currently happening. Is Pathways big enough to combine three facilities into one? I wouldn't think 3 into 1 would be achievable.	Care for adults - day care provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. This consultation is the first stage of the process to enable the council to develop a five year plan. Detailed proposals will be worked up following the outcome of this consultation.
14823	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	Not the best approach. People who have a physical disability have worked hard not to be tagged alongside people who have a learning disability. Equally, is Pathways a suitable building for everyone? Will the cost of adapting Pathways to meet the needs of people who have learning disabilities, associated physical disabilities and high health care needs be outweighed by the savings? Are the areas big enough to accommodate equipment required by people?	Care for adults - day care provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. This consultation is the first stage of the process to enable the council to develop a five year plan. Detailed proposals will be worked up following the outcome of this consultation.
14824	No Response	2c. Care for Adults	disagree with this as I feel it should stay within WLC ownership, leading it out to private organisations would most likely cost more money to run. Possibly running this from the Carmondean Centre instead is also more central and would benefit more people.	Care for adults - day care provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. This consultation is the first stage of the process to enable the council to develop a five year plan. Detailed proposals will be worked up following the outcome of this consultation.

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14825	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	I don't think closing adult day centres is a good idea especially eliburn day centre as these people are profoundly handicapped and need specialised care which this service provides the staff are well trained and building is equip with special equipment required for their needs.they medical staff on hand as these people have severe medical problems .the parents and carers also raised thousands of pounds for a jacuzzi, sensory room, remembrance garden. These people are more vulnerable than anyone else and need a safe and secure environment which eliburn provides.	Care for adults - day care provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. This consultation is the first stage of the process to enable the council to develop a five year plan. Detailed proposals will be worked up following the outcome of this consultation.
14826	No Response	2c. Care for Adults	All for integration of services, however looking at closing the Ability centre, Eliburn and integrating into Pathways has not been thought about. You have physical disabilities where cognitive function is of normal range, mixing with adults with Learning disabilities with mild to moderate Learning Disabilities, then adding in Profound Multiple Learning Disabilities where all personal care is required. Talking of using Pathways as a hub encouraging the use of Community resources, however then in another paragraph talking of closing Community resources so contradicting what suggestions have been made. I believe this thought or proposal should be reconsidered. The buildings these service users attend at present, are purpose built specific to their individual needs.	Care for adults - day care provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. This consultation is the first stage of the process to enable the council to develop a five year plan. Detailed proposals will be worked up following the outcome of this consultation.
14827	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	Same as above really. People shouldn't be put into a category on whether they need care or not. They should always be looked at on an individual bases. Most caring industries now or one which I know well, don't focus on the word 'care' it is a quick in and out visit and running to the next person in need. This is coming from an ex carer and knows what it feels like to not be able to give my time to someone who I know needs it.	Care for adults - day care provision	5a. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because the council is required by law to deliver this work.	Criteria is set within an assessment framework to ensure people's needs are assessed consistently and fairly
14828	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	Difficult to see the sense in this No community centers in West Lothian have the adaptations that the Ability \Centre has as it was purpose built ,feel that people with disabilities are being unfairly targeted and will be isolated in the local community and this will be detrimental to many individuals well being. Eliburn day center similarly so has special adaptations that Pathways does not Have funds been identified to provide the necessary adaptations to Pathways and at what cost? Pathways although a large building does not have capacity in my opinion and is a very busy environment .	Care for adults - day care provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. This consultation is the first stage of the process to enable the council to develop a five year plan. Detailed proposals will be worked up following the outcome of this consultation.
14829	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	As a relative of someone who attends Eliburn day centre, I am most concerned with the council's plan to change the provision of the service. I believe it is absolutely disgraceful to strip the Service the centre provides especially for my relative who has complex needs and the proposed change in the service would be most unsuitable. It's awful to think that these cuts must be taken from truly the most vulnerable members of our society who cannot fight back themselves. I have another relative with dementia who attends a day centre. The respite that these centres provide is absolutely essential to the families who rely so much on respite. No respite care will place so much stress and strain on their mental health.	Care for adults - day care provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. This consultation is the first stage of the process to enable the council to develop a five year plan. Detailed proposals will be worked up following the outcome of this consultation.
14830	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	I do not know how three services would fit into Quigley house. Outreach model is the way forward but it needs to be appropriate for service users involved.	Care for adults - day care provision	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your comments which have been noted. This consultation is the first stage of the process to enable the council to develop a five year plan. Detailed proposals will be worked up following the outcome of this consultation.

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14831	An employee of West Lothian Council	2c. Care for Adults	<p>Pathways currently provides a service for 95 people with 58 of these having a mild to moderate learning disabilities and associated mental health issues and 37 people who have a moderate to significant learning disability with additional support requirements which can include mobility, behavioural and health issues, the Unit is working on approx 90 % capacity each day. Moving 3 services into this Unit will require a drastic reduction in provision of service to those Pathways currently supports. I think this underestimates the value of a service that currently scores 6 for care and support grade from the Care Inspectorate and the respite element provided to parents and carers. Reducing this service may put pressure on parents and carers and in turn may result in increased costs as people are not able to be supported long term by carers. If the proposal does go ahead then there needs to be a balanced eligibility criteria applied to ensure that there is equity of service and that individuals are supported to have access not only to meaningful activities but also peer and social support. Consideration could also be given to economy of scale that is provided by Pathways at present working with groups of people min 1 to 6 max 1 to 12. Anecdotal evidence from carers is that other providers do not provide the same quality of service nor provide the continuity, robustness and reliability. In addition the staff professional and as part of the service they support service users to access other services such as health & advocacy as well as act in a monitoring role for people's health. The Unit currently acts as a hub for other professionals such as Health and Advocacy services fitting in other Units will compromise the ability to do this due to limitations of space. Trying to provide the 3 different services in the same Unit could lead to competing demands which in turn compromise the quality for care provided and dilute specialism that ensure that individual support requirements are appropriately met. In terms of the physical space I would advocate that the feasibility study needs to be carried out as I would doubt the suitability of the building in terms of supporting a number of people who require specialist mobility equipment in particular to the current size of and number of bathrooms. It may also be worth considering the equality impact for individuals and the reassessment requirements. It may also be worth looking at what other Councils are finding and they are needing to look at reopening services in order to meet demands.</p>	Care for adults - day care provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	<p>Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted.</p> <p>This consultation is the first stage of the process to enable the council to develop a five year plan. Detailed proposals will be worked up following the outcome of this consultation.</p>
14832	No Response	2c. Care for Adults	<p>Pathways currently provides a service for 95 people with 58 of these having a mild to moderate learning disabilities and associated mental health issues and 37 people who have a moderate to significant learning disability with additional support requirements which can include mobility, behavioural and health issues, the Unit is working on approx 90 % capacity each day. Moving 3 services into this Unit will require a drastic reduction in provision of service to those Pathways currently supports. I think this underestimates the value of a service that currently scores 6 for care and support grade from the Care Inspectorate and the respite element provided to parents and carers. Reducing this service may put pressure on parents and carers and in turn may result in increased costs as people are not able to be supported long term by carers. If the proposal does go ahead then there needs to be a balanced eligibility criteria applied to ensure that there is equity of service and that individuals are supported to have access not only to meaningful activities but also peer and social support. Consideration could also be given to economy of scale that is provided by Pathways at present working with groups of people min 1 to 6 max 1 to 12. Anecdotal evidence from carers is that other providers do not provide the same quality of service nor provide the continuity, robustness and reliability. In addition the staff professional and as part of the service they support service users to access other services such as health & advocacy as well as act in a monitoring role for people's health. The Unit currently acts as a hub for other professionals such as Health and Advocacy services fitting in other Units will compromise the ability to do this due to limitations of space. Trying to provide the 3 different services in the same Unit could lead to competing demands which in turn compromise the quality for care provided and dilute specialism that ensure that individual support requirements are appropriately met. In terms of the physical space I would advocate that the feasibility study needs to be carried out as I would doubt the suitability of the building in terms of supporting a number of people who require specialist mobility equipment in particular to the current size of and number of bathrooms. It may also be worth considering the equality impact for individuals and the reassessment requirements. It may also be worth looking at what other Councils are finding and they are needing to look at reopening services in order to meet demands.</p>	Care for adults - day care provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	<p>Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted.</p> <p>This consultation is the first stage of the process to enable the council to develop a five year plan. Detailed proposals will be worked up following the outcome of this consultation.</p>

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14834	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	If day care facilities are consolidated into 1 site how will people access these facilities if they live outside Livingston?	Care for adults - day care provision	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	The three day care centres are all currently in Livingston
14835	An employee of West Lothian Council	2c. Care for Adults	Quigley house is not designed to have a large number of wheelchair users within the building. There are not enough suitable bathroom facilities. There are no tracking hoist to help with safe moving of those clients in wheelchairs. All doors apart from the front door do not allow for independent wheelchair user access. Who decides what Pathways clients have a Service and what happens to the clients who don't. If all clients to be reassessed this will put extra pressure on Social workers who are already stretched with their workload. The seemingly more able clients may lose their place and this will impact not only on the clients but their relatives/carers some of whom are elderly and some who work. There will be a risk of becoming isolated and more vulnerable. The pathways clients who do not get a service will miss out on social opportunities and positive interaction, inclusion within the community, opportunities to develop their skills/learning, access to and effective use of healthcare services such as Physio, speech and language therapist and other professionals.	Care for adults - day care provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. This consultation is the first stage of the process to enable the council to develop a five year plan. Detailed proposals will be worked up following the outcome of this consultation.
14836	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	The reduction in daycare facilities at a local level will deny individual support to those in most need. The army of carers providing the elderly with support need more help not less. Supported accommodation in the community needs to be just that if residential facilities are no longer available then the best possible care at home should be available. The use of technology is not appropriate for this client group and no individual should be made vulnerable by these proposed changes.	Care for adults - day care provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. This consultation is the first stage of the process to enable the council to develop a five year plan. Detailed proposals will be worked up following the outcome of this consultation.
14837	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	Those needing help who live further away from Livingston will not get the help they need. care is required close to where people live.	Care for adults - day care provision	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	The three day care centres are all currently in Livingston

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14838	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	2c. Care for Adults	<p>There are huge concerns for the closing of Eliburn Day Centre and the Ability Centre and moving these two day care facilities to Pathways which is causing many of the service users at Pathways a huge amount of stress and anxiety. The building at Quigley House does not have the capacity to house all three services. Service Users feel that an extension would have to be built on to the existing building to accommodate everyone. Comments were made such as "It would be nice for everybody to come together but there's not enough space" "If the folk come from the Ability Centre & Eliburn it's leaving a mess. There is not enough space for everyone to eat lunch together, what would happen? [We would be] jam packed. Not enough room for everybody's stuff. People would trip over if stuff ends up lying about. Not enough lockers for everybody. Not enough fridge space. Need more cupboard space. In regard to the accessibility of the building comments were: The building is not designed for people with a physical disability. How will the building be made wheelchair accessible? There is a need for push buttons at doors which we don't have just now. You cannot get into the garden area with a wheelchair because of the design of the doorways. It is a real problem getting wheelchair users out there. There are not enough toilets and changing areas. There were questions and concerns around staffing levels: There would need to be extra staff to look after extra people there is not enough staff as it is. What if there is a shortage of staff? What will happen? There would be nobody to cover groups could this lead to less groups running? Less choice? [If that were the case] I would stay in my bed. [If this happens] we would all want to go on strike. There are also concerns about not having enough spaces for activities and the impact of this. Will there be more activities happening? Will there be fewer opportunities to go out on the bus? Will we need to take turns? How will the amalgamation of the services work on a daily basis? Transport was also questioned: The need for more buses. Where would they all go in the car park? One person said "I want to take it to my councillor" - Would the Local Councillors be willing to come along and listen to the group speak about their concerns?</p>	Care for adults - day care provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. This consultation is the first stage of the process to enable the council to develop a five year plan. Detailed proposals will be worked up following the outcome of this consultation.
14839	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	<p>I have no intention of going to Livingston for my "Daycare" which is exactly what you want! Technology appears to be your answer but where is the human contact?</p>	Care for adults - day care provision	4. The council is already doing this.	The three day care centres are all currently in Livingston
14840	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	2c. Care for Adults	<p>Below are a range of comments expressed by Parents/Carers in their dismay of the prospect of Eliburn Resource Centre closing and the day care facility moving to Pathways (Quigley House). In favour of keeping the current status quo: 1.Purpose built building and facility built initially by European Funding this building has the space needed for moving and accommodation of service users. 2.Parent & carers fundraised to provide: a)Multi-Sensory Room b)Memorial Garden which surround the building c)Provision of a Jacuzzi d)To provide more specialised IT equipment for service users. 3.There's a well used physio room in building 4.All staff are given training in all areas of special needs and go on appropriate courses for this. 5.Staff have professional qualifications appropriate to working with these service users. 6.New Nursing Station provides within the building has been a great help in management of service users medical conditions. 7.Plenty of adequate toileting facilities that is necessary when dealing with service users particular medical conditions. 8.Kitchen facility and Staff in the building - this is necessary because they provide for the variety of diets for service users. 9.Many clinic and specialist meetings held on site, which helps parents & carers attending. Service users in wheelchairs and purpose build wheelchairs (most of the service users at Eliburn are wheelchair users) and importantly has a large hall centrally in building which is needed for accommodating all service users for lunch (a most important social time for all to get-together.) and also for other social activities that all can participate in. 10.Parents and carers are very interested in Eliburn and provision of service and are quite active in fundraising to help with provision of equipment to help their sons/daughters/relatives get the best experiences while attending Eliburn Day service. Over the year's this has been a significant financial contribution. 11.Many service users have attended Eliburn for many years and because of particular aspects of their disability would find moving to another place a tremendous upheaval and be extremely upset. Impact on [redacted] would cause great upset to him, as he has attended [redacted]. The facilities at Eliburn are unique [redacted] uses the sensory room, Jacuzzi, which gives him stimulation, which would not be provided at Pathways. These are important facilities to help [redacted] maintain a good happy healthy well-being. Eliburn provides particularly unique support care with on-site nurses and trained staff, who provide care to all with different individual health issues. The building alone has special build rooms and plenty bathroom facilities which again are not available at Pathways. As a family, we</p>	Care for adults - day care provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. This consultation is the first stage of the process to enable the council to develop a five year plan. Detailed proposals will be worked up following the outcome of this consultation.

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14841	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	2c. Care for Adults	If the council is going to move all the service users who use the disability support services where is people's choice in choosing the support they want. There won't be any choice. This goes against government strategies and legislation such as the Social Care (SDS) Act where people are supposed to have a say and a choice of the support they receive. This proposal will leave them with no choice. What about if the service users that currently attend the Ability Centre and Elburn Resource Centre choose not to move to Pathways. What happens then? PATHWAYS IS NOT BIG ENOUGH. WHY WOULD YOU WANT TO PUT ALL THOSE PEOPLE IN SUCH A SMALL SPACE. ARE THEY GOING TO MAKE THE BUILDING BIGGER? Where will all the equipment that the clients at Elburn need be stored? Don't think it is fair or right that people are being moved from centres that have been built for their needs to get moved into a building that falls short of the accessible standards required for that client group.	Care for adults - day care provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. This consultation is the first stage of the process to enable the council to develop a five year plan. Detailed proposals will be worked up following the outcome of this consultation.
14842	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	I'm not in favour of these services being amalgamated. This is very damaging to our communities.	Care for adults - day care provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. This consultation is the first stage of the process to enable the council to develop a five year plan. Detailed proposals will be worked up following the outcome of this consultation.
14843	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	I particularly feel very strongly about the day care facilities that provide respite care including Elburn Day Care Centre. These provide a life line to families.	Care for adults - day care provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
14844	An employee of West Lothian Council	2c. Care for Adults	It is important that the combining of facilities does not affect older people's access to day care facilities as older people may become very socially isolated without this support.	Care for adults - day care provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
14845	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	Day services are important for carers and now that there is going to be carers legislation coming into service provision this service is likely to be more requested. Day service are important to service users and carers. Is it not more cost effective to have one centre rather than an outreach service that provides isolated support. We need to ensure that we do not create social isolation and therefore a greater demand on care services and the need for residential care as carers may withdraw support and care.	Care for adults - day care provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. This consultation is the first stage of the process to enable the council to develop a five year plan. Detailed proposals will be worked up following the outcome of this consultation.
14846	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	Unrealistic. This will again cause distress to service users, families and communities. The effect that they would have on the community would be catastrophic. These services, Elburn Adult Service and the Ability Centre in Livingston are vital services which are lifelines for people in the local community. It is unrealistic to think they could all come under the umbrella of Pathways. There are a significant number of individuals who receive very little support at present and families have to deal often on their own. It flies in the face of "care in the community" which was fought hard. For when large institutions closed.	Care for adults - day care provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. This consultation is the first stage of the process to enable the council to develop a five year plan. Detailed proposals will be worked up following the outcome of this consultation.
14847	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	Is the council going to provide all the extra transport required due to the move to a single day care facility?	Care for adults - day care provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. This consultation is the first stage of the process to enable the council to develop a five year plan. Detailed proposals will be worked up following the outcome of this consultation.
14848	An employee of West Lothian Council	2c. Care for Adults	If combining into one centre, the council would need to ensure they are not placing additional barriers for older people accessing this	Care for adults - day care provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
14849	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	Has the environmental impact been calculated on closing services and therefore increasing travel?	Care for adults - day care provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. This consultation is the first stage of the process to enable the council to develop a five year plan. Detailed proposals will be worked up following the outcome of this consultation.

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14850	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	Little detail in terms of how 3 services will utilise and share one building and its resources. Are present service users to be offered the service at Pathways automatically or will they be reassessed. In terms of outreach provision is there sufficient resources suitable and adapted for specific use. The information provided above is not sufficient to determine if this is an appropriate response to budget issues. Will the council look at charging for services / transport/ activities as other council as a means of generating income and protecting jobs/services. Has the council decided to make staff redundant in its plans to reduce/relocate the service	Care for adults - day care provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. This consultation is the first stage of the process to enable the council to develop a five year plan. Detailed proposals will be worked up following the outcome of this consultation.
14851	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	Again very difficult but having had some experience of Pathways, it provides a very worthwhile facility.	Care for adults - day care provision	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
14852	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	If facilities are to be rationalised, provision should be made to ensure that people can access the facility easily and with minimum cost.	Care for adults - day care provision	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. This consultation is the first stage of the process to enable the council to develop a five year plan. Detailed proposals will be worked up following the outcome of this consultation.
14853	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	Total lack of understanding shown regarding different levels of disabilities these different services provide. This is a backward move and places the most vulnerable people at risk of harm and isolation. Pathways may be a newer building but is not suitable for those with higher personal care needs. It would cost as much to extend or refurbish so this negates your proposed savings	Care for adults - day care provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. This consultation is the first stage of the process to enable the council to develop a five year plan. Detailed proposals will be worked up following the outcome of this consultation.
14854	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	Surely if pathways was suitable to accommodate the number of people that access these services you are about to close down, then it should have been done when it opened. These people rely on these services currently provided! Shame on you for abusing the vulnerable people that require these services by closing them down. Money should be found from elsewhere. Your proposal for outreach interventions would probably cost more in staffing, in order for these vulnerable adults needs to be met! Or are they not important enough for the council to worry about.	Care for adults - day care provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. This consultation is the first stage of the process to enable the council to develop a five year plan. Detailed proposals will be worked up following the outcome of this consultation.
14855	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	These three centres cater for disabled people with different needs. Pathways was not designed for people with a physical disability and is not accessible to their needs nor is it for people with complex needs that attend Eilburn Resource Centre. There would have to be a substantial amount of money spent to make Quigley House large enough to accommodate all the service users who attend the three support services. The proposal does not take into account the specialities current provided at all three centres, nor the unique facilities offered at each of the centres that the people who use they require on a daily basis. Considering the statistics that have been produced by organisations such as SCLD on the uptake of SDS (which is very low) the reason for amalgamating the centres is very poor and shows a lack of transparency by the council.	Care for adults - day care provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. This consultation is the first stage of the process to enable the council to develop a five year plan. Detailed proposals will be worked up following the outcome of this consultation.
14856	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	2c. Care for Adults	Section 2C Care for Adults. The Community Council is concerned about the proposal to combine the Ability Centre, Eilburn and Quigley House into one unit at Pathways. These seem to us to be 3 distinct groups of people with differing needs and, indeed, it may be the relevant staff may not have the skills needed for an integrated set-up. On the basis of what we do know, the Community Council cannot support this.	Care for adults - day care provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. This consultation is the first stage of the process to enable the council to develop a five year plan. Detailed proposals will be worked up following the outcome of this consultation.
14857	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	Day centres are a haven for old folk & should be given more funding not less. Braid house is a brilliant place & I wouldn't be here if it wasn't for the brilliant people who take care of me when I'm there. They need more money not less.	Care for adults - day care provision	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Council purchased day care for older people in the independent sector will continue to be provided for people eligible for day services.
14858	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	Eh? Leave Braid house alone, it's the best.	Care for adults - day care provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Council purchased day care for older people in the independent sector will continue to be provided for people eligible for day services.
14859	No Response	2c. Care for Adults	Laudable if clients are supported timeously.	Care for adults - day care provision	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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14860	No Response	2c. Care for Adults	The ability centre is necessary, it cannot be closed.	Care for adults - day care provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. This consultation is the first stage of the process to enable the council to develop a five year plan. Detailed proposals will be worked up following the outcome of this consultation.
14861	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	Location of day care service may not be an issue for those who are transported to and from home by mini bus. It is much nicer for individuals to remain at home as opposed to in residential facilities	Care for adults - day care provision	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
14862	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	Disagree . These services are vital for supporting people with complex health care needs to reduce health inequalities.	Care for adults - day care provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. This consultation is the first stage of the process to enable the council to develop a five year plan. Detailed proposals will be worked up following the outcome of this consultation.
14863	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	I oppose to the closure of any day care facilities. what is being proposed is vulnerable people will become more socially isolated and it will be come more difficult to access the new model of a reduced care service / facilities.	Care for adults - day care provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Council purchased day care for older people in the independent sector will continue to be provided for people eligible for day services.
14864	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	It is hard to see how this could save money, given the extra transport costs and the disruption to the lives of vulnerable residents	Care for adults - day care provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
14865	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	So which day care facilities will go? Will there not be problems and costs in transporting people or are there just going to be less places available?	Care for adults - day care provision	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	The proposal is to close the council owned day centres and to continue to purchase day care from the independent sector for people who are eligible
14866	An employee of West Lothian Council	2c. Care for Adults	What about the adults who are totally unable to live on their own - the council is having a laugh!!!!!! They are really needing to live in the real world!! More and adequate facilities need to be considered not a reduction and putting adults under greater stress and families/carers struggling.	Care for adults - day care provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Work will continue to focus on those who are most vulnerable and have additional needs.
14867	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	This is not acceptable. These centres currently cater for a wide range of service users needs. Merging them will create distress for the users, negatively impacting their lives as well as leave staff members currently working in these centres without jobs as they all can't fit into one building. I understand that savings need to be made but not to such crucial services, quality of life is much more important.	Care for adults - day care provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. This consultation is the first stage of the process to enable the council to develop a five year plan. Detailed proposals will be worked up following the outcome of this consultation.
14868	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	The merging of three units into one unit could also result in unnecessary travelling and upheaval for those concerned.	Care for adults - day care provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. This consultation is the first stage of the process to enable the council to develop a five year plan. Detailed proposals will be worked up following the outcome of this consultation.
14869	An employee of West Lothian Council	2c. Care for Adults	To protect services, I support the day care services being provided at Pathways, whilst recognising that this will be a worrying proposal for current service users. It would be helpful to have further consultation with service users and to set out how the provision at Pathways will work.	Care for adults - day care provision	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your comments which have been noted. This consultation is the first stage of the process to enable the council to develop a five year plan. Detailed proposals will be worked up following the outcome of this consultation.
14870	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	This area is greatly needed.	Care for adults - day care provision	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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14871	An employee of West Lothian Council	2c. Care for Adults	This is not a suitable proposal these 3 centres are 3 very different services which would not merge well it would put services users at risk who are not able to protect themselves and some of these have already tired services at pathways and it caused them extreme distress. It appears the council is discriminating against this client group as most of the clients are unable to stand up for themselves, it's taken as the easy option I'm also aware that no one has been provided to discuss these proposals to those clients in Elburn to explain to the clients in a manner they will understand, what is in this proposal and what it could mean for them, I also feel this is discriminatory practices, if someone wanted these proposals in another language it would be provided however its seems this hasn't been taken into account for those with limited understanding, but don't get me wrong with some help and assistance some of these client could have understood to a degree some of these details, however this has not been provided there for vital opinions on this matter will be missed out. I'm aware staff are unable to influence and decisions on these proposals so it should have been from an outside personal wither that's be within the council or an independent advocate provided by the council. This in my opinion is a massive for of discrimination. This merger could cause extreme distress on clients and could even affect there conditions. Never mind the fact that the pathways building is not fit for purpose, it doesn't have enough personal care rooms to attend to a few of the clients that attend Elburn never mind them all, they don't have a multi sensory room which is widely used at Elburn and is a huge benefit to clients and can even help reduce the stress levels of clients as well as provide another location to be positioned out with there wheelchairs which is a massive importance to these clients who cannot be stuck in there wheelchairs 24/7. They don't have a jacuzzi which has massive therapeutic benefits to clients and can ease pain of people with severe cerebral palsy or scoliosis of the spine. I'm very doubtful that if the move goes ahead these things will be provided as they were fundraised by staff and parents and carers for both of these things and are extremely well used. I don't believe the council will fund these activities never mind the lack of space to facilitate these. I don't believe that merging these services would save money when there is so much required to make the building anywhere near suitable for these clients.	Care for adults - day care provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. This consultation is the first stage of the process to enable the council to develop a five year plan. Detailed proposals will be worked up following the outcome of this consultation.
14872	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	Local day care provision should be retained. The elderly have more in common with ither lical people. Greater travel requirements will be a barrier to the elderly wanting to attend. Increased travel will also have an associated cost	Care for adults - day care provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Council purchased day care for older people in the independent sector will continue to be provided for people eligible for day services.
14873	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	I am most strongly against cuts being made that affect services to adults with disabilities. They have already been dealt a poor hand and deserve the best help possible. I have a disabled son [redacted] and he has in the past enjoyed great service from the Council. When I speak to people from other areas they are impressed with the variety of help available here. I think it would be a mistake to lump every person with a disability together in one centre, as if they were all the same. This is very much a retrograde proposal. Everyone has individual needs and abilities and likes different activities. I believe if the Inclusion Team Services were to be reduced or removed then my son and others would suffer both physical and mental set-backs if left to sit at home "because that is where he would be, confined and unable to have his most basic needs met, without his support service. Most parents have to work to support their families and would not be in a position to provide support during the day, or like myself [redacted] TM's and not able to be so active. Lack of physical activity and mental stimulation would inevitably lead to ill health and added stress on the NHS.	Care for adults - day care provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. This consultation is the first stage of the process to enable the council to develop a five year plan. Detailed proposals will be worked up following the outcome of this consultation.
14874	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	Centralisation is only acceptable if transport is available for this. If people are being picked up over a wide area is this really cost effective? How long are frail people supposed to sit on a bus and not receive positive input from day care centres as they spend longer travelling?	Care for adults - day care provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. This consultation is the first stage of the process to enable the council to develop a five year plan. Detailed proposals will be worked up following the outcome of this consultation.
14875	An employee of West Lothian Council	2c. Care for Adults	I feel it is important that day care facilities still play an important role in supporting the frail and infirm. My mother benefited greatly from attending the day centre at Carmondean, Livingston after her stroke. It provided her with the opportunity to meet others in a similar situation, building peer support and increasing her confidence, something she wouldn't have been able to do if she had been supported at home. It is not always possible for elderly and infirm adults to travel great distances however sand so the provision of outreach services locally would be a benefit and would allow people the opportunity to meet with peers in their local community.	Care for adults - day care provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. This consultation is the first stage of the process to enable the council to develop a five year plan. Detailed proposals will be worked up following the outcome of this consultation.

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14876	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	2c. Care for Adults	The diversity of needs for those attending the 3 different resources does not allow this group to easily be met in one place. The current set up works because each group are having their needs met by a resource and people who know how to meet their needs. Mixing all groups together is unfair on everyone. This will have a huge negative impact affecting their mental health. This will increase crisis management, carer burnout, placement breakdown. Again people making these decisions have little knowledge on the impact of changes will have on this group of individuals. These are one of the most vulnerable group, finding adjusting to change difficult. They have already had huge losses due to cut backs, there were more social opportunities within day care before, already the good stuff has been shaved away, talking away the services they know and meet their needs will lead to a deterioration in both physical and mental health. They already have poorer health than the general population. In the long term I feel this will be unsuccessful and not lead to savings because placement will breakdown. The long term cost of this will probably increase due to crisis management and having to go back to meeting their needs. Same as the answer for children violent behaviour may be evident. Already cut backs have left to issues such as low self worth and esteem costing more in the management of this. Working with this group of people SDS often means families are left with the individual wandering around west Lothian with a carer with few places to go either because there is not enough time allocated to go any distance or the person has little interest in what is available locally. There is not enough variety locally to meet someone's needs over an extensive period if time. They end up spending time in the shopping centre eating cakes / biscuits and drinking tea. This is from regular feedback from carers using SDS. The general public will become less tolerant as there are risks to the public at times when someone with this level of disabilities are not given the correct support. Due to lack of understanding people present with difficult and at times violent behaviour. The result often can be carers keep them at home going back to the olden days. How a society looks after their most vulnerable is a measure of where they are at as a society. West Lothian had always had a positive way of managing this group of people but if this proposal goes ahead thus will not be the case.	Care for adults - day care provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. This consultation is the first stage of the process to enable the council to develop a five year plan. Detailed proposals will be worked up following the outcome of this consultation.
14877	No Response	2c. Care for Adults	A number of families and service users are looking for day service models has this provides a hub and an alternative to 1:1 which can be very isolating for the service users and provides a lack of development. Eliburn and Pathway also provide long term staff which benefits the service users rather than the quick turn over of many of the external providers. Providing a mixed package of care for day services and 1:1 provides more opportunities and explore options. A day care services for instance Pathways or Eliburn costs less per service user and staffing levels than purchasing in 1:1 providers, the SDS budgets become more cost effective and personal development of service users are increased. Alternatively we a sending people in individuals taxis to services in Edinburgh and the transport costs are more than the service provisions. The initially outlay for more appropriate services would be high but in the long term would they not be a lot cheaper that what is currently in place.	Care for adults - day care provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. This consultation is the first stage of the process to enable the council to develop a five year plan. Detailed proposals will be worked up following the outcome of this consultation.
14878	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	Local solutions are good, but I am not in favour of day care facilities being located in one location. People need day care in their own locality where they are more likely to have common shared interests. This type of supported peer support goes a long way in combating loneliness.	Care for adults - day care provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. This consultation is the first stage of the process to enable the council to develop a five year plan. Detailed proposals will be worked up following the outcome of this consultation.
14879	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	Activities for elderly adults are essential leaving them in their house will increase depression and loneliness Are the centres fit for purpose should other buildings be adapted for use in communities Again stand up to these cruel cuts	Care for adults - day care provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. This consultation is the first stage of the process to enable the council to develop a five year plan. Detailed proposals will be worked up following the outcome of this consultation.
14880	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	2c. Care for Adults	Concern was raised about the capacity of Pathways to accommodate additional people with learning disabilities and health conditions if Eliburn and the Ability Centre were closed. How can you add people to an already full existing building? Questions arose in relation to Equality Impact Assessments (EIA) as under the Council's Equality Duty they must when changing any policy undertake an EIA.	Care for adults - day care provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. This consultation is the first stage of the process to enable the council to develop a five year plan. Detailed proposals will be worked up following the outcome of this consultation.

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14881	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	2c. Care for Adults	We strongly urge the Council when undertaking the EIA's to consider the impact of the closure of the Ability Centre and Elburn Day Centre and amalgamating them with Pathways Support Service at Quigley House separately. Hence there should be three EIA's carried out to give the in-depth impacts to the individual services of the proposals you are making. Questions arose regarding the councils claim that Self-Directed Support is the reason for the proposed changes to Disability support services. However, there is evidence to prove that there has been a low uptake of Option 1 in the Social Care (SDS) Act 2013, which conflicts with the stated reasons for the proposal to close both the Ability Centre and Elburn Resource Centre and move both services to Pathways Support Service at Quigley House. Stating that SDS is the reason for change is misleading as the most popular options are 2, 3 & 4 which involves social work in arranging support for an individual and retaining an individual's indicative budget. This budget can also include respite which is crucial for families to maintain high level of support to the vulnerable person. Changes and reductions should not mean the least able in our society should be discriminated by inferior levels of support and one suggestion is to recognise the partnership working with local and national organisations with the Council and in fact expanding this so that the % of money provided by WLC is in addition to other monies raised by these organisations, therefore more can be achieved by the partnership. Also, WLC have staff with certain skill sets and these could be shared, e.g. financial staff supporting fundraising for organisations, admin staff supporting organisations etc. We hope that all possibilities are taken into account and explored before rash cuts are implemented. We would be more than happy to discuss any potential ideas with the Forum and reach out to the vulnerable groups in West Lothian to ensure all views are being sought and human rights valued and upheld. We ask that WLC look to continue to support vulnerable groups and protect them and that services continue to ensure vulnerable people live a good life and families can continue to have support which enables them to continue in their carer role and thus further savings made to the Council revenue. We anticipate Council's response to the consultation will be available online in step with transparency, which we would hope to be normal practice.	Care for adults - day care provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. This consultation is the first stage of the process to enable the council to develop a five year plan. Detailed proposals will be worked up following the outcome of this consultation.
14882	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	2c. Care for Adults	Separate day care facilities are preferable but understand the need to consolidate.	Care for adults - day care provision	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
14883	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	The central day care facility will require an efficient transport provided to ensure those who require the care can access it.	Care for adults - day care provision	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. This consultation is the first stage of the process to enable the council to develop a five year plan. Detailed proposals will be worked up following the outcome of this consultation.
14884	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	People are very concerned about this change to cut day centre facilities and should be listened to. For our family SDS would be a preferred option but I am unsure and worried we would not get this under the proposed changes to adult services as noted under 2b above.	Care for adults - day care provision	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Self directed support gives people choice in how they wish their eligible assessed needs to be met and does not relate to any one specific service
14885	An employee of West Lothian Council	2c. Care for Adults	one building reduces costs on the building and travel costs. as long as jobs are there for the staff of the closing buildings	Care for adults - day care provision	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
14886	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	Would this not mean a lot of transport & would the same level of care be available using only one centre	Care for adults - day care provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. This consultation is the first stage of the process to enable the council to develop a five year plan. Detailed proposals will be worked up following the outcome of this consultation.
14887	An employee of West Lothian Council	2c. Care for Adults	I do not agree with the centralisation of day care services as this is a life line for a lot of people in their community. Is there no community development work that could support and facilitate arrangements within the local to accept responsibility and run this themselves. Why are we not considering investment in some community based organisations?	Care for adults - day care provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. This consultation is the first stage of the process to enable the council to develop a five year plan. Detailed proposals will be worked up following the outcome of this consultation.

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14888	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	Rationalising day care into one location makes sense for the Council but how do care recipients get to Pathways in Livingston? Requirement for support is also associated with other disadvantages such as lack of access to transport. Given the issues surrounding reliable bus services in West Lothian will there be provision to support adults needing care to get to the single day care centre? This should not be left to the individual to resolve.	Care for adults - day care provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. This consultation is the first stage of the process to enable the council to develop a five year plan. Detailed proposals will be worked up following the outcome of this consultation.
14889	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	Keep the Carmondean Ability Centre	Care for adults - day care provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. This consultation is the first stage of the process to enable the council to develop a five year plan. Detailed proposals will be worked up following the outcome of this consultation.
14890	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	As a service user, the closure of centres and amalgamation of centres (only recently developed and previously optimised, with the closure of other centres) is not acceptable or practicable given the pressure on these centres currently. It is clear from local petitions and protest that this proposal is not acceptable to the service users and the community as a whole. Protection of services for vulnerable children and adults should be a council priority.	Care for adults - day care provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. This consultation is the first stage of the process to enable the council to develop a five year plan. Detailed proposals will be worked up following the outcome of this consultation.
14891	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	Good bit, only problem transport. E.g. doing away with 3 premises to 1.	Care for adults - day care provision	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
14892	An employee of West Lothian Council	2c. Care for Adults	If individuals can choose resources in their locality, they could walk/use taxis/share lifts which could save money spent on WLC transport. If they use council transport, they could pay towards it - many clients will have mobility allowances they could use to allow them to continue attending services of their choice/need	Care for adults - day care provision	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. This consultation is the first stage of the process to enable the council to develop a five year plan. Detailed proposals will be worked up following the outcome of this consultation.
14893	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	May not be ideal for those living away from Livi - less easy access.	Care for adults - day care provision	4. The council is already doing this.	The three day care centres are all currently in Livingston
14894	No Response	2c. Care for Adults	Has the environmental impact of closing local services been calculated?	Care for adults - day care provision	4. The council is already doing this.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. This consultation is the first stage of the process to enable the council to develop a five year plan. Detailed proposals will be worked up following the outcome of this consultation.
14895	An employee of West Lothian Council	2c. Care for Adults	Remember these centres are a lifeline for lots of these people. Care must be taken not to isolate vulnerable citizens in West Lothian.	Care for adults - day care provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. This consultation is the first stage of the process to enable the council to develop a five year plan. Detailed proposals will be worked up following the outcome of this consultation.
14896	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	2c. Care for Adults	Not pleased at proposals. NO RIGHT TO CLOSE ELIBURN â€” DONâ€™T LIKE THAT THEYâ€™RE MOVING TO PATHWAYS. THEY SHOULDNâ€™T MOVE. ELIBURN HAS BEEN DESIGNED FOR PEOPLE WITH COMPLEX DISABILITIES. THE ABILITY CENTRE SHOULD STAY THE SAME â€” THEY SHOULDNâ€™T MOVE. I LIKE THE ABILITY CENTRE â€” THE PEOPLE THERE NEED SUPPORT IN A PLACE THAT MEETS THEIR NEEDS. TOO MANY PEOPLE WOULD BE AT PATHWAYS. MOVING PEOPLE TO ONE PLACE WILL BE A HUGE IMPACT ON PEOPLE. IT WILL MAKE THEM UPSET AND APPREHENSIVE ABOUT THEIR SUPPORT. WILL IT BE THE SAME? ITâ€™S NOT GOING TO WORK. QUIGLEY HOUSE NEEDS TO BE A LOT BIGGER TO ACCOMMODATE EVERYONE.	Care for adults - day care provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. This consultation is the first stage of the process to enable the council to develop a five year plan. Detailed proposals will be worked up following the outcome of this consultation.
14897	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	Sorry to see more centralisation to Livingston. Need to improve transport links to Livingston if this is to work.	Care for adults - day care provision	4. The council is already doing this.	The three day care centres are all currently in Livingston

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14898	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	2c. Care for Adults	Some of the people who attend Eliburn have been going there for a long time & they will be upset to move to a new building and anxious about moving to an unfamiliar environment. This proposal will also cause a lot of stress to the client's parents and carers as well. The rights of people at Eliburn Resource Centre need to be respected. They are a very vulnerable group without a strong voice to express themselves. It is unfair to close the centre that has been made for people with complex needs. Eliburn Resource Centre suits their needs for more than Pathways Support Service at Quigley House. It has far more space to enable people to move around as their needs require it. People from Eliburn shouldn't get pushed into Pathways just because they can't read and write and speak up for themselves. They have Human Rights just like everyone else. The council ideas are not going to work - they need to think again about how they can save money apart from closing these specialist services that are invaluable to the people who use them.	Care for adults - day care provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. This consultation is the first stage of the process to enable the council to develop a five year plan. Detailed proposals will be worked up following the outcome of this consultation.
14899	An employee of West Lothian Council	2c. Care for Adults	Self directed support has long been discussed through use of online services but to date no progress has been made as no resources have been allocated in the service to allow this to progress properly.	Care for adults - day care provision	4. The council is already doing this.	Self-directed support options are offered to all adults with assessed eligible needs
14900	An employee of West Lothian Council	2c. Care for Adults	If shorter care visits are to be instigated then care needs to be targeted appropriately. How can an elderly patient be bathed in such a short time period without distress.	Care for adults - day care provision	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Work will continue to focus on those who are most vulnerable and have additional needs.
14901	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	I favour early support to continue independent living - its cheaper but recognise that those with need for care should have priority.	Care for adults - day care provision	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
14902	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	This is not acceptable as vulnerable people will have to travel further for facilities.	Care for adults - day care provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. This consultation is the first stage of the process to enable the council to develop a five year plan. Detailed proposals will be worked up following the outcome of this consultation.
14903	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	Respite is for carers every bit as important it is for the person who needs care! Who would take on a job involving 18 hours of work per day, 7 days per week, 52 weeks per year? That is what some unpaid carers do! They need time off, days off and a decent holiday period.	Care for adults - day care provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
14904	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	I believe that the three existing facilities each provide very different types of support. Pathways is already well used and has little free space. How can you combine these facilities without greatly reducing the service that you provide to the users of these services.	Care for adults - day care provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. This consultation is the first stage of the process to enable the council to develop a five year plan. Detailed proposals will be worked up following the outcome of this consultation.
14905	An employee of West Lothian Council	2c. Care for Adults	Reducing the number of day care facilities from three to one based at Pathways undermines the long fought campaign of people with physical disabilities / ABI / long term conditions to have access to services and support suitable to their specific needs rather than being added into services for people with learning disability - this is a retrograde step.	Care for adults - day care provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. This consultation is the first stage of the process to enable the council to develop a five year plan. Detailed proposals will be worked up following the outcome of this consultation.
14906	An employee of West Lothian Council	2c. Care for Adults	council should look more closely at the benefits of moving people from their own home as it is not always the best solution	Care for adults - day care provision	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
14907	An employee of West Lothian Council	2c. Care for Adults	Moving care into 1 facility may exacerbate the services on other already stretched council services. It may be hard for vulnerable groups to travel to one location.	Care for adults - day care provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. This consultation is the first stage of the process to enable the council to develop a five year plan. Detailed proposals will be worked up following the outcome of this consultation.

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14908	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	Think this is a crazy proposal as individuals who use these services value them highly and Elburn in particular is purpose built and accommodates specific needs. Pathways is bursting at the seams and is entirely unsuitable for anyone with additional physical support needs and even with adaptations would still be unsuitable as it is already lacks space. Again the Ability Centre accommodates a number of specific groups who are able to get together in a purpose built building that is adapted for specific disabilities no community centre in West Lothian has these adaptations. Where are they supposed to go. Are WLC going to embark on making community centres more accessible and provide funding for adaptations. It is a false economy to even consider this and is very discriminatory in my opinion and many others also.	Care for adults - day care provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. This consultation is the first stage of the process to enable the council to develop a five year plan. Detailed proposals will be worked up following the outcome of this consultation.
14909	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	Care at home provision is not suitable for everyone. Each request should be considered based on the most appropriate support for the individual/family - not simply a cost saving exercise.	Care for adults - day care provision	4. The council is already doing this.	Criteria is set within an assessment framework to ensure people's needs are assessed consistently and fairly. Work will continue to focus on those who are most vulnerable and have additional needs.
14910	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	Careline is an excellent service, helps people continue to live in their own homes and should continue to be supported.	Care for adults - day care provision	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
14911	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	Agree along way to travel for some	Care for adults - day care provision	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
14912	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	I am totally against the section 2C proposal to close/merge 2 of the vital adult services in Livingston the 3 services included in this proposal. I believe that moving these services into one building will have a massive effect on the service users; not only is consistency and routine very important to these people but the buildings are fit for purpose. I am also aware that fundraising took place to provide some of these vital activities for example jacuzzi and sensory room. I attended some of these fundraising events as I felt they were very important as this is nothing more than a money saving exercise I very much doubt these will be replaced. I took the time to talk to staff & service users & their parents. I discovered that it can be extremely difficult to access some activities in the community due to time constraints and a lack of changing places in the community. So to take away these essential things would have a huge impact on their quality of life. I am most concerned about the closure of Elburn support services as I believe it will have the biggest impact on service users, and cause a huge effect a devastating effect on the service users. Will anyone take the time to communicate with the service users about this proposal in a way they understand or are West Lothian Council removing vital services of those with no voice in a mass of discrimination.	Care for adults - day care provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. This consultation is the first stage of the process to enable the council to develop a five year plan. Detailed proposals will be worked up following the outcome of this consultation.
14913	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	I think it is shocking that you are proposing closing the Elburn Centre. This is a specialised unit with highly trained staff. I think it is a disgrace that other service users are being penalised because of a few who wish to have SDS. Pathways is far more main stream service users. This centre is unique to West Lothian in that it has a jacuzzi (which allows movement which service users would not have as they are wheelchair bound), physio table, sensory room, remembrance gardens (which can be accessed by families at weekends), great medical facilities, emergency trays which takes the strain off local GPs and St. John's. Specialised IT equipment was purchased through fund raising. This is a European Funding Building with purpose built rooms with disabled toilets etc. The kitchen staff have to deal with many different diets.	Care for adults - day care provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. This consultation is the first stage of the process to enable the council to develop a five year plan. Detailed proposals will be worked up following the outcome of this consultation.
14914	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	Please save the ability centre- it's the building that's most central	Care for adults - day care provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. This consultation is the first stage of the process to enable the council to develop a five year plan. Detailed proposals will be worked up following the outcome of this consultation.

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14915	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	I am opposed to the proposal of section 2C. I know one of the clients that attend Eliburn and know how important this is to their life this person cannot cope with change, and the loss of attending this building and fantastic service would impact their life routine. I believe the staff working in this unit have specific skills, to enable them to assist clients with complex needs. I am aware of therapeutic activities that take place in this building that will not be transferable to the Pathways building. I can't understand why Eliburn would close despite the fact that service users spend most of their time here whilst community activities are included, they are much harder to achieve so are less frequent within this service. The other 2 services are about social inclusion and spending time in the community so why close a building that is most in use? I am aware that Pathways is a newer building but this building is not fit for purpose. The toilet facilities will not meet the needs of a high percentage of Eliburn clients, and I guess this might be the case with service users of the Ability Centre. So changes to Pathways building would also be required not to mention the amount of clients being proposed fit in one building. This would surely require building an extension/ new building on the Pathways site. Surely this will not save money. Once again the Council are proposing spending money on more able people whilst those most at need are shipped from pillar to post and discriminated against. Spend money on saving Eliburns building and raise council tax. Give these people a break!!	Care for adults - day care provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. This consultation is the first stage of the process to enable the council to develop a five year plan. Detailed proposals will be worked up following the outcome of this consultation.
14916	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	The proposed closure of 3 locations What this means to me: As a disabled person I was extremely disappointed at the news of the proposal to close the Ability centre in Carmendean which I have attended for quite a few years now, whilst I take part in activities with my peers, supported by well qualified staff. This gives me the opportunity to feel 'normal' in the judgemental society in which we live. Being house bound the ability centre gives me something to look forward to knowing that one day a week I get to leave the house. I urge West Lothian to reconsider the proposed closure of the Ability Centre. The loss of this centre will have a detrimental effect on the health and well being of many people including myself. There are many things when reading all of the councils proposals which come to mind, the first being 'don't fix what isn't broken' another being wasting money to implement the proposed changes. It sounds like a false economy. In addition perhaps somebody with better organisational skills wouldn't go a miss, because even the average person can see there is a big problem. This means listening to the constituents who are going to be affected by these changes. For example: A person in a wheelchair living in an unadapted 2 bed property is have care calls 4 times daily. If they had a one bed adapted property money would be saved, these stories are right across the disabled community. It might sound very small but I grew up being told if you look after the pennies the pounds will look after themselves, therefore I feel its an economical waste to close a building which is fit for purpose.	Care for adults - day care provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. This consultation is the first stage of the process to enable the council to develop a five year plan. Detailed proposals will be worked up following the outcome of this consultation.
14917	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	I strongly disagree that condensing day care facilities from three to one would be a good thing for vulnerable people who rely on the current provision. These are services that should be ring fenced in an already challenging world for mentally and physically disabled people. My husband relies on the ability centre for keeping in social contact in a safe and secure environment.	Care for adults - day care provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. This consultation is the first stage of the process to enable the council to develop a five year plan. Detailed proposals will be worked up following the outcome of this consultation.
14918	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	I attend the Whitdale older people day centre and I have for 4 years. The staff and drivers are so helpful. If they shut the day centre I would never get out or see my friends. The staff all fundraise to get us entertainment and parties and make our day special.	Care for adults - day care provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Council purchased day care for older people in the independent sector will continue to be provided for people eligible for day services.
14919	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	I feel like the decision to close the day centre is scandalous. I attend the older people's day centre in Whitburn and I need it. I have depression and agoraphobia - the Whitdale day centre and staff help me with this. Its my day out and see friends.	Care for adults - day care provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Council purchased day care for older people in the independent sector will continue to be provided for people eligible for day services.
14920	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	How are you going to focus on the "vulnerable" by closing the ability centre in Livingston?	Care for adults - day care provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. This consultation is the first stage of the process to enable the council to develop a five year plan. Detailed proposals will be worked up following the outcome of this consultation.
14921	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	I really love coming to Whitdale. I depend on it now. It would be terrible if it closed. I look forward to seeing my friends I would never be able to see them otherwise. I don't know what I would do if I didn't see everyone here.	Care for adults - day care provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Council purchased day care for older people in the independent sector will continue to be provided for people eligible for day services.

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14922	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	I am appalled and worried about the proposed intentions to close the Carmondean Ability Centre. This unit is well used by all sorts of people from all walks of life. I myself attend the yoga session every Wednesday. This centre I believe is only 15 years old. Its a disgrace and unbelievable. Please do not do this. The Ability Centre is badly needed.	Care for adults - day care provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. This consultation is the first stage of the process to enable the council to develop a five year plan. Detailed proposals will be worked up following the outcome of this consultation.
14923	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	As a mother of an adult disabled son I do not feel that integrating all the day care services into are based at Pathways is a good idea. I feel this will only result in a dilution of current services to service users and is very much against the spirit of SDS which seems to offer individual and tailored support. West Lothian's implementation of SDS has been wonderful and afforded service users a better quality of support based on their individual needs, as opposed to a 'one size fits all' approach which, in reality, suits no one.	Care for adults - day care provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. This consultation is the first stage of the process to enable the council to develop a five year plan. Detailed proposals will be worked up following the outcome of this consultation.
14924	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	Really not a good thing - going to be difficult for people to go to one site/base: lack of relationships/social interactions	Care for adults - day care provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. This consultation is the first stage of the process to enable the council to develop a five year plan. Detailed proposals will be worked up following the outcome of this consultation.
14925	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	I think SDS is a good idea if the assessment is done properly and fairly. I've heard of some people getting what they've asked for and others in similar situations don't.	Care for adults - day care provision	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Self-directed support gives people the choice in how to direct their assessed eligible care and support - it is not about any specific service provision
14926	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	Your proposals seem to miss out mental health. You spend money on things that are a waste, and cut things that are needed. You need to invest in things that keep people well and out of hospital. Day services keep people active and keeps people well and active, social isolation is not good for people with poor mental health.	Care for adults - day care provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposal related specifically to the centres in Livingston which are for people with learning and physical disabilities
14927	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	I see a lot of services being taken away from the people that need it most. I use the ability centre and now the group I go to has to move to Whitburn which probably means I can't go.	Care for adults - day care provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. This consultation is the first stage of the process to enable the council to develop a five year plan. Detailed proposals will be worked up following the outcome of this consultation.
14928	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	In particular Ability Centre and Eliburn Centre - these are much required services for the most vulnerable and saving must be made elsewhere.	Care for adults - day care provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. This consultation is the first stage of the process to enable the council to develop a five year plan. Detailed proposals will be worked up following the outcome of this consultation.
14929	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	Do not close centres such as Eliburn and Abilities Centre - SDS is not the same. We need specialised help that the centre can provide.	Care for adults - day care provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. This consultation is the first stage of the process to enable the council to develop a five year plan. Detailed proposals will be worked up following the outcome of this consultation.
14930	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	Do not close Eliburn Day Centre - my daughter attends and facilities such as these in a custom-built facility could not be offered elsewhere. She would be devastated not going to Eliburn and it would have a massive effect on my family - I could not cope probably. Please make savings elsewhere.	Care for adults - day care provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. This consultation is the first stage of the process to enable the council to develop a five year plan. Detailed proposals will be worked up following the outcome of this consultation.
14931	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	No - closures of much needed centres that would have a massive effect on the vulnerable.	Care for adults - day care provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. This consultation is the first stage of the process to enable the council to develop a five year plan. Detailed proposals will be worked up following the outcome of this consultation.

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14932	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	I am shocked, totally shocked, to read of the council's proposal to close Eliburn Day Services which is a purpose built resource providing excellent facilities for vulnerable adults with severe and complicated needs. And it is indeed all the more shocking after reading on another point that the council "will continue to focus resources on those in our community who are most in need, such as children, older and VULNERABLE people". This is in fact what caring, civilised societies do, they take care of those who are least able to look after themselves, that is, the young, the old and the vulnerable. These are also key guiding principles of the Labour Party - and we are a Labour Party led Council - so why is closure of this building even being considered. Eliburn is a large building, built back in 1983 with the help of European Funding as at ATC and since then it has been extended and developed when the council planned several years ago to provide services for vulnerable adults in central locations in West Lothian and Eliburn was identified as the MOST SUITABLE for adults with severe and complex needs and with the council declaring it would become a "centre for excellence" and it has! Allow me to explain since not many councillors or council officials have visited this resource, Eliburn has large rooms, wide doors, and a very large central hall, all very necessary when most of the client group are in wheelchairs (some specially adapted and engineered for individual adults) and which need plenty of space to allow for safe moving and turning. Each room base had 2 large toileting rooms properly equipped with a changing bench, hoists and a shower area - these are very necessary when accommodating the needs and medical conditions of the service users. The large central hall is also an important facility - not only used for the adults to enjoy lunch together but for other social activities such as wheelchair dancing, skittles, kurling etc. Eliburn has many other excellent facilities - a physiotherapy room. Where the exercises can take place in privacy whether in a group or individually. Nurses who are on site providing medical and nursing care on a daily basis. Recently funding from the council has provided a fully equipped nurses station and examinations/treatment room which is also used for clinics with specialist doctors. Other facilities are a jacuzzi, sensory rooms, remembrance gardens - each room base has a door giving immediate access to the gardens so that they can be used in the good weather. These facilities have been provided with help from fundraising by parents/carers. And the staff at Eliburn are excellent, have professional qualifications and are trained in many skills necessary when working with adults particular medical	Care for adults - day care provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. This consultation is the first stage of the process to enable the council to develop a five year plan. Detailed proposals will be worked up following the outcome of this consultation.
14933	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	There is little or no consideration for disabled people with mental health or carers. It is a human rights issue the Council should be ashamed of the way it is proposing to treat disabled people. It is victimising the voiceless. The proposal to close Eliburn ability centre is ridiculous. The Council has invested greatly in developing these centres and skilling up the staff to provide excellent care for severely disabled people. To close these services should be unforgivable and hopefully will be challenged legally if proposals are not turned around. To move severely disabled people to a unit with autistic people. Offenders and people with challenging behaviour would put them at great risk. In recent years service users were moved from An - Carina as they were at risk of violence. WLC has always provided exceptional care. This will now be shelved. You have chosen to pick on the most vulnerable groups as many cannot speak for themselves. Eliburn clients certainly can't. Eliburn staff, service users and parents and carers have invested over £30,000 of their fundraising cash to provide exceptional facilities. What will happen to this? There is a remembrance garden used by the public at weekends and evenings to remember the young people they have lost. Parents and carers are getting older and if they don't have day care they will need long term residential care which will cost much more. Lots of health matters are dealt within Eliburn with support of nursing staff. There are clinics held on site making it much easier for parents/carers and service users to attend. These services will require to be provided elsewhere and ill health or deaths could occur due to lack of support or monitoring. As there has been no easy read info and people are not consulted it seems no-one cares about their human rights. In years to come there is going to be a huge influx of profoundly disabled young adults who are currently in education. If services are closed now they will have to be reinvested in future. There are many other things that could be cut and not day services. This situation is crucial.	Care for adults - day care provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. This consultation is the first stage of the process to enable the council to develop a five year plan. Detailed proposals will be worked up following the outcome of this consultation.
14934	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	Does anyone making these decisions actually look at the centre they are proposing to merge and look at what services they deliver as they are 3 widely different services and merging these could pose issues to the most vulnerable of our society who require consistency; continuity and even small changes to routine can cause life changing issues for sure who is advocating for the service users who cannot advocate for themselves surely the most vulnerable amongst us need somewhere safe and secure where they are happy and not all put together under one roof going back to the days of institutional care that we so desperately wanted to get away from.	Care for adults - day care provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. This consultation is the first stage of the process to enable the council to develop a five year plan. Detailed proposals will be worked up following the outcome of this consultation.

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14935	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	I feel it would be a drawback to many disabled people's lives if the ability centre in Carmondean, Livingston closed. For many people, including myself, it is our only form of socialisation. We are all at ease with like-minded and similar people. We do activities there that we wouldn't be able to do anywhere else and we also get lots of different therapies. The staff are so friendly and encourage you to open up and help you with any problems you may have be it medical, financial or personal. Any new comers are made to feel very welcome and soon become part of our little family. I feel it would be detrimental to our well being to mix us with other people who have severe disabilities or unable to communicate with us. We all look forward to going to the ability centre and seeing our friends and the staff. For most of us, without the ability centre a lot of people wouldn't get out of bed. The ability centre is one of the most important parts of my life as I really enjoy IT, cooking, painting, etc. I sincerely hope this letter and along with many others have an impact big enough to keep the centre open.	Care for adults - day care provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. This consultation is the first stage of the process to enable the council to develop a five year plan. Detailed proposals will be worked up following the outcome of this consultation.
14936	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	My daughter has severe complex special needs and attends Eliburn say centre. In my opinion, to close Eliburn and combine with Pathways would be a disaster. As Pathways is not suitably equipped for wheelchairs clients and hoisting. Eliburn was purpose-built for our young adults. They receive best care. Staff are fully trained, on-site nurses, kitchen where meals are prepared for every kind of diet. They have an on-site physio room, sensory room, jacuzzi, memorial garden. Parents have done a lot of fundraising for many things at Eliburn. Our young adults have many problems to overcome during their lives. Why take something away that they are so familiar with and upset a routine that has taken them so long to achieve? Pathways would not be able to accommodate. Eliburn young adults for 5 days per week, so time would be reduced. They are limited enough with things to do. Why discriminate and take away what they enjoy? What else are they to do? They do not ask to be disabled. You are taking away their rights. People with disabilities need some structure in their lives. You are taking this away from them.	Care for adults - day care provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. This consultation is the first stage of the process to enable the council to develop a five year plan. Detailed proposals will be worked up following the outcome of this consultation.
14937	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	I am deeply concerned to learn that in order to save money West Lothian Council are proposing to close the Ability Centre and Eliburn Support Service in Livingston. If, as a spokesperson states "there is an increasing number of adults with complex needs" (West Lothian Courier 2 November 2017), then the proposal does not make sense. My grand daughter, currently a pupil at pinewood school in Blackburn, is severely autistic and she and her family would benefit greatly from the services provided at present. I appreciate the councils dilemma in trying to save money due to cuts by the Scottish government, but strongly feel that the council needs to think against so that the most disadvantaged and needy people in West Lothian are catered for- as they should be - if we believe that every person in our community has a right to be valued and treated equally.	Care for adults - day care provision	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. This consultation is the first stage of the process to enable the council to develop a five year plan. Detailed proposals will be worked up following the outcome of this consultation.
14938	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	At A&E there is a need for specialist help for mental issues. Often there are no beds on the wards (I experienced this recently). There is a lack of specialist accommodation upon discharge from hospital - often people end up back in hospital. Funding for Day Services needs to be increased as it gives people the chance to recover and live a productive life in their own communities.	Care for adults - day care provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. This consultation is the first stage of the process to enable the council to develop a five year plan. Detailed proposals will be worked up following the outcome of this consultation.
14939	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	I emphasise all that I have said about the elderly be given especially day centres etc. He attends Holmes Gardens at Goschen.	Care for adults - day care provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. This consultation is the first stage of the process to enable the council to develop a five year plan. Detailed proposals will be worked up following the outcome of this consultation.
14940	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	I am not keen on the reduction in day care provision. Having worked in care I've found many enjoy meeting their peer group rather than being stuck with one carer or at home. There is less social interaction during a day out with 1 to 1 support. Like day care, I feel residential accommodation is more sociable and suitable for those with certain care needs.	Care for adults - day care provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. This consultation is the first stage of the process to enable the council to develop a five year plan. Detailed proposals will be worked up following the outcome of this consultation.

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14941	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	2c. Care for Adults	Day care offers opportunities for people to reduce effects of social isolation - social opportunities and their value is consistently underestimated by those who do not understand disability. Again savings here are likely to increase cost in other areas as we will see more critical need emerging.	Care for adults - day care provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. This consultation is the first stage of the process to enable the council to develop a five year plan. Detailed proposals will be worked up following the outcome of this consultation.
14942	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	I believe it is being considered to close the Ability Centre and Eliburn ATC. I totally disagree with this. The Ability Centre is used by many groups and individuals with complex needs. Where would these people go? This will have a knock on affect on family carers. These are the most vulnerable people. Self Directed Support has allowed people to have support to access community activities etc. This is okay in some cases. But what about the people who need to meet with their peeps? There are times S.U.s are lonely. Could ATCs not be used for SUs to meet and provide activities with support workers? I'm sure Eliburn ATC could be better used.	Care for adults - day care provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. This consultation is the first stage of the process to enable the council to develop a five year plan. Detailed proposals will be worked up following the outcome of this consultation.
14943	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	Should not be closed due to vulnerable people getting services such as therapy service or capability service. As my mother uses both services are useful with people anxiety and disability and there are people who leaving for work who need support with special needs. Cutting these services are going to render people with no help!	Care for adults - day care provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. This consultation is the first stage of the process to enable the council to develop a five year plan. Detailed proposals will be worked up following the outcome of this consultation.
14944	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	I personally would miss the Ability Centre along with other disabled people. It also save me cooking which is hard for me.	Care for adults - day care provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. This consultation is the first stage of the process to enable the council to develop a five year plan. Detailed proposals will be worked up following the outcome of this consultation.
14945	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	I, as a parent of an adult who uses the service provided at Eliburn day centre am appealing to you to reconsider your proposal to close this facility. Eliburn is a unique centre, as are the clients who use it. The building has been designed to facilitate the use of the special equipment required by many of the clients ie. wheelchairs, large walkers, hoists, specially adapted chairs, frames and stands. There is a large communal area which is used for lunch, social gatherings and in the case of my daughter, it enables her to walk safely in her may walker. This space allows her the freedom to take some exercise and to socialise. Within the building there are many wonderful facilities: the jacuzzi, which was purchased through many fundraising events and is used daily, the physiotherapy room which is used daily by the clients keeping many mobile and preventing chest infections, the sensory room which has everything it could possibly have to help the clients unwind and overcome the stresses of everyday life. Outside there is a remembrance garden and a friendship tree. The parents and carers are given the freedom to come, sit and remember their loved ones who spent time in this wonderful centre. Eliburn isn't just a building to which the severely disabled people of our district attend. It is a happy, lively place where the staff are uniquely trained and qualified to bring joy and stability to the lives of the clients. The medical staff onsite are highly trained and give medical attention to clients with many complex needs on a daily basis. Their care and indeed devotion to the clients in some cases prevent hospital admissions. They communicate directly with the parents and carers if they have any concerns regarding their loved ones. They are also able to advise and direct them towards the services available, who may be able to resolve their problems. There are also clinics held at Eliburn by the doctors involved with the clients. This service prevents the clients having to attend hospital which can cause distress to many disabled patients. On a more personal note, I would like to describe to you the effect that the closure of Eliburn would have on us as a family. Our daughter is [REDACTED] small in stature, unable to speak and walks very short distances either holding a hand or using a may walker. Her health issues require medication, which is administered daily at the centre by the nurse. She, like many disabled people, needs routine. On the days she attends the Eliburn centre she knows this means: up, bathed, dressed, breakfast, hair dried, boots and splints on. Then she will sit on the chair, rattle in hand and watch out the window for her driver to collect her. When the driver arrives our daughter gives us a huge smile	Care for adults - day care provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. This consultation is the first stage of the process to enable the council to develop a five year plan. Detailed proposals will be worked up following the outcome of this consultation.

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14946	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	We write to protest most vigorously against the proposed closure of the Livingston Ability Centre. We know how valuable this resource has been during these many years amongst West Lothian Residents. The alternative proposed combined facility for several different types of disabled people seems very unlikely in quantity or quality to meet the needs of individual clients. If, as we understand it, the proposed closure and/or curtailment of provision is part of necessary economy measures, it is surely shocking and reprehensible that vulnerable people should be made to suffer this loss on these grounds when they already have burdens to bear through ill health or disability which we other healthy individuals can barely imagine. A caring council, as West Lothian has always appeared to be must surely be able to find other less vital areas where savings could be made. We also understand that the proposed closure is partly due to a shift by clients towards self directed support, meaning that fewer clients now use their funding for this facility. This is a matter of choice. But the existence of such a centre such as the Ability Centre offers something quite different - not least socialisation for isolated vulnerable people which everyone knows is beneficial for health, well being, and morale. in many cases it is literally a lifeline - a way out of house bound isolation offering activities and therapies in group settings. Our friend as been distraught and in tears since she learned of these proposed changes. We have learned that the ability centre is at present under used (128 places out of 156 per week being taken and that equals 83% capacity). This is still high usage with spare places for new or emergency applicants - surely a good thing - a certainly not sufficient grounds for closure of what is by all accounts a centre of excellence. We therefore urge you to do everything in your power to make sure that this proposed closure does not go ahead.	Care for adults - day care provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. This consultation is the first stage of the process to enable the council to develop a five year plan. Detailed proposals will be worked up following the outcome of this consultation.
14947	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	I am concerned when I heard about the proposed closure of the ability centre at Carmondean. I am a disabled wheelchair bound person who does not get out that often and I look forward to my time at the centre where I can do a varied programme of activities with other people I meet at the centre. The dedicated staff are always available to assist where necessary which allows me to do more than I can do myself. For a large number of disabled people I meet at the centre, this is their only contact with other people and the only outing they get. If the centre were to close then they would lose their only outing of the week and their social interaction. It would be a pity if a way could not be found to keep the Carmondean centre open.	Care for adults - day care provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. This consultation is the first stage of the process to enable the council to develop a five year plan. Detailed proposals will be worked up following the outcome of this consultation.
14948	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	pathways is already a combination of closed day centres with insufficient staffing, already too full for some users to cope with.	Care for adults - day care provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. This consultation is the first stage of the process to enable the council to develop a five year plan. Detailed proposals will be worked up following the outcome of this consultation.
14949	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	2c. Care for Adults	At an [redacted] at Pathways/Quigley House, 8th November 2017, it was unanimously decided, by those attending, that a statement be made vigorously opposing proposed changes as described in 2c: Care of Adults, particularly the potential amalgamation of three facilities (Pathways, Eliburn and Ability Centre) into Pathways. It is known from the experience of the attendees that these 3 centres are the result of previous optimisation/amalgamation/cost-cutting exercises by WLC, with the likes of Clarendon and Blackburn closed and disposed of. It is to the dismay of the group that the most vulnerable adults be targeted once again, and so soon, with the resultant anxiety and uncertainty for service users, parent-carers and, not least, the hard-working, caring and dedicated council employees, and associates, the Pathways community rely on. The group were staggered to learn that no attempt appears to have been made by WLC, in preparing these proposals, to engage with the expertise of the Pathways community and stakeholders. It is not apparent, from the inadequate detail and form of the consultation, if there has been any expert rationale or input to, what the attendees considered to be, this totally unacceptable and unworkable proposal. Or, indeed, who in the council is responsible for it. So, it is suggested that the whole process be withdrawn or, at least, halted until the council fully explain their reasoning to the whole Pathways community with their support professionals. Finally, this 'Pathways' group statement should be considered along with any submissions and petitions from the other centres' service users and communities, who, due to the imposed and	Care for adults - day care provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. This consultation is the first stage of the process to enable the council to develop a five year plan. Detailed proposals will be worked up following the outcome of this consultation.

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14950	No Response	2c. Care for Adults	As Welfare and Financial Guardians of our son/brother ██████ who resides in ██████ and attends Elburn Adult Training Centre, it has been brought to our attention that Elburn may be proposed for closure. With services being provided at Pathways Adult Support Services in Craighill Livingston. As you can imagine this is of great concern to us all as a family, as we feel that Pathways won't provide the same excellent support and care being provided at Elburn, assisting Kevin in his day to day activities and giving him a good quality of life. To give you some information about ██████ and his disabilities, he has ██████ Given his disabilities you can appreciate the complex care that ██████ requires on a day to day basis. He requires and has 24 hour care within the community, which is provided by ██████ has been attending Elburn since it opened in 1984, and we feel this would be a terrible loss of services to the area, and for all those individuals who attend Elburn on a daily basis. We would be obliged if you could enlighten us as to whether or not Elburn is actually one of those shortlisted for closure and combined into Pathways Adult Support Services.	Care for adults - day care provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
14951	No Response	2c. Care for Adults	I, as a parent of an adult who uses the service provided at Elburn Day Centre am appealing to you to reconsider your proposal to close this facility. Elburn is a unique centre, as are the clients who use it. The building has been designed to facilitate the use of the special equipment required by many of the clients i.e. wheelchairs, large walkers, hoists, specially adapted chairs, frames and stands. There is a large communal area which is used for lunch, social gatherings and in the case of my ██████ it enables her to walk safely in her may walker. This space allows ██████ the freedom to take some exercise and to socialise. Within the building there are many wonderful facilities: the jacuzzi, which was purchased through many fundraising events and is used daily. The physiotherapy room, which is used daily by the clients keeping many mobile and preventing chest infections. The sensory room, which has everything it could possibly have to help the clients unwind and overcome the stresses of everyday life. Outside there is a remembrance garden and a friendship tree. The Parents and Carers are given the freedom to come, sit and remember their loved ones who spent time at this wonderful centre. Elburn isn't just a building to which the severely disabled people of our district attend. It is a happy, lively place where the staff are uniquely trained and qualified to bring joy and stability to the lives of the clients. The medical staff onsite are highly trained and give medical attention to clients with many complexed needs on a daily basis. Their care and indeed devotion to the clients in some cases prevent hospital admissions. They communicate directly with the parents and carers if they have any concerns regarding their loved ones. They are also able to advise and direct them towards the services available, who may be able to resolve their problems. There are also clinic held at Elburn by the doctors involved with the clients. This service prevents the clients having to attend hospital which can cause distress to many disabled patients. On a more personal note, I would like to describe to you the effect that the closure of Elburn would have on ██████ and us as a family. ██████ is small in stature, unable to speak and walks very short distances either holding a hand or using a may walker. ██████ health issues require medication, which is administered daily at the centre by the nurse. ██████ like many disabled people needs routine. On the days she attends Elburn she knows that its: up, bathed, dressed, breakfast, hair dried, boots and splints on. Then she will sit on the chair, rattle in hand and watch out the window for ██████, her driver, to collect her. When ██████ arrives ██████ gives us a huge smile	Care for adults - day care provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
14952	No Response	2c. Care for Adults	I notice that the Council plans to close the Ability Centre in Livingston. Is this a good idea? Will it be replaced with a similar facility, or integrated into a nearby Partnership Centre? It's a "soft target", really; people in the community will miss it and will lose out and surely the end result could be more costly? It will certainly be more costly for poorer clients and families who currently benefit from it. I would like you to use all your powers of persuasion to keep the place open, or at least give the public an assurance that most, if not all, of its resources and expertise will be transferred elsewhere. There must be some tie-in here with Special Needs education.	Care for adults - day care provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. This consultation is the first stage of the process to enable the council to develop a five year plan. Detailed proposals will be worked up following the outcome of this consultation.

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14953	No Response	2c. Care for Adults	The council are proposing that this is the best and efficient way to save money, however, they seem to be targeting the most vulnerable within society. The three services that they are looking to merge are three completely different client groups, Eliburn Support Services, The Ability Centre and Pathways. Eliburn Support Services - Supports individuals with a learning and physical disability, the individuals also have complex levels of needs including healthcare. the service is available to individuals aged between 16 and 65 meeting the criteria. Eliburn also provides day respite for carers and family members. The Ability Centre - this area provides a service for adults aged between 16 and 65 with a physical disability, within this service they provide a variety of educational, occupational, therapeutic opportunities and work experience. Pathways â€ Supports adults with a learning and physical disability, to access activities within the unit and within the community, this service also helps support individuals to develop their independent living skills. These three services provide three different types of support for the individuals attending them, the council would like all three to merge together into pathways to save money, however, they have not looked at the bigger picture. The building they propose to move into is not big enough, it does not have all the facilities to support the service users who would be moving there. So, they would then have to spend MORE money on building an extension and getting all the correct facilities, it requires to support the individuals. I understand that cuts have to be made but I feel there could be other ways this could be done rather than impacting on vulnerable service users whom the majority cannot read or write so who will advocate on their behalf? I was wondering if there was anything you as a councillor could do to support these services and stop these changes from happening? would you or a member of your party be visiting these services prior to the end of the consultation period? So, you will be able to see how different these services are from each other.	Care for adults - day care provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. This consultation is the first stage of the process to enable the council to develop a five year plan. Detailed proposals will be worked up following the outcome of this consultation.
14954	No Response	2c. Care for Adults	the reasons that the Ability Centre should not be closed. 1 The Ability Centre provides excellent integrated support for people with both physical & learning disabilities and also provides tailor made programmes of occupational/educational and therapeutic opportunities which have helped so many people to rebuild their lives. The new initiative of a Council Supported Employment Team on site has helped provide additional planning & training which will, hopefully, for those who are able, improve their chance of seeking access to employment opportunities in the area. 2 The drop in caf� helps all those using the centre to take advantage of the help and advice offered by trained staff to meet the challenges faced by all disabled and vulnerable people to enable them to feel part of the community of West Lothian. 3 The Centre�s eleven supported Outreach facilities in the county run by the centre�s team assist a wide group of those in specific need of the help available. All those who attend are part of well run and successful programmes which improve many aspects of their lives. Many examples of this can be seen in the newspaper articles and on the petition. A phrase that is commonly used is â€���� It is her/ his lifeline.�� 4 The Centre is a focal point for many local groups :- Card Making- Disabled Group M.S. Support Group Breast Cancer Support Group Livingston Disabled Club Mood Art Group-Mental Health M.E. Self Help Group Vision Support Yoga-Disabled persons Cyrenians Group Step Out Mental Health Group Prostate Cancer Support Group NHS- Anti Natal Classes These groups provide vital awareness links within W. L. which ensures that all services on offer are fully utilised. I am sure, if asked, of these groups they would make a donation towards their use of the Centre which would help with day to day running costs as W. L. Prostate Cancer Group already does. 5 The Centre is ideally centrally situated in Livingston with excellent transport links to meet the best needs in the community. 6 Plans to try to move the services on offer at the Ability Centre along with those from the Eliburn Centre to the Pathway Centre at Craigshill could very well result in all the present effective services being dispersed and we will end up with a disjointed and restricted service that does not meet the needs of the wide range of W. L. people who currently benefit. I do not envy the Council it�s task of finding savings of �73M over the next 5 years and realise that these closures are certainly not the actions that either you or your colleagues relish I also agree with your comment that this dilemma has been caused by the Scottish Government�s grant funding which does not cover	Care for adults - day care provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. This consultation is the first stage of the process to enable the council to develop a five year plan. Detailed proposals will be worked up following the outcome of this consultation.
14955	No Response	2c. Care for Adults	I think this proposed decision to close the Ability Center is wrong . I personally use this facility every week places like this are getting fewer and making it harder for Disabled people to have places to socialise. I hope you will press the council to reconsider this decision .	Care for adults - day care provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. This consultation is the first stage of the process to enable the council to develop a five year plan. Detailed proposals will be worked up following the outcome of this consultation.

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14956	No Response	2c. Care for Adults	I am writing to you today with some serious concerns I have over the proposed changes to services within West Lothian council. The changes stated in the West Lothian bulletin sent out this week. I am specifically concerned about section 2C. The proposed closure of 2 very different and much needed services in West Lothian to merge with another service. The 3 units, The ability Centre, Elburn support Services and pathways. These services are all very different, the ability centre is for adults 16--65 who have a physical disability who may require support both within the centre and within out reach groups. Elburn support service is a service for those with learning disabilities, associated physical disability and complex level of need, who need assistance with a huge part of there daily living requirements and well , service users are based within the unit but access trips out in the community but require full support from staff, some of these service users have high medical needs. Pathways supports people with a learning disability who access activities in the community and the unit, to help develop independent living skills. My concern is that service users will have a reduced level of service which I believe is very important I'm aware that the two buildings proposed to close are suitable for the service the support, they have been designed to be fit for purpose. The building these service are being proposed to merge to is not suitable for purposes and will need renovation and possibly a extension to cater for 3 full services. How can this be more cost effective.. It is proposed that service users access more outreach services but is there enough service for them to access and I'm sure these services are not suitable for the very wide spectrum of need and different levels of ability. Has anyone. Taken the time to consult in a manor that the service users understand to explain this proposal to the service users and there carers or are they expected to read about there service in the local bulletin, which I'm aware a lot of people don't read. I'm sure if these service users have learning difficulties there will be a lot of them cannot read or write, so how do they have a say ? Will the new building be supplied with all the facilities the the current building have or as well as service users loosing the familiar surroundings, the possibility of having completely new staff supporting them with, different skilled workers rather than people who know them and there needs, and have specifically chosen there specific field of employment, also be loosing access to therapeutic activities that can make a huge difference to there quality of life? How do the council propose that all these service users can be located in one building or are people also going to loose there service despite there being	Care for adults - day care provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. This consultation is the first stage of the process to enable the council to develop a five year plan. Detailed proposals will be worked up following the outcome of this consultation.
14957	No Response	2c. Care for Adults	I think this proposed decision to close the Ability Center is wrong . I personally use this facility every week places like this are getting fewer and making it harder for Disabled people to have places to socialise. I hope you will press the council to reconsider this decision	Care for adults - day care provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. This consultation is the first stage of the process to enable the council to develop a five year plan. Detailed proposals will be worked up following the outcome of this consultation.
14958	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	I am filling this form as a mother with various concerns. Firstly, while I was watching the news I heard that Elburn was closing as was Pathways - I may have heard wrong. But my concerns are for my daughter and all her peers. When Pathways opened my severely brain damaged daughter was transferred to Pathways which is an excellent facility and purpose built for most of the very deserving people who attend, and caters for most of their needs. It's like walking into a college for young people... But it's made suitable for my daughter and other young people with her special needs, so she went back to [REDACTED] where she had the space to push herself round in her wheelchair and I am sure she felt more at home back there. So I need to know that Elburn will still remain a safe haven not only for my daughter but all the clients who have this very excellent facility with its very excellent and caring staff who look after their very special needs. This also applies to the ability centre who help other people with complexities.	Care for adults - day care provision	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. This consultation is the first stage of the process to enable the council to develop a five year plan. Detailed proposals will be worked up following the outcome of this consultation.

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14959	An employee of West Lothian Council	2c. Care for Adults	As an employee of WLC and an individual living in West Lothian I disagree with the proposal of amalgamating the 3 services into one at Pathways. I work with adults who have learning & physical disabilities and also many with higher health care needs. I feel that these individuals have not been taken into account when considering this proposal. I agree many adults have the capacity to make choices regarding their care packages albeit with the support of family, carers, advocates, etc however within my service area this cannot be achieved. This proposal of amalgamation is preposterous; Pathways is not purpose built for the inclusion of other service users and even if an extension were to be built where would it be put due to the fact that there are buildings either side and more importantly, what would the cost of this be? Would it include the services we already provide eg. personal care rooms, physiotherapy rooms, sensory rooms? There would also be the issue of parking if there were staff relocated and what would this impact have on transportation never mind health and safety of staff and service users trying to utilise the parking areas getting both in and out of the building. As I stated before, the service users I work alongside with cannot voice their opinion on this matter therefore I see it as my role to advocate for them to scrap this proposal. Previously, Elburn has been given the accolade as the centre of excellence, praised by council staff in the higher echelons; I would like to extend an invitation to these staff personnel to come to Elburn and see for yourselves the amazing work the staff here do!	Care for adults - day care provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. This consultation is the first stage of the process to enable the council to develop a five year plan. Detailed proposals will be worked up following the outcome of this consultation.
14960	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	As an employee of WLC and an individual living in West Lothian I disagree with the proposal of amalgamating the 3 services into one at Pathways. I work with adults who have learning & physical disabilities and also many with higher health care needs. I feel that these individuals have not been taken into account when considering this proposal. I agree many adults have the capacity to make choices regarding their care packages albeit with the support of family, carers, advocates, etc however within my service area this cannot be achieved. This proposal of amalgamation is preposterous; Pathways is not purpose built for the inclusion of other service users and even if an extension were to be built where would it be put due to the fact that there are buildings on either side and more importantly what would the cost of this be? Would it include the services we already provide eg. personal care rooms, physiotherapy room, sensory room, etc? There would also be the issue of parking if there were staff relocated and what would this impact have on transportation, never mind health and safety of staff and service users trying to utilise the parking areas getting both in and out of the building. As I stated before, the service users I work alongside of cannot voice their opinion on this matter therefore I see it as my role to advocate for them to scrap this proposal. Previously, Elburn has been given the accolade as the centre of excellence, praised by council staff in the higher echelons; I would extend an invitation to these staff personnel to come to Elburn and see for yourselves the amazing work the staff here do!	Care for adults - day care provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. This consultation is the first stage of the process to enable the council to develop a five year plan. Detailed proposals will be worked up following the outcome of this consultation.
14961	An employee of West Lothian Council	2c. Care for Adults	As a WLC employee, working with adults who have learning difficulties and very high care needs I feel it is not suitable for Elburn centre to close and then join with Pathways. Elburn was purposely built for our service users. Pathways would require an extension built on to it, costing the council more money!! Does this make sense?? I live in Livingston and know the area well, I don't see how there would be space to extend Pathways, there are buildings to either side and the car park isn't big enough - no space to extend. The service users at Elburn cannot voice their opinions and feelings or make a choice, it is my job to support them and their families with this.	Care for adults - day care provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. This consultation is the first stage of the process to enable the council to develop a five year plan. Detailed proposals will be worked up following the outcome of this consultation.
14962	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	2c. Care for Adults	Closing day centre premises is a complete no-no. These places are a lifeline for many elderly, disabled physically and mentally impaired adults. This would cause untold misery and harm to the people who use these premises and the help provided. This would also lead to more expense on budgets as the people who use them deteriorate and require different types of care. It is not the same to have a health visitor popping in now and again as it is to meet friends in a familiar place. I refuse to believe that by amalgamating premises and making them overcrowded and unfamiliar is the answer to savings. Other areas are surely available for savings eg. heating in commercial premises. I was recently in Arrochar House and could not believe the heat in the premises. Please think again as these day centres have been the most successful thing the councils have ever done. I am on a very low income but would happily pay more council tax rather than see these centres closed.	Care for adults - day care provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. This consultation is the first stage of the process to enable the council to develop a five year plan. Detailed proposals will be worked up following the outcome of this consultation.

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14963	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	Do not combine day centres into Pathways	Care for adults - day care provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. This consultation is the first stage of the process to enable the council to develop a five year plan. Detailed proposals will be worked up following the outcome of this consultation.
14964	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	Due to cost cutting exercises WLC are proposing to close several facilities for the disabled and centralise them into one. The ACSS Centre at Carmondean is to be closed and moved to the Pathways premises, which we are made to understand is smaller and not able to accommodate the clients at ACCS, we feel that this is retrograde step in disabled care as the Centre has become a hub of companionship for both old and new clients helping to remove isolation that is felt by many disabled people in that they can come in to a team of caring staff and volunteers for a few hours, and in many cases, this may be the only time that they may be able to socialise with others. The staff and volunteers are always willing to give a sympathetic ear and a helping hand to anyone who may require it. The ACSS Centre is a purpose built building to replace the Centre at Winchburgh and has over the years proved to be a jewel in the crown of what was once a caring Council for disabled and able bodied alike.	Care for adults - day care provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. This consultation is the first stage of the process to enable the council to develop a five year plan. Detailed proposals will be worked up following the outcome of this consultation.
14965	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	2c. Care for Adults	There are genuine concerns that this service will be significantly diluted and reduced if the delivery proposals are introduced and, as a result, will impact detrimentally on the opportunities available to many young people in our schools. The consultation in its present format and with the current level of detail is not fit for purpose. It prevents individuals from making informed choices as the relevant information is not available for them to do so. I believe that the Council should engage in active and genuine consultation with the community and to do so it needs to rethink its proposals, provide the information that backs up those proposals, and present it in a less divisive format. I am seriously concerned that some service users, especially those of the Ability Centre, have been informed that their service is to be changed when, in fact, the proposal that covers it is part of the consultation which at this point in time has not been closed.	Care for adults - day care provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. This consultation is the first stage of the process to enable the council to develop a five year plan. Detailed proposals will be worked up following the outcome of this consultation.
14966	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	Concerned that people in residential care may not get it.	Care for adults - day care provision	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	The proposal does not relate to residential care
14967	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	I cannot believe that WLC is proposing to close Eliburn ATC. This facility is a purpose built facility providing first class care to the service users attending Eliburn ATC. It is unique in that it has staff dedicated and trained to provide that care for adults with various levels of physical and mental disabilities. The facilities at Eliburn ATC are second to none. They have jacuzzi for hydrotherapy, two sensory rooms, well equipped physio room. Much of the equipment in use funded by the generosity of parents, carers and local people's fundraising. They have a sensory garden, Remembrance Garden (for those service users no longer with us) and a friendship tree. All this would be lost if WLC were to close Eliburn ATC for 34 years (since it opened) I'm sure he would be completely lost if the centre were to be closed. The service users we are talking about have the right to stability in their lives and that comes with attending a day centre that has been shown to give consistent, compassionate levels of care for many years. Their lives would be thrown into turmoil by being moved out of their bespoke ATC into something NOT FIT FOR PURPOSE! Eliburn ATC has all the welfare and safety facilities required to fulfill the needs of the service users attending. Eliburn ATC have fully trained nurses providing medical care and health preserving to the service users. They are highly trained professionals with qualifications. Eliburn ATC has a fully equipped and staffed kitchen supporting the varied dietary needs of the service users. To make the move from Eliburn ATC to a day centre NOT equipped to do the job would be totally insensitive to the needs of a very vulnerable section of society, and very reckless in not being able to provide the levels of care, security and welfare being provided at the moment.	Care for adults - day care provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. This consultation is the first stage of the process to enable the council to develop a five year plan. Detailed proposals will be worked up following the outcome of this consultation.

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14968	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	I have a daughter aged [redacted] who has been attending support services for [redacted] Pinewood Blackburn adult training centre and Pathways. My daughter has learning and physical disabilities. Many of the clients who attend pathways are her friends, she grew up with them. My daughter is also prone to panic attacks. WLC have already had an impact on her as she is worried and stressed on the recent WLC proposal to close down 2 support services and combine all into Pathways. There will be approx 280 adults with different needs, Pathways was not purpose built for many of these adults needs, where do WLC propose to do with them. My daughter is very happy, comfortable and safe at Pathways that is part of her life. The management and staff have known her for many years and are excellent at looking after her. I am disgusted that I have to write down my views. This proposal should never been brought to the table. WLC are attacking the vulnerable and weak it is a disgrace. Instead of cost cutting these support services WLC should be doing more, there is not enough support as it is. These adults through no fault of their own have rights to live a happy life the are human beings. Is it because they cannot bring money into the community WLC has targeted them. There is a lot more out there who have no disabilities, bring no income to the community, are they being targeted? I do not think so. I myself work and have done for 45 years, I pay into the community. Where is WLC care in the community there blog on disabled stands for nothing, when they have put out this proposal. Why does WLC have to dig up the Bathgate precinct so many times, I believe so far it has cost us £350k, what a waste of money. Where is the money coming from for the new build for services at Whitehill ind. estate, cost millions probably. I am very angry, very saddened at the impact WLC has made, which also affects parents/carers family and management and staff of the 3 support services. One day you never know WLC executive committee may need one of these support services, either or themselves or family. WLC executives should feel ashamed and have no compassion for the disabled, they are making number crunching. These adults have rights. It is sometimes very hard for the parents/ carers who look after their loved ones 24/7. We need support too. Keep these support services open for all concerned and stop further worry and stress.	Care for adults - day care provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. This consultation is the first stage of the process to enable the council to develop a five year plan. Detailed proposals will be worked up following the outcome of this consultation.
14969	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	Pathways cannot accommodate all from Eliburn (wheelchair users). Eliburn was purpose built. Eliburn has on-site physio room, Jacuzzi, sensory room, nurses, large toilets in each room for PC, hoists, kitchen catering for every dietary need. Many clinics held at Eliburn. Eliburn has a memorial garden (what would happen to this if Eliburn closed?) You taking away everything the clients at Eliburn know, all their routine, which these disabled like and need. Would not all be able to get 5 days per week. There is little enough in W Lothian for disabled adults with complex special needs.	Care for adults - day care provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. This consultation is the first stage of the process to enable the council to develop a five year plan. Detailed proposals will be worked up following the outcome of this consultation.
14970	An employee of West Lothian Council	2c. Care for Adults	I feel these proposed cuts are being cut in the wrong area. It is short sighted of the council as these services are a life line to many people and keep people in good mental health and enable families to stay together and fee part of the community. Without these places people feel isolated and can become depressed and would end up seeking help of other professionals, which in turn would be a financial cost to the council in other areas. It cannot only be about money, I feel we have a duty to look after our vulnerable people in our society who need help.	Care for adults - day care provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. This consultation is the first stage of the process to enable the council to develop a five year plan. Detailed proposals will be worked up following the outcome of this consultation.
14971	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	It has been a life line for me to come to the Ability Centre, and also the outreach group I go to helps me make new friends. I feel safe when I am at the centre and look forward to it each week. I would be lost without it as I am blind and have a heart condition and live alone. I need someone with me at all times so my family get a break when I am here. My confidence has grown since I have been here. The staff assist me to go to the library which is the only thing I have at home to listen to the talking books. This is a special built centre for people with physical disabilities and I think it would be madness to close it. I would be prepared to pay something towards transport or other costs to keep centre open.	Care for adults - day care provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. This consultation is the first stage of the process to enable the council to develop a five year plan. Detailed proposals will be worked up following the outcome of this consultation.
14972	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	Eliburn is best service for Adults with special needs. It has all the require facilities these people require. Special bathrooms large with hoist etc. for changing. Eliburn was purposely built. It has in house nurses, physio room, large dining room for lunches, games, activities, meetings, parties, etc. Parents have fund raised for numerous equipment e.g. sensory room, memorial gardens. There is many clinic held at Eliburn. Staff fully trained for all aspects of care, staff are dedicated. They go for beyond what they need to do. Respect at all times for clients. Why close Eliburn day care there nomenclation of closing any schools or nurseries. There is a demand in W. Lothian for a place like Eliburn. So why remove it?	Care for adults - day care provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. This consultation is the first stage of the process to enable the council to develop a five year plan. Detailed proposals will be worked up following the outcome of this consultation.

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14973	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	the option to close both the ability centre and the adult training centre would be very counter productive and short term. The AC is widely used by many groups and both service users and carers would suffer greatly by closing this excellent facility. The ATC also offers very vulnerable people the chance to meet and learn with others in the same situations. Overall this decision, if implemented would understandably cause anger and upset.	Care for adults - day care provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. This consultation is the first stage of the process to enable the council to develop a five year plan. Detailed proposals will be worked up following the outcome of this consultation.
14974	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	E - is for each person who has Eliburn at heart L - is for the love and laughter each of us plays a part I - is for individuals each has their own life to live B - is for brilliant staff who are always there to give U - is for uniqueness. No place is quite like here R - is for the rewards for all of us to share N - is for the new days ahead that will touch everyone but the joy and fun and friendship will still go on in ELIBURN The above says it all. We do not want change above all we do not need change. The facilities at Eliburn is more than adequate for our clients needs. We have the nurses and experience staff already in place for all individual special needs. I.e. Highly trained nurses who know their clients abilities and disabilities of which takes years of experience not to mention the trust that these vulnerable clients need. Kitchen staff who cater for all their dietary requirements and most of all the personal assistants who work with the clients on a daily basis. As for the facilities at Eliburn these are already in place due to the great effort from parents and staff over the years. From umpteen sponsorship, charity nights and various fundraising monies spent on i.e. Jacuzzi - sensor room - memory garden. Toilet facilities in every room, hoists, trolleys, etc. I am a very concerned parent who is getting up in years could do without the concern and grief. My daughter who is now [REDACTED] of age has been going to Eliburn since she was [REDACTED] But she gets very upset when put in an environment she is not familiar with and can get very anxious to change. I have visited Pathways and no way is it adequate to accommodate these clients. The infrastructure is all wrong and would cost a large amount of money to bring it up to the standard of Eliburn which is already in place.	Care for adults - day care provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. This consultation is the first stage of the process to enable the council to develop a five year plan. Detailed proposals will be worked up following the outcome of this consultation.
14975	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	As an [REDACTED] who has attended Eliburn AJC for the last [REDACTED]. He has many disabilities namely [REDACTED]. I am distraught at the thought of him going to another centre that hasn't got anything like the therapies that they have at Eliburn. The very thought that to save Â£2.5 million you are going to destroy one of the best centres for adults with differing disabilities in this country and to even think of putting them into a centre which has nothing suitable for them. In Eliburn as it seems there are a lot of Councillors who haven't been to Eliburn. There is a hydro therapy , sensory therapy rooms (2) Sensory garden, a remembrance garden to remember the adults who have passed away and whose families visit regularly with flowers and even a memory tree. The parent and staff have put a huge amount of work into improving things over the years. I would imagine to make Pathways anything like Eliburn will cost at least 5 times the 2.5. million you hope to save. I suggest you have another look at the options and leave the most vulnerable people in society to get on with their lives as best they can with the carers who know how to look after them.	Care for adults - day care provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. This consultation is the first stage of the process to enable the council to develop a five year plan. Detailed proposals will be worked up following the outcome of this consultation.
14976	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	Would not think this would go down well with the residents of west Lothian but as these areas only service a small proportion of the population then a better solution needs to be found to prevent social isolation. Although not a popular proposal it is an area the council needs to consider.	Care for adults - day care provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
14977	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	The proposal to close Eliburn support service and any other centre of this nature is appalling. Eliburn provides first class support and care to very vulnerable adults who we should be protecting and NOT taking away their day to day happy, secure and care. The adults who attend are given specialised care from very well trained staff and nurses. Eliburn is the purpose built centre with facilities which are not in place anywhere else. they have snuggle rooms, Jacuzzis and many more activities which those who attend need for therapy and to help them have a happy well being. I cannot see how WLC can see closing Eliburn is cost cutting as they would need to spend a lot more to adapt other premises to accommodate adults from Eliburn. My brother has attended Eliburn since it opened 33 years ago, he receives the best care and support we could ever wish for and it worries us as a family for his future. If this proposal is accepted, shame on WLC as this would show them as being inhuman and insensitive and going back to the dark ages treating these vulnerable adults insensitively. WENEED TO PROTECT THEM ,not hide them away from society. My brother and all his friends at Eliburn should be protected and cared for by the people who have worked hard to bring them all to these stages and happy levels of their lives. If you have a heart DO NOT CLOSE ELIBURN	Care for adults - day care provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. This consultation is the first stage of the process to enable the council to develop a five year plan. Detailed proposals will be worked up following the outcome of this consultation.

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14978	An employee of West Lothian Council	2c. Care for Adults	I am responding in regards to 2c (care for adults). Pathways has no room for 3 day services to be put into one building. The building is not big enough there is no facilities for storage of specialist equipment and the layout of the building is not fitted out properly for individual with a physical disability i.e. large wheelchairs couldn't get through the doorways. Bathrooms are not big enough for equipment. I believe it would be pathways service users that would miss out and have their day services cut. Criteria for places will be critical/ substantial where would the balance be. Pathways supports individual s who stay in there own house who would otherwise struggle i.e. contacting emergency services. They would end up isolated and homecare is not always reliable and falls through. We flag this up, people will end up more at risk pathways provides consistency, stability, support structure. Pathways provides education, new skills activities which stimulate clients purpose to there day. It gives people self worth, value, friendship is services not provide people will become isolated and more vulnerable. There will be an impact on young parents who work and elderly parents provides respite in these cases. Pathways provides keys to life - accessing community facilities, promoting health- healthy eating etc. Healthcare - physio- dentist optician and other health care professionals. You are totally undervaluing this service and underestimating all the staff working with this client group. Pathways has a waiting list and there is a need for this service and putting more centres together will put more pressure on facilitating the excellent standard of care being provided by the 3 centres at present and you are putting staff under pressure. I do not want this proposal to go ahead.	Care for adults - day care provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. This consultation is the first stage of the process to enable the council to develop a five year plan. Detailed proposals will be worked up following the outcome of this consultation.
14979	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	Perhaps greater use of volunteers is possible to reduce the impact. Livingston, while geographically central is not well connected to everywhere in the county.	Care for adults - day care provision	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
14980	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	West Lothian is the only council region in the whole of Scotland to have the ability to help people come to terms with living and managing life with disabilities. Which is a difficult thing to try and manage upon yourself. So without this centre a lot of helpless people will be left without any support! Which physically cannot happen if this wishes to be a great council. Now you wish to close this centre down? Why? Don't you give a shread of empathy to the disabled people that rely on the centre. Along with having the help and support to manage them through their drastically changed life! The service should be available all over Scotland! Not just West Lothian, to where it's under threat of being closed down! I physically will not see this service being closed down! You need to look at other avenues rather than targeting disabled people. Which is sickening. Is this the austerity from the Tories starting to happen and the ones to be affected are the ones who need help the most? It's sickening to see ideas put forward to close a much needed centre for disabled people! Please reverse this idea and safeguard the centre for years to come?	Care for adults - day care provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. This consultation is the first stage of the process to enable the council to develop a five year plan. Detailed proposals will be worked up following the outcome of this consultation.
14981	No Response	2c. Care for Adults	These choices can only be made on the basis of the packages available and it's impossible to comment without knowing what will be available. I do not support the integration of day care facilities into one location as it will inevitably result in a reduced uptake of the service. This may, in some cases, result in the person spending more time travelling to and from the transport than actually at the day centre.	Care for adults - day care provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. This consultation is the first stage of the process to enable the council to develop a five year plan. Detailed proposals will be worked up following the outcome of this consultation.
14982	An employee of West Lothian Council	2c. Care for Adults	Further information is required with regards to the day care facilities - would transport be available for all current users to access the new, consolidated centre and how would we ensure that increased transport costs wouldn't outweigh the savings made by closing the other existing centres? Also, would Pathways be able to cope with the increase in numbers?	Care for adults - day care provision	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. This consultation is the first stage of the process to enable the council to develop a five year plan. Detailed proposals will be worked up following the outcome of this consultation.
14983	An employee of West Lothian Council	2c. Care for Adults	Greater use of technology? What does this mean in this context? Are we going to have robot carers?	Care for adults - new technology	4. The council is already doing this.	The council already deploys technology as part of care and support packages where appropriate. Expanding the use of this to more people will help ensure that direct face to face client time is used to best effect.
14984	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	Technology again, more hollow words.	Care for adults - new technology	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council already deploys technology as part of care and support packages where appropriate. Expanding the use of this to more people will help ensure that direct face to face client time is used to best effect.

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14985	No Response	2c. Care for Adults	The Council should be very wary of replacing people with technology to care for disabled people in overnight stays etc. I can see this being the start of a very unwelcome slope, where the people who do not have a voice have other people's ideas forced upon them.	Care for adults - new technology	4. The council is already doing this.	The council already deploys technology as part of care and support packages where appropriate. Expanding the use of this to more people will help ensure that direct face to face client time is used to best effect.
14986	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	As with a few budget proposals, greater use of technology need not be seen as a start and stop project. It should be an integral part of our ongoing IT service to be aware of new technology as and when it's published and determining if the cost of installation, training and licenses etc will deliver savings.	Care for adults - new technology	4. The council is already doing this.	The council already deploys technology as part of care and support packages where appropriate. Expanding the use of this to more people will help ensure that direct face to face client time is used to best effect.
14987	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	You can't monitor supported accommodation in their communities by technology. The vulnerable person needs human contact. Even more so as they might suffer from exploration and bullying in their community.	Care for adults - new technology	4. The council is already doing this.	The council already deploys technology as part of care and support packages where appropriate. Expanding the use of this to more people will help ensure that direct face to face client time is used to best effect.
14988	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	The targetting of technology needs to be carefully assessed if difficulties that will cost more in the longer term are to be avoided.	Care for adults - new technology	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council already deploys technology as part of care and support packages where appropriate. Expanding the use of this to more people will help ensure that direct face to face client time is used to best effect.
14989	An employee of West Lothian Council	2c. Care for Adults	The use of technology is to be praised but is no substitute for the personal touch.	Care for adults - new technology	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council already deploys technology as part of care and support packages where appropriate. Expanding the use of this to more people will help ensure that direct face to face client time is used to best effect.
14990	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	Agreed - technology should be used to reduce the requirement for human interaction but still ensuring that adults receive appropriate care	Care for adults - new technology	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council already deploys technology as part of care and support packages where appropriate. Expanding the use of this to more people will help ensure that direct face to face client time is used to best effect.
14991	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	. The use of technology could suffice in many services.	Care for adults - new technology	4. The council is already doing this.	The council already deploys technology as part of care and support packages where appropriate. Expanding the use of this to more people will help ensure that direct face to face client time is used to best effect.
14992	An employee of West Lothian Council	2c. Care for Adults	Technology to help someone stay at home is fantastic but can equally be frightening too if it's not used properly.	Care for adults - new technology	4. The council is already doing this.	The council already deploys technology as part of care and support packages where appropriate. Expanding the use of this to more people will help ensure that direct face to face client time is used to best effect.
14993	No Response	2c. Care for Adults	I can't see how technology can help as it is not described here and certainly, as with most of this consultation, there is not enough information to make an informed comment.	Care for adults - new technology	4. The council is already doing this.	The council already deploys technology as part of care and support packages where appropriate. Expanding the use of this to more people will help ensure that direct face to face client time is used to best effect.
14994	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	Technology is not the answer to everything and is also quite expensive as if you are going to replace people with tech, you need to make sure that you keep that technology up to date.	Care for adults - new technology	4. The council is already doing this.	The council already deploys technology as part of care and support packages where appropriate. Expanding the use of this to more people will help ensure that direct face to face client time is used to best effect.
14995	No Response	2c. Care for Adults	There are significant health inequalities for this demographic population therefore some may not be able to use technology...	Care for adults - new technology	4. The council is already doing this.	The council already deploys technology as part of care and support packages where appropriate. Expanding the use of this to more people will help ensure that direct face to face client time is used to best effect.
14996	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	Technology is not always the answer. Too often Occupational Therapists are told about technology ideas and that the council is promoting them and they come and conduct assessments where they force these technologies upon people where they are clearly inappropriate but will not relent. It's as if they fear their jobs so will just shoehorn people into situations not appropriate for them. I have had numerous experiences of this.	Care for adults - new technology	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council deploys technology as part of care and support packages where this is appropriate.
14997	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	The technology being proposed is not adequate for this purpose and you are taking big risks with peoples lives	Care for adults - new technology	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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14998	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	Older people need contact not necessarily technology as they hate it	Care for adults - new technology	4. The council is already doing this.	The council already deploys technology as part of care and support packages where appropriate. Expanding the use of this to more people will help ensure that direct face to face client time is used to best effect.
14999	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	Possibly agree depends on users ability to use technology.	Care for adults - new technology	4. The council is already doing this.	The council already deploys technology as part of care and support packages where appropriate. Expanding the use of this to more people will help ensure that direct face to face client time is used to best effect.
15000	An employee of West Lothian Council	2c. Care for Adults	No place should close unless the replacement has everything to meet the persons needs. Places like the Ability Centre for example has what it was designed and built for to meet every ones needs and services.	Care for adults - new technology	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15001	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	Good ideas, technology must be used. Video, cctv, sensors adapted living	Care for adults - new technology	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15002	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	I am concerned that technology is seen as the way to save money.	Care for adults - new technology	4. The council is already doing this.	The council already deploys technology as part of care and support packages where appropriate. Expanding the use of this to more people will help ensure that direct face to face client time is used to best effect.
15003	No Response	2c. Care for Adults	Technology?/ How can this help in a situation where a person is needed - I really hope something disastrous doesn't happen to someone because of your cuts.	Care for adults - new technology	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council already deploys technology as part of care and support packages where appropriate. Expanding the use of this to more people will help ensure that direct face to face client time is used to best effect.
15004	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	God this tecyhnology is a wonderful thing the proposal the coucil is putting forward there will be no need for humans machines will do it all reminds me of the In the year 2525, maybe it's happened sooner	Care for adults - new technology	4. The council is already doing this.	The council already deploys technology as part of care and support packages where appropriate. Expanding the use of this to more people will help ensure that direct face to face client time is used to best effect.
15005	An employee of West Lothian Council	2c. Care for Adults	Technology is to be welcomed in this digital age but older clients can have difficulty with dexterity required for technology even if they are computer literate etc	Care for adults - new technology	4. The council is already doing this.	The council already deploys technology as part of care and support packages where appropriate. Expanding the use of this to more people will help ensure that direct face to face client time is used to best effect.
15006	An employee of West Lothian Council	2c. Care for Adults	Would agree, however, technology is an assistive system, should not be used to replace staff, but used as an enhancement.	Care for adults - new technology	4. The council is already doing this.	The council already deploys technology as part of care and support packages where appropriate. Expanding the use of this to more people will help ensure that direct face to face client time is used to best effect.
15007	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	technology does not compensate for social and hands on interaction and for instant help	Care for adults - new technology	4. The council is already doing this.	The council already deploys technology as part of care and support packages where appropriate. Expanding the use of this to more people will help ensure that direct face to face client time is used to best effect.
15008	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	New ways of working are vital, due to demograph changes. I have some ideas I am willing to share if you would like to hear about them. What are your plans for new sleepover models? Technology MUST be to the benefit of the individual being supported. Will actual human support be removed from people who are entitled to it now? No one should be frightened in their own home at night, due to support been withdrawn. I think that is cruel.	Care for adults - new technology	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15009	No Response	2c. Care for Adults	Agreed for some. Isolation is still a key problem and prevention would be better and this is not solved by technology. While technology is to be welcomed, sometimes older people are expected to access technology for many things where they can't do it and their dexterity is poor/ there seems to be little understanding of this. Obviously subsequent generations will be more technology able but they often can't see, hear or physically engage with these things.	Care for adults - new technology	4. The council is already doing this.	The council already deploys technology as part of care and support packages where appropriate. Expanding the use of this to more people will help ensure that direct face to face client time is used to best effect.
15010	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	Greater use of technology will not help people if they are ill or have a fall during the night. Real people are needed to support this.	Care for adults - new technology	4. The council is already doing this.	The council already deploys technology as part of care and support packages where appropriate. Expanding the use of this to more people will help ensure that direct face to face client time is used to best effect.

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15011	An employee of West Lothian Council	2c. Care for Adults	Again technology is mentioned - what does this actually mean?	Care for adults - new technology	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	The council already deploys technology as part of care and support packages where appropriate. Expanding the use of this to more people will help ensure that direct face to face client time is used to best effect.
15012	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	For greater use of technology, have you considered using mobile technology for keeping in touch with adults and older people. The use of tablets and laptop is very easy to operate and increases accessibility. Eg, using SKYPE to communicate remotely and in a regular basis allows everyone to be in frequent contact and promotes mental awareness. It is also free of charge for SKYPE.	Care for adults - new technology	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15013	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	Reading between the lines I see a greater use of technology in most of the thing said, will this not increase utilities too? I.e. Electricity	Care for adults - new technology	4. The council is already doing this.	The council already deploys technology as part of care and support packages where appropriate. Expanding the use of this to more people will help ensure that direct face to face client time is used to best effect.
15014	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	Technology wont provide respite for exhausted carers.	Care for adults - new technology	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council already deploys technology as part of care and support packages where appropriate. Expanding the use of this to more people will help ensure that direct face to face client time is used to best effect.
15015	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	Greater technology can help a bit.	Care for adults - new technology	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council already deploys technology as part of care and support packages where appropriate. Expanding the use of this to more people will help ensure that direct face to face client time is used to best effect.
15016	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	Use of technology is a good idea, however	Care for adults - new technology	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15017	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	I am unsure of the statement 'greater use of technology'. I don't think technology can replace a face to face with someone within the service. if we want to offer support and empathy to our adults requiring care, then we must do so appropriately in a way that does not leave them vulnerable.	Care for adults - new technology	4. The council is already doing this.	The council already deploys technology as part of care and support packages where appropriate. Expanding the use of this to more people will help ensure that direct face to face client time is used to best effect.
15018	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	Technology needs to be introduced slowly to ensure clients who are vulnerable to feel confident the technology is as responsive as a person. It does lack the human touch which some of these client groups need. A blended approach should be considered.	Care for adults - new technology	4. The council is already doing this.	The council already deploys technology as part of care and support packages where appropriate. Expanding the use of this to more people will help ensure that direct face to face client time is used to best effect.
15019	An employee of West Lothian Council	2c. Care for Adults	Presumably there is a concern that cutting resources to those not assessed as critical/substantial will simply result in such a lack of support to those people that they will very quickly fall into a critical/substantial need? This feels like it will boomerang straight back at the council. What improved technology are we talking about? Skype? Technology is not a substitute for actual human interaction. There must surely be great concern at increasing isolation in adults in need of support leading to more adults reaching the "critical/substantial" threshold. This seems to go against the council's aims of promoting equality and improving the lives of adults.	Care for adults - new technology	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. This consultation is the first stage of the process to enable the council to develop a five year plan. Detailed proposals will be worked up following the outcome of this consultation.
15020	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	Technology isnt what these people need they go for someone to chat to and get out	Care for adults - new technology	4. The council is already doing this.	The council already deploys technology as part of care and support packages where appropriate. Expanding the use of this to more people will help ensure that direct face to face client time is used to best effect.
15021	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	again not sure technology is the way to go	Care for adults - new technology	4. The council is already doing this.	The council already deploys technology as part of care and support packages where appropriate. Expanding the use of this to more people will help ensure that direct face to face client time is used to best effect.
15022	An employee of West Lothian Council	2c. Care for Adults	Again how can technology replace human attention and care?	Care for adults - new technology	4. The council is already doing this.	The council already deploys technology as part of care and support packages where appropriate. Expanding the use of this to more people will help ensure that direct face to face client time is used to best effect.
15023	An employee of West Lothian Council	2c. Care for Adults	Agree with use of technology and sharing resources.	Care for adults - new technology	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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15024	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	Very sad to think that our vulnerable and our elderly are going to be cared for by technology. People need contact.	Care for adults - new technology	4. The council is already doing this.	The council already deploys technology as part of care and support packages where appropriate. Expanding the use of this to more people will help ensure that direct face to face client time is used to best effect.
15025	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	It's people who provide successful support care at home and technology is no substitute for that.	Care for adults - new technology	4. The council is already doing this.	The council already deploys technology as part of care and support packages where appropriate. Expanding the use of this to more people will help ensure that direct face to face client time is used to best effect.
15026	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	I'm hesitant with increase in use of technology and how this would look if elderly were expected to use more techno as they have least experience with it in society and is harder for them to learn a new skill, also those with memory difficulties.	Care for adults - new technology	4. The council is already doing this.	The council already deploys technology as part of care and support packages where appropriate. Expanding the use of this to more people will help ensure that direct face to face client time is used to best effect.
15027	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	2c. Care for Adults	When implementing the use of technology careful attention of the ability of vulnerable and equality groups in particular to engage effectively. We would like to see Equality Impact Assessments being integrated to system and service changes which may impact directly with the groups that this covers. We do not believe we have the evidence, knowledge or experience of this area to be able to make a more informed comment on this proposal.	Care for adults - new technology	4. The council is already doing this.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. This consultation is the first stage of the process to enable the council to develop a five year plan. Detailed proposals will be worked up following the outcome of this consultation.
15028	An employee of West Lothian Council	2c. Care for Adults	I believe that greater use of technology is a good idea.	Care for adults - new technology	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15029	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	I do not see how increased use of technology will help caring of vulnerable, frail adults or those living alone.	Care for adults - new technology	4. The council is already doing this.	The council already deploys technology as part of care and support packages where appropriate. Expanding the use of this to more people will help ensure that direct face to face client time is used to best effect.
15030	An employee of West Lothian Council	2c. Care for Adults	As part of the digital age I do not see any issue with this as long as older people are able to access services/technologies as many older people are savvy with internet/online nowadays anyway	Care for adults - new technology	4. The council is already doing this.	The council already deploys technology as part of care and support packages where appropriate. Expanding the use of this to more people will help ensure that direct face to face client time is used to best effect.
15031	An employee of West Lothian Council	2c. Care for Adults	How is technology going to replace care for vulnerable individuals in community? I suggest those who created these proposals spend a day working with employees from these services to see the impact your proposals will have.	Care for adults - new technology	4. The council is already doing this.	The council already deploys technology as part of care and support packages where appropriate. Expanding the use of this to more people will help ensure that direct face to face client time is used to best effect.
15032	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	As 2 b. - Technology cannot help the elderly in the home when in crisis or simple needs help in everyday tasks i.e. personal hygiene.	Care for adults - new technology	4. The council is already doing this.	The council already deploys technology as part of care and support packages where appropriate. Expanding the use of this to more people will help ensure that direct face to face client time is used to best effect.
15033	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	Invest in front end services such as reablement services and technology which would hopefully reduce needs for longer term care at home services. For reablement to be effective service needs to be provided in the short window of time a hospital d/c patient or person starting to decline physically, rather than having waiting times of considerable weeks when rehabilitation is then unable to return person back to baseline but they then become reliant on long term care at home services at considerable expense.	Care for adults - new technology	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The Council is working with NHS Lothian on a wide reaching Frailty Programme to maximise patient pathways and redesign access to community based services
15034	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	Need to be increased not decreased / again what technology?	Care for adults - new technology	4. The council is already doing this.	The council already deploys technology as part of care and support packages where appropriate. Expanding the use of this to more people will help ensure that direct face to face client time is used to best effect.
15035	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	Try to care for those in need at home or in proper care homes. Technology cannot ever replace carers.	Care for adults - new technology	4. The council is already doing this.	The council already deploys technology as part of care and support packages where appropriate. Expanding the use of this to more people will help ensure that direct face to face client time is used to best effect.

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15036	An employee of West Lothian Council	2c. Care for Adults	Sharing resources with other providers is in theory a great idea as long as all organisations involved to do not prune services to a level where they can not cope with the total customers group	Care for adults - sharing resources and other providers	4. The council is already doing this.	The Health and Social Care joint strategic commissioning plans are about planning and delivering services and support for people. Through strategic needs assessments we can identify the needs of individuals and communities, enabling people to decide what will best address those needs, and through working together with agencies put the right services and support in place
15037	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	i don't agree with the downsizing to one location as the resources at each location vary / no one location could with even all resources available do everything / possibility of mobile resource centres	Care for adults - sharing resources and other providers	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your comment which will be considered as part of any service redesign
15038	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	I am completely against, and extremely concerned to hear the council are even considering consolidating 3 day centre provisions into only one at Pathways. I am fully aware that even currently the provision for vulnerable adults is sparse, and usually only on a part time basis, so I am certain that this change would further decrease the councils responsibility to provide support to the most vulnerable in our society. It would be against human decency, morality, and would be a further return to the victorian era, whereby disabled were locked away and unseen/unsupported. It would also but further untold burdens on families - we need support, and the fallout of this decision would be immense.	Care for adults - sharing resources and other providers	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your comment which will be considered as part of any service redesign
15039	An employee of West Lothian Council	2c. Care for Adults	Will this be physically possible? Is Pathways large enough to accommodate everyone?	Care for adults - sharing resources and other providers	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15040	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	Paying into private sector again which takes profit from wages actually paid to the people doing the work. Saving money by effectively undercutting wages of council employees.	Care for adults - sharing resources and other providers	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Health and Social Care joint strategic commissioning plans are about planning and delivering services and support for people. Through strategic needs assessments we can identify the needs of individuals and communities, enabling people to decide what will best address those needs, and through working together with agencies put the right services and support in place
15041	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	Would consider that these services are already being stretched. Better working with the private sector again would assist here e.g. finding a way for Bield Housing to maintain a working business model	Care for adults - sharing resources and other providers	4. The council is already doing this.	The proposal is to ensure that all externally commissioned services are also targeted to people with the highest level of need.
15042	An employee of West Lothian Council	2c. Care for Adults	The proposed merger of three care facilities to one at pathways does not seem viable. Even as a new building, Pathways is not fit for purpose for the care given by Eliburn Support Services. Eliburn requires 7, possibly 8, large(min 47 sq mts) base rooms. Each base room needs 2 PC rooms, (each min 9 sq mts). Eliburn also has a large (322 sq mts) hall for communal meals and for activities. In addition it also has large Jacuzzi in it's own room (32 sq mts). The physio room (38 sq mts) houses Tilt Tables, Standing frames and Maywalkers. The Sensory Room, which was financed by fund raising activities, is extremely popular, as is the Jacuzzi. As it stands, Pathways cannot provide any of these necessities. A large extension or massive internal reconstruction would be needed at Pathways to provide the needs of Eliburn. The biggest setback of the proposed merger would be to the Service User. Their care and enjoyment should not be diminished at any cost.	Care for adults - sharing resources and other providers	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. This consultation is the first stage of the process to enable the council to develop a five year plan. Detailed proposals will be worked up following the outcome of this consultation.

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15043	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	<p>I'm very disappointed in the council's decision to attack these care services to save money and I know there are a growing number of people becoming aware of this and I can assure you they are disgusted by it. I think it's important to understand why these Centres are so important as individual Centres specifically looking after the people they look after. The ability centre helps to rehabilitate people with brain injuries, strokes, degenerative illnesses like MS, Parkinson's and Huntington's. The list goes on. They have specialized equipment and have added over the years to the centre to provide the best care they possibly can. The other centre looking after adults with severe learning disabilities takes the strain off families looking after someone with learning disabilities. The clients have a much greater quality of life due to the activities and equipment available. This centre has been open for a number of years and I'm aware of fundraising taking place over the years to provide better facilities including a jacuzzi and sensory room. I note they also have a memorial garden for the many people who have passed away far too young. All the hard work put into building these Centres up will be lost and it will be a case of starting over. This affects everyone in the Centres care and the staff also. It is not acceptable to cram everyone in one building and for them to lose services so the council can save money as well as losing access to the equipment that improves their quality of life as well as therapeutic benefits. Not only will this affect the clients and families, but it will affect the staff. This no doubt will mean a cut in staff levels. Each centre is very specialized in the care they provide and if the staff has to cover vastly different areas of care this will affect the clients. In order to save the council money they are willing to ruin the lives of the clients, families and even the staff. I don't believe this will be intentional, but I do not believe enough research and investigation has gone into the planning. Especially, when I constantly see the council advertising spending millions on other areas. Maybe the council should consider cutting the levels they are spending on other areas and spend some of this area. I pray my family and no one else's families have to use these Centres in the future as it's every parent and families worst nightmare for something to happen to their loved ones. But, if these Centres exist it makes a huge difference if the unthinkable does happen.</p>	Care for adults - sharing resources and other providers	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	<p>Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted.</p> <p>This consultation is the first stage of the process to enable the council to develop a five year plan. Detailed proposals will be worked up following the outcome of this consultation.</p>
15044	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	<p>I'm very disappointed in the council's decision to attack these care services to save money and I know there are a growing number of people becoming aware of this and I can assure you they are disgusted by it. I think it's important to understand why these Centres are so important as individual Centres specifically looking after the people they look after. The ability centre helps to rehabilitate people with brain injuries, strokes, degenerative illnesses like MS, Parkinson's and Huntington's. The list goes on. They have specialized equipment and have added over the years to the centre to provide the best care they possibly can. The other centre looking after adults with severe learning disabilities takes the strain off families looking after someone with learning disabilities. The clients have a much greater quality of life due to the activities and equipment available. This centre has been open for a number of years and I'm aware of fundraising taking place over the years to provide better facilities including a jacuzzi and sensory room. I note they also have a memorial garden for the many people who have passed away far too young. All the hard work put into building these Centres up will be lost and it will be a case of starting over. This affects everyone in the Centres care and the staff also. It is not acceptable to cram everyone in one building and for them to lose services so the council can save money as well as losing access to the equipment that improves their quality of life as well as therapeutic benefits. Not only will this affect the clients and families, but it will affect the staff. This no doubt will mean a cut in staff levels. Each centre is very specialized in the care they provide and if the staff has to cover vastly different areas of care this will affect the clients. In order to save the council money they are willing to ruin the lives of the clients, families and even the staff. I don't believe this will be intentional, but I do not believe enough research and investigation has gone into the planning. Especially, when I constantly see the council advertising spending millions on other areas. Maybe the council should consider cutting the levels they are spending on other areas and spend some of this area. I pray my family and no one else's families have to use these Centres in the future as it's every parent and families worst nightmare for something to happen to their loved ones. But, if these Centres exist it makes a huge difference if the unthinkable does happen.</p>	Care for adults - sharing resources and other providers	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	<p>Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted.</p> <p>This consultation is the first stage of the process to enable the council to develop a five year plan. Detailed proposals will be worked up following the outcome of this consultation.</p>

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15045	No Response	2c. Care for Adults	I think due to this being the set up in the past elburn day centre and pathways joined together this was not feasible as there is a large difference in the needs between these day centres, one being complex health care needs and the other being more mainstream- lower needs. Also all the service users who have attended elburn day centre and the ability centre for years this will have a negative impact on their lives and their routines.	Care for adults - sharing resources and other providers	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. This consultation is the first stage of the process to enable the council to develop a five year plan. Detailed proposals will be worked up following the outcome of this consultation.
15046	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	Combining the day care facilities is a BAD idea! What about travel time and costs.	Care for adults - sharing resources and other providers	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. This consultation is the first stage of the process to enable the council to develop a five year plan. Detailed proposals will be worked up following the outcome of this consultation.
15047	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	Carers appointed from different care companies are already struggling to give their clients the support/time they require. Carers should be monitored - Ensuring they are meeting their clients needs and ongoing training is essential. I am speaking from my own experience - I have witnessed many unacceptable working/training practices.	Care for adults - sharing resources and other providers	4. The council is already doing this.	The Council is committed to ensure a strong governance framework is in place to make sure quality is at the heart of service delivery from external partners
15048	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	Funding third parties it is going to work out most expensive long term. This will become a monopoly for the few companies which could realistically provide care.	Care for adults - sharing resources and other providers	5b. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it is likely that the costs of this proposal would outweigh the benefit.	West Lothian has a proven track record of partnership working and would wish to build on this.
15049	No Response	2c. Care for Adults	Again this requires very carefull roll out. Seems the Council may loose some control and would require very stringent checks etc on the external partners used. As has been seen in the past, some of these services can become very poor when outsourced and vulnerable to further cuts in future.	Care for adults - sharing resources and other providers	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The Council is committed to ensure a strong governance framework is in place to make sure quality is at the heart of service delivery from external partners
15050	An employee of West Lothian Council	2c. Care for Adults	Working with other organisations is very important, as it talking to care workers as they may have ideas as to where time/money can be saved. Their should be a bottom up approach to problem solving.	Care for adults - sharing resources and other providers	4. The council is already doing this.	All stakeholders are being asked to participate in the consultation
15051	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	I think much better shared working between health and social care is essential. Understanding eg which residents require support on discharge from hospital, putting the support including technology in place to allow them to remain at home safely for longer is part of this. Likewise better working with third sector and families to fully assess requirements and how they can be provided is essential.	Care for adults - sharing resources and other providers	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The Council is working with NHS Lothian on a wide reaching Frailty Programme to maximise patient pathways and redesign access to community based services
15052	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	If you reduce support for the most vulnerable in the community then you will just have to spend more money somewhere done the line. Mental health issues are more likely to affect the disabled community and can be prevent by providing good support. Isolation and loneliness too can trigger health issues. People with complex disabilities can lead good lives with the right support. Contracting out to the voluntary sector needs an overhaul or something serious will happen. Again volunteers, real volunteers who want to give something back, should be organised and their skills used. Pathways, Eiburn and the Ability should not be closed. It would be the council just bunging all the disabled away in a building that's too small.	Care for adults - sharing resources and other providers	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15053	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	Self-directed support is good in principle. However, for people with the most complex/highest care needs it may be impossible to find any agency willing/able to provide a suitable service. Agencies cherry pick the "easier" cases, leaving the most vulnerable to find their own independent solutions. This is extremely stressful for families and could result in less robust arrangements. I am very concerned about the proposal to centralise adult day care services. This will mean losing specific services which have developed to meet the needs of clients and presumably will result in fewer days of provision for all users. The needs of the groups of service users at the 3 facilities are very different and these cannot all be met at Pathways. Highly trained and skilled staff care for adults with severe disabilities at Eliburn and this expertise will be lost with inevitable redundancies if services are centralised on one site. In some situations, these trained staff can prevent the need for hospital admissions, eg for people experiencing seizures. Eliburn employs specialist nursing and physiotherapy staff and hosts medical outpatient clinics. The on site catering staff can meet requirements for a range of personalised dietary needs. Some essential facilities there would be expensive to replicate in a new setting eg the multi sensory room and jacuzzi.	Care for adults - sharing resources and other providers	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. This consultation is the first stage of the process to enable the council to develop a five year plan. Detailed proposals will be worked up following the outcome of this consultation.

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15054	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	Losing places like Eliburn to merge with pathways is a disgrace obviously the council don't realise these are 3 completely different services which don't work well together never mind the building not being fit for purpose what re you thinking? These are vital services that Connor be cut !	Care for adults - sharing resources and other providers	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. This consultation is the first stage of the process to enable the council to develop a five year plan. Detailed proposals will be worked up following the outcome of this consultation.
15055	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	The worst proposal I've ever heard, Eliburn is a specialist service it is not suitable to be merged and it more certainly is not suitable to be merged with pathways. Where clients can be aggressive forceful and abusive, this would be a unsafe environment for people with complex needs who cannot protect themselves and cannot even say if they are afraid or feel they are endangered. It has a specialised staff team who know each client extremely well and provide a consistent approach which would not happen if a merge went ahead. It would also be extremely distressing to clients and would be a step back for them and the service. This is the council picking on the weakest in society	Care for adults - sharing resources and other providers	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. This consultation is the first stage of the process to enable the council to develop a five year plan. Detailed proposals will be worked up following the outcome of this consultation.
15056	An employee of West Lothian Council	2c. Care for Adults	These sites are here so ppl can get easy access to them. Moving them too one location doesn't seem fair as it will mean having to journey to new location don't understand sense in that	Care for adults - sharing resources and other providers	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. This consultation is the first stage of the process to enable the council to develop a five year plan. Detailed proposals will be worked up following the outcome of this consultation.
15057	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	Agreed - however, consideration should be given to centralising in other locations rather than always Livingston- eg Bathgate	Care for adults - sharing resources and other providers	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15058	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	Would a free bus be provided? Many of the people requiring these services do not have a car and cannot afford a taxi	Care for adults - sharing resources and other providers	5b. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it is likely that the costs of this proposal would outweigh the benefit.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15059	No Response	2c. Care for Adults	How are facilities from three different locations meant to fit into the one place? Apart from the difficulties getting from one town to another on West Lothian atrocious bus service. Also its not always suitable to lump all disabilities into the one place as they all have various different care needs. What are these "local solutions" mentioned? Are these the same local services that are getting cut? I seriously hope you are not suggesting that technology is used to look after disabled people in overnight respite instead of a human being.	Care for adults - sharing resources and other providers	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. This consultation is the first stage of the process to enable the council to develop a five year plan. Detailed proposals will be worked up following the outcome of this consultation.
15060	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	This move will disadvantage many users who are not able to get to Pathways, thus having a detrimental effect on their wellbeing.	Care for adults - sharing resources and other providers	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. This consultation is the first stage of the process to enable the council to develop a five year plan. Detailed proposals will be worked up following the outcome of this consultation.
15061	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	More private providers required into the framework to allow critical/substantial packages of care to be commissioned to allow people to be cared for at home rather than admit into permanent care or hospital at considerable extra costs.	Care for adults - sharing resources and other providers	4. The council is already doing this.	The proposal is to ensure that all externally commissioned services are also targeted to people with the highest level of need.
15062	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	Its a pity the council have to rely on so many outside providers of care and no longer invest in council staff to provide a lot of the care at home required.	Care for adults - sharing resources and other providers	5b. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it is likely that the costs of this proposal would outweigh the benefit.	The Council is committed to ensure a strong governance framework is in place to make sure quality is at the heart of service delivery from external partners
15063	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	More attention needs to be paid to the care firms providing care in the home to many with clients don't always get the time for their care plan. Care commission needs to support care companies more generously.	Care for adults - sharing resources and other providers	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council is committed to ensure a strong governance framework is in place to make sure quality is at the heart of service delivery from external partners
15064	No Response	2c. Care for Adults	My comment would be instead of using agency staff get more permanent staff at no extra cost agency staff budget must be phenomenal and if they had permanent staff residents at home's would recognise and trust the same people who care for them instead of all different people who they don't see from day to day ? .	Care for adults - sharing resources and other providers	5b. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it is likely that the costs of this proposal would outweigh the benefit.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15065	No Response	2c. Care for Adults	I feel that any changes to sleepover care can only be a good thing, especially if many places are beginning to move away from a set payment to an hourly rate - which will reduce how many support hours people get.	Care for adults - sleepover model	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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15066	No Response	2c. Care for Adults	Remove "sleepover" shifts currently being worked under a fixed nightly payment and redesign service to utilise Re-ablement or Crisis Care intervention over night.	Care for adults - sleepover model	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your comment which will be considered as part of any service redesign
15067	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	Sleepover need to be changed where and when possible, also paying for two night shifts and a sleep over and additional staff in a unit need to be looked at how long this has been sustained for already.	Care for adults - sleepover model	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15068	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	I would very much like more detailed info about what changes would actually look like - what does changes to the sleepover model mean in reality? What would be the actual difference as to what the provision looks like now? All very vague..More detail would mean more clarity and therefore better feedback on these proposals as a whole.	Care for adults - sleepover model	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15069	No Response	2c. Care for Adults	respite carers are few and far between in west Lothian but are a lot cheaper than council establishments, and a better service from experience, I feel the respite care package given to adults and their carers should either be increased and promoted or discontinued, again speaking from experience I have knowledge of this	Care for adults - sleepover model	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Criteria will be set within an assessment framework to ensure people's needs are assessed consistently and fairly
15070	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	Sleepover model is not always necessary.	Care for adults - sleepover model	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15071	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	Risky. Who monitors provision and what happens to vulnerable individuals who currently survive with the safety of a sleepover which prevents the requirement for residential care?	Care for adults - sleepover model	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposal is about introducing alternative models to provide sleepovers that could reduce cost whilst still making the service available to people who have been assessed as needing it
15072	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	Proposals to change the sleepover model is good.	Care for adults - sleepover model	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15073	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	What if the adults need someone to help them during the night?	Care for adults - sleepover model	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	The proposal is about introducing alternative models to provide sleepovers that could reduce cost whilst still making the service available to people who have been assessed as needing it
15074	No Response	2c. Care for Adults	Yes, agree and as I mentioned, sleepover models etc should be means tested.	Care for adults - sleepover model	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15075	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	Sleepover model? Reduced staff? Centralisation is not always a good idea	Care for adults - sleepover model	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Work will continue to focus on those who are most vulnerable and have additional needs.
15076	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	This is so wrong, a person who requires a sleepover person, in case they become unwell in their sleep. eg. If they have a heart attack, or stroke. They will not be capable or in a position to surf the internet or telephone to locate the help and assistance required. This is required urgently at the time, as this time factor could be the difference between life, disability and death.	Care for adults - sleepover model	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposal is to ensure that all externally commissioned services are also targeted to people with the highest level of need.
15077	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	Yes, agree and as I mentioned, sleepover models etc should be means tested.	Care for adults - sleepover model	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	There is a further proposal under Income and Concessions which considers how a contributions policy can be introduced subject to the financial assessment of affordability
15078	An employee of West Lothian Council	2c. Care for Adults	People come into care setting where there are sleepover staff available to give them a sense of security, taking away that service will ultimately increase costs through hospital admissions and increase the list for nursing home places, this approach has already been tried by other care providers in other local authorities and it doesn't work, leave sleepovers in place	Care for adults - sleepover model	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your comment which will be considered as part of any service redesign
15079	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	It is not clear what "changes to the sleepover model" means but it doesn't sound like something that would be welcome by those people who currently rely on it and therefore I would not support this.	Care for adults - sleepover model	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposal is to ensure that all externally commissioned services are also targeted to people with the highest level of need.
15080	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	I agree with supporting home care but have major concerns if this will result in a reduction in respite sleepovers to allow carers some time off, or council support for care homes. Once care/respite facilities are closed it is unlikely that they will be reopened. Also with many care homes closing the demands on home care will increase significantly. In addition, what day care facilities will close? Has a population dispersal analysis been performed that identifies the elderly in each of the geographic areas of the council?	Care for adults - sleepover model	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. This consultation is the first stage of the process to enable the council to develop a five year plan. Detailed proposals will be worked up following the outcome of this consultation.
15081	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	I'm also totally against the removal of sleepovers by care staff to be replaced with alarm systems. This does not help in emergencies when only someone in the building at the time could make the difference between life and death. Having a parent who works in this field has given an insight into this way of work.	Care for adults - sleepover model	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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15082	An employee of West Lothian Council	2c. Care for Adults	What changes to the sleepover model are proposed?	Care for adults - sleepover model	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. This consultation is the first stage of the process to enable the council to develop a five year plan. Detailed proposals will be worked up following the outcome of this consultation.
15083	An employee of West Lothian Council	2c. Care for Adults	Changes to sleepover changes will increase costs, if they are all to be paid hourly.	Care for adults - sleepover model	4. The council is already doing this.	Sleepovers are already paid at an hourly rate in line with employment legislation and the working time directives and the living wage
15084	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	Changes to the sleepover model are fraught with problems, one of them being the lack of human contact.	Care for adults - sleepover model	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15085	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	losing sleepovers would be a terrifying concept for some service users and their families. changing the model of this how?	Care for adults - sleepover model	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15086	An employee of West Lothian Council	2c. Care for Adults	Overnight supports around supported accommodation is important. In Older Adults Social Work Team we have many examples of clients who had to move into residential care with weekly costs upwards of Â£600 per week due to overnight support needs, whereby some would have managed in supported accommodation should they have had minimal overnight support needs.	Care for adults - sleepover model	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15087	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	Doing away with the sleepover model would be a big mistake. You need staff on site if there's any emergencies.	Care for adults - sleepover model	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	The council already deploys technology as part of care and support packages where appropriate. Expanding the use of this to more people will help ensure that direct face to face client time is used to best effect.
15088	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	Build more care homes and they can all be put in one place, don't reduce the amount of care given, older people don't generally ask for help if they don't need it.	Care for adults - supported accommodation	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15089	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	where is the supported accommodation that is suitable for a wide varied of individual needs?	Care for adults - supported accommodation	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your comment which will be considered as part of any service redesign
15090	An employee of West Lothian Council	2c. Care for Adults	Investment in local supported accommodation.	Care for adults - supported accommodation	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	We are working closely with Housing on new models of accommodation
15091	An employee of West Lothian Council	2c. Care for Adults	Supported accommodation is greatly needed for low level care and can be successfully used with technology. However support is still needed for dementia sufferers who cannot always safely use technology to access help.	Care for adults - supported accommodation	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your comment which will be considered as part of any service redesign
15092	An employee of West Lothian Council	2c. Care for Adults	I support the proposal to allow people to retain independence and remain in supported accommodation (as opposed to a care home) and would like to think this was already being done.	Care for adults - supported accommodation	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15093	No Response	2c. Care for Adults	I personally prefer caring for someone in their own community instead of residential care, getting neighbours, family and friends involved is a good community exercise.	Care for adults - supported accommodation	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15094	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	specialist supported accommodation for adults is needed. Care in the community is ok up to a point but surely it is more expensive on resources in the long run when some adults require heavy support.	Care for adults - supported accommodation	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your comment which will be considered as part of any service redesign
15095	No Response	2c. Care for Adults	I understand that Self-Directed Support is a term that describes the ways in which individuals and families can have an informed choice about the way support is provided to them. It is understood that this is going to be largely in their own homes. However my sister having looked after my elderly mother, with some support from me I recognise the importance of residential respite care to allow carers some time off. Once care facilities are closed it is unlikely that they will be reopened. Again the cost of care failure because the family just cannot go on will cost more in the long run.	Care for adults - supported accommodation	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Self directed support allows people to select the way they want their assessed needs to be met, with council run day care being only one option.

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15096	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	I agree with supporting "coat home care" but have major concerns if this will result in a reduction in respite sleepovers to allow carers some time off.	Care for adults - supported accommodation	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15097	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	You h'Ve been building houses to rent but no supported accommodation for the disabled young adults	Care for adults - supported accommodation	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Working in partnership with Housing Services new models of accommodation for disabled young adults have started to be developed in our communities
15098	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	The removal of residential facilities could prove to be a false economy as providing the required level of care for some individuals will be very expensive.	Care for adults - supported accommodation	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. This consultation is the first stage of the process to enable the council to develop a five year plan. Detailed proposals will be worked up following the outcome of this consultation.
15099	An employee of West Lothian Council	2c. Care for Adults	It is an excellent idea allowing people to stay in their own communities providing they are properly supported in doing so. Regular visits are a must.	Care for adults - supported accommodation	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15100	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	I first came to the ability centre, for an appointment with [REDACTED] before and on to work, team member. I never realised what an asset the centre is to the community. The light purpose built building with disabled access everywhere, but not in your face ment I quickly felt really secure there.	Care for adults - supported accommodation	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. This consultation is the first stage of the process to enable the council to develop a five year plan. Detailed proposals will be worked up following the outcome of this consultation.
15101	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	I do not support the closure of 2 services to merge with Pathways, The Ability centre is a valuable resource and closure would see vulnerable people isolated and homebound by no choice of their own, the council must celebrate the facility not close it.	Care for adults - supported accommodation	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. This consultation is the first stage of the process to enable the council to develop a five year plan. Detailed proposals will be worked up following the outcome of this consultation.
15102	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	2c. Care for Adults	As a specialist team we would question the validity of the estimated saving. We believe that the Pathways building will not be fit for purpose for the provision of care for wheelchair bound patients with complex special needs. On a practical level there is only one disabled toilet at Pathways while there are 14 disabled toilets at Eliburn. The rooms at Pathways are certainly not big enough for wheelchair users and specialist equipment which they use on a daily basis. This also involves the use of hoists which do not exist at Pathways. The building at Pathways can only legally accommodate 85 service users which will be half of the current number. We would also question the morality of closing a building where there is a garden of remembrance which parents and friends of deceased service users visit on a regular basis. We would therefore suggest that is service users are going to be combined into one building that Eliburn is a more suitable building with facilities tailor made for wheelchair patients and additional special needs.	Care for adults - supported accommodation	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. This consultation is the first stage of the process to enable the council to develop a five year plan. Detailed proposals will be worked up following the outcome of this consultation.
15103	No Response	2c. Care for Adults	The Ability Centre and Eliburn offer such a high quality and specialist service that it is vital they are kept in place. All that these services offer could not be replicated in the community. The closure would have an impact on families and the vulnerable adults themselves.	Care for adults - supported accommodation	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. This consultation is the first stage of the process to enable the council to develop a five year plan. Detailed proposals will be worked up following the outcome of this consultation.
15104	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	Supported accommodation in community and not residential is to be encouraged as far as you are able to support and resource.	Care for adults - supported accommodation	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15105	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	Self-directed support will only work if the social work works in conjunction with families and makes the care package easy to work. Too much time and money is wasted on social workers who don't do their jobs properly	Care for adults - supported accommodation	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15106	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	Council should focus on provision of support within the home.	Care for adults - supported accommodation	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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15107	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	Again if this is so fantastic why hasn't it been done before? Supported accommodation? What does that mean? If it is anything like the house which appeared overnight next door to me I'd strongly argue against it. The gent "placed" there was effectively left to get on with it, with the "support" only appearing when things went wrong. Police in the street constantly. I don't blame him I blame this sort of cost saving initiative. All it does is pass the cost to others e.g. Police and nhs, and the neighbours. I'm cutting grass sorting out bins etc as the guy hasn't any idea how to do that for himself. He has been dumped! Shocking social policy in action. Please don't do more if that and dress it up with words like those in your proposal.	Care for adults - supported accommodation	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. This consultation is the first stage of the process to enable the council to develop a five year plan. Detailed proposals will be worked up following the outcome of this consultation.
15108	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	Self directed support can be stressful and time consuming to organise and not everyone wants it. Supported accommodation sounds great in theory but itâ€™s not suitable for everyone and I would be surprised if it doesnâ€™t cost more money over a longer time period	Care for adults - supported accommodation	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15109	An employee of West Lothian Council	2c. Care for Adults	What local solutions will be developed? How will this be more cost effective?	Care for adults - supported accommodation	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. This consultation is the first stage of the process to enable the council to develop a five year plan. Detailed proposals will be worked up following the outcome of this consultation.
15110	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	2c. Care for Adults	This is a concern as some members of our council have personal experience of the early days of "care in the community" when mental health patients were moved from residential to supported and again not all of these are positive.	Care for adults - supported accommodation	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. This consultation is the first stage of the process to enable the council to develop a five year plan. Detailed proposals will be worked up following the outcome of this consultation.
15111	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	What is "supported accommodation" If homes with Warden certainly, but not the odd 10 minute visit from a care visitor.	Care for adults - supported accommodation	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15112	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	The removal of support to adults already vulnerable and needing support should be carefully considered. Removing elements of this support could ultimately end up with these individuals needing to access care through more expensive setting ie. Hospitals or residential care.	Care for adults - supported accommodation	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Work will continue to focus on those who are most vulnerable and have additional needs.
15113	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	I think that assessment thresholds need to be reviewed regularly to ensure that services are accessible particularly to vulnerable adults.	Care for adults (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Criteria will be set within an assessment framework to ensure people's needs are assessed consistently and fairly
15114	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	I hope this does not adversely affect adults needing care too much.	Care for adults (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Criteria will be set within an assessment framework to ensure people's needs are assessed consistently and fairly. Work will continue to focus on those who are most vulnerable and have additional needs.
15115	An employee of West Lothian Council	2c. Care for Adults	RECOMMEND A MOVE TO GENERIC COMMUNITY CARE SERVICES PROVISION. TO TRY AND ENSURE THAT UNDER IJB THE OPTIMAL SAVINGS IS MADE ON TRAVEL, DUPLICATION AND INTER AGENCY WORKING.	Care for adults (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	West Lothian has a proven track record of partnership working and would wish to build on this. Through integration it is expected that there would be less duplication and more streamlining of services.
15116	An employee of West Lothian Council	2c. Care for Adults	as above, older people can go days with any interaction with another human being. we are social animals and need interaction with others	Care for adults (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The approach is to encourage community capacity building and informal networks to ensure people remain connected with their local area
15117	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	process takes too long.	Care for adults (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	It is expected that by reducing waste in terms of duplication there will be economies to be made . This will allow more flexible working and opportunities to do things differently.
15118	An employee of West Lothian Council	2c. Care for Adults	Do not put the vulnerable at risk to save money.	Care for adults (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Criteria will be set within an assessment framework to ensure people's needs are assessed consistently and fairly. Work will continue to focus on those who are most vulnerable and have additional needs.

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15119	An employee of West Lothian Council	2c. Care for Adults	Social care services have to become much leaner and cost effective	Care for adults (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	West Lothian has a proven track record of partnership working and would wish to build on this. Through integration it is expected that there would be less duplication and more streamlining of services.
15120	An employee of West Lothian Council	2c. Care for Adults	Any changes that can streamline processes and make savings for the council must and should be pursued.	Care for adults (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	West Lothian has a proven track record of partnership working and would wish to build on this. Through integration it is expected that there would be less duplication and more streamlining of services.
15121	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	Consultation with charities is required in this area	Care for adults (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	All stakeholders are being asked to participate in the consultation
15122	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	Excellent, keep older people in their own homes for as long as they are able to look after themselves with day centres to allow them not to feel isolated in the community	Care for adults (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15123	An employee of West Lothian Council	2c. Care for Adults	I feel this needs proper assessment and discussion with service users and family's. I do not agree	Care for adults (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All stakeholders are being asked to participate in the consultation
15124	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	No people have different needs and need there own centres	Care for adults (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your comment which will be considered as part of any redesign of day care services
15125	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	closing down again	Care for adults (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15126	An employee of West Lothian Council	2c. Care for Adults	The Linlithgow Partnership Centre has just been refurbished at substantial cost, partly to accommodate the Linlithgow & District Community Day Centre. Do these proposals affect this?	Care for adults (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Community Day Centres are not currently included in the proposal
15127	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	If you are talking about disabled adults you should say so this is misleading. How many people know what 'Pathways in Livingston' is?? I don't.	Care for adults (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15128	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	Fab idea	Care for adults (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15129	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	I don't know much about this area but it does not sound like an area where cuts should be made.	Care for adults (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15130	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	Another attack on those most disadvantaged. These facilities were set up to provide direct support to not only those affected but their families too. The families depend on this support to continue.	Care for adults (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Any decision to rationalise day centres will be taken with usage and alternative options in mind.
15131	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	Sds does not work for everyone and this is not always a robust system and need a lot of commitment from parents and carers to support this.	Care for adults (general)	5a. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because the council is required by law to deliver this work.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15132	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	If more emphasis is to be placed on caring for people in their own homes rather than in established care homes it is important that the staff who are visiting and caring should have enough time to do a proper "caring job". A fleeting visit may be all that is needed but where the need is for longer time to be spent then that should be allowed for.	Care for adults (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The Council is committed to ensure a strong governance framework is in place to make sure quality is at the heart of service delivery from external partners
15133	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	day care facilities to close.... means a drop in evince .....someone will lose out	Care for adults (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15134	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	This is an essential service due to the number of elderly residents in West Lothian. Supporting independent living is critical for the wellbeing of the individual. I fully support care at home provision.	Care for adults (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15135	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	I believe that families who can afford it should be asked to financially contribute to care provided.	Care for adults (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	There is a further proposal under Income and Concessions which considers how a contributions policy can be introduced subject to the financial assessment of affordability
15136	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	I am unsure how this will save money as all these people still require care, wherever that care is provided.. Sale of land in Livingston is unlikely to raise 2.5 million pounds.	Care for adults (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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15137	An employee of West Lothian Council	2c. Care for Adults	The elderly and infirm must not be discriminated against and their care put in jeopardy.	Care for adults (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15138	An employee of West Lothian Council	2c. Care for Adults	Any changes must make sure that frontline service provision is not diluted. Again in this area there seems to be too many chiefs and not enough Indians. This not only reduces provision for those that need it the most, but can have a profound and life changing effect on individuals and their families. Any proposals in this area must be investigated thoroughly prior to any changes as the risks are too great to make a mess of this proposal.	Care for adults (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your comment which will be considered as part of any service redesign
15139	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	As , I said , before , it is imperative that the Ability Centre , in Carmondean , be kept open . It is not possible to combine people with physical disabilities with people with learning disabilities ! Myself , ██████████ have had some experience in this field !	Care for adults (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15140	No Response	2c. Care for Adults	I feel strongly that our disabled citizens should be the most protected when it comes to cuts.	Care for adults (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Work will continue to focus on those who are most vulnerable and have additional needs.
15141	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	Lumping people with a learning disability and a physical disability together in one resource is not acceptable to most people.	Care for adults (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15142	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	There are serious issues with transport for people with physical disabilities preventing access to community involvement.	Care for adults (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15143	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	See above. This is difficult, but the elderly needs to be the area where we look to save and invest this money into the younger people for the future.	Care for adults (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15144	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	Some people in receipt of services and care will struggle with this concept and are afraid that it will make them more vulnerable.	Care for adults (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Work will continue to focus on those who are most vulnerable and have additional needs.
15145	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	"...in their communities" Be careful you don't enter Mrs Thatcher's 'care in the community' model which was, in effect, meant 'abandoned in the community'.	Care for adults (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15146	An employee of West Lothian Council	2c. Care for Adults	Sounds like excellent changes to benefit adults who require care but can live independently with varying levels of support.	Care for adults (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15147	An employee of West Lothian Council	2c. Care for Adults	In relation to SDS, a huge amount of money is spent on transport. If the council put on transport, and even introduced subsidised charges, this would save a fortune.	Care for adults (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	There is a further proposal under Income and Concessions which considers how a contributions policy can be introduced subject to the financial assessment of affordability
15148	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	Love self directed support, as long as it is properly introduced	Care for adults (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15149	An employee of West Lothian Council	2c. Care for Adults	Again need to ensure the correct resources and services are in place to prevent further pressures on other service areas.	Care for adults (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your comment which will be considered as part of any service redesign
15150	No Response	2c. Care for Adults	People who receive High rate premium benefits should pay more towards their own care.	Care for adults (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	There is a further proposal under Income and Concessions which considers how a contributions policy can be introduced subject to the financial assessment of affordability
15151	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	Poor service currently and now poor changes proposed.	Care for adults (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15152	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	Where does mental health care fit into this?	Care for adults (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	The Health and Social Care joint strategic commissioning plans are about planning and delivering services and support for people. Through strategic needs assessments we can identify the needs of individuals and communities, enabling people to decide what will best address those needs, and through working together with agencies put the right services and support in place. This applies to mental health services as part of adults services.

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15153	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	What about services for individuals with mental health needs? Where are they to go? There is an extreme lack of provision for them currently and does not look like it is going to improve	Care for adults (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	The Health and Social Care joint strategic commissioning plans are about planning and delivering services and support for people. Through strategic needs assessments we can identify the needs of individuals and communities, enabling people to decide what will best address those needs, and through working together with agencies put the right services and support in place. This applies to mental health services as part of adults services.
15154	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	Centralised into a single location rather than losing the service is better.	Care for adults (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15155	No Response	2c. Care for Adults	I know about SDS but not sure how effective this has been . All for people having more control over their care but is this efficient and would there be fewer spaces for them in need .	Care for adults (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	The proposal aims to provide support in people's communities rather than in centralised buildings
15156	An employee of West Lothian Council	2c. Care for Adults	Reduce and remove anything which is not statutory.	Care for adults (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15157	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	As a user of the Ability Centre I absolutely do not agree with this saving proposal.	Care for adults (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15158	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	The service should be maintained and improved. I do not support this strategy.	Care for adults (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15159	An employee of West Lothian Council	2c. Care for Adults	Agree -and low and moderate should be provided with support to engage with more mainstream services taking a local area co-ordination approach-possibly re-provisioning day services to do this.	Care for adults (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your comment which will be considered as part of any service redesign
15160	An employee of West Lothian Council	2c. Care for Adults	Anything that makes life more community based must be better than institutionalised services.	Care for adults (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15161	No Response	2c. Care for Adults	can only be a good idea to look at a case by case basis rather than a blanket approach to all people in need of care.	Care for adults (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15162	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	Again rationalisation is OK but the question "why hasn't this already been done if it improves service delivery?" is valid. The Council should not be doing this purely to save money.	Care for adults (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15163	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	Again carers must be given enough care time for each individual.	Care for adults (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15164	An employee of West Lothian Council	2c. Care for Adults	Self directed support is good if people know what they need not just what they want.	Care for adults (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Criteria is set within an assessment framework to ensure people's needs are assessed consistently and fairly
15165	No Response	2c. Care for Adults	Maintain a good care system.	Care for adults (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15166	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	This would be ok as long as caring staff have been trained properly	Care for adults (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15167	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	Requires careful consideration regarding impact on people's lives.	Care for adults (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15168	No Response	2c. Care for Adults	You are not giving thought to the fact that you are putting learning disabled, special needs and adults with physical disabilities into the one building.	Care for adults (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your comment which will be considered as part of any service redesign
15169	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	this is an much use service	Care for adults (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15170	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	Some adults may not be able to self directed care so the whole care packages needs looked at	Care for adults (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15171	An employee of West Lothian Council	2c. Care for Adults	SDS seems very positive as it is clearly re-introducing an element of control which may have long since been missing from these people's lives. However, I wonder how closely is this monitored to ensure that what people 'want' is also what they 'need'.	Care for adults (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Criteria is set within an assessment framework to ensure people's needs are assessed consistently and fairly

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15172	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	There seems t be an onus on families taking more responsibility of the care of their elderly parents- now some can and do do this but other families need to work just to just make ends meet financially for themselves. Perhaps the short view taken previously to close the smaller community hospitals wasn't best thing to do.	Care for adults (general)	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15173	An employee of West Lothian Council	2c. Care for Adults	Not supporting those who need it the most is a despicable way to save money.	Care for adults (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Work will continue to focus on those who are most vulnerable and have additional needs.
15174	An employee of West Lothian Council	2c. Care for Adults	Change is something which vulnerable people find challenging at best and extremely distressing at worse.I have grave concerns about the potential health ramifications both physically and mentally on changes to this area of provision	Care for adults (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. This consultation is the first stage of the process to enable the council to develop a five year plan. Detailed proposals will be worked up following the outcome of this consultation.
15175	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	Sounds reasonable as long as no reduction in the numbers of people that can access the service is the result.	Care for adults (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15176	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	Self directed support - local government unable to do what they promised and offloading the problem onto others and reducing the funds available to do so. Quote ' Changes to the sleepover model, including greater use of technology and sharing resources with other providers, are also proposed.' Cutting back of what was already a cutback from people actually on waking duty night shift.	Care for adults (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Self directed support allows people to select the way they want their assessed needs to be met, with council run day care being only one option. There has been no cutback to people on waking night shifts to date.
15177	No Response	2c. Care for Adults	Disagree. This population have a high ratio of non engagement with services due to barriers to access services as reasonable adjustments are not made to support people accessing services. I do not agree with this proposal and have signed a petition to object to these changes.	Care for adults (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15178	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	Fails to address the failings in the existing national care Home contract, which unless funded to a higher level could see greater pressure on local services.	Care for adults (general)	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15179	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	Provided this will not affect those using the services either in how they get there or disorientating them too much with the change, it sounds sensible	Care for adults (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15180	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	This service should not be cut while other discretionary activities continue in the Council.	Care for adults (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15181	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	Care should be provided to those who need it. Means testing is all very well but will it affect the level of care a person gets?	Care for adults (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Criteria is set within an assessment framework to ensure people's needs are assessed consistently and fairly

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15182	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	2c. Care for Adults	Pathways facility is designed for those with learning disabilities, but does this facility meet the needs of those with other disabilities i.e. physical disabilities. Is there capacity at the Pathway building to accommodate all the groups who currently use the existing three facilities who currently deliver bespoke services. What does this saving mean? Again we have insufficient information relating to the specifics of this saving to make an informed decision on who this will affect and how. Has an equality impact assessment been completed for this saving? I currently volunteer at The Ability Centre and this allows me to contribute to the community and reduce my feelings of isolation. Have the users of each of the facilities been consulted so that you are aware of the benefits that these current services provide, equally are you aware of the negative impacts these closures could have on the groups and communities who currently use them. The Ability Centre has been under utilised in recent years due to the withdrawal of key services. When the facility first opened it was seen as a flagship facility and the council was praised for its forward thinking in terms of providing many bespoke services and general council services that catered for many groups within the same facility and also focused particularly on those with physical disabilities. Other local authorities visited the facility as an example of best practice and a model to follow. What are the local solutions you are considering and what consultation have you done to in relation to this. Young people transitioning into Adult Services - The manipulation of Self Directed Support is preventing people from accessing services that are in the community, but equally prevents me/us from accessing the particular care we need due to costs, we don't have a true choice in terms of the care I/we need. How are these savings going to help and support those transitioning into Adulthood considering the rise in people with additional support needs. If you decide to close the ability centre in its current form, would you consider using it as the community centre and close the current Carmondean community centre which is inaccessible.	Care for adults (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. This consultation is the first stage of the process to enable the council to develop a five year plan. Detailed proposals will be worked up following the outcome of this consultation.
15183	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	adults need protected not cut look at all your unit managers first and your manger to over see the manager	Care for adults (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted and will be considered as part of any change to management structures.
15184	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	That said any opportunities to make savings by sharing services with other Councils or 3rd parties should be explored, but the front-line services should not be reduced or diluted.	Care for adults (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your comment which will be considered as part of any service redesign
15185	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	Self directed council assessed support. It might work.	Care for adults (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15186	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	Will transport to day care facilities be provided if this is only going to be offered in Livingston? As one of the busiest towns in West Lothian, already hosting the local hospital, main council building and shopping areas, perhaps it would be wise to base this somewhere else if only to ease on traffic congestion and time.	Care for adults (general)	5b. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it is likely that the costs of this proposal would outweigh the benefit.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15187	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	SDS option 1 is being used across Scotland where council struggle to meet local need as well as by people who actively desire option (this is based on feedback from personal as well as professional networks) . Also SDS is about more than day care. I support more local options but what are these- are you looking at shared lives options whether that be about respite, practical and befriending help? How are you supporting the development of option 1 and 2 in a time of a home care recruitment crisis? Are you paying of an hourly rate that will attract people have worked in supermarkets . How might hours and staff be pooled in localities and shared with NHS community nurse ' teams to provide more seamless and less service siloed care? There is a Dutch model that seems quite successful and about to be piloted by the IJB in Aberdeen -this Guardian article gives good overview(https://www.theguardian.com/social-care-network/2017/may/09/buurtzorg-dutch-model-neighborhood-care).	Care for adults (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your comment which will be considered as part of any service redesign
15188	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	This must be made as individual as possible. Do not blanket conditions and tar all those with that with the one brush. Each person must be assessed and seen as an individual case.	Care for adults (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Criteria is set within an assessment framework to ensure people's needs are assessed consistently and fairly
15189	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	Our elderly have paid for and deserve the best of care from the local authority	Care for adults (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15190	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	Ensuring care providers have enough staff to cover the need of the adults i.e. staff only having a short time to put someone to bed or give them medication. In my view this can lead to older people being treated as a commodity and not as a human being and in some cases leading to medication not being administered or a person's personal care needs not being fully met.	Care for adults (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	The Council is committed to ensure a strong governance framework is in place to make sure quality is at the heart of service delivery from external partners

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15191	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	Be very wary of reducing direct care providers. Care is a basic need and efficiencies should be looked at in the higher echelons of management and worked from top to bottom as opposed from bottom to top. More boots on the ground are required, not less.	Care for adults (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted and will be considered as part of any change to management structures.
15192	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	Care should be required for vulnerable elderly tenants who need it. More and more younger people who have led abusive lifestyles and continue to do so are accessing services primarily designed for the elderly. These cases should be reviewed and more appropriate care settings provided. Those who can still work should not be in a care setting. If there is harassment issues local council housing officers should deal with it using an integrated approach with police and neighbourhood response.. Care cannot effectively be replaced by technology...or sub- standard care agencies.	Care for adults (general)	5c. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it is not consistent with the council's values and priorities.	We are required by law to cover work which some people may not agree with. In relation to integrated working West Lothian has a proven track record of partnership working and will continue to build on this.
15193	An employee of West Lothian Council	2c. Care for Adults	I don't think that a lot of these clients are capable of self directing their support.	Care for adults (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Self directed support enables people to direct their assessed eligible care from four options and people can elect for the council to arrange it on their behalf as one of the self-directed support options
15194	An employee of West Lothian Council	2c. Care for Adults	This all sounds so plausible, but in most cases the elderly enter full time care because part time care & family care has become impossible to meet their needs. What then??	Care for adults (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Work will continue to focus on those who are most vulnerable and have additional needs.
15195	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	Care for Adults Estimated Saving: Â£2.5 million The introduction of self-directed support, where individuals can make choices regarding their care packages, has seen a change in the nature of services requested. Incorporating the change in demand, there is a greater need for outreach interventions therefore it is proposed that day care facilities currently provided at three different locations are combined into one at Pathways, in Livingston. I do not understand why the vulnerable members of our society are left to try and cope on their own with NO help and NO support.	Care for adults (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. This consultation is the first stage of the process to enable the council to develop a five year plan. Detailed proposals will be worked up following the outcome of this consultation.
15196	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	Adults should be given the Care THEY ask for, however that can be achieved	Care for adults (general)	5a. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because the council is required by law to deliver this work.	Criteria is set within an assessment framework to ensure people's needs are assessed consistently and fairly
15197	An employee of West Lothian Council	2c. Care for Adults	More pro-active push of self-directed support should be facilitated. For the most part, it has been a positive policy development and can save the council money while provide higher levels of care and engagement for clients.	Care for adults (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	All clients who are assessed through community care services are offered options in how they wish any assessed eligible need met via the four self-directed support options
15198	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	More cut backs and redundancies	Care for adults (general)	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15199	An employee of West Lothian Council	2c. Care for Adults	SDS allows for more flexibility. There is a need for private agencies who work to a high standard and if this was to be used more flexibly they would need to be sought out.	Care for adults (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The Council is committed to ensure a strong governance framework is in place to make sure quality is at the heart of service delivery from external partners
15200	An employee of West Lothian Council	2c. Care for Adults	Not a great saving and I expect the cost will be passed on once again to the residents who can afford to pay. As noted before.... Personally I don't think there is enough funding to support the elderly in need of care and I hope this is not the same old story - means testing and the individuals who have worked to save for their old age end up paying for care and the individuals who have spend all their money get everything paid for them or for nothing.	Care for adults (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15201	An employee of West Lothian Council	2c. Care for Adults	Again I would emphasise the element of loneliness in this group and welcome these changes with the caveat that the holistic approach should be undertaken and ensure quality of usable service provision.	Care for adults (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The approach is to encourage community capacity building and informal networks to ensure people remain connected with their local area
15202	An employee of West Lothian Council	2c. Care for Adults	Providing social and emotional support through day care facilities is vital to the mental health well being of the elderly population.	Care for adults (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The approach is to encourage community capacity building and informal networks to ensure people remain connected with their local area
15203	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	It would have been helpful to have been presented with any evidence for these changes. As things stand it just looks like change for the sake of cost cutting.	Care for adults (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. This consultation is the first stage of the process to enable the council to develop a five year plan. Detailed proposals will be worked up following the outcome of this consultation.

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15204	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	makes good sense as long as support network is not diminished altogether	Care for adults (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The approach is to encourage community capacity building and informal networks to ensure people remain connected with their local area
15205	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	As long as the service provided is not compromise and technology is not used to cut staff then I have no objections to this.	Care for adults (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15206	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	Having supported my mother-in-law as she suffered from dementia I appreciate how the council services are vital in this regard. I wouldn't want any cuts made to this particular area. It's frightening to think what the future holds for other people needing social care.	Care for adults (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15207	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	I would have thought that Self Directed Support was in its infancy. The above feels wishful. Local solutions will be developed means you don't know how you will meet the savings targeted.	Care for adults (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. This consultation is the first stage of the process to enable the council to develop a five year plan. Detailed proposals will be worked up following the outcome of this consultation.
15208	An employee of West Lothian Council	2c. Care for Adults	Agree with this proposal though it would seem cruel that those that are most in need of support are having much valued services removed. I would rather see reductions in other areas.	Care for adults (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15209	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	The difficulty we have with care is that there is a huge initial cost to be able to provide all current services through council but due to the ever growing old and young population within West Lothian.	Care for adults (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15210	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	In theory this all seems positive however in these instances Council must be guided by the professionals at the "coalface".	Care for adults (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15211	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	Once care/respite facilities are closed it is unlikely that they will be reopened.	Care for adults (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. This consultation is the first stage of the process to enable the council to develop a five year plan. Detailed proposals will be worked up following the outcome of this consultation.
15212	No Response	2c. Care for Adults	Another service being reduced?? Have the number of people that require this service reduced this dramatically? Or will people now be forgotten?	Care for adults (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. This consultation is the first stage of the process to enable the council to develop a five year plan. Detailed proposals will be worked up following the outcome of this consultation.
15213	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	Does this mean disabled adults left to cope with increasingly short visits to ensure safety.	Care for adults (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Work will continue to focus on those who are most vulnerable and have additional needs.
15214	No Response	2c. Care for Adults	Choice obviously means additional cost, ask the Scottish government for more money!!	Care for adults (general)	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15215	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	As a parent of a child with severe disabilities I have always been saddened by the fact that ADULT provision of care has not kept pace with medical advances that allow children with severe and complex disabilities to live longer. For example my daughter currently attends Beattie School full time and receives [REDACTED] through NHS Lothian. When she reaches 18yo her full time educational placement will stop to be replaced by what we don't yet know. Also her paediatric residential respite place will be withdrawn. This will not only disadvantage my daughter socially - she is a very outgoing child who loves spending time with peers - but also in terms of the care that my husband and I, currently in our early forties, can provide at home. Adults with complex care needs need MORE not LESS social care provision: also their MEDICAL care needs will increase. Also I currently work part-time for WEST Lothian COUNCIL as a Pupil Support Worker, working largely one to one with a child with Attention Deficit Disorder. It is likely that I will have to leave my job when my daughter leaves full time education, taking my skills and experience with me, to the disadvantage of other children.	Care for adults (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. This consultation is the first stage of the process to enable the council to develop a five year plan. Detailed proposals will be worked up following the outcome of this consultation.

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15216	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	People still need support and I know people who have lost their jobs as a result!	Care for adults (general)	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15217	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	Care in own home is best	Care for adults (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15218	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	My daughter is [REDACTED], she is [REDACTED] and has a learning disability. She uses local services such as New Visions 2 days per week and a support worker from here also supports her to attend college. If this service was cut and she could no longer be supported then I would no longer be able to work to support my family. So any cuts in this area would have a significant negative impact to us.	Care for adults (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. This consultation is the first stage of the process to enable the council to develop a five year plan. Detailed proposals will be worked up following the outcome of this consultation.
15219	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	As we are currently struggling to support people in their own home just now I cannot see this as being a good strategy. The current service provider supporting my daughter regularly struggles with staffing issues. The quality of staff provided is poor and the management of the organisation is very inexperienced. We are currently waiting on another organisation to support her on a Sunday and have been since June without success. So I am astonished you think this is the answer. Self directed support may work for some but not all.	Care for adults (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. This consultation is the first stage of the process to enable the council to develop a five year plan. Detailed proposals will be worked up following the outcome of this consultation.
15220	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	If the individual understands where to get and what appropriate care is available. People need staff who are properly trained to help and advise them.	Care for adults (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15221	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	Should be streamlined where possible while maintaining standards.	Care for adults (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15222	An employee of West Lothian Council	2c. Care for Adults	Again there is also a need to focus on preventative measures - eg promote active aging and tackle the causes that could lead to age related conditions that require care provision.	Care for adults (general)	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15223	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	As above, Care Homes in West Lothian are closing down, they should be kept open and supported financially. Not everybody can stay in their own home and be supported. Many elderly need 24 hour care for the bathroom, washing and cleaning. Support in the home is usually a 15 minute visit, it's usually not enough. This Care for Adults has really got to be looked at in greater detail. Self directed support does not work all the time.	Care for adults (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. This consultation is the first stage of the process to enable the council to develop a five year plan. Detailed proposals will be worked up following the outcome of this consultation.
15224	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	Yet again a rethink is required when looking to the care services provided the required cuts. The impact of failures in the care provided to people with special needs is devastating.	Care for adults (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. This consultation is the first stage of the process to enable the council to develop a five year plan. Detailed proposals will be worked up following the outcome of this consultation.
15225	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	It's all good and well caring for older people within their own homes but carers are afforded so little time that a comprehensive service cannot be fulfilled.	Care for adults (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Criteria is set within an assessment framework to ensure people's needs are assessed consistently and fairly
15226	An employee of West Lothian Council	2c. Care for Adults	protecting vulnerable adults should be protected.	Care for adults (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Work will continue to focus on those who are most vulnerable and have additional needs.
15227	An employee of West Lothian Council	2c. Care for Adults	The companies who provide carers need to improve their services if this is to expand. Just now there is not enough carers, they get very poorly paid and can be working up to 90+ hours per week. For this to work care providers need to increase their wages to attract good reliable workers.	Care for adults (general)	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15228	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	West Lothian Council and NHS Lothian failed my mother-in-law during the last weeks of her life. Her discharge from hospital to spend her last weeks in her own home were delayed by the inability of the Council and the NHS to put in place a care package. We received a letter to confirm the care package the day after she died. I have very limited confidence in West Lothian Council to deliver care services.	Care for adults (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The respondent's experience is noted with regret. Ensuring that the right provision is available at the right time is a major priority for us. The Council and NHS Lothian have embarked on a wide reaching Frailty Programme to maximise patient pathways and redesign access to community based services with our care providers.

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15229	No Response	2c. Care for Adults	I am against cuts being made that affect adults with disabilities. They have already been dealt a poor hand and deserve the best help possible. I have a disabled son who is [REDACTED] and he has in the past enjoyed great service from the Council. When I speak to people from other areas they are impressed with the variety of help available. I think it would be a mistake to lump every person with a disability together in one centre, as if they were all the same. Everyone has individual needs and abilities and like different activities. My son has a service provided by the Inclusion Team based at Lister Road, Livingston which he attends 5 days a week. He depends on this Team for both his physical and mental wellbeing. He goes swimming, takes part in gym activities such as weight lifting, running machine, cycling machine etc. Because of his disability (balance, co-ordination) there is no way he could cycle or run on the open road. He goes out into the community and is taught the skills needed to cross the road, to buy items in a shop, handle money, self-travel, use a bank etc. Because of the client needs these skills have to be continually stressed and re-taught. The teaching is ongoing. I believe if the Inclusion Team Services were to be removed then my son and others would suffer both physical and mental set-backs if left to sit at home. Most parents have to work to support their families and would not be in a position to provide support during the day, or like myself are in their 70s and not able to be so active. Lack of physical activity and mental stimulation would lead to ill health and added stress on the NHS. On a personal note my son I believe deserves help from the community. In the past he was a member of the WRVS, and helped to deliver Meals on Wheels when they were delivered daily by car. He also pushed a WRVS trolley round St John's Hospital selling products to patients. He was not able to handle money, and only gave up this activity when the man he assisted had to give up due to ill health. He has been awarded his WRVS 10 year service medal. I believe people like my son deserve the appropriate help in the community and they are an easy target when looking for ways to save money. I would be pleased if you could look favourably on this appeal to save services to vulnerable people.	Care for adults (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. This consultation is the first stage of the process to enable the council to develop a five year plan. Detailed proposals will be worked up following the outcome of this consultation.
15230	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	Surely the most vulnerable group of citizens in our society are persons who through no fault of their own are born with severe and complex special needs, who are unable to fully express opinions and who will rely on 24/7 care throughout their lives. Our [REDACTED] daughter is one such citizen and since birth we have been very appreciative of the care provided by WLC through school years and onto residential placement. It would be our wish that this care is not compromised as financial pressures become increasingly challenging. It is therefore our hope that the Council will give us the comfort we seek as ageing parents in knowing our daughter is given every opportunity to live in a safe, comfortable and happy environment with the right level of support to allow her to flourish and develop her full potential. We're sure you will understand that this element of Social Care provision is very very close to our hearts and we will be watching developments closely on behalf of our special daughter.	Care for adults (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. This consultation is the first stage of the process to enable the council to develop a five year plan. Detailed proposals will be worked up following the outcome of this consultation.
15231	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	As 1A no actual measurement or definitive target. How will residents know when this is achieved? As 1A no actual measurement or definitive target. How will residents know when this is achieved?	Care for adults (general)	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15232	An employee of West Lothian Council	2c. Care for Adults	surely this will increase the need for vehicles for safe transport, maintenance, fuel, insurance and drivers so costs will change not decrease as these are ongoing and degenerative costs on the council likely to go up and now down	Care for adults (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. This consultation is the first stage of the process to enable the council to develop a five year plan. Detailed proposals will be worked up following the outcome of this consultation.
15233	An employee of West Lothian Council	2c. Care for Adults	Not sure that this is the best idea. To centralize a service can mean that those who do not have easy access to it (due to the location and their disabilities) can feel marginalised.	Care for adults (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. This consultation is the first stage of the process to enable the council to develop a five year plan. Detailed proposals will be worked up following the outcome of this consultation.

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15234	An employee of West Lothian Council	2c. Care for Adults	This will no doubt reduce the amount of clients getting support and cut staffing levels. There is not enough information provided on this statement, but further investigation and research should take place to see what each centre provides and the affects of moving them into one building. I don't believe this is the answer and people will lose facilities that make a huge difference to their lives. Care is important and if Council tax needs to be raised to help the funds for this then it should be. It would not need to be raised very much to cover 2.5 million given the amount of properties in West Lothian.	Care for adults (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. This consultation is the first stage of the process to enable the council to develop a five year plan. Detailed proposals will be worked up following the outcome of this consultation.
15235	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	Again need to ensure any decisions made does not impact om the elderly/care packages	Care for adults (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15236	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	This service is already under strain . Doubtful that significant savings is possible.	Care for adults (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15237	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	I would like to see the top 3 items/specific deliverables that contribute to this redesign.	Care for adults (general)	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. This consultation is the first stage of the process to enable the council to develop a five year plan. Detailed proposals will be worked up following the outcome of this consultation.
15238	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	2c. Care for Adults	More detail required. Loneliness is a major issue for the elderly and other isolated and disadvantaged groups. The TUS are concerned that this will impact on some of the most vulnerable in society.	Care for adults (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The approach is to encourage community capacity building and informal networks to ensure people remain connected with their local area
15239	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	Please publish these proposals.	Care for adults (general)	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. This consultation is the first stage of the process to enable the council to develop a five year plan. Detailed proposals will be worked up following the outcome of this consultation.
15240	No Response	2c. Care for Adults	Maybe need to make your services ready to read online so people have an idea of services supplied because it doesn't seem very clear what they are unless you are already in the know. And not to many people would go into the council and ask	Care for adults (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15241	An employee of West Lothian Council	2c. Care for Adults	Happy with this proposal but again individuals whom had a higher level of support would perhaps feel vungerable initially at least.....	Care for adults (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your comments which have been noted. This consultation is the first stage of the process to enable the council to develop a five year plan. Detailed proposals will be worked up following the outcome of this consultation.
15242	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	I think every opportunity should be taken to encourage people to responsibility fir themselves. We do not want to be taking over the running of lives , but rather support families who try to be independent.	Care for adults (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15243	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	Happy to rationalise services. However would ask that the remaining service provision doesn't always need to be in Livingston.	Care for adults (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15244	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	I believe that adults only need Care if they are mentally or physically disabled or is in need of Care in the ealderly	Care for adults (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15245	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	Again staffing important.	Care for adults (general)	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15246	An employee of West Lothian Council	2c. Care for Adults	Families should be encouraged to care for their own families wherever possible. Although this is not always an option due to complex care needs, families need to be actively encouraged to care for their own adult family members.	Care for adults (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15247	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	Not sure everyone can self direct and self support even with some intervention and support.	Care for adults (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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15248	An employee of West Lothian Council	2c. Care for Adults	I believe there could be lots of small changes made to accumulate on an overall large saving	Care for adults (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15249	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	After the first sentence I don't even understand this, yet I know it is relevant to me. I would think self directed support is maybe less expensive than what came before as it is more tailored to requirements? Maybe does not need expensive buildings and transport and more trained staff to simply watch over the person requiring care, allowing their carer to improve their own health. Perhaps.	Care for adults (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15250	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	I agree with supporting "at home care" but have significant concerns this could result in reduction of respite sleepovers to allow carers some time off. Further, once care and/or respite facilities are closed it is unlikely they would be reopened.	Care for adults (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15251	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	2c. Care for Adults	Again, concerned about the impact on carers as stated in 2(b).	Care for adults (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15252	An employee of West Lothian Council	2c. Care for Adults	Seems reasonable. However, the council must do a scoping exercise to make sure that community groups currently using the ability centre are transferred to Pathways also. I.e. West Lothian Disability Club	Care for adults (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15253	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	Self directed support is not for everyone and sometimes it is simply the safety aspect of a service that people want.	Care for adults (general)	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15254	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	I would agree there is a greater need for outreach interventions, but concerned about the impact on those services users and their carers who benefit from the supported provided through Day Care. Any estimated cuts will need to take into account the new Carers Act, and the support offered to carers and other significant people.	Care for adults (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your comments which have been noted. This consultation is the first stage of the process to enable the council to develop a five year plan. Detailed proposals will be worked up following the outcome of this consultation.
15255	An employee of West Lothian Council	2c. Care for Adults	This may have a huge impact on people living in more remote areas of West Lothian where the public transport services are limited e.g. Bridgend.	Care for adults (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. This consultation is the first stage of the process to enable the council to develop a five year plan. Detailed proposals will be worked up following the outcome of this consultation.
15256	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	Community Councils might take a greater role in this.	Care for adults (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15257	No Response	2c. Care for Adults	This is an area that should be developed. Providing support in communities is one that "d support.	Care for adults (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15258	No Response	2c. Care for Adults	I think that this is going to cause mayhem and unrest, particularly once again to most vulnerable residents in West Lothian. I think individuals making choices on their own care packages is a fabulous idea. On the contrary if demands for outreach services has a greater need it does not make sense to pull all provisions together (no doubt somewhere in Livingston) - where once again vulnerable adults / older people will have longer, more frustrating days with extending travelling time etc. Lets face it the people who use these services deserve to have a local welcoming service, potentially with integration opportunities as opposed to pulling them altogether - this has the potential to incur a number of challenging behaviour as well as disengaging from current services.	Care for adults (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. This consultation is the first stage of the process to enable the council to develop a five year plan. Detailed proposals will be worked up following the outcome of this consultation.
15259	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	Statutory services should be provided.	Care for adults (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15260	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	Local solutions good - but require proper funding. Look what happened when long term residents were released from mental institutions into the community in the 80s without proper provision.	Care for adults (general)	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15261	An employee of West Lothian Council	2c. Care for Adults	I agree with the proposal subject to it being undertaken on a risk based approach and families having adequate capacity to cope with full time care of a dependant.	Care for adults (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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15262	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	As above. A public consultation is needed here specifically to discuss these proposals. Having cameras in place of carers is likely to result in vulnerable persons facing further isolation.	Care for adults (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	All stakeholders are being asked to participate in the consultation
15263	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	2c. Care for Adults	Who has the council consulted with in relation to the proposals? Specialist services? Staff from the services affected? Do the council realise the stress that they are putting parents/carers and the clients through. How their disabilities can make them less able to cope with stress and the impact this has on a family trying to cope with day-to-day living. Shutting services down has impact on client and family members. Detrimental on people mental and physical health. What about the council's duty of care are they adhering to legislation in relation to these changes? Concerns around the capacity of Pathways (Quigley House)? Registered with Care Inspectorate for 85 persons per day. Amalgamating the services would take it above this threshold. Has health and safety been considered/looked at in respect to people with disabilities and the equipment used by them in relation to the amalgamating services. In relation to the current proposals what plan is there for staff provision, as this is already stretched? Comment: Quality of care provided by Third Sector Organisations is poor in relation to the service provided by council social care services. They don't have as much training and don't adhere to policies and procedures as fully as the council services do. Making people's choice of support harder knowing that they won't receive such a good service from these other organisations. Feeling that the consultation is a rubber-stamping exercise a plan is in place already to close day care facilities and amalgamate them. Different support services provide a specialist service, along with specialist staff. Putting all the disabled people together this will be lost. Lack of consultation within the disabled community before consultation paper has been distributed clients, carers and professionals. Lack of details in consultation paper to make comments. Would like to speak with local councillors, for them to come and speak with us. Questions around why the consultation is focusing around disabled people who are always targeted, and are vulnerable and need support. What about the current respite provision for Adults is it likely to change? They need to manage their money better to stop refurbishing buildings and amalgamating services and just renovate the current buildings services are in. Who has come up with the proposals? Do they have democratic authority to propose consultation? When will we find out the response to the consultation? How long do we have to wait? When is the next public consultation to discuss this, as there hasn't been any so far?	Care for adults (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. This consultation is the first stage of the process to enable the council to develop a five year plan. Detailed proposals will be worked up following the outcome of this consultation.
15264	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	The focus should be totally on providing support to allow older people to maintain their independence and not having to go into care homes unless unavoidable.	Care for adults (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	Work will continue to focus on those who are most vulnerable and have additional needs.
15265	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	The need for specialised care is bound to increase and people would be happier to live at home with assistance.	Care for adults (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15266	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	Pay carers more money for the difficult emotional and physical work they do.	Care for adults (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15267	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	Has there been an Equality Impact Assessment carried out on the impact of these proposals as the council has an Equality Duty to undertake EIA's when making an change in policy in relation to people with a disability?	Care for adults (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. This consultation is the first stage of the process to enable the council to develop a five year plan. Detailed proposals will be worked up following the outcome of this consultation.
15268	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	2c Absolutely opposed to self directed support care packages. this has been a disaster for many people and local authorities in England. Clients can not procure services from care companies as it is not financially positive for care companies. Care companies are often taking on care if it is lucrative and self directed support care packages can not pay for expensive care services.	Care for adults (general)	5a. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because the council is required by law to deliver this work.	Self directed support gives people choice in how they wish their eligible assessed needs to be met. Services are commissioned by the local authority to meet the needs of people who elect to choose the option for council arranged services
15269	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	Why have you been wasting so much of our money up to this point?	Care for adults (general)	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15270	An employee of West Lothian Council	2c. Care for Adults	Contracts should be managed effectively to ensure that purchased services are delivered appropriately and meet the needs of service users. When designing contracts the advice of support services should be considered. Due to self directed support, it is difficult to see how the council can guarantee the volume of care services which will be purchased. What support will be given to providers?	Care for adults (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	The Council is committed to ensure a strong governance framework is in place to make sure quality is at the heart of service delivery from external partners

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15271	An employee of West Lothian Council	2c. Care for Adults	More needs to be done for adults with ASN/disabilities and elderly adults. If external funding is reduced the level of services available will also be limited as partners who receive external funding will have to reduce services also again putting further pressure on families/carers.	Care for adults (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposal is to ensure that all externally commissioned services are also targeted to people with the highest level of need.
15272	An employee of West Lothian Council	2c. Care for Adults	How many people have actually opted for SDS? Support is crucial for families caring for the elderly and most vulnerable in our society	Care for adults (general)	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Self directed support gives people choice in how they wish their eligible assessed needs to be met. Services are commissioned by the local authority to meet the needs of people who elect to choose the option for council arranged services
15273	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	Individuals who make choices regarding their care packages should be guided.	Care for adults (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	Self directed support gives people choice in how they wish their eligible assessed needs to be met
15274	An employee of West Lothian Council	2c. Care for Adults	Also, it may be useful for the Council to review the costs charged by outside agencies, as many are claiming to be specialist and are therefore charging a significantly higher cost per hour, therefore using up SDS budgets in an inefficient way.	Care for adults (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	The Council is committed to ensure a strong governance framework is in place to make sure quality is at the heart of service delivery from external partners
15275	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	There are lots of great staff on the ground but the organisation and management in care needs a complete review/ restructure and bring in some business minds. It would be good to have a full breakdown of how the money is spent in care.	Care for adults (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15276	An employee of West Lothian Council	2c. Care for Adults	Council should prioritise better on the needs of people within the community that need support and services more	Care for adults (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Work will continue to focus on those who are most vulnerable and have additional needs.
15277	An employee of West Lothian Council	2c. Care for Adults	It is the most vulnerable members of our society potentially affected by these proposals and not clear what is meant by 'local solutions'. One size fits all is often not appropriate for all adults with specific care needs and any solution needs to take cognisance of what is in best interest of person with needs and their families	Care for adults (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. This consultation is the first stage of the process to enable the council to develop a five year plan. Detailed proposals will be worked up following the outcome of this consultation.
15278	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	Equality Impact Assessment Cost savings seem to be prioritised over the needs of individuals and families that ARE VULNERABLE AND NEED HELP	Care for adults (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. This consultation is the first stage of the process to enable the council to develop a five year plan. Detailed proposals will be worked up following the outcome of this consultation.
15279	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	As long as self support doesn't mean no support that sounds fine.	Care for adults (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15280	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	Home support reduces the cost of care in institutions and should be given greater thought	Care for adults (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15281	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	As above and do the people fully understand the choices they have to make.	Care for adults (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	Self directed support gives people choice in how they wish their eligible assessed needs to be met
15282	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	As above - lets have a root and branch review of the service and delivery. It isn't necessary to increase costs when efficiencies can be identified. A business approach is what is needed to ensure the correct spending on items needed is controlled.	Care for adults (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15283	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	As long as people are safe and adequately cared for it makes sense	Care for adults (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15284	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	2c. Care for Adults	As above, care costs are expensive but streamlining cannot result in poorer care. Care workers are often some of our lowest paid, sometimes resulting in poor care standards. Robust quality standards need to be in place to ensure care quality is high.	Care for adults (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	The Council is committed to ensure a strong governance framework is in place to make sure quality is at the heart of service delivery from external partners
15285	No Response	2c. Care for Adults	The new framework is leaving vulnerable people without support for prior to a provider picking up the package of care. This is an other incident of situations resulting in crisis and costing more money.	Care for adults (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Criteria is set within an assessment framework to ensure people's needs are assessed consistently and fairly. Work will continue to focus on those who are most vulnerable and have additional needs.
15286	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	Livingston is not the centre of the world of West Lothian! Central government is following a strategy of de-centralisation. Local councils should do likewise in order to spread the working opportunities for its population throughout its area of responsibilities. Linlithgow has been targeted by West Lothian Council for many years with extensive tranches of services 'combined or transferred' to Livingston. This does not make for happy 'inclusive' communities in West Lothian.	Care for adults (general)	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	The three day care centres are all currently in Livingston

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15287	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	Look at what other areas have done	Care for adults (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15288	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	2c. Care for Adults	This is a very contentious issue and by closing down services or locations West Lothian council run the risk of alienating venerable members in the community from interacting with similar like minded people and potentially making them more housebound. There is no guarantee that these vulnerable people will use or have at their use public transport to allow them to attend pathways.	Care for adults (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. This consultation is the first stage of the process to enable the council to develop a five year plan. Detailed proposals will be worked up following the outcome of this consultation.
15289	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	2c. Care for Adults	Re: West Lothian "transforming your council" Consultation (as outlined in WLC Bulletin Paper Issue 83). At an ██████████ ██████████ Pathways/Quigley House, 8th November 2017, it was unanimously decided, by those attending, that a statement be made vigorously opposing proposed changes as described in 2c: Care of Adults, particularly the potential amalgamation of three facilities (Pathways, Eliburn and Ability Centre) into Pathways. It is known from the experience of the attendees that these 3 centres are the result of previous optimisation/amalgamation/cost-cutting exercises by WLC, with the likes of Clarendon and Blackburn closed and disposed of. It is to the dismay of the group that the most vulnerable adults be targeted once again, and so soon, with the resultant anxiety and uncertainty for service users, parent-carers and, not least, the hard-working, caring and dedicated council employees, and associates, the Pathways community rely on. The group were staggered to learn that no attempt appears to have been made by WLC, in preparing these proposals, to engage with the expertise of the Pathways community and stakeholders. It is not apparent, from the inadequate detail and form of the consultation, if there has been any expert rationale or input to, what the attendees considered to be, this totally unacceptable and unworkable proposal. Or, indeed, who in the council is responsible for it. So, it is suggested that the whole process be withdrawn or, at least, halted until the council fully explain their reasoning to the whole Pathways community with their support professionals. Finally, this "Pathways" group statement should be considered along with any submissions and petitions from the other centres' service users and communities, who, due to the imposed and limited consultation timescales, have not yet been engaged by the Pathways community.	Care for adults (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. This consultation is the first stage of the process to enable the council to develop a five year plan. Detailed proposals will be worked up following the outcome of this consultation.
15290	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	Don't know. So complicated - a maze of people out there. How can you self direct without support. The vulnerable people of today will end up more vulnerable.	Care for adults (general)	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Self directed support gives people choice in how they wish their eligible assessed needs to be met and does not relate to any one specific service
15291	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	Again Money is continually wasted on the elderly, i fully support that this service should be targeted and savings made	Care for adults (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Work will continue to focus on those who are most vulnerable and have additional needs.
15292	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	Fine with this, but need to protect the most vulnerable people	Care for adults (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Work will continue to focus on those who are most vulnerable and have additional needs.
15293	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	2c. Care for Adults	Agree where this meets the needs of the individual	Care for adults (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15294	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	2c. Care for Adults	Has an equality impact assessment been carried out for each of the budget proposals? It is essential that this is done at the earliest opportunity in order to assess what the impact will be on those in the protected characteristics groups and those already experiencing disadvantage.	Care for adults (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. This consultation is the first stage of the process to enable the council to develop a five year plan. Detailed proposals will be worked up following the outcome of this consultation.
15295	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	SDS correctly focuses on choice and control by the supported individual regarding how, where and by whom the support they require is delivered. However given the reduced resource available to WLC to deliver this support, there must be a more 'adult' conversation between council staff and the supported individual to priorities need within the available resources.	Care for adults (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Criteria is set within an assessment framework to ensure people's needs are assessed consistently and fairly
15296	An employee of West Lothian Council	2c. Care for Adults	The Council has a duty to care for our most vulnerable. These decisions will cause serious consequences	Care for adults (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	Criteria is set within an assessment framework to ensure people's needs are assessed consistently and fairly. Work will continue to focus on those who are most vulnerable and have additional needs.

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15297	An employee of West Lothian Council	2c. Care for Adults	I think we shouldn't be outsourcing this as I feel this would exceed costs, this needs to be centralized into something West Lothian Council Based.	Care for adults (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	West Lothian has a proven track record of partnership working and would wish to build on this.
15298	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	It would be good to see what the 'local solutions' are - they might be worse than current day care?	Care for adults (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	Supported accommodation models where people have their own tenancy
15299	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	This is one of the bones of contention I have heard about and very few people believe it is a good move so would oppose it on the basis of causing hardship for the people involved. Again perhaps better budgeting in the past would have served better.	Care for adults (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15300	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	As above comment. Lets hope the Quality of care is still provided.	Care for adults (general)	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. The Council is committed to ensure a strong governance framework is in place to make sure quality is at the heart of service delivery.
15301	An employee of West Lothian Council	2c. Care for Adults	Whilst the introduction of self-directed support has indeed led to greater choice and requests for a wider range of support, it has not replaced the need for people to have local services and supports to choose from - it is perhaps more appropriate to consider whether or not service re-design rather than closure may be more appropriate with people contributing towards the cost of the service following the introduction of the proposed contributions policy.	Care for adults (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. This consultation is the first stage of the process to enable the council to develop a five year plan. Detailed proposals will be worked up following the outcome of this consultation.
15302	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	I know savings are needed but support is still needed in this area.	Care for adults (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15303	An employee of West Lothian Council	2c. Care for Adults	It is imperative that consideration is given to ensuring a sensible approach, in terms of recognising the importance of low level/preventative services, which will reduce costs in the long-term.	Care for adults (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Work will continue to focus on those who are most vulnerable and have additional needs.
15304	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	I think this will only work if you have the staff to carry out the outreach interventions. I think more detail on how this will work is needed before a reasoned comment can be made	Care for adults (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. This consultation is the first stage of the process to enable the council to develop a five year plan. Detailed proposals will be worked up following the outcome of this consultation.
15305	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	Outreach' to me sounds like an increased cost to the Council over carrying it out in-house. Is it possible to have an in-house team that can carry out this service?	Care for adults (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. This consultation is the first stage of the process to enable the council to develop a five year plan. Detailed proposals will be worked up following the outcome of this consultation.
15306	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	There is not currently sufficient supported residential accommodation for the young disabled with complex care needs. In these circumstances the council should make use of external residential facilities, rather than leaving residents of west Lothian at home in unsafe/unsupported conditions.	Care for adults (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your comments which have been noted. This consultation is the first stage of the process to enable the council to develop a five year plan. Detailed proposals will be worked up following the outcome of this consultation.
15307	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	I feel that this very important. I feel that more should be done for older people.	Care for adults (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15308	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	2c. Care for Adults	We understand that Self-Directed Support is a term that describes the ways in which individuals and families can have an informed choice about the way support is provided to them. It is understood that this is going to be largely in their own home. However we have major concerns if this will result in a reduction in respite sleepovers to allow carers some time off. Once care/respite facilities are closed it is unlikely they will be reopened.	Care for adults (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. This consultation is the first stage of the process to enable the council to develop a five year plan. Detailed proposals will be worked up following the outcome of this consultation.

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15309	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	This sounds like cutbacks, reducing services and centralising facilities - or farming them out to other agencies. Not sure that this has been shown to work.	Care for adults (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15310	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	You seem to focus on people with learning disabilities and physical disabilities and not people who live with poor mental health/mental illness.	Care for adults (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposal related specifically to the centres in Livingston which are for people with learning and physical disabilities
15311	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	I have been waiting for tenancy support for months. I was told that before I would have got it easily but now I have to wait because they don't know if they can offer it. I think money should go to schools and children but I think because I have mental health issues there is a stigma. My mum had mental health issues and she was always being taken out swimming etc. Nothing like that happens anymore. People just stay in their houses.	Care for adults (general)	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	This consultation cannot answer specific enquiries about individual cases
15312	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	There used to be loads of groups and clubs for lonely people or people like me with depression. I used to go to an art group at Deans which meant I could get out and about. Things are closing down and it's sad that more will go.	Care for adults (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. This consultation is the first stage of the process to enable the council to develop a five year plan. Detailed proposals will be worked up following the outcome of this consultation.
15313	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	There used to be loads of groups and clubs for lonely people or people like me with depression. I used to go to an art group at Deans which meant I could get out and about. Things are closing down and it's sad that more will go.	Care for adults (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. This consultation is the first stage of the process to enable the council to develop a five year plan. Detailed proposals will be worked up following the outcome of this consultation.
15314	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	I don't think I should pay for my care & only taking on 'high risk' individual families/individuals will no doubt leave people with a poor quality of life & looking for the support they need. I won't stay in supported accommodation or visit a day care facility! I am not fit or mentally well enough for this.	Care for adults (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Criteria is set within an assessment framework to ensure people's needs are assessed consistently and fairly. Work will continue to focus on those who are most vulnerable and have additional needs.
15315	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	Respite services should not be cut - in fact, more places are badly needed. Only 5 rooms are available at Limecroft care home, Dedridge, Livingston. Carers & day centre staff are marvelous.	Care for adults (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. This consultation is the first stage of the process to enable the council to develop a five year plan. Detailed proposals will be worked up following the outcome of this consultation.
15316	An employee of West Lothian Council	2c. Care for Adults	Likely to increase demand for adaptations through OT budget.	Care for adults (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15317	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	This idea should Be completely scrapped and forgotten about	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15318	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	Where can we save money on an important issue. SNP should be ashamed!!!!	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15319	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	Day care facilities may be the only contact these vulnerable people have in their life. Cutting them down to just one service in Livingston may mean they are no longer able to access this.	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15320	An employee of West Lothian Council	2c. Care for Adults	And if theyâ€™re not critical but need help?? What happens then. My mum has dementia and currently lives with me but this cannot continue forever as the impact on my children has been huge. They are scared and unhappy. My mum has worked all her life paying taxes and national insurance, you tell me why she should not get care?	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15321	No Response	2c. Care for Adults	Not acceptable	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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15322	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	Absolutely not.... They need to have self directed support to access appropriate that the council can find or support.	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15323	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	I'm not sure centralising this is a good idea. It may become less personal. All areas have slightly different demographics and I think centralising is a negative in this case	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15324	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	This again is a slashing of frontline services, which I would oppose.	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15325	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	2c. Care for Adults	Risky solution which could have unforeseen consequences.	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15326	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	I'm against this.	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15327	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	Generally dreadful proposals that would put vulnerable people at terrible risk and/or isolation.	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15328	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	mental health is important and needs support. no cuts	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15329	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	There should be no changes to the existing!	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15330	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	It is essential that we continue to provide support to those most in need - not acceptable	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15331	No Response	2c. Care for Adults	All this means is that people who need care will not receive it. Not acceptable.	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15332	No Response	2c. Care for Adults	This sounds like a dangerous reduction in provision.	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15333	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	no	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15334	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	I don't agree.	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15335	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	Cannot support this. Most vulnerable being made even more vulnerable.	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15336	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	2c. Care for Adults	Dearie me	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15337	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	This is unfair on people who access support locally through these facilities.	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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15338	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	Dangerous ground	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15339	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	From my own personal experience I would agree with this saving proposal. I now direct my own care and prefer the flexibility I get from self directed support to choose how my care is provided.	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15340	No Response	2c. Care for Adults	BIG MISTAKE	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15341	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	I am not supportive of these proposals	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15342	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	I completely disagree with this.	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15343	An employee of West Lothian Council	2c. Care for Adults	How many people would this impact? What are the risks?	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15344	An employee of West Lothian Council	2c. Care for Adults	No comment - I do not have enough information regarding this.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15345	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	No opinion	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15346	No Response	2c. Care for Adults	No comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15347	An employee of West Lothian Council	2c. Care for Adults	I don't know enough about this to comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15348	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	Also inevitable.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15349	No Response	2c. Care for Adults	So your going to use Skype!	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15350	An employee of West Lothian Council	2c. Care for Adults	don't know enough	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15351	An employee of West Lothian Council	2c. Care for Adults	Not enough detail to comment.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15352	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	Have no experience on whether this is a better model or not. Cannot comment.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15353	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	Thus us short of detail to understand the impact.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15354	An employee of West Lothian Council	2c. Care for Adults	no comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15355	An employee of West Lothian Council	2c. Care for Adults	Don't know enough to comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15356	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	N/A	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15357	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	No comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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15358	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	No comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15359	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	No comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15360	An employee of West Lothian Council	2c. Care for Adults	No comment.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15361	An employee of West Lothian Council	2c. Care for Adults	N/A	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15362	No Response	2c. Care for Adults	This would require careful monitoring.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15363	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	Already low.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15364	An employee of West Lothian Council	2c. Care for Adults	as above	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15365	An employee of West Lothian Council	2c. Care for Adults	Difficult decision as we need to do more for less but remember were working with human beings who do need some contact.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15366	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	Not enough detail	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15367	No Response	2c. Care for Adults	?	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15368	An employee of West Lothian Council	2c. Care for Adults	And the research/evidence base that this delivers better outcomes for the service users is?	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15369	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	I have no idea what this means. Adults should take responsibility for their needs wherever possible - only the most needy, vulnerable individuals should be assisted.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15370	An employee of West Lothian Council	2c. Care for Adults	As above - demographics dictate this will be very demanding.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15371	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	This seems an okey idea, however, what does changes to the sleep over model entail....no one onsite? An on call warden/help centre?	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15372	No Response	2c. Care for Adults	Without more details I am unable to comment on this	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15373	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	Don't know enough to be able to comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15374	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	I don't understand budgeting advantages and restraints enough to comment.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15375	An employee of West Lothian Council	2c. Care for Adults	i dont not know wat this means	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15376	An employee of West Lothian Council	2c. Care for Adults	I do not have any experience of these services.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15377	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	Needs further assessment.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15378	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	Where are the locations now? Hard to comment without knowing	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15379	An employee of West Lothian Council	2c. Care for Adults	I am not in a position to comment on this	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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15380	An employee of West Lothian Council	2c. Care for Adults	As above. Don't know enough about it making it too vague and hard to comment.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15381	An employee of West Lothian Council	2c. Care for Adults	I do not know enough about this to make a comment.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15382	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	no comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15383	No Response	2c. Care for Adults	No Comment.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15384	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	No comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15385	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	no comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15386	An employee of West Lothian Council	2c. Care for Adults	N/a	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15387	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	No comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15388	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	No comment.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15389	An employee of West Lothian Council	2c. Care for Adults	No comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15390	No Response	2c. Care for Adults	No comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15391	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	Impossible to comment without knowing how this will work in practice.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15392	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	The last two sentences are not nearly specific enough to enable comment; they sound like a hope with no real actual plan as yet.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15393	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	Care for Adults Estimated Saving: £2.5 million The introduction of self-directed support, where individuals can make choices regarding their care packages, has seen a change in the nature of services requested. Incorporating the change in demand, there is a greater need for outreach interventions therefore it is proposed that day care facilities currently provided at three different locations are combined into one at Pathways, in Livingston.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15394	No Response	2c. Care for Adults	dgdgd	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15395	An employee of West Lothian Council	2c. Care for Adults	I don't know enough to comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15396	An employee of West Lothian Council	2c. Care for Adults	More information required.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15397	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	nil	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15398	An employee of West Lothian Council	2c. Care for Adults	No comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15399	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	No comment.□	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15400	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	No comment.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15401	An employee of West Lothian Council	2c. Care for Adults	No comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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15402	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	Cannot comment do not use these services	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15403	An employee of West Lothian Council	2c. Care for Adults	No comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15404	No Response	2c. Care for Adults	Speak to SPEAN	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15405	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	The wording of the proposal is logical. How that equates to a saving of £2.5 million is not clear or explained in a manner that allows a cogent response.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15406	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	Those affected by this will have a view.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15407	No Response	2c. Care for Adults	Don't have a view.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15408	No Response	2c. Care for Adults	9o18	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15409	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	Careline is a very good service	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15410	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	I don't know enough to comment.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15411	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	No comments as I am not familiar with this subject.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15412	No Response	2c. Care for Adults	No comment.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15413	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	No comment.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15414	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	What facilities will be axed in Linlithgow?	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15415	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	OK I dont know enough about this.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15416	An employee of West Lothian Council	2c. Care for Adults	no comments	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15417	An employee of West Lothian Council	2c. Care for Adults	no comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15418	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	Transportation costs to and from the single centre?	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15419	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	No comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15420	An employee of West Lothian Council	2c. Care for Adults	No comments.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15421	An employee of West Lothian Council	2c. Care for Adults	NO COMMENT	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15422	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	This statement is not detailed enough to merit considered comment. What are "local solutions"?	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15423	No Response	2c. Care for Adults	.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15424	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	No comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15425	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	No comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15426	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	don't know enough about this would need further information	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15427	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	Do not feel informed enough to make any comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15428	No Response	2c. Care for Adults	Children come first as they are our future.P	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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15429	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	Do not have enough knowledge in this area to comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15430	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	No comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15431	An employee of West Lothian Council	2c. Care for Adults	The council have not provided enough indepth information for me to make an informed comment on this, as all information about this whole consultation is more secret that area 51.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15432	No Response	2c. Care for Adults	See above.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15433	An employee of West Lothian Council	2c. Care for Adults	I have no knowledge of this aspect of the council's operations and therefore am not suitably informed to comment.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15434	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	Don't know the details, so can't comment.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15435	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	unable to comment as not in plain English.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15436	No Response	2c. Care for Adults	na	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15437	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	Don't know enough about this to comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15438	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	cant comment as i dont have any experiance of this	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15439	An employee of West Lothian Council	2c. Care for Adults	Does not affect me from a work or personal point of view.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15440	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	Unable to comment, insufficient information/knowledge.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15441	An employee of West Lothian Council	2c. Care for Adults	No comment.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15442	An individual	2c. Care for Adults	Day care facilities being reduced to One centre in Livingston.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15443	An employee of West Lothian Council	2d. Commissioned Services	If this can deliver savings required and provide care to those most in need then it should be pursued.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15444	No Response	2d. Commissioned Services	Agree to all suggested proposals	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15445	An employee of West Lothian Council	2d. Commissioned Services	Supportive of this proposal.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15446	An individual	2d. Commissioned Services	Agree with this proposal.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15447	An employee of West Lothian Council	2d. Commissioned Services	Yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15448	An individual	2d. Commissioned Services	Again, sounds a reasonable initiative.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15449	An individual	2d. Commissioned Services	Agree this proposal.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15450	No Response	2d. Commissioned Services	Have no objection	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15451	An individual	2d. Commissioned Services	Support proposal.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15452	An individual	2d. Commissioned Services	i think this needs to happen asap	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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15453	No Response	2d. Commissioned Services	This must be a key piece of work. You need to drive a hard bargain at every level. Inflated supply costs must be dealt with severely. It worked in the baking sector with huge savings.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15454	An individual	2d. Commissioned Services	If this can be achieved, go for it.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15455	An individual	2d. Commissioned Services	agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15456	An individual	2d. Commissioned Services	Good idea.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15457	An individual	2d. Commissioned Services	Agree.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15458	An individual	2d. Commissioned Services	happy with this	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15459	An employee of West Lothian Council	2d. Commissioned Services	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15460	An individual	2d. Commissioned Services	Agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15461	No Response	2d. Commissioned Services	Good.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15462	An individual	2d. Commissioned Services	Agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15463	An individual	2d. Commissioned Services	agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15464	An employee of West Lothian Council	2d. Commissioned Services	I support this proposal	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15465	No Response	2d. Commissioned Services	Agree with reducing the contribution to alcohol and drug partnership services.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15466	An individual	2d. Commissioned Services	I am glad to hear the council intends to monitor closely those providing services.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15467	An individual	2d. Commissioned Services	go ahead with the savings	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15468	An individual	2d. Commissioned Services	As long as this is met.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15469	An individual	2d. Commissioned Services	Sounds ok	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15470	An individual	2d. Commissioned Services	I agree with the Council's proposals for the moment to see how they all work out. Thank you.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15471	An individual	2d. Commissioned Services	This should be done anyway on a regular basis.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15472	No Response	2d. Commissioned Services	I agree with the proposal	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15473	An employee of West Lothian Council	2d. Commissioned Services	as long as people are given the support and there is other ways of providing it.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15474	No Response	2d. Commissioned Services	I agree where services continue to meet people's needs.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15475	An individual	2d. Commissioned Services	no objections.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15476	An individual	2d. Commissioned Services	ask people using the service if it is helping. why waste money on expensive researching! cut.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15477	An employee of West Lothian Council	2d. Commissioned Services	This seems necessary.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15478	An employee of West Lothian Council	2d. Commissioned Services	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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15479	An individual	2d. Commissioned Services	Sounds good to me	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15480	An employee of West Lothian Council	2d. Commissioned Services	Sounds good!	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15481	No Response	2d. Commissioned Services	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15482	An individual	2d. Commissioned Services	no issue with this	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15483	An employee of West Lothian Council	2d. Commissioned Services	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15484	An individual	2d. Commissioned Services	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15485	An individual	2d. Commissioned Services	Good	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15486	An individual	2d. Commissioned Services	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15487	An individual	2d. Commissioned Services	Good	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15488	No Response	2d. Commissioned Services	Sounds fine.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15489	An individual	2d. Commissioned Services	agree.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15490	No Response	2d. Commissioned Services	Ok	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15491	No Response	2d. Commissioned Services	Agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15492	An individual	2d. Commissioned Services	Agreed.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15493	An employee of West Lothian Council	2d. Commissioned Services	AGREE	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15494	An employee of West Lothian Council	2d. Commissioned Services	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15495	An employee of West Lothian Council	2d. Commissioned Services	I agree with this proposal	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15496	An employee of West Lothian Council	2d. Commissioned Services	Good	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15497	An employee of West Lothian Council	2d. Commissioned Services	Agreed.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15498	An individual	2d. Commissioned Services	Support	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15499	An employee of West Lothian Council	2d. Commissioned Services	Agree.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15500	An individual	2d. Commissioned Services	Agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15501	An individual	2d. Commissioned Services	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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15502	An employee of West Lothian Council	2d. Commissioned Services	agree with proposal	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15503	An individual	2d. Commissioned Services	This sounds sensible	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15504	An individual	2d. Commissioned Services	I agree with this proposal.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15505	An employee of West Lothian Council	2d. Commissioned Services	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15506	An individual	2d. Commissioned Services	ok	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15507	An individual	2d. Commissioned Services	agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15508	An employee of West Lothian Council	2d. Commissioned Services	Agree with the review.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15509	An employee of West Lothian Council	2d. Commissioned Services	Sounds ok.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15510	An individual	2d. Commissioned Services	I think this could be beneficial.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15511	An individual	2d. Commissioned Services	I have no objection to this	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15512	An employee of West Lothian Council	2d. Commissioned Services	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15513	An employee of West Lothian Council	2d. Commissioned Services	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15514	An employee of West Lothian Council	2d. Commissioned Services	Would agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15515	An individual	2d. Commissioned Services	OK.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15516	An individual	2d. Commissioned Services	Fine	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15517	An individual	2d. Commissioned Services	Good	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15518	An individual	2d. Commissioned Services	Sounds sensible	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15519	An employee of West Lothian Council	2d. Commissioned Services	Agree with this proposal.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15520	No Response	2d. Commissioned Services	Yes, agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15521	An employee of West Lothian Council	2d. Commissioned Services	Agree.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15522	An individual	2d. Commissioned Services	The Council should be maximising opportunities to benefit from non recurring funding from providers such as The Big Lottery. I totally agree with this initiative.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15523	An individual	2d. Commissioned Services	Agree 100%	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15524	An individual	2d. Commissioned Services	Agree. The NHS has funding for thsi sort of thing and tehre are numerous charities out there, so no need to waste a great deal of public money on this.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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15525	An individual	2d. Commissioned Services	I'm with this - go for it.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15526	An individual	2d. Commissioned Services	Agreed.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15527	An individual	2d. Commissioned Services	i agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15528	An employee of West Lothian Council	2d. Commissioned Services	This appears to be a reasonable proposal.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15529	An individual	2d. Commissioned Services	agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15530	An individual	2d. Commissioned Services	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15531	An individual	2d. Commissioned Services	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15532	An individual	2d. Commissioned Services	Ok	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15533	An individual	2d. Commissioned Services	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15534	An individual	2d. Commissioned Services	OK	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15535	An individual	2d. Commissioned Services	Seems sensible.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15536	An individual	2d. Commissioned Services	I would support this	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15537	An employee of West Lothian Council	2d. Commissioned Services	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15538	An employee of West Lothian Council	2d. Commissioned Services	agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15539	An employee of West Lothian Council	2d. Commissioned Services	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15540	No Response	2d. Commissioned Services	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15541	An individual	2d. Commissioned Services	Long overdue	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15542	An employee of West Lothian Council	2d. Commissioned Services	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15543	An employee of West Lothian Council	2d. Commissioned Services	I agree with this proposal.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15544	An employee of West Lothian Council	2d. Commissioned Services	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15545	An employee of West Lothian Council	2d. Commissioned Services	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15546	An employee of West Lothian Council	2d. Commissioned Services	Agree.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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15547	An employee of West Lothian Council	2d. Commissioned Services	agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15548	An individual	2d. Commissioned Services	yes, agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15549	An employee of West Lothian Council	2d. Commissioned Services	I agree with this.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15550	No Response	2d. Commissioned Services	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15551	An individual	2d. Commissioned Services	Supported	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15552	An individual	2d. Commissioned Services	ok	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15553	An individual	2d. Commissioned Services	Agree with this proposal.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15554	An individual	2d. Commissioned Services	Agree with this	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15555	An individual	2d. Commissioned Services	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15556	An individual	2d. Commissioned Services	Good idea	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15557	An individual	2d. Commissioned Services	I agree with this proposal	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15558	An individual	2d. Commissioned Services	Content.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15559	An employee of West Lothian Council	2d. Commissioned Services	Agree.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15560	An employee of West Lothian Council	2d. Commissioned Services	Sounds good.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15561	An employee of West Lothian Council	2d. Commissioned Services	Positive proposal	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15562	An individual	2d. Commissioned Services	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15563	An individual	2d. Commissioned Services	Agree that this is required.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15564	An individual	2d. Commissioned Services	Agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15565	An individual	2d. Commissioned Services	Agreed.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15566	An individual	2d. Commissioned Services	ok	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15567	An individual	2d. Commissioned Services	agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15568	No Response	2d. Commissioned Services	OK	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15569	An individual	2d. Commissioned Services	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15570	An employee of West Lothian Council	2d. Commissioned Services	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15571	An individual	2d. Commissioned Services	Makes sense.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15572	An individual	2d. Commissioned Services	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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15573	An employee of West Lothian Council	2d. Commissioned Services	Seems a fair proposal - important as stated that support continues for providers of services to most vulnerable in the community	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15574	An individual	2d. Commissioned Services	This I totally agree .. The money should be spent with people who are mentally ill and need help ...	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15575	No Response	2d. Commissioned Services	Again, all seems reasonable.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15576	No Response	2d. Commissioned Services	Regrettable but understandable.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15577	An individual	2d. Commissioned Services	All parts of society are making cutbacks so these should be no different	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15578	An individual	2d. Commissioned Services	Ok would need more detail to fully comment	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15579	An employee of West Lothian Council	2d. Commissioned Services	I support seeking efficiencies in this area.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15580	An individual	2d. Commissioned Services	Agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15581	An individual	2d. Commissioned Services	Support	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15582	An individual	2d. Commissioned Services	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15583	An employee of West Lothian Council	2d. Commissioned Services	Support	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15584	An individual	2d. Commissioned Services	Agreed.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15585	An individual	2d. Commissioned Services	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15586	An individual	2d. Commissioned Services	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15587	An individual	2d. Commissioned Services	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15588	An individual	2d. Commissioned Services	Ok	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15589	An employee of West Lothian Council	2d. Commissioned Services	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15590	An individual	2d. Commissioned Services	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15591	An individual	2d. Commissioned Services	Good luck on this	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15592	An individual	2d. Commissioned Services	Fine with this, but need to protect the most vulnerable people	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15593	An employee of West Lothian Council	2d. Commissioned Services	In agreement with this, this should be externally funded.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15594	An individual	2d. Commissioned Services	Yes. More efficient and focused.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15595	An individual	2d. Commissioned Services	agreed, the services should be value for money but effective.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15596	An individual	2d. Commissioned Services	Fine	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15597	An individual	2d. Commissioned Services	Sounds fine.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15598	An individual	2d. Commissioned Services	I would agree with a reduction in funding for the Alcohol & Drug partnership service.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15599	An individual	2d. Commissioned Services	acceptable	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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15600	An employee of West Lothian Council	2d. Commissioned Services	Strongly agree.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15601	An employee of West Lothian Council	2d. Commissioned Services	I agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15602	An individual	2d. Commissioned Services	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15603	An individual	2d. Commissioned Services	Look okay as it is possible to evaluate given the vague descriptions given in the 'Transforming Your Council'	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15604	An individual	2d. Commissioned Services	I agree with the proposal.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15605	An individual	2d. Commissioned Services	All proposals are sound.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15606	An employee of West Lothian Council	2d. Commissioned Services	With a rising drug problem in West Lothian is it really a good idea to reduce funding to this service?	Commissioned Services - alcohol & drug service	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Health and Social Care joint strategic commissioning plans are about planning and delivering services and support for people. Through strategic needs assessments we can identify the needs of individuals and communities, enabling people to decide what will best address those needs, and through working together with agencies put the right services and support in place
15607	An individual	2d. Commissioned Services	No support should be provided to Junkies. It was their choice to get in the position they are in.	Commissioned Services - alcohol & drug service	5a. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because the council is required by law to deliver this work.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15608	An individual	2d. Commissioned Services	Some services such as the A&D partnership service should be provided by Health Scotland	Commissioned Services - alcohol & drug service	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15609	No Response	2d. Commissioned Services	Find it hard to comment my views on this area as I feel people perhaps don't help there selfs at times and the council and NHS services spend millions trying to help people who don't need want or ask for it. But I know this is an awful addiction more education from an early age and harsher crime prevention or sentences for drug dealer, people selling alcohol to under age kids etc would tackle 50% of the problem	Commissioned Services - alcohol & drug service	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15610	An individual	2d. Commissioned Services	this reduction is already hitting vulnerable groups in our community / out sourcing it even further will put more at risk	Commissioned Services - alcohol & drug service	5b. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it is likely that the costs of this proposal would outweigh the benefit.	The proposal is to ensure that all externally commissioned services are also targeted to people with the highest level of need.
15611	An individual	2d. Commissioned Services	These external partners provide support to some of the most vulneable and isolated communities within West Lothian, the WLC fail to reach or support. Cutting funding will directly impact them.	Commissioned Services - alcohol & drug service	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposal is to ensure that all externally commissioned services are also targeted to people with the highest level of need.
15612	An employee of West Lothian Council	2d. Commissioned Services	Sounds sensible as long as the support is still available	Commissioned Services - alcohol & drug service	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15613	No Response	2d. Commissioned Services	By reducing funding to charities such as drug and alcohol services and other community organisations that support vulnerable families, the Council will be setting West Lothian up for an increase in criminal activity, drug related deaths, anti social behaviour, and public health issues. Community services cannot deliver a high standard of service with minimal or no funding. Our communities will suffer hugely if the voluntary sector can't continue offer a consistently high level of service where the Council is failing.	Commissioned Services - alcohol & drug service	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposal is to ensure that all externally commissioned services are also targeted to people with the highest level of need.
15614	An employee of West Lothian Council	2d. Commissioned Services	Further reducing investment in Alcohol and Drug services will simply transfer pressure on to other services.	Commissioned Services - alcohol & drug service	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposal is to ensure that all externally commissioned services are also targeted to people with the highest level of need.

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15615	An individual	2d. Commissioned Services	This whole area could easily be squeezed over to the voluntary sector. The hard truth ought to be that belligerent self-inflicted dependency ought not to be a huge drag on council support for those who fall on hardship through no fault of their own.	Commissioned Services - alcohol & drug service	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15616	An individual	2d. Commissioned Services	Reduce the amount of support addicts receive including pharmacists time and tax payers money being spent on individual appointments to administer methodone as well as benefits given to feed alcohol addictions. Money could be better spent on care for the elderly or disabled.	Commissioned Services - alcohol & drug service	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15617	No Response	2d. Commissioned Services	Drug & Alcohol services could return to being staffed by volunteers. Most staff at WLDAS are getting paid for doing very little work.	Commissioned Services - alcohol & drug service	5a. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because the council is required by law to deliver this work.	All services will be reviewed based on the impact they have on council priorities.
15618	An individual	2d. Commissioned Services	Alarming targeting the most needy in our community resulting in more NHS alcohol related admissions.	Commissioned Services - alcohol & drug service	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15619	An employee of West Lothian Council	2d. Commissioned Services	See comments above	Commissioned Services - alcohol & drug service	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Response referenced another question - no detail provided
15620	An individual	2d. Commissioned Services	Money could be saved not paying for classes for drug & alcohol dependents. I understand these people have issues but money spent on massages etc is ridiculous	Commissioned Services - alcohol & drug service	5a. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because the council is required by law to deliver this work.	All client groups are entitled to receive support to meet assessed eligible needs
15621	An individual	2d. Commissioned Services	I have seen the Alcohol and Drug Partnership Service in action and think it is fantastic, so would be reluctant to see an impact on them.	Commissioned Services - alcohol & drug service	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15622	An individual	2d. Commissioned Services	Those who choose a life of obesity, alcohol, tobacco or other drug dependency's (despite decades of being bombarded with information about the long term effects to their wellbeing) should be encouraged to help themselves. If they are unwilling to, they should see support withdrawn and spent on those that are prepared to at least try to help themselves. Reap what you sow - don't expect others to pick up the pieces.	Commissioned Services - alcohol & drug service	5a. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because the council is required by law to deliver this work.	All client groups are entitled to receive support to meet assessed eligible needs
15623	No Response	2d. Commissioned Services	Alcohol & drug addiction is a lifestyle choice & it is right that funding for people's bad choices be reduced. The savings would be better spent on care of the elderly & disabled.	Commissioned Services - alcohol & drug service	5a. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because the council is required by law to deliver this work.	All client groups are entitled to receive support to meet assessed eligible needs - the proposal is about limiting the support for addictions support to the funding received from the Scottish Government
15624	No Response	2d. Commissioned Services	Drug and Alcohol misuse cause a huge number of issues - if we were to invest in tackling this issue more then money could be saved within the police; the NHS; and within schools.	Commissioned Services - alcohol & drug service	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15625	An employee of West Lothian Council	2d. Commissioned Services	Alcohol and Drug partnership services are vital to our most vulnerable residents, it is important that these functions continue as they play a vital role for those working towards breaking the cycle of deprivation	Commissioned Services - alcohol & drug service	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15626	No Response	2d. Commissioned Services	Shut down Alcohol & Drug Service and use money for elderly care.	Commissioned Services - alcohol & drug service	5a. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because the council is required by law to deliver this work.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15627	An individual	2d. Commissioned Services	Abuse of drugs and alcohol is self imposed. Pay for prevention say at the school level. But adults should bear the responsibility for their actions. Cut that money in favour of education.	Commissioned Services - alcohol & drug service	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15628	An individual	2d. Commissioned Services	Health care for all should be another priority. Drug and alcohol projects are essential to local communities and I hope that the Council continues to support these much-needed initiatives even at a reduced level.	Commissioned Services - alcohol & drug service	4. The council is already doing this.	Work will continue to focus on those who are most vulnerable and have additional needs.
15629	An individual	2d. Commissioned Services	Funding should only be for those initiatives that are crucial. For issues such as alcohol and drug abuse, im not sure we should be spending huge amounts. People need to help themselves	Commissioned Services - alcohol & drug service	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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15630	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	2d. Commissioned Services	specific services should be identified for reduction of funding to be able to make an informed response. What impact will there be on the services the public currently pay for? Has an equality impact assessment been completed for this saving? What does "most vulnerable" mean, what is the criteria, who decides, who meets the criteria. The national average of deaths in Scotland relating to drugs and alcohol has risen significantly so how will this saving help an already rising problem? If you remove funds from an already vulnerable and socially isolated group how will this impact on the wider communities.	Commissioned Services - alcohol & drug service	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. The consultation is the first stage in work to develop a five year strategy. EQIA will be undertaken on options as work progresses. Criteria for assessment follows the national eligibility criteria.
15631	An individual	2d. Commissioned Services	I welcome cuts to the support of alcohol and drugs. Whilst I understand that drug and alcohol addiction is extremely difficult to recover from, as a disabled person there is nothing I can do to stop my symptoms. Addicts on the other hand can. As stated above I do appreciate how difficult it is to abstain but one has to recognise there is a small element of choice in taking these substances. Disabled and elderly who are having services cut are not able to abstain from anything that would improve their symptoms.	Commissioned Services - alcohol & drug service	5a. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because the council is required by law to deliver this work.	All client groups are entitled to receive support to meet assessed eligible needs - the proposal is about limiting the support for addictions support to the funding received from the Scottish Government
15632	An individual	2d. Commissioned Services	No addictions need help or you end up with higher numbers	Commissioned Services - alcohol & drug service	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15633	An individual	2d. Commissioned Services	Drug and alcohol is an increasing and serious problem across Scotland for the NHS and I feel it is very poor judgement to reduce the funding for this.	Commissioned Services - alcohol & drug service	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All client groups are entitled to receive support to meet assessed eligible needs - the proposal is about limiting the support for addictions support to the funding received from the Scottish Government
15634	An individual	2d. Commissioned Services	Appreciate reduction in payments to external providers but need assurance or contingency plans to ensure this sector of the community receives the support they need. Addicts cannot be left on the scrap heap.	Commissioned Services - alcohol & drug service	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	All client groups are entitled to receive support to meet assessed eligible needs - the proposal is about limiting the support for addictions support to the funding received from the Scottish Government
15635	An employee of West Lothian Council	2d. Commissioned Services	Evidence of the impact of the effect on other council services that reduction in Alcohol / Drug services would have must be included in detailed investigation of this proposal.	Commissioned Services - alcohol & drug service	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All client groups are entitled to receive support to meet assessed eligible needs - the proposal is about limiting the support for addictions support to the funding received from the Scottish Government
15636	An individual	2d. Commissioned Services	Not sure whether this would be a good idea to reduce the Alcohol - Drug partnership.	Commissioned Services - alcohol & drug service	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15637	An individual	2d. Commissioned Services	Druggies and alkie made their choice. It's their own fault. They got themselves into it. They can get themselves out of it... no pun intended.	Commissioned Services - alcohol & drug service	5a. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because the council is required by law to deliver this work.	All client groups are entitled to receive support to meet assessed eligible needs - the proposal is about limiting the support for addictions support to the funding received from the Scottish Government
15638	An individual	2d. Commissioned Services	I imagine that the external funding received for alcohol and drugs is a drop in the ocean to what the council pays in totality dealing with people with addictions. A whole system approach should be deployed.	Commissioned Services - alcohol & drug service	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your comment which will be considered as part of any service redesign
15639	An individual	2d. Commissioned Services	I think services like Alcohol and drug services should be something supported by NHS and not the Council. This is money that could be put into care for the likes of Elburn Centre and the ability centre.	Commissioned Services - alcohol & drug service	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your comment which will be considered as part of any service redesign
15640	An individual	2d. Commissioned Services	As a person who grew up living with an alcoholic father and have seen many of my school friends fall into drug addiction and alcoholism themselves, I can say that alcoholism and drug addiction are self inflicted, so feel free to take any money from junkies and alcoholics and use it to help children, elderly and disabled in the community.	Commissioned Services - alcohol & drug service	5a. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because the council is required by law to deliver this work.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15641	An individual	2d. Commissioned Services	As I said before, take it away from the alcoholics and the junkies. We are constantly told that they can only change when they want to change themselves, so why waste money trying to get them to change if that's the case. Use the money given to them and give it to people who are less selfish in their lives	Commissioned Services - alcohol & drug service	5a. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because the council is required by law to deliver this work.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15642	An individual	2d. Commissioned Services	This is likely to lead to addicts getting reduced support and, I fear, may lead to more avoidable deaths and a rise in crime.	Commissioned Services - alcohol & drug service	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Work will continue to focus on those who are most vulnerable and have additional needs.
15643	An individual	2d. Commissioned Services	Yes, if I can look forward to good care when I get older, I won't need to turn to alcohol and drugs to try to shorten my life or escape from reality.	Commissioned Services - alcohol & drug service	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15644	An employee of West Lothian Council	2d. Commissioned Services	The Drug and Alcohol Services are vital to our community to help break the cycle of deprivation that vulnerable people find themselves in.	Commissioned Services - alcohol & drug service	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposal is to ensure that all externally commissioned services are also targeted to people with the highest level of need.

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15645	An employee of West Lothian Council	2d. Commissioned Services	Careful consideration needs to be given to this factor as the level of addictions are increasing which has an impact on local environment and crime.	Commissioned Services - alcohol & drug service	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposal is to ensure that all externally commissioned services are also targeted to people with the highest level of need.
15646	An employee of West Lothian Council	2d. Commissioned Services	Oh dear, if we don't support the people with drug and alcohol additions what will happen is that they will drop back into the community - then what.....	Commissioned Services - alcohol & drug service	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposal is to ensure that all externally commissioned services are also targeted to people with the highest level of need.
15647	An individual	2d. Commissioned Services	with drugs and alcohol being major issues in west Lothian , cutting this service will only have a knock on effect and in my view increase all sorts of crime and anti social behaviour.	Commissioned Services - alcohol & drug service	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposal is to ensure that all externally commissioned services are also targeted to people with the highest level of need.
15648	An employee of West Lothian Council	2d. Commissioned Services	Lots of money gets spent on this , there seems to be no controller over drug issues and it's on the rise as we loose police officers , police stations , drugs are getting out of hand , it's an addition and a fascination for people who can then get their rent paid and gets lots of help like food banks where those who work don't get any help , money helping drug related issues should be cut drastically	Commissioned Services - alcohol & drug service	5a. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because the council is required by law to deliver this work.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15649	An individual	2d. Commissioned Services	If you do not meet that criteria are you signposted to other third party organisations or left to your own devices? PLEASE make sure good quality support is being costed and allow people to live a full life. Corners seem to continue to be cut and it is the vulnerable who suffer. Support staff need to be given time to do a good job and paid accordingly. Support staff are a huge help to so many people and they are relied on. The support staff must be happy and health to do this valuable job. A simple test would be, if it is you sitting in that chair or laying in that bed what support would you realistically like to have? And equally, what wouldn't you want..... What will the cost be to the West Lothian community with removing the Alcohol and Drug funding with regard to safety to the community with those on the program not getting the support that is needed? Particularly if we have 21 less police officers as well.	Commissioned Services - alcohol & drug service	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposal is to ensure that all externally commissioned services are also targeted to people with the highest level of need.
15650	An individual	2d. Commissioned Services	I agree with this proposal. The responsibility for Drugs and Alcohol support should lie with NHS Lothian	Commissioned Services - alcohol & drug service	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15651	An individual	2d. Commissioned Services	Given the issues faced within West Lothian, reductions in funding for areas such as Alcohol and Drug Partnership services and the likes of WLDAS would seem counterproductive.	Commissioned Services - alcohol & drug service	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15652	An individual	2d. Commissioned Services	The drug and alcohol partnership is a huge service and it is so valuable to have them coming into schools.	Commissioned Services - alcohol & drug service	4. The council is already doing this.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15653	An individual	2d. Commissioned Services	Don't agree with budget being spent on drug and alcohol re hab. If there were better funded schools and more spent on education people would have jobs and not turn to drunk and drugs. Simplified explanation	Commissioned Services - alcohol & drug service	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15654	An individual	2d. Commissioned Services	Stop funding drug addicts and alcoholics.	Commissioned Services - alcohol & drug service	5a. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because the council is required by law to deliver this work.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15655	An individual	2d. Commissioned Services	I see drug addicts at the chemist very regularly and they live in council houses and get welfare benefit. Penalties should be in place if they refuse to kick their habit	Commissioned Services - alcohol & drug service	5c. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it is not consistent with the council's values and priorities.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15656	An employee of West Lothian Council	2d. Commissioned Services	WLDAS has been a crucial, long standing partner for schools and communities. I would strongly validate its worth and hope that it is appropriately funded - again as an early intervention structure and safety net against substance misuse in our communities.	Commissioned Services - alcohol & drug service	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	The proposal is to ensure that all externally commissioned services are also targeted to people with the highest level of need.
15657	No Response	2d. Commissioned Services	Reduction in substance abuse services is a major inequity and must be reversed - current cuts will result in increased deaths and demonstrate a failure of the IJB whose governance arrangements are unsatisfactory	Commissioned Services - alcohol & drug service	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposal is to ensure that all externally commissioned services are also targeted to people with the highest level of need.
15658	An individual	2d. Commissioned Services	What other care services does the council buy and why chose Alcohol and Drugs?	Commissioned Services - alcohol & drug service	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	The council commissions a wide range of care and support services for all care groups. Alcohol and Drugs are funded as additionality from the Scottish Government and the council adds to this funding from our core budgets. The proposal is to reduce funding for alcohol and drugs to the funding received direct from the Scottish Government.

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15659	An employee of West Lothian Council	2d. Commissioned Services	Alcohol and Drug partnership services are vital to our most vulnerable residents, it is important that these functions continue as they play a vital role for those working towards breaking the cycle of deprivation. DASAT is plays a vital role in west lothian for families fleeing domestic abuse and without the support and help for these individuals they may be unable to break the cycle they are living in.	Commissioned Services - alcohol & drug service	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Work will continue to focus on those who are most vulnerable and have additional needs.
15660	An individual	2d. Commissioned Services	I don't think we should fund anything at all for Drug and Alcohol users.	Commissioned Services - alcohol & drug service	5a. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because the council is required by law to deliver this work.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15661	An individual	2d. Commissioned Services	Very disappointed to read proposals to reduce funding for WELDAS. Very likely to lead to increased budget pressure elsewhere e.g health service.	Commissioned Services - alcohol & drug service	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposal is to ensure that all externally commissioned services are also targeted to people with the highest level of need.
15662	An individual	2d. Commissioned Services	I actually see little benefit in funding alcohol and drug support services.	Commissioned Services - alcohol & drug service	5a. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because the council is required by law to deliver this work.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15663	An individual	2d. Commissioned Services	Addiction plays a large part in many communities throughout West Lothian. Over a short period of time, these cuts will become obvious and crime rates would probably increase. This will then impact unnecessarily on the wider community.	Commissioned Services - alcohol & drug service	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council will always be required to prioritise the needs of people who are most vulnerable, We would also aim to provide early intervention and prevention support where evidence based practice shows that a positive impact can be made
15664	An individual	2d. Commissioned Services	To be honest there is not enough support groups for Alcohol & Drug abuse, and due to the statistics stating there is an increase in abuse. Should this not be looked at, as impact on Family, friends and crime	Commissioned Services - alcohol & drug service	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposal is to ensure that all externally commissioned services are also targeted to people with the highest level of need.
15665	An individual	2d. Commissioned Services	As addiction is increasing reducing the support will lead to further unemployment, crime and family issues throughout West Lothian.	Commissioned Services - alcohol & drug service	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposal is to ensure that all externally commissioned services are also targeted to people with the highest level of need.
15666	An employee of West Lothian Council	2d. Commissioned Services	Alcohol and Drug partnership services are vital to our most vulnerable residents, it is important that these functions continue as they play a vital role for those working towards breaking the cycle of deprivation	Commissioned Services - alcohol & drug service	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposal is to ensure that all externally commissioned services are also targeted to people with the highest level of need.
15667	An individual	2d. Commissioned Services	Alcohol and Drug partnership services are vital to our most vulnerable residents, it is important that these functions continue as they play a vital role for those working towards breaking the cycle of deprivation	Commissioned Services - alcohol & drug service	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposal is to ensure that all externally commissioned services are also targeted to people with the highest level of need.
15668	An individual	2d. Commissioned Services	Not quite sure what this means. I would be keen for support in alcohol and drug to continue. Prevention and education is important.	Commissioned Services - alcohol & drug service	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The proposal is to ensure that all externally commissioned services are also targeted to people with the highest level of need.
15669	No Response	2d. Commissioned Services	This concerns me, as the rise in drug and alcohol abuse has risen over the years not dropped. There is not enough support services in West Lothian to deal with the number of people who have these problems. Which impacts on their families due to the abuse and fall out of their irrational behaviours. There needs to be more support group/meetings to cope with the demand on this support mechanism	Commissioned Services - alcohol & drug service	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposal is to ensure that all externally commissioned services are also targeted to people with the highest level of need.
15670	An employee of West Lothian Council	2d. Commissioned Services	Alcohol and Drug partnership services are vital to our most vulnerable residents, it is important that these functions continue as they play a vital role for those working towards breaking the cycle of deprivation	Commissioned Services - alcohol & drug service	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposal is to ensure that all externally commissioned services are also targeted to people with the highest level of need.
15671	An employee of West Lothian Council	2d. Commissioned Services	WLDAS provides a vital service to families affected by these issues. It would become even more challenging to support them with the absence of specific support teams.	Commissioned Services - alcohol & drug service	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposal is to ensure that all externally commissioned services are also targeted to people with the highest level of need.
15672	An employee of West Lothian Council	2d. Commissioned Services	When money was taken from WLDAS and given to Youth Inclusion Project to provide alcohol and drug support services for children and young people, this has proved to be a disaster. YIP do not have the expertise in this area, and are unable to provide consultation or 1-1 support in this area.	Commissioned Services - alcohol & drug service	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposal is to ensure that all externally commissioned services are also targeted to people with the highest level of need.
15673	An employee of West Lothian Council	2d. Commissioned Services	Not sure what this means? Cutting funding to Alcohol and Drugs Partnership? Seems they are important for early intervention work??	Commissioned Services - alcohol & drug service	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	The proposal is to ensure that all externally commissioned services are also targeted to people with the highest level of need.

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15674	An individual	2d. Commissioned Services	I think the support for drug and alcohol services must be looked at. We seem to spend a lot of money trying to help people kick the habits , but the success rate may be questionable. I think most funding should be spent on the most vulnerable	Commissioned Services - alcohol & drug service	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The proposal is to ensure that all externally commissioned services are also targeted to people with the highest level of need.
15675	An employee of West Lothian Council	2d. Commissioned Services	This service helps the most vulnerable people in our community. It is important that this service continues.	Commissioned Services - alcohol & drug service	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The proposal is to ensure that all externally commissioned services are also targeted to people with the highest level of need.
15676	An individual	2d. Commissioned Services	A reduction in funding to the Alcohol and Drug Partnership Service, is something I would not be happy with. This service provision reduction may result in additional cost to other social services if the users of these services are not provided with the care level required and supplied via this service.	Commissioned Services - alcohol & drug service	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Work will continue to focus on those who are most vulnerable and have additional needs.
15677	An individual	2d. Commissioned Services	Drugs is a major issue in west lothian so I am struggling to see how reducing funding here enables your 8 targets	Commissioned Services - alcohol & drug service	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15678	No Response	2d. Commissioned Services	If there is less poverty, unemployment and a decent education and opportunities for young people in the first place then there will be less drug and alcohol problems. When disabled people are constantly told there is no money for them to have the same opportunities as every one else I fail to see why money should be spent on drug and alcohol services.	Commissioned Services - alcohol & drug service	5a. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because the council is required by law to deliver this work.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15679	An individual	2d. Commissioned Services	I feel that in particular drug and alcohol issues need to be addressed by suitable services in order to keep not only the individuals who suffer safe but, also the public.	Commissioned Services - alcohol & drug service	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15680	An individual	2d. Commissioned Services	Stop providing alcohol to those dependent on it. Or provide cigarettes to those who depend on them.	Commissioned Services - alcohol & drug service	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15681	An employee of West Lothian Council	2d. Commissioned Services	Alcohol and drug "assistance" does this work?	Commissioned Services - alcohol & drug service	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15682	No Response	2d. Commissioned Services	If services need to be Commissioned it makes sense for it to be needs led - using your example, currently in West Lothian there are a number of initiatives to tackle and challenge Alcohol and Drugs which reflects the County wide need. We need to make sure that all services council and non council are working together and for the benefit of everyone. Reducing these services would mean that people who were needing early interventions may have to wait longer and it may be too late / people could easily fall through the net - these people lead very chaotic lives and services need to have all barriers removed by being local, welcoming and non judgemental.	Commissioned Services - alcohol & drug service	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council will always be required to prioritise the needs of people who are most vulnerable. We would also aim to provide early intervention and prevention support where evidence based practice shows that a positive impact can be made
15683	An individual	2d. Commissioned Services	Increasing drug use and abuse is significant in the area. This should be a priority area for funding as the consequences of complacency and underfunding will be significant for people concerned.	Commissioned Services - alcohol & drug service	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15684	An individual	2d. Commissioned Services	You are reducing care overall and now you propose to reduce funding to the Alcohol and Drug Partnership Service - the very people who require more funding to help their addiction recovery.	Commissioned Services - alcohol & drug service	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposal is to ensure that all externally commissioned services are also targeted to people with the highest level of need.
15685	An individual	2d. Commissioned Services	Spend the £££ in those who need it, not wasters like drug addicts and alcoholics	Commissioned Services - alcohol & drug service	5a. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because the council is required by law to deliver this work.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15686	An individual	2d. Commissioned Services	Far too much money already given to alcohol and drug issues	Commissioned Services - alcohol & drug service	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15687	An individual	2d. Commissioned Services	Surely Alcohol & Drug abuse comes under NHS.	Commissioned Services - alcohol & drug service	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15688	An employee of West Lothian Council	2d. Commissioned Services	A reduction in the Alcohol and Drug Service will this be a protected service with NHS Lothian because the service is required in West Lothian and therefore this service must still be provided by others. The council needs to ensure that it gets the most for its money in every instance (e.g. purchasing a pen to its contracts).	Commissioned Services - alcohol & drug service	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The Council is committed to ensure a strong governance framework is in place to make sure quality is at the heart of service delivery from external partners

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15689	An individual	2d. Commissioned Services	alcohol and drugs should be the governments bill to pay as they are happy to take revenue if its so bad for people why does the government just ban it and them their would be no alcoholics and put drug users in jail not pay them more money	Commissioned Services - alcohol & drug service	5c. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it is not consistent with the council's values and priorities.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15690	An individual	2d. Commissioned Services	waste of money its full of alcoholics and drug users	Commissioned Services - alcohol & drug service	5c. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it is not consistent with the council's values and priorities.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15691	An individual	2d. Commissioned Services	The heading here is unclear. It is assumed that this refers to externally procured services. Commissioning is a different process to procurement. The reductions to drug and alcohol services is at best poorly explained. It is not clear what will be reduced and by how much. The scottish government still expets local authorities and health boards to fund drugs and alcohol services alongside the Alcohol and Drug partnership grant. Drug and alcohol services received a 22% reduction in 2016/17.	Commissioned Services - alcohol & drug service	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposal is to ensure that all externally commissioned services are also targeted to people with the highest level of need.
15692	No Response	2d. Commissioned Services	This service must be retained.	Commissioned Services - alcohol & drug service	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15693	An employee of West Lothian Council	2d. Commissioned Services	Laughable! This should be a priority. Supporting people with substance misuse issues helps to reduce crime, improve health and enables the children of substance misusers to achieve better outcomes. This is a shortsighted proposal which takes no account of the bigger picture or a systems approach to delivering services	Commissioned Services - alcohol & drug service	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposal is to ensure that all externally commissioned services are also targeted to people with the highest level of need.
15694	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	2d. Commissioned Services	The Alcohol & Drug Partnership has been an excellent example of this. When funding was reduced from Scottish Government last year, West Lothian Council invested some additional money in services to reduce the effect of this significant funding cut. this allowed services time to review and alter how it provided services and helped our service (West Lothian Drug & Alcohol Service) continue to hit its HEAT targets of 3 weeks for engagement. Scottish Government has now announced that the budget available for Alcohol and Drug Treatment will go back to the level it was prior to last year cut. Commissioning allows charities like ours can bring in additional funding to West Lothian to provide additional services and support. In the financial year 2016-17 WLDAS brought in £225,000 of additional funding. This funding would be hard for us to secure without the funding we receive for delivering commissioned services.	Commissioned Services - alcohol & drug service	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposal is to ensure that all externally commissioned services are also targeted to people with the highest level of need.
15695	An individual	2d. Commissioned Services	Alcohol and drugs are one of the main issues in society and can be the underlying cause for a lot of poverty, which the council has as a real focus on.	Commissioned Services - alcohol & drug service	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposal is to ensure that all externally commissioned services are also targeted to people with the highest level of need.
15696	An individual	2d. Commissioned Services	Totally agree too much money spent on Alcohol and drug addicts.	Commissioned Services - alcohol & drug service	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15697	An employee of West Lothian Council	2d. Commissioned Services	I think prevention based intervention is very important in relation to addictions.	Commissioned Services - alcohol & drug service	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council will always be required to prioritise the needs of people who are most vulnerable, We would also aim to provide early intervention and prevention support where evidence based practice shows that a positive impact can be made
15698	An employee of West Lothian Council	2d. Commissioned Services	Prevention is really important in relation to drug and alcohol misuse it can also help reduce crime levels and hospital time incurred.	Commissioned Services - alcohol & drug service	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council will always be required to prioritise the needs of people who are most vulnerable, We would also aim to provide early intervention and prevention support where evidence based practice shows that a positive impact can be made
15699	An employee of West Lothian Council	2d. Commissioned Services	Agree self induced harm should be further down the scale of funding. Remember that this is an illness and as such should sit firmly in the NHS and with central government. Care should also be taken to ensure ultimately that this move doesn't end up costing the taxpayer more in the long run as usually is the case in hindsight.	Commissioned Services - alcohol & drug service	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15700	An employee of West Lothian Council	2d. Commissioned Services	Alcohol and drug partnership services are vital for most vulnerable residents, it is important that these functions continue as they play a vital role for those working towards breaking the cycle of deprivation. This in turn will help those affected get back into society and perhaps gain employment to avoid them having to claim benefits, get into arrears with Council Tax and also avoid them relying on the Scottish Welfare Fund.	Commissioned Services - alcohol & drug service	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15701	An employee of West Lothian Council	2d. Commissioned Services	The Alcohol and Drug partnership services are vital to our most vulnerable residents, it is important that these functions continue as they play a vital role for those working towards breaking the cycle of deprivation.	Commissioned Services - alcohol & drug service	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposal is to ensure that all externally commissioned services are also targeted to people with the highest level of need.

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15702	An individual	2d. Commissioned Services	Some people need support. Don't let them down! People who poison themselves with drugs and alcohol are a burden on us all. They deserve very little support unless they make an effort to help themselves. I think a tighter effort to stop the suppliers of drugs would be a better investment.	Commissioned Services - alcohol & drug service	5a. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because the council is required by law to deliver this work.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15703	An employee of West Lothian Council	2d. Commissioned Services	Alcohol and Drug partnership services are vital to our most vulnerable residents, it is important that these functions continue as they play a vital role for those working towards breaking the cycle of deprivation	Commissioned Services - alcohol & drug service	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposal is to ensure that all externally commissioned services are also targeted to people with the highest level of need.
15704	An employee of West Lothian Council	2d. Commissioned Services	Alcohol and Drug partnership services are vital to our most vulnerable residents, it is important that these functions continue as they play a vital role for those working towards breaking the cycle of deprivation	Commissioned Services - alcohol & drug service	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposal is to ensure that all externally commissioned services are also targeted to people with the highest level of need.
15705	An employee of West Lothian Council	2d. Commissioned Services	Alcohol and Drug partnership services are vital to our most vulnerable residents, it is important that these functions continue as they play a vital role for those working towards breaking the cycle of deprivation.	Commissioned Services - alcohol & drug service	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposal is to ensure that all externally commissioned services are also targeted to people with the highest level of need.
15706	An individual	2d. Commissioned Services	Some services bought by the council do not show best value. Monitoring of contracts with care providers in particular is poor as there is little competition for this work. There is little or no evidence to show the impact of initiatives like Alcohol Diversionary Funding.	Commissioned Services - alcohol & drug service	4. The council is already doing this.	The Council is committed to ensure a strong governance framework is in place to make sure quality is at the heart of service delivery from external partners
15707	An individual	2d. Commissioned Services	I am a recovering addict in West Lothian and I have used every place in West Lothian that helps people get off drugs or supports people on drugs. I feel that if the funding is cut for these services you would have a lot bigger problems on your hand and would spend more money on health services and jails, etc. These services helped me get to where I am right now and supported me throughout my addiction. If they weren't available I would surely had been in prison for silly offences and would be a drain to society and I also I would be in and out of hospital with numerous health problems. These services got me on my feet, helped me get housing, got me prescription. Gave someone to speak to when I needed it and generally supported me. I didn't know how to do things for myself and they supported me. I am only one person but there is thousands in West Lothian like me and who rely on these services to give them a chance in life when they have made a mistake the services help them to fix it. No I am off drugs. I socialise in the Hub in Bathgate. This was vital for me in very early recovery and is very important for others in the community. It helped me get to know people when I was isolated and made me realise I could be a productive member of society. Also I have my Aftercare from Leap treatment centre and if this place (the Hub) shuts the people that come out of Leap won't have aftercare to come to and will have less of a chance to succeed and this will surely cost you the Council more as they will commit crime etc. It would be a shame that a hub wouldn't be funded as recover is getting popular in both Edinburgh and Glasgow and you can see the benefits.	Commissioned Services - alcohol & drug service	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposal is to ensure that all externally commissioned services are also targeted to people with the highest level of need.
15708	An individual	2d. Commissioned Services	I am recently in recovery after many years of drug addiction. My lifestyle included homelessness, criminality and the loss of my family. Without commissioned services within drugs and alcohol I wouldn't have gained the support I have and wouldn't be in the position I am. I wouldn't have my family back, feel part of the community, my life would be like a revolving door.	Commissioned Services - alcohol & drug service	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposal is to ensure that all externally commissioned services are also targeted to people with the highest level of need.
15709	An employee of West Lothian Council	2d. Commissioned Services	Stop methodone and stop giving alcoholics extra money and people coming into our country if we were to go to there country we wouldnt get house, job or no money it isnt fair how working people that getting cut and struggling to live.	Commissioned Services - alcohol & drug service	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. Policy with regard to refugees and benefits is set by the UK government. Health Services are the responsibility of the NHS.
15710	An employee of West Lothian Council	2d. Commissioned Services	Remove drug and alcohol services, advisory centres and other nonsense like this	Commissioned Services - alcohol & drug service	5a. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because the council is required by law to deliver this work.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15711	An individual	2d. Commissioned Services	I would reduce the money the support of people who abuse drugs and alcohol.	Commissioned Services - alcohol & drug service	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15712	An employee of West Lothian Council	2d. Commissioned Services	Social care services have to become much leaner and cost effective	Commissioned Services - council funding	4. The council is already doing this.	West Lothian has a proven track record of partnership working and would wish to build on this. Through integration it is expected that there would be less duplication and more streamlining of services.

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15713	An individual	2d. Commissioned Services	I am all for this the council do not need to fund this at all as this is a self inflicted illness	Commissioned Services - council funding	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The Council is committed to ensure a strong governance framework is in place to make sure quality is at the heart of service delivery from external partners
15714	An employee of West Lothian Council	2d. Commissioned Services	Any changes that can streamline processes and make savings for the council must and should be pursued.	Commissioned Services - council funding	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The Council is committed to ensure a strong governance framework is in place to make sure quality is at the heart of service delivery from external partners
15715	An individual	2d. Commissioned Services	Clients under 65 should have to pay a contribution towards their care packages. In most local authorities clients have to pay towards services such as housing support.	Commissioned Services - council funding	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The introduction of any contributions policy will be subject to the financial assessment of affordability
15716	An individual	2d. Commissioned Services	Council should focus on providing essential care services to most vulnerable as there is no money to commission additional services.	Commissioned Services - council funding	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15717	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	2d. Commissioned Services	██████████ has been part funded by West Lothian Council to provide a range of early intervention services for children, young people and families who are experiencing difficulties and challenges as a result of divorce, separation and family break up e.g. family mediation, parenting apart workshops, child contact, for many years. The focus of our work is family relationships and improving the quality of lives for children. We receive match funding from the Scottish Government, Lottery and other trusts. The profile of the families who use our services has changed over the years and we are now providing a service for families experiencing greater challenges e.g. alcohol abuse, mental health issues, low income, child protection and domestic abuse. We are seeing an increasing demand for our services. The contribution from the council is much appreciated and means that families can continue to access services in Livingston and Whitburn. We appreciate that the council has difficult decisions to make and appreciate being consulted and kept in the loop,	Commissioned Services - council funding	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The proposal is to ensure that all externally commissioned services are also targeted to people with the highest level of need.
15718	An individual	2d. Commissioned Services	Information in the public domain about the IJB policies plans and procedures is almost non-existent. It is difficult to envisage that the additional financial burden of such a body can achieve the savings. Much better to retire the IJB.	Commissioned Services - council funding	5a. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because the council is required by law to deliver this work.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15719	An individual	2d. Commissioned Services	The care agencies are already in crisis. There is a risk the whole system falls apart. Already people at the end of their life needing care are not getting it!	Commissioned Services - council funding	4. The council is already doing this.	The Council is committed to ensure a strong governance framework is in place to make sure quality is at the heart of service delivery from external partners
15720	An employee of West Lothian Council	2d. Commissioned Services	all external funding should be reviewed and stopped where there is duplication.	Commissioned Services - council funding	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The proposal is to ensure that all externally commissioned services are also targeted to people with the highest level of need
15721	An individual	2d. Commissioned Services	Ok ish with this. But the amount spent in these areas needs to be capped..	Commissioned Services - council funding	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The proposal is to ensure that all externally commissioned services are also targeted to people with the highest level of need
15722	An individual	2d. Commissioned Services	Agree that financial spend needs to be monitored and where there is poor outcomes then a review of what has not gone well needs to be undertaken by WLC. Without detail difficult to establish whether this is disadvantaging an already minority population.	Commissioned Services - council funding	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The proposal is to ensure that all externally commissioned services are also targeted to people with the highest level of need.
15723	An employee of West Lothian Council	2d. Commissioned Services	Very good proposal they should be out there Fund Raising for there cause	Commissioned Services - council funding	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15724	An individual	2d. Commissioned Services	it is a shame that the council funding needs to reduce to these important initiatives, but again needs must !	Commissioned Services - council funding	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15725	No Response	2d. Commissioned Services	What external service provisions will be reduced? What is the impact of reducing these and is it likely to cause financial hardship in communities that will effectively be under resourced?	Commissioned Services - council funding	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Criteria is set within an assessment framework to ensure people's needs are assessed consistently and fairly. Work will continue to focus on those who are most vulnerable and have additional needs.
15726	An individual	2d. Commissioned Services	Again this sounds like services that the council should provided were first farmed out to arms length organisations and now funds to those services are being cut.	Commissioned Services - council funding	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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15727	An individual	2d. Commissioned Services	Funding to care home services should not be included in this due to the cost impact this would have and the negative outcomes for older people	Commissioned Services - council funding	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Health and Social Care joint strategic commissioning plans are about planning and delivering services and support for people. Through strategic needs assessments we can identify the needs of individuals and communities, enabling people to decide what will best address those needs, and through working together with agencies put the right services and support in place
15728	An employee of West Lothian Council	2d. Commissioned Services	Again cutting service provision here will only leave these client groups vulnerable? Why is there not a need to care for our vulnerable groups? Homelessness drug and alcohol crime depression unwanted pregnancies all put pressure on our communities health services yet we are looking at reducing the amount of support we are offering This can only be a bad thing creating yet more problems for people to live amongst	Commissioned Services - council funding	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Work will continue to focus on those who are most vulnerable and have additional needs.
15729	An individual	2d. Commissioned Services	External funding has been reduced regularly for a number of years. Reducing it further will remove services and cause the people running these services to become unemployed, making more of a problem as people who use services being unable to source them and the unemployment in west lothian rising further.	Commissioned Services - council funding	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All client groups are entitled to receive support to meet assessed eligible needs - the proposal is about limiting the support for additions support to the funding received from the Scottish Government
15730	An individual	2d. Commissioned Services	Put no council funding into the services that external funding is received for.	Commissioned Services - council funding	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15731	An individual	2d. Commissioned Services	Reduction in funding to outside agencies will lead to social problems on a huge scale in the coming years, and the costs of picking up the pieces will be massive. False economy.	Commissioned Services - council funding	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Health and Social Care joint strategic commissioning plans are about planning and delivering services and support for people. Through strategic needs assessments we can identify the needs of individuals and communities, enabling people to decide what will best address those needs, and through working together with agencies put the right services and support in place
15732	An individual	2d. Commissioned Services	Care needs to be taken to ensure that external parties have the capacity to deliver sustainable services for the price agreed.	Commissioned Services - council funding	4. The council is already doing this.	The Council is committed to ensure a strong governance framework is in place to make sure quality is at the heart of service delivery from external partners
15733	An employee of West Lothian Council	2d. Commissioned Services	Do not use commissioned services. have our own.	Commissioned Services - council funding	5b. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it is likely that the costs of this proposal would outweigh the benefit.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15734	An employee of West Lothian Council	2d. Commissioned Services	As my response to 2a: bought in services are always going to be more expensive than those provided in-house. It is a false economy to cut staff and buy in a service.	Commissioned Services - council funding	5b. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it is likely that the costs of this proposal would outweigh the benefit.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15735	An employee of West Lothian Council	2d. Commissioned Services	Some third party organisations who are funded by the council are not delivering on the outcomes they are intended to and feel the health check really needs reviewed to ensure we fund the organisations who deliver on outcomes and don't fund organisations who don't meet their targets.	Commissioned Services - council funding	4. The council is already doing this.	The Council is committed to ensure a strong governance framework is in place to make sure quality is at the heart of service delivery from external partners
15736	An individual	2d. Commissioned Services	The use of external care agencies to deliver care at home services appears to have reduced the quality of the services people are receiving, this has resulted in a need for closer monitoring and reviewing which impacts on staffing costs/use of resources. If the council buys less care services from external agencies it could mean that they in turn have financial difficulties in sustaining their business. Any closure of a care agency with a large portion of business could impact greatly on service users, I expect there would need to be a contingency plan. Perhaps consideration could be given to a more cost effective in house service.	Commissioned Services - council funding	5b. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it is likely that the costs of this proposal would outweigh the benefit.	The Council is committed to ensure a strong governance framework is in place to make sure quality is at the heart of service delivery from external partners
15737	An employee of West Lothian Council	2d. Commissioned Services	I agree that we should not be providing grant income to groups who do not deliver the council's priorities. Historical funding for the sake of it, or if the group is liked by elected members, can't happen when resources are this tight.	Commissioned Services - council funding	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The proposal is to ensure that all externally commissioned services are also targeted to people with the highest level of need.
15738	No Response	2d. Commissioned Services	This will have a direct impact on so many. These agencies will need to source this funding elsewhere. This is a tough one.	Commissioned Services - council funding	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposal is to ensure that all externally commissioned services are also targeted to people with the highest level of need.

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15739	An employee of West Lothian Council	2d. Commissioned Services	I don't agree with cutting funding to these services. Cutting these could cause more harm than good with more problems directed to NHS, anti social behaviour and all sorts. These shouldn't be cut but promoted	Commissioned Services - council funding	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposal is to ensure that all externally commissioned services are also targeted to people with the highest level of need.
15740	An employee of West Lothian Council	2d. Commissioned Services	Consider financial penalties for care agencies that do not meet the standards of care as set out by SSSC. In my experience many (but certainly not all) care agencies are not sanctioned for taking decisions that directly impact on peoples quality of life. I have directly experienced care agencies not giving notice when they can no longer provide the care a person requires. In one instance an agency simply did not turn up leaving the service user with no care.	Commissioned Services - council funding	4. The council is already doing this.	The Council is committed to ensure a strong governance framework is in place to make sure quality is at the heart of service delivery from external partners
15741	An individual	2d. Commissioned Services	The council should never have been buying services unless they met people's needs. This is token words.	Commissioned Services - council funding	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The proposal is to ensure that all externally commissioned services are also targeted to people with the highest level of need.
15742	No Response	2d. Commissioned Services	Supplier reviews, Service Level Agreements, penalty clauses and benchmarking clauses should be bread and butter.	Commissioned Services - council funding	4. The council is already doing this.	The Council is committed to ensure a strong governance framework is in place to make sure quality is at the heart of service delivery from external partners
15743	An individual	2d. Commissioned Services	It is very sad that anyone who is vulnerable should lose help. Surely the Scottish Government should be paying more money for this.	Commissioned Services - council funding	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15744	An individual	2d. Commissioned Services	The difficulty we have with care is that there is a huge initial cost to be able to provide all current services through council but due to the ever growing old and young population within West Lothian. Funding third parties it is going to work out most expensive long term. This will become a monopoly for the few companies which could realistically provide care.	Commissioned Services - council funding	5b. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it is likely that the costs of this proposal would outweigh the benefit.	The proposal is to ensure that all externally commissioned services are also targeted to people with the highest level of need.
15745	An employee of West Lothian Council	2d. Commissioned Services	I agree the Council's contribution to initiatives such as the Alcohol and Drug Partnership Service should be reduced. Hoping that the care services bought by the Council are good quality and not just the cheapest.	Commissioned Services - council funding	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The Council is committed to ensure a strong governance framework is in place to make sure quality is at the heart of service delivery from external partners
15746	An individual	2d. Commissioned Services	This sounds absolutely disastrous for the many smaller charities who do vital work in their communities. Wha possible good can come from these services having to close - there is obviously no way the Council will step in to replace the void left, so what will then happen to the people who are currently supported?	Commissioned Services - council funding	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposal is to ensure that all externally commissioned services are also targeted to people with the highest level of need.
15747	No Response	2d. Commissioned Services	Other than reducing funding, there is no other information that you have provided here for me to comment on. I feel that reducing funding for services for vulnerable people can only result in those people becoming more and more vulnerable, and blame being lain directly at the feet of the WLC.	Commissioned Services - council funding	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Work will continue to focus on those who are most vulnerable and have additional needs.
15748	An individual	2d. Commissioned Services	I agree that resources being funded should be looked at. If there is a duplication of service between the voluntary/health sector and the LA that does not make financial sense. Also if the LA is part funding a service and this is not a LA priority, given the financial challenges, it makes sense to withdraw.	Commissioned Services - council funding	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15749	An individual	2d. Commissioned Services	Buying in care services can be difficult as quality assurance and varying standards of care can be a waste of money.	Commissioned Services - council funding	4. The council is already doing this.	The Council is committed to ensure a strong governance framework is in place to make sure quality is at the heart of service delivery from external partners
15750	An individual	2d. Commissioned Services	Why are the Council paying for external services, surely consideration should be given to ensuring these services can be met from within.	Commissioned Services - council funding	5b. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it is likely that the costs of this proposal would outweigh the benefit.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15751	An individual	2d. Commissioned Services	However, care for all people with disabilities and special needs needs to be protected.	Commissioned Services - council funding	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15752	No Response	2d. Commissioned Services	This will have a massive impact on the ability of these providers to give the high quality service they have provided until now. The cuts already implemented, e.g the closure of cafe Mistura and BLES, due to council funding are a huge loss and made an impact to the life choices for the individuals they could have supported as there is little else out there .	Commissioned Services - council funding	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposal is to ensure that all externally commissioned services are also targeted to people with the highest level of need.
15753	An individual	2d. Commissioned Services	Nervous about this one. Care providers ate already struggling. See Bield.	Commissioned Services - council funding	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposal is to ensure that all externally commissioned services are also targeted to people with the highest level of need.

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15754	An employee of West Lothian Council	2d. Commissioned Services	By reducing the funding to the external partners can this not cause problems which can escalate when there are not sufficient resources to prevent or minimise the impact.	Commissioned Services - council funding	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposal is to ensure that all externally commissioned services are also targeted to people with the highest level of need.
15755	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	2d. Commissioned Services	Reduced funding in areas of prevention and early intervention result in more costly interventions at a later date	Commissioned Services - council funding	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposal is to ensure that all externally commissioned services are also targeted to people with the highest level of need.
15756	An individual	2d. Commissioned Services	Whilst partner agencies at present are used consideration must be given to the standards and abilities of these groups to meet the needs of some vulnerable and complex client groups. In house services will ensure and maintain standards, this will also increase the local employment for people in their local area providing support to their community. Too many times private agencies claim to be able to look after complex clients and the care package fails putting additional strain on the limited in house services or resulting in unnecessary admission to hospitals. Increased in-house services would be an investment in the skills and capabilities of the staff, improve standards and reduce the amount of times external agencies fail to meet the needs of clients or standards.	Commissioned Services - council funding	4. The council is already doing this.	The Council is committed to ensure a strong governance framework is in place to make sure quality is at the heart of service delivery from external partners
15757	An employee of West Lothian Council	2d. Commissioned Services	Introduce tighter tendering processes and a higher level of scrutiny in how funding is being used. This could take place in the same way that grant making trusts to the Third Sector monitor their funding and ensure it is being used effectively. This takes place by ensuring the bid is being reflected by the actual activities being carried out within the context of the budget/fund.	Commissioned Services - council funding	4. The council is already doing this.	The Council is committed to ensure a strong governance framework is in place to make sure quality is at the heart of service delivery from external partners
15758	An individual	2d. Commissioned Services	Partnership working is vital as Council moves forward but build in feedback and reviews to ensure that service delivery is not being greatly harmed.	Commissioned Services - council funding	4. The council is already doing this.	The Council is committed to ensure a strong governance framework is in place to make sure quality is at the heart of service delivery from external partners
15759	An individual	2d. Commissioned Services	Any reduction in contribution to services which use volunteer workers would be very short sighted, as the return on investment the council gets is high.	Commissioned Services - council funding	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Work will continue to focus on those who are most vulnerable and have additional needs.
15760	An individual	2d. Commissioned Services	Reducing the funding level of funding to service such as the Alcohol and Drug Partnership Service leaves a gap, unless an alternative can be identified that provides the same level of support.	Commissioned Services - council funding	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	The proposal is to ensure that all externally commissioned services are also targeted to people with the highest level of need. This approach would mean that services for the Alcohol and Drug Partnership would be contained within the funding provided by the Scottish Government.
15761	An employee of West Lothian Council	2d. Commissioned Services	I was shocked to see how much additional support needs cost the council - more than roads. There must be scope for efficiencies there.	Commissioned Services - council funding	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The proposal is to ensure that all externally commissioned services are also targeted to people with the highest level of need.
15762	An individual	2d. Commissioned Services	Need to cover external agencies costs in full.	Commissioned Services - council funding	4. The council is already doing this.	The Council is committed to ensure a strong governance framework is in place to make sure quality is at the heart of service delivery from external partners
15763	No Response	2d. Commissioned Services	Council needs to ensure they are properly funding bought in services as providers will simply give up if not adequately funded. Last paragraph is unclear.	Commissioned Services - council funding	4. The council is already doing this.	The Council is committed to ensure a strong governance framework is in place to make sure quality is at the heart of service delivery from external partners
15764	No Response	2d. Commissioned Services	I am all for reducing costs from outside agencies but this depends on the level of expertise "In House"	Commissioned Services - council funding	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The Health and Social Care joint strategic commissioning plans are about planning and delivering services and support for people. Through strategic needs assessments we can identify the needs of individuals and communities, enabling people to decide what will best address those needs, and through working together with agencies put the right services and support in place

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15765	An individual	2d. Commissioned Services	Its a pity that service delivery relies so heavily on outside agencies and not in house Too much reliance on outside agencies and many are closing down as they are not able to meet demands and staff turnover is creating major problems	Commissioned Services - council funding	5b. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it is likely that the costs of this proposal would outweigh the benefit.	The Health and Social Care joint strategic commissioning plans are about planning and delivering services and support for people. Through strategic needs assessments we can identify the needs of individuals and communities, enabling people to decide what will best address those needs, and through working together with agencies put the right services and support in place
15766	An individual	2d. Commissioned Services	Care services should be regularly reviewed to ensure they keep on meeting people's need. Does the council buy these services from companies who use 0 hour contracts or do not pay their staff when they are off sick? These practices should be contractually banned.	Commissioned Services - council funding	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15767	No Response	2d. Commissioned Services	The council can't resource external agencies if we can't afford to do everything we are obliged to do.	Commissioned Services - council funding	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposal is to ensure that all externally commissioned services are also targeted to people with the highest level of need.
15768	An individual	2d. Commissioned Services	Is it cheaper to buy services than to employ staff to do the work?	Commissioned Services - council funding	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	West Lothian has a proven track record of partnership working and would wish to build on this.
15769	An individual	2d. Commissioned Services	It is important to ensure care packages are available. Many absences across the work place can be due to families having to care for their elderly family members as they struggle to get support in place.	Commissioned Services - council funding	4. The council is already doing this.	The proposal is to ensure that all externally commissioned services are also targeted to people with the highest level of need.
15770	An individual	2d. Commissioned Services	A focus on the extent to which providers meet the outcomes of service users is welcome provided that services no longer purchased, because of poor value for money, are then provided by the council. The provision of in house services as opposed to purchased services allows the council greater control of budgets and quality. A reduction in the mixed economy of care can only be a good thing	Commissioned Services - council funding	5d. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it has been previously considered and will not be progressed.	The Health and Social Care joint strategic commissioning plans are about planning and delivering services and support for people. Through strategic needs assessments we can identify the needs of individuals and communities, enabling people to decide what will best address those needs, and through working together with agencies put the right services and support in place
15771	An individual	2d. Commissioned Services	Reducing funding on preventive services will increase costs as people will be in more extreme need by the time help is available.	Commissioned Services - council funding	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council will always be required to prioritise the needs of people who are most vulnerable. We would also aim to provide early intervention and prevention support where evidence based practice shows that a positive impact can be made
15772	An individual	2d. Commissioned Services	Further reductions to third sector services are not sensible. Partly because of the cost that service users put on other parts of the health, social care, criminal justice system. SO reducing funding here will result in higher costs elsewhere. It is unclear that the recent needs assessment Carried out by West Lothian ADP suggests such a reduction is viable. The third sector are actually the services that offer people recovery which is the main thrust of the national strategy to address drug/ alcohol problems - and is likely to remain so even after the refresh of the current strategy over the coming months. It is likely that there will be many opportunities to make the public sector (nursing and social work teams) more efficient. For instance nurses running SMART recovery groups in linlithgow is not an effective use of their time particularly when West Lothian fails to meet its waiting times targets. These public sector services are clearly in need of review, after which it is likely that more investment will be made in the 3rd sector to carry out tasks more efficiently that those currently carried out by the public sector. This would give a different kind of saving. I would suggest carrying out this review rather than making unquantified intentions to reduce investment in the 3rd sector. It is more likely that this is proposal is being made out of convenience (I.e. To manage a no redundancies policy in the public sector rather than the best interests of service users at difficult financial time.	Commissioned Services - council funding	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposal is to ensure that all externally commissioned services are also targeted to people with the highest level of need.
15773	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	2d. Commissioned Services	In the past 3rd sector organisations have been crucial in supporting young people and their families to help them through working together to address problems and improve outcomes. The funding available to these organisations may be under threat or substantially reduced as indicated in other scions of this consultation which covers reductions to commissioned services and the voluntary sector budgets. These organisations are often far leaner, more adaptive, effective and successful with engaging vulnerable groups and families.	Commissioned Services - council funding	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposal is to ensure that all externally commissioned services are also targeted to people with the highest level of need.

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15774	An individual	2d. Commissioned Services	A reduction in the provision of care services is not good. There should be more money, not less, given to projects that support the most vulnerable in our communities. One of these is the Alcohol and Drug Partnership Service, which deserves to be expanded. It is not just the addicts, but the effect on families suffering from the drug or alcohol misuse of someone close to them is devastating and causes immense hurt and sadness.	Commissioned Services - council funding	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15775	An individual	2d. Commissioned Services	reduction in some services will lead to a rise in poverty, deprivation & crime all of which are indicated as a priority to reduce. Be very careful about this	Commissioned Services - council funding	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15776	An individual	2d. Commissioned Services	Commissioned services are providing essential services to vulnerable people in West Lothian. Many are already doing so on incredibly tight and under resourced budgets and cuts here will risk service providers leaving the area or cuts to service levels which is detrimental to those requiring services.	Commissioned Services - council funding	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposal is to ensure that all externally commissioned services are also targeted to people with the highest level of need.
15777	An individual	2d. Commissioned Services	Removing funds from front end services only adds to extra costs for long term services for council and for health.	Commissioned Services - council funding	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Work will continue to focus on those who are most vulnerable and have additional needs.
15778	An employee of West Lothian Council	2d. Commissioned Services	Need to ensure care providers are reliable so clients will not be disadvantaged by carers "not turning up". Could then lead to a crisis if carer doesn't get break/client doesn't get service	Commissioned Services - council funding	4. The council is already doing this.	The Council is committed to ensure a strong governance framework is in place to make sure quality is at the heart of service delivery from external partners
15779	No Response	2d. Commissioned Services	WLC should be careful that local services with expertise and local knowledge are not put under even more threat - weighting of skills, knowledge, local service/knowledge should be high within the process.	Commissioned Services - council funding	5a. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because the council is required by law to deliver this work.	The Health and Social Care joint strategic commissioning plans are about planning and delivering services and support for people. Through strategic needs assessments we can identify the needs of individuals and communities, enabling people to decide what will best address those needs, and through working together with agencies put the right services and support in place
15780	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	2d. Commissioned Services	Do these provide value for money?	Commissioned Services - council funding	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	The Council is committed to ensure a strong governance framework is in place to make sure quality is at the heart of service delivery from external partners
15781	An individual	2d. Commissioned Services	There elderly should be protected with funding for the care provision helping people for any addiction, drug/alcohol, weight issues, mental health. Support for them to go them and their families. More funding to keep hubs, serenity caf��, open door, open food and financial help for people that need help. We need these partnerships as a person who's received & helped other people going to the hub just for chat and a coffee helps my mental health. Amazing	Commissioned Services - council funding	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposal is to ensure that all externally commissioned services are also targeted to people with the highest level of need.
15782	An individual	2d. Commissioned Services	Council's own workforce would be cheaper than buying in services.	Commissioned Services - council funding	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15783	An individual	2d. Commissioned Services	As above. A public consultation is needed to discuss this separately from this consultation.	Commissioned Services (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The council will consult with the public, service users throughout the development of proposals
15784	No Response	2d. Commissioned Services	Commissioned services for instance taxis, service providers and outwith local resources costs the council unknown significantly high finances.	Commissioned Services (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15785	An individual	2d. Commissioned Services	This would seem to reduce prevention measures and organizations, thereby posing the question does it really save money in the long term, ie necessitating more expensive interventions and long term care.	Commissioned Services (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	The Health and Social Care joint strategic commissioning plans are about planning and delivering services and support for people. Through strategic needs assessments we can identify the needs of individuals and communities, enabling people to decide what will best address those needs, and through working together with agencies put the right services and support in place
15786	An employee of West Lothian Council	2d. Commissioned Services	THERE IS A DIRE NEED TO IMPOROVE THE QUALITY AND EFFECTIVENESS OF SERVICES BOUGHT BY COUNCIL. MANY ARE OF POOR QUALITY. THE COST OF DEALING WITH COMPLAINTS AND INVESTIGATIONS MUST BE TAKEN INTO CONSIDERATION AS AN ON COST.	Commissioned Services (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	The Council is committed to ensure a strong governance framework is in place to make sure quality is at the heart of service delivery from external partners
15787	No Response	2d. Commissioned Services	I agree that a review of external providers is a good idea, as many charge very high prices that are not good value for what they claim to provide.	Commissioned Services (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	The Council is committed to ensure a strong governance framework is in place to make sure quality is at the heart of service delivery from external partners

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15788	An individual	2d. Commissioned Services	you get what you pay for.	Commissioned Services (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	The Council is committed to ensure a strong governance framework is in place to make sure quality is at the heart of service delivery from external partners
15789	An employee of West Lothian Council	2d. Commissioned Services	The council does not need to give out key safes to every client for free. The telecare system is Â£1 per week yet other councils charge in excess of Â£5 per week. There is no charging policy at all for the council which results in families not having the correct documentation about the legislation for payment of care home fees. There is also no charge for under 65's which is not the norm within local authorities.	Commissioned Services (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The introduction of any contributions policy will be subject to the financial assessment of affordability
15790	An employee of West Lothian Council	2d. Commissioned Services	There is no need to provide free key safes for everyone. There is only a small change for the telecare provision which could be increased as per other councils who charge more than Â£1 per week. Under 65's are not overall entitled to Free Personal and Nursing Care but in WLC they receive it. This is lost revenue for the council.	Commissioned Services (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The introduction of any contributions policy will be subject to the financial assessment of affordability
15791	An employee of West Lothian Council	2d. Commissioned Services	The council does not appear to have a consequence for the care agencies who do not turn up to meet the needs of the clients we support. For some, this can be very vulnerable people left without intervention. I would impose a financial penalty for care companies who do not fulfil the needs of the calls they are required to do.	Commissioned Services (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The Council is committed to ensure a strong governance framework is in place to make sure quality is at the heart of service delivery from external partners
15792	An employee of West Lothian Council	2d. Commissioned Services	care at home providers unable to supply the level of support required has to be addressed. Questions need to be asked about recruitment.	Commissioned Services (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	The Council is committed to ensure a strong governance framework is in place to make sure quality is at the heart of service delivery from external partners
15793	An employee of West Lothian Council	2d. Commissioned Services	Allocated areas for care companies will only work if the providers have an adequate level of staff to meet the requirements. This is the biggest cause of delayed discharges from St Johns Hospital. Action must be taken against care providers who are deliberately cutting services to provide "walking time" between clients.	Commissioned Services (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	The Council is committed to ensure a strong governance framework is in place to make sure quality is at the heart of service delivery from external partners
15794	An employee of West Lothian Council	2d. Commissioned Services	I am unclear what care services bought by the council would be reduced and how this shortfall would be made good - for example currently (in mental health) needs that are not being met though tenancy support are having to be "picked up" by health and social work	Commissioned Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Health and Social Care joint strategic commissioning plans are about planning and delivering services and support for people. Through strategic needs assessments we can identify the needs of individuals and communities, enabling people to decide what will best address those needs, and through working together with agencies put the right services and support in place
15795	An employee of West Lothian Council	2d. Commissioned Services	This should be placed better externally within the community so that responsibility is more focused by the provider.	Commissioned Services (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15796	No Response	2d. Commissioned Services	Agreed that this should be cut. There are many care groups and support places therefore this needs to be reduced.	Commissioned Services (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15797	An individual	2d. Commissioned Services	One of the areas that the Council can claw back money from care providers is to ensure that the contracted services are delivered. Too often a care visit is missed, but I am sure that the Council is invoiced for the Service. Time and effort should be used to ensure that services paid for have been delivered.	Commissioned Services (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	The Council is committed to ensure a strong governance framework is in place to make sure quality is at the heart of service delivery from external partners
15798	An individual	2d. Commissioned Services	professional carers turn up here in top of the range cars and sometimes in their second cars.	Commissioned Services (general)	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15799	An individual	2d. Commissioned Services	If services delivered by external partners don't meet people's needs what on earth are they doing? This is just contradictory nonsense. Again be honest in your intentions.	Commissioned Services (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The proposal is to ensure that all externally commissioned services are also targeted to people with the highest level of need.
15800	No Response	2d. Commissioned Services	good to see that vulnerable people will be looked after.	Commissioned Services (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15801	No Response	2d. Commissioned Services	I agree!	Commissioned Services (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15802	An individual	2d. Commissioned Services	You need to simply shop around for services	Commissioned Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposal is to ensure that all externally commissioned services are also targeted to people with the highest level of need.
15803	No Response	2d. Commissioned Services	How do you decide who is most vulnerable?	Commissioned Services (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Criteria will be set within an assessment framework to ensure people's needs are assessed consistently and fairly

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15804	An individual	2d. Commissioned Services	Value for money is important in commissioning services but unfortunately again the cuts appear to be focused on the most vulnerable West Lothian residents such as those with addictions issues. Sadly usually the people with the least voice are easiest to target when cuts are being made and this is regardless of the politics persuasion of local councillors.	Commissioned Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Health and Social Care joint strategic commissioning plans are about planning and delivering services and support for people. Through strategic needs assessments we can identify the needs of individuals and communities, enabling people to decide what will best address those needs, and through working together with agencies put the right services and support in place
15805	An individual	2d. Commissioned Services	External care services should be carefully supervised to ensure that they meet Council standards and not just profitability.	Commissioned Services (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	The Council is committed to ensure a strong governance framework is in place to make sure quality is at the heart of service delivery from external partners
15806	An employee of West Lothian Council	2d. Commissioned Services	Optimise performance or cease contract. Costs fortune to deal with complaints and poor services. Adopt UNISON's ethical Care Charter	Commissioned Services (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	The Council is committed to ensure a strong governance framework is in place to make sure quality is at the heart of service delivery from external partners
15807	An employee of West Lothian Council	2d. Commissioned Services	I believe the care sector needs to be closely monitored and any service found to be lacking should suffer severe consequences.	Commissioned Services (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	The Council is committed to ensure a strong governance framework is in place to make sure quality is at the heart of service delivery from external partners
15808	An individual	2d. Commissioned Services	Services from the council to the most vulnerable in society should ALWAYS be protected. Already the services have been diluted and numbers/pressure has increased, whilst staffing decreases. People are struggling as it is with lack of provision to the most vulnerable. There are many other areas the council should look at first. Human rights, morality and just doing the decent thing is at stake here. These services HAVE to be protected as core.	Commissioned Services (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The proposal is to ensure that all externally commissioned services are also targeted to people with the highest level of need.
15809	An employee of West Lothian Council	2d. Commissioned Services	Commissioned services - agency staffing by any other name - has never been a cost effective business model and results in inequality and aggrieved staff members.	Commissioned Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council is committed to ensure a strong governance framework is in place to make sure quality is at the heart of service delivery from external partners
15810	An employee of West Lothian Council	2d. Commissioned Services	It makes sense to ensure value for money in this area. To make sure commissioned services are not top heavy with managers and left short on the frontline.	Commissioned Services (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15811	An individual	2d. Commissioned Services	Reduce your spend to the statutory minimum.	Commissioned Services (general)	5c. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it is not consistent with the council's values and priorities.	The proposal is to ensure that all externally commissioned services are also targeted to people with the highest level of need.
15812	An individual	2d. Commissioned Services	Principle is sound but what will the review consist of? If purely financial without factoring the social and economic outcomes then do not support this move.	Commissioned Services (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The proposal is to ensure that all externally commissioned services are also targeted to people with the highest level of need
15813	No Response	2d. Commissioned Services	Some of the care companies who provide the care charge high costs but sometimes the care is lacking. Suggest introducing fines or reduction in payment where care package is not fulfilled Constantly fail to turn up to get my 93 yrs old gran to bed.	Commissioned Services (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The Council is committed to ensure a strong governance framework is in place to make sure quality is at the heart of service delivery from external partners
15814	An individual	2d. Commissioned Services	We seriously need to buy in services that are value for money. We need investment. Spend a pound to gain Â£5	Commissioned Services (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The Council is committed to ensure a strong governance framework is in place to make sure quality is at the heart of service delivery from external partners
15815	An individual	2d. Commissioned Services	Service Providers are there to make a profit, therefore they need to be carefully monitored for service delivery and quality standard. They require unannounced spot checks, audits and accountability. It's not a case of just paying a company to deal with this ever increasing problem. It needs to be money well spent, and to verify that it is.	Commissioned Services (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	The Council is committed to ensure a strong governance framework is in place to make sure quality is at the heart of service delivery from external partners
15816	An individual	2d. Commissioned Services	start using the voluntary sector more effectively rather than dismissing their support - sadly too many have lost funding and they did a lot of the support that the council didn't do	Commissioned Services (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	The proposal is to ensure that all externally commissioned services are also targeted to people with the highest level of need.
15817	An individual	2d. Commissioned Services	Deliver in-house rather than contract with external providers if more cost effective	Commissioned Services (general)	5b. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it is likely that the costs of this proposal would outweigh the benefit.	The proposal is to ensure that all externally commissioned services are also targeted to people with the highest level of need.

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15818	An employee of West Lothian Council	2d. Commissioned Services	does the council need to buy in so many services surely there is scope and employee to deliver these services in-house would it not be more cost effective.	Commissioned Services (general)	5b. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it is likely that the costs of this proposal would outweigh the benefit.	The proposal is to ensure that all externally commissioned services are also targeted to people with the highest level of need.
15819	No Response	2d. Commissioned Services	some times people and close familys have to take a more effective role and responsibility	Commissioned Services (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15820	An employee of West Lothian Council	2d. Commissioned Services	Bring it in house	Commissioned Services (general)	5b. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it is likely that the costs of this proposal would outweigh the benefit.	The proposal is to ensure that all externally commissioned services are also targeted to people with the highest level of need.
15821	An individual	2d. Commissioned Services	Perhaps the council would be better served by reviewing their statutory duties and confining themselves to those.	Commissioned Services (general)	5c. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it is not consistent with the council's values and priorities.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15822	An employee of West Lothian Council	2d. Commissioned Services	I recently found out that Barnardos youth group charge £93 per child for a 3 hour group and it is not 1-1. That to me sounds way too expensive. Review of charges for services should be looked at.	Commissioned Services (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	The Council is committed to ensure a strong governance framework is in place to make sure quality is at the heart of service delivery from external partners
15823	An individual	2d. Commissioned Services	Why not make this an area you partner with other councils to get a better deal.	Commissioned Services (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15824	An individual	2d. Commissioned Services	Individual need to start taking responsibility for their life style choices and addictions. In America you don't get all of the help and support for free. People serious about making changes will happily contribute towards costs.	Commissioned Services (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	There is a further proposal under Income and Concessions which considers how a contributions policy can be introduced subject to the financial assessment of affordability
15825	An individual	2d. Commissioned Services	Council should provide their own services as in the past or share services with others. Buying in services cannot be the most economical way	Commissioned Services (general)	5b. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it is likely that the costs of this proposal would outweigh the benefit.	The Council is committed to ensure a strong governance framework is in place to make sure quality is at the heart of service delivery from external partners
15826	An employee of West Lothian Council	2d. Commissioned Services	You are either planning to do more in-house or reduce the support provided to the vulnerable. Dreadful.	Commissioned Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposal is to ensure that all externally commissioned services are also targeted to people with the highest level of need.
15827	No Response	2d. Commissioned Services	will this initial cost saving cost more in the long run with additional problems in the community if services need to be cut	Commissioned Services (general)	5b. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it is likely that the costs of this proposal would outweigh the benefit.	The proposal is to ensure that all externally commissioned services are also targeted to people with the highest level of need.
15828	An employee of West Lothian Council	2d. Commissioned Services	The provision of services from the third sector could be invaluable if included in the reshaping of services. For example some voluntary organisations could possibly be located alongside social work duty teams to provide some of the preventative services currently provided within social work services.	Commissioned Services (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your comment which will be considered as part of any service redesign
15829	An individual	2d. Commissioned Services	Again I have concern about the monitoring of quality of service providers	Commissioned Services (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	The Council is committed to ensure a strong governance framework is in place to make sure quality is at the heart of service delivery from external partners
15830	An individual	2d. Commissioned Services	Why not procure with other councils to save money.	Commissioned Services (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15831	No Response	2d. Commissioned Services	If we can't afford it then we must cut our cloth	Commissioned Services (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15832	An employee of West Lothian Council	2d. Commissioned Services	Reduce and remove anything which is not statutory.	Commissioned Services (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15833	An individual	2d. Commissioned Services	The service should be maintained and improved. I do not support this strategy.	Commissioned Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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15834	An individual	2d. Commissioned Services	Audit Scotland recent report on self directed support makes some key recommendations on achieving more flexibility in commissioning support services. There must be more involvement for people using services in determining flexible commissioning models for support.	Commissioned Services (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	The Health and Social Care joint strategic commissioning plans are about planning and delivering services and support for people. Through strategic needs assessments we can identify the needs of individuals and communities, enabling people to decide what will best address those needs, and through working together with agencies put the right services and support in place
15835	An employee of West Lothian Council	2d. Commissioned Services	Services are marginalised enough. Cutting front line services will only cost us more in the future in money and lives!	Commissioned Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Work will continue to focus on those who are most vulnerable and have additional needs.
15836	An individual	2d. Commissioned Services	Stop wasting money on hotel chains running nursing homes.	Commissioned Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Care home placements in West Lothian are commissioned under the National Care Home Contract which has a standard price for each place
15837	An employee of West Lothian Council	2d. Commissioned Services	Try and ensure that qualitative metrics are applied with at least equal, if not greater weighting than costs metrics.	Commissioned Services (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15838	An employee of West Lothian Council	2d. Commissioned Services	Some of the care provider's are guilty of not providing the cover they are paid to provide. Take more care on which providers are used.	Commissioned Services (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	The Council is committed to ensure a strong governance framework is in place to make sure quality is at the heart of service delivery from external partners
15839	An individual	2d. Commissioned Services	There must be other ways to save money!	Commissioned Services (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15840	An individual	2d. Commissioned Services	May be achievable but with potential consequences for our communities which has not been effectively assessed in terms of consequential in the longer term. This objective doesn't sit well with 2e.	Commissioned Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Health and Social Care joint strategic commissioning plans are about planning and delivering services and support for people. Through strategic needs assessments we can identify the needs of individuals and communities, enabling people to decide what will best address those needs, and through working together with agencies put the right services and support in place
15841	An employee of West Lothian Council	2d. Commissioned Services	Worrying. Waiting list for external care provision are vulnerable groups are already unacceptably long - weeks and months for essential services. Reintroduce in house care provision alongside the Reablement approach.	Commissioned Services (general)	5b. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it is likely that the costs of this proposal would outweigh the benefit.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15842	An individual	2d. Commissioned Services	Why should I pay for self inflicted vulnerability, such as drug and alcohol abuse?	Commissioned Services (general)	5a. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because the council is required by law to deliver this work.	All client groups are entitled to receive support to meet assessed eligible needs
15843	An individual	2d. Commissioned Services	need to keep	Commissioned Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15844	An employee of West Lothian Council	2d. Commissioned Services	I have limited personal knowledge in this area however, from what I have heard, the council ought to take time to better monitor these services that it is buying to ensure value for money.	Commissioned Services (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	The Council is committed to ensure a strong governance framework is in place to make sure quality is at the heart of service delivery from external partners
15845	An individual	2d. Commissioned Services	Hitting the most vulnerable will only affect our communities more.	Commissioned Services (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15846	No Response	2d. Commissioned Services	Having had the use of the care teams I can see where savings can be made, paper work needs to be tightened up and regular checks made to ensure these companies are actually attending for the Times claimed.	Commissioned Services (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	The Council is committed to ensure a strong governance framework is in place to make sure quality is at the heart of service delivery from external partners
15847	An employee of West Lothian Council	2d. Commissioned Services	Is there scope to return these services to In- House provision? Would cutting out the middle man so to speak help save £ and centralise provision	Commissioned Services (general)	5b. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it is likely that the costs of this proposal would outweigh the benefit.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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15848	No Response	2d. Commissioned Services	Disagree. High proportion of health inequalities for this population. More needs to be done to look at reducing dependency and more about fostering healthy lifestyle choices in education to all ages.	Commissioned Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15849	An individual	2d. Commissioned Services	A review of services provided by care companies at present is urgently needed.	Commissioned Services (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15850	An individual	2d. Commissioned Services	Essential to make sure that outsourcing does not just mean cuts to staff costs (ie wages)	Commissioned Services (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15851	An individual	2d. Commissioned Services	Agreed - need to look at where required services are most efficiently provided.	Commissioned Services (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15852	An individual	2d. Commissioned Services	What about those who can't fund their own care?	Commissioned Services (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Work will continue to focus on those who are most vulnerable and have additional needs.
15853	An individual	2d. Commissioned Services	In effect throwing those with addiction issues on the scrapheap...worrying!	Commissioned Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Work will continue to focus on those who are most vulnerable and have additional needs.
15854	An individual	2d. Commissioned Services	This service should not be cut while other discretionary activities continue in the Council.	Commissioned Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15855	An individual	2d. Commissioned Services	This whole service needs to be looked at. The resources are stretched however there are some people in WL who are continually supported however they do not engage with services. Surely, the resources would be better used for those who are ready and willing to accept help.	Commissioned Services (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15856	An employee of West Lothian Council	2d. Commissioned Services	Think we have too many teams doing the same thing and needs reviewed.	Commissioned Services (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15857	An individual	2d. Commissioned Services	Not something that can comment on but again looing like you are just reinventing the wheel and nothing will change and the savings will not happen	Commissioned Services (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15858	No Response	2d. Commissioned Services	There is only one question - do these provide "value for money" if yes continue if no then ask why not. A reduction in ADPS is again storing up trouble for later.	Commissioned Services (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	The Council is committed to ensure a strong governance framework is in place to make sure quality is at the heart of service delivery from external partners
15859	An individual	2d. Commissioned Services	This makes sense. However for 3rd parties that do provide services to the council you must hold suppliers to account more to ensure true value for money.	Commissioned Services (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The Council is committed to ensure a strong governance framework is in place to make sure quality is at the heart of service delivery from external partners
15860	An individual	2d. Commissioned Services	IT IS IMPORTANT THAT THE COUNCIL GETS VALUE FOR MONEY	Commissioned Services (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	The Council is committed to ensure a strong governance framework is in place to make sure quality is at the heart of service delivery from external partners
15861	No Response	2d. Commissioned Services	Private care is designed to maximise profit to the detriment of service provision, plenty of studies and resource to show this may save money but those requiring access to care get a poorer service from poorly trained / inexperienced staff on minimum wages..	Commissioned Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council is committed to ensure a strong governance framework is in place to make sure quality is at the heart of service delivery from external partners
15862	An individual	2d. Commissioned Services	I was disappointed in this consultation more generally because there was an almost complete absence of mention any plans with NHS Lothian via the the health and social care IJB. How are the locality aspects and preventative ASSET aspects going? I don't think you can successfully, and safely, transform service delivery without them. NHS primary care were not pushed down the contracting out of front line services. Whilst home care (a large portion n of your budget) may not be able to pulled back in in order to strategically develop its future delivery, it does make sense to review providers and contracts but with an eye to shared support across NHS and WLC barrier..	Commissioned Services (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	The Council is working with NHS Lothian on a wide reaching Frailty Programme to maximise patient pathways and redesign access to community based services
15863	An individual	2d. Commissioned Services	Unfortunately the council cannot supply everything. It has a statutory duty for certain elements of care and provision	Commissioned Services (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15864	No Response	2d. Commissioned Services	Money should not be the only factor in deciding off a facility is suitable. The std of care at a facility should also be taken into sccount	Commissioned Services (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	The Council is committed to ensure a strong governance framework is in place to make sure quality is at the heart of service delivery from external partners

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15865	No Response	2d. Commissioned Services	The council should be providing this service directly not using for profit companies.	Commissioned Services (general)	5b. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it is likely that the costs of this proposal would outweigh the benefit.	The Health and Social Care joint strategic commissioning plans are about planning and delivering services and support for people. Through strategic needs assessments we can identify the needs of individuals and communities, enabling people to decide what will best address those needs, and through working together with agencies put the right services and support in place
15866	An individual	2d. Commissioned Services	Why is care bought externally? Can this nit be rearranged?	Commissioned Services (general)	5b. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it is likely that the costs of this proposal would outweigh the benefit.	The Health and Social Care joint strategic commissioning plans are about planning and delivering services and support for people. Through strategic needs assessments we can identify the needs of individuals and communities, enabling people to decide what will best address those needs, and through working together with agencies put the right services and support in place
15867	An individual	2d. Commissioned Services	KPI measure and adherence is essential, poor performance cannot be acceptable, and contracts should be pulled if poor service is not forthcoming	Commissioned Services (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	The Council is committed to ensure a strong governance framework is in place to make sure quality is at the heart of service delivery from external partners
15868	An individual	2d. Commissioned Services	Better council negotiation required rather than summarily reducing this.	Commissioned Services (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	The Council is committed to ensure a strong governance framework is in place to make sure quality is at the heart of service delivery from external partners
15869	No Response	2d. Commissioned Services	Look at the best value for money with the best care available and not just the cheapest as this is peoples dignity and lifes you are dealing with	Commissioned Services (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	The Health and Social Care joint strategic commissioning plans are about planning and delivering services and support for people. Through strategic needs assessments we can identify the needs of individuals and communities, enabling people to decide what will best address those needs, and through working together with agencies put the right services and support in place
15870	An employee of West Lothian Council	2d. Commissioned Services	Less available services or long delays in accessing services are likely to produce poor outcome overall and ultimately more critical cases.	Commissioned Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Work will continue to focus on those who are most vulnerable and have additional needs.
15871	An employee of West Lothian Council	2d. Commissioned Services	You are certainly considering withdrawing services for the most vulnerable, unfortunately the most vulnerable are normally not in a position to better themselves without help.	Commissioned Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Work will continue to focus on those who are most vulnerable and have additional needs.
15872	An employee of West Lothian Council	2d. Commissioned Services	Council should stop commissioning to non-statutory services.	Commissioned Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposal is to ensure that all externally commissioned services are also targeted to people with the highest level of need.
15873	No Response	2d. Commissioned Services	Council must ensure that although an external provider offers a cheaper service, it is not necessarily value for money. Too many times in the past it has been proven that the cheapest quote on the table turns out to be the most expensive in the long run.	Commissioned Services (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The proposal is to ensure that all externally commissioned services are also targeted to people with the highest level of need.
15874	No Response	2d. Commissioned Services	Total review required as some of your "partners" just don't do what they should be doing - you are spending money on a poor quality service - ridiculous.	Commissioned Services (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The proposal is to ensure that all externally commissioned services are also targeted to people with the highest level of need.
15875	An individual	2d. Commissioned Services	There should be more funding directly from the Scottish Governments NHS budget, for these services.	Commissioned Services (general)	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15876	An employee of West Lothian Council	2d. Commissioned Services	The implementation of full service Universal Credit has the potential to increase the amount of residents hitting the poverty line which has a proven factor of increased substance and alcohol abuse.	Commissioned Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposal is to ensure that all externally commissioned services are also targeted to people with the highest level of need.
15877	An individual	2d. Commissioned Services	I think the Council should have been reviewing the care supplied by the external suppliers long before now if the level of service my wife currently receives at the moment verges on the ridiculous,with either not turning up or not turning up at the allocated time.	Commissioned Services (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The Council is committed to ensure a strong governance framework is in place to make sure quality is at the heart of service delivery from external partners

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15878	An individual	2d. Commissioned Services	Sounds like this will lead to a failing of our most vulnerable people which can't be good.	Commissioned Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposal is to ensure that all externally commissioned services are also targeted to people with the highest level of need.
15879	An employee of West Lothian Council	2d. Commissioned Services	So long as this valuable work is able to be delivered by another provider	Commissioned Services (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The proposal is to ensure that all externally commissioned services are also targeted to people with the highest level of need.
15880	An employee of West Lothian Council	2d. Commissioned Services	Health provision is very important. People must be given opportunity to improve their health and circumstances.	Commissioned Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposal is to ensure that all externally commissioned services are also targeted to people with the highest level of need.
15881	An employee of West Lothian Council	2d. Commissioned Services	I agree that the Council should stop spending so much money buying in services from external organisations. However if they stop spending this money externally they need to realise that there will be more pressure and additional workload for staff if these services are now provided internally.	Commissioned Services (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The proposal is to ensure that all externally commissioned services are also targeted to people with the highest level of need.
15882	An individual	2d. Commissioned Services	as long as support is still provided when really required I agree with cuts .	Commissioned Services (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The proposal is to ensure that all externally commissioned services are also targeted to people with the highest level of need.
15883	An individual	2d. Commissioned Services	Why would you purchase services without carrying out proper reviews to quantify value for money? Is that what you are revealing here?	Commissioned Services (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	The proposal is to ensure that all externally commissioned services are also targeted to people with the highest level of need.
15884	No Response	2d. Commissioned Services	As long as the early intervention is not forgotten about as this is the key to later on and more spending.	Commissioned Services (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council will always be required to prioritise the needs of people who are most vulnerable. We would also aim to provide early intervention and prevention support where evidence based practice shows that a positive impact can be made
15885	No Response	2d. Commissioned Services	Cost Reduction means reduced support, live with it	Commissioned Services (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15886	An individual	2d. Commissioned Services	How will the council ensure that the externally provided services will be the required quality?	Commissioned Services (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	The Council is committed to ensure a strong governance framework is in place to make sure quality is at the heart of service delivery from external partners
15887	No Response	2d. Commissioned Services	These services are vital. Again better use of staff and facilities would save money	Commissioned Services (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	The Council is committed to ensure a strong governance framework is in place to make sure quality is at the heart of service delivery from external partners
15888	No Response	2d. Commissioned Services	Agree this funding should be a national agenda and funded direct from central government.	Commissioned Services (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15889	An employee of West Lothian Council	2d. Commissioned Services	We need a thorough monitoring of external purchased placements in social care.	Commissioned Services (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	The Council is committed to ensure a strong governance framework is in place to make sure quality is at the heart of service delivery from external partners
15890	No Response	2d. Commissioned Services	Can the council not look at providing the services in-house?	Commissioned Services (general)	5b. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it is likely that the costs of this proposal would outweigh the benefit.	The Health and Social Care joint strategic commissioning plans are about planning and delivering services and support for people. Through strategic needs assessments we can identify the needs of individuals and communities, enabling people to decide what will best address those needs, and through working together with agencies put the right services and support in place
15891	An individual	2d. Commissioned Services	I would want to ensure this aspiration is met and it doesn't become what is cheapest as we know from experience buy cheap buy twice. A true saying in my opinion. It is imperative we have an effective mechanism for agreeing what peoples' needs are and not just what we are willing to pay, as this potentially adds costs elsewhere and those costs could be greater than the saving made by buying cheap so the end to ends supply chain must be clear to all in any decision making process on commissioning.	Commissioned Services (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	The Health and Social Care joint strategic commissioning plans are about planning and delivering services and support for people. Through strategic needs assessments we can identify the needs of individuals and communities, enabling people to decide what will best address those needs, and through working together with agencies put the right services and support in place
15892	An individual	2d. Commissioned Services	Will this cost be met by Central Government?	Commissioned Services (general)	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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15893	An individual	2d. Commissioned Services	I agree, these services should actually be provided and paid for by the Scottish government	Commissioned Services (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15894	An individual	2d. Commissioned Services	Should be streamlined where possible where maintaining standards.	Commissioned Services (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15895	An individual	2d. Commissioned Services	It is essential that we continue to provide support to those most in need - not acceptable	Commissioned Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Work will continue to focus on those who are most vulnerable and have additional needs.
15896	No Response	2d. Commissioned Services	Support levels for the vulnerable must not be reduced	Commissioned Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Work will continue to focus on those who are most vulnerable and have additional needs.
15897	An individual	2d. Commissioned Services	This makes no sense. If the services can be improved and made more efficient do that. If the services can be provided in new ways and the staff can better communicate and draw on additional third sector resources do that too. The people who you do not offer support to have kids and families who need them well, the whole society needs them well. Whether it is early years, teenagers who are not in education or employment, more vulnerable adults with complex needs or elderly people, the less we provide to keep them safe and well and making a positive contribution the more likely they are to come back as crisis interventions, long term unemployed, drug or alcohol dependent or in health crisis of some type. This is short term and will benefit no one. Who will pay for all those crisis services? Safety nets protect everyone even people who don't think they'll ever need them.	Commissioned Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council will always be required to prioritise the needs of people who are most vulnerable, We would also aim to provide early intervention and prevention support where evidence based practice shows that a positive impact can be made
15898	No Response	2d. Commissioned Services	I think this is an area that should be looked at carefully. We seem to pour a lot of money into helping people who will not help themselves. It is important to provide care for vulnerable people but they must also take responsibility and cooperate with initiatives.	Commissioned Services (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15899	An individual	2d. Commissioned Services	The services must be needed if already implemented and used, what would happen to the people receiving help (sat in house and isolated). The services must be funded for the assistance of everyone in West Lothian.	Commissioned Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Work will continue to focus on those who are most vulnerable and have additional needs.
15900	An individual	2d. Commissioned Services	West Lothian Council and NHS Lothian failed my mother-in-law during the last weeks of her life. Her discharge from hospital to spend her last weeks in her own home were delayed by the inability of the Council and the NHS to put in place a care package. We received a letter to confirm the care package the day after she died. I have very limited confidence in West Lothian Council to deliver care services.	Commissioned Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The respondent's experience is noted with regret. Ensuring that the right provision is available at the right time is a major priority for us. The Council and NHS Lothian have embarked on a wide reaching Frailty Programme to maximise patient pathways and redesign access to community based services with our care providers.
15901	An individual	2d. Commissioned Services	As 1A - Excellent if all of the above are carried out. However on current personally experienced performance it will take a huge effort to even provide an improvement. Further why has the " efficiency and effectiveness" not been applied to current procedures. No real criteria to be reach is actually stated and the starting point for these " efficiency and effectiveness" upgrade to services is not evident. Vagueness in targets to achieve . How will residents know when this is achieved?	Commissioned Services (general)	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. This consultation is the first stage of the process to enable the council to develop a five year plan. Detailed proposals will be worked up following the outcome of this consultation.
15902	An individual	2d. Commissioned Services	When buying care make sure the providers are monitored and are held accountable when required	Commissioned Services (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	The Council is committed to ensure a strong governance framework is in place to make sure quality is at the heart of service delivery from external partners
15903	An individual	2d. Commissioned Services	I worry about 3rd party providers, they have a profit requirement, more should be kept in house in my view.	Commissioned Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposal is to ensure that all externally commissioned services are also targeted to people with the highest level of need.
15904	An individual	2d. Commissioned Services	West Lothian Council should not be using public money to enhance the profits of private care companies, which lack the oversight and transparency, and responsibility for satisfying the needs of the community, that a publicly run service would have.	Commissioned Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposal is to ensure that all externally commissioned services are also targeted to people with the highest level of need.
15905	An individual	2d. Commissioned Services	The implications may be significant eg increase in crime .	Commissioned Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposal is to ensure that all externally commissioned services are also targeted to people with the highest level of need.

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15906	An individual	2d. Commissioned Services	Again the use of external partners needs to be looked at and council employees should be used wherever possible.	Commissioned Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposal is to ensure that all externally commissioned services are also targeted to people with the highest level of need.
15907	An individual	2d. Commissioned Services	I would like to see the top 3 items/specific deliverables that contribute to this redesign.	Commissioned Services (general)	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. This consultation is the first stage of the process to enable the council to develop a five year plan. Detailed proposals will be worked up following the outcome of this consultation.
15908	An individual	2d. Commissioned Services	Council should launch local area discussions on partnerships to see if any community groups and organisations could be available to take on some of the workload. Of course uniformity of standards and quality of service provision will have to be addressed.	Commissioned Services (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. This consultation is the first stage of the process to enable the council to develop a five year plan. Detailed proposals will be worked up following the outcome of this consultation.
15909	An individual	2d. Commissioned Services	Out sourcing care services would have to be looked at very carefully. There are concerns over companies employing untrained/under qualified staff to care and look after our vulnerable. What controls would be in place for this?	Commissioned Services (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	The Council is committed to ensure a strong governance framework is in place to make sure quality is at the heart of service delivery from external partners
15910	No Response	2d. Commissioned Services	Again, hard work from the council is required when these adults are younger children on the wrong path. But all this shouldn't take resources from those adults and children that try to avoid the wrong way.	Commissioned Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15911	An individual	2d. Commissioned Services	Bought services should cost the minimal amount but should provide excellent value for money in 'real' terms.	Commissioned Services (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	The Council is committed to ensure a strong governance framework is in place to make sure quality is at the heart of service delivery from external partners
15912	An individual	2d. Commissioned Services	I believe this is a false economy which ultimately will cost the council more in the longer term.	Commissioned Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council is committed to ensure a strong governance framework is in place to make sure quality is at the heart of service delivery from external partners
15913	An individual	2d. Commissioned Services	Providing care services by in-house staff would be better in long run rather than buying in services, as local staff are more invested in providing care to clients.	Commissioned Services (general)	5b. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it is likely that the costs of this proposal would outweigh the benefit.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15914	An employee of West Lothian Council	2d. Commissioned Services	Fear that crime may rise if this provision is reduced.	Commissioned Services (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	The proposal is to ensure that all externally commissioned services are also targeted to people with the highest level of need.
15915	An employee of West Lothian Council	2d. Commissioned Services	Whilst this is a problem that will never be resolved, there must be a better way to direct these services through working with other providers.	Commissioned Services (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The proposal is to ensure that all externally commissioned services are also targeted to people with the highest level of need.
15916	An employee of West Lothian Council	2d. Commissioned Services	what will be put in place to support those most vulnerable when existing care services will be removed?	Commissioned Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposal is to ensure that all externally commissioned services are also targeted to people with the highest level of need.
15917	An individual	2d. Commissioned Services	Health, crime prevention and employment are priorities of West Lothian council. reductions to these services will affect the above priorities due to alcohol and drug abuse affecting all of these areas.	Commissioned Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposal is to ensure that all externally commissioned services are also targeted to people with the highest level of need.
15918	An employee of West Lothian Council	2d. Commissioned Services	An area of great concern I think as this again is an area that has rapidly grown & could potentially continue to grow as an impact of all the changes proposed by local & national government changes & cuts..	Commissioned Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposal is to ensure that all externally commissioned services are also targeted to people with the highest level of need.
15919	An employee of West Lothian Council	2d. Commissioned Services	Agreed if those providers are trustworthy and will provide appropriate care.	Commissioned Services (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The Council is committed to ensure a strong governance framework is in place to make sure quality is at the heart of service delivery from external partners

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15920	An individual	2d. Commissioned Services	Above all, the council needs to build in quality safeguards to services, irrespective of whether bought in or provided in house. Poor quality services is bad value for money. Profit should not enter the equation	Commissioned Services (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The Council is committed to ensure a strong governance framework is in place to make sure quality is at the heart of service delivery from external partners
15921	An employee of West Lothian Council	2d. Commissioned Services	If a person is in a care setting with support staff then all other agencies should be withdrawn Having clients in care settings and using carewatch ect is a complete waste of money, this area needs looked at	Commissioned Services (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The proposal is to ensure that all externally commissioned services are also targeted to people with the highest level of need.
15922	An individual	2d. Commissioned Services	It seems as I go through each proposal, that many of these services are already stretched to their limit and that further reduction will result in many services no longer being able to cope. Who will deal with the repercussions then?? As stated before, time to stop free hand outs brought in by the government, and to increase taxes.	Commissioned Services (general)	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15923	An individual	2d. Commissioned Services	Hard to comment when only one service is mentioned, it should be made clear which services will be impacted	Commissioned Services (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	The proposal is to ensure that all externally commissioned services are also targeted to people with the highest level of need.
15924	An individual	2d. Commissioned Services	Again, are individuals being valued. It takes resources to help people get back on track. Giving them appropriate support could result in these individuals getting their lives back on track and become contributors to society and to the economy.	Commissioned Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposal is to ensure that all externally commissioned services are also targeted to people with the highest level of need.
15925	An individual	2d. Commissioned Services	So long as the council can provide care services to the standard given by external partners, then I agree. However once you start keeping services in house, standards will fall	Commissioned Services (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The Council is committed to ensure a strong governance framework is in place to make sure quality is at the heart of service delivery from external partners
15926	An individual	2d. Commissioned Services	More education will reduce this cost.	Commissioned Services (general)	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15927	An individual	2d. Commissioned Services	Those providers you contract care out to, those so called charities, are not fit for purpose. The staff are given very little training and their working conditions are disgraceful; so much so that staff turn over is a big problem for clients. The Care Commission is very good at handing out forms to fill in and following them up with a phone call - then nothing happens. The managers of these organisations will tell you they help vulnerable people to access the community. But ask where and what they do and they will not have a clue. You want to save money, but you already have and the standard of care has gone down. It will only get worse with what you propose. I thought that the NHS and social care were going to work together, but I don't see anything to suggest that as a council your are trying to facilitate this. Again, this is ideologies at work - can't you work across parties? The more I read about these proposals the more obvious it becomes that the disabled community, old and young, are looked on as the Council's burden.	Commissioned Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council is committed to ensure a strong governance framework is in place to make sure quality is at the heart of service delivery from external partners
15928	No Response	2d. Commissioned Services	Care should be taken to ensure that external partners are delivering an effective and efficient service and one that is worth the cost being spent on it. Poor performing companies should be classed as such and this taken into consideration for future decisions.	Commissioned Services (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The Council is committed to ensure a strong governance framework is in place to make sure quality is at the heart of service delivery from external partners
15929	An employee of West Lothian Council	2d. Commissioned Services	What care services do we currently buy? Which external partners do we use? What council services will we stop buying? Which will we buy less of? Will we provide those services? If not, who will? How will that be funded? How will we decide which providers we will continue to support? What external funding do we receive? Who from? What do we spend above that external funding on external providers? Why does it go through the council and not direct to the providers? Can we make savings by stopping being the middle man?	Commissioned Services (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The Council is committed to ensure a strong governance framework is in place to make sure quality is at the heart of service delivery from external partners
15930	No Response	2d. Commissioned Services	look at the more priority in helping the community and bring back more support and help	Commissioned Services (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The approach is to encourage community capacity building and informal networks to ensure people remain connected with their local area
15931	An individual	2d. Commissioned Services	West Lothian is a very unique community. In my opinion service should be delivered where possible, by local organisations who know their client group.	Commissioned Services (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The approach is to encourage community capacity building and informal networks to ensure people remain connected with their local area
15932	No Response	2d. Commissioned Services	Let the NHS deal with medical issues	Commissioned Services (general)	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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15933	An individual	2d. Commissioned Services	This statement does not make sense as it is poorly written. Does this mean people will be expected to use self directed support to purchase their own services or will they have no service until they reach a critical threshold?	Commissioned Services (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Eligibility criteria related to establishing the level of risk a person is at and at what level services will be provided. Self-directed support allows people to choose how they wish any assessed eligible need to be delivered.
15934	An individual	2d. Commissioned Services	So doing away with services of those who and not critical and stop care for these people what help are these people going to get ????	Commissioned Services (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Work will continue to focus on those who are most vulnerable and have additional needs.
15935	An individual	2d. Commissioned Services	Giving enough time for carers to visit people in their homes, so that needs are properly met and giving greater access to day care centres and social activities is important for older people and their carers to maintain their independence.	Commissioned Services (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The approach is to encourage community capacity building and informal networks to ensure people remain connected with their local area
15936	An individual	2d. Commissioned Services	Care is already a stretched service. Any further changes would need to be carefully carried out.	Commissioned Services (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your comments which have been noted. This consultation is the first stage of the process to enable the council to develop a five year plan. Detailed proposals will be worked up following the outcome of this consultation.
15937	An individual	2d. Commissioned Services	I take it that the current care provision services would now be "brought in-house". This sounds a good use of funds. All costs would be in providing a service to users, and not in providing profit for private companies. Perhaps it would also allow for carers to be properly paid, including for their time in travelling between patients.	Commissioned Services (general)	5b. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it is likely that the costs of this proposal would outweigh the benefit.	The Health and Social Care joint strategic commissioning plans are about planning and delivering services and support for people. Through strategic needs assessments we can identify the needs of individuals and communities, enabling people to decide what will best address those needs, and through working together with agencies put the right services and support in place
15938	An employee of West Lothian Council	2d. Commissioned Services	Reducing care services is only ignoring what our most vulnerable need. Shame on whoever is suggesting this.	Commissioned Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Work will continue to focus on those who are most vulnerable and have additional needs.
15939	An individual	2d. Commissioned Services	Care Providers must be chosen and monitored correctly.	Commissioned Services (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	The Council is committed to ensure a strong governance framework is in place to make sure quality is at the heart of service delivery from external partners
15940	An individual	2d. Commissioned Services	I have volunteered with capability Scotland who work in partnership with the council, so I know how important commissioned services are. It is important to provide the right service to the right people. Capability Scotland provide a free advice and support service, as well as an essential peer counselling service, which WLC would not be able to provide as efficiently as Capability Scotland staff are fully trained to work with those with disabilities.	Commissioned Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposal is to ensure that all externally commissioned services are also targeted to people with the highest level of need.
15941	An individual	2d. Commissioned Services	Having experience of out sourced care I would be very concerned at the service these clients receive from a profit based company.	Commissioned Services (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	The Council is committed to ensure a strong governance framework is in place to make sure quality is at the heart of service delivery from external partners
15942	An individual	2d. Commissioned Services	Could place people at risk given the less money made available, the more likely a service will be reduced or ended due to lack of resources.	Commissioned Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposal is to ensure that all externally commissioned services are also targeted to people with the highest level of need.
15943	An employee of West Lothian Council	2d. Commissioned Services	do not buy in services but provide our own/.....buying out costs more money	Commissioned Services (general)	5b. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it is likely that the costs of this proposal would outweigh the benefit.	The proposal is to ensure that all externally commissioned services are also targeted to people with the highest level of need.
15944	No Response	2d. Commissioned Services	Cutting back the extra funding and leaving it to the bare minimum is expected.	Commissioned Services (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15945	An individual	2d. Commissioned Services	Regrettably the paragraph above seems to be illiterately written that it is hard to know exactly what is meant. Should the separate and ungrammatical sentence " Although support will continue to be given to those providers who deliver services to the most vulnerable in our communities." be linked to the preceding or the following sentence? Does "This will include reducing the council's contribution over and above the level of external funding received for initiatives such as the Alcohol and Drug Partnership Service." mean that the council is cutting its funding to rely on external funding for the ADP?	Commissioned Services (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	The proposal is to ensure that all externally commissioned services are also targeted to people with the highest level of need. This approach would mean that services for the Alcohol and Drug Partnership would be contained within the funding provided by the Scottish Government.

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15946	An individual	2d. Commissioned Services	Service providers must be assessed for meeting people's needs but also for value for money. Ongoing supervision and assessment are essential.	Commissioned Services (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	The Council is committed to ensure a strong governance framework is in place to make sure quality is at the heart of service delivery from external partners
15947	An individual	2d. Commissioned Services	good. revue these services against the needs of the elderly and of children.	Commissioned Services (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15948	An individual	2d. Commissioned Services	Support must be provided to the most vulnerable.	Commissioned Services (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15949	An individual	2d. Commissioned Services	As an employee I am concerned at the very frontline our officers are having to take on more and more support to those in our communities with vulnerabilities and chaotic lifestyles. Internally not enough hours are available from other services and there is no clear and easy way for referrals to commissioned services. I fear that our frontline officers will be put under increasing pressure being left to support our customers. I would hope there are clear mechanisms for ALL services to refer customers who are identified with support needs.	Commissioned Services (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15950	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	2d. Commissioned Services	What part do the NHS play in saving money?	Commissioned Services (general)	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15951	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	2d. Commissioned Services	Protection of community based groups with skills, knowledge and experience should be given careful consideration. There is a risk when services go out to tender that it becomes and cost and local knowledge and experience become the lesser which can effect local services.	Commissioned Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Health and Social Care joint strategic commissioning plans are about planning and delivering services and support for people. Through strategic needs assessments we can identify the needs of individuals and communities, enabling people to decide what will best address those needs, and through working together with agencies put the right services and support in place
15952	No Response	2d. Commissioned Services	Parents need consultation	Commissioned Services (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	All stakeholders are being asked to participate in the consultation
15953	An individual	2d. Commissioned Services	Links with voluntary sector organisations to seek collaborative opportunities	Commissioned Services (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	West Lothian has a proven track record of partnership working and would wish to build on this.
15954	An individual	2d. Commissioned Services	Perhaps some of these services should be taken in house	Commissioned Services (general)	5b. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it is likely that the costs of this proposal would outweigh the benefit.	The Health and Social Care joint strategic commissioning plans are about planning and delivering services and support for people. Through strategic needs assessments we can identify the needs of individuals and communities, enabling people to decide what will best address those needs, and through working together with agencies put the right services and support in place
15955	An individual	2d. Commissioned Services	Why have you been wasting so much of our money up to this point?	Commissioned Services (general)	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15956	An individual	2d. Commissioned Services	If the services aren't bought then will they be provided at all? What services will be affected? This is vague, so it is difficult to comment, apart from saying that services will be reduced. Not good, if they are currently needed.	Commissioned Services (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	The proposal is to ensure that all externally commissioned services are also targeted to people with the highest level of need.
15957	An individual	2d. Commissioned Services	There should be a clear ranking system for budget allocation to commission services. The home care system provided by external partners currently lacks auditability.	Commissioned Services (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	The Council is committed to ensure a strong governance framework is in place to make sure quality is at the heart of service delivery from external partners
15958	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	2d. Commissioned Services	We are particularly concerned about this area and the effects this will have on vulnerable adults. West Lothian Council needs to make decisions on what it supports in this area on a regular basis based on the needs, outcomes and its ability at the time. These decisions cannot and should not be decided now for the next 5 years. Short term additional funding from West Lothian Council can help support services and their beneficiaries at times of increased pressures or reductions in funding from Scottish Government to allow a transition period, service redesign or the raising of additional funding to happen.	Commissioned Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposal is to ensure that all externally commissioned services are also targeted to people with the highest level of need.
15959	An individual	2d. Commissioned Services	You need to ensure robust, auditable and well described key performance markers (that are challenging but achievable) so that we can be sure that we have best value from external parties - we are all somewhat cynical of profit to be made from others' misfortune.	Commissioned Services (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	The Council is committed to ensure a strong governance framework is in place to make sure quality is at the heart of service delivery from external partners

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15960	An individual	2d. Commissioned Services	The council should minimise outsourcing to profit making organisations. This should be resourced internally	Commissioned Services (general)	5b. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it is likely that the costs of this proposal would outweigh the benefit.	The proposal is to ensure that all externally commissioned services are also targeted to people with the highest level of need.
15961	An individual	2d. Commissioned Services	The council needs to ensure good contract and supplier management with regard to services delivered by 3rd party organisations.	Commissioned Services (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	The Council is committed to ensure a strong governance framework is in place to make sure quality is at the heart of service delivery from external partners
15962	An individual	2d. Commissioned Services	On a personal note my son I believe deserves help from the community. In the past he was a member of the [REDACTED], and helped to deliver Meals on Wheels when they were delivered daily by car. He also pushed a [REDACTED] selling products to patients. He was not able to handle money, and only gave up this activity when the man he assisted had to give up due to ill health. He has been awarded the [REDACTED]. He has always done whatever he could.	Commissioned Services (general)	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Thank you for your response. The WRVS is run independently from the council as a voluntary organisation
15963	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	2d. Commissioned Services	Again these services should be kept in house and not outsourced. A number of our members have experience of external partners not delivering the best service and this not being effectively monitored.	Commissioned Services (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	The Council is committed to ensure a strong governance framework is in place to make sure quality is at the heart of service delivery from external partners
15964	An individual	2d. Commissioned Services	Where external funding continues to be provided to organisations these organisations need to be able to provide evidence of the positive outcomes they are achieving and the numbers of clients they are reaching from providing services.	Commissioned Services (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	The proposal is to ensure that all externally commissioned services are also targeted to people with the highest level of need.
15965	An individual	2d. Commissioned Services	Social work currently works with providers that are incapable of delivering quality services. capacity issues and also lack of competition for contracts is a concern.	Commissioned Services (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	The Council is committed to ensure a strong governance framework is in place to make sure quality is at the heart of service delivery from external partners
15966	An individual	2d. Commissioned Services	Provide your own service don't buy it in. Otherwise I agree.	Commissioned Services (general)	5b. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it is likely that the costs of this proposal would outweigh the benefit.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15967	An individual	2d. Commissioned Services	As above - lets have a root and branch review of the service and delivery. It isn't necessary to increase costs when efficiencies can be identified. A business approach is what is needed to ensure the correct spending on items needed is controlled.	Commissioned Services (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15968	An individual	2d. Commissioned Services	Yes we need partnership organisations to let us know what this will mean for those in need of the support	Commissioned Services (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15969	An individual	2d. Commissioned Services	Again not enough detail. What would be the impact of these measures, what has benchmarking shown, what would the impact be on the individual, family and community.	Commissioned Services (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. This consultation is the first stage of the process to enable the council to develop a five year plan. Detailed proposals will be worked up following the outcome of this consultation.
15970	An employee of West Lothian Council	2d. Commissioned Services	The most vulnerable young people and our future generations would benefit from ensuring a consistently strong education service and community support.	Commissioned Services (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Work will continue to focus on those who are most vulnerable and have additional needs.
15971	An individual	2d. Commissioned Services	A range of services should be market tested to ensure that best value is being achieved in current arrangements.	Commissioned Services (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	The Council is committed to ensure a strong governance framework is in place to make sure quality is at the heart of service delivery from external partners
15972	An employee of West Lothian Council	2d. Commissioned Services	In my experience there are not enough resources available to the authority either internally or externally and so I feel a review of these services should be welcomed.	Commissioned Services (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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15973	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	2d. Commissioned Services	Early Intervention investment can in the long term prevent some of our care service costs, that said there will always be a need for services for the most vulnerable. I am aware that Commissioning takes place for some of this provision, which is necessary, however, as I have mentioned before the process needs to be robust and fair, providing value for money. This process has not always run smoothly in West Lothian, as more services will be commissioned can to Commissioning and tendering process be robust. As a recipient organisation of the Alcohol Diversion fund, allowing us to deliver support services to some of our most vulnerable young people, together with initiatives to reduce alcohol use amongst young people can I request that this budget is not removed completely in year one of the cuts. The fund could broaden to include all substance use projects. Can consideration be given to the application process of this fund. All parties involved in this work could utilise some of these funds to match fund or leverage additional external funding streams. This can then reduce the need for the Â£ 100,000 to be available in future years. Partnership work in this area could take place during 2018 to ensure services remain in place but funded from sources other than the Council.	Commissioned Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposal is to ensure that all externally commissioned services are also targeted to people with the highest level of need.
15974	An individual	2d. Commissioned Services	So is this part of a move to withdraw services from those currently receiving service or is it that all new applicant will not be supported ... it all sounds like a disaster waiting to happen ... Improving service is fine withdrawing service is not	Commissioned Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15975	An individual	2d. Commissioned Services	The Council should be training their own workers to take on this increasingly important role rather than buying it in privately. That way monitoring can take place more effectively and it should be cheaper. There is not enough provision in this field.	Commissioned Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council is committed to ensure a strong governance framework is in place to make sure quality is at the heart of service delivery from external partners
15976	An individual	2d. Commissioned Services	Will this continue to meet the needs?	Commissioned Services (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15977	An individual	2d. Commissioned Services	Only fund what we need to	Commissioned Services (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15978	An individual	2d. Commissioned Services	Commissioned services must be carefully monitored to ensure high standards.	Commissioned Services (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	The Council is committed to ensure a strong governance framework is in place to make sure quality is at the heart of service delivery from external partners
15979	No Response	2d. Commissioned Services	Many people do not engage well with statutory services and reducing funding to the voluntary sector who work in key outcome areas in my opinion is not the right thing to do. Work closer with community groups to achieve your goals. Train together, meet together, work together. This is an investment with great social return and benefit to communities and the people who live in it. I do not support this.	Commissioned Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposal is to ensure that all externally commissioned services are also targeted to people with the highest level of need.
15980	An employee of West Lothian Council	2d. Commissioned Services	I think if there are external they should deal with it. Would it be cheaper to bring them in house instead of paying for outsource.	Commissioned Services (general)	5b. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it is likely that the costs of this proposal would outweigh the benefit.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15981	An individual	2d. Commissioned Services	The level of care being provided by existing care services need to be better monitored and evaluated as the quality level of service being delivered is poor. The council should first determine which aspects are working satisfactorily versus those that are failing before making any radical changes. Too many private care companies are focused profiteering rather than improving the quality of their services.	Commissioned Services (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	The Council is committed to ensure a strong governance framework is in place to make sure quality is at the heart of service delivery from external partners
15982	An employee of West Lothian Council	2d. Commissioned Services	Any purchased services need to be closely scrutinised, but I believe we are going down a dangerous road when we reduce services within the greatest areas of need in our local area. Substance misuse, domestic violence, mental health, etc. are having the most significant impact on our communities, families and children and we need to ensure that support and prevention services are resourced appropriately.	Commissioned Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15983	An individual	2d. Commissioned Services	I hope and assume that services delivered by external partners always meet people's needs and that they are delivered in the most effective way possible, including value for money.	Commissioned Services (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The proposal is to ensure that all externally commissioned services are also targeted to people with the highest level of need.
15984	An employee of West Lothian Council	2d. Commissioned Services	These services are vital to the rehabilitation of our residents who have fallen into a never ending cycle of depravation. Without this support they will rely on sources of funding from the council that are ever depleting. Lets hope the support is not reduced significantly or additional strain could be put on resources elsewhere	Commissioned Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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15985	An individual	2d. Commissioned Services	A focus on early intervention and prevention is essential to avoid peoplesâ€™ issues escalating and becoming crises. To be effective this strategy must be multi-layered and ensure appropriate interventions and supports along a continuum. This ensures that people get the help that they need, when they need it, to prevent escalation and crisis. I am, however, concerned that reducing or cutting provision at lower tariffs is contrary to the principles of early intervention and prevention and may result in more costly crisis intervention, at a later stage, being required. How does Council plan to assess the potential impact of this on people and budgets? I am also concerned that some of the changes proposed will adversely affect many of the most vulnerable people in our communities, e.g., the raising of thresholds for support or the amalgamation of facilities and reductions in capacity. How will Council ensure that it protects our most vulnerable people? There are key issues around parenting, early childhood development and a widening attainment gap in schools that need the support of local community organisations to effectively address. Health & wellbeing should be a priority, especially mental health and physical health. Through working together with the local third sector these issues can be more effectively addressed. West Lothian's Third Sector is actually a net generator of additional income to West Lothian. Investment from West Lothian Council is often used to leverage in other monies, which is unique to the Third Sector and delivers added value to our public pound. This additional income for West Lothianâ€™s communities and its people is, however, often dependant on the stability of Councilâ€™s core investment.	Commissioned Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council will always be required to prioritise the needs of people who are most vulnerable. We would also aim to provide early intervention and prevention support where evidence based practice shows that a positive impact can be made
15986	An individual	2d. Commissioned Services	Commissioned services/external partners are, in general, of lower quality and subject to less controls than in-house provision.	Commissioned Services (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	The Council is committed to ensure a strong governance framework is in place to make sure quality is at the heart of service delivery from external partners
15987	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	2d. Commissioned Services	A focus on early intervention and prevention is essential to avoid peoplesâ€™ issues escalating and becoming crises. There are key issues around parenting, early childhood development and a widening attainment gap in schools that need the support of local community organisations to effectively address. Health & wellbeing should be a priority, especially mental health and physical health. Through working together we can continue to be an effective partner in addressing these issues. We are, however, concerned that reducing or cutting provision at lower tariffs is contrary to the principles of early intervention and prevention and may result in more costly crisis intervention, at a later stage, being required. How does Council plan to assess the potential impact of this on people and budgets?	Commissioned Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council will always be required to prioritise the needs of people who are most vulnerable. We would also aim to provide early intervention and prevention support where evidence based practice shows that a positive impact can be made
15988	An individual	2d. Commissioned Services	Got to be changes made, lots of expenditure for older people	Commissioned Services (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15989	An individual	2d. Commissioned Services	I understand this view but would be concerned that standards may drop as share holders profits are added to the mix. A concern would be the council accepting the cheapest contract rather than the standard of the provision of care. Would the council have a dedicated team of supervisors dealing with customer concerns/complaints in case of customer dispute?	Commissioned Services (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	The Council is committed to ensure a strong governance framework is in place to make sure quality is at the heart of service delivery from external partners

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15990	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	2d. Commissioned Services	A focus on early intervention and prevention is essential to avoid peoples' issues escalating and becoming crises. To be effective this strategy must be multi-layered and ensure appropriate interventions and supports along a continuum. This ensures that people get the help that they need, when they need it, to prevent escalation and crisis. We are, however, concerned that reducing or cutting provision at lower tariffs is contrary to the principles of early intervention and prevention and may result in more costly crisis intervention, at a later stage, being required. How does Council plan to assess the potential impact of this on people and budgets? We would like to see a balance between focussing on regeneration areas and priority thematic groups, as many people in poverty do not live in regeneration areas and in-work poverty is a huge issue. How will the Council ensure that people in need of support have access where and when necessary and that this is not restricted to statistically determined geographical limits? We are also concerned that some of the changes proposed will adversely affect many of the most vulnerable people in our communities, e.g., the raising of thresholds for support or the amalgamation of facilities and reductions in capacity. How will Council ensure that it protects our most vulnerable people and how can we assist with this? There are key issues around parenting, early childhood development and a widening attainment gap in schools that need the support of local community organisations to effectively address. Health & wellbeing should be a priority, especially mental health and physical health. Through working together we can continue to be an effective partner in addressing these issues. Broxburn Family Centre would like to maximise the opportunities for partnership working, in family learning, early years, play provision and childcare for our most vulnerable families. Across the sector we have the expertise and relationships with local people and the wider community, to continue to deliver best practice and reduce any opportunities for duplication, thus delivering best value for all. Broxburn Family Centre is a net generator of income to West Lothian. Investment from West Lothian Council has been essential to leverage in other monies, which is unique to the Third Sector and it has delivered significant added value to our public pound. This additional income for our communities and its people has, however, been dependant on the stability of Council's core investment. It has also provided a strong foundation for Broxburn Family Centre to be enterprising and the organisation generates significant amounts of additional income for the area through targeted fees, contracts and	Commissioned Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council will always be required to prioritise the needs of people who are most vulnerable. We would also aim to provide early intervention and prevention support where evidence based practice shows that a positive impact can be made
15991	An employee of West Lothian Council	2d. Commissioned Services	A reduction in external providers is not necessarily a bad thing as long as we are clear that we can provide what is required with the resources that we have. When externalising work we should be looking at not only cost, but past contract performance, what is being offered and look at long term implications of these rather than the short sighted cost based only analysis. A reduction in funding for services will mean that other services are likely to receive an increase in work which will put additional stress and pressure on staff and resources that are still in place.	Commissioned Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council will always be required to prioritise the needs of people who are most vulnerable. We would also aim to provide early intervention and prevention support where evidence based practice shows that a positive impact can be made
15992	An individual	2d. Commissioned Services	I believe this service is essential in the current climate but I believe that savings must be made	Commissioned Services (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15993	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	2d. Commissioned Services	Discussions should be held with organisations which deliver similar service to explore where integration might be possible and beneficial to the individuals they support.	Commissioned Services (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15994	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	2d. Commissioned Services	Has an equality impact assessment been carried out for each of the budget proposals? It is essential that this is done at the earliest opportunity in order to assess what the impact will be on those in the protected characteristics groups and those already experiencing disadvantage.	Commissioned Services (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. This consultation is the first stage of the process to enable the council to develop a five year plan. Detailed proposals will be worked up following the outcome of this consultation.
15995	An individual	2d. Commissioned Services	Discussion should be held between organisations supporting the same or similar groups to explore the possibility of the integration of these organisations to reduce costs but continue to meet the needs of the individuals they support.	Commissioned Services (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
15996	An individual	2d. Commissioned Services	Who decides the standards that 'meet peoples needs'. This needs much greater quality assurance.	Commissioned Services (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	West Lothian has a proven track record of partnership working and would wish to build on this.
15997	No Response	2d. Commissioned Services	Agree in part however is health then going to pick up slack. The council already experiencing pressures where addiction and mental health having huge impact on homelessness on area. This then has impact on communities safety etc. We need to ensure that focus moving forward on what is provided reflects needs and that health services are available to cope.	Commissioned Services (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	West Lothian has a proven track record of partnership working and would wish to build on this.

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15998	An individual	2d. Commissioned Services	Appropriate care and of the best quality.	Commissioned Services (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. The Council is committed to ensure a strong governance framework is in place to make sure quality is at the heart of service delivery.
15999	An employee of West Lothian Council	2d. Commissioned Services	If shorter care visits are to be instigated then care needs to be targeted appropriately. How can an elderly patient be bathed in such a short time period without distress.	Commissioned Services (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16000	An employee of West Lothian Council	2d. Commissioned Services	It is difficult to respond here as, again, there is no detail on how the estimated savings have been calculated or what is proposed. Which care services will be reduced as stated?	Commissioned Services (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16001	An employee of West Lothian Council	2d. Commissioned Services	I would like to make similar comments to those raised above. Moving care into 1 facility may exacerbate the services on other already stretched council services. It may be hard for vulnerable groups to travel to one location.	Commissioned Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16002	An individual	2d. Commissioned Services	Reducing this service to just cover 'the most vulnerable in our communities' is a disgrace. Again, I am sure there will be many people who need your help left in despair. A rise in this year's Council Tax would have helped this situation. Would it be possible to achieve a reduction in the external partner's costs in West Lothian formed a consortium with other Lothian councils, maybe even Scotland wide authorities?	Commissioned Services (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16003	An individual	2d. Commissioned Services	Stop accessing private companies on larger hourly rates!	Commissioned Services (general)	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	The Council is committed to ensure a strong governance framework is in place to make sure quality is at the heart of service delivery from external partners
16004	An individual	2d. Commissioned Services	This sounds like cutbacks, reducing services and centralising facilities - or farming them out to other agencies. Not sure that this has been shown to work.	Commissioned Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16005	An individual	2d. Commissioned Services	We urgently need this place Pre-sync 27 and Cyrenians to help each individual with addictions and the still suffering and families who are very vulnerable. e.g. little children are included that is why we need these services and they are very much needed.	Commissioned Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposal is to ensure that all externally commissioned services are also targeted to people with the highest level of need.
16006	An individual	2d. Commissioned Services	Recently completed a community Rehab programme through the Cyrenians and I also attend the recovery hub. These places are a lifeline for those in addiction as you can find like minded people and gain support from staff and peers. Without these services I would have no place to go and myself and others may go back to addiction. It has helped me a lot in my recovery and has helped me to gain support to get certificates and allow me to gain extra skills and grow to be able to move back into employment. Without these services I wouldn't be where I am today.	Commissioned Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposal is to ensure that all externally commissioned services are also targeted to people with the highest level of need.
16007	An individual	2d. Commissioned Services	I feel its important to keep these services a priority as they help people get stable on meds and even clean. If people are using drugs then this stretch's other areas i.e.the Police, Prisons, Courts. Crime will be reduced. So this is a must to keep these things open as I have used the facilities myself and I am not at college. I don't think I would have managed to get to where I am without these services.	Commissioned Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposal is to ensure that all externally commissioned services are also targeted to people with the highest level of need.
16008	An individual	2d. Commissioned Services	I feel its important to keep these services they supported me in my journey to recovery.	Commissioned Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposal is to ensure that all externally commissioned services are also targeted to people with the highest level of need.
16009	An individual	2d. Commissioned Services	All recovery places should stay open for the people who are going through recovery has a safe place to go to rather than being outside doing something that they don't want to being doing. Keeping recovery places open will reduce the relapse rate as they know they has somewhere to go to when things cut tough and let the help and support the need to stay clean.	Commissioned Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposal is to ensure that all externally commissioned services are also targeted to people with the highest level of need.
16010	An individual	2d. Commissioned Services	Worry - going to go for the cheapest rather than the quality - they need quality services rather than cheap	Commissioned Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council is committed to ensure a strong governance framework is in place to make sure quality is at the heart of service delivery from external partners

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16011	An individual	2d. Commissioned Services	Without commissioned services like the recovery hub and places like this I wouldn't be clean today. It is a community of like minded people to support each other and to offer support to others who are still in addiction.	Commissioned Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposal is to ensure that all externally commissioned services are also targeted to people with the highest level of need.
16012	An individual	2d. Commissioned Services	Without commissioned services myself and others who gain support from addiction services would suffer. It would allow for a lack of structure and would allow us to go back down a slippery slope. I have been involved with addiction services for 3 years now and they have supported me to gain stability and to be a better person for my children and without these services I don't know where I would be.	Commissioned Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposal is to ensure that all externally commissioned services are also targeted to people with the highest level of need.
16013	An individual	2d. Commissioned Services	I think the council should focus on mental health services. To get an appointment with CAMBHS, it took over 8 months to get my appointment after my initial referral. I believe that appointments should become more frequent and start seeing a mental health worker a lot sooner because not seeing someone soon can make a person seem 100x worse. I think small price cuts should be put on all areas that would be the least impacted by budget cuts and to try and preserve jobs of people who work for WLC. We already don't have enough libraries so try not to make cuts on that. Take money out of your reserve (£120 million).	Commissioned Services (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16014	An individual	2d. Commissioned Services	Support for self-harm and depression and anxiety. Not enough support due to the cuts. Need more money for these services.	Commissioned Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Health and Social Care joint strategic commissioning plans are about planning and delivering services and support for people. Through strategic needs assessments we can identify the needs of individuals and communities, enabling people to decide what will best address those needs, and through working together with agencies put the right services and support in place
16015	An employee of West Lothian Council	2d. Commissioned Services	Agencies providing care packages still seem to have the upper hand over the council - the recent reorganisation into patch areas by geography. Does not seem to be working & reablement service are jammed up with people awaiting pocare and community OTS should be more involved in Rehab/reablement as part of case work.	Commissioned Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council is working with NHS Lothian on a wide reaching Frailty Programme to maximise patient pathways and redesign access to community based services
16016	An individual	2d. Commissioned Services	I believe this is the way forward you should not depend on external companies to provide care for individual s but provide a service that is managed and controlled by west Lothian council unless individual s choose self directed care. More emphasis should be pace don building workforce that is flexible and meets the needs of West Lothian residents and provide care in their own home environment and not in residential or nursing home. More emphasis should be placed on educating children about the dangers of drugs and alcohol.	Commissioned Services (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16017	An individual	2d. Commissioned Services	yet a another valuable service that is being cut!	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16018	An employee of West Lothian Council	2d. Commissioned Services	Once again those who need this care will loose the most	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16019	An individual	2d. Commissioned Services	If addicts of whatever persuasion are driven into a corner,the demands on other services will increase as will crime.This may not turn out to be a money saving scheme	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16020	An employee of West Lothian Council	2d. Commissioned Services	Cuts here now will undoubtedly add to higher costs at a later date.	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16021	An individual	2d. Commissioned Services	I do not agree with this proposal.	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16022	An individual	2d. Commissioned Services	I don't support this.	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16023	An individual	2d. Commissioned Services	I do not support this change	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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16024	An individual	2d. Commissioned Services	Again make the most vulnerable and poor pay, how callous	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16025	An individual	2d. Commissioned Services	â€œThis is one of the most needy are of society..... Need to avoid this saving.	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16026	An individual	2d. Commissioned Services	I think council funding should continue for these initiatives.	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16027	An individual	2d. Commissioned Services	Do not support this	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16028	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	2d. Commissioned Services	Risky solution	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16029	An individual	2d. Commissioned Services	All bad news	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16030	An employee of West Lothian Council	2d. Commissioned Services	I am strongly against this	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16031	An individual	2d. Commissioned Services	There should be no changes to the existing!	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16032	An individual	2d. Commissioned Services	these services are vital in working to break the sysle of poverty in west lothian	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16033	An employee of West Lothian Council	2d. Commissioned Services	all services should continue to be provided by WLC to protect the quality	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16034	An individual	2d. Commissioned Services	no	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16035	An individual	2d. Commissioned Services	This read like decisions already made. So much for consultation. Do not support	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16036	An individual	2d. Commissioned Services	False economy, as drugs and drink problems cause a lot of other problems	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16037	An individual	2d. Commissioned Services	I do not support taking services away from vulnerable adults.	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16038	An individual	2d. Commissioned Services	Again, this has already been cut back over the last few years and has had an impact on services available, especially to the most vulnerable groups. This will again cause distress to service users, families and communities and map the on the quality of life in West Lothian.	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16039	An individual	2d. Commissioned Services	Don't agree	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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16040	An individual	2d. Commissioned Services	I completely disagree with this. West Lothian has a significant drug and alcohol problem and the demand outweighs supply significantly as it is, further reductions will only cause more problems in local communities.	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16041	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	2d. Commissioned Services	With the proposals we believe there will be an increase in vulnerable cases if you proceed with these cuts. Costs will increase as more people are declined services.	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16042	An individual	2d. Commissioned Services	Should not be cut due to the fact they are essential. No people who need care services and normal people who have families who need help.	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16043	An employee of West Lothian Council	2d. Commissioned Services	What are the longer term risks / costs of not supporting addicts?	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16044	An employee of West Lothian Council	2d. Commissioned Services	No comment - I do not have enough information regarding this.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16045	An employee of West Lothian Council	2d. Commissioned Services	No comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16046	An individual	2d. Commissioned Services	No opinion	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16047	An employee of West Lothian Council	2d. Commissioned Services	no comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16048	An employee of West Lothian Council	2d. Commissioned Services	I don't know enough about this service to comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16049	An employee of West Lothian Council	2d. Commissioned Services	don't know enough	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16050	An individual	2d. Commissioned Services	I don't know enough.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16051	An employee of West Lothian Council	2d. Commissioned Services	Not enough detail.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16052	An individual	2d. Commissioned Services	As 2c. Thus us short of detail to understand the impact.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16053	An individual	2d. Commissioned Services	Agreed in principle but don't really know enough about what the range of care services are. Might have a differing views on different packages.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16054	An individual	2d. Commissioned Services	I do not have enough information to offer a comment on the above	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16055	An individual	2d. Commissioned Services	No information on this subject.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16056	An employee of West Lothian Council	2d. Commissioned Services	No comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16057	An employee of West Lothian Council	2d. Commissioned Services	no comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16058	An individual	2d. Commissioned Services	n/a	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16059	An individual	2d. Commissioned Services	N/A	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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16060	An individual	2d. Commissioned Services	No comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16061	An employee of West Lothian Council	2d. Commissioned Services	No comment.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16062	An individual	2d. Commissioned Services	Unsure.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16063	An employee of West Lothian Council	2d. Commissioned Services	N/A	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16064	An employee of West Lothian Council	2d. Commissioned Services	again, your asking us to agree with cutting services to the vulnerable. I am presuming there isn't a choice?	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16065	An employee of West Lothian Council	2d. Commissioned Services	Which external services does the council currently buy?	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16066	An employee of West Lothian Council	2d. Commissioned Services	I believe there is always scope to procure more competitively .	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16067	No Response	2d. Commissioned Services	It's impossible to comment on this without seeing the reviewed proposals.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16068	An individual	2d. Commissioned Services	Concerns as to who deems which service to have funding reduced	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16069	No Response	2d. Commissioned Services	Without more details I am unable to comment on this	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16070	An employee of West Lothian Council	2d. Commissioned Services	Priorities are very difficult as everyone's are different.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16071	An individual	2d. Commissioned Services	I don't understand budgeting advantages and restraints enough to comment.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16072	An employee of West Lothian Council	2d. Commissioned Services	i dont not know wat this means	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16073	An individual	2d. Commissioned Services	I don't understand this	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16074	An individual	2d. Commissioned Services	so what now happens to the young adults who need this support.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16075	An employee of West Lothian Council	2d. Commissioned Services	As above.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16076	An individual	2d. Commissioned Services	Nanny state not coping yet again.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16077	An employee of West Lothian Council	2d. Commissioned Services	I am not in a position to comment on this	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16078	An individual	2d. Commissioned Services	I have no comment on this as I just don't know enough	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16079	An individual	2d. Commissioned Services	no comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16080	An individual	2d. Commissioned Services	No comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16081	An individual	2d. Commissioned Services	No comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16082	An individual	2d. Commissioned Services	no comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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16083	An individual	2d. Commissioned Services	No comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16084	An individual	2d. Commissioned Services	Don't know enough to comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16085	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	2d. Commissioned Services	Need more information	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16086	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	2d. Commissioned Services	No comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16087	An individual	2d. Commissioned Services	No comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16088	No Response	2d. Commissioned Services	No comment.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16089	An employee of West Lothian Council	2d. Commissioned Services	-	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16090	No Response	2d. Commissioned Services	No comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16091	An individual	2d. Commissioned Services	Accountability and printing information of costs of providers needs to be easily obtained in the bulletin	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16092	An individual	2d. Commissioned Services	I need to know better what is involved here	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16093	An employee of West Lothian Council	2d. Commissioned Services	Sounds ok but IO could not comment on the practicalities.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16094	An individual	2d. Commissioned Services	It's all just so sad	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16095	No Response	2d. Commissioned Services	dgdgd	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16096	An employee of West Lothian Council	2d. Commissioned Services	Not able to provide a comment at this time.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16097	An individual	2d. Commissioned Services	I don't know enough about it to comment.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16098	An individual	2d. Commissioned Services	nil	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16099	An individual	2d. Commissioned Services	No Comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16100	An employee of West Lothian Council	2d. Commissioned Services	No comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16101	An individual	2d. Commissioned Services	No comment.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16102	An employee of West Lothian Council	2d. Commissioned Services	No comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16103	An individual	2d. Commissioned Services	Cannot comment do not use these services	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16104	An employee of West Lothian Council	2d. Commissioned Services	No comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16105	An individual	2d. Commissioned Services	I feel more information is needed in this area.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16106	An individual	2d. Commissioned Services	Not sure what effect this will have in practice	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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16107	No Response	2d. Commissioned Services	Don't have a view.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16108	An individual	2d. Commissioned Services	Not enough information on the above to make a judgement if its worth the savings. Lots of savings but who will suffer?	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16109	An individual	2d. Commissioned Services	Depends on the details	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16110	An individual	2d. Commissioned Services	I do not know what this involves	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16111	An employee of West Lothian Council	2d. Commissioned Services	Can't comment on this - don't know enough about it	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16112	An individual	2d. Commissioned Services	Is this really "joined up thinking" or pick a number between Â£2.0 million and Â£2.5 million!	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16113	An individual	2d. Commissioned Services	no comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16114	An individual	2d. Commissioned Services	No comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16115	An individual	2d. Commissioned Services	No comments as I am not familiar with this subject.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16116	An individual	2d. Commissioned Services	What does this mean? Again too woolly. What services? Give examples please.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16117	An individual	2d. Commissioned Services	No comment.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16118	An employee of West Lothian Council	2d. Commissioned Services	no comments	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16119	An employee of West Lothian Council	2d. Commissioned Services	2d I don't know enough about what this would change to be able to comment.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16120	An individual	2d. Commissioned Services	No comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16121	An individual	2d. Commissioned Services	No comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16122	An employee of West Lothian Council	2d. Commissioned Services	No comments	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16123	An employee of West Lothian Council	2d. Commissioned Services	NO COMMENT	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16124	An individual	2d. Commissioned Services	no comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16125	No Response	2d. Commissioned Services	.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16126	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	2d. Commissioned Services	As in 2(b) above.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16127	An employee of West Lothian Council	2d. Commissioned Services	Sounds good in theory but no practical evidence is given to support this action.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16128	An individual	2d. Commissioned Services	Don't know. No information available to public as to current levels and what this would look like in the future.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16129	An individual	2d. Commissioned Services	No comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16130	An individual	2d. Commissioned Services	don't know enough about this would need further information	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16131	An individual	2d. Commissioned Services	Not enough experience to comment on this.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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16132	An individual	2d. Commissioned Services	So not feel knowledgeable enough in this to comment constructively.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16133	An individual	2d. Commissioned Services	Not clear what this means.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16134	An individual	2d. Commissioned Services	Proposal is too unspecific to comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16135	An individual	2d. Commissioned Services	Do not feel informed enough to make any comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16136	An individual	2d. Commissioned Services	No idea what this means. Sounds suspiciously like we want to stop helping and leave it up to e.g. Charities? No! The council is there for this too. Again just put up the council tax! How about telling us what a bill would look like if we left things alone?	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16137	An individual	2d. Commissioned Services	This will just make for more expensive solutions in the future. Will this really save money?	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16138	An individual	2d. Commissioned Services	Do not have enough knowledge in this area to comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16139	An individual	2d. Commissioned Services	No comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16140	An individual	2d. Commissioned Services	This section is very vague, as are most of the proposals. It doesn't give details as to whom the external partners are or what do you mean exactly by 'the most vulnerable in our communities'? More detail is required before anyone can make a comment on what you are saying exactly. There needs to be more plain talk rather than is ambiguous language you use.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16141	An individual	2d. Commissioned Services	Would need to understand what impact this would have on individuals and the council's priorities before I could reasonably comment.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16142	An individual	2d. Commissioned Services	Eh?	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16143	An individual	2d. Commissioned Services	2d This proposal does not make sense. on one hand the council is proposing to reduce funding for external partners yet have a greater reliance upon external agencies to provide care and support services. these two measures do not equate. This question lacks detail as to what external agencies and bodies currently provide and at what cost. What is the detail upon their reliance and what budget allocated.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16144	An individual	2d. Commissioned Services	I don't understand	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16145	An individual	2d. Commissioned Services	This proposal is not clearly set out.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16146	An employee of West Lothian Council	2d. Commissioned Services	The council have not provided enough indepth information for me to make an informed comment on this, as all information about this whole consultation is more secret that area 51.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16147	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	2d. Commissioned Services	Same as above	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16148	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	2d. Commissioned Services	More information required to enable further comments.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16149	An individual	2d. Commissioned Services	Again I don't know enough about this	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16150	An individual	2d. Commissioned Services	unable to comment as not in plain english	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16151	No Response	2d. Commissioned Services	na	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16152	An individual	2d. Commissioned Services	Don't know	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16153	An individual	2d. Commissioned Services	Unsure	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16154	An individual	2d. Commissioned Services	No comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16155	An individual	2d. Commissioned Services	Not enough information	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16156	An individual	2d. Commissioned Services	Again some examples would have helped form an opinion lack of information in order to comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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16157	An employee of West Lothian Council	2d. Commissioned Services	No comment.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16158	An individual	2d. Commissioned Services	No comment.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16159	An individual	2d. Commissioned Services	Not enough detail	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16160	An employee of West Lothian Council	2e. Building Based Care	If this can deliver savings required and provide care to those most in need then it should be pursued.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16161	No Response	2e. Building Based Care	Agree to all suggested proposals	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16162	An employee of West Lothian Council	2e. Building Based Care	Supportive of this proposal.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16163	No Response	2e. Building Based Care	agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16164	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16165	An employee of West Lothian Council	2e. Building Based Care	Yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16166	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	This gives older people more choice	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16167	No Response	2e. Building Based Care	Have no objection	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16168	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	From what i can ascertain from this, the increased use of technology would be a positive move forward	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16169	An employee of West Lothian Council	2e. Building Based Care	A flexible model seems fair.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16170	An employee of West Lothian Council	2e. Building Based Care	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16171	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	Sounds reasonable.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16172	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	This sounds like a sensible proposal.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16173	An employee of West Lothian Council	2e. Building Based Care	Sounds sensible	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16174	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	Sounds a good idea	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16175	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	Yes .	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16176	No Response	2e. Building Based Care	Excellent	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16177	An employee of West Lothian Council	2e. Building Based Care	agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16178	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	OK.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16179	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16180	No Response	2e. Building Based Care	I agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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16181	An employee of West Lothian Council	2e. Building Based Care	agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16182	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	Ok with this	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16183	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16184	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	Agree.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16185	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	happy with this	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16186	An employee of West Lothian Council	2e. Building Based Care	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16187	No Response	2e. Building Based Care	I agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16188	No Response	2e. Building Based Care	Good.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16189	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16190	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	Sounds good	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16191	An employee of West Lothian Council	2e. Building Based Care	I support this proposal	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16192	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	As long as the elderly would still be able to access day centres etc this would be fine.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16193	An employee of West Lothian Council	2e. Building Based Care	Agree. This service should be set up to meet evolving patterns of demand.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16194	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	go ahead with the savings	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16195	No Response	2e. Building Based Care	Agree with this proposal	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16196	No Response	2e. Building Based Care	Definitely agreed. Good exemplar.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16197	No Response	2e. Building Based Care	Providing our older people receive the care they require and are able to make informed choices. a more flexible model would seem to be the best option.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16198	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	I support this change	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16199	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	I agree with the Council's proposals for the moment to see how they all work out. Thank you.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16200	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	This would be okay	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16201	An employee of West Lothian Council	2e. Building Based Care	Sounds good but again the devil is in the details!	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16202	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	As long as the service maintains the council's standards and remains accessible I support this	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16203	No Response	2e. Building Based Care	I agree with the proposal	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16204	No Response	2e. Building Based Care	I agree where there is still the option of day care where that is the wish of the supported individual	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16205	An employee of West Lothian Council	2e. Building Based Care	Supported if there is strong evidence that this is indeed driven by citizen choice	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16206	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	no objections.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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16207	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	Please consider this, as it must be the way forward.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16208	An employee of West Lothian Council	2e. Building Based Care	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16209	No Response	2e. Building Based Care	Sounds good	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16210	No Response	2e. Building Based Care	Ok	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16211	An employee of West Lothian Council	2e. Building Based Care	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16212	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	ok.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16213	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	Agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16214	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	Good	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16215	No Response	2e. Building Based Care	Good	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16216	No Response	2e. Building Based Care	Agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16217	An employee of West Lothian Council	2e. Building Based Care	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16218	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16219	No Response	2e. Building Based Care	agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16220	An employee of West Lothian Council	2e. Building Based Care	Good	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16221	An employee of West Lothian Council	2e. Building Based Care	Agreed.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16222	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	Sounds fine	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16223	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	Sounds reasonable	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16224	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	Agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16225	An employee of West Lothian Council	2e. Building Based Care	agree with proposal	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16226	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	I agree with this proposal.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16227	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	ok	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16228	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16229	No Response	2e. Building Based Care	Sounds great	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16230	No Response	2e. Building Based Care	Sounds like a positive move. Clients needs are changing all the time with better health care. More choice in how they live out their lives empowers individuals to continue living in their own homes.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16231	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	This appears to be very practical.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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16232	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	Sounds sensible.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16233	An employee of West Lothian Council	2e. Building Based Care	Would agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16234	No Response	2e. Building Based Care	Reasonable	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16235	An employee of West Lothian Council	2e. Building Based Care	Agree with this proposal.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16236	No Response	2e. Building Based Care	yes, agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16237	An employee of West Lothian Council	2e. Building Based Care	Agree.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16238	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	I agree with this proposal. Day centres are outdated and inflexible.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16239	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	Flexible options would make sense.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16240	No Response	2e. Building Based Care	I think this is a good way forward. People can keep their self respect if they are able to keep some independence.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16241	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	I agree. unfortunately it has become necessary in many LA's to take this action. Many have done so years prior so West Lothian have been fortunate to have these resources so long.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16242	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	I agree with the above - older people benefit from more client choice.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16243	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	Sound fine	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16244	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	Ok	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16245	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	I would support this proposal.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16246	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	Good!	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16247	An employee of West Lothian Council	2e. Building Based Care	This appears to be a reasonable proposal.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16248	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	Sensible	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16249	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16250	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16251	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	I agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16252	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	Ok	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16253	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	OK.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16254	No Response	2e. Building Based Care	Do it	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16255	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	Good idea	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16256	An employee of West Lothian Council	2e. Building Based Care	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16257	No Response	2e. Building Based Care	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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16258	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16259	An employee of West Lothian Council	2e. Building Based Care	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16260	An employee of West Lothian Council	2e. Building Based Care	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16261	An employee of West Lothian Council	2e. Building Based Care	Agree.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16262	An employee of West Lothian Council	2e. Building Based Care	agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16263	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	yes, agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16264	No Response	2e. Building Based Care	Fine.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16265	An employee of West Lothian Council	2e. Building Based Care	I agree with this.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16266	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	Supported	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16267	An employee of West Lothian Council	2e. Building Based Care	Happy with this proposal	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16268	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	Good idea	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16269	An employee of West Lothian Council	2e. Building Based Care	Agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16270	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	I agree with this proposal	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16271	An employee of West Lothian Council	2e. Building Based Care	if it works then use it	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16272	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	This sounds like a good option.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16273	An employee of West Lothian Council	2e. Building Based Care	Agree.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16274	No Response	2e. Building Based Care	dont understand this but yes support the vurnuble	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16275	An employee of West Lothian Council	2e. Building Based Care	Positive proposal	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16276	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	Agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16277	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	I	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16278	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	Agree that this is required. Greater use of wider community facilities would be appropriate.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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16279	An employee of West Lothian Council	2e. Building Based Care	Agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16280	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16281	No Response	2e. Building Based Care	OK	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16282	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16283	An employee of West Lothian Council	2e. Building Based Care	Proposal seems fair	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16284	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	Makes perfect sense and is normal in all other workplaces.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16285	No Response	2e. Building Based Care	I agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16286	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	Sounds reasonable, but again not a field I know much about.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16287	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	small saving	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16288	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16289	An employee of West Lothian Council	2e. Building Based Care	I support the measure for more flexible provision and closing less flexible buildings.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16290	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	Agreed - we are moving into a differing age of care.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16291	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	Agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16292	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	Support	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16293	An employee of West Lothian Council	2e. Building Based Care	Support	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16294	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	Agree.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16295	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16296	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	Agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16297	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16298	An employee of West Lothian Council	2e. Building Based Care	Supportive in principle albeit based on limited detailed information	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16299	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	I fully support this proposal.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16300	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	Beneficial in some areas not in others	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16301	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	Yes. More efficient and focused.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16302	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	Fine	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16303	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16304	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16305	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	OK	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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16306	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	Agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16307	No Response	2e. Building Based Care	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16308	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	yeah	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16309	An employee of West Lothian Council	2e. Building Based Care	I agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16310	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16311	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	I agree with the proposal.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16312	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	All proposals are sound.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16313	An employee of West Lothian Council	2e. Building Based Care	quality assurance is needed regarding private companies to ensure the safety and mental health of older people	Building Based Care - external partners	4. The council is already doing this.	The Council is committed to ensure a strong governance framework is in place to make sure quality is at the heart of service delivery from external partners
16314	An employee of West Lothian Council	2e. Building Based Care	Don't agree with care services being delivered by private companies. Council staff are properly trained and have service level agreements, constant checks; will private companies face the same checks?	Building Based Care - external partners	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Council purchased day care for older people in the independent sector will continue to be provided for people eligible for day services.
16315	An employee of West Lothian Council	2e. Building Based Care	Again, better emphasis by empowering the local community service providers.	Building Based Care - external partners	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16316	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	Would there not be scope for partnership provision of these (centres for older people) services?	Building Based Care - external partners	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Council purchased day care for older people in the independent sector will continue to be provided for people eligible for day services.
16317	No Response	2e. Building Based Care	Brining in agencies to supply services is always going to be more expensive that providing the services ourselves. An increase in council staff in certain fields could save money.	Building Based Care - external partners	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16318	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	External partners...you mean private companies...who once council services cease are free to increase and increase their charges with NO OPTION FOR WLC TO SAY NO!!	Building Based Care - external partners	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council is committed to ensure a strong governance framework is in place to make sure quality is at the heart of service delivery from external partners
16319	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	Again difficult to ascertain what the proposals actually mean. For example closing day centres but the service continuing to be delivered by external partners - is the proposal to erect tents to deliver the service?	Building Based Care - external partners	4. The council is already doing this.	West Lothian already commissions day care services from a range of external partners in their premises
16320	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	So you plan on removing the social aspect of elderly people's lives? This is important for healthy lives and prevention of loneliness in elderly persons lives. Is the closing of these facilities a short term cost saving over a long term increase. Costings should be carried out to assess the long term savings actually being achieved - think PFI and the robbery they are. When we lose the ability to provide these services ourselves, we are at the mercy of external providers and the costs they deem acceptable. This is usually higher than the price point that they can be provided by the council with their own assets.	Building Based Care - external partners	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Council purchased day care for older people in the independent sector will continue to be provided for people eligible for day services. This external model of provision is more cost effective.
16321	No Response	2e. Building Based Care	External partner's costs should be driven right down for maximum savings. Lets get out of the habit of being ripped off.	Building Based Care - external partners	4. The council is already doing this.	Council purchased day care for older people in the independent sector will continue to be provided for people eligible for day services. This external model of provision is more cost effective.
16322	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	As long as the service will be delivered satisfactorily by existing external partners.	Building Based Care - external partners	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The Council is committed to ensure a strong governance framework is in place to make sure quality is at the heart of service delivery from external partners
16323	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	oh yes the external partners that are declaring tthey might be liquidating as a company. really the author of this idea needs to waken up	Building Based Care - external partners	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16324	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	the monitoring of these external providers needs to be improved / at present it feels like the council is transferring its responsibility to others for a reduced service just to save money not make lives matter	Building Based Care - external partners	4. The council is already doing this.	The Council is committed to ensure a strong governance framework is in place to make sure quality is at the heart of service delivery from external partners

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16325	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	Are these private providers? This is not clear. Public services should be provided by public sector organisation. Profit-making organisations should not.	Building Based Care - external partners	5b. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it is likely that the costs of this proposal would outweigh the benefit.	Council purchased day care for older people in the independent sector will continue to be provided for people eligible for day services. This external model of provision is more cost effective.
16326	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	As long as the existing partners are not-for-profit organisations.	Building Based Care - external partners	5b. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it is likely that the costs of this proposal would outweigh the benefit.	The Health and Social Care joint strategic commissioning plans are about planning and delivering services and support for people. Through strategic needs assessments we can identify the needs of individuals and communities, enabling people to decide what will best address those needs, and through working together with agencies put the right services and support in place
16327	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	When I was little (70s) my Granny used to bake for the church teas served to the old folk once a week. Couldn't this be an option again, where churches and charities play a part?	Building Based Care - external partners	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16328	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	Pushing services to external partners can be made to look efficient on paper, but the cost of losing close control and addressing poor performance etc need to be considered fully, and service level agreements need to be thorough. Local Authorities can be guilty of agreeing to sloppy SLAs because they're just excited to quickly reduce their workload and predicted spend, subsequently ending up paying more for the overall service as they have to go back and deal with all the holes in the agreement, which of course the contractor as a commercial organisation has taken the time to understand and exploit.	Building Based Care - external partners	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council is committed to ensure a strong governance framework is in place to make sure quality is at the heart of service delivery from external partners
16329	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	External partners have been known to "cherry pick" clients and also private funded clients get priority. WLC must ensure that whatever replacement is provided that it is no less favourable than existing services.	Building Based Care - external partners	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your comment which will be considered as part of any service redesign
16330	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	external partners only interested in profit?	Building Based Care - external partners	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	The Council is committed to ensure a strong governance framework is in place to make sure quality is at the heart of service delivery from external partners
16331	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	How can the council say they will close council owned centres, when partnership and private provisions are struggling to survive and many are closing in the current climate the government has left the country in	Building Based Care - external partners	5b. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it is likely that the costs of this proposal would outweigh the benefit.	Council purchased day care for older people in the independent sector will continue to be provided for people eligible for day services. This external model of provision is more cost effective.
16332	No Response	2e. Building Based Care	concerned about whether private companies are in a position to provide care of the same level given the reports that these companies are struggling to meet the requirements of the business and key partners such as Bield having to close some of these care homes	Building Based Care - external partners	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	West Lothian has a proven track record of partnership working and would wish to build on this. The Council works closely with all providers to monitor all aspects of their business models and in the case of Bield this was a national decision to change their model, not something linked just to West Lothian Council's commissioned services
16333	An employee of West Lothian Council	2e. Building Based Care	The council should look into encouraging development of more charity / local projects to assist people in need.	Building Based Care - external partners	4. The council is already doing this.	The Health and Social Care joint strategic commissioning plans are about planning and delivering services and support for people. Through strategic needs assessments we can identify the needs of individuals and communities, enabling people to decide what will best address those needs, and through working together with agencies put the right services and support in place
16334	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	Closing Council owned services is really bad and outside agencies cannot always be trusted.	Building Based Care - external partners	4. The council is already doing this.	West Lothian already commissions day care services from a range of external partners.
16335	An employee of West Lothian Council	2e. Building Based Care	I don't think this would work. Local authorities have cut back on the fees they pay private providers for beds, which the private sector cannot sustain. As a consequence, private providers are turning down LA funded places, and with beds not being filled, the homes are closing down. This will put pressure on local authorities being able to find beds for elderly people, and the only sustainable solution is for local authorities to build their own homes.	Building Based Care - external partners	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	The proposal is about day care in council care homes, not residential care
16336	An employee of West Lothian Council	2e. Building Based Care	Agree - work more with specialist providers	Building Based Care - external partners	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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16337	No Response	2e. Building Based Care	closing centres and relying on a 3rd party or external source could remove the much needed help and care provided by these day centres for families who have members of their family in care. This could then lead to further costs elsewhere in response to the removal of this service.	Building Based Care - external partners	4. The council is already doing this.	West Lothian already commissions day care services from a range of external partners.
16338	An employee of West Lothian Council	2e. Building Based Care	I agree with this proposal as long as the service providers are closely monitored to ensure the level of support is appropriate.	Building Based Care - external partners	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	West Lothian already commissions day care services from a range of external partners.
16339	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	I do not agree with closing day centres and using external partners. Unwound expect using external partners to be more expensive in the long run. Care for older people should not be compromised.	Building Based Care - external partners	4. The council is already doing this.	West Lothian already commissions day care services from a range of external partners.
16340	An employee of West Lothian Council	2e. Building Based Care	Very good proposal we should be looking at outside help from the private sector on housing for the elderly	Building Based Care - external partners	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16341	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	Aah see above - Farm it out, so you can easily cut it later. Again it should be kept inside. "External Partners" want to make money, want to earn a profit. The council should be able to deliver this cheaper than the private sector. If it can't it needs to figure out how to achieve this rather than pay the private sector.	Building Based Care - external partners	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Health and Social Care joint strategic commissioning plans are about planning and delivering services and support for people. Through strategic needs assessments we can identify the needs of individuals and communities, enabling people to decide what will best address those needs, and through working together with agencies put the right services and support in place
16342	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	Is outsourcing always cheapest? Are good checks made on the external providers?	Building Based Care - external partners	4. The council is already doing this.	The Council is committed to ensure a strong governance framework is in place to make sure quality is at the heart of service delivery from external partners
16343	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	Would existing partners charge for the service?	Building Based Care - external partners	4. The council is already doing this.	West Lothian already commissions day care services from a range of external partners at a rate that is more cost effective.
16344	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	In principle this sounds okay, but would partner provided services be just as accessible for existing Centre users? This would be a more palatable proposal if Age Concern or similar publicly stated their support for this.	Building Based Care - external partners	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16345	No Response	2e. Building Based Care	private vs. public service provision and where the priorities lie in private sector.	Building Based Care - external partners	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16346	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	What would this model actually look like, would there be adequate room for all who need to access to access, or would it be another area that would be over subscribed.	Building Based Care - external partners	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your comment which will be considered as part of any service redesign
16347	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	It is important that older people can access services such as day care in their local area.	Building Based Care - external partners	4. The council is already doing this.	Council purchased day care for older people in the independent sector will continue to be provided for people eligible for day services.
16348	No Response	2e. Building Based Care	How secure would this be and could external partners not withdraw a vital service with minimal notice	Building Based Care - external partners	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	The Council is committed to ensure a strong governance framework is in place to make sure quality is at the heart of service delivery from external partners
16349	An employee of West Lothian Council	2e. Building Based Care	How can existing external partners deliver a service if they don't have a building - are you planning to hand over existing buildings to these partners to keep a service running?	Building Based Care - external partners	4. The council is already doing this.	Council purchased day care for older people in the independent sector will continue to be provided for people eligible for day services.
16350	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	I do not believe external partners will provide any better or cheaper service and should not ever be used.	Building Based Care - external partners	5b. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it is likely that the costs of this proposal would outweigh the benefit.	The Council is committed to ensure a strong governance framework is in place to make sure quality is at the heart of service delivery from external partners
16351	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	If you are proposing closing the council owned centres who is going to fill the void given that Beld are closing three nursing homes in West Lothian.	Building Based Care - external partners	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Council purchased day care for older people in the independent sector will continue to be provided for people eligible for day services.
16352	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	I noted that Bield at Westport are giving us a glimpse of the future of elderly care, and it does not look good	Building Based Care - external partners	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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16353	An employee of West Lothian Council	2e. Building Based Care	Need to make sure that external partners do not over charge and provide an adequate service.	Building Based Care - external partners	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The Council is committed to ensure a strong governance framework is in place to make sure quality is at the heart of service delivery from external partners
16354	An employee of West Lothian Council	2e. Building Based Care	Can Acredale day care be accommodated in Rosemount court?	Building Based Care - external partners	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16355	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	More questions than answers! Do we know if the "existing external partners" are in a position to continue delivering services? Have they been asked? Do they have the resources?	Building Based Care - external partners	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. This consultation is the first stage of the process to enable the council to develop a five year plan. Detailed proposals will be worked up following the outcome of this consultation.
16356	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	with incomes verses inflation at an all time low would these external providers cost the individual more	Building Based Care - external partners	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16357	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	How are external partners' standards monitored?	Building Based Care - external partners	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	The Council is committed to ensure a strong governance framework is in place to make sure quality is at the heart of service delivery from external partners
16358	An employee of West Lothian Council	2e. Building Based Care	Is these external partners private like nursery where if you can't afford you do without? With the loss of council run nurses taken over with other partners , lots of kids are losing out due to costs is this now going to happen with the elderly?	Building Based Care - external partners	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Council purchased day care for older people in the independent sector will continue to be provided for people eligible for day services.
16359	An employee of West Lothian Council	2e. Building Based Care	Will external partners cost more than council based services in the long run? Will prices go up as demand from councils increases??	Building Based Care - external partners	4. The council is already doing this.	Council purchased day care for older people in the independent sector will continue to be provided for people eligible for day services. The cost of internal day care is more expensive.
16360	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	If you are going to rely totally on external providers delivering care services then there has to be protection written into the contracts to ensure continuation and no deterioration of service to the those concerned.	Building Based Care - external partners	4. The council is already doing this.	The Council is committed to ensure a strong governance framework is in place to make sure quality is at the heart of service delivery from external partners
16361	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	Surly it would be cheaper to use your own buildings and staff rather than paying a profit drive organisation to provide care?	Building Based Care - external partners	5b. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it is likely that the costs of this proposal would outweigh the benefit.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16362	No Response	2e. Building Based Care	Often the external providers don't given the same level of services. This would be a huge loss.	Building Based Care - external partners	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council is committed to ensure a strong governance framework is in place to make sure quality is at the heart of service delivery from external partners
16363	An employee of West Lothian Council	2e. Building Based Care	Who are the existing partners? Do they have the resources to cope with the influx of clients who have had their services withdrawn.	Building Based Care - external partners	4. The council is already doing this.	Council purchased day care for older people in the independent sector will continue to be provided for people eligible for day services.
16364	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	Are existing external partners volunteers? If not and either the council - or users have to pay then I most definitely disagree with this proposal.	Building Based Care - external partners	4. The council is already doing this.	Council purchased day care for older people in the independent sector will continue to be provided for people eligible for day services.
16365	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	If external partners can make it pay Why can't the WLC	Building Based Care - external partners	5b. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it is likely that the costs of this proposal would outweigh the benefit.	Council purchased day care for older people in the independent sector will continue to be provided for people eligible for day services. Our partners can deliver this service at less cost as the infrastructure of our partners agencies is very different
16366	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	External partners would not be charitable enough to provide this service were they not making a profit from doing so. If they are profiting, you are being overcharged, so this service should be kept in public hands to ensure the efficient allocation of public money.	Building Based Care - external partners	5b. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it is likely that the costs of this proposal would outweigh the benefit.	Council purchased day care for older people in the independent sector will continue to be provided for people eligible for day services. Our partners can deliver this service at less cost as the infrastructure of our partners agencies is very different

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16367	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	External partners again! At the end of the day you are looking at more external partners and less council employees. In the long term that will cost more money.	Building Based Care - external partners	5b. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it is likely that the costs of this proposal would outweigh the benefit.	Council purchased day care for older people in the independent sector will continue to be provided for people eligible for day services. Our partners can deliver this service at less cost as the infrastructure of our partners agencies is very different
16368	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	As long as these external partners are providing great service and excellent value for money.	Building Based Care - external partners	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The Council is committed to ensure a strong governance framework is in place to make sure quality is at the heart of service delivery from external partners
16369	An employee of West Lothian Council	2e. Building Based Care	how can it be cheaper to pay an external partner rather than provide the service ourselves, surely this is a false economy	Building Based Care - external partners	4. The council is already doing this.	Council purchased day care for older people in the independent sector will continue to be provided for people eligible for day services. Our partners can deliver this service at less cost as the infrastructure of our partners agencies is very different
16370	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	This sounds a lot like certain buildings will be privatised. A more clear picture would be nice.	Building Based Care - external partners	4. The council is already doing this.	Council purchased day care for older people in the independent sector will continue to be provided for people eligible for day services.
16371	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	External partners are in this to make money . This implies that the council (where profit is not a criteria) should in theory be better placed to provide the same service at a lower unit cost .	Building Based Care - external partners	5b. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it is likely that the costs of this proposal would outweigh the benefit.	Council purchased day care for older people in the independent sector will continue to be provided for people eligible for day services. Our partners can deliver this service at less cost as the infrastructure of our partners agencies is very different
16372	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	Concerned about the day care closures. Partnership plus transferring to appropriate community groups may be a way forward.	Building Based Care - external partners	4. The council is already doing this.	Council purchased day care for older people in the independent sector will continue to be provided for people eligible for day services.
16373	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	Outsourcing the day care service means the private service providers may at any time find themselves in a difficult financial position and go out of business. The Council is unlikely to pick up the service again in the next five years or more. Loneliness and lack of social interaction is known to have a detrimental effect on the well being of older people which in turn will impact on the health service.	Building Based Care - external partners	4. The council is already doing this.	Council purchased day care for older people in the independent sector will continue to be provided for people eligible for day services.
16374	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	I do not understand how external partners can continue to deliver services if the buildings close. While similar physical care might be provided in an individual's home, the social stimulation provided by day centres would be lost. A basic description of Rosemount Gardens would allow more meaningful comment on this proposal.	Building Based Care - external partners	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Council purchased day care for older people in the independent sector will continue to be provided for people eligible for day services.
16375	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	Are external partners providing a cost effective service? Or are they providing a service, but also providing profit for their owners/shareholders? Should it not be services from external partners that are being cut, not council owned ones?	Building Based Care - external partners	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. The provision of day care with our external partners was modelled and costed and can be delivered in a less expensive way than the council can, mainly due to the difference in overhead costs.
16376	No Response	2e. Building Based Care	What assurances can be give that existing external partners would continue to provide care services for older people. If they decide not to provide this service, and the Council has closed their service, who will support our older residents?	Building Based Care - external partners	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16377	No Response	2e. Building Based Care	Doesn't really matter who delivers the service, as long as it is there.	Building Based Care - external partners	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16378	No Response	2e. Building Based Care	External partners need to have their operations adequately funded.	Building Based Care - external partners	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Council purchased day care for older people in the independent sector will continue to be provided for people eligible for day services.
16379	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	Again the most vulnerable members of society are having their services hit. Existing external partners ie charities are being forced to provide essential not supplementary services for this largely ignored group.	Building Based Care - external partners	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16380	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	Fine if it works but external partners are being squeezed too. Look at Bield. What happens when they withdraw?	Building Based Care - external partners	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	The proposal does not relate to residential care
16381	An employee of West Lothian Council	2e. Building Based Care	The council would need to ensure the level of support provided by external partners meets the needs of older people	Building Based Care - external partners	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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16382	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	see the above comment, purchased providers do not offer value for money for councils.	Building Based Care - external partners	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council is committed to ensure a strong governance framework is in place to make sure quality is at the heart of service delivery from external partners
16383	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	Who are these external partners?	Building Based Care - external partners	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Council purchased day care for older people in the independent sector will continue to be provided for people eligible for day services.
16384	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	If external partners take on the services, would the quality of care, staffing and hygiene continue? Would they have to meet council standards or run as an independent entity?	Building Based Care - external partners	4. The council is already doing this.	The Council is committed to ensure a strong governance framework is in place to make sure quality is at the heart of service delivery from external partners
16385	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	Disagree. Lots of providers don't have the skilled staff they require or have longevity.	Building Based Care - external partners	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council is committed to ensure a strong governance framework is in place to make sure quality is at the heart of service delivery from external partners
16386	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	The use of private provision by external partners should be discouraged. Public-private partnership is not in the best interests of the community.	Building Based Care - external partners	4. The council is already doing this.	Council purchased day care for older people in the independent sector will continue to be provided for people eligible for day services.
16387	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	I do not think this is a good move. Private Health care is often more expensive than those provided by the Council.	Building Based Care - external partners	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Council purchased day care for older people in the independent sector will continue to be provided for people eligible for day services.
16388	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	How can it be cheaper to use external partners it should be cheaper to provide your own service so seems crazy to close your own day centres .....unless you plan not to provide the service at all.	Building Based Care - external partners	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Council purchased day care for older people in the independent sector will continue to be provided for people eligible for day services.
16389	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	Are external partners providing a quality same service cheaper?	Building Based Care - external partners	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Council purchased day care for older people in the independent sector is more cost effective
16390	An employee of West Lothian Council	2e. Building Based Care	This needs to be handled carefully. Many "private" care facilities (or external partners) are exploiting staff. Some are paying staff well below minimum wage and not providing suitable breaks for staff that care for our most vulnerable people. Tighter control needs to be introduced over the way these "external partners" are run as many are making enormous profits from the most vulnerable people in our society including both our old people and vulnerable staff.	Building Based Care - external partners	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	The Council is committed to ensure a strong governance framework is in place to make sure quality is at the heart of service delivery from external partners
16391	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	Then these external partners can charge whatever they like to vulnerable citizens in desperate need of care.	Building Based Care - external partners	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	The Council is committed to ensure a strong governance framework is in place to make sure quality is at the heart of service delivery from external partners
16392	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	2e. Building Based Care	Not convinced external service provision will match in-house. The SLA needs to be comprehensive and enforced.	Building Based Care - external partners	4. The council is already doing this.	The Council is committed to ensure a strong governance framework is in place to make sure quality is at the heart of service delivery from external partners
16393	An employee of West Lothian Council	2e. Building Based Care	Will this be impacted by the reduced level of funding given to external providers?	Building Based Care - external partners	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Council purchased day care for older people in the independent sector will continue to be provided for people eligible for day services.
16394	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	The external partners provision would need to be monitored to ensure the service is high quality. The council should have overall control of these services.	Building Based Care - external partners	4. The council is already doing this.	The Council is committed to ensure a strong governance framework is in place to make sure quality is at the heart of service delivery from external partners
16395	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	See my response to 2d. - I hope and assume that services delivered by external partners always meet people's needs and that they are delivered in the most effective way possible, including value for money.	Building Based Care - external partners	4. The council is already doing this.	The Council is committed to ensure a strong governance framework is in place to make sure quality is at the heart of service delivery from external partners
16396	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	Commissioned services/external partners are, in general, of lower quality and subject to less controls than in-house provision. Counter to stated Priority 4: improving the quality of life for older people.	Building Based Care - external partners	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council is committed to ensure a strong governance framework is in place to make sure quality is at the heart of service delivery from external partners
16397	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	Careful consideration should be taken to ensure the cost effectiveness of external partners providing services can be a case of false economy.	Building Based Care - external partners	4. The council is already doing this.	The Council is committed to ensure a strong governance framework is in place to make sure quality is at the heart of service delivery from external partners

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16398	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	Do you have adequate assurance that 'existing external partners' are financially sustainable and will not also be cutting back their service levels. F	Building Based Care - external partners	4. The council is already doing this.	The Council is committed to ensure a strong governance framework is in place to make sure quality is at the heart of service delivery from external partners
16399	An employee of West Lothian Council	2e. Building Based Care	Perhaps with negotiation it is possible to try and get external partners to review their costs if budgets are tight, as they may prefer to continue with a care package even if the revenue from this package is reduced.	Building Based Care - external partners	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16400	No Response	2e. Building Based Care	Private providers of these services have closed. I assume this is what you mean by external partners causing great distress to 'patients'. In Linlithgow a private sheltered flat costs more than a pleasant 3 bed semi with garden.	Building Based Care - external partners	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	The proposal does not relate to residential care
16401	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	External services do not usually become cheaper in the long term and the services usually deteriorate	Building Based Care - external partners	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16402	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	This sounds like cutbacks, reducing services and centralising facilities - or farming them out to other agencies. Not sure that this has been shown to work.	Building Based Care - external partners	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16403	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	Closing council owned day centres and buying in services cannot be cost effective.	Building Based Care - external partners	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16404	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	Council owned day centres closing - day centres now external partners.	Building Based Care - external partners	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16405	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	We need more places like Rosemount Gardens	Building Based Care - housing with care	4. The council is already doing this.	There are 8 Housing With Care Units across West Lothian providing support for older people and a review will consider a more flexible approach like the one at Rosemount Gardens
16406	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	More facilities like Rosemount Gardens would be good.	Building Based Care - housing with care	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16407	An employee of West Lothian Council	2e. Building Based Care	Rose mount is great and I can see how it benefits the older adults that require these settings. More places like this will reduce the mental health issues in older people also.	Building Based Care - housing with care	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16408	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	This is just management speak. you are shutting down services and leaving people to make do themselves. The likely consequence is more demand on at home care support. Have you done the maths to see which option is more cost effective?	Building Based Care - housing with care	5b. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it is likely that the costs of this proposal would outweigh the benefit.	The Health and Social Care joint strategic commissioning plans are about planning and delivering services and support for people. Through strategic needs assessments we can identify the needs of individuals and communities, enabling people to decide what will best address those needs, and through working together with agencies put the right services and support in place
16409	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	With the sudden demise of Bield Care Home it would be imprudent to move more services to the private sector, especially with the predicted rise in over 75 population.	Building Based Care - housing with care	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	West Lothian has a proven track record of partnership working and would wish to build on this. The Council works closely with all providers to monitor all aspects of their business models and in the case of Bield this was a national decision to change their model, not something linked just to West Lothian Council's commissioned services
16410	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	There is a need for the sheltered housing/housing with care type of accommodation for younger adults which could prevent expensive residential care costs being required. This can also prevent social isolation and the need for individual social inclusion funding. Look at the use of peer support for activities. There are lounges in sheltered housing complexes that are under used and could be a meet up resource for people of all ages to get together for social inclusion. cial inclusion.	Building Based Care - housing with care	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your comment which will be considered as part of any service redesign
16411	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	Rather than care in the community should those in need be housed together? There is an example of this in Buttries View, Armadale - a large house where a few people who need care are together, kind of similar to an old folks home. That way they aren't isolated, they have the carers there and can get help immediately while still remaining part of the community.	Building Based Care - housing with care	4. The council is already doing this.	Thank you for your comment which will be considered as part of any service redesign

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16412	An employee of West Lothian Council	2e. Building Based Care	If NHS and Council actually had meaningful partnership in terms of how best to solve bed blocking and lack of care at home packages perhaps could see some progress. d.	Building Based Care - housing with care	4. The council is already doing this.	The Council is working with NHS Lothian on a wide reaching Frailty Programme to maximise patient pathways and redesign access to community based services
16413	An employee of West Lothian Council	2e. Building Based Care	The latest care at home setup whereby external providers were given areas to service and then clients chose not to take that particular service causing an overload on 1 service and another to have minimal input does not seem to be the best way forward.	Building Based Care - housing with care	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16414	No Response	2e. Building Based Care	Rosemount gardens is an excellent care facility for the elderly	Building Based Care - housing with care	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16415	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	Not sure I understand the implications. Are you suggesting more facilities like Rosemount which is an excellent example?	Building Based Care - housing with care	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	The assisted living model at Rosemount Gardens is the model we would like to move towards in our other housing with care establishments
16416	No Response	2e. Building Based Care	the Care at home service and the use of their technology is a great saving to west Lothian council.	Building Based Care - housing with care	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16417	An employee of West Lothian Council	2e. Building Based Care	I have to agree that the use of technology and adaptation grants to support adults and older people at home is a positive step.	Building Based Care - housing with care	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16418	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	We need more housing with care and we need to engage with the community on what it has to offer. Rosemount Garden is providing an outstanding choice for tenants, residents and community.	Building Based Care - housing with care	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16419	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	More Housing with care is needed.	Building Based Care - housing with care	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16420	No Response	2e. Building Based Care	It is essential that older people have as much support to live independently as possible to reduce the strain put on hospitals/respite/OPH etc.	Building Based Care - housing with care	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	West Lothian has a proven track record of partnership working and would wish to build on this. Through integration it is expected that there would be less duplication and more streamlining of services.
16421	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	Why not have supported living rather than care home type service.	Building Based Care - housing with care	4. The council is already doing this.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16422	An employee of West Lothian Council	2e. Building Based Care	Wardens are needed. No debate. Dementia is on the rise.	Building Based Care - housing with care	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your comment which will be considered as part of any service redesign
16423	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	This model should be considered in more rural areas, residents of Stoneyburn who require building based care currently have to leave the village to receive the service. Most people would want to stay within their own locality, this in turn would benefit careers and family especially elderly relatives and family members on low income.	Building Based Care - housing with care	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your comment which will be considered as part of any service redesign
16424	An employee of West Lothian Council	2e. Building Based Care	I'm not clear what this is saying. Would services move to Rosemount Gardens or is it now generally accepted that traditional day centres are not viable. Perhaps Rosemount offers the flexible model that should be adopted. I don't know enough to be able to compare.	Building Based Care - housing with care	7. The respondent's comment was either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16425	An employee of West Lothian Council	2e. Building Based Care	Does flexible model really mean less? With an aging population this surely is a short sighted approach to adopt.	Building Based Care - housing with care	4. The council is already doing this.	Criteria is set within an assessment framework to ensure people's needs are assessed consistently and fairly
16426	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	Older people need places to go. Many of them live alone. You cannot simply forget about these people.	Building Based Care - housing with care	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Council purchased day care for older people in the independent sector will continue to be provided for people eligible for day services.
16427	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	Letting old people within their homes lonely without interaction?	Building Based Care - housing with care	4. The council is already doing this.	Council purchased day care for older people in the independent sector will continue to be provided for people eligible for day services.
16428	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	2e. Building Based Care	What does this saving mean? Again we have insufficient information relating to the specifics of this saving to make an informed decision on who this will affect and how. Has an equality impact assessment been completed for this saving? What day centres are you referring to and how many people will this affect? What is a flexible model of housing? Who are you referring to here? what groups of people does this affect because not everyone has access to Self Directed Support? How would this actually work in practice	Building Based Care - housing with care	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. This consultation is the first stage of the process to enable the council to develop a five year plan. Detailed proposals will be worked up following the outcome of this consultation.

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16429	No Response	2e. Building Based Care	I completely agree with the proposal of providing housing with care for older people throughout West Lothian but a roll out of this provision will take years and unlikely to happen at all in Linlithgow. Therefore I would strongly suggest that no existing services are cut prior to this provision being made available which makes savings in this financial period very unlikely	Building Based Care - housing with care	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your comment which will be considered as part of any service redesign
16430	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	Waste of money that building built and not used for what it was purposes for housing with care because no funds total waste	Building Based Care - housing with care	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16431	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	More facilities like Rosemount Gardens would be a good idea	Building Based Care - housing with care	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16432	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	In providing assessment for older people, full awareness of local resources, voluntary groups, befriending services is essential to be able to signpost people to free/low costs options rather than automatically considering services commissioned by the council.	Building Based Care - housing with care	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16433	An employee of West Lothian Council	2e. Building Based Care	Depends on how well this new flexible model serves people's needs.	Building Based Care - housing with care	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Work will continue to focus on those who are most vulnerable and have additional needs.
16434	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	I do question the value of short care visits and how these are implemented. For example my mother and some of her friends live in sheltered accommodation. My mothers' provider has a unique approach where the provider tries to ensure that they have one worker meet all residents needs (in the main barring holidays/sickness etc.). This seems much more manageable and efficient as opposed to many carers coming and going from the same sheltered housing building	Building Based Care - housing with care	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16435	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	There should be a higher number of housing with care complexes across West Lothian.	Building Based Care - housing with care	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16436	An employee of West Lothian Council	2e. Building Based Care	I am aware of other councils who use a 24 hour warden service for people who live close by to one another. They still live in their own property with a POC but have access to a warden which is similar to housing with care. This would mean you do not need to pay for the building just the staff.	Building Based Care - housing with care	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16437	An employee of West Lothian Council	2e. Building Based Care	A more flexible model for housing with care for older people would be welcomed	Building Based Care - housing with care	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16438	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	I agree with the proposal of providing housing with care for older people throughout West Lothian but would strongly suggest that no existing services are cut prior to this provision being made which makes savings in this financial period very unlikely.	Building Based Care - housing with care	5b. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it is likely that the costs of this proposal would outweigh the benefit.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16439	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	Assessment of accommodation/individual needs must be carried out by relevantly trained professionals.	Building Based Care - housing with care	4. The council is already doing this.	Criteria is set within an assessment framework to ensure people's needs are assessed consistently and fairly. Work will continue to focus on those who are most vulnerable and have additional needs.
16440	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	As far as I am aware Rosemount Gardens is sheltered housing/ housing with care so how does that compare to a daycentre? I am sure that elderly clients wouldn't mind paying a little extra for their fees a week, every little helps.	Building Based Care - housing with care	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	The proposal is about two aspects of building based care - one for day care and one for residential care
16441	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	Rosemount Gardens looks a fabulous place. The council should be looking to ensure these facilities are available elsewhere in the council boundary. However the costs of this may be supported by council to those in most need.	Building Based Care - housing with care	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16442	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	I agree with the proposal of providing housing with care for older people throughout the West Lothian area but would be strongly against any current existing services being cut prior to this provision being made.	Building Based Care - housing with care	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Council purchased day care for older people in the independent sector will continue to be provided for people eligible for day services.
16443	An employee of West Lothian Council	2e. Building Based Care	More housing with care provision generally may be a better way of meeting needs in the future that social work service will no longer support.	Building Based Care - housing with care	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16444	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	We have just seen announced the closure of Bield's residential care facility in Linlithgow where, as I understand it, the Council contribution does not meet the full average cost of a place. It sounds as though you are willing to risk replicating this. I would be happy for the Council to provide this service directly.	Building Based Care - housing with care	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	The proposal does not relate to residential care

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16445	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	many people would prefer to remain in their home. the provision of modern factory made units could release larger houses and make care easier for the house bound.	Building Based Care - housing with care	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16446	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	Housing with care is such a supportive model but could it also be adopted for more younger vulnerable adults in the community who need care. It would reduce the need for care providers to provide care and if run properly could provide social opportunities and reduce the need for day care provision.	Building Based Care - housing with care	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16447	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	Housing with care has proven to be ineffective and a financial burden on those who run them so vulnerable people could be left with nothing	Building Based Care - housing with care	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16448	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	More housing with care is required, not less. It is hugely stressful situation to realise that your relative needs care, but it takes months to get an assessment. Whilst I appreciate that allowing people to stay in their communities is ideal, currently there is not enough support for people to do this. Delays in assessments are already critical. Also, for some people residential care is the best model.	Building Based Care - housing with care	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	There are 8 Housing With Care Units across West Lothian providing support for older people and a review will consider a more flexible approach like the one at Rosemount Gardens
16449	An employee of West Lothian Council	2e. Building Based Care	Rosemount Gardens is a great facility - it is modern and well placed in the community with great services. I'm sure more facilities like this either private or via the council would be welcomed and allow people to grow old in much nicer places than some of the run down places currently in use.	Building Based Care - housing with care	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16450	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	Concerns about cost saving over the needs of individuals. Agree that people who want to remain in their homes should be given every support to do so if safe and appropriate for them.	Building Based Care - housing with care	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Council purchased day care for older people in the independent sector will continue to be provided for people eligible for day services.
16451	No Response	2e. Building Based Care	Housing with care should be available to the under 60's who require additional support outcomes and not been met within own tenancy. Also those who do not wish to reside in their own tenancies due to isolation.	Building Based Care - housing with care	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16452	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	We need an expansion in Care Homes where people can be treated more professionally in every community ... whats your investment programme in this regard	Building Based Care - housing with care	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	The proposal does not relate to residential care.
16453	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	You need more Rosemount Gardens have you any plans ? What about existing private carers in West Lothian with excellent Care Commission rating are you approaching them to provide services	Building Based Care - housing with care	5b. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it is likely that the costs of this proposal would outweigh the benefit.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16454	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	This is a good proposal. Housing with Care facilities help support many older people bridging the gap between sheltered accommodation and care homes.	Building Based Care - housing with care	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16455	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	Packages of care are still being provided to those in Rosemount Gardens and in other housing with care buildings. Staff in these environments should be able to assist service users with their care needs including personal care and socialisation. Invest monies into retraining these staff to assist residents rather than relying on several different providers providing care to the residents up to 4 times daily and taking them out for social inclusion?	Building Based Care - housing with care	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16456	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	Housing with care is a fantastic concept and way forward but only if the services are provided by WLC within the buildings.	Building Based Care - housing with care	4. The council is already doing this.	There are 8 Housing With Care Units across West Lothian providing support for older people and a review will consider a more flexible approach like the one at Rosemount Gardens
16457	An employee of West Lothian Council	2e. Building Based Care	Care at home service framework is simply not working. I appreciate this is a national issue but clearly isn't working at a local level in West Lothian (the Lot system).	Building Based Care - housing with care	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	The Council is committed to ensure a strong governance framework is in place to make sure quality is at the heart of service delivery from external partners
16458	An employee of West Lothian Council	2e. Building Based Care	This should be means tested again, however the rate of care homes costing privately is overly charged. We need to find a happy medium which cuts private costs which will make more people go into private care homes and will counteract the amount going into Council run care homes.	Building Based Care - housing with care	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	The proposal does not relate to residential care
16459	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	For me this is one of THE most important service areas. Too many WL older residents are lonely, living in old coal mining accommodation, away from the population centres such as Livingston and Bathgate and without access to shared social spaces and activities or transport to get them to one.	Building Based Care - housing with care	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Council purchased day care for older people in the independent sector will continue to be provided for people eligible for day services.

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16460	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	yeah care at home is critical however it may be prudent to start building some homes now as the number of older people unable to stay at home will increase year on year and they will need to stay. The fees that are charged for homes is very high so surely this can help pay for some council care homes at not much more?	Building Based Care - housing with care	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	The proposal does not relate to residential care
16461	An employee of West Lothian Council	2e. Building Based Care	What is the flexible model for housing with care being proposed?	Building Based Care - housing with care	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	There are 8 Housing With Care Units across West Lothian providing support for older people and a review will consider a more flexible approach like the one at Rosemount Gardens
16462	An employee of West Lothian Council	2e. Building Based Care	I think housing with care gradings should be looked at and regraded in terms of tasks undertaken by workers and assistants	Building Based Care - housing with care	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16463	An employee of West Lothian Council	2e. Building Based Care	I don't think self directed support is beneficial as it is open to mismanagement unless closely monitored	Building Based Care - housing with care	5a. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because the council is required by law to deliver this work.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16464	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	2e. Building Based Care	We agree with the proposal of providing housing with care for older people throughout West Lothian but would strongly suggest that no existing services are cut prior to this provision being made across the whole of West Lothian (including Linlithgow) which makes savings in this financial period very unlikely.	Building Based Care - housing with care	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16465	No Response	2e. Building Based Care	I have been attending for some time now. It is a friendly professionally run development which is a very important service provided for the elderly community of Uphall and Broxburn. I am also very concerned about staff losing their jobs. If this day centre was to close there are no other local facilities that meet the criteria that I require as an elderly person in this community and that this invaluable day service offers me.	Building Based Care - housing with care	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Council purchased day care for older people in the independent sector will continue to be provided for people eligible for day services.
16466	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	I am a user of Holmes Gardens day resource. This is a vital service for myself and my family and to the wider elderly community. It gives me a sense of inclusion and achievement. It gives me a sense of purpose. It gives my family respite when required. I am deeply concerned with the council's proposal to close this service. I feel this is a priority to keep it and an invaluable service.	Building Based Care - housing with care	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Council purchased day care for older people in the independent sector will continue to be provided for people eligible for day services.
16467	An employee of West Lothian Council	2e. Building Based Care	I am aware of many people who do not wish to be in residential care homes or supported accommodation and this should be kept for those who are actually unable to live independently, even with support.	Building Based Care - housing with care	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Council purchased day care for older people in the independent sector will continue to be provided for people eligible for day services.
16468	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	Social Care especially for the elderly is very important, facilities like Rosemount and Colinshiel are excellent facilities for the elderly, giving them a feeling of independence but help on hand if required.	Building Based Care - housing with care	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	There are 8 Housing With Care Units across West Lothian providing support for older people and a review will consider a more flexible approach like the one at Rosemount Gardens
16469	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	With the increase in mental health issues it is important to keep our older people engaged with the community and be able to get support when needed.	Building Based Care - older people day care	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The approach is to encourage community capacity building and informal networks to ensure people remain connected with their local area
16470	An employee of West Lothian Council	2e. Building Based Care	We are all living longer therefore involving older people and keeping them mentally active and engaged needs to be a priority for West Lothian. C	Building Based Care - older people day care	4. The council is already doing this.	The approach is to encourage community capacity building and informal networks to ensure people remain connected with their local area
16471	No Response	2e. Building Based Care	It would be a shame to lose day centres that were well used.	Building Based Care - older people day care	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Council purchased day care for older people in the independent sector will continue to be provided for people eligible for day services.
16472	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	not sure closing down day centres is the answer taking away social interaction for older people who live at home independently.	Building Based Care - older people day care	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Council purchased day care for older people in the independent sector will continue to be provided for people eligible for day services.
16473	An employee of West Lothian Council	2e. Building Based Care	Again the older community pays the price - day centres provide a much needed facility for social interaction in a safe environment.	Building Based Care - older people day care	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Council purchased day care for older people in the independent sector will continue to be provided for people eligible for day services.
16474	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	Disagree with this proposal. Council owned day services save money as they reduce the need for residential placements and packages of care.	Building Based Care - older people day care	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Council purchased day care for older people in the independent sector will continue to be provided for people eligible for day services.

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16475	An employee of West Lothian Council	2e. Building Based Care	I would be interested to know more detail of the flexible model that is being proposed - I am also unclear how council owned day services being delivered by external providers would be a cost saving unless there is a reduction in the quality of service	Building Based Care - older people day care	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16476	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	Closure of Council centres for old people could be counter-productive and make the situation worse, as private providers are also closing their facilities as they are unviable.	Building Based Care - older people day care	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Council purchased day care for older people in the independent sector will continue to be provided for people eligible for day services.
16477	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	Reduce the number day centres, this will only see our older people suffer	Building Based Care - older people day care	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Council purchased day care for older people in the independent sector will continue to be provided for people eligible for day services.
16478	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	closure of council run day care centres is NEVER a good thing in todays society where privately run homes can severely compromise the standards of care provided.	Building Based Care - older people day care	4. The council is already doing this.	The Council is committed to ensure a strong governance framework is in place to make sure quality is at the heart of service delivery from external partners
16479	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	I do not agree with the closure of any council centres for older people. Leave them alone, they have worked and contributed all their days.	Building Based Care - older people day care	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16480	No Response	2e. Building Based Care	Another case of the most vulnerable with no voice being targeted.	Building Based Care - older people day care	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposal is to ensure that all externally commissioned services are also targeted to people with the highest level of need.
16481	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	Support proposal. However would expect reviews to be undertaken to ensure care is adequate.	Building Based Care - older people day care	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The Council is committed to ensure a strong governance framework is in place to make sure quality is at the heart of service delivery from external partners
16482	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	Support for the elderly has slipped	Building Based Care - older people day care	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16483	An employee of West Lothian Council	2e. Building Based Care	I feel strongly that older people need to socialise regularly and whilst I feel that there is a sway to keep them supported and in their own homes for as long as possible, I do feel that taking away day centres that are heavily depended upon by this group would be severely detrimental to their mental wellbeing. I would strongly oppose closure of any day centres that are proven to provide this valuable service and give health professionals who are there the opportunity to assess any changes in their needs whilst visiting these day centres.	Building Based Care - older people day care	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Council purchased day care for older people in the independent sector will continue to be provided for people eligible for day services. This external model of provision is more cost effective.
16484	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	Difficult because often our older community only has contact with these day centres - if they close it will lead to more isolation	Building Based Care - older people day care	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Council purchased day care for older people in the independent sector will continue to be provided for people eligible for day services.
16485	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	Day centres are a much needed respite for elderly carers.	Building Based Care - older people day care	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16486	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	Day centres can be an absolute god send for the elderly. This maybe the only time of the week they see another face/have some company.	Building Based Care - older people day care	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16487	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	What would happen to the Day Centres...for some old people and their families these are life lines.	Building Based Care - older people day care	4. The council is already doing this.	Council purchased day care for older people in the independent sector will continue to be provided for people eligible for day services.
16488	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	Older people need day centres sometimes it's there only contact with other people	Building Based Care - older people day care	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Council purchased day care for older people in the independent sector will continue to be provided for people eligible for day services.
16489	No Response	2e. Building Based Care	It concerns me that day centres would close as it has been shown that external partnerships can then increase their costs due to lack of competition. For some of our elderly this is the only time they can meet with their peers and this could become unaffordable	Building Based Care - older people day care	4. The council is already doing this.	Council purchased day care for older people in the independent sector will continue to be provided for people eligible for day services.
16490	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	Again the elderly suffer. If closing day centres where will they go?	Building Based Care - older people day care	4. The council is already doing this.	Council purchased day care for older people in the independent sector will continue to be provided for people eligible for day services.

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16491	An employee of West Lothian Council	2e. Building Based Care	"Council owned day centres for older people would close" One of the biggest problems faced by our older citizens is loneliness. Their partners die, their friends die and their mobility decreases. This leaves them lonely and isolated with knock on effects on their mental and physical well-being. Closing down their day centres is cruel.	Building Based Care - older people day care	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Council purchased day care for older people in the independent sector will continue to be provided for people eligible for day services.
16492	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	again this would be a case that some will be left out or at least longer Waite's to attend a centre	Building Based Care - older people day care	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Work will continue to focus on those who are most vulnerable and have additional needs.
16493	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	This isn't clear at all. You're closing day centres but your external partners are going to continue to run them? So will they exist or not?	Building Based Care - older people day care	4. The council is already doing this.	Council purchased day care for older people in the independent sector will continue to be provided for people eligible for day services.
16494	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	I'm against that and as I said above you shouldn't remove the people from their community and send them elsewhere. You can provide more services in the day care and use the facilities for other activities too in order to increase income if needed but don't close them.	Building Based Care - older people day care	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Council purchased day care for older people in the independent sector will continue to be provided for people eligible for day services.
16495	No Response	2e. Building Based Care	I have mixed feelings about this, I think it goes against the core priorities to close facilities for those requiring the most care.	Building Based Care - older people day care	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Work will continue to focus on those who are most vulnerable and have additional needs.
16496	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	Sounds sensible as long as external provision can cope with the needs of the older people who attend.	Building Based Care - older people day care	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16497	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	If the services can be provided elsewhere with no major negative impact it would be silly not too	Building Based Care - older people day care	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16498	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	Again, targeting the vulnerable. Such a shame that you are closing the centres that are a lifeline to older people, and leaving struggling charities to cope.	Building Based Care - older people day care	4. The council is already doing this.	Council purchased day care for older people in the independent sector will continue to be provided for people eligible for day services.
16499	No Response	2e. Building Based Care	Beford closing day centres, it should be assessed how easy it will be for these service users to get to the other facilities and if the std of service is acceptable	Building Based Care - older people day care	4. The council is already doing this.	Council purchased day care for older people in the independent sector will continue to be provided for people eligible for day services.
16500	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	All you'll be doing is isolating them from their friends and taking away their social lives. They brought us into the world, it's our turn to look after them. When it comes to vulnerable people in our communities, don't be mean with the green!!	Building Based Care - older people day care	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Council purchased day care for older people in the independent sector will continue to be provided for people eligible for day services.
16501	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	I don't know of any day care centre near me in Murieston, perhaps one needs to be built on the old medical centre ground. I've seen the residential home in Bankton. It's in a bad way. Let's just say I hope Euthanasia is legal before I need to go there.	Building Based Care - older people day care	5b. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it is likely that the costs of this proposal would outweigh the benefit.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16502	An employee of West Lothian Council	2e. Building Based Care	I wouldn't cut this unless its assured all visting council owned centres would have a place to go and that it then wouldn't cut out those who need more help and maybe cannot afford private care	Building Based Care - older people day care	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Council purchased day care for older people in the independent sector will continue to be provided for people eligible for day services.
16503	An employee of West Lothian Council	2e. Building Based Care	Can only speak for when an older relative attended Acredale House once a week. This was an absolute godsend for them. Was the only time they had company. time to have chat with others & provided with a meal. Also gave carers respite for a few hours.	Building Based Care - older people day care	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Council purchased day care for older people in the independent sector will continue to be provided for people eligible for day services.
16504	An employee of West Lothian Council	2e. Building Based Care	If Braid House were to close, this would be a huge loss to the local community, it is a very well used centre. Can client contributions not be increased instead?	Building Based Care - older people day care	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Council purchased day care for older people in the independent sector will continue to be provided for people eligible for day services. There is a further proposal under Income and Concessions which considers how a contributions policy can be introduced subject to the financial assessment of affordability
16505	An employee of West Lothian Council	2e. Building Based Care	As WLC has a population that is increasing in age demand will increase for services. By closing services there may not be the resources to deal with this. This age group also are not as mobile therefore may find it more difficult to get to the centralised locations. There also needs to be a financial assessment for the ability to pay for some services.	Building Based Care - older people day care	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Council purchased day care for older people in the independent sector will continue to be provided for people eligible for day services. There is a further proposal under Income and Concessions which considers how a contributions policy can be introduced subject to the financial assessment of affordability
16506	An employee of West Lothian Council	2e. Building Based Care	What are people who need this care going to do during the day? Is this not taking resources away from vulnerable people? I think the people who receive this care would be better placed to give their opinion on this proposed changed, as I am unaware of what the impact would be for them.	Building Based Care - older people day care	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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16507	An employee of West Lothian Council	2e. Building Based Care	Some old people depend on the daycare service, it must be kept.	Building Based Care - older people day care	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Council purchased day care for older people in the independent sector will continue to be provided for people eligible for day services.
16508	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	It is sad that day care centres are going to close.	Building Based Care - older people day care	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. This consultation is the first stage of the process to enable the council to develop a five year plan. Detailed proposals will be worked up following the outcome of this consultation.
16509	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	Surely much of what older people need is social - without day care centres can they access this?	Building Based Care - older people day care	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Council purchased day care for older people in the independent sector will continue to be provided for people eligible for day services.
16510	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	I don't think changing the structure in day care centres is necessary or beneficial for those that go there.	Building Based Care - older people day care	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Council purchased day care for older people in the independent sector will continue to be provided for people eligible for day services.
16511	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	Day centres are a vital lifeline for many older people, if you are reducing the number of day centres then I think you must provide transport for the elderly to attend the remaining centre.	Building Based Care - older people day care	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16512	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	keep local day centres for my nana.	Building Based Care - older people day care	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Council purchased day care for older people in the independent sector will continue to be provided for people eligible for day services.
16513	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	Keep local daycare centres	Building Based Care - older people day care	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Council purchased day care for older people in the independent sector will continue to be provided for people eligible for day services.
16514	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	Do not close Day care buildings in the local community	Building Based Care - older people day care	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Council purchased day care for older people in the independent sector will continue to be provided for people eligible for day services.
16515	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	Closing the likes of Holmes Gardens day centre will have a huge negative impact on the lives of those who attend. Some of the people who attend would find it very difficult to have to travel to Bathgate, for example and most attend these particular places after trying a few different centres. Once they are settled and in a routine it is almost inhumane to remove their service.	Building Based Care - older people day care	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16516	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	Not acceptable. Some old people have this as their only interaction with others.	Building Based Care - older people day care	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Council purchased day care for older people in the independent sector will continue to be provided for people eligible for day services.
16517	An employee of West Lothian Council	2e. Building Based Care	Don't support the closure of St Michaels Day Centre in Linlithgow closing	Building Based Care - older people day care	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	The proposal is about council run day centres, which are not in Linlithgow
16518	No Response	2e. Building Based Care	Again these centres are very valuable to our service to provide effective resident care. They are very important to the persons family and reassuring that the care is being well delivered by the Council. Do not want this cut to be as severe.	Building Based Care - older people day care	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Council purchased day care for older people in the independent sector will continue to be provided for people eligible for day services.
16519	An employee of West Lothian Council	2e. Building Based Care	These day centres will be the only social interaction & joy in a lot of these older peoples lives. I have saw first hand how beneficial these day centres can be for older people and how it can vastly improve their quality of life. With a growing elderly population I would think the demand for these centres will increase even further and strongly disagree with the proposal to close these buildings/service.	Building Based Care - older people day care	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Council purchased day care for older people in the independent sector will continue to be provided for people eligible for day services.
16520	An employee of West Lothian Council	2e. Building Based Care	Do not agree the existing day centres are very important in providing a chance for people to meet up instead of being stuck in their homes	Building Based Care - older people day care	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Council purchased day care for older people in the independent sector will continue to be provided for people eligible for day services.
16521	An employee of West Lothian Council	2e. Building Based Care	I believe the close of the day centres is a wrong move. Where are these people to go? As stated previously, this may be the only chance of stimulation these vulnerable people get. What should they do after the closure of these services?	Building Based Care - older people day care	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Council purchased day care for older people in the independent sector will continue to be provided for people eligible for day services.

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16522	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	I would imagine the closing of day centres within communities would have a detrimental effect on the older community. Add to this the possibility of either removing bus passes for the elderly or introducing a bus charge could result in isolation for older residents.	Building Based Care - older people day care	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted.
16523	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	I feel that the council should continue to run day care centre to ensure a high quality service and long term viability of the service.	Building Based Care - older people day care	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council is committed to ensure a strong governance framework is in place to make sure quality is at the heart of service delivery from external partners.
16524	No Response	2e. Building Based Care	If you are able to provide alternatives to the day centres, and transport to and from, as and when it is needed, then I don't see the issue with closing day centres.	Building Based Care - older people day care	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted.
16525	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	Again messing with daycare will not save costs longer term. Once facilities are closed there is no going back.	Building Based Care - older people day care	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Council purchased day care for older people in the independent sector will continue to be provided for people eligible for day services.
16526	An employee of West Lothian Council	2e. Building Based Care	Day centres provide a great service to those who require physical, mental and emotional support. As one of the priorities is to improve the quality of life for older people consideration should be given to closing these day centres as there is no guarantee external partners would continue to deliver the service or deliver as good a service.	Building Based Care - older people day care	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Council purchased day care for older people in the independent sector will continue to be provided for people eligible for day services.
16527	No Response	2e. Building Based Care	Why do day centres need to close, this could be an older persons only interaction with others and you want to remove that facility. This is disappointing.	Building Based Care - older people day care	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Council purchased day care for older people in the independent sector will continue to be provided for people eligible for day services.
16528	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	This proposal is very lacking in details. I am sure some of the day care services can be reorganised to utilise other existing council assets (community schools/sport centres etc) without the cutting of the services.	Building Based Care - older people day care	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your comments which have been noted. This consultation is the first stage of the process to enable the council to develop a five year plan. Detailed proposals will be worked up following the outcome of this consultation.
16529	An employee of West Lothian Council	2e. Building Based Care	I think it is shocking that one of the proposals is that day centres would close. These places are lifelines for many of the clients who enjoy the company and activities they offer. They are also invaluable to family members who need respite from their full-time carer role. Can the centres not be used for other activities i.e hired out at night for fitness classes etc (at a reasonable rate because Council schools etc are now so expensive to hire that classes are moving to other venues).	Building Based Care - older people day care	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Council purchased day care for older people in the independent sector will continue to be provided for people eligible for day services.
16530	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	Day care is essential for a great many elderly and must be protected, even if the charges to the individual has to be increased.	Building Based Care - older people day care	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Council purchased day care for older people in the independent sector will continue to be provided for people eligible for day services.
16531	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	I don't want the places for older people to close - do not see anyone.	Building Based Care - older people day care	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Council purchased day care for older people in the independent sector will continue to be provided for people eligible for day services.
16532	An employee of West Lothian Council	2e. Building Based Care	This will shut people out from the world and they will lose contact with friends they have built up relationships with. This could cause depression and in severe cases death. A lot of older people do not have any family. Again raise the council tax to help provide this service.	Building Based Care - older people day care	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Council purchased day care for older people in the independent sector will continue to be provided for people eligible for day services.
16533	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	A more flexible model of housing for older people is a good idea as long as the support to them is continued and they are in an inclusive environment. Does this mean that current day care centres for older people will be re-developed with this in mind?	Building Based Care - older people day care	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted.
16534	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	A lot of older people rely on the service of the daycentres and have attended for many years and family rely on this service, this may be some ones only day out of the house and get a cooked meal provided to them or the only day that they can meet with friends.	Building Based Care - older people day care	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Council purchased day care for older people in the independent sector will continue to be provided for people eligible for day services.
16535	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	Seems short-sighted, people rely on day centre services allowing carers a breathing space, also means a lot of elderly will be stuck constantly at home.	Building Based Care - older people day care	4. The council is already doing this.	Council purchased day care for older people in the independent sector will continue to be provided for people eligible for day services.
16536	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	As someone who has had a father in care due to dementia, I know the importance of day centres and the service they provide.	Building Based Care - older people day care	4. The council is already doing this.	Council purchased day care for older people in the independent sector will continue to be provided for people eligible for day services.
16537	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	Could day services be provided in community centres?	Building Based Care - older people day care	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted.

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16538	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	Agree if service delivered as explained. Worry that centres will close before a suitable replacement is fully implemented.	Building Based Care - older people day care	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your comments which have been noted. This consultation is the first stage of the process to enable the council to develop a five year plan. Detailed proposals will be worked up following the outcome of this consultation.
16539	No Response	2e. Building Based Care	Don't know who made this decision to close day centres for old people if they are well supported and utilised. As how are the older generation going to get to Bathgate? If they don't stay there, and if it is transportation that will be put on, then will that not push the costs on to another area? The older population is just going to grow, so the new centre may not cope with numbers. Just a thought	Building Based Care - older people day care	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. This consultation is the first stage of the process to enable the council to develop a five year plan. Detailed proposals will be worked up following the outcome of this consultation.
16540	An employee of West Lothian Council	2e. Building Based Care	Rosemount is a wonderful example of how this can work - I support this proposal and trust that the right decisions will be made. The change to service provision was correct in the rosemount case and was the right call.	Building Based Care - older people day care	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16541	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	These day centres should not be closing as they are sometimes the only respite that their careers get	Building Based Care - older people day care	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Council purchased day care for older people in the independent sector will continue to be provided for people eligible for day services.
16542	An employee of West Lothian Council	2e. Building Based Care	Rosemount is a good approach so if this can work elsewhere so much the better	Building Based Care - older people day care	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16543	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	Elderly care should not be compromised.	Building Based Care - older people day care	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Work will continue to focus on those who are most vulnerable and have additional needs.
16544	An employee of West Lothian Council	2e. Building Based Care	As long as elderly people still have access to day care/human contact then this seems sensible.	Building Based Care - older people day care	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Council purchased day care for older people in the independent sector will continue to be provided for people eligible for day services.
16545	An employee of West Lothian Council	2e. Building Based Care	2e I understand we need to make difficult choices. It is worrying to have to rely wholly on external partners for day centres for older people.	Building Based Care - older people day care	4. The council is already doing this.	Council purchased day care for older people in the independent sector will continue to be provided for people eligible for day services.
16546	No Response	2e. Building Based Care	The more flexible model of care should include access to day centres where that meets the needs of the residents of west lothian. External providers are not always a long term cheaper option.	Building Based Care - older people day care	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16547	An employee of West Lothian Council	2e. Building Based Care	Is the council proposing to close all day centres? Would the continued service need to be paid for? Who by? If the council, how will this be a saving? If the adults, how does this promote equality and improve the lives of old people? Does the council plan on providing any services except to those in truly dire need? What will we do with our buildings? Will these be rented to the external provider? Will these be sold off?	Building Based Care - older people day care	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Council purchased day care for older people in the independent sector will continue to be provided for people eligible for day services.
16548	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	I have a particular interest and investment in this area. I think this measure requires more thought as, like my answer to 2b, many clients attending the council's own day service do so avoiding increased support at home services. It should be noted service users and carers highly value this service and I wouldn't be surprised if they would object to paying more for this service I would suggest that a review of the in-house day care service, bearing in mind recent cost efficiencies and seeking other options on how it could be further redesigned, would be advisable. This would allow an informed comparison of cost with the external partners.	Building Based Care - older people day care	4. The council is already doing this.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. The provision of day care with our external partners was modelled and costed and can be delivered in a less expensive way than the council can, mainly due to the difference in overhead costs.
16549	An employee of West Lothian Council	2e. Building Based Care	Day centres are a good area for residents to get together and bring them out of their own homes were they could become isolated, in there own homes they may not see anyone for days	Building Based Care - older people day care	4. The council is already doing this.	Council purchased day care for older people in the independent sector will continue to be provided for people eligible for day services.
16550	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	This sounds wrong to me. Sounds like a short - term gain. Surely a considerably higher proportion of self-directed support on day care would result using an external partner? What are the checks and balances to ensure this would not happen?.	Building Based Care - older people day care	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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16551	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	Day centres have dwindled over the years. This is had such an impact on where older people go to socialise, talk about problems etc.. Please make sure older people without transport are not being alienated. Centres should be available within a 5mile radius. I will am a firm believer that early years children should be visiting day care centres as these visits enhance older people's social well being.	Building Based Care - older people day care	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Council purchased day care for older people in the independent sector will continue to be provided for people eligible for day services.
16552	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	These play a vital support role for older people and a good network of widespread day centres should be maintained, whether they are council owned or external.	Building Based Care - older people day care	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Council purchased day care for older people in the independent sector will continue to be provided for people eligible for day services.
16553	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	Some of these care centres are the only outing these people get so it's not ideal that these are closing.	Building Based Care - older people day care	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Council purchased day care for older people in the independent sector will continue to be provided for people eligible for day services.
16554	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	How would poorer older people pay for this provision? For some older people going to the day centre is the only social interaction they get. It would be awful if they couldn't get out just because they can't afford it	Building Based Care - older people day care	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Council purchased day care for older people in the independent sector will continue to be provided for people eligible for day services.
16555	An employee of West Lothian Council	2e. Building Based Care	THE COUNCIL SHOULD CONTINUE TO RUN DAY CENTRES	Building Based Care - older people day care	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Council purchased day care for older people in the independent sector will continue to be provided for people eligible for day services.
16556	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	These facilities are relied upon by the users and closing them will leave a lot of people not leaving there own homes and will affect nhs more with mental health rising	Building Based Care - older people day care	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Council purchased day care for older people in the independent sector will continue to be provided for people eligible for day services.
16557	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	Day care centres should NOT be closed.	Building Based Care - older people day care	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Council purchased day care for older people in the independent sector will continue to be provided for people eligible for day services.
16558	An employee of West Lothian Council	2e. Building Based Care	Very concerned at the loss of day services for older people. Many people rely on these services for health needs, combating isolation.	Building Based Care - older people day care	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Council purchased day care for older people in the independent sector will continue to be provided for people eligible for day services.
16559	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	I look forward every week to attending Holmes Gardens Day Resource and this good care we get here. I would not get out of the house at all if this service was to close. I feel quite strongly about the proposal to close it.	Building Based Care - older people day care	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Council purchased day care for older people in the independent sector will continue to be provided for people eligible for day services.
16560	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	I am from St Andrew's Court, Uphall. I rely on coming down to Holmes Gardens Day Resource. I rely on it for company, friendship and for keeping active with activity and stimulus. The staff are very good, efficient. We all depend on the service.	Building Based Care - older people day care	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Council purchased day care for older people in the independent sector will continue to be provided for people eligible for day services.
16561	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	I am very disappointed that the council is proposing to close older peoples' day centre, especially the one I use in Broxburn. I have only attended for a year and a half. I love coming to the centre. It therefore makes me sad.	Building Based Care - older people day care	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Council purchased day care for older people in the independent sector will continue to be provided for people eligible for day services.
16562	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	I would be very disappointed (positively so) if Holmes Gardens day resources was to close. I would be willing to pay more money to attend. I feel attending this day service adds to the quality of my life. It is an excellent service and hope the council will consider this proposal to close this service. This would be a big loss socially.	Building Based Care - older people day care	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Council purchased day care for older people in the independent sector will continue to be provided for people eligible for day services.
16563	An employee of West Lothian Council	2e. Building Based Care	You are isolating a whole section of society!! Older people with no family or friends will suffer at a time when they are in most need. Shame on whoever is suggesting this.	Building Based Care - older people day care	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Council purchased day care for older people in the independent sector will continue to be provided for people eligible for day services.
16564	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	I feel there is not a lot of people who are on self directed support, so what happens to them? Again it seems the council is taking from vulnerable people, I feel these day services should be left as they are. Or is it possible for those in Elliburn support service for learning disabilities to go to Quigley House. Those with learning disabilities have a second option those with physical disabilities do not. Outreaches are at capacity. Smaller units ie: Acredale House (which is specialised for the elderly with dementia) should be moved to Braid house or rosemount.	Building Based Care - older people day care	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Council purchased day care for older people in the independent sector will continue to be provided for people eligible for day services.

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16565	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	I do not think this has been looked into properly for this proposal to be made. If the elderly do not have the day centre to attend then their health and wellbeing mobility, mental health will deteriorate which in the long run will cost the council more money this would lead to more hospital admissions and more care to be provided, baring in mind that most service users who attend the day care centre attend to give their carers/families a break, If carers/families are not getting a break this will also cause more problems as their health would also deteriorate leading to hospital admission and health problems. I do believe the cost for attending the day centre could be slightly increased if this means the day centre would stay open, I feel the service users who attend would also agree to this.	Building Based Care - older people day care	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Council purchased day care for older people in the independent sector will continue to be provided for people eligible for day services.
16566	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	Service like Rosemount Gardens in Bathgate are limited and don't the same level of support provided through Day Care. The closure of Day Care services is likely to impact on carers and increase the need for other services to substitute the gap, particularly for the most vulnerable with dementia and severe physical health problems.	Building Based Care - older people day care	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Council purchased day care for older people in the independent sector will continue to be provided for people eligible for day services.
16567	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	It is so important that older people have access to local support. This can help build local support networks. The world we live in is already alien to many older people - please don't bus older people around to cut costs.	Building Based Care - older people day care	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The approach is to encourage community capacity building and informal networks to ensure people remain connected with their local area
16568	No Response	2e. Building Based Care	This will have a huge negative impact on the users of the day centres.	Building Based Care - older people day care	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Council purchased day care for older people in the independent sector will continue to be provided for people eligible for day services.
16569	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	Closur of day centre often has a negative impact and results in social isolation for people Where are the results of impact studies for many of these proposals ??	Building Based Care - older people day care	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Council purchased day care for older people in the independent sector will continue to be provided for people eligible for day services.
16570	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	This will be sad if older people centres close. More social isolation for older people which is very sad.	Building Based Care - older people day care	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Council purchased day care for older people in the independent sector will continue to be provided for people eligible for day services.
16571	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	I am concerned that closing council owned day centres would be a false economy - could perhaps increase costs in care for the elderly in the long run.	Building Based Care - older people day care	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16572	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	Lonliness is a killer of the elderly, I don't think shutting the place they go for companionship will help the elderly in any way.	Building Based Care - older people day care	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Council purchased day care for older people in the independent sector will continue to be provided for people eligible for day services.
16573	An employee of West Lothian Council	2e. Building Based Care	It is important that the combining of facilities does not affect older people's access to day care facilities as older people may become very socially isolated without this support.	Building Based Care - older people day care	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Council purchased day care for older people in the independent sector will continue to be provided for people eligible for day services.
16574	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	Those caring for older people welcome the relief of day care for their loved ones and I would not like the service to be unobtainable.	Building Based Care - older people day care	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Council purchased day care for older people in the independent sector will continue to be provided for people eligible for day services.
16575	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	Further research to determine what models of care are the right ones for now and the future. Rosemount Gardens is a great facility but there are many other good services for older people in West Lothian and in other areas that to focus on one size fits all may not be the best option.	Building Based Care - older people day care	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16576	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	Does this mean the council will no longer run day centres for older people? A lot of people without relatives are not able to decide for themselves what they need or want.	Building Based Care - older people day care	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Council purchased day care for older people in the independent sector will continue to be provided for people eligible for day services.
16577	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	Day centres play an important part of a elderly persons day	Building Based Care - older people day care	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Council purchased day care for older people in the independent sector will continue to be provided for people eligible for day services.
16578	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	Will this affect Braid House? I hope NOT, this is an excellent day care centre, hands off. They need more funding not less. They have got it right - some haven't!	Building Based Care - older people day care	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Council purchased day care for older people in the independent sector will continue to be provided for people eligible for day services.

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16579	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	Days centres are a valuable resource and I have witnessed first hand how places like Acredale etc can make a difference to individuals and their families. If the same or even a greater number of places could be delivered under a more efficient model then agree but disagree in this reduces placement numbers.	Building Based Care - older people day care	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Council purchased day care for older people in the independent sector will continue to be provided for people eligible for day services.
16580	No Response	2e. Building Based Care	Council day centres such as braid house need to remain open as these provide a great benefit and support to the patients who use them and also respite for the families whose family members attend these centres. Braid house is very well used and provides various activities for the patients who attend daily. It is a great place for socialising and meeting friends	Building Based Care - older people day care	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Council purchased day care for older people in the independent sector will continue to be provided for people eligible for day services.
16581	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	Leave Braid house be, it's brilliant.	Building Based Care - older people day care	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Council purchased day care for older people in the independent sector will continue to be provided for people eligible for day services.
16582	No Response	2e. Building Based Care	Older people are vulnerable, this may be the only opportunity for them to get out and mix with others, if they cannot mix their health will decline. Keeping this open will be cheaper than long term care.	Building Based Care - older people day care	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Council purchased day care for older people in the independent sector will continue to be provided for people eligible for day services.
16583	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	If the new Bathgate premises is successful then would be beneficial to see being rolled out elsewhere.	Building Based Care - older people day care	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16584	An employee of West Lothian Council	2e. Building Based Care	Day centres offer valuable respite for careers and address loneliness in older people. Shameful that a Labour administration would attack services for the most vulnerable	Building Based Care - older people day care	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Council purchased day care for older people in the independent sector will continue to be provided for people eligible for day services.
16585	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	Agree in the units staff should be providing in house activities to keep remnants active.	Building Based Care - older people day care	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16586	An employee of West Lothian Council	2e. Building Based Care	Closing day centres for elderly residents would be a loss for the community; if alternative arrangements were put in place, then hopefully isolation would not increase.	Building Based Care - older people day care	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Council purchased day care for older people in the independent sector will continue to be provided for people eligible for day services.
16587	An employee of West Lothian Council	2e. Building Based Care	Schemes where school children/ college students participate with elderly residents in day centre based activities would be a good idea, and would provide benefits to all involved.	Building Based Care - older people day care	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16588	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	Concerned about the impact of closing day centres of older people if these are the opportunities they have to leave their houses and meet/socialise with other people. There could be negative issues arising from this change that could cost money in other areas. How will the impact of these changes be monitored?	Building Based Care - older people day care	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Council purchased day care for older people in the independent sector will continue to be provided for people eligible for day services.
16589	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	Day centres are the only opportunity that some older people get to socialise so I do not agree with this proposal.	Building Based Care - older people day care	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Council purchased day care for older people in the independent sector will continue to be provided for people eligible for day services.
16590	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	2e. Building Based Care	We should not be closing day centres for older people, again a number of us have experience in parents waiting years for places in day centres which they would have benefitted from and subsequently passing away before they even got a place. We would be bringing all these services in house rather than paying other organisations for this.	Building Based Care - older people day care	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Council purchased day care for older people in the independent sector will continue to be provided for people eligible for day services.
16591	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	Does that mean the older people will still be able to socialise with others still.	Building Based Care - older people day care	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Council purchased day care for older people in the independent sector will continue to be provided for people eligible for day services.
16592	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	2e. Building Based Care	How can this be identified as a saving as we will need to carry out work in locations to make them fit for purpose, and also what about elderly residents in the community and not within housing with care, again we are potentially shutting off their lifeline for interaction.	Building Based Care - older people day care	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16593	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	It would be extremely sad for day care services to be discontinued for older people, as for many elderly they would be alone at home for most of their time, which could lead to an increase in mental health issues and loss of physical abilities, which in turn would drain WLC & health services more in the long run.	Building Based Care - older people day care	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Council purchased day care for older people in the independent sector will continue to be provided for people eligible for day services.
16594	An employee of West Lothian Council	2e. Building Based Care	Good for older people to have places to meet to prevent isolation and access information about services they may need	Building Based Care - older people day care	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Council purchased day care for older people in the independent sector will continue to be provided for people eligible for day services.

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16595	An employee of West Lothian Council	2e. Building Based Care	If the buildings are purpose built why could we not provide the services in these buildings we have already invested in and take away the external resourcing that will be left to deluiver that service.	Building Based Care - older people day care	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16596	An employee of West Lothian Council	2e. Building Based Care	A high number of elderly people prefer to attend main stream day care settings this is an important part of their social interactions they can like this structure.	Building Based Care - older people day care	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Council purchased day care for older people in the independent sector will continue to be provided for people eligible for day services.
16597	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	Again I find this proposed change unacceptable at the short periods of respite I get and pay the council towards at norvell lodge in bogahill means I have peace of mind that my husband is safe and has built up relationship with staff and residents. Respite provision is very limited already so this uncertainly makes me very concerned for the future. I have lived in Livingston for 32 years and up to now I have praised the council to friends and relatives outside the area. I know finicial constriants are necssecery but vulnerable residnets and carers need support always.	Building Based Care - older people day care	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16598	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	Expansion of council day care centres to cater for the expansion of older people	Building Based Care - older people day care	5b. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it is likely that the costs of this proposal would outweigh the benefit.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16599	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	Talking about closing the day centre I attend (older people's) I want to know the reason why. I enjoy coming here. I have been coming here for 21 years. It is my day out. I enjoy the company of everyone at the day centre.	Building Based Care - older people day care	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Council purchased day care for older people in the independent sector will continue to be provided for people eligible for day services.
16600	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	I don't think they should close the day centre. I go to Whitdale. I like the day out.	Building Based Care - older people day care	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Council purchased day care for older people in the independent sector will continue to be provided for people eligible for day services.
16601	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	No I don't agree with them shutting the day centre. It's the only time I get to see my friends, get a laugh and get my hair done. Not shutting things for old people - as older people a lot of us are on our own. We need the centre. The staff help us and the bus is helpful and handy.	Building Based Care - older people day care	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Council purchased day care for older people in the independent sector will continue to be provided for people eligible for day services.
16602	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	I think it's terrible that you are even considering this proposal to shut the day centre. I have been coming to the centre for 9 years and I look forward to my day out of the house. I live alone and only see my friends on the day I attend the centre. I would really miss the centre if it shut.	Building Based Care - older people day care	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Council purchased day care for older people in the independent sector will continue to be provided for people eligible for day services.
16603	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	I enjoy the day centre as it gets me out the house. I have attended for many years. I have met a lot of good friends over the years and at the centre is the only time I see them. I feel that my mental mind is helped by staff and friends while attending the centre. It also provides me with eercise. I really enjoy the outings whilst at the centre and the staff are very helpful and always look after us well. I feel that there are so many places shutting, so where would I go?	Building Based Care - older people day care	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Council purchased day care for older people in the independent sector will continue to be provided for people eligible for day services.
16604	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	I think it would be wrong to close the day centre. I look forward to my days as I like to meet people. I enjoy a blether with my friends and would miss this so much. When you live alone it's very lonely and I feel I need the day centre to occupy my mind and stop the loneliness.	Building Based Care - older people day care	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Council purchased day care for older people in the independent sector will continue to be provided for people eligible for day services.
16605	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	I feel if the day centre shut it would take away my confidence as I am not so able to get about very much and I love to go to it as it gives me time to mix with others and we have a great time there. Staff are very caring.	Building Based Care - older people day care	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Council purchased day care for older people in the independent sector will continue to be provided for people eligible for day services.
16606	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	Closing day centres is wrong. This will affect service users, carers and employees. Why pick on disabled, eadlery & special needs?? Day centres are a lifeline to us. Some people would never be out, sitting day after day looking at 4 walls. Some may never see anyone apart from their carers, if they are lucky to have one.	Building Based Care - older people day care	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Council purchased day care for older people in the independent sector will continue to be provided for people eligible for day services.
16607	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	I think it is a ridiculous proposal to close the older people day centre. It would leave a very big hole in my life. I only get out when I go to the day centre. I suffer physical and mental illness and the day centre helps with some symptoms of my illness.	Building Based Care - older people day care	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Council purchased day care for older people in the independent sector will continue to be provided for people eligible for day services.
16608	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	Regarding the proposal to close Whitdale older people day centre - I'd be disgusted if they closed it. I've been coming here for years. I've made some amazing friends who I wouldn't get to see anymore. I can't get out without the Whitdale day centre and the staff there.	Building Based Care - older people day care	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Council purchased day care for older people in the independent sector will continue to be provided for people eligible for day services.

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16609	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	I would have no day centre to go to. I like getting out and to see friends I have made.	Building Based Care - older people day care	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Council purchased day care for older people in the independent sector will continue to be provided for people eligible for day services.
16610	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	I would not like the day centre to close. I have attended for a number of years and made very good friends. It gets me out and gives me some contact with others that I wouldn't get if I didn't have it.	Building Based Care - older people day care	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Council purchased day care for older people in the independent sector will continue to be provided for people eligible for day services.
16611	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	When numbers of older people needing care/help are rising, council day centres should not be getting shut.	Building Based Care - older people day care	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Council purchased day care for older people in the independent sector will continue to be provided for people eligible for day services.
16612	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	The day centre I pay for anyway - if it were to close I would have nothing to go to and I would miss it & my friends	Building Based Care - older people day care	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Council purchased day care for older people in the independent sector will continue to be provided for people eligible for day services.
16613	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	I would be really lost if my day centre closed. It gets me out the house and to see my friends. I have been coming for 11 years and I don't know where I would be or what I would do without it.	Building Based Care - older people day care	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Council purchased day care for older people in the independent sector will continue to be provided for people eligible for day services.
16614	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	I come to Whitdale day centre twice a week and I socialise with my friends from the community there. If the day centre closed I would not be able to see my friends and would be stuck in the house.	Building Based Care - older people day care	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Council purchased day care for older people in the independent sector will continue to be provided for people eligible for day services.
16615	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	I don't want Whitdale day centre to close because I love it here. The staff are kind. If it closed I would have nowhere to go.	Building Based Care - older people day care	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Council purchased day care for older people in the independent sector will continue to be provided for people eligible for day services.
16616	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	I would miss the day centre terribly if it closed. I enjoy the day centre and have made new friends. If it closed I would have nowhere else to go. I enjoy coming here.	Building Based Care - older people day care	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Council purchased day care for older people in the independent sector will continue to be provided for people eligible for day services.
16617	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	Think this is ridiculous as the older people have worked hard all their lives and deserve it - somewhere to go and socialise and take part in meaningful activities. It gets them out of the house and meet people, keeps the brain active. I have worked as a nurse all my life and now use the day centre. I love it and would really miss it. I would have nowhere to go, I have already paid my taxes throughout my working life and feel we are entitled to receive meaningful services in our later life.	Building Based Care - older people day care	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Council purchased day care for older people in the independent sector will continue to be provided for people eligible for day services.
16618	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	I don't want Whitdale centre to close because I love it here and the staff are kind. If it closed I would have nowhere to go.	Building Based Care - older people day care	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Council purchased day care for older people in the independent sector will continue to be provided for people eligible for day services.
16619	No Response	2e. Building Based Care	Many elderly people will not be willing to travel that far, particularly if they are being picked up from their homes and will need to sit on a bus for prolonged periods whilst others are being picked up.	Building Based Care - older people day care	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16620	No Response	2e. Building Based Care	I am a working carer. My dad has dementia. I rely on the Holmes gardens day resource to provide rest bite for me and dad. I need it to have time to get deep cleaning and other tasks done or maybe relax if I have time. For dad it's not being isolated alone he can socialise there. The activities and events at day care keep a his mind from deteriorating as quick. Please do not cut the day services for elderly especially the dementia support services! I beg you as a weary carer to 're consider taking this vital service away from us. We appreciate and depend on it. I would pay more to help keep the centre open. Its currently 5 pounds we would pay double as braid house charges 10 pounds.	Building Based Care - older people day care	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16621	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	Centralisation may work in some areas, but Livingston is not somewhere that is easy to get to from the other side of the council area. Particularly with respect to older people, this would be a severe loss for them	Building Based Care - older people day care	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16622	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	People shouldn't be taken out of their communities just because they need help and you need to reduce costs. One centre will not be enough for all the elderly in the west lothian and its a solution that is not positive to the community. The elderly needs their community and their well known environment which they're used to and know - this sound like a punishment for the old people.	Building Based Care - older people day care	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Council purchased day care for older people in the independent sector will continue to be provided for people eligible for day services.

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16623	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	I think a flexible model is good but to ensure that these services aren't reduced in the community as they provide a lifeline of support to adults needing care and their family.	Building Based Care (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The approach is to encourage community capacity building and informal networks to ensure people remain connected with their local area
16624	An employee of West Lothian Council	2e. Building Based Care	. Closing or consolidating services is fine as there is no reduction in the number of day places for older people, if anything these places will need to increased over the next few years.	Building Based Care (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16625	An employee of West Lothian Council	2e. Building Based Care	RECOMMEND CLOSURE OF RESIDENTIAL HOMES OR A MOVE TO ALLOW TO REDUCE UNIT COSTS AND EFFICIENCY WOULD IMPROVE.	Building Based Care (general)	5d. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it has been previously considered and will not be progressed.	There is currently an insufficient supply of residential beds in West Lothian and closure of council run care homes would further add to this pressure. If the supply can be met by the independent sector then this proposal could be considered again.
16626	An employee of West Lothian Council	2e. Building Based Care	Social care services have to become much leaner and cost effective	Building Based Care (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	West Lothian has a proven track record of partnership working and would wish to build on this. Through integration it is expected that there would be less duplication and more streamlining of services.
16627	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	as long as the elderly are not being abandoned then fine.	Building Based Care (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The approach is to encourage community capacity building and informal networks to ensure people remain connected with their local area
16628	An employee of West Lothian Council	2e. Building Based Care	Any changes that can streamline processes and make savings for the council must and should be pursued.	Building Based Care (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	West Lothian has a proven track record of partnership working and would wish to build on this. Through integration it is expected that there would be less duplication and more streamlining of services.
16629	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	I believe the Council need to still have full ownership in this matter to ensure consistency of care. Handing this over to partners will result in reduced quality of service and reduced accountability	Building Based Care (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council is committed to ensure a strong governance framework is in place to make sure quality is at the heart of service delivery from external partners
16630	An employee of West Lothian Council	2e. Building Based Care	I work for ██████████. I am a ██████████ a role I have taken on as part of my role within ██████████. I support over 100 people over a week at the Day centre with varying levels of support needs. The Day centre is not only a resource for the service users where they can be supported with mental stimulation, information and support, Physical support and exercise, socialise and be provided with hot food and drink. It is also a vital resource for family's and carers providing a much needed valued respite for them to get a break from carer stress. We often receive praise for our services and have been told on a number of occasions how much we are valued by these families and carers. Closing the Day centre and leaving potentially over 100 elderly. Family. Carers without the resource will have a devastating effect on the communities of West Lothian and put a greater stress on care providers and the family's and carers of the service users. The Day centre has in my opinion a lot more to give and perhaps taking measures such as imposing a greater charge for the service currently 4.50 could be potentially 10-15, revising the potential for savings from transport ie could there be a Day centre bus and staff drive bus to save money on costs paid to transport dept for 3x buses per day. A part time manger may also be a means of money saving. From experience I feel the Day centre does not require a full time manager in place.	Building Based Care (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your comment which will be considered as part of any redesign of day care services
16631	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	rubbish for old folk	Building Based Care (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16632	An employee of West Lothian Council	2e. Building Based Care	The Linlithgow Partnership Centre has just been refurbished at substantial cost, partly to accommodate the Linlithgow & District Community Day Centre. Do these proposals affect this?	Building Based Care (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Community Day Centres are not currently included in the proposal
16633	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	I don't like the sound of this - privatising services currently proved by the council and I do not support this proposal.	Building Based Care (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	West Lothian already commissions day care services from a range of external partners.
16634	No Response	2e. Building Based Care	I dont agree with closing day centres for older people. These are often a lifeline for these communities.	Building Based Care (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The approach is to encourage community capacity building and informal networks to ensure people remain connected with their local area

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16635	An employee of West Lothian Council	2e. Building Based Care	We need care for our elderly especially those that cannot afford to pay for it themselves.	Building Based Care (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	Council purchased day care for older people in the independent sector will continue to be provided for people eligible for day services.
16636	No Response	2e. Building Based Care	Provide more day centres for older people , don't put out to private companies who pay high salaries to the managers and directors rather than putting the money into the care that is required	Building Based Care (general)	5b. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it is likely that the costs of this proposal would outweigh the benefit.	Council purchased day care for older people in the independent sector will continue to be provided for people eligible for day services. This external model of provision is more cost effective.
16637	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	I'm not convinced that there are enough places in West Lothian to meet demand so closing services is counter intuitive.	Building Based Care (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	Council purchased day care for older people in the independent sector will continue to be provided for people eligible for day services. This external model of provision is more cost effective.
16638	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	Again, lack of clarity in this proposal makes it incredibly difficult to evaluate with any accuracy. The elderly must be protected, along with the other most vulnerable people.	Building Based Care (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16639	An employee of West Lothian Council	2e. Building Based Care	How much money has been wasted previously on these purpose built facilities which are now to be closed and agency staff utilised? The sale of these building will not recoup anywhere near the outlay.	Building Based Care (general)	5b. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it is likely that the costs of this proposal would outweigh the benefit.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16640	An employee of West Lothian Council	2e. Building Based Care	It makes sense to ensure value for money in this area. To make sure commissioned services are not top heavy with managers and left short on the frontline.	Building Based Care (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The Council is committed to ensure a strong governance framework is in place to make sure quality is at the heart of service delivery from external partners
16641	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	There needs to be alternative options available before services are withdrawn. There needs to be a more accessible resource directory of all groups/activities to enable people to make choices.	Building Based Care (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16642	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	Another cost shift to the individual but you have no choice. This assumes adequate standards of care are available and maintained including effective monitoring.	Building Based Care (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The Council is committed to ensure a strong governance framework is in place to make sure quality is at the heart of service delivery from external partners
16643	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	Consider the flexible model approach sensible but not clear what impact this may have as individuals in this group may benefit from the consistency of familiarity.	Building Based Care (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your comment which will be considered as part of any service redesign
16644	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	"...changes in client choice..." I think that some customer research might help here. Who's making the judgement?	Building Based Care (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Approximately 40% of clients have selected care to be provided through self-directed support with providers that they have selected themselves. The council must ensure that our facilities are efficient to keep open
16645	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	The core of this service is to help with isolation, will the self-directed support provide this?	Building Based Care (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Self-directed support is about client choice on how they want any assessed eligible need to be arranged (e.g. by the council or through a direct payment) and is not about services
16646	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	as long as they don't close down as some private ones have done recently	Building Based Care (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16647	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	I feel there are not enough facilities and support for older people therefore would oppose this.	Building Based Care (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16648	An employee of West Lothian Council	2e. Building Based Care	as long as the elderly can still access this service that's the most important thing	Building Based Care (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16649	An employee of West Lothian Council	2e. Building Based Care	Close local building will cost more for transport.	Building Based Care (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your comment which will be considered as part of any service redesign
16650	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	Again, why is this a separate question. The care of older people cannot and definitely should not be split between functions!	Building Based Care (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council already provides different model of care for older people

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16651	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	This is an area of activity that demands more, not less expenditure.	Building Based Care (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16652	An employee of West Lothian Council	2e. Building Based Care	We would need to ensure we do not isolate or alienate individuals. Need to ensure resources are still local and easily accessible.	Building Based Care (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The approach is to encourage community capacity building and informal networks to ensure people remain connected with their local area
16653	No Response	2e. Building Based Care	Yes this sounds reasonable but is the SDS option efficient longer term	Building Based Care (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16654	An employee of West Lothian Council	2e. Building Based Care	ok if care can still be provided locally to those who need it	Building Based Care (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16655	An employee of West Lothian Council	2e. Building Based Care	Reduce and remove anything which is not statutory.	Building Based Care (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16656	An employee of West Lothian Council	2e. Building Based Care	Again this should be completed with great sensitivity for a client group who can find change to be stressful and confusing. There must be respect and provision for clients who do not wish to be "forced" into new services due to frailty and fatigue to ensure they are not marginalised by any new delivery of service.	Building Based Care (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16657	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	The loss is not worth the estimated savings the council will gain.	Building Based Care (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16658	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	The service should be maintained and improved. I do not support this strategy.	Building Based Care (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16659	An employee of West Lothian Council	2e. Building Based Care	More flexible or just cheaper! Emphasis on quantity rather than quality?	Building Based Care (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	The Council is committed to ensure a strong governance framework is in place to make sure quality is at the heart of service delivery from external partners
16660	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	This is a great way forward to allow older people to make the choice.	Building Based Care (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16661	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	2e. Building Based Care	A long term strategy is needed as the population are living longer. Not sure if this proposal goes far enough?	Building Based Care (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16662	An employee of West Lothian Council	2e. Building Based Care	Presumably Bield wasn't one of the existing partners at the time of writing - WLC still happy to contribute to the dismantling of the welfare state? Wow - even Orwell never predicted such fluency in 'Doublespeak'!	Building Based Care (general)	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16663	An employee of West Lothian Council	2e. Building Based Care	Not a big saving to make against the likely negative and upsetting impact this proposal would have on older people.	Building Based Care (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16664	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	Again, care needs to be taken that people aren't being disadvantaged and isolated due to lack of provision of care services.	Building Based Care (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	Council purchased day care for older people in the independent sector will continue to be provided for people eligible for day services.
16665	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	That's all well and good IF you get, or can get a social worker to complete the application for, SDS! PERSONALLY BEEN WAITING 15 MONTHS FOR A SOCIAL WORKER TO RETURN CALL TO GET THIS ARRANGED:!!!	Building Based Care (general)	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16666	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	Elderly people are sometimes feel isolated in their homes so housing with care would be ideal	Building Based Care (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16667	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	Given 2d above this would seem ambitious and contradictory in terms of its sustainability	Building Based Care (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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16668	No Response	2e. Building Based Care	Again this sounds like WLC wish to shift the burden elsewhere.	Building Based Care (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16669	An employee of West Lothian Council	2e. Building Based Care	The Occupational Therapy Service could have a role to play in identifying the needs of older people within the housing with care environment.	Building Based Care (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16670	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	Yes sounds sensible, People don't like change though, especially older people so this will need to be carried out sympathetically.	Building Based Care (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16671	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	Most care homes are only there for the money, that's why they employ people from abroad and pay them pittance (no thanks given) Support the elderly in their homes and the same staff can work from one base.	Building Based Care (general)	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16672	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	need to keep these buildings	Building Based Care (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16673	No Response	2e. Building Based Care	Removing services has, in the mainstream, caused isolation. How will this be mitigated in an ever increasing elderly population? Again, without base information on the use of these services and the effect they have on older peoples lives I can't really make much more comment.	Building Based Care (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Council purchased day care for older people in the independent sector will continue to be provided for people eligible for day services.
16674	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	As long as the facilities are there for people in need, there is no difference who is the service provider.	Building Based Care (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16675	No Response	2e. Building Based Care	Council must maintain local services for the elderly.	Building Based Care (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Council purchased day care for older people in the independent sector will continue to be provided for people eligible for day services.
16676	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	I think this needs separate research and is a huge project on its own as it will have a massive impact on the community particularly where people rely on this service.	Building Based Care (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your comment which will be considered as part of any service redesign
16677	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	Private sector making profit ? If they can do it why can't the council ? Cheap labour force ?	Building Based Care (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	The Health and Social Care joint strategic commissioning plans are about planning and delivering services and support for people. Through strategic needs assessments we can identify the needs of individuals and communities, enabling people to decide what will best address those needs, and through working together with agencies put the right services and support in place
16678	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	Can the local community be encouraged to help more	Building Based Care (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16679	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	Can community centres not run classes for older people.	Building Based Care (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your comment which will be considered as part of any service redesign
16680	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	This service should not be cut while other discretionary activities continue in the Council.	Building Based Care (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16681	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	Be careful this does not exclude people from getting the services they need	Building Based Care (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Work will continue to focus on those who are most vulnerable and have additional needs.
16682	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	Fine as long as it's not a disguise for cutting services and forcing people into living in ways they do not want to. It is crucial that Council management get to review this for themselves as Social work and Occupational Therapists in particular will not report this to decision makers.	Building Based Care (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16683	An employee of West Lothian Council	2e. Building Based Care	Again feel saddened that our older adults will be furthermore left isolated and lead meaningless lives	Building Based Care (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	Council purchased day care for older people in the independent sector will continue to be provided for people eligible for day services.
16684	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	Seems like a good idea providing you secure the services from the external source first and monitor quality of service before closing any facilities.	Building Based Care (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16685	No Response	2e. Building Based Care	Older people who have worked hard contributing to and making our community what it is only to be abandoned by it in their time of need... closing care centres for the elderly is not the answer!	Building Based Care (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Council purchased day care for older people in the independent sector will continue to be provided for people eligible for day services.

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16686	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	Both my mum and dad live in sheltered housing and the two facilities are totally different in what they offer. One uses everything the other nothing but both feel safe and secure and not alone which I feel is a big priority for the elderly.	Building Based Care (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16687	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	Targeting the most needy. Very disappointing.... The buildings are purpose built for a reason!! No this is a false economy.yes	Building Based Care (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16688	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	Often this is the only link to the community that older people have. Removing or limiting this service will have detrimental affects on those involved.	Building Based Care (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	Council purchased day care for older people in the independent sector will continue to be provided for people eligible for day services.
16689	An employee of West Lothian Council	2e. Building Based Care	These purpose built buildings should not close. West Lothian should continue to show other districts what can be done to support people. If the council is looking to save 800,000 then close other old buildings and knock them down that are lying empty or are not fit for the purpose and costly to repair. that would save money.	Building Based Care (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your comment which will be considered as part of any service redesign
16690	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	More self contributions , insurance schemes!!!!	Building Based Care (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	There is a further proposal under Income and Concessions which considers how a contributions policy can be introduced subject to the financial assessment of affordability
16691	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	I AM NOT CONVINCED THESE CLOSURE WILL PROVIDE A BETTER SERVICE	Building Based Care (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Council purchased day care for older people in the independent sector will continue to be provided for people eligible for day services.
16692	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	Terrible idea for all the reasons I have mentioned previously. Council washing their hands of the biggest challenge of the century.	Building Based Care (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16693	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	Transport for older people to these places would then have to be provided or you are basically cutting people off from them.	Building Based Care (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your comment which will be considered as part of any service redesign
16694	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	These buildings can be hired and used for other purposes. Promoting this more would hopefully bring more money in for the running of the buildings. Kids birthday parties/events could bring in a lot of money for example.	Building Based Care (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your comment which will be considered as part of any service redesign
16695	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	Again, care needs to be taken in agreeing the terms on which external partners take on additional services. There needs to be a commitment to maintaining quality and accessibility.	Building Based Care (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	The Council is committed to ensure a strong governance framework is in place to make sure quality is at the heart of service delivery from external partners
16696	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	It is not possible to comment properly from the information above. However, the well-being of the elderly and the effect it has on their health is of paramount importance when considering these closures.	Building Based Care (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Work will continue to focus on those who are most vulnerable and have additional needs.
16697	An employee of West Lothian Council	2e. Building Based Care	Our whole society needs to change and care more for those vulnerable people but how do we do this so that flexible care can be introduced and the shortfall picked up by others? Education could have a focus on this.	Building Based Care (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16698	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	A more flexible model for housing with care for older people could prevent the need for admission to residential/nursing home.	Building Based Care (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your comment which will be considered as part of any service redesign
16699	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	I support the focus on service rather than building but this won't happen overnight. I would like to see more detail about how you are planning to do this and how this links with any developments around accessible housing more generally . Have you or could you also take the step to stop providing planning permission for bog standard private care home companies (I think S or N Lanarkshire has taken that step)?. In stead how do you you and the LJB support Bield (a very good services provider) from pulling out of the area? How do you get mainstream services (shops, community groups, pharmacists, health centres) investing to support older people in a preventative way?	Building Based Care (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The approach is to encourage community capacity building and informal networks to ensure people remain connected with their local area
16700	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	I would like to see the council providing support for the self directing of services as this is a complicated area for many.	Building Based Care (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16701	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	If this truly reflects c;lient choice, it may be sensible.	Building Based Care (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16702	An employee of West Lothian Council	2e. Building Based Care	We need more specialist housing with care in West Lothian for all age groups to save money. Currently there are many individuals sent to specialist provision outside their local area which is very expensive.	Building Based Care (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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16703	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	Dementia is a difficult one to manage and it is on the increase. Centralisation not distribution would be my preferred option unless there is a cure. Unfortunately dementia sufferers are only going to get more dependent and in need of greater care.	Building Based Care (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16704	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	I think more emphasis should be on flexibly utilising the current workforce as opposed to reducing it or creating 'efficiencies'. Hands on care is already in crisis. Reducing the qualified, trained workforce will have critical consequences.	Building Based Care (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16705	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	Not Just in Livingston	Building Based Care (general)	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16706	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	I agree but disagree that residents pay for the use of facilities which are not always available due to other groups using them free.	Building Based Care (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16707	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	Is this not a double count with 2c?	Building Based Care (general)	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	2c - Care For Adults is about care for adults (people who are younger than 65). Proposal 2e - Building Base Care is about older people (people who are 65 and over)
16708	No Response	2e. Building Based Care	Ask yourselves the question - are you doing the right thing - you will probably answer no - but do it anyway.	Building Based Care (general)	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16709	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	As long as the Care was affordable to the Client and the Council was responsible that these external partners were delivering	Building Based Care (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16710	An employee of West Lothian Council	2e. Building Based Care	Again isolation is important and so long as this service provision is changing to be more efficient rather than being lost to those that require it	Building Based Care (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16711	An employee of West Lothian Council	2e. Building Based Care	Older people should not be penalised - they need these services Children and families can arrange themselves older people cant	Building Based Care (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Council purchased day care for older people in the independent sector will continue to be provided for people eligible for day services.
16712	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	good to be flexible in this area .	Building Based Care (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16713	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	Given the imminent closure of Bield provision, this needs to be reconsidered.	Building Based Care (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16714	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	Eh. A more flexible model.... What does this mean. Say what you mean. Don't use all this waffle. Whoever prepared this questionnaire should be lost. It's complete waffle without substance. There is a saving right there.	Building Based Care (general)	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. This consultation is the first stage of the process to enable the council to develop a five year plan. Detailed proposals will be worked up following the outcome of this consultation.
16715	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	Can details of this plan be published for interested parties to view electronically and/or hardcopy? I would like to understand more about the statement above. If there is a growing demand why are the day centres being closed? Will external partners take over the running of the building and the services? I had thought there were not enough spaces available in good quality care establishments. Families are very worried about the quality of life for older people. How is SDS actually helping, rather than the theory of what it can do? What are the older people choosing to do in relation to SDS? Can details of this plan be published for interested parties to view electronically and/or hardcopy?	Building Based Care (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. This consultation is the first stage of the process to enable the council to develop a five year plan. Detailed proposals will be worked up following the outcome of this consultation.
16716	No Response	2e. Building Based Care	I don't know enough about the specific providers and what is offered but the importance of keeping older people out of isolation is important and looking at them holistically	Building Based Care (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Council purchased day care for older people in the independent sector will continue to be provided for people eligible for day services.
16717	No Response	2e. Building Based Care	Highly disappointed with this proposal	Building Based Care (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16718	No Response	2e. Building Based Care	I don't agree a better use of staff and facilities would save money and improve service delivery	Building Based Care (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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16719	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	Should be streamlined where possible where maintaining choices and standards.	Building Based Care (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16720	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	The people who you do not offer support to have kids and families who need them well, the whole society needs them well. Whether it is early years, teenagers who are not in education or employment, more vulnerable adults with complex needs or elderly people, the less we provide to keep them safe and well and making a positive contribution the more likely they are to come back as crisis interventions, long term unemployed, drug or alcohol dependent or in health crisis of some type. This is short term and will benefit no one. Who will pay for all those crisis services? Safety nets protect everyone even people who don't think they'll ever need them. I know they're are some excellent housing providers but how will that be paid for?	Building Based Care (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council will always be required to prioritise the needs of people who are most vulnerable. We would also aim to provide early intervention and prevention support where evidence based practice shows that a positive impact can be made
16721	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	I hope the council will ensure that older people will still feel valued, respected and be looked after by well trained reliable staff.	Building Based Care (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Council purchased day care for older people in the independent sector will continue to be provided for people eligible for day services.
16722	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	keep care facilities in each town	Building Based Care (general)	5b. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it is likely that the costs of this proposal would outweigh the benefit.	Council purchased day care for older people in the independent sector will continue to be provided for people eligible for day services.
16723	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	I feel sorry for people who would be losing this service	Building Based Care (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Council purchased day care for older people in the independent sector will continue to be provided for people eligible for day services.
16724	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	people that use this service depend on the service	Building Based Care (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Council purchased day care for older people in the independent sector will continue to be provided for people eligible for day services.
16725	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	We understand need to close properties but hope that this wont reduce opportunities for those affected.	Building Based Care (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Council purchased day care for older people in the independent sector will continue to be provided for people eligible for day services.
16726	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	As 1A - Excellent if all of the above are carried out. However on current personally experienced performance it will take a huge effort to even provide an improvement. Further why has the " efficiency and effectiveness" not been applied to current procedures. No real criteria to be reach is actually stated and the starting point for these " efficiency and effectiveness" upgrade to services is not evident. Vagueness in targets to achieve . How will residents know when this is achieved?	Building Based Care (general)	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. This consultation is the first stage of the process to enable the council to develop a five year plan. Detailed proposals will be worked up following the outcome of this consultation.
16727	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	What does this mean for the people using the other Centres, which probably were local to their homes. Centralising this in Bathgate would impact on the people with travel, losing friends. What if numbers grow and the new centre cannot cope	Building Based Care (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Council purchased day care for older people in the independent sector will continue to be provided for people eligible for day services.
16728	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	I would like to see the top 3 items/specific deliverables that contribute to this redesign.	Building Based Care (general)	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. This consultation is the first stage of the process to enable the council to develop a five year plan. Detailed proposals will be worked up following the outcome of this consultation.
16729	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	Flexibility and partnerships and finding local area solutions seems to be the way forward.	Building Based Care (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16730	An employee of West Lothian Council	2e. Building Based Care	This may also be the case for family centres. These buildings are under used. Families would benefit more from sessions in their local communities or family homes. Day centres for either the old or families could save council monies.	Building Based Care (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16731	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	2e. Building Based Care	More detail required. Loneliness is a major issue for the elderly and other isolated and disadvantaged groups. The TUS are concerned that this will impact on some of the most vulnerable in society.	Building Based Care (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16732	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	Local service centers are very important to older people	Building Based Care (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The approach is to encourage community capacity building and informal networks to ensure people remain connected with their local area

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16733	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	Hard to comment. What does 'a more flexible model' mean in practice? Does closing council owned facilities mean the SAME 'service continuing to be delivered by existing external partners'? ie do they have to offer more to make up for the council closures or is it just a cut?	Building Based Care (general)	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16734	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	Further clarity on 'self directed support' would be beneficial.	Building Based Care (general)	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Self-directed support is the choices people can make about how they wish their assessed eligible care to be provided
16735	An employee of West Lothian Council	2e. Building Based Care	More community-integrated and wider social and care support facilities is to be welcomed.	Building Based Care (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16736	An employee of West Lothian Council	2e. Building Based Care	you need different levels of care to suit	Building Based Care (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	Criteria is set within an assessment framework to ensure people's needs are assessed consistently and fairly
16737	An employee of West Lothian Council	2e. Building Based Care	Families should be encouraged to care for their own families wherever possible. Although this is not always an option due to complex care needs, families need to be actively encouraged to care for their own elderly family members.	Building Based Care (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16738	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	Looking at the venues/services most used should be continued with the lower number services being reduced or integrated with another.	Building Based Care (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16739	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	That'll mean the refurbishment of Pathways when the Eiburn users are wondering how they are going to fit in.	Building Based Care (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. This consultation is the first stage of the process to enable the council to develop a five year plan. Detailed proposals will be worked up following the outcome of this consultation.
16740	An employee of West Lothian Council	2e. Building Based Care	What is self-directed support? What changes have there been in "client choice"? What is the "more flexible model for housing with care for older people"? How does it differ to what is in place? Is this just another attempt at pushing a service out to the private sector?	Building Based Care (general)	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Council purchased day care for older people in the independent sector will continue to be provided for people eligible for day services. Self directed support is where people who have assessed eligible needs can make choices about how they wish their care and support to be provided.
16741	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	I understand this but it is essential that the level of care is maintained.	Building Based Care (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Work will continue to focus on those who are most vulnerable and have additional needs.
16742	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	These are a life line for some of the most vulnerable in our community sometimes the only time people can see interact with other people and members of the public	Building Based Care (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Council purchased day care for older people in the independent sector will continue to be provided for people eligible for day services.
16743	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	Where is the evidence base for this? Rosemount has just opened. Long term evidence / evaluation of impact before I can consider supporting.	Building Based Care (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16744	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	Sad choice for old people and their carers	Building Based Care (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Council purchased day care for older people in the independent sector will continue to be provided for people eligible for day services.
16745	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	Buildings are being closed down and new buildings are being built ? not sure where the saving is on this . staff being relocated and then accommodation not having i.e. not enough parking spaces ?	Building Based Care (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Council purchased day care for older people in the independent sector will continue to be provided for people eligible for day services.
16746	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	If this idea provides better care than the past model then it should be considered.	Building Based Care (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16747	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	The previous proposal would cut funding for external provision, and this one loads more burdens onto external providers. Day care includes social interaction, which may be unlikely to be able to be purchased with self-directed care, since no one client can compel others to come for a chat. Increased isolation seems likely to be the outcome. So the design of the change may need to be revisited.	Building Based Care (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Council purchased day care for older people in the independent sector will continue to be provided for people eligible for day services.
16748	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	How is this going to work if there is no accommodation to put day care services into? Could better use be made of the day centres by sharing accommodation with other groups who could use them at different times?	Building Based Care (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Council purchased day care for older people in the independent sector will continue to be provided for people eligible for day services.

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16749	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	I would be concerned that this would result in the quality of the service being reduced.	Building Based Care (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Council purchased day care for older people in the independent sector will continue to be provided for people eligible for day services.
16750	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	Is there any data as to the effectiveness of the plan you are proposing? Or is this something that is being pioneered here (with associated risk)?	Building Based Care (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. This consultation is the first stage of the process to enable the council to develop a five year plan. Detailed proposals will be worked up following the outcome of this consultation.
16751	No Response	2e. Building Based Care	Don't agree with this, I feel we should be keeping this within the council and not outsourcing the work and care. This means we have better knowledge of how these are being run and keeping budgets to a limit. Outsourcing this is probably costing twice as much to run.	Building Based Care (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Council purchased day care for older people in the independent sector will continue to be provided for people eligible for day services.
16752	An employee of West Lothian Council	2e. Building Based Care	Making more volunteer opportunities for people to interact with older people / visit them would be a lovely idea. Pairing up schools and nurseries with care homes would also have a positive effect as they will be gaining social interactions from a young age	Building Based Care (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16753	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	This may cost more in the long term	Building Based Care (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16754	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	agreed. Use Community Councils to support this.	Building Based Care (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16755	No Response	2e. Building Based Care	I am concerned that once again the more vulnerable residents in the County would be overseen and the people who shout the loudest would be the ones to get heard. My fear also, is that is West Lothian Council close their buildings, external partners, granted may provide a like for like service, but at what cost?	Building Based Care (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Work will continue to focus on those who are most vulnerable and have additional needs.
16756	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	I agree with the proposal of providing housing with care for older people throughout West Lothian but would strongly suggest that no existing services are cut prior to this provision being made which makes savings in this financial period very unlikely.	Building Based Care (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16757	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	What is this more flexible model?	Building Based Care (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16758	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	By all accounts many councils are now moving away from day care as less people are using these facilities and we should be encouraging as many as possible to use community facilities supported by voluntary organisations, church groups etc	Building Based Care (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16759	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	How many of these centres are you going to have to build to meet the demand. The estimated saving of Â£800K will hardly cover the cost of paying for external providers.	Building Based Care (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Council purchased day care for older people in the independent sector will continue to be provided for people eligible for day services.
16760	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	Does this mean that these day services would no longer be free for pensioners? For many, this is the only regular social contact they receive. Many will not be in a position to pay to attend. Well done west Lothian, promoting social isolation! How will these external partners be regulated?	Building Based Care (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Council purchased day care for older people in the independent sector will continue to be provided for people eligible for day services.
16761	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	This will again cause distress to service users, families and communities. The expectation of reliance on, external partners when it is already stated that this will also be cut doesn't make sense. Again, strain on services and unrealistic workload for existing Council workers in this field.	Building Based Care (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Council purchased day care for older people in the independent sector will continue to be provided for people eligible for day services.
16762	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	I do believe care at home is best for older people if it is possible. However purpose built building for children education or for disabled children should be kept.	Building Based Care (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16763	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	Supported communities is a fine thing but care must be taken to ensure the elderly are not taken advantage of.	Building Based Care (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16764	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	Care should also be taken in reducing access to group activities and support for older people as this increases loneliness and carer stress leading to an increased need for higher cost services	Building Based Care (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Council purchased day care for older people in the independent sector will continue to be provided for people eligible for day services.
16765	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	2e. Building Based Care	Section 2E Building Based Care. The Community Council accepts that different models may be needed. Â£800k however is a large saving and we question whether this can be achieved within 5 years if capital expenditure is needed to achieve the revenue savings. Again we are not able to support something we can't see happening, however worthy.	Building Based Care (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Council purchased day care for older people in the independent sector will continue to be provided for people eligible for day services.

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16766	An employee of West Lothian Council	2e. Building Based Care	It is important the service is still available to this group of clients, and this is a growing area of need therefore this provision needs to take account of the increasing demand.	Building Based Care (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Council purchased day care for older people in the independent sector will continue to be provided for people eligible for day services.
16767	No Response	2e. Building Based Care	You will need to work very hard to ensure prices stay reasonable or older persons will pull back and only present in extremis.	Building Based Care (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	Council purchased day care for older people in the independent sector will continue to be provided for people eligible for day services.
16768	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	Why have you been wasting so much of our money up to this point?	Building Based Care (general)	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16769	An employee of West Lothian Council	2e. Building Based Care	What is the more flexible model?	Building Based Care (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	There are 8 Housing With Care Units across West Lothian providing support for older people and a review will consider a more flexible approach like the one at Rosemount Gardens
16770	An employee of West Lothian Council	2e. Building Based Care	Again this will put further additional pressures on families/carers and those they support and care for. There is very limited options for some people and by reducing buildings even more will be the wrong decision to make.	Building Based Care (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	There are 8 Housing With Care Units across West Lothian providing support for older people and a review will consider a more flexible approach like the one at Rosemount Gardens
16771	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	In reality, closing council owned properties does not benefit anyone as the elderly depend on these. The buildings should be retained by the council whether or not they decide to use third parties to provide the services within.	Building Based Care (general)	5b. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it is likely that the costs of this proposal would outweigh the benefit.	Council purchased day care for older people in the independent sector will continue to be provided for people eligible for day services.
16772	An employee of West Lothian Council	2e. Building Based Care	I think this is segregation of those most vulnerable	Building Based Care (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16773	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	Local provision is important. This is not achieved by one facility for the region.	Building Based Care (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Council purchased day care for older people in the independent sector will continue to be provided for people eligible for day services.
16774	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	I believe this actually means closing some existing purpose built buildings and I do not agree that is a good thing to do. They were purpose built for a reason and are still needed.	Building Based Care (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Council purchased day care for older people in the independent sector will continue to be provided for people eligible for day services.
16775	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	"Save the building" campaigns should be resisted in favour of modern thinking and innovative service delivery solutions. Change is often resisted, only to be proven worthwhile over time.	Building Based Care (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Council purchased day care for older people in the independent sector will continue to be provided for people eligible for day services.
16776	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	As above - lets have a root and branch review of the service and delivery. It isn't necessary to increase costs when efficiencies can be identified. A business approach is what is needed to ensure the correct spending on items needed is controlled.	Building Based Care (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16777	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	I like that this is based on client feedback	Building Based Care (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16778	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	2e. Building Based Care	May lead to isolation and poor mental health	Building Based Care (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Council purchased day care for older people in the independent sector will continue to be provided for people eligible for day services.
16779	No Response	2e. Building Based Care	lack of recourse requested by service users and families under SDS currently available, a hub of services and facilities those run by external providers cost more per head than those run by WLC.	Building Based Care (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16780	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	Due to the increasing age demographics projected forward, there is an urgent need to build and provide more facilities for our ageing population. There can be no reduction here. The provision at the moment is far from adequate and is causing suffering and hardship.	Building Based Care (general)	5b. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it is likely that the costs of this proposal would outweigh the benefit.	There are 8 Housing With Care Units across West Lothian providing support for older people and a review will consider a more flexible approach like the one at Rosemount Gardens
16781	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	Home visits require to increase to monitor service delivery quality I assume?	Building Based Care (general)	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. The Council is committed to ensure a strong governance framework is in place to make sure quality is at the heart of service delivery.

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16782	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	As a former carer of an elderly parent, my view is that these services are a lifeline for the service users (carers and older people who attend). The saving seems small in comparison to the impact of the loss on users. I believe you should not proceed with this cut.	Building Based Care (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16783	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	By all means close 'not fit for purpose' buildings but don't throw the baby out with the bathwater. There may be many buildings that can be modified for use and so avoid empty premises which incur extra expense to stop decay and downward spiral into too many empty buildings.	Building Based Care (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16784	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	If people truly want less building based care then I am happy with this.	Building Based Care (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16785	No Response	2e. Building Based Care	Again, as long as this does not cause greater isolation to older people, I would support this.	Building Based Care (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16786	An employee of West Lothian Council	2e. Building Based Care	as long as the same level of care is provided	Building Based Care (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16787	An employee of West Lothian Council	2e. Building Based Care	If self directed support is benefitting all why not adopt this throughout.	Building Based Care (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16788	An employee of West Lothian Council	2e. Building Based Care	It sounds good in theory, but what would the model actually look like? Care services should be based on needs led assessment that emphasise ease of access and inclusion for our elderly population. When things like the community café in Strathbrock partnership centre is just closed after more than 10 years and the community is just left with an impersonal, sterile space and expensive unhealthy vending machines, I don't believe this is moving in the right direction. It was a significant community resource for the elderly population that was just removed with very little thought about the wider impact.	Building Based Care (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	There are 8 Housing With Care Units across West Lothian providing support for older people and a review will consider a more flexible approach like the one at Rosemount Gardens
16789	An employee of West Lothian Council	2e. Building Based Care	Will this isolate older people who may not adapt well to change. How do older people get to these new services given the reduction in some bus routes. This could have a devastating effect on the older generation	Building Based Care (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16790	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	As long as the care for the elderly is not compromised.	Building Based Care (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16791	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	How can this be in line with councils own priorities which is to improve quality of life	Building Based Care (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Council purchased day care for older people in the independent sector will continue to be provided for people eligible for day services.
16792	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	Agree lot of private care homes cost a fortune.	Building Based Care (general)	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	The proposal does not relate to residential care
16793	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	As I wrote above, under 2b, any budget cuts made in the area of support for older people, would need to ensure that older people still receive the level of care that they require, as they become more vulnerable, and that the quality of care received is not decreased/reduced.	Building Based Care (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Council purchased day care for older people in the independent sector will continue to be provided for people eligible for day services.
16794	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	Be careful - this might seem like a saving but in the end the council would be better at providing the service as they have a better ethos.	Building Based Care (general)	5b. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it is likely that the costs of this proposal would outweigh the benefit.	The Council is committed to ensure a strong governance framework is in place to make sure quality is at the heart of service delivery from external partners
16795	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	2e. Building Based Care	SDS focuses on the choice of the supported individual regarding where, how and by whom support is delivered, I agree where the proposed model is chosen by the individual	Building Based Care (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16796	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	This will be a sad removal of what can be a life line for a very vulnerable group.	Building Based Care (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Council purchased day care for older people in the independent sector will continue to be provided for people eligible for day services.

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16797	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	2e. Building Based Care	Has an equality impact assessment been carried out for each of the budget proposals? It is essential that this is done at the earliest opportunity in order to assess what the impact will be on those in the protected characteristics groups and those already experiencing disadvantage.	Building Based Care (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. This consultation is the first stage of the process to enable the council to develop a five year plan. Detailed proposals will be worked up following the outcome of this consultation.
16798	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	Closures should only be considered if nothing else can be done Better cost effective provisions should be considered for older people.	Building Based Care (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Council purchased day care for older people in the independent sector will continue to be provided for people eligible for day services.
16799	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	As above comment. Appropriate care and of the best quality.	Building Based Care (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. The Council is committed to ensure a strong governance framework is in place to make sure quality is at the heart of service delivery.
16800	An employee of West Lothian Council	2e. Building Based Care	As answered before, this needs to be carefully monitored or could create a huge problem further down the road costing more in the long run.	Building Based Care (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16801	An employee of West Lothian Council	2e. Building Based Care	Agree building based care services across all client groups should be reviewed.	Building Based Care (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16802	An employee of West Lothian Council	2e. Building Based Care	Would the option of a drop-in sessions be viable in the new centre for those no longer able to access day centres	Building Based Care (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16803	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	Again closing centre results in isolation for many people so can have a very negative impact on individuals well being SDS has not had time to impact fully yet and lots of assumptions are being made about its effectiveness Not sure this is an answer and the huge negative impact this could have for the amount of savings is not justified.	Building Based Care (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Council purchased day care for older people in the independent sector will continue to be provided for people eligible for day services.
16804	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	Is this proposal going to cost more than if the Council gradually refurbished the buildings they currently have?	Building Based Care (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16805	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	Closing buildings (especially purpose built) is not acceptable	Building Based Care (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16806	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	Purpose built premises for disabled and vulnerable should not close. These are desperately needed.	Building Based Care (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16807	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	I cannot understand why they are picking on older people. The majority of us don't have the strength to support ourselves. We have zimmers and walking sticks but need help. I have had 3 heart attacks. I think the proposal to shut the day centre is scandalous. It's our one day out. We get support, we get a good meal and help from door to door.	Building Based Care (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Council purchased day care for older people in the independent sector will continue to be provided for people eligible for day services.
16808	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	Unsure of tis one and seems to contradict the proposal in 2d we either need this type of service or we don't if you need it is should be provided by an in-house service and not by private companies who are making money while providing care.	Building Based Care (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Council purchased day care for older people in the independent sector will continue to be provided for people eligible for day services.
16809	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	With the way things are going really concerned for the well being of the elderly within all care homes. Seems again the elderly an easy target.	Building Based Care (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16810	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	Opposed to this	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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16811	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	i don't think this will work cutting corners again	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16812	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	I do not agree to this proposal	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16813	An employee of West Lothian Council	2e. Building Based Care	I can't support this.	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16814	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	So in other words your old away and die. This is an underfunded area already I don't support hiding away the issue of older people in West Lothian, care and services must be provided for this group as we will all be here someday in our life's	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16815	No Response	2e. Building Based Care	Sounds like you are picking on an easy target. Elderly people who have little voice or influence.	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16816	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	Cuts should not affect elderly people.	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16817	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	I disagree with cuts to older peoples services as these are there only chance to get out the house and not be on their own.	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16818	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	This sounds worrying	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16819	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	I don't support this.	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16820	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	Not good day centres are a big part of patients care and support.	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16821	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	I do not support closures	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16822	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	Honestly you don't actually care about individuals do you? It's all about the money	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16823	No Response	2e. Building Based Care	Disagare	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16824	No Response	2e. Building Based Care	Once again the public are the ones who will suffer.	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16825	No Response	2e. Building Based Care	For many these centres are a lifeline that needs to be kept going.	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16826	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	More cuts, the longest suicide note in history	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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16827	An employee of West Lothian Council	2e. Building Based Care	I am strongly against this - as previous comments above. Also hugely disruptive for service users and stressful etc	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16828	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	Disagree with closure of day centres .	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16829	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	I would not support this	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16830	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	There should be no changes to the existing!	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16831	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	I think this is terrible if they have to cut this.	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16832	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	This will obviously not work as the recent Bield Care Homes crisis shows.	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16833	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	Again the elderly will suffer, do not agree with any of the above.	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16834	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	Absolutely a dreadful suggestion	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16835	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	no	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16836	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	disagree completely this will lead to isolation of older people	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16837	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	none	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16838	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	Leave this alone - do not touch	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16839	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	Disgusting take the money of the people who really need it ...	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16840	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	Disagree. Savings not worth the reduction in service	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16841	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	2e. Building Based Care	Dire times ahead	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16842	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	Another proposal based on SDS that isn't true. Do not agree with proposal.	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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16843	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	I do not agree	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16844	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	None	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16845	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	Surprised at this.	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16846	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	I completely disagree with this.	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16847	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	No. I don't want my day centre (Whitdale) to close because it is a day out for me. I need the company - it's nice.	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16848	An employee of West Lothian Council	2e. Building Based Care	No comment - I do not have enough information regarding this.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16849	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	I don't know enough about this to comment.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16850	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	No opinion	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16851	No Response	2e. Building Based Care	No comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16852	An employee of West Lothian Council	2e. Building Based Care	I don't know enough about this service to comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16853	An employee of West Lothian Council	2e. Building Based Care	Not enough detail	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16854	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	Too vague a proposal to make an informed decision.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16855	An employee of West Lothian Council	2e. Building Based Care	unable to answer, no knowledge of this area	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16856	An employee of West Lothian Council	2e. Building Based Care	no comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16857	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	N/A	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16858	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	No comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16859	An employee of West Lothian Council	2e. Building Based Care	No comment.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16860	An employee of West Lothian Council	2e. Building Based Care	N/A	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16861	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	Already at a low.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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16862	An employee of West Lothian Council	2e. Building Based Care	as above	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16863	An employee of West Lothian Council	2e. Building Based Care	Would this involve service users having to pay more for their care?	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16864	No Response	2e. Building Based Care	Again, not sure what kind of comments you are looking for. It's impossible to comment on this without seeing the reviewed proposals	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16865	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	I don't understand budgeting advantages and restraints enough to comment.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16866	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	I have no idea what this means. Please explain better.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16867	An employee of West Lothian Council	2e. Building Based Care	i dont not know wat this means	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16868	An employee of West Lothian Council	2e. Building Based Care	As above.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16869	No Response	2e. Building Based Care	Concerned about the impact	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16870	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	were all living longer...so they say	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16871	An employee of West Lothian Council	2e. Building Based Care	I am not in a position to comment on this	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16872	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	2e. Building Based Care	Risky business	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16873	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	What am I going to do with my mum now? Canoe?	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16874	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	No comment on this	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16875	An employee of West Lothian Council	2e. Building Based Care	I do not know enough to comment.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16876	No Response	2e. Building Based Care	No comment.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16877	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	No comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16878	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	No comment.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16879	An employee of West Lothian Council	2e. Building Based Care	.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16880	An employee of West Lothian Council	2e. Building Based Care	No comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16881	An employee of West Lothian Council	2e. Building Based Care	No Comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16882	No Response	2e. Building Based Care	No comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16883	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	I need to know better what is involved here; who are the existing extern patners	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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16884	An employee of West Lothian Council	2e. Building Based Care	No comment as don't know enough.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16885	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	These have been closed down in broxburn with no support or help	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16886	No Response	2e. Building Based Care	dgdgdd	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16887	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	nil	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16888	An employee of West Lothian Council	2e. Building Based Care	don't know enough to comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16889	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	No Comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16890	An employee of West Lothian Council	2e. Building Based Care	No comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16891	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	No comment. □	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16892	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	No comment.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16893	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	Don't know	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16894	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	Cannot comment do not use these services.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16895	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	No comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16896	An employee of West Lothian Council	2e. Building Based Care	No comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16897	An employee of West Lothian Council	2e. Building Based Care	NA	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16898	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	I don't know about the model so am not well informed to comment.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16899	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	I don't understand what the statement is about. So the purpose built buildings would stay open and the council day centres close?	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16900	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	What would this flexible model be? More information is required.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16901	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	This makes no sense. If the services can be improved and made more efficient do that. If the services can be provided in new ways and the staff can better communicate and draw on additional third sector resources do that too.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16902	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	Yet again, a generic statement, insufficient information to make transparent informed comments.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16903	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	Comments as above - Is this really "joined up thinking" or pick a number between Â£2.0 million and Â£2.5 million!	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16904	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	No comments as I am not familiar with this subject.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16905	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	Selling off the buildings? What does this actually mean please?	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16906	No Response	2e. Building Based Care	No comment.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16907	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	No comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16908	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	No comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16909	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	No comments.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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16910	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	Again, what services would be axed in Linlithgow?	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16911	An employee of West Lothian Council	2e. Building Based Care	no comments	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16912	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	Don't know enough about it to comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16913	An employee of West Lothian Council	2e. Building Based Care	don't know enough about it to comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16914	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	No comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16915	An employee of West Lothian Council	2e. Building Based Care	No comments	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16916	An employee of West Lothian Council	2e. Building Based Care	NO COMMENT	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16917	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	Again picking on the weakest	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16918	No Response	2e. Building Based Care	Can't really comment as no experience with this.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16919	No Response	2e. Building Based Care	.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16920	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	Can't comment as not sure what exists etc.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16921	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	2e. Building Based Care	As in 2(b) above.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16922	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	No comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16923	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	No comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16924	An employee of West Lothian Council	2e. Building Based Care	N/a	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16925	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	Don't know about this would need further information	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16926	An employee of West Lothian Council	2e. Building Based Care	hard to comment on this not enough information.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16927	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	I am concerned that this could lead to increased isolation for older people.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16928	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	Proposal is too unspecific to comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16929	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	This needs to be clearly explained and the proposals set out.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16930	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	This could remove a safety net for older people	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16931	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	The important thing is the quality of the service and this must be maintained	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16932	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	Do not have enough knowledge in this area to comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16933	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	No Comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16934	No Response	2e. Building Based Care	It sounds ok but it's for patient/client to tell truth	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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16935	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	2E This proposal does not make sense. on one hand the council is proposing to reduce funding for external partners yet have a greater reliance upon external agencies to provide care and support services. these two measures do not equate. This question lacks detail as to what external agencies and bodies currently provide and at what cost. What is the detail upon their reliance and what budget allocated.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16936	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	More information needed	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16937	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	Sounds like that there would be less support where it is needed.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16938	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	Would need more detail to comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16939	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	2e. Building Based Care	We do not believe we have the knowledge or experience of this area to be able to make an informed comment on it.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16940	An employee of West Lothian Council	2e. Building Based Care	The council have not provided enough indepth information for me to make an informed comment on this, as all information about this whole consultation is more secret that area 51.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16941	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	Sounds like waffle - we need the facts	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16942	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	As 2d.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16943	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	2e. Building Based Care	Not an area I have sufficient knowledge on to make comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16944	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	Again don't know enough about this	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16945	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	unable to comment as not in plain english	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16946	No Response	2e. Building Based Care	na	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16947	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	Don't know	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16948	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	Not sure	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16949	An employee of West Lothian Council	2e. Building Based Care	Does not affect me from a work or personal point of view.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16950	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	Maybe.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16951	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	What do these words mean? Words without context are difficult to comment on.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16952	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	I am unable to comment on this as I have no knowledge of these centres	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16953	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	Unable to comment, insufficient information/knowledge.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16954	An employee of West Lothian Council	2e. Building Based Care	No comment.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16955	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	No comment.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16956	An individual	2e. Building Based Care	No comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16957	An individual	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	I agree with a review of management and support in this area.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16958	An employee of West Lothian Council	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	If this can deliver savings required and provide care to those most in need then it should be pursued.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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16959	No Response	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	Agree to all suggested proposals	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16960	An employee of West Lothian Council	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	I agree with this proposal.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16961	No Response	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	I agree as long as the efficiency of the service is not impacted	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16962	An employee of West Lothian Council	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	Yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16963	An individual	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	Efficiency, streamlining, rationalization are all great.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16964	An individual	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	Necessary.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16965	An individual	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	Ok withthis	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16966	An individual	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	Review the service.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16967	An employee of West Lothian Council	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	I have no objections to this whatsoever, good idea.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16968	An individual	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	Agree this proposal.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16969	No Response	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	Have no objection	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16970	An individual	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	reduction of red tape and streamlining processes can only be positive if done correctly	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16971	An employee of West Lothian Council	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	I believe this should be the case.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16972	An employee of West Lothian Council	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16973	An individual	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	Sounds reasonable.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16974	An employee of West Lothian Council	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16975	An individual	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	Makes sense.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16976	An employee of West Lothian Council	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16977	An individual	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	Agree.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16978	An employee of West Lothian Council	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16979	An individual	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	Agreed.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16980	An employee of West Lothian Council	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16981	No Response	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	I agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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16982	An individual	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	Agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16983	No Response	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	Good.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16984	An individual	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	Sounds fair	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16985	An individual	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	Totally agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16986	An employee of West Lothian Council	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	This makes sense	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16987	An individual	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	Streamlining services and making things as efficient and cost effective is great but it is essential that the level of care provided is improved upon too.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16988	No Response	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	Agree with this proposal, efficiency saving should be made to save money.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16989	An individual	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	As long as the requirements as still met	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16990	An individual	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	go ahead with the savings	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16991	An employee of West Lothian Council	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	Sounds sensible as long as it's not to the detriment of the care required.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16992	An individual	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	This sounds sensible to explore	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16993	No Response	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	Agreed but savings are I believe underestimated.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16994	An individual	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	Agreed. Nothing to add.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16995	An employee of West Lothian Council	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	Inevitable.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16996	An individual	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	I support this change	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16997	An individual	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	I agree with the Council's proposals for the moment to see how they all work out. Thank you.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16998	An individual	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	This would make things more efficient	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
16999	An employee of West Lothian Council	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	If this is a viable option then it sounds promising.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17000	An individual	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	Again so long as it doesn't impact on end users this is an admirable goal.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17001	An individual	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	Yes Make a saving here.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17002	An individual	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	As long as this has no negative affect on employment	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17003	No Response	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	I agree with the proposal	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17004	An individual	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	that's the way forward..	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17005	An employee of West Lothian Council	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	I am almost always in favour of streamlining!	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17006	An individual	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	THIS SHOULD ALWAYS BE PART OF THE BUDGET PLANS	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17007	An individual	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	no objections.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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17008	An individual	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	I agree with this one. Too many inefficient managers on too high a salary, and it needs to be streamlined. More of this kind of proposal is necessary, and less of the targetting the most vulnerable.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17009	An individual	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	Sound sensible	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17010	An employee of West Lothian Council	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17011	An individual	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	Sounds good to me.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17012	An employee of West Lothian Council	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	Sounds good to me!	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17013	No Response	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	Ok	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17014	No Response	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	Agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17015	An individual	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	no issue with this	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17016	An individual	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	This sounds fine.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17017	An employee of West Lothian Council	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17018	An individual	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	seems sensible	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17019	An individual	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	ok.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17020	An individual	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17021	An individual	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	Agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17022	An individual	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	Good	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17023	An individual	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	This sounds reasonable.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17024	An individual	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	Good	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17025	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	Makes sense	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17026	No Response	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	Sounds fine.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17027	An individual	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	Seems reasonable	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17028	An individual	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	This should be done.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17029	An employee of West Lothian Council	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	good idea	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17030	An employee of West Lothian Council	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17031	An individual	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	Agree.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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17032	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	Good idea	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17033	An employee of West Lothian Council	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	Agree.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17034	An employee of West Lothian Council	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	I support this proposal	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17035	No Response	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17036	An employee of West Lothian Council	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	Good	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17037	An individual	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	Sounds good	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17038	An individual	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	Support	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17039	An employee of West Lothian Council	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	Agree.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17040	An individual	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	Agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17041	An individual	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17042	An employee of West Lothian Council	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	agree with proposal	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17043	No Response	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	Ok with this.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17044	An individual	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	Ok	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17045	No Response	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	Agree with this proposal.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17046	An individual	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	I agree with this proposal.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17047	An employee of West Lothian Council	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17048	An individual	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17049	An individual	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17050	An individual	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	Less desk jobs and more people on the street helping the vulnerable is more like it, go for it	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17051	An individual	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	Yes, save money here	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17052	An individual	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	great idea , consolidate for efficiency the core tasks	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17053	An individual	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	Again it would appear to be very practical.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17054	An employee of West Lothian Council	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	Sounds ok.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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17055	An employee of West Lothian Council	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17056	An employee of West Lothian Council	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	would agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17057	No Response	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	Reasonable	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17058	An individual	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	OK	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17059	An individual	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	Yes I agree with this.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17060	An employee of West Lothian Council	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	Agree.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17061	No Response	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	Makes sense.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17062	An employee of West Lothian Council	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	Agree with this proposal.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17063	No Response	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	yes agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17064	An employee of West Lothian Council	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	Agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17065	An individual	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	Yes, sounds a good consideration.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17066	An individual	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	Yes do that. Save this money	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17067	An individual	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	Makes sense to work with others	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17068	An individual	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	Not before time. Salaries are higher in the public sector than private but will staff be made redundant without enhancement	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17069	An individual	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	Looking at management is always a good thing.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17070	An individual	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	This should be reviewed and is a possible area for savings	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17071	An individual	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	sounds sensible (I think)	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17072	An individual	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	Again this is all common sense so why has this not been done long before now, rather than waste public money!	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17073	An individual	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	These efficiency savings should have always been implemented	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17074	An individual	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	No problem accepting this one	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17075	An individual	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17076	An individual	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17077	An individual	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	Ok	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17078	An individual	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	Yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17079	An individual	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17080	No Response	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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17081	An employee of West Lothian Council	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17082	An employee of West Lothian Council	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17083	No Response	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17084	An employee of West Lothian Council	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17085	An individual	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	I agree with this proposal	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17086	An employee of West Lothian Council	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17087	An employee of West Lothian Council	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17088	An employee of West Lothian Council	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	Agree.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17089	An employee of West Lothian Council	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17090	An individual	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	yes, agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17091	No Response	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	Fine.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17092	An individual	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	I agree.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17093	An employee of West Lothian Council	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	I agree with this.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17094	No Response	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17095	An individual	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	okay	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17096	An employee of West Lothian Council	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	Happy with this proposal	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17097	An individual	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	ok	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17098	An individual	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17099	An employee of West Lothian Council	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	Agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17100	An individual	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	Content.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17101	An employee of West Lothian Council	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	Sounds good.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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17102	An individual	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	Agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17103	An individual	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17104	An individual	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	Agree that this streamlining is essential.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17105	An individual	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	Good idea.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17106	An individual	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	Agreed.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17107	An individual	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	I would agree with this point	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17108	An employee of West Lothian Council	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	Good	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17109	An individual	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	Looks sensible.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17110	An individual	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17111	No Response	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	OK	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17112	An individual	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17113	An individual	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17114	An individual	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	Ok	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17115	An employee of West Lothian Council	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	Proposal seems fair	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17116	An employee of West Lothian Council	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	This needs to be done urgently.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17117	An individual	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	Makes perfect sense and is normal in all other workplaces.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17118	No Response	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	Any reduction of bureacracy is welcome.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17119	An employee of West Lothian Council	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	this makes sense if the other changes in service delivery are implemented.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17120	An individual	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	Efficiency is always welcome	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17121	An individual	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	Anything which reduces overlap is to be welcomed.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17122	An individual	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	Seems logical	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17123	An individual	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	A gain this makes s.ense	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17124	An individual	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	good	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17125	An individual	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	Agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17126	An individual	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17127	An individual	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	yes get rid of people that are just a waste of money	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17128	An employee of West Lothian Council	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	I support this measure which is a direct result of the other changes being suggested.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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17129	An individual	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	Agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17130	An individual	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	Support	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17131	An individual	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17132	An employee of West Lothian Council	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	Support	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17133	An individual	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	Agree.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17134	An individual	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	I agree.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17135	An individual	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17136	An individual	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17137	An individual	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	This opportunity should be actioned with speed.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17138	An individual	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17139	An individual	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	Agree with this	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17140	An individual	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	Ok	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17141	An individual	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17142	An employee of West Lothian Council	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17143	No Response	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	support	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17144	An employee of West Lothian Council	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	Supportive in principle based on limited detailed information	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17145	An individual	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	Agreed where the outcomes continue to be achieved	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17146	An individual	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	Yes, more efficient and focused.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17147	An individual	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	Fine	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17148	An individual	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	Sounds fine.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17149	An individual	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17150	An individual	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17151	An individual	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17152	An individual	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	Sounds good.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17153	An individual	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	I support this proposal	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17154	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17155	No Response	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17156	An individual	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	should have been done years ago	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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17157	An individual	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	yeah	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17158	An individual	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	Go for it! Many WLC services are under provided and over managed.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17159	An employee of West Lothian Council	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	I agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17160	No Response	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	Sounds like a good idea.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17161	An individual	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17162	An individual	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	Look okay as it is possible to evaluate given the vague descriptions given in the 'Transforming Your Council'	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17163	An individual	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	I agree with the proposal.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17164	An individual	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	All proposals are sound.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17165	An individual	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	Agreed that there should be a reduction in the management and administration requirements	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17166	An employee of West Lothian Council	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	The pressures already on social policy are immense - more will lead to more xxxxx!	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17167	An individual	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	Social Care services are already overstretched and underfunded so I do not agree with further reduction in resources for social care.	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17168	An individual	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	Would hate to see overstretched social care.	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17169	An employee of West Lothian Council	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	I don't agree with cutting funding to these services. Cutting these could cause more harm than good with more problems directed to NHS, anti social behaviour and all sorts.	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17170	An employee of West Lothian Council	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	I am against this proposal	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17171	An individual	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	I have no objection to this.	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17172	An individual	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	Too many cuts.	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17173	An individual	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	More job losses	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17174	An individual	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	There should be no changes to the existing!	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17175	An individual	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	no	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17176	An individual	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	none	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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17177	An individual	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	Again this comes across as decisions already made. No support.	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17178	An individual	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	I disagree with this proposal. Reductions have already been made in this area, any further reductions will only impact on the how the social care is delivered to people in the community.	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17179	An employee of West Lothian Council	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	Social work is needed within the authority and cuts will make the problems worse rather than better	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17180	An employee of West Lothian Council	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	Social policy services provide vital support for families. These supports should be protected.	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17181	An individual	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	None	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17182	An individual	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	Don't agree	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17183	An employee of West Lothian Council	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	Like many of the proposals in this consultation, it is difficult to comment without knowing more of the context. Do you really expect consultees to disagree with a proposal which says the Council will be 'streamlining and consolidating internal processes'?	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17184	An employee of West Lothian Council	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	No comment - I do not have enough information regarding this.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17185	An individual	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	No opinion	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17186	An individual	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	I don't understand what this proposal means.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17187	No Response	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	No comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17188	An employee of West Lothian Council	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	I don't know enough about this service to comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17189	An individual	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	Need more details	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17190	No Response	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	Outsourcing?	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17191	An individual	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	Not real consultation as bureaucratic speak that means little to anyone!	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17192	An individual	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	This is a do your job statement. Implementation requires no consultation	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17193	An individual	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	Process re-engineering is almost always possible but usually unpopular with staff.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17194	An employee of West Lothian Council	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	no comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17195	An individual	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	N/A	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17196	An individual	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	No comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17197	An employee of West Lothian Council	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	N/A	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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17198	An individual	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	no comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17199	An employee of West Lothian Council	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	No comment.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17200	An individual	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	No comment.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17201	An individual	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	Very broad and unspecific. Hard to comment without further information and numbers.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17202	An employee of West Lothian Council	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	as above.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17203	An employee of West Lothian Council	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	This doesn't set out what the management and administrative changes would be.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17204	No Response	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	It's impossible to comment on this without seeing the reviewed proposals	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17205	An individual	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	I don't understand budgeting advantages and restraints enough to comment.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17206	An individual	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	I have no idea what this means. Please explain better.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17207	An employee of West Lothian Council	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	i dont not know wat this means	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17208	An individual	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	Can't think of anything for this one. I'm getting tired. Wish I could find additional support for my mum so I can maybe get some sleep after my night shift. Might be nice to see my wife and son too?	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17209	An individual	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	Again, as with comments in other sections, why are you consulting on internal operational matters.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17210	An employee of West Lothian Council	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	Again too vague if you don't know how the service works.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17211	No Response	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	See 1a above.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17212	An individual	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	no comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17213	No Response	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	No comment.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17214	An individual	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	No comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17215	An employee of West Lothian Council	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17216	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17217	An individual	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	Not sure	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17218	An individual	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	No comment.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17219	An individual	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	No comment.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17220	An employee of West Lothian Council	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	No comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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17221	No Response	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	No comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17222	An employee of West Lothian Council	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	Impossible to comment without knowing the current operation in detail.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17223	An individual	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	Sounds tough but given smaller services inevitable to some extent	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17224	An employee of West Lothian Council	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	No comment as don't know enough.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17225	An individual	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	Non-specific management speak, does not enable comment.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17226	No Response	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	dgdgd	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17227	An employee of West Lothian Council	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	Ongoing as always.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17228	An individual	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	What partners?	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17229	An individual	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	nil	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17230	An individual	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	No Comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17231	An employee of West Lothian Council	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	No comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17232	An individual	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	Unsure.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17233	An individual	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	No comment.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17234	An individual	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	No comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17235	An individual	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	Cannot comment do not use these services.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17236	An employee of West Lothian Council	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	No comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17237	An individual	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	completely dependent on the outcome of presupposing arguments	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17238	An individual	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	So these savings are over 5 years? So £1.2 million is possibly around £240,000 each year, £20,000 per month?	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17239	No Response	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	This gives no information for me to comment on.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17240	An individual	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	What does the above mean, layoffs?	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17241	An individual	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	Difficult to comment meaningfully without knowing detail.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17242	An individual	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	Do not know enough to comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17243	An individual	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	no comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17244	An individual	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	An obvious consequence of 2e	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17245	An individual	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	This naturally falls from the previous proposals.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17246	An individual	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	No comments as I am not familiar with this subject.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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17247	An individual	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	I have a first class honours degree and find this totally woolly - how do you expect your average council tax payer to understand what on earth you are going on about, so how can they possibly make an informed contribution to this "consultation"?	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17248	No Response	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	I don't have any experience or knowledge of the care process within West Lothian.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17249	An individual	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	No comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17250	An individual	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	No comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17251	An individual	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	No comments	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17252	An individual	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	What partners?	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17253	An employee of West Lothian Council	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	No idea what it means in practice.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17254	No Response	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	Don't know enough about this to comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17255	An individual	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	No comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17256	An employee of West Lothian Council	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	2f I don't know enough about what this would change to be able to comment.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17257	An individual	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	I cannot comment on this as it is not specific enough?	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17258	An individual	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	No comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17259	An employee of West Lothian Council	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	No comments.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17260	An employee of West Lothian Council	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	NO COMMENT	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17261	No Response	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	What does this even mean?? "streamline and consolidating" - typical business buzz words.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17262	No Response	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17263	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	The consultation document does not tell us what the budget is for each of the estimated savings areas. Therefore we have no indication of the significance of the savings against the overall budget. This applies throughout the document. There is no detail around the statement "opportunities to integrate further with partners will be progressed". Unless we know in more detail what this means we cannot make an informed comment.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17264	An individual	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	Don't know as no information available to help members of public make proper responses.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17265	An individual	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	No comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17266	An individual	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	No comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17267	An individual	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	No comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17268	An employee of West Lothian Council	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	N/a	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17269	An individual	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	Don't know about this would need further information	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17270	An individual	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	Again, this sounds as though jobs will be lost.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17271	An individual	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	What does this mean exactly?	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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17272	An individual	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	Proposal is too unspecific to comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17273	An individual	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	As above. What is meant by this?	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17274	An individual	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	What a load of jargon. Are you trying to confuse the population by this ridiculous terminology?	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17275	An individual	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	If it is recognised that services can be managed more efficiently, why is this not being done already.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17276	An individual	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	Once again if it was so good why hasn't it been done yet?	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17277	An individual	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	Do not have enough knowledge in this area to comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17278	An individual	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	No comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17279	An individual	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	I give up - what does this mean?	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17280	An individual	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	No comment as does not say what impact this will have on service users.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17281	An individual	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	Eh?	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17282	An individual	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	With a reduction in services, buildings etc there will be reduction in workload	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17283	An individual	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	this question lacks detail and budgets in the areas where efficiency measures will occur. a fault throughout this whole consultation paper.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17284	An individual	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	Not information provided	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17285	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	We do not believe we have the knowledge or experience of this area to be able to make an informed comment on it.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17286	An individual	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	No comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17287	An individual	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	What does "streamlining and consolidating" mean? This needs to be set out more clearly so that people can understand what they are being asked to comment on	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17288	An employee of West Lothian Council	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	Not clear what is meant by this	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17289	An employee of West Lothian Council	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	The council have not provided enough indepth information for me to make an informed comment on this, as all information about this whole consultation is more secret that area 51.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17290	An individual	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	As 2d	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17291	An individual	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	Don't know the details, so can't comment.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17292	No Response	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	xxx	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17293	An individual	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	Say what you actually plan to do!	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17294	An individual	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	unable to comment as not in plain english	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17295	No Response	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	need more info	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17296	An individual	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	Don't know	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17297	An employee of West Lothian Council	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	Does not affect me from a work or personal point of view.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17298	An individual	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	Don't feel able to comment as I am not aware of the nature of the proposed social care proposal in any detail	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17299	An individual	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	Unable to comment, insufficient information/knowledge.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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17300	An employee of West Lothian Council	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	No comment.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17301	An individual	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	No comment.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17302	An individual	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	No comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17303	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	If your proposals for care are fully implemented you won't need management and admin anyway.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17304	An individual	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	Why are there no contributions for social work transport? All parents of children/adults with disabilities have mobility payment or car. If everyone contributed to transport children/adults/older people services then this would bring in more revenue. Why are we paying so much for private hire taxis and escorts when buses already go to centres.	Social Policy Charging (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	There is a further proposal under Income and Concessions which considers how a contributions policy can be introduced subject to the financial assessment of affordability
17305	An individual	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	How much will you be charging for disabled people for community transport to day care or anywhere else? Will this charge be paid upfront or will you need extra debt recovery staff?	Social Policy Charging (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Any contributions policy would be subject to the financial assessment of affordability
17306	An individual	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	How much will you be charging for disabled people for community transport to day care or anywhere else? Will this charge be paid upfront or will you need extra debt recovery staff?	Social Policy Charging (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Any contributions policy would be subject to the financial assessment of affordability
17307	An individual	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	How much will you be charging for disabled people for community transport to day care or anywhere else? Will this charge be paid upfront or will you need extra debt recovery staff?	Social Policy Charging (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Any contributions policy would be subject to the financial assessment of affordability
17308	An individual	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	How much will you be charging for disabled people for community transport to day care or anywhere else? Will this charge be paid upfront or will you need extra debt recovery staff?	Social Policy Charging (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Any contributions policy would be subject to the financial assessment of affordability
17309	An individual	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	How much will you be charging for disabled people for community transport to day care or anywhere else? Will this charge be paid upfront or will you need extra debt recovery staff?	Social Policy Charging (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Any contributions policy would be subject to the financial assessment of affordability
17310	An individual	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	many older people are very well off financially, and should be paying their way...cut their subsidies on an ability to pay basis	Social Policy Charging (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	There is a further proposal under Income and Concessions which considers how a contributions policy can be introduced subject to the financial assessment of affordability
17311	An individual	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	Provision of care is a really big problem as costs will keep going up. Perhaps those who can afford it can be asked to contribute towards their care.	Social Policy Charging (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	There is a further proposal under Income and Concessions which considers how a contributions policy can be introduced subject to the financial assessment of affordability
17312	An individual	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	Older people are best served when they receive the help needed to allow them to remain at home. The relatives of older people should contribute to their care wherever possible. The Council is not a dustbin for old folk that allows the family to evade their responsibilities.	Social Policy Charging (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	There is a further proposal under Income and Concessions which considers how a contributions policy can be introduced subject to the financial assessment of affordability
17313	An employee of West Lothian Council	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	Cease Flexible respite, benefits wealthy only. Introduce charging policy. People can pay from PIP or AA. Target priority need. Add cost of monitoring and complaints about private firms to costs	Social Policy Charging (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	There is a further proposal under Income and Concessions which considers how a contributions policy can be introduced subject to the financial assessment of affordability
17314	An employee of West Lothian Council	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	Cease Flexible respite, benefits wealthy only. Introduce charging policy. People can pay from PIP or AA. Target priority need. Add cost of monitoring and complaints about private firms to costs	Social Policy Charging (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	There is a further proposal under Income and Concessions which considers how a contributions policy can be introduced subject to the financial assessment of affordability
17315	An individual	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	changes to the sleepover model will be changed to greater use of technology???????????????? Local Solutions????????????????	Social Policy Charging (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17316	An individual	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	More support needs to be provided by families, if this isn't available then the council can look to support, however there should be contributions for the individual or family to this support care. If an individual us saving then this need to support this. Again I believe this could be a means tested system. If an individual owns there own home there should be way of taking money out of this property to support there care.	Social Policy Charging (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	There is a further proposal under Income and Concessions which considers how a contributions policy can be introduced subject to the financial assessment of affordability

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17317	No Response	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	Families who claim DLA/PIP high rate mobility etc, have a higher than normal amount of money coming in than the average family, and therefore should use that money for the care.	Social Policy Charging (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	There is a further proposal under Income and Concessions which considers how a contributions policy can be introduced subject to the financial assessment of affordability
17318	An individual	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	20.6 million is a lot considering people with disabilities are already getting etc financial payments from pip, disability living , employment support and carers allowance from central government maby we should be charging for some of the help we are offering on a local level	Social Policy Charging (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	There is a further proposal under Income and Concessions which considers how a contributions policy can be introduced subject to the financial assessment of affordability
17319	An individual	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	We need to help the elderly but again where the government is paying for the disabilities and carers maby a charge is appropriate	Social Policy Charging (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	There is a further proposal under Income and Concessions which considers how a contributions policy can be introduced subject to the financial assessment of affordability
17320	An employee of West Lothian Council	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	Means tested charging for services like other Local Authorities do.	Social Policy Charging (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	There is a further proposal under Income and Concessions which considers how a contributions policy can be introduced subject to the financial assessment of affordability
17321	An individual	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	Why will older people not also be means tested for personal care?	Social Policy Charging (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	There is a further proposal under Income and Concessions which considers how a contributions policy can be introduced subject to the financial assessment of affordability
17322	An individual	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	This only means more cuts	Social Policy Charging (general)	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17323	An employee of West Lothian Council	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	Look at what contribution health will make to this. Provide equality across services to children, adults and older peoples	Social Policy Charging (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17324	No Response	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	Yes, I agree. Currently older and disabled people are receiving services when many could pay more for their care. For example a wealthy disabled person may secure equipment to help them live at home if an Occupational Therapist agrees - I do not support this sort of spending. Provision of equipment and care services must be means tested. Why can the new thresholds not be extended to those already in receipt of provision? I would support such a move.	Social Policy Charging (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	There is a further proposal under Income and Concessions which considers how a contributions policy can be introduced subject to the financial assessment of affordability
17325	An individual	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	Agree....modernise these services to cope with changes in society. My generation ....in their sixties....are, in relative terms, often better off than our parents' generation and so should be willing to contribute more to our parents' care in old age, taking some of the financial responsibility away from our currently overstretched council in this area. But can you make that happen in our me, me, me society? .....debatable.	Social Policy Charging (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17326	An individual	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	Seems reasonable, and where people can easily afford their own care privately, is it not reasonable to expect this in a fair world ?	Social Policy Charging (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17327	An employee of West Lothian Council	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	Older People Social Work Team Free key safes and only charging Â£1 per week for Home Safety Service continually appears to surprising for clients and their families. Generally, my experience is that clients expect to pay more for both.	Social Policy Charging (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17328	No Response	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	SDS care package or support package could be paid for by client especially if they have more money than others. A lot of people who have DLA/PIP & ESA could be financially assessed for service	Social Policy Charging (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17329	No Response	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	There are a lot of people on PIP, ESA etc which together can amount to quite a lot of money coming in therefore some services should be a paid service to people who have more money than others.	Social Policy Charging (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17330	An employee of West Lothian Council	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	Introduce charging policy so adults in receipt of DLA/PIP have to use this for the purpose it is for.	Social Policy Charging (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17331	No Response	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	Asses weather they can afford care themselves before spending council money.	Social Policy Charging (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17332	An employee of West Lothian Council	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	Perhaps care for older people needs to be more means tested - although I did not have any experience or particular knowledge of this topic to fully comment.	Social Policy Charging (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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17333	An individual	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	I disagree with people you decide can afford to, needing to contribute (pay) for personal and nursing care.	Social Policy Charging (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17334	An individual	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	A contributions policy for non-residential care services will always simply encourage elderly to give money to their family before they're assessed I'd think.	Social Policy Charging (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17335	An individual	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	Yes but people on DLA and attendance allowance should contribute to the cost of their care	Social Policy Charging (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	There is a further proposal under Income and Concessions which considers how a contributions policy can be introduced subject to the financial assessment of affordability
17336	An individual	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	I do agree however that charging for certain care services, on an assessed affordability basis, is sensible.	Social Policy Charging (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	There is a further proposal under Income and Concessions which considers how a contributions policy can be introduced subject to the financial assessment of affordability
17337	An individual	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	Home safety service/technology charges could be reviewed.	Social Policy Charging (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	There is a further proposal under Income and Concessions which considers how a contributions policy can be introduced subject to the financial assessment of affordability
17338	An individual	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	Provision of aids/adaptations for short term use should be followed up after a set period to check if still required and ensure return.	Social Policy Charging (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17339	An employee of West Lothian Council	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	Some elderly people paying for care services and only get a quick 10_15 mins ,	Social Policy Charging (general)	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17340	No Response	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	Some services are impacted negatively by being split and operating with separate management structures instead of being an integrated service focusing on better outcomes. e.g. Children and Families Social Work Service - 2 Senior Managers, 3 Group Managers.	Social Policy Management and Support - management & admin support	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17341	An employee of West Lothian Council	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	IF WE MOVE TO COMMUNITY CARE MODEL, THE LEVELS OF MANAGEMENT COULD BE CULLED TO ALLOW OPTIMISED EFFICIENCY. USE OF JOINT MANAGEMENT WITH HEALTH IN IJB COULD ALSO IMPROVE THIS AREA.	Social Policy Management and Support - management & admin support	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	West Lothian has a proven track record of partnership working and would wish to build on this. Through integration it is expected that there would be less duplication and more streamlining of services.
17342	An employee of West Lothian Council	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	reducing management places extra stress on employees	Social Policy Management and Support - management & admin support	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Any changes to management structures will require to fully consider the impact on staff
17343	An employee of West Lothian Council	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	as an employee within the social policy sector I have been the backlash on certain teams which have had their admin removed. I have worked for a few councils who have cut on admin services but decided against removing the admin support from the Mental Health Officer team. I agree with this and feel this particular team requires this level of support. I am not part of that team itself but contact it often so I only view it as an outsider. Productivity is imperative to a workforce and this assists with that for that particular team. Overall removal of admin support does not work for all. Looking more at social policy, I feel the council needs to look at the services they provide for free and look to change this.	Social Policy Management and Support - management & admin support	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	It is expected that by reducing waste in terms of duplication there will be economies to be made . This will allow more flexible working and opportunities to do things differently.
17344	An employee of West Lothian Council	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	I came from a council which had stream lined the management structure and this worked well. West Lothian council have a significant amount of managers for what is not large teams. My suggestion to this would be to look at this and see what posts are actually required in the management level.	Social Policy Management and Support - management & admin support	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted and will be considered as part of any change to management structures.
17345	An employee of West Lothian Council	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	there has already been a review of administration support which has resulted in front line workers now undertaking tasks which were more effectively and efficiently undertaken by admin support - I am unclear given this review was relatively recent what further reductions could be made without further impacting on front line workers / services	Social Policy Management and Support - management & admin support	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The approach to administrative support continues to focus on increased use of technology. Any further review of administrative support will be aligned with proposals for services being targeted to those most in need.

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17346	An employee of West Lothian Council	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	I feel a definite review for the need for the amount of seniors and managers within the council social policy needs revised.	Social Policy Management and Support - management & admin support	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your comment which will be considered as part of any management restructure
17347	An individual	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	This service is top heavy. Reducing management and unnecessary bureaucracy is a good thing however, I'm not convinced that this will happen if it is management tasked to do it.	Social Policy Management and Support - management & admin support	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your comment which will be considered as part of any management restructure
17348	No Response	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	Social Policy Administration is at a dangerously low staffing level already which I believe is having a negative impact on the service and staff. It is very difficult to consolidate processes as staff are so busy that they can't be released to learn new or existing processes. This in turn is a problem when someone is off work as often there is no one trained to complete their roles in their absence. Staff are stressed and morale is very low already.	Social Policy Management and Support - management & admin support	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Any changes to structures will require to fully consider the impact on staff
17349	No Response	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	Possible false economy of reducing admin workers with managers at higher unit cost doing admin tasks and having less time to do management tasks - false economy-	Social Policy Management and Support - management & admin support	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The approach to administrative support continues to focus on increased use of technology functionality. Any further review of administrative support will be aligned with proposals for services being targeted to those most in need.
17350	An individual	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	Systems that talk to each other are vital in this area. Too much money spent on administration to find out what is happening. Have systems which allow input from various services and can be checked as required.	Social Policy Management and Support - management & admin support	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The approach to administrative support continues to focus on increased use of technology. Any further review of administrative support will be aligned with proposals for services being targeted to those most in need.
17351	An employee of West Lothian Council	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	As far as I'm aware there has been more integration between health and social care however these changes only seem to have a impact of those on the bottom level the management doesn't receive cuts so there is double the management but services have been merged this is where cost cutting should take place	Social Policy Management and Support - management & admin support	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted and will be considered as part of any change to management structures.
17352	An individual	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	Historically administrative heavy, performance teams are an industry within itself in the councils various departments.	Social Policy Management and Support - management & admin support	5c. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it is not consistent with the council's values and priorities.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17353	An employee of West Lothian Council	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	Stream line management tiers. Organise on area basis. Minimise travel	Social Policy Management and Support - management & admin support	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted and will be considered as part of a review of internal processes.
17354	An individual	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	Absolutely. WLC is still top-heavy with unnecessary management.	Social Policy Management and Support - management & admin support	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted and will be considered as part of any change to management structures.
17355	An employee of West Lothian Council	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	The number of levels of management reduction yes.	Social Policy Management and Support - management & admin support	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted and will be considered as part of any change to management structures.
17356	An employee of West Lothian Council	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	Administrative support is required to ensure those responsible for provision of Statutory duties are able to do so	Social Policy Management and Support - management & admin support	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The approach to administrative support continues to focus on increased use of technology. Any further review of administrative support will be aligned with proposals for services being targeted to those most in need.
17357	An individual	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	No matter how streamlined processes are you can not keep reducing administrative support!	Social Policy Management and Support - management & admin support	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The approach to administrative support continues to focus on increased use of technology. Any further review of administrative support will be aligned with proposals for services being targeted to those most in need.

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17358	An employee of West Lothian Council	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	It makes sense to review structures in this service area especially with the previously mentioned proposals in questions 2a through to 2e	Social Policy Management and Support - management & admin support	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17359	No Response	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	I agree with reduction an consolidation of management. Huge savings could be made by improving the skills of management.	Social Policy Management and Support - management & admin support	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted and will be considered as part of any change to management structures.
17360	An employee of West Lothian Council	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	Existing services are pushed to the limit and reductions to management and admin could only be from services that are being reduced or stopped.	Social Policy Management and Support - management & admin support	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The approach to administrative support continues to focus on increased use of technology. Any further review of administrative support will be aligned with proposals for services being targeted to those most in need.
17361	An individual	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	Why are you not already doing this?	Social Policy Management and Support - management & admin support	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17362	An individual	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	There needs to be better consultation with front line workers and the opinions taken on board rather than decisions made at management level when they are remote from the coal face.	Social Policy Management and Support - management & admin support	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted and will be considered as part of any change to management structures.
17363	An individual	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	Again, streamline the management, not the workers.	Social Policy Management and Support - management & admin support	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted and will be considered as part of any change to management structures.
17364	An individual	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	False economy. reducing people & management does not reduce the amount of work you just end up spreading the load on to the remaining workforce. This caused stress and increases sickness and absence levels. Cut people cut services the short term cost saving is far outweighed by the long term knock on effect of higher unemployment, higher sickness and absence rates and it will be far more expensive to resolve in the long run.	Social Policy Management and Support - management & admin support	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Any changes to management structures will require to fully consider the impact on staff
17365	An individual	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	As stated previously, review of staffing to meet changes in social care services is necessary. .	Social Policy Management and Support - management & admin support	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted and will be considered as part of any change to management structures.
17366	An individual	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	some of them could go anyways but you have to be careful and not reduce staffing levels so far that those left cannot cope.	Social Policy Management and Support - management & admin support	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Any changes to management structures will require to fully consider the impact on staff
17367	An individual	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	far too many middle managers	Social Policy Management and Support - management & admin support	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted and will be considered as part of any change to management structures.
17368	An individual	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	I am all for reducing management AND minimising the time spent in meetings.	Social Policy Management and Support - management & admin support	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted and will be considered as part of any change to management structures.
17369	An employee of West Lothian Council	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	some LA in England have actually employed more admin staff, to make efficiencies and this has been really successful. I am worried about proposing to reduce admin further. SW time is mainly taken up with admin, it is ridiculous. We should be out supporting people, not in the office completing time consuming admin tasks.	Social Policy Management and Support - management & admin support	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The approach to administrative support continues to focus on increased use of technology. Any further review of administrative support will be aligned with proposals for services being targeted to those most in need.

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17370	An individual	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	2 Managers are employed in each unit. They leave every day before 4 - money could be saved if the management were more active in the units and not sitting in offices all day. If 1 manager worked day shift and 1 worked back shift it could reduce the no of staffing required.	Social Policy Management and Support - management & admin support	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your comment which will be considered as part of any service redesign
17371	An individual	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	Make managers more involved in day to day tasks	Social Policy Management and Support - management & admin support	4. The council is already doing this.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17372	An individual	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	Reduction in managers is better than reducing services.	Social Policy Management and Support - management & admin support	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted and will be considered as part of any change to management structures.
17373	No Response	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	Yes there seems to be a lot of middle ma agent of a lot of smaller teams	Social Policy Management and Support - management & admin support	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted and will be considered as part of any change to management structures.
17374	An individual	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	Whether it is possible to safely reduce management in Social Policy would require a full assessment of the capabilities of the current management systems. Over-stressing a management that is currently over committed may lead to catastrophic outcomes.	Social Policy Management and Support - management & admin support	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted and will be considered as part of any change to management structures.
17375	An employee of West Lothian Council	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	I work in social work and I feel there could be huge savings made by improved joint working between agencies out of hours. I spend a good deal of time [REDACTED] screening police referrals and following them up with ACAST and the police during office hours. These cases take a huge amount of police time out of hours. I would recommend health, social work and the police looking at jointly commissioning a crisis response service from the voluntary sector e.g. from someone like Penumbra who could replace the police and health always responding to mental health and addiction crises out of hours. Such intervention would also greatly reduce the cost of front line services dealing with these the next day.	Social Policy Management and Support - management & admin support	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	West Lothian has a proven track record of partnership working and would wish to build on this. Through integration it is expected that there would be less duplication and more streamlining of services.
17376	An individual	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	This is very important as we move forward due to the fact that there can be early intervention with Social Policy Teams to allow the service user/tenant/customer to get assistance in many other ways before it reaches crisis point and many management services can be implemented by input from front line staff.	Social Policy Management and Support - management & admin support	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17377	An individual	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	Admin duties being passed to staff result in less time doing their actual post.	Social Policy Management and Support - management & admin support	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The approach to administrative support continues to focus on increased use of technology. Any further review of administrative support will be aligned with proposals for services being targeted to those most in need.
17378	An individual	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	Management structures is something the council may find useful at reviewing	Social Policy Management and Support - management & admin support	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted and will be considered as part of any change to management structures.
17379	No Response	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	Again I believe that a review and possible reduction of management would be beneficial. I would be concerned again that a reduction in administration would result in more delays in placement	Social Policy Management and Support - management & admin support	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Any changes to management structures will require to fully consider the impact on service users.
17380	An employee of West Lothian Council	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	One form for all needs at different times in a persons life would help. People end up swimming in paperwork that says the same!	Social Policy Management and Support - management & admin support	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your comment which will be considered as part of any service redesign
17381	An individual	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	n. More hands on staff is needed and look at the role of managers Do we need as many managerso	Social Policy Management and Support - management & admin support	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted and will be considered as part of any change to management structures.

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17382	An individual	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	Reduction in management seems an easy saving. However it has been shown that it is ultimately difficult to effectively implement changes with insufficient management resources. It has also been shown that organisations with insufficient management resources are not able to effectively manage themselves and are less innovative and less efficient and therefore the result is a diminished and less effective service.	Social Policy Management and Support - management & admin support	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted and will be considered as part of any change to management structures.
17383	No Response	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	Management should be reduced & the savings used to employ more frontline staff.	Social Policy Management and Support - management & admin support	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17384	An individual	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	I do agree that social policy management is excessive. There are team managers for each area, which I think could be streamlined. Again though I think that administrative support is critical to the smooth running of teams, and to reduce that should be done carefully and with great consultation with teams.	Social Policy Management and Support - management & admin support	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is expected that by reducing waste in terms of duplication there will be economies to be made. This will allow more flexible working and opportunities to do things differently.
17385	No Response	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	I would stress that it is likely to need a change in organisational culture to change the administrative 'cover your back' attitude that is prevalent in the council. This is however, far too broad and ill defined to comment further.	Social Policy Management and Support - management & admin support	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17386	An employee of West Lothian Council	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	too many managers doing the same job that can be done by one.	Social Policy Management and Support - management & admin support	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted and will be considered as part of any change to management structures.
17387	No Response	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	I agree with streamlining administrative procedures sometimes basic is best	Social Policy Management and Support - management & admin support	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17388	An individual	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	Yes streamline the managers. Don't close places down and sacrifice frontline staff	Social Policy Management and Support - management & admin support	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17389	No Response	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	Reduce the number of senior level staff to save money.	Social Policy Management and Support - management & admin support	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17390	An individual	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	The likelihood is that management and administrative tasks will be added to the workload of those who should be delivering the service and detract from the time they have to do the work properly.	Social Policy Management and Support - management & admin support	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	It is expected that by reducing waste in terms of duplication there will be economies to be made. This will allow more flexible working and opportunities to do things differently.
17391	An individual	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	No problem there, investment should be in front line staff.	Social Policy Management and Support - management & admin support	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17392	An individual	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	Too many managers around on a day to day doing the same job - admin workers as well as cook and cleaners working full time is unnecessary and unnatural	Social Policy Management and Support - management & admin support	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17393	An individual	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	If management is reduced who will take on the responsibilities they leave behind?	Social Policy Management and Support - management & admin support	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Any changes to management structures will require to fully consider the impact on staff

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17394	An employee of West Lothian Council	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	Management needs to be cut and middle management as more assistant managers, managers and middle management within social policy.	Social Policy Management and Support - management & admin support	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted and will be considered as part of any change to management structures.
17395	An individual	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	Are the staff in this area not over stretched already without further cuts to services	Social Policy Management and Support - management & admin support	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Any changes to management structures will require to fully consider the impact on staff
17396	An individual	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	2 many mangers give them 2 u it's 2 run for there pay	Social Policy Management and Support - management & admin support	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17397	An individual	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	As before reducing management and admin services will not reduce the workload forcing the people left to pick up extra duties without extra pay! This causes staff stress and sickness, a reduction in productivity.	Social Policy Management and Support - management & admin support	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Any changes to management structures will require to fully consider the impact on staff
17398	An employee of West Lothian Council	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	Without people I don't feel this would get the same service as it should.	Social Policy Management and Support - management & admin support	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17399	No Response	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	Once again a reduction in staff	Social Policy Management and Support - management & admin support	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Any changes to management structures will require to fully consider the impact on staff
17400	An individual	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	Too much council red tape,,, steamline administration,, would save costs,,	Social Policy Management and Support - management & admin support	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17401	An individual	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	Terrible idea for all the reasons I have mentioned previously. Council washing their hands of the biggest challenge of the century.	Social Policy Management and Support - management & admin support	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17402	No Response	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	So the service is top heavy with management, that's because instead of designing services to meet the needs of customers they are designed to meet arbitrary performance measures that are more often than not a poor indicator of the quality of service provided. Outsourcing is generally perceived as a money saver to the detriment of service delivery.	Social Policy Management and Support - management & admin support	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted and will be considered as part of any change to management structures.
17403	An employee of West Lothian Council	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	Supported on the basis that activities do not fall to be carried out by more expensive staff resource.	Social Policy Management and Support - management & admin support	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17404	An individual	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	Again would be hoping that staff who are working within this area are not then stressed due to over commitment.	Social Policy Management and Support - management & admin support	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Any changes to management structures will require to fully consider the impact on staff
17405	An individual	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	I feel administration is at a low level of staffing. Workers already are using up more of their own time on admin duties. This will only further add to pressure and time away from other tasks attending to more admin duties.	Social Policy Management and Support - management & admin support	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Any changes to management structures will require to fully consider the impact on staff

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17406	An employee of West Lothian Council	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	There is too much time spent on paperwork and processes. We need to focus on the relationships and let people actually do their job.	Social Policy Management and Support - management & admin support	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is expected that by reducing waste in terms of duplication there will be economies to be made . This will allow more flexible working and opportunities to do things differently.
17407	An individual	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	All streamlining of management good. Takes a long time to change culture!!!	Social Policy Management and Support - management & admin support	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17408	No Response	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	Fewer managers and more hands in staff is worth looking at.	Social Policy Management and Support - management & admin support	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17409	An individual	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	Cut management	Social Policy Management and Support - management & admin support	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17410	An individual	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	reduce the chiefs and maximise the Indians. Sounds like something that should have been done a while ago	Social Policy Management and Support - management & admin support	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted and will be considered as part of any change to management structures.
17411	An individual	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	As previously mentioned management should be reduced from the top down. Too many people not fully aware of the crisis in care faced daily by staff and low level management making decisions which will have a huge impact on daily lives. A reality check is required.	Social Policy Management and Support - management & admin support	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted and will be considered as part of any change to management structures.
17412	No Response	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	Once again - get rid of anyone who doesn't contribute to providing a better service - this is what private sector organisations do - don't have an impact - get rid.	Social Policy Management and Support - management & admin support	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17413	An individual	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	Streamlining and Consolidation is great as long as can be managed	Social Policy Management and Support - management & admin support	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17414	An individual	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	From my limited experience, there seems to be numerous layers of managers in social work, this should be reduced.	Social Policy Management and Support - management & admin support	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted and will be considered as part of any change to management structures.
17415	No Response	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	Many parts of the Council have already had a management redesign and integration, and in Social Policy administrative support has been significantly reduced. Tasks that were previously done by Admin Support are now done by other staff which is impacting on their time and work.	Social Policy Management and Support - management & admin support	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	It is expected that by reducing waste in terms of duplication there will be economies to be made . This will allow more flexible working and opportunities to do things differently.
17416	An individual	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	I think it is important to ensure there are sufficient administrative support staff in place to do the work required. Instead of reducing the number of staff and expecting the remaining staff to do more work it would make sense to review the work being done and only doing what is essential and is admin work. Even if this means other non admin staff have to do what is currently considered admin work.	Social Policy Management and Support - management & admin support	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	It is expected that by reducing waste in terms of duplication there will be economies to be made . This will allow more flexible working and opportunities to do things differently.
17417	An employee of West Lothian Council	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	A reduction in administrative requirements is welcomed and a review of management	Social Policy Management and Support - management & admin support	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is expected that by reducing waste in terms of duplication there will be economies to be made . This will allow more flexible working and opportunities to do things differently.

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17418	An employee of West Lothian Council	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	Streamline the management tiers within social policy. This may speed up critical decisions.	Social Policy Management and Support - management & admin support	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted and will be considered as part of any change to management structures.
17419	An employee of West Lothian Council	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	Social Policy Admin should not be reduced this is a Vital service!!!	Social Policy Management and Support - management & admin support	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	It is expected that by reducing waste in terms of duplication there will be economies to be made . This will allow more flexible working and opportunities to do things differently.
17420	An individual	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	modern technology should help elevate the need for some excess admin staff ,	Social Policy Management and Support - management & admin support	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is expected that by reducing waste in terms of duplication there will be economies to be made . This will allow more flexible working and opportunities to do things differently.
17421	An individual	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	I feel this area needs to be streamlined. Too many people are unable or unwilling to change and develop services. Generally we are a forward thinking council but in this area we could improve.	Social Policy Management and Support - management & admin support	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17422	An employee of West Lothian Council	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	Not appropriate if it means spreading workload over fewer employees - must be based on genuine redesign and rationalisation.	Social Policy Management and Support - management & admin support	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17423	An employee of West Lothian Council	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	More staff cuts, increasing workload on staff that remain	Social Policy Management and Support - management & admin support	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Any changes to management structures will require to fully consider the impact on staff
17424	No Response	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	So long as this does not substantially change the service that we are providing then it seems ok. Substantial changes to well proven, successful and good practice examples should not be fundamentally changed unless to enhance.	Social Policy Management and Support - management & admin support	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17425	No Response	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	Management and administration are always targeted make sure you do a robust and detailed analysis to achieve your objectives	Social Policy Management and Support - management & admin support	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Any changes to management structures will require to fully consider the impact on staff
17426	An employee of West Lothian Council	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	Working in social policy, we have only recently received a full-time admin post (previously part-time). We struggled with admin support part-time and really benefit from having a full-time worker.	Social Policy Management and Support - management & admin support	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	It is expected that by reducing waste in terms of duplication there will be economies to be made . This will allow more flexible working and opportunities to do things differently.
17427	No Response	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	Steam lining - less opportunities for staff :(	Social Policy Management and Support - management & admin support	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17428	No Response	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	Agree that savings must come from admin / support services as the feeling is there is too much back office numbers in ratio to front line workers.	Social Policy Management and Support - management & admin support	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17429	An employee of West Lothian Council	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	The success of this will depend entirely on how the above plans are implemented. Reducing admin/paperwork is a good timesaver.	Social Policy Management and Support - management & admin support	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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17430	An employee of West Lothian Council	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	As stated previously, it is unwise to reduce the amount of admin staff unless significantly overstaffed. More and more work is expected of these staff and it is foolish to expect the business to run efficiently without them. Reducing management, as long as those taking up the slack (as someone will need to) will save money but again, the service must not suffer.	Social Policy Management and Support - management & admin support	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted and will be considered as part of any change to management structures.
17431	An employee of West Lothian Council	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	Can only hope that the change to staffing levels should in no way affect any services when handed over to their part partners.	Social Policy Management and Support - management & admin support	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17432	No Response	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	I believe money can always be saved in management and administration services as red tape and wasteful processes are always in existence.	Social Policy Management and Support - management & admin support	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17433	No Response	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	It would be helpful to reduce management lists , as 'too many cooks spoil the broth'.one person dealing with matters rather than going through several would be an improvement.	Social Policy Management and Support - management & admin support	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17434	An employee of West Lothian Council	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	It does appear that there are perhaps too many layers of management. Administration could also be more effectively delivered by working from the same pool of workers in the same location.	Social Policy Management and Support - management & admin support	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17435	An individual	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	Hopefully this will not mean job losses for care worker's which in turn may well lead to a reduction in the quality of services provided.	Social Policy Management and Support - management & admin support	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. The Council is committed to ensure a strong governance framework is in place to make sure quality is at the heart of service delivery.
17436	An individual	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	There seems to be a high level of 'management team' / roles created at higher levels; this makes sense to reduce higher paid employees where work is duplicated.	Social Policy Management and Support - management & admin support	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17437	An individual	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	Management and administrative reductions supported	Social Policy Management and Support - management & admin support	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17438	An individual	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	See previous comments re reduction in Admin support	Social Policy Management and Support - management & admin support	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Any changes to management structures will require to fully consider the impact on staff
17439	An employee of West Lothian Council	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	The admin review has caused resentment, huge uncertainty (2 years later some roles are still now sorted out!) and staff morale to be at an all-time low. New IT systems have been introduced but they have not made much saving time-wise and everyone is so busy that mistakes are being made. Where once admin worked well in their "own" team they are now amalgamated with other areas and have lost any sense of feeling valued. Again, this is not helped by being short staffed and being moved to buildings away from the colleagues you work most closely with.	Social Policy Management and Support - management & admin support	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17440	An individual	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	As WLC are drastically cutting the Social Care provision - then fully agree the total Management of the Social Care Group within the Council should be made redundant.	Social Policy Management and Support - management & admin support	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17441	An employee of West Lothian Council	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	The amount of management and administrative support functions has already been reduced in previous years. The workload is still the same so it only shifts those responsibilities onto other staff. In my opinion there's not a great scope for savings in this area.	Social Policy Management and Support - management & admin support	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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17442	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	Administration services have already been reviewed and reduced in Social Policy. The TUS see no scope for further reductions in this without having higher paid staff spending their time on administrative tasks.	Social Policy Management and Support - management & admin support	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	It is expected that by reducing waste in terms of duplication there will be economies to be made . This will allow more flexible working and opportunities to do things differently.
17443	An individual	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	Streamlining management should be ongoing	Social Policy Management and Support - management & admin support	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17444	An individual	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	Common sense admin savings are much needed - use recycled paper, print on both sides, don't have an extra sheet just for the signature, But a review of practices will probably cost more than the savings it recommends!	Social Policy Management and Support - management & admin support	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17445	An individual	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	Streamlining services, processes and consolidation makes perfect sense.	Social Policy Management and Support - management & admin support	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17446	An individual	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	Again, the impact of this on job loss? workload?	Social Policy Management and Support - management & admin support	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Any changes to management structures will require to fully consider the impact on staff
17447	An individual	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	Again, need to ensure reduction in Admin staff does not mean paying professional staff more to do admin tasks - Could experienced Social worker and admin support get through more work thereby needing less social workers?	Social Policy Management and Support - management & admin support	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	It is expected that by reducing waste in terms of duplication there will be economies to be made . This will allow more flexible working and opportunities to do things differently.
17448	An individual	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	It may be time to overhaul the system whereby there are less management and more actual workers	Social Policy Management and Support - management & admin support	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted and will be considered as part of any change to management structures.
17449	An individual	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	My only worry is that administration tasks will then fall on the shoulders of front line practitioners and current managers meaning you end up paying more in the long run for these tasks or other necessary work does not get done leaving people at risk. The systems need to come before the streamlining.	Social Policy Management and Support - management & admin support	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is expected that by reducing waste in terms of duplication there will be economies to be made . This will allow more flexible working and opportunities to do things differently.
17450	An employee of West Lothian Council	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	administration seems to get more complicated rather than easier	Social Policy Management and Support - management & admin support	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	It is expected that by reducing waste in terms of duplication there will be economies to be made . This will allow more flexible working and opportunities to do things differently.
17451	An employee of West Lothian Council	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	Social Workers are already very thinly spread. Reduction in staff in this area could be very problematic in that we have many statutory duties that are fulfilled by Social Work. I do not believe this is an area that can afford to be subject to reduction in staff, especially in areas such as child protection.	Social Policy Management and Support - management & admin support	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17452	An employee of West Lothian Council	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	Too many managers	Social Policy Management and Support - management & admin support	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17453	An individual	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	Providing the changes do not see social workers with additional admin workloads and subsequently impact on the ,level of care.	Social Policy Management and Support - management & admin support	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Any changes to structures will require to fully consider the impact on staff

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17454	No Response	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	this was discreaseful too take resorces away as this has affected us all as wee cant get the support wee needed this had a hug effect on a lot off people needing more suppoer a say bring back more staff asap	Social Policy Management and Support - management & admin support	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17455	An employee of West Lothian Council	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	Management in social care is vital in the role of looking after resident and staff	Social Policy Management and Support - management & admin support	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17456	An individual	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	Money should be saved by looking at those positions at the top who cost more to pay and this will have a lessor impact on people using services	Social Policy Management and Support - management & admin support	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17457	An individual	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	Agreed - enough admin staff should be retained to process tasks. Rationalisation should be in reduction in management	Social Policy Management and Support - management & admin support	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. Any changes to management structures will require to fully consider the impact on the service.
17458	An employee of West Lothian Council	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	For Social Policy to save money: (1) proportion of team managers to frontline staff e.g. in Social Work Older Peoples Team is wrong. Too many team managers - compare to neighbouring councils. (2) Some Housing with Care developments have low numbers e.g. 15 tenants or 20 tenants. Staff do all paperwork managers could manage 2 units. (3) In Care Packages Care providers phone in Duty and get Care Packages increased without question.	Social Policy Management and Support - management & admin support	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17459	An employee of West Lothian Council	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	There has been little successful integration of health and social policy despite the timescales and resource involved. Management in social policy needs a complete overhaul.	Social Policy Management and Support - management & admin support	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17460	An individual	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	Efficiency is good but good management is of top importance	Social Policy Management and Support - management & admin support	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Any changes to management structures will require to fully consider the impact on staff
17461	An employee of West Lothian Council	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	Reducing all the above will reduce the workload on the social work link . This will be likely unnoticed in Adult areas but dangerous for children, this needs more thought	Social Policy Management and Support - management & admin support	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Any changes to management structures will require to fully consider the impact on staff
17462	An employee of West Lothian Council	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	Social Policy still has an additional layer of management which is at odds with the rest of the council which strives to have a flatter structure. Perhaps this could be addressed!!	Social Policy Management and Support - management & admin support	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted and will be considered as part of any change to management structures.
17463	An individual	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	Streamling management would be a great saving to ensure those on the front-line are preserved to provide essential services.	Social Policy Management and Support - management & admin support	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted and will be considered as part of any change to management structures.
17464	An individual	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	Presumably this will include 'managerial roles' as well as 'on the ground workers.'	Social Policy Management and Support - management & admin support	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted and will be considered as part of any change to management structures.
17465	An individual	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	Too many managers in social policy. This should be reduced and savings could be made.	Social Policy Management and Support - management & admin support	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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17466	An individual	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	The council has too many managers so agree with this proposal	Social Policy Management and Support - management & admin support	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17467	An individual	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	If the workforce as a whole is being looked at then this should include management positions.	Social Policy Management and Support - management & admin support	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17468	An individual	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	Again any reduction in support services leads to qualified staff not being able to focus on the tasks they are employed to do, resulting in a less efficient service and a greater reputational risk to the council and risk to service users	Social Policy Management and Support - management & admin support	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Any changes to management structures will require to fully consider the impact on staff
17469	An individual	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	Streamline health and social care Blazers doing the same job and save a fortune! Get rid of multi layers of office based middle management	Social Policy Management and Support - management & admin support	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17470	An employee of West Lothian Council	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	I think management and administrative tasks need to be looked at	Social Policy Management and Support - management & admin support	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17471	An individual	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	The management in this area needs a complete overhaul. Huge savings could be made if the right people were given full scope in this area and this would avoid a lot of savings having to be made in other areas that are operating efficiently.	Social Policy Management and Support - management & admin support	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17472	An employee of West Lothian Council	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	As in any council service, I am sure that management and administrative staff are employed over the expense of hard working grassroots workers.	Social Policy Management and Support - management & admin support	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17473	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	Social policy has already streamlined administrative requirements and we would be interested to know how we plan to streamline them further. No information required.	Social Policy Management and Support - management & admin support	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	It is expected that by reducing waste in terms of duplication there will be economies to be made. This will allow more flexible working and opportunities to do things differently.
17474	An individual	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	Appears to be top heavy in management in social policy. Social workers and field workers not being replaced but service continues with the same amount of managers, managing less staff. managers could be distributed more evenly to assist other services, rather than employ new managers.	Social Policy Management and Support - management & admin support	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17475	An individual	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	Does appear to be currently too many managers within social policy services, their management skills could be used throughout the council and not just within social policy.	Social Policy Management and Support - management & admin support	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17476	An employee of West Lothian Council	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	I would agree that streamlining of internal processes would be very beneficial. A review of the management structure would be good, but we must also recognise that we are already expected to do so much more with so much less. This reduction and slimming down needs to be balanced against increased risk and responsibilities placed on staff with on going limitation in resources that have to be managed as well. I do not believe that admin requirements can be streamlined anymore in our area of social policy, it is already only skin and bones. Staff burnout remains a real risk that has to be considered as even a streamlined workforce will not benefit from consistent and on going sickness absences.	Social Policy Management and Support - management & admin support	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Any changes to management structures will require to fully consider the impact on staff.
17477	An individual	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	Reducing layers of management and administration is only acceptable if the frontline workers do not have to take on more admin work	Social Policy Management and Support - management & admin support	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Any changes to management structures will require to fully consider the impact on staff

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17478	An employee of West Lothian Council	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	reduction, streamling and consolodation shopuld be proportionate. Social policy are one of the most heavily relied upon resources of the council and have significant legal obligations they must fulfill. We need to be sure that we ar not reducing staff that will negatively impact upon that delivery.	Social Policy Management and Support - management & admin support	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Any changes to management structures will require to fully consider the impact on staff
17479	No Response	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	There appears to be a lot of managers in post only managing 2 or 3 people which surely could be cut down to be more cost effective In social policy, there are a lot of OT managers, whereby taking staff off frontline and preventing people from being seen	Social Policy Management and Support - management & admin support	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17480	An employee of West Lothian Council	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	Greater partnership working with NHS to share FM resources.	Social Policy Management and Support - management & admin support	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17481	An employee of West Lothian Council	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	Working within social policy it is clear to see there appears to be too many managers at this time in post this was not the case in the past only over recent years has this happened managers do not have as may staff to manage. (particularly within OT service)	Social Policy Management and Support - management & admin support	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17482	An individual	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	Partnership is the way to go, but who will be the main partner	Social Policy Management and Support - management & admin support	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17483	An individual	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	This has already been slimmed down. This will bite into service provision	Social Policy Management and Support - management & admin support	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17484	An employee of West Lothian Council	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	This is always one of the most obvious areas to rationalise. The current structures have been circumstantial and without an overarching management plan.	Social Policy Management and Support - management & admin support	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17485	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	Has an equality impact assessment been carried out for each of the budget proposals? It is essential that this is done at the earliest opportunity in order to assess what the impact will be on those in the protected characteristics groups and those already experiencing disadvantage.	Social Policy Management and Support - management & admin support	4. The council is already doing this.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. This consultation is the first stage of the process to enable the council to develop a five year plan. Detailed proposals will be worked up following the outcome of this consultation.
17486	An employee of West Lothian Council	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	in agreement with streamlining the departments, merging different departments means works will all be carried out under one roof so to speak.	Social Policy Management and Support - management & admin support	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17487	An individual	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	Is this jobs again? What were the eight priorities?	Social Policy Management and Support - management & admin support	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17488	An employee of West Lothian Council	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	Again admin savings would be acceptable.	Social Policy Management and Support - management & admin support	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17489	An individual	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	I agree with this to a point. Streamlining of staff across the council is essential and making sure that those who work on an outreach basis are working as effectively as they should and not nipping home for visits or grabbing their shopping during working hours, all things I have seen first hand. However reducing the number of day care centres and social hubs for older people shouldn't be included in this.	Social Policy Management and Support - management & admin support	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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17490	An employee of West Lothian Council	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	Inevitably reduced service provision requires reduced management and support.	Social Policy Management and Support - management & admin support	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17491	An individual	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	Top heavy management	Social Policy Management and Support - management & admin support	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17492	An individual	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	This would appear to be looking at job losses. I would be sorry if this happened.	Social Policy Management and Support - management & admin support	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17493	No Response	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	Further savings could be achieved by more fully integrating, streamlining and rationalising the management of health and social care services, as opposed to continuing with two separate management structures under the direction of one integrated management post. The same principle should be applied to as many back office and business support functions for these services as possible.	Social Policy Management and Support - external partners	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	West Lothian has a proven track record of partnership working and would wish to build on this. Through integration it is expected that there would be less duplication and more streamlining of services.
17494	An individual	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	Integrating with other partners is a good idea	Social Policy Management and Support - external partners	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	West Lothian has a proven track record of partnership working and would wish to build on this.
17495	An individual	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	agreed particularly. Healthy eating etc should go to Health Scotland	Social Policy Management and Support - external partners	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your comment which will be considered as part of any service redesign
17496	An individual	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	It is important to keep local services informed when integration with other partners takes place. Otherwise local issues ,which are important, can be ignored.	Social Policy Management and Support - external partners	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	West Lothian has a proven track record of partnership working and would wish to build on this. Through integration it is expected that there would be less duplication and more streamlining of services.
17497	No Response	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	Integration with partners seems ambiguous. May or may not be possible, depending on what you mean?	Social Policy Management and Support - external partners	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	West Lothian has a proven track record of partnership working and would wish to build on this. Through integration it is expected that there would be less duplication and more streamlining of services.
17498	An individual	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	What partners?	Social Policy Management and Support - external partners	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17499	An individual	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	Would prefer to be having the choice of Council provision or partner provision. We are very much being forced into the private / voluntary sector. Not much choice for the customer.	Social Policy Management and Support - external partners	5b. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it is likely that the costs of this proposal would outweigh the benefit.	West Lothian has a proven track record of partnership working and would wish to build on this.
17500	An employee of West Lothian Council	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	Opportunities to integrate further with partners - surely there is a cost associated with this ?	Social Policy Management and Support - external partners	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	West Lothian has a proven track record of partnership working and would wish to build on this. Through integration it is expected that there would be less duplication and more streamlining of services.
17501	An individual	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	Integrating further with partners alludes to profit oriented external providers yet again.	Social Policy Management and Support - external partners	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	It is expected that by reducing waste in terms of duplication there will be economies to be made . This will allow more flexible working and opportunities to do things differently.
17502	An individual	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	I would like to know more about the "partners" talked about. Is this hospital, psychiatric services, Macmillan Cancer services, etc.	Social Policy Management and Support - external partners	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	West Lothian Council works with a range of partner agencies and commissioned providers. It is expected that by reducing waste in terms of duplication there will be economies to be made . This will allow more flexible working and opportunities to do things differently

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17503	An individual	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	THIS IS AN IMPORTANT AREA AND THE COUNCIL NEED TO MAKE MORE USE OF VOLUNTARY GROUPS TO SUPPORT HEALTH CARE AND CONSIDER GIVING GRANTS TO THEM TO HELP WITH THIS WORK	Social Policy Management and Support - external partners	4. The council is already doing this.	The Health and Social Care joint strategic commissioning plans are about planning and delivering services and support for people. Through strategic needs assessments we can identify the needs of individuals and communities, enabling people to decide what will best address those needs, and through working together with agencies put the right services and support in place
17504	An individual	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	I FEEL STRONGLY THAT THE EXISTING SUCCESSFUL WORK AT THESE CENTRES SHOULD BE LEFT ALONE AND LOOK FOR MORE WAYS THROUGH VOLUNTART GROUPS TO MAXIMISE GREATER USE OF CENTRES FOR MANY COMMUNITY INITIATIVES	Social Policy Management and Support - external partners	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Health and Social Care joint strategic commissioning plans are about planning and delivering services and support for people. Through strategic needs assessments we can identify the needs of individuals and communities, enabling people to decide what will best address those needs, and through working together with agencies put the right services and support in place
17505	An individual	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	No because you are not yet working effectively as an IJB. Please don't blame older and disabled people for the local tax burden. In addition many families such as mine are already saving councils across Scotland money by providing informal care to family members. I	Social Policy Management and Support - external partners	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council is working with NHS Lothian on a wide reaching Frailty Programme to maximise patient pathways and redesign access to community based services
17506	An individual	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	We are going to have a recruitment problem after Brexit getting the minimum wage staff to work in social care. Costs will go up for front end staff. "integrating with partners" is outsourcing. Outsourcing will be awarded on cost. Low cost comes at a price. Be very careful what you wish for if you end up in one of those facilities that focus on economy and not well being.	Social Policy Management and Support - external partners	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council is committed to ensure a strong governance framework is in place to make sure quality is at the heart of service delivery from external partners
17507	An individual	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	Not happy with the use of money making"partners"	Social Policy Management and Support - external partners	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council is committed to ensure a strong governance framework is in place to make sure quality is at the heart of service delivery from external partners
17508	No Response	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	Another step that sounds positive. Care needs to be taken not to give too much power to private sector who could then increase charges without resistance.	Social Policy Management and Support - external partners	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The Council is committed to ensure a strong governance framework is in place to make sure quality is at the heart of service delivery from external partners
17509	An individual	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	I don't have much confidence on partners you presently use	Social Policy Management and Support - external partners	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	The Council is committed to ensure a strong governance framework is in place to make sure quality is at the heart of service delivery from external partners
17510	An individual	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	Can details of this plan be published for interested parties to view electronically and/or hardcopy? Partnerships can be invaluable, when agreements are measurable and full funded.	Social Policy Management and Support - external partners	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. This consultation is the first stage of the process to enable the council to develop a five year plan. Detailed proposals will be worked up following the outcome of this consultation.
17511	An individual	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	Better partnership working and merged teams would help with this and provide a better overall service reducing costs and making best use out of services.	Social Policy Management and Support - external partners	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17512	An individual	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	I agree, but the contractual arrangements need to be watertight.	Social Policy Management and Support - external partners	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17513	An employee of West Lothian Council	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	Again 'integrate with partners'. Do these partners have sufficient resources to take on those parts of the services that the Council either downgrades or close down. What about their employees - do they have the same safeguards to their jobs as Council employees. Are they being paid at the same level.	Social Policy Management and Support - external partners	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	West Lothian has a proven track record of partnership working and would wish to build on this. Through integration it is expected that there would be less duplication and more streamlining of services.
17514	An individual	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	Who are these partners? By streamlining do you mean job losses? If so please start at the top not the bottom.	Social Policy Management and Support - external partners	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	West Lothian has a proven track record of partnership working and would wish to build on this. Through integration it is expected that there would be less duplication and more streamlining of services.

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17515	An individual	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	Partnering is a good idea, as long as quality is not compromised	Social Policy Management and Support - external partners	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. The Council is committed to ensure a strong governance framework is in place to make sure quality is at the heart of service delivery.
17516	No Response	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	See above comments in relation to external providers. This can often result in increased expenditure and a failure to have any oversight of how services are being implemented.	Social Policy Management and Support - external partners	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council is committed to ensure a strong governance framework is in place to make sure quality is at the heart of service delivery from external partners
17517	An employee of West Lothian Council	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	What changes are being proposed other than closures and pushing the services out to the private sector? If this is done, presumably staff currently employed by the council will have no role and will have to be let go. The second sentence is yet another example of empty management speak.	Social Policy Management and Support - external partners	4. The council is already doing this.	The Health and Social Care joint strategic commissioning plans are about planning and delivering services and support for people. Through strategic needs assessments we can identify the needs of individuals and communities, enabling people to decide what will best address those needs, and through working together with agencies put the right services and support in place
17518	An individual	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	Perhaps cost efficiency but surely not the on-going quality of services? Your partners are in business for profit, if these agencies end up running more and more management and administration the dependency will grow and could be difficult to unwind if things do not go well. I think.	Social Policy Management and Support - external partners	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Council is committed to ensure a strong governance framework is in place to make sure quality is at the heart of service delivery from external partners
17519	An individual	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	Does this mean giving more money to external companies? Why is it not being kept within council? The only way external organisations can provide a cheaper service is by paying their staff lower wages. For council to accept that is wrong.	Social Policy Management and Support - external partners	4. The council is already doing this.	The Council is committed to ensure a strong governance framework is in place to make sure quality is at the heart of service delivery from external partners
17520	No Response	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	to minimise the outsourcing to private care homes, if we take these on board we would most likely save money instead of paying private firms to do this.	Social Policy Management and Support - external partners	5b. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it is likely that the costs of this proposal would outweigh the benefit.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17521	An employee of West Lothian Council	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	Who are the partners? How will this save money? Look at the PPP schools - they are just interested in making money and not fixing problems when they occur.	Social Policy Management and Support - external partners	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17522	An individual	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	I think this could be a shared service at the policy level but not the operational level	Social Policy Management and Support - external partners	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17523	No Response	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	Some areas of the Council are fabulous are working in partnership with 3rd sector / voluntary organisations and other partners but unfortunately a number of Council services are very precious with their work load and 'clients' and if this continues due to the savings it once again will be to the detriment to the individuals and families.	Social Policy Management and Support - external partners	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17524	An individual	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	If integrating with 'partners' means private companies I fail to see how savings will be made. No service that switches from public to private shows any savings over the long term. Costs invariably increase and quality suffers. So how can this save money?	Social Policy Management and Support - external partners	4. The council is already doing this.	West Lothian has a proven track record of partnership working and would wish to build on this.
17525	No Response	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	Is moving to external agencies in order to provide services really cost effective or is it a matter of money saving verses quality	Social Policy Management and Support - external partners	4. The council is already doing this.	The proposal is to ensure that all externally commissioned services are also targeted to people with the highest level of need.
17526	An individual	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	Who are these partners you talk about and how much do their services cost over what it costs the council?	Social Policy Management and Support - external partners	4. The council is already doing this.	It is expected that by reducing waste in terms of duplication there will be economies to be made . This will allow more flexible working and opportunities to do things differently.
17527	No Response	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	Watch people who require the services don't get priced out and are cast aside. External services may be all about their own profits.	Social Policy Management and Support - external partners	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17528	An employee of West Lothian Council	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	Again, this refers to staff reductions. What are the opportunities to integrate further with which partners?	Social Policy Management and Support - external partners	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	It is expected that by reducing waste in terms of duplication there will be economies to be made . This will allow more flexible working and opportunities to do things differently.

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17529	An employee of West Lothian Council	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	This is meaningless, what further integration with partners? There has been no evidence of this so far or that any attempts at restructuring have led to any improvement in service delivery or outcomes.	Social Policy Management and Support - external partners	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	It is expected that by reducing waste in terms of duplication there will be economies to be made . This will allow more flexible working and opportunities to do things differently.
17530	An individual	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	There must be quality contractual and supplier management in place for services delivered by partner organisations.	Social Policy Management and Support - external partners	4. The council is already doing this.	The proposal is to ensure that all externally commissioned services are also targeted to people with the highest level of need.
17531	An individual	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	Concerns about the capacity of partners	Social Policy Management and Support - external partners	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	It is expected that by reducing waste in terms of duplication there will be economies to be made . This will allow more flexible working and opportunities to do things differently.
17532	An individual	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	as above, are external partners providing a quality same service cheaper?	Social Policy Management and Support - external partners	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. The Council is committed to ensure a strong governance framework is in place to make sure quality is at the heart of service delivery from external partners
17533	An employee of West Lothian Council	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	Integration with partners needs to be handled carefully (for the reasons detailed above).	Social Policy Management and Support - external partners	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is expected that by reducing waste in terms of duplication there will be economies to be made . This will allow more flexible working and opportunities to do things differently.
17534	An individual	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	Efficiency Yes ... Turn them into a coop or Mutual and let them trade if they are any good ... integrate with partners sounds like privatisation	Social Policy Management and Support - external partners	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17535	An individual	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	Will said reviews be done by WLC employees or will fees be paid to external consultants (to come back with the answers the WLC management want!)?	Social Policy Management and Support - external partners	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17536	An individual	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	See my response to 1a. - In principle I support measures that ensure spend is directed to things happening rather than supporting an administrative machine. Integration within the Council and with its partner organisations should be beneficial as it would represent an opportunity to address silos and related ways of thinking that reduce efficiency and effectiveness.	Social Policy Management and Support - external partners	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17537	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	██████████ would like to maximise the opportunities for partnership working, in family learning, early years, play provision and childcare for our most vulnerable families. Across the sector we have the expertise and relationships with local people and the wider community, to continue to deliver best practice and reduce any opportunities for duplication, thus delivering best value for all. ██████████ is a net generator of income to West Lothian. Investment from West Lothian Council has been essential to leverage in other monies, which is unique to the Third Sector and it has delivered significant added value to our public pound. This additional income for our communities and its people has, however, been dependant on the stability of Council's core investment. It has also provided a strong foundation for ██████████ to be enterprising and the organisation generates significant amounts of additional income for the area through targeted fees, contracts and agreements. Over the last 2 years, Council funding for all of ██████████ work was only 42% of income. Over £219k (20%) was able to be levered into the community/project, through charitable grants and nearly £380k (38%) was generated income. Council's investment was key to facilitating this additional income generation, as it provided a secure base to build upon and was also used as match funding and/or demonstrated a trust & commitment to other potential funders. ██████████ has established itself as a key Third Sector strategic partner in West Lothian. It has a valued role representing the sector on the CPP's Children and Families Strategic Planning Group, Early Intervention and Prevention Working Group, was instrumental in designing and delivering West Lothian's Play Strategy and Action Plan, is Chair of West Lothian's Third Sector Strategy Group, was workstream lead on the CPP's integrated Children's Services Plan, and lead the highly successful Supporting Families Public Social Partnership. All of this adds value to West Lothian and considerably strengthens its partnership working.	Social Policy Management and Support - external partners	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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17538	An employee of West Lothian Council	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	I would also like to point out that in social work, we hand delivery assessment and care plans to nursing homes on a daily basis which is time consuming and costly. Staff time, petrol. this is hugely ineffective and this practice is out of date and should as a matter of urgency be looked at. Emailing care homes with the documentation should be allowed and encouraged to enable swift and effective communication.	Social Policy Management and Support - mobile & flexible working	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted and will be considered as part of a review of internal processes.
17539	An individual	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	Consolidating processes and working better with partners to deliver a much improved service can only be a good thing, if done properly and with appropriate governance, review and analysis of outcomes.	Social Policy Management and Support - mobile & flexible working	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	West Lothian has a proven track record of partnership working and would wish to build on this.
17540	An employee of West Lothian Council	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	Again, this seems good and the right way forward but we don't want to lose the personal input.	Social Policy Management and Support - mobile & flexible working	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17541	An employee of West Lothian Council	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	New technology to help SW become more efficient - smart phones with text to type technology, would save a huge amount of time, which could lead to better case management and shorter waiting lists	Social Policy Management and Support - mobile & flexible working	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted and will be considered as part of a review of internal processes.
17542	An employee of West Lothian Council	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	now adults is integrated with health, my visits out of the office have reduced slightly, so more joined up working, reduces costs.	Social Policy Management and Support - mobile & flexible working	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	West Lothian has a proven track record of partnership working and would wish to build on this. Through integration it is expected that there would be less duplication and more streamlining of services.
17543	An employee of West Lothian Council	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	Agree, technology should be utilised to reduce admin costs.	Social Policy Management and Support - mobile & flexible working	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17544	An employee of West Lothian Council	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	Older Adults Social Work - We are still hand delivering assessment and care plan paperwork using pool cars when a secure email connection/password protected system could be used. We are still using carbon copy paper financial schedules and posting several copies of the same signed schedule to various parties involved including client, the care home and social policy team.	Social Policy Management and Support - mobile & flexible working	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17545	An individual	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	Can you be more open and clarify what this means , is this making staff redundant.	Social Policy Management and Support (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17546	An individual	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	Looking at the issue of staff receiving free lunches /allowances at Learning Disability Day Centres and Residential Units. Service users are often on minimum benefits but are required to pay for meals whilst staff who are being paid in any case receive free meals, teas and coffee.	Social Policy Management and Support (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your comment which will be considered as part of any service redesign
17547	An individual	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	I am not sure what "opportunities to integrate further with partners will be progressed" actually means. Again this sadly will adversely affect the most vulnerable people.	Social Policy Management and Support (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	The Health and Social Care joint strategic commissioning plans are about planning and delivering services and support for people. Through strategic needs assessments we can identify the needs of individuals and communities, enabling people to decide what will best address those needs, and through working together with agencies put the right services and support in place
17548	An employee of West Lothian Council	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	Again streamlining services is a good idea as long as staffing numbers are not cut before the admin services and the processes are reviewed and improved.	Social Policy Management and Support (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17549	An employee of West Lothian Council	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	START ON SOCIAL POLICY OUT OF HOURS WHOSE ALLOWANCE IS ANOMOLOUS WITH THE COUNCIL;'S STRUCTIURE FOR EVERY OTHER SERVICE.	Social Policy Management and Support (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	A standard approach to terms and conditions will be considered as part of any organisational change
17550	An employee of West Lothian Council	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	SEE ABOVE, CEASE LOCAL OUT OF HOURS PROVISION AND DEAL WEITH IT ON A JONT COUNCIL BASIS	Social Policy Management and Support (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	A review of out of hours will consider all options, including the potential for joint working with other partners
17551	An employee of West Lothian Council	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	In other words more work for less people . It may work till you have an increased level of work related stress absences.	Social Policy Management and Support (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Any changes to management structures will require to fully consider the impact on staff

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17552	An employee of West Lothian Council	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	Social care services have to become much leaner and cost effective	Social Policy Management and Support (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	West Lothian has a proven track record of partnership working and would wish to build on this. Through integration it is expected that there would be less duplication and more streamlining of services.
17553	An employee of West Lothian Council	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	Please refer to previous comment on staff reduction.	Social Policy Management and Support (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17554	An individual	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	as long as no one suffers as a result of this	Social Policy Management and Support (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17555	An employee of West Lothian Council	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	Any changes that can streamline processes and make savings for the council must and should be pursued.	Social Policy Management and Support (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	West Lothian has a proven track record of partnership working and would wish to build on this. Through integration it is expected that there would be less duplication and more streamlining of services.
17556	An individual	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	WLC already fail in this area and this will make it worse	Social Policy Management and Support (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17557	No Response	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	Instead of having working kitchens in each development - have a central kitchen to make meals for the service as a whole and deliver daily - negating the need for kitchen staffing and associated costs. Or provide 1 main meal at lunch time over 7 days and a snack meal for tea time delivered in packed lunch fashion - reducing the kitchen staffing hours by half.	Social Policy Management and Support (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your comment which will be considered as part of any service redesign
17558	An individual	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	A sensible approach to 2a, b and c would be more integration of these services with the NHS. GP services in the Council area are under tremendous stress and this has not been helped by increases in the number of residents in some areas. In East Calder priority has been given to a new building for leisure services whereas it is arguable that the real priority is to expand the existing GP health centre, which cannot cope with the number of residents from new housing development.	Social Policy Management and Support (general)	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17559	An employee of West Lothian Council	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	employing a handyman for the housing with care and care home buildings I feel would reduce costs as some of the repairs we require in housing with care are minor (light bulb replacement , blocked toilets , minor building repairs , garden maintenance) all of which have to be reported by email to property helpdesk and are then allocated to the various tradesmen , this is time consuming and we sometimes have to wait a few days for the repair and they don't always require a qualified tradesman	Social Policy Management and Support (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your comment which will be considered as part of any service redesign
17560	An employee of West Lothian Council	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	As a manager within housing with care we provide 2 meals - 2 courses each meal -per day to tenants - which they pay Â£35 per week , we have to employ cooks and catering assistants to cook and clean , 365 days per year. If a "packed lunch " similar to what we can pick up in a supermarket i.e. sandwich or roll , crisps or cake or fruit, and a drink could be made centrally and distributed around the developments to be given out by staff we could reduce the kitchen staffing hours substantially ,	Social Policy Management and Support (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your comment which will be considered as part of any service redesign
17561	No Response	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	Good idea as long as it does not lead to unemployment	Social Policy Management and Support (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17562	No Response	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	Increase the rate for the locum bureau staff working in social policy particularly for weekend working and pay them (Locum bureau) weekly , as currently they have to wait up to 8-9 weeks to get paid for a shift i.e if they do a shift at beginning of the month they need to wait till end of next month for payment .They also only get a flat rate of pay regardless what hours / days they work (apart from nightshift) Perhaps if a small enhancement was paid we would be able to cover more shifts as opposed to covering the shifts with overtime which is much more expensive	Social Policy Management and Support (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your comment which will be considered as part of a review of the out of hours service
17563	An individual	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	"review and reduce management and administrative requirements. As well as streamlining and consolidating internal processes to make efficiency savings" - Sounds like job losses.	Social Policy Management and Support (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17564	An individual	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	Too many managers who don't make effective decisions	Social Policy Management and Support (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your comment which will be considered as part of any management restructure
17565	An individual	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	It seems to me you are concentrating too much on children and youth services. What about the increasing needs of older people	Social Policy Management and Support (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	Work will continue to focus on those who are most vulnerable and have additional needs.

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17566	An individual	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	Savings have been made within social policy with deputies not being replaced and the needs of the service and service users still need to be met with fewer staff and less management.	Social Policy Management and Support (general)	5b. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it is likely that the costs of this proposal would outweigh the benefit.	Any changes to structures will require to fully consider the impact on staff
17567	An individual	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	perhaps 1 or 2 managers could oversee all of the departments ie housing with care 1 manager for all development, residential and day care the same taking the old mantle of service provisions manager but no middle man	Social Policy Management and Support (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your comment which will be considered as part of any service redesign
17568	An employee of West Lothian Council	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	From the little contact I have had with Social policy, their tenders have a lot of duplication in them and more need for electronic evaluation.	Social Policy Management and Support (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted and will be considered as part of a review of internal processes.
17569	An individual	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	Support proposal to centralise and amalgamate services as is seen in all industries to manage costs and savings.	Social Policy Management and Support (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your comment which will be considered as part of any service redesign
17570	An employee of West Lothian Council	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	if the council had more full time staff and less agency particularly in the care homes surely this would save money in the long run at the moment. permanent staff feel very stressed with this and under valued if a reduction in agency staff could be managed by more permanent workers it would reduce stress amongst staff and their service users and there would be less staff sickness to off set agency use as well	Social Policy Management and Support (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your comment which will be considered as part of any service redesign
17571	An individual	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	agreed - savings should be targeted from streamlining business processes and relying on technology to support modernised business processes	Social Policy Management and Support (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted and will be considered as part of a review of internal processes.
17572	An employee of West Lothian Council	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	review recording system (AIS), as current one too slow, again if this is improved, would help social work and other teams that use this more efficient	Social Policy Management and Support (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted and will be considered as part of a review of internal processes.
17573	An individual	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	Ask the current staff in social policy roles what would make their part of the service more effective	Social Policy Management and Support (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	All stakeholders are being asked to participate in the consultation
17574	An employee of West Lothian Council	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	ok if unions can reach agreement	Social Policy Management and Support (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17575	An employee of West Lothian Council	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	It is a very big saving to achieve from a review of management and admin!	Social Policy Management and Support (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted and will be considered as part of any change to management structures.
17576	An employee of West Lothian Council	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	Thus adding to frontline staff's already heavy work load.	Social Policy Management and Support (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17577	An individual	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	How much are Council officers actively involved in looking at streamlining and improving provision? Or is this a top down consultation. Sometimes those making key decisions do not have sufficient detailed knowledge to make them and certainly no understanding of possible negative side effects.	Social Policy Management and Support (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	All stakeholders are being asked to participate in the consultation
17578	An employee of West Lothian Council	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	Cost every meeting by any/everyone in council. Review this against action outputs and impact and then get rid of managers systems that are not demonstrably contributing to immediate (positive) outputs for citizens. Maybe useful to revisit 'organisation theory' and consider the organic systems that WLC risk destroying. What assessment of service impact has been taken to establish the loss of service arising from 'employees working ONLY to contracted hours/work to rule'?	Social Policy Management and Support (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	All council officers have a responsibility to ensure that they work as efficiently as possible. The example the respondent has provided, about meetings, is a good example of where officers are empowered to manage their time as effectively as possible
17579	An employee of West Lothian Council	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	This would mean more workload and stress for staff and therefore many cases would not be dealt with properly.	Social Policy Management and Support (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Any changes to management structures will require to fully consider the impact on staff
17580	An employee of West Lothian Council	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	No one who needs care should be without care or support. No matter their age	Social Policy Management and Support (general)	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Thank you for your comments which has been noted as a general observation although not relevant to the question about management and support.
17581	An individual	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	Makes sense if it would NOT impact on service provision	Social Policy Management and Support (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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17582	No Response	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	Social care is very important.	Social Policy Management and Support (general)	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Thank you for your comments which has been noted as a general observation although not relevant to the question about management and support.
17583	An employee of West Lothian Council	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	I agree we need to look at the Social Services because there is a lot of slacking in this service	Social Policy Management and Support (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17584	No Response	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	Social services are a mess	Social Policy Management and Support (general)	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17585	An employee of West Lothian Council	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	Makes sense - as long as the reductions are made in-line with the bigger picture and doesn't leave the remaining staff short on the ground.	Social Policy Management and Support (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is expected that by reducing waste in terms of duplication there will be economies to be made . This will allow more flexible working and opportunities to do things differently.
17586	An individual	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	It's important that you do not overload the Social workers with case work. We have seen negative outcomes as a result of this in other organisation regions.	Social Policy Management and Support (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Any changes to management structures will require to fully consider the impact on staff
17587	No Response	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	Agree.. but how are you going to achieve this? Very generalised statement.	Social Policy Management and Support (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17588	An individual	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	Again, sounds like burdens are being placed elsewhere	Social Policy Management and Support (general)	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17589	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	What does this saving mean? Again we have insufficient information relating to the specifics of this saving to make an informed decision on who this will affect and how. Has an equality impact assessment been completed for this saving? Who does this affect? how many people and at what level and how will this then impact on service delivery?	Social Policy Management and Support (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. This consultation is the first stage of the process to enable the council to develop a five year plan. Detailed proposals will be worked up following the outcome of this consultation.
17590	An individual	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	Again, as above. Decision makers have to be able to review things for themselves. Not to be given figures by departmental heads but to actually go and meet face to face with people using services and not with people who are presented to them by departments, rather, randomly chosen by decision makers as to avoid bias. All too often users of services complain about the Council and the people at the top or decision makers while in actual fact the people that are breaking down communication are at the levels in between.	Social Policy Management and Support (general)	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Thank you for your comments. It was not clear what the respondent was saying in relation to the proposal.
17591	An employee of West Lothian Council	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	Family centre staff be on term time contracts and use other agencies such as sure star, health, social work t and children and family teams throughout holiday periods. Do not feel that the need is there throughout holiday and staff have very little to do as families do not engage during school holidays.	Social Policy Management and Support (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your comment which will be considered as part of any service redesign
17592	An individual	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	If not detrimental to staff. I.e taking on larger workload without external role review.	Social Policy Management and Support (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Any changes to management structures will require to fully consider the impact on staff
17593	An individual	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	Some of the charge's and assesments could be passed to revenues or benefit teams	Social Policy Management and Support (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	There is a further proposal under Income and Concessions which considers how a contributions policy can be introduced subject to the financial assessment of affordability
17594	No Response	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	I agree that a partnership approach may be appropriate to provide a solution to this issue	Social Policy Management and Support (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17595	An individual	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	I would hope you would look at the qualities required in managers and administrators in this complex service delivery field and not just the numbers. A flatter management structure might support more interaction with frontline staff to support the creativity that will be required but only if the managers in place are skilled and knowledgeable. My impression is that frontline social workers (and this is the only groups I am experienced in) feel development are too top down and focussed on clearing waiting lists: the quantity not the quality of work. This stops the creativity you will need to flourish across WLC if your transformational change is to take place successfully.	Social Policy Management and Support (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your comment which will be considered as part of any service redesign

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17596	An individual	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	One complete omission from this section is to review all procedures and forms related to adult social care which seem to have grown over the years as budgets have tightened and resource panels have made the key decisions. The starting point should be what is the minimum info that management require and how might professional decision-making recording be made easier? Just now e-forms seems to be about collating information for well beyond what is required for the service user and the IT software forces workers to go through each and every item if the service user is to be given a service. This wastes so much time right across Scotland and could locally free up many front line staff to actually engage on a collective basis with communities and their various groups to do the developmental work you are now requiring. If practitioners were better supported to do community based strategic work then there might not need be so many middle tier staff who have planning and procurement remits but yet have no current experience of doing the work on the ground. In some ways this might be described as a cooperative or community based model service delivery.	Social Policy Management and Support (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your comment which will be considered as part of any service redesign
17597	An employee of West Lothian Council	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	Social Policy appears already to be over stretched and there is a definite rise in the need for more social care staff and admin support. For children this responsibility will have no other option but to be scooped up by school staff who will be already facing cuts of their own.	Social Policy Management and Support (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17598	An individual	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	As long as the needs of the vulnerable are always paramount	Social Policy Management and Support (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17599	An individual	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	As well as streamlining and consolidating internal processes to make efficiency savings, opportunities to integrate further with partners will be progressed; this surely is just good practice which the Council should undertake as a matter of course	Social Policy Management and Support (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	West Lothian has a proven track record of partnership working and would wish to build on this.
17600	An employee of West Lothian Council	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	There are various overlaps of service provision and staffing. This needs to be more transparent and the duplication removed.	Social Policy Management and Support (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17601	An employee of West Lothian Council	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	There needs to be a more open discussion with health on how the council and NHS can work more closely to provide appropriate levels of care while meeting both of their separate budget pressures. I appreciate some of this would require national dialogue, however it seems to make sense in an era of health and social care integration that such proposals are agreed jointly.	Social Policy Management and Support (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The Council is working with NHS Lothian on a wide reaching Frailty Programme to maximise patient pathways and redesign access to community based services
17602	An individual	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	Again putting more pressure on the staff that will remain	Social Policy Management and Support (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Any changes to management structures will require to fully consider the impact on staff
17603	An individual	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	Sounds like staffing cuts again - can't see how this would improve services.	Social Policy Management and Support (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17604	An employee of West Lothian Council	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	Agreed that consolidating and streamlining is good so long as the good practice, essential, well proven and good outcome initiatives are not compromised	Social Policy Management and Support (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17605	An employee of West Lothian Council	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	I feel strongly that parents should not be given cash handouts and that only vouchers/bus passes etc should be issued to ensure that council money is not squandered on drugs, alcohol, cigarettes, etc.	Social Policy Management and Support (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17606	An individual	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	Review, reduce, streamline, consolidate, efficiency Call a spade a spade for goodness sake!	Social Policy Management and Support (general)	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. This consultation is the first stage of the process to enable the council to develop a five year plan. Detailed proposals will be worked up following the outcome of this consultation.
17607	An employee of West Lothian Council	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	electronic systems between health and social work would be helpful	Social Policy Management and Support (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	It is expected that by reducing waste in terms of duplication there will be economies to be made. This will allow more flexible working and opportunities to do things differently.
17608	An individual	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	Should have been happening anyway.	Social Policy Management and Support (general)	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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17609	No Response	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	Less people doing more work again	Social Policy Management and Support (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Any changes to management structures will require to fully consider the impact on staff
17610	An individual	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	Should social care be run in partnership with NHS? I think there are big problems in the society which should be faced by HNS and Social Care.	Social Policy Management and Support (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	The Council is working with NHS Lothian on a wide reaching Frailty Programme to maximise patient pathways and redesign access to community based services
17611	An individual	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	Part and parcel of funding reductions, no brainer really.	Social Policy Management and Support (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17612	No Response	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	Why are there so many inefficiencies that media streamlined if the council was a private company it would hold the managers to account.	Social Policy Management and Support (general)	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17613	An individual	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	If the savings which are taken above are required then there is a logical follow on that back office functions would need reviewed.	Social Policy Management and Support (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17614	An individual	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	This all sounds very streamlined and efficient on paper but in reality?? I dinâ€™t Think this will work as efficiently as anticipated	Social Policy Management and Support (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17615	No Response	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	Health Improvement Scotland should be engaged with to improve the IJB.	Social Policy Management and Support (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17616	An individual	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	More information is needed in this area. My regular contact with social services tells me they are already under extreme pressure. You regularly have to redial the telephone number before you get answered, social workers are often off sick and struggling with the workload they already have. They are only human and not machines. I feel too much is asked of them by their employers and they have the added pressure of the families they are trying to help. So I need more information on what "consolidation" means.	Social Policy Management and Support (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. This consultation is the first stage of the process to enable the council to develop a five year plan. Detailed proposals will be worked up following the outcome of this consultation.
17617	An individual	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	Should be streamlined where possible where maintaining choices and standards.	Social Policy Management and Support (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17618	An individual	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	I do not think this is possible if you are not reducing the actual social care	Social Policy Management and Support (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17619	No Response	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	As before, this may have an impact on workload for front line staff.	Social Policy Management and Support (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Any changes to management structures will require to fully consider the impact on staff
17620	An individual	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	West Lothian Council and NHS Lothian failed my mother-in-law during the last weeks of her life. Her discharge from hospital to spend her last weeks in her own home were delayed by the inability of the Council and the NHS to put in place a care package. We received a letter to confirm the care package the day after she died. I have very limited confidence in West Lothian Council to deliver care services.	Social Policy Management and Support (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The respondent's experience is noted with regret. Ensuring that the right provision is available at the right time is a major priority for us. The Council and NHS Lothian have embarked on a wide reaching Frailty Programme to maximise patient pathways and redesign access to community based services with our care providers.
17621	An individual	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	As 1A - Excellent if all of the above are carried out. However on current personally experienced performance it will take a huge effort to even provide an improvement. Further why has the " efficiency and effectiveness" not been applied to current procedures. No real criteria to be reach is actually stated and the starting point for these " efficiency and effectiveness" upgrade to services is not evident. Vagueness in targets to achieve . How will residents know when this is achieved?	Social Policy Management and Support (general)	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. This consultation is the first stage of the process to enable the council to develop a five year plan. Detailed proposals will be worked up following the outcome of this consultation.
17622	An individual	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	Support can't be allowed to suffer.	Social Policy Management and Support (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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17623	An individual	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	Those working in social care are among the most underpaid and overstretched of any job type. We already have a recruitment crisis in social care, and shouldn't seek to exacerbate this by putting more pressure on their workload. Cuts to social care also predominantly fall on women, both as they are the most likely to hold these roles, and also as they are most likely to be expected to pick up the slack when elderly relatives require care. This is to the detriment of other roles occupied by women in our society. Fundamentally, social care is one of the few industries we can rely upon to continue to grow in West Lothian in the next decade. Cutting over £20million from it now is short-sighted and dangerous.	Social Policy Management and Support (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17624	An individual	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	I would like to see the top 3 items/specific deliverables that contribute to this redesign.	Social Policy Management and Support (general)	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. This consultation is the first stage of the process to enable the council to develop a five year plan. Detailed proposals will be worked up following the outcome of this consultation.
17625	An individual	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	I worry that this may put further pressure on social care staff, resulting in further long-term absence with stress-related illnesses.	Social Policy Management and Support (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Any changes to management structures will require to fully consider the impact on staff
17626	An employee of West Lothian Council	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	How will this impact on council staff?	Social Policy Management and Support (general)	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Any changes to management structures will require to fully consider the impact on staff
17627	An employee of West Lothian Council	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	Having viewed the amount of archiving, paper based working and inefficient processes deployed within SP, there has to be a more modern way of delivering this service. It does not need to be the way it is currently set up. The currently mode of operation makes working with internal services extremely difficult and laborious - and at times unprofessional, so partnership working is almost impossible. This has to change. The dividing line between services and what they deliver does not exist for customers - so we should not create or sustain them. it does not benefit customers.	Social Policy Management and Support (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is expected that by reducing waste in terms of duplication there will be economies to be made . This will allow more flexible working and opportunities to do things differently.
17628	No Response	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	I feel the council staff who work within social care deserve recognition for their service. Any reviews or changes should be based upon a performance basis.	Social Policy Management and Support (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17629	An employee of West Lothian Council	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	There could be scope for saving through consideration of the development of a "Children's Services" approach to our work with children and young people. This could include combining those elements of social policy services concerned with children and young people with Education Services going forwards. This has been successfully achieved in other local authority areas and facilitates genuine collaboration on strategy, direction and budgeting for services in these areas. At present, we are at risk of savings being made in social policy having an impact on savings in education and vice versa as a result of two separate services with two separate planning structures. A more joined up approach to strategic decision making at this level could have a positive impact on the development of services which would be stronger in their approach through increased collaboration.	Social Policy Management and Support (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17630	An individual	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	I would fully support these proposals	Social Policy Management and Support (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17631	An individual	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	I'm concerned that there is no scope left within social care services to 'streamline & consolidate'.	Social Policy Management and Support (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	It is expected that by reducing waste in terms of duplication there will be economies to be made . This will allow more flexible working and opportunities to do things differently.
17632	An individual	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	Too many external agencies fail to meet the standards imposed in service level agreements and the clients suffers. Then additional services are required, client satisfaction is poor, the clinical / mental health of the client and family suffers. Additional admissions to hospital take place and failed discharges happen. This needs to be avoided otherwise it will become a more expensive , unsustainable and flawed system. Putting vulnerable people at more risk.	Social Policy Management and Support (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The Council is committed to ensure a strong governance framework is in place to make sure quality is at the heart of service delivery from external partners
17633	An individual	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	Yes provide the quality of service to the end user is not compromised or restricted .	Social Policy Management and Support (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The Council is committed to ensure a strong governance framework is in place to make sure quality is at the heart of service delivery from external partners

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17634	An individual	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	Done properly may free up resources for service provision.	Social Policy Management and Support (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17635	An individual	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	Any services which are duplicated should be overviewed and consolidated into one area to save on admin and running costs	Social Policy Management and Support (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is expected that by reducing waste in terms of duplication there will be economies to be made . This will allow more flexible working and opportunities to do things differently.
17636	An individual	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	I understand this but it is essential that the level of care is maintained.	Social Policy Management and Support (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Work will continue to focus on those who are most vulnerable and have additional needs.
17637	An individual	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	All businesses do this so makes sense. Ensure short v long term is seriously considered. Also think creatively about how to create more income. Those who can afford to pay for specific services should	Social Policy Management and Support (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	There is a further proposal under Income and Concessions which considers how a contributions policy can be introduced subject to the financial assessment of affordability
17638	An individual	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	Why don't key workers do own typing. More gets charged for lunches. Clients pay for full outings. Clients pay for transport to centre. These are the types of changes that should be getting made	Social Policy Management and Support (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17639	An individual	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	Will make decisions even slower than they are now	Social Policy Management and Support (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17640	An individual	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	social policy management have already been streamlining throughout the years using natural waste when people retire or take offers. My concerns is individuals are given too large an are to cover comprising quality of care provided .	Social Policy Management and Support (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Any changes to management structures will require to fully consider the impact on staff
17641	An employee of West Lothian Council	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	A specific finance team could be tasked with collecting any outstanding care home fees which would enable a quicker response in Council reclaiming money owed to them rather than relying on Social Workers who are already under pressure with larger caseloads to also become an "expert" on finances to chase up outstanding fees, while the client has been placed and the case effectively should now be closed to them.	Social Policy Management and Support (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17642	No Response	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	modernizing the approach by making referrals online, minimizing the administration and also keeping things paperless. Possibly merging different departments within Social Policy may keep costs down and taking on extra workloads.	Social Policy Management and Support (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	It is expected that by reducing waste in terms of duplication there will be economies to be made . This will allow more flexible working and opportunities to do things differently.
17643	An individual	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	As long as this can be done totally safely and not endanger vulnerable children in particular, yes.	Social Policy Management and Support (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17644	An individual	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	Social Services should be protected from staff cuts.	Social Policy Management and Support (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17645	An individual	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	Worth lookin at to see where real savings may be made.	Social Policy Management and Support (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17646	No Response	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	Please continue	Social Policy Management and Support (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17647	An individual	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	Unrealistic Impact on workload	Social Policy Management and Support (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Any changes to management structures will require to fully consider the impact on staff
17648	An individual	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	Money spent on social care services is usually money well spent. In the case of children, disabled and their carers it is always money well spent. A pound spent now on a child with difficulties or disabilities is several pounds saved later.	Social Policy Management and Support (general)	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17649	No Response	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	Have you the quality of staff to operate with reduced supervision? Streamlining is all very well provided the staff can cope on their own. The	Social Policy Management and Support (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Any changes to management structures will require to fully consider the impact on staff
17650	An individual	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	Social services are already stretched so further streamlining would have to be monitored very closely. It can be very difficult to get hold of key people in social services quickly when faced with a child protection disclosure where time can be of the essence.	Social Policy Management and Support (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Any changes to management structures will require to fully consider the impact on staff
17651	An individual	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	I donâ€™t think there should be any more cuts to social services	Social Policy Management and Support (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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17652	An individual	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	If reducing staff will make the council more efficient and effective go ahead.	Social Policy Management and Support (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17653	An individual	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	While I am a firm believer in community planning and collaboration the council should not pay for services the health services should be paying for as their budgets have not been so aggressively cut.	Social Policy Management and Support (general)	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17654	No Response	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	A stitch in time saves nine, why cut these services as a knee jerk reaction, the long term costs to the care packages will increase if these services are cut.	Social Policy Management and Support (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17655	An individual	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	Why have you been wasting so much of our money up to this point?	Social Policy Management and Support (general)	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17656	An individual	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	Sounds as if there are efficiencies to be obtained, which is good except if it is detrimental to the services.	Social Policy Management and Support (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is expected that by reducing waste in terms of duplication there will be economies to be made. This will allow more flexible working and opportunities to do things differently.
17657	An individual	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	As before please do not do this to the detriment of your staff where they already over committed.	Social Policy Management and Support (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Any changes to management structures will require to fully consider the impact on staff
17658	An individual	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	The council must make the best use of the resources remaining.	Social Policy Management and Support (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17659	An individual	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	Further integration of services over time will further reduce the effectiveness of them. The impact on social care and vulnerable residents is massive, therefore I don't agree with this proposal.	Social Policy Management and Support (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17660	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	Less people to follow up complaints or help the needy... Never a good idea.	Social Policy Management and Support (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17661	An individual	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	As above - lets have a root and branch review of the service and delivery. It isn't necessary to increase costs when efficiencies can be identified. A business approach is what is needed to ensure the correct spending on items needed is controlled.	Social Policy Management and Support (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17662	An individual	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	Again please monitor impact on quality but it makes intuitive sense	Social Policy Management and Support (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. The Council is committed to ensure a strong governance framework is in place to make sure quality is at the heart of service delivery.
17663	An individual	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	However, the council can't 'do a disappearing act' and join with others to deny involvement. There needs to be clear rules to show who is liable and ensure that integrated care is provided.	Social Policy Management and Support (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is expected that by reducing waste in terms of duplication there will be economies to be made. This will allow more flexible working and opportunities to do things differently.
17664	No Response	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	This is an area where the staff on the ground are poorly paid and as such are of poor quality. How do you streamline this service without just imposing cuts.	Social Policy Management and Support (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Any changes to management structures will require to fully consider the impact on staff
17665	An employee of West Lothian Council	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	In my experience there are not enough social workers within the authority and so I feel a review of these services should be welcomed. I'm not sure it's so much of a management issue rather than the department being understaffed.	Social Policy Management and Support (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17666	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	Working in health and seeing social services I cannot see where else the council can cut, service personal already stretched, long wait for a service. It is not integration for the good of the client group it's as you stated cuts, moral already low will drop and people will go off suck leading to poorer services.	Social Policy Management and Support (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Any changes to management structures will require to fully consider the impact on staff

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17667	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	There are also many screening groups within Social Policy with the same individuals/ organisations involved and attending meetings, perhaps this process could be reviewed. and streamlined to save money and time. Meetings are important to share information, however, they are costly, if technology allows perhaps more virtual meetings. conference calls could be used?	Social Policy Management and Support (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17668	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	I have previously made comment relating to this matter. I believe that there is room to make savings in this area.	Social Policy Management and Support (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17669	No Response	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	It is known that when new things are introduced the issues do not arise until they are in practice, however the recent introduction of a certain computing system is causing duplication of work, more time consuming for the workers and are not service user friendly so the work has to be re-typed on more appropriate formats, however the computer system still requires that data inputted. No alterations can be made. Workers are spending more time on computers and systems than getting to visit those requiring support and care packages.	Social Policy Management and Support (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17670	An individual	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	As long as there are no reductions in staffing levels, this seems reasonable.	Social Policy Management and Support (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. Any changes to management structures will require to fully consider the impact on staff
17671	An individual	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	Urgent review needed here	Social Policy Management and Support (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17672	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	Agreed but must ensure that required standards and legislation is met.	Social Policy Management and Support (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. Any changes to management structures will require to fully consider the impact on the service.
17673	An individual	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	This should go further and more savings are possible.	Social Policy Management and Support (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17674	An employee of West Lothian Council	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	again council staff jobs must be protected.	Social Policy Management and Support (general)	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17675	An individual	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	Again ensuring the provision quality care.	Social Policy Management and Support (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. The Council is committed to ensure a strong governance framework is in place to make sure quality is at the heart of service delivery.
17676	An employee of West Lothian Council	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	What is the basis for this estimated saving?	Social Policy Management and Support (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. This consultation is the first stage of the process to enable the council to develop a five year plan. Detailed proposals will be worked up following the outcome of this consultation.
17677	An individual	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	What are the changes proposed to social care? Links to documentation within this document would have been useful for those with a level of interest.	Social Policy Management and Support (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17678	An employee of West Lothian Council	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	As stated previously in the questionnaire - Systems and processes are incredibly complex and cumbersome. A simplification and streamlining of processes, reducing bureaucracy would undeniably reduce time spent by workers and increase efficiency - For example processes for social workers using AIS could be simplified. Any intervention in this respect should involve close planning, involvement and consultation with front line staff, rather than a top down approach from management/consultants with tokenistic consultation.	Social Policy Management and Support (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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17679	An individual	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	More detail required on how this will be achieved and to what cost to staffing numbers	Social Policy Management and Support (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. This consultation is the first stage of the process to enable the council to develop a five year plan. Detailed proposals will be worked up following the outcome of this consultation.
17680	An individual	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	Sounds logical. However, would it not provide a better quality service to the people concerned if the Council had an in-house group that carried out the majority, if not all, of this service?	Social Policy Management and Support (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. The Council is committed to ensure a strong governance framework is in place to make sure quality is at the heart of service delivery.
17681	An individual	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	Are there the right partners needed out there for this proposal to be realised?	Social Policy Management and Support (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17682	An individual	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	Social Care is a money pit! If this area was given say 10% it would still not be enough. Be courageous with the users.	Social Policy Management and Support (general)	5c. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it is not consistent with the council's values and priorities.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17683	An individual	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	Can modernising care in these ways really save over £20m without making it worse for those in need?	Social Policy Management and Support (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17684	An individual	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	A maximum of 4 people to run a council care home. No agency staff to be employed in council care homes.	Social Policy Management and Support (general)	5a. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because the council is required by law to deliver this work.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17685	An employee of West Lothian Council	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	AS STATED UNDER IJB JOINT STREAMLINED MANAGEMENT WITH HEALTH WOULD BE BENEFICIAL.	Social Policy Management and Support (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17686	An employee of West Lothian Council	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	No - as I don't think spending more money is necessarily the answer to this. Logical thinking about how social care services are run, and co-ordinated - in a more "joined-up" fashion would go a long way.	Social Policy Management and Support (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17687	An individual	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	I would have liked to have had more information about how the IJBs are developing. It seems a huge issue but one that has been avoided in this consultation.	Social Policy Management and Support (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. This consultation is the first stage of the process to enable the council to develop a five year plan. Detailed proposals will be worked up following the outcome of this consultation.
17688	An individual	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	In addition, do not use expensive removal companies to deliver Occupational Health Equipment but council transport.	Social Policy Management and Support (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17689	An employee of West Lothian Council	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	Use internal resources only. Look at the skillset of your staff and how they could be used in different areas. E.g community occupational therapists being used in occupational health.	Social Policy Management and Support (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17690	No Response	2f. Social Policy Management and Support	Could further efficiencies be made through an integrated approach to the Social Care and Emergency Team with other departments/agencies that work out with normal opening hours?	Social Policy Management and Support (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17691	An employee of West Lothian Council	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	This should be pursued as it is in line with how most organisations deliver and allow access to services.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17692	No Response	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	Agree to all suggested proposals	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17693	An employee of West Lothian Council	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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17694	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	good idea	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17695	An employee of West Lothian Council	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	Supportive of this proposal.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17696	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	no issue	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17697	No Response	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	Great idea	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17698	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	Agree, put more on line	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17699	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	Worth looking into.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17700	An employee of West Lothian Council	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	SUPPORT	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17701	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	Seems sensible	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17702	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	technology seems to be the way forward./	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17703	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	That's the business trend in the last 10 years - self-service and digitization. Good move.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17704	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	Found Westlothian online services very good.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17705	An employee of West Lothian Council	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	Move with the times	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17706	No Response	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	Have no objection	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17707	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	Sensible proposal.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17708	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	Support proposal.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17709	An employee of West Lothian Council	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	I agree with this as long as there are some help staff available	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17710	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	Personally, when I need to contact the Council I do it through the website or email, have always had a positive experience using the system	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17711	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	Everything is trending digitally and the council needs to keep up. I think making more services/communications digital will be a great step forward if they are supported by an effective digital platform that is easy to use.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17712	An employee of West Lothian Council	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	I believe that digital is the future although many people resist this. In my line of work I don't believe that many people are not capable of learning to be more digitally involved and I personally have seen transformations in customers with regard to this.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17713	An employee of West Lothian Council	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	Fine	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17714	An employee of West Lothian Council	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17715	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	Fine.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17716	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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17717	An employee of West Lothian Council	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	Happy with this	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17718	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	Agree.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17719	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	happy with this	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17720	An employee of West Lothian Council	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17721	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	Agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17722	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17723	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	Excellent idea	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17724	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	Long overdue - should have been done years back	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17725	An employee of West Lothian Council	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	Agree, great idea.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17726	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	As long as the requirements as still met	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17727	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	go ahead with the savings	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17728	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	Agree but not enough detail to comment	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17729	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	If this is the case then I support this.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17730	An employee of West Lothian Council	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	Agree - all opportunities should be embraced	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17731	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	This is definitely way forward	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17732	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	Sounds ok	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17733	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	Sounds great!	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17734	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	Achievable	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17735	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	sounds ideal	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17736	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	I support this change	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17737	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	I agree with the Council's proposals for the moment to see how they all work out. Thank you.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17738	An employee of West Lothian Council	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	I am not opposed to a more digitised system.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17739	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	Go digital, save money on paper.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17740	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	I would completely support this as feel most people would welcome increased ability to communicate online	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17741	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	Sounds a good saving!	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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17742	An employee of West Lothian Council	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	Yes technology is the way forward. Everything shod be made available online	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17743	No Response	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	I agree with the proposal	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17744	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	Please continue	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17745	An employee of West Lothian Council	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	Agree with channel shift and digital transformation!	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17746	An employee of West Lothian Council	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	In agreement of this change as we are already doing this with a lot of services.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17747	An employee of West Lothian Council	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	Agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17748	An employee of West Lothian Council	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17749	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	Sounds good to me.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17750	An employee of West Lothian Council	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	Sounds good to me!	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17751	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	Sounds reasonable.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17752	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	No issue with this	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17753	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	Makes sense.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17754	An employee of West Lothian Council	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17755	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	ok.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17756	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17757	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	I support this	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17758	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	good idea	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17759	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	GOOD PLAN	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17760	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	Agree.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17761	No Response	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	Sounds fine.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17762	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	Makes sense	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17763	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	This should be done.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17764	No Response	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	Agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17765	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	Agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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17766	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17767	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	I would support this.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17768	An employee of West Lothian Council	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	I support this proposal	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17769	An employee of West Lothian Council	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	Good	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17770	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	Great idea	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17771	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	Support	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17772	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	Agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17773	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	Great	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17774	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	Ok	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17775	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	I agree with this proposal.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17776	An employee of West Lothian Council	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	ok	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17777	No Response	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	good idea	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17778	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17779	An employee of West Lothian Council	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	I would hope that this would have been carried out regardless to keep up with advances in technology and with the ways in which the public would appear to prefer engaging with the council - smartphones, tablets and online devices being obvious.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17780	No Response	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	This is positively moving forward.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17781	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	Very practical in solution and savings proposed.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17782	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	Yes this would be good	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17783	An employee of West Lothian Council	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	I think this is a very good forward way of thinking.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17784	An employee of West Lothian Council	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	Sounds ok.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17785	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	Sounds ok.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17786	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	Excellent. Provided residents find the system easy to use.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17787	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	This sound like a very good idea and could be beneficial as well.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17788	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	I have no objection to this.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17789	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	Sounds sensible.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17790	An employee of West Lothian Council	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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17791	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	I agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17792	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	Go for it	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17793	An employee of West Lothian Council	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	Agree.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17794	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	Sounds ok	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17795	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	In this digital generation this is a great idea!	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17796	An employee of West Lothian Council	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	Very important	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17797	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	This seems sensible	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17798	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	Sounds sensible	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17799	An employee of West Lothian Council	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	Agree with this proposal.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17800	An employee of West Lothian Council	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	Agree.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17801	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	Clearly the way to go.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17802	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	I agree with the proposal to improve the quality and accessibility of customer services in the Council.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17803	No Response	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	Just do it, it's the future!	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17804	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	Totally agree and improved use of digital technology and inclusion should be encouraged.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17805	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	Such services introduced in recent years appear to work well and presumably there is confidence that this would continue as these are extended.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17806	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	It's a sign of the times why shouldn't the council move on.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17807	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	Using IT to reduce paper and time gets a big tick from me. I would have thought much more money could be saved here.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17808	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	People use digital more and more, so it's important for the council to embrace and take advantage of the potential saving as well as the added convenience for customers.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17809	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	Saving seems worthwhile.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17810	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	I support. Good luck.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17811	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	yes, i support this	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17812	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	for many services this would be appropriate.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17813	An employee of West Lothian Council	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	I strongly agree with this.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17814	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	I agree with the above.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17815	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	Fine if the systems introduced are fit for purpose.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17816	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	this sounds okay providing the same support is offered	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17817	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	If that's the case then go for it !	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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17818	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	Agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17819	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	Agreed.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17820	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	Fine	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17821	An employee of West Lothian Council	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	This appears to be a reasonable proposal.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17822	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	General statement sounds sensible but as previously stated detail is required	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17823	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17824	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	Sounds sensible	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17825	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17826	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	Ok	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17827	An employee of West Lothian Council	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17828	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	Yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17829	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17830	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	I would support this	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17831	No Response	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17832	An employee of West Lothian Council	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17833	An employee of West Lothian Council	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17834	An employee of West Lothian Council	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17835	No Response	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17836	An employee of West Lothian Council	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	I agree with this proposal.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17837	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	I agree with this proposal	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17838	An employee of West Lothian Council	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	Agree.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17839	An employee of West Lothian Council	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17840	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17841	No Response	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	Fine.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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17842	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	I agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17843	No Response	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17844	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	okay	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17845	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	Agree with more online services	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17846	An employee of West Lothian Council	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	provided there is a back up for when systems fail then this sounds feasible	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17847	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	Great approach	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17848	An employee of West Lothian Council	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	This would appear to be an effective solution.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17849	An employee of West Lothian Council	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	Happy with this proposal.....	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17850	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	I agree with this I do everything online where I can.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17851	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	ok	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17852	An employee of West Lothian Council	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	Agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17853	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	this is nice	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17854	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	That seems a good idea	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17855	An employee of West Lothian Council	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17856	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	Yes please	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17857	An employee of West Lothian Council	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	Agree.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17858	An employee of West Lothian Council	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	Sounds good.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17859	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	Where appropriate yes agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17860	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	Agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17861	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17862	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	Agree that this is the way forward.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17863	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	As long s help still given	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17864	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	Agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17865	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	Good idea.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17866	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	Seems reasonable	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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17867	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	Agreed.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17868	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	good plan	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17869	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17870	No Response	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	OK	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17871	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17872	An employee of West Lothian Council	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17873	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	Ok	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17874	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	This appears sensible and appropriate, as long as the systems are well-designed, easy to use, and provide clear benefit to users as well as the council.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17875	An employee of West Lothian Council	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	This is a good and fair and focused proposal. Reckon progression of digital solutions are a necessity, efficient "must do" situation.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17876	An employee of West Lothian Council	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	I support this. Our customers also do business with the retail/leisure sector and they have moved on digitally e.g. argos, marks and spencer, ryanair we must move on too to be efficemnt	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17877	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	Makes sense - like it or not technology is the future and offers substantial savings in time and money. Done well, and it must be, this is a good idea.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17878	An employee of West Lothian Council	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	Do whatever you can here to save money	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17879	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	Agree. Very good	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17880	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	no brain required for this - just do it.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17881	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	I agree with the proposal to improve the quality and accessibility of customer services in the Council. However, this needs to be considered carefully. People like to talk to people. Too many misunderstandings can be made, particularly if corporate jargon such as 'transformational changes' becomes the norm. Very few government systems are truly transformational. Witness the recent attacks on the NHS where many boards ignored their own IT dept or the Department of Healths instructions.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17882	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	This should be a priority and is a good option to save money	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17883	An employee of West Lothian Council	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	I agree and would suggest that maintaining the current range of options for customers to engage with the council is outdated and expensive. Other government agencies already limit choice to on line only and manage to provide effective services to the same range of customers as councils have.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17884	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	I support the above	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17885	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	Anything which improves the councils communication is welcome.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17886	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	Sounds a fair proposal.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17887	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	This is supported	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17888	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	so long as we do not alienate customers who are uncomfortable with technology this would be a way forward.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17889	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	Seems fine	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17890	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	Moving more to digital is needed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17891	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	Seems to be a sensible way ahead, as long as it delivers the cost reduction without impacting on the services provided	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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17892	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	Agree with this proposal	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17893	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	Agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17894	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	Fine	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17895	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	Agreed.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17896	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	Yes this a good idea	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17897	No Response	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	Reasonable enough if it works.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17898	An employee of West Lothian Council	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	Strongly support	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17899	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	Ok in principle	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17900	An employee of West Lothian Council	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	The council should do more to move services and provision to digital forms - this is a area where more savings may be possible.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17901	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	Strongly support	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17902	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	Agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17903	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	Agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17904	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17905	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	Support	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17906	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	Go for it !	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17907	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	Seems sensible	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17908	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	Good ideas.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17909	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	Agreed. Digital by choice is essential.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17910	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17911	An employee of West Lothian Council	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	Agreed.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17912	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	Ok	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17913	No Response	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	Support.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17914	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	Inevitable , I suppose.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17915	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	A positive mix of human and technology is sensible and acceptable.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17916	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	Sounds ok.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17917	An employee of West Lothian Council	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	Supportive in principle based on limited detailed information	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17918	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	I support this saving	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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17919	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	Yes, more efficient and focused and more aligned with modern technology.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17920	No Response	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	Long over due	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17921	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	Sounds fine.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17922	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17923	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	OK	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17924	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	good idea	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17925	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	Sounds good.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17926	An employee of West Lothian Council	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	I agree, this should be done. Stop the paper	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17927	An employee of West Lothian Council	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17928	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	great	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17929	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	Good idea	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17930	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	Good idea	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17931	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17932	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	Look okay as it is possible to evaluate given the vague descriptions given in the 'Transforming Your Council'	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17933	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	I agree with the proposal.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17934	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	All proposals are sound.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
17935	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	Take care of those who are not familiar with digital systems or confident in their use	Channel shift & digital transformation - alternative communication methods	4. The council is already doing this.	Through the Customer Service Strategy the Council is committed to ensuring a range of contact methods are in place to suit the varied needs of customers.
17936	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	However, we must retain other options for those who are digitally excluded both by lack of skills and in poverty so can't afford to be digitally included.	Channel shift & digital transformation - alternative communication methods	4. The council is already doing this.	Through the Customer Service Strategy the Council is committed to ensuring a range of contact methods are in place to suit the varied needs of customers.
17937	An employee of West Lothian Council	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	Channel shift is a good idea however not all customers are comfortable with a digital revolution. there has to be alternative and they have to be advertised and easy to use.	Channel shift & digital transformation - alternative communication methods	4. The council is already doing this.	Through the Customer Service Strategy the Council is committed to ensuring a range of contact methods are in place to suit the varied needs of customers.
17938	An employee of West Lothian Council	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	people from the poorest communities and environments miss out due to technology. Often they cant read or write but we still insist using this type of communication in particular health. Not everyone is able to access libraries	Channel shift & digital transformation - alternative communication methods	4. The council is already doing this.	Through the development of the Digital Transformation Strategy contact methods will be aligned to customer need and aspiration ensuring that the most vulnerable customers are still able to contact the council in ways that best suit them.
17939	An employee of West Lothian Council	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	My concern is for those not literate enough or digitally included. For many, face to face is not only preferred but essential.	Channel shift & digital transformation - alternative communication methods	4. The council is already doing this.	Through the development of the Digital Transformation Strategy contact methods will be aligned to customer need and aspiration ensuring that the most vulnerable customers are still able to contact the council in ways that best suit them.

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17940	An employee of West Lothian Council	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	Any changes that can streamline processes and make savings for the council must and should be pursued.	Channel shift & digital transformation - alternative communication methods	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council is developing a number of ways that customers can interact on a digital basis
17941	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	Not everyone can or has online access. You must still provide a actual place for people to meet face to face for queries / help/ advice	Channel shift & digital transformation - alternative communication methods	4. The council is already doing this.	Through the development of the Digital Transformation Strategy contact methods will be aligned to customer need and aspiration ensuring that the most vulnerable customers are still able to contact the council in ways that best suit them.
17942	No Response	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	Have a digital instant messenger as a way to get touch with the contact centre rather than email and phone	Channel shift & digital transformation - alternative communication methods	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The council is developing a number of ways that customers can interact on a digital basis
17943	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	Do you mean automated phone service which means people can't talk to another human?	Channel shift & digital transformation - alternative communication methods	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	The council is developing a number of ways that customers can interact on a digital basis, however there will still be a staff member to speak to if required
17944	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	IT solutions are no use to many elderly people, no use to many ill people, no use to people that require social work support. Fewer people and services that are remote and difficult to get to are no use to many of the people who require them. Wrong solution.	Channel shift & digital transformation - alternative communication methods	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Through the development of the Digital Transformation Strategy contact methods will be aligned to customer need and aspiration ensuring that the most vulnerable customers are still able to contact the council in ways that best suit them.
17945	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	Having more channels available does not overcome the barrier that many people face to using technology. Putting a 6 page document online doe snot make the process easier but harder for the customer.	Channel shift & digital transformation - alternative communication methods	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Through the development of the Digital Transformation Strategy contact methods will be aligned to customer need and aspiration ensuring that the most vulnerable customers are still able to contact the council in ways that best suit them.
17946	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	Email, Twitter and Facebook are all relevant for passing information but why don't you share information with Community Councils so they can use their own platforms to inform residents of what is happening? Rather than the council running "local" Facebook pages from Livingston, look to existing Community Council pages - that way one social media manager can feed out information from the council via these paths, rather than a dozen people doing the same job as local volunteers.	Channel shift & digital transformation - alternative communication methods	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The council is investigating expanding its use of social media to increase its reach.
17947	An employee of West Lothian Council	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	there should always be resource for face to face interaction for those who cannot access via digital	Channel shift & digital transformation - alternative communication methods	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Through the development of the Digital Transformation Strategy contact methods will be aligned to customer need and aspiration ensuring that the most vulnerable customers are still able to contact the council in ways that best suit them.
17948	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	Sounds good in theory but this does not work for all residents of West Lothian who do not have access to such services so there needs to be provision for those individuals. Otherwise, hopefully it helps make savings in an effective manner.	Channel shift & digital transformation - alternative communication methods	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Through the development of the Digital Transformation Strategy contact methods will be aligned to customer need and aspiration ensuring that the most vulnerable customers are still able to contact the council in ways that best suit them.
17949	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	Accept the world is changing to online and self service solutions. Agree that for the most part this is sensible. However, the population makeup of west Lothian must not leave behind those who prefer a "face to face" or human interaction when they have a problem to solve. WLC must offer choice.	Channel shift & digital transformation - alternative communication methods	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Through the development of the Digital Transformation Strategy contact methods will be aligned to customer need and aspiration ensuring that the most vulnerable customers are still able to contact the council in ways that best suit them.
17950	An employee of West Lothian Council	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	Risk for poorer access to services for elderly citizens who might not be as digitally active	Channel shift & digital transformation - alternative communication methods	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Through the development of the Digital Transformation Strategy contact methods will be aligned to customer need and aspiration ensuring that the most vulnerable customers are still able to contact the council in ways that best suit them.
17951	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	Is this supposed to mean something? Care is needed that a potentially growing number of people are going to have difficulty accessing digital resources.	Channel shift & digital transformation - alternative communication methods	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Through the development of the Digital Transformation Strategy contact methods will be aligned to customer need and aspiration ensuring that the most vulnerable customers are still able to contact the council in ways that best suit them.

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17952	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	This seems to be a good idea but it will impact on those people who do not have access to digital services.	Channel shift & digital transformation - alternative communication methods	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Through the development of the Digital Transformation Strategy contact methods will be aligned to customer need and aspiration ensuring that the most vulnerable customers are still able to contact the council in ways that best suit them.
17953	An employee of West Lothian Council	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	Going digital is vital but for those residents who are confident in using IT they should still have the opportunity to speak to someone over the phone or face to face if needed. This may be on a reduced basis but we don't want to exclude those who don't have access to digital.	Channel shift & digital transformation - alternative communication methods	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Through the development of the Digital Transformation Strategy contact methods will be aligned to customer need and aspiration ensuring that the most vulnerable customers are still able to contact the council in ways that best suit them.
17954	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	as mentioned before west Lothian bulletin only being sent out a paper copy for people who do not have access to the internet, they would have to let the council know they require a paper copy and if one is not requested it is up to the other people to find it on the council website.	Channel shift & digital transformation - alternative communication methods	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	All options to reduce paper copies of information will be explored
17955	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	contacting tenants by email/text messages rather than someone having to phone them as a call can take 4 times as long as sending an email/text	Channel shift & digital transformation - alternative communication methods	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The council is developing a number of ways that customers can interact on a digital basis
17956	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	Letting tenants know more about booking their own appointments for repairs thus having less calls to the customer services department	Channel shift & digital transformation - alternative communication methods	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The council is developing a number of ways that customers can interact on a digital basis
17957	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	Any change to moving services online (as this proposal is suggesting) needs to be very well thought through with a strong administrative staffing in public places such as libraries to assist the elderly or computer illiterate to access these systems.	Channel shift & digital transformation - alternative communication methods	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Through the development of the Digital Transformation Strategy contact methods will be aligned to customer need and aspiration ensuring that the most vulnerable customers are still able to contact the council in ways that best suit them.
17958	An employee of West Lothian Council	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	As previously mentioned - need to ensure we do not discriminate against customer using this approach and need to ensure we are still accessible for all. Face to face contact for many is still the preferred option and provides for better more efficient service.	Channel shift & digital transformation - alternative communication methods	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Through the development of the Digital Transformation Strategy contact methods will be aligned to customer need and aspiration ensuring that the most vulnerable customers are still able to contact the council in ways that best suit them.
17959	No Response	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	Sometimes customers shouldn't be given a choice when it comes to accessing information online. For those that need information and don't have access to technology for whatever reason, they should be given access to paper documents/forms or be able to phone in to speak to someone. Most people however, it's either down to sheer laziness or they just prefer to have something in front of them. This doesn't help the councils budget though and all council forms where possible, should be available online and the process of printing forms in bulk for customers should be stopped. It's wasting money where it is not required.	Channel shift & digital transformation - alternative communication methods	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council is developing a number of ways that customers can interact on a digital basis
17960	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	This would on,y work if all west Lothian people have PCs or are computer literate	Channel shift & digital transformation - alternative communication methods	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Through the development of the Digital Transformation Strategy contact methods will be aligned to customer need and aspiration ensuring that the most vulnerable customers are still able to contact the council in ways that best suit them.
17961	No Response	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	Technology is fine for those of a certain age. Please bear in mind the vast majority of senior citizens who, surveys tell us, are still risk averse to this method.	Channel shift & digital transformation - alternative communication methods	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Through the development of the Digital Transformation Strategy contact methods will be aligned to customer need and aspiration ensuring that the most vulnerable customers are still able to contact the council in ways that best suit them.
17962	An employee of West Lothian Council	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	There still needs to be some face to face contact as some people either cannot or will not use online services. Also it can sometimes be very frustrating dealing with automated services and can take a lot longer for enquiries to be dealt with	Channel shift & digital transformation - alternative communication methods	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Through the development of the Digital Transformation Strategy contact methods will be aligned to customer need and aspiration ensuring that the most vulnerable customers are still able to contact the council in ways that best suit them.
17963	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	I do wonder how many things you need to run for digital inclusion	Channel shift & digital transformation - alternative communication methods	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	It is not clear what the respondent is referring to

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17964	An employee of West Lothian Council	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	The council does not have a great track record in this regard. Look at how efficient organisations like Amazon use technology to deliver goods and services and compare to the council. Public sector IT knowledge and development is very poor. Investment this is absolutely essential and will result in efficiency savings.	Channel shift & digital transformation - alternative communication methods	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Using digital channels to communicate with customers is a priority for the council and solutions to current challenges will be progressed as part of the Digital Transformation Strategy
17965	An employee of West Lothian Council	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	Care needs to be taken to ensure that those requiring services, which are often the most vulnerable and excluded and less technically able, can still access services.	Channel shift & digital transformation - alternative communication methods	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Through the development of the Digital Transformation Strategy contact methods will be aligned to customer need and aspiration ensuring that the most vulnerable customers are still able to contact the council in ways that best suit them.
17966	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	It is still important for the West Lothian Council to have in place a contact telephone number for the public's enquiries. Many people DO NOT have a computer or computer knowledge and some are housebound and could not go to a council office with their enquiry.	Channel shift & digital transformation - alternative communication methods	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Through the development of the Digital Transformation Strategy contact methods will be aligned to customer need and aspiration ensuring that the most vulnerable customers are still able to contact the council in ways that best suit them.
17967	An employee of West Lothian Council	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	There is no doubt we are in an age of increased digitalisation; however there are many people who are unable to use technology for whatever reason and they must not be left behind. There are areas of West Lothian where there is either little or poor internet connection and the council must ensure that all services can still be accessed on a face-to-face basis otherwise people will be left behind.	Channel shift & digital transformation - alternative communication methods	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Through the development of the Digital Transformation Strategy contact methods will be aligned to customer need and aspiration ensuring that the most vulnerable customers are still able to contact the council in ways that best suit them.
17968	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	Agree that digital solutions should be used wherever possible; with access available at Council offices for those without access at home or through mobile.	Channel shift & digital transformation - alternative communication methods	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Through the development of the Digital Transformation Strategy contact methods will be aligned to customer need and aspiration ensuring that the most vulnerable customers are still able to contact the council in ways that best suit them.
17969	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	Will this stop the sending out of 'final demand' letters in the middle of every month to folk that always pay their council tax at the end of the month? Because chasing people that always pay, on the same day every month, without fail, for @ 20 years, because that day isn't the one you'd like to see it paid on, is really not clever.	Channel shift & digital transformation - alternative communication methods	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Further development is required for some of the systems that we are seeking digital solutions for to ensure that we have a complete end to end process for customers who want to use it
17970	An employee of West Lothian Council	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	Agree. But still maintain the option for face to face contact if required for customers with these needs, e.g. older customers not so IT literate.	Channel shift & digital transformation - alternative communication methods	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council is developing a number of ways that customers can interact on a digital basis, however there will still be a staff member to speak to if required
17971	No Response	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	Use technology by making the Bulletin an online resource perhaps offering an opt in delivery option for the elderly rather than printing it off in colour and sending to everyone.	Channel shift & digital transformation - alternative communication methods	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	All options to reduce paper copies of information will be explored
17972	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	This seems like a reasonable suggestion. However, it is imperative that the council invests in technology to ensure digital options are much more accessible and easier to use, such as an app for mobile devices. Many people in West Lothian use their mobile phones rather than PC's or Tablets, yet the council website is not particularly mobile phone friendly. This consultation is a good example of this as it is not mobile friendly. You will therefore have missed out on people responding as they will have given up after the first couple of questions!	Channel shift & digital transformation - alternative communication methods	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council is continuing to develop its website capability to ensure that it meets the increasing demands from customers
17973	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	A lot of customers are vulnerable and also have learning disabilities so the need for frontline staff is needed especially when information is being delivered. There are a lot of customers who cannot use computers	Channel shift & digital transformation - alternative communication methods	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Through the development of the Digital Transformation Strategy contact methods will be aligned to customer need and aspiration ensuring that the most vulnerable customers are still able to contact the council in ways that best suit them.
17974	An employee of West Lothian Council	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	You still need to have the face to face value with customers	Channel shift & digital transformation - alternative communication methods	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council is developing a number of ways that customers can interact on a digital basis, however there will still be a staff member to speak to if required
17975	An employee of West Lothian Council	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	Not everyone is on the Internet. Going all Digital for services is a bad move.	Channel shift & digital transformation - alternative communication methods	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council is developing a number of ways that customers can interact on a digital basis, however there will still be a staff member to speak to if required

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17976	No Response	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	Many elderly people are not confident with doing things online. As long as support in this area is provided, this could be a viable option.	Channel shift & digital transformation - alternative communication methods	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council is developing a number of ways that customers can interact on a digital basis, however there will still be a staff member to speak to if required
17977	An employee of West Lothian Council	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	again I would be concerned that many people like to speak to a person to resolve issues and an automated system would not support that.	Channel shift & digital transformation - alternative communication methods	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council is developing a number of ways that customers can interact on a digital basis, however there will still be a staff member to speak to if required
17978	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	Consideration should be given, however, to how elderly and disabled individuals who may not be able to access these systems will be supported	Channel shift & digital transformation - alternative communication methods	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Through the development of the Digital Transformation Strategy contact methods will be aligned to customer need and aspiration ensuring that the most vulnerable customers are still able to contact the council in ways that best suit them.
17979	An employee of West Lothian Council	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	I fully support this proposal - as long as the council recognises that there will still be demand for face-to-face and telephone services as well.	Channel shift & digital transformation - alternative communication methods	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Through the development of the Digital Transformation Strategy contact methods will be aligned to customer need and aspiration ensuring that the most vulnerable customers are still able to contact the council in ways that best suit them.
17980	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	Makes sense to use a more digital forum for communication.	Channel shift & digital transformation - alternative communication methods	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council is developing a number of ways that customers can interact on a digital basis
17981	An employee of West Lothian Council	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	We should NOT assume that everyone is able to use IT (Or even want to learn how to use it) even where some people have access they find it extremely difficult to understand	Channel shift & digital transformation - alternative communication methods	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Through the development of the Digital Transformation Strategy contact methods will be aligned to customer need and aspiration ensuring that the most vulnerable customers are still able to contact the council in ways that best suit them.
17982	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	Concern for older residents who are not computer literate as to how they will still access services.	Channel shift & digital transformation - alternative communication methods	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Through the development of the Digital Transformation Strategy contact methods will be aligned to customer need and aspiration ensuring that the most vulnerable customers are still able to contact the council in ways that best suit them.
17983	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	I have used email services a number of times for council services to my complete satisfaction. My concern is that given we have an increasing aging population, not all will be IT literate and sometimes, people do prefer a face to face service	Channel shift & digital transformation - alternative communication methods	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Through the development of the Digital Transformation Strategy contact methods will be aligned to customer need and aspiration ensuring that the most vulnerable customers are still able to contact the council in ways that best suit them.
17984	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	Technology is the way forward but not everyone can use this. Provision must still be there for the older or less able members of our community	Channel shift & digital transformation - alternative communication methods	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Through the development of the Digital Transformation Strategy contact methods will be aligned to customer need and aspiration ensuring that the most vulnerable customers are still able to contact the council in ways that best suit them.
17985	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	What does this saving mean? Again we have insufficient information relating to the specifics of this saving to make an informed decision on who this will affect and how. Has an equality impact assessment been completed for this saving? Currently 48% of the disabled population currently do not have access to digital technology so how is this saving going to make services more accessible? In what way will the service be more efficient, more detail is required. What reasonable adjustments will be put in place for those who for whatever reason cannot access and / or use Information Technology.	Channel shift & digital transformation - alternative communication methods	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Through the development of the Digital Transformation Strategy contact methods will be aligned to customer need and aspiration ensuring that the most vulnerable customers are still able to contact the council in ways that best suit them.
17986	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	digital solutions are ok. But there are social groups who do not have access to digital sources or are unable to use them. #	Channel shift & digital transformation - alternative communication methods	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Through the development of the Digital Transformation Strategy contact methods will be aligned to customer need and aspiration ensuring that the most vulnerable customers are still able to contact the council in ways that best suit them.
17987	No Response	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	This is a general comment on Section 3. I agree that an improvement of the quality and accessibility of customer services is a worthy aim. Just do not forget those that do not have Internet. It is difficult to imagine a cut to CIS services in Linlithgow Library.	Channel shift & digital transformation - alternative communication methods	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Through the development of the Digital Transformation Strategy contact methods will be aligned to customer need and aspiration ensuring that the most vulnerable customers are still able to contact the council in ways that best suit them.

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17988	No Response	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	Technology is great, but don't underestimate the value of being able to have a face to face conversation with someone when you need to access a service.	Channel shift & digital transformation - alternative communication methods	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council is developing a number of ways that customers can interact on a digital basis, however there will still be a staff member to speak to if required
17989	An employee of West Lothian Council	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	I agree with more on-line facilities to reduce the number of staff in front line areas, but not all our citizens have access to, or can cope with, progressive technology. We still need to maintain some personally provided services to meet their needs.	Channel shift & digital transformation - alternative communication methods	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council is developing a number of ways that customers can interact on a digital basis, however there will still be a staff member to speak to if required
17990	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	That sounds fine as long as there is a suitable process in place for enquiries and complaints.	Channel shift & digital transformation - alternative communication methods	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Through the Customer Service Strategy the Council is committed to ensuring a range of contact methods are in place to suit the varied needs of customers.
17991	An employee of West Lothian Council	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	The council must take appropriate measures to communicate with customers through a variety of mediums to ensure that target audiences are addressed.	Channel shift & digital transformation - alternative communication methods	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Through the Customer Service Strategy the Council is committed to ensuring a range of contact methods are in place to suit the varied needs of customers.
17992	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	Cancel the newspaper you produce. Perhaps just provide a leaflet over winter with winter contact / keep safe numbers	Channel shift & digital transformation - alternative communication methods	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Using digital channels to communicate with customers is a priority for the council and solutions to current challenges will be progressed as part of the Digital Transformation Strategy
17993	An employee of West Lothian Council	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	Again the world is going digital, what about those like the elderly, disabled with learning difficulties, and those on low incomes that maybe can't afford a monthly broadband fee or those who can't understand technology, what do these people do?	Channel shift & digital transformation - alternative communication methods	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Through the development of the Digital Transformation Strategy contact methods will be aligned to customer need and aspiration ensuring that the most vulnerable customers are still able to contact the council in ways that best suit them.
17994	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	Online services are great for most people but some elderly and those without access to the Internet can find it increasingly difficult to access information.	Channel shift & digital transformation - alternative communication methods	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Through the development of the Digital Transformation Strategy contact methods will be aligned to customer need and aspiration ensuring that the most vulnerable customers are still able to contact the council in ways that best suit them.
17995	An employee of West Lothian Council	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	A large number of people especially older ones do not have skills/knowledge to do this without a lot of staff support. May discourage them from seeking help.	Channel shift & digital transformation - alternative communication methods	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Through the development of the Digital Transformation Strategy contact methods will be aligned to customer need and aspiration ensuring that the most vulnerable customers are still able to contact the council in ways that best suit them.
17996	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	Digital inclusion does not suit everyone. There are many vulnerable people in our community who depend heavily on frontline services for help and support.	Channel shift & digital transformation - alternative communication methods	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Through the development of the Digital Transformation Strategy contact methods will be aligned to customer need and aspiration ensuring that the most vulnerable customers are still able to contact the council in ways that best suit them.
17997	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	Many old and/or vulnerable people do not have or want access to digital services. Who helps them?	Channel shift & digital transformation - alternative communication methods	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Through the development of the Digital Transformation Strategy contact methods will be aligned to customer need and aspiration ensuring that the most vulnerable customers are still able to contact the council in ways that best suit them.
17998	No Response	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	I can see the reason for the suggestion but it will probably drive people mad as per my experience from insurance companies, mobile phone companies and so on. Computers go down, callers are left hanging on with no updates, lines go dead, no one to complain to, Older people get extremely worried. Lines of people will go to the one service point to sort out their grievances. But maybe I am wrong!	Channel shift & digital transformation - alternative communication methods	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Through the Customer Service Strategy the Council is committed to ensuring a range of contact methods are in place to suit the varied needs of customers.
17999	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	There should still be an opportunity to meet or phone customer service representatives when digital solutions are not possible	Channel shift & digital transformation - alternative communication methods	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Through the Customer Service Strategy the Council is committed to ensuring a range of contact methods are in place to suit the varied needs of customers.

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18000	An employee of West Lothian Council	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	This is a logical decision. There are a number of services that remain too reliant on paper administration and an online based service with opt out measures to ensure that those without access to online services are not negatively impacted by the transformation to services of these types. All departments should be asked to consider where this type of technology could be used to reduce paper, printing and mailing costs and improve efficiencies.	Channel shift & digital transformation - alternative communication methods	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The council is developing a number of ways that customers can interact on a digital basis
18001	An employee of West Lothian Council	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	Agree â€” new technologies should be utilised in all areas of the council Skype ? Video conferencing is not easily or readily available. Scheduling technology.	Channel shift & digital transformation - alternative communication methods	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The council is developing a number of ways that customers can interact on a digital basis
18002	An employee of West Lothian Council	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	most customers either have access to a mobile phone, computer or laptop,,,,, social media therefore more use should be made of these services,,,, facebook live for urgent announcements etc..... also the customer portal needs to be finished as a matter of urgency.	Channel shift & digital transformation - alternative communication methods	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council is investigating expanding its use of social media to increase its reach.
18003	An employee of West Lothian Council	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	What about the people who don't have access to/don't know how to use online services?	Channel shift & digital transformation - alternative communication methods	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Through the development of the Digital Transformation Strategy contact methods will be aligned to customer need and aspiration ensuring that the most vulnerable customers are still able to contact the council in ways that best suit them.
18004	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	Not all 'customers' can be reached, have access to, are capable or wish to use online services. While this is acceptable to help reduce costs it must not be the only way of conducting business with WLC.	Channel shift & digital transformation - alternative communication methods	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Through the development of the Digital Transformation Strategy contact methods will be aligned to customer need and aspiration ensuring that the most vulnerable customers are still able to contact the council in ways that best suit them.
18005	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	Need to take care here as not everyone or homes have technology, and vulnerable people and people with disabilities may need assistance	Channel shift & digital transformation - alternative communication methods	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Through the development of the Digital Transformation Strategy contact methods will be aligned to customer need and aspiration ensuring that the most vulnerable customers are still able to contact the council in ways that best suit them.
18006	An employee of West Lothian Council	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	Consideration has to be given to the elderly & people that do not have internet access	Channel shift & digital transformation - alternative communication methods	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Through the development of the Digital Transformation Strategy contact methods will be aligned to customer need and aspiration ensuring that the most vulnerable customers are still able to contact the council in ways that best suit them.
18007	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	Council has to be aware that not all customer have access to an online world.	Channel shift & digital transformation - alternative communication methods	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Through the development of the Digital Transformation Strategy contact methods will be aligned to customer need and aspiration ensuring that the most vulnerable customers are still able to contact the council in ways that best suit them.
18008	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	The council doesn't have customers. It is not a business. I am a citizen reliant on government services which you provide and I pay for through progressive taxation.	Channel shift & digital transformation - alternative communication methods	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Through the Customer Service Strategy the Council is committed to ensuring a range of contact methods are in place to suit the varied needs of customers.
18009	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	Sensible - about time things were more digital - email instead of post, etc. Chat bots, online chat, etc all good.	Channel shift & digital transformation - alternative communication methods	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council is developing a number of ways that customers can interact on a digital basis
18010	An employee of West Lothian Council	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	Technology has a place but at the end of the day council services are about dealing with people so there needs to be a check that some human person deals with situations too.	Channel shift & digital transformation - alternative communication methods	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council is developing a number of ways that customers can interact on a digital basis, however there will still be a staff member to speak to if required
18011	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	I think the use of digital technology would be a good way of reducing costs. Support for people who find difficulty using it can be given in libraries for example.	Channel shift & digital transformation - alternative communication methods	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council will continue to make computers available to the public in a wide range of locations

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18012	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	Agree with this. But can't remove everything in case you are alienating customers who are not digital minded. This provides people in locations to know of vulnerable people in communities.	Channel shift & digital transformation - alternative communication methods	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Through the development of the Digital Transformation Strategy contact methods will be aligned to customer need and aspiration ensuring that the most vulnerable customers are still able to contact the council in ways that best suit them.
18013	An employee of West Lothian Council	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	Great for people who are comfortable with technology and already conduct business online (bank, shopping, social media etc). Could lead to great inequalities / disadvantages for citizens who are not digitally adept.	Channel shift & digital transformation - alternative communication methods	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Through the development of the Digital Transformation Strategy contact methods will be aligned to customer need and aspiration ensuring that the most vulnerable customers are still able to contact the council in ways that best suit them.
18014	An employee of West Lothian Council	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	not everyone has access to this	Channel shift & digital transformation - alternative communication methods	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Through the Customer Service Strategy the Council is committed to ensuring a range of contact methods are in place to suit the varied needs of customers.
18015	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	Hopefully this will be beneficial as trying to contact West Lothian Council by telephone is a nightmare.	Channel shift & digital transformation - alternative communication methods	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council is continuing to invest in a range of technologies to support customer contact, this includes upgrading the telephone system
18016	An employee of West Lothian Council	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	great if they have digital - but remember high illiteracy rates....	Channel shift & digital transformation - alternative communication methods	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Through the Customer Service Strategy the Council is committed to ensuring a range of contact methods are in place to suit the varied needs of customers.
18017	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	Whilst I agree that technology is the way forward, the older generation may not feel the same. Many like to pick up the phone and speak to a real person and do not feel confident or proficient in using tech.	Channel shift & digital transformation - alternative communication methods	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council is developing a number of ways that customers can interact on a digital basis, however there will still be a staff member to speak to if required
18018	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	Agree with use of digital technology and creative ways of engagement and support but remember for some the face to face 'dealing with a person' is still so important and a more familiar way of working.	Channel shift & digital transformation - alternative communication methods	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council is developing a number of ways that customers can interact on a digital basis, however there will still be a staff member to speak to if required
18019	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	Any services which are duplicated should be overviewed and consolidated into one area to save on admin and running costs	Channel shift & digital transformation - alternative communication methods	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The council is developing a number of ways that customers can interact on a digital basis
18020	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	This would go down the same route as banks/branches closing which the pupil have to deal with. If support can be given but also help lines/places in place for perhaps the elderly this would allow savings through technology.	Channel shift & digital transformation - alternative communication methods	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Through the development of the Digital Transformation Strategy contact methods will be aligned to customer need and aspiration ensuring that the most vulnerable customers are still able to contact the council in ways that best suit them.
18021	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	Digital by choice should be viewed the other way around, in terms of an opt-in for non-digital communications, possibly with a cost for handling printed material. This could support further technical development such as the use of sound and audio communications.	Channel shift & digital transformation - alternative communication methods	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The council is developing a number of ways that customers can interact on a digital basis
18022	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	There should continue to be support for customers who do not have access to internet and have learning difficulties as it is not always helpful to get an automated message with instructions on how to access information especially if one has no means of accessing internet for example.	Channel shift & digital transformation - alternative communication methods	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council is developing a number of ways that customers can interact on a digital basis, however there will still be a staff member to speak to if required
18023	An employee of West Lothian Council	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	Digital is being more and more part of the way people buy services and seek information therefore this seems to be a sensible approach provided alternatives are made available for people who have poor or no digital knowledge or do not have access to technology.	Channel shift & digital transformation - alternative communication methods	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Through the development of the Digital Transformation Strategy contact methods will be aligned to customer need and aspiration ensuring that the most vulnerable customers are still able to contact the council in ways that best suit them.

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18024	No Response	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	Introducing messenger, like an instant messaging which allows people to get answers more quickly. Producing more services that deal with online forms and keeping email access through customer services will allow less calls to be made and costs to be cut.	Channel shift & digital transformation - alternative communication methods	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The development of the councils Digital Transformation Strategy will ensure that these type of initiatives are prioritised
18025	No Response	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	Electronic communication is easier to manage, providing sufficient resource is in place to deal with it. it will also cut down on the amount of time wasted on dealing with abusive and disruptive customers.	Channel shift & digital transformation - alternative communication methods	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The development of the councils Digital Transformation Strategy will ensure that these type of initiatives are prioritised
18026	No Response	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	As more and more of us shift to using online services, it is right that the council shifts this way too. There are, however, a minority for whom face to face services are still a valued (and sometimes essential) part of life. Is the council consulting with specific groups (particularly those involving or representing the elderly or low income populations) to ensure that any channel shift is fair and equitable?	Channel shift & digital transformation - alternative communication methods	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Through the development of the digital transformation strategy contact methods will be aligned to customer need and aspiration ensuring that the most vulnerable customers are still able to contact the council in ways that best suit them.
18027	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	Support this, but need to be very careful budget for technology does not escalate ... very tight contracts must be established with technology providers !!!!!	Channel shift & digital transformation - alternative communication methods	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council is developing an number of ways that customers can interact on a digital basis
18028	No Response	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	Whilst digital access can allow more flexibility and can allow a service to potentially reach more people than traditional telephone/ face to face contact it still requires a degree of effort from staff e.g. to keep digital resources up to date. Many management within with council seem to have the impression that once a digital form, webpage etc. is done, it's done! There is little consideration for the time and resources needed to keep these up to date.	Channel shift & digital transformation - alternative communication methods	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Recruitment and training of staff to ensure they have the necessary skills to use digital services will be a key part of the Digital Strategy
18029	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	You must provide adequate services for those who are not on-line pr who lack digital skills.	Channel shift & digital transformation - alternative communication methods	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Through the Customer Service Strategy the Council is committed to ensuring a range of contact methods are in place to suit the varied needs of customers.
18030	No Response	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	Council needs to facilitate contact with staff by members of public. Existing telephone reception system is deplorable. Why not just publish a decent staff telephone and email directory.	Channel shift & digital transformation - alternative communication methods	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council is continuing to invest in a range of technologies to support customer contact, this includes upgrading the telephone system
18031	No Response	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	This has to be carefully considered as it might isolate some people	Channel shift & digital transformation - alternative communication methods	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Through the development of the digital transformation strategy contact methods will be aligned to customer need and aspiration ensuring that the most vulnerable customers are still able to contact the council in ways that best suit them.
18032	No Response	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	We may be living in a technological world but this sounds very much like this is, once again heading towards a faceless council. Once again, our more vulnerable residents are being let down - talking to the person paying their rent / taking a library book / paying council tax etc may be the only person that they have a conversation with that day / that week can we really afford to let these people down by increasing self service solution. An introduction of more digital services will also increase the statistics for poor mental health in the county.	Channel shift & digital transformation - alternative communication methods	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Through the development of the digital transformation strategy contact methods will be aligned to customer need and aspiration ensuring that the most vulnerable customers are still able to contact the council in ways that best suit them.
18033	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	Please remember that the older generation may not have the computer skills or access to computers. Some telephone provision needs to be kept going in parallel for some time.	Channel shift & digital transformation - alternative communication methods	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Through the development of the digital transformation strategy contact methods will be aligned to customer need and aspiration ensuring that the most vulnerable customers are still able to contact the council in ways that best suit them.
18034	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	online chat and social media would allow you to deal with customers cheaper than on the phone or in person. You should be investing now to train up people and develop the channels to move people online in the future.	Channel shift & digital transformation - alternative communication methods	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Using digital channels to communicate with customers is a priority for the council and solutions to current challenges will be progressed as part of the Digital Transformation Strategy
18035	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	Services must remain accessible to those without access to internet and pc/mobile equipment due to financial constraints/age/capacity. The council needs to consider the importance of face to face contact with vulnerable citizens when looking to widen access	Channel shift & digital transformation - alternative communication methods	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Through the development of the digital transformation strategy contact methods will be aligned to customer need and aspiration ensuring that the most vulnerable customers are still able to contact the council in ways that best suit them.

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18036	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	Invest in new technologies for all customer facing staff. Give ICT resources to those front line staff who will create efficiencies rather than prioritise for management/elected representatives	Channel shift & digital transformation - alternative communication methods	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The development of the councils Digital Transformation Strategy will ensure that these type of initiatives are prioritised
18037	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	Please ensure that you continue to engage and communicate well with customers. Bulletin is a very good magazine and should continue.	Channel shift & digital transformation - alternative communication methods	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All options to reduce paper copies of information will be explored
18038	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	I mainly use the Council's Facebook page and website for information but I feel that Bulletin does a great job in promoting the Council and providing timely information. Bulletin content could be made available digitally but could alienate those who don't have Internet access.	Channel shift & digital transformation - alternative communication methods	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	All options to reduce paper copies of information will be explored
18039	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	Vitaly important to communicate with customers both internal and externally. Protect this area as Bulletin is a good product to have.	Channel shift & digital transformation - alternative communication methods	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Using digital channels to communicate with customers is a priority for the council and solutions to current challenges will be progressed as part of the Digital Transformation Strategy
18040	An employee of West Lothian Council	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	Yes this can provide a quicker service for the customer but staff must be protected.	Channel shift & digital transformation - alternative communication methods	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Digital transformation will change the focus and type of work that staff undertake.
18041	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	This will not benefit the elderly who may not have access to online facilities.	Channel shift & digital transformation - alternative communication methods	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Through the development of the digital transformation strategy contact methods will be aligned to customer need and aspiration ensuring that the most vulnerable customers are still able to contact the council in ways that best suit them.
18042	An employee of West Lothian Council	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	Appropriate for most service areas, but some support can't be done other than face to face.	Channel shift & digital transformation - alternative communication methods	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council is developing a number of ways that customers can interact on a digital basis, however there will still be a staff member to speak to if required
18043	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	In general I agree but please bear in mind that there are still members of our communities who are not 'digital citizens', either having no internet connection of their own at home or not being fully au fait with the requirements of online and self-service solutions. My mother relies on my assistance to access services that are digital but not everyone has that immediate support. I recognise the opportunity represented by this shift and its alignment to overall changes in society but please make sure that support remains available for those who need it.	Channel shift & digital transformation - alternative communication methods	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Through the development of the digital transformation strategy contact methods will be aligned to customer need and aspiration ensuring that the most vulnerable customers are still able to contact the council in ways that best suit them.
18044	An employee of West Lothian Council	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	One suggestion of probably many is to move the application of Community Care Grants for Scottish Welfare Fund to online only, leaving support for those in Crisis as it is at the moment ie supported by CSC. This would reduce costs as it typically takes an officer around 15 minutes to complete an application with a customer. Around 450 CCG applications are received per month.	Channel shift & digital transformation - alternative communication methods	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The development of the councils Digital Transformation Strategy will ensure that these type of initiatives are prioritised
18045	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	This will work for some customers. However a large number of people do not have skills or access to computers to use them. Therefore it is essential that there is still some face to face provision locally for those who need it	Channel shift & digital transformation - alternative communication methods	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council is developing a number of ways that customers can interact on a digital basis, however there will still be a staff member to speak to if required
18046	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	Don't know what this would be like, not sure if this would be good. I struggle with technology would need back up systems.	Channel shift & digital transformation - alternative communication methods	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council is developing a number of ways that customers can interact on a digital basis, however there will still be a staff member to speak to if required
18047	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	Aye, more computers.	Channel shift & digital transformation - alternative communication methods	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council will continue to make computers available to the public in a wide range of locations

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18048	An employee of West Lothian Council	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	Not everyone has access to technology or the means to understand what this actually means. Lots of barriers preventing people accessing technologies.	Channel shift & digital transformation - alternative communication methods	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council is developing a number of ways that customers can interact on a digital basis, however there will still be a staff member to speak to if required
18049	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	More investment in digital services and corporate communications to inform both customers and staff that n-line services are available and ensure that all staff follows procedures introduced.	Channel shift & digital transformation - alternative communication methods	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The development of the councils Digital Transformation Strategy will ensure that these type of initiatives are prioritised
18050	An employee of West Lothian Council	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	Agree, although in areas such as social policy, you are working with hard to engage people and the direct face to face approach is better than an automated system.	Channel shift & digital transformation - alternative communication methods	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council is developing a number of ways that customers can interact on a digital basis, however there will still be a staff member to speak to if required
18051	No Response	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	Fine to go digital for some people - but it doesn't work for all.	Channel shift & digital transformation - alternative communication methods	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council is developing a number of ways that customers can interact on a digital basis, however there will still be a staff member to speak to if required
18052	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	The use of technology should continue to be developed but care should be taken to ensure this is not to the detriment of those not able to use it or does not have the means to keep up to date with the technology	Channel shift & digital transformation - alternative communication methods	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Through the development of the digital transformation strategy contact methods will be aligned to customer need and aspiration ensuring that the most vulnerable customers are still able to contact the council in ways that best suit them.
18053	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	Agree where access to the required technology is available to all service users, ie with the support of library staff	Channel shift & digital transformation - alternative communication methods	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Through the development of the digital transformation strategy contact methods will be aligned to customer need and aspiration ensuring that the most vulnerable customers are still able to contact the council in ways that best suit them.
18054	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	Digital Transformation is much needed but in order that this provides the actual saving required the council staff will need to be upskilled in the procurement of the most appropriate systems and in how they can be fully implemented and supported. If Council staff are not fully bought into and trained to support this revolution then the maximisation of saving will not occur. The support provided the most marginalised in society to embrace this change must be considered. The majority of the population will now find the transition straightforward but for a significant minority who are likely to need a lot of council services they will struggle and support must be put in place to deal with this	Channel shift & digital transformation - alternative communication methods	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Recruitment and training of staff to ensure they have the necessary skills to use digital services will be a key part of the Digital Strategy
18055	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	Agreed, where some i:1 support is available for those individuals who are unable to use the required technology, ie in libraries.	Channel shift & digital transformation - alternative communication methods	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council is developing a number of ways that customers can interact on a digital basis, however there will still be a staff member to speak to if required
18056	An employee of West Lothian Council	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	Introducing instant messenger would be useful for the customers which allows them to communicate with Customer Services quicker and more effectively. I do believe introducing more online forms which allows the customer to do most of the requests online. There obviously will be times where people need to phone the Council however for simple things that are readily available online this could be minimized.	Channel shift & digital transformation - alternative communication methods	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The development of the councils Digital Transformation Strategy will ensure that these type of initiatives are prioritised
18057	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	It fine to be digital first but as you close day centres, reduce your services for older people, including transport to get them to offices, the isolation for them grows even more. My mum has tried to learn to use digital but was in tears trying to do this, she feels isolated and left behind as there is in general fewer and fewer staff who care that she has no computer. I try to do things for her but she feels this makes her dependent and that makes her sad and depressed that she is loosing her respect and dignity as an adult. Please leave some focussed, quality support for people who are not 'on-line'	Channel shift & digital transformation - alternative communication methods	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Through the development of the digital transformation strategy contact methods will be aligned to customer need and aspiration ensuring that the most vulnerable customers are still able to contact the council in ways that best suit them.
18058	An employee of West Lothian Council	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	Any new systems should be very carefully sourced with consultation of services across the council. For example, many internal and external services have regularly raised the issue that wifi in council buildings is not user-friendly and so under-used and not supporting digital exclusion. There have been no steps taken as yet to attempt to resolve this.	Channel shift & digital transformation - alternative communication methods	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The development of the councils Digital Transformation Strategy will ensure that these type of initiatives are prioritised

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18059	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	Yes more effort/ money should be put into creating better digital/ online services However there should also be the option to call a human if necessary (or if an older person) and this should be easy with no waiting and no automated recordings and pressing lots of numbers to get to a person	Channel shift & digital transformation - alternative communication methods	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council is developing a number of ways that customers can interact on a digital basis, however there will still be a staff member to speak to if required
18060	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	There are many people in West Lothian who do not have access to the internet and those who don't have the ability to use it. I hope this doesn't mean redesigning predominantly into automated & online services.	Channel shift & digital transformation - alternative communication methods	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council is developing a number of ways that customers can interact on a digital basis, however there will still be a staff member to speak to if required
18061	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	Offer more digital-based services.	Channel shift & digital transformation - alternative communication methods	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council is developing an number of ways that customers can interact on a digital basis
18062	An employee of West Lothian Council	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	Not everyone is computer literate, and not everyone has access to digital and on line services. Will the customer services centres address these needs ?	Channel shift & digital transformation - CSC / CIS	4. The council is already doing this.	Through the development of the Digital Transformation Strategy contact methods will be aligned to customer need and aspiration ensuring that the most vulnerable customers are still able to contact the council in ways that best suit them.
18063	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	The online payments service for Council Tax could be made better. I pay more than is required each month but have found that you can not find out your remaining balance online resulting in me having to go to a CIS office to find out this information. A solution to this may result in less people attending CIS offices and could be a saving if CIS closed and everything done online or by phone.	Channel shift & digital transformation - CSC / CIS	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Further development is required for some of the systems that we are seeking digital solutions for to ensure that we have a complete end to end process for customers who want to use it
18064	No Response	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	The call centre training is not keeping pace with demand and staff changes. In order to provide a good level of service to our customers this front line of contact must be supported and resourced fully.	Channel shift & digital transformation - CSC / CIS	4. The council is already doing this.	The council is continuing to invest in a range of technologies to support customer contact, this includes upgrading the telephone system
18065	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	Digital solutions can be a way to avoid contact with rate payers. Direct voice to voice contact with real people is needed in some cases. At present it is rarely possible to contact a Council member directly with the first telephone call. This can be used as a way to avoid talking to people - its easier for them.	Channel shift & digital transformation - CSC / CIS	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Through the development of the Digital Transformation Strategy contact methods will be aligned to customer need and aspiration ensuring that the most vulnerable customers are still able to contact the council in ways that best suit them.
18066	An employee of West Lothian Council	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	the council needs to improve existing services anyone trying to phone into report a fault or pay rent has to wait at least 20 minutes to talk to someone.	Channel shift & digital transformation - CSC / CIS	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Through the Customer Service Strategy the Council is committed to ensuring a range of contact methods are in place to suit the varied needs of customers.
18067	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	potential for instant chat to discuss things with advisers ?	Channel shift & digital transformation - CSC / CIS	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The council is developing a number of ways that customers can interact on a digital basis
18068	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	We need to remember that call centres and on-line solutions do not meet the communication needs of all residents - particularly the elderly.	Channel shift & digital transformation - CSC / CIS	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Through the development of the Digital Transformation Strategy contact methods will be aligned to customer need and aspiration ensuring that the most vulnerable customers are still able to contact the council in ways that best suit them.
18069	An employee of West Lothian Council	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	This is a good idea as staffing in CIS is understaffed and the CIS service is an important way for customers to contact WLC	Channel shift & digital transformation - CSC / CIS	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council is developing a number of ways that customers can interact on a digital basis, however there will still be a staff member to speak to if required
18070	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	I suggest making it easier to contact the council by phone for assistance on how to navigate the website? I couldn't figure out how to order a new bin so I just stole someone else's. It's like musical chairs. Except at the end of the game the one without has to order a skip!	Channel shift & digital transformation - CSC / CIS	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council is continuing to develop its website capability to ensure that it meets the increasing demands from customers
18071	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	The current quality of customer services and accessibility of some staff and some departments is currently highly inefficient and ineffective. Much investment will be required in improving standards of Customer Care, service levels and performance monitoring systems.	Channel shift & digital transformation - CSC / CIS	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Further development is required for some of the systems that we are seeking digital solutions for to ensure that we have a complete end to end process for customers who want to use it
18072	An employee of West Lothian Council	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	The call centre needs more effective, more regular training (because of the high turnover in staff) if it is to continue to operate as the second point of contact for the council's customers.	Channel shift & digital transformation - CSC / CIS	4. The council is already doing this.	Recruitment and training of staff to ensure they have the necessary skills to use digital services will be a key part of the Digital Strategy

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18073	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	The contact centre was transitional shift and it delivers the poorest service in the council, waiting times and abandonment rates are ridiculous. It is either completely incompetent or one would think it was a deliberate attempt to prevent people getting through to the council to request a service.	Channel shift & digital transformation - CSC / CIS	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council is continuing to invest in a range of technologies to support customer contact, this includes upgrading the telephone system
18074	An employee of West Lothian Council	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	Again not everyone are confident when using IT, would the contact centre be expanded for taking more calls if frontline offices close	Channel shift & digital transformation - CSC / CIS	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council is continuing to invest in a range of technologies to support customer contact, this includes upgrading the telephone system
18075	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	Frontline services are essential as not everyone is computer literate and there are many vulnerable people our community. These people depend on support as they are unable to use phones or IT equipment eg disabled, elderly, visually impaired, people with mental health issues, learning difficulties and the hard of hearing.	Channel shift & digital transformation - CSC / CIS	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Through the development of the Digital Transformation Strategy contact methods will be aligned to customer need and aspiration ensuring that the most vulnerable customers are still able to contact the council in ways that best suit them.
18076	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	I agree with the proposal to improve the quality and accessibility of customer services provided to the West Lothian area.	Channel shift & digital transformation - CSC / CIS	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council is developing a number of ways that customers can interact on a digital basis
18077	No Response	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	Modernizing the approach we communicate with the Council and vice versa is definitely needed. Integrating the departments for one communication i.e giving most call handling to the Contact Centre will make efficiency in the process.	Channel shift & digital transformation - CSC / CIS	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The development of the councils Digital Transformation Strategy will ensure that these type of initiatives are prioritised
18078	An employee of West Lothian Council	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	We set our targets far too high and seem to spend too much time and money trying to encourage customers to complain.	Channel shift & digital transformation - CSC / CIS	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
18079	No Response	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	Invest in cis and other front line services	Channel shift & digital transformation - CSC / CIS	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Deploying digital solutions to some service provision is shown to be more cost effective
18080	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	Streamline access to services. Currently emergency calls are treated similar to non-emergency routing through main exchange. This could be resolved by allowing people to speak to an operator with options rather than a machine.	Channel shift & digital transformation - CSC / CIS	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council is continuing to invest in a range of technologies to support customer contact, this includes upgrading the telephone system
18081	No Response	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	This will only work if taking on board the options of those that use the services, their advocates and those that sign post. Some support services are separated due to the nature of the outcomes and the complex needs of the individuals. Structure and routine an important part of human nature.	Channel shift & digital transformation - CSC / CIS	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Through the development of the digital transformation strategy contact methods will be aligned to customer need and aspiration ensuring that the most vulnerable customers are still able to contact the council in ways that best suit them.
18082	No Response	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	It's impossible to call the service centre, i have tried on many occasions with no luck (probably due to the lack of staff)	Channel shift & digital transformation - CSC / CIS	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council is continuing to invest in a range of technologies to support customer contact, this includes upgrading the telephone system
18083	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	If technology working in CECs then ok but what's the plan when no staff to assist when technology lets us down?	Channel shift & digital transformation - CSC / CIS	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council will continue to make computers available to the public in a wide range of locations
18084	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	We agree with the proposal to improve the quality and accessibility of customer services in the Council.	Channel shift & digital transformation - CSC / CIS	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council is developing a number of ways that customers can interact on a digital basis
18085	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	Difficult enough trying to speak to anyone at the council using the call centre. Introducing a new system will not necessarily help. Need more personal contact and not a machine asking you to pick what numbers you want.	Channel shift & digital transformation - CSC / CIS	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council is developing a number of ways that customers can interact on a digital basis, however there will still be a staff member to speak to if required
18086	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	Fix WLC CC phone system. Make it easier to contact service areas.	Channel shift & digital transformation - CSC / CIS	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council is continuing to invest in a range of technologies to support customer contact, this includes upgrading the telephone system
18087	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	. Invest in web and online services and gradually move away from traditional services. In ten years nobody will want to call anyway. It will all be done online.	Channel shift & digital transformation - online and self service	4. The council is already doing this.	Through the development of the Digital Transformation Strategy contact methods will be aligned to customer need and aspiration ensuring that the most vulnerable customers are still able to contact the council in ways that best suit them.
18088	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	The council should be looking to deliver far more services through effective technology. The council's website is not as transactional as it should be with payments and booking services online difficult and frustrating.	Channel shift & digital transformation - online and self service	4. The council is already doing this.	The council is continuing to develop its website capability to ensure that it meets the increasing demands from customers

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18089	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	just remember a lot of people are not computer literate	Channel shift & digital transformation - online and self service	4. The council is already doing this.	Through the development of the Digital Transformation Strategy contact methods will be aligned to customer need and aspiration ensuring that the most vulnerable customers are still able to contact the council in ways that best suit them.
18090	An employee of West Lothian Council	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	I would agree with this proposal so long as it remains "digital by choice as for more vulnerable people digital may not be an option in that they do not have access to IT / do not have IT skills - this has been a difficulty for clients when DWP have insisted on "on line" applications resulting in staff time having to be used as some clients are not able to manage this	Channel shift & digital transformation - online and self service	4. The council is already doing this.	Through the development of the Digital Transformation Strategy contact methods will be aligned to customer need and aspiration ensuring that the most vulnerable customers are still able to contact the council in ways that best suit them.
18091	No Response	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	More people are managing their affairs through the internet and if this could be used with more services and save money that can be used elsewhere.	Channel shift & digital transformation - online and self service	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council is developing a number of ways that customers can interact on a digital basis
18092	An employee of West Lothian Council	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	As many services as possible should be delivered online	Channel shift & digital transformation - online and self service	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council is developing a number of ways that customers can interact on a digital basis
18093	An employee of West Lothian Council	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	Public users should be encouraged are even instructed to help Council eg make payments online instead of queuing to pay Council tax, or make enquiries by phone rather than visit Support staff in Partnerships should be well numbered to deal with this.	Channel shift & digital transformation - online and self service	4. The council is already doing this.	The council is developing a number of ways that customers can interact on a digital basis
18094	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	Not all customers can or wish to access services on line	Channel shift & digital transformation - online and self service	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Through the development of the Digital Transformation Strategy contact methods will be aligned to customer need and aspiration ensuring that the most vulnerable customers are still able to contact the council in ways that best suit them.
18095	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	In my experience the council's online services are functional but poor - substantial improvement and modernisation is required if you expect people to 'self serve' online. Also - being forced to use online services is not 'digital by choice'.	Channel shift & digital transformation - online and self service	4. The council is already doing this.	Through the development of the Digital Transformation Strategy contact methods will be aligned to customer need and aspiration ensuring that the most vulnerable customers are still able to contact the council in ways that best suit them.
18096	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	it should not be digital only, many customers for different reasons, cannot access digital. There should always be an alternative for those customers.	Channel shift & digital transformation - online and self service	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Through the development of the Digital Transformation Strategy contact methods will be aligned to customer need and aspiration ensuring that the most vulnerable customers are still able to contact the council in ways that best suit them.
18097	No Response	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	I agree although consideration to be given to those with little or no digital access.	Channel shift & digital transformation - online and self service	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Through the development of the Digital Transformation Strategy contact methods will be aligned to customer need and aspiration ensuring that the most vulnerable customers are still able to contact the council in ways that best suit them.
18098	An employee of West Lothian Council	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	Although this is currently increasing in the amount of online services etc we still see that a lot of the aged population refuse to use these and either do not report their needs or complaints or call, visit or write letters. Therefore I believe that although this emphasis is clearly the right way forward you will need to take into account those that either cannot or will not access the correct technology.	Channel shift & digital transformation - online and self service	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Through the development of the Digital Transformation Strategy contact methods will be aligned to customer need and aspiration ensuring that the most vulnerable customers are still able to contact the council in ways that best suit them.
18099	An employee of West Lothian Council	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	Recognise that not everyone, particularly older people, are able to interact using digital means. Also realise that the easier it is made to contact the council, the more likely it is that more request for service will be made. It is far easier and quicker to fire off an e-mail or fill in an online comment rather than write a letter or even make a phone call.	Channel shift & digital transformation - online and self service	4. The council is already doing this.	Through the development of the Digital Transformation Strategy contact methods will be aligned to customer need and aspiration ensuring that the most vulnerable customers are still able to contact the council in ways that best suit them.
18100	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	I support the use here of digital services. I have used your online planning portal and it is excellent.	Channel shift & digital transformation - online and self service	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council is developing a number of ways that customers can interact on a digital basis
18101	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	There is very little service at the moment anyway, so another opportunity to detach yourselves from customers	Channel shift & digital transformation - online and self service	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Through the development of the Digital Transformation Strategy contact methods will be aligned to customer need and aspiration ensuring that the most vulnerable customers are still able to contact the council in ways that best suit them.

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18102	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	Self support is the way forward. This would cut the cost of time wasted and the delay in trying to find out what is going on. Most people can access or have someone who can access digital services to support self service.	Channel shift & digital transformation - online and self service	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Through the development of the Digital Transformation Strategy contact methods will be aligned to customer need and aspiration ensuring that the most vulnerable customers are still able to contact the council in ways that best suit them.
18103	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	A good proposal but need to take into account elderly people who need contact with someone face to face when introducing technology a lot of people cannot do it online and don't own a computer that would be too much of a change for older people	Channel shift & digital transformation - online and self service	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Through the development of the Digital Transformation Strategy contact methods will be aligned to customer need and aspiration ensuring that the most vulnerable customers are still able to contact the council in ways that best suit them.
18104	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	Good idea going online for services but again you would need to take into consideration the people who do not have access to computers and the elderly	Channel shift & digital transformation - online and self service	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Through the development of the Digital Transformation Strategy contact methods will be aligned to customer need and aspiration ensuring that the most vulnerable customers are still able to contact the council in ways that best suit them.
18105	No Response	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	Digital and self service are great ideas, you still need face to face for customers who have communication difficulties	Channel shift & digital transformation - online and self service	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council is developing a number of ways that customers can interact on a digital basis, however there will still be a staff member to speak to if required
18106	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	introducing digital solutions another waste of money that could be spent elsewhere	Channel shift & digital transformation - online and self service	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Deploying digital solutions to some service provision is shown to be more cost effective
18107	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	More online services would be helpful however there should still remain a route to do this face-to-face for the most vulnerable who are unable to make technology	Channel shift & digital transformation - online and self service	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Through the development of the Digital Transformation Strategy contact methods will be aligned to customer need and aspiration ensuring that the most vulnerable customers are still able to contact the council in ways that best suit them.
18108	An employee of West Lothian Council	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	What does this even mean??! Elderly people may not be able to use or access online facilities and also anyone who perhaps has a learning difficulty would not understand how this works.	Channel shift & digital transformation - online and self service	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Through the development of the Digital Transformation Strategy contact methods will be aligned to customer need and aspiration ensuring that the most vulnerable customers are still able to contact the council in ways that best suit them.
18109	An employee of West Lothian Council	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	Ensure computers terminals available in communities to make this work	Channel shift & digital transformation - online and self service	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council is developing a number of ways that customers can interact on a digital basis
18110	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	Clearly a good way to go. Most people are computer literate now, but the vulnerable few must be protected.	Channel shift & digital transformation - online and self service	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Through the development of the Digital Transformation Strategy contact methods will be aligned to customer need and aspiration ensuring that the most vulnerable customers are still able to contact the council in ways that best suit them.
18111	An employee of West Lothian Council	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	More work on the website is need to provide upto date information on services	Channel shift & digital transformation - online and self service	4. The council is already doing this.	The council is continuing to develop its website capability to ensure that it meets the increasing demands from customers
18112	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	Online and digital ways of communicating may be the streamlined way of doing things, but there are still many , mostly older people, who either do not have access or cannot use these ways of communicating. This should always be taken into account.	Channel shift & digital transformation - online and self service	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Through the development of the Digital Transformation Strategy contact methods will be aligned to customer need and aspiration ensuring that the most vulnerable customers are still able to contact the council in ways that best suit them.
18113	An employee of West Lothian Council	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	Customers don't want to use technology face to face is much better for individuals. Online and self service does not always work. west Lothian council are not providing choices and taking work away for hands to do. Will the individuals the face to face workers be offered to retrain in IT technology and do this instead meaning jobs could be saved?	Channel shift & digital transformation - online and self service	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Digital transformation will change the focus and type of work that staff undertake.
18114	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	Up till now the result of using technology to increase efficiency has proven to lower the quality of the publics experience. Also this kind of decision is based on the assumption that we are all computer/IT literate.This is most definitely not the case and is a very short sighted approach which leads to citizens being poorly served it does not support workers it gives them more work dealing with it queries	Channel shift & digital transformation - online and self service	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Further development is required for some of the systems that we are seeking digital solutions for to ensure that we have a complete end to end process for customers who want to use it

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18115	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	reducing paperwork and transferring to digital is okay - just don't removing all personal contact	Channel shift & digital transformation - online and self service	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Through the development of the Digital Transformation Strategy contact methods will be aligned to customer need and aspiration ensuring that the most vulnerable customers are still able to contact the council in ways that best suit them.
18116	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	Absolutely. There are many areas that have been, and can continue to be moved onto online provision which is fantastic and should be continued wherever possible.	Channel shift & digital transformation - online and self service	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Using digital channels to communicate with customers is a priority for the council and solutions to current challenges will be progressed as part of the Digital Transformation Strategy
18117	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	This is the most sensible suggestion yet. The current web site is frankly terrible. This needs to be tackled on a per transaction basis and a robust process for each put in place.	Channel shift & digital transformation - online and self service	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Using digital channels to communicate with customers is a priority for the council and solutions to current challenges will be progressed as part of the Digital Transformation Strategy
18118	An employee of West Lothian Council	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	Not everybody has or wants to use computerised/digital. The Council needs to put in place a suitably robust IT system capable of delivering the systems required.	Channel shift & digital transformation - online and self service	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Using digital channels to communicate with customers is a priority for the council and solutions to current challenges will be progressed as part of the Digital Transformation Strategy
18119	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	What about people who don't have access to the internet? Most of the younger generation will have or will know how to use technology but a lot of older people won't, I'm thinking about my dad and older relatives who don't have and don't want to have to deal with things via technology.	Channel shift & digital transformation - online and self service	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Through the development of the Digital Transformation Strategy contact methods will be aligned to customer need and aspiration ensuring that the most vulnerable customers are still able to contact the council in ways that best suit them.
18120	An employee of West Lothian Council	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	Whilst the digital route is great for the younger generation this is trickier for pensioners or those on low incomes as public computer access becomes fewer and further apart.	Channel shift & digital transformation - online and self service	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council will continue to make computers available to the public in a wide range of locations
18121	An employee of West Lothian Council	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	Digital solutions will be helpful however it is important to still have a human face of the council for those who either don't have access to technology or who are unable to use it.	Channel shift & digital transformation - online and self service	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Through the development of the Digital Transformation Strategy contact methods will be aligned to customer need and aspiration ensuring that the most vulnerable customers are still able to contact the council in ways that best suit them.
18122	An employee of West Lothian Council	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	This makes sense however particular care must be taken so that the most vulnerable in society as not left socially and digitally excluded.	Channel shift & digital transformation - online and self service	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Through the development of the Digital Transformation Strategy contact methods will be aligned to customer need and aspiration ensuring that the most vulnerable customers are still able to contact the council in ways that best suit them.
18123	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	Online and Self Service options are all well and good, but with an ageing population as well as people with limited access to technology it is not necessarily the best option for all residents	Channel shift & digital transformation - online and self service	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Through the development of the Digital Transformation Strategy contact methods will be aligned to customer need and aspiration ensuring that the most vulnerable customers are still able to contact the council in ways that best suit them.
18124	No Response	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	Where possible, all forms/applications etc should be done online, the amount of money that is wasted on paper application forms/complaints forms etc is a bit ridiculous. Most people have access to a computer these days so are able to get these forms remotely. Anyone who has no access can request a paper one so it should only be printed as and when required. We print so many forms in bulk that it's a waste of money. Forms like licenses, pupil placement applications and housing applications are printed the most and should be available to either print online or fill in online which would save the council money in printing costs also.	Channel shift & digital transformation - online and self service	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The development of the councils Digital Transformation Strategy will ensure that these type of initiatives are prioritised
18125	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	Digital transport is good as there should be facilities to pay over the telephone	Channel shift & digital transformation - online and self service	4. The council is already doing this.	Online and phone payments are already available
18126	No Response	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	IT does not always offer the best way forward. Not sure closing the cash desks will keep the rent money/council tax coming in. Elderly customers will struggle with the self service method. Will	Channel shift & digital transformation - online and self service	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Through the development of the Digital Transformation Strategy contact methods will be aligned to customer need and aspiration ensuring that the most vulnerable customers are still able to contact the council in ways that best suit them.
18127	No Response	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	I said 5 years ago that we should have a self service portal where tenants can check their own rent accounts, and this has finally been brought in. It will save on costs if tenants can manage their own accounts, and check the balance.	Channel shift & digital transformation - online and self service	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Through the development of the Digital Transformation Strategy contact methods will be aligned to customer need and aspiration ensuring that the most vulnerable customers are still able to contact the council in ways that best suit them.

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18128	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	better online facilities. most are migrating online.	Channel shift & digital transformation - online and self service	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Using digital channels to communicate with customers is a priority for the council and solutions to current challenges will be progressed as part of the Digital Transformation Strategy
18129	An employee of West Lothian Council	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	If more self service options were available to customers in supported environments then this may help on staffing levels.	Channel shift & digital transformation - online and self service	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Through the development of the Digital Transformation Strategy contact methods will be aligned to customer need and aspiration ensuring that the most vulnerable customers are still able to contact the council in ways that best suit them.
18130	An employee of West Lothian Council	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	More and more information is available on line and the need to print out reports for committees should not be required.	Channel shift & digital transformation - online and self service	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The development of the councils Digital Transformation Strategy will ensure that these type of initiatives are prioritised
18131	An employee of West Lothian Council	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	Get more data on line and integrate systems.	Channel shift & digital transformation - online and self service	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	IT system integration will be a key development within the emerging Digital Transformation Strategy
18132	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	Save ing should be more. Put as much as possible online although your website is rubbish, 10 years behind others and boring.	Channel shift & digital transformation - online and self service	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council is continuing to develop its website capability to ensure that it meets the increasing demands from customers
18133	No Response	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	modernising requests by making all services easily accessible online, providing smart working by centralising needs to one service i.e customer services who can transport all requests through if not easily available online.	Channel shift & digital transformation - online and self service	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Through the Customer Service Strategy the Council is committed to ensuring a range of contact methods are in place to suit the varied needs of customers.
18134	An employee of West Lothian Council	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	Who will be around to help people access online services.	Channel shift & digital transformation - online and self service	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Through the development of the Digital Transformation Strategy contact methods will be aligned to customer need and aspiration ensuring that the most vulnerable customers are still able to contact the council in ways that best suit them.
18135	An employee of West Lothian Council	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	Digital transformation is definitely required, self service will allow consolidation of resources - however this may lead to job cuts and therefore a detrimental effect on staff morale.	Channel shift & digital transformation - online and self service	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Through the Customer Service Strategy the Council is committed to ensuring a range of contact methods are in place to suit the varied needs of customers.
18136	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	Digital solutions are fine for those who can deal with this. It is very difficult to get customers to engage on our new digital solutions. As much as we can provide support we are never going to be able to get customers to fill online applications, look up information and older people may not have the physical or mental capacity to cope.	Channel shift & digital transformation - online and self service	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Through the development of the Digital Transformation Strategy contact methods will be aligned to customer need and aspiration ensuring that the most vulnerable customers are still able to contact the council in ways that best suit them.
18137	No Response	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	Self service bad idea for payments - we are in an age where people do not wish to pay and this gives them more of a reason	Channel shift & digital transformation - online and self service	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Payment kiosks have been placed in a range of locations and are being used by a wide variety of customers.
18138	An employee of West Lothian Council	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	It would be good if the council would consider making these accessible outwith the council area such as accessing payslips.	Channel shift & digital transformation - online and self service	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council is continuing to develop its website capability to ensure that it meets the increasing demands from customers
18139	An employee of West Lothian Council	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	Has this saving been costed accurately? I would have thought an online customer transaction would result in a substantial staff resource saving. Perhaps the Council can learn from organisations like DWP who are much further developed in these type of transformations.	Channel shift & digital transformation - online and self service	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Deploying digital solutions to some service provision is shown to be more cost effective
18140	An employee of West Lothian Council	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	Channel shift unfortunately means that service users who are already disadvantaged will find it harder to access services. If you don't have internet access or have low IT skills for instance.	Channel shift & digital transformation - online and self service	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Through the development of the Digital Transformation Strategy contact methods will be aligned to customer need and aspiration ensuring that the most vulnerable customers are still able to contact the council in ways that best suit them.
18141	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	Making everything online may isolate people with no access to internet or the ability skills to use it	Channel shift & digital transformation - online and self service	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Through the development of the Digital Transformation Strategy contact methods will be aligned to customer need and aspiration ensuring that the most vulnerable customers are still able to contact the council in ways that best suit them.

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18142	No Response	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	Personally I prefer booking online or seeking information, far quicker than phoning	Channel shift & digital transformation - online and self service	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council is developing a number of ways that customers can interact on a digital basis
18143	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	Again target the poorest who don't have access to "digital" solutions	Channel shift & digital transformation - online and self service	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Through the development of the Digital Transformation Strategy contact methods will be aligned to customer need and aspiration ensuring that the most vulnerable customers are still able to contact the council in ways that best suit them.
18144	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	I agree that more services should be available online but you need to ensure that the support is also available face-to-face for those that cannot use or are not confident in using the online services.	Channel shift & digital transformation - online and self service	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council is developing a number of ways that customers can interact on a digital basis, however there will still be a staff member to speak to if required
18145	No Response	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	Disagree. Not everyone has access to online services or have support to do so.. as you have reduced hours libraries operate and some folk are not it literate.	Channel shift & digital transformation - online and self service	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Through the Customer Service Strategy the Council is committed to ensuring a range of contact methods are in place to suit the varied needs of customers.
18146	An employee of West Lothian Council	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	Our online facilities are not up to date, for all services, not managed enough and not efficient.	Channel shift & digital transformation - online and self service	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Using digital channels to communicate with customers is a priority for the council and solutions to current challenges will be progressed as part of the Digital Transformation Strategy
18147	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	Cash facilities are still required in this case and in central locations.	Channel shift & digital transformation - online and self service	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council has developed a number of options for customers to pay for council services. This includes online, by direct debit, by phone, or in person.
18148	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	Technology is the way of the world now but doesn't suit our ever growing elderly population	Channel shift & digital transformation - online and self service	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Through the development of the Digital Transformation Strategy contact methods will be aligned to customer need and aspiration ensuring that the most vulnerable customers are still able to contact the council in ways that best suit them.
18149	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	In principal this would make sense, but realistically how quickly can you introduce these solutions? Other Councils have stated similar proposals and have been beset with a series of IT failures and delays. How can you learn from their mistakes and ensure that your internal IT staff and any chosen partners are capable of delivering such an ambitious proposal. Could you outsource this to a supplier on a fixed price, or no delivery, no pay basis? Can this truly be delivered within the required timeframe?	Channel shift & digital transformation - online and self service	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The development of the councils Digital Transformation Strategy will ensure that these type of initiatives are prioritised
18150	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	How will you assure digital access for those without internet connections or a lack of experience in digital platforms	Channel shift & digital transformation - online and self service	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council will continue to make computers available to the public in a wide range of locations
18151	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	If software is good and customers shown how to use then great. Many people waste app at doctors/ hope etc as they just need advice however any digital service tool needs full user trials in 'real time'	Channel shift & digital transformation - online and self service	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The development of the councils Digital Transformation Strategy will ensure that these type of initiatives are prioritised
18152	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	not everybody online, maybe more accessible places to get online, not just the library	Channel shift & digital transformation - online and self service	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council will continue to make computers available to the public in a wide range of locations
18153	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	As long as the on-line instruction does not confuse the person trying to complete it, would still require some one on hand for some people to complete	Channel shift & digital transformation - online and self service	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Through the development of the Digital Transformation Strategy contact methods will be aligned to customer need and aspiration ensuring that the most vulnerable customers are still able to contact the council in ways that best suit them.
18154	An employee of West Lothian Council	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	I have been registering my favour in this kind of system for years in my previous home county of Fife. In my opinion, where possible of course, all services should be accessed digitally to begin with. This will allow the council to target face-to-face services only at those who really need them, thus saving time and money. I am aware that not all people will have digital access (either through a skills gap or through not owning the technology) so based on my solution, I would still recommend keeping a 'traditional' service in larger communities so that access is still available.	Channel shift & digital transformation - online and self service	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Through the development of the Digital Transformation Strategy contact methods will be aligned to customer need and aspiration ensuring that the most vulnerable customers are still able to contact the council in ways that best suit them.
18155	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	This I agree with, as more and more people are unable to access council services during working hours an alternative is needed.	Channel shift & digital transformation - online and self service	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Through the Customer Service Strategy the Council is committed to ensuring a range of contact methods are in place to suit the varied needs of customers.

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18156	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	If technology is going to be used to supplement this then it needs to be well maintained , up-to-date, fit for purpose and secure. Sufficient expertise for the digital era needs to be sought and maintained	Channel shift & digital transformation - online and self service	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Through the Customer Service Strategy the Council is committed to ensuring a range of contact methods are in place to suit the varied needs of customers.
18157	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	The tenants self service portal is shockingly bad and unreliable. The council should invest in a purpose built self service site, allowing tenants and other service users to do as much as possible online and reduce the need for contact with staff.	Channel shift & digital transformation - online and self service	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The development of the councils Digital Transformation Strategy will ensure that these type of initiatives are prioritised
18158	An employee of West Lothian Council	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	Great for younger people but for the elderly „this would be difficult as they don't all have or don't want to use digital equipment or online services. Elderly people still need support.	Channel shift & digital transformation - online and self service	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Through the Customer Service Strategy the Council is committed to ensuring a range of contact methods are in place to suit the varied needs of customers.
18159	No Response	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	Basically once again less staff and less opportunity for the public to actually speak to the people they need to speak to.	Channel shift & digital transformation - online and self service	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council is developing a number of ways that customers can interact on a digital basis, however there will still be a staff member to speak to if required
18160	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	More direct online services could be accessed ,, modernization	Channel shift & digital transformation - online and self service	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council is developing a number of ways that customers can interact on a digital basis
18161	No Response	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	I agree that people are more likely to use technology to access council services, but not everyone has the required technology or the skills to use it, but where that could be provided in libraries for example, I agree that this should be explored	Channel shift & digital transformation - online and self service	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Through the Customer Service Strategy the Council is committed to ensuring a range of contact methods are in place to suit the varied needs of customers.
18162	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	I'm all for digital transformation as long as all citizen will be able to get support/workshop which will help them understand how it works.	Channel shift & digital transformation - online and self service	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Through the Customer Service Strategy the Council is committed to ensuring a range of contact methods are in place to suit the varied needs of customers.
18163	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	Having worked on digital projects within the civil service this is fraught with risks most around spiralling costs and manual contingencies as full digital services timelines can't be met . Council services are accessed mostly by the vulnerable who need human contact. Money will be wasted but won't be publicised as it will come from a budget no one understands. Savings i.e. staff cuts will be made that will not cover the costs of digitisation but will reduce help to the vulnerable.	Channel shift & digital transformation - online and self service	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Through the development of the Digital Transformation Strategy contact methods will be aligned to customer need and aspiration ensuring that the most vulnerable customers are still able to contact the council in ways that best suit them.
18164	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	More digital, emailing services, online forms will be a benefit. Communicating through social media about events, services etc.	Channel shift & digital transformation - online and self service	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council is developing a number of ways that customers can interact on a digital basis
18165	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	Completely unachievable until you are prepared to move away from services and service budgets and focus on centralisation of provision around the customer.	Channel shift & digital transformation - online and self service	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Using digital channels to communicate with customers is a priority for the council and solutions to current challenges will be progressed as part of the Digital Transformation Strategy
18166	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	no objections, provided that digital solutions do not introduce a risk of cost over runs.	Channel shift & digital transformation - online and self service	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	All projects will be managed using the councils approved project management methodology
18167	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	In theory, fine, as long as vulnerable people who cannot access online services aren't left out.	Channel shift & digital transformation - online and self service	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Through the development of the Digital Transformation Strategy contact methods will be aligned to customer need and aspiration ensuring that the most vulnerable customers are still able to contact the council in ways that best suit them.
18168	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	The means of accessing services needs to take into account the difficulties that some people, particularly the very elderly, may have in using technology.	Channel shift & digital transformation - online and self service	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Through the development of the Digital Transformation Strategy contact methods will be aligned to customer need and aspiration ensuring that the most vulnerable customers are still able to contact the council in ways that best suit them.
18169	An employee of West Lothian Council	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	This should have happened a long time ago. All doctors surgeries should have electronic prescription ordering services.	Channel shift & digital transformation - online and self service	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council is developing a number of ways that customers can interact on a digital basis
18170	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	Can foresee a lot of training required for staff to be fully competent at delivering digital services.	Channel shift & digital transformation - online and self service	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Recruitment and training of staff to ensure they have the necessary skills to use digital services will be a key part of the Digital Strategy

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18171	An employee of West Lothian Council	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	Total waste of money. Forcing people to do the work for you is all that this means. As already see with the new "Cash Machine" replacing the cash offices. Total disaster and will cost even more money in the long run.	Channel shift & digital transformation - online and self service	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Payment kiosks have been placed in a range of locations and are being used by a wide variety of customers.
18172	An employee of West Lothian Council	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	Digital can make savings but it is important to remember that not everyone has access to or are able to use digital solutions.	Channel shift & digital transformation - online and self service	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Through the Customer Service Strategy the Council is committed to ensuring a range of contact methods are in place to suit the varied needs of customers.
18173	An employee of West Lothian Council	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	I agree with this although some people struggle with technology especially older more vulnerable people who would need support to access it.	Channel shift & digital transformation - online and self service	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Through the development of the Digital Transformation Strategy contact methods will be aligned to customer need and aspiration ensuring that the most vulnerable customers are still able to contact the council in ways that best suit them.
18174	An employee of West Lothian Council	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	The self service solutions need to actually work. The cash kiosks are an on-going problem and the number of man hours spend trying to fix the systems, getting them to work and supporting the customers to use it is large.	Channel shift & digital transformation - online and self service	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Payment kiosks have been placed in a range of locations and are being used by a wide variety of customers.
18175	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	Perhaps digital options could be considered to allow people to self-refer for social work assessment or to complete a short self-assessment online for some services eg basic equipment or equally to identify when someone is not eligible or is looking for something which is not provided by the council. Perhaps at point of contact/referral staff are able promote a self-service or signposting solution where possible to meet low level needs or where other options such as voluntary organisations or community resources should be considered first. Change to how we receive referrals and how we provide information to the public at this point could reduce workload, perhaps also allowing contact/referral to provide a more extensive service and support to the practice teams, dealing with short term work or urgent cases at point of referral.	Channel shift & digital transformation - online and self service	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The development of the councils Digital Transformation Strategy will ensure that these type of initiatives are prioritised
18176	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	I support online info and service delivery but do watch out of the gaps. As noted in section 2 you do need to think about how to deliver statutory advice and guidance to those who are not IT literate and may never be; or may have lost access to mobiles phones etc due to physical, cognitive or financial reasons. .	Channel shift & digital transformation - online and self service	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Through the development of the Digital Transformation Strategy contact methods will be aligned to customer need and aspiration ensuring that the most vulnerable customers are still able to contact the council in ways that best suit them.
18177	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	Central booking for all user groups voluntary, sports and council for centrally used buildings. They belong to the community after all but maximise use.	Channel shift & digital transformation - online and self service	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The development of the councils Digital Transformation Strategy will ensure that these type of initiatives are prioritised
18178	No Response	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	Council website will have to be more user friendly and easier to navigate if this proposal is to work	Channel shift & digital transformation - online and self service	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council is continuing to develop its website capability to ensure that it meets the increasing demands from customers
18179	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	I do believe that online services are the future but they must be implemented properly.	Channel shift & digital transformation - online and self service	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council is developing a number of ways that customers can interact on a digital basis
18180	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	Sounds reasonable, however not everyone has the capability to access electronic services. Any services offered digitally must be easy to use and understand, so great care needed when setting this up.	Channel shift & digital transformation - online and self service	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Through the development of the Digital Transformation Strategy contact methods will be aligned to customer need and aspiration ensuring that the most vulnerable customers are still able to contact the council in ways that best suit them.
18181	An employee of West Lothian Council	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	Needs to be accessible to the elderly and vulnerable as we may miss an early intervention opportunity which then escalates.	Channel shift & digital transformation - online and self service	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Through the development of the Digital Transformation Strategy contact methods will be aligned to customer need and aspiration ensuring that the most vulnerable customers are still able to contact the council in ways that best suit them.
18182	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	Very many people including some young are terrible with technology. In my experience of working with the tax man (who has cut services and its all online) the customers are all struggling with the new online based services and they receive constant complaints. May sound good on paper but will cause nothing but complaints.	Channel shift & digital transformation - online and self service	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Through the development of the Digital Transformation Strategy contact methods will be aligned to customer need and aspiration ensuring that the most vulnerable customers are still able to contact the council in ways that best suit them.
18183	An employee of West Lothian Council	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	Online services/channel shift are only successful if the forms link to back end software where staff are NOT required to re enter data. A corporate database used by all services could eliminate reproduction or data and ensure accuracy.	Channel shift & digital transformation - online and self service	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The development of the councils Digital Transformation Strategy will ensure that these type of initiatives are prioritised

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18184	An employee of West Lothian Council	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	Although this is a logical and modern way of accessing services the council must be careful not to alienate individuals or groups who can't or don't want to access services in this way. The systems in place must also be compatible with the changes to avoid extra costs at the back end in administration	Channel shift & digital transformation - online and self service	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Through the development of the Digital Transformation Strategy contact methods will be aligned to customer need and aspiration ensuring that the most vulnerable customers are still able to contact the council in ways that best suit them.
18185	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	This sort of approach has proved a disaster in relation to Universal Credit. People need to deal with people, not inflexible and flaky online systems. And what if you don't have online access?	Channel shift & digital transformation - online and self service	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Through the development of the Digital Transformation Strategy contact methods will be aligned to customer need and aspiration ensuring that the most vulnerable customers are still able to contact the council in ways that best suit them.
18186	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	Making everything digital has a devastating effect on those who are not digitally included, excluding those already in disadvantaged circumstances.	Channel shift & digital transformation - online and self service	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Through the development of the Digital Transformation Strategy contact methods will be aligned to customer need and aspiration ensuring that the most vulnerable customers are still able to contact the council in ways that best suit them.
18187	No Response	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	More and more people are becoming technologically aware and more comfortable with accessing services online. This makes sense and should work provided that facilities are available in same number of venues although perhaps not the traditional ones ie libraries, supermarkets, community centres. There does need to be an option available for people who are unable to use digital services.	Channel shift & digital transformation - online and self service	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council is developing a number of ways that customers can interact on a digital basis, however there will still be a staff member to speak to if required
18188	An employee of West Lothian Council	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	Digital solutions don't work for every client. Aware that libraries give access to internet but older people don't feel comfortable working with digital software.	Channel shift & digital transformation - online and self service	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Through the development of the Digital Transformation Strategy contact methods will be aligned to customer need and aspiration ensuring that the most vulnerable customers are still able to contact the council in ways that best suit them.
18189	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	Not everyone has access to online self services = who helps the vulnerable now with all these closures and no staff	Channel shift & digital transformation - online and self service	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Through the development of the Digital Transformation Strategy contact methods will be aligned to customer need and aspiration ensuring that the most vulnerable customers are still able to contact the council in ways that best suit them.
18190	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	Will all elderly customers be able to go online?	Channel shift & digital transformation - online and self service	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Through the development of the Digital Transformation Strategy contact methods will be aligned to customer need and aspiration ensuring that the most vulnerable customers are still able to contact the council in ways that best suit them.
18191	An employee of West Lothian Council	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	The council needs to make the public very aware that these services can be accessed online as most people have never been on the council website before.	Channel shift & digital transformation - online and self service	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Through the Customer Service Strategy the Council is committed to ensuring a range of contact methods are in place to suit the varied needs of customers.
18192	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	This will only work if your website is improved to make information easier to find.	Channel shift & digital transformation - online and self service	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council is continuing to develop its website capability to ensure that it meets the increasing demands from customers
18193	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	Digital inclusion is not the answer for many. Although it is often thought to be cost effective - this is not always the case.	Channel shift & digital transformation - online and self service	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Through the development of the Digital Transformation Strategy contact methods will be aligned to customer need and aspiration ensuring that the most vulnerable customers are still able to contact the council in ways that best suit them.
18194	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	Prefer face to face council employees and not online services	Channel shift & digital transformation - online and self service	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council is developing a number of ways that customers can interact on a digital basis, however there will still be a staff member to speak to if required
18195	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	More online and self service solutions is a good idea	Channel shift & digital transformation - online and self service	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council is developing a number of ways that customers can interact on a digital basis
18196	An employee of West Lothian Council	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	Although many people like to use online and self service solutions WLC must ensure that the IT systems in place support these proposals or this could end up being a cost rather than saving. There is also a chance that customers could feel alienated by these changes	Channel shift & digital transformation - online and self service	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	IT system integration will be a key development within the emerging Digital Transformation Strategy
18197	No Response	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	Nothing worse than automated services for good customer relations.	Channel shift & digital transformation - online and self service	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Through the Customer Service Strategy the Council is committed to ensuring a range of contact methods are in place to suit the varied needs of customers.

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18198	An employee of West Lothian Council	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	I understand the saving here but some people do like to interact with humans and find internet very impersonal and threatening. Again when internet goes down - no service.	Channel shift & digital transformation - online and self service	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council is developing a number of ways that customers can interact on a digital basis, however there will still be a staff member to speak to if required
18199	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	People don't want all the self service that is being introduced. Not all people are computer literate and will find it frustrating. They will take out their frustrations on the few Council staff that will be left. I don't think the council are being realistic in this cost cutting exercise	Channel shift & digital transformation - online and self service	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Through the development of the Digital Transformation Strategy contact methods will be aligned to customer need and aspiration ensuring that the most vulnerable customers are still able to contact the council in ways that best suit them.
18200	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	I agree, most people prefer to do things online. My mum and gran struggle with technology but I help them and I believe most people have someone that could help them	Channel shift & digital transformation - online and self service	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Through the Customer Service Strategy the Council is committed to ensuring a range of contact methods are in place to suit the varied needs of customers.
18201	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	More information is needed. People using your services are usually at the end of their tether, they don't want to go on line and fill in form, they don't want to wait in a queue to be answered and they don't want to have to constantly redial the telephone number, they want to speak to someone at that moment they are reaching out for support, someone who understands and can help. So going digital may solve your problems but it is just another way of fudging figures as people will not constantly try to get in touch, sooner or later enough is enough.	Channel shift & digital transformation - online and self service	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Through the Customer Service Strategy the Council is committed to ensuring a range of contact methods are in place to suit the varied needs of customers.
18202	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	High scope here to provide a better, more effective comms / self service channels.	Channel shift & digital transformation - online and self service	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council is developing a number of ways that customers can interact on a digital basis
18203	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	Self service functions may not suit the elder residents although agree it is the most cost effective way to operate.	Channel shift & digital transformation - online and self service	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Through the Customer Service Strategy the Council is committed to ensuring a range of contact methods are in place to suit the varied needs of customers.
18204	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	Agreed as not all people have a PC or access to online services or able to use a PC and WLC having this service would be beneficial	Channel shift & digital transformation - online and self service	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Through the Customer Service Strategy the Council is committed to ensuring a range of contact methods are in place to suit the varied needs of customers.
18205	An employee of West Lothian Council	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	While using digital means to assist with service provision is a good thing, there are still a large number of people who don't have access to online services, have no desire to have access or don't know how to use it. Not everyone can get to a library to access the internet therefore services still need to be offered by other means.	Channel shift & digital transformation - online and self service	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Through the Customer Service Strategy the Council is committed to ensuring a range of contact methods are in place to suit the varied needs of customers.
18206	An employee of West Lothian Council	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	Due to the nature of work carried out over all teams in the revenues unit, we naturally have a lot of different application forms. Consideration should be given to pulling applications into one form for all types of financial assistance.	Channel shift & digital transformation - online and self service	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The council is developing a number of ways that customers can interact on a digital basis
18207	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	Integrate applications for different things onto one online form. The Scottish Welfare fund have had success with this with community care grants	Channel shift & digital transformation - online and self service	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The council is developing a number of ways that customers can interact on a digital basis
18208	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	Online and self-service solutions are great options for the more tech savvy members of the public. However, there are large numbers of people who are not comfortable or knowledgeable with these options or do not have access to computers or the internet. The elderly especially would rather speak to someone in person about the issues they have so it is still important that this option is still available.	Channel shift & digital transformation - online and self service	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council is developing a number of ways that customers can interact on a digital basis, however there will still be a staff member to speak to if required
18209	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	Please accept that lots of older people are not able to cope with online and self-service solutions. They still like to do things face to face with a human - not a machine.	Channel shift & digital transformation - online and self service	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council is developing a number of ways that customers can interact on a digital basis, however there will still be a staff member to speak to if required
18210	No Response	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	Whilst I appreciate technology is the way forward, the Council has to take into consideration its ageing population. My parents are in their early 80s and would struggle to be reliant on only online services.	Channel shift & digital transformation - online and self service	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council is developing a number of ways that customers can interact on a digital basis, however there will still be a staff member to speak to if required
18211	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	Happy to see user friendly digital solutions, but also need face-face/phone support for those less able to use technology.	Channel shift & digital transformation - online and self service	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Through the Customer Service Strategy the Council is committed to ensuring a range of contact methods are in place to suit the varied needs of customers.

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18212	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	Good idea. More online and self service solutions should be put in place as soon as possible as most people have access to the internet these days.	Channel shift & digital transformation - online and self service	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council is developing a number of ways that customers can interact on a digital basis
18213	No Response	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	Better to supply all information and application forms online to make it easier to apply for things	Channel shift & digital transformation - online and self service	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council is developing a number of ways that customers can interact on a digital basis
18214	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	More online services would be welcome. Need to make it more user friendly.	Channel shift & digital transformation - online and self service	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council is developing a number of ways that customers can interact on a digital basis
18215	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	Requires better eforms regards council tax, paying bills. Every resident should have an easy accessible account which allows them details on their bill collection dates, council tax bills, rent, etc. Previously lived in COE and this facility was excellent and when moved through to West Lothian felt I had gone back to the dark ages.	Channel shift & digital transformation - online and self service	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The development of the councils Digital Transformation Strategy will ensure that these type of initiatives are prioritised
18216	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	So, does that mean there will be more self-service services? As I believe that getting help from an actual person would be far more helpful than getting help from a computer program.	Channel shift & digital transformation - online and self service	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council is developing a number of ways that customers can interact on a digital basis, however there will still be a staff member to speak to if required
18217	No Response	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	As much as possible should be available online. More and more people are using this portal as their primary choice for fact-seeking and contact. If bills are easier to pay then more people might actually pay them.	Channel shift & digital transformation - online and self service	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council is developing a number of ways that customers can interact on a digital basis
18218	An employee of West Lothian Council	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	A more on-line service, this would not help everyone, especially the elderly as a lot of older residents in West Lothian will have no access to the Internet.	Channel shift & digital transformation - online and self service	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Through the development of the Digital Transformation Strategy contact methods will be aligned to customer need and aspiration ensuring that the most vulnerable customers are still able to contact the council in ways that best suit them.
18219	An employee of West Lothian Council	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	Introduce online presence for as many areas of the council as possible for residents. This could include provision of advice and payment of bills.	Channel shift & digital transformation - online and self service	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council is developing a number of ways that customers can interact on a digital basis
18220	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	Are digital services really more efficient or just result in less paper. How are cost reductions calculated?	Channel shift & digital transformation - online and self service	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Deploying digital solutions to some service provision is shown to be more cost effective
18221	No Response	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	Many companies and services are changing the methods by which people access services. West Lothian Council are no different and should keep up with technological advances to reduce staffing costs where possible and allow staff to do more in their jobs.	Channel shift & digital transformation - online and self service	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Using digital channels to communicate with customers is a priority for the council and solutions to current challenges will be progressed as part of the Digital Transformation Strategy
18222	No Response	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	I understand what this is all about but dont know how too word this as my own thoughts a find putting in words is very difficult all a can say as us all as a community we all need too work together. Not everyone is able to use or indeed has a computer or even able to afford one so making things more digital and removing face to face staff is in my opinion a bad idea.	Channel shift & digital transformation - online and self service	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council is developing a number of ways that customers can interact on a digital basis, however there will still be a staff member to speak to if required
18223	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	Online services are more desirable.	Channel shift & digital transformation - online and self service	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council is developing a number of ways that customers can interact on a digital basis
18224	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	In comparison to other nearby authorities e.g. Edinburgh and East Lothian, West Lothian appear to be behind with regards to having the systems developed to enable an authority wide online booking system for after school clubs, facilities, school dinners etc.	Channel shift & digital transformation - online and self service	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The development of the councils Digital Transformation Strategy will ensure that these type of initiatives are prioritised
18225	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	more online access to service	Channel shift & digital transformation - online and self service	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council is developing a number of ways that customers can interact on a digital basis
18226	An employee of West Lothian Council	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	Good - but allow those who have no access online, or who do not have the skills to be supported to do this - how will this be done? Library staff are already under pressure!!	Channel shift & digital transformation - online and self service	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Through the Customer Service Strategy the Council is committed to ensuring a range of contact methods are in place to suit the varied needs of customers.

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18227	An employee of West Lothian Council	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	Whilst the council are behind in many services in terms of delivering digital channels and solutions, it must be remembered that the most vulnerable will still need support. It is the few in West Lothian who often take up the most council resources over a range of services. However those that can should be encouraged to use online resources but these must be fit for purpose, e.g. how many tenants are actively using the tenant portal/ what did it cost to bring this in.	Channel shift & digital transformation - online and self service	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Through the Customer Service Strategy the Council is committed to ensuring a range of contact methods are in place to suit the varied needs of customers.
18228	An employee of West Lothian Council	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	more online interaction and services with call centre just for emergency's	Channel shift & digital transformation - online and self service	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council is developing a number of ways that customers can interact on a digital basis
18229	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	If this means online communications rather than phone-call enquiries, what about those who have not got the facilities or faculties for this communication ?	Channel shift & digital transformation - online and self service	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council is developing a number of ways that customers can interact on a digital basis, however there will still be a staff member to speak to if required
18230	No Response	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	What support will there be for people who cannot access online or self-service provision? Libraries and other council facilities have already closed or reduced their hours of operation. Not everyone has access to online facilities in their home. Who will help those individuals who are unable to access these types of provision and who need an actual human being to support them?	Channel shift & digital transformation - online and self service	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council is developing a number of ways that customers can interact on a digital basis, however there will still be a staff member to speak to if required
18231	An employee of West Lothian Council	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	My only concern with this is that some people aren't comfortable using computers and they may miss out on services or be able to access these services.	Channel shift & digital transformation - online and self service	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council is developing a number of ways that customers can interact on a digital basis, however there will still be a staff member to speak to if required
18232	An employee of West Lothian Council	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	Please do not forget our elderly, illiterate, the poor and without devices, mentally ill, disabled, unemployed, non-engaging customers: we see them every day and they struggle with life let alone technology and being self sufficient.	Channel shift & digital transformation - online and self service	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Through the development of the Digital Transformation Strategy contact methods will be aligned to customer need and aspiration ensuring that the most vulnerable customers are still able to contact the council in ways that best suit them.
18233	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	Online services can be great if done properly however some people are not comfortable with computer and some website can be confusing so the option to speak to another human being should always be available. Not an automated phone services but a real human being.	Channel shift & digital transformation - online and self service	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council is developing a number of ways that customers can interact on a digital basis, however there will still be a staff member to speak to if required
18234	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	Invest more in digital communications to support changes to services. Further develop your website and social media to better communicate with residents would be relatively cheap and save money down the line.	Channel shift & digital transformation - online and self service	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council is continuing to develop its website capability to ensure that it meets the increasing demands from customers
18235	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	How can all customers access services digitally. Elderly and those with mental health issues may find themselves excluded.	Channel shift & digital transformation - online and self service	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Through the development of the digital transformation strategy contact methods will be aligned to customer need and aspiration ensuring that the most vulnerable customers are still able to contact the council in ways that best suit them.
18236	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	sounds good just keep some real people to speak to on phones for older people	Channel shift & digital transformation - online and self service	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council is developing a number of ways that customers can interact on a digital basis, however there will still be a staff member to speak to if required
18237	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	IT solutions can be extremely costly if not managed and designed well. Try to maintain existing infrastructure and enhance with an online service if you can. Don't assume that transformation means greenfield IT development	Channel shift & digital transformation - online and self service	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The development of the councils Digital Transformation Strategy will ensure that these type of initiatives are prioritised
18238	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	I agree completely with increasing digital, self-service systems. They must be well designed. Much of the current online services are very poor.	Channel shift & digital transformation - online and self service	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The development of the councils Digital Transformation Strategy will ensure that these type of initiatives are prioritised
18239	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	This could be effective as means info and advice can be daughter out of hours when needed as opposed to waiting until open. Sometimes if someone is afraid to query then digital aids this as they can still search	Channel shift & digital transformation - online and self service	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council is developing an number of ways that customers can interact on a digital basis
18240	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	3a Great, new technological improvements but this relies upon all your customers having the access to technology at home. Many elderly people can not access this and find it difficult to understand.	Channel shift & digital transformation - online and self service	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Through the development of the digital transformation strategy contact methods will be aligned to customer need and aspiration ensuring that the most vulnerable customers are still able to contact the council in ways that best suit them.

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18241	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	Agree, but there must be provision for those in the elderly category who do not do "online".	Channel shift & digital transformation - online and self service	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Through the development of the digital transformation strategy contact methods will be aligned to customer need and aspiration ensuring that the most vulnerable customers are still able to contact the council in ways that best suit them.
18242	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	Are a lot of your customers elderly and have little digital/online experience? This assumes that customers have computer/tablet or have someone who could access for them-not always the case.	Channel shift & digital transformation - online and self service	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Through the development of the digital transformation strategy contact methods will be aligned to customer need and aspiration ensuring that the most vulnerable customers are still able to contact the council in ways that best suit them.
18243	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	You should not be introducing a digital by choice as this ethos as this would discriminate against persons without access to a computer, such as many of your elderly residents. This appears to already be happening by stealth as I have no recollection of receiving any correspondence from you by post inviting me to take part in this consultation. I only recently learnt about the consultation via the letters page in my local newspaper.	Channel shift & digital transformation - online and self service	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Through the development of the digital transformation strategy contact methods will be aligned to customer need and aspiration ensuring that the most vulnerable customers are still able to contact the council in ways that best suit them.
18244	No Response	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	Increasing efficiency is good, but I suspect scope for efficiency savings is less after previous cuts. Any action to digitise customer services should consider the needs of people who are not able or willing to engage, e.g. some older people.	Channel shift & digital transformation - online and self service	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Through the development of the digital transformation strategy contact methods will be aligned to customer need and aspiration ensuring that the most vulnerable customers are still able to contact the council in ways that best suit them.
18245	An employee of West Lothian Council	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	Many services could be carried out online; these could even include Skype/Online meetings/interviews to reduce travel costs. If members of the community do not have access to webcam/internet at home, specialist, private areas could be set up in local libraries/community centres.	Channel shift & digital transformation - online and self service	5d. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it has been previously considered and will not be progressed.	The council use to have such a facility called Teletalk, however customers were reluctant to use it and ultimately it was scrapped.
18246	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	Does this imply more of - press 1 to 6 then a number of choices 1 to 5 etc. This may suit the council but not the customer.	Channel shift & digital transformation - online and self service	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council is continuing to invest in a range of technologies to support customer contact, this includes upgrading the telephone system
18247	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	I recognise the cost efficiency of self service systems, however, we need to ensure those most vulnerable in our communities still require person centred support.	Channel shift & digital transformation - online and self service	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Through the development of the digital transformation strategy contact methods will be aligned to customer need and aspiration ensuring that the most vulnerable customers are still able to contact the council in ways that best suit them.
18248	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	Apps are the way forward as smartphones take over .. web based services are to cumbersome and require a PC or Laptop ... phones are in everyone pocket and more accessible	Channel shift & digital transformation - online and self service	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Using digital channels to communicate with customers is a priority for the council and solutions to current challenges will be progressed as part of the Digital Transformation Strategy
18249	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	I fully support greater use of online and digital services as long as such services are available to all (I know of elderly who do not have access to computer technology) and that they are easily accessible and pathways to such services are well documented and advertised.	Channel shift & digital transformation - online and self service	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Through the development of the digital transformation strategy contact methods will be aligned to customer need and aspiration ensuring that the most vulnerable customers are still able to contact the council in ways that best suit them.
18250	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	Digital services are all very good for those who are IT literate and have immediate access to the technology. This method of communication and accessing services must not be to the detriment of those who prefer to speak to someone or write a letter.	Channel shift & digital transformation - online and self service	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council is developing a number of ways that customers can interact on a digital basis, however there will still be a staff member to speak to if required
18251	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	I believe there is probably even more savings to be made here than already proposed. My experience is both a Board member of local organisations receiving funding to provide essential services, and as a carer for a disabled person who has had very little from the Council despite high level of disability and care needs. In both my experience is of inefficient systems and needless levels of bureaucracy that will be wasting a large amount of resources, and I believe this should be addressed rather than cuts to services that are proposed later in the consultation.	Channel shift & digital transformation - online and self service	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Through the development of the digital transformation strategy contact methods will be aligned to customer need and aspiration ensuring that the most vulnerable customers are still able to contact the council in ways that best suit them.
18252	No Response	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	Also instead of getting machines in - that cost loads and hardly work - which are obviously meant to replace staff in the long run (payment kiosks) why don't you just keep two central cash offices that people can pay money in and put out an advertising campaign about Direct Debits and Standing Orders in buildings that do not have a cash office. There's a great way to save money instead of cutting staff and cutting overtime.	Channel shift & digital transformation - online and self service	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Payment kiosks have been placed in a range of locations and are being used by a wide variety of customers.
18253	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	I agree that all opportunities should be considered to try and deliver services in an increasingly online environment.	Channel shift & digital transformation - online and self service	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council is developing a number of ways that customers can interact on a digital basis

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18254	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	Online services would be advantageous to the majority of people within West Lothian, but could also provide difficult for those on low incomes with no internet access or older people who cannot manage technology.	Channel shift & digital transformation - online and self service	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Through the development of the digital transformation strategy contact methods will be aligned to customer need and aspiration ensuring that the most vulnerable customers are still able to contact the council in ways that best suit them.
18255	An employee of West Lothian Council	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	On line and self service options are helpful and usually get a quicker response Guidance/training for staff would make these work more efficiently	Channel shift & digital transformation - online and self service	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Recruitment and training of staff to ensure they have the necessary skills to use digital services will be a key part of the Digital Strategy
18256	An employee of West Lothian Council	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	Remember not everyone is IT brilliant so care must be taken to at least provide some basic contact for those.	Channel shift & digital transformation - online and self service	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council is developing a number of ways that customers can interact on a digital basis, however there will still be a staff member to speak to if required
18257	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	Good idea, provided online services are easy to access and user-friendly.	Channel shift & digital transformation - online and self service	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council is developing an number of ways that customers can interact on a digital basis
18258	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	I agree with this as long as it doesn't remove the public's ability to speak to a staff member either in person or on the phone. There are still many families in West Lothian that do not have regular internet access at home.	Channel shift & digital transformation - online and self service	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council is developing a number of ways that customers can interact on a digital basis, however there will still be a staff member to speak to if required
18259	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	yeah the digital route is better going forward also the use of web chats would save costs as a member of staff can only deal with 1 phone call but they could manage up to 5 chats at 1 time	Channel shift & digital transformation - online and self service	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council is continuing to invest in a range of technologies to support customer contact, this includes upgrading the telephone system
18260	An employee of West Lothian Council	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	Within collections (revenues) we are front line in that customers can call us to answer queries. I feel a lot of these calls could be minimised by creating a self service portal (similar to online banking) where customers can log in and view their balances, discounts etc. This would therefore reduce a lot of the calls we receive which would free up more time to process other work. We could maybe create an app for West Lothian Council to make it easy for people to contact us to notify us of changes or make the website mobile friendly. I also think where possible we could create more comprehensive forms that can be shared with various departments to save customers contacting various departments and stops information being lost between departments. This would also assist in keeping customer records up to date which would help us at collections collect any balances due by residents.	Channel shift & digital transformation - online and self service	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The development of the councils Digital Transformation Strategy will ensure that these type of initiatives are prioritised
18261	An employee of West Lothian Council	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	Due to the nature of work carried out over all teams within the Revenues unit, we naturally have a lot of different application forms. Linked in with suggestions mentioned in 3c, consideration should be given to pulling applications into one form for all types of financial assistance. Think about what can be claimed on line without the need for manual intervention ie CCG&€™s.	Channel shift & digital transformation - online and self service	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The development of the councils Digital Transformation Strategy will ensure that these type of initiatives are prioritised
18262	An employee of West Lothian Council	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	Due to the nature of the work carried out over all teams with the Revenues Unit, we naturally have a lot of different application forms. Consideration should be given to pulling applications into one form for all types of financial assistance.	Channel shift & digital transformation - online and self service	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The development of the councils Digital Transformation Strategy will ensure that these type of initiatives are prioritised
18263	An employee of West Lothian Council	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	Online self service can provide huge benefits to customers and in turn efficiencies for the council. It is important proper resource continues to be invested in online services to allow progress in this area and going forward as technology and customer expectations evolve.	Channel shift & digital transformation - online and self service	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council is continuing to develop its website capability to ensure that it meets the increasing demands from customers
18264	An employee of West Lothian Council	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	Customers and staff should be given input into the structure of any digital form or application as often there are scenarios that have not been considered by the developers	Channel shift & digital transformation - online and self service	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The development of the councils Digital Transformation Strategy will ensure that these type of initiatives are prioritised
18265	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	I support increasing digitization / rationalisation of CIS and library	Channel shift & digital transformation - online and self service	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council is developing an number of ways that customers can interact on a digital basis
18266	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	Good. Make the IT work! Well designed digital services, backed up by good support, can improve services and also produce savings.	Channel shift & digital transformation - online and self service	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council is developing an number of ways that customers can interact on a digital basis

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18267	An employee of West Lothian Council	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	On-line applications can be successful if the application form and process is fit for purposes - it can make the processes quicker and more successful. Within benefits we already use an on-line application for Housing Benefit and Council Tax Reduction.	Channel shift & digital transformation - online and self service	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council is developing a number of ways that customers can interact on a digital basis
18268	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	As long as these digital services are easy to access.	Channel shift & digital transformation - online and self service	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council is developing a number of ways that customers can interact on a digital basis
18269	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	It should be digital by default. Paper only if specifically asked for. Look at how Edinburgh Council uses the internet for its residents/customers to access services. It's street/lights/roads reporting section is particularly accessible and easy to use (unlike the equivalent WLC site)	Channel shift & digital transformation - online and self service	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council is developing a number of ways that customers can interact on a digital basis
18270	An employee of West Lothian Council	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	although an online service is great & convenient we still require face to face facilities for people who either don't have access or are unable to complete online enquiries. also an online application form that covers all aspects of a department would be more cost effective	Channel shift & digital transformation - online and self service	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council is developing a number of ways that customers can interact on a digital basis, however there will still be a staff member to speak to if required
18271	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	Technology is a wonderful thing but not everyone wishes to use it and I think it is important that services still provide a face to face service where possible as a choice as not being able to speak with someone in person is often frustrating. Sometimes service delivery goes too far in eliminating the human element and not providing choice. Not everyone can use the internet or access it.	Channel shift & digital transformation - online and self service	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council is developing a number of ways that customers can interact on a digital basis, however there will still be a staff member to speak to if required
18272	An employee of West Lothian Council	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	I do agree that workload can be streamlined by the use of online forms however a staff member still needs action the complete form.	Channel shift & digital transformation - online and self service	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Further development is required for some of the systems that we seeking digital solutions for to ensure that we have a complete end to end process for customers who want to use it
18273	No Response	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	Digital solutions are not suitable for access by older people who need to speak to a human being. often don't own a computer or do not have the skills to use one.	Channel shift & digital transformation - online and self service	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council is developing a number of ways that customers can interact on a digital basis, however there will still be a staff member to speak to if required
18274	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	Sounds logical, but are the people who will be accessing this new technology IT savvy? I ask this as the computer system that records one's entry to the local health clinic is very seldom used.	Channel shift & digital transformation - online and self service	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council is developing a number of ways that customers can interact on a digital basis, however there will still be a staff member to speak to if required
18275	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	Digital may be the future, but it is not yet accessible to all. Many residents still rely on face to face contact and interactions when accessing support or engaging with the council. This is important, especially considering the growing population of elderly residents. How will these residents access digitised council services?	Channel shift & digital transformation - online and self service	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council is developing a number of ways that customers can interact on a digital basis, however there will still be a staff member to speak to if required
18276	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	I agree with more online applications etc but some customer still require help and support to complete forms and use IT. Some older customers will also not use computers/internet. Customers still have a choice. The number of computers with access to the internet needs to be increased across WLC.	Channel shift & digital transformation - online and self service	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council is developing a number of ways that customers can interact on a digital basis, however there will still be a staff member to speak to if required
18277	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	B) Increase in and adapting current automated / online services thus reducing manpower.	Channel shift & digital transformation - online and self service	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council is developing a number of ways that customers can interact on a digital basis
18278	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	It is fine to be online but what about those in the community who don't have access to a computer. It is already difficult to gain access to some services, these cuts may make it impossible!	Channel shift & digital transformation - online and self service	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council is developing a number of ways that customers can interact on a digital basis, however there will still be a staff member to speak to if required
18279	No Response	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	Although I understand this is necessary I think the council need to hear in mind that not everyone can deal with technology - online is great at times but on other occasions you actually need to speak to someone. I think there needs to be a balance. OK for the younger generations but not necessarily for the elderly or those with disabilities.	Channel shift & digital transformation - online and self service	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council is developing a number of ways that customers can interact on a digital basis, however there will still be a staff member to speak to if required
18280	An employee of West Lothian Council	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	Many of our vulnerable people who need services will be elderly people who may not find a 'whiz' interactive web based help centre very accessible.	Channel shift & digital transformation - online and self service	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Through the development of the digital transformation strategy contact methods will be aligned to customer need and aspiration ensuring that the most vulnerable customers are still able to contact the council in ways that best suit them.
18281	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	Make library service digital only.	Channel shift & digital transformation - online and self service	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council is developing a number of ways that customers can interact on a digital basis

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18282	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	1. Focus on digital transformation of services	Channel shift & digital transformation - online and self service	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council is developing a number of ways that customers can interact on a digital basis
18283	No Response	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	The council should seek to remove payment options with higher costs to administer (or pass these costs on to the client).	Channel shift & digital transformation - online and self service	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council is developing a number of ways that customers can interact on a digital basis
18284	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	The council has been too slow in the adoption of new IT systems and mobile working and needs to review their current deployment and fast track these initiatives ASAP.	Channel shift & digital transformation (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	The development of the councils Digital Transformation Strategy will ensure that these type of initiatives are prioritised
18285	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	WLC should also integrate back office systems with Love Clean Streets software and join the "Smart Cities" agenda.	Channel shift & digital transformation (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	IT system integration will be a key development within the emerging Digital Transformation Strategy
18286	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	I agree with a digital customer interface.	Channel shift & digital transformation (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council is developing a number of ways that customers can interact on a digital basis
18287	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	This is a positive area for all teams and should be explored further. Why do we still offer customers the same level of service to phone the Contact Centre? No other private company does.	Channel shift & digital transformation (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	Through the development of the Digital Transformation Strategy contact methods will be aligned to customer need and aspiration ensuring that the most vulnerable customers are still able to contact the council in ways that best suit them.
18288	An employee of West Lothian Council	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	despite the notion of reducing helplessness there is a fine line	Channel shift & digital transformation (general)	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	It is not clear what the respondent is referring to
18289	An employee of West Lothian Council	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	This is a key requirement of the future. Significant digital development is required.	Channel shift & digital transformation (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	The development of the councils Digital Transformation Strategy will ensure that these type of initiatives are prioritised
18290	An employee of West Lothian Council	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	As a council employee who works very closely with families, there is a push for us to email. At the moment this is not allowed due to the security of the system. (this is what we are getting told). As time moves on more and more people are using email communication and as a council we need to be able to keep up with this demand.	Channel shift & digital transformation (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	Using digital channels to communicate with customers is a priority for the council and solutions to current challenges will be progressed as part of the Digital Transformation Strategy
18291	An employee of West Lothian Council	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	These systems have to be effective and adaptable to work properly, if not they increase the burden and pressure on staff. In addition they take too long to introduce.	Channel shift & digital transformation (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	The development of the councils Digital Transformation Strategy will ensure that these type of initiatives are prioritised
18292	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	You do realise that not everyone is computer literate don't you?	Channel shift & digital transformation (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	Through the development of the Digital Transformation Strategy contact methods will be aligned to customer need and aspiration ensuring that the most vulnerable customers are still able to contact the council in ways that best suit them.
18293	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	As long as jobs not lost	Channel shift & digital transformation (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Digital transformation will change the focus and type of work that staff undertake.
18294	No Response	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	Impersonal service & not always the best option. I believe this still leads to phone calls in most cases. Also the security & thought regarding data disposal etc all add to costs. A lot of times, technology leads to uncertainty & phone calls anyway. This can even be down to network uncertainty.	Channel shift & digital transformation (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Through the development of the Digital Transformation Strategy contact methods will be aligned to customer need and aspiration ensuring that the most vulnerable customers are still able to contact the council in ways that best suit them.
18295	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	Agree more investment in IT solutions	Channel shift & digital transformation (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council is developing a number of ways that customers can interact on a digital basis
18296	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	Not everyone has access to digital devices - how will this group be serviced?	Channel shift & digital transformation (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	Through the development of the Digital Transformation Strategy contact methods will be aligned to customer need and aspiration ensuring that the most vulnerable customers are still able to contact the council in ways that best suit them.
18297	An employee of West Lothian Council	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	The Council must continue to ensure there are professional, trained and valued members of staff behind the technology. A web form, web page of information, or a few links to other agencies is not a replacement for a competent person.	Channel shift & digital transformation (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	The council will continue to employ professional staff to deliver services to those that need them

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18298	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	Council workers hours is not always accesable for working tennants the online tools are great and if you do need to speak to someone you can call if needed i do most of my things online now pay my remt request an engineer etc its so brilliant the times have changed and this is part of it	Channel shift & digital transformation (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council is developing a number of ways that customers can interact on a digital basis
18299	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	Totally agree with this. This is the future and as long as access is still promoted at libraries etc. to those who do not have to computers; this is the way forward for the council.	Channel shift & digital transformation (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Through the development of the Digital Transformation Strategy contact methods will be aligned to customer need and aspiration ensuring that the most vulnerable customers are still able to contact the council in ways that best suit them.
18300	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	The above paragraph is just appalling jargon - was this produced by a machine? - Plain English please.	Channel shift & digital transformation (general)	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	The text for the consultation document was developed by council officers. The council always try to make any communication as easy to understand as possible
18301	An employee of West Lothian Council	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	makes sense, however it will be difficult for many customers in certain areas where illiteracy is high	Channel shift & digital transformation (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Through the development of the Digital Transformation Strategy contact methods will be aligned to customer need and aspiration ensuring that the most vulnerable customers are still able to contact the council in ways that best suit them.
18302	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	Digital solutions are not suitable for all- digital solutions in some cases will by their nature exclude the most vulnerable/ disadvantaged in society- who are in fact the section of the council population who most need easy access to services.	Channel shift & digital transformation (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Through the development of the Digital Transformation Strategy contact methods will be aligned to customer need and aspiration ensuring that the most vulnerable customers are still able to contact the council in ways that best suit them.
18303	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	It would have been helpful to know what savings previous channel shift initiatives had generated.	Channel shift & digital transformation (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Through the Delivering better Outcomes Programme the council achieved over £300k of savings through channel shift
18304	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	You have to remember to be inclusive of people with disabilities that have difficulty in using technology for a variety of reasons.	Channel shift & digital transformation (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Through the development of the Digital Transformation Strategy contact methods will be aligned to customer need and aspiration ensuring that the most vulnerable customers are still able to contact the council in ways that best suit them.
18305	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	Definitely important to update digital systems..	Channel shift & digital transformation (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	IT system integration will be a key development within the emerging Digital Transformation Strategy
18306	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	Great but I'm not sure the council is prepared for this.	Channel shift & digital transformation (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council is developing a number of ways that customers can interact on a digital basis
18307	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	We should not have a start and stop programme to channel shift, it should be an ongoing process whereby all major customer transactions are regularly assessed and information and processes are moved to digital channels if not already there, ensuring these channels are the easiest way for customers to resolve their query and that they are intuitive. As and when new query types arise, again information should be moved digitally.	Channel shift & digital transformation (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council is developing a number of ways that customers can interact on a digital basis
18308	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	Officers should regularly test all digital channels themselves posing as customers and have the IT flexibility to fix problems rapidly. There should be a uniform software and design format across digital transactions and digital solutions should not be designed in isolation by services.	Channel shift & digital transformation (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council is developing a number of ways that customers can interact on a digital basis
18309	An employee of West Lothian Council	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	Agree but this is difficult to achieve without investment. Tough choices are required to make sure that the council provides customers with what they want. Not what we think customers want.	Channel shift & digital transformation (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Using digital channels to communicate with customers is a priority for the council and solutions to current challenges will be progressed as part of the Digital Transformation Strategy
18310	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	What happens to residents who do not want or cannot access a "digital by choice ethos"?	Channel shift & digital transformation (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Through the development of the Digital Transformation Strategy contact methods will be aligned to customer need and aspiration ensuring that the most vulnerable customers are still able to contact the council in ways that best suit them.
18311	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	Agree as long as this work is carried out a pace that brings along those in the community that are not IT or digitally savy. Sometimes it is good to speak to a person face to face and not to a machine. I am only lucky that I have a family which sorts all my IT needs out.	Channel shift & digital transformation (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Through the development of the Digital Transformation Strategy contact methods will be aligned to customer need and aspiration ensuring that the most vulnerable customers are still able to contact the council in ways that best suit them.

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18312	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	as long as people who don't have digital access are not left behind	Channel shift & digital transformation (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Through the development of the Digital Transformation Strategy contact methods will be aligned to customer need and aspiration ensuring that the most vulnerable customers are still able to contact the council in ways that best suit them.
18313	An employee of West Lothian Council	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	not everyone is able to access computers so online solutions are not always the way forward.	Channel shift & digital transformation (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Through the Customer Service Strategy the Council is committed to ensuring a range of contact methods are in place to suit the varied needs of customers.
18314	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	Just remember that it is important that there are also front line staff to help with those with difficulties accessing electronic data.	Channel shift & digital transformation (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Through the Customer Service Strategy the Council is committed to ensuring a range of contact methods are in place to suit the varied needs of customers.
18315	An employee of West Lothian Council	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	It more joined up IT system were available to staff and the IT systems more responsive then possible savings could be made in staff time.	Channel shift & digital transformation (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	IT system integration will be a key development within the emerging Digital Transformation Strategy
18316	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	Agreed that digital by choice should be the default rather than trying to design services around those who do not wish to access digital services. Other public organisations have managed to achieve significant changes in service delivery by these means - eg DVLA.	Channel shift & digital transformation (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The development of the councils Digital Transformation Strategy will ensure that these type of initiatives are prioritised
18317	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	Most people have mobile laptop or computer a lot of council requests should be moved to digital i.e pupil placement applications , bulky uplift request , hardship request all initial applications can be done 24 hrs day online and although not everyone has access to Internet we should always have people for face to face and calls	Channel shift & digital transformation (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Through the development of the Digital Transformation Strategy contact methods will be aligned to customer need and aspiration ensuring that the most vulnerable customers are still able to contact the council in ways that best suit them.
18318	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	not everyone on line	Channel shift & digital transformation (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Through the development of the Digital Transformation Strategy contact methods will be aligned to customer need and aspiration ensuring that the most vulnerable customers are still able to contact the council in ways that best suit them.
18319	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	AS long as this does not disenfranchise our elderly folk any further.	Channel shift & digital transformation (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Through the development of the Digital Transformation Strategy contact methods will be aligned to customer need and aspiration ensuring that the most vulnerable customers are still able to contact the council in ways that best suit them.
18320	An employee of West Lothian Council	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	Brilliant proposal, there is always room for improvement and most customers welcome the option to get things done quicker and more conveniently for them.	Channel shift & digital transformation (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council is developing a number of ways that customers can interact on a digital basis
18321	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	This should have been engaged more than 5 years ago. Good idea but a bit late, we should make more savings on this one but the transformation costs will be very prohibitive now.	Channel shift & digital transformation (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council is developing a number of ways that customers can interact on a digital basis
18322	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	Sounds ok but not everyone able to access the internet or has the skills	Channel shift & digital transformation (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Through the development of the Digital Transformation Strategy contact methods will be aligned to customer need and aspiration ensuring that the most vulnerable customers are still able to contact the council in ways that best suit them.
18323	An employee of West Lothian Council	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	Sounds like redundancies to me ! Why not say so if this is true !	Channel shift & digital transformation (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council is developing a number of ways that customers can interact on a digital basis
18324	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	Good idea to have more interactive services and online choices	Channel shift & digital transformation (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council is developing a number of ways that customers can interact on a digital basis
18325	An employee of West Lothian Council	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	I agree that the council should make every effort to achieve savings through transforming the way in which services are delivered and relying more on technology. I acknowledge that there are people in the community who don't or wont access services digitally but these are likely to be in the minority and will reduce in numbers over the next 5 years. The council shouldn't therefore design services around these people but should of course provide support for the hopefully small numbers of customers who would struggle with a fully digitised service.	Channel shift & digital transformation (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Through the development of the Digital Transformation Strategy contact methods will be aligned to customer need and aspiration ensuring that the most vulnerable customers are still able to contact the council in ways that best suit them.

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18326	An employee of West Lothian Council	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	I support digital solutions to meet demand. I understand not everyone has access to digital methods of interaction, so support must remain for these customers.	Channel shift & digital transformation (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Through the development of the Digital Transformation Strategy contact methods will be aligned to customer need and aspiration ensuring that the most vulnerable customers are still able to contact the council in ways that best suit them.
18327	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	This could work however, for those who are unable to use technology due to illness and or age this could cause an issue. These people therefore do require the face to face contact to enable to assist with this or to gather the information and to complete the form on their behalf. There is also the issue of peoples budget as many people may not have the extra fund to be able to have broadband installed into their house to allow them to have access to services that they were once able to get access to without the extra expense.	Channel shift & digital transformation (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Through the development of the Digital Transformation Strategy contact methods will be aligned to customer need and aspiration ensuring that the most vulnerable customers are still able to contact the council in ways that best suit them.
18328	No Response	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	the opening of the tenant self service system online was great, more service like this should be available for service users to access, this would reduce the amount of time people need to call up call centre staff	Channel shift & digital transformation (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council is developing a number of ways that customers can interact on a digital basis
18329	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	It makes sense that the council should move to a more self-service approach as many other companies have done this- Tesco, ASDA, McDonalds to name a few. The issue with this is the culture of residents who expect a person to deal with them. Part of this project will have to address this issue in educating people to the new way of doing things.	Channel shift & digital transformation (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Through the development of the Digital Transformation Strategy contact methods will be aligned to customer need and aspiration ensuring that the most vulnerable customers are still able to contact the council in ways that best suit them.
18330	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	This should be an ongoing transformation to take full advantage of IT developments.	Channel shift & digital transformation (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	IT system integration will be a key development within the emerging Digital Transformation Strategy
18331	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	Essential to make better use of technology	Channel shift & digital transformation (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council is developing a number of ways that customers can interact on a digital basis
18332	An employee of West Lothian Council	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	1 WLC does not have customers - you have citizens/electorate on whose behalf you are employed to deliver a range of public (statutory) services. 2 Channel shift and digital transformation - convince us that this is addressing the socio economic duty and is not further disadvantaging the weak/poor/vulnerable/mentally ill. It does not seem that the public sector has the wit or competence to implement new technologies quickly, efficiently or to apply them effectively.	Channel shift & digital transformation (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Through the development of the Digital Transformation Strategy contact methods will be aligned to customer need and aspiration ensuring that the most vulnerable customers are still able to contact the council in ways that best suit them.
18333	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	People need to gradually come out of this loop. Self-service / AI / Machine learning / chatbots - Council far too slow in adopting new technologies.	Channel shift & digital transformation (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Using digital channels to communicate with customers is a priority for the council and solutions to current challenges will be progressed as part of the Digital Transformation Strategy
18334	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	Not every one has access to online services	Channel shift & digital transformation (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council is developing a number of ways that customers can interact on a digital basis, however there will still be a staff member to speak to if required
18335	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	I support the further use of technology and channel shift to deliver services in different ways. I like to do a lot of my business online.	Channel shift & digital transformation (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Using digital channels to communicate with customers is a priority for the council and solutions to current challenges will be progressed as part of the Digital Transformation Strategy
18336	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	Support channel shift as I like to do a lot of my business online.	Channel shift & digital transformation (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Using digital channels to communicate with customers is a priority for the council and solutions to current challenges will be progressed as part of the Digital Transformation Strategy
18337	No Response	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	As mentioned before I would be concerned that systems would not always be available (iPayimpact). I do believe that more and more people use technology and online services. However my concern is for the older population who are not always computer savvy or have access to the internet	Channel shift & digital transformation (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Through the development of the Digital Transformation Strategy contact methods will be aligned to customer need and aspiration ensuring that the most vulnerable customers are still able to contact the council in ways that best suit them.
18338	An employee of West Lothian Council	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	There would need to be help for old people and others that are not able to use computers.	Channel shift & digital transformation (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Through the development of the Digital Transformation Strategy contact methods will be aligned to customer need and aspiration ensuring that the most vulnerable customers are still able to contact the council in ways that best suit them.
18339	An employee of West Lothian Council	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	WLC app is needed.	Channel shift & digital transformation (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The council is continuing to develop its website capability to ensure that it meets the increasing demands from customers

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18340	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	In terms of digital options, the council is years behind the private sector. If you wish to pursue digital options, then you need to invest heavily in providing easy to use, accessible systems, apps etc.	Channel shift & digital transformation (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council is continuing to develop its website capability to ensure that it meets the increasing demands from customers
18341	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	Agreed. Digital transformation should be embraced in all areas.	Channel shift & digital transformation (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council is developing a number of ways that customers can interact on a digital basis
18342	An employee of West Lothian Council	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	More emphasis and investment is require to move services to digital platforms. A corporate modern vision is required however the Council appear too risk averse to try really modern technologies.	Channel shift & digital transformation (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council is developing a number of ways that customers can interact on a digital basis
18343	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	Everything is digital now and will be even more so with universal credit full service.	Channel shift & digital transformation (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Using digital channels to communicate with customers is a priority for the council and solutions to current challenges will be progressed as part of the Digital Transformation Strategy
18344	An employee of West Lothian Council	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	Sounds reasonable. Many of the our most vulnerable service users do not have access to online services however.	Channel shift & digital transformation (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council is developing a number of ways that customers can interact on a digital basis, however there will still be a staff member to speak to if required
18345	An employee of West Lothian Council	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	How long has this been in the planning??	Channel shift & digital transformation (general)	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	It is not clear what the respondent is referring to
18346	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	Increasing online access and self-service functions has the potential to improve access as well as provide cost savings.	Channel shift & digital transformation (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Using digital channels to communicate with customers is a priority for the council and solutions to current challenges will be progressed as part of the Digital Transformation Strategy
18347	An employee of West Lothian Council	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	Due to the nature of work carried out over all teams within the unit, we naturally have a lot of different application forms. Linked in with suggestions mentioned in 3c, consideration should be given to pulling applications into one form for all types of financial assistance. Think about what can be claimed on line without the need for manual intervention ie CCGâ€™s.	Channel shift & digital transformation (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The development of the councils Digital Transformation Strategy will ensure that these type of initiatives are prioritised
18348	No Response	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	Embracing new technology will only support a sub-set of our population. We will still need to support this with options for accommodating those affected under the Equalities Act. Technology is not necessarily the answer but may help in streamlining service provision if the proper analysis and, for example, redesign of business processes, is undertaken.	Channel shift & digital transformation (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Through the development of the Digital Transformation Strategy contact methods will be aligned to customer need and aspiration ensuring that the most vulnerable customers are still able to contact the council in ways that best suit them.
18349	An employee of West Lothian Council	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	Using technology to assist in providing services is the way forward	Channel shift & digital transformation (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council is developing a number of ways that customers can interact on a digital basis
18350	An employee of West Lothian Council	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	I believe an app for WLC services such as council tax payments, pot-hole reporting, etc would be worth investment.	Channel shift & digital transformation (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The council is continuing to develop its website capability to ensure that it meets the increasing demands from customers
18351	An employee of West Lothian Council	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	The last channel shift project was not well implemented. This will need to be better.	Channel shift & digital transformation (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council is developing a number of ways that customers can interact on a digital basis
18352	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	Again what about the elderly who have no access, the areas that connection to internet is diabolical. Seems to be more and more taking away the face-voice to speak to. Will end up as usual with the long delays.	Channel shift & digital transformation (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Through the development of the Digital Transformation Strategy contact methods will be aligned to customer need and aspiration ensuring that the most vulnerable customers are still able to contact the council in ways that best suit them.
18353	An employee of West Lothian Council	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	It has merits - you can access a website at 10pm but the offices would long be closed if you were planning to phone. The problem is that many of the people most needing access to council services might not have access to the website - the elderly and the poor for example. Many organisation move to the web as their main interface and forget that they are cutting off many of their clientele.	Channel shift & digital transformation (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Through the development of the Digital Transformation Strategy contact methods will be aligned to customer need and aspiration ensuring that the most vulnerable customers are still able to contact the council in ways that best suit them.
18354	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	There must always be a human available to help those with communication and cognitive difficulties navigate the council's systems/services.	Channel shift & digital transformation (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council is developing a number of ways that customers can interact on a digital basis, however there will still be a staff member to speak to if required

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18355	An employee of West Lothian Council	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	The shift to digital services only works if the systems themselves work. HR21, as an example, is not fit for purpose and, while it may save money in terms of printing payslips, costs in the time taken to access, reset passwords etc. The fact that this can only be accessed from a council computer is another barrier to being an efficient system. The move to digital is important and needs to be done correctly.	Channel shift & digital transformation (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The development of the councils Digital Transformation Strategy will ensure that these type of initiatives are prioritised
18356	No Response	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	Employ someone to assist with delivering The Plain English initiative.	Channel shift & digital transformation (general)	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	It is not clear what the respondent is referring to
18357	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	An increase in digital technology is always welcome, particularly if it allows people to access information out of office hours. A good example is moving the pre-school applications online - this quickens up the application process considerably for parents and the Council for a great proportion of applications.	Channel shift & digital transformation (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The development of the councils Digital Transformation Strategy will ensure that these type of initiatives are prioritised
18358	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	Replacing people with computerised solutions seldom provides a service which adequately addresses customers' needs and incurs the inevitable growth of IT dependency and its associated technical problems with software and hardware as well as the burgeoning security issues.	Channel shift & digital transformation (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Through the development of the Digital Transformation Strategy contact methods will be aligned to customer need and aspiration ensuring that the most vulnerable customers are still able to contact the council in ways that best suit them.
18359	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	Seems sensible, as long as those without digital access are supported too.	Channel shift & digital transformation (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council is developing a number of ways that customers can interact on a digital basis, however there will still be a staff member to speak to if required
18360	An employee of West Lothian Council	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	This is tge way forward however what happens at times of systems failure and are inaccessible to customers?	Channel shift & digital transformation (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The development of the councils Digital Transformation Strategy will ensure that these type of initiatives are prioritised
18361	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	"digital by choice" implies everyone has access to digital services that allow them to make this choice. This is not true	Channel shift & digital transformation (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Through the Customer Service Strategy the Council is committed to ensuring a range of contact methods are in place to suit the varied needs of customers.
18362	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	Agreed - should consolidate digital services as well - common services across the various channels. This will require investment - how can that be achieved?	Channel shift & digital transformation (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The development of the councils Digital Transformation Strategy will ensure that these type of initiatives are prioritised
18363	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	That's OK if you don't build it like your pupil placement system.	Channel shift & digital transformation (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Using digital channels to communicate with customers is a priority for the council and solutions to current challenges will be progressed as part of the Digital Transformation Strategy
18364	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	What about an app for smartphones	Channel shift & digital transformation (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The development of the councils Digital Transformation Strategy will ensure that these type of initiatives are prioritised
18365	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	I agree with the proposal to improve the quality and accessibility of customer services in the Council.	Channel shift & digital transformation (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council is developing a number of ways that customers can interact on a digital basis
18366	An employee of West Lothian Council	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	Invest in technology now to benefit our future.	Channel shift & digital transformation (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Using digital channels to communicate with customers is a priority for the council and solutions to current challenges will be progressed as part of the Digital Transformation Strategy
18367	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	How will this be more efficient??? what a load of rubbish	Channel shift & digital transformation (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Deploying digital solutions to some service provision is shown to be more cost effective
18368	No Response	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	Even less chance to speak to a person - tick a box, fill in an excessively lengthy and difficult form, send an email that will be responded by an automated service in 48 to 72 hours - none of which are helpful options to anyone at the given time.	Channel shift & digital transformation (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Through the development of the Digital Transformation Strategy contact methods will be aligned to customer need and aspiration ensuring that the most vulnerable customers are still able to contact the council in ways that best suit them.
18369	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	The challenges to be encountered in "channel shift and digital transformation" (3a, 5a and 7b) are vast and will probably take longer than the present council term to implement completely. As an example, Edinburgh City Transformation Plan includes the installation of "Two Gigabit" digital fibre connectivity connections into every school to ensure future proofing and reducing long term costs. Again, in what years is the planned expenditure to be allocated.	Channel shift & digital transformation (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The development of the councils Digital Transformation Strategy will ensure that these type of initiatives are prioritised

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18370	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	It can only be a good thing to embrace technology and update systems to provide quicker and better services	Channel shift & digital transformation (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council is developing a number of ways that customers can interact on a digital basis
18371	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	The use of technology is always a good thing in my opinion - as long as it does not have a negative impact on employment in the specific area.	Channel shift & digital transformation (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council will continue to employ professional staff to deliver services to those that need them
18372	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	As before remember the generations who are not technology savvy	Channel shift & digital transformation (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Through the development of the Digital Transformation Strategy contact methods will be aligned to customer need and aspiration ensuring that the most vulnerable customers are still able to contact the council in ways that best suit them.
18373	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	I think A£600,000 is a huge under estimation if a digital transformation is done correctly. Perhaps that's what you spend on paper and ink alone. I'd be interested to see if this includes saving on postage. How much do you spend on stamps/franking/cheque processing? What would you save if you did away with anything that requires a hand written signature? How much space/cost would you save if no paper documents were stored? What resource could be saved if you didn't have to spend time looking for or recovering paper documents? Digital systems for CRM and resource management also need updated. Better use of MS Office 365 amongst staff. Online access to personal records. The NHS sending out a CD at A£10 a time with medical records by registered post is a good example of digital ignorance. The latest devices don't have a CD player.	Channel shift & digital transformation (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The development of the councils Digital Transformation Strategy will ensure that these type of initiatives are prioritised
18374	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	A£600,000 looks cheap for such a transformation. Just consider the significant overrun and delay in Universal Credit	Channel shift & digital transformation (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council is developing a number of ways that customers can interact on a digital basis
18375	An employee of West Lothian Council	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	This assumes that serviced users are IT literate. The most in need are not.	Channel shift & digital transformation (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Through the development of the Digital Transformation Strategy contact methods will be aligned to customer need and aspiration ensuring that the most vulnerable customers are still able to contact the council in ways that best suit them.
18376	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	PC access in libraries etc. will be critical to this including printers	Channel shift & digital transformation (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council will continue to make computers available to the public in a wide range of locations
18377	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	Presumably you have allowed for a long introduction period to allow for a very gradual increase in those able (financially or otherwise) to access such channels.	Channel shift & digital transformation (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Through the development of the Digital Transformation Strategy contact methods will be aligned to customer need and aspiration ensuring that the most vulnerable customers are still able to contact the council in ways that best suit them.
18378	An employee of West Lothian Council	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	There is a lot of duplication between departments when collating information from customers. There should be more availability to access information and use information already provided when assessing customer needs.	Channel shift & digital transformation (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	IT system integration will be a key development within the emerging Digital Transformation Strategy
18379	An employee of West Lothian Council	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	As long as there are no job cuts and there is not too much of a change that the only way is online I see no problems	Channel shift & digital transformation (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council is developing a number of ways that customers can interact on a digital basis, however there will still be a staff member to speak to if required
18380	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	this is where additional money should be spent (not less), cleverly on the areas which bring the most benefit	Channel shift & digital transformation (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The development of the councils Digital Transformation Strategy will ensure that these type of initiatives are prioritised
18381	An employee of West Lothian Council	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	The technology needs to be invested in for this to be successful. Currently there are various issues with the different software packages that are in use and the experience and staffing within our own I.T Service is not always at a level for resolution which can cause delays and frustration.	Channel shift & digital transformation (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The development of the councils Digital Transformation Strategy will ensure that these type of initiatives are prioritised
18382	An employee of West Lothian Council	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	Agree completely that this is important. The council are at least 5 years behind society in terms of customer service and online activity. However, the customer experience has to be right. Investment in poor quality technology and clunky interface will have a major impact on the councils reputation.	Channel shift & digital transformation (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Using digital channels to communicate with customers is a priority for the council and solutions to current challenges will be progressed as part of the Digital Transformation Strategy
18383	An employee of West Lothian Council	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	Better training, delegation, trust and empowerment is required at all levels.	Channel shift & digital transformation (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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18384	An employee of West Lothian Council	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	This sounds like it could be good if the technology being used is up to date and easy to use. If its not clear and is going to cause more delays/frustration etc for members of society using it, I think this will cause more trouble.	Channel shift & digital transformation (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council is developing a number of ways that customers can interact on a digital basis
18385	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	The best way to communicate is ALWAYS person to person. It can change lives. It can minimise misunderstandings. People matter.	Channel shift & digital transformation (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council is developing a number of ways that customers can interact on a digital basis, however there will still be a staff member to speak to if required
18386	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	Not everyone has access to a computer and it's important to ensure that people still have other options to access services.	Channel shift & digital transformation (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council is developing a number of ways that customers can interact on a digital basis, however there will still be a staff member to speak to if required
18387	An employee of West Lothian Council	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	Any changes that can be made to systems and processes to make the Council more efficient should be the focus of change, particularly reducing administrative processes and duplication of information provision for customers.	Channel shift & digital transformation (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The development of the councils Digital Transformation Strategy will ensure that these type of initiatives are prioritised
18388	An employee of West Lothian Council	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	I would imagine that this would be unpopular with most users as it brings me a vision of the mobile phone companies, insurance and others where it is common to hold the line for a long time and to be cut off, uninformed about your status in the queue or sent from one dept to another, and more horrors! This can be very stressful when there is a major concern and especially anxiety provoking for older people. I would imagine that any manned counter would inundated with people waiting to speak to somebody-but I could be wrong!	Channel shift & digital transformation (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council is developing a number of ways that customers can interact on a digital basis, however there will still be a staff member to speak to if required
18389	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	Not all customers have embraced the digital age and do not have access or wish to have access to online services which may make accessing services difficult.	Channel shift & digital transformation (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council is developing a number of ways that customers can interact on a digital basis, however there will still be a staff member to speak to if required
18390	An employee of West Lothian Council	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	Not everyone is digitally included this affects the elderly and those living in the most deprived areas the most	Channel shift & digital transformation (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council is developing a number of ways that customers can interact on a digital basis, however there will still be a staff member to speak to if required
18391	An employee of West Lothian Council	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	Depends what service as if it is a service that predominantly used by older people it may not be wise as many of them do not use or have access to a computer.	Channel shift & digital transformation (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Through the development of the Digital Transformation Strategy contact methods will be aligned to customer need and aspiration ensuring that the most vulnerable customers are still able to contact the council in ways that best suit them.
18392	An employee of West Lothian Council	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	The 'digital solution' still may not be accessible for Deaf service users or people with minimal language will struggle to understand how to use technical/ digital system.	Channel shift & digital transformation (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Through the development of the Digital Transformation Strategy contact methods will be aligned to customer need and aspiration ensuring that the most vulnerable customers are still able to contact the council in ways that best suit them.
18393	An employee of West Lothian Council	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	Fine in theory, but for certain groups of customers accessing 'digital' resources ie older customers and those adults with milder degrees learning difficulties without support are being 'excluded' by means of not being able to use or cope with 'digital/computerised' technology.	Channel shift & digital transformation (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Through the development of the Digital Transformation Strategy contact methods will be aligned to customer need and aspiration ensuring that the most vulnerable customers are still able to contact the council in ways that best suit them.
18394	An employee of West Lothian Council	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	Would agreed, however the technology requires to be integrated, a strong and reliable infrastructure and supported 24/07, 365 days per year for this to truly work.	Channel shift & digital transformation (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The development of the councils Digital Transformation Strategy will ensure that these type of initiatives are prioritised
18395	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	My experience is that customers already find interacting with the Council a difficult and unsatisfactory experience as things currently stand. So called "channel shift" is not popular and to be contemplating even more is disregarding what customers want. Staff also find it extremely cumbersome and convoluted and time consuming. We really are kidding ourselves if we think this is enhancing customer service.	Channel shift & digital transformation (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Through the Customer Service Strategy the Council is committed to ensuring a range of contact methods are in place to suit the varied needs of customers.
18396	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	as long as the digital service is easy for the older generation to work and not mind bogling	Channel shift & digital transformation (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Through the development of the Digital Transformation Strategy contact methods will be aligned to customer need and aspiration ensuring that the most vulnerable customers are still able to contact the council in ways that best suit them.

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18397	An employee of West Lothian Council	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	Again in principle this is fine however I am not sure how this will work with our older population who become more sceptical about technology.	Channel shift & digital transformation (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Through the development of the Digital Transformation Strategy contact methods will be aligned to customer need and aspiration ensuring that the most vulnerable customers are still able to contact the council in ways that best suit them.
18398	An employee of West Lothian Council	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	When I have contacted the council via email in the past I am lucky if I have had a reply. Increased customer service would be vital if this was to go ahead.	Channel shift & digital transformation (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Through the Customer Service Strategy the Council is committed to ensuring a range of contact methods are in place to suit the varied needs of customers.
18399	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	This seems like a good idea but please keep some provision for eg elderly/vulnerable customers to still be able to speak to someone on the phone if necessary. Not everyone is computer literate.	Channel shift & digital transformation (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Through the development of the Digital Transformation Strategy contact methods will be aligned to customer need and aspiration ensuring that the most vulnerable customers are still able to contact the council in ways that best suit them.
18400	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	The difficulties I see with this area is not having suitable systems which talk to each other or that can be custom built to suit multiple services. This means that many services are using many different systems which all have maintenance costs/fees. Could we create a one fits all system? This would not just be a CRM system but you could employ the skills to do this which would reduce duplications, massively create savings and have systems which would be suitable for service to use. I know this is ambitious but I find it scary how much money services pay for systems when most of them are very similar. You could employ some of the best minds in the country to develop and support for half the cost of just now. I also feel that some services are much more willing to changes than others.	Channel shift & digital transformation (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The development of the councils Digital Transformation Strategy will ensure that these type of initiatives are prioritised
18401	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	This is a good idea and I believe the council could be much more advanced than they are at the moment. If you look at companies such as sky the communication through apps and other web based tools to so much more advanced. As times move forward even the older generations will be more comfortable with the digital formats and this in turn will reduce isolation and create opportunities for some who would not previously have this.	Channel shift & digital transformation (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council is developing a number of ways that customers can interact on a digital basis
18402	An employee of West Lothian Council	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	The reduced costs would have to be identified. In some instances, the on going management and maintenance of systems is transferred to staff within those service areas, resulting in an impact on the ability of those staff to fulfil their core function. Poor infrastructure or systems issues result in down time where neither staff or the public can access systems, resulting in impacts on core services. New technology as developed by manufactures works well but when programmes are stripped back from tablets for example, the usability of the technology is diminished. The full life cycle of new systems needs considered and potential impacts within services.	Channel shift & digital transformation (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The development of the councils Digital Transformation Strategy will ensure that these type of initiatives are prioritised
18403	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	Would you still be able to talk to an actual person? Some, especially much older people might not easily access digital services.	Channel shift & digital transformation (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Through the Customer Service Strategy the Council is committed to ensuring a range of contact methods are in place to suit the varied needs of customers.
18404	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	Efficiency is important however WLC must be mindful that not all residents are conducive to technology. Plus the technology must work at the moment your digital systems are far from what is desired. They are old and antiquated, items are often lost or misplaced and errors are made. I have first hand experience of this!	Channel shift & digital transformation (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Using digital channels to communicate with customers is a priority for the council and solutions to current challenges will be progressed as part of the Digital Transformation Strategy
18405	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	People want to talk to people. Our older members of society and some younger ones are not digitally savvy.	Channel shift & digital transformation (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council is developing a number of ways that customers can interact on a digital basis, however there will still be a staff member to speak to if required
18406	No Response	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	This sounds great the citizens who are more technologically able as it's a lot more efficient and preferable to being on hold waiting for staff to answer. However, hopefully this will not further isolate people such as the elderly, those in poverty who do not have access to technology and those who have learning difficulties.	Channel shift & digital transformation (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Through the development of the Digital Transformation Strategy contact methods will be aligned to customer need and aspiration ensuring that the most vulnerable customers are still able to contact the council in ways that best suit them.
18407	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	Good idea but it will be essential to maintain the provision of computers and assistance to use them within the West Lothian Library service. Some elderly people are still not computer literate.	Channel shift & digital transformation (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council will continue to make computers available to the public in a wide range of locations
18408	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	This must be encouraged but consideration must be given to the elderly population who may not be as capable to deal with new technologies.	Channel shift & digital transformation (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Through the development of the Digital Transformation Strategy contact methods will be aligned to customer need and aspiration ensuring that the most vulnerable customers are still able to contact the council in ways that best suit them.

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18409	No Response	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	Don't spend a fortune planning this - just do it better	Channel shift & digital transformation (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council is developing a number of ways that customers can interact on a digital basis
18410	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	To so this you will need to maintain PC access through libraries and community centres as not everyone has a home PC and internet access.	Channel shift & digital transformation (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council will continue to make computers available to the public in a wide range of locations
18411	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	The move to the digital channel is a good economic move - however provision should be made for those (particularly the elderly) who do not have access to the internet.	Channel shift & digital transformation (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council will continue to make computers available to the public in a wide range of locations
18412	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	good idea, but people still need to have contact with real people	Channel shift & digital transformation (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council is developing a number of ways that customers can interact on a digital basis, however there will still be a staff member to speak to if required
18413	No Response	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	Again a plea to remember our elderly residents are not as IT savi as others.	Channel shift & digital transformation (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Through the development of the Digital Transformation Strategy contact methods will be aligned to customer need and aspiration ensuring that the most vulnerable customers are still able to contact the council in ways that best suit them.
18414	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	The identified saving seem so small - look at what others councils are doing and how much they have achieved in savings! Look what companies like amazon does or sky!	Channel shift & digital transformation (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Deploying digital solutions to some service provision is shown to be more cost effective
18415	An employee of West Lothian Council	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	Online is definitely the way forward but the support must be there to educate those who are not confident in this media and resources ie pcs readily available and easily accessible. Perhaps a laptop loan scheme for those who can't get to open access areas?	Channel shift & digital transformation (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council will continue to make computers available to the public in a wide range of locations
18416	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	WLC need to be at the forefront in adopting smart technology as looking at other councils we are dragging our feet here in this area.	Channel shift & digital transformation (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council is developing a number of ways that customers can interact on a digital basis
18417	No Response	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	Channel Shift programme should be expedited with focus on more user friendly and inclusive app	Channel shift & digital transformation (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council is continuing to develop its website capability to ensure that it meets the increasing demands from customers
18418	An employee of West Lothian Council	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	Agree as long as the drive for a digital world doesn't leave people left out the loop and without services just because they are not connected!	Channel shift & digital transformation (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Through the Customer Service Strategy the Council is committed to ensuring a range of contact methods are in place to suit the varied needs of customers.
18419	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	The current council systems are clunky and outdated so I would struggle to see how such a digitally backward authority can achieve savings of the level required on the timescales given.	Channel shift & digital transformation (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Deploying digital solutions to some service provision is shown to be more cost effective
18420	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	please refrain from using Registration Plate technology as it is unnecessary and most annoying.	Channel shift & digital transformation (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council is developing a number of ways that customers can interact on a digital basis
18421	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	Concerned about the possibility of this leading to increased costs rather than savings if the digital solutions are not properly scoped.	Channel shift & digital transformation (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	IT system integration will be a key development within the emerging Digital Transformation Strategy
18422	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	I support this but with the caveat that in all these changes there is some consideration to walking in customers' shoes who cannot work within this environment. This is different to those who refuse to.	Channel shift & digital transformation (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Through the development of the Digital Transformation Strategy contact methods will be aligned to customer need and aspiration ensuring that the most vulnerable customers are still able to contact the council in ways that best suit them.
18423	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	Building on your current good digital solutions is sound but ensure that this is available to all your clients.	Channel shift & digital transformation (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Through the development of the Digital Transformation Strategy contact methods will be aligned to customer need and aspiration ensuring that the most vulnerable customers are still able to contact the council in ways that best suit them.
18424	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	Good luck with this but older people are not so computer literate	Channel shift & digital transformation (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Through the Customer Service Strategy the Council is committed to ensuring a range of contact methods are in place to suit the varied needs of customers.
18425	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	The technology would have to be easy to access and use by all.	Channel shift & digital transformation (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Through the Customer Service Strategy the Council is committed to ensuring a range of contact methods are in place to suit the varied needs of customers.

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18426	No Response	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	Digital solutions are fantastic, however you have to be mindful to cater for the population that aren't able to use digital services for one reason or another.	Channel shift & digital transformation (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Through the Customer Service Strategy the Council is committed to ensuring a range of contact methods are in place to suit the varied needs of customers.
18427	No Response	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	A good website would be good for customers. I find the present website rather difficult to negotiate. It never seems to answer the question I ask. Deciding which department fits my needs can be challenging	Channel shift & digital transformation (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council is continuing to develop its website capability to ensure that it meets the increasing demands from customers
18428	An employee of West Lothian Council	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	OK, so long as individuals and households without access to of capacity to use digital technology are not denied access to services.	Channel shift & digital transformation (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Through the Customer Service Strategy the Council is committed to ensuring a range of contact methods are in place to suit the varied needs of customers.
18429	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	This wouldn't work for people like me. People with any autistic traits, are a wee bit scared of technology. This is why I feel a bit behind with society. Books and such like enable me to speak with people, without opening myself up, and attracting the wrong sort of people.	Channel shift & digital transformation (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Through the Customer Service Strategy the Council is committed to ensuring a range of contact methods are in place to suit the varied needs of customers.
18430	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	If this means "no telephone calls" then it is a backward step and services will get worse. Emails and web access are frequently ignored or have an extremely late response. When there is problem a conversation in real time is frequently the most efficient (inn terms of time) way of resolving it. Planning and Building Control services are a good example of this. By creating such delays the problem is compounded not improved.	Channel shift & digital transformation (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Through the Customer Service Strategy the Council is committed to ensuring a range of contact methods are in place to suit the varied needs of customers.
18431	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	Not all households have access to the internet, also older people may struggle with new technologies.	Channel shift & digital transformation (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Through the development of the Digital Transformation Strategy contact methods will be aligned to customer need and aspiration ensuring that the most vulnerable customers are still able to contact the council in ways that best suit them.
18432	An employee of West Lothian Council	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	most people are not equipped to deal or cope with modern technology and need face to face support and assistance	Channel shift & digital transformation (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council is developing a number of ways that customers can interact on a digital basis, however there will still be a staff member to speak to if required
18433	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	What about those who do not have internet access????	Channel shift & digital transformation (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council will continue to make computers available to the public in a wide range of locations
18434	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	Automated systems and technology are a cost effective and efficient delivery system to support the community however the option to connect to a real person should always remain. Getting stuck in a system that doesn't answer your question is a most frustrating situation	Channel shift & digital transformation (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council is developing a number of ways that customers can interact on a digital basis, however there will still be a staff member to speak to if required
18435	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	As long as you are still offering traditional methods for those without internet access (such as the elderly and those in poverty) so that there is no discrimination. Fair enough.	Channel shift & digital transformation (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Through the development of the Digital Transformation Strategy contact methods will be aligned to customer need and aspiration ensuring that the most vulnerable customers are still able to contact the council in ways that best suit them.
18436	An employee of West Lothian Council	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	Some IT services have worked well but others are cumbersome and do not save much time-wise.	Channel shift & digital transformation (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council is developing a number of ways that customers can interact on a digital basis
18437	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	This seems a modest estimated saving - why?	Channel shift & digital transformation (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The detail of any savings is still to be worked up and potential efficiencies identified.
18438	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	What about the people who can't use computers?! And if adult learning is cut, there will be no-one to teach those who need it	Channel shift & digital transformation (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Through the Customer Service Strategy the Council is committed to ensuring a range of contact methods are in place to suit the varied needs of customers.
18439	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	Attempts at channel shift have failed or been greatly delayed in other councils. Are you learning the lessons of these failures? How quickly can you truly implement these solutions. What penalties will you have for partners and suppliers who fail to deliver what they promise? Money is scarce, so it needs to be spent wisely and protected!	Channel shift & digital transformation (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Using digital channels to communicate with customers is a priority for the council and solutions to current challenges will be progressed as part of the Digital Transformation Strategy
18440	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	As 1A - Excellent if all of the above are carried out. However on current personally experienced performance it will take a huge effort to even provide an improvement. Further why has the " efficiency and effectiveness" not been applied to current procedures. No real criteria to be reached is actually stated and the starting point for these " efficiency and effectiveness" upgrade to services is not evident. Vagueness in targets to achieve . How will residents know when this is achieved?	Channel shift & digital transformation (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The implementation of the Digital Transformation Strategy will be publically reported through the relevant council committees

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18441	An employee of West Lothian Council	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	Has the Council put in place a training programme for their employees to give them an insight into the digital forms they are helping their clients to complete.	Channel shift & digital transformation (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Recruitment and training of staff to ensure they have the necessary skills to use digital services will be a key part of the Digital Strategy
18442	An employee of West Lothian Council	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	The Council like HMRC are pushing through digital technology. There are even many younger people that are not good with technology never mind the older generations. By forcing it all to be digital and losing face to face and phone communication this will cause further issues and complaints.	Channel shift & digital transformation (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Through the development of the Digital Transformation Strategy contact methods will be aligned to customer need and aspiration ensuring that the most vulnerable customers are still able to contact the council in ways that best suit them.
18443	An employee of West Lothian Council	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	This is acceptable to those people who have access to the internet, not everyone , and I don't think that it should be assumed that everyone does. Customers should have the option to discuss their problems / etc with a member of staff	Channel shift & digital transformation (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council is developing a number of ways that customers can interact on a digital basis, however there will still be a staff member to speak to if required
18444	An employee of West Lothian Council	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	It's only a more efficient service if it's set up correctly. Currently we're getting some enquiries that aren't relevant to us, as customers tick the 'wrong' box when submitting their online enquiries.	Channel shift & digital transformation (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Further development is required for some of the systems that we are seeking digital solutions for to ensure that we have a complete end to end process for customers who want to use it
18445	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	Part of the community may be excluded ; those without IT . skills or equipment	Channel shift & digital transformation (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Through the Customer Service Strategy the Council is committed to ensuring a range of contact methods are in place to suit the varied needs of customers.
18446	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	Most of the savings will come from staff reduction. This can be achieved by stopping doing things, simplifying how they are done, or enabling them e.g. through technology. First two can be achieved by asking "do we need to do all of these processes?"; the last will need a robust business case for any investment, including a plan for realisation of benefits	Channel shift & digital transformation (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The development of the councils Digital Transformation Strategy will ensure that these type of initiatives are prioritised
18447	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	I would like to see the top 3 items/specific deliverables that contribute to this redesign.	Channel shift & digital transformation (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council is developing a number of ways that customers can interact on a digital basis
18448	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	Ok, as long as the procurement and implementation of technology are properly planned and managed - potential for cost overruns, delays, disruption here	Channel shift & digital transformation (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	IT system integration will be a key development within the emerging Digital Transformation Strategy
18449	An employee of West Lothian Council	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	Due to the nature of work carried out over all teams within the unit, we have a lot of different application forms. Linked in with suggestions mentioned in 3c, consideration should be given to pulling applications into one form for all types of financial assistance.	Channel shift & digital transformation (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The development of the councils Digital Transformation Strategy will ensure that these type of initiatives are prioritised
18450	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	Access to current services are reduced at the moment. As on previous comments channel shift and digital transformation can be cost effective but not to the detriment of the vulnerable in our society who need extra help in contacting services they need. You cannot visualise body language or see the strain it is causing the vulnerable if they having problems/ or trying to contact services if they either unskilled or have no access to new technology. Personal contact is ALWAYS BETTER.	Channel shift & digital transformation (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council is developing a number of ways that customers can interact on a digital basis, however there will still be a staff member to speak to if required
18451	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	Support this proposal as it is a way of life for so many nowadays	Channel shift & digital transformation (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council is developing a number of ways that customers can interact on a digital basis
18452	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	This appears sensible. Again access must be considered for those not enabled to use technology.	Channel shift & digital transformation (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Through the Customer Service Strategy the Council is committed to ensuring a range of contact methods are in place to suit the varied needs of customers.
18453	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	What about older people who dont have computers?	Channel shift & digital transformation (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Through the Customer Service Strategy the Council is committed to ensuring a range of contact methods are in place to suit the varied needs of customers.
18454	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	This may be true , but people of the community still need to be able access these services easily , and the council needs to be aware that not everyone has access or familiarity with technology, so there needs to be person to person resources available.	Channel shift & digital transformation (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council is developing a number of ways that customers can interact on a digital basis, however there will still be a staff member to speak to if required
18455	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	I feel that services should not just be accessed and available digitally, not everyone has access or technical ability to use these. Also people need to be able to speak to person sometimes.	Channel shift & digital transformation (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council is developing a number of ways that customers can interact on a digital basis, however there will still be a staff member to speak to if required

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18456	An employee of West Lothian Council	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	Will not work for all sections of society eg those with mental health, or literacy issues or the elderly.	Channel shift & digital transformation (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Through the development of the Digital Transformation Strategy contact methods will be aligned to customer need and aspiration ensuring that the most vulnerable customers are still able to contact the council in ways that best suit them.
18457	No Response	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	This needs to be considered with regards to people who do not have a computer or access to one, and especially vulnerable people. So depends on what support function you are referring to that you may be looking at changing	Channel shift & digital transformation (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Through the development of the Digital Transformation Strategy contact methods will be aligned to customer need and aspiration ensuring that the most vulnerable customers are still able to contact the council in ways that best suit them.
18458	No Response	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	Again per previous comments, not everyone has technology/pc's etc to hand, along with you have vulnerable people out the Community who may not be comfortable with technology and using it.	Channel shift & digital transformation (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Through the development of the Digital Transformation Strategy contact methods will be aligned to customer need and aspiration ensuring that the most vulnerable customers are still able to contact the council in ways that best suit them.
18459	An employee of West Lothian Council	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	I do not see any evidence that senior officers understand channel shift - ipads, laptops and iphones have not reduced papers coming into meetings. Councillors still demand heaps of papers, and staff are not monitored for their use. Why do we have devices that track volumes if we do not pay any attention to the data they provide us with? Walk along any floor in the civic centre or go into any board meeting - you will see waste and the ridiculous scenario of people sitting with both devices and paper. In terms of channel shift, the current culture of presenteeism, throwing things down the CSC route, and 'having an online form' does not indicate channel shift. Moving to mobile working will only be a success if we stop expecting people to show up to 8 meetings a day to talk about things we should be trusting people to work on. So before we demand the customer shifts - surely we should practice what we preach?	Channel shift & digital transformation (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	All options to reduce paper copies of information will be explored
18460	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	Would work as long as appointments are kept by both parties.	Channel shift & digital transformation (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council is developing a number of ways that customers can interact on a digital basis
18461	An employee of West Lothian Council	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	technology is great when it is working, but what happens if these systems fail isn't it the customer who suffers?	Channel shift & digital transformation (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Through the Customer Service Strategy the Council is committed to ensuring a range of contact methods are in place to suit the varied needs of customers.
18462	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	This is ok as far as it goes. However, there should ultimately be someone to speak to face to face.	Channel shift & digital transformation (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council is developing a number of ways that customers can interact on a digital basis, however there will still be a staff member to speak to if required
18463	No Response	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	Due to my disability (visual impairment/spina bifida/ hydrocephalus) I would need support from staff in order to access and use these services, as I would be unable to use technology without any support.	Channel shift & digital transformation (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Through the development of the Digital Transformation Strategy contact methods will be aligned to customer need and aspiration ensuring that the most vulnerable customers are still able to contact the council in ways that best suit them.
18464	An employee of West Lothian Council	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	Some level of personal contact should be reserved to support elderly people and those with limited access to technology.	Channel shift & digital transformation (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Through the development of the Digital Transformation Strategy contact methods will be aligned to customer need and aspiration ensuring that the most vulnerable customers are still able to contact the council in ways that best suit them.
18465	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	Digital transformation is an effective way of cost cutting and convenient to customers	Channel shift & digital transformation (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council is developing a number of ways that customers can interact on a digital basis
18466	An employee of West Lothian Council	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	Chanell Shifting is a good idea but not all of our customers can use PCs and phones - this is shown by the number of people using kiosks and needing help - they need help with forms, reporting issues - repairs - some are dyslexic and cannot read or write or deaf/hard of hearing or blind or don't want change - they like coming in and talking to a real person - in CIS the adviser could be the only person that a customer speak to or sees all day. Don't take away face to face.	Channel shift & digital transformation (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council is developing a number of ways that customers can interact on a digital basis, however there will still be a staff member to speak to if required
18467	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	A good idea in principle but FAQs, self service solutions etc do not always provide the answer and this type of service can also be prohibitive to the older population who are not digitally able.	Channel shift & digital transformation (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Through the development of the Digital Transformation Strategy contact methods will be aligned to customer need and aspiration ensuring that the most vulnerable customers are still able to contact the council in ways that best suit them.

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18468	An employee of West Lothian Council	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	It is no surprise that the Council is focusing on digitisation of public services as this follows on from the Scottish Governments 2011 report on Digital Strategy and the update made in March 2017, plus the NESTA report on the savings that can be made by digitisation of local government services. For citizens who are comfortable with technology, it will offer huge benefits in accessing Council services, especially as more things can be accomplished when convenient to the citizen rather than relying on council workers being present. However, what is not explained clearly is how the inequality will be reduced for citizens who are not digital able. And there is a concern that further digitisation will lead to greater social exclusion, particularly among the less able, or the elderly. Successful digitisation also relies on a robust and accurate backend / backoffice. I can imagine that many workers will be worried about losing their jobs, particularly if they have up to now relied on paper based, or legacy systems. Will the council consider retraining them? Since the Council is a huge employer in the region, will reducing staff lead to an increase in unemployment? Also, there need to be more usability studies carried out before widespread introduction of systems since recent changes have negatively impacted workers being able to carry out their jobs.	Channel shift & digital transformation (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Through the development of the Digital Transformation Strategy contact methods will be aligned to customer need and aspiration ensuring that the most vulnerable customers are still able to contact the council in ways that best suit them.
18469	An employee of West Lothian Council	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	Revenues/Benefits have a lot of different application forms, consideration should be given to one form, for all types of financial assistance.	Channel shift & digital transformation (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Further development is required for some of the systems that we are seeking digital solutions for to ensure that we have a complete end to end process for customers who want to use it
18470	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	The increased use of efficient technology is a valuable way to reduce costs. However, there is a presumption that most residents in West Lothian have access to technology and know how to use it.	Channel shift & digital transformation (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Through the development of the Digital Transformation Strategy contact methods will be aligned to customer need and aspiration ensuring that the most vulnerable customers are still able to contact the council in ways that best suit them.
18471	An employee of West Lothian Council	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	3a I am interested in how much we spend on software licences. Can we team up with other Local Authorities? With so many different systems in the Council, are we making best use of them all, and is there a procedure for checking what we already have before services go about looking for new solutions?	Channel shift & digital transformation (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The development of the councils Digital Transformation Strategy will ensure that these type of initiatives are prioritised
18472	An employee of West Lothian Council	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	How do we ensure equality of access to online service delivery? What exactly is being moved online? How will this result in savings of Â£600k?	Channel shift & digital transformation (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Through the development of the Digital Transformation Strategy contact methods will be aligned to customer need and aspiration ensuring that the most vulnerable customers are still able to contact the council in ways that best suit them.
18473	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	I understand this but it is essential that the level of service is maintained and that there is always a customer service delivery employee in every partnership centre.	Channel shift & digital transformation (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council is developing a number of ways that customers can interact on a digital basis, however there will still be a staff member to speak to if required
18474	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	This option would be harder and perhaps impossible for older people	Channel shift & digital transformation (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Through the development of the Digital Transformation Strategy contact methods will be aligned to customer need and aspiration ensuring that the most vulnerable customers are still able to contact the council in ways that best suit them.
18475	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	What about older people? West Lothian has one of the highest ageing populations. Many of them are not computer literate. How will they access support digitally.	Channel shift & digital transformation (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council is developing a number of ways that customers can interact on a digital basis, however there will still be a staff member to speak to if required
18476	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	Most readers will have no idea what a "transformational change programme" or "digital by choice ethos" means. It sounds as if those unable to use digital technology, eg elderly or those with learning disability, might be indirectly discriminated against.	Channel shift & digital transformation (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Through the development of the Digital Transformation Strategy contact methods will be aligned to customer need and aspiration ensuring that the most vulnerable customers are still able to contact the council in ways that best suit them.
18477	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	I am supportive of services becoming digitalised, however, I would have thought that this would alienate older people who may not use technology and the internet. Therefore, some level of offline support would still be needed.	Channel shift & digital transformation (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Through the development of the Digital Transformation Strategy contact methods will be aligned to customer need and aspiration ensuring that the most vulnerable customers are still able to contact the council in ways that best suit them.
18478	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	Managing customer expectations about access to officers and services is important if direct access is reduced.	Channel shift & digital transformation (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Through the development of the Digital Transformation Strategy contact methods will be aligned to customer need and aspiration ensuring that the most vulnerable customers are still able to contact the council in ways that best suit them.

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18479	An employee of West Lothian Council	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	nOT EVERYONE HAS ACCESS TO ONLINE FACILITIES SUCH AS THE ELDERLY, VULNERABLE AND HOMELESS	Channel shift & digital transformation (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Through the development of the Digital Transformation Strategy contact methods will be aligned to customer need and aspiration ensuring that the most vulnerable customers are still able to contact the council in ways that best suit them.
18480	An employee of West Lothian Council	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	Yes. but don't forget the human touch - not all citizens are able to access online services (poverty, disability, age, literacy etc)	Channel shift & digital transformation (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council is developing a number of ways that customers can interact on a digital basis
18481	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	Please remember that a large number of the most needy people have no direct access to or expertise in using computers.	Channel shift & digital transformation (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Through the Customer Service Strategy the Council is committed to ensuring a range of contact methods are in place to suit the varied needs of customers.
18482	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	my own employer is trying digital and are already well over budget	Channel shift & digital transformation (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council is developing a number of ways that customers can interact on a digital basis
18483	An employee of West Lothian Council	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	Many poorer, older and more vulnerable clients depend on face-to-face contact and find IT off-putting.	Channel shift & digital transformation (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council is developing a number of ways that customers can interact on a digital basis, however there will still be a staff member to speak to if required
18484	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	There must ALWAYS be personal contact for the vulnerable and 'computer way' customer	Channel shift & digital transformation (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council is developing a number of ways that customers can interact on a digital basis, however there will still be a staff member to speak to if required
18485	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	Do we really want another faceless service provided. Progress for progress sake is not always an improvement.	Channel shift & digital transformation (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council is developing a number of ways that customers can interact on a digital basis, however there will still be a staff member to speak to if required
18486	An employee of West Lothian Council	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	Please bear in mind the venerable people who rely on the Council and who like face to face delivery.	Channel shift & digital transformation (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council is developing a number of ways that customers can interact on a digital basis, however there will still be a staff member to speak to if required
18487	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	This is only acceptable if sensitive and accessible help mechanisms are provided. Providers always believe that their systems are great and don't require support mechanisms for users who don't programme computers for a living.	Channel shift & digital transformation (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council is developing a number of ways that customers can interact on a digital basis, however there will still be a staff member to speak to if required
18488	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	I feel there is no consideration of those with disabilities. As a visually impaired lady myself I struggle to use technology and would need assistance to undertake any tasks by a member of staff. I would like it clearly set out how those with disabilities would be supported as this is an important issues that needs to be highlighted	Channel shift & digital transformation (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Through the development of the Digital Transformation Strategy contact methods will be aligned to customer need and aspiration ensuring that the most vulnerable customers are still able to contact the council in ways that best suit them.
18489	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	Again I would like to stress how difficult accessing services digitally/online is difficult for those with disabilities, what would in place for them. Also the elderly would struggle. I feel having human contact/support makes things less stressful.	Channel shift & digital transformation (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council is developing a number of ways that customers can interact on a digital basis, however there will still be a staff member to speak to if required
18490	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	No technology can replace a friendly face when you are in need	Channel shift & digital transformation (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council is developing a number of ways that customers can interact on a digital basis, however there will still be a staff member to speak to if required
18491	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	i am assuming that you intend making more use of digital means which can only result in us communicating with machines rather than real people. This does not suit everyone as not everyone has a computer, or if they do, maybe don't have the skills to use it and it is very important not to turn into a faceless society!!	Channel shift & digital transformation (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council is developing a number of ways that customers can interact on a digital basis, however there will still be a staff member to speak to if required
18492	An employee of West Lothian Council	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	More money needs to be invested in helping mover services and customers over to digital, which could reap savings in the long run.	Channel shift & digital transformation (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The detail of any savings is still to be worked up and potential efficiencies identified.
18493	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	There are still some people who do not want or trust on line services.	Channel shift & digital transformation (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council is developing a number of ways that customers can interact on a digital basis, however there will still be a staff member to speak to if required

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18494	An employee of West Lothian Council	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	Changes to improve digital support need to be more efficient. The recent Confirm Connect project took too long and is still not being fully completed.	Channel shift & digital transformation (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	IT system integration will be a key development within the emerging Digital Transformation Strategy
18495	No Response	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	I feel there is no consideration of those with disabilities. As a visually impaired lady myself I struggle to use technology and would need assistance to undertake any tasks by a member of staff. I would like it clearly set out how those with disabilities would be supported as this is an important issues that needs to be highlighted.	Channel shift & digital transformation (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Through the development of the Digital Transformation Strategy contact methods will be aligned to customer need and aspiration ensuring that the most vulnerable customers are still able to contact the council in ways that best suit them.
18496	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	Good idea but staff would still be required to help people who can not use a computer etc to access these services	Channel shift & digital transformation (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council is developing a number of ways that customers can interact on a digital basis, however there will still be a staff member to speak to if required
18497	An employee of West Lothian Council	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	1) Provide appropriate IT training for staff: this would reduce amount of calls to IT for support and staff would make better use of technology.	Channel shift & digital transformation (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Recruitment and training of staff to ensure they have the necessary skills to use digital services will be a key part of the Digital Strategy
18498	An employee of West Lothian Council	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	So important that we buy technology that actually works and is customer friendly. Needs to be heavily promoted, Appropriate staff training. Appropriate ongoing support from supplier / our IT dept.	Channel shift & digital transformation (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Recruitment and training of staff to ensure they have the necessary skills to use digital services will be a key part of the Digital Strategy
18499	An employee of West Lothian Council	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	dont stop bulletin. It is a good newspaper and not everyone goes online.	Channel shift & digital transformation (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Through the Customer Service Strategy the Council is committed to ensuring a range of contact methods are in place to suit the varied needs of customers.
18500	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	Agree but you need to invest ££ in this area or it will not work.	Channel shift & digital transformation (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Further development is required for some of the systems that we are seeking digital solutions for to ensure that we have a complete end to end process for customers who want to use it
18501	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	Agree there needs to be a shift in how customers access services through on line and self service solutions - digital alternatives need to be robust/flexible to maximise customer take up	Channel shift & digital transformation (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The development of the councils Digital Transformation Strategy will ensure that these type of initiatives are prioritised
18502	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	Over use of technology is becoming a problem as you often don't get to speak with a person. It has it uses but people still like the option of talking to a person	Channel shift & digital transformation (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council is developing a number of ways that customers can interact on a digital basis, however there will still be a staff member to speak to if required
18503	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	this is good but there is a time when the answer will not be satisfactory or be misunderstood. a direct contact in this situation is required.	Channel shift & digital transformation (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council is developing a number of ways that customers can interact on a digital basis, however there will still be a staff member to speak to if required
18504	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	We need to ensure that whatever systems we introduce are robust - we have seen recently the impacts of technology failure and the impacts on service delivery, service to customers and frustration to officers. Frontline officers are more than keen to take on channel shift and digital transformation which will help them in thier day to day work.	Channel shift & digital transformation (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The development of the councils Digital Transformation Strategy will ensure that these type of initiatives are prioritised
18505	An employee of West Lothian Council	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	The council must ensure an inclusive approach to digital transformation ensuring that access to services does not become dependent on access to technology and digital competency.	Channel shift & digital transformation (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Through the Customer Service Strategy the Council is committed to ensuring a range of contact methods are in place to suit the varied needs of customers.
18506	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	Agree that the technology options should be improved going forward for the IT literate community. Live Chat back messaging using pc/keyboards is good for immediate response without using phones. However, there is still generations that are not familiar with these new technology options and therefore traditional phone service support should be promptly available for these people, for some the phone is there only resource, therefore this service should be maintained to a high availability and user friendly service.	Channel shift & digital transformation (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council is developing a number of ways that customers can interact on a digital basis, however there will still be a staff member to speak to if required
18507	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	What about the elderly who don't use online services? Just like this consultation which has a lot in it affecting them they won't be able to access this or future online services. I'm all for digitised services for some things, but if there are no staff sitting behind the interface dealing with requests made online it won't work.	Channel shift & digital transformation (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council is developing a number of ways that customers can interact on a digital basis, however there will still be a staff member to speak to if required
18508	An employee of West Lothian Council	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	Agree as long as there is enough support to ensure all are digitally included. This should not place additional barriers on those who already find it difficult to access services	Channel shift & digital transformation (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Through the development of the digital transformation strategy contact methods will be aligned to customer need and aspiration ensuring that the most vulnerable customers are still able to contact the council in ways that best suit them.

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18509	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	Agree with digital support, very quick & efficient. There must be a personal line available for queries that don't fit into the electronic selections given. Also to ensure equity as not all people use technology confidently.	Channel shift & digital transformation (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Through the development of the digital transformation strategy contact methods will be aligned to customer need and aspiration ensuring that the most vulnerable customers are still able to contact the council in ways that best suit them.
18510	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	Digital is fine for a lot of people, but the most vulnerable are likely to be left behind	Channel shift & digital transformation (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Through the development of the digital transformation strategy contact methods will be aligned to customer need and aspiration ensuring that the most vulnerable customers are still able to contact the council in ways that best suit them.
18511	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	Not everyone has a computer or wants one. How does an 80yr old with dementia access this Digital Transformation!!! Really!!!!!!!!!!!!	Channel shift & digital transformation (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Through the development of the digital transformation strategy contact methods will be aligned to customer need and aspiration ensuring that the most vulnerable customers are still able to contact the council in ways that best suit them.
18512	An employee of West Lothian Council	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	How does the Council plan to conquer the digital divide? Younger people can frequently be viewed as digital natives, but the older generation often face access barriers to digital services either through unfamiliarity, over-complexity or physical frailties or incapacities.	Channel shift & digital transformation (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Through the development of the digital transformation strategy contact methods will be aligned to customer need and aspiration ensuring that the most vulnerable customers are still able to contact the council in ways that best suit them.
18513	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	I recall this was in the previous consultation so would be helpful to consider what impact this has had and cash releasing savings have been delivered before a blanket target applied again.	Channel shift & digital transformation (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Deploying digital solutions to some service provision is shown to be more cost effective
18514	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	I can't work a computer & have not intention to start. My daughter is doing this & typing what I say. What would happen if she wasn't here? I wouldn't have any say!!!	Channel shift & digital transformation (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Through the development of the digital transformation strategy contact methods will be aligned to customer need and aspiration ensuring that the most vulnerable customers are still able to contact the council in ways that best suit them.
18515	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	So does tis mean you are going to give everyone a computer & training?	Channel shift & digital transformation (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Through the development of the digital transformation strategy contact methods will be aligned to customer need and aspiration ensuring that the most vulnerable customers are still able to contact the council in ways that best suit them.
18516	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	Disagree. Not everyone has it availability and council staff need to be accessible for non it users	Channel shift & digital transformation (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Through the development of the digital transformation strategy contact methods will be aligned to customer need and aspiration ensuring that the most vulnerable customers are still able to contact the council in ways that best suit them.
18517	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	It should be remembered that there is still a generation older people who do not have access to or are not able to use new technology and their rights to information and help must be recognised and supplied by a method which is user friendly to them	Channel shift & digital transformation (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Through the development of the digital transformation strategy contact methods will be aligned to customer need and aspiration ensuring that the most vulnerable customers are still able to contact the council in ways that best suit them.
18518	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	The council should provide options for those who do not have digital provision.	Channel shift & digital transformation (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Through the development of the digital transformation strategy contact methods will be aligned to customer need and aspiration ensuring that the most vulnerable customers are still able to contact the council in ways that best suit them.
18519	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	What is really being said here is less need for employees. what is the detail of the proposed measures.	Channel shift & digital transformation (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council is developing a number of ways that customers can interact on a digital basis, however there will still be a staff member to speak to if required
18520	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	Why have you been wasting so much of our money up to this point?	Channel shift & digital transformation (general)	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
18521	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	With the increasing numbers of elderly people in West Lothian and the likelihood that a high proportion will be unable to cope with digital solutions, surely this would only increase the need for staffing levels to be maintained	Channel shift & digital transformation (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Through the development of the digital transformation strategy contact methods will be aligned to customer need and aspiration ensuring that the most vulnerable customers are still able to contact the council in ways that best suit them.

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18522	An employee of West Lothian Council	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	This is further segregating people who do not want to use digital contact with the council. Many people complain about the call centre and not being able to contact someone directly. However my comments are irrelevant as the council are already looking into this!	Channel shift & digital transformation (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Through the development of the digital transformation strategy contact methods will be aligned to customer need and aspiration ensuring that the most vulnerable customers are still able to contact the council in ways that best suit them.
18523	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	Anything which would make council more efficient but has to be easily understood by the public.	Channel shift & digital transformation (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council is developing an number of ways that customers can interact on a digital basis
18524	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	As mentioned in previous sections, when implementing the use of technology careful attention of the ability of vulnerable and equality groups in particular to engage effectively. We would like to see Equality Impact Assessments being integrated to system and service changes which may impact directly with the groups that this covers. We do not believe we have the evidence, knowledge or experience of this area to be able to make a more informed comment on this proposal.	Channel shift & digital transformation (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Through the development of the digital transformation strategy contact methods will be aligned to customer need and aspiration ensuring that the most vulnerable customers are still able to contact the council in ways that best suit them.
18525	An employee of West Lothian Council	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	The expectation of people has been raised with the use of modern technology with people expecting instant answers to non urgent matters. It is great if technology can improve efficiency but there also needs to be a re-education of the public that they may be expecting too much from a finite resource be it in the Council, the NHS or other public services.	Channel shift & digital transformation (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Through the Customer Service Strategy the Council is committed to ensuring a range of contact methods are in place to suit the varied needs of customers.
18526	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	Digitisation should be a top priority but there will always be customers who for a variety of reasons, will need person based support.	Channel shift & digital transformation (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council is developing a number of ways that customers can interact on a digital basis, however there will still be a staff member to speak to if required
18527	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	Sounds good but as with other answers the council needs to understand the change that is being delivered across the organisation and be very careful as the change is implemented to realise the benefits that need to be achieved. The change needs to be planned and driven through efficiently by staff that understand the need for change and what needs to be done.	Channel shift & digital transformation (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The development of the councils Digital Transformation Strategy will ensure that these type of initiatives are prioritised
18528	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	any digital transformation needs to be 100% effective and to be fully tested before implementation. Not all residents have access to, or are able to use, IT/digital resources, how can the council make sure that they are given priority over those who have them/are competent at using them?	Channel shift & digital transformation (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Further development is required for some of the systems that we seeking digital solutions for to ensure that we have a complete end to end process for customers who want to use it
18529	An employee of West Lothian Council	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	As the DWP goes online it makes sense that the Council also provides services in this manner. However its also important to maintain support staff to work with vulnerable residents who cannot access services this way as not everyone has the means or money to access online services.	Channel shift & digital transformation (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Through the development of the digital transformation strategy contact methods will be aligned to customer need and aspiration ensuring that the most vulnerable customers are still able to contact the council in ways that best suit them.
18530	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	Digital technology is the way forward however, not at the expense of the personal touch. Some people prefer and need to talk to a person and not to a machine.	Channel shift & digital transformation (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council is developing a number of ways that customers can interact on a digital basis, however there will still be a staff member to speak to if required
18531	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	This needs to be adequately resourced and systems and processes in place to allow for this to happen in a timely fashion, in my experience there are always problems and limitations which the council struggles to sort out and so functionality and the ability to deliver on digital transformation has never moved forward with the times. Out of date systems and processes, inability to develop relevant apps, social media engagement at service level and augmented reality applications etc. WLC is lagging behind the digital revolution which is costing the on the ground services dear!	Channel shift & digital transformation (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The development of the councils Digital Transformation Strategy will ensure that these type of initiatives are prioritised
18532	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	Digital learning needs to be prioritised for all age groups and abilities for this proposal to be of use.	Channel shift & digital transformation (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council is developing an number of ways that customers can interact on a digital basis
18533	An employee of West Lothian Council	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	At the moment the PC grinds to a halt and suffers due to IT pushing out updates during the business day, this causes staff to not be able to work to their capacity as the PC and software grind to a halt, would introducing digital solutions not compound this even more, what plans are in place to provide the staff with technology that actually meets the necessary requirements for them to do the job effectively. What do you plan to move to digital service, no information provided.	Channel shift & digital transformation (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Using digital channels to communicate with customers is a priority for the council and solutions to current challenges will be progressed as part of the Digital Transformation Strategy
18534	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	I would agree that less front-facing staff are now necessary and that members of the public should be encouraged to channel shift to digital interaction.	Channel shift & digital transformation (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council is developing an number of ways that customers can interact on a digital basis
18535	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	That's ok for people who can access and understand technology.	Channel shift & digital transformation (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Through the Customer Service Strategy the Council is committed to ensuring a range of contact methods are in place to suit the varied needs of customers.

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18536	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	As above - lets have a root and branch review of the service and delivery. It isn't necessary to increase costs when efficiencies can be identified. A business approach is what is needed to ensure the correct spending on items needed is controlled.	Channel shift & digital transformation (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The development of the councils Digital Transformation Strategy will ensure that these type of initiatives are prioritised
18537	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	Good but care not to exclude those who have difficulty access online facilities or have no way of accessing them.	Channel shift & digital transformation (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Through the Customer Service Strategy the Council is committed to ensuring a range of contact methods are in place to suit the varied needs of customers.
18538	An employee of West Lothian Council	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	The current communications team are handling these changes and areas admirably given the amount of time and man-hours they are given to do so. Encouraging all aspects of the council to work more closely with our communications teams and to move their own services somewhere closer to working in the 21st century would enhance the public profile and appreciation of all of our council services. Social media is going to be vital to engage residents in a time of changing services and some services (the Instrumental Music Service for example) have been resisting this change for years meanwhile all of our schools are growing in this area and giving pupils some degree of ownership of the content and enabling them to learn skills that are now invaluable in our changing working lives.	Channel shift & digital transformation (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The development of the councils Digital Transformation Strategy will ensure that these type of initiatives are prioritised
18539	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	Support moving to digital delivery. But care should be taken to ensure that expected benefits are realised and do not result in hidden inefficiencies.	Channel shift & digital transformation (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Using digital channels to communicate with customers is a priority for the council and solutions to current challenges will be progressed as part of the Digital Transformation Strategy
18540	An employee of West Lothian Council	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	This seems like a good idea however the option to still speak 1-1 should still be available as not everyone has access to computers or electronic devices	Channel shift & digital transformation (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council is developing a number of ways that customers can interact on a digital basis, however there will still be a staff member to speak to if required
18541	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	This is a good way forward but how will it meet those who are not digitally aware	Channel shift & digital transformation (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council is developing a number of ways that customers can interact on a digital basis, however there will still be a staff member to speak to if required
18542	An employee of West Lothian Council	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	Council needs to move with and in the future keep up with Technology to work efficiently. Response timescales should be considered as the extra work load on staff means they are unable to respond as quickly as previously	Channel shift & digital transformation (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Using digital channels to communicate with customers is a priority for the council and solutions to current challenges will be progressed as part of the Digital Transformation Strategy
18543	No Response	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	Technology and digital solutions need to support those who require additional support of have an advocate. loosing day services and support staff impacts on the assistance and time staff have got to encourage and prompt independence for those who require to access the systems.	Channel shift & digital transformation (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Through the development of the digital transformation strategy contact methods will be aligned to customer need and aspiration ensuring that the most vulnerable customers are still able to contact the council in ways that best suit them.
18544	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	Council is years behind the retail/ hospitality sector more resources needed here spend to save and key support staff must be in place to make the changes work.	Channel shift & digital transformation (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Recruitment and training of staff to ensure they have the necessary skills to use digital services will be a key part of the Digital Strategy
18545	No Response	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	Should be a priority - the council should work with other local authorities and umbrella bodies to get the best systems for the best price	Channel shift & digital transformation (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The development of the councils Digital Transformation Strategy will ensure that these type of initiatives are prioritised
18546	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	In order to maintain Fairness & Equality, people who do not have easy or any access to digital communication need to still be included. Volunteering role here?	Channel shift & digital transformation (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Through the Customer Service Strategy the Council is committed to ensuring a range of contact methods are in place to suit the varied needs of customers.
18547	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	This is the way forward but remember there will always be those who cannot deal with technology and who must not be ignored.	Channel shift & digital transformation (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Through the Customer Service Strategy the Council is committed to ensuring a range of contact methods are in place to suit the varied needs of customers.
18548	An employee of West Lothian Council	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	The council needs to mirror private industry more and increasing the level of digital services is inevitable for modernisation and savings.	Channel shift & digital transformation (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council is developing an number of ways that customers can interact on a digital basis
18549	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	This should go further and I believe there are more savings to be made.	Channel shift & digital transformation (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council is developing an number of ways that customers can interact on a digital basis

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18550	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	Increased and more sophisticated use of technology is essential if the council is to provide access to services in a way which matches customer needs. Processes will need to be reviewed to support this and it is likely that this in addition to reduced staffing requirements will lead to increased savings. The council must have a co ordinated approach to digitisation and have a robust strategy to ensure and support a move to online communication and access to information and services. This means eg restricting options for customers to communicate to ensure that there is a genuine and consistent approach to the transfer of business. There is little point in investing in technology to achieve efficiencies if there is no corresponding approach to ensure its use	Channel shift & digital transformation (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The council is developing a number of ways that customers can interact on a digital basis
18551	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	On line reports have to be read and actioned. Sometimes a quick phone call even when no is the answer is more efficient. It has become increasingly difficult to talk to officials over the past 5 years	Channel shift & digital transformation (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council is continuing to invest in a range of technologies to support customer contact, this includes upgrading the telephone system
18552	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	This does not always work - Edinburgh City council have done it and sometimes it takes longer to sort out a query that if they still have support staff - the professional staff spend ages emailing when a quick call would have sorted it out. Learn from other council's mistakes.	Channel shift & digital transformation (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The development of the councils Digital Transformation Strategy will ensure that these type of initiatives are prioritised
18553	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	I agree with modernising how services are delivered but the council must consider how they support their citizens especially the elderly and those less literate in the move to a more digital world to ensure that these groups who rely on council services the most are not marginalised and left behind. The council should consider provided adult education/ongoing support to these group to enable the digital revolution to be a success	Channel shift & digital transformation (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Through the development of the digital transformation strategy contact methods will be aligned to customer need and aspiration ensuring that the most vulnerable customers are still able to contact the council in ways that best suit them.
18554	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	Has an equality impact assessment been carried out for each of the budget proposals? It is essential that this is done at the earliest opportunity in order to assess what the impact will be on those in the protected characteristics groups and those already experiencing disadvantage.	Channel shift & digital transformation (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	Equality impact assessments will be carried out as detailed proposals are developed
18555	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	Only if it proves a more cost effective plan	Channel shift & digital transformation (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Deploying digital solutions to some service provision is shown to be more cost effective
18556	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	Ensure that all Staff are trained appropriately in all aspects of the technology to be used.	Channel shift & digital transformation (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Recruitment and training of staff to ensure they have the necessary skills to use digital services will be a key part of the Digital Strategy
18557	An employee of West Lothian Council	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	How will the council meet the needs of vulnerable / hard to reach people and those who lack capacity in relation to this? What are the proposals which are generating the estimated savings? Has an equality impact assessment been completed on any proposals?	Channel shift & digital transformation (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Through the development of the digital transformation strategy contact methods will be aligned to customer need and aspiration ensuring that the most vulnerable customers are still able to contact the council in ways that best suit them.
18558	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	What about older people without families who can't use computers, especially if adult learning is being cut. By making everything online the older people are being left out.	Channel shift & digital transformation (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council is developing a number of ways that customers can interact on a digital basis, however there will still be a staff member to speak to if required
18559	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	Changing everything to computers isnt fair if people can't use computers, especially if adult learning is being cut.	Channel shift & digital transformation (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council is developing a number of ways that customers can interact on a digital basis, however there will still be a staff member to speak to if required
18560	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	Not always good for older people	Channel shift & digital transformation (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council is developing a number of ways that customers can interact on a digital basis, however there will still be a staff member to speak to if required
18561	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	Too reliant on digital solutions which must be expensive to implement.	Channel shift & digital transformation (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council is developing an number of ways that customers can interact on a digital basis
18562	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	Also may I suggest an improvement in quicker responses to telephone inquiries. Several older folk are not happy having to hold on for a long time to receive their inquiry being dealt with.	Channel shift & digital transformation (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council is continuing to invest in a range of technologies to support customer contact, this includes upgrading the telephone system
18563	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	disagree cutting more corners	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
18564	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	This would not be helpful	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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18565	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	Not technically being digital would not be efficient	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
18566	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	should not be considered for the small amount of financial benefit gained	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
18567	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	This sounds awful frustrating and wholly against a customer focus	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
18568	No Response	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	technology the answer - no.	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
18569	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	No face to face support much better. Computers cant understand like people.	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
18570	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	no	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
18571	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	none	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
18572	No Response	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	none	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
18573	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	Service is already bad enough. Digital doesn't improve poor service. No support.	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
18574	An employee of West Lothian Council	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	Do not agree with this not everyone has or can use digital based services.	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
18575	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	I seriously doubt it	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
18576	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	Do not support	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
18577	An employee of West Lothian Council	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	How has this been costed? What does it include?	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
18578	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	I hope it works.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
18579	No Response	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	Well it is 2017	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
18580	An employee of West Lothian Council	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation		No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
18581	An employee of West Lothian Council	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	unable to answer	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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18582	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	Any dealings ive had with council Ive found the staff arrogant	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
18583	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	Another aspiration no plan	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
18584	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	Already useless.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
18585	An employee of West Lothian Council	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	Please stop calling it channel shift. No one knows what your talking about. this whole survey has been full of jargon trying to avoid saying cuts, changes etc. Be honest.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
18586	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	I am not informed enough to comment on this saving	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
18587	An employee of West Lothian Council	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	No areas specifically mentioned - cannot make comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
18588	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	I don't understand budgeting advantages and restraints enough to comment.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
18589	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	I have no idea what this means. Please explain better.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
18590	An employee of West Lothian Council	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	i dont not know wat this means	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
18591	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	Again this sounds like you job anyway	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
18592	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	Computers not people?	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
18593	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	need to see the model in working mode.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
18594	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	No comment on this	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
18595	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	-	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
18596	An employee of West Lothian Council	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	N/a	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
18597	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	You mean do things on the web, sweet jesus	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
18598	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	Haven't a clue what this means. I phone up I get a human and I get a result. Great.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
18599	An employee of West Lothian Council	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	No comment as don't know enough.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
18600	No Response	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	Jargon - nonsense - what does it mean - just words	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
18601	An employee of West Lothian Council	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	?	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
18602	No Response	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	dgdgd	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
18603	An employee of West Lothian Council	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	this is too vague to understand	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
18604	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	nil	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
18605	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	No Comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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18606	An employee of West Lothian Council	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	No comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
18607	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	No comment.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
18608	An employee of West Lothian Council	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	NA	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
18609	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	Choice ethos? Who wrote this?	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
18610	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	No constructive comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
18611	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	no comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
18612	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	No comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
18613	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	No comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
18614	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	More detail required	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
18615	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	Is this not like 1A? Where you say that people will instead be replaced with self-service programs?	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
18616	An employee of West Lothian Council	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	NO idea what it means in practice	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
18617	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	No comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
18618	An employee of West Lothian Council	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	don't know enough about it to comment but sounds positive	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
18619	An employee of West Lothian Council	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	No comments	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
18620	An employee of West Lothian Council	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	NO COMMENT	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
18621	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	Needs to be well done.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
18622	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	It's all very well being accessible but you must listen and act on what people say	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
18623	No Response	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
18624	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	no comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
18625	An employee of West Lothian Council	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	Sounds good in theory but no practical evidence is given to support this action.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
18626	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	Have already made comments in section 1 a about my feelings on digitalisation of services.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
18627	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	No comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
18628	An employee of West Lothian Council	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	How will the elderly cope with this?	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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18629	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	Proposal is too unspecific to comment but if as I suspect you mean computerised interaction on the 'phone then I would not call that customer service...	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
18630	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	What services are likely to be affected by this?	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
18631	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	Jargon - what a stupid way to make a proposal and expect an informed answer!	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
18632	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	Unsure what this means in practice, and not everyone is digitally savvy, especially older residents.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
18633	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	Not an area I can comment on -- little or no experience	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
18634	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	What does this mean? Sounds like consultant's jargon again. What people want is to contact the council to get an answer to a question or a where to go for help. Not everyone is capable of accessing your digital transformation	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
18635	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	No comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
18636	An employee of West Lothian Council	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	Staff cuts again.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
18637	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	No comment - all is going online however how do you ensure that those elderly and not particularly 'tec-savvy' are not left behind by the Council when they need you most?	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
18638	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	Again the phrase transformational change worries me - smacking of management consultancy speak!	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
18639	An employee of West Lothian Council	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	Again there is a lack of detail provided in your "Transforming your Council" document. Could you not detail exactly where and what this would mean for the service areas - how does this £600,000 affect Parks & Woodland. Tell us more and we are able to review and comment more. The language used here really is not understandable and if staff don't understand, how can you expect others to. Be clear, be simple, and explain what you mean please as consultation is only as good as the information you put out there.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
18640	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	I am sorry, but this is phrased in jargon and I don't understand what is meant.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
18641	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	Don't know the details, so can't comment.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
18642	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	More information required. Not every household in West Lothian has embraced the digital era.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
18643	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	Don't understand this at all	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
18644	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	unable to comment as not in plain english	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
18645	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	No opinion	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
18646	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	No comment.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
18647	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	No comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
18648	An individual	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	This section looks like tinkering based on the total of £1.4m over 5 years.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
18649	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	3a. Channel Shift and Digital Transformation	No idea how this will affect us, or what this paragraph really means.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
18650	An employee of West Lothian Council	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	This should be pursued. The services are important but need to be reflective of demand.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
18651	No Response	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	Agree to all suggested proposals	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
18652	An employee of West Lothian Council	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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18653	An employee of West Lothian Council	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
18654	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	Good idea	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
18655	An employee of West Lothian Council	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	Supportive of this proposal.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
18656	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	Agree with this proposal.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
18657	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	Good	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
18658	An employee of West Lothian Council	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	SUPPORT	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
18659	An employee of West Lothian Council	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	Yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
18660	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	Yes. Libraries excellent resource for communities.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
18661	No Response	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	If it works go for it	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
18662	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	Not sure of impact but sounds like a sensible approach.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
18663	An employee of West Lothian Council	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	This makes sense and a vital cost saving.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
18664	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	Agree this proposal.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
18665	No Response	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	Have no objection	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
18666	An employee of West Lothian Council	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	This has been proved as a model which works so it makes sense to continue in this vein.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
18667	No Response	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	Good idea	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
18668	An employee of West Lothian Council	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	I agree with this	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
18669	An employee of West Lothian Council	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
18670	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	i agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
18671	An employee of West Lothian Council	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	This is good	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
18672	An employee of West Lothian Council	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	Fine	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
18673	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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18674	An employee of West Lothian Council	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	I agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
18675	An employee of West Lothian Council	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
18676	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	Fine.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
18677	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
18678	No Response	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	I agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
18679	An employee of West Lothian Council	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	Happy with this	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
18680	An employee of West Lothian Council	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
18681	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	Agree with this...	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
18682	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	Agree.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
18683	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	happy with this	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
18684	An employee of West Lothian Council	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
18685	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	Agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
18686	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
18687	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	Agreed.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
18688	An employee of West Lothian Council	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	Good idea	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
18689	An employee of West Lothian Council	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	Great idea.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
18690	An employee of West Lothian Council	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	makes sense	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
18691	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	Positive	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
18692	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	This is a good idea	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
18693	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	Support - we have google now this is area now has a limited life	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
18694	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	As long as the requirements as still met	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
18695	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	I agree this is a good move and will save monies.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
18696	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	go ahead with the savings	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
18697	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	do not need library services anymore - cease this provision altogether	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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18698	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	Achievable	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
18699	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	I support this change	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
18700	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	I agree with the Council's proposals for the moment to see how they all work out. Thank you.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
18701	No Response	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	This is effectively a good idea and works	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
18702	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	This works well at the bathgate centre.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
18703	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	Sensible to co-locate services.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
18704	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	Yes I like this. Bathgate is a good example	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
18705	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	As long as it has no negative impact on employment I support this	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
18706	No Response	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	I agree with the proposal	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
18707	No Response	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	I agree that this is best use of premises	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
18708	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	THIS IS ONE OF THE BEST INITIATIVES CARRIED OUR BY THE COUNCIL	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
18709	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	Unfortunate but demand is not the same as it was and this model is acceptable in these dreadful days of austerity.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
18710	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	This is a positive move.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
18711	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	no objections.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
18712	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	more of this should be considered	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
18713	An employee of West Lothian Council	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	Would agree with this.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
18714	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
18715	An employee of West Lothian Council	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
18716	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	Sounds good to me.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
18717	An employee of West Lothian Council	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	Sounds good to me!	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
18718	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	Sounds reasonable	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
18719	An employee of West Lothian Council	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
18720	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	Good idea.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
18721	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	ok.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
18722	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
18723	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
18724	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	Good	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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18725	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	good idea	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
18726	No Response	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	Sounds fine.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
18727	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
18728	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	Makes sense	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
18729	No Response	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	Agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
18730	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	agreed.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
18731	An employee of West Lothian Council	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
18732	An employee of West Lothian Council	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	Agree.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
18733	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
18734	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	Sounds good	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
18735	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	I would support this.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
18736	An employee of West Lothian Council	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	I agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
18737	An employee of West Lothian Council	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	Good	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
18738	No Response	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	Agree with proposal.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
18739	An employee of West Lothian Council	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	Agree.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
18740	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	Agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
18741	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	Good idea	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
18742	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
18743	An employee of West Lothian Council	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	Good idea	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
18744	An employee of West Lothian Council	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	agree with proposal	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
18745	No Response	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	Seems sensible.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
18746	No Response	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	Agree.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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18747	An employee of West Lothian Council	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	ok	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
18748	An employee of West Lothian Council	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
18749	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
18750	No Response	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	This is positively moving forward.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
18751	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	Practical.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
18752	An employee of West Lothian Council	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	Provides a one stop shop which is great for clients and staff.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
18753	An employee of West Lothian Council	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	Agreed-I welcome the partnership initiatives and think they are an excellent model of good practice	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
18754	An employee of West Lothian Council	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	I'm fine with this.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
18755	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	To be supported.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
18756	An employee of West Lothian Council	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
18757	An employee of West Lothian Council	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
18758	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	Go for it	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
18759	An employee of West Lothian Council	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	Agree.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
18760	An employee of West Lothian Council	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	Makes sense.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
18761	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	YEs	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
18762	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	Sounds ok	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
18763	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	This seems sensible	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
18764	An employee of West Lothian Council	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	Agree with this proposal.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
18765	An employee of West Lothian Council	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	Sounds good	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
18766	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	I agree with the proposal to improve the quality and accessibility of customer services in the Council.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
18767	No Response	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	Just do it for Â£200k it's achievable	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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18768	No Response	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	Seems a sensible proposal.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
18769	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	This is on par with what other Local Authorities are doing.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
18770	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	It has proven to work	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
18771	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	Rationalised - I love it	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
18772	No Response	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	Another good idea and a good cost saver too.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
18773	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	I support.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
18774	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	I agree with the above.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
18775	No Response	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	Agree, I'm surprised that their isn't just a main West Lothian library and you can just order books from them and you could even use a delivery subscription service(similar to Amazon prime)	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
18776	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	Think this is a good idea.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
18777	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	No problem	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
18778	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	Fine	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
18779	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	OK	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
18780	An employee of West Lothian Council	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	This appears to be a reasonable proposal.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
18781	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	Good idea	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
18782	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	Agreed.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
18783	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
18784	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
18785	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	Ok	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
18786	An employee of West Lothian Council	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
18787	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	Good.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
18788	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	Agreed.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
18789	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	Good idea.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
18790	No Response	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
18791	An employee of West Lothian Council	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
18792	An employee of West Lothian Council	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
18793	An employee of West Lothian Council	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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18794	No Response	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
18795	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	I agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
18796	An employee of West Lothian Council	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
18797	An employee of West Lothian Council	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	I agree with this proposal.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
18798	An employee of West Lothian Council	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	Agree.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
18799	An employee of West Lothian Council	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
18800	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	yes, fine	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
18801	No Response	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	Fine.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
18802	An employee of West Lothian Council	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	I agree with this.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
18803	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	okay	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
18804	An employee of West Lothian Council	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	I support this move - it has been a success.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
18805	An employee of West Lothian Council	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	This appears to be an effective suggestion.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
18806	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	ok	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
18807	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	Support this proposal	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
18808	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	Agree with this	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
18809	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
18810	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	Good idea	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
18811	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	Good	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
18812	An employee of West Lothian Council	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	Agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
18813	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	This is a good proposal.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
18814	An employee of West Lothian Council	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	Agree.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
18815	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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18816	An employee of West Lothian Council	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	Sounds good.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
18817	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	Great idea	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
18818	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	Yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
18819	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	Agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
18820	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
18821	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	Agree that this is necessary - WLC has a very broad based provision for this and some rationalisation is now required.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
18822	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	A shame but probably not a bad idea	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
18823	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
18824	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	Agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
18825	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	Agreed.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
18826	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	I agree with the suggestion.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
18827	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
18828	No Response	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	OK	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
18829	An employee of West Lothian Council	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	Agreed.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
18830	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	I agree with this proposal	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
18831	An employee of West Lothian Council	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	good idea	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
18832	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	Ok	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
18833	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	yes I think these are a great idea - and saves on buildings	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
18834	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	This works I have worked in a partnership .	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
18835	An employee of West Lothian Council	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	Yes this would make sense.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
18836	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	Agree. Very good	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
18837	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	Libraries are an important part of the community but if services can be combined to save money this can only be a good thing.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
18838	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	Agree with this as Partner ship centres are really good facilities	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
18839	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	The West Lothian Partnership Centre seems to have been a success.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
18840	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	Makes sense - at last!	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
18841	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	This is supported and reduces the number of buildings to be supported as well as staff costs .	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
18842	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	Seems OK for a relatively small saving	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
18843	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	Seems like a good idea.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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18844	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	Agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
18845	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	ok	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
18846	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	Agree in principle	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
18847	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
18848	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	Works well	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
18849	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	Ok, I support this idea of centralising services in one community hub type environment.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
18850	An employee of West Lothian Council	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	Sensible to have a one stop shop provision.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
18851	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	Rationalise.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
18852	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	Agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
18853	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	Agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
18854	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
18855	An employee of West Lothian Council	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	Support	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
18856	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	Agree.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
18857	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	Great idea and one that should be grown on.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
18858	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	Good way	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
18859	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	no problem more of this please	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
18860	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	This has been successful so continue.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
18861	No Response	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	Continue with this.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
18862	An employee of West Lothian Council	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	Agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
18863	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	Ok	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
18864	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	This is a good idea	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
18865	An employee of West Lothian Council	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
18866	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	Good idea, Bathgate good example	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
18867	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	Definitely agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
18868	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	I think this is long over due and fully support this	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
18869	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	Yes, more efficient and focused.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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18870	An employee of West Lothian Council	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
18871	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
18872	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	excellent	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
18873	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	OK	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
18874	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	great	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
18875	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	Good	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
18876	No Response	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
18877	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	I completely agree with this.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
18878	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	yeah	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
18879	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	This idea seems to work	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
18880	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	Logical. And, it helps make good use of one of West Calder's historic buildings.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
18881	An employee of West Lothian Council	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	Strongly agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
18882	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	great	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
18883	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	Good.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
18884	An employee of West Lothian Council	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	I agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
18885	An employee of West Lothian Council	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	agree.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
18886	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	Good idea	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
18887	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	Good idea	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
18888	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	Look okay as it is possible to evaluate given the vague descriptions given in the 'Transforming Your Council'	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
18889	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	I agree with the proposal.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
18890	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	All proposals are sound.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
18891	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	This is a real loss.	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
18892	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	I don't support this.	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
18893	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	Disagree as another item that doesn't state what you're doing or why.	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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18894	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	No Local people need this service.	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
18895	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	don't shut the library	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
18896	No Response	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	disagree.	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
18897	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	I do not agree with this proposal, it would cut done the amount of people that can access them.	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
18898	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	I would not support this	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
18899	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	There should be no changes to the existing!	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
18900	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	no	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
18901	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	Leave the libraries alone	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
18902	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	No. Library in name only. No more cuts. No support.	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
18903	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	Disagree. Libraries are the heart of the community	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
18904	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	Don't close libraries	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
18905	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	Disagree	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
18906	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	Do not support	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
18907	No Response	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	Agreed that CIS offices should be centralised however how much more can be effective without the elderly having to travel?	Modernised Library and Information Services - CIS offices	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	This proposal provides an opportunity to modernise and achieve better value for money. By continuing to transform the way in which we provide this service, we will deliver services that meet the changing needs of our communities. This includes ensuring there is full access to services for vulnerable people.

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18908	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	this system is already in place in partnerships....and in busy days, staff can be inundated with customers. will this proposal mean a reduction in staff where, in my opinion, its already struggling with staff shortages?	Modernised Library and Information Services - CIS offices	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	This proposal provides an opportunity to modernise and achieve better value for money. By continuing to transform the way in which we provide this service, based on the successful partnership model, we will deliver library and information services that meet the changing needs of our communities and reprioritise our resources where the demand is.
18909	An employee of West Lothian Council	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	I think this is a more modern form of customer service and has moved with the times.	Modernised Library and Information Services - CIS offices	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The delivery of a library service is a statutory duty which means this service will continue to be provided by WLC. The way in which libraries are used is changing and their use is declining both nationally and locally, based on the successful partnership model, we will deliver library and information services that meet the changing needs of our communities.
18910	No Response	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	If the council had a better search function on their website, it would reduce the amount of calls and visits to the CIS office.	Modernised Library and Information Services - CIS offices	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	By continuing to transform the way in which we provide this service, we will deliver library and information services that meet the changing needs of our communities. This includes a range of considerations around more self-service and the digital transformation of services
18911	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	Great idea why have more buildings to heat, maintain etc	Modernised Library and Information Services - CIS offices	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
18912	No Response	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	Again this is a euphemism for cuts. We have seen the result of this in Armadale with the proposed loss of parts of our community centre to provide for the closure of the CIS office.	Modernised Library and Information Services - CIS offices	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	This proposal provides an opportunity to modernise and achieve better value for money. By continuing to transform the way in which we provide this service, we will deliver services that meet the changing needs of our communities. This includes ensuring there is full access to services for vulnerable people.
18913	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	library and CIS should never have been integrated. ISome library staff will not do CIS and vice versa, they all need to be trained in each if it is to be a joint service. Some offices have not had CIS cover for days on end due to lack of staff. The reasons for this need to be looked at.	Modernised Library and Information Services - CIS offices	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	This proposal provides an opportunity to modernise and achieve better value for money. By continuing to transform the way in which we provide this service, we will deliver services that meet the changing needs of our communities. This will involve that staff have the training to fully deliver the roles they have in a modernised service.
18914	No Response	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	See above. This is a general comment on Section 3. I agree that an improvement of the quality and accessibility of customer services is a worthy aim. Just do not forget those that do not have Internet. It is difficult to imagine a cut to CIS services in Linlithgow Library.	Modernised Library and Information Services - CIS offices	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	This proposal provides an opportunity to modernise and achieve better value for money. By continuing to transform the way in which we provide this service, we will deliver services that meet the changing needs of our communities. This includes ensuring there is full access to services for vulnerable people as well as more self-service and digital options.
18915	An employee of West Lothian Council	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	Digital transformation should help to automate some of the CIS admin work. Library provision needs to be looked at as part of education and leisure and how education and frontline services can work together. Use of reciprocal lending with emphasis on smaller stock, wider criteria targeting the needs of the local community should be considered - this does not mean reducing staff, in fact staff should be trained to be able to address the needs of the customer, whether this is for educational, leisure, community, partnerships or administrative purposes. More frontline staff - less back office staff.	Modernised Library and Information Services - CIS offices	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	By continuing to transform the way in which we provide this service, we will deliver library and information services that meet the changing needs of our communities. This includes a range of considerations around more self-service and the digital transformation of services
18916	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	Provision in Library and Customer Information Services (CIS) would be rationalised: how?. Our library is moving to Livingston. Such content less statements are worthless	Modernised Library and Information Services - CIS offices	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The delivery of a library service is a statutory duty which means this service will continue to be provided by WLC. The way in which libraries are used is changing and their use is declining both nationally and locally. Based on the successful partnership model, we will deliver library and information services that meet the changing needs of our communities.

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18917	An employee of West Lothian Council	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	Where I am aware that CIS have been short staffed falling back on library staff, clients have been turned away, given incorrect information etc. Poor service.	Modernised Library and Information Services - CIS offices	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	This proposal provides an opportunity to modernise and achieve better value for money. By continuing to transform the way in which we provide this service, we will deliver services that meet the changing needs of our communities. This includes ensuring there is full access to services for vulnerable people and a range of self-service and digital options to increase access to information.
18918	An employee of West Lothian Council	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	The CIS function currently does not perform at the level it should as the offices are closed at short notice due to staffing levels. A broader knowledge for the staff working in these areas is required to ensure that the public are confident that they will be dealt with efficiently and timeously.	Modernised Library and Information Services - CIS offices	4. The council is already doing this.	Following the redesign of Library and information Services, staff roles are now generic which enables free movement of across a range of locations in West Lothian. This flexibility will enable the movement of staff within the service during the modernisation of the service if required.
18919	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	What does this really mean. If the number of CIS locations are to be closed then this needs to be spelled out.	Modernised Library and Information Services - CIS offices	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	This proposal provides an opportunity to modernise and achieve better value for money. By continuing to transform the way in which we provide this service, we will deliver services that meet the changing needs of our communities. This includes ensuring there is full access to services for vulnerable people and a range of self-service and digital options to increase access to information.
18920	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	Preserve CIS at local libraries.	Modernised Library and Information Services - CIS offices	4. The council is already doing this.	This proposal provides an opportunity to modernise and achieve better value for money. By continuing to transform the way in which we provide this service based on the successful partnership model, we will deliver services that meet the changing needs of our communities. This includes ensuring there is full access to services for vulnerable people and a range of self-service and digital options to increase access to information.
18921	An employee of West Lothian Council	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	This is happening all ready CSI is needed but the cutbacks result in poor service	Modernised Library and Information Services - CIS offices	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	This proposal provides an opportunity to modernise and achieve better value for money. By continuing to transform the way in which we provide this service based on the successful partnership model, we will deliver services that meet the changing needs of our communities. This includes ensuring there is full access to services for vulnerable people and a range of self-service and digital options to increase access to information.
18922	An employee of West Lothian Council	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	Staff in front line CIS and Libraries have been rationalised enough already, some staff in areas are loan working. this is not safe for staff welfare or health.	Modernised Library and Information Services - CIS offices	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Following the redesign of Library and information Services, staff roles are now generic which enables free movement of across a range of locations in West Lothian. This flexibility will enable the movement of staff within the service during the modernisation of the service if required.
18923	An employee of West Lothian Council	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	CIS OFFICE IS IMPORTANT TO COMMUNITIES - ESPECIALLY OLDER CITIZENS WHOSE MOBILITY IS POOR	Modernised Library and Information Services - CIS offices	4. The council is already doing this.	This proposal provides an opportunity to modernise and achieve better value for money. By continuing to transform the way in which we provide this service, we will deliver services that meet the changing needs of our communities. This includes ensuring there is full access to services for vulnerable people.
18924	An employee of West Lothian Council	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	Please do not under estimate the value of the CIS service: yes, the no of enquiries are reducing but the staff continue to deal with a large number of vulnerable people who are experiencing poverty, housing issues, unemployment, arrears, illiteracy and lack of support. We are their gateway to accessing advice, information and support, solving problems, arranging care, progressing their housing needs or arranging referrals. The majority of staff have been with the service for 20 years and their knowledge of the council is extremely impressive and they are a real asset to the community and council: would be shame to lose it. Could the CIS/CSC staff handle/progress some of the councillor enquiries behalf of member services? Potential then to reduce that team? CIS trained staff to take on the CSC's email traffic: could be handled during quiet periods.	Modernised Library and Information Services - CIS offices	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	This proposal provides an opportunity to modernise and achieve better value for money. By continuing to transform the way in which we provide this service, we will deliver services that meet the changing needs of our communities. This includes ensuring there is full access to services for vulnerable people.

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18925	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	Can you provide the detail how CIS would be rationalised. How can one comment on something so important when they are only supplied brief statements.	Modernised Library and Information Services - CIS offices	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	The delivery of a library service is a statutory duty which means this service will continue to be provided by WLC. The way in which libraries are used is changing and their use is declining both nationally and locally. Based on the successful partnership model in places such as Bathgate and Strathbrock in Broxburn, we will deliver library and information services that meet the changing needs of our communities. This includes a range of self-service, digital and accessible options for customers.
18926	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	The needs to be some privacy for CIS- some things shouldn't be discussed in public.	Modernised Library and Information Services - CIS offices	4. The council is already doing this.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
18927	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	The new library council information service works well it is hard to imagine how it could be cut further	Modernised Library and Information Services - CIS offices	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The delivery of a library service is a statutory duty which means this service will continue to be provided by WLC. The way in which libraries are used is changing and their use is declining both nationally and locally. Based on the successful partnership model in places such as Bathgate and Strathbrock in Broxburn, we will deliver library and information services that meet the changing needs of our communities. This includes a range of self-service, digital and accessible options for customers.
18928	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	Specialist knowledge of CIS staff is invaluable so the customer gets the correct information first time. This knowledge must not be lost, it would only result in a poorer service for our customers and create more work if the required information is not provided at the first point of contact.	Modernised Library and Information Services - CIS offices	4. The council is already doing this.	Following the redesign of Library and information Services, staff roles are now generic which enables free movement of across a range of locations in West Lothian. This flexibility will enable the movement of staff within the service during the modernisation of the service if required.
18929	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	Any further reduction in library services would be counter- productive, as they provide both educational and social support especially to those most in need, including young people.	Modernised Library and Information Services - libraries	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	This proposal provides an opportunity to modernise and achieve better value for money. By continuing to transform the way in which we provide this service, we will deliver services that meet the changing needs of our communities. This includes ensuring there is full access to services for vulnerable people.
18930	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	If libraries etc are not used and that can be proven to be the case, the council should look to alter opening hours etc. That is common sense.	Modernised Library and Information Services - libraries	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The delivery of a library service is a statutory duty which means this service will continue to be provided by WLC. The way in which libraries are used is changing and their use is declining both nationally and locally. This proposal provides an opportunity to modernise and achieve better value for money. By continuing to transform the way in which we provide this service, based on the successful partnership model, we will deliver library and information services that meet the changing needs of our communities.
18931	No Response	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	If you close key services such as Libraries you will destroy an environment that caters for all age groups, promotes education, promotes health and well being, is a positive destination for school children and the list goes on.....	Modernised Library and Information Services - libraries	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The delivery of a library service is a statutory duty which means this service will continue to be provided by WLC. The way in which libraries are used is changing and their use is declining both nationally and locally. This proposal provides an opportunity to modernise and achieve better value for money. By continuing to transform the way in which we provide this service, based on the successful partnership model, we will deliver library and information services that meet the changing needs of our communities.

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18932	No Response	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	I feel the library service is run very well using the partnership model. Libraries do seem to be underused though.	Modernised Library and Information Services - libraries	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	By continuing to transform the way in which we provide this service, based on the successful partnership model, we will deliver library and information services that meet the changing needs of our communities.
18933	An employee of West Lothian Council	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	The council has to think long and hard about the provision of library services. I would hate to see people stop reading but the provision of hard back books is very old fashioned in this day and age and more digitisation of this service must be pursued.	Modernised Library and Information Services - libraries	4. The council is already doing this.	By continuing to transform the way in which we provide this service, we will deliver library and information services that meet the changing needs of our communities. This includes a range of considerations around more self-service and the digital transformation of services
18934	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	promoting library services, instead of cutting them, will result in better usage	Modernised Library and Information Services - libraries	4. The council is already doing this.	The delivery of a library service is a statutory duty which means this service will continue to be provided by WLC. The way in which libraries are used is changing and their use is declining both nationally and locally. This proposal provides an opportunity to modernise and achieve better value for money. By continuing to transform the way in which we provide this service, based on the successful partnership model, we will deliver library and information services that meet the changing needs of our communities.
18935	An employee of West Lothian Council	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	I do not understand this proposal as my understanding is that library and information services are still provided over a range of locations	Modernised Library and Information Services - libraries	4. The council is already doing this.	The delivery of a library service is a statutory duty which means this service will continue to be provided by WLC. The way in which libraries are used is changing and their use is declining both nationally and locally. This proposal provides an opportunity to modernise and achieve better value for money. By continuing to transform the way in which we provide this service, based on the successful partnership model, we will deliver library and information services that meet the changing needs of our communities.
18936	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	More online, less paper books especially "me and my angel" sort of rubbish.more STEM books needed to improve young people's interest in proper skills.	Modernised Library and Information Services - libraries	4. The council is already doing this.	By continuing to transform the way in which we provide this service, we will deliver library and information services that meet the changing needs of our communities. This includes a range of considerations around more self-service and the digital transformation of services
18937	No Response	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	More online lending, less paper books which anyway have a very limited range. Too many "me and my angel" rubbish and not enough STEM books in libraries.	Modernised Library and Information Services - libraries	4. The council is already doing this.	By continuing to transform the way in which we provide this service, we will deliver library and information services that meet the changing needs of our communities. This includes a range of considerations around more self-service and the digital transformation of services
18938	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	Use the library as a local central hub for all Council data and service provision, in place of other standalone offices, which should be sold off. Combine libraries with school buildings for administration and buildings management efficiency.	Modernised Library and Information Services - libraries	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The way in which libraries are used is changing and their use is declining both nationally and locally. This proposal provides an opportunity to modernise and achieve better value for money. By continuing to transform the way in which we provide this service, based on the successful partnership model, we will deliver library and information services that meet the changing needs of our communities.
18939	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	Reduction in libraries but greater investment for online services maybe 2 larger libraries throughout the county.	Modernised Library and Information Services - libraries	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	By continuing to transform the way in which we provide this service, we will deliver library and information services that meet the changing needs of our communities. This includes a range of considerations around more self-service and the digital transformation of services

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18940	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	As attractive as the notion of libraries is, they are frequently empty and services should be made available through a more efficient method.	Modernised Library and Information Services - libraries	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	By continuing to transform the way in which we provide this service, we will deliver library and information services that meet the changing needs of our communities. This includes a range of considerations around more self-service and the digital transformation of services
18941	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	Does this mean the end of Libraries, if so, just say that.	Modernised Library and Information Services - libraries	5a. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because the council is required by law to deliver this work.	The delivery of a library service is a statutory duty which means this service will continue to be provided by WLC.
18942	An employee of West Lothian Council	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	I think this is a positive step as libraries are greatly underused now.	Modernised Library and Information Services - libraries	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The way in which libraries are used is changing and their use is declining both nationally and locally. This proposal provides an opportunity to modernise and achieve better value for money. By continuing to transform the way in which we provide this service, based on the successful partnership model, we will deliver library and information services that meet the changing needs of our communities.
18943	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	Centralise libraries and let communities keep them open if they want them	Modernised Library and Information Services - libraries	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	This proposal provides an opportunity to modernise and achieve better value for money. By continuing to transform the way in which we provide this service, we will deliver services that meet the changing needs of our communities
18944	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	This could be done using self service. Are libraries really used alot now? Many people are using Kindles, computers and on-line services now. Could this not be centralised and books posted or delivered to those with a requirement. any time I have gone into a local library it is very quiet and underused.	Modernised Library and Information Services - libraries	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	By continuing to transform the way in which we provide this service, we will deliver library and information services that meet the changing needs of our communities. This includes a range of considerations around more self-service and the digital transformation of services
18945	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	Kindle and the likes have made paper books obsolete, so reduce the number / size of libraries but provide pc access in order to contact the council by email,	Modernised Library and Information Services - libraries	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	By continuing to transform the way in which we provide this service, we will deliver library and information services that meet the changing needs of our communities. This includes a range of considerations around more self-service and the digital transformation of services
18946	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	Libraries are vital to the community, however, I do think more services could be incorporated into them. Bathgate Partnership Centre is a good example of how it works.	Modernised Library and Information Services - libraries	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The delivery of a library service is a statutory duty which means this service will continue to be provided by WLC. The way in which libraries are used is changing and their use is declining both nationally and locally, based on the successful partnership model, we will deliver library and information services that meet the changing needs of our communities.
18947	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	Does this mean shutting libraries? These are a fantastic resource for encouraging children to read at little cost to parents. Instead of reducing these services, why not promote these more so more people access them, raising abilities of children to read and learn responsibility for caring for items	Modernised Library and Information Services - libraries	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The delivery of a library service is a statutory duty which means this service will continue to be provided by WLC. The way in which libraries are used is changing and their use is declining both nationally and locally, based on the successful partnership model, we will deliver library and information services that meet the changing needs of our communities.
18948	No Response	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	Its 25 years since I was in the library so can't comment here. Is it actually used by anyone these days?	Modernised Library and Information Services - libraries	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	The delivery of a library service is a statutory duty which means this service will continue to be provided by WLC. The way in which libraries are used is changing and their use is declining both nationally and locally, based on the successful partnership model, we will deliver library and information services that meet the changing needs of our communities.

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18949	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	Does rationalisation mean closure of libraries and information services ? Any step away from personal contact is negative.	Modernised Library and Information Services - libraries	5a. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because the council is required by law to deliver this work.	The delivery of a library service is a statutory duty which means this service will continue to be provided by WLC. The way in which libraries are used is changing and their use is declining both nationally and locally, based on the successful partnership model, we will deliver library and information services that meet the changing needs of our communities.
18950	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	Good idea provided the one location is accessible to the customers.	Modernised Library and Information Services - libraries	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The delivery of a library service is a statutory duty which means this service will continue to be provided by WLC. The way in which libraries are used is changing and their use is declining both nationally and locally, based on the successful partnership model, we will deliver library and information services that meet the changing needs of our communities. This includes ensuring there is full access to services for vulnerable people.
18951	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	DO NOT TAKE OUR LIBRARY SERVICES AWAY FROM US. this would deprive a lot of people of a means of gaining information, and having the pleasure of choosing books. The people who work in the library are able to help, advise, and are generally an asset not to be undervalued.	Modernised Library and Information Services - libraries	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The delivery of a library service is a statutory duty which means this service will continue to be provided by WLC. The way in which libraries are used is changing and their use is declining both nationally and locally, based on the successful partnership model, we will deliver library and information services that meet the changing needs of our communities. This includes ensuring there is full access to services for vulnerable people.
18952	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	Having more of the services in the library has been a great change. Libraries are very important to local residents, and i hope that they can be protected as much as possible, even if that means reducing opening times etc.	Modernised Library and Information Services - libraries	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The delivery of a library service is a statutory duty which means this service will continue to be provided by WLC. The way in which libraries are used is changing and their use is declining both nationally and locally, based on the successful partnership model, we will deliver library and information services that meet the changing needs of our communities.
18953	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	I do not agree the council has successfully re-developed Library services	Modernised Library and Information Services - libraries	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
18954	No Response	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	Library services have already been greatly reduced.	Modernised Library and Information Services - libraries	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The delivery of a library service is a statutory duty which means this service will continue to be provided by WLC. The way in which libraries are used is changing and their use is declining both nationally and locally, based on the successful partnership model, we will deliver library and information services that meet the changing needs of our communities.
18955	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	Libraries can and do still play a big part within the community, every effort should be taken to safeguard them and perhaps better utilise the services that they offer	Modernised Library and Information Services - libraries	4. The council is already doing this.	The delivery of a library service is a statutory duty which means this service will continue to be provided by WLC. The way in which libraries are used is changing and their use is declining both nationally and locally, based on the successful partnership model, we will deliver library and information services that meet the changing needs of our communities.
18956	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	Wrong solution. We need more people using libraries and arts and sports in order to nourish the whole person. especially the unemployed, elderly,ill, and social work dependants.	Modernised Library and Information Services - libraries	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The delivery of a library service is a statutory duty which means this service will continue to be provided by WLC. The way in which libraries are used is changing and their use is declining both nationally and locally, based on the successful partnership model, we will deliver library and information services that meet the changing needs of our communities. This includes ensuring there is full access to services for vulnerable people.

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18957	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	There still needs to be access within each community.	Modernised Library and Information Services - libraries	4. The council is already doing this.	The delivery of a library service is a statutory duty which means this service will continue to be provided by WLC.
18958	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	Don't understand but presume this doesn't involve reducing accessibility?	Modernised Library and Information Services - libraries	4. The council is already doing this.	This proposal provides an opportunity to modernise and achieve better value for money. By continuing to transform the way in which we provide this service, we will deliver services that meet the changing needs of our communities. This includes ensuring there is full access to services for vulnerable people.
18959	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	Libraries are obvious location for people without IT literacy or tools to access council information and various services with minimal training and additional costs.	Modernised Library and Information Services - libraries	4. The council is already doing this.	This proposal provides an opportunity to modernise and achieve better value for money. By continuing to transform the way in which we provide this service, we will deliver services that meet the changing needs of our communities. This includes ensuring there is full access to services for vulnerable people.
18960	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	no library closures	Modernised Library and Information Services - libraries	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The delivery of a library service is a statutory duty which means this service will continue to be provided by WLC. The way in which libraries are used is changing and their use is declining both nationally and locally, based on the successful partnership model, we will deliver library and information services that meet the changing needs of our communities.
18961	An employee of West Lothian Council	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	Libraries are not making money. Reintroduce fines.	Modernised Library and Information Services - libraries	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
18962	An employee of West Lothian Council	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	Close smaller libraries and the ones that are not in partnership centres.	Modernised Library and Information Services - libraries	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The way in which libraries are used is changing and their use is declining both nationally and locally, based on the successful partnership model, we will deliver library and information services that meet the changing needs of our communities.
18963	No Response	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	Libraries are not making money - they don't even take fines anymore. Close the smaller ones and the ones that are not in partnership centres.	Modernised Library and Information Services - libraries	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The way in which libraries are used is changing and their use is declining both nationally and locally, based on the successful partnership model, we will deliver library and information services that meet the changing needs of our communities.
18964	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	Library now is disgrace. Little to no books on show to just read. No point it even being open. Most people use it for computers only. Move it all online and open a computer lab with pay as you use	Modernised Library and Information Services - libraries	5a. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because the council is required by law to deliver this work.	The delivery of a library service is a statutory duty which means this service will continue to be provided by WLC. By continuing to transform the way in which we provide this service, we will deliver library and information services that meet the changing needs of our communities. This includes a range of considerations around more self-service and the digital transformation of services
18965	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	What does this mean? No community library facilities? Potentially isolating for residents who depend on these facilities for social interaction, computer access as well as the obvious benefit of access to books and periodicals.	Modernised Library and Information Services - libraries	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The delivery of a library service is a statutory duty which means this service will continue to be provided by WLC. The way in which libraries are used is changing and their use is declining both nationally and locally, based on the successful partnership model, we will deliver library and information services that meet the changing needs of our communities.
18966	An employee of West Lothian Council	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	I support this proposal. I would expect the footfall at libraries to reduce over the next 5 years given the ease with which digital and ebooks can be accessed from home.	Modernised Library and Information Services - libraries	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	By continuing to transform the way in which we provide this service, we will deliver library and information services that meet the changing needs of our communities. This includes a range of considerations around more self-service and the digital transformation of services

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18967	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	The reduced hours of library services are not great. The libraries are one of the only free things children can access and to find the hours more and more reduced impacts on their time reading and exploring books.	Modernised Library and Information Services - libraries	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The delivery of a library service is a statutory duty which means this service will continue to be provided by WLC. The way in which libraries are used is changing and their use is declining both nationally and locally, based on the successful partnership model, we will deliver library and information services that meet the changing needs of our communities.
18968	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	With the already growing E library then they could look at reducing the number of libraries per cluster so they are still accessible to people who require them.	Modernised Library and Information Services - libraries	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	By continuing to transform the way in which we provide this service, we will deliver library and information services that meet the changing needs of our communities. This includes a range of considerations around more self-service and the digital transformation of services
18969	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	Let's not close all the local libraries is what you are saying not a good idea!	Modernised Library and Information Services - libraries	5a. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because the council is required by law to deliver this work.	The delivery of a library service is a statutory duty which means this service will continue to be provided by WLC. The way in which libraries are used is changing and their use is declining both nationally and locally, based on the successful partnership model, we will deliver library and information services that meet the changing needs of our communities.
18970	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	If folk want libraries let them pay a membership to take out books. They should also volunteer to save on staff costs.	Modernised Library and Information Services - libraries	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The delivery of a library service is a statutory duty which means this service will continue to be provided by WLC. The way in which libraries are used is changing and their use is declining both nationally and locally, based on the successful partnership model, we will deliver library and information services that meet the changing needs of our communities.
18971	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	Does this mean library closures? If so that would be bad for children who benefit greatly from access to library's and bookbug sessions in their local area	Modernised Library and Information Services - libraries	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The delivery of a library service is a statutory duty which means this service will continue to be provided by WLC. The way in which libraries are used is changing and their use is declining both nationally and locally, based on the successful partnership model, we will deliver library and information services that meet the changing needs of our communities.
18972	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	I agree with this proposal. In particular, the council needs to look at rationalising the library provision in Livingston	Modernised Library and Information Services - libraries	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
18973	An employee of West Lothian Council	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	Libraries are old hat. They are a very expensive way of providing access to knowledge. Rationalisation is long overdue.	Modernised Library and Information Services - libraries	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
18974	An employee of West Lothian Council	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	Libraries need no longer be located in each community and can be better provided at a more strategic level, possibly in partnership centres. Data relating to the usage of libraries should be used to support fewer, better facilities.	Modernised Library and Information Services - libraries	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The delivery of a library service is a statutory duty which means this service will continue to be provided by WLC. The way in which libraries are used is changing and their use is declining both nationally and locally, based on the successful partnership model, we will deliver library and information services that meet the changing needs of our communities.
18975	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	I support this in principle as long as this does not reduce library services.	Modernised Library and Information Services - libraries	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The delivery of a library service is a statutory duty which means this service will continue to be provided by WLC. The way in which libraries are used is changing and their use is declining both nationally and locally, based on the successful partnership model, we will deliver library and information services that meet the changing needs of our communities.

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18976	No Response	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	everyone likes the idea of librars remaining open but until they are used more there is no point.	Modernised Library and Information Services - libraries	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The delivery of a library service is a statutory duty which means this service will continue to be provided by WLC. The way in which libraries are used is changing and their use is declining both nationally and locally, based on the successful partnership model, we will deliver library and information services that meet the changing needs of our communities.
18977	An employee of West Lothian Council	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	Question whether libraries are required in this day and age - would a larger scale saving be made if they were to be rationalised further?	Modernised Library and Information Services - libraries	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The delivery of a library service is a statutory duty which means this service will continue to be provided by WLC. The way in which libraries are used is changing and their use is declining both nationally and locally, based on the successful partnership model, we will deliver library and information services that meet the changing needs of our communities.
18978	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	The role of libraries has changed over the recent years. Communities still want a "library" facility, but what that is or how it functions is open to discussion.	Modernised Library and Information Services - libraries	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The delivery of a library service is a statutory duty which means this service will continue to be provided by WLC. The way in which libraries are used is changing and their use is declining both nationally and locally, based on the successful partnership model, we will deliver library and information services that meet the changing needs of our communities.
18979	An employee of West Lothian Council	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	Library service! Where? No reference library, huge cuts in recent years - no professional librarians.	Modernised Library and Information Services - libraries	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The delivery of a library service is a statutory duty which means this service will continue to be provided by WLC. The way in which libraries are used is changing and their use is declining both nationally and locally, based on the successful partnership model, we will deliver library and information services that meet the changing needs of our communities. This includes a range of considerations around more self-service and the digital transformation of services
18980	An employee of West Lothian Council	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	Public access to computers and the internet needs to be expanded, these are always very busy in the library's.	Modernised Library and Information Services - libraries	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	By continuing to transform the way in which we provide this service, we will deliver library and information services that meet the changing needs of our communities. This includes a range of considerations around more self-service and the digital transformation of services
18981	An employee of West Lothian Council	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	Agreed - but I am not sure if we still have a mobile facility to assist customers unable to access the location. If not, do we still provide an option for these customers?	Modernised Library and Information Services - libraries	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	This proposal provides an opportunity to modernise and achieve better value for money. By continuing to transform the way in which we provide this service, we will deliver services that meet the changing needs of our communities. This includes ensuring there is full access to services for vulnerable people and a range of digital and self-service options.
18982	An employee of West Lothian Council	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	Library vans seem to be non existent these days and shortage of the support volunteers to support elderly access library services	Modernised Library and Information Services - libraries	5b. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it is likely that the costs of this proposal would outweigh the benefit.	The library van provision was fully reviewed in 2015 - this showed a lack of demand which made the high cost of continuing to provide this service was unsustainable, and a decision was taken to remove the service. This proposal provides an opportunity to modernise and achieve better value for money. By continuing to transform the way in which we provide this service, we will deliver services that meet the changing needs of our communities. This includes ensuring there is full access to services for vulnerable people.

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18983	An employee of West Lothian Council	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	Why cant the Council build really good library in the shopping centre and close the little local libraries. Almost everyone gets to the shopping centre at some point.	Modernised Library and Information Services - libraries	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The delivery of a library service is a statutory duty which means this service will continue to be provided by WLC. The way in which libraries are used is changing and their use is declining both nationally and locally, based on the successful partnership model, we will deliver library and information services that meet the changing needs of our communities.
18984	An employee of West Lothian Council	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	Providing libraries and Information services is essential for our children and families to be able to access resources to support their development and progress	Modernised Library and Information Services - libraries	4. The council is already doing this.	The delivery of a library service is a statutory duty which means this service will continue to be provided by WLC. The way in which libraries are used is changing and their use is declining both nationally and locally, based on the successful partnership model, we will deliver library and information services that meet the changing needs of our communities.
18985	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	Libraries provide much more than just books to those who maybe otherwise couldn't afford them. They give access to internet for job searches, company for the elderly and other lonely social groups at book clubs etc, support to new parents with baby groups such as book bug, support to schools, children's events in the holidays letting kids who's parents maybe can't afford expensive activities get their kids involved in something fun. And that's just a small bit. You should be supporting libraries in the communities not closing them down and 'centralising'. Many people can't get transport to other villages and the libraries and mobile libraries are essential.	Modernised Library and Information Services - libraries	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The delivery of a library service is a statutory duty which means this service will continue to be provided by WLC. The way in which libraries are used is changing and their use is declining both nationally and locally, based on the successful partnership model, we will deliver library and information services that meet the changing needs of our communities. This proposal provides an opportunity to modernise and achieve better value for money. This includes ensuring there is full access to services for vulnerable people and a range of options including more self-service facilities and digital options.
18986	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	There are growing numbers of elderly people who have no contact with family and are Lonely so use libraries as a safe place to speak with staff and spend time	Modernised Library and Information Services - libraries	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	This proposal provides an opportunity to modernise and achieve better value for money. By continuing to transform the way in which we provide this service, we will deliver services that meet the changing needs of our communities. This includes ensuring there is full access to services for vulnerable people
18987	An employee of West Lothian Council	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	Remove all bar one library and encourage community groups to do book share schemes. Who really uses libraries these days anyway. Books can be bought if required or groups can share. Limited users will require access for books for studies / research purposes and this can mostly be done online	Modernised Library and Information Services - libraries	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The delivery of a library service is a statutory duty which means this service will continue to be provided by WLC. The way in which libraries are used is changing and their use is declining both nationally and locally, based on the successful partnership model, we will deliver library and information services that meet the changing needs of our communities. This proposal provides an opportunity to modernise and achieve better value for money. This includes ensuring there is full access to services for vulnerable people and a range of options including more self-service facilities and digital options.
18988	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	Most things are on line now and cannot see a future for library books on paper format for much longer.	Modernised Library and Information Services - libraries	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	By continuing to transform the way in which we provide this service, we will deliver library and information services that meet the changing needs of our communities. This includes a range of considerations around more self-service and the digital transformation of services
18989	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	Library services are an inevitable casualty of the digital age. Centralising remaining provision with other community services is likely to be the best way to retain what remains	Modernised Library and Information Services - libraries	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The delivery of a library service is a statutory duty which means this service will continue to be provided by WLC. The way in which libraries are used is changing and their use is declining both nationally and locally, based on the successful partnership model, we will deliver library and information services that meet the changing needs of our communities.

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18990	An employee of West Lothian Council	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	I know it's a relatively insignificant part of the budget but I do feel there is a lot of wastage in book procurement in libraries. Lots of books are underused in libraries and go out for charity sale. I think this process can be a bit indiscriminate also.	Modernised Library and Information Services - libraries	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	By continuing to transform the way in which we provide this service, we will deliver library and information services that meet the changing needs of our communities. This includes a range of considerations around more self-service and the digital transformation of services
18991	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	No library access is needed more than available	Modernised Library and Information Services - libraries	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
18992	An employee of West Lothian Council	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	I am not a library user however I am aware that demand has decreased in recent years now that books etc are readily available and accessible online (kindle, for example). I support the notion to reduce these services however it would be important to keep library vans so that the service is still available for those who benefit from it.	Modernised Library and Information Services - libraries	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The library van provision was fully reviewed in 2015 - this showed a lack of demand which made the high cost of continuing to provide this service was unsustainable, and a decision was taken to remove the service. This proposal provides an opportunity to modernise and achieve better value for money. By continuing to transform the way in which we provide this service, we will deliver services that meet the changing needs of our communities. This includes ensuring there is full access to services for vulnerable people.
18993	An employee of West Lothian Council	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	Protect school libraries, develop a mobile library service and combine that mobile service with meetings at community centres to allow the elderly and less mobile to meet up with others - two birds/one stone.	Modernised Library and Information Services - libraries	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The library van provision was fully reviewed in 2015 - this showed a lack of demand which made the high cost of continuing to provide this service was unsustainable, and a decision was taken to remove the service. This proposal provides an opportunity to modernise and achieve better value for money. By continuing to transform the way in which we provide this service, we will deliver services that meet the changing needs of our communities. This includes ensuring there is full access to services for vulnerable people.
18994	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	Libraries are at the heart of communities. Taking them away will reduce the availability of internet usage for our most needy residents.	Modernised Library and Information Services - libraries	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The delivery of a library service is a statutory duty which means this service will continue to be provided by WLC. The way in which libraries are used is changing and their use is declining both nationally and locally, based on the successful partnership model, we will deliver library and information services that meet the changing needs of our communities. This includes a range of considerations around more self-service and the digital transformation of services.
18995	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	The library service needs to have qualified librarians again and do away with the remote computer terminal that requires no interaction with staff. Glasgow has done away with this system and books have to be returned and taken out at the counter. Interaction can be a great benefit to many, particularly the elderly.	Modernised Library and Information Services - libraries	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council employs a number of qualified librarians. The way in which libraries are used is changing and their use is declining both nationally and locally, based on the successful partnership model, we will deliver library and information services that meet the changing needs of our communities, this includes ensuring access for vulnerable people as well as developing more self-service and digital options. The self-service option is very popular with our customers, with over 70% choosing to use this option.
18996	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	What does this mean? Less staffing at desks in libraries?	Modernised Library and Information Services - libraries	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The delivery of a library service is a statutory duty which means this service will continue to be provided by WLC. The way in which libraries are used is changing and their use is declining both nationally and locally, based on the successful partnership model, we will deliver library and information services that meet the changing needs of our communities. This includes a range of considerations around more self-service and the digital transformation of services.

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18997	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	I feel happy with the way this has been done in my town (Bathgate) and that the library continues to function as a central and essential hub in the community-thus model appears to work.	Modernised Library and Information Services - libraries	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The delivery of a library service is a statutory duty which means this service will continue to be provided by WLC. The way in which libraries are used is changing and their use is declining both nationally and locally, based on the successful partnership model, we will deliver library and information services that meet the changing needs of our communities.
18998	An employee of West Lothian Council	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	Other authorities might only offer library services at two sessions a week, we do not need a full time library service.	Modernised Library and Information Services - libraries	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
18999	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	As a regular library user and one who accesses the Council information services regularly I would find any rationalisation detrimental.	Modernised Library and Information Services - libraries	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	This proposal provides an opportunity to modernise and achieve better value for money. By continuing to transform the way in which we provide this service, we will deliver services that meet the changing needs of our communities. This includes a range of considerations around more self-service and the digital transformation of services.
19000	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	I think this is doubtful as I've already remarked that A2W staff can't access their IT services and this is only one example. I also think librarians seem to be more than that as it is.	Modernised Library and Information Services - libraries	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The way in which libraries are used is changing and based on the successful partnership model, we will deliver library and information services that meet the changing needs of our communities, including a range of self-service and digital options.
19001	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	Libraries are buildings that could surely be used by more council employees to work from and could be linked with schools/adult learning provision to increase their effectiveness.	Modernised Library and Information Services - libraries	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The delivery of a library service is a statutory duty which means this service will continue to be provided by WLC. The way in which libraries are used is changing and their use is declining both nationally and locally, based on the successful partnership model, we will deliver library and information services that meet the changing needs of our communities.
19002	An employee of West Lothian Council	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	Online libraries are great. However, I do love having a library in my local community and find it valuable. Our local school links with it a lot.	Modernised Library and Information Services - libraries	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The delivery of a library service is a statutory duty which means this service will continue to be provided by WLC. The way in which libraries are used is changing and their use is declining both nationally and locally, based on the successful partnership model, we will deliver library and information services that meet the changing needs of our communities.
19003	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	No people need library for community	Modernised Library and Information Services - libraries	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The delivery of a library service is a statutory duty which means this service will continue to be provided by WLC. The way in which libraries are used is changing and their use is declining both nationally and locally, based on the successful partnership model, we will deliver library and information services that meet the changing needs of our communities.
19004	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	Yes. Makes sense. Could library books be provided via partners, rather than dedicated library buildings, for example books loaned via Mother and Toddler Groups, churches, schools, etc.	Modernised Library and Information Services - libraries	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The delivery of a library service is a statutory duty which means this service will continue to be provided by WLC. The way in which libraries are used is changing and their use is declining both nationally and locally, based on the successful partnership model, we will deliver library and information services that meet the changing needs of our communities.
19005	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	Why not have only digital library and information services?	Modernised Library and Information Services - libraries	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	By continuing to transform the way in which we provide this service, we will deliver library and information services that meet the changing needs of our communities. This includes a range of considerations around more self-service and the digital transformation of services

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19006	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	Don't need library if you have google	Modernised Library and Information Services - libraries	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The delivery of a library service is a statutory duty which means this service will continue to be provided by WLC.
19007	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	Seems to me that we have been asked about libraries time and time again over a number of years.....why are they not already now optimised?	Modernised Library and Information Services - libraries	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	By continuing to transform the way in which we provide this service, we will deliver library and information services that meet the changing needs of our communities. This includes a range of considerations around more self-service and the digital transformation of services
19008	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	people have access to books online and in schools. there is a library in most areas. this is not a needed resource.	Modernised Library and Information Services - libraries	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The delivery of a library service is a statutory duty which means this service will continue to be provided by WLC. The way in which libraries are used is changing and their use is declining both nationally and locally, based on the successful partnership model, we will deliver library and information services that meet the changing needs of our communities.
19009	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	Library and CIS are already integrated in many library buildings, is the next move to close down libraries? Closure of libraries will put those less digitally aware at even more of a disadvantage, especially in more remote areas.	Modernised Library and Information Services - libraries	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The delivery of a library service is a statutory duty which means this service will continue to be provided by WLC. The way in which libraries are used is changing and their use is declining both nationally and locally, based on the successful partnership model, we will deliver library and information services that meet the changing needs of our communities, this includes ensuring full access to facilities for vulnerable people and a range of options including self-service and digital options.
19010	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	Libraries have changed and must change	Modernised Library and Information Services - libraries	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19011	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	The amount of libraries and staff seems excessive considering how quiet they are (I use them and often the staff outnumber the amount of people in the library). Whilst the future seems to be with ebooks (a great service from the library) those who won't access ebooks should still be catered for. Perhaps library van?	Modernised Library and Information Services - libraries	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The library van provision was fully reviewed in 2015 - this showed a lack of demand which made the high cost of continuing to provide this service was unsustainable, and a decision was taken to remove the service. This proposal provides an opportunity to modernise and achieve better value for money. By continuing to transform the way in which we provide this service, we will deliver services that meet the changing needs of our communities. This includes ensuring there is full access to services for vulnerable people and a range of digital options.
19012	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	I have grave reservations about cutting library services, but much should depend on how much they are used. If services and facilities are getting only little use, then limiting these may be justified.	Modernised Library and Information Services - libraries	4. The council is already doing this.	The delivery of a library service is a statutory duty which means this service will continue to be provided by WLC. The way in which libraries are used is changing and their use is declining both nationally and locally. Based on the successful partnership model, we will deliver library and information services that meet the changing needs of our communities.
19013	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	Stop. Keep the libraries open - and the public toilets	Modernised Library and Information Services - libraries	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The delivery of a library service is a statutory duty which means this service will continue to be provided by WLC. The way in which libraries are used is changing and their use is declining both nationally and locally. Based on the successful partnership model, we will deliver library and information services that meet the changing needs of our communities.

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19014	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	Utilise the school libraries , you own the buildings	Modernised Library and Information Services - libraries	5b. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it is likely that the costs of this proposal would outweigh the benefit.	The delivery of a library service is a statutory duty which means this service will continue to be provided by WLC. The way in which libraries are used is changing and their use is declining both nationally and locally. Based on the successful partnership model, we will deliver library and information services that meet the changing needs of our communities.
19015	An employee of West Lothian Council	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	No comments, libraries don't seem well used the ones I've seen so wouldn't seem a huge loss	Modernised Library and Information Services - libraries	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19016	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	As long as libraries are still there and free to use I don't have a problem with this.	Modernised Library and Information Services - libraries	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The delivery of a library service is a statutory duty which means this service will continue to be provided by WLC.
19017	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	do people still use a library? do they have the ability to self fund - e.g., incorporate a coffee shop	Modernised Library and Information Services - libraries	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The delivery of a library service is a statutory duty which means this service will continue to be provided by WLC. The way in which libraries are used is changing and their use is declining both nationally and locally. Based on the successful partnership model, we will deliver library and information services that meet the changing needs of our communities.
19018	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	this is harsh, however most people view books, etc digitally these days	Modernised Library and Information Services - libraries	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	By continuing to transform the way in which we provide this service, we will deliver library and information services that meet the changing needs of our communities. This includes a range of considerations around more self-service and the digital transformation of services
19019	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	I think books are important for autistic people who find computer a barrier to learning.	Modernised Library and Information Services - libraries	4. The council is already doing this.	This proposal provides an opportunity to modernise and achieve better value for money. By continuing to transform the way in which we provide this service, we will deliver services that meet the changing needs of our communities. This includes ensuring there is full access to services for vulnerable people.
19020	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	Who visits libraries any more?	Modernised Library and Information Services - libraries	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19021	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	Please don't shut libraries - they are invaluable. Modernise them instead.	Modernised Library and Information Services - libraries	4. The council is already doing this.	This proposal provides an opportunity to modernise and achieve better value for money. By continuing to transform the way in which we provide this service, we will deliver services that meet the changing needs of our communities. This includes ensuring there is full access to services for vulnerable people and a range of digital and self-serve options.
19022	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	Local libraries are a lifeline.	Modernised Library and Information Services - libraries	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	This proposal provides an opportunity to modernise and achieve better value for money. By continuing to transform the way in which we provide this service, we will deliver services that meet the changing needs of our communities. This includes ensuring there is full access to services for vulnerable people and a range of digital and self-serve options.
19023	An employee of West Lothian Council	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	Sounds like a great idea - but very few benefit from a library service that is not open on a Sunday, only open half a day on a Saturday and during the week is only open basic business hours. Anybody in education or work is not able to access these services.	Modernised Library and Information Services - libraries	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	This proposal provides an opportunity to modernise and achieve better value for money. By continuing to transform the way in which we provide this service, we will deliver services that meet the changing needs of our communities. This includes ensuring there is full access to services for vulnerable people and a range of digital and self-serve options.

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19024	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	the libraries have taken a hammering over the years, believe it or not people still read books	Modernised Library and Information Services - libraries	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The delivery of a library service is a statutory duty which means this service will continue to be provided by WLC. The way in which libraries are used is changing and their use is declining both nationally and locally. Based on the successful partnership model, we will deliver library and information services that meet the changing needs of our communities.
19025	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	must ensure mobile libraries are still available for outlying areas , old people and disabled people need this type of service	Modernised Library and Information Services - libraries	5b. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it is likely that the costs of this proposal would outweigh the benefit.	The library van provision was fully reviewed in 2015 - this showed a lack of demand which made the high cost of continuing to provide this service was unsustainable, and a decision was taken to remove the service. This proposal provides an opportunity to modernise and achieve better value for money. By continuing to transform the way in which we provide this service, we will deliver services that meet the changing needs of our communities. This includes ensuring there is full access to services for vulnerable people and a range of digital options.
19026	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	Does this mean there will be less librarians.	Modernised Library and Information Services - libraries	4. The council is already doing this.	The council employs a number of qualified librarians. The way in which libraries are used is changing and their use is declining both nationally and locally, based on the successful partnership model, we will deliver library and information services that meet the changing needs of our communities, this includes ensuring access for vulnerable people as well as developing more self-service and digital options.
19027	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	Library and information service is important	Modernised Library and Information Services - libraries	4. The council is already doing this.	The delivery of a library service is a statutory duty which means this service will continue to be provided by WLC. The way in which libraries are used is changing and their use is declining both nationally and locally. Based on the successful partnership model, we will deliver library and information services that meet the changing needs of our communities.
19028	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	Libraries are an important resource to many people. It's important that this service continues and is accessible in towns across West Lothian.	Modernised Library and Information Services - libraries	4. The council is already doing this.	The delivery of a library service is a statutory duty which means this service will continue to be provided by WLC. The way in which libraries are used is changing and their use is declining both nationally and locally. Based on the successful partnership model, we will deliver library and information services that meet the changing needs of our communities.
19029	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	Love the libraries, but don't visit as often as used to. Keeping this service going is another vital one for the fabric of the community. Would support more development & promotion of online services, but please keep that physical presence and find ways to adapt and make more popular	Modernised Library and Information Services - libraries	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The delivery of a library service is a statutory duty which means this service will continue to be provided by WLC. The way in which libraries are used is changing and their use is declining both nationally and locally. Based on the successful partnership model, we will deliver library and information services that meet the changing needs of our communities.
19030	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	If this means closing more libraries then I am not in favour. The statement above dose not give enough information.	Modernised Library and Information Services - libraries	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The delivery of a library service is a statutory duty which means this service will continue to be provided by WLC. The way in which libraries are used is changing and their use is declining both nationally and locally. Based on the successful partnership model, we will deliver library and information services that meet the changing needs of our communities.

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19031	No Response	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	A brand new library in East Calder when we already have a perfectly good one. In a time when you are trying to cut back this seems ridiculous!	Modernised Library and Information Services - libraries	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	By continuing to transform the way in which we provide this service, we will deliver library and information services that meet the changing needs of our communities. This includes a range of considerations around more self-service and the digital transformation of services
19032	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	As long as rationalised doesn't mean closing libraries.	Modernised Library and Information Services - libraries	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The delivery of a library service is a statutory duty which means this service will continue to be provided by WLC. The way in which libraries are used is changing and their use is declining both nationally and locally. Based on the successful partnership model, we will deliver library and information services that meet the changing needs of our communities.
19033	An employee of West Lothian Council	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	Staff in some Libraries and CIs are already stretched to the limit and any further cuts would impact services	Modernised Library and Information Services - libraries	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	By continuing to transform the way in which we provide this service, we will deliver library and information services that meet the changing needs of our communities. This includes a range of considerations around more self-service and the digital transformation of services
19034	No Response	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	Libraries are essential and no closures should be contemplated	Modernised Library and Information Services - libraries	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The delivery of a library service is a statutory duty which means this service will continue to be provided by WLC. The way in which libraries are used is changing and their use is declining both nationally and locally. Based on the successful partnership model, we will deliver library and information services that meet the changing needs of our communities.
19035	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	I would suggest the following to be considered.; 1. Librarians in Academies could be reduced to 39 weeks per year instead of 52 weeks per year.	Modernised Library and Information Services - libraries	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	The librarians within schools are not included within the staffing of Library and Information Services available to the public - they are employed within Education and are therefore not included within this proposal.
19036	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	Yes, I do think there has been a reduction in library demand so a more online social offering should be considered.	Modernised Library and Information Services - libraries	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19037	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	Library opening hours must be maintained at current levels.	Modernised Library and Information Services - libraries	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The delivery of a library service is a statutory duty which means this service will continue to be provided by WLC. The way in which libraries are used is changing and their use is declining both nationally and locally. Based on the successful partnership model, we will deliver library and information services that meet the changing needs of our communities. This will include more digital options for customers.
19038	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	Libraries seem to be operating on the absolute minimum staffing levels NOW. Please do not make any more cuts to the opening hours or staffing.	Modernised Library and Information Services - libraries	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The delivery of a library service is a statutory duty which means this service will continue to be provided by WLC. The way in which libraries are used is changing and their use is declining both nationally and locally. Based on the successful partnership model, we will deliver library and information services that meet the changing needs of our communities.
19039	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	Libraries play a vital role in so many aspects of our life and culture: from providing access to music, books, and information, to providing information and resources that enable citizens to participate fully in society and democracy. Any moves that enable the Council to retain libraries in their current form, and at their current opening hours, are welcome.	Modernised Library and Information Services - libraries	4. The council is already doing this.	The delivery of a library service is a statutory duty which means this service will continue to be provided by WLC. The way in which libraries are used is changing and their use is declining both nationally and locally. Based on the successful partnership model, we will deliver library and information services that meet the changing needs of our communities.
19040	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	I agree with this proposal. It is a waste of resources to have several different libraries in the Livingston area	Modernised Library and Information Services - libraries	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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19041	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	Each major town should have a Library service. Better use of the mobile library service for villages is encouraged.	Modernised Library and Information Services - libraries	5b. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it is likely that the costs of this proposal would outweigh the benefit.	The library van provision was fully reviewed in 2015 - this showed a lack of demand which made the high cost of continuing to provide this service unsustainable, and a decision was taken to remove the service. This proposal provides an opportunity to modernise and achieve better value for money. By continuing to transform the way in which we provide this service, we will deliver services that meet the changing needs of our communities. This includes ensuring there is full access to services for vulnerable people and a range of digital options.
19042	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	Libraries have been cut enough! Please don't cut anymore.	Modernised Library and Information Services - libraries	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The delivery of a library service is a statutory duty which means this service will continue to be provided by WLC. The way in which libraries are used is changing and their use is declining both nationally and locally. Based on the successful partnership model, we will deliver library and information services that meet the changing needs of our communities.
19043	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	This sounds like library closures completely or just a small selection of books in a corner of a building somewhere with no staff available and just a self service machine. Will we just choose our books and walk out with them? We want staff to talk to, to recommend good books to read, to discuss books We want well trained staff and not just a machine in the corner	Modernised Library and Information Services - libraries	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The delivery of a library service is a statutory duty which means this service will continue to be provided by WLC. The way in which libraries are used is changing and their use is declining both nationally and locally. Based on the successful partnership model, we will deliver library and information services that meet the changing needs of our communities. Over 70% of customers choose to use the self-service option where this is available. By continuing to develop this service through a range of options including digital options and partnership library buildings, we will ensure services are accessible to a range of customers including vulnerable people.
19044	An employee of West Lothian Council	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	Vital!! The library service in WL is superb and must continue to be supported.	Modernised Library and Information Services - libraries	4. The council is already doing this.	The delivery of a library service is a statutory duty which means this service will continue to be provided by WLC. The way in which libraries are used is changing and their use is declining both nationally and locally. Based on the successful partnership model, we will deliver library and information services that meet the changing needs of our communities.
19045	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	As above, I think it's more people trying to hold on to the past instead of embracing the future. Because you have always done it a certain way doesn't mean it's the best way.	Modernised Library and Information Services - libraries	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19046	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	I believe library numbers continue to fall, so would expect budget for these services to be reduced considerably year on year.	Modernised Library and Information Services - libraries	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19047	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	It's important that Linlithgow maintains a library as it's an important resource that is valued by the community.	Modernised Library and Information Services - libraries	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The delivery of a library service is a statutory duty which means this service will continue to be provided by WLC. The way in which libraries are used is changing and their use is declining both nationally and locally. Based on the successful partnership model, we will deliver library and information services that meet the changing needs of our communities.
19048	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	Looks like its been rationalised to death already. Libraries and the staff in them already provide a great service. Don't cut the funding. Not everyone has access to books and computers.	Modernised Library and Information Services - libraries	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The delivery of a library service is a statutory duty which means this service will continue to be provided by WLC. The way in which libraries are used is changing and their use is declining both nationally and locally. Based on the successful partnership model, we will deliver library and information services that meet the changing needs of our communities.

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19049	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	Libraries are extremely important, and enjoyed, by children who otherwise may not get access to books and other learnings. It would be terrible to remove that facility. We have a Young child who loves books and going to the library.	Modernised Library and Information Services - libraries	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The delivery of a library service is a statutory duty which means this service will continue to be provided by WLC. The way in which libraries are used is changing and their use is declining both nationally and locally. Based on the successful partnership model, we will deliver library and information services that meet the changing needs of our communities.
19050	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	Don't close our libraries	Modernised Library and Information Services - libraries	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The delivery of a library service is a statutory duty which means this service will continue to be provided by WLC. The way in which libraries are used is changing and their use is declining both nationally and locally. Based on the successful partnership model, we will deliver library and information services that meet the changing needs of our communities.
19051	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	Library services should be protected while modernised and diversified.	Modernised Library and Information Services - libraries	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The delivery of a library service is a statutory duty which means this service will continue to be provided by WLC. The way in which libraries are used is changing and their use is declining both nationally and locally. Based on the successful partnership model, we will deliver library and information services that meet the changing needs of our communities.
19052	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	Don't cut libraries or services for the most vulnerable. Be more imaginative, not less, as this document suggests. Use the available resources to deliver more.	Modernised Library and Information Services - libraries	4. The council is already doing this.	This proposal provides an opportunity to modernise and achieve better value for money. By continuing to transform the way in which we provide this service, we will deliver services that meet the changing needs of our communities. This includes ensuring there is full access to services for vulnerable people.
19053	An employee of West Lothian Council	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	Difficult to judge what this means - closing libraries - if so where and when?	Modernised Library and Information Services - libraries	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	The delivery of a library service is a statutory duty which means this service will continue to be provided by WLC. The way in which libraries are used is changing and their use is declining both nationally and locally. Based on the successful partnership model, we will deliver library and information services that meet the changing needs of our communities.
19054	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	Libraries are still important. Not sure about behind the scenes services	Modernised Library and Information Services - libraries	4. The council is already doing this.	The delivery of a library service is a statutory duty which means this service will continue to be provided by WLC. The way in which libraries are used is changing and their use is declining both nationally and locally. Based on the successful partnership model, we will deliver library and information services that meet the changing needs of our communities.
19055	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	Closing libraries, is this what it means?	Modernised Library and Information Services - libraries	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	The delivery of a library service is a statutory duty which means this service will continue to be provided by WLC. The way in which libraries are used is changing and their use is declining both nationally and locally. Based on the successful partnership model, we will deliver library and information services that meet the changing needs of our communities. This will include a range of options such as increased self-serve and digital options

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19056	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	Doesn't look there's much left to cut in the library service, or rather the lack of it as my local library has shut. Why bother with more cuts. it's down to the bone as it is.	Modernised Library and Information Services - libraries	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The delivery of a library service is a statutory duty which means this service will continue to be provided by WLC. The way in which libraries are used is changing and their use is declining both nationally and locally. Based on the successful partnership model, we will deliver library and information services that meet the changing needs of our communities. This will include a range of options such as increased self-serve and digital options
19057	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	More efficient and technologically advanced methods of using a library in order to reduce staff numbers should be investigated before rationalising facilities.	Modernised Library and Information Services - libraries	4. The council is already doing this.	The delivery of a library service is a statutory duty which means this service will continue to be provided by WLC. The way in which libraries are used is changing and their use is declining both nationally and locally. Based on the successful partnership model, we will deliver library and information services that meet the changing needs of our communities. This will include a range of options such as increased self-serve and digital options
19058	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	Libraries are really important. Don't shoot yourselves in the foot by restricting access to libraries for the poorer in society by relocating to fewer places.	Modernised Library and Information Services - libraries	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	This proposal provides an opportunity to modernise and achieve better value for money. By continuing to transform the way in which we provide this service, we will deliver services that meet the changing needs of our communities through changes based on the successful partnership model. This includes ensuring there is full access to services for vulnerable people through a range of options including digital services and self-service.
19059	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	Minor point but fines for late return of library books has been abolished! Why not reintroduce these - surely every little helps!	Modernised Library and Information Services - libraries	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19060	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	Agree. Centralise and consolidate. Close libraries if necessary and provide more online services such as ebooks and audiobooks. The days of needing a library in as many locations are long gone!	Modernised Library and Information Services - libraries	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19061	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	Agreed. Also charges for libraries could be introduced.	Modernised Library and Information Services - libraries	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19062	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	Please do not close any libraries they are a vital part of community and I would not want to travel a distance for library services.	Modernised Library and Information Services - libraries	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The delivery of a library service is a statutory duty which means this service will continue to be provided by WLC. The way in which libraries are used is changing and their use is declining both nationally and locally. Based on the successful partnership model, we will deliver library and information services that meet the changing needs of our communities. This includes ensuring there is full access to services for vulnerable people.
19063	An employee of West Lothian Council	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	Reduce the number of libraries. One larger library where people can travel to.	Modernised Library and Information Services - libraries	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19064	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	"Rationalised" - how many would you close? do you intend to close any?	Modernised Library and Information Services - libraries	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	The delivery of a library service is a statutory duty which means this service will continue to be provided by WLC. The way in which libraries are used is changing and their use is declining both nationally and locally. Based on the successful partnership model, we will deliver library and information services that meet the changing needs of our communities. This includes ensuring there is full access to services for vulnerable people.

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19065	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	Local access to library is a important local requirement	Modernised Library and Information Services - libraries	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The delivery of a library service is a statutory duty which means this service will continue to be provided by WLC. The way in which libraries are used is changing and their use is declining both nationally and locally. Based on the successful partnership model, we will deliver library and information services that meet the changing needs of our communities.
19066	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	Reduce the number of small libraries and have 2 central libraries which provide a better service than lots of small libraries with limited opening hours.	Modernised Library and Information Services - libraries	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19067	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	Please keep our libraries open and with current hours!	Modernised Library and Information Services - libraries	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The delivery of a library service is a statutory duty which means this service will continue to be provided by WLC. The way in which libraries are used is changing and their use is declining both nationally and locally. Based on the successful partnership model, we will deliver library and information services that meet the changing needs of our communities.
19068	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	Do not close any libraries if possible. Service rationalisation should make savings but not eliminate anything completely.	Modernised Library and Information Services - libraries	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The delivery of a library service is a statutory duty which means this service will continue to be provided by WLC. The way in which libraries are used is changing and their use is declining both nationally and locally. Based on the successful partnership model, we will deliver library and information services that meet the changing needs of our communities.
19069	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	Library provision based in communities must be retained.	Modernised Library and Information Services - libraries	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The delivery of a library service is a statutory duty which means this service will continue to be provided by WLC. The way in which libraries are used is changing and their use is declining both nationally and locally. Based on the successful partnership model, we will deliver library and information services that meet the changing needs of our communities.
19070	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	Keen to keep the library service	Modernised Library and Information Services - libraries	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The delivery of a library service is a statutory duty which means this service will continue to be provided by WLC. The way in which libraries are used is changing and their use is declining both nationally and locally. Based on the successful partnership model, we will deliver library and information services that meet the changing needs of our communities.
19071	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	There are too many Library staff in some location which I do think need to be looked at.	Modernised Library and Information Services - libraries	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19072	An employee of West Lothian Council	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	There is a woeful lack of community centres in Livingston and modernisation of libraries is a welcome change. Providing cafes in their buildings encourages people to see them a local hub where they can meet friends and access information.	Modernised Library and Information Services - libraries	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19073	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	I would not want to lose my local library but if needs be I would support other services being brought in to take up some space within. Anything to keep library open and information as near to hand as is possible.	Modernised Library and Information Services - libraries	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The delivery of a library service is a statutory duty which means this service will continue to be provided by WLC. The way in which libraries are used is changing and their use is declining both nationally and locally. Based on the successful partnership model, we will deliver library and information services that meet the changing needs of our communities.

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19074	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	This proposal sounds good provided that where rationalisation means people can still access a library easily by public transport. There will be a negative outcome if council subsidised bus services are cut in areas which would impact on residents being able to access the libraries.	Modernised Library and Information Services - libraries	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	This proposal provides an opportunity to modernise and achieve better value for money. By continuing to transform the way in which we provide this service, we will deliver services that meet the changing needs of our communities. This includes ensuring there is full access to services for vulnerable people.
19075	An employee of West Lothian Council	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	3b I am not sure what it means to rationalise this - what would be lost? It is good to have a place for people to go to in our communities to speak to staff face to face, as not everyone can access information online.	Modernised Library and Information Services - libraries	4. The council is already doing this.	The delivery of a library service is a statutory duty which means this service will continue to be provided by WLC. The way in which libraries are used is changing and their use is declining both nationally and locally. Based on the successful partnership model, we will deliver library and information services that meet the changing needs of our communities.
19076	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	Libraries should not be closed or reduced in scope of service.	Modernised Library and Information Services - libraries	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19077	No Response	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	This provides no information on what the proposals actually are and therefore it is not possible to comment on this. If the suggestion is to reduce libraries etc in West Lothian I would imagine this would reduce access to reading, which is on the first ministers agenda to improve access scotland.	Modernised Library and Information Services - libraries	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	This proposal provides an opportunity to modernise and achieve better value for money. By continuing to transform the way in which we provide this service, we will deliver services that meet the changing needs of our communities. This includes ensuring there is full access to services for vulnerable people, and includes a range of considerations around more self-service and digital options.
19078	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	Again confused . Are you saying the council services in a library is good and will be retained or is not good and you gave a better solution? You don't say what the successfully developed partnership model is but I have used a council service from the library on more than one occasion and found it highly convenient and efficient.	Modernised Library and Information Services - libraries	4. The council is already doing this.	The delivery of a library service is a statutory duty which means this service will continue to be provided by WLC. The way in which libraries are used is changing and their use is declining both nationally and locally. Based on the successful partnership model in place in areas such as Bathgate and Strathbrock in Broxburn, we will deliver library and information services that meet the changing needs of our communities.
19079	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	Does this mean closure of libraries? If so, I would not support this plan.	Modernised Library and Information Services - libraries	5a. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because the council is required by law to deliver this work.	The delivery of a library service is a statutory duty which means this service will continue to be provided by WLC. The way in which libraries are used is changing and their use is declining both nationally and locally. Based on the successful partnership model in place in areas such as Bathgate and Strathbrock in Broxburn, we will deliver library and information services that meet the changing needs of our communities.
19080	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	I am not entirely sure what is meant by "provision in library and customer information services would be rationalised". With regards to library services, the council should introduce fines for loaned books that are overdue in order to generate a small income to support purchase of new books etc.	Modernised Library and Information Services - libraries	5c. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it is not consistent with the council's values and priorities.	The delivery of a library service is a statutory duty which means this service will continue to be provided by WLC. The way in which libraries are used is changing and their use is declining both nationally and locally. Based on the successful partnership model in place in areas such as Bathgate and Strathbrock in Broxburn, we will deliver library and information services that meet the changing needs of our communities.
19081	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	Love the new library services in Strathbrock. Staff are friendly and welcoming and integrate into the community. Very good with School visits.	Modernised Library and Information Services - libraries	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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19082	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	Don't take our libraries away	Modernised Library and Information Services - libraries	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The delivery of a library service is a statutory duty which means this service will continue to be provided by WLC. The way in which libraries are used is changing and their use is declining both nationally and locally. Based on the successful partnership model in place in areas such as Bathgate and Strathbrock in Broxburn, we will deliver library and information services that meet the changing needs of our communities.
19083	No Response	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	Our local library has already been moved and shrunk to fit into our council buildings. I hope you not suggesting that the renewing of disabled bus passes, blue badges etc will not be able to be done in there any more. A council building with limited council services wouldn't be very help. Actually if you could do all that online that would be great.	Modernised Library and Information Services - libraries	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The delivery of a library service is a statutory duty which means this service will continue to be provided by WLC. The way in which libraries are used is changing and their use is declining both nationally and locally. Based on the successful partnership model in place in areas such as Bathgate and Strathbrock in Broxburn, we will deliver library and information services that meet the changing needs of our communities.
19084	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	Library services are very important for young and old alike. Older people use the library as a means of keeping there minds alert.	Modernised Library and Information Services - libraries	4. The council is already doing this.	This proposal provides an opportunity to modernise and achieve better value for money. By continuing to transform the way in which we provide this service, we will deliver services that meet the changing needs of our communities. This includes ensuring there is full access to services for vulnerable people, and includes a range of considerations around more self-service and digital options.
19085	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	KEEP LIBRARIES OPEN - THEY ARE ESSENTIAL	Modernised Library and Information Services - libraries	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The delivery of a library service is a statutory duty which means this service will continue to be provided by WLC. The way in which libraries are used is changing and their use is declining both nationally and locally. Based on the successful partnership model, we will deliver library and information services that meet the changing needs of our communities.
19086	An employee of West Lothian Council	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	Good in principle but where are the real librarians?? Replaced by customer service people - very very sad.	Modernised Library and Information Services - libraries	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council employs a number of qualified librarians. The way in which libraries are used is changing and their use is declining both nationally and locally, based on the successful partnership model, we will deliver library and information services that meet the changing needs of our communities, this includes ensuring access for vulnerable people as well as developing more self-service and digital options.
19087	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	But don't shut local libraries!	Modernised Library and Information Services - libraries	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The delivery of a library service is a statutory duty which means this service will continue to be provided by WLC. The way in which libraries are used is changing and their use is declining both nationally and locally. Based on the successful partnership model, we will deliver library and information services that meet the changing needs of our communities.
19088	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	Libraries must continue to have personal facilities for the Public.	Modernised Library and Information Services - libraries	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	This proposal provides an opportunity to modernise and achieve better value for money. By continuing to transform the way in which we provide this service, we will deliver services that meet the changing needs of our communities. This includes ensuring there is full access to services for vulnerable people, and includes a range of considerations around more self-service and digital options.
19089	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	This makes complete sense and will breath new life into libraries	Modernised Library and Information Services - libraries	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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19090	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	These services within libraries are a joke as the staff are ill prepared or trained to deal with peoples needs>libraries are going to become obsolete.	Modernised Library and Information Services - libraries	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council employs a number of qualified librarians. The way in which libraries are used is changing and their use is declining both nationally and locally, based on the successful partnership model, we will deliver library and information services that meet the changing needs of our communities, this includes ensuring access for vulnerable people as well as developing more self-service and digital options.
19091	No Response	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	Does rationalised mean close? My local library already has reduced hours of operation and staffing cuts. Libraries provide an essential link to our local communities - they provide access to information for EVERY member of the community.	Modernised Library and Information Services - libraries	4. The council is already doing this.	The delivery of a library service is a statutory duty which means this service will continue to be provided by WLC. The way in which libraries are used is changing and their use is declining both nationally and locally. Based on the successful partnership model in place in areas such as Bathgate and Strathbrock in Broxburn, we will deliver library and information services that meet the changing needs of our communities.
19092	An employee of West Lothian Council	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	Hopefully not too much impact on the customer here. Good proposal if more rationalised or "condensed" library provision.	Modernised Library and Information Services - libraries	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The delivery of a library service is a statutory duty which means this service will continue to be provided by WLC. The way in which libraries are used is changing and their use is declining both nationally and locally. Based on the successful partnership model in place in areas such as Bathgate and Strathbrock in Broxburn, we will deliver library and information services that meet the changing needs of our communities.
19093	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	I feel libraries are no longer relevant for many people. The local one in Linlithgow is very poor. I'm not sure if it closed it would have any huge impact	Modernised Library and Information Services - libraries	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	This proposal provides an opportunity to modernise and achieve better value for money. By continuing to transform the way in which we provide this service, we will deliver services that meet the changing needs of our communities. This includes ensuring there is full access to services for vulnerable people, and includes a range of considerations around more self-service and digital options.
19094	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	Not sure what that means - but closing libraries sends the wrong signal about learning and access to information. They should become information hubs in an access strategy alongside on-line services since they are located in local communities.	Modernised Library and Information Services - libraries	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The delivery of a library service is a statutory duty which means this service will continue to be provided by WLC. The way in which libraries are used is changing and their use is declining both nationally and locally. Based on the successful partnership model in place in areas such as Bathgate and Strathbrock in Broxburn, we will deliver library and information services that meet the changing needs of our communities.
19095	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	It would be unfortunate if "rationalised provision" actually means "library closures".	Modernised Library and Information Services - libraries	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The delivery of a library service is a statutory duty which means this service will continue to be provided by WLC. The way in which libraries are used is changing and their use is declining both nationally and locally. Based on the successful partnership model in place in areas such as Bathgate and Strathbrock in Broxburn, we will deliver library and information services that meet the changing needs of our communities.

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19096	No Response	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	Libraries in some communities are a lifeline service for certain demographics and careful analysis of footfall and usage should be carried out before any rationalisation is carried out	Modernised Library and Information Services - libraries	4. The council is already doing this.	The delivery of a library service is a statutory duty which means this service will continue to be provided by WLC. The way in which libraries are used is changing and their use is declining both nationally and locally. Based on the successful partnership model in places such as Bathgate and Strathbrock in Broxburn, we will deliver library and information services that meet the changing needs of our communities. This includes a range of self-service, digital and accessible options for customers.
19097	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	Not sure what "rationalised" means, but need to keep a good library provision in West Lothian.	Modernised Library and Information Services - libraries	4. The council is already doing this.	The delivery of a library service is a statutory duty which means this service will continue to be provided by WLC. The way in which libraries are used is changing and their use is declining both nationally and locally. Based on the successful partnership model in places such as Bathgate and Strathbrock in Broxburn, we will deliver library and information services that meet the changing needs of our communities. This includes a range of self-service, digital and accessible options for customers.
19098	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	I think the library's are needed if anything for the younger generation, for example taking that away from a place like Fauldhouse would be a big mistake as this what kids do, this is where they go when they arent in school. It is close for elderly who can't really leave the area on there own. I understand technology is trying to be used more also but again it doesnt always work so the staff there are needed or else like I have said before frustration builds up and more complaints and phones calls will then be made when that could have been avoided.	Modernised Library and Information Services - libraries	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The delivery of a library service is a statutory duty which means this service will continue to be provided by WLC. The way in which libraries are used is changing and their use is declining both nationally and locally. Based on the successful partnership model in places such as Bathgate and Strathbrock in Broxburn, we will deliver library and information services that meet the changing needs of our communities. This includes a range of self-service, digital and accessible options for customers.
19099	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	Library purpose should be continually reviewed and adapted in future ... for example, a quality non-profit coffee shop based in a library could very well support a library!	Modernised Library and Information Services - libraries	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19100	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	On line library service could be usefully expanded in non fiction. Choice is too limited. Why not make a small annual charge.	Modernised Library and Information Services - libraries	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19101	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	This is a good move as there is no reason why the library resources cannot be share across the council.	Modernised Library and Information Services - libraries	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19102	No Response	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	Online library service could be developed further as current reading list is lacking in non fiction.	Modernised Library and Information Services - libraries	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	By continuing to transform the way in which we provide this service, we will deliver library and information services that meet the changing needs of our communities. This includes a range of considerations around more self-service and the digital transformation of services
19103	No Response	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	Not sure how this can be achieved. Hopefully not closing too many libraries. Perhaps reduced opening times.	Modernised Library and Information Services - libraries	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The delivery of a library service is a statutory duty which means this service will continue to be provided by WLC. The way in which libraries are used is changing and their use is declining both nationally and locally. Based on the successful partnership model in places such as Bathgate and Strathbrock in Broxburn, we will deliver library and information services that meet the changing needs of our communities. This includes a range of self-service, digital and accessible options for customers.

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19104	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	Local libraries provide an excellent service for communities. Does rationalising services mean that these will be cut?	Modernised Library and Information Services - libraries	4. The council is already doing this.	The delivery of a library service is a statutory duty which means this service will continue to be provided by WLC. The way in which libraries are used is changing and their use is declining both nationally and locally. Based on the successful partnership model in places such as Bathgate and Strathbrock in Broxburn, we will deliver library and information services that meet the changing needs of our communities. This includes a range of self-service, digital and accessible options for customers.
19105	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	What steps are being taken to provide for the needs of heritage services?	Modernised Library and Information Services - libraries	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	The council continues to work with 3rd sector providers to ensure Heritage Services meets the needs of residents and visitors.
19106	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	please keep our libraries especially for the young unemployed and the retired.	Modernised Library and Information Services - libraries	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The delivery of a library service is a statutory duty which means this service will continue to be provided by WLC. The way in which libraries are used is changing and their use is declining both nationally and locally. Based on the successful partnership model in places such as Bathgate and Strathbrock in Broxburn, we will deliver library and information services that meet the changing needs of our communities. This includes a range of self-service, digital and accessible options for customers.
19107	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	Given that most people now have access to the internet, could spending on library's services be reduced by even more?	Modernised Library and Information Services - libraries	4. The council is already doing this.	The delivery of a library service is a statutory duty which means this service will continue to be provided by WLC. The way in which libraries are used is changing and their use is declining both nationally and locally. Based on the successful partnership model in places such as Bathgate and Strathbrock in Broxburn, we will deliver library and information services that meet the changing needs of our communities. This includes a range of self-service, digital and accessible options for customers.
19108	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	Libraries need to be kept in local communities otherwise how will the national policy of improved literacy be achieved.	Modernised Library and Information Services - libraries	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The delivery of a library service is a statutory duty which means this service will continue to be provided by WLC. The way in which libraries are used is changing and their use is declining both nationally and locally. Based on the successful partnership model in places such as Bathgate and Strathbrock in Broxburn, we will deliver library and information services that meet the changing needs of our communities. This includes a range of self-service, digital and accessible options for customers.
19109	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	Agree provided doesn't mean closure of libraries.	Modernised Library and Information Services - libraries	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The delivery of a library service is a statutory duty which means this service will continue to be provided by WLC. The way in which libraries are used is changing and their use is declining both nationally and locally. Based on the successful partnership model in places such as Bathgate and Strathbrock in Broxburn, we will deliver library and information services that meet the changing needs of our communities. This includes a range of self-service, digital and accessible options for customers.

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19110	An employee of West Lothian Council	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	Make library books and services fully digital	Modernised Library and Information Services - libraries	5a. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because the council is required by law to deliver this work.	The delivery of a library service is a statutory duty which means this service will continue to be provided by WLC. By continuing to transform the way in which we provide this service, we will deliver library and information services that meet the changing needs of our communities. This includes a range of considerations around more self-service and the digital transformation of services
19111	An employee of West Lothian Council	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	Get the library on social media! No cost (or at least very minimal) and beneficial for the community to know what's going on.	Modernised Library and Information Services - libraries	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	By continuing to transform the way in which we provide this service, we will deliver library and information services that meet the changing needs of our communities. This includes a range of considerations around more self-service and the digital transformation of services
19112	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	Provided no loss to library provision then agree.	Modernised Library and Information Services - libraries	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The delivery of a library service is a statutory duty which means this service will continue to be provided by WLC. The way in which libraries are used is changing and their use is declining both nationally and locally. Based on the successful partnership model in places such as Bathgate and Strathbrock in Broxburn, we will deliver library and information services that meet the changing needs of our communities. This includes a range of self-service, digital and accessible options for customers.
19113	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	shut down libraries that dont get used and save more money	Modernised Library and Information Services - libraries	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19114	No Response	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	Very useful resource. Watch not restricted.	Modernised Library and Information Services - libraries	4. The council is already doing this.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19115	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	I believe this is a valuable resource to the community and would not want to see this reduced in scope.	Modernised Library and Information Services - libraries	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The delivery of a library service is a statutory duty which means this service will continue to be provided by WLC. The way in which libraries are used is changing and their use is declining both nationally and locally. Based on the successful partnership model in places such as Bathgate and Strathbrock in Broxburn, we will deliver library and information services that meet the changing needs of our communities. This includes a range of self-service, digital and accessible options for customers.
19116	An employee of West Lothian Council	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	Library services provide essential environments for children , young people and families which support developing literacy levels , allowing access to internet ,(where there is none at home) a reduction in this would impact negatively on vulnerable communities and individuals	Modernised Library and Information Services - libraries	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The delivery of a library service is a statutory duty which means this service will continue to be provided by WLC. The way in which libraries are used is changing and their use is declining both nationally and locally. Based on the successful partnership model in places such as Bathgate and Strathbrock in Broxburn, we will deliver library and information services that meet the changing needs of our communities. This includes a range of self-service, digital and accessible options for customers.
19117	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	The provision of library services for all locally is an important service . Any rationalisation should not include the closing of of any local libraries unless the library service is being re-located to another council building locally within walking distance and without any downgrading of the service being provided.	Modernised Library and Information Services - libraries	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The delivery of a library service is a statutory duty which means this service will continue to be provided by WLC. The way in which libraries are used is changing and their use is declining both nationally and locally. Based on the successful partnership model in places such as Bathgate and Strathbrock in Broxburn, we will deliver library and information services that meet the changing needs of our communities. This includes a range of self-service, digital and accessible options for customers.

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19118	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	So long as libraries are not closed.	Modernised Library and Information Services - libraries	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The delivery of a library service is a statutory duty which means this service will continue to be provided by WLC. The way in which libraries are used is changing and their use is declining both nationally and locally. Based on the successful partnership model in places such as Bathgate and Strathbrock in Broxburn, we will deliver library and information services that meet the changing needs of our communities. This includes a range of self-service, digital and accessible options for customers.
19119	An employee of West Lothian Council	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	I support this measure - previous changes to integrate library provision at Bathgate and at Strathbrock have been very successful.	Modernised Library and Information Services - libraries	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19120	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	Local libraries should not be cut. The access to and provision of books for all is a gem worth fighting for. Linlithgow library is currently very good and should be retained	Modernised Library and Information Services - libraries	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The delivery of a library service is a statutory duty which means this service will continue to be provided by WLC. The way in which libraries are used is changing and their use is declining both nationally and locally. Based on the successful partnership model, we will deliver library and information services that meet the changing needs of our communities whilst ensuring savings are made which ensures we deliver a value for money service.
19121	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	This services is already limping along, only closures of services would allow any reductions.	Modernised Library and Information Services - libraries	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	By continuing to transform the way in which we provide this service, we will deliver library and information services that meet the changing needs of our communities. This includes a range of considerations around more self-service and the digital transformation of services
19122	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	Libraries are a key part of communities so I do not agree with any change to these services. Any savings here should be channelled back into library services to ensure access to books and reading material for all.	Modernised Library and Information Services - libraries	5b. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it is likely that the costs of this proposal would outweigh the benefit.	The delivery of a library service is a statutory duty which means this service will continue to be provided by WLC. The way in which libraries are used is changing and their use is declining both nationally and locally. Based on the successful partnership model, we will deliver library and information services that meet the changing needs of our communities whilst ensuring savings are made which ensures we deliver a value for money service.
19123	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	Library services must be maintained in Linlithgow and all current locations. I dont mind where in the town it is but the service is important.	Modernised Library and Information Services - libraries	4. The council is already doing this.	The delivery of a library service is a statutory duty which means this service will continue to be provided by WLC. The way in which libraries are used is changing and their use is declining both nationally and locally. Based on the successful partnership model in places such as Bathgate and Strathbrock in Broxburn, we will deliver library and information services that meet the changing needs of our communities. This includes a range of self-service, digital and accessible options for customers.
19124	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	Keeping libraries open should be a key priority	Modernised Library and Information Services - libraries	4. The council is already doing this.	The delivery of a library service is a statutory duty which means this service will continue to be provided by WLC. The way in which libraries are used is changing and their use is declining both nationally and locally. Based on the successful partnership model in places such as Bathgate and Strathbrock in Broxburn, we will deliver library and information services that meet the changing needs of our communities. This includes a range of self-service, digital and accessible options for customers.

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19125	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	Local libraries should be high priority	Modernised Library and Information Services - libraries	4. The council is already doing this.	The delivery of a library service is a statutory duty which means this service will continue to be provided by WLC. The way in which libraries are used is changing and their use is declining both nationally and locally. Based on the successful partnership model in places such as Bathgate and Strathbrock in Broxburn, we will deliver library and information services that meet the changing needs of our communities. This includes a range of self-service, digital and accessible options for customers.
19126	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	Provide access to a loaned ereader and the facility to 'borrow' books for those that want to.	Modernised Library and Information Services - libraries	4. The council is already doing this.	By continuing to transform the way in which we provide this service, we will deliver library and information services that meet the changing needs of our communities. This includes a range of considerations around more self-service and the digital transformation of services - this includes more e-book provision and online services.
19127	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	Libraries seem a bit 'last year'. Investigate different methods of delivery.	Modernised Library and Information Services - libraries	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19128	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	I use the library a lot and would not like to see it downgraded	Modernised Library and Information Services - libraries	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	This proposal provides an opportunity to modernise and achieve better value for money. By continuing to transform the way in which we provide this service, we will deliver services that meet the changing needs of our communities. This includes ensuring there is full access to services for vulnerable people.
19129	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	Our library provision appears to work well following recent rationalisation, therefore if this continues positively we support the proposal. Libraries are still needed in our communities.	Modernised Library and Information Services - libraries	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The delivery of a library service is a statutory duty which means this service will continue to be provided by WLC. The way in which libraries are used is changing and their use is declining both nationally and locally. Based on the successful partnership model in places such as Bathgate and Strathbrock in Broxburn, we will deliver library and information services that meet the changing needs of our communities. This includes a range of self-service, digital and accessible options for customers.
19130	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	The provision of library books in West Lothian is poor, often books in series are missing and as a family we do not use the libraries at all. The service has been run into the ground with the Government policy on book rotation this means nothing will change. Money should be spent in providing learning hubs where people can go and study in peaceful environments with access to the information they need digitally. A book allowance should be given to households to spend on purchasing new books each year.	Modernised Library and Information Services - libraries	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	The delivery of a library service is a statutory duty which means this service will continue to be provided by WLC. The way in which libraries are used is changing and their use is declining both nationally and locally. Based on the successful partnership model in places such as Bathgate and Strathbrock in Broxburn, we will deliver library and information services that meet the changing needs of our communities. This includes a range of self-service, digital and accessible options for customers.
19131	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	These have already been reduced to the minimum levels. These should be maintained at current levels	Modernised Library and Information Services - libraries	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	This proposal provides an opportunity to modernise and achieve better value for money. By continuing to transform the way in which we provide this service, we will deliver services that meet the changing needs of our communities. This includes ensuring there is full access to services for vulnerable people.
19132	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	Keep libraries but on a smaller scale and use more IT	Modernised Library and Information Services - libraries	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	By continuing to transform the way in which we provide this service, we will deliver library and information services that meet the changing needs of our communities. This includes a range of considerations around more self-service and the digital transformation of services

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19133	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	Libraries are a great place for all ages. I still use my library regularly for myself and my children. Book bug was great for the kids and mothers involved. A place to relax and enjoy everything available.	Modernised Library and Information Services - libraries	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	The delivery of a library service is a statutory duty which means this service will continue to be provided by WLC. The way in which libraries are used is changing and their use is declining both nationally and locally. Based on the successful partnership model in places such as Bathgate and Strathbrock in Broxburn, we will deliver library and information services that meet the changing needs of our communities. This includes a range of self-service, digital and accessible options for customers.
19134	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	Agree provided that there is no decline in Library provision. At pre-school age the local Library was one of my favourite places and it played a big role in me becoming a life-long reader as well as supporting my educational attainment at post-graduate degree level. If we want to deliver the priority of improved attainment and positive destinations for children, a good Library service is a key service to maintain.	Modernised Library and Information Services - libraries	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The delivery of a library service is a statutory duty which means this service will continue to be provided by WLC. The way in which libraries are used is changing and their use is declining both nationally and locally. Based on the successful partnership model in places such as Bathgate and Strathbrock in Broxburn, we will deliver library and information services that meet the changing needs of our communities. This includes a range of self-service, digital and accessible options for customers.
19135	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	Please dont close any more libraries, these are a vital resource for all sectors of the community.	Modernised Library and Information Services - libraries	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The delivery of a library service is a statutory duty which means this service will continue to be provided by WLC. The way in which libraries are used is changing and their use is declining both nationally and locally. Based on the successful partnership model in places such as Bathgate and Strathbrock in Broxburn, we will deliver library and information services that meet the changing needs of our communities. This includes a range of self-service, digital and accessible options for customers.
19136	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	I thought it had already been rationalised with partnership centres opening all over the county. Libraries are an important part of our community with knowledgeable staff able and willing to help customers. Asking them to do other jobs as well will lose this skilled workforce. Libraries provide a wonderful resource for all in West Lothian. My grandchild loved the book bug sessions and still enjoys visiting the library. He loves books as do all my children encouraged by frequent visits. I have been a member since I moved here over 30 years ago and always have books out. The libraries also support our schools and nurseries.	Modernised Library and Information Services - libraries	4. The council is already doing this.	The delivery of a library service is a statutory duty which means this service will continue to be provided by WLC. The way in which libraries are used is changing and their use is declining both nationally and locally. Based on the successful partnership model in places such as Bathgate and Strathbrock in Broxburn, we will deliver library and information services that meet the changing needs of our communities. This includes a range of self-service, digital and accessible options for customers.
19137	An employee of West Lothian Council	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	Could High school libraries be used for public, and therefore be able to close some of the public library buildings	Modernised Library and Information Services - libraries	5b. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it is likely that the costs of this proposal would outweigh the benefit.	The delivery of a library service is a statutory duty which means this service will continue to be provided by WLC. The way in which libraries are used is changing and their use is declining both nationally and locally. Based on the successful partnership model in places such as Bathgate and Strathbrock in Broxburn, we will deliver library and information services that meet the changing needs of our communities. This includes a range of self-service, digital and accessible options for customers.

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19138	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	This has had a major cut already and should not be cut further. The staff at the libraris are great but can see that they are spaced thin already.	Modernised Library and Information Services - libraries	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The delivery of a library service is a statutory duty which means this service will continue to be provided by WLC. The way in which libraries are used is changing and their use is declining both nationally and locally. Based on the successful partnership model in places such as Bathgate and Strathbrock in Broxburn, we will deliver library and information services that meet the changing needs of our communities. This includes a range of self-service, digital and accessible options for customers.
19139	An employee of West Lothian Council	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	There is no informaoitin to be able to respond to this. The first minister has as a priority identified reading for you children and has listed this as a priority. Closure of libraries, if this is on the agenda, should be discouraged as it is an excellent community resource.	Modernised Library and Information Services - libraries	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	The delivery of a library service is a statutory duty which means this service will continue to be provided by WLC. The way in which libraries are used is changing and their use is declining both nationally and locally. Based on the successful partnership model in places such as Bathgate and Strathbrock in Broxburn, we will deliver library and information services that meet the changing needs of our communities. This includes a range of self-service, digital and accessible options for customers.
19140	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	The library is an important place in our community and I would hope it would continue to be prioritised.	Modernised Library and Information Services - libraries	4. The council is already doing this.	The delivery of a library service is a statutory duty which means this service will continue to be provided by WLC. The way in which libraries are used is changing and their use is declining both nationally and locally. Based on the successful partnership model in places such as Bathgate and Strathbrock in Broxburn, we will deliver library and information services that meet the changing needs of our communities. This includes a range of self-service, digital and accessible options for customers.
19141	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	As long as "rationalised" as mentioned above, does not mean closing the current library and information service in Linlithgow. Many people in our community depend on the library for their information needs (especially in the digital age, where many people don't own computers, etc., and rely on the library services to provide digital access.)	Modernised Library and Information Services - libraries	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The delivery of a library service is a statutory duty which means this service will continue to be provided by WLC. The way in which libraries are used is changing and their use is declining both nationally and locally. Based on the successful partnership model in places such as Bathgate and Strathbrock in Broxburn, we will deliver library and information services that meet the changing needs of our communities. This includes a range of self-service, digital and accessible options for customers.
19142	An employee of West Lothian Council	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	Supportive in principle based on limited detailed information, although continued presence in many communities currently serviced is essential.	Modernised Library and Information Services - libraries	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The delivery of a library service is a statutory duty which means this service will continue to be provided by WLC. The way in which libraries are used is changing and their use is declining both nationally and locally. Based on the successful partnership model in places such as Bathgate and Strathbrock in Broxburn, we will deliver library and information services that meet the changing needs of our communities. This includes a range of self-service, digital and accessible options for customers.
19143	An employee of West Lothian Council	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	This makes sense and may encourage people to use library services.	Modernised Library and Information Services - libraries	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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19144	No Response	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	If additional digital services are being used, there needs to be additional assistance available for the people who don't have easy access - isn't that where libraries come in?	Modernised Library and Information Services - libraries	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The delivery of a library service is a statutory duty which means this service will continue to be provided by WLC. The way in which libraries are used is changing and their use is declining both nationally and locally. Based on the successful partnership model in places such as Bathgate and Strathbrock in Broxburn, we will deliver library and information services that meet the changing needs of our communities. This includes a range of self-service, digital and accessible options for customers.
19145	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	Libraries are a life line to families and provide opportunities for families with less money to access books - do not reduce this.	Modernised Library and Information Services - libraries	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The delivery of a library service is a statutory duty which means this service will continue to be provided by WLC. The way in which libraries are used is changing and their use is declining both nationally and locally. Based on the successful partnership model in places such as Bathgate and Strathbrock in Broxburn, we will deliver library and information services that meet the changing needs of our communities. This includes a range of self-service, digital and accessible options for customers.
19146	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	Agreed where a mobile service replaces any physical library buildings which are closed	Modernised Library and Information Services - libraries	5b. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it is likely that the costs of this proposal would outweigh the benefit.	The library van provision was fully reviewed in 2015 - this showed a lack of demand which made the high cost of continuing to provide this service was unsustainable, and a decision was taken to remove the service. This proposal provides an opportunity to modernise and achieve better value for money. By continuing to transform the way in which we provide this service, we will deliver services that meet the changing needs of our communities. This includes ensuring there is full access to services for vulnerable people and a range of digital options.
19147	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	Agreed, where access to libraries in communities is maintain by buildings and mobile services	Modernised Library and Information Services - libraries	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The delivery of a library service is a statutory duty which means this service will continue to be provided by WLC. The way in which libraries are used is changing and their use is declining both nationally and locally. Based on the successful partnership model in places such as Bathgate and Strathbrock in Broxburn, we will deliver library and information services that meet the changing needs of our communities. This includes a range of self-service, digital and accessible options for customers.
19148	An employee of West Lothian Council	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	What CIS, many office close due to staff shortages leaving little service for customers. Not everyone wants to communicate via email, An efficient face to face service is still required	Modernised Library and Information Services - libraries	4. The council is already doing this.	The delivery of a library service is a statutory duty which means this service will continue to be provided by WLC. The way in which libraries are used is changing and their use is declining both nationally and locally. Based on the successful partnership model in places such as Bathgate and Strathbrock in Broxburn, we will deliver library and information services that meet the changing needs of our communities. This includes a range of self-service, digital and accessible options for customers.
19149	An employee of West Lothian Council	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	I feel we should be training people on both library and CIS which means we need less staff to manage and multi skills benefits the customer, effectively.	Modernised Library and Information Services - libraries	4. The council is already doing this.	Following the redesign of Library and information Services, staff roles are now generic which enables free movement of across a range of locations in West Lothian. This flexibility will enable the movement of staff within the service during the modernisation of the service if required.

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19150	An employee of West Lothian Council	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	The sign of a truly great council is its commitment to their Library Service. Too often and down south Libraries are the east target for cutting, yet provide a wide range of services to the young and elderly many of whom don't have access to a computer or civic information. There should be no further closure of any Library premises in West Lothian communities, unless relocated into a Partnership Centre	Modernised Library and Information Services - libraries	4. The council is already doing this.	The delivery of a library service is a statutory duty which means this service will continue to be provided by WLC. The way in which libraries are used is changing and their use is declining both nationally and locally. Based on the successful partnership model in places such as Bathgate and Strathbrock in Broxburn, we will deliver library and information services that meet the changing needs of our communities. This includes a range of self-service, digital and accessible options for customers.
19151	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	Libraries should all be incorporated into partnership/multi-use buildings.	Modernised Library and Information Services - libraries	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19152	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	Hard to envisage where any more cuts can be made as it is already a much reduced library service not as accessible as it was and staff have taken on many additional roles and already been subject to major changes . seems unfair to target services again	Modernised Library and Information Services - libraries	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The way in which libraries are used is changing and their use is declining both nationally and locally. Based on the successful partnership model, we will deliver library and information services that meet the changing needs of our communities. Following the redesign of Library and information Services, staff roles are now generic which enables free movement of across a range of locations in West Lothian. This flexibility will enable the movement of staff within the service during the modernisation of the service if required.
19153	No Response	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	I assume this is moving Linlithgow library into the Tam Dayell building which appears to be a good idea if the present services continue to be provided.	Modernised Library and Information Services - libraries	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19154	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	You want to help children be literate. Keep and stock libraries and ensure schools use them. Library staff should be just that. Do environmental health staff give advise on nutrition, book keeping and healthy lifestyle.	Modernised Library and Information Services - libraries	5b. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it is likely that the costs of this proposal would outweigh the benefit.	The delivery of a library service is a statutory duty which means this service will continue to be provided by WLC. The way in which libraries are used is changing and their use is declining both nationally and locally. Based on the successful partnership model in places such as Bathgate and Strathbrock in Broxburn, we will deliver library and information services that meet the changing needs of our communities. This includes a range of self-service, digital and accessible options for customers.
19155	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	Empty libraries that are closed should be used to keep kids of the street & more support for vulnerable children	Modernised Library and Information Services - libraries	5b. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it is likely that the costs of this proposal would outweigh the benefit.	This proposal provides an opportunity to modernise and achieve better value for money. By continuing to transform the way in which we provide this service, we will deliver services that meet the changing needs of our communities. This includes ensuring there is full access to services for vulnerable people in modern, supported locations where resources are available to those that need them.
19156	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	Too many libraries in West Lothian especially in Livingston, West Calder, East Calder, Broxburn area.	Modernised Library and Information Services - libraries	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19157	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	Which libraries are you planning to close?	Modernised Library and Information Services - libraries	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	The delivery of a library service is a statutory duty which means this service will continue to be provided by WLC. The way in which libraries are used is changing and their use is declining both nationally and locally. The areas where rationalisation will be agreed upon using performance information such as this demand, the consultation with communities and where a different way of delivering the service will bring improvements to the local area.

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19158	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	Which libraries are you planning to close?	Modernised Library and Information Services - libraries	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	The delivery of a library service is a statutory duty which means this service will continue to be provided by WLC. The way in which libraries are used is changing and their use is declining both nationally and locally. The areas where rationalisation will be agreed upon using performance information such as this demand, the consultation with communities and where a different way of delivering the service will bring improvements to the local area.
19159	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	Which libraries are you planning to close?	Modernised Library and Information Services - libraries	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	The delivery of a library service is a statutory duty which means this service will continue to be provided by WLC. The way in which libraries are used is changing and their use is declining both nationally and locally. The areas where rationalisation will be agreed upon using performance information such as this demand, the consultation with communities and where a different way of delivering the service will bring improvements to the local area.
19160	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	Which libraries are you planning to close?	Modernised Library and Information Services - libraries	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	The delivery of a library service is a statutory duty which means this service will continue to be provided by WLC. The way in which libraries are used is changing and their use is declining both nationally and locally. The areas where rationalisation will be agreed upon using performance information such as this demand, the consultation with communities and where a different way of delivering the service will bring improvements to the local area.
19161	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	Which libraries are you planning to close?	Modernised Library and Information Services - libraries	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	The delivery of a library service is a statutory duty which means this service will continue to be provided by WLC. The way in which libraries are used is changing and their use is declining both nationally and locally. The areas where rationalisation will be agreed upon using performance information such as this demand, the consultation with communities and where a different way of delivering the service will bring improvements to the local area.
19162	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	Why do we hear about cuts to the library service?	Modernised Library and Information Services - libraries	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	The delivery of a library service is a statutory duty which means this service will continue to be provided by WLC. The way in which libraries are used is changing and their use is declining both nationally and locally. Based on the successful partnership model in places such as Bathgate and Strathbrock in Broxburn, we will deliver library and information services that meet the changing needs of our communities. This includes a range of self-service, digital and accessible options for customers.
19163	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	Which libraries are you planning to close?	Modernised Library and Information Services - libraries	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	The delivery of a library service is a statutory duty which means this service will continue to be provided by WLC. The way in which libraries are used is changing and their use is declining both nationally and locally. The areas where rationalisation will be agreed upon using performance information such as this demand, the consultation with communities and where a different way of delivering the service will bring improvements to the local area.
19164	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	There should be a small charge for some of the frontline services we deliver Photocopying charges increased in libraries. Many other councils already charge for the above.	Modernised Library and Information Services - libraries	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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19165	No Response	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	I am surprised that there is not better use of volunteers for some of the council services. For example, I would be happy to volunteer at my local library, but have been told its not necessary -- they are all council employees and volunteers aren't needed. Really?	Modernised Library and Information Services - libraries	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19166	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	the change to opening hours have been deemed a success because people were not aware of the complaints procedures.	Modernised Library and Information Services - opening hours	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	HCBS carefully monitor the performance of all aspects of our service, including customer demand and use of our services and facilities. This helps to guide improvements and offers us opportunities to modernise the way in which we deliver services to customers. This allows us to achieve better value for money. The council complaints procedures are widely advertised in buildings and online.
19167	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	Libraries should stay open but hours reduced to mirror demand	Modernised Library and Information Services - opening hours	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The delivery of a library service is a statutory duty which means this service will continue to be provided by WLC. The way in which libraries are used is changing and their use is declining both nationally and locally, based on the successful partnership model, we will deliver library and information services that meet the changing needs of our communities.
19168	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	at least have one late night opening at libraries - 5pm is too early	Modernised Library and Information Services - opening hours	5b. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it is likely that the costs of this proposal would outweigh the benefit.	Housing, Customer and Building Services carefully monitor the performance of all aspects of our service, including customer demand and use of our services and facilities. This helps to guide improvements and offers us opportunities to modernise the way in which we deliver services to customers. This allows us to achieve better value for money.
19169	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	Shut the libraries at 5pm at night instead of 8pm as they are very quite at night.	Modernised Library and Information Services - opening hours	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19170	An employee of West Lothian Council	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	I thought this had already been done, how much more rationalisation can there be. The council spending money on new partnership centres but has restricted opening hours in most libraries with staff in them when they aren't open to the public. How is this saving money? This needs to be addressed, either the opening hours need to be increased or staff should be in other buildings where they are needed not sitting in closed libraries waiting for them to open at 10 or 11 o'clock and close again at 3	Modernised Library and Information Services - opening hours	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The way in which libraries are used is changing and their use is declining both nationally and locally, based on the successful partnership model and by continuing to transform the way in which we provide this service, we will deliver library and information services that meet the changing needs of our communities. This includes a range of considerations around more self-service and the digital transformation of services
19171	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	West Calder library has stupid hours as it is.	Modernised Library and Information Services - opening hours	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19172	An employee of West Lothian Council	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	Why not open libraries, etc a couple of days a week.	Modernised Library and Information Services - opening hours	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19173	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	There should be no reduction in library provision or opening hours. This has an impact on improving literacy and reading from an early age. Libraries are also a hub for the community and provide opportunities for book groups, knitting circles etc.	Modernised Library and Information Services - opening hours	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The delivery of a library service is a statutory duty which means this service will continue to be provided by WLC. The way in which libraries are used is changing and their use is declining both nationally and locally. Based on the successful partnership model, we will deliver library and information services that meet the changing needs of our communities.
19174	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	I fail to understand why libraries are open six days a week at 9am but offer services for perhaps only 4-6h (Saturday morning, 1-2 h pw in the evening) to those who work typical 9-5pm Mon-Fri working hours. This seems highly discriminatory. How about a 2pm-8pm opening hours each day (M-F) plus Saturday morning to cater for those in work and currently find it nearly impossible to access this important service.	Modernised Library and Information Services - opening hours	5b. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it is likely that the costs of this proposal would outweigh the benefit.	By continuing to transform the way in which we provide this service, we will deliver library and information services that meet the changing needs of our communities. This includes a range of considerations around more self-service and the digital transformation of services

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19175	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	Opening hours have already been reduced any further reduction would impact on the local community	Modernised Library and Information Services - opening hours	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The way in which libraries are used is changing and their use is declining both nationally and locally. Based on the successful partnership model, we will deliver library and information services that meet the changing needs of our communities. This includes a range of considerations around more self-service and the digital transformation of services.
19176	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	Please extend the opening hours for all libraries. Such a waste to have the books there but can't go at the weekend (except very limited hours on a Sat morning). Should open 12 hour day 7 days a week.	Modernised Library and Information Services - opening hours	5b. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it is likely that the costs of this proposal would outweigh the benefit.	The way in which libraries are used is changing and their use is declining both nationally and locally. Based on the successful partnership model, we will deliver library and information services that meet the changing needs of our communities. This will include consideration of a range of self-service and digital options, whilst ensuring access to a modern library service is maintained.
19177	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	Opening times should match demand	Modernised Library and Information Services - opening hours	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19178	An employee of West Lothian Council	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	Library provision should be available to the public when the public needs it. A library being open from 10 till 3pm - does not allow children to visit the library after school. Libraries need to attract young people to give them opportunities to learn and use the services they offer, and it helps when this is in a modern integrate building.	Modernised Library and Information Services - opening hours	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	By continuing to transform the way in which we provide this service, we will deliver library and information services that meet the changing needs of our communities. This includes a range of considerations around more self-service and the digital transformation of services
19179	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	Integration of Library and CIS is a positive step but perhaps more focus should be on providing more cover at prime times e.g. 12:00 and 14:00.	Modernised Library and Information Services - opening hours	4. The council is already doing this.	Following the redesign of Library and information Services, staff roles are now generic which enables free movement of across a range of locations in West Lothian. This flexibility will enable the movement of staff within the service during the modernisation of the service if required.
19180	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	Good idea if building is open to make it more accessible - in Blackridge it is not open a lot/limited access	Modernised Library and Information Services - opening hours	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19181	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	The partnership buildings work well within the community and this should be expanded on.	Modernised Library and Information Services - partnership centres	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	By continuing to transform the way in which we provide this service, based on the successful partnership model, we will deliver library and information services that meet the changing needs of our communities.
19182	An employee of West Lothian Council	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	Partnership centres appear to be a good model and are good for customers who have a one stop shop that can answer all question however this relies on efficient working IT systems and processes and IT is not always reliable at present	Modernised Library and Information Services - partnership centres	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	By continuing to transform the way in which we provide this service, based on the successful partnership model, we will deliver library and information services that meet the changing needs of our communities.
19183	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	More partnerships centres would be welcome	Modernised Library and Information Services - partnership centres	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	By continuing to transform the way in which we provide this service, based on the successful partnership model, we will deliver library and information services that meet the changing needs of our communities.
19184	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	Great idea consolidating everything under one roof	Modernised Library and Information Services - partnership centres	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The way in which libraries are used is changing and their use is declining both nationally and locally, based on the successful partnership model, we will deliver library and information services that meet the changing needs of our communities.
19185	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	availability and accessibility is the key here - more community run and supported locations for access to information	Modernised Library and Information Services - partnership centres	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	This proposal provides an opportunity to modernise and achieve better value for money. By continuing to transform the way in which we provide this service, we will deliver services that meet the changing needs of our communities. This includes ensuring there is full access to services for vulnerable people and self-service/digital options.

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19186	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	Very useful - the libraries can be accessed from Partnership Centres / Library Vans and the property can be leased or sold to generate a revenue income or capital receipt for the Council.	Modernised Library and Information Services - partnership centres	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The way in which libraries are used is changing and their use is declining both nationally and locally, based on the successful partnership model, we will deliver library and information services that meet the changing needs of our communities.
19187	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	Support proposal to centralise and amalgamate services as is seen in all industries to manage costs and savings.	Modernised Library and Information Services - partnership centres	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The way in which libraries are used is changing and their use is declining both nationally and locally, based on the successful partnership model, we will deliver library and information services that meet the changing needs of our communities.
19188	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	i cant remember the last time i went to a library. these provisions should be centralised like you are doing via the partnership centres.	Modernised Library and Information Services - partnership centres	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The way in which libraries are used is changing and their use is declining both nationally and locally, based on the successful partnership model, we will deliver library and information services that meet the changing needs of our communities.
19189	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	agree. Bathgate Partnership Model is a great community facility.	Modernised Library and Information Services - partnership centres	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The way in which libraries are used is changing and their use is declining both nationally and locally, based on the successful partnership model, we will deliver library and information services that meet the changing needs of our communities.
19190	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	Partnership centres seem to have been a success.	Modernised Library and Information Services - partnership centres	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19191	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	Thought this had been done when closing Bathgate Library/community centre etc consolidating at Bathgate Partnership	Modernised Library and Information Services - partnership centres	4. The council is already doing this.	The way in which libraries are used is changing and their use is declining both nationally and locally, based on the successful partnership model in communities such as Bathgate, we will deliver library and information services that meet the changing needs of all our communities by extending the partnership model elsewhere.
19192	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	Support the development of partnership buildings in communities.	Modernised Library and Information Services - partnership centres	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Based on the successful partnership model in communities such as Bathgate, we will continue to deliver library and information services that meet the changing needs of all our communities by extending the partnership model elsewhere.
19193	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	Consideration must also be made about the location of centres. Moving to centralised partnership centres is not helpful for those without adequate transport.	Modernised Library and Information Services - partnership centres	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Based on the successful partnership model in communities such as Bathgate, we will continue to deliver library and information services that meet the changing needs of all our communities by extending the partnership model elsewhere. This will include consideration of location and customer needs.
19194	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	Having all services within a partnership centre is good for customers	Modernised Library and Information Services - partnership centres	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19195	An employee of West Lothian Council	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	Yes I think that has been working well.. ie bathgate partnership centre	Modernised Library and Information Services - partnership centres	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19196	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	This appears to be working in the areas where this has been done. If money has to be saved why continue with the new building in Whitburn	Modernised Library and Information Services - partnership centres	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	This proposal provides an opportunity to modernise and achieve better value for money. By continuing to transform the way in which we provide this service, we will deliver services that meet the changing needs of our communities such as Whitburn. When complete, this will be a partnership centre based on the successful centres in Bathgate and Broxburn.
19197	An employee of West Lothian Council	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	great idea if it works and doesn't effect the services offered.	Modernised Library and Information Services - partnership centres	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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19198	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	More shared sevices between communities ...	Modernised Library and Information Services - partnership centres	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The delivery of a library service is a statutory duty which means this service will continue to be provided by WLC. The way in which libraries are used is changing and their use is declining both nationally and locally, based on the successful partnership model, we will deliver library and information services that meet the changing needs of our communities.
19199	No Response	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	I agree that the partnership model is best use of premises and places services at the heart of a community	Modernised Library and Information Services - partnership centres	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19200	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	This is a total nonsense. A library is a Library. A customer help desk for tax problems is a totally different thing. How are you going to promote adult and child literacy by restricting the opportunity to read, search, get advice, support book groups, organise and promote book and author events? How can a housing manager know what a library and literacy is all about. A library is essential fir those from areas of deprivation. Make them better by letting the professionals do their work	Modernised Library and Information Services - partnership centres	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The delivery of a library service is a statutory duty which means this service will continue to be provided by WLC. The way in which libraries are used is changing and their use is declining both nationally and locally. Based on the successful partnership model, we will deliver library and information services that meet the changing needs of our communities. This includes a range of considerations around more self-service and the digital transformation of services.
19201	No Response	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	You've done this before - it was a calamity with people having interviews in a library in front of people about their council tax - this does not improve services - nonsense	Modernised Library and Information Services - partnership centres	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19202	An employee of West Lothian Council	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	As I perceive the Partnership model to be beneficial, I agree with proposal	Modernised Library and Information Services - partnership centres	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19203	An employee of West Lothian Council	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	Partnership centre models are welcomed, all the facilities that have been built and opened to date have a made a huge positive impact on services delivered in some of our more challenging areas. The use of Partnership Centres as a vehicle to save money and increase customers experiences are welcomed.	Modernised Library and Information Services - partnership centres	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19204	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	Partnership working is good and can work - but due to the nature of the enquiries and dealing with people from all walks of life - it is not always ideal.	Modernised Library and Information Services - partnership centres	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	By continuing to transform the way in which we provide this service, we will deliver library and information services that meet the changing needs of our communities. This includes a range of considerations around more self-service and the digital transformation of services
19205	An employee of West Lothian Council	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	Agreed, more integration with Registration services as well	Modernised Library and Information Services - partnership centres	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19206	No Response	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	I think the partnership model is excellent so green light from me	Modernised Library and Information Services - partnership centres	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19207	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	This was a great idea. Well done.	Modernised Library and Information Services - partnership centres	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19208	No Response	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	The transformations of the libraries has been a great thing. Providing a hub for people to go in their local community where they can access information and books is useful. It would be wonderful if these were housed in community centres where spaces could be provided for citizens to meet up.	Modernised Library and Information Services - partnership centres	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19209	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	Access to a range of Coucil services via libraries appears to have worked well and using any scope to extend this arrangement would seem eminently reasonable.	Modernised Library and Information Services - partnership centres	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19210	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	Agree. Library venues.could be utilised better by offering extended services providing they are open at hours which suit the working population.	Modernised Library and Information Services - partnership centres	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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19211	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	Co-locating services is great. No cuts to libraries are ever a good idea. They are, or could be, the backbone of so many of the priorities you say you are focused on. Early years, supporting young adults. Digital participation for older people as well as a safe place for some vulnerable young people.	Modernised Library and Information Services - partnership centres	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19212	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	Where possible having services sharing buildings makes sense, like the library moving to Strathbrock in Broxburn, if this can be replicated elsewhere this should be done.	Modernised Library and Information Services - partnership centres	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19213	An employee of West Lothian Council	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	Having services under one roof in a partnership centre has been a positive change meaning there are less buildings being used and it provides a better service to the public.	Modernised Library and Information Services - partnership centres	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19214	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	Perhaps the buildings need to work harder to make that possible by locating other services or partner services within some parts of libraries.	Modernised Library and Information Services - partnership centres	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19215	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	Agreed that the partnership centres already provided in some towns in the county have made it much easier for residents to access a wider number of services provided by the council and partners. As a resident of Armadale I am pleased that a partnership centre is planned for the town and am sure it will be widely used by the local community. One key thing though is that if the provision of partnership centres means that other council offices in the town have to close and become surplus to requirements, it is vital that such buildings are redeveloped at the earliest opportunity and not left empty for a prolonged period of time.	Modernised Library and Information Services - partnership centres	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19216	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	I worry that staff will be put under further pressure, and some of the staff need further training. Also at present, to access some services, you have to explain to staff in front of other customers with a resulting loss of privacy and dignity.	Modernised Library and Information Services - partnership centres	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	This proposal provides an opportunity to modernise and achieve better value for money. By continuing to transform the way in which we provide this service, we will deliver services that meet the changing needs of our communities. This includes ensuring there is full access to services for vulnerable people and planning our centres around making sure we try to protect the privacy of customers as far as possible. Your comments will be passed on the senior management team for consideration.
19217	An employee of West Lothian Council	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	Partnership working is a great idea - bringing services together - I think the thing to be careful of is that not only bringing services together but staff also from different services - consultation is important for staff - but for customers it is beneficial - there is definitely a cross over ie CIS customer/library customers/NHS customers.	Modernised Library and Information Services - partnership centres	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19218	An employee of West Lothian Council	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	makes sense to have everything under 1 roof	Modernised Library and Information Services - partnership centres	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19219	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	Could libraries, customer information centres, and community centres be combined to provide a local hub to ensure all age groups and abilities can share services.	Modernised Library and Information Services - partnership centres	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	This proposal provides an opportunity to modernise and achieve better value for money. By continuing to transform the way in which we provide this service based on the successful partnership model, we will deliver services that meet the changing needs of our communities. This includes ensuring there is full access to services for vulnerable people.
19220	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	I understand this but it is essential that the level of service is maintained and that there is always a customer service delivery employee in every partnership centre.	Modernised Library and Information Services - partnership centres	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	This proposal provides an opportunity to modernise and achieve better value for money. By continuing to transform the way in which we provide this service based on the successful partnership model, we will deliver services that meet the changing needs of our communities. This includes ensuring there is full access to services and staff to assist.

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19221	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	Partnership centre model does appear to be a successful one. It is important that centres have good public transport and path links and sufficient parking.	Modernised Library and Information Services - partnership centres	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	This proposal provides an opportunity to modernise and achieve better value for money. By continuing to transform the way in which we provide this service based on the successful partnership model, we will deliver services that meet the changing needs of our communities. This includes ensuring there is full access to services for vulnerable people.
19222	An employee of West Lothian Council	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	Please ensure the partnership model is staffed properly to ensure its purpose of a "one stop shop"	Modernised Library and Information Services - partnership centres	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	This proposal provides an opportunity to modernise and achieve better value for money. By continuing to transform the way in which we provide this service based on the successful partnership model, we will deliver services that meet the changing needs of our communities. This includes ensuring there is full access to services and staff to assist.
19223	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	I feel this is a good idea to have them under one roof as long as they are fully accessible.	Modernised Library and Information Services - partnership centres	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	This proposal provides an opportunity to modernise and achieve better value for money. By continuing to transform the way in which we provide this service based on the successful partnership model, we will deliver services that meet the changing needs of our communities. This includes ensuring there is full access to services for vulnerable people.
19224	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	This would only serve to make people have to travel more and some people can ill afford the bus fares. Only adding to their struggle to make ends meet. What is the point in building these partnership centres to rationalise local services. The council is totally irresponsible. This would be a total waste of public money if this was to happen.	Modernised Library and Information Services - partnership centres	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	This proposal provides an opportunity to modernise and achieve better value for money. By continuing to transform the way in which we provide this service, we will deliver services that meet the changing needs of our communities. Customer feedback and demand has shown us that the partnership model has been a successful change and has brought real benefits to local communities across West Lothian. This proposal includes ensuring there is full access to services for vulnerable people and a range of digital options.
19225	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	Agreed One Stop is convenient provided it is available in every town.	Modernised Library and Information Services - partnership centres	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19226	An employee of West Lothian Council	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	The libraries are an excellent resource, which are underutilised. The Partnership model is an effective one.	Modernised Library and Information Services - partnership centres	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19227	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	The partnership model has worked well despite initial emotional resistance to the loss of stand alone public library buildings. That lesson should be applied to service delivery under review now.	Modernised Library and Information Services - partnership centres	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19228	An employee of West Lothian Council	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	this seems like a good idea to have a number of services under one roof, makes it easier for people to know where to go for advice/help	Modernised Library and Information Services - partnership centres	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19229	An employee of West Lothian Council	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	It makes sense to consolidate services to one building and provide a partnership working. Then less buildings are required, admin and management can be consolidated and the opportunities for partnership working within the authority will be enhanced.	Modernised Library and Information Services - partnership centres	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19230	An employee of West Lothian Council	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	Shared buildings and reduced number of Council properties should bring cost savings as well as providing lots of services for the public in one location. Should also encourage better working between different services if in one location resulting in a better service to the public.	Modernised Library and Information Services - partnership centres	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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19231	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	Community facilities are essential, the Council is consolidating many services into Partnership centres, although this works for many, small facilities particularly in rural communities are vital for some.	Modernised Library and Information Services - partnership centres	4. The council is already doing this.	By continuing to transform the way in which we provide this service, we will deliver services that meet the changing needs of our communities. This includes a range of considerations around more self-service and the digital transformation of services and access for a range of customer needs.
19232	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	Where is the 'one location'? in each town in WL or 'in Livingston'? Centralisation of all services in Livingston is not equitable.	Modernised Library and Information Services - partnership centres	4. The council is already doing this.	This proposal provides an opportunity to further expand the partnership model in place in Bathgate and Broxburn, with more of these buildings already in construction across the locality. This would see partnership buildings in a number of locations.
19233	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	Agreed. Co-location of services is beneficial to communities.	Modernised Library and Information Services - partnership centres	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19234	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	One stop shops are ideal for the community and for staff.	Modernised Library and Information Services - partnership centres	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19235	An employee of West Lothian Council	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	More purpose built services like the Strathbrock Partnership Centre makes more sense and creates a sense of community engagement and could be used to facilitate community development and support projects.	Modernised Library and Information Services - partnership centres	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19236	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	Agree worked well - should move council staff to partnership centre in Armadale	Modernised Library and Information Services - partnership centres	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19237	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	Libraries are an easy hit. Moving CIS in along with say housing and registrar functions is a very good idea	Modernised Library and Information Services - partnership centres	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19238	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	I wish we had that partnership model in Linlithgow.	Modernised Library and Information Services - partnership centres	4. The council is already doing this.	The new County Buildings in Linlithgow is based on the partnership model and offers opportunities for this to increase in future.
19239	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	I don't like the partnership centre in Bathgate. I go to the Advice Shop there and, there's no privacy - everyone can hear what you're saying.	Modernised Library and Information Services - partnership centres	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19240	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	how can you possibly cut this anymore than you have already.	Modernised Library and Information Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The delivery of a library service is a statutory duty which means this service will continue to be provided by WLC. The way in which libraries are used is changing and their use is declining both nationally and locally. This proposal provides an opportunity to modernise and achieve better value for money. By continuing to transform the way in which we provide this service, based on the successful partnership model, we will deliver library and information services that meet the changing needs of our communities.
19241	An employee of West Lothian Council	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	More encouragement of the use of ebooks should be promoted.	Modernised Library and Information Services (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	By continuing to transform the way in which we provide this service, we will deliver library and information services that meet the changing needs of our communities. This includes a range of considerations around more self-service and the digital transformation of services

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19242	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	This service has been rationalised to death, with cuts to staff in library services and CIS, so much so that in times of staff shortages the caretaker's have covered these services!	Modernised Library and Information Services (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	This proposal provides an opportunity to modernise and achieve better value for money. By continuing to transform the way in which we provide this service, based on the successful partnership model, we will deliver library and information services that meet the changing needs of our communities and reprioritise our resources where the demand is.
19243	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	Totally agree. E-books and other means unfortunately does mean that I cant even remember the last time I was in a library!	Modernised Library and Information Services (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	By continuing to transform the way in which we provide this service, we will deliver library and information services that meet the changing needs of our communities. This includes a range of considerations around more self-service and the digital transformation of services
19244	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	Has anyone proof read these questions? What does this jargon mean?	Modernised Library and Information Services (general)	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19245	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	agree. The Bathgate Partnership model is a good one.	Modernised Library and Information Services (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The way in which libraries are used is changing and their use is declining both nationally and locally. This proposal provides an opportunity to modernise and achieve better value for money. By continuing to transform the way in which we provide this service, based on the successful partnership model, we will deliver library and information services that meet the changing needs of our communities.
19246	No Response	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	I dont agree with closure of libraries.	Modernised Library and Information Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The delivery of a library service is a statutory duty which means this service will continue to be provided by WLC. The way in which libraries are used is changing and their use is declining both nationally and locally. This proposal provides an opportunity to modernise and achieve better value for money. By continuing to transform the way in which we provide this service, based on the successful partnership model, we will deliver library and information services that meet the changing needs of our communities.
19247	An employee of West Lothian Council	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	There would be short term anguish and concern over this proposal but in the longer term it would become an accepted norm.	Modernised Library and Information Services (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	This proposal provides an opportunity to modernise and achieve better value for money. By continuing to transform the way in which we provide this service, we will deliver services that meet the changing needs of our communities
19248	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	That should all go digital.	Modernised Library and Information Services (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	By continuing to transform the way in which we provide this service, we will deliver library and information services that meet the changing needs of our communities. This includes a range of considerations around more self-service and the digital transformation of services
19249	No Response	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	These are becoming increasingly important due to the closure of DWP offices and other council offices.	Modernised Library and Information Services (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	The delivery of a library service is a statutory duty which means this service will continue to be provided by WLC. The way in which libraries are used is changing and their use is declining both nationally and locally, based on the successful partnership model, we will deliver library and information services that meet the changing needs of our communities.

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19250	An employee of West Lothian Council	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	As long as the services are still provided.	Modernised Library and Information Services (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The delivery of a library service is a statutory duty which means this service will continue to be provided by WLC. The way in which libraries are used is changing and their use is declining both nationally and locally, based on the successful partnership model, we will deliver library and information services that meet the changing needs of our communities.
19251	No Response	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	Do not reduce front line services any more Not all customers are comfortable with the increased use of technology	Modernised Library and Information Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The way in which libraries are used is changing and their use is declining both nationally and locally. This proposal provides an opportunity to modernise and achieve better value for money. By continuing to transform the way in which we provide this service, we will deliver services that meet the changing needs of our communities. This includes ensuring there is full access to services for vulnerable people.
19252	No Response	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	Putting the library and CIS in the one location is a good idea. Need to ensure sufficient staffing as this is a vital service	Modernised Library and Information Services (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The way in which libraries are used is changing and their use is declining both nationally and locally, based on the successful partnership model, we will deliver library and information services that meet the changing needs of our communities. HCBS carefully monitor the performance of all aspects of our service, including customer demand and use of our services and facilities.
19253	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	People should be able to multitask	Modernised Library and Information Services (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19254	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	These two sentences are virtually meaningless which is not a great way to undertake a consultation. What exactly is being proposed?	Modernised Library and Information Services (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	The delivery of a library service is a statutory duty which means this service will continue to be provided by WLC. The way in which libraries are used is changing and their use is declining both nationally and locally, based on the successful partnership model of multiple services in one building, we will deliver library and information services that meet the changing needs of our communities. This includes more self-service and digital options.
19255	An employee of West Lothian Council	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	Need to explain how it will be rationalised to allow comment	Modernised Library and Information Services (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	The delivery of a library service is a statutory duty which means this service will continue to be provided by WLC. The way in which libraries are used is changing and their use is declining both nationally and locally, based on the successful partnership model, we will deliver library and information services that meet the changing needs of our communities.
19256	An employee of West Lothian Council	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	We have access to colour printing that could be used more to generate income. Due to staffing levels and not having a designated trainer for the service this has delayed the cross training that was to take place across the service so we do not have as many CIS trained staff in the service as is required to run the integrated service. We also have very low demand for the service in some locations and the service could be reduced if demand was looked at in these areas.	Modernised Library and Information Services (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The way in which libraries are used is changing and their use is declining both nationally and locally, based on the successful partnership model, we will deliver library and information services that meet the changing needs of our communities. Consideration will be given to facilities offered in libraries as part of the development of this proposal.
19257	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	Good to use libraries not only for books but for other council services making good use building	Modernised Library and Information Services (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The delivery of a library service is a statutory duty which means this service will continue to be provided by WLC. The way in which libraries are used is changing and their use is declining both nationally and locally, based on the successful partnership model, we will deliver library and information services that meet the changing needs of our communities.

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19258	An employee of West Lothian Council	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	Rationalised or removed ?	Modernised Library and Information Services (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	The delivery of a library service is a statutory duty which means this service will continue to be provided by WLC. The way in which libraries are used is changing and their use is declining both nationally and locally, based on the successful partnership model, we will deliver library and information services that meet the changing needs of our communities.
19259	An employee of West Lothian Council	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	Concern re accessibility for vulnerable customers.	Modernised Library and Information Services (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	This proposal provides an opportunity to modernise and achieve better value for money. By continuing to transform the way in which we provide this service, we will deliver services that meet the changing needs of our communities. This includes ensuring there is full access to services for vulnerable people.
19260	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	I think this should save more money than this	Modernised Library and Information Services (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19261	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	It has been rationalised enough, the staff are overworked as is.	Modernised Library and Information Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	This proposal provides an opportunity to modernise and achieve better value for money. By continuing to transform the way in which we provide this service, we will deliver library and information services that meet the changing needs of our communities. This includes a range of considerations around more self-service and the digital transformation of services
19262	An employee of West Lothian Council	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	Good one stop shop!	Modernised Library and Information Services (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19263	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	Not sure about this - our local library /partnership centre has a lot of people who float around doing not much.	Modernised Library and Information Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	HCBS carefully monitor the performance of all aspects of our service, including customer demand and use of our services and facilities. This helps to guide improvements and offers us opportunities to modernise the way in which we deliver services to customers. This allows us to achieve better value for money and the best use of our staff and resources.
19264	No Response	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	I feel that this has been proven to be beneficial over the past 5 years and if there is scope for rationalisation then this would be good	Modernised Library and Information Services (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19265	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	Not material in the overall scheme of the cuts required	Modernised Library and Information Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	This proposal provides an opportunity to modernise and achieve better value for money. By continuing to transform the way in which we provide this service, we will deliver services that meet the changing needs of our communities
19266	An employee of West Lothian Council	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	The staff are already doing duties of other staff on different roles but the Managers above never seem to change	Modernised Library and Information Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	HCBS carefully monitor the performance of all aspects of our service, including customer demand and use of our services and facilities. This helps to guide improvements and offers us opportunities to modernise the way in which we deliver services to customers. This allows us to achieve better value for money. This has included a change to how the service is managed and supported via the neighbourhood model.
19267	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	the new libraries and CIS teams seems to work well.	Modernised Library and Information Services (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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19268	An employee of West Lothian Council	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	they need to stop moving ppl about	Modernised Library and Information Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	HCBS carefully monitor the performance of all aspects of our service, including customer demand and use of our services and facilities. This helps to guide improvements and offers us opportunities to modernise the way in which we deliver services to customers. This allows us to achieve better value for money and make best use of our staff and resources.
19269	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	hoe can this figure be quoted. This service has already been cut to the bone How do cut a cut service	Modernised Library and Information Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	This proposal provides an opportunity to modernise and achieve better value for money. By continuing to transform the way in which we provide this service, we will deliver library and information services that meet the changing needs of our communities. This includes a range of considerations around more self-service and the digital transformation of services
19270	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	As long as all still have local access.	Modernised Library and Information Services (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The delivery of a library service is a statutory duty which means this service will continue to be provided by WLC. Based on the successful partnership model, we will deliver library and information services that meet the changing needs of our communities.
19271	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	Where possible sounds sensible as long as transport links are available for those most in need.	Modernised Library and Information Services (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	This proposal provides an opportunity to modernise and achieve better value for money. By continuing to transform the way in which we provide this service, we will deliver services that meet the changing needs of our communities. This includes ensuring there is full access to services for vulnerable people.
19272	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	See above - I agree with the proposal to improve the quality and accessibility of customer services in the Council.	Modernised Library and Information Services (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	By continuing to transform the way in which we provide this service, we will deliver library and information services that meet the changing needs of our communities. This includes a range of considerations around more self-service and the digital transformation of services
19273	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	What does this saving mean? Again we have insufficient information relating to the specifics of this saving to make an informed decision on who this will affect and how. Has an equality impact assessment been completed for this saving? Does this mean closure of libraries and or facilities or a reduction in opening hours. If the facilities/services are to be centralised is the facility they are being moved too fully accessible? Fully assess the impact of this saving to ensure social isolation, transport links, health impacts, equality impacts and socio-economic impacts (poverty) are considered .i.e. is the bus route accessible, how often is there a service, would it affect one group more disproportionality than an other.	Modernised Library and Information Services (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	The delivery of a library service is a statutory duty which means this service will continue to be provided by WLC. The way in which libraries are used is changing and their use is declining both nationally and locally, based on the successful partnership model, this proposal provides an opportunity to modernise and achieve better value for money. By continuing to transform the way in which we provide this service, we will deliver services that meet the changing needs of our communities. This includes ensuring there is full access to services for vulnerable people. This will include a full consideration of customer needs through an equality impact assessment.
19274	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	Would this mean the staff in these areas would be redeployed?	Modernised Library and Information Services (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Following the redesign of Library and information Services, staff roles are now generic which enables free movement of across a range of locations in West Lothian. This flexibility will enable the movement of staff within the service during the modernisation of the service if required.
19275	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	This is working well so if it's not broken then it does not need fixing, for the small amount of money involved leave it alone.	Modernised Library and Information Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The way in which libraries are used is changing and their use is declining both nationally and locally. Based on the successful partnership model, we will deliver library and information services that meet the changing needs of our communities.

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19276	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	Is this location accessible especially to young families and older people who are more likely to use the service	Modernised Library and Information Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	This proposal provides an opportunity to modernise and achieve better value for money. By continuing to transform the way in which we provide this service, we will deliver services that meet the changing needs of our communities. This includes ensuring there is full access to services for vulnerable people.
19277	An employee of West Lothian Council	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	These are vital services not just for WLC to deliver but for the health and well being of all people of all ages. To remove them would be a travesty. We need more of them not less.	Modernised Library and Information Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The delivery of a library service is a statutory duty which means this service will continue to be provided by WLC. The way in which libraries are used is changing and their use is declining both nationally and locally. Based on the successful partnership model, we will deliver library and information services that meet the changing needs of our communities.
19278	An employee of West Lothian Council	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	Feel this could work. We have about 3 libraries that could close making savings and think we need to consider the opening hours of CIS across the service.	Modernised Library and Information Services (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	HCBS carefully monitor the performance of all aspects of our service, including customer demand and use of our services and facilities. This helps to guide improvements and offers us opportunities to modernise the way in which we deliver services to customers. This allows us to achieve better value for money and make best use of our staff and resources.
19279	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	Yes develop libraries as a council info hub but what if there's not one locally? Could health centres be developed as info.access points if there's no local library or other council building? Could NHS and education staff be supported to become better signposters'? In terms of prevention strategies you do need to think about how you find about people who may not be seeking services and not engaged with any community resource but for whom you have a statutory responsibility. Think about the distance you put between yourselves and smaller communities when you close council facilities - how do you ensure the informal local intelligence about individuals and families you pick up by having staff physically based in a locality is not lost? E.G. how do you keep informal contact with other professionals and community services, shops etc/ Also beware the universal credit helpline debacle- there has to be a free phone option.	Modernised Library and Information Services (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	Based on the successful partnership model in place in some areas of West Lothian, this proposal provides an opportunity to modernise and achieve better value for money. By continuing to transform the way in which we provide this service, we will deliver services that meet the changing needs of our communities. This includes ensuring there is full access to services for vulnerable people. The Universal Credit helpline and any charges for using it is unfortunately outwith the responsibility of West Lothian Council as this benefit is controlled by the Department of Work and Pensions (DWP). You can seek support from our Advice Shop in Bathgate Partnership Centre, online at https://www.westlothian.gov.uk/advice-shop or by calling the local number - 01506 283000.
19280	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	What services remain and where would these cuts effect.	Modernised Library and Information Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The delivery of a library service is a statutory duty which means this service will continue to be provided by WLC. The way in which libraries are used is changing and their use is declining both nationally and locally. Based on the successful partnership model, we will deliver library and information services that meet the changing needs of our communities.
19281	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	Most library systems and available training are out of date and staff are unable to support the wide range of devices in a BYOD situation. Most centres are risk averse and only recently has Wifi been available. A lack of understanding of cyber security needs to be addressed.	Modernised Library and Information Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19282	No Response	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	More and more people are becoming technologically aware and more comfortable with accessing services online. This makes sense and should work provided that facilities are available in same number of venues although perhaps not the traditional ones ie libraries, supermarkets, community centres. There does need to be an option available for people who are unable to use digital services.. Also helps libraries as less people are reading books or using library services.	Modernised Library and Information Services (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19283	An employee of West Lothian Council	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	This is an inevitable change, however thought should be given to how to support the small minority of people who really rely on such local front line services. Numbers are reducing, but we need to recognise that such closures and changes will leave some sections of the community isolated.	Modernised Library and Information Services (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	This proposal provides an opportunity to modernise and achieve better value for money. By continuing to transform the way in which we provide this service, we will deliver services that meet the changing needs of our communities. This includes ensuring there is full access to services for vulnerable people.

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19284	No Response	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	What about a mobile service for both. This could cover all areas and assist people who find it difficult to visit the one location? Alternatively these services could be provided in any council public building. Staff could be more mobile and spend one day per week at a different location.	Modernised Library and Information Services (general)	5b. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it is likely that the costs of this proposal would outweigh the benefit.	The library van provision was fully reviewed in 2015 - this showed a lack of demand which made the high cost of continuing to provide this service unsustainable, and a decision was taken to remove the service. This proposal provides an opportunity to modernise and achieve better value for money. By continuing to transform the way in which we provide this service, we will deliver services that meet the changing needs of our communities. This includes ensuring there is full access to services for vulnerable people and a range of digital options.
19285	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	This is often a vital service to the communities they serve and I think this should be revisited	Modernised Library and Information Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The delivery of a library service is a statutory duty which means this service will continue to be provided by WLC. The way in which libraries are used is changing and their use is declining both nationally and locally. Based on the successful partnership model, we will deliver library and information services that meet the changing needs of our communities.
19286	An employee of West Lothian Council	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	Who apart from senior managers this this is a successful model. Can this service be rationalised further? What you mean is the already frazzled staff will be expected to do even more.	Modernised Library and Information Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Customer satisfaction with the partnership model has shown this way of delivering services to them is their preferred option. The need to make the best use of resources means the library and information service has to change to meet the demands of customers whilst achieving value for money. By continuing to transform the way in which we provide this service, we will deliver library and information services that meet the changing needs of our communities. This includes a range of considerations around more self-service and the digital transformation of services
19287	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	How will priority and non-priority areas be identified and on what basis?	Modernised Library and Information Services (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	HCBS carefully monitor the performance of all aspects of our service, including customer demand and use of our services and facilities. This helps to guide improvements and offers us opportunities to modernise the way in which we deliver services to customers. This allows us to achieve better value for money.
19288	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	Not everyone has internet access and provision should be provided locally.	Modernised Library and Information Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The delivery of a library service is a statutory duty which means this service will continue to be provided by WLC. The way in which libraries are used is changing and their use is declining both nationally and locally. Based on the successful partnership model, we will deliver library and information services that meet the changing needs of our communities.
19289	An employee of West Lothian Council	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	Having worked in Libraries, CIS and Community Centres this has not been successful according to the staff	Modernised Library and Information Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19290	An employee of West Lothian Council	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	Would agree without losing accessibility to the diverse range of customers throughout WLC.	Modernised Library and Information Services (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	This proposal provides an opportunity to modernise and achieve better value for money. By continuing to transform the way in which we provide this service, we will deliver services that meet the changing needs of our communities. This includes ensuring there is full access to services for vulnerable people including a range of self-service and digital options.

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19291	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	Don't need libraries if you are investing in a channel shift and digital transformation programme!	Modernised Library and Information Services (general)	5a. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because the council is required by law to deliver this work.	The delivery of a library service is a statutory duty which means this service will continue to be provided by WLC. By continuing to transform the way in which we provide this service, we will deliver library and information services that meet the changing needs of our communities. This includes a range of considerations around more self-service and the digital transformation of services.
19292	An employee of West Lothian Council	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	There has been a lot of rationalisation already. The staff are having their skills diluted by having to do many different jobs.	Modernised Library and Information Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Following the redesign of Library and information Services, staff roles and the training for these roles are now generic which enables free movement of across a range of locations in West Lothian. Performance in monitored to ensure staff decisions and individual performance are examined to ensure they have the knowledge and understanding to carry out their job.
19293	No Response	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	I believe centralization of Local Authority services a mistake. It may provide a short term financial gain when selling of the facilities but would mean people living in the community would need to travel further to reach the affected services. This could impact badly on the elderly, disabled and those with young families. It would also increase the use of cars adding to pollution levels, congestion and issues with parking.	Modernised Library and Information Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	This proposal provides an opportunity to modernise and achieve better value for money. By continuing to transform the way in which we provide this service, we will deliver services that meet the changing needs of our communities. This includes ensuring there is full access to services for vulnerable people.
19294	No Response	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	Continue this proposal - rationalise based on footfall but also on demographics	Modernised Library and Information Services (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	HCBS carefully monitor the performance of all aspects of our service, including customer demand and use of our services and facilities. This helps to guide improvements and offers us opportunities to modernise the way in which we deliver services to customers. This allows us to achieve better value for money.
19295	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	Opportunities for volunteering to maintain service provision?	Modernised Library and Information Services (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19296	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	I feel that services should be available but not all in the one place, require 1 to 1 support and would be a greater choice for people	Modernised Library and Information Services (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	The delivery of a library service is a statutory duty which means this service will continue to be provided by WLC. The way in which libraries are used is changing and their use is declining both nationally and locally. Based on the successful partnership model, we will deliver library and information services that meet the changing needs of our communities.
19297	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	Does this mean more job losses ?	Modernised Library and Information Services (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Following the redesign of Library and information Services, staff roles are now generic which enables free movement of across a range of locations in West Lothian. This flexibility will enable the movement of staff within the service during the modernisation of the service if required.
19298	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	More of this type of saving should be explored	Modernised Library and Information Services (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19299	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	could make it harder for people from low income households to obtain books.	Modernised Library and Information Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	This proposal provides an opportunity to modernise and achieve better value for money. By continuing to transform the way in which we provide this service, we will deliver services that meet the changing needs of our communities. This includes ensuring there is full access to services for vulnerable people including a range of self-service and digital options.

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19300	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	This seems a modest estimated saving - why?	Modernised Library and Information Services (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	HCBS carefully monitor the performance of all aspects of our service, including customer demand and use of our services and facilities. This helps to guide improvements and offers us opportunities to modernise the way in which we deliver services to customers. This allows us to achieve better value for money. Savings are based on moving to the successful partnership model of service delivery.
19301	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	As 1A - Excellent if all of the above are carried out. However on current personally experienced performance it will take a huge effort to even provide an improvement. Further why has the "efficiency and effectiveness" not been applied to current procedures. No real criteria to be reach is actually stated and the starting point for these "efficiency and effectiveness" upgrade to services is not evident. Vagueness in targets to achieve. How will residents know when this is achieved?	Modernised Library and Information Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Following the redesign of Library and information Services staff roles and the way in which we deliver the service was modernised to work in the new partnership buildings. We intend to roll this model of service delivery our further due to it's success and customer satisfaction. By continuing to transform the way in which we provide this service, we will deliver library and information services that meet the changing needs of our communities.
19302	An employee of West Lothian Council	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	This can lead to staff who have too many jobs to do and this can lead to them not being fully aware of all the implications of their actions.	Modernised Library and Information Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Following the redesign of Library and information Services, staff roles and the training for these roles are now generic which enables free movement of across a range of locations in West Lothian. Performance in monitored to ensure staff decisions and individual performance are examined to ensure they have the knowledge and understanding to carry out their job.
19303	An employee of West Lothian Council	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	I think its fair to say the partnership centre's are a great idea and the local communities seem to think so also. If rationalised means cutting staff and equipment etc I would disagree with this. This will affect the communities paying Council tax for services. Plus the employees being paid off and having a chain reaction to their families.	Modernised Library and Information Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The delivery of a library service is a statutory duty which means this service will continue to be provided by WLC. The way in which libraries are used is changing and their use is declining both nationally and locally. Based on the successful partnership model, we will deliver library and information services that meet the changing needs of our communities. This will include a range of options such as self-service and digital choices.
19304	An employee of West Lothian Council	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	The older generation could be impacted by this as people like to speak to an individual to help with issues & understand better.	Modernised Library and Information Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	This proposal provides an opportunity to modernise and achieve better value for money. By continuing to transform the way in which we provide this service, we will deliver services that meet the changing needs of our communities. This includes ensuring there is full access to services for vulnerable people.
19305	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	It's impossible for this service to be rationalised further it is already cut to the bone	Modernised Library and Information Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	By continuing to transform the way in which we provide this service, we will deliver library and information services that meet the changing needs of our communities based on the successful partnership model. This includes a range of considerations around more self-service and the digital transformation of services
19306	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	This is a shame in my opinion however it is tough times.	Modernised Library and Information Services (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19307	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	As above. Agree with this. But can't remove everything in case you are alienating customers who are not digital minded. This provides people in locations to know of vulnerable people in communities.	Modernised Library and Information Services (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The delivery of a library service is a statutory duty which means this service will continue to be provided by WLC. The way in which libraries are used is changing and their use is declining both nationally and locally. Based on the successful partnership model in places like Bathgate and Strathbrock in Broxburn, we will deliver library and information services that meet the changing needs of our communities. This will include a range of considerations such as self-service and digital options, whilst ensuring access to modern facilities for vulnerable people.

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19308	An employee of West Lothian Council	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	shame they close so early...what about people who work!	Modernised Library and Information Services (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	By continuing to transform the way in which we provide this service, we will deliver library and information services that meet the changing needs of our communities. This includes a range of considerations around more self-service and the digital transformation of services
19309	An employee of West Lothian Council	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	seems like its moving with technology	Modernised Library and Information Services (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19310	An employee of West Lothian Council	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	What on earth does this mean? What am I being consulted on here? Is provision in library and CIS currently irrational? If so, it should be rationalised.	Modernised Library and Information Services (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19311	An employee of West Lothian Council	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	This services has been cut to the bone and only closure of buildings would allow the service still to be run but with further cuts. However a reduced service is better than what has been happening in many other councils.	Modernised Library and Information Services (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	By continuing to transform the way in which we provide this service, we will deliver library and information services that meet the changing needs of our communities. This includes a range of considerations around more self-service and the digital transformation of services. Following the redesign of Library and information Services, staff roles are now generic which enables free movement of across a range of locations in West Lothian. This flexibility will enable the movement of staff within the service during the modernisation of the service if required.
19312	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	Not much of a saving rationalising this. Not sure it would be worth it	Modernised Library and Information Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	By continuing to transform the way in which we provide this service, we will deliver library and information services that meet the changing needs of our communities. This includes a range of considerations around more self-service and the digital transformation of services
19313	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	There is a lack of candour about this. It looks unobjectionable unless it means that all the customers have to be in one location, which is how it actually reads.	Modernised Library and Information Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The delivery of a library service is a statutory duty which means this service will continue to be provided by WLC. The way in which libraries are used is changing and their use is declining both nationally and locally. Based on the successful partnership model in places like Bathgate and Strathbrock in Broxburn, we will deliver library and information services that meet the changing needs of our communities. This will include a range of considerations such as self-service and digital options, whilst ensuring access to modern facilities for vulnerable people.
19314	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	Feel this would be fine as long as there are no further cut backs in opening hours!!	Modernised Library and Information Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The delivery of a library service is a statutory duty which means this service will continue to be provided by WLC. The way in which libraries are used is changing and their use is declining both nationally and locally. Based on the successful partnership model in places like Bathgate and Strathbrock in Broxburn, we will deliver library and information services that meet the changing needs of our communities. This will include a range of considerations such as self-service and digital options, whilst ensuring access to modern facilities for vulnerable people.

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19315	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	To some degree, this would be a reasonable move but not if it means there are only a couple of CIS and library service available across West Lothian.	Modernised Library and Information Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The delivery of a library service is a statutory duty which means this service will continue to be provided by WLC. The way in which libraries are used is changing and their use is declining both nationally and locally. Based on the successful partnership model in places like Bathgate and Strathbrock in Broxburn, we will deliver library and information services that meet the changing needs of our communities. This will include a range of considerations such as self-service and digital options, whilst ensuring access to modern facilities for vulnerable people.
19316	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	what does "rationalised" mean here? usually a word for reducing availability of these services.	Modernised Library and Information Services (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	The delivery of a library service is a statutory duty which means this service will continue to be provided by WLC. The way in which libraries are used is changing and their use is declining both nationally and locally. Based on the successful partnership model in places like Bathgate and Strathbrock in Broxburn, we will deliver library and information services that meet the changing needs of our communities. This will include a range of considerations such as self-service and digital options, whilst ensuring access to modern facilities for vulnerable people.
19317	No Response	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	Having the Library and CIS trained multi skilled will mean less staff needed to do both jobs.	Modernised Library and Information Services (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	Following the redesign of Library and information Services, staff roles are now generic which enables free movement of across a range of locations in West Lothian. This flexibility will enable the movement of staff within the service during the modernisation of the service if required.
19318	An employee of West Lothian Council	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	Re Libraries: do more of what's working and less of what isn't. Close Blackridge library. Reduce the hours of West Calder Library. Many libraries in England close 2 or 3 days per week. Develop a marketing strategy to ensure the service is promoted and people know where to go, what's on and what to expect. Create a 'brand'. Invest in appropriate staff training - many of the staff have been there for 25 - 30 years and are jaded, lacking creativity and energy.	Modernised Library and Information Services (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	By continuing to transform the way in which we provide this service, we will deliver library and information services that meet the changing needs of our communities based on the successful partnership model in place in places like Bathgate and Strathbrock in Broxburn. This includes a range of considerations around more self-service and the digital transformation of services
19319	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	Provision in Library and Customer Information Services (CIS) would be rationalised - why are they not currently?	Modernised Library and Information Services (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	This proposal provides an opportunity to modernise and achieve better value for money. By continuing to transform the way in which we provide this service, we will deliver services that meet the changing needs of our communities.
19320	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	If you cut this much more it will not exist	Modernised Library and Information Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The delivery of a library service is a statutory duty which means this service will continue to be provided by WLC. The way in which libraries are used is changing and their use is declining both nationally and locally. Based on the successful partnership model in places such as Bathgate and Strathbrock in Broxburn, we will deliver library and information services that meet the changing needs of our communities. This includes a range of self-service, digital and accessible options for customers.
19321	An employee of West Lothian Council	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	Building rationalisation makes sense. Replicating provision in all communities in such a small geographical area as West Lothian is no longer affordable particularly when usage levels are low. However effective transport links need to be maintained to allow customers to travel to centralised services.	Modernised Library and Information Services (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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19322	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	Diversity in these two different services can make them difficult to combine. Job roles and contracts only two of the issues.	Modernised Library and Information Services (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	Following the redesign of Library and information Services, staff roles are now generic which enables free movement of across a range of locations in West Lothian. This flexibility will enable the movement of staff within the service during the modernisation of the service if required. This proposal provides an opportunity to modernise and achieve better value for money. By continuing to transform the way in which we provide this service, we will deliver services that meet the changing needs of our communities.
19323	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	So as per above, if services are more revitalised access and support Will be required for some groups in society - how will that be achieved with less library and cis support?	Modernised Library and Information Services (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	Based on the successful partnership model in places such as Bathgate and Strathbrock in Broxburn, we will deliver library and information services that meet the changing needs of our communities. This includes a range of self-service, digital and accessible options for customers.
19324	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	This would only work if other sites are accessible.	Modernised Library and Information Services (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Based on the successful partnership model in places such as Bathgate and Strathbrock in Broxburn, we will deliver library and information services that meet the changing needs of our communities. This includes a range of self-service, digital and accessible options for customers.
19325	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	By joining and training workforce to do both roles then during quieter periods there is need for less staff to be on duty.	Modernised Library and Information Services (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	Following the redesign of Library and information Services, staff roles are now generic which enables free movement of across a range of locations in West Lothian. This flexibility will enable the movement of staff within the service during the modernisation of the service if required.
19326	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	Does "rationalised" mean cut? Please clarify.	Modernised Library and Information Services (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	The delivery of a library service is a statutory duty which means this service will continue to be provided by WLC. The way in which libraries are used is changing and their use is declining both nationally and locally. Based on the successful partnership model in places such as Bathgate and Strathbrock in Broxburn, we will deliver library and information services that meet the changing needs of our communities. This includes a range of self-service, digital and accessible options for customers.
19327	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	Why have you been wasting so much of our money up to this point?	Modernised Library and Information Services (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	The delivery of a library service is a statutory duty which means this service will continue to be provided by WLC. The way in which libraries are used is changing and their use is declining both nationally and locally. Based on the successful partnership model in places such as Bathgate and Strathbrock in Broxburn, we will deliver library and information services that meet the changing needs of our communities. This includes a range of self-service, digital and accessible options for customers.
19328	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	Simple statement, but as for many answers above, needs to be planned effectively, delivered efficiently and benefits realised.	Modernised Library and Information Services (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	Based on the successful partnership model in places such as Bathgate and Strathbrock in Broxburn, we will deliver library and information services that meet the changing needs of our communities. This includes a range of self-service, digital and accessible options for customers.

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19329	An employee of West Lothian Council	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	This is fine as long as the staff are supported and the proper training is in place - its also important not to dilute to level of skills the library and CIS staff have as they are a great support to other services within the Council and their role should not be underestimated.	Modernised Library and Information Services (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	Following the redesign of Library and information Services, staff roles are now generic which enables free movement of across a range of locations in West Lothian. This has seen the roles combine the skills of both Customer Service and Libraries staff and enabled the sharing of these skills. This flexibility will enable the movement of staff within the service during the modernisation of the service if required
19330	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	No more losses please	Modernised Library and Information Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Following the redesign of Library and information Services, staff roles are now generic which enables free movement of across a range of locations in West Lothian. This flexibility will enable the movement of staff within the service during the modernisation of the service if required.
19331	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	Should be reviewed case by case rather than generically	Modernised Library and Information Services (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	HCBS carefully monitor the performance of all aspects of our service, including customer demand and use of our services and facilities. This helps to guide improvements and offers us opportunities to modernise the way in which we deliver services to customers. This allows us to achieve better value for money.
19332	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	This is one area where your proposals might work. Could it be that the staff are better or the environment is right.	Modernised Library and Information Services (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19333	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	As above - lets have a root and branch review of the service and delivery. It isn't necessary to increase costs when efficiencies can be identified. A business approach is what is needed to ensure the correct spending on items needed is controlled. I would ask if the demand justifies the costs for these services in our digital world. I understand that there is a social aspect for a few - but as we now have hard choices does this justify the cost. I think not.	Modernised Library and Information Services (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The delivery of a library service is a statutory duty which means this service will continue to be provided by WLC. The way in which libraries are used is changing and their use is declining both nationally and locally. Based on the successful partnership model in places such as Bathgate and Strathbrock in Broxburn, we will deliver library and information services that meet the changing needs of our communities. This includes a range of self-service, digital and accessible options for customers.
19334	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	I thought that this was done last year.	Modernised Library and Information Services (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	By continuing to transform the way in which we provide this service, we will deliver library and information services that meet the changing needs of our communities. This includes a range of considerations around more self-service and the digital transformation of services
19335	An employee of West Lothian Council	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	More needs to be done in schools to encourage younger people and future council tax payers to use these facilities and realise the benefit of them. The libraries and information services could work more closely with student development thus increasing the footfall within these sadly disappearing services.	Modernised Library and Information Services (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	The delivery of a library service is a statutory duty which means this service will continue to be provided by WLC. The way in which libraries are used is changing and their use is declining both nationally and locally. Based on the successful partnership model in places such as Bathgate and Strathbrock in Broxburn, we will deliver library and information services that meet the changing needs of our communities. This includes a range of self-service, digital and accessible options for customers.
19336	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	Again, as long as staff are not left struggling to cope, then this sounds reasonable.	Modernised Library and Information Services (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Following the redesign of Library and information Services, staff roles are now generic which enables free movement of across a range of locations in West Lothian. This flexibility will enable the movement of staff within the service during the modernisation of the service if required.
19337	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	Has an equality impact assessment been carried out for each of the budget proposals? It is essential that this is done at the earliest opportunity in order to assess what the impact will be on those in the protected characteristics groups and those already experiencing disadvantage.	Modernised Library and Information Services (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	Aside from considering the public on their views of the impact on them, an equality impact assessment forms part of the planning of this proposal and will take place before a final decision is made.

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19338	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	Still ensuring Staff are appropriately trained in all aspects of the technology.	Modernised Library and Information Services (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Following the redesign of Library and information Services, staff roles are now generic which enables free movement of across a range of locations in West Lothian. This flexibility will enable the movement of staff within the service during the modernisation of the service if required.
19339	An employee of West Lothian Council	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	Minimal saving but again seems likely this service is already struggling and may be getting vulnerable to not being viable.	Modernised Library and Information Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The delivery of a library service is a statutory duty which means this service will continue to be provided by WLC. The way in which libraries are used is changing and their use is declining both nationally and locally. Based on the successful partnership model in places such as Bathgate and Strathbrock in Broxburn, we will deliver library and information services that meet the changing needs of our communities. This includes a range of self-service, digital and accessible options for customers.
19340	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	What do you mean by 'rationalised'?	Modernised Library and Information Services (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	The delivery of a library service is a statutory duty which means this service will continue to be provided by WLC. The way in which libraries are used is changing and their use is declining both nationally and locally. Based on the successful partnership model in places such as Bathgate and Strathbrock in Broxburn, we will deliver library and information services that meet the changing needs of our communities. This includes a range of self-service, digital and accessible options for customers.
19341	An employee of West Lothian Council	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	using these offices for things like overtime from St David house staff on evenings or Saturdays would mean use of desks in an office that is still open to the public.... do these offices need to be open on a Saturday afternoon and Sundays or they should be closed earlier in the evenings. only open certain nights or hours	Modernised Library and Information Services (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19342	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	I support increasing digitization / rationalisation of CIS and library	Modernised Library and Information Services (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19343	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	I support increasing digitization / rationalisation of CIS and library	Modernised Library and Information Services (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19344	An employee of West Lothian Council	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	Have transport links / frequency been taken into account when reducing locations accessible to the public?	Modernised Library and Information Services (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	Based on the successful partnership model in places such as Bathgate and Strathbrock in Broxburn, we will deliver library and information services that meet the changing needs of our communities. This includes a range of self-service, digital and accessible options for customers. This includes consideration of transport links.
19345	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	Numbers in regard to staffing are already cut to the bone. Further cuts to staff that might be proposed due to co-location would be detrimental to morale and above all to the West Lothian public. Training to allow the staff to be fully integrated must be provided and appropriate resource and time allowed for this to happen. Across admin/CSC/CIS/Libraries and other functions could there not be created super users so that staff could be more easily utilised in a number of different departments as required?	Modernised Library and Information Services (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	Following the redesign of Library and information Services, staff roles are now generic which enables free movement of across a range of locations in West Lothian. This flexibility will enable the movement of staff within the service during the modernisation of the service if required.
19346	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	We agree with the proposal to improve the quality and accessibility of customer services in the Council.	Modernised Library and Information Services (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19347	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19348	An employee of West Lothian Council	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	No comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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19349	An employee of West Lothian Council	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	No comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19350	No Response	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	No comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19351	An employee of West Lothian Council	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	I don't know enough about this service to comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19352	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	This statement is too general to elicit a comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19353	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	what does this mean	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19354	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	How?	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19355	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	No comment.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19356	An employee of West Lothian Council	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	No comment.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19357	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	Rationalized. What does that mean	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19358	An employee of West Lothian Council	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	Rationalised? as above.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19359	An employee of West Lothian Council	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	What does that mean in real terms?	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19360	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	no comments for this	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19361	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	Could work	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19362	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	Not sure what this means	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19363	An employee of West Lothian Council	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	Unfortunately a sign of the times.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19364	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	What does this actually mean?!	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19365	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	I don't understand budgeting advantages and restraints enough to comment.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19366	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	I have no idea what this means. Please explain better.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19367	An employee of West Lothian Council	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	Do we have to provide libraries at all?	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19368	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	Libraries already closing.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19369	An employee of West Lothian Council	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	I am unsure of the impact from this proposal, so cannot comment.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19370	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	I don't know anything about this	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19371	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	Seldom, if ever, used it, can't comment.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19372	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	I very rarely use the councils library and info services.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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19373	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	The thin end of the wedge.....again.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19374	An employee of West Lothian Council	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	I haven't used West Lothian libraries since moving to the area, so am not in a position to comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19375	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	no comment to make.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19376	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	-	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19377	No Response	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	No comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19378	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	No comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19379	An employee of West Lothian Council	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	N/a	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19380	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	No comments	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19381	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	No comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19382	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	No comment.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19383	An employee of West Lothian Council	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	No comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19384	An employee of West Lothian Council	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	No comment as don't know enough.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19385	No Response	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	dgdgd	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19386	An employee of West Lothian Council	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	what does this mean exactly? Already these services are combined?	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19387	An employee of West Lothian Council	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	Ongoing.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19388	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	I have no idea what this means, which makes me highly suspicious that there's a reason for the lack of plain English.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19389	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	This doesn't really tell me as a citizen what is being proposed or what this would mean for me! So it's hard to comment constructively.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19390	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	nil	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19391	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	No Comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19392	An employee of West Lothian Council	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	No comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19393	An employee of West Lothian Council	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	Too vague to comment on.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19394	An employee of West Lothian Council	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	No comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19395	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	More information is required.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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19396	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	don't understand this	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19397	No Response	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	You have given no detailed information here on which I am able to comment.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19398	An employee of West Lothian Council	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	Hard to comment as unsure what rationalised means? I would welcome cost savings that eradicate duplication.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19399	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	What does this even mean? I enjoy the library, it engages my brain.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19400	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	Libraries have never a big thing for me....	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19401	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	What does rationalisation mean?	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19402	No Response	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	The online resources have been very welcome.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19403	An employee of West Lothian Council	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	This appears to be working well.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19404	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	no commentno comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19405	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	Don't know enough to comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19406	No Response	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	No comment.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19407	No Response	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	No idea what this means.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19408	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	No comments	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19409	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	Not clear what is meant by this statement.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19410	No Response	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	Don't know enough about this to comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19411	An employee of West Lothian Council	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	I have no idea what the first sentence means.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19412	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	No comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19413	An employee of West Lothian Council	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	No comments	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19414	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	What does that mean?	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19415	No Response	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19416	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	no comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19417	An employee of West Lothian Council	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	Sounds good in theory but no practical evidence is given to support this action.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19418	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	No comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19419	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	No comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19420	An employee of West Lothian Council	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	N/a	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19421	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	Libraries have undergone some major changes recently . Agian it is not transparent as to what is actually being proposed	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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19422	No Response	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	Service seems to be working although I feel sorry for people who have studied to be librarians and their jobs are being taken by unqualified members of staff.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19423	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	No idea how this saves money, but if more information was available then I could give a comment.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19424	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	My local library has had its hours cut. As a result I have not been in for months.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19425	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	Rationalised? How? what does this mean?	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19426	An employee of West Lothian Council	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	Lack of detail about the rationalisation of provision makes it difficult to develop a meaningful response to this proposal. Staff should be given an opportunity to respond once proposals are clearer.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19427	No Response	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	I think that this is because you have a higher quality of staff in libraries. The	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19428	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	Do you really think it's been successful?	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19429	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	Not sure what this means	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19430	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	?	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19431	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	Eh?	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19432	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	What does this mean?	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19433	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	We do not believe we have the knowledge or experience of this area to be able to make an informed comment on it.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19434	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	No comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19435	An employee of West Lothian Council	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	The council have not provided enough in depth information for me to make an informed comment on this, as all information about this whole consultation is more secret than area 51.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19436	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	Not enough detail provided to comment.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19437	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	Don't know the details, so can't comment.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19438	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	Not sure what is meant here so hard to comment.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19439	An employee of West Lothian Council	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	further information on the change required	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19440	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	Don't know what you mean	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19441	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	unable to comment as not in plain english	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19442	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	More information required.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19443	An employee of West Lothian Council	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	Does not affect me from a work or personal basis.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19444	An employee of West Lothian Council	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	It is not possible to comment on this, when there is not complete information.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19445	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	No comment.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19446	An individual	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	No comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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19447	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	3b. Modernised Library and Information Services	We need more information - what do you mean by rationalised?	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19448	An employee of West Lothian Council	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	This should be pursued if the combined approach would be more beneficial.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19449	No Response	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	Agree to all suggested proposals	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19450	An individual	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	Sounds good	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19451	No Response	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	Agreed.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19452	An individual	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	Should have happened years ago.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19453	An individual	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	Fine.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19454	An individual	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	Good idea	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19455	An employee of West Lothian Council	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	Supportive of this proposal.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19456	An employee of West Lothian Council	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	This sounds like a good idea.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19457	An employee of West Lothian Council	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	I would support this proposal	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19458	An individual	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	Can only be good	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19459	An individual	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	totally agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19460	No Response	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	I agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19461	An individual	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	Ok with this suggestion	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19462	An employee of West Lothian Council	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	Yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19463	An employee of West Lothian Council	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	this would make sense	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19464	An employee of West Lothian Council	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	Good idea	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19465	An individual	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	Good idea but only if reduces poverty.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19466	An individual	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	Agreed - makes sense	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19467	An individual	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	looks ok	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19468	An individual	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	This should help customer journey	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19469	An employee of West Lothian Council	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	Proposal is supported	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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19470	No Response	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	Have no objection	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19471	An employee of West Lothian Council	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	In agreement with this	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19472	An individual	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	Removal of duplication is a positive.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19473	An employee of West Lothian Council	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	Support. Those at risk be supported jointly by Health & Social Care	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19474	An individual	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	Would seem to be consistent with Central Government (UK) direction.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19475	An employee of West Lothian Council	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	I agree with this change.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19476	An individual	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	Good idea	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19477	An employee of West Lothian Council	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19478	An individual	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	good idea ,	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19479	An individual	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	Sounds reasonable.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19480	An employee of West Lothian Council	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	Sounds sensible	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19481	An individual	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	Good idea	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19482	An individual	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19483	No Response	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	About time	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19484	An employee of West Lothian Council	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19485	An individual	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	Makes sense.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19486	An employee of West Lothian Council	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	Happy with this	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19487	An individual	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19488	An individual	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	Agree with this	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19489	An individual	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	Agree.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19490	An individual	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	happy with this	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19491	An individual	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	Agreed.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19492	An employee of West Lothian Council	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19493	An individual	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	Agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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19494	An employee of West Lothian Council	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	Great idea.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19495	An individual	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19496	An employee of West Lothian Council	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	makes sense	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19497	An individual	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	Positive	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19498	No Response	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	Agree as efficiency savings should be made where possible.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19499	An individual	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	This seems appropriate.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19500	An employee of West Lothian Council	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	Agree. Important service, but needs to be as efficient as possible.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19501	An individual	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	go ahead with the savings	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19502	An individual	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	This make sense	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19503	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	Has to be good if an improved service is forecast by removing duplication	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19504	An individual	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	That would be good increased help needed.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19505	An individual	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	Agreed, sensible approach.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19506	An individual	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	Achievable	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19507	No Response	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	This is a sensible saving	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19508	An individual	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	sounds good. duplication is never ideal	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19509	An individual	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	I support this change	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19510	An individual	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	I agree with the Council's proposals for the moment to see how they all work out. Thank you.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19511	An employee of West Lothian Council	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	No issue with any of that.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19512	No Response	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	Streamlining services is only for the good of all	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19513	An individual	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	Again sounds like a wise decision.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19514	An individual	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	Again, this seems sensible.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19515	An individual	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	Sounds ok	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19516	An individual	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	Agree if full cross training provided between depts.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19517	No Response	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	I agree with the proposal	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19518	An employee of West Lothian Council	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	Streamlining is good!	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19519	An individual	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	Absolutely necessary to reduce the amount of duplication. There should be more of this!	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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19520	An employee of West Lothian Council	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	great if it works and doesn't end up having cuts.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19521	An individual	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	I have no knowledge of this but it sounds suitable.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19522	An individual	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	no objections.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19523	An individual	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	If one team is all that is needed then that is all there should be	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19524	An individual	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	Good idea, as long as it is efficient and meeting people's needs.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19525	An employee of West Lothian Council	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	Think they provide a similar service so feel this could work.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19526	An individual	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	I think it makes sense to have one resource.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19527	An individual	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	Sounds logical	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19528	An individual	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19529	An individual	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	makes sense	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19530	An individual	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	This seems reasonable	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19531	An employee of West Lothian Council	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19532	An individual	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	Sounds good to me.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19533	An employee of West Lothian Council	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	Sounds good to me!	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19534	An individual	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	Sounds sensible	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19535	An individual	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	Makes sense.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19536	An employee of West Lothian Council	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19537	No Response	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19538	An individual	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	ok.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19539	An individual	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19540	An individual	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	Agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19541	An individual	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	I support this idea	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19542	An individual	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	Sounds good.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19543	An individual	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	Agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19544	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	good idea	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19545	An individual	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	GOOD PLAN	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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19546	No Response	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	Sounds fine.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19547	An individual	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	Seems reasonable	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19548	An individual	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	This should be done.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19549	No Response	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	Agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19550	An employee of West Lothian Council	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19551	An employee of West Lothian Council	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	Seems sensible.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19552	An individual	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19553	An individual	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	I would support this.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19554	An employee of West Lothian Council	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	I agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19555	No Response	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19556	An employee of West Lothian Council	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	Good	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19557	An individual	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	Good idea	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19558	An individual	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	Sounds good	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19559	An individual	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	Long overdue	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19560	An individual	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	Agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19561	An individual	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	makes sense	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19562	An individual	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19563	An employee of West Lothian Council	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	Good idea	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19564	An employee of West Lothian Council	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	agree with proposal	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19565	An individual	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	Agree.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19566	An individual	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	Ok	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19567	An individual	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	Makes sense	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19568	An individual	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	This seems sensible	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19569	An employee of West Lothian Council	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19570	An individual	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	I support this.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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19571	An employee of West Lothian Council	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19572	An individual	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	Seems reasonable	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19573	An individual	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	Seems sensible, particularly in pooling expertise.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19574	An employee of West Lothian Council	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	This is what we need to be doing across the council - designing services around the customer and not historical service structures.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19575	An individual	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	Should have happened long ago	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19576	No Response	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	That makes so much sense. Too many people are missing out on what they are entitled to because they do not know where to turn. One sto advice shop should help. Should also stop those who know how to work the system being able to claim for things they are not entitled to.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19577	An individual	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	Seems reasonable, a lot of savings	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19578	An employee of West Lothian Council	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	this would be much simpler for the public	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19579	An individual	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	Yip all round service	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19580	An employee of West Lothian Council	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	As this may have benefits for the customer, I agree with proposal	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19581	An employee of West Lothian Council	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	This sounds like it would make sense.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19582	An employee of West Lothian Council	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	Agreed if still enough provision of service	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19583	An employee of West Lothian Council	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	sounds ok	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19584	An employee of West Lothian Council	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	Sounds ok.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19585	An individual	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	makes good sense to amalgamate	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19586	An individual	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	A joint team would be easier for people to access	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19587	An individual	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	I think this could make people's lives easier.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19588	An individual	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	I have no objection to this.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19589	An individual	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	Sounds sensible.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19590	An employee of West Lothian Council	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	Would agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19591	An employee of West Lothian Council	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	I agree with this.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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19592	An individual	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	Sounds good.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19593	An individual	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	OK.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19594	An individual	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	This sounds like a good idea.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19595	An individual	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	Good	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19596	An employee of West Lothian Council	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	Makes sense.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19597	An employee of West Lothian Council	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	Seems a good idea	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19598	An individual	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	Seems like a good idea.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19599	An individual	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	Not before time.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19600	An employee of West Lothian Council	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	Agree.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19601	No Response	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	I haven't much experience of these services but it seems a good proposal	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19602	An individual	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	Sounds like a good idea .	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19603	An employee of West Lothian Council	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	Agree with this proposal.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19604	An employee of West Lothian Council	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	Agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19605	An employee of West Lothian Council	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	Sounds good	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19606	An individual	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	I agree with the proposal to improve the quality and accessibility of customer services in the Council.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19607	No Response	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	Just do it	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19608	An individual	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	This is on par with what other Local Authorities are doing.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19609	An individual	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	Seems entirely appropriate.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19610	An individual	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	Good I see no issue with this	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19611	An individual	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	Saves people having 2 places to visit, I agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19612	An individual	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	Totally agree, again too easy for people to take for a ride. If one sympathetic ear won't listen, they just try another.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19613	An individual	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	I've no experience of this service, but on paper, it seems logical to combine the two.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19614	An individual	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	Streamlining would make sense here.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19615	An individual	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	Should be streamlined where possible where maintaining choices and standards.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19616	An individual	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	Saving seems worthwhile.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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19617	No Response	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	I agree with this idea - centralisation usually results in consistency of services. However an outreach service may be required to help those who are not able to make it to the central hub wherever it will be.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19618	No Response	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	Amalgamation is a useful way forward, as the two teams can often overlap. It will also make it easier for those seeking help to deal with only one department	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19619	An employee of West Lothian Council	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	Excellent - a top priority.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19620	An individual	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	I support	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19621	An individual	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	fine, i support realistic benefit advice being given which includes budgeting and education on managing finance	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19622	An individual	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	I agree as long as this does not interfere with the amazing service the advise shop deliver.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19623	An individual	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	not required	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19624	An individual	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	Sounds good on paper.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19625	An individual	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	I agree with the above.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19626	An individual	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	I agree with this statement as there is too much focus on the unemployed and not on the working population.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19627	An employee of West Lothian Council	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	This sounds like a good efficient proposal.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19628	An individual	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	Agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19629	An individual	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	I would support this proposal.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19630	An individual	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	Agreed.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19631	An individual	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	That's OK	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19632	An individual	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	Would appear to be a sensible suggestion.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19633	An employee of West Lothian Council	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	This appears to be a reasonable proposal.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19634	An individual	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19635	An individual	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19636	An individual	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	Totally agree.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19637	An individual	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19638	An individual	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	Should have been done years ago	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19639	An individual	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	Ok	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19640	An individual	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	Yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19641	An individual	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19642	An individual	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	Good.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19643	An individual	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	Yes, good idea.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19644	An individual	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	Agreed.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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19645	An individual	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	I would support this	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19646	No Response	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19647	An employee of West Lothian Council	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19648	An employee of West Lothian Council	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19649	No Response	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19650	An individual	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	I agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19651	An employee of West Lothian Council	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19652	An employee of West Lothian Council	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	I agree with this proposal.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19653	An individual	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	I agree with this proposal	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19654	An employee of West Lothian Council	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19655	An individual	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	I agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19656	An employee of West Lothian Council	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	Agree,	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19657	An employee of West Lothian Council	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19658	An individual	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	sounds sensible	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19659	No Response	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	Fine.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19660	An individual	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	Sounds like a positive move.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19661	An employee of West Lothian Council	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	I agree with this.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19662	An individual	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	Sounds reasonable.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19663	No Response	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19664	An individual	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	okay	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19665	An individual	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	Supported	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19666	An individual	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	okay	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19667	An individual	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	Great, makes sense.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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19668	An employee of West Lothian Council	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	very reasonable response given the changes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19669	An employee of West Lothian Council	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	Happy with this proposal	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19670	An individual	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	ok	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19671	An individual	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	Support this proposal	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19672	An individual	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	sounds good.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19673	An individual	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	Sounds good	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19674	An individual	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	Agree with this	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19675	An individual	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19676	An employee of West Lothian Council	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	Agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19677	An individual	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	Agree.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19678	An employee of West Lothian Council	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	sounds good	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19679	An employee of West Lothian Council	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	This makes sense.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19680	An individual	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19681	An employee of West Lothian Council	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	Good idea.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19682	An employee of West Lothian Council	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	This is a good idea.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19683	An employee of West Lothian Council	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	AGREE WITH IMPROVED SERVICE - TIME WOULD TELL	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19684	An individual	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	Yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19685	An individual	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	Agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19686	An individual	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19687	An individual	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	A good idea, provided it is easily accessible to all who require the service.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19688	No Response	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	This sounds really positive	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19689	An individual	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	Agree that this should be done.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19690	An employee of West Lothian Council	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	SOUND A GOOD IDEA	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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19691	No Response	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	This sounds sensible enough.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19692	An individual	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	Agreed but make sure staff are well trained, experienced and have a qualification in Customer Service.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19693	An individual	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	If well implemented and effective ...	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19694	An individual	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19695	An individual	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	Agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19696	An individual	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	Support	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19697	An individual	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	I agree with the proposal.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19698	An individual	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	I would agree with this point	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19699	An individual	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	Appears to make some degree of sense.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19700	An employee of West Lothian Council	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	good	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19701	An individual	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	All for this	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19702	An individual	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	Good.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19703	An individual	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19704	No Response	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	OK	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19705	An individual	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	Seems sensible.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19706	An employee of West Lothian Council	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	Agreed.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19707	An individual	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	I agree with this proposal.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19708	An individual	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19709	An employee of West Lothian Council	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	Agree strongly	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19710	An individual	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19711	An individual	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	Good idea	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19712	An employee of West Lothian Council	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	this sounds like a good idea but I don't know much about the services we supply.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19713	An employee of West Lothian Council	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	Yes a joined up service would be beneficial.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19714	An individual	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	Makes perfect sense and is normal in all other workplaces.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19715	An individual	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	Agree. Joined up service is positive	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19716	No Response	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	This is a good idea	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19717	No Response	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	Logical suggestion.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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19718	An individual	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	Agree, but good training required.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19719	An individual	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	This sounds like a positive move to provide a one stop shop style service.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19720	No Response	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	The Council should be ashamed of themselves after the last round of 'savings' that there are still services within their control that is showing duplication - fair play to you for admitting it is still happening but I would be mortified!!	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19721	An individual	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	Good money saving proposal.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19722	An individual	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	probably overdue	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19723	An individual	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	Joining up both these teams seems a sensible option if it can make savings and improve the service to people.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19724	An employee of West Lothian Council	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	This makes sense if customer access is maintained via effective public transport.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19725	An individual	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	I agree with the above, however the above suggests further staffing cuts	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19726	An individual	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	Vital service that needs to be supported.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19727	An individual	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	Improved services and options are always a plus.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19728	An individual	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	Any removal of duplication in this area is supported	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19729	An individual	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	Agree with this. Clearly worded question for a change!	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19730	An employee of West Lothian Council	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	There is a lot of great anti-poverty work on West Lothian. Given the importance of this work and the duties on the council and partners to tackle inequalities through the community empowerment act/child poverty bill this work should continue and in fact be increased. The change in team structure should benefit this and will hopefully not mean fewer staff delivering more services	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19731	An individual	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	The idea of 'one stop' seems logical	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19732	An individual	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	Agree if waiting lists were monitored to ensure demand was being met in a timely manner.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19733	An individual	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	This makes good sense.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19734	An individual	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	Makes sense, as long as it works	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19735	An individual	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	This makes sense.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19736	An individual	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19737	An individual	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	Agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19738	An individual	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	Fine	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19739	An individual	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19740	An individual	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	I agree to this proposal	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19741	No Response	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	Reasonable aim	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19742	An employee of West Lothian Council	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	This is a positive measure that can raise the profile of anti-poverty work in the council.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19743	An individual	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	Ok in principle	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19744	An individual	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	Agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19745	An individual	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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19746	An individual	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	Support	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19747	An individual	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19748	An individual	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	Agree.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19749	An individual	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	Sounds good.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19750	An individual	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	Seems sensible	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19751	An individual	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19752	An individual	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	Go for it !	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19753	An employee of West Lothian Council	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	This sounds like a reasonable proposal.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19754	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	Agreed. Benefits flow from joined-up services.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19755	An individual	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	Sensible way forward.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19756	An individual	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	Any removal of duplication is a good move.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19757	An individual	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19758	An individual	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	Ok	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19759	An employee of West Lothian Council	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	Seems like a sensible approach	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19760	No Response	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	Support	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19761	An employee of West Lothian Council	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	This may provide positive outcomes.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19762	An employee of West Lothian Council	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	Supportive in principle albeit based on limited detailed information	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19763	An individual	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	Sounds OK	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19764	An individual	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	supportive of this	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19765	An individual	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	Yes better to intergrate this	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19766	An individual	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	Yes, more efficient and focused.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19767	An individual	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	Improved services promised -good.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19768	An individual	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	should have already been done	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19769	An individual	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	Fine	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19770	An individual	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	Agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19771	An employee of West Lothian Council	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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19772	An individual	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	Agree.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19773	An individual	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	Sounds fine.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19774	An individual	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19775	An individual	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	excellent	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19776	An individual	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	Sounds sensible.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19777	An individual	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	OK	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19778	An employee of West Lothian Council	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	Agree.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19779	An individual	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	Great!	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19780	No Response	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19781	An individual	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	Again ensuring quality is not affected in the provision of the services.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19782	An employee of West Lothian Council	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	Again seems a good idea to rationalise this service into one.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19783	An individual	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	I completely agree with this.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19784	An employee of West Lothian Council	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19785	An individual	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	makes sense	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19786	An individual	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	Good.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19787	An employee of West Lothian Council	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	I agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19788	An individual	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	Good idea	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19789	An individual	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	Good idea	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19790	An individual	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	Good idea	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19791	An individual	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19792	An individual	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	Look okay as it is possible to evaluate given the vague descriptions given in the 'Transforming Your Council'	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19793	An individual	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	I agree with the proposal.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19794	An individual	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	All proposals are sound.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19795	An individual	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	So you want to target the poor and remove their help..... NO NO NO NO!! Give less to the councilors!	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19796	An individual	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	More job losses	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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19797	An individual	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	There should be no changes to the existing!	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19798	An individual	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	no	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19799	An individual	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	none	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19800	An individual	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	Leave alone.	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19801	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	I pity the staff involved in this plan	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19802	An individual	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	This service should be being expanded and more accessible across West Lothian	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19803	An individual	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	None	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19804	An individual	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	I don't support this	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19805	An individual	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	Don't agree	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19806	An individual	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	I do not support this as I know the full roll out of Universal Credit will have a huge impact on poor families & centralised services will not be accessible to those in outlying villages with limited income for travel costs. Similarly, UC claimants will rely on accessing IT equipment in both libraries & community centres/halls so cuts to this provision will again impact on the poorest in our authority.	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19807	An individual	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	I agree that this work needs to be combined to ensure that our residents are getting the best advice.	Integrated Anti Poverty Service (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	At a time of significant welfare reform, good quality advice services are needed to support people, particularly those on low incomes. The proposed integrated Anti Poverty service will help provide support and advice to vulnerable people in the community.
19808	An individual	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	I don't understand. Isn't the 'Advice Shop' independent? How would this be affected if combined with 'The Benefits Team' - which is what exactly? Employed by DWP? I am all in favour of 'removal of duplication', but don't understand this well enough to comment. However, I would again emphasize that this would affect some of the most vulnerable and disadvantaged people, already pumelled by swingeing ongoing never-ending changes in the welfare system.	Integrated Anti Poverty Service (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	At a time of significant welfare reform, good quality advice services are needed to support people, particularly those on low incomes. The proposed integrated Anti Poverty service will help provide support and advice to vulnerable people in the community. Both the Advice Shop and the Benefits Team are council services and are not provided by the DWP.
19809	An employee of West Lothian Council	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	Great idea however make sure the team either have someone based at all partnership centre or have a dedicated say/couple of days at each venue to deal with local customer needs. Customers should not be expected to travel across the region for specialist help	Integrated Anti Poverty Service (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	At a time of significant welfare reform, good quality advice services are needed to support people, particularly those on low incomes. The proposed integrated Anti Poverty service will help provide support and advice to vulnerable people in the community. How individuals access this advice will be considered as part of the implementation of the new service.

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19810	An employee of West Lothian Council	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	SUPPORT. ALIGN WITH SCOTTISH WELFARE FUND STUFF	Integrated Anti Poverty Service (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	At a time of significant welfare reform, good quality advice services are needed to support people, particularly those on low incomes. The proposed integrated Anti Poverty service will help provide support and advice to vulnerable people in the community.
19811	An individual	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	this needs to be accessible throughout west Lothian. Some people are unable to travel to and from source or basically cannot afford the bus fare.	Integrated Anti Poverty Service (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	At a time of significant welfare reform, good quality advice services are needed to support people, particularly those on low incomes. The proposed integrated Anti Poverty service will help provide support and advice to vulnerable people in the community. How individuals access this advice will be considered as part of the implementation of the new service.
19812	An employee of West Lothian Council	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	Needs to be more efficient and effective	Integrated Anti Poverty Service (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	At a time of significant welfare reform, good quality advice services are needed to support people, particularly those on low incomes. The proposed integrated Anti Poverty service will help provide support and advice to vulnerable people in the community. The level of resources required and opportunities to streamline process and removing duplication will be considered as part of the implementation of the new team.
19813	An employee of West Lothian Council	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	I agree this sounds reasonable as long as the resources are available to meet the need of the service.	Integrated Anti Poverty Service (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	At a time of significant welfare reform, good quality advice services are needed to support people, particularly those on low incomes. The proposed integrated Anti Poverty service will help provide support and advice to vulnerable people in the community. How individuals access this advice will be considered as part of the implementation of the new service.
19814	An individual	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	as long as the team know what they are doing fine.	Integrated Anti Poverty Service (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	At a time of significant welfare reform, good quality advice services are needed to support people, particularly those on low incomes. The proposed integrated Anti Poverty service will help provide support and advice to vulnerable people in the community. Although the functions will be combined into a larger service, specialist advice and support will continue to be provided specific teams.
19815	An individual	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	Due to recent welfare benefit changes the need for Advice shop and Benefit workers has increased substantially. Agree that teams should be combined but number of posts should not be reduced.	Integrated Anti Poverty Service (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	At a time of significant welfare reform, good quality advice services are needed to support people, particularly those on low incomes. The proposed integrated Anti Poverty service will help provide support and advice to vulnerable people in the community. The level of resources required to support this essential service for the most vulnerable in the community will be considered as part of the implementation of the new team.
19816	An individual	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	no issue with consolidation	Integrated Anti Poverty Service (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19817	An employee of West Lothian Council	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	I agree that duplication can cause too much bureaucracy	Integrated Anti Poverty Service (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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19818	An employee of West Lothian Council	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	I am concerned at any cut to provision which works to reduce poverty. I can't see how that won't be counter productive.	Integrated Anti Poverty Service (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	At a time of significant welfare reform, good quality advice services are needed to support people, particularly those on low incomes. The proposed integrated Anti Poverty service will help provide support and advice to vulnerable people in the community. The level of resources required to support this essential service for the most vulnerable in the community will be considered as part of the implementation of the new team.
19819	An individual	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	ensure all advice staff are paid at the same grade. Too many team leaders and or manager levels.	Integrated Anti Poverty Service (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	At a time of significant welfare reform, good quality advice services are needed to support people, particularly those on low incomes. The proposed integrated Anti Poverty service will help provide support and advice to vulnerable people in the community. The level of resources required to support this essential service for the most vulnerable in the community will be considered as part of the implementation of the new team.
19820	An employee of West Lothian Council	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	I do not agree with combining the Advice Shop and Benefits Team. The Benefits Team provide a statutory requirement, the Advice Shop are largely funded and are not providing a statutory requirement	Integrated Anti Poverty Service (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	At a time of significant welfare reform, good quality advice services are needed to support people, particularly those on low incomes. It is anticipated that the proposed integrated Anti Poverty service will help provide support and advice to vulnerable people in the community. Although these specialist teams focus on different aspects of anti-poverty they will work together to provide essential support and services to a common customer.
19821	An employee of West Lothian Council	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	Advice Shop services are not statutory; Benefits team are- how could this be reconciled?? AS are already run off their feet trying to cover everything they have to do; benefits are dealing with Universal Credit and an increasing workload for the Scottish Welfare Team as the public find it difficult to cope with Welfare Reform- attempting to combine services would be a disaster	Integrated Anti Poverty Service (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	At a time of significant welfare reform, good quality advice services are needed to support people, particularly those on low incomes. It is anticipated that the proposed integrated Anti Poverty service will help provide support and advice to vulnerable people in the community. Although these specialist teams focus on different aspects of anti-poverty they will work together to provide essential support and services to a common customer.
19822	An individual	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	I fail to see a duplication in these services. The Advice Shop, helps people claim benefits, amongst other things whilst the benefits team deliver benefits and are decision makers to the public. This is vastly different and the two teams merging, could become a conflict of interest. The residents of West Lothian receive an impartial service from the Advice Shop and always have done, however merging these two services could result in the people of West Lothian, who use the Advice Shop, become increasingly wary and a loss of trust.	Integrated Anti Poverty Service (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	At a time of significant welfare reform, good quality advice services are needed to support people, particularly those on low incomes. It is anticipated that the proposed integrated Anti Poverty service will help provide support and advice to vulnerable people in the community. As these teams provide services to common customers, there is an opportunity to work together in delivering services and where possible eliminate some duplication of advice and support.
19823	An individual	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	Advice Shop & Benefits Team need to engage with partners/ provide training to support introduction of PIP which will impact on customers we engage with	Integrated Anti Poverty Service (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The proposed integrated Anti Poverty service will help provide support and advice to vulnerable people in the community through bringing together council services. Officers will consider opportunities to work further with other partners and providers to deliver advice and support.
19824	An individual	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	I think you should cut these services altogether. Many people in work take home less money than some benefit claimants. If people are dissatisfied with welfare and 'poverty' send them to the job centre.	Integrated Anti Poverty Service (general)	5c. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it is not consistent with the council's values and priorities.	The council currently has a priority to minimise poverty, the cycle of deprivation and promote equality. The new anti-poverty service will allow the council to deliver this priority.
19825	An individual	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	consideration should also be given to external funded advice services to bring them into the new anti-poverty service.	Integrated Anti Poverty Service (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The proposed integrated Anti Poverty service will help provide support and advice to vulnerable people in the community through bringing together council services. Officers will consider opportunities to work further with other partners and providers to deliver advice and support.

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19826	An individual	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	Citizens Advice provide the same advice and are not funded by WLC why pay for a service.	Integrated Anti Poverty Service (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The council's Advice Shop currently works closely with partners including Citizens Advice Bureau. Officers will consider opportunities to work further with other partners and providers to deliver anti-poverty advice and support.
19827	An individual	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	Get into places that need it most and spend more time on prevention	Integrated Anti Poverty Service (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	At a time of significant welfare reform, good quality advice services are needed to support people, particularly those on low incomes. The proposed integrated Anti Poverty service will help provide support and advice to vulnerable people in the community. How individuals access this advice will be considered as part of the implementation of the new service.
19828	An individual	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	Too many people doing the same job is wasteful.	Integrated Anti Poverty Service (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The level of resources required to support this essential service for the most vulnerable in the community will be considered as part of the implementation of the new team.
19829	An individual	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	Perhaps you need to look in to the roots of the problem.	Integrated Anti Poverty Service (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	The council currently has a priority to minimise poverty, the cycle of deprivation and promote equality. The new anti-poverty service will allow the council to deliver this priority. When developing the new Anti Poverty Strategy consideration will be given to the causes of poverty and potential interventions to help minimise their impact on vulnerable families.
19830	An individual	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	This service has too many teams. More work could be passed to the Citizens Advice Bureau.	Integrated Anti Poverty Service (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The level of resources required and opportunities to streamline process and remove duplication will be considered as part of the implementation of the new team. Officers will consider opportunities to work further with other partners and providers to deliver advice and support.
19831	An individual	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	Would assume it would be easier for people who needed to access these services to have them under one roof or umbrella	Integrated Anti Poverty Service (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	At a time of significant welfare reform, good quality advice services are needed to support people, particularly those on low incomes. The proposed integrated Anti Poverty service will help provide support and advice to vulnerable people in the community. How individuals access this advice will be considered as part of the implementation of the new service.
19832	An individual	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	Placing all help and support into one place can only be a good thing, provided it is resources properly	Integrated Anti Poverty Service (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The level of resources required and opportunities to streamline process and remove duplication will be considered as part of the implementation of the new team.
19833	No Response	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	Again, pressures on remaining staff would be a key issue. Can they cope?	Integrated Anti Poverty Service (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The level of resources required to support this essential service for the most vulnerable in the community will be considered as part of the implementation of the new team.
19834	An employee of West Lothian Council	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	People in receipt of welfare already suffer disproportionately. If it won't affect level of service, fair enough. If it does, then I could not support this.	Integrated Anti Poverty Service (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	At a time of significant welfare reform, good quality advice services are needed to support people, particularly those on low incomes. The proposed integrated Anti Poverty service will help provide support and advice to vulnerable people in the community.
19835	An individual	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	Would these services be available to people without them having to pay to access them through travel? These are the people who are least able to afford to travel.	Integrated Anti Poverty Service (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	At a time of significant welfare reform, good quality advice services are needed to support people, particularly those on low incomes. The proposed integrated Anti Poverty service will help provide support and advice to vulnerable people in the community. How individuals access this advice will be considered as part of the implementation of the new service.

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19836	An individual	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	would be good to have a single source of all information / help and support - very disjointed at present / numerous departments whose roles could be integrated	Integrated Anti Poverty Service (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	At a time of significant welfare reform, good quality advice services are needed to support people, particularly those on low incomes. The proposed integrated Anti Poverty service will help provide support and advice to vulnerable people in the community.
19837	An individual	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	and removal of duplication makes sense. However, demands on this service are already very high, so i would hope that the changes would not decrease the support any further.	Integrated Anti Poverty Service (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	At a time of significant welfare reform, good quality advice services are needed to support people, particularly those on low incomes. The proposed integrated Anti Poverty service will help provide support and advice to vulnerable people in the community. The level of resources required to support this essential service for the most vulnerable in the community will be considered as part of the implementation of the new team.
19838	An employee of West Lothian Council	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	Why is it the Council's responsibility when people cannot manage their own finances? Citizen's advice already offer this service.	Integrated Anti Poverty Service (general)	5c. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it is not consistent with the council's values and priorities.	The council currently has a priority to minimise poverty, the cycle of deprivation and promote equality. The new anti-poverty service will allow the council to deliver this priority.
19839	An employee of West Lothian Council	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	As mentioned previously this will only work if frontline resources are not cut at the expense of middle management. In a time of austerity any such proposals will leave service users excluded. This will in-turn increase costs in other service areas such as homeless prevention and housing. At present the Advice Shop has 5 seniors alongside the anti-poverty & welfare advice manager for roughly 50 staff. This seems wasteful and bloated.	Integrated Anti Poverty Service (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	At a time of significant welfare reform, good quality advice services are needed to support people, particularly those on low incomes. The proposed integrated Anti Poverty service will help provide support and advice to vulnerable people in the community. The level of resources required to support this essential service for the most vulnerable in the community will be considered as part of the implementation of the new team.
19840	An employee of West Lothian Council	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	Savings can be met from cutting management in this area and line leaders from the benefits team.	Integrated Anti Poverty Service (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The level of resources required and opportunities to streamline process and remove duplication will be considered as part of the implementation of the new team.
19841	An employee of West Lothian Council	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	There is also duplication between the Advice Shop and the Corporate Advice Team in relation to money advice and welfare rights.	Integrated Anti Poverty Service (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The level of resources required and opportunities to streamline process and remove duplication will be considered as part of the implementation of the new team.
19842	An individual	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	Anything that be done to remove duplication both administratively and for residents can only be a good thing	Integrated Anti Poverty Service (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The level of resources required and opportunities to streamline process and remove duplication will be considered as part of the implementation of the new team.
19843	An individual	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	Support proposal to centralise and amalgamate services as is seen in all industries to manage costs and savings.	Integrated Anti Poverty Service (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The level of resources required and opportunities to streamline process and remove duplication will be considered as part of the implementation of the new team.
19844	An individual	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	Why are you not already doing this? Why is there duplication at present?	Integrated Anti Poverty Service (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Welfare advice is currently provided by a number of different services across the council. When the provision of this advice comes from different service areas there is always the potential for some duplication. By consolidating the service into one overall team this will remove any potential duplication.
19845	An individual	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	These need to be in local areas, not centralised to Livingston. A few years ago I went through a particularly horrific divorce, without help from the local Advice Shop. Not everyone can get to Livingston yet everything is based there. Even if there is a team who goes to each Partnership Centre once or twice a week for appointments, rather than expect people needing advice so therefore in a distressed state to find their way to Livingston. Public transport is particularly poor from Linlithgow to Livingston and in all the small towns.	Integrated Anti Poverty Service (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	At a time of significant welfare reform, good quality advice services are needed to support people, particularly those on low incomes. The proposed integrated Anti Poverty service will help provide support and advice to vulnerable people in the community. How individuals access this advice will be considered as part of the implementation of the new service.
19846	An employee of West Lothian Council	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	the funding to citizens advice and other external advice providers should be significantly reduced. the advice shop should be protected.	Integrated Anti Poverty Service (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The council's Advice Shop currently works closely with partners including Citizens Advice Bureau. Officers will consider opportunities to work further with other partners and providers to deliver anti-poverty advice and support.

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19847	An individual	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	As long as users can be easily guided through the more complicated structures that this will inevitably involve then makes sense.	Integrated Anti Poverty Service (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	At a time of significant welfare reform, good quality advice services are needed to support people, particularly those on low incomes. The proposed integrated Anti Poverty service will help provide support and advice to vulnerable people in the community. How individuals access this advice will be considered as part of the implementation of the new service.
19848	An individual	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	This approach, coupled with CAB is sensible. Individuals should not have to go to different places to get their advice. However, with the poor transport in many areas of west Lothian, having just one "hub" may not be sufficient. There is a need to continue with CAB because of its diverse range of advice as well as independent benefit advice with no timescale provided when dealing with clients.	Integrated Anti Poverty Service (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	At a time of significant welfare reform, good quality advice services are needed to support people, particularly those on low incomes. The proposed integrated Anti Poverty service will help provide support and advice to vulnerable people in the community. How individuals access this advice will be considered as part of the implementation of the new service.
19849	An individual	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	Get rid of poverty... too many cuts!!	Integrated Anti Poverty Service (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	The council currently has a priority to minimise poverty, the cycle of deprivation and promote equality. The new anti-poverty service will allow the council to deliver this priority.
19850	An individual	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	It's about jobs.	Integrated Anti Poverty Service (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The proposed integrated Anti Poverty service will help provide support and advice to vulnerable people in the community. The level of resources required and opportunities to streamline process and removing duplication will be considered as part of the implementation of the new team.
19851	An employee of West Lothian Council	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	Won't work as staff on different pay grades	Integrated Anti Poverty Service (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposed integrated Anti Poverty service will help provide support and advice to vulnerable people in the community. The level of resources required and opportunities to streamline process and removing duplication will be considered as part of the implementation of the new team. Although the functions will be combined into a larger service, specialist advice and support will continue to be provided specific teams.
19852	An individual	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	Good rationale, however again this should be a layered system, rather than meeting the needs of only the prioritised. This approach is flawed throughout all of your policy changes. You plan to meet the needs of a minority, leaving the majority without support or service.	Integrated Anti Poverty Service (general)	5c. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it is not consistent with the council's values and priorities.	The council delivers a broad range of services - universal provision to all and more targeted interventions to those who require it. The council currently has a priority to minimise poverty, the cycle of deprivation and promote equality. The council will deliver this priority through helping people to help themselves out of poverty and providing sustainable solutions to the problems faced.
19853	An individual	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	as long as enough staff and offered support as can be dealing with the brunt of anger - I know of a couple of people who left their jobs as not supported with the onslaught they received daily	Integrated Anti Poverty Service (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	At a time of significant welfare reform, good quality advice services are needed to support people, particularly those on low incomes. The proposed integrated Anti Poverty service will help provide support and advice to vulnerable people in the community. The level of resources required and opportunities to streamline process and removing duplication will be considered as part of the implementation of the new team. Training will be provided to help facilitate the integration of this service.
19854	No Response	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	I agree. However if west Lothian council were giving better training on Benefits they could support their tenants with advice & management.	Integrated Anti Poverty Service (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Benefits staff currently receive an extensive programme of training before processing claims. Through closer working with the Advice Shop and other areas of the council, such as Housing, this should improve the quality of support and advice provided. Training will be provided to help facilitate the integration of this service.

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19855	An employee of West Lothian Council	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	if the right information gets to the people in most need that is the most important thing.	Integrated Anti Poverty Service (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	At a time of significant welfare reform, good quality advice services are needed to support people, particularly those on low incomes. The proposed integrated Anti Poverty service will help provide support and advice to vulnerable people in the community. How individuals access this advice will be considered as part of the implementation of the new service.
19856	An individual	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	All for joined up services. Outreach a good idea from a central location. NB No point in expecting people to have access to digital resources!	Integrated Anti Poverty Service (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	At a time of significant welfare reform, good quality advice services are needed to support people, particularly those on low incomes. The proposed integrated Anti Poverty service will help provide support and advice to vulnerable people in the community. How individuals access this advice will be considered as part of the implementation of the new service.
19857	An employee of West Lothian Council	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	Removal of duplication is always welcome and a positive way to move forward.	Integrated Anti Poverty Service (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The level of resources required and opportunities to streamline process and remove duplication will be considered as part of the implementation of the new team.
19858	An individual	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	With introduction universal credits It makes sense to have all welfare teams working together but to save on people being in arrears over rent and housing benefit money should not go direct to customers it should be paid direct to housing like it use to , sadly although the majority of council tenants do pay on time you will always get the people who think nothing of not paying their way in society and every debt you have is another loss in services	Integrated Anti Poverty Service (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council actively pursues all debt, including council tax, community charge, rent and commercial debtors arrears. The council will investigate other ways to improve debt collections including strengthening corporate debt management activity. The mechanism for paying housing benefit is established by law at a national level.
19859	An employee of West Lothian Council	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	Removal of duplication of services makes perfect sense and provides an improved service to our customers.	Integrated Anti Poverty Service (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The level of resources required and opportunities to streamline process and remove duplication will be considered as part of the implementation of the new team.
19860	An individual	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	is training going to be provided for both sets of staff	Integrated Anti Poverty Service (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The proposed integrated Anti Poverty service will help provide support and advice to vulnerable people in the community. Although the functions will be combined into a larger service, specialist advice and support will continue to be provided specific teams. Training will be provided to help facilitate the integration of this service.
19861	An individual	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	As long as in doing this people don't have to wait forever for support that's needed	Integrated Anti Poverty Service (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	At a time of significant welfare reform, good quality advice services are needed to support people, particularly those on low incomes. The proposed integrated Anti Poverty service will help provide support and advice to vulnerable people in the community. How individuals access this advice will be considered as part of the implementation of the new service.
19862	An employee of West Lothian Council	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	More job losses ? Again, hurting those most in need.	Integrated Anti Poverty Service (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	At a time of significant welfare reform, good quality advice services are needed to support people, particularly those on low incomes. The proposed integrated Anti Poverty service will help provide support and advice to vulnerable people in the community. The level of resources required to support this essential service for the most vulnerable in the community will be considered as part of the implementation of the new team.
19863	An individual	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	I agree with this as long as the teams know all the information the enquirer might need otherwise it is a waste of time	Integrated Anti Poverty Service (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The proposed integrated Anti Poverty service will help provide support and advice to vulnerable people in the community. Although the functions will be combined into a larger service, specialist advice and support will continue to be provided specific teams. Training will be provided to help facilitate the integration of this service.

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19864	An individual	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	This non-statutory area of activity should be reduced significantly. There is considerable duplication with the third sector - CAB for example. Advice on central government benefits should be the responsibility of central government.	Integrated Anti Poverty Service (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The level of resources required and opportunities to streamline process and remove duplication will be considered as part of the implementation of the new team. Officers will consider opportunities to work further with other partners and providers to deliver advice and support.
19865	No Response	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	I agree the advice shop has too many staff	Integrated Anti Poverty Service (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The level of resources required to support this essential service for the most vulnerable in the community will be considered as part of the implementation of the new team.
19866	An individual	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	Where is the role of the CAB and Vol Sector in this?	Integrated Anti Poverty Service (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The council's Advice Shop currently works closely with partners including Citizens Advice Bureau. Officers will consider opportunities to work further with other partners and providers to deliver anti-poverty advice and support.
19867	An individual	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	Close the advice shop and put online or make a call centre. Waste of money.	Integrated Anti Poverty Service (general)	5c. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it is not consistent with the council's values and priorities.	The council currently has a priority to minimise poverty, the cycle of deprivation and promote equality. The new anti-poverty service will allow the council to deliver this priority.
19868	No Response	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	Crucial that this revised model works. Careful monitoring required.	Integrated Anti Poverty Service (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	At a time of significant welfare reform, good quality advice services are needed to support people, particularly those on low incomes. The proposed integrated Anti Poverty service will help provide support and advice to vulnerable people in the community.
19869	An individual	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	I agree with this proposal. A more joined up anti poverty service will be critical for dealing with the roll out of Universal Credit.	Integrated Anti Poverty Service (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	At a time of significant welfare reform, good quality advice services are needed to support people, particularly those on low incomes. The proposed integrated Anti Poverty service will help provide support and advice to vulnerable people in the community
19870	An employee of West Lothian Council	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	Could be a conflict of interest with Advice Shop appealing against decisions made by Benefits Section	Integrated Anti Poverty Service (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Although the functions will be combined into a larger service, specialist advice and support will continue to be provided by specific teams. National Standards for Advice Providers ensures that free, impartial advice will be delivered. This includes the ability to challenge decisions which are potentially wrong. The new team will be structured in a way to minimise any potential conflict of interest.
19871	An employee of West Lothian Council	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	ok - good if can all be dealt with by one team	Integrated Anti Poverty Service (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	At a time of significant welfare reform, good quality advice services are needed to support people, particularly those on low incomes. It is anticipated that the proposed integrated Anti Poverty service will help provide support and advice to vulnerable people in the community. Although these specialist teams focus on different aspects of anti-poverty they will work together to provide essential support and services to a common customer.
19872	An individual	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	I think you should be giving them more money not less, Universal credit will be with us in Feb 18, we need to get ready	Integrated Anti Poverty Service (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposed integrated Anti Poverty service will help provide support and advice to vulnerable people in the community. The level of resources required and opportunities to streamline process and removing duplication will be considered as part of the implementation of the new team.
19873	An employee of West Lothian Council	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	The integration of these teams must be handled appropriately, although both teams operate under the umbrella of welfare benefits; the functions performed are fundamentally different. The Advice Shop in essence provides advocacy and assistance to claimants for all welfare benefits including those administered by the councils benefit team, this can involve challenges to benefit decisions made. The benefit team administer Housing Benefit, Council Tax Reduction, Discretionary Housing Payment and the Scottish Welfare Fund which are statutory required functions. These benefits are administered to legislative requirements set by the UK and Scottish Government and as such are subject to external audit. It is imperative in my view that a clear distinction remains between the decision making process and any advocacy/representation provided to claimants.	Integrated Anti Poverty Service (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Although the functions will be combined into a larger service, specialist advice and support will continue to be provided by specific teams. National Standards for Advice Providers ensures that free, impartial advice will be delivered. This includes the ability to challenge decisions which are potentially wrong. The new team will be structured in a way to minimise any potential conflict of interest.

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19874	An employee of West Lothian Council	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	Remove anything that is non-statutory	Integrated Anti Poverty Service (general)	5c. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it is not consistent with the council's values and priorities.	The council currently has a priority to minimise poverty, the cycle of deprivation and promote equality. The new anti-poverty service will allow the council to deliver this priority.
19875	An individual	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	As long as this did not impact on the service delivery. This is a necessary service.	Integrated Anti Poverty Service (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council currently has a priority to minimise poverty, the cycle of deprivation and promote equality. The new anti-poverty service will allow the council to deliver this priority. When developing the new Anti Poverty Strategy consideration will be given to the causes of poverty and potential interventions to help minimise their impact on vulnerable families.
19876	An employee of West Lothian Council	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	They can support people to get online!	Integrated Anti Poverty Service (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	The council has a number of initiatives, including support provided by the Advice Shop, to improve computer literacy.
19877	No Response	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	good idea as long as help was still there.	Integrated Anti Poverty Service (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The proposed integrated Anti Poverty service will help provide support and advice to vulnerable people in the community. The level of resources required and opportunities to streamline process and removing duplication will be considered as part of the implementation of the new team.
19878	An employee of West Lothian Council	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	consolidation of these teams would be an improvement to service delivery. This may however impact staffing levels, which would then impact staff morale.	Integrated Anti Poverty Service (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	At a time of significant welfare reform, good quality advice services are needed to support people, particularly those on low incomes. It is anticipated that the proposed integrated Anti Poverty service will help provide support and advice to vulnerable people in the community. Although these specialist teams focus on different aspects of anti-poverty they will work together to provide essential support and services to a common customer.
19879	An individual	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	This is a great idea and allowing West Lothian Council to look at best customer delivery service and alleviate overpayments, sharing information to save arrears, to alleviate poverty for customers who are in crisis.	Integrated Anti Poverty Service (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	At a time of significant welfare reform, good quality advice services are needed to support people, particularly those on low incomes. It is anticipated that the proposed integrated Anti Poverty service will help provide support and advice to vulnerable people in the community. Although these specialist teams focus on different aspects of anti-poverty they will work together to provide essential support and services to a common customer.
19880	An individual	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	With increasing numbers of workers earning insufficient wages/salaries to provide for their families, this is a key area of support.	Integrated Anti Poverty Service (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The council currently has a priority to minimise poverty, the cycle of deprivation and promote equality. The new anti-poverty service will allow the council to deliver this priority. When developing the new Anti Poverty Strategy consideration will be given to the causes of poverty and potential interventions to help minimise their impact on vulnerable families.
19881	An individual	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	There should be a shift to third sector providers such as the Citizen's Advice Bureau and vol orgs.	Integrated Anti Poverty Service (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The council's Advice Shop currently works closely with partners including Citizens Advice Bureau. Officers will consider opportunities to work further with other partners and providers to deliver anti-poverty advice and support.

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19882	An employee of West Lothian Council	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	There is a danger here that by joining these two teams, the Advice Shop loses its ability to provide the "independent" advice it is trusted by the West Lothian public to provide. What service improvements have been identified? Both teams carry out intrinsically different roles; Benefits Team are generally involved in the administration of Housing and Council Tax Benefits and Welfare Fund payments whilst Advice Shop provides advice, information and representation on a wide range of issues. There does not appear to be "duplication" and further information is required as to what is regarded as duplication and where savings can be made.	Integrated Anti Poverty Service (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Although the functions will be combined into a larger service, specialist advice and support will continue to be provided by specific teams. National Standards for Advice Providers ensures that free, impartial advice will be delivered. This includes the ability to challenge decisions which are potentially wrong. The new team will be structured in a way to minimise any potential conflict of interest. Welfare advice is currently provided by a number of different services across the council. When the provision of this advice comes from different service areas there is always the potential for some duplication.
19883	No Response	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	Bad idea benefits and advice shop focus on different outcome's	Integrated Anti Poverty Service (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Although the functions will be combined into a larger service, specialist advice and support will continue to be provided by specific teams. National Standards for Advice Providers ensures that free, impartial advice will be delivered. This includes the ability to challenge decisions which are potentially wrong. The new team will be structured in a way to minimise any potential conflict of interest.
19884	An employee of West Lothian Council	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	People would lose jobs to save money? It's not helping the anti-poverty ethos of the council.	Integrated Anti Poverty Service (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposed integrated Anti Poverty service will help provide support and advice to vulnerable people in the community. The level of resources required and opportunities to streamline process and removing duplication will be considered as part of the implementation of the new team.
19885	An employee of West Lothian Council	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	Cynical. This is not a statutory service, never has been. Given that it grew out of a volunteer service (myself included) in the early 1980s it is concerning to think that integration may well be driven by WLCs NEED to maximise income and NOT citizens. Targeted and priority will be to ensure benefits are gained to ensure those who need to pay council bills do so. Good One!	Integrated Anti Poverty Service (general)	5c. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it is not consistent with the council's values and priorities.	The council currently has a priority to minimise poverty, the cycle of deprivation and promote equality. The new anti-poverty service will allow the council to deliver this priority.
19886	An individual	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	Obesity levels are on the rise, yet levels of poverty are also at an all time high ? I've been to Africa, South America, Asia, Eastern Europe etc and what we call 'poverty' is insulting to those living in the poor regions of this earth. Not having the latest computer game/trainers/mobile phone/money for fags and booze (or worse) is NOT poverty.	Integrated Anti Poverty Service (general)	5c. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it is not consistent with the council's values and priorities.	The council currently has a priority to minimise poverty, the cycle of deprivation and promote equality. The new anti-poverty service will allow the council to deliver this priority.
19887	An employee of West Lothian Council	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	Benefit specific advice should come from the benefits team, the people dealing with their claims. Energy advice, money & debt advice etc should be the advice shop. Two distinct areas, within one team if these were merged.	Integrated Anti Poverty Service (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Although the functions will be combined into a larger service, specialist advice and support will continue to be provided by specific teams. National Standards for Advice Providers ensures that free, impartial advice will be delivered. This includes the ability to challenge decisions which are potentially wrong. The new team will be structured in a way to minimise any potential conflict of interest.
19888	An employee of West Lothian Council	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	Agreed - I currently work in this area and think the savings could be greater and productivity increased. Needs robustly and effectively managed - perhaps the introduction of targets and outcomes would assist the overall measurement and demand for this service.	Integrated Anti Poverty Service (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The proposed integrated Anti Poverty service will help provide support and advice to vulnerable people in the community. The level of resources required and opportunities to streamline process and removing duplication will be considered as part of the implementation of the new team.
19889	An employee of West Lothian Council	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	Not sure how this would work as they have conflicting jobs. Advice shop often help customers challenge the benefit teams decisions I feel advice shop would benefit from the assistance of the benefit team who have a varied knowledge	Integrated Anti Poverty Service (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Although the functions will be combined into a larger service, specialist advice and support will continue to be provided by specific teams. National Standards for Advice Providers ensures that free, impartial advice will be delivered. This includes the ability to challenge decisions which are potentially wrong. The new team will be structured in a way to minimise any potential conflict of interest.

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19890	An employee of West Lothian Council	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	Working in the Benefit department, I feel that combining the Advice Shop and Benefits Team would be a conflict of interest as the Advice shop challenge a lot of the decisions that are made by Benefits so would be working against each other. There is no duplication of work between the benefit department and the advice shop other than that the Advice shop can give some advice with regards to benefits, I do not feel that the service would work either from an employee point of view or from a customer point of view. It would be better to combine all means tested benefits including school meals and clothing grants into the benefit team and then it could all be dealt with as one point of contact and we would be able to check that customers are receiving everything that they are entitled to.	Integrated Anti Poverty Service (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Although the functions will be combined into a larger service, specialist advice and support will continue to be provided by specific teams. National Standards for Advice Providers ensures that free, impartial advice will be delivered. This includes the ability to challenge decisions which are potentially wrong. The new team will be structured in a way to minimise any potential conflict of interest.
19891	An individual	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	As someone who has had a family member be in touch with the Advice Shop, they are stretched to their limit and although do sterling work are in demand.	Integrated Anti Poverty Service (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The council currently has a priority to minimise poverty, the cycle of deprivation and promote equality. The new anti-poverty service will allow the council to deliver this priority. When developing the new Anti Poverty Strategy consideration will be given to the causes of poverty and potential interventions to help minimise their impact on vulnerable families.
19892	An individual	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	Support the development of one team to provide this service and remove duplication	Integrated Anti Poverty Service (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Welfare advice is currently provided by a number of different services across the council. When the provision of this advice comes from different service areas there is always the potential for some duplication. By consolidating the service into one overall team this will remove any potential duplication.
19893	No Response	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	I agree that joining up services would be beneficial as often there is more than one need which hopefully could be dealt with in a one stop shop	Integrated Anti Poverty Service (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	At a time of significant welfare reform, good quality advice services are needed to support people, particularly those on low incomes. It is anticipated that the proposed integrated Anti Poverty service will help provide support and advice to vulnerable people in the community. Although these specialist teams focus on different aspects of anti-poverty they will work together to provide essential support and services to a common customer.
19894	An employee of West Lothian Council	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	Good idea. Teach people how to live. Not just spend.	Integrated Anti Poverty Service (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council currently has a priority to minimise poverty, the cycle of deprivation and promote equality. The new anti-poverty service will allow the council to deliver this priority. When developing the new Anti Poverty Strategy consideration will be given to the causes of poverty and potential interventions to help minimise their impact on vulnerable families.
19895	An individual	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	Depends on where this service was provided. Anti poverty and advice needs to be within communities	Integrated Anti Poverty Service (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	At a time of significant welfare reform, good quality advice services are needed to support people, particularly those on low incomes. The proposed integrated Anti Poverty service will help provide support and advice to vulnerable people in the community. How individuals access this advice will be considered as part of the implementation of the new service.
19896	An individual	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	Again small beer	Integrated Anti Poverty Service (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19897	An individual	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	This service is a must for all	Integrated Anti Poverty Service (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council currently has a priority to minimise poverty, the cycle of deprivation and promote equality. The new anti-poverty service will allow the council to deliver this priority. When developing the new Anti Poverty Strategy consideration will be given to the causes of poverty and potential interventions to help minimise their impact on vulnerable families.

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19898	An employee of West Lothian Council	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	Good Idea but what is going to happen with the management that means there will be both groups doing the different roles and more managers to answer to	Integrated Anti Poverty Service (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The proposed integrated Anti Poverty service will help provide support and advice to vulnerable people in the community. The level of resources required and opportunities to streamline process and removing duplication will be considered as part of the implementation of the new team.
19899	An individual	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	Good idea. Saves people having to explain same thing to 2 different organisations	Integrated Anti Poverty Service (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	At a time of significant welfare reform, good quality advice services are needed to support people, particularly those on low incomes. It is anticipated that the proposed integrated Anti Poverty service will help provide support and advice to vulnerable people in the community. Although these specialist teams focus on different aspects of anti-poverty they will work together to provide essential support and services to a common customer.
19900	An individual	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	Early intervention on not relying on benefits for teenagers through to adulthood, repetitive lifestyles need to be looked at.	Integrated Anti Poverty Service (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The council currently has a priority to minimise poverty, the cycle of deprivation and promote equality. The new anti-poverty service will allow the council to deliver this priority. When developing the new Anti Poverty Strategy consideration will be given to the causes of poverty and potential interventions to help minimise their impact on vulnerable families.
19901	An individual	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	Joined up services in relation to Benefits, anti-poverty initiatives and care provision is necessary to ensure issues are identified and tackled at an early stage. Too often people in poverty are being left with only voluntary and charity organisations to support them. Local councils and central government need to do more to fix the broken system.	Integrated Anti Poverty Service (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	At a time of significant welfare reform, good quality advice services are needed to support people, particularly those on low incomes. It is anticipated that the proposed integrated Anti Poverty service will help provide support and advice to vulnerable people in the community. Although these specialist teams focus on different aspects of anti-poverty they will work together to provide essential support and services to a common customer.
19902	An individual	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	I have had wonderful service from both of these services....mainly the housing benefit team. They have given me more help and advice on my entitlements to benefits than I have received from the Department for Work & Pensions and HMRC. Of all the Council services, any loss or reductions to this service would impact on me the most.	Integrated Anti Poverty Service (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The council currently has a priority to minimise poverty, the cycle of deprivation and promote equality. The new anti-poverty service will allow the council to deliver this priority. When developing the new Anti Poverty Strategy consideration will be given to the causes of poverty and potential interventions to help minimise their impact on vulnerable families.
19903	An employee of West Lothian Council	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	It is also recognised that some of the savings mentioned in the proposal document such as additional work coming into the new anti-poverty team, could put these support functions under additional pressure	Integrated Anti Poverty Service (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	As the council will have less overall resources, the number of services delivered will have to reduce with services being reviewed based on the impact they have on priorities. This will include changes to service standards and the way remaining services are delivered. It is proposed that future spending will be aligned to the priorities in the Transforming Your Council consultation document.
19904	An employee of West Lothian Council	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	There are other anti poverty financial assistance awards that can be delivered by the integrated anti-poverty service which currently sit outwith the benefit team ie Personal care (see section 6), school clothing grants, school meals, section 12 and 22 payments, Education Maintenance Allowance to name a few. Consideration should be given to bringing all statutory and discretionary financial awards under the remit of this new team. Given the specialist knowledge in both the Advice Shop and the benefit Team, will jobs be ring fenced to protect jobs for staff either within those teams and at certain grades	Integrated Anti Poverty Service (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The proposed integrated Anti Poverty service will help provide support and advice to vulnerable people in the community. The level of resources required and opportunities to streamline process and removing duplication will be considered as part of the implementation of the new team. This will include the consideration of other financial assistance tasks in other areas of the council.
19905	An employee of West Lothian Council	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	This section also links back to section 3c, the new Anti-Poverty team and the suggestion of charging for non residential care for the elderly. Should this be agreed, the administration of this would be best placed under the same team, if agreed, that all financial assessments will be assessed	Integrated Anti Poverty Service (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	When introducing new charges the council considers the most cost efficient and effective way of administering and managing the collection process.

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19906	An employee of West Lothian Council	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	the advice shop help u alot	Integrated Anti Poverty Service (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The council currently has a priority to minimise poverty, the cycle of deprivation and promote equality. The new anti-poverty service will allow the council to deliver this priority. When developing the new Anti Poverty Strategy consideration will be given to the causes of poverty and potential interventions to help minimise their impact on vulnerable families.
19907	An individual	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	Those in need are most imporant	Integrated Anti Poverty Service (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The council currently has a priority to minimise poverty, the cycle of deprivation and promote equality. The new anti-poverty service will allow the council to deliver this priority. When developing the new Anti Poverty Strategy consideration will be given to the causes of poverty and potential interventions to help minimise their impact on vulnerable families.
19908	An employee of West Lothian Council	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	This will improve the service and allow service users to have this information in the one place.	Integrated Anti Poverty Service (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	At a time of significant welfare reform, good quality advice services are needed to support people, particularly those on low incomes. It is anticipated that the proposed integrated Anti Poverty service will help provide support and advice to vulnerable people in the community. Although these specialist teams focus on different aspects of anti-poverty they will work together to provide essential support and services to a common customer.
19909	An employee of West Lothian Council	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	It seems as though these two teams would be at odds with each other and so I'm not convinced that this would work well. From what I understand, they regularly challenge each other's decisions and often don't agree and so I can't see this proposal working harmoniously.	Integrated Anti Poverty Service (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Although the functions will be combined into a larger service, specialist advice and support will continue to be provided by specific teams. National Standards for Advice Providers ensures that free, impartial advice will be delivered. This includes the ability to challenge decisions which are potentially wrong. The new team will be structured in a way to minimise any potential conflict of interest.
19910	An individual	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	Maybe more focused but team will end up overstretched - stressed and then workers absent from work both long and short term.	Integrated Anti Poverty Service (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposed integrated Anti Poverty service will help provide support and advice to vulnerable people in the community. The level of resources required and opportunities to streamline process and removing duplication will be considered as part of the implementation of the new team.
19911	An individual	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	You need more than one Advice Shop.	Integrated Anti Poverty Service (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	At a time of significant welfare reform, good quality advice services are needed to support people, particularly those on low incomes. The proposed integrated Anti Poverty service will help provide support and advice to vulnerable people in the community. How individuals access this advice will be considered as part of the implementation of the new service.
19912	An individual	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	dows this mean a reduction on staff putting longer waiting times for people seeking advice	Integrated Anti Poverty Service (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The proposed integrated Anti Poverty service will help provide support and advice to vulnerable people in the community. The level of resources required and opportunities to streamline process and removing duplication will be considered as part of the implementation of the new team.
19913	No Response	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	Use one stop shop.	Integrated Anti Poverty Service (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is anticipated that the proposed integrated Anti Poverty service will help provide support and advice to vulnerable people in the community. Although these specialist teams focus on different aspects of anti-poverty they will work together to provide essential support and services to a common customer.
19914	An individual	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	Sounds feasible. Perhaps the council should avail itself of the Advice Shop services to help manage its budget ?	Integrated Anti Poverty Service (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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19915	An individual	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	So long it does provide an improved service...	Integrated Anti Poverty Service (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	At a time of significant welfare reform, good quality advice services are needed to support people, particularly those on low incomes. The proposed integrated Anti Poverty service will help provide support and advice to vulnerable people in the community.
19916	An individual	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	One team must not mean one location - support for poverty reduction in individual communities can only be delivered in that community, which is not the whole of West Lothian	Integrated Anti Poverty Service (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	At a time of significant welfare reform, good quality advice services are needed to support people, particularly those on low incomes. The proposed integrated Anti Poverty service will help provide support and advice to vulnerable people in the community. How individuals access this advice will be considered as part of the implementation of the new service.
19917	An individual	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	Agreed as long as it does come together as one cooperating integrated team.	Integrated Anti Poverty Service (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	At a time of significant welfare reform, good quality advice services are needed to support people, particularly those on low incomes. It is anticipated that the proposed integrated Anti Poverty service will help provide support and advice to vulnerable people in the community. Although these specialist teams focus on different aspects of anti-poverty they will work together to provide essential support and services to a common customer.
19918	An individual	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	Would this mean longer waiting times for those in need?	Integrated Anti Poverty Service (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The proposed integrated Anti Poverty service will help provide support and advice to vulnerable people in the community. The level of resources required and opportunities to streamline process and removing duplication will be considered as part of the implementation of the new team.
19919	An individual	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	As long as the front line focus is on the customer	Integrated Anti Poverty Service (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The council currently has a priority to minimise poverty, the cycle of deprivation and promote equality. The new anti-poverty service will allow the council to deliver this priority. When developing the new Anti Poverty Strategy consideration will be given to the causes of poverty and potential interventions to help minimise their impact on vulnerable families.
19920	An employee of West Lothian Council	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	Initially I would have thought that this is a nice to have service, however for elderly and other vulnerable groups, I now realise that this service is essential - especially with changes brought about by Welfare Reform. Review and rationalise, but maintain support.	Integrated Anti Poverty Service (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The council currently has a priority to minimise poverty, the cycle of deprivation and promote equality. The new anti-poverty service will allow the council to deliver this priority. When developing the new Anti Poverty Strategy consideration will be given to the causes of poverty and potential interventions to help minimise their impact on vulnerable families.
19921	An individual	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	Sounds sensible providing cost of training will not negate savings.	Integrated Anti Poverty Service (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The level of resources required and opportunities to streamline process and removing duplication will be considered as part of the implementation of the new team. Although the functions will be combined into a larger service, specialist advice and support will continue to be provided specific teams.
19922	An individual	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	There is no such thing as poverty in this country. It's people who just want to sit on their fat arses and collect dole money.	Integrated Anti Poverty Service (general)	5c. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it is not consistent with the council's values and priorities.	The council currently has a priority to minimise poverty, the cycle of deprivation and promote equality. The new anti-poverty service will allow the council to deliver this priority.

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19923	An individual	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	See above - I agree with the proposal to improve the quality and accessibility of customer services in the Council.	Integrated Anti Poverty Service (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	At a time of significant welfare reform, good quality advice services are needed to support people, particularly those on low incomes. It is anticipated that the proposed integrated Anti Poverty service will help provide support and advice to vulnerable people in the community. Although these specialist teams focus on different aspects of anti-poverty they will work together to provide essential support and services to a common customer.
19924	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	What does this saving mean? Again we have insufficient information relating to the specifics of this saving to make an informed decision on who this will affect and how. Has an equality impact assessment been completed for this saving? Will staff be required to move locations and if so is the building accessible, equally would the building be fully accessible for those (customers) wishing and / or needing to access the advice shop/benefits team? Would the other services currently available within the advice shop be withdrawn? Would the outreach services continue throughout west Lothian or would this be centralised also?	Integrated Anti Poverty Service (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	In line with established budget setting processes, all proposed reduction measures will be subject to an equality impact assessment.
19925	An individual	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	Would staff from both areas be in the same location? Would temporary staff in these areas have the same rights as permanent staff. If staffing numbers are reduced in this area how do the staff cope with the increase in workload?	Integrated Anti Poverty Service (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The proposed integrated Anti Poverty service will help provide support and advice to vulnerable people in the community. How individuals access this advice, and where it will be provided from, will be considered as part of the implementation of the new service.
19926	An employee of West Lothian Council	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	I do not think there should be anyone living in poverty and would be loathe to remove any support from those in need	Integrated Anti Poverty Service (general)	5d. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it has been previously considered and will not be progressed.	The council currently has a priority to minimise poverty, the cycle of deprivation and promote equality. The new anti-poverty service will allow the council to deliver this priority. When developing the new Anti Poverty Strategy consideration will be given to the causes of poverty and potential interventions to help minimise their impact on vulnerable families.
19927	An individual	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	Sounds good, more efficient and one place for people to go to.	Integrated Anti Poverty Service (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	At a time of significant welfare reform, good quality advice services are needed to support people, particularly those on low incomes. It is anticipated that the proposed integrated Anti Poverty service will help provide support and advice to vulnerable people in the community. Although these specialist teams focus on different aspects of anti-poverty they will work together to provide essential support and services to a common customer.
19928	An employee of West Lothian Council	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	In agreement with this as there can be too many teams doing the same things.	Integrated Anti Poverty Service (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Welfare advice is currently provided by a number of different services across the council. When the provision of this advice comes from different service areas there is always the potential for some duplication. By consolidating the service into one overall team this will remove any potential duplication.
19929	An employee of West Lothian Council	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	Please do not cut benefits of those that need it!	Integrated Anti Poverty Service (general)	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	Benefits are decided by the UK and Scottish governments.
19930	No Response	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	Successfully developed... I guess that depends on your definition of successfully!	Integrated Anti Poverty Service (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19931	An individual	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	Fortunately never had to use it though I would imagine this would create long waiting times	Integrated Anti Poverty Service (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The proposed integrated Anti Poverty service will help provide support and advice to vulnerable people in the community. The level of resources required and opportunities to streamline process and removing duplication will be considered as part of the implementation of the new team.

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19932	An employee of West Lothian Council	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	Some good examples of partnership working	Integrated Anti Poverty Service (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19933	An individual	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	If this means information is obtainable from one place, instead of being passed back and forth this can only be a good thing	Integrated Anti Poverty Service (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19934	An individual	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	It's my view that other services such as CAB already provide these services and are generally better at it than the council.	Integrated Anti Poverty Service (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The council's Advice Shop currently works closely with partners including Citizens Advice Bureau. Officers will consider opportunities to work further with other partners and providers to deliver anti-poverty advice and support.
19935	An individual	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	Unsure how this saving can be achieved. Surely these services are already running with a shortage of staff. Staff who have short term contracts should not be renewed. Benefits are a statutory service and if you join up staff it takes 5 months to train on benefits. Is this really cost effective.	Integrated Anti Poverty Service (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The proposed integrated Anti Poverty service will help provide support and advice to vulnerable people in the community. The level of resources required and opportunities to streamline process and removing duplication will be considered as part of the implementation of the new team.
19936	An individual	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	Work based involvement training ,, no more free handouts,, we all have life choices to made,,	Integrated Anti Poverty Service (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The council currently has a priority to minimise poverty, the cycle of deprivation and promote equality. The new anti-poverty service will allow the council to deliver this priority. When developing the new Anti Poverty Strategy consideration will be given to the causes of poverty and potential interventions to help minimise their impact on vulnerable families.
19937	No Response	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	I agree, as long as access to the Team is not limited by the proposed co-location, perhaps team members could be hosted by non-statutory organisations across the council area, in addition to having a central team base	Integrated Anti Poverty Service (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	At a time of significant welfare reform, good quality advice services are needed to support people, particularly those on low incomes. The proposed integrated Anti Poverty service will help provide support and advice to vulnerable people in the community. How individuals access this advice will be considered as part of the implementation of the new service.
19938	An individual	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	There should be a team in each area and not only one to allow these communities better access and more support. Poverty is the most important issue to tackle in the west lothian as crime rise and it's obvious where it comes from and families should be supported and even help them more so the whole community will gain better quality of life.	Integrated Anti Poverty Service (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	At a time of significant welfare reform, good quality advice services are needed to support people, particularly those on low incomes. The proposed integrated Anti Poverty service will help provide support and advice to vulnerable people in the community. How individuals access this advice will be considered as part of the implementation of the new service.
19939	An individual	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	This could be a good thing if organised correctly. Shared expertise and a place for users to have all their questions answered in one place at the same time sounds sensible. Location of course could be an issue. Several micro offices within shared premises would be best.	Integrated Anti Poverty Service (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	At a time of significant welfare reform, good quality advice services are needed to support people, particularly those on low incomes. The proposed integrated Anti Poverty service will help provide support and advice to vulnerable people in the community. How individuals access this advice will be considered as part of the implementation of the new service.
19940	An employee of West Lothian Council	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	Consideration should be given to funding third sector parties (such as CAB) to provide this service.	Integrated Anti Poverty Service (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The council's Advice Shop currently works closely with partners including Citizens Advice Bureau. Officers will consider opportunities to work further with other partners and providers to deliver anti-poverty advice and support.
19941	An individual	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	Hopefully this would be integrated in a way that the local and wider community would have easy access.	Integrated Anti Poverty Service (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	At a time of significant welfare reform, good quality advice services are needed to support people, particularly those on low incomes. The proposed integrated Anti Poverty service will help provide support and advice to vulnerable people in the community. How individuals access this advice will be considered as part of the implementation of the new service.

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19942	An individual	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	Combining these two services would not be in the communities best interest. This would result in more job cuts for advice shop and benefit staff. The advice shop also challenge the decisions made by the benefit team.	Integrated Anti Poverty Service (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Although the functions will be combined into a larger service, specialist advice and support will continue to be provided by specific teams. National Standards for Advice Providers ensures that free, impartial advice will be delivered. This includes the ability to challenge decisions which are potentially wrong. The new team will be structured in a way to minimise any potential conflict of interest.
19943	An individual	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	Is this the council's role? Where does DWP and \Citizens Advice fit in here?	Integrated Anti Poverty Service (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The council currently has a priority to minimise poverty, the cycle of deprivation and promote equality. The new anti-poverty service will allow the council to deliver this priority.
19944	An individual	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	poverty is a horrible thing and shouldnt be a thing in 2017. support people, families. no cuts but more support.	Integrated Anti Poverty Service (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council currently has a priority to minimise poverty, the cycle of deprivation and promote equality. The new anti-poverty service will allow the council to deliver this priority. When developing the new Anti Poverty Strategy consideration will be given to the causes of poverty and potential interventions to help minimise their impact on vulnerable families.
19945	An individual	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	no one should be living in poverty in scotland. we need to look after each other and this is needed.	Integrated Anti Poverty Service (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council currently has a priority to minimise poverty, the cycle of deprivation and promote equality. The new anti-poverty service will allow the council to deliver this priority. When developing the new Anti Poverty Strategy consideration will be given to the causes of poverty and potential interventions to help minimise their impact on vulnerable families.
19946	An individual	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	with food banks everywhere is this really somewhere you can cut funding?	Integrated Anti Poverty Service (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council currently has a priority to minimise poverty, the cycle of deprivation and promote equality. The new anti-poverty service will allow the council to deliver this priority. When developing the new Anti Poverty Strategy consideration will be given to the causes of poverty and potential interventions to help minimise their impact on vulnerable families.
19947	An individual	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	This is pointless as itâ€™s the local council that deals with housing benefit and causes all the issues that people have and need to use these services. How about the council just get it right meaning these services would not be needed. Exactly what I was faced with today two employees have had there housing benefits cut as the done 5 hours overtime for me to cover holidays and sickness but West Lothian coucil in there wisdom takes it that they will always earn this overtime and cuts my employees benefits effectively scaring them from ever doing overtime again meaning my business does not grow in West Lothian and I canâ€™t employ more people. West Lothian is bad for business.	Integrated Anti Poverty Service (general)	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	Benefits are decided by the UK and Scottish governments. This includes the parameters and income levels used to determine benefit entitlement.
19948	An individual	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	Think there should be links with Food banks as place to offer advice	Integrated Anti Poverty Service (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	The council currently has links with the food bank.
19949	An individual	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	Anti poverty should not be affected.	Integrated Anti Poverty Service (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The council currently has a priority to minimise poverty, the cycle of deprivation and promote equality. The new anti-poverty service will allow the council to deliver this priority. When developing the new Anti Poverty Strategy consideration will be given to the causes of poverty and potential interventions to help minimise their impact on vulnerable families.
19950	An employee of West Lothian Council	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	If it means people won't be getting the help they need its hard to see how it will save money.	Integrated Anti Poverty Service (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The council currently has a priority to minimise poverty, the cycle of deprivation and promote equality. The new anti-poverty service will allow the council to deliver this priority. When developing the new Anti Poverty Strategy consideration will be given to the causes of poverty and potential interventions to help minimise their impact on vulnerable families.

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19951	An employee of West Lothian Council	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	Please include additional computer access for public.	Integrated Anti Poverty Service (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
19952	An individual	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	I think these are two different departments giving a different service. This will cause cuts to staff and cuts to services provided.	Integrated Anti Poverty Service (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Although the functions will be combined into a larger service, specialist advice and support will continue to be provided by specific teams. National Standards for Advice Providers ensures that free, impartial advice will be delivered. This includes the ability to challenge decisions which are potentially wrong. The new team will be structured in a way to minimise any potential conflict of interest.
19953	An employee of West Lothian Council	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	I find it curious that these council services encourage and show individuals how to claim benefits that subsequently then drain the council budget?	Integrated Anti Poverty Service (general)	5c. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it is not consistent with the council's values and priorities.	The council currently has a priority to minimise poverty, the cycle of deprivation and promote equality. The new anti-poverty service will allow the council to deliver this priority.
19954	An individual	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	As long as everyone who needs the service can still use it, then go for it	Integrated Anti Poverty Service (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	At a time of significant welfare reform, good quality advice services are needed to support people, particularly those on low incomes. The proposed integrated Anti Poverty service will help provide support and advice to vulnerable people in the community. How individuals access this advice will be considered as part of the implementation of the new service.
19955	An employee of West Lothian Council	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	Agree with combining team but disagree with cutting staff as there is more demand in this area.	Integrated Anti Poverty Service (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The proposed integrated Anti Poverty service will help provide support and advice to vulnerable people in the community. The level of resources required and opportunities to streamline process and removing duplication will be considered as part of the implementation of the new team.
19956	An individual	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	Removal of Duplication is the Holy Grail but sadly rarely achievable in the real world. Certainly not without pain, resistance and objection. Police Scotland and Ambulance Call Centre spring to mind.	Integrated Anti Poverty Service (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has a proven track record of partnership working and would wish to build on this to continue providing local services. Through integration, and potentially sharing services with partners, it is expected that access and individual experiences will be improved. There would be less duplication and more streamlining of services. In addition to investigating partnership working, the council will continue to remove internal duplication and consolidate teams where appropriate.
19957	No Response	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	This is fine if it means people can access the help they need when they need it Having tried to access advice from these services I've yet to speak to a real human as time in the phone has been spent waiting in a queue and eventually emailing for advice to be told the best way to access advice is to phone and speak to someone!	Integrated Anti Poverty Service (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	At a time of significant welfare reform, good quality advice services are needed to support people, particularly those on low incomes. The proposed integrated Anti Poverty service will help provide support and advice to vulnerable people in the community. How individuals access this advice will be considered as part of the implementation of the new service.
19958	An individual	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	Fine but the best professionals should work here but not other partners	Integrated Anti Poverty Service (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The proposed integrated Anti Poverty service will help provide support and advice to vulnerable people in the community. The level of resources required and opportunities to streamline process and removing duplication will be considered as part of the implementation of the new team.
19959	An individual	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	cut benefits for the ones that dont want to contribute . We keep talking about a fair society but then tax the people who are working	Integrated Anti Poverty Service (general)	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	The council currently has a priority to minimise poverty, the cycle of deprivation and promote equality. The new anti-poverty service will allow the council to deliver this priority. Benefits are decided by the UK and Scottish governments.

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19960	An employee of West Lothian Council	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	All anti-poverty services should be combined and delivered by one team i.e. Personal Care, school clothing grants, school meals, EMA (which I do not agree with - we shouldn't have to pay our children to stay on at school for a better education).The specialist knowledge in Benefits and the Advice shop could meet these needs. Will jobs be ring fenced for staff already working in these units?	Integrated Anti Poverty Service (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The proposed integrated Anti Poverty service will help provide support and advice to vulnerable people in the community. The level of resources required and opportunities to streamline process and removing duplication will be considered as part of the implementation of the new team. This will include the consideration of other financial assistance tasks in other areas of the council. The restructure of these units would be subject to existing council workforce management policy and procedures.
19961	No Response	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	More targeted and focused - cutting staff - cutting services	Integrated Anti Poverty Service (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	All services will be reviewed based on the impact they have on priorities. It is proposed that future spending will be aligned to the priorities in the Transforming Your Council consultation document.
19962	An employee of West Lothian Council	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	Introduction of universal credit and full roll out will increase admin duties for staff. Less time chasing rent whilst dealing with admin duties. Advice Shop staff should be available in each council office.	Integrated Anti Poverty Service (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	At a time of significant welfare reform, good quality advice services are needed to support people, particularly those on low incomes. The proposed integrated Anti Poverty service will help provide support and advice to vulnerable people in the community. How individuals access this advice will be considered as part of the implementation of the new service. The level of resources required and opportunities to streamline process and removing duplication will be considered as part of the implementation of the new team.
19963	An individual	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	as long as tackling poverty, is to get people in to work	Integrated Anti Poverty Service (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council currently has a priority to minimise poverty, the cycle of deprivation and promote equality. The new anti-poverty service will allow the council to deliver this priority. When developing the new Anti Poverty Strategy consideration will be given to the causes of poverty and potential interventions to help minimise their impact on vulnerable families.
19964	An individual	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	not a user friendly service cuts made to DLA PIP not given and a 6 months waiting time before its heard in a tribunal? No help or support from previous advisors in day centres as theyre all shut to cut costs...why target vunreable people?	Integrated Anti Poverty Service (general)	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	Personal Independence Payments are not administered by the council. Any requiring support in this process can contact the Advice Shop for independent support and advice.
19965	An individual	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	In view of the measures being introduced by the Westminster government on the poorest of our communities, all help to them must be maintained.	Integrated Anti Poverty Service (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The council currently has a priority to minimise poverty, the cycle of deprivation and promote equality. The new anti-poverty service will allow the council to deliver this priority. When developing the new Anti Poverty Strategy consideration will be given to the causes of poverty and potential interventions to help minimise their impact on vulnerable families.
19966	An employee of West Lothian Council	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	This is an area that requires expertise and leadership. There is an excessive degree of duplication throughout the council in information that is provided to enable residents to gain the benefits and services that they are entitled to and this needs to be addressed. Benefits is a service that is driven with constant legislation changes and needs focus and motivation to ensure that it is provided at a high level. Housing Benefit brings money into the council through government subsidy therefore requires to have an excellent level of processing accuracy. Although there will be a reduction in benefit claimants due to Universal Credit there will still be a substantial existing caseload who will not transfer to Universal Credit.	Integrated Anti Poverty Service (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	At a time of significant welfare reform, good quality advice services are needed to support people, particularly those on low incomes. The proposed integrated Anti Poverty service will help provide support and advice to vulnerable people in the community. Welfare advice is currently provided by a number of different services across the council. When the provision of this advice comes from different service areas there is always the potential for some duplication. By consolidating the service into one overall team this will remove any potential duplication.

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19967	An employee of West Lothian Council	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	Better training, delegation, trust and empowerment is required at all levels.	Integrated Anti Poverty Service (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Benefits staff currently receive an extensive programme of training before processing claims. Through closer working with the Advice Shop and other areas of the council, such as Housing, this should improve the quality of support and advice provided. Training will be provided to help facilitate the integration of this service.
19968	No Response	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	As above - you could provide a mobile service for both services, which could cover all areas and assist people who find it difficult to visit the one location? Alternatively these services could be provided in any council public building. Staff could be more mobile and spend one day per week at a different location.	Integrated Anti Poverty Service (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	At a time of significant welfare reform, good quality advice services are needed to support people, particularly those on low incomes. The proposed integrated Anti Poverty service will help provide support and advice to vulnerable people in the community. How individuals access this advice will be considered as part of the implementation of the new service.
19969	An individual	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	Anything must be better than what people have to go through at the moment	Integrated Anti Poverty Service (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council currently has a priority to minimise poverty, the cycle of deprivation and promote equality. The new anti-poverty service will allow the council to deliver this priority. When developing the new Anti Poverty Strategy consideration will be given to the causes of poverty and potential interventions to help minimise their impact on vulnerable families.
19970	An individual	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	Merge them and get savings through reduced management structures.	Integrated Anti Poverty Service (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The proposed integrated Anti Poverty service will help provide support and advice to vulnerable people in the community. The level of resources required and opportunities to streamline process and removing duplication will be considered as part of the implementation of the new team.
19971	An individual	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	Any job losses, probably	Integrated Anti Poverty Service (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	As the council will have less overall resources, the number of services delivered will have to reduce with services being reviewed based on the impact they have on priorities. This will include changes to service standards, staffing levels and the way remaining services are delivered. It is proposed that future spending will be aligned to the priorities in the Transforming Your Council consultation document.
19972	An employee of West Lothian Council	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	Agree with this approach, anti poverty should be a key focus. The team needs to also focus on prevention and also how to get people out of poverty and break the cycle, those services need to be included in the team otherwise the issue will never really be fixed. This could include other Council services and also grants commissioned and contracted to outside agencies to address anti poverty.	Integrated Anti Poverty Service (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council currently has a priority to minimise poverty, the cycle of deprivation and promote equality. The new anti-poverty service will allow the council to deliver this priority. When developing the new Anti Poverty Strategy consideration will be given to the causes of poverty and potential interventions to help minimise their impact on vulnerable families. The level of resources required and opportunities to streamline process and removing duplication will be considered as part of the implementation of the new team. This will include the consideration of other financial assistance tasks in other areas of the council.
19973	An employee of West Lothian Council	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	I would support this proposal as long as the Advice Shop have enough staff and resources to continue delivering this amazing service.	Integrated Anti Poverty Service (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The proposed integrated Anti Poverty service will help provide support and advice to vulnerable people in the community. The level of resources required and opportunities to streamline process and removing duplication will be considered as part of the implementation of the new team.
19974	An employee of West Lothian Council	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	As long a service users would not be adversely effected. As I know from my previous employment what a lifeline these service provide to the most vulnerable in our community. My understanding is that CAB in West Lothian is due to close do there workload is likely to increase. People need to now their rights.	Integrated Anti Poverty Service (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	At a time of significant welfare reform, good quality advice services are needed to support people, particularly those on low incomes. The proposed integrated Anti Poverty service will help provide support and advice to vulnerable people in the community.

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19975	An employee of West Lothian Council	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	Agree with removal of duplication. Are we tackling the causes of poverty upstream? Is there evidence to show that benefits reduce poverty? Or do they support/encourage poverty? A better educated population and higher-value employment will reduce poverty over time.	Integrated Anti Poverty Service (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council currently has a priority to minimise poverty, the cycle of deprivation and promote equality. The new anti-poverty service will allow the council to deliver this priority. When developing the new Anti Poverty Strategy consideration will be given to the causes of poverty and potential interventions to help minimise their impact on vulnerable families.
19976	An employee of West Lothian Council	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	Unsure if there is duplication between the advice shop and benefits team as they provide different things. If this is possible though it is a good proposal.	Integrated Anti Poverty Service (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Welfare advice is currently provided by a number of different services across the council. When the provision of this advice comes from different service areas there is always the potential for some duplication.
19977	An employee of West Lothian Council	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	The new services should provide British Sign Language Interpreter for Deaf people to have the equal access to the service as others.	Integrated Anti Poverty Service (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	he proposed integrated Anti Poverty service will help provide support and advice to vulnerable people in the community. How individuals access this advice will be considered as part of the implementation of the new service.
19978	An employee of West Lothian Council	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	Great in theory - where this falls down is once applications are passed to DWP - I am aware of instances where people are receiving no financial support / assistance of any means where eligibility for benefit decisions take weeks to be processed at DWP level. I am aware of instances where people have no income and are not able to buy food and/or are not eating for days due to not even being eligible for assistance from the Food bank.	Integrated Anti Poverty Service (general)	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	The council has no control over the processing times of central government departments however the Advice Shop can help individuals to access support during this period of delay including crisis care grants and other avenues of support.
19979	An employee of West Lothian Council	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	This service would need to be accessible to those in hardship. Keeping shops within communities allows those who need them to access them. Outreach would need to be available to those unable to travel.	Integrated Anti Poverty Service (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	At a time of significant welfare reform, good quality advice services are needed to support people, particularly those on low incomes. The proposed integrated Anti Poverty service will help provide support and advice to vulnerable people in the community. How individuals access this advice will be considered as part of the implementation of the new service.
19980	An individual	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	While it is pleasing to see that the need for such a service is being recognised, it is depressing to see that the proposals will once again result in a diminished provision to what we currently have.	Integrated Anti Poverty Service (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	At a time of significant welfare reform, good quality advice services are needed to support people, particularly those on low incomes. It is anticipated that the proposed integrated Anti Poverty service will help provide support and advice to vulnerable people in the community.
19981	An individual	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	this service should be funded by the council but not be part of the council	Integrated Anti Poverty Service (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council currently has a priority to minimise poverty, the cycle of deprivation and promote equality. The new anti-poverty service will allow the council to deliver this priority.
19982	An individual	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	Provided the service is not only available in one physical location but is accessible across the council area.	Integrated Anti Poverty Service (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	At a time of significant welfare reform, good quality advice services are needed to support people, particularly those on low incomes. The proposed integrated Anti Poverty service will help provide support and advice to vulnerable people in the community. How individuals access this advice will be considered as part of the implementation of the new service.
19983	An individual	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	This seems like a good idea, so long as there are sufficient staff employed in the combined service.	Integrated Anti Poverty Service (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The proposed integrated Anti Poverty service will help provide support and advice to vulnerable people in the community. The level of resources required and opportunities to streamline process and removing duplication will be considered as part of the implementation of the new team.
19984	An employee of West Lothian Council	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	In this day and age the advice shop is struggling with the volume of clients and appointment times are getting further apart, this department needs more help	Integrated Anti Poverty Service (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The proposed integrated Anti Poverty service will help provide support and advice to vulnerable people in the community. The level of resources required and opportunities to streamline process and removing duplication will be considered as part of the implementation of the new team.

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19985	An individual	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	As long as the services are still easily available to those who need them.	Integrated Anti Poverty Service (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	At a time of significant welfare reform, good quality advice services are needed to support people, particularly those on low incomes. The proposed integrated Anti Poverty service will help provide support and advice to vulnerable people in the community. How individuals access this advice will be considered as part of the implementation of the new service.
19986	An individual	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	In many ways it makes sense to have these teams working together and customer base can be quite similar. The Advice Shop has many strengths such as engagement with hard to reach, supporting those who need it the most, generating large amounts of income for local community and the council, keeping people in work and their homes, established partnerships and the community ear. The service is also at the fore-front of anti-poverty and supporting customers through welfare reforms. The Advice Shop offer a full West Lothian Service and have the ability to change and adapt to peoples needs. This arrangement would hopefully if managed well, only enhance the support given to customers and have positive outcomes for all those involved.	Integrated Anti Poverty Service (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	At a time of significant welfare reform, good quality advice services are needed to support people, particularly those on low incomes. It is anticipated that the proposed integrated Anti Poverty service will help provide support and advice to vulnerable people in the community. Although these specialist teams focus on different aspects of anti-poverty they will work together to provide essential support and services to a common customer.
19987	An employee of West Lothian Council	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	Partnership with CAB?	Integrated Anti Poverty Service (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The council's Advice Shop currently works closely with partners including Citizens Advice Bureau. Officers will consider opportunities to work further with other partners and providers to deliver anti-poverty advice and support.
19988	An individual	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	Absolutely needed part of society	Integrated Anti Poverty Service (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	At a time of significant welfare reform, good quality advice services are needed to support people, particularly those on low incomes. The proposed integrated Anti Poverty service will help provide support and advice to vulnerable people in the community.
19989	An individual	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	The council should ensure that the advice provided is impartial, and that impartiality is a priority.	Integrated Anti Poverty Service (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	National Standards for Advice Providers ensures that free, impartial advice will be delivered. This includes the ability to challenge decisions which are potentially wrong. The new team will also be structured in a way to minimise any potential conflict of interest.
19990	An employee of West Lothian Council	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	Agree. Possibly make use of other sources like Citizens Advice Bureau and increase funding here if it saves providing the service in-house?	Integrated Anti Poverty Service (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council's Advice Shop currently works closely with partners including Citizens Advice Bureau. Officers will consider opportunities to work further with other partners and providers to deliver anti-poverty advice and support.
19991	No Response	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	Again a good proposal to reduce back office red tape and free up resource at the coalface.	Integrated Anti Poverty Service (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The proposed integrated Anti Poverty service will help provide support and advice to vulnerable people in the community. The level of resources required and opportunities to streamline process and remove duplication will be considered as part of the implementation of the new team.
19992	An employee of West Lothian Council	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	As long as it doesn't make it hard for people to access the service due to lower staff numbers.	Integrated Anti Poverty Service (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	At a time of significant welfare reform, good quality advice services are needed to support people, particularly those on low incomes. The proposed integrated Anti Poverty service will help provide support and advice to vulnerable people in the community. How individuals access this advice will be considered as part of the implementation of the new service.
19993	No Response	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	Joined up and integration of services would also likely increase customer satisfaction and reduce double handling.	Integrated Anti Poverty Service (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The proposed integrated Anti Poverty service will help provide support and advice to vulnerable people in the community. Opportunities to streamline process and remove duplication will be considered as part of the implementation of the new team. This will include the consideration of other financial assistance tasks in other areas of the council.

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19994	An individual	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	In terms of the efficiency savings and the knowledge of both services, I feel that the Advice Shop provide a supported service and the Benefits Team challenge the advice provided by them. Maybe as a service user this perception is wrong however, in my eyes the two teams do different jobs, one tries to help and other tries to take it away.	Integrated Anti Poverty Service (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Although the functions will be combined into a larger service, specialist advice and support will continue to be provided by specific teams. National Standards for Advice Providers ensures that free, impartial advice will be delivered. This includes the ability to challenge decisions which are potentially wrong. The new team will be structured in a way to minimise any potential conflict of interest.
19995	No Response	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	Once again why is there duplication - who's running the council, they need to start acting like they were spending their own money.	Integrated Anti Poverty Service (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Welfare advice is currently provided by a number of different services across the council. When the provision of this advice comes from different service areas there is always the potential for some duplication. By consolidating the service into one overall team this will remove any potential duplication.
19996	An individual	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	How do you work with CAB in WL and not compete with them?	Integrated Anti Poverty Service (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The council's Advice Shop currently works closely with partners including Citizens Advice Bureau. Officers will consider opportunities to work further with other partners and providers to deliver anti-poverty advice and support.
19997	An individual	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	Are the welfare reforms working? I could see there could be duplication in this work but suggest the retention of staff Overworked staff will be off with stress as I would imagine thus would be a difficult job with people expecting money the perhaps do not qualify for	Integrated Anti Poverty Service (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Welfare advice is currently provided by a number of different services across the council. When the provision of this advice comes from different service areas there is always the potential for some duplication. By consolidating the service into one overall team this will remove any potential duplication. The level of resources required and opportunities to streamline process and remove duplication will be considered as part of the implementation of the new team.
19998	An individual	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	What a sad state of affairs, putting more pressure on less staff. This service, more than ever is needed, especially with changes to benefits and universal credit. Sounds like these staff are going to be swamped.	Integrated Anti Poverty Service (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposed integrated Anti Poverty service will help provide support and advice to vulnerable people in the community. The level of resources required and opportunities to streamline process and remove duplication will be considered as part of the implementation of the new team.
19999	An employee of West Lothian Council	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	Integrated Anti-Poverty Service - There are other anti poverty financial assistance awards that can be delivered by the integrated anti-poverty service which currently sit outwith the benefit team ie Personal care, school clothing grants, school meals, section 12 and 22 payments, Education Maintenance Allowance to name a few. Consideration should be given to bringing all statutory and discretionary financial awards under the remit of this new team. Given the specialist knowledge in both the Advice Shop and the benefit Team, will jobs be ringfenced to protect jobs for staff either within those teams and at certain grades Concern on a number of temporary staff and permanent staff also in relation to the terms and conditions of being placed on the redeployment list. Given the number of staff cuts across the council, realistically where are staff on the list going to be redeployed to.	Integrated Anti Poverty Service (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The proposed integrated Anti Poverty service will help provide support and advice to vulnerable people in the community. Opportunities to streamline process and remove duplication will be considered as part of the implementation of the new team. This will include the consideration of other financial assistance tasks in other areas of the council. The restructure of these units would be subject to existing council workforce management policy and procedures
20000	An individual	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	bring all statutory and discretionary award applications under the remit of one team- information gained can be shared and used appropriately rather than being repeated. Given the specialist knowledge in both the Advice Shop and the benefit Team, will jobs be ringfenced to protect jobs for staff either within those teams and at certain grades? If staff are displaced what is the point of a redeployment list as there's nowhere to go with it...?c	Integrated Anti Poverty Service (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The proposed integrated Anti Poverty service will help provide support and advice to vulnerable people in the community. Opportunities to streamline process and remove duplication will be considered as part of the implementation of the new team. This will include the consideration of other financial assistance tasks in other areas of the council. The restructure of these units would be subject to existing council workforce management policy and procedures.

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20001	An individual	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	Will these services remain local and accessible to all including people who cannot drive.	Integrated Anti Poverty Service (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	At a time of significant welfare reform, good quality advice services are needed to support people, particularly those on low incomes. The proposed integrated Anti Poverty service will help provide support and advice to vulnerable people in the community. How individuals access this advice will be considered as part of the implementation of the new service.
20002	An employee of West Lothian Council	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	more should be done to reduce the debt owed to WLC by those who can pay as they can be more easily traced and stronger actions taken to recover any debts which would help to fund more services for the less fortunate	Integrated Anti Poverty Service (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	The council actively pursues all debt, including council tax, community charge, rent and commercial debtors arrears. The council will investigate other ways to improve debt collections including strengthening corporate debt management activity.
20003	No Response	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	They would not be able to provide the same level of support as they do now and at a time of increasing poverty and greater need of these services, the loss would be greatly felt.	Integrated Anti Poverty Service (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposed integrated Anti Poverty service will help provide support and advice to vulnerable people in the community. The level of resources required and opportunities to streamline process and remove duplication will be considered as part of the implementation of the new team.
20004	An individual	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	Agian, why was this common sense measure not taken long before now. Also use more charities such as Citizens Advice. No point the council duplicating a service that is already provided elsewhere.	Integrated Anti Poverty Service (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council's Advice Shop currently works closely with partners including Citizens Advice Bureau. Officers will consider opportunities to work further with other partners and providers to deliver anti-poverty advice and support.
20005	An individual	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	Sounds a good idea on the face of it but as long you do not lose valuable experience of the benefit team. As a customer which receives Housing Benefit / Council Tax Reduction I find the service very efficient. Any member of staff that I have dealt with in regards to my claim have always been on the ball. My changes etc are now getting dealt with quicker.	Integrated Anti Poverty Service (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The proposed integrated Anti Poverty service will help provide support and advice to vulnerable people in the community. The level of resources required and opportunities to streamline process and remove duplication will be considered as part of the implementation of the new team.
20006	An individual	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	As 1A - Excellent if all of the above are carried out. However on current personally experienced performance it will take a huge effort to even provide an improvement. Further why has the "efficiency and effectiveness" not been applied to current procedures. No real criteria to be reached is actually stated and the starting point for these "efficiency and effectiveness" upgrade to services is not evident. Vagueness in targets to achieve. How will residents know when this is achieved?	Integrated Anti Poverty Service (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	The budget report will clearly set out in detail measures to balance the budget including the potential impact on equality and performance. The council has a robust approach to monitoring financial performance during the year with reports provided to Council Executive. All of these reports are available to the public on COINS, the committee system.
20007	An employee of West Lothian Council	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	As the Advice Shop query decisions made by the Benefits Team how can they be seen to be impartial by their clients when they are part of the same team.	Integrated Anti Poverty Service (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	National Standards for Advice Providers ensures that free, impartial advice will be delivered. This includes the ability to challenge decisions which are potentially wrong. The new team will also be structured in a way to minimise any potential conflict of interest.
20008	An employee of West Lothian Council	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	The Advice Shop is a free, impartial and confidential service to help the people of West Lothian with a focus to alleviate poverty and to promote inclusion and equality through advice, assistance and advocacy. By combining this service with the Benefits Team, how do you propose to ensure the free, impartial and confidential service remains?	Integrated Anti Poverty Service (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	National Standards for Advice Providers ensures that free, impartial advice will be delivered. This includes the ability to challenge decisions which are potentially wrong. The new team will also be structured in a way to minimise any potential conflict of interest.
20009	An individual	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	Fine, but don't end up with an inhumane service.	Integrated Anti Poverty Service (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The proposed integrated Anti Poverty service will help provide support and advice to vulnerable people in the community. The level of resources required and opportunities to streamline process and remove duplication will be considered as part of the implementation of the new team.
20010	An individual	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	Essential that these teams consist of well trained & knowledgeable individuals. Losing expertise by employing only generic staff is unsatisfactory for 'customers' and impacts on the efficiency of WLC.	Integrated Anti Poverty Service (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The proposed integrated Anti Poverty service will help provide support and advice to vulnerable people in the community. Although the functions will be combined into a larger service, specialist advice and support will continue to be provided specific teams. Training will be provided to help facilitate the integration of this service.

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20011	An employee of West Lothian Council	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	On paper this sounds good, but I fear this means more job cuts less staff meaning a worse service. A better service cannot be given with less staff.	Integrated Anti Poverty Service (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The proposed integrated Anti Poverty service will help provide support and advice to vulnerable people in the community. The level of resources required and opportunities to streamline process and remove duplication will be considered as part of the implementation of the new team.
20012	An individual	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	Agree if this improves services to the Community and perhaps if there was a general phone number available with staff to handle calls	Integrated Anti Poverty Service (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	At a time of significant welfare reform, good quality advice services are needed to support people, particularly those on low incomes. The proposed integrated Anti Poverty service will help provide support and advice to vulnerable people in the community. How individuals access this advice will be considered as part of the implementation of the new service.
20013	An individual	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	Any change would need careful monitoring	Integrated Anti Poverty Service (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	The council uses well established project management approaches to ensure that changes to service delivery meet required outcomes and objectives.
20014	An individual	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	combining into one team may help costs, but service provision will suffer if there is a need for geographic spread of the service	Integrated Anti Poverty Service (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	At a time of significant welfare reform, good quality advice services are needed to support people, particularly those on low incomes. The proposed integrated Anti Poverty service will help provide support and advice to vulnerable people in the community. How individuals access this advice will be considered as part of the implementation of the new service.
20015	An individual	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	I would like to see the top 3 items/specific deliverables that contribute to this redesign.	Integrated Anti Poverty Service (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The council's aim is, and always will be, to ensure that West Lothian continues to be a great place to live, work, visit and do business. To achieve this aim we will continue to prioritise the money that we spend on services to make sure that our investment has the biggest and most positive impact on the community.
20016	An individual	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	Seems reasonable on paper but will the new team be able to respond to the growing issues around poverty in West Lothian.	Integrated Anti Poverty Service (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The proposed integrated Anti Poverty service will help provide support and advice to vulnerable people in the community. The level of resources required and opportunities to streamline process and remove duplication will be considered as part of the implementation of the new team.
20017	An employee of West Lothian Council	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	Joining these team and having them based in one area. Basing similar teams in same building would allow joint working.	Integrated Anti Poverty Service (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council currently has a priority to minimise poverty, the cycle of deprivation and promote equality. The new anti-poverty service will allow the council to deliver this priority.
20018	An individual	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	makes sense as long as it is accessible for all across West Lothian	Integrated Anti Poverty Service (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	At a time of significant welfare reform, good quality advice services are needed to support people, particularly those on low incomes. The proposed integrated Anti Poverty service will help provide support and advice to vulnerable people in the community. How individuals access this advice will be considered as part of the implementation of the new service.
20019	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	Conflict of interest between advice shop staff and benefits staff would be a concern	Integrated Anti Poverty Service (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Although the functions will be combined into a larger service, specialist advice and support will continue to be provided by specific teams. National Standards for Advice Providers ensures that free, impartial advice will be delivered. This includes the ability to challenge decisions which are potentially wrong. The new team will be structured in a way to minimise any potential conflict of interest.

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20020	No Response	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	Again it is the balance of maintaining current service levels with specialised skills etc	Integrated Anti Poverty Service (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The level of resources required and opportunities to streamline process and remove duplication will be considered as part of the implementation of the new team. Although the functions will be combined into a larger service, specialist advice and support will continue to be provided specific teams.
20021	An employee of West Lothian Council	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	There are other anti poverty financial assistance awards that can be delivered by the integrated anti-poverty service which currently sit outwith the benefit team ie Personal care (see section 6), school clothing grants, school meals, section 12 and 22 payments, Education Maintenance Allowance to name a few. Consideration should be given to bringing all statutory and discretionary financial awards under the remit of this new team. The information collected for Housing Benefit is probably the same information that is required for a number of these other grants - school meals, clothing, EMA for example. A more integrated service would mean that where someone applied for Housing Benefit or Council Tax Reduction they could be assess for these other grants at the same time. Thus avoiding duplication of work and meaning that customers only have to provide information once to the council rather than multiple times. Also because of information provide to benefits from the DWP it may be that the customer does not need to provide information at all meaning that it is easier for the customer to get the grants they are entitled to. Closer working also needs to occur between Benefits and in particular Scottish Welfare Fund and Social Work and Housing. SWF staff can waste large amounts of time trying to get through to the correct person at either SW or Housing to get information required to help a customer. Although we have some access to Open Housing we do not have full access to the homeless notes and have to chase homeless officers who are invariably busy and working with clients. we have no access to Social Work's Swift system and can wait 10-15 minutes to get a call answered to SW reception to find out who the social worker is and then spent time chasing the social worker for information. I understand that sensitive information is held on their systems but SWF staff have access to DWP systems which require us to be confidential. SW might also want to consider speaking to SWF/Benefits about their customers to help them with budgeting and money when they are working with them	Integrated Anti Poverty Service (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The proposed integrated Anti Poverty service will help provide support and advice to vulnerable people in the community. The level of resources required and opportunities to streamline process and remove duplication will be considered as part of the implementation of the new team. This will include the consideration of other financial assistance tasks in other areas of the council. The restructure of these units would be subject to existing council workforce management policy and procedures.
20022	An individual	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	Again sensible as long as staffing levels are sufficient.	Integrated Anti Poverty Service (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The proposed integrated Anti Poverty service will help provide support and advice to vulnerable people in the community. The level of resources required and opportunities to streamline process and remove duplication will be considered as part of the implementation of the new team.
20023	An individual	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	Due to the nature of work carried out over all teams within therevenues unit, we naturally have a lot of different application forms. Linked in with suggestions mentioned in 3c, consideration should be given to pulling applications into one form for all types of financial assistance. However care must be taken to ensure that this is easy for customers to use and that the forms are clear and concise and that help can be easily obtained if necessary. There is nothing more frustrating than being on-line trying to get information and going round in circles.	Integrated Anti Poverty Service (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	At a time of significant welfare reform, good quality advice services are needed to support people, particularly those on low incomes. The proposed integrated Anti Poverty service will help provide support and advice to vulnerable people in the community. How individuals access this advice will be considered as part of the implementation of the new service.
20024	An individual	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	There are other anti poverty financial assistance grants that can be delivered by the integrated anti-poverty service which currently sit outwith the benefit team ie Personal care (see section 6), school clothing grants, school meals, section 12 and 22 payments, Education Maintenance Allowance to name a few. Consideration should be given to bringing all statutory and discretionary financial grants under the remit of this new team. Application for one type of grant could then lead easily to others - so for example if someone applies for Housing Benefit and they have school age children that could trigger automatic contact to see if the customer wants to apply for school meals, clothing grants, EMA all of the information need has probably already been collected and analysed in the Housing benefit assessment thus reducing any duplication of work and providing a more customer focused service.	Integrated Anti Poverty Service (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The proposed integrated Anti Poverty service will help provide support and advice to vulnerable people in the community. The level of resources required and opportunities to streamline process and remove duplication will be considered as part of the implementation of the new team. This will include the consideration of other financial assistance tasks in other areas of the council. The restructure of these units would be subject to existing council workforce management policy and procedures.

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20025	An individual	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	Care does need to be taken to ensure that there is no conflict of interest. At the moment the Advice Shop assist customers in appealing decisions that both Housing Benefits and Scottish Welfare Fund make. There would still need to be the ability for customers to get assistance with the appeal process. This service could provide a better service for the customer by making closer working relationship with Advice Shop and Benefit team. However there is currently a very close working relationship between the benefit team and council tax which should not be lost. There also needs to be closer working relationship with Housing and Social Work. Currently staff in the Scottish Welfare Fund spend long amounts of time phoning both Housing and Social Work to get information about applicants. Access to the Swift and better access to Open Housing could save large amounts either waiting for the phone to be answered or phoning around numerous people trying to find the correct person to get information from. There seems to be a reluctance to allow open access to information. I understand that there are issues of data protection etc but we have all been PGV checked and have been given access to DWP systems which are confidential.	Integrated Anti Poverty Service (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Although the functions will be combined into a larger service, specialist advice and support will continue to be provided by specific teams. National Standards for Advice Providers ensures that free, impartial advice will be delivered. This includes the ability to challenge decisions which are potentially wrong. The new team will be structured in a way to minimise any potential conflict of interest.
20026	An individual	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	Would this include home visit?	Integrated Anti Poverty Service (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	At a time of significant welfare reform, good quality advice services are needed to support people, particularly those on low incomes. The proposed integrated Anti Poverty service will help provide support and advice to vulnerable people in the community. How individuals access this advice will be considered as part of the implementation of the new service.
20027	An individual	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	Staff provide excellent support and service at present, and this may mean it takes longer to seek help with less staff available.	Integrated Anti Poverty Service (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The proposed integrated Anti Poverty service will help provide support and advice to vulnerable people in the community. The level of resources required and opportunities to streamline process and remove duplication will be considered as part of the implementation of the new team.
20028	An employee of West Lothian Council	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	The functions by both teams are specialist and totally different therefore they can't be combined without being marginalised and a possible conflict of interest. Would also suggest staff cuts	Integrated Anti Poverty Service (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Although the functions will be combined into a larger service, specialist advice and support will continue to be provided by specific teams. National Standards for Advice Providers ensures that free, impartial advice will be delivered. This includes the ability to challenge decisions which are potentially wrong. The new team will be structured in a way to minimise any potential conflict of interest.
20029	An employee of West Lothian Council	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	No mention of how this links with social care or housing who are critical to this - I agree that this could work if the redesign is not completed in a financial vacuum of non-engagement which is how corporate debt happened.	Integrated Anti Poverty Service (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The proposed integrated Anti Poverty service will help provide support and advice to vulnerable people in the community. This will include the consideration of other financial assistance tasks in other areas of the council. The restructure of these units would be subject to existing council workforce management policy and procedures.
20030	An individual	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	As long as employee's were properly trained to deliver the service they are providing.	Integrated Anti Poverty Service (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The proposed integrated Anti Poverty service will help provide support and advice to vulnerable people in the community. Although the functions will be combined into a larger service, specialist advice and support will continue to be provided specific teams. Training will be provided to help facilitate the integration of this service.
20031	An individual	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	Important that these changes do not hinder the valuable work of this service.	Integrated Anti Poverty Service (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	At a time of significant welfare reform, good quality advice services are needed to support people, particularly those on low incomes. The proposed integrated Anti Poverty service will help provide support and advice to vulnerable people in the community.
20032	An individual	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	If you continue with the proposed changes to staffing terms and conditions and continue to pay them well below inflation you will end up needing a lot more of this type of service even those in full time employment will be living in poverty. This service needs to be accessible, available and visible.	Integrated Anti Poverty Service (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council pays all employees the Living Wage Foundation Living Wage.

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20033	An individual	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	A combined team would be cheaper to run and more easily accessed by users.	Integrated Anti Poverty Service (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	At a time of significant welfare reform, good quality advice services are needed to support people, particularly those on low incomes. The proposed integrated Anti Poverty service will help provide support and advice to vulnerable people in the community. How individuals access this advice will be considered as part of the implementation of the new service.
20034	An individual	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	people have a right to have a roof over their heads but if they don't have enough money to pay for a house then the council will have to lend them money so they can live a happy life.	Integrated Anti Poverty Service (general)	5b. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it is likely that the costs of this proposal would outweigh the benefit.	The council currently has a priority to minimise poverty, the cycle of deprivation and promote equality. The new anti-poverty service will allow the council to deliver this priority. When developing the new Anti Poverty Strategy consideration will be given to the causes of poverty and potential interventions to help minimise their impact on vulnerable families.
20035	No Response	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	Anti-poverty all in the one place would be much more helpful, as long as it is still able to offer everything that the separate organisations offer currently.	Integrated Anti Poverty Service (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	At a time of significant welfare reform, good quality advice services are needed to support people, particularly those on low incomes. The proposed integrated Anti Poverty service will help provide support and advice to vulnerable people in the community. How individuals access this advice will be considered as part of the implementation of the new service.
20036	An employee of West Lothian Council	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	The Benefits team & Advice shop have two different roles one of which is statutory and another advice. Would the combination of this service include all financial assistance awards, ie school meals, school, clothing grants, personal care, etc. Bringing all statutory and discretionary financial awards together under this new team, this would be beneficial to the customer. The staff within the benefit team and the advice shop have specialised knowledge in their job role and have obvious concerns on the integration of a new service, will jobs be ringfenced to protect jobs for staff within those teams and salary grades.	Integrated Anti Poverty Service (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Although the functions will be combined into a larger service, specialist advice and support will continue to be provided by specific teams. National Standards for Advice Providers ensures that free, impartial advice will be delivered. This includes the ability to challenge decisions which are potentially wrong. The new team will be structured in a way to minimise any potential conflict of interest. The restructure of these units would be subject to existing council workforce management policy and procedures.
20037	An individual	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	One stop shop. Need to ensure your client base can access such a service. Some cannot afford the bus fare or even a phone call.	Integrated Anti Poverty Service (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	At a time of significant welfare reform, good quality advice services are needed to support people, particularly those on low incomes. The proposed integrated Anti Poverty service will help provide support and advice to vulnerable people in the community. How individuals access this advice will be considered as part of the implementation of the new service.
20038	An individual	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	That would be good people wouldn't have to go over the same thing twice.	Integrated Anti Poverty Service (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	At a time of significant welfare reform, good quality advice services are needed to support people, particularly those on low incomes. It is anticipated that the proposed integrated Anti Poverty service will help provide support and advice to vulnerable people in the community. Although these specialist teams focus on different aspects of anti-poverty they will work together to provide essential support and services to a common customer.
20039	An individual	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	Poverty is such a major issue and possibly more hidden or in pockets within West Lothian rather than being obvious and widespread. Will the new team structure really meet and engage with all communities and provide the necessary support? Ending duplication if it really exists would be a good move forward	Integrated Anti Poverty Service (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council currently has a priority to minimise poverty, the cycle of deprivation and promote equality. The new anti-poverty service will allow the council to deliver this priority. When developing the new Anti Poverty Strategy consideration will be given to the causes of poverty and potential interventions to help minimise their impact on vulnerable families.

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20040	An individual	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	This sounds positive but the combined service must be well staffed to offer accurate and appropriate advice to the public.	Integrated Anti Poverty Service (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The proposed integrated Anti Poverty service will help provide support and advice to vulnerable people in the community. The level of resources required and opportunities to streamline process and remove duplication will be considered as part of the implementation of the new team.
20041	An individual	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	Any services which are duplicated should be overviewed and consolidated into one area to save on admin and running costs	Integrated Anti Poverty Service (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Welfare advice is currently provided by a number of different services across the council. When the provision of this advice comes from different service areas there is always the potential for some duplication. By consolidating the service into one overall team this will remove any potential duplication.
20042	An employee of West Lothian Council	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	3c Yes, this sounds like a good idea, and a good way of ensuring that the advice shop is always fully up to speed with all the changes and real life situations that the benefits team are dealing with.	Integrated Anti Poverty Service (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	This proposal will help ensure that both services are working together to get the best outcomes for a common customer.
20043	An individual	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	That sounds like common sense to me. Why do you need this in the consultation? Why is it not already like this?	Integrated Anti Poverty Service (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Welfare advice is currently provided by a number of different services across the council. When the provision of this advice comes from different service areas there is always the potential for some duplication. By consolidating the service into one overall team this will remove any potential duplication.
20044	An employee of West Lothian Council	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	I assume the welfare changes referred to are the roll out of universal credit. What evidence is there of increasing demand for advice and support? What is the increase in demand? How will the combining of all anti-poverty related financial support result in a more targeted and focused advice service? What changes would actually come from this? How would these be an improvement? Will people lose their jobs? What duplication would be removed? More information needed before useful comments can be provided.	Integrated Anti Poverty Service (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The council currently has a priority to minimise poverty, the cycle of deprivation and promote equality. The new anti-poverty service will allow the council to deliver this priority. When developing the new Anti Poverty Strategy consideration will be given to the causes of poverty and potential interventions to help minimise their impact on vulnerable families.
20045	An individual	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	This I think is sensible, what is essential is that we maintain the link and support to the CAB West Lothian.	Integrated Anti Poverty Service (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council's Advice Shop currently works closely with partners including Citizens Advice Bureau. Officers will consider opportunities to work further with other partners and providers to deliver anti-poverty advice and support.
20046	An individual	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	As long as it is easily accessible to people without cars. If not within walkable distance, will put yet more strain on already overstretched household budgets.	Integrated Anti Poverty Service (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	At a time of significant welfare reform, good quality advice services are needed to support people, particularly those on low incomes. The proposed integrated Anti Poverty service will help provide support and advice to vulnerable people in the community. How individuals access this advice will be considered as part of the implementation of the new service.
20047	An individual	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	Advice Shop and Benefits Team should be more accessible to all in the County as it is the most vulnerable people who use these facilities. Example a customer who needs to travel to Bathgate Advice shop regarding benefits often has no bus fare to go to the Advice Shop for assistance especially if their benefits have been suspended. More assistance in local libraries would be beneficial, even if it is simply to provide booths with direct telephones for customers to get help when they need it.	Integrated Anti Poverty Service (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	At a time of significant welfare reform, good quality advice services are needed to support people, particularly those on low incomes. The proposed integrated Anti Poverty service will help provide support and advice to vulnerable people in the community. How individuals access this advice will be considered as part of the implementation of the new service.
20048	An employee of West Lothian Council	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	As long as the ppl using these services are not penalised for not being about to get to the buildings that sounds ok. But these ppl don't have extra money to get somewhere central because there usual place closes to save money	Integrated Anti Poverty Service (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	At a time of significant welfare reform, good quality advice services are needed to support people, particularly those on low incomes. The proposed integrated Anti Poverty service will help provide support and advice to vulnerable people in the community. How individuals access this advice will be considered as part of the implementation of the new service.

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20049	An employee of West Lothian Council	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	Again as before I worry that streamlining some of these services will impact negatively on those they are meant to support and that less staff will be expected to service more people and families.	Integrated Anti Poverty Service (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposed integrated Anti Poverty service will help provide support and advice to vulnerable people in the community. The level of resources required and opportunities to streamline process and remove duplication will be considered as part of the implementation of the new team.
20050	An employee of West Lothian Council	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	The benefits arm of revenues has the best performance figure ever, why jeopardise this by putting it in with a completely unregulated service? Any area giving money should be kept under the revenues service, where it will be properly regulated and where it has integrated work/ systems with the wider revenues unit. This service could also administer payments for personal care packages, as well as school meals, clothing grants and educational maintenance allowances. As above this should also be part of a regulated service.	Integrated Anti Poverty Service (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The proposed integrated Anti Poverty service will help provide support and advice to vulnerable people in the community. Opportunities to streamline process and remove duplication will be considered as part of the implementation of the new team. This will include the consideration of other financial assistance tasks in other areas of the council. Although the functions will be combined into a larger service, specialist advice and support will continue to be provided by specific teams. National Standards for Advice Providers ensures that free, impartial advice will be delivered. This includes the ability to challenge decisions which are potentially wrong. The new team will be structured in a way to minimise any potential conflict of interest.
20051	An individual	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	again sounds like cutting staff who are at the coalface	Integrated Anti Poverty Service (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposed integrated Anti Poverty service will help provide support and advice to vulnerable people in the community. The level of resources required and opportunities to streamline process and remove duplication will be considered as part of the implementation of the new team.
20052	An employee of West Lothian Council	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	Ensure the help and support to vulnerable people is still accessible.	Integrated Anti Poverty Service (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	At a time of significant welfare reform, good quality advice services are needed to support people, particularly those on low incomes. The proposed integrated Anti Poverty service will help provide support and advice to vulnerable people in the community. How individuals access this advice will be considered as part of the implementation of the new service.
20053	An employee of West Lothian Council	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	Sounds good in theory but no practical evidence or historical data is given to support this action. They are not exactly over funded in the first place.	Integrated Anti Poverty Service (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Welfare advice is currently provided by a number of different services across the council. When the provision of this advice comes from different service areas there is always the potential for some duplication. By consolidating the service into one overall team this will remove any potential duplication.
20054	An individual	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	Again makes sense as know clients who have been banded about between pillar and post	Integrated Anti Poverty Service (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	At a time of significant welfare reform, good quality advice services are needed to support people, particularly those on low incomes. It is anticipated that the proposed integrated Anti Poverty service will help provide support and advice to vulnerable people in the community. Although these specialist teams focus on different aspects of anti-poverty they will work together to provide essential support and services to a common customer.
20055	An individual	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	don't know enough to make a comment as to what duplication there is - can only assume it is in staffing levels!!	Integrated Anti Poverty Service (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Welfare advice is currently provided by a number of different services across the council. When the provision of this advice comes from different service areas there is always the potential for some duplication. By consolidating the service into one overall team this will remove any potential duplication.

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20056	An individual	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	...and how are generations of non-working benefit seekers going to be dealt with. How about that being a saving? Targeted and focused advice is essential.	Integrated Anti Poverty Service (general)	5c. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it is not consistent with the council's values and priorities.	The council currently has a priority to minimise poverty, the cycle of deprivation and promote equality. The new anti-poverty service will allow the council to deliver this priority. When developing the new Anti Poverty Strategy consideration will be given to the causes of poverty and potential interventions to help minimise their impact on vulnerable families.
20057	An individual	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	This is one area that CAP, (Christians Against Poverty), for example, should be welcomed as a partner to work in debt counselling ..	Integrated Anti Poverty Service (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council's Advice Shop currently works closely with partners including Citizens Advice Bureau. Officers will consider opportunities to work further with other partners and providers to deliver anti-poverty advice and support.
20058	No Response	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	Situations such as Scottish Welfare should be for priority only, people getting access to funds that do not particularly need it should be completely cut out. Benefits Team and Advice Shop, again only for the people that are under extreme pressures. Advice shop provide too much help for people that could technically go and get their own financial support or help filling forms in.	Integrated Anti Poverty Service (general)	5c. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it is not consistent with the council's values and priorities.	The council currently has a priority to minimise poverty, the cycle of deprivation and promote equality. The new anti-poverty service will allow the council to deliver this priority. When developing the new Anti Poverty Strategy consideration will be given to the causes of poverty and potential interventions to help minimise their impact on vulnerable families.
20059	An employee of West Lothian Council	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	Seems good proposal. If team joined up then hope would be to be more efficient and not detrimental to delivery of this service.	Integrated Anti Poverty Service (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The proposed integrated Anti Poverty service will help provide support and advice to vulnerable people in the community. The level of resources required and opportunities to streamline process and remove duplication will be considered as part of the implementation of the new team.
20060	An individual	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	As long as its going to give better help .. but they might be overworked and the service will go totally down hill	Integrated Anti Poverty Service (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The proposed integrated Anti Poverty service will help provide support and advice to vulnerable people in the community. The level of resources required and opportunities to streamline process and remove duplication will be considered as part of the implementation of the new team.
20061	An individual	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	This proposal seems sensible - if you are living in poverty, you don't have the money to go from council office to council office for help and advice.	Integrated Anti Poverty Service (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	At a time of significant welfare reform, good quality advice services are needed to support people, particularly those on low incomes. The proposed integrated Anti Poverty service will help provide support and advice to vulnerable people in the community. How individuals access this advice will be considered as part of the implementation of the new service.
20062	An individual	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	A streamlined approach to advice and support is positive and where duplication is removed this make sense and should enable the service to focus on those customers in greatest need	Integrated Anti Poverty Service (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Welfare advice is currently provided by a number of different services across the council. When the provision of this advice comes from different service areas there is always the potential for some duplication. By consolidating the service into one overall team this will remove any potential duplication.
20063	No Response	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	Clearly whoever has come up with this theory has little or no knowledge of what functions the Advice Shop and the Benefits (Team of the Year) Team actually provide. The Benefits Team provide statutory services, whereas the Advice Shop provide services that could easily be absorbed by bolstering the local Citizens Advice Bureau. It would be worth considering the model followed by East Lothian Council. There is very little duplication between what staff in the Advice Shop and what the Benefits Team do.	Integrated Anti Poverty Service (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Although the functions will be combined into a larger service, specialist advice and support will continue to be provided by specific teams. National Standards for Advice Providers ensures that free, impartial advice will be delivered. This includes the ability to challenge decisions which are potentially wrong. The new team will be structured in a way to minimise any potential conflict of interest. This proposal will help ensure that both services are working together to get the best outcomes for a common customer.

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20064	An individual	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	Agree. More signposting for self help via channel shift.	Integrated Anti Poverty Service (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	At a time of significant welfare reform, good quality advice services are needed to support people, particularly those on low incomes. The proposed integrated Anti Poverty service will help provide support and advice to vulnerable people in the community. How individuals access this advice will be considered as part of the implementation of the new service.
20065	An individual	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	Again as long as they same amount of help is still out there and the time is given to people who need it then fine.	Integrated Anti Poverty Service (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The proposed integrated Anti Poverty service will help provide support and advice to vulnerable people in the community. The level of resources required and opportunities to streamline process and remove duplication will be considered as part of the implementation of the new team.
20066	An individual	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	So long as staff levels are not drastically reduced, and hence huge waiting times created, this is fine.	Integrated Anti Poverty Service (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The proposed integrated Anti Poverty service will help provide support and advice to vulnerable people in the community. The level of resources required and opportunities to streamline process and remove duplication will be considered as part of the implementation of the new team.
20067	No Response	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	What would the culture within this service be? These teams, whilst both focused on mitigating poverty, do this in very different ways. Whilst joining these teams could allow for more focused and joined up working towards shared goals and outcomes, my concern is that the benefits team work on a 'decision making' culture compared to the 'advice & advocacy' culture at the Advice Shop. Would these teams remain independent of one another in their day to day activities? Having shared goals and desired outcomes does not necessarily mean that these teams always have direct crossover or duplication of work. To the public, they provide very different functions.	Integrated Anti Poverty Service (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Although the functions will be combined into a larger service, specialist advice and support will continue to be provided by specific teams. National Standards for Advice Providers ensures that free, impartial advice will be delivered. This includes the ability to challenge decisions which are potentially wrong. The new team will be structured in a way to minimise any potential conflict of interest. This proposal will help ensure that both services are working together to get the best outcomes for a common customer.
20068	An individual	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	Again a central based team is a good idea as people will then know where to go and what help is available making the process simpler.	Integrated Anti Poverty Service (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	At a time of significant welfare reform, good quality advice services are needed to support people, particularly those on low incomes. The proposed integrated Anti Poverty service will help provide support and advice to vulnerable people in the community. How individuals access this advice will be considered as part of the implementation of the new service.
20069	No Response	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	Important to provide decent services to those who are not on-line or who lack digital skills.	Integrated Anti Poverty Service (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	At a time of significant welfare reform, good quality advice services are needed to support people, particularly those on low incomes. The proposed integrated Anti Poverty service will help provide support and advice to vulnerable people in the community. How individuals access this advice will be considered as part of the implementation of the new service.
20070	An individual	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	I suspect that with increasing austerity a more targeted and focused service will be increasingly necessary. I feel that perhaps this service should be at least ring fenced. Where the money comes from I have no idea, other than asking for more from central funding.	Integrated Anti Poverty Service (general)	5c. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it is not consistent with the council's values and priorities.	Apart from national commitments determined by the Scottish Government and the Housing Revenue Account, the council does not ring fence resources for specific service activities.
20071	An individual	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	Hopefully this will be locally provided in communities and not just in one centralised location?	Integrated Anti Poverty Service (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	At a time of significant welfare reform, good quality advice services are needed to support people, particularly those on low incomes. The proposed integrated Anti Poverty service will help provide support and advice to vulnerable people in the community. How individuals access this advice will be considered as part of the implementation of the new service.
20072	An individual	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	this would pay for the department if a tougher line was taken on the access to benefits.	Integrated Anti Poverty Service (general)	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	Benefits are decided by the UK and Scottish governments. This includes the parameters and income levels used to determine benefit entitlement.

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20073	An individual	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	The Advice shop provide invaluable assistance to many customers and this service will only increase as we move forward into further welfare changes	Integrated Anti Poverty Service (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council currently has a priority to minimise poverty, the cycle of deprivation and promote equality. The new anti-poverty service will allow the council to deliver this priority.
20074	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	[REDACTED] a number of poverty related projects and has been key delivery partners on the current anti-poverty strategy. Given that one of our main focus is dealing with poverty related problems we are keen to continue to support WLC in this work. Through the West Lothian Advice forum we are in a strong position to continue and grow poverty related work and look at attracting external funds in order to engage with some of our communities most vulnerable clients. In 2016/17 the bureau dealt with 6200 clients covering 16500 different issues; assisted clients to manage over £2.8 million worth of debt and helped clients gain £2.3 million. Our poverty related projects include child poverty, fuel poverty and domestic abuse (a lot of these clients are in poverty). We are deliver specialist debt advice and financial capability project. The success of these projects demonstrates that the Bureau has knowledge and experience in dealing with poverty related issues. We would be willing to join any working, strategic groups when WLC re-fresh their poverty strategy.	Integrated Anti Poverty Service (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	The council's Advice Shop currently works closely with partners including Citizens Advice Bureau. Officers will consider opportunities to work further with other partners and providers to deliver anti-poverty advice and support.
20075	An individual	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	This service would benefit from having a preventative focus as well as meeting the needs of those in crisis	Integrated Anti Poverty Service (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	The council currently has a priority to minimise poverty, the cycle of deprivation and promote equality. The new anti-poverty service will allow the council to deliver this priority. When developing the new Anti Poverty Strategy consideration will be given to the causes of poverty and potential interventions to help minimise their impact on vulnerable families.
20076	An individual	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	Staffed appropriately I would hope and full training given	Integrated Anti Poverty Service (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The proposed integrated Anti Poverty service will help provide support and advice to vulnerable people in the community. The level of resources required and opportunities to streamline process and remove duplication will be considered as part of the implementation of the new team.
20077	An individual	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	Also link with health care providers to offer whole service support	Integrated Anti Poverty Service (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council's Advice Shop currently works closely with partners including Citizens Advice Bureau. Officers will consider opportunities to work further with other partners and providers to deliver anti-poverty advice and support.
20078	An individual	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	As stated above, if there has been an increasing demand from the community for the Advice Shop and Benefits Team I would be presuming that combining the two teams into one would not reduce the amount of staff that are currently employed	Integrated Anti Poverty Service (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The proposed integrated Anti Poverty service will help provide support and advice to vulnerable people in the community. The level of resources required and opportunities to streamline process and remove duplication will be considered as part of the implementation of the new team.
20079	An individual	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	It should be a 'one stop shop'.	Integrated Anti Poverty Service (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	At a time of significant welfare reform, good quality advice services are needed to support people, particularly those on low incomes. The proposed integrated Anti Poverty service will help provide support and advice to vulnerable people in the community. How individuals access this advice will be considered as part of the implementation of the new service.
20080	An individual	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	Benefits is a highly regulated service and therefore they should be the lead in the new team.	Integrated Anti Poverty Service (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Although the functions will be combined into a larger service, specialist advice and support will continue to be provided by specific teams. National Standards for Advice Providers ensures that free, impartial advice will be delivered. This includes the ability to challenge decisions which are potentially wrong. The new team will be structured in a way to minimise any potential conflict of interest. This proposal will help ensure that both services are working together to get the best outcomes for a common customer.

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20081	An individual	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	From experience I'm not sure if those in the benefits team would have the same approach/ethos/helpfulness to those in the advice shop so this would need careful consideration on how this change was managed.	Integrated Anti Poverty Service (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Although the functions will be combined into a larger service, specialist advice and support will continue to be provided by specific teams. National Standards for Advice Providers ensures that free, impartial advice will be delivered. This includes the ability to challenge decisions which are potentially wrong. The new team will be structured in a way to minimise any potential conflict of interest. This proposal will help ensure that both services are working together to get the best outcomes for a common customer.
20082	An employee of West Lothian Council	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	3C) FSM entitlement. Those who qualify for a Clothing Grant should only be able to purchase this from the school or the school wear provider used by the school as cash payments are open to abuse and are sometimes not used for this purpose.	Integrated Anti Poverty Service (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The proposed integrated Anti Poverty service will help provide support and advice to vulnerable people in the community. Opportunities to streamline process and remove duplication will be considered as part of the implementation of the new team. This will include the consideration of other financial assistance tasks in other areas of the council.
20083	An individual	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	again people on benefits are better off then people that work the council should not be helping people get more money out of the government	Integrated Anti Poverty Service (general)	5c. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it is not consistent with the council's values and priorities.	The council currently has a priority to minimise poverty, the cycle of deprivation and promote equality. The new anti-poverty service will allow the council to deliver this priority. When developing the new Anti Poverty Strategy consideration will be given to the causes of poverty and potential interventions to help minimise their impact on vulnerable families.
20084	An individual	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	Amalgamate all the agencies providing the same service & ensure they are accessible to all. CAB, Advice Shop, WRO's etc.....	Integrated Anti Poverty Service (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The council's Advice Shop currently works closely with partners including Citizens Advice Bureau. Officers will consider opportunities to work further with other partners and providers to deliver anti-poverty advice and support.
20085	An individual	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	A one stop shop can be of benefit, they can advise more fully with a more concrete accurate fuller information be given at one appointment as opposed to multiple appointments which is timely and can be repetitive and frustrating.	Integrated Anti Poverty Service (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	At a time of significant welfare reform, good quality advice services are needed to support people, particularly those on low incomes. The proposed integrated Anti Poverty service will help provide support and advice to vulnerable people in the community.
20086	An individual	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	Agreed provided it is easily accessible.	Integrated Anti Poverty Service (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	At a time of significant welfare reform, good quality advice services are needed to support people, particularly those on low incomes. The proposed integrated Anti Poverty service will help provide support and advice to vulnerable people in the community. How individuals access this advice will be considered as part of the implementation of the new service.
20087	An individual	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	I would have thought that during the last consultation there would have been a push to remove duplication. again what is the detail of the proposed efficiency measures	Integrated Anti Poverty Service (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Welfare advice is currently provided by a number of different services across the council. When the provision of this advice comes from different service areas there is always the potential for some duplication. By consolidating the service into one overall team this will remove any potential duplication.
20088	An individual	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	Why have you been wasting so much of our money up to this point?	Integrated Anti Poverty Service (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Welfare advice is currently provided by a number of different services across the council. When the provision of this advice comes from different service areas there is always the potential for some duplication. By consolidating the service into one overall team this will remove any potential duplication.

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20089	An individual	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	At face value this would appear to be sensible	Integrated Anti Poverty Service (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	At a time of significant welfare reform, good quality advice services are needed to support people, particularly those on low incomes. The proposed integrated Anti Poverty service will help provide support and advice to vulnerable people in the community.
20090	An employee of West Lothian Council	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	Surely this would lead to a conflict of interests as Advice shop staff are often involved in helping people appeal benefits decisions	Integrated Anti Poverty Service (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Although the functions will be combined into a larger service, specialist advice and support will continue to be provided by specific teams. National Standards for Advice Providers ensures that free, impartial advice will be delivered. This includes the ability to challenge decisions which are potentially wrong. The new team will be structured in a way to minimise any potential conflict of interest. This proposal will help ensure that both services are working together to get the best outcomes for a common customer.
20091	An individual	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	Provided staff are trained to give the correct advice and sympathy.	Integrated Anti Poverty Service (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The proposed integrated Anti Poverty service will help provide support and advice to vulnerable people in the community. Although the functions will be combined into a larger service, specialist advice and support will continue to be provided specific teams. Training will be provided to help facilitate the integration of this service.
20092	An employee of West Lothian Council	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	I support this measure which has the potential to enhance anti-poverty work by the council and community planning partners. The team should be responsible for all relevant payments such as clothing grants and EMA, and also for financial assessments for social care.	Integrated Anti Poverty Service (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The proposed integrated Anti Poverty service will help provide support and advice to vulnerable people in the community. Opportunities to streamline process and remove duplication will be considered as part of the implementation of the new team. This will include the consideration of other financial assistance tasks in other areas of the council.
20093	An individual	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	This area would help support the genuine people who will need help when cuts are put in place. Can we cut this service????	Integrated Anti Poverty Service (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposed integrated Anti Poverty service will help provide support and advice to vulnerable people in the community. The level of resources required and opportunities to streamline process and remove duplication will be considered as part of the implementation of the new team.
20094	An employee of West Lothian Council	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	Removal of duplication is a fantastic idea to improve efficiency. Meetings/Appointments could be carried out remotely to reduce transport costs.	Integrated Anti Poverty Service (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	At a time of significant welfare reform, good quality advice services are needed to support people, particularly those on low incomes. The proposed integrated Anti Poverty service will help provide support and advice to vulnerable people in the community. How individuals access this advice will be considered as part of the implementation of the new service.
20095	An individual	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	An integrated service seems sensible. It should be made easy to access for this disadvantaged community	Integrated Anti Poverty Service (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	At a time of significant welfare reform, good quality advice services are needed to support people, particularly those on low incomes. The proposed integrated Anti Poverty service will help provide support and advice to vulnerable people in the community. How individuals access this advice will be considered as part of the implementation of the new service.

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20096	An individual	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	Suggest areas giving benefits or money are kept in the revenues strcture and re-structured there, as this is a highly regulated service.	Integrated Anti Poverty Service (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Although the functions will be combined into a larger service, specialist advice and support will continue to be provided by specific teams. National Standards for Advice Providers ensures that free, impartial advice will be delivered. This includes the ability to challenge decisions which are potentially wrong. The new team will be structured in a way to minimise any potential conflict of interest. This proposal will help ensure that both services are working together to get the best outcomes for a common customer.
20097	An individual	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	Sounds good, however as per 3b above [needs to be planned effectively, delivered efficiently and benefits realised.]	Integrated Anti Poverty Service (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council uses well established project management approaches to ensure that changes to service delivery meet required outcomes and objectives.
20098	An individual	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	Removal of duplication is a good change however I do not agree that this would have an immediate cost saving.	Integrated Anti Poverty Service (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Welfare advice is currently provided by a number of different services across the council. When the provision of this advice comes from different service areas there is always the potential for some duplication. By consolidating the service into one overall team this will remove any potential duplication.
20099	An employee of West Lothian Council	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	Some things that could go online include school clothing grants, free school meals etc - or else why don't services integrate and pay these to families without them needing to apply. We know their income levels if they are on HB/CTR so why not make it like the winter fuel payment and pay them automatically if they are entitled to it.	Integrated Anti Poverty Service (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The proposed integrated Anti Poverty service will help provide support and advice to vulnerable people in the community. Opportunities to streamline process and remove duplication will be considered as part of the implementation of the new team. This will include the consideration of other financial assistance tasks in other areas of the council. The restructure of these units would be subject to existing council workforce management policy and procedures
20100	An employee of West Lothian Council	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	The main issue is to try and maintain the support to the people who need it - there is already a lot of pressure on council services and staff due to Westminster changes and to integrate services could dilute or provide conflict of interests. Its important to maintain links with Benefits and Council Tax which is a major revenue stream for the council - to change this relationship could seriously affect the income of the Council.	Integrated Anti Poverty Service (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Although the functions will be combined into a larger service, specialist advice and support will continue to be provided by specific teams. National Standards for Advice Providers ensures that free, impartial advice will be delivered. This includes the ability to challenge decisions which are potentially wrong. The new team will be structured in a way to minimise any potential conflict of interest. This proposal will help ensure that both services are working together to get the best outcomes for a common customer.
20101	An employee of West Lothian Council	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	There are serious community issues as the Benefits system is changing and many people are being left with no income due to unfair Westminster policies - the fact that we need to use Foodbanks shows how terrible things have become. But the Council cannot solely pick up the slack - more lobbying needs to be done at Westminster and hopefully changes with the Scottish Parliament may see a more humanist approach to helping people most in need.	Integrated Anti Poverty Service (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	The council currently has a priority to minimise poverty, the cycle of deprivation and promote equality. The new anti-poverty service will allow the council to deliver this priority. When developing the new Anti Poverty Strategy consideration will be given to the causes of poverty and potential interventions to help minimise their impact on vulnerable families.
20102	An employee of West Lothian Council	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	Some things that could go online and assist those in poverty include school clothing grants, free school meals etc - or else why don't services integrate and pay these to families without them needing to apply. We know their income levels if they are on HB/CTR so why not make it like the winter fuel payment and pay them automatically if they are entitled to it. There needs to be better clarity of roles within the Benefits and ASHOP teams as there are a lot of senior management roles for few staff - services could be streamlined and new services such as the collection of income for social care or the prospect of new DWP benefits should be actioned by the Benefit services at the Council to preserve jobs and allow a fair and cost effective monitoring of costs.	integrated Anti Poverty Service (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The proposed integrated Anti Poverty service will help provide support and advice to vulnerable people in the community. Opportunities to streamline process and remove duplication will be considered as part of the implementation of the new team. This will include the consideration of other financial assistance tasks in other areas of the council.

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20103	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	As per previous answers make council buildings a one stop shop. This could also include GP surgeries, physios, dietitians etc in Xcite West Lothian Leisure facilities.	Integrated Anti Poverty Service (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	At a time of significant welfare reform, good quality advice services are needed to support people, particularly those on low incomes. The proposed integrated Anti Poverty service will help provide support and advice to vulnerable people in the community. How individuals access this advice will be considered as part of the implementation of the new service.
20104	An individual	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	Again if efficiencies can be made whilst not impacting delivery, then this is obviously a good thing	Integrated Anti Poverty Service (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The proposed integrated Anti Poverty service will help provide support and advice to vulnerable people in the community. The level of resources required and opportunities to streamline process and remove duplication will be considered as part of the implementation of the new team.
20105	An individual	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	This looks like an effective cost saving to avoid duplication as long as adequate knowledge, skills and expertise is retained to drive this forward.	Integrated Anti Poverty Service (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The proposed integrated Anti Poverty service will help provide support and advice to vulnerable people in the community. Although the functions will be combined into a larger service, specialist advice and support will continue to be provided specific teams. Training will be provided to help facilitate the integration of this service.
20106	An individual	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	Have one welfare department they deals with everything.	Integrated Anti Poverty Service (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	At a time of significant welfare reform, good quality advice services are needed to support people, particularly those on low incomes. The proposed integrated Anti Poverty service will help provide support and advice to vulnerable people in the community.
20107	An employee of West Lothian Council	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	What duplication??? there is no information on the scope of the duplication, if this service is causing duplication what other services are causing duplication, are all other services being reviewed for duplication, what are the other councils doing, what is the political stance on this, as it seems the advice shop is now a political tool.	Integrated Anti Poverty Service (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Welfare advice is currently provided by a number of different services across the council. When the provision of this advice comes from different service areas there is always the potential for some duplication. By consolidating the service into one overall team this will remove any potential duplication.
20108	An individual	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	Good idea, how about a Saturday opening for those either in work or with week time child care issues?	Integrated Anti Poverty Service (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	At a time of significant welfare reform, good quality advice services are needed to support people, particularly those on low incomes. The proposed integrated Anti Poverty service will help provide support and advice to vulnerable people in the community. How individuals access this advice will be considered as part of the implementation of the new service.
20109	An individual	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	As above - lets have a root and branch review of the service and delivery. It isn't necessary to increase costs when efficiencies can be identified. A business approach is what is needed to ensure the correct spending on items needed is controlled.	Integrated Anti Poverty Service (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	All services will be reviewed based on the impact they have on priorities. It is proposed that future spending will be aligned to the priorities in the Transforming Your Council consultation document.
20110	An individual	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	Makes sense but would it improve the service.	Integrated Anti Poverty Service (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	At a time of significant welfare reform, good quality advice services are needed to support people, particularly those on low incomes. The proposed integrated Anti Poverty service will help provide support and advice to vulnerable people in the community.
20111	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	Only work if no cut back to level of staff or to their pay and conditions , again will lose good experienced staff if this is the case causing more in recruitment and training	Integrated Anti Poverty Service (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposed integrated Anti Poverty service will help provide support and advice to vulnerable people in the community. The level of resources required and opportunities to streamline process and remove duplication will be considered as part of the implementation of the new team.
20112	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	If high standards are maintained I can understand the proposal. However, with increasing levels of poverty this support is essential.	Integrated Anti Poverty Service (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	At a time of significant welfare reform, good quality advice services are needed to support people, particularly those on low incomes. The proposed integrated Anti Poverty service will help provide support and advice to vulnerable people in the community.

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20113	No Response	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	Would be effective however an outreach service would benefit an number of those residing in the community	Integrated Anti Poverty Service (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	At a time of significant welfare reform, good quality advice services are needed to support people, particularly those on low incomes. The proposed integrated Anti Poverty service will help provide support and advice to vulnerable people in the community. How individuals access this advice will be considered as part of the implementation of the new service.
20114	An individual	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	I would be in favour of this as a more targeted, focused and joined up advice service sounds as though it would be more effective in helping those in poverty.	Integrated Anti Poverty Service (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	At a time of significant welfare reform, good quality advice services are needed to support people, particularly those on low incomes. The proposed integrated Anti Poverty service will help provide support and advice to vulnerable people in the community.
20115	An individual	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	no problem but do you have a modern anti poverty strategy that understands poverty is increasing not decreasing and has some solutions	Integrated Anti Poverty Service (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council currently has a priority to minimise poverty, the cycle of deprivation and promote equality. The new anti-poverty service will allow the council to deliver this priority. When developing the new Anti Poverty Strategy consideration will be given to the causes of poverty and potential interventions to help minimise their impact on vulnerable families.
20116	An individual	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	If you can stand by the statement '...improved service whilst also generating efficiency savings...' then yes, I agree. However who will review this, with whom, and if failing who takes the responsibility for a failed service?	Integrated Anti Poverty Service (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	At a time of significant welfare reform, good quality advice services are needed to support people, particularly those on low incomes. The proposed integrated Anti Poverty service will help provide support and advice to vulnerable people in the community.
20117	An employee of West Lothian Council	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	Both teams probably do work with the same clientele however the level of duplication will be low due to the specific job roles carried out. What would improve is the sharing of information across teams and in the awareness of what each team is working on and what their priorities are. This would help inform work priorities across the new team going forward. Assistance for the public, whether verbal or financial will be maximised.	Integrated Anti Poverty Service (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Although the functions will be combined into a larger service, specialist advice and support will continue to be provided by specific teams. National Standards for Advice Providers ensures that free, impartial advice will be delivered. This includes the ability to challenge decisions which are potentially wrong. The new team will be structured in a way to minimise any potential conflict of interest. This proposal will help ensure that both services are working together to get the best outcomes for a common customer.
20118	An individual	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	FSM entitlement. Those who qualify for a Clothing Grant should only be able to purchase this from the school or the school wear provider used by the school as cash payments are open to abuse and are sometimes not used for this purpose.	Integrated Anti Poverty Service (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The proposed integrated Anti Poverty service will help provide support and advice to vulnerable people in the community. Opportunities to streamline process and remove duplication will be considered as part of the implementation of the new team. This will include the consideration of other financial assistance tasks in other areas of the council.
20119	An individual	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	As long as overall service for people doesn't decrease then this would be a good thing.	Integrated Anti Poverty Service (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The proposed integrated Anti Poverty service will help provide support and advice to vulnerable people in the community. The level of resources required and opportunities to streamline process and remove duplication will be considered as part of the implementation of the new team.
20120	An employee of West Lothian Council	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	FSM entitlement. Those who qualify for a Clothing Grant should only be able to purchase this from the school or the school wear provider used by the school as cash payments are open to abuse and are sometimes not used for this purpose	Integrated Anti Poverty Service (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The proposed integrated Anti Poverty service will help provide support and advice to vulnerable people in the community. Opportunities to streamline process and remove duplication will be considered as part of the implementation of the new team. This will include the consideration of other financial assistance tasks in other areas of the council.

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20121	An employee of West Lothian Council	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	would this affect peoples jobs. also the benefit team is linked to other departments how would this be affected.	Integrated Anti Poverty Service (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The proposed integrated Anti Poverty service will help provide support and advice to vulnerable people in the community. The level of resources required and opportunities to streamline process and remove duplication will be considered as part of the implementation of the new team.
20122	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	With the impending Universal credit looming for West Lothian it is imperative we offer the best services to the public of West Lothian, therefore removal of these service has the potential to disadvantage members society that may require valuable information.	Integrated Anti Poverty Service (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposed integrated Anti Poverty service will help provide support and advice to vulnerable people in the community. The level of resources required and opportunities to streamline process and remove duplication will be considered as part of the implementation of the new team.
20123	An individual	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	anything that removes duplication is a bonus, both on saving time and finances.	Integrated Anti Poverty Service (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The proposed integrated Anti Poverty service will help provide support and advice to vulnerable people in the community. The level of resources required and opportunities to streamline process and remove duplication will be considered as part of the implementation of the new team.
20124	An employee of West Lothian Council	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	In terms of the work carried out within these teams, there is no duplication. To integrate both would suggest that the duplication is in relation to the management structure. Benefits/SWF have only recently gone through a restructure when a specific management team was put in place for very good reasons. What is in place now has brought about significant improvements in service delivery. I can only assume that a merger between these 2 teams would mean that there would be a significant reduction in the management structure which will put that high performance and improvements in service delivery at risk. I would assume that the termination of the staff contracted from our software supplier would form part of these savings. There are other areas of work that can be considered under an integrated anti-poverty service ie free school meals, school clothing grants, EMA payments, section 12 and 22 payments to name a few. The staff within the benefit/swf teams have the expertise to assess financial assessment and most of the information used in these assessment is identical to that obtained for an HB/CTRS or SWF award. In addition, should the new charging policy for personal care be passed, officers and managers within this team are more than equipped to develop the scheme. However, within Revenues there is another merger to consider. All revenues staff within benefits/ and council tax perform statutory functions. All teams work together and there are many crossovers in what the staff do. Technically one can't work without the other. Has a merger between these 2 teams been considered in relation to CTRS processing only. As UC takes the majority of our caseload, there would still be a requirement for a specialist HB team as we would only be left with the complicated cases to assess. There would still be a requirement for a separate Financial Assessment team in relation to SWF/DHP/school assessments and personal care.	Integrated Anti Poverty Service (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Although the functions will be combined into a larger service, specialist advice and support will continue to be provided by specific teams. National Standards for Advice Providers ensures that free, impartial advice will be delivered. This includes the ability to challenge decisions which are potentially wrong. The new team will be structured in a way to minimise any potential conflict of interest. This proposal will help ensure that both services are working together to get the best outcomes for a common customer.
20125	An employee of West Lothian Council	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	FSM entitlement. Those who qualify for a Clothing Grant should only be able to purchase this from the school or the school wear provider used by the school as cash payments are open to abuse and are sometimes not used for this purpose.	Integrated Anti Poverty Service (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The proposed integrated Anti Poverty service will help provide support and advice to vulnerable people in the community. Opportunities to streamline process and remove duplication will be considered as part of the implementation of the new team. This will include the consideration of other financial assistance tasks in other areas of the council.
20126	No Response	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	Does that mean it will only be available in one location - making it hard for many in need to access???	Integrated Anti Poverty Service (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	At a time of significant welfare reform, good quality advice services are needed to support people, particularly those on low incomes. The proposed integrated Anti Poverty service will help provide support and advice to vulnerable people in the community. How individuals access this advice will be considered as part of the implementation of the new service.
20127	An individual	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	I can no benefit to combining Advice Shop and Benefits Team. Would like more information on how savings would be achieve by this action.	Integrated Anti Poverty Service (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Welfare advice is currently provided by a number of different services across the council. When the provision of this advice comes from different service areas there is always the potential for some duplication. By consolidating the service into one overall team this will remove any potential duplication.

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20128	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	Agreed where access for anyone requiring this support is enabled through outreach sessions across the county	Integrated Anti Poverty Service (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	At a time of significant welfare reform, good quality advice services are needed to support people, particularly those on low incomes. The proposed integrated Anti Poverty service will help provide support and advice to vulnerable people in the community. How individuals access this advice will be considered as part of the implementation of the new service.
20129	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	Has an equality impact assessment been carried out for each of the budget proposals? It is essential that this is done at the earliest opportunity in order to assess what the impact will be on those in the protected characteristics groups and those already experiencing disadvantage.	Integrated Anti Poverty Service (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	In line with established budget setting processes, all proposed reduction measures will be subject to an equality impact assessment.
20130	An individual	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	Agreed, where access to services is not impaired	Integrated Anti Poverty Service (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	At a time of significant welfare reform, good quality advice services are needed to support people, particularly those on low incomes. The proposed integrated Anti Poverty service will help provide support and advice to vulnerable people in the community. How individuals access this advice will be considered as part of the implementation of the new service.
20131	An employee of West Lothian Council	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	Heighten the Scottish Welfare entitlement, this should only be for highly vulnerable people facing exceptional circumstances. Again Advice shop and Benefits Team should be means tested and only for the people that really truly need it and cant afford private advice.	Integrated Anti Poverty Service (general)	5c. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it is not consistent with the council's values and priorities.	The council currently has a priority to minimise poverty, the cycle of deprivation and promote equality. The new anti-poverty service will allow the council to deliver this priority. When developing the new Anti Poverty Strategy consideration will be given to the causes of poverty and potential interventions to help minimise their impact on vulnerable families.
20132	An individual	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	answer is the same as I put in question 1a.	Integrated Anti Poverty Service (general)	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
20133	No Response	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	I agree if there is duplication within these services it makes sense to bring them together. Citizens Advice Bureau West Lothian are keen to be involved in the anti-poverty services given a key focus of what we do is poverty related work. We run a number of poverty related project working closely with partners to deliver the anti-poverty strategy. A more joined up approach may also strengthen the position of advice agencies to be able to attract external funding to be able to do more poverty related work (at a time when these services will be critical). We would be willing to continue to participate and contribute to this work. As well as delivering advice on poverty related subjects the Bureau also offers a holistic advice service to the residents of West Lothian - we deliver a wide range of information, advice and advocacy on issues from "the womb to the tomb" and everything in between. When a client engages with our service we can give advice on benefits, debt, financial capability, income maximisation, housing, employment, consumer, utilities, financial products/services, tax - a complete unique service that is a one stop shop for all residents advice needs. We know that poverty related issues will only continue for many of our clients so its important that the front line delivery of advice is still accessible for our clients. If WLC continue to support our service we will endeavour to continue with our poverty related projects such as Child poverty, fuel poverty, domestic abuse advice project (mainly of which are living in poverty). We will also continue to work with WLC to ensure that we identify ways to assist and engage with clients who really need advice but for various reasons they do not engage.	Integrated Anti Poverty Service (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The council's Advice Shop currently works closely with partners including Citizens Advice Bureau. Officers will consider opportunities to work further with other partners and providers to deliver anti-poverty advice and support.
20134	An employee of West Lothian Council	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	How will this affect benefits processing times?	Integrated Anti Poverty Service (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The proposed integrated Anti Poverty service will help provide support and advice to vulnerable people in the community. The level of resources required and opportunities to streamline process and remove duplication will be considered as part of the implementation of the new team.

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20135	An individual	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	This should be reduced as everyone should be working and some people make choices to sit in this bracket, so let them!	Integrated Anti Poverty Service (general)	5c. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it is not consistent with the council's values and priorities.	The council currently has a priority to minimise poverty, the cycle of deprivation and promote equality. The new anti-poverty service will allow the council to deliver this priority. When developing the new Anti Poverty Strategy consideration will be given to the causes of poverty and potential interventions to help minimise their impact on vulnerable families.
20136	An employee of West Lothian Council	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	Given the specialist knowledge in both the Advice Shop and the benefit Team, I would be concerned that a more general approach would mean customers not receiving the same level of advice. I do think a joined up approach is useful in terms of sharing information but I feel departments should remain specialised in what they do as it can take years of experience to build the knowledge.	Integrated Anti Poverty Service (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Although the functions will be combined into a larger service, specialist advice and support will continue to be provided by specific teams. National Standards for Advice Providers ensures that free, impartial advice will be delivered. This includes the ability to challenge decisions which are potentially wrong. The new team will be structured in a way to minimise any potential conflict of interest. This proposal will help ensure that both services are working together to get the best outcomes for a common customer.
20137	An employee of West Lothian Council	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	There are other anti poverty financial assistance awards that can be delivered by the integrated anti-poverty service which currently sit outwith the benefit team ie Personal care (see section 6), school clothing grants, school meals, section 12 and 22 payments, Education Maintenance Allowance to name a few. Consideration should be given to bringing all statutory and discretionary financial awards under the remit of this new team.	Integrated Anti Poverty Service (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The proposed integrated Anti Poverty service will help provide support and advice to vulnerable people in the community. Opportunities to streamline process and remove duplication will be considered as part of the implementation of the new team. This will include the consideration of other financial assistance tasks in other areas of the council.
20138	An employee of West Lothian Council	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	There are other anti-poverty financial assistance awards that can be delivered by the integrated anti-poverty service which currently sit outwith the benefit team ie personal care, school clothing grants, school meals, section 12 and 22 payments, education maintenance allowance to name a few. Consideration should be given to bringing all statutory and discretionary financial awards under the remit of this new team. Given the specialist knowledge in both the Advice Shop and the Benefit Team, will jobs be ring fenced to protect jobs for staff either within those teams or at certain grades? It has already been determined that the staff on temporary contracts will be entitled to apply for jobs within the new team and if displaced have the same entitlements in relation to redeployment. There is concern however on a number of fronts not only for temporary staff but permanent staff also in relation to the terms and conditions of being placed on a redeployment list. Given the number of staff cuts across the council, realistically where are staff on the list going to be redeployed to?	Integrated Anti Poverty Service (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The proposed integrated Anti Poverty service will help provide support and advice to vulnerable people in the community. Opportunities to streamline process and remove duplication will be considered as part of the implementation of the new team. This will include the consideration of other financial assistance tasks in other areas of the council.
20139	An employee of West Lothian Council	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	Develop targeted packages that clients can take away/review online so that they might make more informed queries. eg. unemployed, elderly, young families	Integrated Anti Poverty Service (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Officers will consider how this could be developed.
20140	An employee of West Lothian Council	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	A joined-up approach to service delivery is reasonable but how will savings be made and increasing demand still be met?	Integrated Anti Poverty Service (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Welfare advice is currently provided by a number of different services across the council. When the provision of this advice comes from different service areas there is always the potential for some duplication. By consolidating the service into one overall team this will remove any potential duplication.
20141	An employee of West Lothian Council	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	There are other anti-poverty financial assistance award that can be administered by the benefit team that do sit outwith this team at the moment. Consideration could be given to bringing all statutory and discretionary financial awards under one team. The Advice Shop and Benefits are not dissimilar but they do not duplicate work as there remits are different. Benefits provide a statutory service and are subject to the constraints of legalisation and the DWP rulings.	Integrated Anti Poverty Service (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The proposed integrated Anti Poverty service will help provide support and advice to vulnerable people in the community. Opportunities to streamline process and remove duplication will be considered as part of the implementation of the new team. This will include the consideration of other financial assistance tasks in other areas of the council.

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20142	An employee of West Lothian Council	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	There are other anti poverty financial assistance awards that can be delivered by the integrated anti-poverty service which currently sit outwith the benefit team ie Personal care (see section 6), school clothing grants, school meals, section 12 and 22 payments, Education Maintenance Allowance to name a few. Consideration should be given to bringing all statutory and discretionary financial awards under the remit of this new team. Given the specialist knowledge in both the Advice Shop and the benefit Team, will jobs be ringfenced to protect jobs for staff either within those teams and at certain grades. It has already been determined that the staff on temporary contracts will be entitled to apply for jobs within the new team and if displaced, have the same entitlements in relation to redeployment. There is concern however on a number of fronts not only for temporary staff but permanent staff also in relation to the terms and conditions of being placed on the redeployment list. Given the number of staff cuts across the council, realistically where are staff on the list going to be redeployed to.	Integrated Anti Poverty Service (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The proposed integrated Anti Poverty service will help provide support and advice to vulnerable people in the community. Opportunities to streamline process and remove duplication will be considered as part of the implementation of the new team. This will include the consideration of other financial assistance tasks in other areas of the council.
20143	An individual	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	This is an area that should be expanding .	Integrated Anti Poverty Service (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The proposed integrated Anti Poverty service will help provide support and advice to vulnerable people in the community. The level of resources required and opportunities to streamline process and remove duplication will be considered as part of the implementation of the new team.
20144	An employee of West Lothian Council	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	There are other anti poverty financial assistance awards that can be delivered by the integrated anti-poverty service which currently sit outwith the benefit team ie Personal care, school clothing grants, school meals, Education Maintenance Allowance to name a few. Consideration should be given to bringing all statutory and discretionary financial awards under the remit of this new team. Given the specialist knowledge in both the Advice Shop and the benefit Team, will jobs be ringfenced to protect jobs for staff either within those teams and at certain grades It has already been determined that the staff on temporary contracts will be entitled to apply for jobs within the new team and if displaced, have the same entitlements in relation to redeployment. There is concern however on a number of fronts not only for temporary staff but permanent staff also in relation to the terms and conditions of being placed on the redeployment list. Given the number of staff cuts across the council, realistically where are staff on the list going to be redeployed to.	Integrated Anti Poverty Service (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The proposed integrated Anti Poverty service will help provide support and advice to vulnerable people in the community. Opportunities to streamline process and remove duplication will be considered as part of the implementation of the new team. This will include the consideration of other financial assistance tasks in other areas of the council.
20145	An individual	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	Again joined up thinking - good idea	Integrated Anti Poverty Service (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	This proposal will help ensure that both services are working together to get the best outcomes for a common customer.
20146	No Response	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	Provided this meets needs and does not mean people don't have to spend limited funds travelling.	Integrated Anti Poverty Service (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	At a time of significant welfare reform, good quality advice services are needed to support people, particularly those on low incomes. The proposed integrated Anti Poverty service will help provide support and advice to vulnerable people in the community. How individuals access this advice will be considered as part of the implementation of the new service.
20147	An individual	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	Good! Are there other services provided that the Council could use this joined-up thinking approach?	Integrated Anti Poverty Service (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Consideration has been given to all areas of duplication throughout the council.
20148	An individual	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	Consideration should be given to bringing all statutory and discretionary financial awards under the remit of this new team. Given the specialist knowledge in both the Advice Shop and the Benefit Team, will jobs be ring fenced to protect jobs for staff either within those teams? In relation to the possibility of being placed on the redeployment list, given the number of staff cuts across the council, realistically where are the staff on the list going to be redeployed to? Always thought any staff on temporary contracts would not have these extended if cuts to staffing was required. This was part of the job they accepted.	Integrated Anti Poverty Service (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The proposed integrated Anti Poverty service will help provide support and advice to vulnerable people in the community. Opportunities to streamline process and remove duplication will be considered as part of the implementation of the new team. This will include the consideration of other financial assistance tasks in other areas of the council.
20149	An individual	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	More savings could be made in this area	Integrated Anti Poverty Service (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The proposed integrated Anti Poverty service will help provide support and advice to vulnerable people in the community. The level of resources required and opportunities to streamline process and remove duplication will be considered as part of the implementation of the new team.

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20150	An individual	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	Cuts should not happen here!	Integrated Anti Poverty Service (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposed integrated Anti Poverty service will help provide support and advice to vulnerable people in the community. The level of resources required and opportunities to streamline process and remove duplication will be considered as part of the implementation of the new team.
20151	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	We agree with the proposal to improve the quality and accessibility of customer services in the Council.	Integrated Anti Poverty Service (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	This proposal will help ensure that both services are working together to get the best outcomes for a common customer.
20152	An individual	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	Good idea to bring these two teams together as this could lead to closing a building down	Integrated Anti Poverty Service (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	At a time of significant welfare reform, good quality advice services are needed to support people, particularly those on low incomes. The proposed integrated Anti Poverty service will help provide support and advice to vulnerable people in the community. How individuals access this advice will be considered as part of the implementation of the new service.
20153	An individual	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	Poverty - people are not seeing the financial support that they need. This concerns PIP and SDP support. Many people are extremely anxious over the assessment process. Forms are difficult to complete and do not focus on mental health. As a vulnerable adult I was refused SDS support for a short holiday. This is simply wrong. Many worried people have to go thru the appeals process with no guarantee of success. With new benefits such as PIP and UC people are receiving less money. Having to wait weeks for a decision can lead to people having no money to live on. People should not be penalised for having a disability. Long term awards should increase. People should be encouraged to volunteer. Local advice/support services need to be funded. Employment services also need to be there to get people working again if they are able. An important point is that most people who are ill desperately want to work and do not want to live on benefits. It is also important that people get support to make claims and ensure people get what they are entitled to. The whole application process needs to be easier and quicker. Disabled people want the same opportunities as everyone else. The key is fairness for everyone. West Lothian is on the right track - I believe poverty and health are key issues for West Lothian.	Integrated Anti Poverty Service (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The council currently has a priority to minimise poverty, the cycle of deprivation and promote equality. The new anti-poverty service will allow the council to deliver this priority. When developing the new Anti Poverty Strategy consideration will be given to the causes of poverty and potential interventions to help minimise their impact on vulnerable families.
20154	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	Welfare advice is so important to us. Any reduction, or if it is harder to access will lead to increased poverty for disabled people. It is very important that advice services are not centralised - some people can't travel, cuts in buses will mean greater incidents of poverty and deprivation.	Integrated Anti Poverty Service (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	At a time of significant welfare reform, good quality advice services are needed to support people, particularly those on low incomes. The proposed integrated Anti Poverty service will help provide support and advice to vulnerable people in the community. How individuals access this advice will be considered as part of the implementation of the new service.
20155	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	The sector would like to see a balance between focussing on regeneration areas and priority thematic groups, many people in poverty do not live in regeneration areas and in work poverty is a huge issue. How will the Council ensure that people in need of support have access where and when necessary and that this is not restricted to statistically determined geographical limits?	Integrated Anti Poverty Service (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	At a time of significant welfare reform, good quality advice services are needed to support people, particularly those on low incomes. The proposed integrated Anti Poverty service will help provide support and advice to vulnerable people in the community.
20156	An individual	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	Revenues have the best performance figures ever, why would you jeopardise this by merging it with a completely unregulated service?	Integrated Anti Poverty Service (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Although the functions will be combined into a larger service, specialist advice and support will continue to be provided by specific teams. National Standards for Advice Providers ensures that free, impartial advice will be delivered. This includes the ability to challenge decisions which are potentially wrong. The new team will be structured in a way to minimise any potential conflict of interest. This proposal will help ensure that both services are working together to get the best outcomes for a common customer.

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20157	An individual	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	Revenues have the best performance figures ever, why would you jeopardise this by merging it with a completely unregulated service?	Integrated Anti Poverty Service (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Although the functions will be combined into a larger service, specialist advice and support will continue to be provided by specific teams. National Standards for Advice Providers ensures that free, impartial advice will be delivered. This includes the ability to challenge decisions which are potentially wrong. The new team will be structured in a way to minimise any potential conflict of interest. This proposal will help ensure that both services are working together to get the best outcomes for a common customer.
20158	An individual	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	Revenues have the best performance figures ever, why would you jeopardise this by merging it with a completely unregulated service?	Integrated Anti Poverty Service (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Although the functions will be combined into a larger service, specialist advice and support will continue to be provided by specific teams. National Standards for Advice Providers ensures that free, impartial advice will be delivered. This includes the ability to challenge decisions which are potentially wrong. The new team will be structured in a way to minimise any potential conflict of interest. This proposal will help ensure that both services are working together to get the best outcomes for a common customer.
20159	An individual	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	Revenues have the best performance figures ever, why would you jeopardise this by merging it with a completely unregulated service?	Integrated Anti Poverty Service (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Although the functions will be combined into a larger service, specialist advice and support will continue to be provided by specific teams. National Standards for Advice Providers ensures that free, impartial advice will be delivered. This includes the ability to challenge decisions which are potentially wrong. The new team will be structured in a way to minimise any potential conflict of interest. This proposal will help ensure that both services are working together to get the best outcomes for a common customer.
20160	An individual	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	Revenues have the best performance figures ever, why would you jeopardise this by merging it with a completely unregulated service?	Integrated Anti Poverty Service (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Although the functions will be combined into a larger service, specialist advice and support will continue to be provided by specific teams. National Standards for Advice Providers ensures that free, impartial advice will be delivered. This includes the ability to challenge decisions which are potentially wrong. The new team will be structured in a way to minimise any potential conflict of interest. This proposal will help ensure that both services are working together to get the best outcomes for a common customer.
20161	An individual	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	Revenues have the best performance figures every, why would you jeopardise this by merging it with a completely unregulated service?	Integrated Anti Poverty Service (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Although the functions will be combined into a larger service, specialist advice and support will continue to be provided by specific teams. National Standards for Advice Providers ensures that free, impartial advice will be delivered. This includes the ability to challenge decisions which are potentially wrong. The new team will be structured in a way to minimise any potential conflict of interest. This proposal will help ensure that both services are working together to get the best outcomes for a common customer.
20162	An individual	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	This section also links back to section 3c, the new Anti-Poverty team and the suggestion of charging for non residential care for the elderly. Should this be agreed, the administration of this would be best placed under the same team, if agreed, that all financial assessments will be assessed.	Integrated Anti Poverty Service (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	When introducing new charges the council considers the most cost efficient and effective way of administering and managing the collection process. This will be a West Lothian Council based approach which will build upon examples of good practice in other authorities.
20163	An individual	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	Wider use of computer files to prevent fraud.	Integrated Anti Poverty Service (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The council currently works with a number of partners to identify fraud. Officers will consider how this can be further developed.

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20164	An employee of West Lothian Council	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	Like many of the proposals in this consultation, it is difficult to comment without knowing more of the context. Do you really expect consultees to disagree with a proposal which says the Council will provide 'a more targeted and focused' service. Shouldn't duplication have been removed already?	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
20165	An employee of West Lothian Council	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	How many job losses?	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
20166	No Response	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	No comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
20167	No Response	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	Needs to be fit for purpose	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
20168	An employee of West Lothian Council	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	no comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
20169	An individual	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	No comment.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
20170	An individual	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	N/A	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
20171	An individual	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	No comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
20172	An individual	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	No comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
20173	An employee of West Lothian Council	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	No comment.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
20174	An individual	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	No comment.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
20175	An individual	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	I don't understand budgeting advantages and restraints enough to comment.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
20176	An employee of West Lothian Council	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	Should this be entirely commissioned?	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
20177	An employee of West Lothian Council	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	This proposal suggests a cheaper and better service.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
20178	An individual	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	You want to spend 600k less on tackling poverty... this survey is a wind up. Who sent me this... Am I gonna go viral for falling for this	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
20179	No Response	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	I do not know where this is in Linlithgow.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
20180	An individual	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	-	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
20181	No Response	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	No comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
20182	An individual	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	No comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
20183	An individual	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	no comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
20184	An employee of West Lothian Council	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	N/a	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
20185	An individual	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	No comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
20186	An individual	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	No comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
20187	An individual	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	No comment.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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20188	An employee of West Lothian Council	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	No comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
20189	An individual	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	This team would provide a joined up service for the public, giving those in most need an improved service whilst also generating efficiency savings through removal of duplication'. Again such content less statements are worthless. 'Generating efficiency savings'; surely allowing efficiency savings	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
20190	An employee of West Lothian Council	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	No comment as don't know enough.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
20191	No Response	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	dgdgd	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
20192	An individual	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	nil	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
20193	An individual	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	No Comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
20194	An employee of West Lothian Council	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	No comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
20195	An individual	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	No comment.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
20196	No Response	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	More detail required	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
20197	An employee of West Lothian Council	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	No comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
20198	An individual	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	More information is needed.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
20199	An individual	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	I can't comment as the description is just buzz words that don't actually explain the proposed cuts.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
20200	An individual	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	no comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
20201	An individual	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	No comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
20202	An individual	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	No additional comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
20203	No Response	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	Don't know enough about this to comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
20204	An employee of West Lothian Council	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	no comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
20205	An employee of West Lothian Council	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	don't know enough about it to comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
20206	An individual	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	No comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
20207	An employee of West Lothian Council	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	No comments	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
20208	An individual	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	No comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
20209	No Response	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
20210	An individual	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	no comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
20211	An individual	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	Not able to comment on this issue	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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20212	An individual	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	No comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
20213	An individual	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	I thought this was already in process	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
20214	An individual	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	No comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
20215	An individual	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	Eh?	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
20216	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	We do not believe we have the knowledge or experience of this area to be able to make an informed comment on it.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
20217	An individual	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	Don't know the details, so can't comment.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
20218	No Response	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	xxx	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
20219	An individual	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	Unsure	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
20220	An employee of West Lothian Council	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	No comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
20221	An individual	3c. Integrated Anti Poverty Service	No comment.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
20222	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	Public artworks is a waste of money that could be better spent elsewhere.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
20223	No Response	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	Agree to all suggested proposals	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
20224	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
20225	An employee of West Lothian Council	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	really!- it's not essential- cut it	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
20226	An employee of West Lothian Council	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
20227	An employee of West Lothian Council	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	Supportive of this proposal.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
20228	No Response	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	I agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
20229	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	Ok	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
20230	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	Necessary	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
20231	No Response	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	Scrap it all	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
20232	An employee of West Lothian Council	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	Not a priority	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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20233	An employee of West Lothian Council	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	Agreed, we need to prioritise.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
20234	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	Agree this proposal.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
20235	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	although these are valued services, given the funding position of WLC, it would be understandable and sensible to make savings where possible in this area.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
20236	An employee of West Lothian Council	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	Totally makes sense	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
20237	An employee of West Lothian Council	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	Totally agree. There must be private services that could offer some alternatives activities	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
20238	An employee of West Lothian Council	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	In th current financial climate this is sadly the only option.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
20239	An employee of West Lothian Council	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	This seems fair.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
20240	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	We have to accept some reduction in services and this would seem to be an area where saving could be made.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
20241	An employee of West Lothian Council	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
20242	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	I agree.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
20243	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	Agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
20244	An employee of West Lothian Council	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	Happy with this	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
20245	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	Agree.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
20246	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	happy with this	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
20247	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	Agree.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
20248	An employee of West Lothian Council	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
20249	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
20250	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	Positive	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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20251	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
20252	An employee of West Lothian Council	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	While Active Schools provides a service to education I would very much support cuts in this area as it is NON statutory service it would appear facing no cuts.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
20253	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	Art is a luxury let the user pay	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
20254	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	Music what? Never heard of this. Support a cut in this area	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
20255	An employee of West Lothian Council	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	Agree. Could more be generated from this?	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
20256	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	This area can receive cuts. While it's nice to have it's not a priority.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
20257	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	this seems like a good idea - the Howden park can surely raise its own revenues	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
20258	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	I think this is a given as people can pay for these privately.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
20259	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	go ahead with the savings	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
20260	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	This seems hard but fair	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
20261	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	A little disappointing but reasonable	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
20262	An employee of West Lothian Council	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	Very good proposal	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
20263	An employee of West Lothian Council	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	No objections.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
20264	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	Unfortunate but inevitable reductions	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
20265	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	I agree with the Council's proposals for the moment to see how they all work out. Thank you.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
20266	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	I would agree with this measure. Providing services should be the Council's priority rather than entertainment.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
20267	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	Agree - this makes sense.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
20268	No Response	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	I agree with the proposal	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
20269	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	These services should be funded by the service/facilities users.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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20270	An employee of West Lothian Council	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	Good idea if it runs the same	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
20271	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	Unfortunate but cuts need to made somewhere.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
20272	An employee of West Lothian Council	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	Sadly I have to agree with this.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
20273	An employee of West Lothian Council	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	Yes would agree with this.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
20274	An employee of West Lothian Council	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
20275	An employee of West Lothian Council	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	Sounds good to me!	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
20276	An employee of West Lothian Council	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
20277	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	Long overdue.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
20278	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
20279	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	Ok	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
20280	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	makes sense	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
20281	No Response	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	Sounds fine.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
20282	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
20283	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	Makes sense	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
20284	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	Agreed.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
20285	An employee of West Lothian Council	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
20286	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
20287	No Response	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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20288	An employee of West Lothian Council	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	Good	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
20289	No Response	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	I agree with this proposal	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
20290	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	Agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
20291	An employee of West Lothian Council	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	agree with proposal	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
20292	An employee of West Lothian Council	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
20293	An employee of West Lothian Council	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	These are non-essential services which should be cut.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
20294	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	I don't have a problem with that. We will survive.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
20295	An employee of West Lothian Council	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	Given the pressures in key areas such as social care we cannot continue to fund these nice to have services. If communities care about keeping these groups running, volunteers will do it themselves without council support. I feel that a lot of money is wasted on these areas that deliver little for the council's priorities.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
20296	An employee of West Lothian Council	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	With some of the other proposals in this consultation Arts programming should definitely not be considered as an essential of delivery service.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
20297	An employee of West Lothian Council	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	Although sad to see this in the bigger picture savings have to be made so this is one area with least impact that would be detrimental to young people.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
20298	An employee of West Lothian Council	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	Unfortunate but necessary.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
20299	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	the market is full with leisure competition so why use council money that is not making money	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
20300	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	If this has to done, it reflects reduced funding by the Scottish Government.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
20301	An employee of West Lothian Council	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	Agreed-promoting more widely/fully the things that remain would be good	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
20302	An employee of West Lothian Council	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	Agree - must be scope for WLL to reduce their own costs and increase prices	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
20303	An employee of West Lothian Council	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	I believe that this is not one of the more vital services that the council provides therefore i agree.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
20304	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	Again, in an ideal world this would be available. However, due to budget restraints I do not believe it should be a priority.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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20305	An employee of West Lothian Council	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	Would agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
20306	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
20307	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	Fair	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
20308	An employee of West Lothian Council	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	Agree with this proposal.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
20309	An employee of West Lothian Council	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	Agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
20310	No Response	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	All sounds sensible and appropriate.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
20311	An employee of West Lothian Council	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	This seems a reasonable proposal, there needs to be consideration of the role that sports and the arts can play in offering quality of life improvements to the most vulnerable in society that may be unable to afford access to these means. However, these are not pertinent to the core services that the council should aim to supply.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
20312	An employee of West Lothian Council	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	It seems that there are already too many options re arts and sports activities so I don't see this as a bad cost saving measure.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
20313	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	unfortunately this appears necessary when up against other priorities.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
20314	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	Agreed. Charges could be introduced.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
20315	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	it is sad that these will be lost but other services are more important	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
20316	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	Ok	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
20317	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	I would support this proposal.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
20318	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	A rational approach	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
20319	An employee of West Lothian Council	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	This appears to be a reasonable proposal.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
20320	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	Agreed, but unfortunate is not a resident of Livingston	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
20321	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	ok	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
20322	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
20323	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	Ok	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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20324	An employee of West Lothian Council	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
20325	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	I would support this	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
20326	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	Good.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
20327	An employee of West Lothian Council	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
20328	An employee of West Lothian Council	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
20329	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	I agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
20330	An employee of West Lothian Council	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
20331	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	I agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
20332	An employee of West Lothian Council	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	Agree.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
20333	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
20334	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	okay	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
20335	An employee of West Lothian Council	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	Happy with this proposal.....	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
20336	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	Again not what I would want but in these tough times this proposal is understandable ,	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
20337	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	ok	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
20338	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	Support this proposal	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
20339	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
20340	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	Good idea	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
20341	An employee of West Lothian Council	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	Agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
20342	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	Content	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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20343	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	Agree that there are other priorities	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
20344	An employee of West Lothian Council	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	4a It is sad to lose these services, but I do understand changes must be made.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
20345	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
20346	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	Agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
20347	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	Understandable. West Lothian Leisure, as a business, should be aiming to create its' own profits.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
20348	An employee of West Lothian Council	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	Good	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
20349	An employee of West Lothian Council	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	Agreed.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
20350	An employee of West Lothian Council	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	Good idea	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
20351	An employee of West Lothian Council	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	I agree with this.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
20352	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
20353	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	Agree.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
20354	No Response	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	This is sad, but cannot be more of a priority than providing support for people in need.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
20355	An employee of West Lothian Council	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	This would be expected and seems fair enough proposal. Focus areas good and are priorities	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
20356	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	If there are A£73 million of savings needed then the council needs to focus on education and social care so agree that savings need to be made in these areas.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
20357	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	That seems fine.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
20358	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	Although disappointing, agree due to financial pressures	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
20359	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
20360	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	ok	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
20361	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	Agreed Non-statutory services must justify their existence by either income/savings/outcomes delivered.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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20362	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	Agree with WLL reduction of funding as other providers in the county do not receive this subsidy	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
20363	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	that i strongly agree with cutting back money for arts and sports	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
20364	An employee of West Lothian Council	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	Agree - especially in relation to West Lothian Leisure.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
20365	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	Ok in principle	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
20366	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
20367	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
20368	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	Support	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
20369	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	Essential	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
20370	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	Agreed. Undesirable but necessary.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
20371	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	Sad but necessary in the current climate.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
20372	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	This sounds reasonable.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
20373	An employee of West Lothian Council	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
20374	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	I believe that the council should make this saving	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
20375	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	Agree with this	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
20376	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
20377	An employee of West Lothian Council	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	I agree with this.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
20378	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	Ok with this	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
20379	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
20380	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	Agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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20381	An employee of West Lothian Council	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	Does not affect me from a work point of view or personal however I agree with these savings.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
20382	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	These are desirable, but are not core services given austerity required they should be cut	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
20383	An employee of West Lothian Council	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	Strongly agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
20384	An employee of West Lothian Council	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	Ok	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
20385	An employee of West Lothian Council	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	I agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
20386	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
20387	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	Look okay as it is possible to evaluate given the vague descriptions given in the 'Transforming Your Council'	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
20388	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	I agree with the proposal.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
20389	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	All proposals are sound.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
20390	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	Good, but what are they and what are the timelines....so how can a costing be applied? However Linlithgow benefits from a major asset in the context of the Burgh Halls. Much more needs to be done to promote the venue which means investing more to generate increased income. This is a primary money earning asset that is currently not fulfilling its potential.	Delivery of Culture and Sports - Arts	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council will continue to seek way to make the best use of our assets to ensure they provide the bet value for money
20391	An employee of West Lothian Council	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	Sounds sensible although arts are useful to the health and wellbeing of people.	Delivery of Culture and Sports - Arts	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. It is proposed that some arts provision would continue.
20392	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	Public Art and Arts Programming on the other hand are areas where only a limited number of people draw any benefit from	Delivery of Culture and Sports - Arts	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
20393	An employee of West Lothian Council	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	Agree. Close HPC. It is a costly luxury that offers little value to the majority of people. I'd also be annoyed to see any money spent on public art in future.	Delivery of Culture and Sports - Arts	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. The relative merits of rationalising facility provision will be explored during work on this proposal. Developer contributions pay for public art.
20394	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	Howden Park Centre is difficult to get to if you have no transport especially in the winter. Improved lighting leading up to the centre might encourage more people to use the facilities from both the hospital direction and the paths from Howden's bus stops	Delivery of Culture and Sports - Arts	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
20395	No Response	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	Music services,do not reduce obesity and lead people to live healthier lives. Music is not something everyone can participate in so I would say it is more elitist and less essential than good accessible leisure facilities throughout the council area	Delivery of Culture and Sports - Arts	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
20396	An employee of West Lothian Council	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	Children and young people still need exposed to art, music and culture. It helps fire the imagination and hone those who may be less academic. Please ensure that the approach considered does not disadvantage gifted and or less academic children	Delivery of Culture and Sports - Arts	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Pupils will continue to receive arts and sports experiences as part of the curriculum.

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20397	An employee of West Lothian Council	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	reduction in any funding in the arts will have a long term detrimental effect on our young peoples future. Where possible these areas should be safeguarded.	Delivery of Culture and Sports - Arts	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Pupils will continue to receive arts and sports experiences as part of the curriculum.
20398	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	I do not think that arts projects should be a council priority.	Delivery of Culture and Sports - Arts	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Based on the proposed priorities some sports and arts activities will no longer be provided.
20399	An employee of West Lothian Council	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	I am unclear what arts activities would not be provided and whether it would be possible to make a charge for these activities rather than not providing them	Delivery of Culture and Sports - Arts	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Based on the proposed priorities some sports and arts activities will no longer be provided. Officers will consider how charging for activities could be developed.
20400	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	Arts good but anti obesity initiative trumps arts. Don't make Xcite any more expensive.	Delivery of Culture and Sports - Arts	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Based on the proposed priorities some sports and arts activities will no longer be provided. Officers will consider how charging for activities could be developed.
20401	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	Experienced (retired or otherwise available) enthusiasts should be sought and supported to provide access to the arts, with instruments and/or art materials being procured over time via local fund raising, starting very simply with whatever materials are to hand.	Delivery of Culture and Sports - Arts	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The council will continue to explore opportunities to empower communities in terms of the future provision of services/facilities.
20402	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	Feel this is a disappointing change although do feel that the services could have been managed better. Howden Park Centre management is poor. You visit the venue and see people wandering about, the cafe is very poor both in the quality of the food and the service of the staff. Lost opportunity there.	Delivery of Culture and Sports - Arts	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	Howden Park Centre is now operated by West Lothian Leisure.
20403	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	This statement is not detailed enough to explain exactly what services will be cut or reduced or if services will continue but with users paying higher fees but in general I do not agree with this proposal. Art, music and leisure activities are important for a sense of community and involvement.	Delivery of Culture and Sports - Arts	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposal is to continue provision of the Youth Music Initiative, Active Schools, developer funded public art and arts programming for Howden Park Centre. School pupils will also continue to receive arts and sports experiences as part of the curriculum and have opportunities to participate in extra curricular arts and sports experiences.
20404	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	There should be no free space for artists to sell their work. Council Tax payers should not be asked to subsidise artists to sell their work. The council would not provide free space for any other business. All artists should be asked to provide a contribution. For more exclusive artists where the council is promoting the exhibition there should be a small entrance fee. Schools (free) and concessions discounts could be put in place.	Delivery of Culture and Sports - Arts	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thanks you for comment. Your feedback has been noted. As part of the work on this proposal officers will consider how charging could be developed.
20405	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	Subsidies to Howden Park Centre should be minimised. With significant budget cuts being applied to priority services this, and other public arts funding should be reduced.	Delivery of Culture and Sports - Arts	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Officers will consider how this could be developed.
20406	An employee of West Lothian Council	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	Public Art????? The council should give this the elbow right from the off. A lot of pointless & wasted money on [REDACTED]	Delivery of Culture and Sports - Arts	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Thanks you for comment. Your feedback has been noted Developer contributions pay for public art.
20407	An employee of West Lothian Council	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	I wasn't really aware that council provided any arts programmes so I can't imagine this having much on an impact	Delivery of Culture and Sports - Arts	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
20408	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	Music instructors is a must for West Lothian, we have a tradition.	Delivery of Culture and Sports - Arts	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music, drama, sport and art provision through curriculum for excellence.
20409	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	So music and art becomes for those who can afford it only?	Delivery of Culture and Sports - Arts	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
20410	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	Please say you aren't talking about cutting arts in schools at the same time as getting expensive specialists in to implement this?	Delivery of Culture and Sports - Arts	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposal is to continue provision of the Youth Music Initiative, Active Schools, developer funded public art and arts programming for Howden Park Centre. School pupils will also continue to receive arts and sports experiences as part of the curriculum and have opportunities to participate in extra curricular arts and sports experiences.

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20411	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	No performance arts group should be funded and no money wasted on public art or sculptures.	Delivery of Culture and Sports - Arts	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. Developer contributions pay for public art.
20412	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	Again I feel its sad if the budget towards cultural activities is cut but I would have assumed that this would be a natural outcome.	Delivery of Culture and Sports - Arts	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
20413	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	As the parent of a piper in the schools pipe band I am concerned at the potential loss of this opportunity. The Juvenile band were 4th in the world last year yet currently it sounds like we may be lucky if the band is supported past August 2018. Arts and Music are important to a child's development as a whole person as the schools keep telling us that is what they are trying to produce.	Delivery of Culture and Sports - Arts	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music, drama, sport and art provision through curriculum for excellence.
20414	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	Arts are for the leisure side of life, they are not necessities. When funds are tight we should not be providing these to people who cannot pay for them.	Delivery of Culture and Sports - Arts	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
20415	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	Fantastic....not .....why is everything in livingston????? Bathgate has a fantastic venue in the regal yet this is on the brink of closure because everything is at Howden. ... surely with the growing population in wester inch and surrounding areas other places in west lothian should benefit!	Delivery of Culture and Sports - Arts	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. As part of the work on this proposal officers will consider the type and extent of current arts and culture facility provision across West Lothian.
20416	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	SAVE MONEY BY: No money spent on art work.	Delivery of Culture and Sports - Arts	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The proposal is to continue provision of the Youth Music Initiative, Active Schools, developer funded public art and arts programming for Howden Park Centre. School pupils will also continue to receive arts and sports experiences as part of the curriculum and have opportunities to participate in extra curricular arts and sports experiences.
20417	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	Council funding for all arts, apart from Howden Centre (which generates revenue) should be suspended for the next 5 years. Only arts installations and projects funded directly by 3rd parties should continue. The proposal for sports funding is fine.	Delivery of Culture and Sports - Arts	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
20418	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	Integrating a reduced instrumental music provision into the mainstream curriculum. It has been shown that channeling musical talent can lead to reduced crime rates, better self esteem, and better focus for pupils leading to better exam results and more useful positive destinations. To reduce this and rely on parents having to pay for individual tuition would be detrimental to the lower paid families. West Lothian has a fantastic Youth Music Initiative with great results at competition level. You only have to turn up to the Spring Concert Series to hear the quality of dedication and commitment from musical instructors and pupils to realise its worth. The same can be said for sports programmes and the impact this has on young lives. Early intervention is the key	Delivery of Culture and Sports - Arts	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposal is to continue provision of the Youth Music Initiative, Active Schools, developer funded public art and arts programming for Howden Park Centre. School pupils will also continue to receive arts and sports experiences as part of the curriculum and have opportunities to participate in extra curricular arts and sports experiences.
20419	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	Howden Park should be self funding. West Lothian Leisure should now be self sufficient and arms length getting on with their job leaving the council to focus on their statutory roles. I would hope that local clubs, music groups etc. will all be considered to augment the arts and sports activities and that West Lothian Leisure are not permitted to think everything has to be run by them!!	Delivery of Culture and Sports - Arts	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thanks you for comment. Your feedback has been noted. Significant parts of the provision which it is proposed the council will focus on in the future is externally funded or has costs off-set by income generation. As part of the work on this proposal officers will consider the extent to which related services are, or could be, supplied by other organisations.
20420	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	Public art and Arts programming should aim to be cost neutral and not be funded by the tax payer. West Lothian Leisure should be run as a for-profit concern, with profits re-invested or returned to the council. Private leisure facilities in West Lothian do not appear to have competing with West Lothian Leisure despite often having poorer standard of facilities.	Delivery of Culture and Sports - Arts	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thanks you for comment. Your feedback has been noted. Significant parts of the provision which it is proposed the council will focus on in the future is externally funded or has costs off-set by income generation.

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20421	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	Howden Park Centre must come under one of the worst investments in the history of the council. What was the end bill for the transformation? Millions. I live nearby and walk the dog around this area and most nights the gates are closed at 5pm. Meanwhile we have countless groups rehearsing in Church halls and other venues (Pub function rooms etc) Surely a centre of this scale and cost should be in use every night? The Arts programming has not moved on in 10 years and still offers the same old tired selection of events. It is no surprise the only times the venue seems busy is when the local youth theatre groups are putting on shows although a number of these have moved to other venues as a result of prohibitive costs. Perhaps a drive to attract more users with a sensible pricing structure and a reduced but better quality arts service should be considered to not only save money but increase use	Delivery of Culture and Sports - Arts	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	Thanks you for comment. Your feedback has been noted. Officers will consider how this could be developed.
20422	An employee of West Lothian Council	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	Other than two salaries both YMI and public art don't actually cost money to WLC. Is there a plan in place if external funders actually reduce or stop funding these projects?	Delivery of Culture and Sports - Arts	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Officers will consider the likely extent of future external funding, and any associated risks and opportunities, as part of the work on this proposal.
20423	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	centres such as low port , Howden, regal theatre should not be funded they should be managed and run to be self sufficient	Delivery of Culture and Sports - Arts	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	Low Port Centre and Howden Park Centre are operated by WLL and the future operating model for the Regal Theatre is yet to be determined. It is anticipated that, going forward, the costs of such facilities will increasingly require to be off-set through income generation.
20424	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	It is always the arts that get cut. Short sighted, as these provide wellbeing and positive experiences.	Delivery of Culture and Sports - Arts	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
20425	No Response	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	If these services are required then the service users should be making more of a contribution	Delivery of Culture and Sports - Arts	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. As part of the work on this proposal officers will consider how charging for activities could be developed.
20426	An employee of West Lothian Council	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	As i've said, I think cutting arts is a mistake. Tapping into arts funding and initiatives should be looked at.	Delivery of Culture and Sports - Arts	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. Officers will consider how this could be developed.
20427	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	Howden Park centre is neither handy nor relevant to a large number of towns and villages in West Lothian this seems an unjust focus and centralisation of funded support to Livingston ... there is much much more to West Lothian than Livingston, but the council seem to have an issue understanding this in many such cases. Funding for music activities and so in should be focussed on early years it is clear lot evidenced worldwide that the earlier in life we try to aid child development and learning, the better the prospects and outcomes for children in later life. Youth is too late !	Delivery of Culture and Sports - Arts	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	These comments will be considered in the development of the proposal.
20428	No Response	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	In favour of maintaining Youth Music Initiative.	Delivery of Culture and Sports - Arts	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Part of the proposal is to continue provision of the Youth Music Initiative.
20429	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	Developing the The youth music initiative and reducing the instrumental programme seems counter productive . To inspire children to be interested in music then not allow any channel for this to be developed seems a poor decision. Currently this works as the instrumental programme is there for children to follow the learning they receive.	Delivery of Culture and Sports - Arts	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
20430	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	Sad day to see this. West Lothian has a fantastic reputation for music provision, and support to music groups. Youth music stops at 18 and then what? I'd like to see existing services maintained	Delivery of Culture and Sports - Arts	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
20431	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	The Arts. An easy target !!!!	Delivery of Culture and Sports - Arts	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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20432	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	The arts program at Howden Park Centre is an excellent addition to the authority but as it is not a direct educational resource in a school, I think some savings could be made in this area. YMI is a positive program but could be scaled down as long as Instrumental Music services remain in tact.	Delivery of Culture and Sports - Arts	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposal is to continue provision of the Youth Music Initiative, Active Schools, developer funded public art and arts programming for Howden Park Centre. YMI provision is almost entirely externally funded and such funds must be used in accordance with the related funding agreement. All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the YMI. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
20433	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	Agree. However, the council must wake up and take the difficult decisions required here and elsewhere. The recent example of politicians being too scared to close the Regal Theatre is appalling and shows a complete lack of leadership, not to mention economic reality. How much longer will it be allowed to stagger on bleeding more money from council budgets?	Delivery of Culture and Sports - Arts	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
20434	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	If we don't have the money to provide everything we would like, then we need to prioritise what we must spend money on. I'm afraid some of the arts provision will have to go.	Delivery of Culture and Sports - Arts	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. The proposal is to continue provision of the Youth Music Initiative, Active Schools, developer funded public art and arts programming for Howden Park Centre. School pupils will continue to receive arts and sports experiences as part of the curriculum and have opportunities to participate in extra curricular arts and sports experiences.
20435	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	You should not be focusing on programming at Howden Park Centre as this will mainly benefit local Livingston residents. You should be concentrating on providing arts and sports activities through all of West Lothian.	Delivery of Culture and Sports - Arts	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	This comment will be considered in the development of the proposal.
20436	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	Statutory Arts programming has neither the expertise nor operational capacity to achieve sustained participation from marginalised and economically deprived communities. Cuts to Voluntary Sector arts organisations will therefore have a significant and adverse impact on communities who are already disadvantaged and at risk. Quality arts activity is proven to engage effectively with communities deemed as at risk, vulnerable or hard to reach; fostering responsibility, generating community cohesion and reducing anti-social activity. Progressive arts activity underpins school-based learning, positive behavioural change, mental health and physical well-being. It builds personal development, skills and aspiration to equip young people for positive destinations. In the current economic climate affordable and accessible arts activity should be considered a community asset, a driver for social change and an invaluable platform for learning, skills and achievement.	Delivery of Culture and Sports - Arts	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Potential impacts, risks and opportunities will be given further consideration by officers as work on this proposal progresses.
20437	An employee of West Lothian Council	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	The Youth Music Initiative is constantly mispending funds in order to provide whatever seems fashionable at any given instead of working with our schools to use their professional staff and facilities more effectively. Howden Park is an abomination and well out of reach for people from other towns in the region. The place has never been run effectively, especially since it's remodelling several years go, and fails to engage with the public at large and in particular our young people. The closure of Bathgate Regal Theatre has only compounded this. The Regal is an excellent facility that could become a hub of activity for all types of arts and even sports but has been mismanaged, over-priced and badly publicised for years. Both of these facilities seem to have no decent way of communicating with the public, by social media in particular, and as a result their footfall is substandard. With correct management and modern thinking facilities such as these could be renewed and properly utilised.	Delivery of Culture and Sports - Arts	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	This comment will be considered in the development of the proposal.
20438	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	I would hope that the Council recognised the importance of the Regal Theatre in Bathgate as a provider for essential activities for all ages in our community. It is about to be 80 years old and is an essential part of the community.	Delivery of Culture and Sports - Arts	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. The proposal does not involve the Regal Theatre.

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20439	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	Any child identified as having a particular musical talent should be given the opportunity to attend specialist classes at a centralised location.	Delivery of Culture and Sports - Arts	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	This comment will be considered in the development of the proposal.
20440	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	Would be good to see all facilities at Howden Park Centre being well used. Disgrace to think many people in the community don't even know we have a theatre. Sad the restaurant is not used either.	Delivery of Culture and Sports - Arts	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Options for improving the utilisation of existing facilities will be considered in the development of the proposal.
20441	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	Regal Theatre in Bathgate should be utilised to it's upmost to help culture, sports groups, and arts to be accessible to the public. Monies can be returned via rents and events. Howden Park is not the most accessible place to reach by public transport. Therefor benefits in the two centres being used to service both sides of West Lothian.	Delivery of Culture and Sports - Arts	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. The proposal does not involve the Regal Theatre.
20442	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	In principle, I agree to this as the proposal states that the Youth Music Initiative, Active Schools and the arts programming at Howden Park Centre will continue. It is difficult to say much as I do not have relevant information on what arts and sports activities will not be provided. I agree to this proposal largely on the basis that core activities that support art and activity in daily life, establishing these habits and interests at a key point in life, are being continued.	Delivery of Culture and Sports - Arts	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. The proposal is to continue provision of the Youth Music Initiative, Active Schools, developer funded public art and arts programming for Howden Park Centre. School pupils will continue to receive arts and sports experiences as part of the curriculum and have opportunities to participate in extra curricular arts and sports experiences.
20443	An employee of West Lothian Council	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	Agreed that sports should be cut to minimum. Any extra curriculum sports that the children wish to take out should be done through parents funding.	Delivery of Culture and Sports - Arts	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. The proposal is to continue provision of the Youth Music Initiative, Active Schools, developer funded public art and arts programming for Howden Park Centre. School pupils will continue to receive arts and sports experiences as part of the curriculum and have opportunities to participate in extra curricular arts and sports experiences.
20444	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	Keep funding for sport Reduce funding for arts	Delivery of Culture and Sports - Arts	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	This comment will be considered in the development of the proposal.
20445	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	I agree with this in principal however getting rid of some of the more obscure exhibitions at Howden Park would be better than cutting funding in other areas. While I have often benefited from the active schools programme I think it could be more effective. I think that there is an imbalance of provision across WL and making schools more aware of what's available and encouraging the schools in areas where alternative council provision is limited would even things up.	Delivery of Culture and Sports - Arts	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	These comments will be considered in the development of the proposal.
20446	An employee of West Lothian Council	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	Arts is a luxury that is not viable at this time.	Delivery of Culture and Sports - Arts	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
20447	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	Funding for arts also should not be forgotten. I could go on forever. I will not as my views are of little interest as they don't generate money.	Delivery of Culture and Sports - Arts	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. The proposal is to continue provision of the Youth Music Initiative, Active Schools, developer funded public art and arts programming for Howden Park Centre. School pupils will continue to receive arts and sports experiences as part of the curriculum and have opportunities to participate in extra curricular arts and sports experiences. It is anticipated that, going forward, costs in these areas will increasingly require to be off-set through income generation.

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20448	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	reduce funding for public arts at Howden centre - other things more importance than public art	Delivery of Culture and Sports - Arts	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	The proposal is to continue provision of the Youth Music Initiative, Active Schools, developer funded public art and arts programming for Howden Park Centre. Developer contributions pay for public art.
20449	An employee of West Lothian Council	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	The council should consider the income potential of properties such as the Burgh Halls via the conference and wedding market. It is a beautiful venue, great location and heritage. Packaged up more effectively with an enhanced digital presence and enough staff would ensure it would be busier and making a profit.	Delivery of Culture and Sports - Arts	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	This comment will be considered in the development of the proposal.
20450	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	I do not believe the major asset of the Burgh Halls in Linlithgow is currently being explored and exploited to its full potential. I believe much more use of this facility could be obtained increasing the revenue available from it to West Lothian Council.	Delivery of Culture and Sports - Arts	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	This comment will be considered in the development of the proposal.
20451	An employee of West Lothian Council	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	howden park centre could be run better than at present .it is a good facility to have	Delivery of Culture and Sports - Arts	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	The council will continue to seek to prioritise, deliver and improve local services.
20452	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	I don't agree that Howden park Centre should be council funded. I'm sure it could generate it's own funding through it's own stakeholders.	Delivery of Culture and Sports - Arts	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	It is anticipated that, going forward, the costs of such facilities will increasingly require to be off-set through income generation.
20453	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	I don't agree that Howden park Centre should be council funded. I'm sure it could generate it's own funding through it's own stakeholders.	Delivery of Culture and Sports - Arts	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	It is anticipated that, going forward, the costs of such facilities will increasingly require to be off-set through income generation.
20454	No Response	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	Children have to be able to learn to swim at no or little cost. It is not just for recreation; it could save their lives.	Delivery of Culture and Sports - Arts	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
20455	An employee of West Lothian Council	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	I work in education and if the active schools and community sport service was decreased even more it would have a direct negative impact on health and wellbeing- attainment and school sport would no doubt collapse. Schools rely on this service and its already overworked.	Delivery of Culture and Sports - Arts	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Part of the proposal is for Active Schools to continue to be delivered.
20456	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	As mentioned previously not all pupils are community groups are academic as should not miss out on key life skills such as physical activity, art and music. Along with health concerns and mental health issues these activities can have a positive impact on the publics health and wellbeing.	Delivery of Culture and Sports - Arts	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	The proposal is to continue provision of the Youth Music Initiative, Active Schools, developer funded public art and arts programming for Howden Park Centre. School pupils will continue to receive arts and sports experiences as part of the curriculum and have opportunities to participate in extra curricular arts and sports experiences.
20457	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	My son has attended the Youth Music workshops and although he suffers from anxiety, the encouragement and belief which they gave him resulted in him being able to perform in front as part of a band to a live audience.	Delivery of Culture and Sports - Arts	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Part of the proposal is to continue provision of the Youth Music Initiative.
20458	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	Young musicians need specialised support, and being around like minded creative minds is extremely important. Being a great musician requires a very unusual level of consistent discipline at a very young age, and not all school environments are conducive to maintaining this type of focus. We all need a little bit of magic and beauty in our lives - great musicians, people who have dedicated their lives to doing the seemingly impossible, can provide this. These students, excelling in this field, have the potential to deliver uplift and beauty to their societies. Continued support for the arts in general is an investment in the health of the country. It's always shortsighted to cut support for it, and a mistake we eventually pay for. Music tuition within the curriculum is limited little teaching goes on in practical sessions the onus is on the child to learn for themselves. Specialised individual lessons are the only way forward to ensure the talent is nurtured	Delivery of Culture and Sports - Arts	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.
20459	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	Does the youth music initiative replace instrumental music provision in schools? Will this be a cheaper alternative?	Delivery of Culture and Sports - Arts	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	All pupils will experience Instrumental Music Tuition in Primary School through the Youth Music Initiative. It is proposed that some access to tuition will remain. All children will retain appropriate music provision through curriculum for excellence.

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20460	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	Again arts being reduced which is not good for keeping active and reducing obesity. Children, young adults rely on these activities for their health and well being especially if they are struggling in life within School and home environment.	Delivery of Culture and Sports - Arts	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Potential impacts, risks and opportunities will be given further consideration by officers as work on this proposal progresses.
20461	An employee of West Lothian Council	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	SHOULD NOT REDUCE FUNDING TO MUSIC . IMPORTANT AND IMPACT POSITIVELY ON MENTAL HEALTH. THAT IS A SHORT TERM POLICY WHICH WILL END UP COSTING THE COUNTRY MORE THAN IT SAVES.	Delivery of Culture and Sports - Arts	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Potential impacts, risks and opportunities will be given further consideration by officers as work on this proposal progresses.
20462	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	Music is so important to our children. I know this as I have watched my grandson grow on confidence .	Delivery of Culture and Sports - Arts	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
20463	An employee of West Lothian Council	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	Support of the Arts also very important.	Delivery of Culture and Sports - Arts	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
20464	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	The Arts provision has much diminished over the last 4-5 years or so. How will we notice further cuts.	Delivery of Culture and Sports - Arts	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
20465	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	How do young people access Howden Park Centre? Answer, not very easily if they don't live in Howden.	Delivery of Culture and Sports - Arts	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
20466	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	leave our music alone but howden place charge so much for courses that would never look for going there with my kids for any of their courses or thing's run over the summer could not afford to	Delivery of Culture and Sports - Arts	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	The proposal is to continue provision of the Youth Music Initiative, Active Schools, developer funded public art and arts programming for Howden Park Centre. School pupils will continue to receive arts and sports experiences as part of the curriculum and have opportunities to participate in extra curricular arts and sports experiences.
20467	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	Livingston this Livingston that, too much spent in Livingston	Delivery of Culture and Sports - Arts	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
20468	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	I hope Fiona Hislop is doing her utmost here. Brian Dugoid would be shocked at the moving of the arts unit to the civic centre. Better management, promotion, finances etc might have helped years ago.	Delivery of Culture and Sports - Arts	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
20469	No Response	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	Personally I think that a lot of the council funded arts programmes are aimed at a very small minority although I can appreciate that as a council you need to support. However I would prefer that the funds are used to support sport and fitness and encouraging all people across west Lothian to be more healthy.	Delivery of Culture and Sports - Arts	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	This comment will be considered in the development of the proposal.
20470	An employee of West Lothian Council	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	Reducing the arts provision can have an impact on attainment, and the attainment gap. How do you propose this is achieved with these cuts?	Delivery of Culture and Sports - Arts	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposal is to continue provision of the Youth Music Initiative, Active Schools, developer funded public art and arts programming for Howden Park Centre. School pupils will also continue to receive arts and sports experiences as part of the curriculum and have opportunities to participate in extra curricular arts and sports experiences.
20471	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	2) Community Arts is now within Education Services I think, so this is probably an education question?	Delivery of Culture and Sports - Arts	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
20472	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	3) Partnerships probably essential in the Arts and Culture and I think you already have some strong partners (for example Youth Music Initiative is a Creative Scotland funded project, Firefly Arts is delivering and creating added value, YAP Music is reaching some of our more vulnerable young people.)	Delivery of Culture and Sports - Arts	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	This comment will be considered in the development of the proposal.
20473	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	I think that making any changes to art and culture services would be a terrible mistake as many people aren't exactly academically inclined and what these services offer right now is an extra route through a life of creativity.	Delivery of Culture and Sports - Arts	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted.. School pupils will continue to receive a variety of arts and sports experiences as part of the curriculum and have opportunities to participate in extra curricular arts and sports experiences.

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20474	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	These things are good but should not be too if the lust for funding.	Delivery of Culture and Sports - Arts	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
20475	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	Do not cut these services. Being in an performing arts group Howden Park Centre has been really beneficial to be and helped me create a strong portfolio for my future education. These kinds of clubs provide children and teenagers with keys that can unlock their passions and also allow them to develop strong skills for the future.	Delivery of Culture and Sports - Arts	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted..
20476	An employee of West Lothian Council	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	"Regardless of the importance of known evidence to the contrary, the arts are generally regarded as being so much entertaining fluff, a commodity that isn't a priority in the traditional program of learning. This is unacceptable in a so-called 'enlightened' society." [REDACTED] artist	Delivery of Culture and Sports - Arts	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	The proposal is to continue provision of the Youth Music Initiative, Active Schools, developer funded public art and arts programming for Howden Park Centre. School pupils will also continue to receive arts and sports experiences as part of the curriculum and have opportunities to participate in extra curricular arts and sports experiences.
20477	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	I'm not keen on reducing funding for music	Delivery of Culture and Sports - Arts	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted..
20478	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	Arts are good and well but does have the positive impact on reducing diabetes or or improving health. I feel greater considerations should be given in this area	Delivery of Culture and Sports - Arts	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
20479	No Response	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	I think it is a shame to lose art and culture programmes however I recognise that these are not essential services.	Delivery of Culture and Sports - Arts	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted..
20480	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	Use the library to provide arts activities in local areas not everyone can or wants to go to Howden,	Delivery of Culture and Sports - Arts	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	This comment will be considered in the development of the proposal.
20481	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	Agree with Council not funding public art, most of what I have seen in West Lothian I don't think is worth the money spent.	Delivery of Culture and Sports - Arts	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. Developer contributions pay for public art.
20482	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	close howden park centre youth music initiative ? there are more important issues in west lothian	Delivery of Culture and Sports - Arts	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Whilst there are currently no plans to sell or close Howden Park Centre. The relative merits of rationalising facility provision will be explored during work on this proposal.
20483	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	I don't think that it is necessary to stop providing activities, especially in the arts. I would be incredibly upset to see the closure of music associations like wind ensembles and string orchestras as I feel that these have really been a benefit to my development and skills. Careers in these arts would be much harder to get into for young people without these activities being available.	Delivery of Culture and Sports - Arts	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted..
20484	An employee of West Lothian Council	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	Are these initiatives actively supported to a high level to actually require a continued service being provided at all,, surely some or all of these arts services should be provided by schools and education establishments	Delivery of Culture and Sports - Arts	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	The proposal is to continue provision of the Youth Music Initiative, Active Schools, developer funded public art and arts programming for Howden Park Centre. School pupils will also continue to receive a variety of arts and sports experiences as part of the curriculum and have opportunities to participate in extra curricular arts and sports experiences.
20485	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	Shouldn't Arts Programming at Howden Park Centre - be priced to be self funded?	Delivery of Culture and Sports - Arts	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	This comment will be considered in the development of the proposal.
20486	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	Arts programming at Howden Park Centre rarely targets or achieves participation from West Lothian's marginalised and economically deprived communities, as it has neither the expertise nor capacity to do so. Cuts to additional arts activity will there for have a significant and adverse impact on communities who are already disadvantaged.	Delivery of Culture and Sports - Arts	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted..
20487	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	Any child identified as having a particular musical talent should be given the opportunity to attend specialist classes at a centralised location.	Delivery of Culture and Sports - Arts	5b. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it is likely that the costs of this proposal would outweigh the benefit.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted..

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20488	An employee of West Lothian Council	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	Any child identified as having a particular musical talent should be given the opportunity to attend specialist classes at a centralised location.	Delivery of Culture and Sports - Arts	5b. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it is likely that the costs of this proposal would outweigh the benefit.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted..
20489	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	Absolute disgrace even considering cutting this. I know children who have played in school bands and west lothian wind ensemble (who have received platinum awards at SCBF) these children have changed socially/academically by being part of these groups. It encourages friendships, practicing, studying in a fun way, which encourages children who may lack confidence to shine and be proud of what they can achieve without having to sit in a classroom (of which many do not have correct or full teaching capacity) with children who do not want to be there (and so are disruptive) to be able to be with peers who want to succeed and all have a passion for music. Why not ask parents of children in the bands (2,500 of them) to pay a small charge weekly/monthly to help with costs. Or cut the huge disgraceful pay packets councilors receive	Delivery of Culture and Sports - Arts	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted.. As part of the work on this proposal officers will consider how charging could be developed.
20490	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	Many sports clubs and organisations in West Lothian would not exist without the advice of the Community Sports Team on how to start up and their continuing support to operate in the best way for their communities. Council funding is essential to allow some clubs to purchase expensive equipment and to train coaches for effective operation of clubs.	Delivery of Culture and Sports - Sports	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposal is for Active Schools to continue to be delivered. School pupils will also continue to receive arts and sports experiences as part of the curriculum and have opportunities to participate in extra curricular arts and sports experiences.
20491	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	West Lothian Sports Council members wish to continue working in partnership with West Lothian Council's Community Sport Team. We would be interested in sending representatives to WLC Policy Development meetings. Our concern here is the implications for smaller clubs with fewer than 50 members, run by volunteers. Are they going to be able to continue to grow and develop, particularly if there is an integration of services, resource and activities to avoid duplication? Most governing bodies share best practice so we would like to see WLC, WLL, and Sports Scotland sharing best practice taken from the sport governing bodies.	Delivery of Culture and Sports - Sports	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposal is for Active Schools to continue to be delivered. School pupils will also continue to receive arts and sports experiences as part of the curriculum and have opportunities to participate in extra curricular arts and sports experiences.
20492	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	Perhaps restrict the free swimming during school holidays to those in receipt of free school meals. Active Schools is an important initiative due to the obesity crisis we are currently facing.	Delivery of Culture and Sports - Sports	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thanks you for comment. Your feedback has been noted. The proposal is for Active Schools to continue to be delivered.
20493	An employee of West Lothian Council	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	The teaching of physical activities is an essential step in improving the health of all and hence less of a burden on NHS. More attention is needed to support existing clubs, some of which are run by volunteers, that offer these services already.	Delivery of Culture and Sports - Sports	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Pupils will continue to receive arts and sports experiences as part of the curriculum.
20494	An employee of West Lothian Council	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	Continuing Focus on areas such as Sport and Active Schools, is imperative in keeping younger generations fit and healthy.	Delivery of Culture and Sports - Sports	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. The proposal is for Active Schools to continue to be delivered.
20495	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	How convenient. You cut the funding so the Leisure centres have to do the dirty work and put their prices up.	Delivery of Culture and Sports - Sports	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
20496	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	Agree. Services should meet demand not fulfil vanity projects or satisfy the odd grumble. If people don't use swimming pools or gyms, then they close. They are not used for a reason and that is because there are alternatives. Fauldhouse pool, for example. We shouldn't be keeping these places open just to keep five people happy.	Delivery of Culture and Sports - Sports	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. The relative merits of rationalising facility provision will be explored during work on this proposal.
20497	An employee of West Lothian Council	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	Reducing investment in sports is a short term saving that could lead to increased pressure on health and social care in the future	Delivery of Culture and Sports - Sports	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
20498	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	This is a sorry state of affairs. Concentrating on one culture ie Music is detrimental to other activities which children/young adults might currently be involved in ie tennis, football, swimming etc.	Delivery of Culture and Sports - Sports	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposal is to continue provision of the Youth Music Initiative, Active Schools, developer funded public art and arts programming for Howden Park Centre. School pupils will also continue to receive arts and sports experiences as part of the curriculum and have opportunities to participate in extra curricular arts and sports experiences.

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20499	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	It is unclear what sports activities might be curtailed but with the obesity rates in Scotland less sport is not a good move. .	Delivery of Culture and Sports - Sports	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposal is to continue provision of the Youth Music Initiative, Active Schools, developer funded public art and arts programming for Howden Park Centre. School pupils will also continue to receive arts and sports experiences as part of the curriculum and have opportunities to participate in extra curricular arts and sports experiences.
20500	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	The confidence and team working and social interaction for the young is primarily provided by sport so there will no doubt be an impact on any reduction of funding.	Delivery of Culture and Sports - Sports	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposal is to continue provision of the Youth Music Initiative, Active Schools, developer funded public art and arts programming for Howden Park Centre. School pupils will also continue to receive arts and sports experiences as part of the curriculum and have opportunities to participate in extra curricular arts and sports experiences.
20501	An employee of West Lothian Council	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	This may impact on a higher proportion of young people being obese with the cost that this poses to NHS. Basically we would transfer the cost.	Delivery of Culture and Sports - Sports	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
20502	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	We need to encourage our young in sports I think we should not encourage reducing services	Delivery of Culture and Sports - Sports	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
20503	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	With no sports facilities in partnership centres, as opposed to when it was a community centre, council need to get some grass roots sports back.	Delivery of Culture and Sports - Sports	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
20504	An employee of West Lothian Council	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	Support taken from any physical activity programme will only contribute to the growing obesity rates in Scotland and our local area. These activities must be encouraged at all age groups but without the support or funding to provide these sessions, we may see a greater strain on other council services which deal with mental and physical health.	Delivery of Culture and Sports - Sports	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
20505	An employee of West Lothian Council	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	Reduction on football pitches, 3G or otherwise - huge amounts of money spent on creation, drainage and maintenance of existing. Should look at diversifying sports initiatives to get more children interested in sports (other than just football).	Delivery of Culture and Sports - Sports	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Based on the proposed priorities some sports and arts activities will no longer be provided. Recurring revenue costs relating to capital investments and the full range/type of activities which can be supported will be considered when planning any future provision.
20506	An employee of West Lothian Council	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	reduction in any funding in the sports will have a long term detrimental effect on our young peoples future. Where possible these areas should be safeguarded.	Delivery of Culture and Sports - Sports	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Pupils will continue to receive arts and sports experiences as part of the curriculum.
20507	An employee of West Lothian Council	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	I am unclear what sports activities would not be provided and whether it would be possible to make a charge for these activities rather than not providing them	Delivery of Culture and Sports - Sports	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Based on the proposed priorities some sports and arts activities will no longer be provided. As part of the work on this proposal, officers will consider how charging for activities could be developed.
20508	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	Sports good but anti obesity initiative trumps arts. Don't make Xcite any more expensive.	Delivery of Culture and Sports - Sports	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Based on the proposed priorities some sports and arts activities will no longer be provided. As part of the work on this proposal, officers will consider how charging for activities could be developed.
20509	An employee of West Lothian Council	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	Future community sports facilities should not duplicate what would be available through use of school facilities.	Delivery of Culture and Sports - Sports	4. The council is already doing this.	This is one of many factors already taken into account when planning future facilities.
20510	An employee of West Lothian Council	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	Football activities, promoting etc should continue to be prioritised because of its obvious popularity and is our national sport - rather than promoting certain activities that are played by a very few and have excessive costs.	Delivery of Culture and Sports - Sports	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Based on the proposed priorities some sports and arts activities will no longer be provided. The full range and type of activities which can be supported will be considered when planning any future provision.
20511	An employee of West Lothian Council	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	It should be noted that there are many national schemes run within west Lothian relating to specific sports such as Scottish rugby and Scottish football. If councils were to encourage the use of these schemes it would also promote local clubs etc rather than try and compete or add extras.	Delivery of Culture and Sports - Sports	4. The council is already doing this.	The council currently works with national sporting bodies and other organisations to deliver, support and/or promote sporting opportunities in the area.

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20512	An employee of West Lothian Council	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	I think sport should still be focussed on largely	Delivery of Culture and Sports - Sports	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
20513	An employee of West Lothian Council	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	Youth sports activities should be prioritised/subsidised to encourage a healthy lifestyle and make this affordable for all.	Delivery of Culture and Sports - Sports	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
20514	An employee of West Lothian Council	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	Active Schools is a great way for children to exercise but I also feel that there should be sports clubs after school to encourage health and wellbeing.	Delivery of Culture and Sports - Sports	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The proposal is to continue provision of the Youth Music Initiative, Active Schools, developer funded public art and arts programming for Howden Park Centre. School pupils will also continue to receive arts and sports experiences as part of the curriculum and have opportunities to participate in extra curricular arts and sports experiences.
20515	An employee of West Lothian Council	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	the lack of sports activities will certainly fly in the face of the council's priority to improve the health of its residents.	Delivery of Culture and Sports - Sports	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
20516	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	What or where is the active and healthy living policy within this. Children need to be encouraged to do outdoor activities - gym- swimming. Is this now going to be a responsibility of parents to full fill this gap. Many families already living on or below poverty line.	Delivery of Culture and Sports - Sports	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
20517	An employee of West Lothian Council	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	Any cuts to sport should protect smaller sports. Football is generally over-provided for and should bear the brunt of cuts as it is the most robust of them. Protect funding for running, swimming, and cycling as these are the 'big three' if you want to promote a healthy lifestyle and tackle childhood obesity. The big team sports are big enough to look after themselves.	Delivery of Culture and Sports - Sports	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. The proposal is to continue provision of the Youth Music Initiative, Active Schools, developer funded public art and arts programming for Howden Park Centre. The full range and type of activities which can be supported will be considered when planning any future provision.
20518	An employee of West Lothian Council	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	West Lothian's active schools programme is known as being very strong and the result is a fitter population of young people, who are engaged in sports and working together. To lose this would be detrimental to the health and wellbeing of the young people in the region, and would have a knock-on effect in future.	Delivery of Culture and Sports - Sports	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. The proposal is for Active Schools to continue to be delivered.
20519	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	Keep the focus on youth sport	Delivery of Culture and Sports - Sports	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposal is to continue provision of the Youth Music Initiative, Active Schools, developer funded public art and arts programming for Howden Park Centre. School pupils will also continue to receive arts and sports experiences as part of the curriculum and have opportunities to participate in extra curricular arts and sports experiences.
20520	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	I thought that support of sports activity was important for Childrens development. Obesity etc!	Delivery of Culture and Sports - Sports	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
20521	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	I am sorry but I have a real issue with the cutting back of any sport for youngsters when it is at the moment most needed to get children of the computers for a time plus I think there is the beginning of an upturn to take up a sport at the moment so I think this is a bad time to be implementing a cut to sport activities.	Delivery of Culture and Sports - Sports	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
20522	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	I am not sure how this would influence current activities at sports centres. I am aware that classes and gyms there provide an important health improvement facility for older people in particular.	Delivery of Culture and Sports - Sports	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
20523	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	West lothian has a large number of public gyms. I believe reducing this would enable better services at the remaining centres.	Delivery of Culture and Sports - Sports	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thanks you for comment. Your feedback has been noted. The relative merits of rationalising facility provision will be explored during work on this proposal.
20524	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	Far too much is spent on a very small interest area, football. Cut back greatly on maintaining playing fields for young males. Why is sport so important since most people that are interested in it simply watch it on TV. We don't need all these playing fields that cater for a very small proportion of the population.	Delivery of Culture and Sports - Sports	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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20525	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	Encouraging physical activity should be a core part of health related activities - putting it in this category implies that this is not considered to be the case.	Delivery of Culture and Sports - Sports	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
20526	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	Do not reduce sports offerings at a time when we have a severe obesity problem. Afraid the harsh choice has to be made that it will cost more to care for those inactive people who end up both physically and mentally unwell as a result.	Delivery of Culture and Sports - Sports	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
20527	An employee of West Lothian Council	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	Services have to live within their means, if have schools with active PE departments do we need Active Schools?	Delivery of Culture and Sports - Sports	5d. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it has been previously considered and will not be progressed.	The proposal is for Active Schools to continue to be delivered. Active schools provision is almost entirely externally funded.
20528	An employee of West Lothian Council	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	Yes active schools is the most important sporting programme offered to nurseries primaries and secondaries. Not only is there a vast amount of sporting opportunities offered to young people the volume of young people going through these programmes is phenomenal. Active schools offer a quality services and best value for money.	Delivery of Culture and Sports - Sports	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. The proposal is for Active Schools to continue to be delivered.
20529	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	As Chairman of a long and established SPorts CLUB in West Lothian, the [REDACTED], I feel I am in a good position to challenge this process change. WLC have been a valued partner in the community and have been instrumental in the success the club has in providing Health and Sport and Social opportunities for all of West Lothina. FRankly, we would not be able to provide these life changing opportunities to our youth without the decade of support from WLC and the Sports teams within the Councils structure. The affordable court let prices (and Youth discounts), the expertise of the sports teams, the capital grants for infrastructure improvements. Have all been absolutely essential for the clubs success. Thank you again for that. However just a short few months into the West Lothian Lesuire transistion, all this goodwill has evaporated. The WLL do not understand clubs challenges, have no relationship with clubs, and frankly do not appear to care for the community in the way WLC have shown consistently over the decade. I would like further clarity on this transfer of authority and orginistaion and re-assurance that a) Our Let costs will not increase over RPI b) that the service we receive will not be worse than WLC c) that maintenance arrangements will be prompt and reliable.	Delivery of Culture and Sports - Sports	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
20530	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	Where would kids whose families cannot afford the extra sport activities that are available at the moment find the money to allow their children to access this. Health children healthy minds.	Delivery of Culture and Sports - Sports	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposal is to continue provision of the Youth Music Initiative, Active Schools, developer funded public art and arts programming for Howden Park Centre. School pupils will also continue to receive arts and sports experiences as part of the curriculum and have opportunities to participate in extra curricular arts and sports experiences.
20531	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	Why is sport not also being looked at closely - in our school there must be far more money spent on sporting events and out of school sporting events and competitions (travel costs!!) than the one event that the school band goes to each year, and even then they can only go if they reach a certain standard at the local event. Seems unfair to be looking at one area of the expressive arts without considering them all. We should also remember the critical link between expressive arts and attainment.....	Delivery of Culture and Sports - Sports	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposal is to continue provision of the Youth Music Initiative, Active Schools, developer funded public art and arts programming for Howden Park Centre. School pupils will also continue to receive arts and sports experiences as part of the curriculum and have opportunities to participate in extra curricular arts and sports experiences.
20532	An employee of West Lothian Council	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	Arts and sports are often seen as soft targets in education; they should not be, as they contribute so much to a child's education. All of the council's primary schools should practice the Daily Mile, particularly if sports funding is to be affected. The Daily mile is no cost and has proven beneficial effects on children's fitness levels, obesity levels and learning abilities.	Delivery of Culture and Sports - Sports	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	The proposal is to continue provision of the Youth Music Initiative, Active Schools, developer funded public art and arts programming for Howden Park Centre. School pupils will also continue to receive arts and sports experiences as part of the curriculum and have opportunities to participate in extra curricular arts and sports experiences.
20533	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	A small charge for some of extra school activities could be considered, there is an early morning sports session running for one of my children at the moment it is running for approx. 10 weeks and is free of charge, a small reasonable charge could be considered. Perhaps if parents/carers have skills to provide these types of activities then this could be considered.	Delivery of Culture and Sports - Sports	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. Officers will consider how this could be developed.
20534	No Response	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	Further savings could be made in this area. Any real desire or need for sports and arts activities can be catered for by voluntary groups.	Delivery of Culture and Sports - Sports	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	This comment will be considered in the development of the proposal.

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20535	An employee of West Lothian Council	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	Sports should remain a priority in schools to avoid obesity and it helps to promote many children's self-esteem and builds their confidence.	Delivery of Culture and Sports - Sports	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	The proposal is to continue provision of the Youth Music Initiative, Active Schools, developer funded public art and arts programming for Howden Park Centre. School pupils will continue to receive arts and sports experiences as part of the curriculum and have opportunities to participate in extra curricular arts and sports experiences.
20536	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	Big mistake with reduced sporting activities. Too many get little of no exercise which in itself puts additional strain on NHS services	Delivery of Culture and Sports - Sports	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Potential impacts, risks and opportunities will be given further consideration by officers as work on this proposal progresses.
20537	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	Active schools provide some alternative activities. However, they are more important in some areas than others for example, Linlithgow has a great range of leisure activities for children but other areas might not have anything else on offer apart from Active schools. I would be reluctant to completely remove this service rather review where it makes the most impact.	Delivery of Culture and Sports - Sports	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Part of the proposal is for Active Schools to continue to be delivered.
20538	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	This is short sighted and without access to good sports clubs the impact to youths in anti-social, crime and health costs could out strip any short term savings.	Delivery of Culture and Sports - Sports	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Potential impacts, risks and opportunities will be given further consideration by officers as work on this proposal progresses.
20539	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	This is short sighted and without access to good sports clubs the impact to youths in anti-social, crime and health costs could out strip any short term savings.	Delivery of Culture and Sports - Sports	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Potential impacts, risks and opportunities will be given further consideration by officers as work on this proposal progresses.
20540	An employee of West Lothian Council	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	4A) The money spent on Active Schools Coordinators would be better spent on a full time PE teacher which would benefit every child in the school.	Delivery of Culture and Sports - Sports	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Active Schools provision is almost entirely externally funded and such funds must be used in accordance with the related funding agreement.
20541	No Response	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	4A) The money spent on Active Schools Coordinators would be better spent on a full time PE teacher which would benefit every child in the school.	Delivery of Culture and Sports - Sports	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Active Schools provision is almost entirely externally funded and such funds must be used in accordance with the related funding agreement.
20542	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	Active Schools is an excellent program and like, Instrumental Music, it is contributing the the overall attainment of our schools as well as the obvious Health and Wellbeing of the young people. If it is cut or removed, you are robbing Peter to pay Paul as the health of young people will decline thus resulting in an increase in demand for Health care.	Delivery of Culture and Sports - Sports	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Part of the proposal is for Active Schools to continue to be delivered.
20543	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	Disagree. Obesity is a national issue so more needs to be done to reduce it so that in the long term health costs are reduced .	Delivery of Culture and Sports - Sports	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Potential impacts, risks and opportunities will be given further consideration by officers as work on this proposal progresses.
20544	An employee of West Lothian Council	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	Health and well being and access for a community to places for sports and leisure should be encouraged - as negative impact of obesity and other health conditions on society and cost to NHS is unsustainable.	Delivery of Culture and Sports - Sports	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council will continue to ensure residents in West Lothian have access to sports and leisure facilities. The relative merits of rationalising facility provision will be explored during work on this proposal. Potential impacts, risks and opportunities will be given further consideration by officers as work on this proposal progresses.
20545	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	Health based sports need to be retained.	Delivery of Culture and Sports - Sports	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
20546	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	The funding to sport and sports facilities should not be cut. The Council should be supporting increased levels of activity and sport-not less. This supports government policy. Sport makes a major contribution to health and wellbeing and should not be underestimated	Delivery of Culture and Sports - Sports	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
20547	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	Reducing sport availability and access is very bad for the health and well being of the population, You may save money doing this but there will be greater costs in health care in the future.	Delivery of Culture and Sports - Sports	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Potential impacts, risks and opportunities will be given further consideration by officers as work on this proposal progresses.

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20548	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	Duplication on sports and swimming facilities over schools should be reviewed and removed.	Delivery of Culture and Sports - Sports	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	This comment will be considered in the development of the proposal.
20549	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	It is important that sport and fitness facilities are maintained, though the higher cost of providing swimming pools could be examined. Community use of school facilities should be facilitated if leisure centres are cut.	Delivery of Culture and Sports - Sports	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The council will continue to ensure residents in West Lothian have access to sports facilities. These comments will be considered in the development of the proposal.
20550	An employee of West Lothian Council	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	Health and wellbeing is a of great importance and should be considered a priority. Obesity is becoming a huge issue in Scotland and there is a need to continue to try to encourage people to become/get fit. Obesity costs the NHS huge amounts.	Delivery of Culture and Sports - Sports	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The consultation proposes that one of the council's priorities going forward is the delivery of positive outcomes on health. Potential impacts, risks and opportunities will be given further consideration by officers as work on this proposal progresses.
20551	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	The number of public swimming pools in West Lothian should be reduced, with available capital invested in those that are retained.	Delivery of Culture and Sports - Sports	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	This comment will be considered in the development of the proposal.
20552	An employee of West Lothian Council	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	However, some schools seem to have an overzealous approach to providing Physical Education that is reducing pupil's interest in core subjects or arts subjects. My own stepsons have virtually no interest in anything other than P.E. and I am seeing this developing more and more through the pupils that I teach. The amount of P.E. staff in some schools is frankly ridiculous when compared with the levels of staffing given to social subjects, technology subjects and arts subjects. It is the council's responsibility to provide a balanced education across all subjects and not turn our schools into one big gym club.	Delivery of Culture and Sports - Sports	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
20553	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	Sports facilities are severely lacking at my children's secondary school there is no running track other than a lumpy grass pitch which doubles up for rugby and other activities.	Delivery of Culture and Sports - Sports	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
20554	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	its a backward step but have you got a plan to assist communities develop their own sporting and leisure activities through local community trusts and sporting organisations like the excellent Broxburn United .. something like that in every community would build a future of healthy young children with a sense of responsibility	Delivery of Culture and Sports - Sports	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	This comment will be considered in the development of the proposal.
20555	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	Why is there a need for Active schools in secondary education? There is a PE department in every school and pupils are being given the required amount of PE.	Delivery of Culture and Sports - Sports	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Active Schools creates opportunities for children and young people to participate in sport before and after school, during lunch time and at the weekends. Active Schools aim to provide more and higher quality opportunities for children to participate in school sport and to increase capacity through the recruitment of volunteers who deliver the activity sessions. The Active Schools Network works together with organisations and individuals including PE staff and Sport Development Officers (Opens in a new window) to provide a wide range of opportunities connected to physical education, school sport and club sport. Active Schools also assists with the transition from school sport into club sport by working closely with clubs to highlight the opportunities that exist in the local community. This integrated way of working creates and develops pathways into sport and encourages longer term participation.
20556	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	These services should be maintained at current levels, reducing the sporting aspect will result in less fit population thus impacting future health	Delivery of Culture and Sports - Sports	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
20557	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	Taking into consideration the obesity and health crisis affecting society, a reduction in sports funding has the potential to be devastating. There are activities that keep young people off the streets and encourage social interaction and activity (e.g booze you lose). A reduction in this area will have a negative knock on effect to health, and boredom in youngsters which of course can lead to mischievous behaviour.	Delivery of Culture and Sports - Sports	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Potential impacts, risks and opportunities will be given further consideration by officers as work on this proposal progresses.

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20558	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	Disagree we need somewhere for people to go from children to adults and the sports centre is a good send to parents who are working.	Delivery of Culture and Sports - Sports	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
20559	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	The money spent on Active Schools Coordinators would be better spent on a full time PE teacher which would benefit every child in the school.	Delivery of Culture and Sports - Sports	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Active Schools provision is almost entirely externally funded and such funds must be used in accordance with the related funding agreement.
20560	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	Just need to be careful that we do not end up excluding people from access to services. For example, the children I see being active and making use of free swimming sessions on a Friday at Whitburn should not lose this vital resource as I am unsure they would attend if there was a charge. (son attends his swimming lessons which I pay for).	Delivery of Culture and Sports - Sports	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Potential impacts, risks and opportunities will be given further consideration by officers as work on this proposal progresses.
20561	An employee of West Lothian Council	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	The money spent on Active Schools Coordinators would be better spent on a full time PE teacher which would benefit every child in the school.	Delivery of Culture and Sports - Sports	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Active Schools provision is almost entirely externally funded and such funds must be used in accordance with the related funding agreement.
20562	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	A reduction in funding for sports activities now will surely lead to an increase need for other services in years to come, with all they issues raised by an increasing sedentary population.	Delivery of Culture and Sports - Sports	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Potential impacts, risks and opportunities will be given further consideration by officers as work on this proposal progresses.
20563	An employee of West Lothian Council	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	In this time when sport and exercise is known to be beneficial to children and adults I do not agree with these services being cut.	Delivery of Culture and Sports - Sports	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
20564	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	Most if not all of this should be put out to get private sponsorship so activities like this can break even. Also the fees for sports centres should be increased to cover other activities.	Delivery of Culture and Sports - Sports	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	As part of the work on this proposal officers will explore external funding opportunities and consider how partnerships could be developed.
20565	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	sportscotland has requested to meet with West Lothian Council. There is an existing Partnership Agreement in place between the Council, sportscotland and West Lothian Leisure. Our expectations are that our investment adds value to a world class sporting system locally which has pathways from school to club and beyond.	Delivery of Culture and Sports - Sports	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
20566	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	Why is there duplication of sports halls and swimming pools? Schools and Leisure Centres? Dual use only - close the duplicates.	Delivery of Culture and Sports - Sports	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	This comment will be considered in the development of the proposal.
20567	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	Again no clarity on what impact this will have and what sports activities will not be provided why when it has been already costed	Delivery of Culture and Sports - Sports	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Potential impacts, risks and opportunities will be given further consideration by officers as work on this proposal progresses.
20568	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	I think this is a step in the wrong direction, especially with regard to sports activities. Again, an increase in this year's Council Tax would have helped.	Delivery of Culture and Sports - Sports	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
20569	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	All sports bookings should be paid at the time of use, no invoices should be issued. With reduced staff no-one to chase this money up and the debt would be written off & lost to the council.	Delivery of Culture and Sports - Sports	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	This comment will be considered in the development of the proposal.
20570	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	If the council is really serious about improving peoples health then it requires more investment in sports activities and encouraging people to participate.	Delivery of Culture and Sports - Sports	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
20571	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	The members of West Lothian Sports Council are concerned about any reduction in spending on sport. We do not want West Lothian Council to slide down the league table for spending on all sports within the West Lothian area. The benefits of participating in sports are well known so we support all investment in sport in West Lothian. participation in sports has positive effects on health - both physical and mental wellbeing. Sport must be accessible to all so the availability of suitable premises, including the school estate, at reasonable rates is essential. People in areas of deprivation and rural areas should be supported so that they do not feel unable to participate on grounds of cost or accessibility. Facilities should be accessible to all and those with disabilities must have the opportunity and encouragement to participate in sports to maximise their quality of life. Involvement in Sport is frequently cited as providing an alternative to potentially disruptive, violent or law-breaking behaviour and to drug and alcohol abuse. Sports teach self-discipline, respect for others and for rules - valuable life lessons, which make for more law abiding community. Sport clubs give their members a social network, a better lifestyle than living on Facebook 24/7 that can cause social exclusion.	Delivery of Culture and Sports - Sports	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. Potential impacts, risks and opportunities will be given further consideration by officers as work on this proposal progresses.

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20572	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	Would still like suport for clubs such as accreditation scheme for sports clubs and grants.	Delivery of Culture and Sports - Sports	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
20573	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	Don't stop free sports clubs. I love going swimming and I encourage a bunch of friends to come with me. I live far from everyone and swimming is at school so it is easy to go after school. Sports are also good life skills they help build us as people and help with the future.	Delivery of Culture and Sports - Sports	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. The proposal is to continue provision of the Youth Music Initiative, Active Schools, developer funded public art and arts programming for Howden Park Centre. School pupils will continue to receive arts and sports experiences as part of the curriculum and have opportunities to participate in extra curricular arts and sports experiences.
20574	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	I would eliminate the money spent on sports since that is a private hobby and I don't see why I should pay other people's boys to play football. Let the council do the basics and make the private individual pay for their own personal services.	Delivery of Culture and Sports - Sports	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
20575	An employee of West Lothian Council	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	Agree, too many pools in west Lothian which was very expensive to run. Comparable councils have much less	Delivery of Culture and Sports - Sports	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
20576	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	Active feet is great for kids and working parents and needs to be advertised more !	Delivery of Culture and Sports - Sports	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
20577	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	Reducing funding for sport will not benefit our young people in the long term	Delivery of Culture and Sports - Sports	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Potential impacts, risks and opportunities will be given further consideration by officers as work on this proposal progresses.
20578	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	I think we should be encouraging young people into sport as lots of kids are classed as over weight and not healthy.	Delivery of Culture and Sports - Sports	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	School pupils will continue to receive arts and sports experiences as part of the curriculum and have opportunities to participate in extra curricular arts and sports experiences.
20579	No Response	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	Sport Scotland are having their funding cut and there is a possibility that the Active Schools team will be reduced. Not all schools have a PE specialist (some of which are part time) and primary school teachers don't have time, knowledge or interest in delivering PE. I worry that children and young people will become less active leading to a region where people have a lifetime of health and well being issues, low self esteem and unemployment.	Delivery of Culture and Sports - Sports	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	School pupils will continue to receive arts and sports experiences as part of the curriculum and have opportunities to participate in extra curricular arts and sports experiences.
20580	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	Although there is a understanding that the budget has to be looked at, it seems that out with the active schools program the council will not support any sports programs in the Authority, with Active Schools working so closely with Local Community Club and Organisations and no support to be provided local clubs will not be able to sustain the support they currently provide, adding to the understanding that facility access charges are set to take a increase to an undisclosed amount. Adding both these issues together mean that most likely sports for children and young people will slowly disappear in some areas. Where will these children/Young People then turn to? Sport has shown to be a tool for social change and well as improve attainment in school, it is disappointing to read that this is no longer going to be supported it seems in anyway by West Lothian Council Without structured well run clubs there will be nothing for the Children and Young people to occupy them, this will lead to greater strain on the Health Services, Police (through Antisocial behaviour). Schools will see a reduction in their attainment all which are being set out as council priorities and all of which are going to be at harm from the lack of investment in Sport and Sport Services.	Delivery of Culture and Sports - Sports	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	School pupils will continue to receive arts and sports experiences as part of the curriculum and have opportunities to participate in extra curricular arts and sports experiences. Potential impacts, risks and opportunities will be given further consideration by officers as work on this proposal progresses.
20581	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	Cutting sports activities in a time where children need to be more active for a healthy, longer more productive life is shocking. Talented young people will be lost without opportunities to do sport. Sport like swimming is an essential life skill, more should be done to make affordable Swimming available to the community and help, for local swimming clubs who struggle to finance their activities with already high costs placed on them by West Lothian Council. As a competitive swimmer I am very aware of these issues.	Delivery of Culture and Sports - Sports	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	School pupils will continue to receive arts and sports experiences as part of the curriculum and have opportunities to participate in extra curricular arts and sports experiences.

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20582	An employee of West Lothian Council	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	Active Schools should be enhanced due to the exceptional work done.	Delivery of Culture and Sports - Sports	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Part of the proposal is for Active Schools to continue to be delivered. Officers will consider the likely extent of future external funding, and any associated risks and opportunities, as part of the work on this proposal.
20583	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	Agree that this is required. Do wonder if all of the existing facilities are required. These are some areas of over provision with several swimming pools in very close proximity - they are very expensive to run. Greater community use of school facilities would be a better idea and some rationalisation of other sports facilities would be sensible.	Delivery of Culture and Sports - Sports	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	This comment will be considered in the development of the proposal.
20584	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	Access to non-formal physical activities such as walking and cycling routes will be more important if formal sports access is reduced. Linking and sign posting paths, including canal tow path would help with this.	Delivery of Culture and Sports - Sports	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	As part of the work on this proposal officers will consider how charging could be developed.
20585	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	sports being reduced which is not good for keeping active and reducing obesity. Children, young adults rely on these activities for their health and well being especially if they are struggling in life within School and home environment.	Delivery of Culture and Sports - Sports	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Potential impacts, risks and opportunities will be given further consideration by officers as work on this proposal progresses.
20586	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	If support for clubs is further decimated, this will impact even further on local communities. Numerous clubs throughout West Lothian have been supported by sport development officers to source funding to help with new builds; have accessed Sporting Grants to support their training and education which in turn supports and increases their capacity to deliver sessions for children and young people.	Delivery of Culture and Sports - Sports	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Potential impacts, risks and opportunities will be given further consideration by officers as work on this proposal progresses.
20587	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	With regards to the comments provided in 1h, economies could potentially be delivered though integration of council services and ALEOs who deliver services on the council's behalf. With regards to external funding, and similar to the Pupil Equity Funding for schools, the financial contribution provided by sportscotland for Active Schools does not exist to replace funding for services and programmes delivered by local authorities. Removal or absence of partnership funding or strategy for sport services runs the risk of reducing the attractiveness of West Lothian for future external investment, compounding any proposed disinvestment. The contribution of sport and activity to improved physical and mental health, pupil attainment, community and quality of life is well documented. It is important to note that research identifies that not only does the cost of providing sport and physical activities services have a disproportionately positive affect compared to the resources required to deliver them, but that a focus on 'upstream' preventative health initiatives reduce the cost of providing more intensive health interventions at a later point. A holistic approach to efficiencies across cultural, sport and leisure services is required but this is only possible through the consideration of all culture and wider health services (e.g. NHS, IJB) as a single area, and not through identification of various cuts to services without consideration of what the overall purpose of these services exist to provide. A clear culture and/or sport and physical activity strategy for West Lothian is required in the first instance which will inform delivery (and efficiencies) across services whilst delivering key outcomes. There is currently no vision for future services and the proposed reductions do not reflect any wider or considered view of the positive impact of these services for residents of West Lothian .	Delivery of Culture and Sports - Sports	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	These comments will be considered in the development of the proposal.
20588	An employee of West Lothian Council	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	SHOULD NOT REDUCE FUNDING TO LEISURE. IMPORTANT AND IMPACT POSITIVELY ON MENTAL HEALTH. THAT IS A SHORT TERM POLICY WHICH WILL END UP COSTING THE COUNTRY MORE THAN IT SAVES.	Delivery of Culture and Sports - Sports	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Potential impacts, risks and opportunities will be given further consideration by officers as work on this proposal progresses.
20589	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	The service the council provides to the local west Lothian swimming clubs is critical, not only does this keep our children active but builds relationships, keeps the children focused and competitive. This also keeps our children off the streets and teaches discipline. Please Please do not close our local swimming clubs.	Delivery of Culture and Sports - Sports	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	The proposal is to continue provision of the Youth Music Initiative, Active Schools, developer funded public art and arts programming for Howden Park Centre. Also, that to reflect the reduced income of the council, funding provided to West Lothian Leisure will be reduced. The full range and type of activities which can be supported will be considered when planning any future provision.

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20590	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	Agreed as long as sports are provided to all children in all schools.	Delivery of Culture and Sports - Sports	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The proposal is to continue provision of the Youth Music Initiative, Active Schools, developer funded public art and arts programming for Howden Park Centre. School pupils will continue to receive arts and sports experiences as part of the curriculum and have opportunities to participate in extra curricular arts and sports experiences.
20591	An employee of West Lothian Council	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	Active schools are key players for providing sport and physical activities and opportunities to children in primary & secondary level of education. This professional team of staff support curricular tasters, extra curricular clubs, provide cluster clubs opportunities aswell as build school club links for long life participation.	Delivery of Culture and Sports - Sports	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Part of the proposal is for Active Schools to continue to be delivered.
20592	An employee of West Lothian Council	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	Still think that sports activities are important for the health and welfare of everyone and this is what was meant to be the legacy of the 2012 London Olympics.	Delivery of Culture and Sports - Sports	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
20593	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	Create partnerships with local Sports Clubs	Delivery of Culture and Sports - Sports	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	This comment will be considered in the development of the proposal.
20594	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	People need to be focused, especially the young with regard to sports activities. Scotland is behind other countries in promoting individual sports and should encourage competition thus bringing Scotland into World Sport	Delivery of Culture and Sports - Sports	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	School pupils will continue to receive arts and sports experiences as part of the curriculum and have opportunities to participate in extra curricular arts and sports experiences.
20595	An employee of West Lothian Council	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	Arts/sports are integral to a well rounded society. By removing some of the Active Schools facilities people will lose out - sport is expensive but if we have a culture of elitism then again the equity gap is not being bridged. All of the services you are looking at provide training, and development for all, not just school pupils.	Delivery of Culture and Sports - Sports	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Part of the proposal is for Active Schools to continue to be delivered.
20596	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	Feel sports funding has to remain a high priority as sport is linked to health and positive outcomes	Delivery of Culture and Sports - Sports	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
20597	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	Disappointed in this- with the public health in the state it is in, the council should be doing all it can to promote sport	Delivery of Culture and Sports - Sports	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
20598	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	I strongly hope that this does not change the provision of service at Fauldhouse Partnership Centre in particular the facilities used by Fauldhouse Penguins Swimming Club - a sports organisation run by volunteers which offers affordable access to a competitive sport in a deprived area. The swimming club provides a meaningful, positive, developmental and affordable activity for children and young people in the locality. This club has been in existence for 17 years and has contributed positively to the community throughout this time. Outside of the positive health benefits the sport of competitive swimming offers, the club also encourages children to take accountability for themselves, learn about diet and instills many positive disciplines for leading a successful life. Despite the resources available to the club it consistently produces young athletes that perform to some of the highest levels in the sport across Scotland and Britain. Any changes to this facility that increase the financial burden on a voluntary club or removes access to the pool would have a significant impact on the viability of the club. This would be seen as a significant loss the the community and all those children involved in the club.	Delivery of Culture and Sports - Sports	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The relative merits of rationalising facility provision will be explored during work on this proposal. Potential impacts, risks and opportunities will be given further consideration by officers as work on this proposal progresses.
20599	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	I strongly hope that this does not change the provision of service at Fauldhouse Partnership Centre in particular the facilities used by Fauldhouse Penguins Swimming Club. The swimming club provides a meaningful, positive, developmental and affordable activity for children and young people in the locality. This club has been in existence for 17 years and has contributed positively to the community throughout this time. Outside of the positive health benefits the sport of competitive swimming offers, the club also encourages children to take accountability for themselves, learn about diet and instills many positive disciplines for leading a successful life. Any changes to this facility that increase the financial burden on a voluntary club or removes access to the pool would have a significant impact on the viability of the club. This would be seen as a significant loss the the community and all those children involved in the club.	Delivery of Culture and Sports - Sports	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The relative merits of rationalising facility provision will be explored during work on this proposal. Potential impacts, risks and opportunities will be given further consideration by officers as work on this proposal progresses.

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20600	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	I strongly hope that this does not change the provision of service at Fauldhouse Partnership Centre in particular the facilities used by Fauldhouse Penguins Swimming Club. The swimming club provides a meaningful, positive, developmental and affordable activity for children and young people in the locality. This club has been in existence for 17 years and has contributed positively to the community throughout this time. Outside of the positive health benefits the sport of competitive swimming offers, the club also encourages children to take accountability for themselves, learn about diet and instills many positive disciplines for leading a successful life. Any changes to this facility that increase the financial burden on a voluntary club or removes access to the pool would have a significant impact on the viability of the club. This would be seen as a significant loss to the community and all those children involved in the club.	Delivery of Culture and Sports - Sports	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The relative merits of rationalising facility provision will be explored during work on this proposal. Potential impacts, risks and opportunities will be given further consideration by officers as work on this proposal progresses.
20601	An employee of West Lothian Council	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	The Sports team at the council was restructured last year with provision through sports development hit hardest. The health and well being of the people of WL is greatly improved through sporting provisions available and the successes of our clubs and it's members would be severely under threat to any further reduction in an already lesser team.	Delivery of Culture and Sports - Sports	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted..
20602	No Response	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	Where is the allowance for Outdoor Education? This is such an important aspect of education and should NOT be ignored. Facilities in West Lothian are used, popular and generate income. Outdoor Ed must remain on this list!	Delivery of Culture and Sports - Sports	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	Low Port Centre and Outdoor Education are currently delivered by WLL on behalf of the council.
20603	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	Do you ever wonder where our sports people are? They didn't get opportunities to improve skills as sports provision is cut and cut. Teachers do their best. Did Andy Murray learn to play tennis because of a schoolteacher? Less potted sports in schools and much more sport, fitness, healthy lifestyles. More money is needed to be spent here. We have children who can run, swim, jump, play ball games and racquet games. Give them more opportunities. This is a priority for the sake of the health of West Lothian in the future.	Delivery of Culture and Sports - Sports	5d. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it has been previously considered and will not be progressed.	The council needs to make substantial savings across services it is not required to deliver by law (i.e. non-statutory services) such as arts and sports.
20604	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	It's already £4 for an adult swim which seems a lot. What's happened to the public climbing facility at Lowport - great for teen girls	Delivery of Culture and Sports - Sports	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	Thanks you for your comment. We will pass your feedback onto the relevant organisations responsible for this.
20605	An employee of West Lothian Council	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	Will this mean a reduction in sports facilities outside of our schools. I would not like to see closure of swimming pools, gyms or sports centres where people are actively involved.	Delivery of Culture and Sports - Sports	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	The relative merits of rationalising facility provision will be explored during work on this proposal.
20606	An employee of West Lothian Council	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	I don't see why you would take away sports activities then say active schools? With Scotland having such a bad obesity problem I think it's a very bad idea to remove sports	Delivery of Culture and Sports - Sports	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposal is to continue provision of the Youth Music Initiative, Active Schools, developer funded public art and arts programming for Howden Park Centre. School pupils will also continue to receive arts and sports experiences as part of the curriculum and have opportunities to participate in extra curricular arts and sports experiences.
20607	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	As you know, sports and outdoor activities are vital in improving and maintaining both physical and mental wellbeing. I don't know what you mean by reduced funding, but I hope it doesn't mean closing sports centres, especially swimming pools. I think this would be extremely short sighted.	Delivery of Culture and Sports - Sports	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The relative merits of rationalising facility provision will be explored during work on this proposal.
20608	An employee of West Lothian Council	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	Reduce the number of sports facilities / pitches managed by the council only maintain the most used pitches - offer others to local groups to manage for themselves at an annual /leased agreements.	Delivery of Culture and Sports - Sports	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	This comment will be considered in the development of the proposal.
20609	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	Think it's wrong to reduce funding re sports. Scotland second most obese country in the world. Need cheaper/subsidised access to public facilities e.g. swimming pools for all ages.	Delivery of Culture and Sports - Sports	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted..
20610	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	Don't cut sport	Delivery of Culture and Sports - Sports	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted..
20611	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	All Sports clubs should still be able to access the existing facilities at reasonable costs - Small incremental increases in cost / fees can be understood and handled without causing problems.	Delivery of Culture and Sports - Sports	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	As part of the work on this proposal officers will consider how charging for activities could be developed.

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20612	No Response	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	Fitness is more important than music. Sport would be my choice over music any day.	Delivery of Culture and Sports - Sports	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The proposal is to continue provision of the Youth Music Initiative, Active Schools, developer funded public art and arts programming for Howden Park Centre. School pupils will also continue to receive arts and sports experiences as part of the curriculum and have opportunities to participate in extra curricular arts and sports experiences.
20613	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	How can the council aim to improve the health of its citizens if it removes funding for the one area that helps to put people on a positive path to self help and exercise. Should not be cut.	Delivery of Culture and Sports - Sports	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted..
20614	No Response	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	I think kids havent got much throughout West Lothian unless your paying annual fee of almost Â£150. As a single mum of three I budget for my son to play hockey at Livi juniors based at inveralmond high which he loves and is a positive thing for him keeping him exercised fit and not causing major health issues! I struggle with the costs but I make it a priority! I would b devastated if this was to close!	Delivery of Culture and Sports - Sports	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	The proposal is to continue provision of the Youth Music Initiative, Active Schools, developer funded public art and arts programming for Howden Park Centre. School pupils will also continue to receive arts and sports experiences as part of the curriculum and have opportunities to participate in extra curricular arts and sports experiences.
20615	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	Increased charging. The general ublic will suffer in terms of fitness	Delivery of Culture and Sports - Sports	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted.. As part of the work on this proposal officers will explore external funding opportunities and consider how charging for activities could be developed.
20616	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	I'm not keen on reducing funding for anything to do with keeping us active.	Delivery of Culture and Sports - Sports	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted..
20617	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	Cuts to any opportunity for exercise could have an impact on health.	Delivery of Culture and Sports - Sports	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted..
20618	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	It is a priority to maintain / improve services for the young. Childhood obesity is increasing and sports/ activities should be available to encourage children to pursue a more active life. Will also have a long term positive impact on health services.	Delivery of Culture and Sports - Sports	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposal is to continue provision of the Youth Music Initiative, Active Schools, developer funded public art and arts programming for Howden Park Centre. School pupils will also continue to receive arts and sports experiences as part of the curriculum and have opportunities to participate in extra curricular arts and sports experiences.
20619	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	Keeping kids active and health is vital. It's important that an adequate level of opportunities for exercise and healthy lifestyles is maintained. The proposed Cycle Circuit in West Lothian is hugely important in promoting health lifestyles throughout West Lothian and should be supported.	Delivery of Culture and Sports - Sports	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted..
20620	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	If you mean schools then I am NOT supportive of reduced income in this area- kids need to enjoy sport (obese agenda) and need activities and art is a skill as is music!	Delivery of Culture and Sports - Sports	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted.. The proposal is for Active Schools to continue to be delivered. School pupils will also continue to receive arts and sports experiences as part of the curriculum and have opportunities to participate in extra curricular arts and sports experiences.
20621	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	sport must be maintained in schools - essential to childrens health and wellbeing	Delivery of Culture and Sports - Sports	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. The proposal is for Active Schools to continue to be delivered. School pupils will also continue to receive arts and sports experiences as part of the curriculum and have opportunities to participate in extra curricular arts and sports experiences.

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20622	No Response	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	Sport is essential for children's well being, it must be maintained	Delivery of Culture and Sports - Sports	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. The proposal is for Active Schools to continue to be delivered. School pupils will also continue to receive arts and sports experiences as part of the curriculum and have opportunities to participate in extra curricular arts and sports experiences.
20623	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	bare minimum services help no one. Reducing sport with rising childhood obesity????	Delivery of Culture and Sports - Sports	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted..
20624	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	This could have a negative effect on the future health of our children and their generation. We're told that there is an obesity crisis; how will this help?	Delivery of Culture and Sports - Sports	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted..
20625	No Response	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	I believe that sports programmes are essential with the decline in health and increase in childhood obesity. These programmes are essential to ensuring that children remain active.	Delivery of Culture and Sports - Sports	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted.. The proposal is for Active Schools to continue to be delivered. School pupils will also continue to receive arts and sports experiences as part of the curriculum and have opportunities to participate in extra curricular arts and sports experiences.
20626	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	again, if sports and leisure facilities become too expensive there is a health impact, possibly leading to lost work hours, increased crime from bored teenagers etc and so you need to be very careful how it is done.	Delivery of Culture and Sports - Sports	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted..
20627	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	Sports Provision is key to getting children in to a healthy lifestyle the benefits of which should be felt across other departments. Health and well being can provide massive savings to health and welfare facilities. Reducing this provision may well increase spending requirements in other areas	Delivery of Culture and Sports - Sports	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	This comment will be considered in the development of the proposal.
20628	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	When all you hear on the news is reports about obesity, reducing money in sports activities is not helping this situation	Delivery of Culture and Sports - Sports	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted..
20629	An employee of West Lothian Council	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	I think the Council should focus more on the leisure. If parents want to have their kids learn music or art they should pay for this themselves privately. Communities are more likely to use the leisure facilities.	Delivery of Culture and Sports - Sports	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	This comment will be considered in the development of the proposal.
20630	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	No cuts should be made to the sporting grants and excellence in sport arrangements. My own daughter has been provided with funding from them to enable her to compete for Great Britain at a World level gymnastics event. This funding was invaluable in helping to finance her participation and without it she would not have been able to go. Her team won a gold medal and as a result she has lifelong learning on what it is to work as a team, maintain a healthy lifestyle and plan and organise time effectively. Her gymnastics club has also received facility funding which was invaluable in providing heating. This funding enables classes to be run for all ages at all times of the year meaning children and young people are active and leading a healthy lifestyle	Delivery of Culture and Sports - Sports	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	This comment will be considered in the development of the proposal.
20631	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	No cuts should be made to the sporting grants and excellence in sport arrangements. My own daughter has been provided with funding from them to enable her to compete for Great Britain at a World level gymnastics event. This funding was invaluable in helping to finance her participation and without it she would not have been able to go. Her team won a gold medal and as a result she has lifelong learning on what it is to work as a team, maintain a healthy lifestyle and plan and organise time effectively. Her gymnastics club has also received facility funding which was invaluable in providing heating. This funding enables classes to be run for all ages at all times of the year meaning children and young people are active and leading a healthy lifestyle	Delivery of Culture and Sports - Sports	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposal is to continue provision of the Youth Music Initiative, Active Schools, developer funded public art and arts programming for Howden Park Centre. School pupils will also continue to receive arts and sports experiences as part of the curriculum and have opportunities to participate in extra curricular arts and sports experiences.
20632	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	Not sure reductions and the proposed priorities will continue to improve health, well being and general activity levels in West Lothian. More needs to be done to encourage 'active citizens' in terms of health and well being. Cut backs in this area could lead to other issues further down the line. A protected area, please.	Delivery of Culture and Sports - Sports	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted..
20633	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	Cuts to culture and sports is a short-sighted, backwards step. How can we improve the health and life chances of our young people if we cut and do not value sports provision and access? We need more sports input for our children and young people and also for adults to combat poor lifestyles and lack of exercise.	Delivery of Culture and Sports - Sports	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted..

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20634	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	The money spent on Active Schools Coordinators would be better spent on a full time PE teacher which would benefit every child in the school.	Delivery of Culture and Sports - Sports	5d. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it has been previously considered and will not be progressed.	Active schools provision is almost entirely externally funded and such funds must be used in accordance with the related funding agreement.
20635	An employee of West Lothian Council	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	The money spent on Active Schools Coordinators would be better spent on a full time PE teacher which would benefit every child in the school.	Delivery of Culture and Sports - Sports	5d. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it has been previously considered and will not be progressed.	Active schools provision is almost entirely externally funded and such funds must be used in accordance with the related funding agreement.
20636	An employee of West Lothian Council	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	The money spent on Active Schools Coordinators would be better spent on a full time PE teacher which would benefit every child in the school.	Delivery of Culture and Sports - Sports	5d. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it has been previously considered and will not be progressed.	Active schools provision is almost entirely externally funded and such funds must be used in accordance with the related funding agreement.
20637	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	See previous comment. Sport is important. Need to look at the long term implications of these cuts as less sport facilities will result in more health related costs in the future.	Delivery of Culture and Sports - Sports	4. The council is already doing this.	This comment will be considered in the development of the proposal.
20638	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	My children are members of Fauldhouse Penguins Swimming Club and utilise the facilities at Fauldhouse Partnership Centre. I would like to raise concerns in respect of this facility and the impact that any cost cutting would have on the children who attend this club not only from a sporting aspect but in respect of their health. Given that Fauldhouse is a deprived area if WLC decide to alter fee structure for this facility our club would be adversely affected and many families would not be able to afford any increase in cost. The club does not just teach children to swim the programme becomes a way of life for many of our swimmers in respect of the discipline required for training / competing. It has a very positive impact on lifestyle choices made by the children.	Delivery of Culture and Sports - Sports	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. As part of the work on this proposal officers will consider how charging could be developed and the relative merits of rationalising facility provision.
20639	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	. In addition, the opportunities and variety of sports is equally important in a child's development. Many of which my children are benefitting from. Netball, handball, football, rugby, hockey, swimming etc are all aspects of experiencing team support, sportsmanship, encouragement, team building, and not forgetting health and fitness. These opportunities should not be cut.	Delivery of Culture and Sports - Sports	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted..
20640	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	Does this mean West Lothian Leisure will simply charge more and drive people away	Delivery of Culture and Sports - West Lothian Leisure	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
20641	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	WLL provides significant wellbeing benefits for citizens (potentially reducing longer term impacts on services) so funding should not be reduced.	Delivery of Culture and Sports - West Lothian Leisure	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
20642	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	So short-sighted to reduce the funding to WL leisure of which me and my family are full-paying members. No doubt it will simply leave us having to pay more while others get free or discounted access. Encouraging sports and leisure pursuits is one the best things a public body can do from health and wellbeing perspective and reducing inequality. Getting to the stage where we should be questioning the fundamental role of LAs in 21st century as appear to becoming more and more residual in the services they provide.	Delivery of Culture and Sports - West Lothian Leisure	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
20643	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	It would be a shame to cut back on West Lothian Leisure. This is one of the few proposals I am not too happy about as it's so important to encourage sport.	Delivery of Culture and Sports - West Lothian Leisure	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
20644	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	Schemes such as the Excite exercise facilities are an important service to the young, old and those recovering from illness. These help to maintain the general health and wellbeing of citizens of all ages thereby reducing their need for other Council services.	Delivery of Culture and Sports - West Lothian Leisure	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
20645	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	It is a great idea having free swimming for the over 60s. I personally use this service. To help West Lothian leisure surely a small charge say 50p would be possible. I'm sure West Lothian are the only council in the Lothians who give this service free.	Delivery of Culture and Sports - West Lothian Leisure	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Officers will consider how charging for activities could be developed.
20646	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	Do not support if this will result in West Lothian Leisure venues facing closure as these provide valuable health and well being facilities to all not just the young and old but the tax payers that do not fall into these categories.	Delivery of Culture and Sports - West Lothian Leisure	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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20647	An employee of West Lothian Council	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	west lothian leisure funding should be reduced.	Delivery of Culture and Sports - West Lothian Leisure	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is proposed that to reflect the reduced income of the council, funding provided to West Lothian Leisure will be reduced.
20648	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	The costs of membership to WLL is really good compared to full leisure services in the private sector so I see no reason not to increase the cost of these, annoying as it would be to local residents. And a lot of users should be able to easily meet these increased subscriptions. Access to those less well off should be considered.	Delivery of Culture and Sports - West Lothian Leisure	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
20649	No Response	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	I agree Gym membership could rise slightly	Delivery of Culture and Sports - West Lothian Leisure	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
20650	No Response	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	Agree that subsidy to WLL should be reduced, and WLL should aim to become self sufficient in the long term.	Delivery of Culture and Sports - West Lothian Leisure	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is proposed that to reflect the reduced income of the council, funding provided to West Lothian Leisure will be reduced.
20651	An employee of West Lothian Council	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	Reducing funding to WL Leisure is totally acceptable.	Delivery of Culture and Sports - West Lothian Leisure	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is proposed that to reflect the reduced income of the council, funding provided to West Lothian Leisure will be reduced.
20652	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	If West Lothian Leisure receives funding for the youth to attend they will have to revise their programme. There isn't much for teenagers (under 16) in the evening as they can't attend the gym after 5.30pm. Many youngsters would enjoy attending a gym but their activities are aimed at primary school children and mostly involve sports such as football and swimming. More yoga, gymnastics and dance style activities are needed.	Delivery of Culture and Sports - West Lothian Leisure	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
20653	No Response	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	a small increase in west Lothian leisure Gym membership could help cover costs.	Delivery of Culture and Sports - West Lothian Leisure	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
20654	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	Go further and cut support to Xcite as they don't listen to members	Delivery of Culture and Sports - West Lothian Leisure	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is proposed that to reflect the reduced income of the council, funding provided to West Lothian Leisure will be reduced.
20655	No Response	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	Surely Xcite prices should be kept low, not rise due to more arts. Both have merit but obesity killer they most pressing. Keep people at low priced leisure.	Delivery of Culture and Sports - West Lothian Leisure	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	Based on the proposed priorities some sports and arts activities will no longer be provided. It is also proposed that to reflect the reduced income of the council, funding provided to West Lothian Leisure will be reduced.
20656	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	West Lothian Leisure needs to work alone as a stand alone business without WLC support	Delivery of Culture and Sports - West Lothian Leisure	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	It is proposed that to reflect the reduced income of the council, funding provided to West Lothian Leisure will be reduced.
20657	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	West Lothian Leisure should be looking to the private sector to consider ways in which it can compete in a growing market.	Delivery of Culture and Sports - West Lothian Leisure	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
20658	No Response	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	West Lothian Leisure should provide a gym only membership option at a rate which is competitive with that of other providers in the area. A swimming only membership option is also appealing. The current membership packages all seem to come with loads of 'bells and whistles' which I don't think the vast majority of people actually want. I'm sure these extras cost a fair bit to provide as well.	Delivery of Culture and Sports - West Lothian Leisure	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
20659	No Response	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	Important that West Lothian Leisure does not suffer disproportionately. The importance of promoting and participating in healthy lifestyles would be severely affected if WLL facilities were cut back significantly.	Delivery of Culture and Sports - West Lothian Leisure	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	It is proposed that to reflect the reduced income of the council, funding provided to West Lothian Leisure will be reduced. The relative merits of rationalising facility provision will be explored during work on this proposal.
20660	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	The council needs to consider stopping the support it gives for arts and sports activities, including West Lothian Leisure. There is a lot of cheaper, more modern and more flexible sports provision from the private sector in West Lothian.	Delivery of Culture and Sports - West Lothian Leisure	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
20661	An employee of West Lothian Council	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	West Lothian Leisure can increase charges to meet funding gaps. Public art is not required when times are hard.	Delivery of Culture and Sports - West Lothian Leisure	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	As part of the work on this proposal officers will consider how charging for activities could be developed.

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20662	An employee of West Lothian Council	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	In view of the now extensive provision of inexpensive pirate gyms and fitness centres in West Lothian there may be justification to reduce the provision of some services by West Lothian Leisure.	Delivery of Culture and Sports - West Lothian Leisure	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	As part of the work on this proposal officers will consider the type and extent of current sports and leisure facility provision across West Lothian.
20663	No Response	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	good idea.. xcite has benefitted for years with help from the council.. the new focus on health and use of gyms/classes (compared to 10 years ago) should see Xcite being able to exist on their own without funding.	Delivery of Culture and Sports - West Lothian Leisure	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
20664	An employee of West Lothian Council	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	If the funding is reduced to West Lothian Leisure, would this impact things such as membership rates etc? West Lothian Xcite gyms are already in fierce competition with a number of gyms across the county that offer lower rates, therefore could potentially buy themselves out of business.	Delivery of Culture and Sports - West Lothian Leisure	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
20665	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	I agree with this. West Lothian Leisure should be more income sustainable.	Delivery of Culture and Sports - West Lothian Leisure	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
20666	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	West lothia leisure offers an affordable activity for parents to taksther children to. Learning to swim can save lives	Delivery of Culture and Sports - West Lothian Leisure	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	As part of the work on this proposal officers will consider the type and extent of current sports and leisure facility provision across West Lothian
20667	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	West Lothian Leisure should be an independent company.	Delivery of Culture and Sports - West Lothian Leisure	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	WLL is a company limited by guarantee and a registered charity. It provides and operates services and facilities in accordance with contracts, leases and funding agreements made with the council and other partners. It is proposed that to reflect the reduced income of the council, funding provided to WLL will be reduced.
20668	An employee of West Lothian Council	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	These are 'pro-rich' provisions and generally speaking have a relatively affluent user base (e.g. Lowport = holiday care for rich kids/families). WLC should publish the SIMD residency numbers of the users of these services. I'm not convinced many people from Craigshill, Whitburn, Blackburn Knightsridge etc. use or benefit from these services. West Lothian Leisure continues to be a drain on public monies - costs are excessive at a time when private sector providers deliver 'GYM' services at less than half the cost of WLL.	Delivery of Culture and Sports - West Lothian Leisure	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. It is proposed that to reflect the reduced income of the council, funding provided to WLL will be reduced.
20669	An employee of West Lothian Council	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	The expenditure by WLC on subsidies, loans, gifts, staff to WLL could be better used by subsidising those most likely to benefit (poorer people/health outcomes) to access existing private sector provision. The complete lack of transparency by WLC and WLL re WLL is shameful. No doubt WLL will rationalise its own services and raise prices (again!) in an effort to fill their gap from WLC reduced funding. Lowport /Burgh Halls/sports centre & pool can be offered to Linlithgow development trust or closed. Sves an affluent and mobile population NOT Blackburn, whitburn, craiggshill etc.	Delivery of Culture and Sports - West Lothian Leisure	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
20670	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	Increase prices at leisure centres. Reduce front desk staff.	Delivery of Culture and Sports - West Lothian Leisure	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
20671	An employee of West Lothian Council	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	I feel that the service provided by West Lothian leisure is essential for children in West Lothian, the UK has such a big problem with obesity that exercise among children should be encouraged. The gym membership prices charged for adults are very reasonable, I feel that all children should be offered free memberships to encourage being active.	Delivery of Culture and Sports - West Lothian Leisure	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
20672	An employee of West Lothian Council	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	Why does the Council offer gym membership at a cost which is more than many really good private gyms?	Delivery of Culture and Sports - West Lothian Leisure	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
20673	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	We should continue to provide the same level of funding in real terms to West Lothian Leisure as this is a great asset for the County and is well run and well used	Delivery of Culture and Sports - West Lothian Leisure	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
20674	An employee of West Lothian Council	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	Cut deficit funding to WLL. With all the new private gyms WLL cannot compete with them so consider getting them to close their facilities and allow private sector to support demand and ultimately reduce deficit funding and if the assets are still WLC's then there can be sold and capital receipts realised	Delivery of Culture and Sports - West Lothian Leisure	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. It is proposed that to reflect the reduced income of the council, funding provided to WLL will be reduced.

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20675	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	Given the Trust can make charges for services uplifting these charges should be considered before any proposed services cuts are made.	Delivery of Culture and Sports - West Lothian Leisure	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	As part of the work on this proposal officers will consider how charging for activities could be developed.
20676	An employee of West Lothian Council	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	WLL would be far more successful if pricing (for gym memberships, etc) was more competitive. With the likes of Pure Gym and Xercise4Less charging so little for an arguably much better service - it's surprising that it's still operating. I support the reduction in funding from the council, however their business model needs reevaluated.	Delivery of Culture and Sports - West Lothian Leisure	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. Officers will consider how this could be developed.
20677	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	I think that funding for West Lothian leisure should not be reduced as this will only mean increased prices to use leisure and sporting facilities. This will make them even more prohibitively expensive and stop people using them. Also, I think that this might impact on schemes like the Excellence in Sports (elite athletes) scheme, which has already been diminished and which should be supported	Delivery of Culture and Sports - West Lothian Leisure	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
20678	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	Centralisation at Livingston doesn't help kids travelling from afar	Delivery of Culture and Sports - West Lothian Leisure	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. As part of the work on this proposal officers will consider the type and extent of current sports and leisure facility provision across West Lothian.
20679	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	Which means prices will go up at West Lothian Leisure which will ensure access to these facilities will probably be out of range of the people who really need them.	Delivery of Culture and Sports - West Lothian Leisure	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
20680	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	We use Xcite facilities on a regular basis. The memberships are great value at the moment and, accordingly, there is probably a good take-up of these membership packages. It's great to be able to use a number of sites under the membership. It would be sad if any Xcite venue would be forced to close as a result of reduced funding from the Council.	Delivery of Culture and Sports - West Lothian Leisure	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted.. It is proposed that to reflect the reduced income of the council, funding provided to WLL will be reduced. The relative merits of rationalising facility provision will be explored during work on this proposal.
20681	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	Scrap the lot of it and put the money into a properly thought out education system.	Delivery of Culture and Sports - West Lothian Leisure	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
20682	No Response	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	Disagree. Health inequalities and poor lifestyle choices have led to an increase in obesity and diabetes therefore cutting these services will have a further detrimental consequence and increase your spending supporting health and social care!!!!!!	Delivery of Culture and Sports - West Lothian Leisure	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
20683	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	Agree West Lothian Leisure should be able to support itself. Similar with Howden Park.	Delivery of Culture and Sports - West Lothian Leisure	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted.. It is proposed that to reflect the reduced income of the council, funding provided to WLL will be reduced.
20684	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	I would oppose any reduction of funding to West Lothian Leisure without understanding the implications.	Delivery of Culture and Sports - West Lothian Leisure	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
20685	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	I do not think funding to west lothian leisure should be reduced. This would likely cause an increase in membership costs etc and some people may not be able to continue to use the service	Delivery of Culture and Sports - West Lothian Leisure	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
20686	An employee of West Lothian Council	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	Although I am in favour of this as a general rule, there is one major issue I take with the current model. School-based facilities should either be funded from the school's budget, with proceeds going to the school or funded from West Lothian Leisure budgets, with proceeds returning to West Lothian Leisure. In several schools, I know that the school budget funds repairs, with West Lothian Leisure taking all the proceeds. This is wrong, pure and simple.	Delivery of Culture and Sports - West Lothian Leisure	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
20687	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	"Headteacher more in control of funding" - this is in direct contradiction to the off-hosting of the School Sports Lets infrastructure to West Lothian Leisure. When schools had control over this process, they built relationships with local clubs, they understood the outcomes of the clubs ... in short they cared and that was repaid in good faith with more bookings and more revenue. That relationship has gone now and the revenue is being sent to West Lothian Leisure.... a group who in my personal experience as Chairman of the West Lothian Wolves Basketball Club, has acted in repeated bad faith, with no real understanding of the challenges local clubs have. Please explain how this process change matches this proposal 1b.	Delivery of Culture and Sports - West Lothian Leisure	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposal is to continue provision of the Youth Music Initiative, Active Schools, developer funded public art and arts programming for Howden Park Centre. School pupils will also continue to receive arts and sports experiences as part of the curriculum and have opportunities to participate in extra curricular arts and sports experiences.

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20688	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	Does this mean that reduced memberships at West Lothian Leisure will no longer be offered to individuals who meet the criteria? It would be better if those individuals that qualify through means testing could still get reduced membership. Not sure there is really a need for WLC workers to get this benefit if they are earning enough.	Delivery of Culture and Sports - West Lothian Leisure	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
20689	An employee of West Lothian Council	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	West Lothian Leisure is a fantastic resource to support our young people and encourage healthier lifestyles. I hope this cut would not result in increased costs for those who use xcite and their children.	Delivery of Culture and Sports - West Lothian Leisure	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
20690	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	Against the possible reduction in funding to West Lothian Leisure, who provide excellent facilities and services.	Delivery of Culture and Sports - West Lothian Leisure	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
20691	No Response	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	The free swimming could be withdrawn but replaced with a 50p charge per child this would bring some funding in and wouldn't put people off	Delivery of Culture and Sports - West Lothian Leisure	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	As part of the work on this proposal officers will consider how charging for activities could be developed.
20692	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	And as a by product this will negatively impact the health services as people will no longer get the health benefits of the currently funded West Lothian Leisure	Delivery of Culture and Sports - West Lothian Leisure	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
20693	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	Prices at West Lothian Leisure are already expensive.	Delivery of Culture and Sports - West Lothian Leisure	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	Thanks you for your comment. We will pass your feedback onto the relevant organisations responsible for this.
20694	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	why? Falkirk and Grangemouth have provided new tennis courts as have most councils in Fife. the Excite is too expensive for many people. sport and activities should be a priority for the future of our youth.	Delivery of Culture and Sports - West Lothian Leisure	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposal is to continue provision of the Youth Music Initiative, Active Schools, developer funded public art and arts programming for Howden Park Centre. School pupils will continue to receive arts and sports experiences as part of the curriculum and have opportunities to participate in extra curricular arts and sports experiences. Also, funding to WLL would continue, however, to reflect the reduced income of the council, it is proposed that this would be reduced.
20695	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	There is a concern that if this results in Xcite's prices increasing by an over inflated amount that there is a resultant reduction in the number of people attending, which in turn could have a detrimental affect on the community's health and well being - physical and mental.	Delivery of Culture and Sports - West Lothian Leisure	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Potential impacts, risks and opportunities will be given further consideration by officers as work on this proposal progresses.
20696	An employee of West Lothian Council	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	West Lothian Leisure should be able to operate without council funding - other gyms manage to do so.	Delivery of Culture and Sports - West Lothian Leisure	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Under the proposal, funding to WLL would continue, albeit reduced to reflect the reduced income of the council.
20697	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	Fine - WLL needs to be self funding	Delivery of Culture and Sports - West Lothian Leisure	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Under the proposal, funding to WLL would continue, albeit reduced to reflect the reduced income of the council.
20698	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	West Lothian leisure provision costs must be ensure that is still accessible to people to allow them to maintain a healthy lifestyle.	Delivery of Culture and Sports - West Lothian Leisure	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	This comment will be considered in the development of the proposal.
20699	An employee of West Lothian Council	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	To ensure the health of the residents in West Lothian access to sports facilities should be maintained.	Delivery of Culture and Sports - West Lothian Leisure	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	The council will continue to ensure residents in West Lothian have access to sports facilities. The relative merits of rationalising facility provision will be explored during work on this proposal.
20700	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	West Lothian Leisure have been given the estates to manage, therefore WLL will now have to look at how they can make these facilities viable which, as let charges are expected to increase from April 2018, will be something that as community groups who let the facilities can have no control over. We would hope that this increase in let charges will be in line with previous council let charges and be made visible to ourselves, the public, for the next 3 years. Ideally any increase should be no more than inflation.	Delivery of Culture and Sports - West Lothian Leisure	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	Thanks you for your comment. We will pass your feedback onto the relevant organisations responsible for this.

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20701	An employee of West Lothian Council	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	Should West Lothian Leisure still be independent of the council given the changes in taxation, would there not be greater savings to be made by the council taking over it.	Delivery of Culture and Sports - West Lothian Leisure	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	The Scottish Government has yet to confirm how it will respond to the recommendations in the Barclay report which are relevant to this proposal. This comment will be considered in the development of the proposal.
20702	No Response	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	You must contract with WL leisure to limit their likely massive increase in rental for pools etc. This must be limited to small regular increases within reason and be linked to guaranteed upkeep of the premises. What may happen is they try to profiteer and ultimately organisations fold and income plummets. The health of the nation is still critical and needs supported.	Delivery of Culture and Sports - West Lothian Leisure	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	This comment will be considered in the development of the proposal.
20703	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	It is very sad that funding for West Lothian Leisure will be cut. This should be avoided.	Delivery of Culture and Sports - West Lothian Leisure	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Under the proposal, funding to WLL would continue, albeit reduced to reflect the reduced income of the council.
20704	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	I object to any cutbacks to West Lothian Leisure as it provides important access to all members of the community to sporting facilities. It provides value for money service, operates a high quality and safe service in well maintained facilities. operates a higher standard of customer care. West Lothian council transferred art, sport and outdoor education facilities to West lothian leisure in the last year to safeguard the future of these services and their employees. What is being proposed would threaten these services but also impose back door redundancy for some employees. These facilities were transferred to save this local authority Â£600,000 in annual rates. The council must not impose any cut back in funding for West Lothian Leisure as the health and Well-being go the population will be adversely effected, in disregard that United Kingdom is the most obese nation in Western Europe. Having reduced access to sporting and outdoor education facilities will impose greater social health costs within this local authority as the population with more people becoming obese, unhealthy and having long term health issues.	Delivery of Culture and Sports - West Lothian Leisure	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Potential impacts, risks and opportunities will be given further consideration by officers as work on this proposal progresses.
20705	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	This statement contradicts itself. I strongly believe that leisure facilities are absolutely essential to the wellbeing, health and education of our young people. We are all encouraged to lead active lives for the benefit of health and any erosion of facilities can only be described as a backward step	Delivery of Culture and Sports - West Lothian Leisure	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	The council will continue to ensure residents in West Lothian have access to sports and leisure facilities.
20706	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	Closure of energy hungry swimming pools where there are more than one in a town. e.g. Armadale - close North Street and keep Armadale Academy'	Delivery of Culture and Sports - West Lothian Leisure	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The relative merits of rationalising facility provision will be explored during work on this proposal.
20707	An employee of West Lothian Council	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	Examination of the funding provided to West Lothian Leisure and of the services provided by them is essential.	Delivery of Culture and Sports - West Lothian Leisure	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	This comment will be considered in the development of the proposal.
20708	An employee of West Lothian Council	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	I support reductions in this non statutory area. It is essential that West Lothian Leisure produce a viable business plan which realistically must involve closing facilities, in particular swimming pools.	Delivery of Culture and Sports - West Lothian Leisure	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The relative merits of rationalising facility provision will be explored during work on this proposal.
20709	An employee of West Lothian Council	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	West Lothian Leisure already seems to be struggling to provide suitable services as it is. Suggest retain good level of leisure service provision but increasing charges but giving passes for those under 20 and those given as a medical prescription.	Delivery of Culture and Sports - West Lothian Leisure	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	As part of the work on this proposal officers will consider how charging could be developed.
20710	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	Concerned that cuts to funding to West Lothian leisure may impact on other organisations e.g. swimming clubs.	Delivery of Culture and Sports - West Lothian Leisure	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Under the proposal, funding to WLL would continue, albeit reduced to reflect the reduced income of the council. Potential impacts, risks and opportunities will be given further consideration by officers as work on this proposal progresses.
20711	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	The Scottish Government have pledged to reduce obesity in the population yet you are proposing a reduction to the funding that West Lothian Leisure are receiving. You have also offloaded a number of schools and venues to West Lothian Leisure at significant expense to West Lothian Leisure where does the money therefore come from to run these.	Delivery of Culture and Sports - West Lothian Leisure	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Under the proposal, funding to WLL would continue, albeit reduced to reflect the reduced income of the council.
20712	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	Duplication on WLL facilities should be reviewed and removed.	Delivery of Culture and Sports - West Lothian Leisure	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	This comment will be considered in the development of the proposal.

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20713	An employee of West Lothian Council	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	The arrangement for West Lothian Leisure to manage the golf and driving range at Polkemmet has frankly been an embarrassment and failure, with those services only continuing to operate due to Parks & Woodland bearing all the pressures and responsibilities. This should have been handed over to West Lothian Leisure fully by the 1st October and it has not been. It cannot go on indefinitely. If WLL continue to fail to fulfil their obligations, what is the Council's alternative plan (which must have been considered when this decision was originally taken)? What would be the business continuity plan for the Polkemmet golf and driving range?	Delivery of Culture and Sports - West Lothian Leisure	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
20714	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	This is impossible to comment on with out the detail. I don't believe that WLL have the resources to deliver the services that they have to mange and that ultimately this will result in a downward spiral of these important activities	Delivery of Culture and Sports - West Lothian Leisure	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
20715	An employee of West Lothian Council	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	West Lothian Leisure could handle a funding cut if they personally fined all the able bodied young men and middle class mum's that park their BMWs and Range Rovers in their facilities disabled parking spaces on a daily basis. The level that I've seen of this at places like Excite Bathgate and Armadale Academy is socially unacceptable in this day and age.	Delivery of Culture and Sports - West Lothian Leisure	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
20716	An employee of West Lothian Council	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	West Lothian have opened up lots of opportunities to encourage young people and adults to choose a healthy lifestyle and I think it would be dangerous to reduce funding to west lothian leisure as I feel the danger would be that less people would use the excellent facilities available within west lothian. With less people choosing to have an active/healthy lifestyle, this could place more pressure on the health care system.	Delivery of Culture and Sports - West Lothian Leisure	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Potential impacts, risks and opportunities will be given further consideration by officers as work on this proposal progresses.
20717	No Response	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	West Lothian requires to review their leisure contract for Xcite, other facilities offer the same equipment and classes but at a third of the price. Xcite costing them selves out the market.	Delivery of Culture and Sports - West Lothian Leisure	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	This comment will be considered in the development of the proposal.
20718	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	My child uses and pays for West Lothian leisure memberships at Excite, how do others access sports activities which aid health and wellbeing there are not enough opportunities in this area already.	Delivery of Culture and Sports - West Lothian Leisure	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
20719	No Response	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	West Lothian leisure is a more accessible facility in our communities than the Howden Park Centre. I do not support this, although I do think the go referral scheme should be reviewed as many memberships just do not get used.	Delivery of Culture and Sports - West Lothian Leisure	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
20720	An employee of West Lothian Council	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	I would like to know the proposal for this as I feel west Lothian leisure provide good service at a good cost. I would rather see a slight price increase than a reduction in the service	Delivery of Culture and Sports - West Lothian Leisure	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	As part of the work on this proposal officers will consider how charging could be developed.
20721	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	West Lothian leisure has already taken over some of West Lothian councils services and as of yet don't appear to be getting utilised to the best of it's potential. We would require more detail on these proposals and hope that any TUPE transfer of potential staff is handled in a more professional manner.	Delivery of Culture and Sports - West Lothian Leisure	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	This comment will be considered in the development of the proposal.
20722	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	Increased cost for leisure facilities will reduce the use of such facilities and goes against the Councils drive to ensure people of West Lothian are healthy partly through taking regular exercise.	Delivery of Culture and Sports - West Lothian Leisure	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
20723	An employee of West Lothian Council	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	Supportive in principle albeit based on limited detailed information. The position with regard to the role and funding to West Lothian Leisure is understandable in cotext but it is unclear from the proposal as to where the provision of any future cultural service at Bathgate Regal Community Theatre and Linlithgow Burgh Hall would sit.	Delivery of Culture and Sports - West Lothian Leisure	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. The proposal is to continue provision of the Youth Music Initiative, Active Schools, developer funded public art and arts programming for Howden Park Centre. School pupils will continue to receive arts and sports experiences as part of the curriculum and have opportunities to participate in extra curricular arts and sports experiences.
20724	An employee of West Lothian Council	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	Are we sure these partners are viable. If not we shouldn't be hiving off facilities and services to them.	Delivery of Culture and Sports - West Lothian Leisure	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	This comment will be considered in the development of the proposal.
20725	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	West Lothian Leisure was once part of WLC. It does a great job and is well used. Don't force them to reduce the services that they provide to the community.	Delivery of Culture and Sports - West Lothian Leisure	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Funding to WLL would continue, however, to reflect the reduced income of the council, it is proposed that this would be reduced.

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20726	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	This unfortunate but I suppose necessary. Fees could go up but not too a great extent as people need access to good leisure facilities and these in west Lothian are excellent at the moment.	Delivery of Culture and Sports - West Lothian Leisure	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	As part of the work on this proposal officers will consider how charging could be developed.
20727	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	Without knowing how much funding is provided to West Lothian Leisure we would be opposed to reducing that funding.	Delivery of Culture and Sports - West Lothian Leisure	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
20728	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	Why reduce funding to west Lothian leisure- is the sports centres and swimming pools surly keep people fit -we need to support these.	Delivery of Culture and Sports - West Lothian Leisure	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Under the proposal, funding to WLL would continue, albeit reduced to reflect the reduced income of the council. The council will continue to ensure residents in West Lothian have access to sports facilities.
20729	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	More obesity in children if leisure facilities are closed down	Delivery of Culture and Sports - West Lothian Leisure	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	The council will continue to ensure residents in West Lothian have access to sports facilities.
20730	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	West Lothian Leisure have been given the estates to manage, therefore WLL will now have to look at how they can make these facilities viable which, as let charges are expected to increase in April 2018, will be something that as community groups who let the facilities can have no control over. We would hope that this increase in let charges will be in line with previous council let charges and be made visible to ourselves, the public, for the next 3 years. Ideally any increase should be no more than inflation.	Delivery of Culture and Sports - West Lothian Leisure	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	Thanks you for your comment. We will pass your feedback onto the relevant organisations responsible for this.
20731	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	If West Lothian Leisure have been granted a greater remit on running facilities in the Council's schools (along with the cost base to match) then surely a reduction in resources to them is a double whammy. Don't think this has been thought through properly.	Delivery of Culture and Sports - West Lothian Leisure	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. Potential impacts, risks and opportunities will be given further consideration by officers as work on this proposal progresses.
20732	An employee of West Lothian Council	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	More, not less, needs to be done to get people active & managing their weight. The role played by WL Leisure is important and they provide great services & facilities which are current & effective. It would be good to maintain council contributions.	Delivery of Culture and Sports - West Lothian Leisure	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
20733	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	The number of leisure centres should be reduced or they should become profit making entities.	Delivery of Culture and Sports - West Lothian Leisure	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The relative merits of rationalising facility provision will be explored during work on this proposal. It is anticipated that, going forward, costs in these areas will increasingly require to be off-set through income generation.
20734	An employee of West Lothian Council	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	Stop West Lothian leisure or council providing fitness classes/memberships for new mums.	Delivery of Culture and Sports - West Lothian Leisure	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
20735	An employee of West Lothian Council	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	far too many get free WL leisure and yet hardworking people can't afford it	Delivery of Culture and Sports - West Lothian Leisure	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	Thanks you for your comment. We will pass your feedback onto the relevant organisations responsible for this.
20736	An employee of West Lothian Council	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	Would hate to see the closure of any sports facilities as a result of reduced funding to west Lothian Leisure.	Delivery of Culture and Sports - West Lothian Leisure	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	The relative merits of rationalising facility provision will be explored during work on this proposal.
20737	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	West Lothian Leisure has to be enabled to maintain current provision if not also expand - partnerships, community engagement and so forth have to be explored for this.	Delivery of Culture and Sports - West Lothian Leisure	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Potential impacts, risks and opportunities will be given further consideration by officers as work on this proposal progresses.
20738	An employee of West Lothian Council	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	REDUCED FUNDING TO WEST LOTHIAN LEISURE - THEY'LL HAVE TO PUT THEIR PRICES UP - WHICH IN EFFECT WILL HIT THE POOREST CITIZENS OF WEST LOTHIAN!!!!!!	Delivery of Culture and Sports - West Lothian Leisure	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Potential impacts, risks and opportunities will be given further consideration by officers as work on this proposal progresses.
20739	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	This is a terrible idea. West Lothian Leisure helps promote exercise which is to be encouraged when kids are at risk of becoming more obese than ever. Cuts in this area increase the risk of obesity.	Delivery of Culture and Sports - West Lothian Leisure	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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20740	No Response	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	Sounds to me like you are trying to get rid of the small carer's discount I get to take my disabled son swimming. Which I had to jump through hoops to get even through if I was unemployed it was simply a ticked box and a stamp from the job centre. If you are going to reduce funding to the Leisure Centres I hope this will be for everyone and not just the disabled.	Delivery of Culture and Sports - West Lothian Leisure	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	The proposal is to continue provision of the Youth Music Initiative, Active Schools, developer funded public art and arts programming for Howden Park Centre. Also, that to reflect the reduced income of the council, funding provided to West Lothian Leisure will be reduced. The full range and type of activities which can be supported will be considered when planning any future provision.
20741	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	Be great if Xcite was more accessible and affordable for youngsters and people in general as this would encourage better health	Delivery of Culture and Sports - West Lothian Leisure	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
20742	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	The swimming pools in West Lothian are a joke they are over staffed and no one goes ... Close them down and have one opened ..Theres a saving	Delivery of Culture and Sports - West Lothian Leisure	5a. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because the council is required by law to deliver this work.	The relative merits of rationalising facility provision will be explored during work on this proposal.
20743	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	Please ensure that the free swimming for school age children continues during the holidays. For many children, this is an essential form of exercise and skill and since school swimming lessons have been stopped, this may be the only regular opportunity that some children will get to swim.	Delivery of Culture and Sports - West Lothian Leisure	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	The full range and type of activities which can be supported will be considered when planning any future provision.
20744	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	West Lothian Leisure is first class - and a big attraction to living in West Lothian. You should not reduce their funding by as much as is proposed.	Delivery of Culture and Sports - West Lothian Leisure	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
20745	An employee of West Lothian Council	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	West Lothian Leisure, having the ability to generate income, should be more accountable for their own sustainability and provision so I fully agree with the proposal to reduce the council's contributions.	Delivery of Culture and Sports - West Lothian Leisure	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. It is proposed that to reflect the reduced income of the council, funding provided to WLL will be reduced.
20746	An employee of West Lothian Council	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	In order to increase money - new local initiatives popping up are gym classes for new mums. West Lothian leisure/howden park centre could provide fitness classes for new mums. West Lothian leisure could also offer a reduced cost membership for new mums on maternity - this would likely be used off peak times and being in more revenue.	Delivery of Culture and Sports - West Lothian Leisure	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	Thanks you for your comment. We will pass your feedback onto the relevant organisations responsible for this.
20747	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	in partnership with West Lothian Leisure'. As I understand it 'West Lothian Leisure' is a wholly owned subsidiary of West Lothian Council; as such 'the funding provided to West Lothian Leisure will be reduced' is meaningless. Does this mean that everything is being centralised on Howden Part centre; if so the community who wish to use these services will need to cover the cost of transport; again impacting on thos who have difficulty in paying	Delivery of Culture and Sports - West Lothian Leisure	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted..
20748	An employee of West Lothian Council	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	With the council having to achieve efficiencies, it is only right that West Lothian Leisure do likewise.	Delivery of Culture and Sports - West Lothian Leisure	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted..
20749	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	The gym prices are too high given the current competition from new gyms	Delivery of Culture and Sports - West Lothian Leisure	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	Thanks you for your comment. We will pass your feedback onto the relevant organisations responsible for this.
20750	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	1) Do 'West Lothian Leisure' have access to other grants and funding? I know that they are an 'arms-length' charity, set up by the Council to save the Council rates / taxes, and I am not sure if they have the sufficient autonomy to make the strategic decisions that would be necessary to run on a reduced budget.	Delivery of Culture and Sports - West Lothian Leisure	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
20751	An employee of West Lothian Council	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	Agree with this. Do we really need a swimming pool and sports centre in every town.	Delivery of Culture and Sports - West Lothian Leisure	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted..
20752	An employee of West Lothian Council	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	West Lothian Leisure should be able to provide services within a budget that makes financial sense without needing additional funding from the local authority. During times of budget crisis funding for non critical services, the arts and leisure should be cut to prioritise services to families, the elderly and disabled.	Delivery of Culture and Sports - West Lothian Leisure	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted..

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20753	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	I do not think that funding for West Lothian leisure should be cut. The services provided by West Lothian leisure benefit everyone in the area, whereas youth music and active schools only benefit those in school.	Delivery of Culture and Sports - West Lothian Leisure	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted..
20754	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	The reduced funding to WLL will impact fees and access for all groups. This will be detrimental to clubs and community groups and impact activity offering across West Lothian. Funding is already at an all time low just to keep provisions going and health and well being as well as performance programs will be severely impacted. This will go against what the authority wishes to achieve on health status of residents.	Delivery of Culture and Sports - West Lothian Leisure	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted..
20755	No Response	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	Reducing support to west Lothian leisure could affect the overall health of its inhabitants, support for arts is important for the well being of the community	Delivery of Culture and Sports - West Lothian Leisure	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted..
20756	No Response	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	A review fully on West Lothian Leisure is required. Is this value for money and is it sustainable.	Delivery of Culture and Sports - West Lothian Leisure	4. The council is already doing this.	It is proposed that to reflect the reduced income of the council, funding provided to West Lothian Leisure will be reduced.
20757	An employee of West Lothian Council	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	Does West Lothian leisure have the revenue to keep afloat without funding? It makes sense doing this provided it doesn't end up with all xcite facilities ultimately closing. This would be a big step back. It is hard to quantify just how important sports and exercise are to health and well being but those who need it the most need to be encouraged to take part in a way that they feel comfortable with.	Delivery of Culture and Sports - West Lothian Leisure	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted..
20758	No Response	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	Agree. Stop funding West Lothian Leisure all together.	Delivery of Culture and Sports - West Lothian Leisure	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted..
20759	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	Agreed however, I also think that is unfair that West Lothian Leisure staff are provided with free memberships for them and members of their family (I know of 3 families).	Delivery of Culture and Sports - West Lothian Leisure	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted..
20760	An employee of West Lothian Council	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	Interesting as the council and West Lothian Leisure only joined forces a year ago. A hastily made decision perhaps?	Delivery of Culture and Sports - West Lothian Leisure	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
20761	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	The council should withdraw all financial support to West Lothian Leisure. There is far better alternative gym and leisure facilities run by the private sector in West Lothian	Delivery of Culture and Sports - West Lothian Leisure	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	It is proposed that to reflect the reduced income of the council, funding provided to West Lothian Leisure will be reduced.
20762	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	This is an important area that needs further consultation with the public. The above statement is extremely vague. A lot of investment into West Lothian Leisure has occurred over the last decade and the communities have and are benefiting from this access to sport facilities. I would recommend you provide further details on this area. There are many byproducts to encouraging sport such as health and good well being that would be affected a reduction in investment and service.	Delivery of Culture and Sports - West Lothian Leisure	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted..
20763	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	Whilst in practice this sounds sensible and aligns with priorities the impact on leisure facilities is unclear.	Delivery of Culture and Sports - West Lothian Leisure	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The relative merits of rationalising facility provision will be explored during work on this proposal.
20764	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	I use this as an example of an earlier comment. By reducing money to WL Leisure are you depleting an asset that if used more to reduce health inequalities you may actually overall save money?	Delivery of Culture and Sports - West Lothian Leisure	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted..
20765	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	We use the gym at Xcite and would happily pay more for this excellent facility.	Delivery of Culture and Sports - West Lothian Leisure	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	As part of the work on this proposal officers will consider how charging for activities could be developed.
20766	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	Does this mean Howden Park Centre will be sold and if so, what guarantees will there be that the building will continue to provide arts programming?	Delivery of Culture and Sports - West Lothian Leisure	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Whilst there are currently no plans to sell or close Howden Park Centre. The relative merits of rationalising facility provision will be explored during work on this proposal.
20767	No Response	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	Stop putting money into West Lothian Leisure. There are plenty of good private providers which is much cheaper!!!	Delivery of Culture and Sports - West Lothian Leisure	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. This comment will be considered in the development of the proposal.
20768	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	Does this mean increased costs for those using West Lothian Leisure and in particular OAP's	Delivery of Culture and Sports - West Lothian Leisure	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted.. As part of the work on this proposal officers will explore external funding opportunities and consider how charging for activities could be developed.

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20769	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	We strongly object to cuts in this area. Cuts to West Lothian Leisure will have an impact on the health of people in West Lothian putting further strain on health services in the future.	Delivery of Culture and Sports - West Lothian Leisure	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted..
20770	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	I use West Lothian leisure for my son and would continue to do so if costs increased	Delivery of Culture and Sports - West Lothian Leisure	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	As part of the work on this proposal officers will explore external funding opportunities and consider how charging for activities could be developed.
20771	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	Funding reduced so will West Lothian Leisure increase prices?	Delivery of Culture and Sports - West Lothian Leisure	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	As part of the work on this proposal officers will explore external funding opportunities and consider how charging for activities could be developed.
20772	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	West Lothian Leisure - in my experience these facilities are busy - why do they need funding? I would have thought they would be income generators for the council.	Delivery of Culture and Sports - West Lothian Leisure	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted.. It is anticipated that, going forward, the costs of such facilities will increasingly require to be off-set through income generation. As part of the work on this proposal officers will consider how charging could be developed.
20773	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	Free swimming should be protected for chilled.	Delivery of Culture and Sports - West Lothian Leisure	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	The full range and type of activities which can be supported will be considered when planning any future provision.
20774	An employee of West Lothian Council	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	Disagree â€ funding should be stopped for West Lothian Leisure, as a registered business they should/could be commercially viable?. If West Lothian leisure leases our buildings could this not be a source of income generation to West Lothian Council?	Delivery of Culture and Sports - West Lothian Leisure	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted.. It is proposed that to reflect the reduced income of the council, funding provided to WLL will be reduced.
20775	An employee of West Lothian Council	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	The savings here are not ambitious enough. The council should be able to generate income from main stream leisure, fitness and arts and entertainment provision. West Lothian leisure should be able to operate on a purely commercial footing and the council generate income from the rent charged for facilities operated by WLL. Net saving should be greater than Â£2.76m (as per 2016-17 payment) The council should not be subsidising this provision for the general populous. The role of the council should be limited to targeted support - eg ensuring disadvantaged household and children can access sport and leisure opportunities.	Delivery of Culture and Sports - West Lothian Leisure	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	This comment will be considered in the development of the proposal.
20776	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	ditch west Lothian leisure	Delivery of Culture and Sports - West Lothian Leisure	5c. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it is not consistent with the council's values and priorities.	It is proposed that to reflect the reduced income of the council, funding provided to West Lothian Leisure will be reduced.
20777	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	Agree that funding to West Lothian Leisure should reduce. It is so much cheaper using the new generation of gyms such as PureGym. Can West Lothian Leisure be taken over by these groups and run in a different way. This would mean a cheaper monthly fee for the user and less subsidy provided by the council.	Delivery of Culture and Sports - West Lothian Leisure	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	This comment will be considered in the development of the proposal.
20778	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	West Lothian leisure should be able to run as a not for profit organisation without funding. It need the right management to do this.	Delivery of Culture and Sports - West Lothian Leisure	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	This comment will be considered in the development of the proposal.
20779	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	some of our newest sports people depend on sports centres for training e t c Its their future	Delivery of Culture and Sports - West Lothian Leisure	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted..
20780	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	Makes sense. Also increase fees for Gym membership.	Delivery of Culture and Sports - West Lothian Leisure	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	As part of the work on this proposal officers will consider how charging could be developed.
20781	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	Concern that Barclay report will result in less savings than anticipated. How will this be addressed?	Delivery of Culture and Sports - West Lothian Leisure	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	The Scottish Government has yet to confirm how it will respond to the recommendations in the Barclay report which are relevant to this proposal. Through the development of the proposal, officers will identify and consider potential risks which could lead to further cost pressures in these areas.
20782	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	Unclear on the impact to west lothian leisure as not enough information is provided. I am aware they have been given additional responsibility of low port centre etc. These can now not be placed in jeopardy.	Delivery of Culture and Sports - West Lothian Leisure	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted..
20783	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	Howden Park Centre is an excellent centre for entertainment. It is local, no need for trains to Edinburgh/Glasgow. I am sure the cost of the tickets could be raised by Â£1- Â£2 per person. This is not too much extra to pay.	Delivery of Culture and Sports - West Lothian Leisure	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	Thanks you for your comment. We will pass your feedback onto the relevant organisations responsible for this.

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20784	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	There was not much of it anyway and probably the change won't be noticed	Delivery of Culture and Sports (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
20785	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	Obesity is an epidemic these days, removing funding from leisure facilities will only make it worse and cause more money to be spent on the NHS combatting the effects of obesity.	Delivery of Culture and Sports (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
20786	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	By the sound of it you are cutting out more sports than you are arts where some places could be doing with more sports ie swimming,football etc	Delivery of Culture and Sports (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
20787	No Response	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	There will be more demand for arts and sports due to lack of employment, customers need access to these to improve their overall wellbeing.	Delivery of Culture and Sports (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
20788	An employee of West Lothian Council	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	Maybe rather than doing away with these it would be better to offer them at a cost then if they are not users stop the service	Delivery of Culture and Sports (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Officers will consider how charging for activities could be developed.
20789	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	It is sad that these can not be provided anymore however parents also have a responsibility to ensure their children are active and healthy. GP's should also not be providing free gym memberships at Xcite to people who can't be bothered exercising. You do not need a gym to be healthy. People need to take more responsibility over their own health.	Delivery of Culture and Sports (general)	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
20790	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	Charge more for culture and sport if necessary rather than scrapping things. .	Delivery of Culture and Sports (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Officers will consider how charging for activities could be developed.
20791	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	should be discontinued	Delivery of Culture and Sports (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
20792	An employee of West Lothian Council	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	Cease all non statutory services. Charge where demand merits service but cost prohibits	Delivery of Culture and Sports (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thanks you for comment. Your feedback has been noted. Officers will consider how charging for activities could be developed.
20793	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	To the greatest possible extent these services should be supplied by the voluntary sector.	Delivery of Culture and Sports (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	As part of the work on this proposal officers will consider the extent to which related services are, or could be, supplied by other organisations.
20794	An employee of West Lothian Council	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	This is a tough choice, but if necessary, there are lots of free ways to enjoy sport and music.	Delivery of Culture and Sports (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
20795	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	yes, but whilst other groups will be the focus hopefully it won't mean exclusion of the minority	Delivery of Culture and Sports (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
20796	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	It is not clear what would be stopping so it is difficult to agree - what are we being asked here?	Delivery of Culture and Sports (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	The proposal is to continue provision of the Youth Music Initiative, Active Schools, developer funded public art and arts programming for Howden Park Centre. The full range and type of activities which can be supported will be considered when planning any future provision.
20797	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	I would hope that the council would still be able to provide subsidies at WLC for older people or people with disabilities to encourage good health and community activities for both groups.	Delivery of Culture and Sports (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Officers will consider how charging and concessions for activities could be developed.
20798	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	Activities need to be self funding and not subsidised.	Delivery of Culture and Sports (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Significant parts of the provision which it is proposed the council will focus on in the future is externally funded or has costs off-set by income generation.

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20799	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	Disagree with this. sports and arts are important part of younger people's education. I would look to maintain this area and save from the older support functions.	Delivery of Culture and Sports (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposal is to continue provision of the Youth Music Initiative, Active Schools, developer funded public art and arts programming for Howden Park Centre. School pupils will also continue to receive arts and sports experiences as part of the curriculum and have opportunities to participate in extra curricular arts and sports experiences.
20800	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	As with all consideration of outdoor recreation, the additional costs to deal with health issues and anti-social behavior if it's removed have to at least be guesstimated and considered.	Delivery of Culture and Sports (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
20801	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	Education, jobs and health are far more important if cuts have to go ahead, business growth!!	Delivery of Culture and Sports (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
20802	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	Indeed. The council should drive these activities and facilities towards the community high schools where those inclined to use them can be asked to pay.	Delivery of Culture and Sports (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Officers will consider community use of school sports, leisure and cultural facilities as part of the work on this proposal.
20803	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	It is not clear what activities are not being supported.	Delivery of Culture and Sports (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	The proposal is to continue provision of the Youth Music Initiative, Active Schools, developer funded public art and arts programming for Howden Park Centre. The full range and type of activities which can be supported will be considered when planning any future provision.
20804	An employee of West Lothian Council	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	Reducing funding will be counter productive and shift the burden rather than remove it	Delivery of Culture and Sports (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
20805	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	Arts and sports are vital to the community. Retaining as much of this as possible is the way forward.	Delivery of Culture and Sports (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
20806	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	Agree, less used services need to be cut, but unfortunately they are usually cut in areas regarded as 'better off' when in fact they are the lifeline to a community. Again there should be a tailoring down in ALL areas, not just 'deprived' areas retaining services.	Delivery of Culture and Sports (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Based on the proposed priorities some sports and arts activities will no longer be provided. Any future provision will increasingly require to be more efficient and better targeted.
20807	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	yes I can't afford the leisure facilities and I work full time yet always busy with a lot who have everything for free	Delivery of Culture and Sports (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
20808	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	There is surely an income stream in this area too.	Delivery of Culture and Sports (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Significant parts of the provision which it is proposed the council will focus on in the future is externally funded or has costs off-set by income generation. As part of the work on this proposal officers will consider how charging for activities could be developed.
20809	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	Couldn't voluntary groups provide this service?	Delivery of Culture and Sports (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	As part of the work on this proposal officers will consider the extent to which related services are, or could be, supplied by other organisations.
20810	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	While focusing on the above is excellent, these feel like an easy option.	Delivery of Culture and Sports (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
20811	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	Continuing with externally funded areas makes sense. But what about the other aspects of culture, sports and arts? The service provided to the community by these teams is invaluable. Culture, arts and sports are what make life worth living and build good communities. These teams provide opportunities to schools, but also to the community as a whole, bringing young and old together in ways that other services cannot	Delivery of Culture and Sports (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. Significant parts of the provision which it is proposed the council will focus on in the future is externally funded or has costs off-set by income generation. The full range and type of activities which can be supported will be considered when planning any future provision.

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20812	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	I believe serious consideration should be given to how these quality services can continue in some capacity. As a person who doesn't fall into the categories of having children or requiring elderly care, arts and culture are what I feel impact most on me as a citizen.	Delivery of Culture and Sports (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. The council will continue to meet its legal obligations and agreed priorities for the area. However, based on the proposed priorities, some sports and arts activities will no longer be provided.
20813	An employee of West Lothian Council	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	as long as it is not completely stopped a great many children get a lot of pleasure out of the music initiative and active schools.	Delivery of Culture and Sports (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The proposal is to continue provision of the Youth Music Initiative, Active Schools, developer funded public art and arts programming for Howden Park Centre. School pupils will also continue to receive arts and sports experiences as part of the curriculum and have opportunities to participate in extra curricular arts and sports experiences.
20814	An employee of West Lothian Council	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	It would be useful to know which activities are being reduced. I support the continuation of ActiveSchools given the great work it does involving so many young people.	Delivery of Culture and Sports (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The proposal is to continue provision of the Youth Music Initiative, Active Schools, developer funded public art and arts programming for Howden Park Centre. School pupils will also continue to receive arts and sports experiences as part of the curriculum and have opportunities to participate in extra curricular arts and sports experiences. The council will continue to meet its legal obligations and agreed priorities for the area. However, based on the proposed priorities, some sports and arts activities will no longer be provided.
20815	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	Stick to statutory roles.	Delivery of Culture and Sports (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council will continue to meet its legal obligations and agreed priorities for the area. However, based on the proposed priorities, some sports and arts activities will no longer be provided.
20816	An employee of West Lothian Council	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	The reduction of some of the arts and sports activities is disappointing, but understandable where cuts have to be made	Delivery of Culture and Sports (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
20817	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	would support reduction in arts before any reduction in active schools.	Delivery of Culture and Sports (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. The proposal is for Active Schools to continue to be delivered.
20818	An employee of West Lothian Council	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	It is understandable that some arts and sports activities will no longer be able to be provided in times such as these, however disappointing this may feel.	Delivery of Culture and Sports (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
20819	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	Howden park is also not fit for all community. Its not local to most, staff are rude, not the best for disabilities and underused.	Delivery of Culture and Sports (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
20820	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	The regal is now closed and could easily be utilised by council owners	Delivery of Culture and Sports (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
20821	An employee of West Lothian Council	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	Access to arts and sports is vital as it inspires kids, challenges thinking, supports health and well being. Could there be more awareness raised on how our residents can stay fit and access art for free across West Lothian and Scotland.	Delivery of Culture and Sports (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thanks you for comment. Your feedback has been noted. Officers will consider how this could be developed.
20822	An employee of West Lothian Council	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	Sounds as though those using the facilities will have their subscriptions increased.	Delivery of Culture and Sports (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
20823	An employee of West Lothian Council	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	Perhaps reviewing the times during which holiday clubs are offered and increasing these to suit working parents would make the clubs more attractive and generate more income. A 9am start and 3pm finish does not suit someone who has a full time job.	Delivery of Culture and Sports (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thanks you for comment. Your feedback has been noted. Officers will consider how this could be developed.
20824	No Response	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	The council needs to focus on delivering services that are essential - some of these are not essential for the community of West Lothian.	Delivery of Culture and Sports (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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20825	An employee of West Lothian Council	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	Music education has been proved to improve childrens learning in all spheres of the curriculum.Music education should be available at schools not just in a centralised location.	Delivery of Culture and Sports (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	Pupils will continue to receive music as part of the curriculum.
20826	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	Whilst nice to have, some of these services cannot be provided by WLC in future.	Delivery of Culture and Sports (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council will continue to meet its legal obligations and agreed priorities for the area. However, based on the proposed priorities, some sports and arts activities will no longer be provided.
20827	An employee of West Lothian Council	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	BARE MINIMUM OF THIS UNNECESSARY SERVICE SHOULD BE FUNDED	Delivery of Culture and Sports (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council will continue to meet its legal obligations and agreed priorities for the area. However, based on the proposed priorities, some sports and arts activities will no longer be provided.
20828	An employee of West Lothian Council	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	Yes. While I believe that people should play sports for health and have access to the arts I do not feel that this is a priority, more a luxury.	Delivery of Culture and Sports (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council will continue to meet its legal obligations and agreed priorities for the area. However, based on the proposed priorities, some sports and arts activities will no longer be provided.
20829	An employee of West Lothian Council	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	Communities that miss these things should invest their time to make them happen and not rely on the council.	Delivery of Culture and Sports (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council will continue to explore opportunities to empower communities in terms of the future provision of services/facilities.
20830	An employee of West Lothian Council	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	My fear is that only children and young people with access to funds at home would have the benefit of sport and art activities that they will be able to access after school. Does this not exacerbate the gap?	Delivery of Culture and Sports (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Pupils will continue to have opportunities to participate in extra curricular arts and sports experiences.
20831	An employee of West Lothian Council	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	Agree that these services need to be better targeted and effecient	Delivery of Culture and Sports (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Based on the proposed priorities some sports and arts activities will no longer be provided. Any future provision will increasingly require to be more efficient and better targeted.
20832	An employee of West Lothian Council	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	It's a shame the 'fun' stuff has to be reduced.	Delivery of Culture and Sports (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Based on the proposed priorities some sports and arts activities will no longer be provided.
20833	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	as long as vital services are not cut is swimming pools closed etc.	Delivery of Culture and Sports (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Based on the proposed priorities some sports and arts activities will no longer be provided. The relative merits of rationalising facility provision will be explored during work on this proposal.
20834	An employee of West Lothian Council	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	The council does not have a statutory obligation to provide these services. Whilst it would be a shame to see these services disappear if the council does not have the money to provide these services then it has to think long and hard about providing them.	Delivery of Culture and Sports (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Based on the proposed priorities some sports and arts activities will no longer be provided.
20835	An employee of West Lothian Council	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	Such issues should generally be self funding. Whilst providing benefits they have to be considered in the context of other priorities for the basic functioning and wellbeing of our communities.	Delivery of Culture and Sports (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Significant parts of the provision which it is proposed the council will focus on in the future is externally funded or has costs off-set by income generation.
20836	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	Tell us what arts and sports activities will no longer be provided not just what you plan to provide. This is not giving people choice in what they would prefer was supported.	Delivery of Culture and Sports (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposal is to continue provision of the Youth Music Initiative, Active Schools, developer funded public art and arts programming for Howden Park Centre. The full range and type of activities which can be supported will be considered when planning any future provision.
20837	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	Rhis is awful sports activities must stay	Delivery of Culture and Sports (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposal is to continue provision of the Youth Music Initiative, Active Schools, developer funded public art and arts programming for Howden Park Centre. School pupils will also continue to receive arts and sports experiences as part of the curriculum and have opportunities to participate in extra curricular arts and sports experiences.
20838	An employee of West Lothian Council	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	Some of these items could be considered a luxury and the community can access services through the private sector if desired. Statutory sports and arts for young people will continue to be provided through schools.	Delivery of Culture and Sports (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The council will continue to meet its legal obligations and agreed priorities for the area. However, based on the proposed priorities, some sports and arts activities will no longer be provided.

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20839	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	Stop supporting music and arts when we have other priorities. Close some sports centres, private sector provide them anyway.	Delivery of Culture and Sports (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Based on the proposed priorities some sports and arts activities will no longer be provided. The relative merits of rationalising facility provision will be explored during work on this proposal.
20840	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	Health and culture not important? Obesity is a huge problem these things need funding!	Delivery of Culture and Sports (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposal is to continue provision of the Youth Music Initiative, Active Schools, developer funded public art and arts programming for Howden Park Centre. School pupils will also continue to receive arts and sports experiences as part of the curriculum and have opportunities to participate in extra curricular arts and sports experiences.
20841	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	What will no longer be provided? How can we comment when you tell us what you want to focus on but do not indicate what services will no longer be available. Not very open and transparent	Delivery of Culture and Sports (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	The proposal is to continue provision of the Youth Music Initiative, Active Schools, developer funded public art and arts programming for Howden Park Centre. The full range and type of activities which can be supported will be considered when planning any future provision.
20842	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	Most people would look for a private club or tutor if they were interested in activities.	Delivery of Culture and Sports (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
20843	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	Cut all these areas and focus on real services. All are nice to have and things such as fitness, art and events can be done by private sector. Total waste of money keeping these.	Delivery of Culture and Sports (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
20844	An employee of West Lothian Council	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	Agree this could make a saving. Effective active schools can impact positively.	Delivery of Culture and Sports (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. The proposal is for Active Schools to continue to be delivered.
20845	An employee of West Lothian Council	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	Arts ought to be funded through West Lothian Leisure as this is a leisure activity for the majority of adults and children. Those who do well in school within the Art subject would be considering going to Art School.	Delivery of Culture and Sports (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
20846	An employee of West Lothian Council	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	Price increases for leisure facilities would be acceptable	Delivery of Culture and Sports (general)	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	As part of the work on this proposal officers will consider how charging for activities could be developed.
20847	An employee of West Lothian Council	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	shame to lose activities for people who might need a focus	Delivery of Culture and Sports (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
20848	An employee of West Lothian Council	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	Whilst sports activity should be a priority for increased health, I fear that it just doesn't reach enough people to be worthwhile.	Delivery of Culture and Sports (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
20849	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	I do not agree with this proposal. Culture and Sport is important for all.	Delivery of Culture and Sports (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
20850	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	Without details of what will be funded and what will not, I cannot support this strategy.	Delivery of Culture and Sports (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
20851	No Response	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	Needs entertainment as normally you've to go to Edinburgh or Glasgow.	Delivery of Culture and Sports (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
20852	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	I would not support this as think the provision is pretty poor, when compared to other authorities such as Edinburgh and Fife.	Delivery of Culture and Sports (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
20853	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	Failure to deliver facilities for exercise and recreation has a knock-on effect on youth culture (crime, fitness levels, health) and is therefore a dangerous route to take in a country where obesity is already at an all-time high. Beware what you wish for here.	Delivery of Culture and Sports (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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20854	An employee of West Lothian Council	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	I am sure the organisations who provide this leisure facility throughout West Lothian may be interested in partnership approaches to mitigate any effects from this proposal.	Delivery of Culture and Sports (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thanks you for comment. Your feedback has been noted. Officers will consider how this could be developed.
20855	An employee of West Lothian Council	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	I agree but would like to see this provision remain with costs being met by users.	Delivery of Culture and Sports (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. Officers will consider how this could be developed.
20856	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	Support this proposal. Although they are great services, they are not necessary and the council cannot continue to deliver on everything	Delivery of Culture and Sports (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
20857	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	Youth work and art and sports should provided to encourage healthy living encourage children not close groups.	Delivery of Culture and Sports (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposal is to continue provision of the Youth Music Initiative, Active Schools, developer funded public art and arts programming for Howden Park Centre. School pupils will also continue to receive arts and sports experiences as part of the curriculum and have opportunities to participate in extra curricular arts and sports experiences.
20858	An employee of West Lothian Council	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	This would be very sad. More activities are needed not less.	Delivery of Culture and Sports (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
20859	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	Active Schools in funded from Government and should therefore be excluded and the proposed savings looked at as a proportion of budget from the remaining services which will be impacted by a greater percentage.	Delivery of Culture and Sports (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. The proposal is for Active Schools to continue to be delivered.
20860	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	Local halls and services are needed also. Not all people can travel to livingston.	Delivery of Culture and Sports (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. As part of the work on this proposal officers will consider the type and extent of current sports and leisure facility provision across West Lothian.
20861	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	I think culture and sport outwith the mainstream curriculum is a nice to have, not a necessity, so happy enough for this funding to reduce.	Delivery of Culture and Sports (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
20862	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	Again...it will affect the most vulnerable people in society. Children should get as much as possible.	Delivery of Culture and Sports (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposal is to continue provision of the Youth Music Initiative, Active Schools, developer funded public art and arts programming for Howden Park Centre. School pupils will also continue to receive arts and sports experiences as part of the curriculum and have opportunities to participate in extra curricular arts and sports experiences.
20863	An employee of West Lothian Council	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	They need to do alot of stuff in armadale for the younger ones and the teenages	Delivery of Culture and Sports (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
20864	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	That does not seem a good idea as it is limiting facilities for youths etc	Delivery of Culture and Sports (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
20865	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	This is an area where external partnership and funding from other sources would assist rather than reducing or stopping support altogether.	Delivery of Culture and Sports (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thanks you for comment. Your feedback has been noted. Officers will consider how this could be developed.
20866	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	There are lots of local groups who provide arts and sports activities that the council should work continue working with but do not necessarily fall in to the categories above.	Delivery of Culture and Sports (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	The proposal is to continue provision of the Youth Music Initiative, Active Schools, developer funded public art and arts programming for Howden Park Centre. The full range and type of activities which can be supported will be considered when planning any future provision.
20867	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	Every part of a child discovering who they are is found out by the activities they do wether it be sports performing arts, languages or maths itâ€™s all about finding what is important to the children so I think by continuing to find sports and performing arts children are given a better chance to discover what makes them happy and calm and what they may want to persue in their future	Delivery of Culture and Sports (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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20868	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	The Council should focus on activities that have potential to make Scotland great at a National level, whatever the activity.	Delivery of Culture and Sports (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. The council is proposing to target its resources on the priority areas identified in the Transforming Your Council consultation.
20869	An employee of West Lothian Council	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	Do we still have active school co-ordinators, and if so could this be discontinued.	Delivery of Culture and Sports (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council are reviewing the approach to all sports activities across West Lothian with a focus on Active Schools.
20870	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	What does this saving mean? Again we have insufficient information relating to the specifics of this saving to make an informed decision on who this will affect and how. Has an equality impact assessment been completed for this saving?	Delivery of Culture and Sports (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. The proposal is to continue provision of the Youth Music Initiative, Active Schools, developer funded public art and arts programming for Howden Park Centre. The full range and type of activities which can be supported will be considered when planning any future provision.
20871	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	Does this mean job losses?	Delivery of Culture and Sports (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
20872	An employee of West Lothian Council	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	Bad idea to reduce this. Physical and mental health are crucial for well being. Well being crucial for a well balanced society.	Delivery of Culture and Sports (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
20873	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	When the Scottish Government is constantly saying how unhealthy Scottish children are with high levels of obesity how can reducing sport activities possibly be justified.	Delivery of Culture and Sports (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
20874	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	With HWB being at the heart of Scottish education it is essential to maintain core HWB services. How would reducing funding to WL Leisure effect our kids? Would this take away free swimming during holidays?	Delivery of Culture and Sports (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
20875	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	Guess we have to save money somewhere and this may encourage more private sports clubs to open in the area and may create employment. These services can easily be sourced outwith the council.	Delivery of Culture and Sports (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
20876	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	Youth need this crime will go Up	Delivery of Culture and Sports (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
20877	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	Catastrophic for young people in West Lothian. I wish that the people making the decisions about young people's lives and education had actually spent some time teaching them.	Delivery of Culture and Sports (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
20878	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	Agree in part. But some kids may only get involved with these free activities rather than going to xcite for example.	Delivery of Culture and Sports (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
20879	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	We don't have enough of these activities and they should be stopped as the community of all ages needs this services. We don't have enough of it specifically in Winchburgh and other places should have more so both adults and the youth can gain from it.	Delivery of Culture and Sports (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
20880	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	I FEEL MORE INDIVIDUALS COULD CONTRIBUTE FUNDS FOR THIS SERVICE	Delivery of Culture and Sports (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	As part of the work on this proposal officers will consider how charging for activities could be developed.
20881	An employee of West Lothian Council	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	Given the wealth of private sector providers, it is not evident that the council needs to provide these services at all.	Delivery of Culture and Sports (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	As part of the work on this proposal officers will consider the extent to which related services are, or could be, supplied by other organisations.
20882	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	Seek sponsored support from outside agencies.	Delivery of Culture and Sports (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Significant parts of the provision which it is proposed the council will focus on in the future is externally funded or has costs off-set by income generation.

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20883	An employee of West Lothian Council	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	This is a huge shame, especially in a time within education where schools are supposed to be celebrating talents and wider achievements that are not necessarily academic. This is where many children strive and grow in confidence.	Delivery of Culture and Sports (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposal is to continue provision of the Youth Music Initiative, Active Schools, developer funded public art and arts programming for Howden Park Centre. School pupils will also continue to receive arts and sports experiences as part of the curriculum and have opportunities to participate in extra curricular arts and sports experiences.
20884	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	Not sure active schools or the music should be supported this could be passed to the schools budget and is for limited clientele. West Lothian Leisure is for everyone from babies to oap	Delivery of Culture and Sports (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Youth Music Initiative and Active Schools are almost entirely externally funded.
20885	An employee of West Lothian Council	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	Private partners are in it to make money and nothing else. Partners have been used in other industries and as frequently reported prices only go one way and that is up!! The trains being privatised was supposed to drive costs down??? +36% a joke. Gas, Electricity etc all out of control because they are driven by profit and shareholder dividend.	Delivery of Culture and Sports (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
20886	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	Disagree that funding should be reduced where health/fitness and cultural benefits will be lost. It will only prove more costly in other ways as we become lazier, more obese and ever smaller-minded as a society.	Delivery of Culture and Sports (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
20887	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	Compulsory obligations must be met. Citizens and communities have responsibilities, stop doing everything for some.	Delivery of Culture and Sports (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
20888	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	This will stigmatise poorer families and increase inequality. This is totally unfair	Delivery of Culture and Sports (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
20889	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	Some Will not be provided. Focus should be on providing fitness facilities and service that keeps people healthy.	Delivery of Culture and Sports (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. The council is proposing to target its resources on the priority areas identified in the Transforming Your Council consultation.
20890	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	For some arts and sports are as important as maths and English. Please don't underestimate the positive impact this has on people's lives.	Delivery of Culture and Sports (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
20891	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	Leisure is reduced for arts and music? Who is it that's thinking up this? Shut the leisure facilities and share the community school facilities with the income going back into the schools for development of the kids	Delivery of Culture and Sports (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
20892	An employee of West Lothian Council	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	Schools should still deliver these services, however, outwith schools I think it's fair to reduce funding. Exemptions for the elderly should still be considered, however, not so for unemployed.	Delivery of Culture and Sports (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The proposal is to continue provision of the Youth Music Initiative, Active Schools, developer funded public art and arts programming for Howden Park Centre. Also that, to reflect the reduced income of the council, funding provided to WLL will be reduced. School pupils will continue to receive arts and sports experiences as part of the curriculum and have opportunities to participate in extra curricular arts and sports experiences.
20893	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	Support for Leisure activity is a key component for positive outcomes on health and welfare do we really need to cut this again	Delivery of Culture and Sports (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
20894	No Response	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	As part of this, consideration should be given to rationalising where and when groups/clubs are meeting to ensure we are using our resources most efficiently.	Delivery of Culture and Sports (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	This comment will be considered in the development of the proposal.
20895	No Response	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	How is this being developed with, for example, preventative measures under health i.e. the healthier the population the less services and support required?	Delivery of Culture and Sports (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Potential impacts, risks and opportunities will be given further consideration by officers as work on this proposal progresses.

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20896	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	Agree....a resources draining service, which people can access themselves and many using them can afford to. But MUST continue music and sports activities in schools to encourage a lifelong interest in healthy living and activity, whatever people chose to do.	Delivery of Culture and Sports (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The proposal is to continue provision of the Youth Music Initiative, Active Schools, developer funded public art and arts programming for Howden Park Centre. School pupils will continue to receive arts and sports experiences as part of the curriculum and have opportunities to participate in extra curricular arts and sports experiences.
20897	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	It depends on in which area, Fair enough reduce some in areas where there will still be access to these things for people who live there but again places like Fauldhouse, stony burn ect. they cant really afford to lose that as kids and adults for that matter would sometimes do without because they travel alone is not worth it. The swimming in fauldhouse is council Ran, would this be switched to xcite? prices would go way up and would reduce the amount the building is used. what is xcite dont take over it? would they just get rid?	Delivery of Culture and Sports (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	The full range and type of activities which can be supported will be considered when planning any future provision.
20898	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	Focus on those who are talented and enthusiastic. A superficial service provided to all is a waste of time.	Delivery of Culture and Sports (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposal is to continue provision of the Youth Music Initiative, Active Schools, developer funded public art and arts programming for Howden Park Centre. School pupils will continue to receive arts and sports experiences as part of the curriculum and have opportunities to participate in extra curricular arts and sports experiences.
20899	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	This again I feel will hit hardest those who are not academically talented this will mean no diverse education. Surely more needs to be looked into to get funding for this. As isn't it the policy to give every child a chance to succeed.	Delivery of Culture and Sports (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The proposal is to continue provision of the Youth Music Initiative, Active Schools, developer funded public art and arts programming for Howden Park Centre. School pupils will continue to receive arts and sports experiences as part of the curriculum and have opportunities to participate in extra curricular arts and sports experiences. As part of the work on this proposal officers will explore external funding opportunities.
20900	No Response	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	EducTion department should focus on those pupils with genuine talent and enthusiasm. There is no point in offering a superficial service to all comers.	Delivery of Culture and Sports (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	These comments will be considered in the development of the proposal.
20901	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	Which arts and sports activities will no longer be provided?	Delivery of Culture and Sports (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	The proposal is to continue provision of the Youth Music Initiative, Active Schools, developer funded public art and arts programming for Howden Park Centre. School pupils will continue to receive arts and sports experiences as part of the curriculum and have opportunities to participate in extra curricular arts and sports experiences. The full range and type of activities which can be supported will be considered when planning any future provision.
20902	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	I agree that some focus may be necessary, however I still feel that cuts to cultural services is often seen as an easy option, yet may have a larger impact on the community than is appreciated.	Delivery of Culture and Sports (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. Potential impacts, risks and opportunities will be given further consideration by officers as work on this proposal progresses.
20903	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	Sad to see leisure being cut. Scotland already has health problems without making access to fitness centres even harder. Free swimming for 60+ could be cut and a small fee introduced?	Delivery of Culture and Sports (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	This comment will be considered in the development of the proposal.

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20904	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	Surely it would be better to run these in business model, make them more efficient and allow profits to go towards council costs.	Delivery of Culture and Sports (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	This comment will be considered in the development of the proposal.
20905	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	Could the proposed services to be cut be assessed to become self funding ?	Delivery of Culture and Sports (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	This comment will be considered in the development of the proposal.
20906	An employee of West Lothian Council	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	This is the opposite of what we are being encouraged to do.I by the Scottish government. Health and well being promotes being active. Many of the issues affecting young people could be avoided through involvement in music and sports.	Delivery of Culture and Sports (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. The proposal is to continue provision of the Youth Music Initiative, Active Schools, developer funded public art and arts programming for Howden Park Centre. School pupils will continue to receive arts and sports experiences as part of the curriculum and have opportunities to participate in extra curricular arts and sports experiences.
20907	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	Reductions in arts, culture and sports services are short sighted and do not recognise the wider benefits of these services to reducing inequality and improving the life chances of all the councils service users. Narrowing the focus has the potential to increase the numbers of people requiring more targeted support through where a more universal opportunity could divert them	Delivery of Culture and Sports (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Potential impacts, risks and opportunities will be given further consideration by officers as work on this proposal progresses.
20908	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	Not sure this is a great idea - art, sport and leisure must play a large part in giving our youth an outlet for their energy and free time across the county - this could rebound badly in an increase in petty crime with resulting costs. It could also impact on the health and well-being of considerable numbers, again with a cost to consider	Delivery of Culture and Sports (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Potential impacts, risks and opportunities will be given further consideration by officers as work on this proposal progresses.
20909	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	Is there a need for so many swimming pools and gyms when private sector offering similar. Vouchers for these facilities could be provided instead for most deserving residents	Delivery of Culture and Sports (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	This comment will be considered in the development of the proposal.
20910	No Response	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	Access to the above is key to developing a well rounded individual. It is a real shame to take funding away from these areas.	Delivery of Culture and Sports (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
20911	An employee of West Lothian Council	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	the arts/music and sports are crucial to the young people today ,particularly for the less academic children	Delivery of Culture and Sports (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. The proposal is to continue provision of the Youth Music Initiative, Active Schools, developer funded public art and arts programming for Howden Park Centre. School pupils will continue to receive arts and sports experiences as part of the curriculum and have opportunities to participate in extra curricular arts and sports experiences.
20912	No Response	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	We must prioritise the health of the nation from local to national levels. We must maintain options for exercise and healthy living for both young and elderly. This includes maintaining access to facilities-especially since we live in a cold, wet part of the world where external options are frequently limited by the weather.	Delivery of Culture and Sports (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council will continue to ensure residents in West Lothian have access to sports facilities. The relative merits of rationalising facility provision will be explored during work on this proposal.
20913	No Response	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	allow small organisations such as sports clubs to adjust their income to allow for smaller annual increases and thereby help improve and maintain the mental and physical health of the local nation; which will ultimately reduce the burden on future council budgets.	Delivery of Culture and Sports (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	This comment will be considered in the development of the proposal.
20914	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	Education is more important than the extra curricular, often the subsidies for these especially music tuition is uptaken by those who can afford to pay as opposed to those who otherwise would be unable to participate. My children have enjoyed the after school sports clubs , they are disappointed they haven't ran however I have found local football training where I pay 4x per week but arguably I can afford to pay for that.	Delivery of Culture and Sports (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
20915	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	I love music and PE in school.	Delivery of Culture and Sports (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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20916	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	Why have you been wasting so much of our money up to this point?	Delivery of Culture and Sports (general)	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
20917	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	This comes back to comments regarding education - sports, like music and the arts in general should be seen with the same weighting in today's age to those considered as more traditional academic subjects such as Maths, English etc.	Delivery of Culture and Sports (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	The proposal is to continue provision of the Youth Music Initiative, Active Schools, developer funded public art and arts programming for Howden Park Centre. School pupils will continue to receive arts and sports experiences as part of the curriculum and have opportunities to participate in extra curricular arts and sports experiences.
20918	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	STRONGLY DISAGREE: Youth Music initiative is a fixed budget from Creative Scotland so cannot be saved. Culture and sports contribute enormously to wellbeing and community cohesion West Lothian already has very low Arts provision at present - it cannot be reduced further	Delivery of Culture and Sports (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
20919	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	Kids should get access to subjects other than formal academia to give an enriched education. As long as this is still adequately supplied I would support it.	Delivery of Culture and Sports (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. The proposal is to continue provision of the Youth Music Initiative, Active Schools, developer funded public art and arts programming for Howden Park Centre. School pupils will continue to receive arts and sports experiences as part of the curriculum and have opportunities to participate in extra curricular arts and sports experiences.
20920	No Response	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	Please don't remove access to music and the arts. They are a key part of a students education especially for those less academic.	Delivery of Culture and Sports (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. The proposal is to continue provision of the Youth Music Initiative, Active Schools, developer funded public art and arts programming for Howden Park Centre. School pupils will continue to receive arts and sports experiences as part of the curriculum and have opportunities to participate in extra curricular arts and sports experiences.
20921	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	Concerned about the wider impact these changes may have and how these will be assessed.	Delivery of Culture and Sports (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Potential impacts, risks and opportunities will be given further consideration by officers as work on this proposal progresses.
20922	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	I do not agree with these proposals. The council should consider looking at ways to keep these services available via for example closer working with business or part funded options.	Delivery of Culture and Sports (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	As part of the work on this proposal officers will explore external funding opportunities and consider how charging could be developed.
20923	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	At a time of record obesity levels with the UK the most obese in western Europe, cutting leisure and fitness facilities does not make sense. Spending on encouraging cycling should be increased	Delivery of Culture and Sports (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council will continue to ensure residents in West Lothian have access to sports facilities.
20924	An employee of West Lothian Council	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	Better use of school sports facilities outwith school hours could be considered if West Lothian Leisure facilities are reduced. Most schools are closed every weekend and for about 12/13 weeks every year and perhaps there are opportunities there for greater community use. Also if we are really serious about improving health and promoting healthy activities we need facilities that will assist.	Delivery of Culture and Sports (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	This comment will be considered in the development of the proposal.

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20925	An employee of West Lothian Council	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	The arts and sports make a significant contribution to the council's 8 priorities so it doesn't make sense to stop providing these services if the council is committed to delivering and improving positive outcomes on health for example. With the move in primary healthcare toward more use of social prescribing, community sports and arts services are more important than ever before and these services should be protected. The programmes which will be retained are all externally funded through Creative Scotland, Sport Scotland or developer contributions so what the council is actually proposing is cutting all funding for arts and sport.	Delivery of Culture and Sports (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposal is to continue provision of the Youth Music Initiative, Active Schools, developer funded public art and arts programming for Howden Park Centre. School pupils will continue to receive arts and sports experiences as part of the curriculum and have opportunities to participate in extra curricular arts and sports experiences. The proposal is not to cut all funding for arts and sports but to no longer provide certain arts and sports activities. The specific activities which will no longer be provided are yet to be determined.
20926	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	Again your focus should be on providing the young with great opportunities so they can be the best they can be and therefore in the long run they will not require welfare services.	Delivery of Culture and Sports (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	The proposal is to continue provision of the Youth Music Initiative, Active Schools, developer funded public art and arts programming for Howden Park Centre. School pupils will continue to receive arts and sports experiences as part of the curriculum and have opportunities to participate in extra curricular arts and sports experiences.
20927	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	On top of no longer having work in the schools as the schools can't afford to pay for extras?	Delivery of Culture and Sports (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	School pupils will continue to receive arts and sports experiences as part of the curriculum and have opportunities to participate in extra curricular arts and sports experiences.
20928	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	As above - lets have a root and branch review of the service and delivery. It isn't necessary to increase costs when efficiencies can be identified. A business approach is what is needed to ensure the correct spending on items needed is controlled.	Delivery of Culture and Sports (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	This comment will be considered in the development of the proposal.
20929	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	Funding can only be reduced to a level where benefits are still delivered efficiently and still attract the public to use the services, maintaining demand.	Delivery of Culture and Sports (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
20930	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	More detail needed. We should not make it impossible or more financially difficult for low paid families to access sports and leisure facilities. What would the impact be on health and obesity in children.	Delivery of Culture and Sports (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Potential impacts, risks and opportunities will be given further consideration by officers as work on this proposal progresses.
20931	An employee of West Lothian Council	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	There should be no further arts or sports cuts in our Council of any kind.	Delivery of Culture and Sports (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
20932	An employee of West Lothian Council	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	Unfortunately due to the financial climate this should be looked at by combing groups from various schools into one location rather than at individual schools so activities can continue.	Delivery of Culture and Sports (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	This comment will be considered in the development of the proposal.
20933	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	Our partnership with all of these services has been very positive. We would not like to see any of the Arts or Sports services reduced, however, we all need to work in partnership to access external funding opportunities.	Delivery of Culture and Sports (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	As part of the work on this proposal officers will explore external funding and partnership opportunities.
20934	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	When you advise 'focus on' do you mean that WLC will concentrate funding in those areas or will WLC focus on reducing funding in those areas? Your descriptive above does not make this clear. You do not clearly advise what arts and sports facilities will no longer be provided and thus this consultation requires to be re-run with clearer detail. You cannot assume that 'no comment' from the reader is an indication of support of your proposals. Arts and sports are 'education'. They should not be seen and treated as any less than the sciences, or other school subjects.	Delivery of Culture and Sports (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	The proposal is to continue provision of the Youth Music Initiative, Active Schools, developer funded public art and arts programming for Howden Park Centre. School pupils will continue to receive arts and sports experiences as part of the curriculum and have opportunities to participate in extra curricular arts and sports experiences.
20935	No Response	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	Leisure and cultural services should be protected - they are already at a very low level and cannot drop further.	Delivery of Culture and Sports (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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20936	No Response	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	STRONGLY DISAGREE! The culture and sports deliver so many physical and mental wellbeing benefits that are not quantified and if cut they will never return to the great loss to communities in West Lothian.	Delivery of Culture and Sports (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
20937	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	how can we help local people to take up the lead on some of these activities?	Delivery of Culture and Sports (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	This comment will be considered in the development of the proposal.
20938	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	If a reduction in arts and sports must be implemented could the council make a plea for parents, grandparents or other volunteers to step in to fill the gap?	Delivery of Culture and Sports (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	This comment will be considered in the development of the proposal.
20939	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	Like music, sport is so important in a young person's life. As music is a place for some, sport is for some. Sport is good for mental and physical health. Extra-curricular sports again like music keeps kids engaged and keeps them from getting involved in anti-social behaviour.	Delivery of Culture and Sports (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. The proposal is to continue provision of the Youth Music Initiative, Active Schools, developer funded public art and arts programming for Howden Park Centre. School pupils will continue to receive arts and sports experiences as part of the curriculum and have opportunities to participate in extra-curricular arts and sports experiences.
20940	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	I hope the council have a back up plan	Delivery of Culture and Sports (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Potential impacts, risks and opportunities will be given further consideration by officers as work on this proposal progresses.
20941	An employee of West Lothian Council	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	Arts is not a priority for a council. Let the Scot Govt fund it.	Delivery of Culture and Sports (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
20942	An employee of West Lothian Council	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	I believe this will greatly affect the health of the West Lothian population. Active Schools provides an integral part to physical education, school sport and wider sporting opportunities to school children. I believe by removing this network will have an adverse affect on the health and prospects of the west Lothian population in years to come.	Delivery of Culture and Sports (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Part of the proposal is for Active Schools to continue to be delivered.
20943	An employee of West Lothian Council	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	In terms of sport, the voluntary organisation rely heavily on the support provided by full time sport staff in the Active Schools and Community Sport teams. By reducing the workforce in these teams will result in voluntary organisation potentially ceasing to exist as they do not have enough support to sustain their sporting commitments. Therefore children and adults will have less access to sport and will have a direct result in fitness, confidence and self-esteem in years to come.	Delivery of Culture and Sports (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Potential impacts, risks and opportunities will be given further consideration by officers as work on this proposal progresses.
20944	No Response	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	Without specific details of where efficiency savings will be made it is not possible to make meaningful comment. Services such as sports, arts and instrumental music tuition make a significant contribution improving the quality of life of the citizens of West Lothian and to the council's priorities particularly improving attainment and positive destinations for school children, improving the quality of life for older people and delivering positive outcomes on health. Cutting these services goes against the movement in primary healthcare toward social prescribing and referring patients with social, emotional or practical needs to non-clinical services such as arts and physical activity. If the council is serious about meeting and improving its 8 priorities it should seek to protect those services which contribute most toward them, rather than the so-called "enabling" services which do not.	Delivery of Culture and Sports (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
20945	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	Music and sport are important to our young people. Participation in sport encourages activity and helps fight obesity which is a growing problem in our young people. Team sports encourage team work, discipline and teaches leadership. All valuable skills later in life. Young people involved in sport have an interest that keeps them occupied and can the friendships formed can support them	Delivery of Culture and Sports (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. The proposal is to continue provision of the Youth Music Initiative, Active Schools, developer funded public art and arts programming for Howden Park Centre. School pupils will continue to receive arts and sports experiences as part of the curriculum and have opportunities to participate in extra-curricular arts and sports experiences.

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20946	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	Counter to stated Priority 7: delivering positive outcomes on health.	Delivery of Culture and Sports (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
20947	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	How can you regenerate with no funds? Taking away money and people working will end up degeneration not regeneration.	Delivery of Culture and Sports (general)	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
20948	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	As already mentioned music, arts and leisure facilities are very important especially for the young and the elderly. The elderly if they exercise will keep healthy, have social relationships which will keep depression away. the young if involved in sports learn how to function in team situations and it keeps them from hanging about corners and getting into trouble putting more stress on police.	Delivery of Culture and Sports (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
20949	An employee of West Lothian Council	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	This is reasonable if there are still opportunities for these to happen within the school curriculum	Delivery of Culture and Sports (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. The proposal is to continue provision of the Youth Music Initiative, Active Schools, developer funded public art and arts programming for Howden Park Centre. School pupils will continue to receive arts and sports experiences as part of the curriculum and have opportunities to participate in extra curricular arts and sports experiences.
20950	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	providing centralised services is a viable proposition. I do wonder that the less enthusiastic may miss out however. Those who are gifted will always succeed but those with financial problems may not have the money to travel to these centralised venues.	Delivery of Culture and Sports (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. The proposal is to continue provision of the Youth Music Initiative, Active Schools, developer funded public art and arts programming for Howden Park Centre. School pupils will continue to receive arts and sports experiences as part of the curriculum and have opportunities to participate in extra curricular arts and sports experiences.
20951	An employee of West Lothian Council	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	The money spent on Active Schools Coordinators would be better spent on a full time PE teacher which would benefit every child in the school.	Delivery of Culture and Sports (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Active Schools provision is almost entirely externally funded and such funds must be used in accordance with the related funding agreement.
20952	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	Sports and arts use parts of the brain that classroom teaching cannot reach. They are hugely important to the development of our young people and should be protected. There is evidence that children who are active in sport are less likely to self-harm, form relationships where they are abused and less likely to suffer from mental illness. Therefore sport can be seen as a "spend to save" area.	Delivery of Culture and Sports (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. The proposal is to continue provision of the Youth Music Initiative, Active Schools, developer funded public art and arts programming for Howden Park Centre. School pupils will continue to receive arts and sports experiences as part of the curriculum and have opportunities to participate in extra curricular arts and sports experiences.

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20953	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	As previously mentioned in my comments on WLC priorities, I find it unfathomable that removing sports 'activities' could be delivered on whilst considering the positive impact health and wellbeing could have on all of the WLC priorities highlighted. This smacks of short termism with no real care or consideration for the long term good of WL residents. The Community Sport team are the key drivers and support service for the hundreds of sports clubs in West Lothian, who facilitate life long participation in sport and physical activity. Without a Community Sport team these valuable clubs will not have access to their statutory training needs, guidance on governance which ensures they are delivering the safest and most sustainable opportunities possible or officers supporting on funding which brings valuable activities and state of the art funding to West Lothian. The multiple new sports facilities, from tennis courts to 3G football pitches would not be in West Lothian without the work carried out by officers in the Community Sport team to secure funding from external sources. Discontinuation of a sport team would no doubt be met with discontent from sportscotland who coincidentally are the majority funders of the Active Schools programme. With this funding also in doubt from sportscotland, Active Schools may well be in jeopardy in the coming months resulting in an embarrassing shortage of sport and physical activity opportunities in West Lothian both in schools and the community. Any thought that Active Schools would be able to substitute the works done by the community sport team, would be under educated and ignorant. Active Schools acts as a vehicle to introduce pupils to regular extra curricula and extra curricular activity which dovetails with the Community Sport team supporting community clubs to ensure those pupils have adequate opportunities to continue to be physically active outwith school and throughout the entirety of their lives. These are two separate areas of work, with different people and skill sets required for each.	Delivery of Culture and Sports (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
20954	An employee of West Lothian Council	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	Sports and leisure access is important for health improvement.	Delivery of Culture and Sports (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
20955	An employee of West Lothian Council	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	Look at Trust Status Leisure Service and shared services Cross Authorities	Delivery of Culture and Sports (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
20956	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	Sport, music and arts is important for the community, don't reduce.	Delivery of Culture and Sports (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
20957	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	Increases in admission charges are inevitable. These have to be balanced by a reduction in numbers using the facilities	Delivery of Culture and Sports (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
20958	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	We feel these services are not a replacement for current school PE and Music Specialist services. Many schools including our own have benefitted from great outdoor education from the Low Port Centre, now provided by West Lothian Leisure and we are concerned about cuts to these services.	Delivery of Culture and Sports (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. The proposal is to continue provision of the Youth Music Initiative, Active Schools, developer funded public art and arts programming for Howden Park Centre. School pupils will continue to receive arts and sports experiences as part of the curriculum and have opportunities to participate in extra curricular arts and sports experiences.
20959	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	Art and sport provided by the council are a lifeline to working parents - and always the best service - it would be really sad to loose these activities in the summer holidays - if you have to reduce them keep the holiday ones open for families.	Delivery of Culture and Sports (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The full range and type of activities which can be supported will be considered when planning any future provision.
20960	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	Has an equality impact assessment been carried out for each of the budget proposals? It is essential that this is done at the earliest opportunity in order to assess what the impact will be on those in the protected characteristics groups and those already experiencing disadvantage.	Delivery of Culture and Sports (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Equality Impact Assessments will be undertaken as deemed necessary through the Equality Relevance Assessment process.
20961	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	Cutting back on physical activity provision or funding will just result in more care costs? We need to invest in prevention of depression and chronic disease which is why your care costs are so high. Please think about this!	Delivery of Culture and Sports (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Potential impacts, risks and opportunities will be given further consideration by officers as work on this proposal progresses.

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20962	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	Narrowing provision to improve emotional, physical and mental lives of young people?	Delivery of Culture and Sports (general)	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
20963	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	With these sort of savings it is doubtful if provision of more effective, flexible and affordable services can be provided.	Delivery of Culture and Sports (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
20964	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	Has the active schools programme shown itself to be well performing in comparison to other local authorities? What will that mean to the rest of Sports team? With a 20 year commitment to reduce the worst inequality this would be to the detriment of that aim.	Delivery of Culture and Sports (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. Part of the proposal is for Active Schools to continue to be delivered.
20965	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	This could present issues for those families that cannot afford to pay for their children to access arts and sports activities not run by schools. Reducing support to community sports clubs and arts projects could result in them also reducing their offer to children and families.	Delivery of Culture and Sports (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Potential impacts, risks and opportunities will be given further consideration by officers as work on this proposal progresses.
20966	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	Not exactly encouraging users to be fitter!	Delivery of Culture and Sports (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
20967	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	All I can say is that cutting exercise and not giving people opportunity is a damning decision	Delivery of Culture and Sports (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. The proposal is to continue provision of the Youth Music Initiative, Active Schools, developer funded public art and arts programming for Howden Park Centre. School pupils will continue to receive arts and sports experiences as part of the curriculum and have opportunities to participate in extra curricular arts and sports experiences.
20968	An employee of West Lothian Council	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	Stop supporting sports clubs such as bowling clubs and football clubs and asset transfer their properties. We do not support modern sports clubs.	Delivery of Culture and Sports (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	This comment will be considered in the development of the proposal.
20969	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	This is not acceptable! Stop making cuts in these areas!	Delivery of Culture and Sports (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
20970	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	To expand childrens clubs not cut it. Clubs help kids become more happy by learning new things and having fun with friends. Cutting clubs doesn't make it fair on kids. Children should be able to join and stay in their clubs not have them taken away	Delivery of Culture and Sports (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The full range and type of activities which can be supported will be considered when planning any future provision.
20971	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	Although regrettable this is a sensible idea to make savings. We have to cut the cloth to suit,	Delivery of Culture and Sports (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
20972	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	I don't disagree with this as there are other areas where funding is better required.	Delivery of Culture and Sports (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
20973	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	it wouldn't be great because teachers always say we need to stay fit and healthy so reducing the amount of after school clubs wouldn't give people an opportunity to get to do their favorite sport because it might get taking away from school clubs	Delivery of Culture and Sports (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposal is to continue provision of the Youth Music Initiative, Active Schools, developer funded public art and arts programming for Howden Park Centre. School pupils will continue to receive arts and sports experiences as part of the curriculum and have opportunities to participate in extra curricular arts and sports experiences.

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20974	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	I don't think it is right to take down activities that people enjoy it might give you more money, though young children and older children will not have the opportunity they need for sports and art and etc.	Delivery of Culture and Sports (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposal is to continue provision of the Youth Music Initiative, Active Schools, developer funded public art and arts programming for Howden Park Centre. School pupils will continue to receive arts and sports experiences as part of the curriculum and have opportunities to participate in extra curricular arts and sports experiences.
20975	An employee of West Lothian Council	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	This seems contrary to the priority to improve healthy outcomes.	Delivery of Culture and Sports (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Potential impacts, risks and opportunities will be given further consideration by officers as work on this proposal progresses.
20976	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	I would be very disappointed if this affects the services and running of the Low Port centre in Linlithgow. This has been a fantastic resource for both the community and many surrounding schools, giving many children opportunities for outdoor education and all the health benefits that go with it. Again, most people would rather have options to pay for these services, once cut it will be very hard to ever get them back!!	Delivery of Culture and Sports (general)	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	Low Port Centre and Outdoor Education are currently delivered by WLL on behalf of the council.
20977	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	The council have a duty to ensure leisure and sport facilities are accessible to all in West Lothian and not just those who have sufficient financial means to access. Access to leisure facilities has a proven benefit to mental and physical well being of people, those who are unemployed or in low paid jobs need to have the same access as those who have disposable income.	Delivery of Culture and Sports (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. The council will continue to deliver its core responsibilities and statutory duties/obligations.
20978	No Response	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	We should be spending more, not less, on encouraging people of all ages to be physically active.	Delivery of Culture and Sports (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
20979	An employee of West Lothian Council	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	This would be a terrible mistake. Sports and Arts provide a way out of poverty, loneliness and help people access a different lifestyle. They improve health. The benefits of Arts and Sports to young people and adults is absolutely invaluable. Without funding in these areas many young people would have nothing whatsoever to smile about. Many people have no other way of accessing Arts and Sports due to poverty or mental health and general health issues. The positive impact on health and poverty outweighs the costs. This is a terrible idea.	Delivery of Culture and Sports (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Potential impacts, risks and opportunities will be given further consideration by officers as work on this proposal progresses.
20980	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	Art and sport is key in a nation that is generally unhealthy and inactive.	Delivery of Culture and Sports (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	The proposal is to continue provision of the Youth Music Initiative, Active Schools, developer funded public art and arts programming for Howden Park Centre. School pupils will continue to receive arts and sports experiences as part of the curriculum and have opportunities to participate in extra curricular arts and sports experiences.
20981	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	The reduction in these services will impact negatively on members of the public particular those who find themselves out of work and not being able to access these valued services. Again, culture and leisure services help in providing people with better well being and better mental health.	Delivery of Culture and Sports (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Potential impacts, risks and opportunities will be given further consideration by officers as work on this proposal progresses.
20982	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	As you have already gathered I am part of the disabled community and for years I have had to go on committees just to help provide groups for disabled adults and children. I have often envied groups that my child could not access as they are so much easier to set up and run. If parents do set up groups and activities for their children it will be for those who can afford it and have the transport to access it. No doubt this is widespread, but those who need it more are often excluded.	Delivery of Culture and Sports (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Potential impacts, risks and opportunities will be given further consideration by officers as work on this proposal progresses.

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20983	An employee of West Lothian Council	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	Before we give more to WLL, should we have a greater understand of the governments plans with the Barclay review? Is there going to be any benefits putting more out to a leisure trust if there is no longer the perceived financial savings? It does create a barrier having a separate organisation. If we only support Active Schools and not community sports development then we face the risk of national agencies such as sportscotland and governing bodies not supporting West Lothian, e.g. facility projects, national projects etc. West Lothian have done very well in the past from national agency funding. Who will support all the community clubs and volunteers going forward?	Delivery of Culture and Sports (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	It is proposed that to reflect the reduced income of the council, funding provided to West Lothian Leisure will be reduced. The Scottish Government has yet to confirm how it will respond to the recommendations in the Barclay report which are relevant to this proposal. Potential impacts, risks and opportunities will be given further consideration by officers as work on this proposal progresses.
20984	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	It is not clear what arts and sports activities will be stopped. Focusing on Howden Park will marginalise communities elsewhere.	Delivery of Culture and Sports (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	The proposal is to continue provision of the Youth Music Initiative, Active Schools, developer funded public art and arts programming for Howden Park Centre. Also, that to reflect the reduced income of the council, funding provided to West Lothian Leisure will be reduced. The full range and type of activities which can be supported will be considered when planning any future provision.
20985	An employee of West Lothian Council	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	Are the proposed priorities the 8 priorities listed at the beginning of this document? How are the arts and sports activities currently provided by the council? Which are provided? Which will stop being provided? How has the decision to drop those arts and sports been reached? Reductions such as these goes against 7 of the 8 priorities of the council. How does this support children and young people get the best possible start in life? How does reducing opportunities like this support helping people into employment? How does it improve the quality of learning in our schools and help young people succeed? How does it improve the quality of life for older people? How does it minimise poverty and promote equality? Should only those who can afford arts and sports should have access to them? How does it help the most vulnerable in our society or reduce crime, re-offending and antisocial behaviour to restrict people's opportunities? How does this help to improve the mental and physical health of the people in West Lothian when you take away the opportunities for some arts and sports activities? I think this is incredibly short sighted and can only result in increased problems.	Delivery of Culture and Sports (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Potential impacts, risks and opportunities will be given further consideration by officers as work on this proposal progresses.
20986	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	This would make it far less accessible to anyone living outwith Livingston. Again petrol/bus fares might not be affordable to many families.	Delivery of Culture and Sports (general)	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Redirecting services to Livingston is not part of the proposal.
20987	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	Sad but probably necessary. Could private sponsorship not be sought?	Delivery of Culture and Sports (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	As part of the work on this proposal officers will explore external funding opportunities.
20988	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	if we want well rounded educated children these activities should continue to be provided in schools etc.	Delivery of Culture and Sports (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	School pupils will continue to receive arts and sports experiences as part of the curriculum and have opportunities to participate in extra curricular arts and sports experiences.
20989	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	Make available at a higher cost if not popular then stop them make people pay for services	Delivery of Culture and Sports (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	As part of the work on this proposal officers will consider how charging could be developed.
20990	An employee of West Lothian Council	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	Leisure etc is important but keeping services for vulnerable, poor, disabled and children are far more important	Delivery of Culture and Sports (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
20991	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	Why do you penalise the children when it comes to budget cuts? How can we tackle obesity and getting children active if it's not readily available in the communities	Delivery of Culture and Sports (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposal is to continue provision of the Youth Music Initiative, Active Schools, developer funded public art and arts programming for Howden Park Centre. School pupils will continue to receive arts and sports experiences as part of the curriculum and have opportunities to participate in extra curricular arts and sports experiences.

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20992	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	Careful! Health and wellbeing are enhanced by leisure and the arts. Keep cuts to a minimum.	Delivery of Culture and Sports (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Potential impacts, risks and opportunities will be given further consideration by officers as work on this proposal progresses.
20993	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	All very centralised. What about folk who do live in Livingston.	Delivery of Culture and Sports (general)	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Centralising services in Livingston is not part of the proposal.
20994	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	I'm finding it very difficult to understand how external organisations can provide service more cheaply than council unless wages are less.	Delivery of Culture and Sports (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	The council is a living wage employer.
20995	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	why will this all be in Howden Park centre I would rather have sports activities for children than arts programmes	Delivery of Culture and Sports (general)	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Centralising services in Livingston is not part of the proposal.
20996	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	Take care of those who are not familiar with digital systems or confident in their use	Delivery of Culture and Sports (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	Through the development of the digital transformation strategy contact methods will be aligned to customer need and aspiration ensuring that the most vulnerable customers are still able to contact the council in ways that best suit them.
20997	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	For all the fuss about getting people fit and healthy especially at a young age not sure that you should be reducing funding into sports etc. My daughter is in a swimming club and the fees are high at the moment. You make the lets for the clubs any higher then she will need to stop going and it would put a lot of people off learning to swim which really shouldn't be happening in this day and age. Surely it would be beneficial to ensure that all kids can swim. Sure there are many other organisations/clubs that would be put in danger if funding is cut any more.	Delivery of Culture and Sports (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	School pupils will continue to receive arts and sports experiences as part of the curriculum and have opportunities to participate in extra curricular arts and sports experiences.
20998	An employee of West Lothian Council	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	Lottery funding and private funding is needed in these areas, Unfortunately this is a drop in the ocean to brands such as Sky or Football associations, get more funding from them. Lets face it they gain from all the youth effort that goes into this from communities.	Delivery of Culture and Sports (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	This comment will be considered in the development of the proposal.
20999	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	You need to spell out what will stop, and what the cut in funding for west lothian leisure will mean in terms of charges. Modest increases might be OK, but pricing the poor out of exercise would not.	Delivery of Culture and Sports (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Potential impacts, risks and opportunities will be given further consideration by officers as work on this proposal progresses.
21000	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	I would agree in principal but I do not want those who are financially in need to miss out on any opportunities.	Delivery of Culture and Sports (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	This comment will be considered in the development of the proposal.
21001	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	studies prove that Music, arts, and physical education improve attainment and have long lasting positive benefits for the child which are transferred into their adult lives. every week in the local paper, there are list of achievements and awards won by the young people in west Lothian, so why would the council want to stop funding this?	Delivery of Culture and Sports (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council needs to make substantial savings across services it is not required to deliver by law (i.e. non-statutory services) such as arts and sports.
21002	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	Again, sports & arts are areas promoting positive mental health, and give all ages of people a focus and interest. Drastic cuts may be detrimental to society.	Delivery of Culture and Sports (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Potential impacts, risks and opportunities will be given further consideration by officers as work on this proposal progresses.
21003	No Response	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	Prioritizing with the resources we have is understandable which i am in agreement with. If children wish to partake in art and sport activities the families should be made the fund this.	Delivery of Culture and Sports (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	As part of the work on this proposal officers will consider how charging could be developed.
21004	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	I would strongly suggest that the focus should be on participatory arts and sports, bearing in mind the considerable physical and mental health benefits for individuals from such activity. Non-participatory activities should be expected to cover their own costs.	Delivery of Culture and Sports (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	This comment will be considered in the development of the proposal.
21005	An employee of West Lothian Council	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	Arts and sports are essential activities and life long skills. For many children this may be their many hobby and perhaps the career path they would like to follow.	Delivery of Culture and Sports (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. School pupils will continue to receive arts and sports experiences as part of the curriculum and have opportunities to participate in extra curricular arts and sports experiences.

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21006	An employee of West Lothian Council	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	This is such a shame and will impact greatly on schools in many ways. It will particularly impact on schools in more deprived areas who do not have the same opportunities to access such activities outwith school.	Delivery of Culture and Sports (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Part of the proposal is for Active Schools to continue to be delivered. School pupils will continue to receive arts and sports experiences as part of the curriculum and have opportunities to participate in extra curricular arts and sports experiences. Potential impacts, risks and opportunities will be given further consideration by officers as work on this proposal progresses.
21007	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	Everything should be looked at but this aligns to provision of education and health - if you don't do it who does?	Delivery of Culture and Sports (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Part of the proposal is for Active Schools to continue to be delivered. School pupils will continue to receive arts and sports experiences as part of the curriculum and have opportunities to participate in extra curricular arts and sports experiences.
21008	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	I strongly hope that this does not change the provision of service at Fauldhouse Partnership Centre in particular the facilities used by Fauldhouse Penguins Swimming Club. The swimming club provides a meaningful, positive, developmental and affordable activity for children and young people in the locality. This club has been in existence for 17 years and has contributed positively to the community throughout this time. Outside of the positive health benefits the sport of competitive swimming offers, the club also encourages children to take accountability for themselves, learn about diet and instills many positive disciplines for leading a successful life. Any changes to this facility that increase the financial burden on a voluntary club or removes access to the pool would have a significant impact on the viability of the club. This would be seen as a significant loss to the community and all those children involved in the club.	Delivery of Culture and Sports (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The relative merits of rationalising facility provision will be explored during work on this proposal. Potential impacts, risks and opportunities will be given further consideration by officers as work on this proposal progresses.
21009	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	Not everyone can use these facilities	Delivery of Culture and Sports (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21010	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	If you are closing doors of opportunity for young people in areas where they should be nurtured, great sports enthusiasts and great artists and musicians, then you are going to be needing more money to support the alcohol and drug dependency programs you are also trying to cut, because that's where many of them will be headed. For many of those youngsters this is their only escape from that situation, as many of them are experiencing it first hand in their family lives. Don't take it away from them	Delivery of Culture and Sports (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposal is to continue provision of the Youth Music Initiative, Active Schools, developer funded public art and arts programming for Howden Park Centre. School pupils will also continue to receive arts and sports experiences as part of the curriculum and have opportunities to participate in extra curricular arts and sports experiences.
21011	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	Why stop there? These activities are all instances where some or all of the cost should be borne by users.	Delivery of Culture and Sports (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	As part of the work on this proposal officers will consider how charging for activities could be developed.
21012	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	Can the council introduce 'developer contributions' to fund any of this?	Delivery of Culture and Sports (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	As part of the work on this proposal officers will explore external funding opportunities. Developer contributions currently contribute to Public Art provision.
21013	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	It would be great to try and stimulate local art initiatives. Running a small sparks programme would be amazing and may bring with it cost savings longer term	Delivery of Culture and Sports (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	This comment will be considered in the development of the proposal.
21014	No Response	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	Surely this reduction in funding will impact on several of the priorities including developing positive health outcomes and reducing poverty as this will mean less people will get the opportunity to participate in leisure activities.	Delivery of Culture and Sports (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted..
21015	An employee of West Lothian Council	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	This makes sense that when there are efficiency saving to be made then savings need to be made to additional services although the arts and sports are ways in which we keep our children and young people emotionally and physically healthy and give them aspirations to achieve their full potential. If these are delivered through other initiatives though this will ensure that children still receive experiences in the arts and sport.	Delivery of Culture and Sports (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The proposal is to continue provision of the Youth Music Initiative, Active Schools, developer funded public art and arts programming for Howden Park Centre. School pupils will also continue to receive arts and sports experiences as part of the curriculum and have opportunities to participate in extra curricular arts and sports experiences.
21016	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	Does this not come into conflict with Delivering Positive Outcomes on health and well-being?	Delivery of Culture and Sports (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21017	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	rather than remove the service, can it be paid for by those who use it?	Delivery of Culture and Sports (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	As part of the work on this proposal officers will consider how charging for activities could be developed.

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21018	An employee of West Lothian Council	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	This is an important part of West Lothian and i think it is a shame to hear that some art and sports activities are being cut. Reducing the funding to west lothian leisure could be a mistake. Health and wellbeing should be a priority and this could be effected if Leisure facilities start to go downhill.	Delivery of Culture and Sports (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted..
21019	No Response	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	Arts and sports activities change when something new comes out. Could you consider brining in specialist tutors to cover arts, music and sports. e.g. yoga. Classes could be combined to make full use of the lessons. Pupils would register their interest either, arts, music or sports, this would ensure pupils are attending classes that really interest them.	Delivery of Culture and Sports (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	The proposal is to continue provision of the Youth Music Initiative, Active Schools, developer funded public art and arts programming for Howden Park Centre. School pupils will also continue to receive a variety of arts and sports experiences as part of the curriculum and have opportunities to participate in extra curricular arts and sports experiences.
21020	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	Sad to lose this but savings need to be made and people can buy these services if they really want them.	Delivery of Culture and Sports (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	As part of the work on this proposal officers will consider how charging for activities could be developed.
21021	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	How does this fit with the cut to music tuition? Cutting funding to leisure / sport services is a huge mistake - these are incredibly important to health and well-being.	Delivery of Culture and Sports (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposal is to continue provision of the Youth Music Initiative, Active Schools, developer funded public art and arts programming for Howden Park Centre. School pupils will also continue to receive a variety of arts and sports experiences as part of the curriculum and have opportunities to participate in extra curricular arts and sports experiences.
21022	An employee of West Lothian Council	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	There should me more of a drive for parents to seek extra curricular activities such as the above.	Delivery of Culture and Sports (general)	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21023	An employee of West Lothian Council	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	I think this will be a real shame and could prevent many young people getting involved in the arts and sports. Those who can afford to will be able to keep these going, but that's going to cause increasing divides between affluent and less affluent people, and the opportunities available to them.	Delivery of Culture and Sports (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposal is to continue provision of the Youth Music Initiative, Active Schools, developer funded public art and arts programming for Howden Park Centre. School pupils will also continue to receive a variety of arts and sports experiences as part of the curriculum and have opportunities to participate in extra curricular arts and sports experiences.
21024	An employee of West Lothian Council	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	As stated previously Instrumental Tuition is vital to a young person's social and educational development. YMI and Active Schools will not last forever in terms of funding so relying on these is not a good move going forward.	Delivery of Culture and Sports (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Officers will consider the likely extent of future external funding, and any associated risks and opportunities, as part of the work on this proposal.
21025	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	Please remember that creative interventions in childhood and in later years REDUCES peoples need for social and health services. Retain arts budgets for excluded youth, intergenerational and older people projects in their communities. Improving obesity, rehabilitation, loneliness, dementia, mental health issues, social justice can all be achieved with access to activity that encourages people to be creative.	Delivery of Culture and Sports (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21026	An employee of West Lothian Council	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	Absolutely not acceptable. This affects community spirit, health and wellbeing (mentally and physically) and will severely affect our reputation as a council. It is bad enough that our essential services are being cut, but to minimise our culture will be just as damaging in the long term. How exactly will we close the gap in participation, achievement and attainment for our young people if we remove the only ways in which many of our children can access instruments, art, drama, sports..?	Delivery of Culture and Sports (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21027	An employee of West Lothian Council	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	Sports are essential for the well-being of children.	Delivery of Culture and Sports (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	The proposal is to continue provision of the Youth Music Initiative, Active Schools, developer funded public art and arts programming for Howden Park Centre. School pupils will also continue to receive arts and sports experiences as part of the curriculum and have opportunities to participate in extra curricular arts and sports experiences.
21028	No Response	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	This makes me really sad. I worry that this will lead to an increase in youth crime.	Delivery of Culture and Sports (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted..

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21029	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	This hints at a potentially very significant disengagement by the council from sports and leisure provision, but, as before, it is caged in woolly language that tells us nothing. People have the right to know what this will mean and Councillors must understand what is involved as they will be held accountable for their actions at the end of the day.	Delivery of Culture and Sports (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposal is to continue provision of the Youth Music Initiative, Active Schools, developer funded public art and arts programming for Howden Park Centre. School pupils will also continue to receive a variety of arts and sports experiences as part of the curriculum and have opportunities to participate in extra curricular arts and sports experiences.
21030	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	it is always good press to show that the council is promoting sport, health and fitness and the arts and then you cut the funding!	Delivery of Culture and Sports (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted..
21031	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	Would be ideal to still somehow highlight the public health message of physical activity being important for health and encouraging this by initiatives.	Delivery of Culture and Sports (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The proposal is to continue provision of the Youth Music Initiative, Active Schools, developer funded public art and arts programming for Howden Park Centre. School pupils will also continue to receive a variety of arts and sports experiences as part of the curriculum and have opportunities to participate in extra curricular arts and sports experiences.
21032	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	Music sport and arts are so important for wellbeing and good mental health	Delivery of Culture and Sports (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted..
21033	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	Short sighted thinking given the national focus on obesity prevention and treatment.	Delivery of Culture and Sports (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted..
21034	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	Extra activities are essential as they keep my younger individuals safe and create opportunities for them in a further workplace removal of this would severely ruin potential for anyone wishing to Pursue work in these area and hinder there chances of the best job they can get this also lowers jobs available	Delivery of Culture and Sports (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted..
21035	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	Could external funding/sponsorship be sought to support those activities which need to stop? Could you start charging for some of the activities if they are currently being provided free of charge?	Delivery of Culture and Sports (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	As part of the work on this proposal officers will explore external funding opportunities and consider how charging for activities could be developed.
21036	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	These service provide excellent opportunities for children who may not excel academically, it shows them that there are many way you can succeed. To reduce these services would be to the detriment of our young people.	Delivery of Culture and Sports (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted.. School pupils will continue to receive a variety of arts and sports experiences as part of the curriculum and have opportunities to participate in extra curricular arts and sports experiences.
21037	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	This is likely to make activities at the leisure centres unaffordable for most people which will have a negative approach on health	Delivery of Culture and Sports (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted..
21038	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	I think the arts and sports activities are crucial to giving children and young people experiences that they may not get otherwise. Some of these children only experience success in theses areas and it is a real shame that this is in jeopardy.	Delivery of Culture and Sports (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted.. School pupils will continue to receive a variety of arts and sports experiences as part of the curriculum and have opportunities to participate in extra curricular arts and sports experiences.
21039	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	Many other organisations and charities have large potential funding streams. They need to become better at developing themselves as the council is no long in a position to fund them. Especially in areas where the Council has a similar and often superior in house set up.	Delivery of Culture and Sports (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	This comment will be considered in the development of the proposal.
21040	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	Given the amount of savings to be made, I don't think we can justify the amount of money currently spent on music and the arts.	Delivery of Culture and Sports (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted..
21041	An employee of West Lothian Council	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	Too many venues, too much duplication between council and West Lothian leisure facilities. Who needs so many pools? Why are we putting another new pool in the new secondary school coming along?	Delivery of Culture and Sports (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The relative merits of rationalising facility provision will be explored during work on this proposal.
21042	An employee of West Lothian Council	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	Is the cost going to be passed to parents? Many children will miss out if parents don't pay.	Delivery of Culture and Sports (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted.. School pupils will continue to receive a variety of arts and sports experiences as part of the curriculum and have opportunities to participate in extra curricular arts and sports experiences.

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21043	No Response	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	Very sad but necessary probably-if the ones that are kept are advertised widely it may minimise the impact	Delivery of Culture and Sports (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	This comment will be considered in the development of the proposal.
21044	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	OK, I have no problem with that. Parent led options should be encouraged.	Delivery of Culture and Sports (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	This comment will be considered in the development of the proposal.
21045	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	Be careful, not everyone is acedemic!	Delivery of Culture and Sports (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted.. School pupils will continue to receive a variety of arts and sports experiences as part of the curriculum and have opportunities to participate in extra curricular arts and sports experiences.
21046	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	Why are most things based in Livingston... transport to there is poor!	Delivery of Culture and Sports (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted..
21047	No Response	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	There is woefully little in terms of cultural activity within West Lothian compared to other councils in the country. It is almost as if West Lothian is being reduced to a being a commuter town for Edinburgh and Glasgow. With Livingston Outlet increasingly becoming full of lower end shops, the general lack of decent high streets with venues where people would enjoy going out and the reduction in cultural activities means that West Lothian is no longer a destination for professional people to live. Reducing funding to sports activities will impact the goal of delivering healthy outcomes.	Delivery of Culture and Sports (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted..
21048	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	It would be good if the council could detail what facilities would not be provided. The support of Active Schools or similar projects encouraging activity with children should be prioritised	Delivery of Culture and Sports (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. The relative merits of rationalising facility provision will be explored during work on this proposal. Part of the proposal is for Active Schools to continue to be delivered.
21049	No Response	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	These are vital services to the children and young people in west Lothian. West lothian has some of the most dedicated talented staff and teachers in the schools. Most of the secondary school in the county are award winning across music art and PE. As a parent I fully support these. If funding is cut this will impact many children including my own.	Delivery of Culture and Sports (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	The proposal is to continue provision of the Youth Music Initiative, Active Schools, developer funded public art and arts programming for Howden Park Centre. School pupils will also continue to receive arts and sports experiences as part of the curriculum and have opportunities to participate in extra curricular arts and sports experiences.
21050	No Response	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	Agree with this proposal on the basis that cuts are proportionate to the service usage	Delivery of Culture and Sports (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted..
21051	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	Existing arts and sports activities should be retained, since these work to increase our human capital in West Lothian and will benefit the budget in the long-term.	Delivery of Culture and Sports (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted..
21052	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	It would be very unfortunate if there was to be any significant reduction in support for cultural services. These already somewhat limited in comparison with provision in many longer established communities such as Falkirk, Stirling, Dunfermline, Kirkcaldy. It is appreciated that this is largely a reflection of the inheritance of facilities and resources in different areas.	Delivery of Culture and Sports (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted..
21053	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	If you want to attend clubs for your own interest then you enrol for them and pay for it, simple as. My kids attend 4 different clubs over a week and I pay for them all.	Delivery of Culture and Sports (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted.. As part of the work on this proposal officers will explore external funding opportunities and consider how charging for activities could be developed.
21054	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	I would rather see services available but means tested rather than cut - this is too vague to expect a sensible response - what arts and sports activities exactly & where?	Delivery of Culture and Sports (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	The proposal is to continue provision of the Youth Music Initiative, Active Schools, developer funded public art and arts programming for Howden Park Centre. School pupils will also continue to receive a variety of arts and sports experiences as part of the curriculum and have opportunities to participate in extra curricular arts and sports experiences. As part of the work on this proposal officers will consider how approaches to charging could be developed.

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21055	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	You list the services which will remain but we are looking for clarification please on those which will no longer be supported. In particular the 'Excellence in Sport' scheme.	Delivery of Culture and Sports (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	The full range and type of activities which can be supported will be considered when planning any future provision.
21056	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	The non statutory functions such as Howden Park and Regal Theatre need to be reviewed so ensure that these facilities are run with minimal subsidy.	Delivery of Culture and Sports (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted.. It is anticipated that, going forward, the costs of such facilities will increasingly require to be off-set through income generation.
21057	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	I think that YML, Active Schools etc are good, however I don't agree that some arts and sports activities should be stopped.	Delivery of Culture and Sports (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted..
21058	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	I think that it is incredibly important that as little funding as possible is cut from delivery of culture and sports. It's very important to provide young people creative and sports opportunities. For some children these are activities they are not able to be part of as part of school and it is clear that providing music lessons or sports clubs for children has had an extremely positive effect on the child and their learning. Without this funding, many children and their families may not have the means to provide these brilliant opportunities to their children, which would cause many children to miss out on something that can have such a positive impact on their life.	Delivery of Culture and Sports (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted..
21059	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	This is always an easy target but, to me, short-sighted and very regrettable. The arts and sports bring so many benefits to the whole community and help to achieve the council's high-level aims. The positive impact on children and young people and particularly older people also improves health and well-being, thus saving money! What about 'quality of life' and attracting new people and employment to West Lothian?	Delivery of Culture and Sports (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted..
21060	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	Why are all the services being redirected to Livingston? What happens to children / young people and their families who do not have the finances to transport to Livingston. A reduction in community provision will undoubtedly lead to more families being isolated and unable to access social experiences which could have an impact on their social wellbeing.	Delivery of Culture and Sports (general)	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. Redirecting services to Livingston is not part of the proposal.
21061	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	I feel that private industry should be made to help fund the sports activities where appropriate. For example, given the amount of money spend by football clubs on salaries, why are councils spending money supplying facilities for playing football.	Delivery of Culture and Sports (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	This comment will be considered in the development of the proposal.
21062	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	As 1A - Excellent if all of the above are carried out. However on current personally experienced performance it will take a huge effort to even provide an improvement. Further why has the " efficiency and effectiveness" not been applied to current procedures. No real criteria to be reach is actually stated and the starting point for these " efficiency and effectiveness" upgrade to services is not evident. Vagueness in targets to achieve . How will residents know when this is achieved?	Delivery of Culture and Sports (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21063	An employee of West Lothian Council	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	How would people from areas outwith Livingston access these services - the cost of bus fares is expensive particularly if you are an adult travelling with children - does this mean that people of tight budgets would miss out on these opportunities.	Delivery of Culture and Sports (general)	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. Redirecting services to Livingston is not part of the proposal.
21064	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	Agreed. Local based companies or developers could be encouraged to sponsor events	Delivery of Culture and Sports (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	This comment will be considered in the development of the proposal.
21065	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	All very valuable resources. This could have a negative effect on more vulnerable groups.	Delivery of Culture and Sports (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	This comment will be considered in the development of the proposal.
21066	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	Maybe we should pay more at point of use?	Delivery of Culture and Sports (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	As part of the work on this proposal officers will consider how charging could be developed.

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21067	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	This could impact on youth who enjoy sports, what ones would not be provided. Also what if there were talented artists. Potentially missing opportunities here. What is the rationale behind this decision	Delivery of Culture and Sports (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council needs to make substantial savings across services it is not required to deliver by law (i.e. non-statutory services) such as arts and sports. The proposal is to continue provision of the Youth Music Initiative, Active Schools, developer funded public art and arts programming for Howden Park Centre. School pupils will also continue to receive a variety of arts and sports experiences as part of the curriculum and have opportunities to participate in extra curricular arts and sports experiences.
21068	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	I'm strongly opposed to reduction in Youth music initiatives and sporting activities. These are most important aspect of learning and should never be reduced. I do not see why cuts should be against children's activities	Delivery of Culture and Sports (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council needs to make substantial savings across services it is not required to deliver by law (i.e. non-statutory services) such as arts and sports. The proposal is to continue provision of the Youth Music Initiative, Active Schools, developer funded public art and arts programming for Howden Park Centre. School pupils will also continue to receive a variety of arts and sports experiences as part of the curriculum and have opportunities to participate in extra curricular arts and sports experiences.
21069	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	Arts and health and well being services could be offered in partnership with NHS services and this partnership should be explored before this aspect of the service is cut entirely.	Delivery of Culture and Sports (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	This comment will be considered in the development of the proposal.
21070	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	You have to maintain services to children and young people to stop a youth street culture developing.	Delivery of Culture and Sports (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. The proposal is to continue provision of the Youth Music Initiative, Active Schools, developer funded public art and arts programming for Howden Park Centre. School pupils will also continue to receive a variety of arts and sports experiences as part of the curriculum and have opportunities to participate in extra curricular arts and sports experiences.
21071	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	It seems stupid to have facilities such as council owned bowling greens etc which cannot be easily accessed by the public and yet used by small clubs for very little financial input by their members.	Delivery of Culture and Sports (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	This comment will be considered in the development of the proposal.
21072	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	Completely DISAGREE. The council must find a way of these activities being continued in order to develop a well balanced future of arts, sports and entertainment for our young people.	Delivery of Culture and Sports (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted..
21073	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	Whilst such activities are important it has to be borne in mind that they are only enjoyed by a small percentage of the county population. Services and finances need to be prioritised to where they will provide the most benefits to larger number of people. There are also numerous grant funding bodies which may be able to fill in the funding gaps.	Delivery of Culture and Sports (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	This comment will be considered in the development of the proposal.
21074	An employee of West Lothian Council	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	Asking users for a fee may be an option. Charging a small fee to use the facilities would bring in income.	Delivery of Culture and Sports (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	As part of the work on this proposal officers will consider how charging could be developed.
21075	No Response	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	Have to maintain schemes such as active schools etc, have to provide the best possible chances for all kids.	Delivery of Culture and Sports (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted.. The proposal is for Active Schools to continue to be delivered. School pupils will also continue to receive a variety of arts and sports experiences as part of the curriculum and have opportunities to participate in extra curricular arts and sports experiences.

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21076	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	Unhappy to think that the council is ok with closing off opportunities for young people cutting funding to music and sports. With little else for young people in the area we will be leaving those whose parents who can't afford to pay for their kids to access such opportunities to occupy their time in other ways will create a whole load of other social issues.	Delivery of Culture and Sports (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. The proposal is to continue provision of the Youth Music Initiative, Active Schools, developer funded public art and arts programming for Howden Park Centre. School pupils will also continue to receive a variety of arts and sports experiences as part of the curriculum and have opportunities to participate in extra curricular arts and sports experiences.
21077	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	Leisure centre and sports facilities should not be reduced, but savings made where possible to eliminate waste.	Delivery of Culture and Sports (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	This comment will be considered in the development of the proposal.
21078	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	Losing creativity and valid beneficial opportunities.	Delivery of Culture and Sports (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted..
21079	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	Need to make sure arts and sports activities are accessible to all	Delivery of Culture and Sports (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	This comment will be considered in the development of the proposal.
21080	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	In order to give our young people a head start it is vital to have good leisure facilities and activities in West Lothian.	Delivery of Culture and Sports (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted..
21081	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	This sounds worrying as music and sport are key to development and education of children. We are beginning to sound like a 3rd world country - and even they have better sports and music facilities than we do!	Delivery of Culture and Sports (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. The proposal is to continue provision of the Youth Music Initiative, Active Schools, developer funded public art and arts programming for Howden Park Centre. School pupils will also continue to receive a variety of arts and sports experiences as part of the curriculum and have opportunities to participate in extra curricular arts and sports experiences.
21082	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	This means centralisation of these in Livingston again. People could perhaps pay more for use of leisure facilities.	Delivery of Culture and Sports (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Redirecting services to Livingston is not part of the proposal. As part of the work on this proposal officers will consider how charging could be developed.
21083	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	Whilst these are important services, I do recognise that this would be a way to save money without impacting too much on services such as health and education.	Delivery of Culture and Sports (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21084	An employee of West Lothian Council	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	Important to invest in leisure for health and well-being reasons.	Delivery of Culture and Sports (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. The proposal is to continue provision of the Youth Music Initiative, Active Schools, developer funded public art and arts programming for Howden Park Centre. School pupils will also continue to receive a variety of arts and sports experiences as part of the curriculum and have opportunities to participate in extra curricular arts and sports experiences.
21085	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	Could charge for some services	Delivery of Culture and Sports (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	As part of the work on this proposal officers will consider how charging could be developed.
21086	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	Funding for sports/active leisure as well as music/arts should be prioritised. They provide invaluable opportunities and will eventually reduce the cost of unemployment (more valuable skills learnt e.g. discipline, comm skills, team working)/health spending (better mental and physical health)/crime (more children from all backgrounds involved in supportive environments learning the skills mentioned above)	Delivery of Culture and Sports (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted..
21087	No Response	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	I can not comment on this as there is not enough detail e.g. what sport activities would no longer be required. This will impact on people who enjoy arts and sports, which will limit these people's choices.	Delivery of Culture and Sports (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted..

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21088	An employee of West Lothian Council	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	It is a pity when you consider the health benefits which align with council priorities, but I do not see how it can be avoided when core services must be maintained.	Delivery of Culture and Sports (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21089	An employee of West Lothian Council	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	how will that attract people to live in west lothian and also attract visitors to generate income	Delivery of Culture and Sports (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted..
21090	No Response	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	See comment above re music. For some young people music, arts and sports are their lifelines and provision of these subjects should not be viewed as secondary to more academic subjects such as maths and English. Young people must have access to a well rounded education.	Delivery of Culture and Sports (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted.. The proposal is to continue provision of the Youth Music Initiative, Active Schools, developer funded public art and arts programming for Howden Park Centre. School pupils will also continue to receive a variety of arts and sports experiences as part of the curriculum and have opportunities to participate in extra curricular arts and sports experiences.
21091	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	I think they need to think about this carefully as the growing number of children & adults that are now over weight fitness& nutrition is a huge part of everyone's life and by cutting this resource could have a damaging effect on the NHS	Delivery of Culture and Sports (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted..
21092	An employee of West Lothian Council	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	Giving children and young people access to cultural opportunities can equip them for all aspects of life. I am concerned that once again it will be the most marginalised groups that are unable to access opportunities, as they will either no longer be available at a reasonable cost, or be no longer available at all. Not all families have the funds to prioritise this kind of learning/experiences for their children. This would be classed as a luxury. It will only be the children and young people from the poorer families that are going to lose out, again.	Delivery of Culture and Sports (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. The proposal is to continue provision of the Youth Music Initiative, Active Schools, developer funded public art and arts programming for Howden Park Centre. School pupils will also continue to receive a variety of arts and sports experiences as part of the curriculum and have opportunities to participate in extra curricular arts and sports experiences.
21093	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	This just gets more and more depressing ...	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21094	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	Great plan, as if the obesity problem amongst children and adults isnt bad enough.	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21095	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	I don't support any cuts to the museum or library services.	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21096	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	I do not support this change	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21097	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	this as new cultures come into the country we need to be educated to avoid hate and racism. this is needed.	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21098	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	Pity	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21099	No Response	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	Don't Agree	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21100	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	Another bad outcome	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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21101	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	Disgraceful.	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21102	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	There should be no changes to the existing!	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21103	No Response	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	This is ridiculous nothing should be reduced.	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21104	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	This strategy worries me greatly and I do not support. Creativity and sport are critical development activities, alongside maths, English, STEM etc. A balanced curriculum with diversity and breadth is the only smart education strategy for the future generation. You should seek additional income options rather than cutting costs in this area. It would be a huge mistake to invest less in these areas. To the contrary, I would propose increasing funding in this area. It is an investment in Scottish youth which will absolutely pay dividends.	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21105	An employee of West Lothian Council	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	This will be very detrimental to the communities.	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21106	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	I don't agree with this proposal	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21107	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	Should not be cut at all.	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21108	An employee of West Lothian Council	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	I do NOT agree with all of this - I think that the arts and sport activities should still be provided.	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21109	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	I do not agree with this as parts of West Lothian are named as being in the most deprived area of Scotland, opportunities to excel will be further hampered.	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21110	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	I believe culture, sports and the arts are all important for the development of young people who are still in education and should not be reduced.	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21111	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	no	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21112	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	no	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21113	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	Not agreed	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21114	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	Do not support. Another VAT dodge.	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21115	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	Sad	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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21116	No Response	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	Oh dear not sure this is the way to go here.	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21117	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	Obesity is a rising problem so this is not a good idea. All she groups benefit from this, mentally and physically.	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21118	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	These are valuable services and will be a huge loss to our young people if cuts are made in these areas.	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21119	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	I agree with supporting sports in children however I feel strongly that promoting health and fitness in all ages should be supported.	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21120	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	Basically you are cutting culture and sports which will decrease the chances of people experiencing and enhancing their lives. I am sure Fiona Hyslop as Minister for Culture will be delighted with this proposal	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21121	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	I am against any cuts to West Lothian Liesure and to arts and sporting activities in general.	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21122	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	Bad decision	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21123	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	I disagree with this proposal. We need sports and music provision.	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21124	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	None	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21125	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	No. Don't do it. Short term and short sighted action. Reduce waste in processes instead.	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21126	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	Don't agree	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21127	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	If the Council wants to influence health and wellbeing then ending the funding of culture and sport is the last thing they should be doing. These services will come under pressure anyway because of likely changes to the VAT recovery and rates regime.	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21128	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	shame	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21129	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	Not happy about this but I understand the rationalisation.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21130	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	Which ones will not be provided ? This statement is too general to elicit a comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21131	An employee of West Lothian Council	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	unable to respond	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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21132	An employee of West Lothian Council	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	no comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21133	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	N/A	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21134	An employee of West Lothian Council	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	N/A	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21135	An employee of West Lothian Council	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	No comment.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21136	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	I don't understand budgeting advantages and restraints enough to comment.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21137	An employee of West Lothian Council	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	Is this a council function or a health one?	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21138	An employee of West Lothian Council	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	make sure we don't give away resources	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21139	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	I have no idea what these proposed priorities are, why they have been chosen and what they will deliver.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21140	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	Again you hide from the consultation all that you want to cut. Instead you say what you want to support, but without inside knowledge no one knows what cuts you actually plan.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21141	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	Our views on delivery of heritage services are detailed under heading 4b	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21142	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	No comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21143	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	-	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21144	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	Don't know enough to comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21145	No Response	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	No view	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21146	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	no comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21147	An employee of West Lothian Council	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	N/a	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21148	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	No comments	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21149	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	No comment.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21150	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	No comment.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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21151	An employee of West Lothian Council	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	No comment as don't know enough.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21152	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	In what way will effect the Excite sites ??	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21153	No Response	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	dgggd	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21154	An employee of West Lothian Council	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	Not unexpected.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21155	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	Need more examples of what will be lost as a consequence of this change.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21156	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	nil	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21157	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	No Comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21158	An employee of West Lothian Council	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	No comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21159	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	Cannot comment unless we are given more details of which activities are no longer going to be provided.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21160	An employee of West Lothian Council	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	No comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21161	An employee of West Lothian Council	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	It is hard to comment on this without more details.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21162	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	No comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21163	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	What will close in Linlithgow?	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21164	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	Detailed of which activities would not be provided would be necessary before being able to provide a comment regarding these proposed cuts.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21165	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	No comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21166	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	This is lacking clarity therefore i am unable to comment on this proposal.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21167	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	What won't be provided. This is too vague a statement and needs clarification if you want honest views	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21168	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	No comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21169	An employee of West Lothian Council	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	No comments	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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21170	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	This is a shame especially as Scotland has such a shocking health record	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21171	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	Please refer to my earlier comments on music service provision.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21172	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	No comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21173	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	No comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21174	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	Don't know.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21175	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	No comment.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21176	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	It is not clear from this what the implications would be for West Lothian leisure.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21177	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	Again it would have been helpful if detail could have been given	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21178	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	You have not specified which services would be cut so impossible to comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21179	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	Which arts and sports activities will no longer be provided?	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21180	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	This is disappointing, but not unexpected.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21181	An employee of West Lothian Council	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	Which arts and sports activities will no longer be provided and on what basis will decisions be made.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21182	An employee of West Lothian Council	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	Glad to hear that Active schools will be protected.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21183	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	No comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21184	No Response	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	Sports and arts to go. Every child is going to be a STEM orientated child.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21185	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	It doesn't say which arts and sports would no longer be provided which isn't very helpful when being asked for comments.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21186	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	There is not enough information provided on which areas are not to be funded to comment on this section.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21187	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	.We do not believe we have the knowledge or experience of this area to be able to make an informed comment on it.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21188	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	This is very sad some cuts maybe needed however we need to look at this carefully to make sure we don't go too far.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21189	An employee of West Lothian Council	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	Tell us more, you have left out crucial detail, what are the sport activities that "will no longer be provided"?	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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21190	An employee of West Lothian Council	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	The council have not provided enough indepth information for me to make an informed comment on this, as all information about this whole consultation is more secret that area 51.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21191	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	Don't know the details, so can't comment.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21192	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	No comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21193	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	We need more details on this - what aspects are going to be lost?	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21194	An employee of West Lothian Council	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	See previous comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21195	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	unable to comment as not in plain english	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21196	An employee of West Lothian Council	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	No comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21197	An individual	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	No comment.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21198	An employee of West Lothian Council	4a. Review Approach to Delivery of Culture and Sports	unable to comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21199	An employee of West Lothian Council	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	If this can provide the necessary savings then this should be pursued.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21200	No Response	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	Agree to all suggested proposals	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21201	An individual	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	Sensible approach	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21202	An individual	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21203	An employee of West Lothian Council	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21204	An individual	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	Good idea	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21205	An employee of West Lothian Council	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	Supportive of this proposal.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21206	An individual	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	Agree.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21207	An individual	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	Yes we must save money	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21208	No Response	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	I agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21209	An individual	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	Harsh but necessary.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21210	No Response	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	Scrap it all	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21211	An individual	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	No choice on this one.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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21212	An employee of West Lothian Council	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	See little value to the majority of people. Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21213	An employee of West Lothian Council	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	Agreed, we need to prioritise.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21214	An individual	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	Agree this proposal.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21215	No Response	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	Have no objection	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21216	An employee of West Lothian Council	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	Whilst a shame for these groups it sounds sensible	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21217	An employee of West Lothian Council	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	Totally makes sense	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21218	An individual	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	Support proposal to centralise and amalgamate services as is seen in all industries to manage costs and savings.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21219	An employee of West Lothian Council	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	In th current financial climate this is sadly the only option.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21220	An employee of West Lothian Council	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21221	An employee of West Lothian Council	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	Seems fair.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21222	An individual	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	Good idea.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21223	An employee of West Lothian Council	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21224	An individual	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	I agree.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21225	An individual	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21226	An employee of West Lothian Council	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	Happy with this	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21227	An individual	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21228	An individual	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	Ok with this.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21229	An individual	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	happy with this	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21230	An individual	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	Agree.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21231	An employee of West Lothian Council	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21232	An individual	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	Agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21233	An individual	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	Agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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21234	An employee of West Lothian Council	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	makes sense	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21235	An individual	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	Positive	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21236	An employee of West Lothian Council	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	Support this proposal	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21237	An individual	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	In agreement.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21238	An individual	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	go ahead with the savings	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21239	An individual	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	Hard but fair	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21240	No Response	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	Partially agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21241	An employee of West Lothian Council	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	Very good proposal	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21242	An individual	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	I agree with the Council's proposals for the moment to see how they all work out. Thank you.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21243	An employee of West Lothian Council	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	Has to be an obvious target.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21244	An individual	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	Fair review.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21245	No Response	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	I agree with the proposal	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21246	An individual	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	I AGREE THIS NEEDS REVIEWED	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21247	An individual	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	Hopefully this can be attained.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21248	An individual	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	Would agree to reduce funding to non-priority areas	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21249	An employee of West Lothian Council	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	Think this is a good idea.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21250	An individual	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	Needs must	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21251	An individual	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	these should be reduced	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21252	An employee of West Lothian Council	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21253	An employee of West Lothian Council	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	Sounds good to me!	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21254	An employee of West Lothian Council	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21255	An individual	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	Should have happened years ago !	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21256	An individual	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	ok.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21257	An individual	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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21258	An individual	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21259	An individual	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	Ok	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21260	An individual	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	I agree with this.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21261	An individual	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	Agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21262	An individual	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	Good	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21263	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	makes sense	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21264	An individual	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	I support this.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21265	An individual	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	Agreed.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21266	An individual	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	Yes makes sense.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21267	An individual	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21268	An employee of West Lothian Council	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	Agree.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21269	An employee of West Lothian Council	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	I agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21270	An employee of West Lothian Council	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	Good	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21271	No Response	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	I agree with this proposal	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21272	An individual	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	Sounds reasonable	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21273	An employee of West Lothian Council	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	Agree.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21274	An individual	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	Ok.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21275	An individual	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	Fully support	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21276	An individual	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	Agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21277	An employee of West Lothian Council	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	I agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21278	An employee of West Lothian Council	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	agree with proposal	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21279	An employee of West Lothian Council	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21280	An individual	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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21281	An employee of West Lothian Council	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	These are non-essential services which should be cut.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21282	An employee of West Lothian Council	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	This certainly needs to happen.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21283	An individual	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	Sad but savings need to be made.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21284	An employee of West Lothian Council	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	Sounds ok.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21285	An individual	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	Needs must.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21286	An individual	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	This is a shame but I can see the necessity	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21287	An individual	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	I have no objection to this.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21288	An individual	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	Sounds sensible.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21289	An employee of West Lothian Council	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21290	An employee of West Lothian Council	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21291	An employee of West Lothian Council	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	Would agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21292	An employee of West Lothian Council	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	I agree .	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21293	An individual	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	Yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21294	An individual	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	ok	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21295	An employee of West Lothian Council	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	Agreed.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21296	An employee of West Lothian Council	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	Agree with this proposal.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21297	An employee of West Lothian Council	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	Agree.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21298	No Response	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	Agree this should go.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21299	No Response	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	Again, I recognise that some of the community groups and organisations are non essential.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21300	No Response	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	This will cause problems for many but this is a way of making necessary savings.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21301	An employee of West Lothian Council	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	Agreed. In place of financial contributions other means may be available to support community groups and assist with the decision making process for the spend of any funds that community groups may already have obtained.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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21302	An individual	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	I would agree that this should be reviewed in line with the priorities.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21303	An individual	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	Agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21304	An individual	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	I would support this proposal.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21305	An individual	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	Agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21306	An individual	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	A rational approach	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21307	An employee of West Lothian Council	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	This appears to be a reasonable proposal.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21308	An individual	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21309	An individual	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21310	An individual	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	Agreed.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21311	An individual	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	Ok	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21312	An employee of West Lothian Council	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21313	An individual	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	OK	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21314	An individual	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	I would support this	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21315	No Response	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	Do it	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21316	An employee of West Lothian Council	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21317	An employee of West Lothian Council	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21318	No Response	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21319	An individual	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	I agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21320	No Response	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21321	An employee of West Lothian Council	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	Agree.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21322	An individual	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	okay	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21323	An individual	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	Sounds appropriate	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21324	An employee of West Lothian Council	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	I agree with this proposal - these groups must be concerned with addressing areas of need.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21325	An individual	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	This seems fair	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21326	An individual	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	ok	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21327	An individual	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	Support this proposal	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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21328	An individual	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	Makes sense.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21329	An individual	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	Agree with this	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21330	An individual	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21331	An employee of West Lothian Council	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	Agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21332	An individual	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	Again this must be an inevitable source of savings.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21333	An individual	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	Content	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21334	An employee of West Lothian Council	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	Agree.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21335	An individual	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	Yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21336	An individual	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21337	An individual	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	This is something that must be done.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21338	An individual	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	Yes, supportive of this.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21339	An individual	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	Think this is one area that does need looking at. Realise these groups are needed but they should be encouraged to raise funds themselves as well.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21340	An individual	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	Understand the need to do this.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21341	An employee of West Lothian Council	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	good	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21342	No Response	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	OK	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21343	An employee of West Lothian Council	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	Agreed.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21344	An employee of West Lothian Council	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21345	An individual	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21346	An individual	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21347	An employee of West Lothian Council	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	Seems fair proposal	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21348	An employee of West Lothian Council	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	Has to be done	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21349	An individual	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	Done well - fine	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21350	An employee of West Lothian Council	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	Many groups are wellmeaning but offer very little. Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21351	An individual	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	focused support is required.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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21352	An individual	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	OK with me	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21353	An individual	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21354	An individual	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	Fine	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21355	An individual	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21356	An individual	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	Agree.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21357	An individual	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21358	An individual	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	Agreed Non-statutory services must justify their existence by either income/savings/outcomes delivered.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21359	An individual	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	Ok in principle	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21360	An individual	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	Review away !	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21361	An individual	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21362	An individual	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	Support	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21363	An individual	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	I agree with this.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21364	An employee of West Lothian Council	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21365	An individual	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	Agree.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21366	An individual	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	I agree.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21367	An individual	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	Necessary.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21368	An individual	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21369	An employee of West Lothian Council	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21370	An employee of West Lothian Council	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	agreed- no comments.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21371	An individual	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	Yes. More focused.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21372	An employee of West Lothian Council	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21373	An individual	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	Fine	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21374	An individual	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	Sounds fine.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21375	An individual	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21376	An individual	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	Sensible.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21377	An individual	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	I support this	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21378	An employee of West Lothian Council	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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21379	An individual	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	fine	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21380	An individual	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	I completely agree with this.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21381	An employee of West Lothian Council	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	Does not affect me from a work point of view or personal however I agree with these savings.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21382	An individual	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	These are desirable, but are not core services given austerity required they should be cut	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21383	An employee of West Lothian Council	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	Agreed.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21384	An employee of West Lothian Council	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	Strongly agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21385	An employee of West Lothian Council	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	ok	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21386	An employee of West Lothian Council	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	I agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21387	An employee of West Lothian Council	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21388	An individual	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21389	An individual	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	Look okay as it is possible to evaluate given the vague descriptions given in the 'Transforming Your Council'	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21390	An individual	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	I agree with the proposal.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21391	An individual	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	All proposals are sound.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21392	An individual	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	I am against this if it impacts on the most vulnerable.	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21393	An individual	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	Sadder and sadder	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21394	An individual	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	This is a bit of an easy target for the council, with potentially wide reaching impacts. Targeting charities is a bit of a cheap trick!	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21395	An individual	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	No I would not provide support for this cut	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21396	An individual	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	These have been cut enough already.	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21397	An individual	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	I do not agree with this proposal	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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21398	An individual	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	I do not support this change	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21399	An individual	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	And again reduce funding to the groups that help people while you slash and burn and more folks need their help. Pathetic	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21400	An individual	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	again this is my pet hate as these people do a wonderful job with youngsters	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21401	An individual	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	Disagree with this.	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21402	No Response	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	Wooly statement.. what services specifically... disagree!!!	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21403	An individual	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	Again if cuts must be made I would prefer this to some other areas.	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21404	An individual	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	no cuts. this is the first and last stop for many people in communities. a good community centre like the one in Boghall makes a different to a community. no cuts.	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21405	An individual	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	Another bad outcome	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21406	An individual	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	There should be no changes to the existing!	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21407	An employee of West Lothian Council	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	These are short sighted and may result in more expensive interventions at a later date.	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21408	An individual	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	Again, no cuts please	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21409	An employee of West Lothian Council	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	I do not agree with this - if funding is removed or reduced from community groups, the communities will suffer. As more cuts are made in the council and nationally, communities need to be supported not thwarted.	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21410	An individual	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	I don't agree with the above. Withdrawal of financial contributions from community groups then affects the communities, and since the council proposes more community activities, this suggestion seems to contradict earlier comments.	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21411	An individual	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	no	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21412	An individual	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	Disagree, local voluntary groups are a mainstay of the community	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21413	An individual	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	none	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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21414	No Response	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	none	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21415	An individual	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	no	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21416	An individual	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	Not Agreed	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21417	An individual	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	Disagree - voluntary community groups and organisations should be supported wherever possible.	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21418	An individual	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	Far too vague. What are the priority areas? Cannot support as cannot make an informed decision given the lack of detail and likely impact	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21419	An individual	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	If community groups are to be effective they need support from WLC.	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21420	An individual	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	Support for community groups and organisations. We say, Â£600,000 is a pitifully small saving for what is in many instances a voluntary service supported by a small Council grant. We are absolutely opposed to any cuts to grants to LYPP and other groups in Linlithgow.	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21421	An individual	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	I disagree with the above. The above is vague and does not detail how funding will be prioritised.	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21422	An individual	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	As a member of a group which is supported I can't agree that this is a good idea. For the oas 20 plus years WLC has trumpeted the success of its supported groups and the highly important work they do for the community. Are we suggesting that was wrong? That the work is n longer important? Again sad day I f thus happens. Who sets what the priorities are? Friends of councillors?	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21423	An individual	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	This should not be affected.	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21424	An individual	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	None	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21425	An individual	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	This could work against the council's anti poverty policy.	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21426	An individual	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	Don't agree	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21427	An individual	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	Disagree	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21428	An individual	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	Although sharing best practice is important - servcies and facilities must not close to avoid duplication. The priority must always be keeping groups in the community!	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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21429	An individual	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	Reduction of support for communities is not acceptable.	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21430	An individual	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	Again more specific proposals are required to give people a real say in how these cuts are being made.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21431	An employee of West Lothian Council	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	No comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21432	An individual	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	Say no more! More cuts.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21433	An individual	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	What are the priority areas ? This statement is too general to elicit a comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21434	An employee of West Lothian Council	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	This is hard to comment on due to a lack of information on what groups/services	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21435	An employee of West Lothian Council	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	no comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21436	An individual	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	N/A	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21437	An employee of West Lothian Council	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	N/A	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21438	An employee of West Lothian Council	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	No comment.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21439	An individual	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	Unsure.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21440	An individual	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	More glib words with no substance	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21441	An employee of West Lothian Council	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	not enough info	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21442	An employee of West Lothian Council	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	You aren't making it clear where the non priority areas are - priorities can differ across communities.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21443	An employee of West Lothian Council	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	This is not clear where the changes will be implemented.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21444	An employee of West Lothian Council	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	Again, people's priorities are different depending on what is affecting them at different times in their lives.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21445	An individual	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	Not sure what this means	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21446	An individual	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	I don't understand budgeting advantages and restraints enough to comment.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21447	An employee of West Lothian Council	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	I dont not know wat this means	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21448	An individual	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	Indent understand that	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21449	An individual	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	Which groups? This statement is so vague as to be meaningless.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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21450	An employee of West Lothian Council	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	Without knowing which groups would be affected, I can't possibly comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21451	An employee of West Lothian Council	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	without team there is no groups.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21452	An individual	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	No idea what this actually means so can't comment.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21453	An individual	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	No comment on this	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21454	An individual	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	-	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21455	An individual	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	no comments	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21456	An individual	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	no comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21457	An employee of West Lothian Council	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	N/a	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21458	An individual	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	No comment.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21459	An employee of West Lothian Council	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	No comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21460	An individual	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	This could be a reasonable measure, but without knowing what you actually mean in terms of who gets less and where, how can one possibly comment?	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21461	An individual	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	https://www.voluntarysectorgateway.org/ We are currently in the process of developing a brand new portal to replace our current website. For latest News & Information please visit our Facebook or Twitter page using the links below. *Please note the information on the current website may be out of date and no longer valid.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21462	An individual	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	A nice smooth transition from one public platform to another might have been a better way to go. Certainly not advertising the fact that a digital change cannot be managed seamlessly.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21463	No Response	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	What organisations? More detail required	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21464	An individual	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	You mean cuts ?	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21465	An individual	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	This is just depressing	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21466	An employee of West Lothian Council	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	No comment as don't know enough.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21467	An employee of West Lothian Council	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	Cannot comment if you do not provide more information as to what groups will be impacted.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21468	No Response	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	dgdg	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21469	An employee of West Lothian Council	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	Not unexpected.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21470	An individual	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	Insufficient detail about what groups and organisations this includes.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21471	An individual	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	No Comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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21472	An employee of West Lothian Council	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	No comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21473	An individual	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	No comment.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21474	An individual	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	Impossible to comment without further details.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21475	An individual	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	No comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21476	An employee of West Lothian Council	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	No comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21477	An individual	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	See remarks above about excellent work of 50+ organisation.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21478	An employee of West Lothian Council	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	Which voluntary organisations? This proposal is too vague to be commented on.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21479	An individual	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	Which groups would lose out?	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21480	An individual	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	Once again, insufficient information to make a transparent informed choice.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21481	An individual	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	we need more detail	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21482	An individual	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	no comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21483	An individual	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	No comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21484	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	More detail required	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21485	An individual	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	No comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21486	An individual	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	No comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21487	An individual	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	No comments	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21488	An individual	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	What groups?	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21489	An individual	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	No comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21490	An individual	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	Can't comment as no details given	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21491	An employee of West Lothian Council	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	no comment.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21492	An individual	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	What community groups are you referring to? Clarification needed to give honest views. Even some examples would be useful	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21493	An individual	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	No comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21494	An employee of West Lothian Council	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	NO COMMENT	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21495	An individual	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	Not enough information given depends on what groups	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21496	An individual	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	This statement is sadly lacking! What are priority/non-priority areas? Unable to comment due to lack of factual information.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21497	An individual	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	no comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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21498	An individual	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	who decides priority areas	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21499	An individual	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	What counts as NON-Priority?	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21500	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	No detail. Not enough clarification of what this means. We are therefore unable to provide comment.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21501	An individual	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	What team are you talking about? You are giving us all these proposals without the necessary background information.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21502	An individual	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	No comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21503	An employee of West Lothian Council	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	Its easy to cut funding to soft groups	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21504	An individual	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	Not able to comment on this.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21505	An individual	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	It is not clear what groups are likely to be affected.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21506	An individual	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	This does not fit with the councils early intervention agenda	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21507	An individual	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	Not enough info provided re the groups affected to make an informed comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21508	An individual	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	No comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21509	An individual	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	THAT'S IT!!!!!!! I'VE HAD ENOUGH I'M NOT ANSWERING ANY MORE QUESTIONS THIS IS RIDICULOUS TOO MANY THINGS AT THE ONE TIME - I'VE NOT HAD ANY TRAINING FOR THIS TYPE OF THING	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21510	An individual	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	Again too vague a proposal to properly comment.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21511	An individual	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	Eh?	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21512	An individual	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	Can not answer this question as no detail or substance as to what is being proposed. A poor reflection of this consultation.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21513	An individual	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	No comment but it's tough luck for those affected by your decisions.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21514	An employee of West Lothian Council	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	The council have not provided enough indepth information for me to make an informed comment on this, as all information about this whole consultation is more secret that area 51.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21515	An employee of West Lothian Council	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	Without knowing which community groups you are referring to I feel unable to comment on this	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21516	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	No comments	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21517	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	More information required on the potential groups identified on this proposal.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21518	An individual	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	No detail, can't comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21519	An individual	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	unable to comment as not in plain english	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21520	An individual	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	Lacks transparency.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21521	An individual	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	Insufficient information on the groups to comment.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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21522	An employee of West Lothian Council	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	No comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21523	An individual	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	No comment.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21524	An employee of West Lothian Council	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	not able to comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21525	An individual	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	Whilst nice to have, some of these services cannot be provided by WLC in future.	Support for Community Groups & Organisations - council contributions	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21526	An employee of West Lothian Council	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	CLOSE SCRUTINY OF CRITERIA NEEDED.	Support for Community Groups & Organisations - council contributions	4. The council is already doing this.	The council will continue to support community groups and organisations. However, support will be focused on the priority areas identified the Transforming Your Council consultation. Support will also be focused on those groups and organisations which can demonstrate the greatest impact on the overall priorities. 'Health checks' design to ensure that the funding objectives are being met will continue to be an element of the support arrangements.
21527	An employee of West Lothian Council	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	community groups need financial input or they will stop	Support for Community Groups & Organisations - council contributions	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council will continue to support community groups and organisations. However, support will be focused on the priority areas identified the Transforming Your Council consultation. Support will also be focused on those groups and organisations which can demonstrate the greatest impact on the overall priorities.
21528	An employee of West Lothian Council	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	The council has to think long and hard about the financial support/provision it provides to these organisations. A lot of them provide services to only a very small portion of the population of West Lothian so again "value for money" has to be major factor when considering the money that is provided. "Nice to have " is no longer an option.	Support for Community Groups & Organisations - council contributions	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council will continue to support community groups and organisations. However, support will be focused on the priority areas identified the Transforming Your Council consultation. Support will also be focused on those groups and organisations which can demonstrate the greatest impact on the overall priorities.
21529	An individual	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	Voluntary groups can pay for themselves	Support for Community Groups & Organisations - council contributions	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21530	An individual	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	There are too many groups with cross over of service delivery - they should be encouraged to rationalise through controlling funding.	Support for Community Groups & Organisations - council contributions	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council will continue to support community groups and organisations. Support will be focused on those groups and organisations which can demonstrate the greatest impact on overall priorities. The review will consider duplication in community groups and organisations.
21531	An individual	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	there should be no duplication ie the council should not be funding organisations when it already provides that service.	Support for Community Groups & Organisations - council contributions	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council will continue to support community groups and organisations. Support will be focused on those groups and organisations which can demonstrate the greatest impact on overall priorities. The review will consider duplication in community groups and organisations.
21532	An individual	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	You spend too much on supporting groups that simply talk and don't deliver.	Support for Community Groups & Organisations - council contributions	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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21533	An individual	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	Support should continue where the work of external groups help achieve Council goals and objectives.	Support for Community Groups & Organisations - council contributions	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council will continue to support community groups and organisations. However, support will be focused on the priority areas identified in the Transforming Your Council consultation. Support will also be focused on those groups and organisations which can demonstrate the greatest impact on the overall priorities.
21534	An employee of West Lothian Council	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	Voluntary groups provide a massive impact for little cost. Reconsider.	Support for Community Groups & Organisations - council contributions	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21535	An individual	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	Some groups support very vulnerable sections of society. Care needs to be taken to ensure that these groups retain funding.	Support for Community Groups & Organisations - council contributions	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	The council will continue to support community groups and organisations. However, support will be focused on the priority areas identified in the Transforming Your Council consultation. Support will also be focused on those groups and organisations which can demonstrate the greatest impact on the overall priorities.
21536	An individual	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	Should only be supported if they can justify the impact they are having	Support for Community Groups & Organisations - council contributions	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council will continue to support community groups and organisations. However, support will be focused on the priority areas identified in the Transforming Your Council consultation. Support will also be focused on those groups and organisations which can demonstrate the greatest impact on the overall priorities.
21537	An individual	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	It is important that the councils support to community groups and voluntary groups is given a lot of consideration, as many of these groups do fantastic work that would cost the council substantially more to provide itself.	Support for Community Groups & Organisations - council contributions	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21538	An employee of West Lothian Council	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	More attention is needed to support existing clubs that offer the services the Council is stopping not starting up new ones.	Support for Community Groups & Organisations - council contributions	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The council will continue to support community groups and organisations. Support will be focused on those groups and organisations which can demonstrate the greatest impact on overall priorities. The review will consider duplication in community groups and organisations.
21539	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	[REDACTED] has been part funded by West Lothian Council to provide a range of early intervention services for children, young people and families who are experiencing difficulties and challenges as a result of divorce, separation and family break up e.g. family mediation, parenting apart workshops, child contact, for many years. The focus of our work is family relationships and improving the quality of lives for children. We receive match funding from the Scottish Government, Lottery and other trusts. The profile of the families who use our services has changed over the years and we are now providing a service for families experiencing greater challenges e.g. alcohol abuse, mental health issues, low income, child protection and domestic abuse. We are seeing an increasing demand for our services. The contribution from the council is much appreciated and means that families can continue to access services in Livingston and Whitburn. We appreciate that the council has difficult decisions to make and appreciate being consulted and kept in the loop,	Support for Community Groups & Organisations - council contributions	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21540	An individual	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	How would this be decided? Who gets to decide and how can favouritism be avoided?	Support for Community Groups & Organisations - council contributions	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	The council will continue to support community groups and organisations. However, support will be focused on the priority areas identified in the Transforming Your Council consultation. Support will also be focused on those groups and organisations which can demonstrate the greatest impact on the overall priorities.
21541	An employee of West Lothian Council	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	voluntary groups should only be funded if it supports the delivery of the councils outcomes.	Support for Community Groups & Organisations - council contributions	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council will continue to support community groups and organisations. However, support will be focused on the priority areas identified in the Transforming Your Council consultation. Support will also be focused on those groups and organisations which can demonstrate the greatest impact on the overall priorities.

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21542	An employee of West Lothian Council	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	the number of organisations receiving funding should be reduced and the funding should be over a two/three year period to help support development of the voluntary organisations.	Support for Community Groups & Organisations - council contributions	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21543	An individual	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	As with all consideration of community group support, the additional costs to deal with what happens when you remove it needs to be guesstimated and considered. This can be difficult if the budget holder saving the money initially is not the budget holder that will have to step in and clean up the mess or fill hole in provision.	Support for Community Groups & Organisations - council contributions	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Consideration will be given to the anticipated impact of any reductions in support to community groups and organisations, including on the organisation itself and wider council provision.
21544	An individual	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	There is no indication how many of these groups or what they currently provide so difficult to establish the impact of their removal or reduction. What is a priority?	Support for Community Groups & Organisations - council contributions	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	The council will continue to support community groups and organisations. However, support will be focused on the priority areas identified in the Transforming Your Council consultation. Support will also be focused on those groups and organisations which can demonstrate the greatest impact on the overall priorities.
21545	An individual	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	Community groups and organisations whose raison d'A*tre is to increase local prosperity and commercial viability should be supported.	Support for Community Groups & Organisations - council contributions	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	The council will continue to support community groups and organisations. However, support will be focused on the priority areas identified in the Transforming Your Council consultation. Support will also be focused on those groups and organisations which can demonstrate the greatest impact on the overall priorities.
21546	An individual	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	Cultural' community groups should be encouraged to find their own income from user contribution.	Support for Community Groups & Organisations - council contributions	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21547	An individual	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	What are the priority areas? It is not possible to make comments without some details of the proposed changes.	Support for Community Groups & Organisations - council contributions	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	The council will continue to support community groups and organisations. However, support will be focused on the priority areas identified in the Transforming Your Council consultation. Support will also be focused on those groups and organisations which can demonstrate the greatest impact on the overall priorities.
21548	An employee of West Lothian Council	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	Reducing funding will be counter productive and shift the burden rather than remove it	Support for Community Groups & Organisations - council contributions	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Consideration will be given to the anticipated impact of any reductions in support to community groups and organisations, including on the organisation itself and wider council provision.
21549	An individual	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	Again these changes should be made in ALL areas, why should the public be penalised in areas where the community work hard at making it work.	Support for Community Groups & Organisations - council contributions	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Consideration of proposed changes will cover all areas of service provision.
21550	An individual	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	I worked for a charity that had funding from WLC which was pulled and it doesn't provide that service anymore	Support for Community Groups & Organisations - council contributions	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21551	An individual	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	Are twinning links with e.g. Texas sustainable given budget pressures? Before funding community groups can a needs assessment be done to make sure money is needed?	Support for Community Groups & Organisations - council contributions	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The council will continue to support community groups and organisations. However, support will be focused on the priority areas identified in the Transforming Your Council consultation. Support will also be focused on those groups and organisations which can demonstrate the greatest impact on the overall priorities.
21552	An individual	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	Unavoidably, I would understand reduced financial support from the council, however I would hope that ways of assisting groups in becoming more self-sufficient would be looked at.	Support for Community Groups & Organisations - council contributions	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.
21553	An employee of West Lothian Council	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	as long as services remain in place that's the most important thing.	Support for Community Groups & Organisations - council contributions	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council will continue to support community groups and organisations. However, support will be focused on the priority areas identified in the Transforming Your Council consultation. Support will also be focused on those groups and organisations which can demonstrate the greatest impact on the overall priorities.

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21554	An individual	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	the council should look to work more with the voluntary sector and use it to benefit west lothian. the voluntary sector and community groups provide better value for money (albeit sparse and unstable) for getting things done. providing support to these groups sometimes stabilises them and can guide them to deliver improvements in their community. another way the council could potentially leaver in funding which is not accessible to local authorities is create a greenspace charity similar to fife coast and countryside trust and use this organisation to leaver in funds and carry out works which may be too cumbersome for the local authority.	Support for Community Groups & Organisations - council contributions	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The council will continue to support community groups and organisations. However, support will be focused on the priority areas identified in the Transforming Your Council consultation. Support will also be focused on those groups and organisations which can demonstrate the greatest impact on the overall priorities.
21555	An individual	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	Community groups are important in all area poor area have lots funding from government sadly resources aren't used as efficiently as they could be	Support for Community Groups & Organisations - council contributions	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council will continue to support community groups and organisations. However, support will be focused on the priority areas identified the Transforming Your Council consultation. Support will also be focused on those groups and organisations which can demonstrate the greatest impact on the overall priorities. Financial contributions and support will also increasingly require to be better targeted.
21556	An employee of West Lothian Council	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	Reducing funding to voluntary community groups and organisations is something that is acceptable in such times, they will likely find funding from elsewhere so possibly will not be a loss to the community.	Support for Community Groups & Organisations - council contributions	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21557	An individual	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	To woolly the statement on priority areas. Who's priority the community or the council. The voluntary groups and organisations should have to be voted on via a public online consultation using the new digital agenda.	Support for Community Groups & Organisations - council contributions	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The council will continue to support community groups and organisations. However, support will be focused on the priority areas identified in the Transforming Your Council consultation. Support will also be focused on those groups and organisations which can demonstrate the greatest impact on the overall priorities. The specific approach to determining future financial contributions and support will be developed as part of the work on this proposal.
21558	An individual	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	funding for groups should be based on results and where they can meet the councils goals i.e community health inisitatives. social groups and learning initiatives.	Support for Community Groups & Organisations - council contributions	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council will continue to support community groups and organisations. However, support will be focused on the priority areas identified in the Transforming Your Council consultation. Support will also be focused on those groups and organisations which can demonstrate the greatest impact on the overall priorities.
21559	An individual	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	Would worry who chooses what is best to support and what is best effective. Obviously these groups were chosen for support in the first place, what has changed?	Support for Community Groups & Organisations - council contributions	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. The specific approach to determining future financial contributions and support will be developed as part of the work on this proposal and will be focused on those groups and organisations which can demonstrate the greatest impact on the overall priorities.
21560	An employee of West Lothian Council	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	Some of these organisations coordinate collaborative working across key sectors such as tourism which generates significant economic impact and supports hundreds of businesses. Each organisation should be judged on its own merit and council resource should be maintained where an organisation has the capacity to support businesses to generate revenue eg. business tourism.	Support for Community Groups & Organisations - council contributions	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council will continue to support community groups and organisations. However, support will be focused on the priority areas identified in the Transforming Your Council consultation. Support will also be focused on those groups and organisations which can demonstrate the greatest impact on the overall priorities.

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21561	An individual	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	Communities need to do things for themselves stop wasting money on things such as funds for groups to have a Christmas lunch.	Support for Community Groups & Organisations - council contributions	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The consultation does not propose removing support from any specific organisation or geographical area. The council will continue to support community groups and organisations. However, support will be focused on the priority areas identified in the Transforming Your Council consultation. Support will also be focused on those groups and organisations which can demonstrate the greatest impact on the overall priorities.
21562	An employee of West Lothian Council	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	WLC should NOT be supporting voluntary groups - if it is a required service, WLC should provide it, otherwise let the organisations sink or swim based on the demand for their services...private industry can show support for these initiatives through sponsorship and partnership working.	Support for Community Groups & Organisations - council contributions	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council will continue to support community groups and organisations. However, support will be focused on the priority areas identified in the Transforming Your Council consultation. Support will also be focused on those groups and organisations which can demonstrate the greatest impact on the overall priorities. This will include consideration of alternative forms of support.
21563	No Response	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	Voluntary sector has an important role to play. Please deal with area sensitively and cut backs to a minimum.	Support for Community Groups & Organisations - council contributions	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council will continue to support community groups and organisations. However, support will be focused on the priority areas identified in the Transforming Your Council consultation. Support will also be focused on those groups and organisations which can demonstrate the greatest impact on the overall priorities. This will include consideration of alternative forms of support.
21564	An individual	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	The council needs to review the support it gives to 'so called' voluntary organisations and consider what these organisations deliver of benefit to local communities.	Support for Community Groups & Organisations - council contributions	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council will continue to support community groups and organisations. However, support will be focused on the priority areas identified in the Transforming Your Council consultation. Support will also be focused on those groups and organisations which can demonstrate the greatest impact on the overall priorities.
21565	An employee of West Lothian Council	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	This is also acceptable - these user groups will have to try to obtain alternative sources of funding which may be available - unfortunately not an option that is available to the council! They can't obtain alternative sources of funding	Support for Community Groups & Organisations - council contributions	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council will continue to support community groups and organisations. However, support will be focused on the priority areas identified in the Transforming Your Council consultation. Support will also be focused on those groups and organisations which can demonstrate the greatest impact on the overall priorities. This will include consideration of alternative forms of support.
21566	An employee of West Lothian Council	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	shame to lose support for community groups who engage with the residents	Support for Community Groups & Organisations - council contributions	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The consultation does not propose removing support from any specific organisation or geographical area. The council will continue to support community groups and organisations. However, support will be focused on the priority areas identified in the Transforming Your Council consultation. Support will also be focused on those groups and organisations which can demonstrate the greatest impact on the overall priorities.
21567	An employee of West Lothian Council	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	Agreed that this is not a priority when times are hard.	Support for Community Groups & Organisations - council contributions	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21568	An employee of West Lothian Council	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	The council increasingly relies on community groups to help add value to community green spaces for example. These groups are capable of attracting substantial sums of external funding into their areas. Focussing on removing the modest contribution that the council gives to supporting such groups may be a false economy and not in the public interest.	Support for Community Groups & Organisations - council contributions	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council will continue to support community groups and organisations. However, support will be focused on the priority areas identified in the Transforming Your Council consultation. Support will also be focused on those groups and organisations which can demonstrate the greatest impact on the overall priorities. This will include consideration of alternative forms of support.

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21569	An individual	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	You need to state your "priority areas" before I can support this strategy.	Support for Community Groups & Organisations - council contributions	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Priority areas will be confirmed following the Transforming Your Council consultation. Support will also be focused on those groups and organisations which can demonstrate the greatest impact on the overall priorities.
21570	An employee of West Lothian Council	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	Make sure the right vol orgs are supported	Support for Community Groups & Organisations - council contributions	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council will continue to support community groups and organisations. Support will be focused on the priority areas identified in the Transforming Your Council consultation. Support will also be focused on those groups and organisations which can demonstrate the greatest impact on the overall priorities. This will include consideration of alternative forms of support.
21571	An employee of West Lothian Council	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	Agree that funding is to be reviewed, however Key areas such as development officers etc should remain in order to help grow sport.	Support for Community Groups & Organisations - council contributions	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council will continue to support community groups and organisations. Support will be focused on the priority areas identified in the Transforming Your Council consultation. Support will also be focused on those groups and organisations which can demonstrate the greatest impact on the overall priorities.
21572	An individual	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	There needs to be reviews on these groups due to the fact that there are many who have other support and for others who are in rural communities need more support due to non existing services in their area.	Support for Community Groups & Organisations - council contributions	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council will continue to support community groups and organisations. Support will be focused on the priority areas identified in the Transforming Your Council consultation. Support will also be focused on those groups and organisations which can demonstrate the greatest impact on the overall priorities.
21573	An individual	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	This work could be vital to some groups/communities. It is important to support local initiatives.	Support for Community Groups & Organisations - council contributions	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council will continue to support community groups and organisations. Support will be focused on the priority areas identified in the Transforming Your Council consultation. Support will also be focused on those groups and organisations which can demonstrate the greatest impact on the overall priorities.
21574	An employee of West Lothian Council	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	There is a need to streamline areas and groups which are not providing best value. Many groups provide similar functions to that of the council and this needs to be looked at.	Support for Community Groups & Organisations - council contributions	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Priority areas will be confirmed following the Transforming Your Council consultation. Support will also be focused on those groups and organisations which can demonstrate the greatest impact on the overall priorities.
21575	An individual	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	As above, support this saving because the council cannot continue to deliver on everything. I'm sure if these groups wish to continue they will find funding from somewhere	Support for Community Groups & Organisations - council contributions	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council will continue to support community groups and organisations. However, support will be focused on the priority areas identified in the Transforming Your Council consultation. Support will also be focused on those groups and organisations which can demonstrate the greatest impact on the overall priorities. This will include consideration of alternative forms of support.
21576	An individual	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	Voluntary groups need funding	Support for Community Groups & Organisations - council contributions	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21577	An employee of West Lothian Council	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	Disagree - to promote the ethos encapsulated in the Community Empowerment Act - community groups should be better funded.	Support for Community Groups & Organisations - council contributions	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council will continue to support community groups and organisations. However, support will be focused on the priority areas identified in the Transforming Your Council consultation. Support will also be focused on those groups and organisations which can demonstrate the greatest impact on the overall priorities. This will include consideration of alternative forms of support.
21578	An individual	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	Voluntary groups need to be encouraged and supported. Your low priority is another's high priority and vice versa. Therefore the council should actively support all groups, perhaps in a lesser way.	Support for Community Groups & Organisations - council contributions	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Priority areas will be confirmed following the Transforming Your Council consultation. Support will also be focused on those groups and organisations which can demonstrate the greatest impact on the overall priorities.

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21579	An employee of West Lothian Council	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	This makes sense, as long as a proper evaluation is done to decide which are most effective.	Support for Community Groups & Organisations - council contributions	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council will continue to support community groups and organisations. Support will be focused on the priority areas identified in the Transforming Your Council consultation. Support will also be focused on those groups and organisations which can demonstrate the greatest impact on the overall priorities. Assessments will be made on a case by case basis.
21580	An employee of West Lothian Council	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	cut back funding to them all	Support for Community Groups & Organisations - council contributions	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council will continue to support community groups and organisations. However, support will be focused on the priority areas identified in the Transforming Your Council consultation. Support will also be focused on those groups and organisations which can demonstrate the greatest impact on the overall priorities.
21581	An individual	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	Who decides what is a non-priority area? By focusing on child/youth services I worry that older people will be denied services that support physical and social activities that have been shown to help in "keeping them well" and therefore reducing their need for council's statutory services. e.g. Put Your West Foot Forward	Support for Community Groups & Organisations - council contributions	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council will continue to support community groups and organisations. However, support will be focused on the priority areas identified in the Transforming Your Council consultation. Support will also be focused on those groups and organisations which can demonstrate the greatest impact on the overall priorities. This will include consideration of alternative forms of support and consideration of negative and consequential impacts from removing support.
21582	An employee of West Lothian Council	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	Perhaps voluntary organisations could have access to local amenities such as church halls and kitchens, or even local businesses, so the contributions would not be "financial" as such.	Support for Community Groups & Organisations - council contributions	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council will continue to support community groups and organisations. However, support will be focused on the priority areas identified in the Transforming Your Council consultation. Support will also be focused on those groups and organisations which can demonstrate the greatest impact on the overall priorities. This will include consideration of alternative forms of support.
21583	An individual	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	Voluntary groups and organisations often need the partnership financial aid for survival. How is this removal of support to be assessed?	Support for Community Groups & Organisations - council contributions	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	The council will continue to support community groups and organisations. However, support will be focused on the priority areas identified in the Transforming Your Council consultation. Support will also be focused on those groups and organisations which can demonstrate the greatest impact on the overall priorities.
21584	An individual	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	If an alternative program exists that is more effective then yes I can see the argument for cutting funding from a less effective service but ONLY if those funding cuts get passed onto the more effective provider.	Support for Community Groups & Organisations - council contributions	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The consultation does not propose removing support from any specific organisation or geographical area. The council will continue to support community groups and organisations. However, support will be focused on the priority areas identified in the Transforming Your Council consultation. Support will also be focused on those groups and organisations which can demonstrate the greatest impact on the overall priorities.
21585	An individual	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	Agree, although support to playgroups is a must if the council is to meet its commitment to supporting Early Years.	Support for Community Groups & Organisations - council contributions	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The consultation does not propose removing support from any specific organisation or geographical area. The council will continue to support community groups and organisations. However, support will be focused on the priority areas identified in the Transforming Your Council consultation. Support will also be focused on those groups and organisations which can demonstrate the greatest impact on the overall priorities.

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21586	An individual	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	As part of a community group planning to access this funding, I'm largely against this.	Support for Community Groups & Organisations - council contributions	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The consultation does not propose removing support from any specific organisation or geographical area. The council will continue to support community groups and organisations. However, support will be focused on the priority areas identified in the Transforming Your Council consultation. Support will also be focused on those groups and organisations which can demonstrate the greatest impact on the overall priorities.
21587	An individual	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	Youth groups should be funded or they will end up on the streets drinking and causing graffiti	Support for Community Groups & Organisations - council contributions	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The consultation does not propose removing support from any specific organisation or geographical area. The council will continue to support community groups and organisations. However, support will be focused on the priority areas identified in the Transforming Your Council consultation. Support will also be focused on those groups and organisations which can demonstrate the greatest impact on the overall priorities. This will include consideration of consequential impacts from any changes to support for community groups and organisations.
21588	An individual	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	There are scores of well meaning and vital support groups which I think is great but realistically, not all can be funded. It is about the selection process and how you deem one service over another.	Support for Community Groups & Organisations - council contributions	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council will continue to support community groups and organisations. However, support will be focused on the priority areas identified in the Transforming Your Council consultation. Support will also be focused on those groups and organisations which can demonstrate the greatest impact on the overall priorities.
21589	An individual	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	I am absolutely opposed to any cuts to grants to LYPP and other groups in Linlithgow. £600,000 over the whole of West Lothian over 5 years is a very small saving for what is in many instances a useful/essential voluntary service supported by a small Council grant.	Support for Community Groups & Organisations - council contributions	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The consultation does not propose removing support from any specific organisation or geographical area. The council will continue to support community groups and organisations. However, support will be focused on the priority areas identified in the Transforming Your Council consultation. Support will also be focused on those groups and organisations which can demonstrate the greatest impact on the overall priorities.
21590	An individual	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	Support to community groups has to be dependant on their contribution to services across WL	Support for Community Groups & Organisations - council contributions	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council will continue to support community groups and organisations. However, support will be focused on the priority areas identified in the Transforming Your Council consultation. Support will also be focused on those groups and organisations which can demonstrate the greatest impact on the overall priorities.
21591	An employee of West Lothian Council	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	I feel we have too many groups that are not attended well and needs reviewed and prioritised.	Support for Community Groups & Organisations - council contributions	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21592	An individual	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	I work for a community group and we never get any financial support from the council it's always the larger companies.	Support for Community Groups & Organisations - council contributions	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21593	An individual	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	without your support these groups will disappear	Support for Community Groups & Organisations - council contributions	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council will continue to support community groups and organisations. However, support will be focused on the priority areas identified in the Transforming Your Council consultation. Support will also be focused on those groups and organisations which can demonstrate the greatest impact on the overall priorities.
21594	An employee of West Lothian Council	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	Broadly supportive. Funding to priority areas could be reviewed or include the professional support requirement within the funding model, permitting removal of the support team from council requirements.	Support for Community Groups & Organisations - council contributions	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council will continue to support community groups and organisations. However, the scale and type of support offered will be reviewed.

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21595	An individual	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	The council should seek to offer non-financial support to community groups and organisations where possible, for example free use of facilities/ venues. Facilities/ venues should be consolidated around making the better use of multi-purpose facilities (including schools).	Support for Community Groups & Organisations - council contributions	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council will continue to support community groups and organisations. However, the scale and type of support offered will be reviewed and this will include non-financial support.
21596	An individual	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	I am concerned by the move from preventative work to crisis management in all areas of vulnerability. It will eventually backfire and increase crisis incidents.	Support for Community Groups & Organisations - council contributions	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council will continue to support community groups and organisations. However, support will be focused on the priority areas identified in the Transforming Your Council consultation. Support will also be focused on those groups and organisations which can demonstrate the greatest impact on the overall priorities. This will include consideration of preventative measures.
21597	No Response	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	funding to community groups etc is vital to maintain a vibrant and healthy community	Support for Community Groups & Organisations - council contributions	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council will continue to support community groups and organisations. However, support will be focused on the priority areas identified in the Transforming Your Council consultation. Support will also be focused on those groups and organisations which can demonstrate the greatest impact on the overall priorities.
21598	An individual	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	While I think these groups and organisations do help the community if there is not enough money to support them I agree it should be cut.	Support for Community Groups & Organisations - council contributions	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council will continue to support community groups and organisations. However, support will be focused on the priority areas identified in the Transforming Your Council consultation. Support will also be focused on those groups and organisations which can demonstrate the greatest impact on the overall priorities.
21599	An individual	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	I believe that the third sector is an integral part in supporting the council to provide the variety of services to meet the requirements of the people of West Lothian.	Support for Community Groups & Organisations - council contributions	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council will continue to support community groups and organisations. However, support will be focused on the priority areas identified in the Transforming Your Council consultation. Support will also be focused on those groups and organisations which can demonstrate the greatest impact on the overall priorities.
21600	An individual	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	Why has this not been done before now?	Support for Community Groups & Organisations - council contributions	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Financial contributions to community groups and organisations are currently reviewed annually at a minimum. Given future budget constraints it is now proposed that the scale and type of support offered (including non-financial support) will be reviewed on a case by case basis.
21601	An employee of West Lothian Council	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	In the past the council has provided funding for these groups based little more on historical payments or because the groups put pressure on elected members. We need to make sure every penny the council spends is on council priorities and I would doubt that these groups do this in the main. I would suspect that most of the funding from the council goes on paying for their officials rather than delivering services to people who need it.	Support for Community Groups & Organisations - council contributions	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	These matters will be considered in the development of the proposal.
21602	An individual	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	Too many grants are given out to too many organisations. This should be considered as a priority. Some groups overlap yet get individual grants.	Support for Community Groups & Organisations - council contributions	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The review will consider duplication in community groups and organisations.
21603	An individual	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	Just words without substance. Presumably such voluntary community groups and organisations will know that the Council means them? It is surprising that such groups are under attack as they are surely the ones that the Scottish Government are determined should carry Scotland forward in the coming years	Support for Community Groups & Organisations - council contributions	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The consultation does not propose removing support from any specific organisation or geographical area and the council will continue to support community groups and organisations. However, support will be focused on the priority areas identified in the Transforming Your Council consultation. Support will also be focused on those groups and organisations which can demonstrate the greatest impact on the overall priorities.

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21604	No Response	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	In the financial scheme of things, Â£600K is not a huge amount of saving. Weigh this up with the mental and moral support that many of these groups get from the small financial contribution each one gets across the whole county , I am not sure what benefit WLC will get. Not sure what is meant by 'priority' areas but I am sure each group would be able to justify their priority.	Support for Community Groups & Organisations - council contributions	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council will continue to support community groups and organisations. However, support will be focused on the priority areas identified the Transforming Your Council consultation. Support will also be focused on those groups and organisations which can demonstrate the greatest impact on the overall priorities.
21605	An employee of West Lothian Council	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	Priority would depend on interest. What is a priority for me may not be for my neighbour. I think that the community should decide not those who work in an office many of which don't live in the area	Support for Community Groups & Organisations - council contributions	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	This comment will be considered in the development of the proposal.
21606	An individual	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	rather than remove the service, can it be paid for by those who use it?	Support for Community Groups & Organisations - council contributions	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	This comment will be considered in the development of the proposal.
21607	An individual	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	All priorities must be maintained outwith the proposed savings.	Support for Community Groups & Organisations - council contributions	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21608	No Response	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	To date WLC contracts have donated >Â£6,000 to the west Lothian food bank. Contracts could be used to continue with support to these organisations. Organisations have submitted their wish list to procurement to allow us to secure the most needy community benefits, we could change the support from definitive financial support to their wish list support.	Support for Community Groups & Organisations - council contributions	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	This comment will be considered in the development of the proposal.
21609	An individual	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	As long as this is not a withdrawal with nothing being put in lace. This would leave people more vulnerable	Support for Community Groups & Organisations - council contributions	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21610	An employee of West Lothian Council	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	Agree with the focus on priority areas, there needs to be transparent process for what is delivered with this money and a process for the removal of grants for a lack of performance.	Support for Community Groups & Organisations - council contributions	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	This comment will be considered in the development of the proposal.
21611	An employee of West Lothian Council	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	The Council should complete an exercise to assess the impact these services are making within their communities before ending funding.	Support for Community Groups & Organisations - council contributions	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	This comment will be considered in the development of the proposal.
21612	An individual	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	Keep money for Youth and Childrens club	Support for Community Groups & Organisations - council contributions	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	The council will continue to support community groups and organisations. However, support will be focused on the priority areas identified the Transforming Your Council consultation. Support will also be focused on those groups and organisations which can demonstrate the greatest impact on the overall priorities.
21613	An individual	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	Please keep support of Youth and childrens clubs	Support for Community Groups & Organisations - council contributions	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	The council will continue to support community groups and organisations. However, support will be focused on the priority areas identified the Transforming Your Council consultation. Support will also be focused on those groups and organisations which can demonstrate the greatest impact on the overall priorities.
21614	An individual	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	Many other organisations and charities have large potential funding streams. They need to become better at developing themselves as the council is no long in a position to fund them. Especially in areas where the Council has a similar and often superior in house set up.	Support for Community Groups & Organisations - council contributions	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Assisting community groups and organisations to become self-sufficient is a focus of the council's work. The proposed review would consider duplication in community groups and organisations and council provision.

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21615	An individual	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	This will stop many essential community groups from being able to provide their services. These groups are mostly run by volunteers who are already doing all they can to survive.	Support for Community Groups & Organisations - council contributions	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council will continue to support community groups and organisations. However, support will be focused on the priority areas identified the Transforming Your Council consultation. Support will also be focused on those groups and organisations which can demonstrate the greatest impact on the overall priorities. The proposed review would consider the negative and consequential impacts from removing support.
21616	An employee of West Lothian Council	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	Only organisations with viable business plans should be supported. No more councillors pet projects	Support for Community Groups & Organisations - council contributions	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	This comment will be considered in the development of the proposal.
21617	An employee of West Lothian Council	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	Councillor's disbursement should be monitored/ reviewed, many councillors might all give to the one group, there should be a limit.	Support for Community Groups & Organisations - council contributions	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The guidelines for operation of the Disbursement Fund require a report of expenditure to be submitted to the Council Executive every six months. For a disbursement to come within the guidelines for the scheme there should be some evidence in the application of a benefit to the community. It is the intention that, going forward, any support to community groups and organisations will be focused on the priority areas identified the Transforming Your Council consultation. This comment will be considered in the development of the proposal.
21618	An individual	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	Support for community groups and organisations. We say, £600,000 is a pitifully small saving for what is in many instances a voluntary service supported by a small Council grant. I am absolutely opposed to any cuts to grants to LYPP and other groups in Linlithgow.	Support for Community Groups & Organisations - council contributions	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The consultation does not propose removing support from any specific organisation or geographical area.
21619	An individual	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	Funding changes should be phased in over a period of time with plenty of time for the organisation to plan for the change - no "Brexit Type cliff edge"!	Support for Community Groups & Organisations - council contributions	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	This comment will be considered in the development of the proposal.
21620	An individual	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	With the other cuts that you propose it is vital that community groups are supported by the council.	Support for Community Groups & Organisations - council contributions	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council will continue to support community groups and organisations. However, support will be focused on the priority areas identified the Transforming Your Council consultation. Support will also be focused on those groups and organisations which can demonstrate the greatest impact on the overall priorities.
21621	An individual	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	The council should detail exactly what groups will no longer supported. Otherwise this is waffle.	Support for Community Groups & Organisations - council contributions	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	The proposed review would inform officer recommendations on the extent of financial and other support for any given group/organisation, which, in turn, would require the approval of elected members.
21622	An employee of West Lothian Council	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	What will the method be of deciding what's a priority	Support for Community Groups & Organisations - council contributions	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	The council will continue to support community groups and organisations. However, support will be focused on the priority areas identified the Transforming Your Council consultation. Support will also be focused on those groups and organisations which can demonstrate the greatest impact on the overall priorities.
21623	An individual	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	The council needs to rationalise community regeneration activities which fail to have a positive impact on communities.	Support for Community Groups & Organisations - council contributions	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council will continue to support community groups and organisations. However, support will be focused on the priority areas identified the Transforming Your Council consultation. Support will also be focused on those groups and organisations which can demonstrate the greatest impact on the overall priorities.

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21624	An individual	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	I agree that the council should reduce funding to voluntary groups who do not support priority areas	Support for Community Groups & Organisations - council contributions	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21625	An individual	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	If a local group cannot be sustained through its own membership and covenant then funding should be withdrawn as the council should not be subsidising groups that do not benefit the wider community. Instead funding should be put in to those items being cut under 4a.	Support for Community Groups & Organisations - council contributions	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council will continue to support community groups and organisations. However, support will be focused on the priority areas identified the Transforming Your Council consultation. Support will also be focused on those groups and organisations which can demonstrate the greatest impact on the overall priorities.
21626	An individual	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	Again, like sport, funding to community projects or groups should not be withdraw totally but carefully examined as these volunteer centres rely heavily on council funding and the community benefits from.	Support for Community Groups & Organisations - council contributions	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council will continue to support community groups and organisations. However, support will be focused on the priority areas identified the Transforming Your Council consultation. Support will also be focused on those groups and organisations which can demonstrate the greatest impact on the overall priorities. The proposed review would consider the negative and consequential impacts from removing support.
21627	An individual	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	I agree, the volunteers oils approach local business for financial support instead	Support for Community Groups & Organisations - council contributions	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Supporting organisations and groups to secure external funding will also be a feature of on-going support.
21628	An individual	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	I would expect that the council currently routinely reviews the voluntary community groups they support and do not be spend money where it is either not needed or is ineffective. If they have identified that they are spending Â£120,000 per year needlessly then this is a positive.	Support for Community Groups & Organisations - council contributions	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Financial contributions to community groups and organisations are currently reviewed annually at a minimum. Given future budget constraints it is now proposed that the scale and type of support offered (including non-financial support) will be reviewed on a case by case basis.
21629	An individual	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	My daughter attends 2 clubs that receive funding in this way. She attends each club for 2 hours every fortnight. These clubs are a lifeline for her and us. She is supported with council staff and any reduction in this area would have a negative impact on her and us.	Support for Community Groups & Organisations - council contributions	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21630	An individual	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	Voluntary organisations such as the CAB provide an invaluable service to the community in WL & I would not like to see such services disappear.	Support for Community Groups & Organisations - council contributions	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	The council will continue to support community groups and organisations. However, support will be focused on the priority areas identified the Transforming Your Council consultation. Support will also be focused on those groups and organisations which can demonstrate the greatest impact on the overall priorities.
21631	An individual	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	There should still be funding available for community initiatives.	Support for Community Groups & Organisations - council contributions	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council will continue to support community groups and organisations. However, support will be focused on the priority areas identified the Transforming Your Council consultation. Support will also be focused on those groups and organisations which can demonstrate the greatest impact on the overall priorities.
21632	An individual	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	Carers of West Lothian provide an excellent service as well as Signpost for special needs children.	Support for Community Groups & Organisations - council contributions	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21633	An individual	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	You should be investing money into encouraging and harnessing the power of community groups rather than making any cuts in this area. So many people with time, talents and ideas. Bring this together, co-ordinate and encourage and reap the benefits.	Support for Community Groups & Organisations - council contributions	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council will continue to support community groups and organisations. However, support will be focused on the priority areas identified the Transforming Your Council consultation. Support will also be focused on those groups and organisations which can demonstrate the greatest impact on the overall priorities.

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21634	An individual	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	As a volunteer with Girlguiding I have mixed feelings about this one although we operate in an area that does not receive a huge amount of financial assistance and are still able to provide a quality enjoyable service.	Support for Community Groups & Organisations - council contributions	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. The Council is committed to ensure a strong governance framework is in place to make sure quality is at the heart of service delivery.
21635	An employee of West Lothian Council	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	Galadary and pensioner grants should be stopped. We should charge all community / not for profit organisations who run events accordingly. For example road closures, advertisements of orders, licenses etc. There should be a blanket charge for all events. If organisers cannot meet these costs license fees/ closures / traffic management etc that are required for the event to be ran safely then the event should not happen. The Safety Advisory group should be consulted for details on safety requirements for all events. These charges will generate income to cover any associated costs of provide events advice and support.	Support for Community Groups & Organisations - council contributions	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	These comments will be considered in the development of the proposal.
21636	An employee of West Lothian Council	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	Whilst I think that financial support to voluntary community groups and organisations providing some sort of support service is vital I think things like money for gala days is unnecessary.	Support for Community Groups & Organisations - council contributions	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council will continue to support community groups and organisations. However, support will be focused on the priority areas identified the Transforming Your Council consultation. Support will also be focused on those groups and organisations which can demonstrate the greatest impact on the overall priorities.
21637	An individual	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	Third sector/voluntary organisations should be supported to become less dependent on council funding. Encouraged to look for other financial support and become more financially sustainable without council support.	Support for Community Groups & Organisations - council contributions	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council will continue to support community groups and organisations. However, support will be focused on the priority areas identified the Transforming Your Council consultation. Support will also be focused on those groups and organisations which can demonstrate the greatest impact on the overall priorities. Supporting organisations and groups to secure external funding will be a feature of on-going support.
21638	An individual	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	Many of these services cannot fund themselves and are already carrying out work which should really be the responsibility of the council and may revert back if the groups fold. Again care needs to be taken. Minor cuts may save some money, massive ones may not.	Support for Community Groups & Organisations - council contributions	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	The proposed review would consider the negative and consequential impacts from removing support.
21639	An individual	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	West Lothian provides very little support to vol orgs / wrong people doing it or none at all the council is slowly losing contact with communities cdt's - not representative of communities	Support for Community Groups & Organisations - council contributions	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21640	An individual	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	I feel that community organisations have been incredibly important to my life and development and it would be a deep shame to have them be scaled back, we should focus on promoting them rather than silencing them.	Support for Community Groups & Organisations - council contributions	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council will continue to support community groups and organisations. However, support will be focused on the priority areas identified the Transforming Your Council consultation. Support will also be focused on those groups and organisations which can demonstrate the greatest impact on the overall priorities.
21641	An individual	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	Can these groups get funding from elsewhere - private sector? Advertising? Depend on the group but they need to review their on costs.	Support for Community Groups & Organisations - council contributions	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Many community groups and organisations receive funding from non-council organisations. Supporting organisations and groups to secure external funding will be a feature of on-going support.
21642	An individual	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	Think carefully before doing this. These groups save you money and effort by doing your job for you. The funding you provide is a small but vital part of keeping them going and if you stop they may have to close giving you back the work that you should be doing - but it will cost you more.	Support for Community Groups & Organisations - council contributions	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	The proposed review would consider the negative and consequential impacts from removing support.
21643	An employee of West Lothian Council	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	I agree that WLC currently have good partnerships in place with vol orgs, however I think these need better monitoring. Also, when funds are withdrawn the replacement service needs to be in a position to take over quickly. WLDAS had money withdrawn earlier this year and I am unsure if YIP has started to provide this service yet.	Support for Community Groups & Organisations - council contributions	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The proposed review would consider the negative and consequential impacts from removing support, and the extent/type of monitoring required going forward in any given case.

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21644	An individual	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	Target funding to group that only support Councils priorities.	Support for Community Groups & Organisations - council contributions	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council will continue to support community groups and organisations. However, support will be focused on the priority areas identified the Transforming Your Council consultation. Support will also be focused on those groups and organisations which can demonstrate the greatest impact on the overall priorities.
21645	An employee of West Lothian Council	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	Does the Council intend reviewing their funding to the voluntary groups on a regular basis to ensure that what is not initially seen as a priority can be reconsidered at a later date.	Support for Community Groups & Organisations - council contributions	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	This comment will be considered in the development of the proposal.
21646	An individual	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	Monitoring & management of grants/funding is essential to ensure fairness. Funding should be awarded on a needs basis & not merely 'continued' year on year. Groups, many of which are registered as charities, should not be given funding if they have very large reserves in bank accounts.	Support for Community Groups & Organisations - council contributions	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	These comments will be considered in the development of the proposal.
21647	An individual	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	The priority should be towards sustainability and resilience in these groups. Any transition period to funding and support being withdrawn must ensure that the provision will not falter.	Support for Community Groups & Organisations - council contributions	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Assisting community groups and organisations to become self-sufficient is a focus of the council's work.
21648	An individual	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	The council should be concentrating on providing and financing the core services to meet its statutory requirements. If this means that funding to community groups and organisations is reduced or removed then, whilst unfortunate, it is a decision that should be taken.	Support for Community Groups & Organisations - council contributions	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council will continue to support community groups and organisations. However, support will be focused on the priority areas identified the Transforming Your Council consultation. Support will also be focused on those groups and organisations which can demonstrate the greatest impact on the overall priorities.
21649	An individual	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	Ok if you mean no funding for political or non-inclusive groups - i.e. no funding for orange walks etc	Support for Community Groups & Organisations - council contributions	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council will continue to support community groups and organisations. However, support will be focused on the priority areas identified the Transforming Your Council consultation. Support will also be focused on those groups and organisations which can demonstrate the greatest impact on the overall priorities.
21650	An individual	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	Identify groups who need funding more	Support for Community Groups & Organisations - council contributions	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	As a result of the proposed review officers may recommend increasing, decreasing or maintaining the level of funding and support for any given group or organisation.
21651	An individual	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	Voluntary Community groups should not be receiving financial help from WLC. If these groups are voluntary they should be self funding.	Support for Community Groups & Organisations - council contributions	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council will continue to support community groups and organisations. However, support will be focused on the priority areas identified the Transforming Your Council consultation. Support will also be focused on those groups and organisations which can demonstrate the greatest impact on the overall priorities. Assisting community groups and organisations to become self-sufficient is a focus of the council's work.
21652	An individual	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	These groups need council support	Support for Community Groups & Organisations - council contributions	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council will continue to support community groups and organisations. However, support will be focused on the priority areas identified the Transforming Your Council consultation. Support will also be focused on those groups and organisations which can demonstrate the greatest impact on the overall priorities. Assisting community groups and organisations to become self-sufficient is a focus of the council's work.

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21653	An employee of West Lothian Council	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	Voluntary Community groups should not be receiving financial help from WLC. If these groups are voluntary they should be self funding.	Support for Community Groups & Organisations - council contributions	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council will continue to support community groups and organisations. However, support will be focused on the priority areas identified the Transforming Your Council consultation. Support will also be focused on those groups and organisations which can demonstrate the greatest impact on the overall priorities. Assisting community groups and organisations to become self-sufficient is a focus of the council's work.
21654	An employee of West Lothian Council	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	Voluntary Community groups should not be receiving financial help from WLC. If these groups are voluntary they should be self funding or government funded.	Support for Community Groups & Organisations - council contributions	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council will continue to support community groups and organisations. However, support will be focused on the priority areas identified the Transforming Your Council consultation. Support will also be focused on those groups and organisations which can demonstrate the greatest impact on the overall priorities. Assisting community groups and organisations to become self-sufficient is a focus of the council's work.
21655	An individual	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	Some groups need to look for funding elsewhere, but council needs to be seriously prioritised.	Support for Community Groups & Organisations - council contributions	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Many community groups and organisations receive funding from non-council organisations.
21656	An employee of West Lothian Council	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	Agree, some groups have been funded for years whilst others get nothing. The ones that keep getting funding have no incentive to fund raise themselves. It's not a fair process	Support for Community Groups & Organisations - council contributions	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	This comment will be considered in the development of the proposal.
21657	An employee of West Lothian Council	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	there will always be groups that should be supported some more than others depending on your own circumstances	Support for Community Groups & Organisations - council contributions	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council will continue to support community groups and organisations. However, support will be focused on the priority areas identified the Transforming Your Council consultation. Support will also be focused on those groups and organisations which can demonstrate the greatest impact on the overall priorities.
21658	An individual	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	Many of these groups support, educate and are key to the health and well being of the most vulnerable in our society. Schools, the NHS and our social care services also rely on these groups to support in areas where they can no longer provide resources. Again, cuts here will have impacts in other areas already overstretched.	Support for Community Groups & Organisations - council contributions	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Potential impacts, risks and opportunities will be given further consideration by officers as work on this proposal progresses.
21659	An employee of West Lothian Council	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	you did this before...if you remove from voluntary organisation then the people will rely more on the council	Support for Community Groups & Organisations - council contributions	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Potential impacts, risks and opportunities will be given further consideration by officers as work on this proposal progresses.
21660	An individual	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	Lots of retired people have skills which could be utilised to help raise funds for some causes .	Support for Community Groups & Organisations - council contributions	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	This comment will be considered in the development of the proposal.
21661	An individual	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	If funding is cut un poorer areas of west lothian there would be nothing at all for the kids to do which already has very little.	Support for Community Groups & Organisations - council contributions	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council will continue to support community groups and organisations. However, support will be focused on the priority areas identified the Transforming Your Council consultation. Support will also be focused on those groups and organisations which can demonstrate the greatest impact on the overall priorities.

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21662	An employee of West Lothian Council	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	Service level agreements should be reviewed. However, the voluntary sector provides the missing links in community. Services that are specialised and are not provided through mainstream funding are often delivered via the voluntary sector. For example, the work done by organisations supporting victims of childhood sexual abuse and promoting awareness cannot be done by other organisations. This is a specialised service and the impact of losing funding for specialist counselling and play therapy for affected children will have a long-term impact on quality of life. Such organisations can be a lifeline to people in the community where local authority do not have the time or resources to assist. I do not believe that this is a good idea. Cut taxis to non-placement schools instead.	Support for Community Groups & Organisations - council contributions	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	These comments will be considered in the development of the proposal.
21663	An individual	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	Focus on priority areas is to be supported. However can you transition this process so that other areas are not suddenly cut off and in that transition explore partnership or delivery through community groups and organisations.	Support for Community Groups & Organisations - council contributions	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	This comment will be considered in the development of the proposal.
21664	An employee of West Lothian Council	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	4b It is sad to stop supporting our community groups but if they are not delivering key priorities, then this should stop.	Support for Community Groups & Organisations - council contributions	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21665	An employee of West Lothian Council	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	Some of these groups have operated for years without any form of outcome based measurement. Too much political involvement at local levels.	Support for Community Groups & Organisations - council contributions	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21666	An individual	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	It is essential that funding is reviewed on a need basis to organisations / groups.	Support for Community Groups & Organisations - council contributions	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council will continue to support community groups and organisations. However, support will be focused on the priority areas identified the Transforming Your Council consultation. Support will also be focused on those groups and organisations which can demonstrate the greatest impact on the overall priorities.
21667	An individual	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	As someone who has recently started an [REDACTED] receiving funds from WLC's Community Arts Grant was important to help us cover our initial start-up costs. Therefore, I am slightly concerned about what "financial contributions to these groups would be reviewed to focus on priority areas, meaning the removal of support for non-priority areas" really means....would this affect grants to the orchestra and future start-up groups across west Lothian council? The biggest expense has been hiring a rehearsal space, with WLC school's being too expensive due to the demographics of our group being adults rather than children (and ultimately receiving a reduced rate). WLC should review it's costs of hiring space to community groups as other privately run clubs/organisations are getting money for hiring spaces that WLC could have been getting had they been more competitively priced.	Support for Community Groups & Organisations - council contributions	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	The council will continue to support community groups and organisations. However, support will be focused on the priority areas identified the Transforming Your Council consultation. Support will also be focused on those groups and organisations which can demonstrate the greatest impact on the overall priorities.
21668	An employee of West Lothian Council	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	Groups that help people with Autism etc and still very much needed for the children/adults with condition and their carers	Support for Community Groups & Organisations - council contributions	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	The council will continue to support community groups and organisations. However, support will be focused on the priority areas identified the Transforming Your Council consultation. Support will also be focused on those groups and organisations which can demonstrate the greatest impact on the overall priorities.
21669	An individual	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	Without voluntary groups, there is no community. Voluntary groups provide many services, or contribute to council outcomes, through support via West Lothian Council. Removal or reduction of support may lead to more intensive and expensive service delivery by West Lothian Council e.g. community litter picks vs increased service delivery by operational services. An assessment should be undertaken of the impact of various funding streams and those grants and staff providing maximum impact against West Lothian Council outcomes should be retained.	Support for Community Groups & Organisations - council contributions	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council will continue to support community groups and organisations. However, support will be focused on the priority areas identified the Transforming Your Council consultation. Support will also be focused on those groups and organisations which can demonstrate the greatest impact on the overall priorities. Potential impacts, risks and opportunities will be assessed and given further consideration as work on this proposal progresses.
21670	An individual	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	Hopefully a consultation with the groups involved will be undertaken before funding I'd removed completely	Support for Community Groups & Organisations - council contributions	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	These comments will be considered in the development of the proposal.

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21671	An individual	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	The service the council provides to the local west Lothian swimming clubs is critical, not only does this keep our children active but builds relationships, keeps the children focused and competitive. This also keeps our children off the streets and teaches discipline. Please Please do not close our local swimming clubs. Fauldhouse Penguins	Support for Community Groups & Organisations - council contributions	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	The council will continue to support community groups and organisations. However, support will be focused on the priority areas identified the Transforming Your Council consultation. Support will also be focused on those groups and organisations which can demonstrate the greatest impact on the overall priorities.
21672	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	If West Lothian Council were to make a nominal investment in this area to maximise the potential of the increased footfall then this could be harnessed and reinvested towards the council's other priorities. This would also encourage businesses to invest and expand bringing benefit to the economy, jobs and quality of life. Tourism contributes directly to 5 of the council's 8 objectives including the employment position, quality of life, minimising poverty, positive outcomes on health, and the built and natural environment. Visit West Lothian is passionate about continuing to work towards delivering these objectives. Our tourism sector proves an important and diverse part of the economy which has demonstrated positive growth. Having a strong tourism sector adds to the quality of life in West Lothian with assets such as country parks, pathways and a range of attractions, all of which appeal to families and make West Lothian a desirable location to relocate to or remain in.	Support for Community Groups & Organisations - council contributions	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	This comment will be considered in the development of the proposal.
21673	An employee of West Lothian Council	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	Please ensure that groups who are funded are contributing to the council priorities and delivering measured outcomes.	Support for Community Groups & Organisations - council contributions	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council will continue to support community groups and organisations. However, support will be focused on the priority areas identified the Transforming Your Council consultation. Support will also be focused on those groups and organisations which can demonstrate the greatest impact on the overall priorities.
21674	An individual	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	Most of these groups only exist because the government and council are failing to provide what people need so the least the council can do is help them out a bit. Unbelievable.	Support for Community Groups & Organisations - council contributions	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21675	An individual	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	It will be important to consider the overall viability of such groups in the context of reduced funding.	Support for Community Groups & Organisations - council contributions	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Consideration will be given to the anticipated impact of any reductions in support to community groups and organisations, including on the organisation itself and wider council provision.
21676	An individual	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	I would be concerned that given there have already been significant cuts to voluntary community groups, organisations that delivery care and support, even for what appear to be non-priority areas, will close.	Support for Community Groups & Organisations - council contributions	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Consideration will be given to the anticipated impact of any reductions in support to community groups and organisations, including on the organisation itself and wider council provision.
21677	An individual	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	Voluntary groups such as scouts etc provide important services for communities and need to be funded through grants	Support for Community Groups & Organisations - council contributions	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	The council will continue to support community groups and organisations. However, support will be focused on the priority areas identified the Transforming Your Council consultation. Support will also be focused on those groups and organisations which can demonstrate the greatest impact on the overall priorities.
21678	An employee of West Lothian Council	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	Don't know too much about this area but.....I know of a situation where an organisation was given a very large amount of money to assist with a building improvement: that organisation had thousands in the bank and could easily meet the cost. This type of scenario is possibly replicated throughout the county: suggestion being that should such grants be available, real need is to be demonstrated and evidenced. Management Committees of Community Centres: should any remain, explore feasibility of them paying a % of their income to WLC to cover staff costs and eg stationary. Many of them have over £30,000 in their accounts.	Support for Community Groups & Organisations - council contributions	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	This comment will be considered in the development of the proposal.
21679	An individual	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	All voluntary groups should be encouraged	Support for Community Groups & Organisations - council contributions	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	The council will continue to support community groups and organisations. However, support will be focused on the priority areas identified the Transforming Your Council consultation. Support will also be focused on those groups and organisations which can demonstrate the greatest impact on the overall priorities.

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21680	No Response	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	Voluntary groups should be responsible for generating their own funding and pressure should be put on central government to support them.	Support for Community Groups & Organisations - council contributions	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council will continue to support community groups and organisations. However, support will be focused on the priority areas identified in the Transforming Your Council consultation. Support will also be focused on those groups and organisations which can demonstrate the greatest impact on the overall priorities.
21681	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	So, why were galadays given an extra boost last year?	Support for Community Groups & Organisations - council contributions	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21682	An individual	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	3rd Sector reduction in funding is easy target but no value is given to the overall service to the community Often if funding is given by the local authority it is match funded by other organisations and if the funding is taken away it is a double blow resulted in the organisation folding altogether Again impact studies should be undertaken so as the true value can then be identified.	Support for Community Groups & Organisations - council contributions	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The council will continue to support community groups and organisations. However, support will be focused on the priority areas identified in the Transforming Your Council consultation. Support will also be focused on those groups and organisations which can demonstrate the greatest impact on the overall priorities. Consideration will be given to the anticipated impact of any reductions in support to community groups and organisations, including on the organisation itself and wider council provision. This will include consideration of negative and consequential impacts from removing support.
21683	An individual	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	contentious area, more and more councils are relying on community volunteering to provide local services, you must be able to support these. It's difficult enough getting volunteers never mind demoralising current volunteers to the extent they give up	Support for Community Groups & Organisations - council contributions	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council will continue to support community groups and organisations. However, support will be focused on the priority areas identified in the Transforming Your Council consultation. Support will also be focused on those groups and organisations which can demonstrate the greatest impact on the overall priorities. Consideration will be given to the anticipated impact of any reductions in support to community groups and organisations, including on the organisation itself and wider council provision. This will include consideration of negative and consequential impacts from removing support.
21684	An individual	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	I know voluntary organisations do a lot of good work in the community but there are a lot of them and sometimes wonder how helpful some of them are, so would tend to agree that money provided by the council needs to be prioritised.	Support for Community Groups & Organisations - council contributions	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21685	An employee of West Lothian Council	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	what criteria will be used to determine which areas are a priority? Some proposals suggest communities taking a greater role in delivering or maintaining services traditionally delivered by the council. who will build the communities capacity to take on these roles?	Support for Community Groups & Organisations - council contributions	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council will continue to support community groups and organisations. However, support will be focused on the priority areas identified in the Transforming Your Council consultation. Support will also be focused on those groups and organisations which can demonstrate the greatest impact on the overall priorities. □
21686	An individual	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	Prioritise! Start with drug and alcohol abuse funding	Support for Community Groups & Organisations - council contributions	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council will continue to support community groups and organisations. However, support will be focused on the priority areas identified in the Transforming Your Council consultation. Support will also be focused on those groups and organisations which can demonstrate the greatest impact on the overall priorities.

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21692	An employee of West Lothian Council	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	4B) Voluntary Community groups should not be receiving financial help from WLC. If these groups are voluntary they should be self funding.	Support for Community Groups & Organisations - council contributions	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council will continue to support community groups and organisations. However, support will be focused on the priority areas identified in the Transforming Your Council consultation. Support will also be focused on those groups and organisations which can demonstrate the greatest impact on the overall priorities.
21693	An individual	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	make sure that the groups & organisations are using the funding correctly and not just having a big party	Support for Community Groups & Organisations - council contributions	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council will continue to support community groups and organisations. However, support will be focused on the priority areas identified in the Transforming Your Council consultation. Support will also be focused on those groups and organisations which can demonstrate the greatest impact on the overall priorities. □
21694	No Response	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	4B) Voluntary Community groups should not be receiving financial help from WLC. If these groups are voluntary they should be self funding.	Support for Community Groups & Organisations - council contributions	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council will continue to support community groups and organisations. However, support will be focused on the priority areas identified in the Transforming Your Council consultation. Support will also be focused on those groups and organisations which can demonstrate the greatest impact on the overall priorities. □
21695	An individual	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	I agree. Most groups will be eligible for SCN status and can apply for grants this way.	Support for Community Groups & Organisations - council contributions	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21696	An individual	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	Volunteers in all manner of areas within West Lothian are currently providing a free service and giving their time. If, through lack of a small amount of financial support, these voluntary groups and organisations were to discontinue, it would be disastrous.	Support for Community Groups & Organisations - council contributions	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Potential impacts, risks and opportunities will be given further consideration by officers as work on this proposal progresses.
21697	An employee of West Lothian Council	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	I fully support this measure - it is vital a fundamental review is carried out of all support provided to the voluntary sector with a focus on how provision contributes to outcomes.	Support for Community Groups & Organisations - council contributions	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21698	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	The 3rd sector provides valuable support to a variety of people throughout West Lothian and support from the council helps organisations like ours achieve this. Voluntary groups are adept at engaging and working with vulnerable and underserved sections of our communities, and also adapt and reorganise themselves quickly and efficiently to deal with new challenges that communities face. This can often be done far faster than larger council teams. We are always looking for ways to improve our services, meet gaps in services and bring in additional money from other sources to help fund this work. We work in partnership with Council teams and other voluntary organisations to achieve this. Last year we brought in additional funding of £225,000. Many other voluntary organisations also bring in much needed and welcomed extra funding. It would be hard to lever in this additional funding without the ongoing support of the Council. In our case the additional funding allowed to enhance the services we provide in many ways, including running activities such as cooking groups for our clients, support people in recovery back into volunteering, education/ training and paid employment. It also allowed us to provide a dedicated bereavement service for young people between 12 and 18 who had experienced sudden loss. We are and want to effective and efficient partners and would welcome ways to work with council and other voluntary organisations to help reduce overhead costs and share our expertise and resources and may be able to get some savings by joining together to purchase resources or services such as payroll, Information Technology and Human Resource functions.	Support for Community Groups & Organisations - council contributions	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21699	An individual	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	Community and voluntary groups leverage Council Funding to have a larger impact - this will disappear without Council support.	Support for Community Groups & Organisations - council contributions	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council will continue to support community groups and organisations. However, support will be focused on the priority areas identified in the Transforming Your Council consultation. Support will also be focused on those groups and organisations which can demonstrate the greatest impact on the overall priorities.

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21700	An individual	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	Voluntary community groups often provide community services which the council used to provide. They are saving the council a lot of money. Their financial provision should not be cut	Support for Community Groups & Organisations - council contributions	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council will continue to support community groups and organisations. However, support will be focused on the priority areas identified in the Transforming Your Council consultation. Support will also be focused on those groups and organisations which can demonstrate the greatest impact on the overall priorities.
21701	An individual	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	Some voluntary groups have already stopped receiving funding.	Support for Community Groups & Organisations - council contributions	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Each year, as part of the budget setting process, the Council agrees which organisations will receive funding and which will not.
21702	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	West Lothian's Voluntary Sector plays a strategic role in delivering services that WLC are unable or inadequately placed to provide. WLC and Third Sector partnership, planning and investment enable the voluntary sector to provide quality, affordable and cost-effective services, training, work experience and community development where it is needed. Like many Voluntary Sector organisations, [REDACTED] use core WLC investment to lever in additional Trust/ Foundation and activity-generated income (currently an additional £1.40p for every WLC £1.00p invested). Over a 5-year period this amounts to a total £700,000 of extra funding for West Lothian Communities generated by our organisation alone. Meanwhile our working model is flexible and financially accountable; [REDACTED] provide quality services, training and work-experience and employment, while our youth arts programming is nationally recognised as exemplary and ground-breaking. In the current economic crisis, it is essential for WLC and the Third Sector to work together to: Protect and maximise this vital investment capacity. Audit effectively the added-value, social change and community impact of Voluntary Sector services. Ensure that vulnerable people from all West Lothian areas have the support they need to overcome social and economic barriers to health, education, training and employment.	Support for Community Groups & Organisations - council contributions	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comments have been noted. The council will continue to support community groups and organisations, in particular those groups and organisations which can demonstrate the greatest impact on the overall priorities.
21703	An individual	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	Don't underestimate the contribution made by voluntary organisations. Need to look carefully and engage to see what they provide, what facilities they have which might help the Council fulfil its obligations, and how relationships can be further developed.	Support for Community Groups & Organisations - council contributions	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comments have been noted. The council will continue to support community groups and organisations, in particular those groups and organisations which can demonstrate the greatest impact on the overall priorities.
21704	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	Some community groups e.g. Guides and Scouts are self funding. Others should look at how they do this and not expect support from councils.	Support for Community Groups & Organisations - council contributions	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21705	An individual	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	Agree with review. Groups must be able to demonstrate the value they add and the impact they have on the people who use their services. They should not continue to receive funding just because they always have.	Support for Community Groups & Organisations - council contributions	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21706	An individual	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	I am an athlete who competes for Great Britain at [REDACTED] and without the support of the Active West Lothian Scholarship pass I would struggle to afford to train and compete at the highest level	Support for Community Groups & Organisations - council contributions	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comments have been noted. The council will continue to support community groups and organisations, in particular those groups and organisations which can demonstrate the greatest impact on the overall priorities.
21707	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	Agreed. Undesirable but necessary. Assistance will still be required to support vulnerable groups.	Support for Community Groups & Organisations - council contributions	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comments have been noted. The council will continue to support community groups and organisations, in particular those groups and organisations which can demonstrate the greatest impact on the overall priorities.
21708	An individual	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	I believe this saving could be made elsewhere. Are there really organisations being funded in non-priority areas??	Support for Community Groups & Organisations - council contributions	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21709	An individual	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	Reviewing old arrangements with these groups is positive. Removing photocopier provision from them in future would save some money.	Support for Community Groups & Organisations - council contributions	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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21710	An employee of West Lothian Council	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	I can see the logic there but how will these staff members be protected.	Support for Community Groups & Organisations - council contributions	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	This is an outline proposal put forward by officers to address the budget gap facing the council. More information on the proposal will be available once the council has the opportunity to consider the consultation feedback and further develop the proposal.
21711	An employee of West Lothian Council	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	If we focus on priorities it almost seems as if another service, job will be removed.	Support for Community Groups & Organisations - council contributions	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Consideration would be given to the anticipated impact of any reductions in support to community groups and organisations, including on the organisation itself and wider council provision. This will include consideration of negative and consequential impacts from removing support.
21712	An individual	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	Would be difficult to assess which groups and areas are not a priority as members of these groups will obviously consider themselves priority. Take local community groups away could lead to further youth crime within west Lothian.	Support for Community Groups & Organisations - council contributions	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	The council will continue to support community groups and organisations. However, support will be focused on the priority areas identified in the Transforming Your Council consultation. Support will also be focused on those groups and organisations which can demonstrate the greatest impact on the overall priorities. □
21713	An individual	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	West Lothian's Third Sector is actually a net generator of income to West Lothian. Investment from West Lothian Council is often used to leverage in other monies, which is unique to the Third Sector and delivers added value to our public pound. This additional income for West Lothian's communities and its people is, however, often dependant on the stability of Council's core investment.	Support for Community Groups & Organisations - council contributions	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21714	An individual	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	Some support must be available	Support for Community Groups & Organisations - council contributions	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council will continue to support community groups and organisations. However, support will be focused on the priority areas identified in the Transforming Your Council consultation. Support will also be focused on those groups and organisations which can demonstrate the greatest impact on the overall priorities.
21715	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	The Third Sector is a generator of income to West Lothian. Investment from West Lothian Council is often used to leverage in other monies, which is unique to the Third Sector and it delivers significant added value to our public pound. This additional income for West Lothian's communities and its people is, however, often dependant on the stability of Council's core investment. Simply play is a perfect example of this. Initial investment by Council enabled this social enterprise to develop and grow to the point where it is now self-sufficient, employs over 70 staff and enables working families to be economically active, bringing Millions of pounds of earnings into West Lothian every year.	Support for Community Groups & Organisations - council contributions	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21716	An individual	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	Not acceptable - this is how local communities plug the gaps in provision by the council. This will dis-incentivise community groups and volunteer who are actually upholding many of the priorities the council is claiming. So counter to most of the council stated priorities.	Support for Community Groups & Organisations - council contributions	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comments have been noted. The council will continue to support community groups and organisations. However, support will be focused on the priority areas identified in the Transforming Your Council consultation.
21717	An individual	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	How can you regenerate with no funds? Taking away money and people working will end up degeneration not regeneration.	Support for Community Groups & Organisations - council contributions	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council will continue to support community groups and organisations. However, support will be focused on the priority areas identified in the Transforming Your Council consultation. Support will also be focused on those groups and organisations which can demonstrate the greatest impact on the overall priorities.
21718	An individual	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	Don't agree, need support for comm group orgs to get funding	Support for Community Groups & Organisations - council contributions	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21719	An individual	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	Linlithgow would probably manage without support but many poorer communities might not. Can you encourage businesses, entrepreneurs to contribute more?	Support for Community Groups & Organisations - council contributions	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Consideration would be given to partnership opportunities across all sectors as part of the work to develop this proposal.

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21720	An employee of West Lothian Council	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	Has to be assessed on "need" rather than "want"	Support for Community Groups & Organisations - council contributions	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council will continue to support community groups and organisations. However, support will be focused on the priority areas identified in the Transforming Your Council consultation. Support will also be focused on those groups and organisations which can demonstrate the greatest impact on the overall priorities.
21721	An employee of West Lothian Council	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	Voluntary Community groups should not be receiving financial help from WLC. If these groups are voluntary they should be self funding.	Support for Community Groups & Organisations - council contributions	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council will continue to support community groups and organisations. However, support will be focused on the priority areas identified in the Transforming Your Council consultation. Support will also be focused on those groups and organisations which can demonstrate the greatest impact on the overall priorities.
21722	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	Broxburn Family Centre is a net generator of income to West Lothian. Investment from West Lothian Council has been essential to leverage in other monies, which is unique to the Third Sector and it has delivered significant added value to our public pound. This additional income for our communities and its people has, however, been dependant on the stability of Council's core investment. It has also provided a strong foundation for Broxburn Family Centre to be enterprising and the organisation generates significant amounts of additional income for the area through targeted fees, contracts and agreements. Over the last 2 years, Council funding for all of Broxburn Family Centre's work was only 42% of income. Over £219k (20%) was able to be levered into the community/project, through charitable grants and nearly £380k (38%) was generated income. Council's investment was key to facilitating this additional income generation, as it provided a secure base to build upon and was also used as match funding and/or demonstrated a trust & commitment to other potential funders. Simply Play is a perfect example of this. Initial investment by West Lothian Council enabled Broxburn Family Centre to grow and develop this social enterprise to the point where it is now self-sufficient and enabling working families to be economically active, enabling Millions of pounds of earnings to be brought into West Lothian every year. Broxburn Family Centre has established itself as a key Third Sector strategic partner in West Lothian. It has a valued role representing the sector on the CPP Children and Families Strategic Planning Group, Early Intervention and Prevention Working Group, was instrumental in designing and delivering West Lothian's Play Strategy and Action Plan, is Chair of West Lothian's Third Sector Strategy Group, was workstream lead on the CPP's integrated Children's Services Plan, and lead the highly successful Supporting Families Public Social Partnership. All of this adds value to West Lothian and considerably strengthens its partnership working.	Support for Community Groups & Organisations - council contributions	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The council will continue to support community groups and organisations. However, support will be focused on the priority areas identified in the Transforming Your Council consultation. Support will also be focused on those groups and organisations which can demonstrate the greatest impact on the overall priorities.
21723	An individual	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	Reducing support directly to community groups and organisations at a time when council services are also being reduced does not seem logical. These community groups very often rely on grant funding and arms length support from the relevant council teams to deliver the very services to the public which the council no longer can. For instance the sporting grants scheme awards community sports clubs and organisations funding to carry out a plethora of activities, train valuable volunteers, support talented athletes and improve facilities which all contribute to making West Lothian a stronger more well equipped place for people to take part in sport within clubs.	Support for Community Groups & Organisations - council contributions	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21724	An employee of West Lothian Council	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	Voluntary services provide a gap in mainstream services at times this should be acknowledged and could possibly be expanded.	Support for Community Groups & Organisations - council contributions	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The council will continue to support community groups and organisations. However, support will be focused on the priority areas identified in the Transforming Your Council consultation. Support will also be focused on those groups and organisations which can demonstrate the greatest impact on the overall priorities.
21725	An individual	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	It's vital we maintain the music provision in West Lothian as mentioned and in line with increasing levels of obesity we must look after our sports too.	Support for Community Groups & Organisations - council contributions	4. The council is already doing this.	Thank you for your response. The proposal is to continue provision of the Youth Music Initiative, Active Schools, developer funded public art and arts programming for Howden Park Centre. School pupils will continue to receive arts and sports experiences as part of the curriculum and have opportunities to participate in extra curricular arts and sports experiences.

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21726	An employee of West Lothian Council	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	Supportive in principle based on limited detailed information, but important that consultation and engagement is undertaken with the array of groups and internal teams that deliver support, so that there is full appreciation and transparency in decision making and implications.	Support for Community Groups & Organisations - council contributions	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Consideration would be given to appropriate consultation methods as part of the work to develop this proposal. Officer recommendations on any financial/other support provided to groups and organisations will require the approval of elected members.
21727	An individual	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	This will have a major impact on voluntary youth clubs etc but these are not legally mandatory services and fundraising will have to become the norm if they are to survive	Support for Community Groups & Organisations - council contributions	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Potential impacts, risks and opportunities will be given further consideration by officers as work on this proposal progresses.
21728	An individual	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	Don't remove the funding for these groups - they deliver so much to the community and without council funding a lot of them will close with long term effects felt in the communities.	Support for Community Groups & Organisations - council contributions	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council will continue to support community groups and organisations. However, support will be focused on the priority areas identified in the Transforming Your Council consultation. Support will also be focused on those groups and organisations which can demonstrate the greatest impact on the overall priorities.
21729	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	SLAs are mutually beneficial arrangements for both WLC and the non-statutory organisation which deliver the services which have been delegated to them, ensuring that organisations with the necessary skills, knowledge and experience are involved in continuing to meet the needs of local communities.	Support for Community Groups & Organisations - council contributions	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21730	An individual	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	I think rather than seeing this area as cost saving you should invest to help support community groups to deliver added value for you. They can probably do so much more to help meet outcomes for people. It seems short sighted to cut costs here when they could add so much more value if you approached this differently and saw it as spending to save.	Support for Community Groups & Organisations - council contributions	5d. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it has been previously considered and will not be progressed.	The council will continue to support community groups and organisations. However, support will be focused on the priority areas identified in the Transforming Your Council consultation. Support will also be focused on those groups and organisations which can demonstrate the greatest impact on the overall priorities.
21731	An individual	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	What are the non-priority areas? If you told me I could actually comment on it	Support for Community Groups & Organisations - council contributions	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	The council will continue to support community groups and organisations. However, support will be focused on the priority areas identified in the Transforming Your Council consultation. Support will also be focused on those groups and organisations which can demonstrate the greatest impact on the overall priorities.
21732	An individual	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	Continue funding as these groups are free from council politics	Support for Community Groups & Organisations - council contributions	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	The council will continue to support community groups and organisations. However, support will be focused on the priority areas identified in the Transforming Your Council consultation. Support will also be focused on those groups and organisations which can demonstrate the greatest impact on the overall priorities.
21733	An employee of West Lothian Council	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	These should be self-supporting and not funded from the authority. Feel strongly that most have their own agendas and not always the priorities of the Council.	Support for Community Groups & Organisations - council contributions	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council will continue to support community groups and organisations. However, support will be focused on the priority areas identified in the Transforming Your Council consultation. Support will also be focused on those groups and organisations which can demonstrate the greatest impact on the overall priorities.
21734	An individual	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	MOST of this funding should be reduced and parents pay, that way they will choose what is best for the child, and the child will get more from the activity as they will be going as they want to go	Support for Community Groups & Organisations - council contributions	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council will continue to support community groups and organisations. However, support will be focused on the priority areas identified in the Transforming Your Council consultation. Support will also be focused on those groups and organisations which can demonstrate the greatest impact on the overall priorities.
21735	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	Funding to voluntary groups and organisations has already been severely cut back over recent years. As a result groups have already had to review the way in which they deliver their services. Inevitably more cuts now will result in services having to be abandoned.	Support for Community Groups & Organisations - council contributions	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council will continue to support community groups and organisations. However, support will be focused on the priority areas identified in the Transforming Your Council consultation. Support will also be focused on those groups and organisations which can demonstrate the greatest impact on the overall priorities. □

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21736	An individual	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	Some voluntary groups provide fantastic value for money! Many provide services that WLC might otherwise need to provide. A few pounds in grants, coupled with a lot of voluntary effort, can result in very positive outcomes. Sometimes giving more financial support to the voluntary sector could improve things. For example, in Linlithgow, a small level of financial support for Burgh Beautiful has enabled them to provide services that were once provided by WLC at much higher cost.	Support for Community Groups & Organisations - council contributions	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council will continue to support community groups and organisations. However, support will be focused on the priority areas identified in the Transforming Your Council consultation. Support will also be focused on those groups and organisations which can demonstrate the greatest impact on the overall priorities. <input type="checkbox"/>
21737	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	As above. sportscotland understands the important role that WLCs community grant programme has on the local sporting pathway. It is our understanding that many local sports development initiatives are in place through the Council's grant programme and the match funding it brings in from partner organisations.	Support for Community Groups & Organisations - council contributions	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21738	An individual	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	If such groups deliver statutory functions all fine and well. However, if they purely deliver optional extras, perhaps the time is here to cut all support?	Support for Community Groups & Organisations - council contributions	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council will continue to support community groups and organisations. However, support will be focused on the priority areas identified in the Transforming Your Council consultation. Support will also be focused on those groups and organisations which can demonstrate the greatest impact on the overall priorities.
21739	An individual	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	3rd sector always get hit Impact studies should be being carried out as the value of the 3rd sector provision is so undervalued by the council many organisation in this sector go on to seek match funding from other sources resulting in a more comprehensive and holistic service being provided to West Lothian residents often when no other service can be accessed as there is none to meet that need they are there filling a gap and if funding is withdrawn then other sources cease as well and the organisation goes to the wall.	Support for Community Groups & Organisations - council contributions	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council will continue to support community groups and organisations. However, support will be focused on the priority areas identified in the Transforming Your Council consultation. Support will also be focused on those groups and organisations which can demonstrate the greatest impact on the overall priorities. <input type="checkbox"/>
21740	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	██████████ would like to express our concern about the proposed reduction in support to Community Groups and Organisations. ██████████ is an informal affiliation of West Lothian's independent accredited museums ██████████ along with the Council's museum service, and other local museum interests. This partnership of equals serves to share information, promote mutual assistance and undertake joint projects. The group represents museum interests in the ongoing consultancy study Identifying options for a museum-based heritage service for West Lothian, supported by the Council and by Museums Galleries Scotland). The accredited museums in the ██████████ currently deliver services on behalf of the Council under a SLA. This arrangement has allowed the independent museums to work in partnership with the council museums service to deliver museum provision across the West Lothian area. Responses submitted by individual members will have made clear the fundamental importance of heritage, local identity and sense of place to many Council agenda. Museums, their collections, and the knowledge and local pride associated with them, provide a unique and tangible link to the past, and a route to engage current and future generations in an appreciation of West Lothian's story and unique identity. The activities of the ██████████ and particularly its role in the current study, are testimony to a shared commitment to grow and develop activities and services, and to extend opportunities for community engagement. The Council's continuing support of West Lothian's museum is essential to such progress. The ██████████ also notes the proposal that the council's financial contributions to voluntary organisation will be reviewed to focus on priority areas. We would like to take this opportunity to stress the contributions made by our collective members in delivering on several of the council's key priorities. In West Lothian museums have traditionally been aligned to Protecting the built and natural environment Building strong, sustainable communities and protecting the local environment, however, the impact of museums is much wider. The members of the ██████████ also deliver against the following priorities: Delivering positive outcomes and early intervention for early years. Supporting children and young people to get the best possible start in life. <input type="checkbox"/> Improving the employment position in West Lothian Supporting business and economic growth in West Lothian and helping people into employment. Improving attainment and positive destinations for school children. Improving the	Support for Community Groups & Organisations - council contributions	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21741	An individual	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	Many voluntary community groups and organisations are already struggling. Those in the most deprived areas that do not have strong boards/management committees who have the relevant skills to fundraise, or draw in appropriate support outwith the council will suffer the most. This will impact negatively on communities. Whilst the more established groups will take advantage of the best community asset transfer opportunities and will prosper.	Support for Community Groups & Organisations - council contributions	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council will continue to support community groups and organisations. However, support will be focused on the priority areas identified in the Transforming Your Council consultation. Support will also be focused on those groups and organisations which can demonstrate the greatest impact on the overall priorities. <input type="checkbox"/>

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21742	An individual	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	Contributions towards third sector organisations should be reduced and they should be working towards other funding streams.	Support for Community Groups & Organisations - council contributions	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council will continue to support community groups and organisations. This will include continuing to work with groups and organisations to explore alternative funding streams.
21743	An individual	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	Spend less on council run "fun" events.	Support for Community Groups & Organisations - council contributions	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21744	An individual	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	Should be scrapped altogether. Some groups give the council support directly to charity. Council should be closely monitoring where the money is spent.	Support for Community Groups & Organisations - council contributions	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21745	An individual	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	Quite a lot of funding to community groups and organisations is unnecessary - they can obtain extra funding from increased membership fees.	Support for Community Groups & Organisations - council contributions	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21746	An employee of West Lothian Council	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	support for community groups where it states removal of support for non priority areas - how will this be assessed?	Support for Community Groups & Organisations - council contributions	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	The council will continue to support community groups and organisations. However, support will be focused on the priority areas identified in the Transforming Your Council consultation. Support will also be focused on those groups and organisations which can demonstrate the greatest impact on the overall priorities.
21747	An individual	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	Removal of support to voluntary groups/organisations - does this mean community centres? Priority areas are constantly changing.	Support for Community Groups & Organisations - council contributions	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	The council will continue to support community groups and organisations. However, support will be focused on the priority areas identified in the Transforming Your Council consultation. Support will also be focused on those groups and organisations which can demonstrate the greatest impact on the overall priorities.
21748	An individual	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	What does this really mean for community groups and organisations, affect will be greater because of changes in 1e.	Support for Community Groups & Organisations - council contributions	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council will continue to support community groups and organisations. However, support will be focused on the priority areas identified in the Transforming Your Council consultation. Support will also be focused on those groups and organisations which can demonstrate the greatest impact on the overall priorities.
21749	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	What will be the criteria and process for cutting funding?	Support for Community Groups & Organisations - council contributions	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	The council will continue to support community groups and organisations. However, support will be focused on the priority areas identified in the Transforming Your Council consultation. Support will also be focused on those groups and organisations which can demonstrate the greatest impact on the overall priorities.
21750	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	To most effectively deploy available resources the Sector is seeking a full and transparent strategic review of funding to all organisations in receipt of grants, as many of these appear to be historic and may not be aligned to current priorities. We would like to see clearly: The total budget, Where and how it is spent, What are the outcomes to be achieved, The performance from recipients on those outcomes. We also request that there be due process and appropriate timescales for any reduction or removal of funding.	Support for Community Groups & Organisations - council contributions	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council will continue to support community groups and organisations. However, support will be focused on the priority areas identified in the Transforming Your Council consultation. Support will also be focused on those groups and organisations which can demonstrate the greatest impact on the overall priorities. □

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21751	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	Both the Scottish Government and West Lothian Council has committed at a strategic level to supporting an Enterprising Third Sector. We would urge the Council to continue its investment in supporting, enabling and encouraging Third Sector organisations to work on a social enterprise business model so that they can generate more of their own income and be less reliant on Council grants. The transition from traditional Third Sector charitable or community group to a social enterprise is challenging and requires ongoing support. However, continued investment in growing an Enterprising Third Sector will result in longer term savings and more sustainable service delivery. Value for Money - WLSSEN supports the recent improvements to monitoring and evaluation of Third Sector organisations that receive an element of funding from council. We believe that Third Sector organisations, particularly those working on a social enterprise model, actually add value to budgets by attracting external fundin, re-investing surplus profit in communities and delivering social and environmental benefits along with essential services. We would urge Council to fully consider this added value as additional income to the budget that might help negate some of the savings required. Working Together on Efficiencies - We would like the Third Sector to have honest and transparent dialogue with West Lothian Council to work in partnership and help identify where and how efficiencies could be made over the next 5 years while protecting the most vulnerable people in our community. WLSSEN has a strong and productive relationship with Council and the relationship between the Third Sector and Council has much improved over the last few years. We would like to see continued mutual respect and partnership working as a means to reviewing service delivery and identifying opportunities for financial efficiencies and joint service design/co-production. We would also like a commitment to further improve the value of social benefit in procureent, with increased weighting on social benefit clauses and co-design of such clauses to ensure real added local value to contracts. Long Teerm Savings - While we fully appreciate the challenging financial climate that Council is working in, we are concerned that savings in the short to medium trm may result in more costly services being needed in the longer term. For example: early intervention services being reduced will inevitably result in the need for more costly interventions at crisis stage in the long run. Targeting Local Need - Social enterprises and Third Secto organisations are steeped in local communities and WLSSEN would like to see much better consultation and participation that will result in priorities	Support for Community Groups & Organisations - council contributions	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council will continue to support community groups and organisations. However, support will be focused on the priority areas identified in the Transforming Your Council consultation. Support will also be focused on those groups and organisations which can demonstrate the greatest impact on the overall priorities.
21752	An employee of West Lothian Council	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	Funding should be reviewed however how is "non-priority" defined, this could be an area for consultation.	Support for Community Groups & Organisations (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council will continue to support community groups and organisations. However, support will be focused on the priority areas identified the Transforming Your Council consultation. Support will also be focused on those groups and organisations which can demonstrate the greatest impact on the overall priorities.
21753	An employee of West Lothian Council	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	A dedicated funding officer to locate funding and help community groups/council access and apply for this funding including arts, sports, community, parks, active travel and other community based projects - this does not help with revenue but could help secure increased capital funding for set up and continued growth of community projects, groups and initiatives.	Support for Community Groups & Organisations (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Assisting community groups and organisations to become self sufficient is a focus of the council's work. This includes supporting organisations and groups to secure external funding. But it is important to ensure that the revenue consequences of any projects are fully understood and affordable going forward.
21754	An employee of West Lothian Council	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	Some of these groups perform a significant service and disbanding them would be detrimental. an example of this would be the food train.	Support for Community Groups & Organisations (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council will continue to support community groups and organisations. However, support will be focused on the priority areas identified the Transforming Your Council consultation. Support will also be focused on those groups and organisations which can demonstrate the greatest impact on the overall priorities.
21755	An employee of West Lothian Council	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	I am not convinced this saving would ultimately save us money long term as the secondary effects could bring costs in other ways	Support for Community Groups & Organisations (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council will continue to support community groups and organisations. However, support will be focused on the priority areas identified the Transforming Your Council consultation. Support will also be focused on those groups and organisations which can demonstrate the greatest impact on the overall priorities. Recognising possible 'secondary' impacts will be a feature of this assessment.

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21756	An employee of West Lothian Council	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	SUPPORT TO COMMUNITY GROUPS AT PRESENT IS A DISGRACE Wrong skillset and lack of guidance has meant that the council is slowly losing contact and trust with active community groups. Time to get the right people into doing better and more appropriate community work	Support for Community Groups & Organisations (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council will continue to support community groups and organisations. However, support will be focused on the priority areas identified the Transforming Your Council consultation. The review will also consider the team which delivers support to groups to ensure that it is appropriately skilled and focused in terms of delivering support.
21757	An employee of West Lothian Council	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	This would seem a sensible approach, although the value that volunteers can bring to a service or to a community cannot be underestimated.	Support for Community Groups & Organisations (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21758	An employee of West Lothian Council	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	How can one comment until we know what groups are considered less worthy than others.	Support for Community Groups & Organisations (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21759	An employee of West Lothian Council	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	Agree, but this will be difficult in practice as all of these groups provide much needed services. Have to ensure overlaps are targeted.	Support for Community Groups & Organisations (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council will continue to support community groups and organisations. However, support will be focused on the priority areas identified the Transforming Your Council consultation. Support will also be focused on those groups and organisations which can demonstrate the greatest impact on the overall priorities. The review will consider duplication in community groups and organisations.
21760	An employee of West Lothian Council	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	The focus should be based on necessity.	Support for Community Groups & Organisations (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council will continue to support community groups and organisations. However, support will be focused on the priority areas identified the Transforming Your Council consultation. Support will also be focused on those groups and organisations which can demonstrate the greatest impact on the overall priorities.
21761	An employee of West Lothian Council	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	Any decision to reduce or cut funding to community organisations must consider what impact this will have on jobs in the third sector. Time must be given to organisations to allow them to find and secure alternative sources of funding to continue to deliver their services.	Support for Community Groups & Organisations (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council will continue to support community groups and organisations. Support will also be focused on those groups and organisations which can demonstrate the greatest impact on the overall priorities. Recognising possible 'secondary' impacts, including job losses will be a feature of this assessment. Supporting organisations and groups to secure external funding will also be a feature of on-going support.
21762	An employee of West Lothian Council	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	The team that supports community and third sector organisations works to build capacity in communities, enabling communities to be more self sufficient. It is counter productive to remove that support.	Support for Community Groups & Organisations (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council will continue to support community groups and organisations. However, support will be focused on the priority areas identified the Transforming Your Council consultation. The review will also consider the team which delivers support to groups to ensure that it is appropriately skilled and focused in terms of delivering support.
21763	An individual	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	what does this mean? this statement is not clear at all. do you mean council assistance with gala days? Christmas lights ? so called 'cultural' marches?	Support for Community Groups & Organisations (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	The council will continue to support community groups and organisations. However, support will be focused on the priority areas identified the Transforming Your Council consultation. Funding of all community groups and organisations will be reviewed. Support will also be focused on those groups and organisations which can demonstrate the greatest impact on the overall priorities.
21764	An employee of West Lothian Council	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	The council needs to be able to say no to councillors and community groups demanding these services.	Support for Community Groups & Organisations (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council will continue to support community groups and organisations. However, support will be focused on the priority areas identified the Transforming Your Council consultation. The council will be unable to support organisations and groups which cannot demonstrate the highest impact on meeting agreed council priorities.

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21765	An individual	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	These community groups are the lifeline for our communities start supporting them or some will cease to exist	Support for Community Groups & Organisations (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	The council will continue to support community groups and organisations. However, support will be focused on the priority areas identified in the Transforming Your Council consultation. Support will also be focused on those groups and organisations which can demonstrate the greatest impact on the overall priorities.
21766	An individual	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	Are the services really beneficial and cost effective? If not then why pay for them.	Support for Community Groups & Organisations (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	The council will continue to deploy a range of approaches to ensure that funding objectives are being met. The proposal is that, going forward, support will be focused on those groups and organisations which can demonstrate the greatest impact on the overall priorities.
21767	An individual	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	Voluntary groups help the community come together, they require the support of their council. Without that support they have very little and you will see these groups collapse.	Support for Community Groups & Organisations (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council will continue to support community groups and organisations. However, support will be focused on the priority areas identified in the Transforming Your Council consultation. Support will also be focused on those groups and organisations which can demonstrate the greatest impact on the overall priorities.
21768	An individual	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	Cut funding to community group catering for minority from small building where there is perfectly good community building in same local knightsridge	Support for Community Groups & Organisations (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21769	An individual	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	Community groups are very important. They should be supported	Support for Community Groups & Organisations (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council will continue to support community groups and organisations. However, support will be focused on the priority areas identified in the Transforming Your Council consultation. Support will also be focused on those groups and organisations which can demonstrate the greatest impact on the overall priorities.
21770	An individual	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	only the vulnerable and most needy should b funded	Support for Community Groups & Organisations (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council will continue to support community groups and organisations. However, support will be focused on the priority areas identified in the Transforming Your Council consultation. Support will also be focused on those groups and organisations which can demonstrate the greatest impact on the overall priorities.
21771	An individual	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	That is fine so long as the community groups can continue to provide the services.	Support for Community Groups & Organisations (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council will continue to support community groups and organisations. However, support will be focused on the priority areas identified in the Transforming Your Council consultation. Support will also be focused on those groups and organisations which can demonstrate the greatest impact on the overall priorities.
21772	An individual	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	supporting community groups does not always involve a financial outlay - provision for better access to information	Support for Community Groups & Organisations (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The council will continue to support community groups and organisations. Financial and staffing support will be focused on those groups and organisations which can demonstrate the greatest impact on the overall priorities.
21773	An individual	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	Always good to look at removing duplications, or alternatives, but it would be a mistake to cut funding completely without careful consideration on a case by case basis.	Support for Community Groups & Organisations (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council will continue to support community groups and organisations. However, support will be focused on the priority areas identified in the Transforming Your Council consultation. Support will also be focused on those groups and organisations which can demonstrate the greatest impact on the overall priorities.
21774	An employee of West Lothian Council	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	The Council needs to ensure all Statutory services are adequately staffed and funded. This service already receives funding directly from Scottish Government.	Support for Community Groups & Organisations (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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21775	An individual	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	What are "priority areas"? It is difficult to comment when it is not known what we are being asked to comment on!	Support for Community Groups & Organisations (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	The council will continue to support community groups and organisations. However, support will be focused on the priority areas identified in the Transforming Your Council consultation. Support will also be focused on those groups and organisations which can demonstrate the greatest impact on the overall priorities.
21776	An individual	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	The Council should stop all discretionary spend	Support for Community Groups & Organisations (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21777	An individual	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	The Council should stop all discretionary spend	Support for Community Groups & Organisations (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21778	An individual	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	Streamlining the teams may bring savings, and reviewing the positive impact each group has on the community to ensure that the groups offering the most to the widest proportion of their local area should be the ones receiving funding	Support for Community Groups & Organisations (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council will continue to support community groups and organisations. However, support will be focused on the priority areas identified in the Transforming Your Council consultation. Support will also be focused on those groups and organisations which can demonstrate the greatest impact on the overall priorities.
21779	An individual	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	Kill off all non statutory funding.	Support for Community Groups & Organisations (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council will continue to support community groups and organisations. However, support will be focused on the priority areas identified in the Transforming Your Council consultation. Support will also be focused on those groups and organisations which can demonstrate the greatest impact on the overall priorities.
21780	An individual	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	Clearly if there are less groups receiving funding the team supporting would require to be reviewed. Would not wish to see a reduction in services which are actually delivering outcomes and transforming lives.	Support for Community Groups & Organisations (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21781	No Response	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	Support workers should be more effective in referring service users into other services	Support for Community Groups & Organisations (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Consideration of proposed changes will cover all areas of service provision. Signposting to other service providers will be important in those instances where support is no longer being provided by the council.
21782	An individual	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	Cannot comment without an indication which groups / roles are to be focussed on.	Support for Community Groups & Organisations (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	The council will continue to support community groups and organisations. However, support will be focused on the priority areas identified in the Transforming Your Council consultation. Support will also be focused on those groups and organisations which can demonstrate the greatest impact on the overall priorities.
21783	An employee of West Lothian Council	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	As always when there is a shortage of finance , choices have to be made	Support for Community Groups & Organisations (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	The council will continue to support community groups and organisations. However, support will be focused on the priority areas identified in the Transforming Your Council consultation. Support will also be focused on those groups and organisations which can demonstrate the greatest impact on the overall priorities.
21784	An employee of West Lothian Council	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	Community groups should be encouraged to become more efficient and self dependant.	Support for Community Groups & Organisations (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21785	No Response	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	Volunteers could be used to do this, this would afford them an opportunity to learn new skills & gain experience.	Support for Community Groups & Organisations (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21786	No Response	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	This is what needs to be done, services that are a high priority and are already struggling need to be the sole focus rather than extra's that are valuable and appreciated, but unfortunately, not essential.	Support for Community Groups & Organisations (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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21787	An individual	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	More cuts who decides?	Support for Community Groups & Organisations (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council will continue to support community groups and organisations. However, support will be focused on the priority areas identified in the Transforming Your Council consultation. Support will also be focused on those groups and organisations which can demonstrate the greatest impact on the overall priorities. This will include consideration of alternative forms of support and consideration of negative and consequential impacts from removing support.
21788	An individual	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	Again you don't tell us what support will be removed so how can we comment?	Support for Community Groups & Organisations (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21789	An individual	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	I think all of West Lothian is priority so if these groups were to stop should be across full of West Lothian	Support for Community Groups & Organisations (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21790	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	The voluntary sector is an invaluable resource to communities. Care must be taken before cuts are put into effect. How will this be decided, who remains and who goes? In the past, Council officials and Councillors can influence their own 'pet projects'	Support for Community Groups & Organisations (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Priority areas will be confirmed following the Transforming Your Council consultation. Support will also be focused on those groups and organisations which can demonstrate the greatest impact on the overall priorities.
21791	An employee of West Lothian Council	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	Where is there any meaningful or community development support or investment from council? Grant administration/disbursement does not equate to community development or community empowerment. I await with interest to see if ministers direct WLC after receiving section 70 complaints for failing to deliver statutory services.	Support for Community Groups & Organisations (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21792	An individual	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	Assess the benefits these groups provide on a case by case study. Stopping or reducing funding for an initiative that has a positive effect on the lives of hundreds to carry on supporting a scheme that benefits just tens or dozens is crazy. Often those who shout loudest are NOT the one's who deserve to be listened to most.	Support for Community Groups & Organisations (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council will continue to support community groups and organisations. Support will be focused on the priority areas identified in the Transforming Your Council consultation. Support will also be focused on those groups and organisations which can demonstrate the greatest impact on the overall priorities. Assessments will be made on a case by case basis.
21793	An employee of West Lothian Council	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	WLC should continue to support the Duke of Edinburgh's Award Scheme. Other staff within WLC should be encouraged to volunteer and given a half day or early finish to help support the activities.	Support for Community Groups & Organisations (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The consultation does not propose removing support from any specific organisation or geographical area. The council will continue to support community groups and organisations. However, support will be focused on the priority areas identified in the Transforming Your Council consultation. Support will also be focused on those groups and organisations which can demonstrate the greatest impact on the overall priorities.
21794	No Response	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	alot of special needs groups and clubs must stay opened as thats all these people have and there aint alot out there	Support for Community Groups & Organisations (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The consultation does not propose removing support from any specific organisation or geographical area. The council will continue to support community groups and organisations. However, support will be focused on the priority areas identified in the Transforming Your Council consultation. Support will also be focused on those groups and organisations which can demonstrate the greatest impact on the overall priorities.
21795	An individual	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	Depends on which groups would be adversely affected by this. Need more information.	Support for Community Groups & Organisations (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21796	An individual	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	Small sums of money in the overall scheme	Support for Community Groups & Organisations (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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21797	An individual	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	Most community group will be happy to work with this where appropriate.	Support for Community Groups & Organisations (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21798	An individual	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	Given a reliance on partnerships for some services these cuts will require serious consideration given that the proposal may have significant impact which may make organisations unviable resulting in potential greater loss of services should there be closures. A full risk benefit analysis would be required to ensure there were no unintended consequences of these proposed cuts.	Support for Community Groups & Organisations (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council will continue to support community groups and organisations. However, support will be focused on the priority areas identified in the Transforming Your Council consultation. Support will also be focused on those groups and organisations which can demonstrate the greatest impact on the overall priorities. This will include consideration of alternative forms of support and consideration of negative and consequential impacts from removing support.
21799	An employee of West Lothian Council	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	Need to carefully balance what non-priority areas are. Preventative and self management focussed initiatives should still be seen as priorities.	Support for Community Groups & Organisations (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Priority areas will be confirmed following the Transforming Your Council consultation. Support will also be focused on those groups and organisations which can demonstrate the greatest impact on the overall priorities.
21800	An individual	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	This needs modernised and assessed effectively. Partnership working with the voluntary sector is essential. An independent researcher who assesses, reviews and inputs into achieved outcomes would make the system more transparent and effective.	Support for Community Groups & Organisations (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The council will explore opportunities to work in partnership to deliver the priorities emerging from the consultation. Working with the voluntary sector will be a feature of these considerations.
21801	An individual	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	Consideration needs to be given to the broader impacts of these reductions, especially on the most vulnerable	Support for Community Groups & Organisations (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council will continue to support community groups and organisations. However, support will be focused on the priority areas identified in the Transforming Your Council consultation. Support will also be focused on those groups and organisations which can demonstrate the greatest impact on the overall priorities. This will include consideration of alternative forms of support and consideration of negative and consequential impacts from removing support.
21802	An individual	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	Again I cannot see how you will be able to cope with combining areas when often over subscribed already.	Support for Community Groups & Organisations (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council will continue to support community groups and organisations. Support will be focused on the priority areas identified in the Transforming Your Council consultation. Support will also be focused on those groups and organisations which can demonstrate the greatest impact on the overall priorities. Assessments will be made on a case by case basis.
21803	An employee of West Lothian Council	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	This might be counter-productive. With the Council reducing spending it is these groups that you need to pick up the slack. You might find that investing in helping these groups with accommodation and 'enablement funding' would be a better use of your cash.	Support for Community Groups & Organisations (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	The council will continue to support community groups and organisations. However, support will be focused on the priority areas identified in the Transforming Your Council consultation. Support will also be focused on those groups and organisations which can demonstrate the greatest impact on the overall priorities. This will include consideration of alternative forms of support and consideration of negative and consequential impacts from removing support.
21804	An individual	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	This should be a chance to ensure councillors pet projects are cut.	Support for Community Groups & Organisations (general)	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21805	An individual	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	Many years ago I read a paper which estimated that the Council would be about Â£300,000 worse off if they dispensed with volunteers and paid staff. You cannot underestimate the role of the voluntary sector.	Support for Community Groups & Organisations (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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21806	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	<p>mission is to preserve and interpret the history and environment of West Lothian and make this heritage accessible, engaging and enjoyed by all. We welcome over 130,000 visitors to our museum each year, and employ over 50 staff at the height of the tourist season. We believe that an appreciation of local heritage the legacy of our journeys through time - contributes much to community well-being, helping to shape local identities and create a sense of place. A respect and understanding of local heritage contributes towards many of the Council's key priorities; it can inspire and intrigue from a very early age, and provide a subject for reflection and celebration later in life. Heritage, in its many forms, contributes significantly to the perception of West Lothian as a great place to live, to work and to visit. Imaginatively interpreted, heritage supports employment and provides considerable economic benefit through tourism. We believe that there is significant opportunity to add value to the Council's support of heritage provision by eliminating internal obstacles to collaboration and overlaps of interest, and through developing new styles of service. We see particular opportunities for sharing knowledge and promoting collaboration through the imaginative use of digital technologies. We envision a new approach to heritage provision in which skills and knowledge are shared within a broad community of interests, and the impact of the core service funded through council support is magnified many times through volunteer participation and through supporting and empowering communities in the exploration and celebration of their heritage. Almond Valley is keen to work with the Council in developing and delivering a modern county-wide heritage service, and has been instrumental in securing grant support towards the ongoing consultancy study "Exploring options for a museum-based heritage service for West Lothian", which is also being supported by the Council. This is due to report back before the end of the year. We have also recently secured major grant investment to extend the scope and reach of our digital services. We look forward to an enhanced partnership with the Council in which Almond Valley's unique experience can be most effectively applied to deliver progressive, enterprising and user-focused heritage services for the people of West Lothian. Our capacity to make such advances, or to maintain current museum activities, is dependent on the continued employment of our small core of professional museum staff, made possible through our service level agreement with the Council.</p>	Support for Community Groups & Organisations (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The consultation does not propose removing support from any specific organisation or geographical area. The council will continue to support community groups and organisations. However, support will be focused on the priority areas identified in the Transforming Your Council consultation. Support will also be focused on those groups and organisations which can demonstrate the greatest impact on the overall priorities.
21807	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	Better use of volunteers to help provide services to the community.	Support for Community Groups & Organisations (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The council will explore opportunities to work in partnership to deliver the priorities emerging from the consultation. Working with the voluntary sector will be a feature of these considerations.
21808	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	What does this saving mean? Again we have insufficient information relating to the specifics of this saving to make an informed decision on who this will affect and how. Has an equality impact assessment been completed for this saving? What are the priority areas and who decides what they are? Removal of support - in what way, financial, employees, buildings and/or a combination of each or all of these. What are the alternative programmes and who and what makes them effective? How many employees and / or volunteers will be affected by this saving and in what way?	Support for Community Groups & Organisations (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	The council will continue to support community groups and organisations. However, support will be focused on the priority areas identified in the Transforming Your Council consultation. Support will also be focused on those groups and organisations which can demonstrate the greatest impact on the overall priorities.
21809	An employee of West Lothian Council	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	We need these. Social isolation is bad for people's emotional well being and mental health.	Support for Community Groups & Organisations (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council will continue to support community groups and organisations. However, support will be focused on the priority areas identified in the Transforming Your Council consultation. Support will also be focused on those groups and organisations which can demonstrate the greatest impact on the overall priorities.
21810	An individual	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	Voluntary groups provide vital services and prevent further statutory costs. They should be supported fully, including their core costs.	Support for Community Groups & Organisations (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council will continue to support community groups and organisations. However, support will be focused on the priority areas identified in the Transforming Your Council consultation. Support will also be focused on those groups and organisations which can demonstrate the greatest impact on the overall priorities.
21811	An individual	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	As a member of a voluntary group that runs Ecclesmachan Village Hall on behalf of the council without council funding I am in full agreement that this is possible. The problem will be getting others to do what we have done. I have to say that the advice from officers within this department has been invaluable so hope there will still be someone that we can call on when needs arise.	Support for Community Groups & Organisations (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council will continue to support community groups and organisations. Support will be focused on the priority areas identified in the Transforming Your Council consultation. Support will also be focused on those groups and organisations which can demonstrate the greatest impact on the overall priorities.

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21812	No Response	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	These groups and organisations will no longer require your support if you remove the services and facilities they depend upon to exist - win win for the council!	Support for Community Groups & Organisations (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21813	An individual	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	Bite the hand that feeds you. Clearly not measured the value that voluntary community groups already provide. Why not support them more to work in partnerships to meet problems together. Backward step.	Support for Community Groups & Organisations (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council will continue to support community groups and organisations. However, support will be focused on the priority areas identified in the Transforming Your Council consultation. Support will also be focused on those groups and organisations which can demonstrate the greatest impact on the overall priorities.
21814	An employee of West Lothian Council	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	Having worked with the Vennie I still dont understand why this organisation does not have access or can event manage mosswood cec.	Support for Community Groups & Organisations (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21815	An individual	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	More sponsored funding would help,...	Support for Community Groups & Organisations (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The council will look at the option to secure funding through sponsorship and other means of increasing income.
21816	An individual	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	Need more information of what you don't support anymore. These can be key things to the community.	Support for Community Groups & Organisations (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	The council will continue to support community groups and organisations. However, support will be focused on the priority areas identified in the Transforming Your Council consultation. Support will also be focused on those groups and organisations which can demonstrate the greatest impact on the overall priorities.
21817	An employee of West Lothian Council	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	A must have service for the community. Without it you will destroy any hope of getting the country back respecting society and repairing the damage caused by the Conservative Government.	Support for Community Groups & Organisations (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council will continue to support community groups and organisations. However, support will be focused on the priority areas identified in the Transforming Your Council consultation. Support will also be focused on those groups and organisations which can demonstrate the greatest impact on the overall priorities.
21818	An individual	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	100% DISAGREE The 3rd sector already receives 'petty cash' support. The return on investment is huge.	Support for Community Groups & Organisations (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council will continue to support community groups and organisations. However, support will be focused on the priority areas identified in the Transforming Your Council consultation. Support will also be focused on those groups and organisations which can demonstrate the greatest impact on the overall priorities.
21819	An individual	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	moving services around, or asking people to travel to a different place, less convenient for them in order to consolidate groups only means that people will stop going. it's a slow death you are proposing for so many great activities in our communities. Cannot support this.	Support for Community Groups & Organisations (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council will continue to support community groups and organisations. However, support will be focused on the priority areas identified in the Transforming Your Council consultation. Support will also be focused on those groups and organisations which can demonstrate the greatest impact on the overall priorities.
21820	No Response	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	Perhaps council tax payers can decide which organisations they want to see receiving help	Support for Community Groups & Organisations (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	The Transforming Your Council consultation provides the opportunity for council tax payers to influence the council's spending priorities in the future.
21821	An employee of West Lothian Council	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	Yes, less groups should mean less support required. Not all groups would require support so SPOC may be appropriate.	Support for Community Groups & Organisations (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council will continue to support community groups and organisations. However, support will be focused on the priority areas identified in the Transforming Your Council consultation. Support will also be focused on those groups and organisations which can demonstrate the greatest impact on the overall priorities.
21822	An individual	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	depends what what is "non-priority" who makes that call?	Support for Community Groups & Organisations (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	The Transforming Your Council consultation provides the opportunity for residents, community groups and other stakeholders to influence the council's spending priorities in the future.

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21823	An employee of West Lothian Council	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	If council staffing is to be reduced in services that currently engage with community groups and organisations, they would be hit doubly as hard with a reduction or cessation of financial support from the council. If anything, I feel that more should be provided to these groups to try and offset the affect of reduced direct council staff support.	Support for Community Groups & Organisations (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Consideration will be given to the anticipated impact of any reductions in support to community groups and organisations, including on the organisation itself and wider council provision.
21824	An individual	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	So who would determine who receives backing and who doesnt as most of these groups do wonderful work	Support for Community Groups & Organisations (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council will continue to support community groups and organisations. However, support will be focused on the priority areas identified the Transforming Your Council consultation. Support will also be focused on those groups and organisations which can demonstrate the greatest impact on the overall priorities. The proposed review would inform officer recommendations on the extent of financial and other support for any given group/organisation, which, in turn, would require the approval of elected members.
21825	An employee of West Lothian Council	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	Whilst agreeing with proposal, it is important that prioritisation must ensure that those most vulnerable groups are least affected.	Support for Community Groups & Organisations (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	This comment will be considered in the development of the proposal.
21826	An individual	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	Volunteering is the future but does not come at zero cost. Be careful not to eat the seed corn.	Support for Community Groups & Organisations (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	The council will continue to support community groups and organisations. However, support will be focused on the priority areas identified the Transforming Your Council consultation. Support will also be focused on those groups and organisations which can demonstrate the greatest impact on the overall priorities.
21827	An employee of West Lothian Council	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	Will the Council support the voluntary sector enough?	Support for Community Groups & Organisations (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	The council will continue to support community groups and organisations. However, support will be focused on the priority areas identified the Transforming Your Council consultation. Support will also be focused on those groups and organisations which can demonstrate the greatest impact on the overall priorities.
21828	An individual	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	Partnerships can be very strong and beneficial, often bringing added value in terms of expertise and income through grants and foundations. My experience in this sector is that the hardest thing to fund from charitable grants is the core running costs (including staffing.) To have these met by the Council allows a strong organisation to attract additional funders for projects etc By 'the team which delivers support to these groups' do you mean 'Voluntary Sector Gateway'? And what do you mean my reviewed? Thank you.	Support for Community Groups & Organisations (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The proposal is to undertake a review of financial and non-financial support provided by the council. The council will continue to support community groups and organisations. However, support will be focused on the priority areas identified the Transforming Your Council consultation. Support will also be focused on those groups and organisations which can demonstrate the greatest impact on the overall priorities. The proposed review would inform officer recommendations on the extent of financial and other support for any given group/organisation, which, in turn, would require the approval of elected members.
21829	An employee of West Lothian Council	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	Agreed to focus on the ones that are priority areas however it should be noted that if the service can be provided elsewhere there is often not sufficient capacity within that service to cope with the demand and particularly in the area of Early intervention additional providers have been required and used and over subscribed.	Support for Community Groups & Organisations (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21830	An individual	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	Please remember that creative interventions in childhood and in later years REDUCES peoples need for social and health services. Retain arts budgets for excluded youth, intergenerational and older people projects in their communities. Improving obesity, rehabilitation, loneliness, dementia, mental health issues, social justice can all be achieved with access to activity that encourages people to be creative.	Support for Community Groups & Organisations (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21831	An employee of West Lothian Council	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	There are some non-priority groups however I feel that funding should remain for children within villages for community groups and organisations. Particularly in areas that are deprived.	Support for Community Groups & Organisations (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Financial contributions and support will increasingly require to be better targeted and aligned to council priorities.

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21832	An individual	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	So more cuts to the sector that is already picking up many of the things that the Council previously jettisoned? These groups and organisations are being taken advantage off and their goodwill abused.	Support for Community Groups & Organisations (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21833	An individual	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	I would agree in the priority being given to the most needy areas but by saving from the non priority areas you should surely be investing that or part of that saving into the priority areas.	Support for Community Groups & Organisations (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	This comment will be considered in the development of the proposal.
21834	An individual	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	still need to support groups who are invigerating aspects of local communities	Support for Community Groups & Organisations (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21835	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	Voluntary work by the staff that run the West Lothian schools band schemes give up there time to help the young to achieve their very best and they do this because they love their jobs and want everyone to be valued	Support for Community Groups & Organisations (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21836	An individual	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	These clubs provide children with a wealth of opportunities and keeps kids off the streets eg on Friday afternoons. What is a non-priority area?	Support for Community Groups & Organisations (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	The council will continue to support community groups and organisations. However, support will be focused on the priority areas identified the Transforming Your Council consultation. Support will also be focused on those groups and organisations which can demonstrate the greatest impact on the overall priorities.
21837	An individual	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	A review is quite reasonable but this statement gives the public no opportunity to comment on the outcome of such an exercise.	Support for Community Groups & Organisations (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21838	An individual	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	Cominity groups should be self financing.	Support for Community Groups & Organisations (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council will continue to support community groups and organisations. However, support will be focused on the priority areas identified the Transforming Your Council consultation. Support will also be focused on those groups and organisations which can demonstrate the greatest impact on the overall priorities.
21839	An individual	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	Cutting down any of these groups would be a massive mistake to make. I am currently involved in the West Lothian Wind Ensemble and itâ€™s is a fantastic thing that the council should be proud of and should give more attention to.	Support for Community Groups & Organisations (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21840	An individual	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	This is regrettable. Building community capacity is within the gift of the council and should be increased as an offset to other major cuts to services delivered.	Support for Community Groups & Organisations (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21841	An individual	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	Answered above and don't believe there will be suitable alternatives on offer.	Support for Community Groups & Organisations (general)	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21842	An individual	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	i want to keep my childrens and youth clubs open. its lots of fun.	Support for Community Groups & Organisations (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council will continue to support community groups and organisations. However, support will be focused on the priority areas identified the Transforming Your Council consultation. Support will also be focused on those groups and organisations which can demonstrate the greatest impact on the overall priorities.
21843	An individual	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	Youth community projects should be retained	Support for Community Groups & Organisations (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	The council will continue to support community groups and organisations. However, support will be focused on the priority areas identified the Transforming Your Council consultation. Support will also be focused on those groups and organisations which can demonstrate the greatest impact on the overall priorities.
21844	An individual	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	Maybe some of these groups could join together to do the same work and use the revised support.	Support for Community Groups & Organisations (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	This comment will be considered in the development of the proposal.

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21845	No Response	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	As previously stated if the council improved the use of facilities and staff would save time in the long run	Support for Community Groups & Organisations (general)	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21846	An employee of West Lothian Council	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	Can these groups get funding elsewhere ie grants etc? 'Priority areas' are difficult to define. Again, investing for the future and not just short term results is very important.	Support for Community Groups & Organisations (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Many community groups and organisations receive funding from non-council organisations. Supporting organisations and groups to secure external funding will be a feature of on-going support.
21847	No Response	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	Voluntary groups should volunteer their own cash.	Support for Community Groups & Organisations (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21848	An individual	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	I think Community services are an important part of life and provide all ages groups with opportunities to integrate and share experience. I feel these services should be given priority .	Support for Community Groups & Organisations (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21849	An individual	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	I believe this being looked at in isolation is very dangerous and misses out on overall opportunities for true process re-design as currently the total money going into this sector is not looked at holistically and is not treated in an equal fashion. This is a real opportunity as detailed earlier to lead the way and break down silos and old ways of working and look at the overall budget going into the 3rd Sector for the benefit of the whole community. The money spent assessing effectiveness of this overall spend should also be looked at. Even the title of this section diminishes the value some of the organisations in this area contribute to overall strategic aims. There are opportunities for council staff to support this sector to bring in this amount of money and more as we are under funded in real terms compared to other councils by external funding providers. We may not need to save this money as we could generate it in other ways and ultimately save the council more than planned.	Support for Community Groups & Organisations (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	These comments will be considered in the development of the proposal.
21850	An individual	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	It is to be hoped that any adjustments do not undermine the viability of such voluntary groups as these contribute a great deal to the social fabric of the area.	Support for Community Groups & Organisations (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Consideration will be given to the anticipated impact of any reductions in support to community groups and organisations, including on the organisation itself and wider council provision.
21851	An individual	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	How do you define a priority - who makes that decision?	Support for Community Groups & Organisations (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	The council will continue to support community groups and organisations. However, support will be focused on the priority areas identified the Transforming Your Council consultation. Support will also be focused on those groups and organisations which can demonstrate the greatest impact on the overall priorities.
21852	An individual	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	Justifiable and staff reduction?	Support for Community Groups & Organisations (general)	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21853	An individual	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	Wrong headed	Support for Community Groups & Organisations (general)	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21854	An employee of West Lothian Council	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	Agreed The general principle should be that support should be laser targeted on groups and areas where there is demonstrable need - particularly to support regeneration and anti poverty work and where the services or projects being delivered can demonstrate impact and best value.	Support for Community Groups & Organisations (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council will continue to support community groups and organisations. However, support will be focused on the priority areas identified the Transforming Your Council consultation. Support will also be focused on those groups and organisations which can demonstrate the greatest impact on the overall priorities.
21855	An individual	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	Again, it would be smart to increase collaboration and service provision but seek alternative options for funding this. I do not support this strategy as it stands.	Support for Community Groups & Organisations (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21856	An individual	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	All groups should be developed to achieve self sufficiency. Speculate now to accumulate savings in the future	Support for Community Groups & Organisations (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Assisting community groups and organisations to become self-sufficient is a focus of the council's work.

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21857	An individual	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	Cut councillors / MSP pay to shore up giving back to communities!	Support for Community Groups & Organisations (general)	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	Councillor and MSP salaries are set out by legislation.
21858	An individual	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	As 1A - Excellent if all of the above are carried out. However on current personally experienced performance it will take a huge effort to even provide an improvement. Further why has the " efficiency and effectiveness" not been applied to current procedures. No real criteria to be reach is actually stated and the starting point for these " efficiency and effectiveness" upgrade to services is not evident. Vagueness in targets to achieve . How will residents know when this is achieved?	Support for Community Groups & Organisations (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21859	An individual	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	Oh dear, more job losses?	Support for Community Groups & Organisations (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	The review will also consider the team which delivers support to groups to ensure that it is appropriately skilled and focused in terms of delivering support.
21860	An individual	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	Not exactly sure of the implications of this - but if the Council's actions force the closure of "voluntary community groups" - this may well have significant negative impacts on both attitude towards WLC and on local communities within WLC catchment area	Support for Community Groups & Organisations (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	The proposed review would consider the negative and consequential impacts from removing support.
21861	An individual	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	Don't know enough about this to comment, what groups/organisations are you referring to?	Support for Community Groups & Organisations (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	All community groups and organisations in receipt of funding and support from the council.
21862	An individual	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	If it can be done better at a lower cost, then go for it.	Support for Community Groups & Organisations (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21863	An individual	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	West Lothian's Voluntary sector plays a strategic role in delivering services that the Council are unable or inadequately placed to provide. Council and Third Sector partnership, planning and investment enable the voluntary sector to provide quality, affordable and cost-effective services, training, work experience and community development where it is needed. Like many Voluntary sector organisations, [REDACTED] uses core WLC investment to lever in additional Trust/ Foundation investment and activity-generated income (currently an additional Â£1.40 for every WLC Â£1 invested). Over a 5-year period this amounts to a total Â£700,000 extra funding for West Lothian Communities generated by our organisation alone. meanwhile our working model is flexible and financially accountable. We provide quality services, training and work-experience and employment. Our youth arts programming is nationally recognised as exemplary and ground-breaking. In the current economic crisis, it is essential for WLC and Third Sector to work together to : Protect and maximise this vital investment capacity; Audit effectively the added-value, social change and community impact of Voluntary Sector services. Ensure that vulnerable people from all West Lothian areas have the support they need to overcome social and economic barriers to health, education, training and employment.	Support for Community Groups & Organisations (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council will continue to support community groups and organisations. However, support will be focused on the priority areas identified the Transforming Your Council consultation. Support will also be focused on those groups and organisations which can demonstrate the greatest impact on the overall priorities.
21864	An individual	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	I would like to see the top 3 items/specific deliverables that contribute to this redesign.	Support for Community Groups & Organisations (general)	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21865	An employee of West Lothian Council	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	Voluntary organisations may cease to operate.	Support for Community Groups & Organisations (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposed review would consider the negative and consequential impacts from removing support.
21866	No Response	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	Again can't comment as there is not enough information above e.g. what voluntary groups/organisations. There would need to be care here, as you could put off volunteers from being involved. Everyone's time is precious these days. So there would have to be some care and consideration made here with any decision.	Support for Community Groups & Organisations (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21867	An employee of West Lothian Council	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	who decides what is priority?	Support for Community Groups & Organisations (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	The council will continue to support community groups and organisations. However, support will be focused on the priority areas identified the Transforming Your Council consultation. Support will also be focused on those groups and organisations which can demonstrate the greatest impact on the overall priorities.

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21868	An employee of West Lothian Council	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	Again an area which could be impacted perhaps especially if the demand isn't high but the effect making a difference.	Support for Community Groups & Organisations (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	The council will continue to support community groups and organisations. However, support will be focused on the priority areas identified the Transforming Your Council consultation. Support will also be focused on those groups and organisations which can demonstrate the greatest impact on the overall priorities.
21869	An individual	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	Voluntary sector services are preferable to those where services are provided by business at profit	Support for Community Groups & Organisations (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21870	An employee of West Lothian Council	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	For such a small sum of money cuts here can be disproportionately damaging	Support for Community Groups & Organisations (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21871	An individual	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	This is a mistake - such small amount of saving and it will increase crisis and burden on the council - I do not agree with this proposal.	Support for Community Groups & Organisations (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21872	An individual	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	Again, I don't disagree with this although it is sad that community groups will suffer and have to attempt to find funding elsewhere.	Support for Community Groups & Organisations (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21873	An employee of West Lothian Council	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	Not sure what non-priority means... but I guess this has to be done.	Support for Community Groups & Organisations (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council will continue to support community groups and organisations. However, support will be focused on the priority areas identified the Transforming Your Council consultation. Support will also be focused on those groups and organisations which can demonstrate the greatest impact on the overall priorities.
21874	An employee of West Lothian Council	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	community groups are a vital part of the authority but efficiencies may be there to be made.	Support for Community Groups & Organisations (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21875	An individual	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	Voluntary groups are difficult to organise. Trying to find people to go on committees is difficult and usually the reason why groups fold. I have found that most people who volunteer just want to do something which has no responsibility attached to it. People have enough responsibility in everyday life. Were the Council to use volunteers, perhaps you should bear this in mind.	Support for Community Groups & Organisations (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21876	An employee of West Lothian Council	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	We shouldn't under estimate how much our community clubs and organisations do for our communities and citizens.	Support for Community Groups & Organisations (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21877	An employee of West Lothian Council	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	What are priority areas? What are non-priority areas? Who decides? How decided? What alternative programmes are there? How will their effectiveness be determined? Does the review of the team simply mean staff reduction? Once again, no actual information has been provided to allow any useful comment.	Support for Community Groups & Organisations (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	The council will continue to support community groups and organisations. However, support will be focused on the priority areas identified the Transforming Your Council consultation. Support will also be focused on those groups and organisations which can demonstrate the greatest impact on the overall priorities.
21878	An individual	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	Agree with a review of support for voluntary groups, particularly where there is duplicate provision. However, key organisations such as Citizen's Advice and WELDAS should be protected. As stated before, the council gets a high return on investment from many organisations, and this should be considered when reviewing funding. The Citizen's Advice service is going to be particularly beneficial with the start of Universal Credit.	Support for Community Groups & Organisations (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council will continue to support community groups and organisations. However, support will be focused on the priority areas identified the Transforming Your Council consultation. Support will also be focused on those groups and organisations which can demonstrate the greatest impact on the overall priorities.
21879	An employee of West Lothian Council	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	Care should be taken with this as many of these groups may provide a good service at very low costs that enhance the life of children and others and the community.	Support for Community Groups & Organisations (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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21880	An individual	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	Beware blunting the enthusiasm of local groups	Support for Community Groups & Organisations (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21881	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	Over the past eight years West Lothian's visitor economy has seen strong growth with an increase in the sector's economic impact from Â£142.82m in 2009 to Â£171.17m in 2016. This growth has been supported by the increasing profile of Visit West Lothian. Figures show that since 2009 West Lothian attractions have worked hard to invest and expand, creating new jobs and employing more staff. The number of visitor attractions in the locality has grown and these new businesses alongside existing venues continue to report increased visitor numbers year on year. Lead attractions including Five Sisters Zoo, Almond Valley Heritage Centre, Hopetoun House and % Linlithgow Palace report a combined increase of 38%. In addition, Almond Valley and Five Sisters Zoo have both reached the prestigious top 20 paid Scottish attractions category in recent years.	Support for Community Groups & Organisations (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21882	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	The development of a higher profile events programme with Party at the Palace, Spectacular Jousting in Linlithgow and the Illuminations at Five Sisters Zoo brings additional spend to West Lothian. This is supported by smaller events hosted all year round and delivered by volunteers which all contribute to raising the profile of West Lothian as a vibrant and creative destination. VisitScotland estimate that Film Tourism brings significant economic impact to Scotland and West Lothian is seeing strong growth in this area. There has been increased demand from production companies wanting to use the breadth of properties and landscapes in the locality. This often leads to a growth in visitor numbers to these sites. In particular 'Outlander' filming locations including Linlithgow Palace and Blackness Castle report visitor number increases between 2017/18 of 47% and 18%. Due to demand this has led to these venues extending opening hours and days which has had a direct positive impact on jobs. Film locations are particularly popular with international visitors which are the highest spenders at an average of Â£79 per overnight stay. The filming of drama's such as 'Outlaw King' at Linlithgow Palace this year and the release of the Mary, Queen of Scots film in 2018 offers West Lothian further opportunities to capitalise on the film tourism market. This is putting West Lothian on a worldwide stage as never before.	Support for Community Groups & Organisations (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21883	An employee of West Lothian Council	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	Not a worthwhile exercise for the costs to be saved.	Support for Community Groups & Organisations (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21884	An individual	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	You should have said what the priority areas were, and given examples of non-priority bodies who would lose out. The general principle is OK, but the language is again too opaque.	Support for Community Groups & Organisations (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council will continue to support community groups and organisations. However, support will be focused on the priority areas identified the Transforming Your Council consultation. Support will also be focused on those groups and organisations which can demonstrate the greatest impact on the overall priorities.
21885	An individual	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	I would agree in principal but I do not want those who are financially in need to miss out on any opportunities	Support for Community Groups & Organisations (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council will continue to support community groups and organisations. However, support will be focused on the priority areas identified the Transforming Your Council consultation. Support will also be focused on those groups and organisations which can demonstrate the greatest impact on the overall priorities.
21886	An individual	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	Again please make sure there are alternatives with capacity to cover the new gaps	Support for Community Groups & Organisations (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Potential impacts, risks and opportunities will be given further consideration by officers as work on this proposal progresses.
21887	An individual	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	a better use of facilities would improve services and save money	Support for Community Groups & Organisations (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	This comment will be considered in the development of the proposal.
21888	An individual	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	Some of those council services that are deemed to have the greatest impact, actually rely on the services of the voluntary sector to have that impact. The voluntary sector isn't simply a face value cost - it actually draws on the goodwill, time, effort, skills and passion of members of the public who give freely of their time for the benefit of others - many of whom will be directly affected by funding cuts across the different areas described.	Support for Community Groups & Organisations (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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21889	No Response	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	in agreement, only prioritize essential community groups such as dealing with the environment and other related priority organisations.	Support for Community Groups & Organisations (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council will continue to support community groups and organisations. However, support will be focused on the priority areas identified the Transforming Your Council consultation. Support will also be focused on those groups and organisations which can demonstrate the greatest impact on the overall priorities.
21890	An individual	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	leave our youth groups and things that are used and focus on the one's which don't get used even once	Support for Community Groups & Organisations (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	The council will continue to support community groups and organisations. However, support will be focused on the priority areas identified the Transforming Your Council consultation. Support will also be focused on those groups and organisations which can demonstrate the greatest impact on the overall priorities.
21891	No Response	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	How would these priorities be decided? There are groups whose primary purpose may not fall into these categories but whose work will have a consequential impact and this should be reflected in any assessment.	Support for Community Groups & Organisations (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Potential impacts, risks and opportunities will be given further consideration by officers as work on this proposal progresses.
21892	No Response	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	Voluntary and community groups often help support elements of the population that would otherwise become a cost to the council. These can be a lifeline to some of the most vulnerable members of society and can become a measure that prevents further service requirements. How are these priority areas being evaluated and is the opportunity cost being fully assessed prior to any funding cuts?	Support for Community Groups & Organisations (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	Consideration would be given to the anticipated impact of any reductions in support to community groups and organisations, including on the organisation itself and wider council provision. This will include consideration of negative and consequential impacts from removing support.
21893	An individual	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	I would like to see a published framework for deciding which groups will be supported and which not.	Support for Community Groups & Organisations (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21894	An individual	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	Agree. We are a wealthy enough society to support these groups ourselves, with fundraising etc. But do not touch those groups that help people in need.	Support for Community Groups & Organisations (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council will continue to support community groups and organisations. However, support will be focused on the priority areas identified in the Transforming Your Council consultation. Support will also be focused on those groups and organisations which can demonstrate the greatest impact on the overall priorities.
21895	No Response	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	This could have a negative impact on these groups who may be unable to find alternative funding and may have to cease valuable work.	Support for Community Groups & Organisations (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Consideration would be given to the anticipated impact of any reductions in support to community groups and organisations, including on the organisation itself and wider council provision. This will include consideration of negative and consequential impacts from removing support.
21896	An individual	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	rationalisation and streamlining needed here.	Support for Community Groups & Organisations (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21897	An individual	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	The funding in this area is crucial, and all are priority areas in this regard. Community groups of all types, community wings facilities, they are so important to improving qualities of life for many. You cut back here, the effect will be felt in higher costs elsewhere that you haven't foresaw, I reckon. If the council spend less, the community need supported to take on things themselves.	Support for Community Groups & Organisations (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council will continue to support community groups and organisations. However, support will be focused on the priority areas identified in the Transforming Your Council consultation. Support will also be focused on those groups and organisations which can demonstrate the greatest impact on the overall priorities. Consideration will be given to the anticipated impact of any reductions in support to community groups and organisations, including on the organisation itself and wider council provision. This will include consideration of negative and consequential impacts from removing support.

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21898	No Response	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	Activities undertaken in 'priority areas' needs to be robustly analysed and review to ensure maximum impact for money spent. We all recognise that certain areas are in need of support more than other but often in 'high priority areas' years of projects and groups and initiatives have come and gone and largely made no difference. Whilst I appreciate that there will always be priority areas, I feel that continually supporting these areas to no avail by removing the already limited support that non-priority areas get (and are often more grateful of) will work only to unintentionally widen the divide between 'priority' and 'non-priority' areas. I would suggest that, if money spent on measures in priority areas is making little real and robust difference, that the Council try lessening the divide by concentrating resources on communities as a whole, so perhaps spending in 'non-priority' areas is just as important to support the priority areas as well.	Support for Community Groups & Organisations (general)	5c. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it is not consistent with the council's values and priorities.	The council will continue to support community groups and organisations. However, support will be focused on the priority areas identified in the Transforming Your Council consultation. Support will also be focused on those groups and organisations which can demonstrate the greatest impact on the overall priorities. Consideration will be given to the anticipated impact of any reductions in support to community groups and organisations, including on the organisation itself and wider council provision. This will include consideration of negative and consequential impacts from removing support.
21899	An individual	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	Need to consult on what ar priority and non priority areas. Art and music are priorities.	Support for Community Groups & Organisations (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	The council consulted with the community, partners and stakeholders on the priorities in 2012 as part of the Delivering Better Outcomes consultation and again in 2017 as part of the Transforming Your Council consultation.
21900	No Response	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	Council should consult as what priority areas are.	Support for Community Groups & Organisations (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	The council consulted with the community, partners and stakeholders on the priorities in 2012 as part of the Delivering Better Outcomes consultation and again in 2017 as part of the Transforming Your Council consultation.
21901	No Response	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	If a review is necessary - so be it	Support for Community Groups & Organisations (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21902	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	There is increasing reliance on using voluntary services over a range of services yet this is an area where there have already been cuts. I agree however that it is importance to have an up to date overview of how voluntary services are used to ensure best value. West Lothian Museums Forum has already initiated a review of the provision of heritage services.	Support for Community Groups & Organisations (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21903	An individual	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	What are these non priority areas? Support to disabled children and their carers should definitely be a priority!	Support for Community Groups & Organisations (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	The council will continue to support community groups and organisations. Support will be focused on the priority areas identified the Transforming Your Council consultation. Support will also be focused on those groups and organisations which can demonstrate the greatest impact on the overall priorities.
21904	An individual	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	Community groups that give positive destinations for young people in evenings should be encouraged.	Support for Community Groups & Organisations (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	The council will continue to support community groups and organisations. However, support will be focused on the priority areas identified in the Transforming Your Council consultation. Support will also be focused on those groups and organisations which can demonstrate the greatest impact on the overall priorities. □
21905	An employee of West Lothian Council	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	The community empowerment act gives rights to community groups to become more involved in service delivery and take on assets. The council has also said that it wants to transfer assets to community groups. In order for this to work effectively these groups will need to be supported and so I do not agree that officer resource should be reduced. I agree that when giving financial resource to community groups there should be more robust reporting of outcomes and impact	Support for Community Groups & Organisations (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposed review will also consider the team which delivers support to groups to ensure that it is appropriately skilled and focused in terms of delivering support. These comments will be considered in the development of the proposal.
21906	An individual	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	Fund on an as needs basis and not to cash rich groups	Support for Community Groups & Organisations (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council will continue to support community groups and organisations. However, support will be focused on the priority areas identified in the Transforming Your Council consultation. Support will also be focused on those groups and organisations which can demonstrate the greatest impact on the overall priorities. □
21907	An individual	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	Our voluntary sector provides much need services I don't think there should be further cuts here	Support for Community Groups & Organisations (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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21908	An individual	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	Woolly statement and more clarification as to what services are impacted need to be clearer . I'm aware it has already decided where savings are to be made and this is just an engagement consultation however feedback will not impact on decisions already decided.	Support for Community Groups & Organisations (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	The council will continue to support community groups and organisations. However, support will be focused on the priority areas identified in the Transforming Your Council consultation. Support will also be focused on those groups and organisations which can demonstrate the greatest impact on the overall priorities. ☐
21909	An individual	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	I sincerely hope that the elderly day centres are not included in this. The elderly deserve somewhere safe to go to get a to meal & company. Leave Braid House out of it. They do a brilliant job & deserve more funding not less!	Support for Community Groups & Organisations (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council will continue to support community groups and organisations. However, support will be focused on the priority areas identified in the Transforming Your Council consultation. Support will also be focused on those groups and organisations which can demonstrate the greatest impact on the overall priorities. ☐
21910	An individual	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	Voluntary communities have opportunity to source income from charities, government and other organisations .	Support for Community Groups & Organisations (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council will continue to support community groups and organisations. However, support will be focused on the priority areas identified in the Transforming Your Council consultation. Support will also be focused on those groups and organisations which can demonstrate the greatest impact on the overall priorities.
21911	An individual	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	Why have you been wasting so much of our money up to this point?	Support for Community Groups & Organisations (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council will continue to support community groups and organisations. However, support will be focused on the priority areas identified in the Transforming Your Council consultation. Support will also be focused on those groups and organisations which can demonstrate the greatest impact on the overall priorities.
21912	An individual	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	A serious review is required of the umbrella bodies funded in West Lothian. More accountability for organisations such as Voluntary Sector Gateway is required. What do they actually achieve?? I would suggest more funding for the organisations actually doing the work in the community would be better value.	Support for Community Groups & Organisations (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council will continue to support community groups and organisations. However, support will be focused on the priority areas identified in the Transforming Your Council consultation. Support will also be focused on those groups and organisations which can demonstrate the greatest impact on the overall priorities. ☐
21913	An individual	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	Again it is prioritising to provide what is needed.	Support for Community Groups & Organisations (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21914	An individual	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	Maybe youth work on the street to try reduce vandalism etc	Support for Community Groups & Organisations (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	The council will continue to support community groups and organisations. However, support will be focused on the priority areas identified in the Transforming Your Council consultation. Support will also be focused on those groups and organisations which can demonstrate the greatest impact on the overall priorities.
21915	An individual	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	As 4a : [Concerned about the wider impact these changes may have and how these will be assessed.]	Support for Community Groups & Organisations (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council will continue to support community groups and organisations. However, support will be focused on the priority areas identified in the Transforming Your Council consultation. Support will also be focused on those groups and organisations which can demonstrate the greatest impact on the overall priorities. ☐
21916	An employee of West Lothian Council	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	gala day support should be withdrawn.	Support for Community Groups & Organisations (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council will continue to support community events and will work with groups and organisations. However, support will be focused on the priority areas identified the Transforming Your Council consultation. Support will also be focused on those events which can demonstrate the greatest impact on the overall priorities.

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21917	No Response	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	Please make sure mental health community groups are protected.	Support for Community Groups & Organisations (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The council will continue to support community events and will work with groups and organisations. However, support will be focused on the priority areas identified in the Transforming Your Council consultation. Support will also be focused on those events which can demonstrate the greatest impact on the overall priorities.
21918	An individual	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	Focus on more disadvantaged communities	Support for Community Groups & Organisations (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council will continue to support community groups and organisations. However, support will be focused on the priority areas identified in the Transforming Your Council consultation. Support will also be focused on those groups and organisations which can demonstrate the greatest impact on the overall priorities.
21919	An individual	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	This would be a very short sighted decision as the investment in these partnerships pays dividends within the communities the Council services for a fraction of the investment that it might end up costing as the communities are deprived. Social return on investment should be considered before removal!	Support for Community Groups & Organisations (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council will continue to support community groups and organisations. However, support will be focused on the priority areas identified in the Transforming Your Council consultation. Support will also be focused on those groups and organisations which can demonstrate the greatest impact on the overall priorities. <input type="checkbox"/>
21920	An individual	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	Need to keep enough knowledge, skills and expertise to provide support to community organisations. Organisations in most deprived areas to be prioritised.	Support for Community Groups & Organisations (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council will continue to support community groups and organisations. However, support will be focused on the priority areas identified in the Transforming Your Council consultation. Support will also be focused on those groups and organisations which can demonstrate the greatest impact on the overall priorities. <input type="checkbox"/>
21921	An individual	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	Each group should be assessed on its merits and the value of the service it delivers and if it assists any other council services at all.	Support for Community Groups & Organisations (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21922	An individual	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	Support should be aligned to Council priorities, with outcomes closely measured and repeat funding dependant upon demonstration of those outcomes.	Support for Community Groups & Organisations (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21923	An individual	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	As above - lets have a root and branch review of the service and delivery. It isn't necessary to increase costs when efficiencies can be identified. A business approach is what is needed to ensure the correct spending on items needed is controlled. Particularly my comments above regarding the groups paying for the services/building costs. In particular, I'm sure many of the facilities could be transferred to the groups, who'd then have fiscal responsibility (opposed to the council retaining financial liability).	Support for Community Groups & Organisations (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21924	An individual	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	Beware the law of unintended consequences, where you make savings on this but increase demand elsewhere - more kids on the street up to mischief, more isolation of older people and other vulnerable groups.	Support for Community Groups & Organisations (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council will continue to support community groups and organisations. However, support will be focused on the priority areas identified in the Transforming Your Council consultation. Support will also be focused on those groups and organisations which can demonstrate the greatest impact on the overall priorities. <input type="checkbox"/>
21925	An individual	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	Support the most needy especially children.	Support for Community Groups & Organisations (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The council will continue to support community groups and organisations. However, support will be focused on the priority areas identified in the Transforming Your Council consultation. Support will also be focused on those groups and organisations which can demonstrate the greatest impact on the overall priorities.
21926	An employee of West Lothian Council	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	The public at large are rarely aware of a lot of voluntary community groups and organisations. These services could be better utilised by better publication either in Bulletin, engagement with our schools, emails to council staff or by social media.	Support for Community Groups & Organisations (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21927	An individual	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	Any recipients of council support should be able to demonstrate effectiveness. There should be a single 'pot of money' and a consistent method of evaluation and allocation.	Support for Community Groups & Organisations (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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21928	An employee of West Lothian Council	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	Unfortunately this should be considered. If support can be provided to groups to gain funding through other channels can this be provided	Support for Community Groups & Organisations (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21929	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	As a substantial recipient of the Voluntary sector fund, I understand the need for outcome delivery and value for money. The third sector contribute significantly to our community, very often providing services to the most vulnerable. I would welcome, as other members do, the opportunity to discuss potential cuts to the Voluntary sector budget. We all understand budget constraints, however, we request these reductions are done through open discussion. As stated previously in my response, the [REDACTED] are currently operating a fund raising strategy to build up financial resources through other means than Council grants. Well structured, commissioned pieces of work will produce outcome based results, at times more cost effectively than when provided by Council services but clear plans and agreements need to be in place. I would welcome support to generate external funding through external sources and to deliver services in partnership. We are also working to increase our income generation through Social Enterprise Initiatives. There are many opportunities to secure matched funding. If cuts are to be made to the Voluntary sector can open discussion and negotiation take place over a phased process in order not to lose services but to develop new opportunities. I don't want to find out about a potential cut to our service by reading it in a final budget paper in February/ March if possible, as happened to us a couple of years ago. This does not allow for redundancy processes to be put in place, feedback to clients or alternate funding for essential services to be sourced.	Support for Community Groups & Organisations (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21930	An individual	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	Many agencies within West Lothian are run and managed by volunteers, indeed the workings of the county would grind to a standstill without them. It would be reasonable to review the effectiveness of what they offer prior to offering financial support, but caution is urged.	Support for Community Groups & Organisations (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21931	An individual	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	Review is essential but the budget should be increased to provide more in communities for less and council facilities should be used more efficiently to support voluntary and community groups and form part of the support.	Support for Community Groups & Organisations (general)	5d. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it has been previously considered and will not be progressed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21932	An individual	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	Agree, however you do need to be very sure that said services are properly qualified as being non-priority and that the alternatives do indeed deliver. Some of the voluntary groups you will no longer support may close and you require to be sure that no receiver of service falls through a gap.	Support for Community Groups & Organisations (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Consideration would be given to the anticipated impact of any reductions in support to community groups and organisations, including on the organisation itself and wider council provision. This will include consideration of negative and consequential impacts from removing support.
21933	An individual	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	Some of these community groups are supporting essential parts of our community and I would hope that they will continue to be supported.	Support for Community Groups & Organisations (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	The council will continue to support community groups and organisations. However, support will be focused on the priority areas identified in the Transforming Your Council consultation. Support will also be focused on those groups and organisations which can demonstrate the greatest impact on the overall priorities.
21934	An individual	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	Let them raise more funds	Support for Community Groups & Organisations (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Supporting organisations and groups to secure external funding will also be a feature of on-going support.
21935	No Response	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	STRONGLY DISAGREE. Community resilience is vital in this time of austerity.	Support for Community Groups & Organisations (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21936	An individual	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	Voluntary groups should be supported and encouraged. Eg. Groups which are taking over town gardening relieving the council of supplying and staffing this, not vital but, good for population morale.	Support for Community Groups & Organisations (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council will continue to support community groups and organisations. However, support will be focused on the priority areas identified in the Transforming Your Council consultation. Support will also be focused on those groups and organisations which can demonstrate the greatest impact on the overall priorities.

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21937	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	It is regrettable but not unexpected that further budget cuts are to affect West Lothian and whilst more time for real community engagement would have been welcomed, West Lothian Council has to be credited with making a genuine space for consultation, unlike other Local Authority areas where cuts are to be imposed without explanation or opportunity for challenge. The estimated £73 million budget gap follows on from a relentless and challenging ten-year period of streamlining services to balance the public purse. It is clear the scale of further challenge, whilst ensuring the most vulnerable have access to seamless support services at the point of need, will require all sectors to work effectively and efficiently together to maximise resources and attract other funding. Voluntary Sector Gateway West Lothian (VSGWL) has a role to play in facilitating organisations to leverage in additional funding from other sources. We are developing closer ties with funding bodies and will bring awareness of non-standard funding solutions to the sector. The Third Sector is a significant generator of income into West Lothian. Investment from West Lothian Council is often used to leverage other funding, which is unique to the Third Sector and delivers added value to our public pound. This additional income for West Lothian's communities and its people is, however, is often dependant on the stability of Council's core investment (Response from the Sector to the Consultation). Diminution of the investment from West Lothian Council will consequently reduce the ability of the Sector to attract other funding.	Support for Community Groups & Organisations (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21938	An individual	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	Voluntary Community groups should not be receiving financial help from WLC. If these groups are voluntary they should be self funding	Support for Community Groups & Organisations (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council will continue to support community groups and organisations. However, support will be focused on the priority areas identified in the Transforming Your Council consultation. Support will also be focused on those groups and organisations which can demonstrate the greatest impact on the overall priorities.
21939	An employee of West Lothian Council	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	Voluntary Community groups should not be receiving financial help from WLC. If these groups are voluntary they should be self funding.	Support for Community Groups & Organisations (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council will continue to support community groups and organisations. However, support will be focused on the priority areas identified in the Transforming Your Council consultation. Support will also be focused on those groups and organisations which can demonstrate the greatest impact on the overall priorities.
21940	No Response	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	Work together, train together, result together. Keep the ones that work collaboratively, streamlining services and activities. Do not though underestimate the value of the voluntary sector. Many a life has been saved through work carried out by people who help because they actually care. A more collaborative business model would work thus giving the voluntary sector more security which would bring better outcomes. This approach would mean less needless monitoring as results would be being achieved together.	Support for Community Groups & Organisations (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21941	An individual	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	This is positive but needs to be coupled with effective management of funding criterion and robust monitoring arrangements to ensure that the funding is not only being directed to appropriate outcomes but that those outcomes are being achieved	Support for Community Groups & Organisations (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21942	An individual	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	This could perhaps be reviewed as a shared service with other authorities and partner organisations?	Support for Community Groups & Organisations (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Consideration would be given to partnership opportunities across all sectors as part of the work to develop this proposal.
21943	An individual	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	It would have been beneficial if it was clearer which groups currently being supported would no longer receive this support. This comment applies to a lot of areas within this survey where the facts are not being stated but general words are used to disguise what is planned.	Support for Community Groups & Organisations (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	The council will continue to support community groups and organisations. However, support will be focused on the priority areas identified in the Transforming Your Council consultation. Support will also be focused on those groups and organisations which can demonstrate the greatest impact on the overall priorities. □

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21944	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	A focus on early intervention and prevention is essential to avoid peoples' issues escalating and becoming crises. There are key issues around parenting, early childhood development and a widening attainment gap in schools that need the support of local community organisations to effectively address. Health & wellbeing should be a priority, especially mental health and physical health. Through working together we can continue to be an effective partner in addressing these issues. The [REDACTED] would like to maximise the opportunities for partnership working, in family learning, early years and play provision for our most vulnerable families. Across Armadale and Blackridge we have the expertise and relationships with local people and the wider community, to deliver best practice and reduce any opportunities for duplication, thus delivering best value for all. The [REDACTED] is a net generator of income to West Lothian. Investment from West Lothian Council has been essential to leverage in other monies, which is unique to the Third Sector and it has delivered significant added value to our public pound. This additional income for our communities and its people has, however, been dependant on the stability of Council's core investment. Council funding for our work in Mayfield (& Blackridge) last year was only 44% of the total costs. £70, 863 (56%) was able to be levered into the community/project, directly due to Council's investment, which was used as match funding and/or demonstrated a trust & commitment to other potential funders. We would like to see a balance between focussing on regeneration areas, like Mayfield and Armadale and priority thematic groups, as many people in poverty do not live in regeneration areas and in-work poverty is a huge issue. Will the Council work with us to ensure that people in need of support have access where and when they need it?	Support for Community Groups & Organisations (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21945	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	Has an equality impact assessment been carried out for each of the budget proposals? It is essential that this is done at the earliest opportunity in order to assess what the impact will be on those in the protected characteristics groups and those already experiencing disadvantage. This will have an impact on the equality forums that the council supports (through funding and officer support). The [REDACTED] currently benefits from the Equality and Diversity Grant Scheme and has used this funding to arrange multicultural community events which are important for community integration, increasing understanding of race and race equality and celebrating diversity in our communities. The events also support the council's Equality Duty to foster good relations in the community. If this funding was no longer available to apply to, the forum would need to apply for more competitive external funding.	Support for Community Groups & Organisations (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Equality Impact Assessments will be undertaken as deemed necessary through the Equality Relevance Assessment process.
21946	An individual	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	As above comment. With these sort of savings it is doubtful if provision of more effective, flexible and affordable services can be provided.	Support for Community Groups & Organisations (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21947	An individual	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	voluntary groups need to be rationalised so they're more cost effective	Support for Community Groups & Organisations (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21948	An employee of West Lothian Council	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	Youth Clubs should be a priority Activities targeted at young woman should be prioritized as this will with assist in prevention of under age pregnancy associated with gangs	Support for Community Groups & Organisations (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21949	An employee of West Lothian Council	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	Again, there is no detail here - how have these savings been calculated? How does this fit with the intention to focus on community solutions and early intervention and prevention?	Support for Community Groups & Organisations (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	The council will continue to support community groups and organisations. However, support will be focused on the priority areas identified in the Transforming Your Council consultation. Support will also be focused on those groups and organisations which can demonstrate the greatest impact on the overall priorities.
21950	An individual	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	With a 20 year commitment to reduce the worst inequality this would be to the detriment of that aim.	Support for Community Groups & Organisations (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council will continue to support community groups and organisations. However, support will be focused on the priority areas identified in the Transforming Your Council consultation. Support will also be focused on those groups and organisations which can demonstrate the greatest impact on the overall priorities.

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21951	An individual	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	More details required before I am able to make any meaningful comment. Hopefully, the above does not mean that the quality of service to those who need this is not reduced.	Support for Community Groups & Organisations (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	The council will continue to support community groups and organisations. However, support will be focused on the priority areas identified in the Transforming Your Council consultation. Support will also be focused on those groups and organisations which can demonstrate the greatest impact on the overall priorities.
21952	An individual	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	Cuts have already been made here and communities and voluntary organisations again picking up the pieces not fair, open, honest or accountable at all - WLC you can no longer pride yourself on these values.	Support for Community Groups & Organisations (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council will continue to support community groups and organisations. However, support will be focused on the priority areas identified in the Transforming Your Council consultation. Support will also be focused on those groups and organisations which can demonstrate the greatest impact on the overall priorities. <input type="checkbox"/>
21953	An individual	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	Working with partners to deliver outcomes ensure that all communities within West Lothian are catered for, particularly the out-lying towns and villages which have suffered a bit from the centralisation of services, shopping etc. to Livingston.	Support for Community Groups & Organisations (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council will continue to support community groups and organisations. However, support will be focused on the priority areas identified in the Transforming Your Council consultation. Support will also be focused on those groups and organisations which can demonstrate the greatest impact on the overall priorities. <input type="checkbox"/>
21954	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	£600,000 it a pitifully small saving for what is in many instances a voluntary service supported by a small Council grant. We are absolutely opposed to any cuts to grants to LYPP and other groups in Linlithgow.	Support for Community Groups & Organisations (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council will continue to support community groups and organisations. However, support will be focused on the priority areas identified in the Transforming Your Council consultation. Support will also be focused on those groups and organisations which can demonstrate the greatest impact on the overall priorities. <input type="checkbox"/>
21955	An individual	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	There are too many simiral groups receiving grants. Again we must take responsibility here.	Support for Community Groups & Organisations (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21956	An employee of West Lothian Council	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	Stop officers spending excess time engaging with community groups who have failed to understand the community benefit process of service delivery.	Support for Community Groups & Organisations (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21957	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	In 4b, £600k, spread across the 5 years is £120kpa. This is about 8% of the Vol Orgs Budget each year, or if it is taken in year 1 would be about 40% of the Budget (£1.5M in 17/18). a. Is this budget from which the £600k is planned to come? b. What are the timescales for implementation of these cuts, as the figures shown are for the full 5-year period, eg. all in year 1, per annum, by year 5, frontloading, etc?	Support for Community Groups & Organisations (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council will continue to support community groups and organisations. However, support will be focused on the priority areas identified in the Transforming Your Council consultation. Support will also be focused on those groups and organisations which can demonstrate the greatest impact on the overall priorities. <input type="checkbox"/>
21958	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	Some organisations have funding outside of the Vol Orgs Budget, largely through commissioning, many through Social Policy and savings in these areas are referenced in 2d and 2f. Can we have further clarification about whether they include our local voluntary community groups and organisations and what the plans are for these?	Support for Community Groups & Organisations (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The council will continue to support community groups and organisations. However, support will be focused on the priority areas identified in the Transforming Your Council consultation. Support will also be focused on those groups and organisations which can demonstrate the greatest impact on the overall priorities. <input type="checkbox"/>
21959	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	What is Council's definition of voluntary community groups and organisations?	Support for Community Groups & Organisations (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	The council will continue to support community groups and organisations. However, support will be focused on the priority areas identified in the Transforming Your Council consultation. Support will also be focused on those groups and organisations which can demonstrate the greatest impact on the overall priorities. <input type="checkbox"/>
21960	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	What is meant by priority areas <input type="checkbox"/> are these just the geographical regeneration areas or do they include thematic groups like early years or older people?	Support for Community Groups & Organisations (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	The council will continue to support community groups and organisations. However, support will be focused on the priority areas identified in the Transforming Your Council consultation. Support will also be focused on those groups and organisations which can demonstrate the greatest impact on the overall priorities. <input type="checkbox"/>

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21961	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	What is meant by and is it possible to give an example of, ...where alternative programmes are more effective?	Support for Community Groups & Organisations (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	The council will continue to support community groups and organisations. However, support will be focused on the priority areas identified in the Transforming Your Council consultation. Support will also be focused on those groups and organisations which can demonstrate the greatest impact on the overall priorities. <input type="checkbox"/>
21962	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	How will impact, both financial and community, be assessed and reported on?	Support for Community Groups & Organisations (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	The council will continue to support community groups and organisations. However, support will be focused on the priority areas identified in the Transforming Your Council consultation. Support will also be focused on those groups and organisations which can demonstrate the greatest impact on the overall priorities. <input type="checkbox"/>
21963	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	What will the final decision making process be, eg. last time around the special PDSPs were pretty much a waste of everyone's time?	Support for Community Groups & Organisations (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	The council will continue to support community groups and organisations. However, support will be focused on the priority areas identified in the Transforming Your Council consultation. Support will also be focused on those groups and organisations which can demonstrate the greatest impact on the overall priorities. <input type="checkbox"/>
21964	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	How will input to the consultation be assessed, processed, responded to and acted upon?	Support for Community Groups & Organisations (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	The council will continue to support community groups and organisations. However, support will be focused on the priority areas identified in the Transforming Your Council consultation. Support will also be focused on those groups and organisations which can demonstrate the greatest impact on the overall priorities. <input type="checkbox"/>
21965	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	Will there be an appropriate notice period given for ceasing the funding for organisations, a.so that they can plan accordingly and adhere to appropriate redundancy processes? b. and so that assistance can be sought to ensure that beneficiaries are not left without appropriate support? Is there any other information or guidance which you can share with us that we can pass onto the sector at this time or which will help us to make the process as positively focussed as possible?	Support for Community Groups & Organisations (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The council will continue to support community groups and organisations. However, support will be focused on the priority areas identified in the Transforming Your Council consultation. Support will also be focused on those groups and organisations which can demonstrate the greatest impact on the overall priorities. <input type="checkbox"/>
21966	No Response	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	<p>██████████ is extremely concerned to hear of the reduction of support for Community Groups and organisations proposed by West Lothian Council. ██████████ ██████████ to establish and maintain a museum of local history in the town.</p> <p>Since these early years the museum, at Annet House in the High Street has established itself in the local community. Both townspeople and visitors to the town have commented most favourably about the quality and scholarship of the exhibitions. The museum plays a significant part in contributing to West Lothian Council's key priorities. Delivering positive outcomes and early intervention for early years. Supporting children and young people to get the best possible start in life. Improving attainment and positive destinations for school children. Improving the quality of learning and teaching in our schools and helping young children to succeed. Improving the quality of life for older people. Supporting older people by offering care and support that helps them to live well and have greater control, choice and independence. Next year the museum will move into the Linlithgow Partnership Centre presently being created in the former County Buildings. Also moving to the Centre is Linlithgow Library, the Local History Library, and the West Lothian Family History Society This will create a Heritage Hub which will provide, under one roof the opportunity for local people, visitors and scholars to explore the rich heritage of West Lothian. The project to move the museum from its present home in Annet House and to establish it in the Centre is estimated to cost £750000. The new museum will include an education suite designed to meet the needs, not only of children but also the provision of reminiscence sessions for older people. Application has been made to the Heritage Lottery Fund> If successful that will still leave a significant amount of money that the Trust will be required to raise. West Lothian Council are supporting the project and any loss of funding because of the cuts now proposed by the Council would be disastrous for the project. Preservation and presentation of Linlithgow's rich heritage brings benefits not only to the town but also to West Lothian generally by attracting tourism to the area. Tourism, however, is not the only beneficiary. The opportunity to learn of Linlithgow's role in the history of Scotland is enhanced by the presentation of that history in an accessible way. Schools not only within Linlithgow, but across the whole of West Lothian and beyond visit Linlithgow, its museums and its historic buildings and gain, as a result, a greater understanding of our rich past. Continued support for the new museum is essential, the funding for Linlithgow</p>	Support for Community Groups & Organisations (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council will continue to support community groups and organisations. Support will be focused on the priority areas identified the Transforming Your Council consultation. Support will also be focused on those groups and organisations which can demonstrate the greatest impact on the overall priorities.

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21967	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	4b. Support for Community Groups & Organisations	How can WLSEN help? - WLSEN is a member-led organisation comprises of 55 social enterprises working in West Lothian. WLSEN represents social enterprises at the Third Sector Strategy Group and engages fully in the Third Sector Forum. WLSEN works in partnership on a contract basis with the Voluntary Sector Gateway West Lothian to deliver Third Sector Interface outcomes for social enterprise. This contract arrangement is innovative and unique in Scotland, and demonstrates the power and practical application of partnership working. WLSEN also receives investment funding from West Lothian Council to promote and support the development of an Enterprising Third Sector, focussing on the social enterprise model to create thriving and financially strong organisations that generate increasing proportions of their income through trade, and become less reliant on grants. WLSEN member organisations work on a business model and fully appreciate the need to make efficiency and budgetary savings in order to 'balance the books'. Social entrepreneurs are also highly capable of making difficult decisions and coming up with innovative solutions. WLSEN appreciated therefore that current historical grant funding to Third Sector organisations cannot continue without evidence of outcomes and value. The Third Sector is willing to face responsibility and challenges to reduce its own costs. More and better partnership working will help to reduce common costs and shared services are being explored. WLSEN would ask Council to fully consider timescales for any reduction or removal of funding. It takes time to move forward from a funded basis to an income generating enterprise, and not all Third Sector organisations can aim for full financial independence. WLSEN would like the Third Sector to be provided with a reasonable opportunity and the necessary support to help the transition to maximise income generation and become stronger, more resilient organisations that deliver services and social benefit to their communities.	Support for Community Groups & Organisations (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council will continue to support community groups and organisations. However, support will be focused on the priority areas identified the Transforming Your Council consultation. Support will also be focused on those groups and organisations which can demonstrate the greatest impact on the overall priorities. The council will continue to work with groups and organisations to explore alternative funding streams
21968	An individual	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	Good Idea so long as employment generation is high on the list of council priorities	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21969	An employee of West Lothian Council	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	If this can provide the necessary savings then this should be pursued.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21970	An employee of West Lothian Council	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	not statutory- says it all. Give a time frame and cut support	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21971	No Response	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	Agree to all suggested proposals	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21972	An employee of West Lothian Council	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	I agree with this.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21973	An individual	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	Fine.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21974	An employee of West Lothian Council	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21975	An employee of West Lothian Council	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	Supportive of this proposal.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21976	An individual	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	no issue	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21977	No Response	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	I agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21978	An employee of West Lothian Council	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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21979	An individual	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	I agree.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21980	An individual	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	Ok	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21981	An employee of West Lothian Council	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	Yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21982	An individual	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	We could live without this. Other support for these people.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21983	No Response	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	Scrap it	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21984	An individual	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	Agree 100%.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21985	An employee of West Lothian Council	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	AGree. Luxury with little outcome	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21986	An employee of West Lothian Council	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	this seems a reasonable statement	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21987	An individual	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	Agree this proposal.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21988	No Response	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	Have no objection	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21989	An individual	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	absolutely. this should be reviewed.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21990	An employee of West Lothian Council	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	Totally makes sense	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21991	An individual	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	If they are not a statutory function they should not be given Council budget support.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21992	An employee of West Lothian Council	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	Cease service as non statutory	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21993	An individual	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	I imagine that is the plan anyway.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21994	An individual	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21995	An employee of West Lothian Council	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21996	An employee of West Lothian Council	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	fine	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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21997	An employee of West Lothian Council	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	Seems fair.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21998	An employee of West Lothian Council	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	Agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
21999	An individual	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	Good idea	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22000	An individual	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	Good idea	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22001	An employee of West Lothian Council	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22002	An individual	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	Fine.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22003	An individual	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22004	No Response	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	Great	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22005	No Response	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	I agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22006	An employee of West Lothian Council	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	Happy with this	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22007	An individual	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22008	An employee of West Lothian Council	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22009	An individual	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22010	An individual	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	Sounds sensible.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22011	An individual	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	happy with this	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22012	An employee of West Lothian Council	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22013	An individual	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22014	An individual	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22015	No Response	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	I agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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22016	An individual	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	Agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22017	An individual	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22018	An individual	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	Agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22019	An employee of West Lothian Council	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	Understandable.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22020	An employee of West Lothian Council	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	Sounds fair.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22021	An individual	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22022	An individual	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	Positive	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22023	An employee of West Lothian Council	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	Agreed.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22024	An employee of West Lothian Council	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	Support this proposal	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22025	An individual	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	go ahead with the savings	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22026	An individual	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	Hard but fair	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22027	An individual	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	sounds practical	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22028	An individual	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	Achievable	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22029	An individual	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	I support this change	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22030	An individual	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	I agree with the Council's proposals for the moment to see how they all work out. Thank you.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22031	An employee of West Lothian Council	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	Seems obvious.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22032	An individual	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	If it's not a statutory requirement, scrap it.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22033	An individual	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	Get rid of the funding.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22034	An individual	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	BIDs should be entirely business funded	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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22035	An individual	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	Don't like Bids money for nothing in my opinion	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22036	An individual	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	Yes ... make a saving here.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22037	An individual	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	Agreed and if they continue then some way of recouping the initial outlay should be considered.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22038	An individual	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	Ditch BIDS. Waste of money.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22039	No Response	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	I agree with the proposal	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22040	An individual	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	Agree with this completely.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22041	An employee of West Lothian Council	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	Not needed. We have more important issues to deal with. This is a nice to have service not essential.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22042	An employee of West Lothian Council	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	Again feel this is a good idea.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22043	An employee of West Lothian Council	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22044	An individual	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	sounds good to me	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22045	An employee of West Lothian Council	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	Sounds good to me!	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22046	An individual	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	Sounds reasonable.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22047	An individual	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	no issue with this	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22048	An individual	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	Agree.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22049	An employee of West Lothian Council	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22050	An individual	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	Agree.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22051	No Response	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22052	An individual	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	Not before time.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22053	An individual	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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22054	An individual	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	ok	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22055	An individual	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	Agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22056	An individual	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	I support this	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22057	An individual	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	Agree.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22058	An individual	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	Good	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22059	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	good idea	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22060	No Response	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	I agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22061	An individual	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	AGREED	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22062	An individual	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	This sounds reasonable.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22063	No Response	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	Sounds fine.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22064	An individual	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	Agree.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22065	An individual	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	Seems reasonable	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22066	An individual	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	Makes sense	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22067	No Response	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	Agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22068	An individual	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	Yes, agreed.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22069	An employee of West Lothian Council	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22070	An individual	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22071	An individual	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	I would support this.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22072	An employee of West Lothian Council	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22073	An employee of West Lothian Council	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	I agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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22074	An employee of West Lothian Council	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	Good	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22075	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	ok	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22076	An individual	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	Good Idea	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22077	No Response	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	I agree with this proposal	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22078	No Response	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	Agree with this proposal	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22079	An employee of West Lothian Council	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	Agree.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22080	An individual	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	Acceptable.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22081	An individual	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	I agree with this.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22082	An individual	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	Agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22083	No Response	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22084	An individual	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22085	An employee of West Lothian Council	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	I agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22086	An employee of West Lothian Council	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	agree with proposal	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22087	An individual	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	Ok	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22088	An individual	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	I agree with this proposal	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22089	An employee of West Lothian Council	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22090	An employee of West Lothian Council	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	ok	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22091	An employee of West Lothian Council	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	Agreed.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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22092	An individual	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	I support this.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22093	An employee of West Lothian Council	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22094	An individual	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	Yes I agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22095	An employee of West Lothian Council	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	These are non-essential services which should be cut.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22096	An individual	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	Don't have a problem with that.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22097	An employee of West Lothian Council	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	I agree - this needs to be self funding.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22098	An employee of West Lothian Council	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	This seems appropriate.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22099	An individual	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	A revision should be carried out as it is not a statutory function.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22100	An employee of West Lothian Council	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	I have no knowledge of this service but would imagine that it would reduce the investment in the area which would be unfortunate-however if self-sustaining then ok	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22101	An employee of West Lothian Council	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	I believe as big a saving on this as possible should be made.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22102	An employee of West Lothian Council	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	Sounds ok.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22103	An individual	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	I have no objection to this.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22104	An individual	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	Sounds sensible.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22105	An individual	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	Good idea	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22106	An employee of West Lothian Council	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	Agree with this proposal.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22107	An employee of West Lothian Council	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	Would agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22108	An individual	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	I agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22109	An individual	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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22110	An individual	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	Agree.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22111	An individual	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	Go for it	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22112	An individual	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	Seems reasonable.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22113	No Response	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	This makes sense.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22114	An employee of West Lothian Council	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	Ok.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22115	An individual	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	Makes sense.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22116	An individual	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	ok	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22117	An employee of West Lothian Council	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	Agreed.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22118	An individual	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	Sounds sensible	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22119	An individual	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	Sounds reasonable	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22120	An employee of West Lothian Council	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	Agree with this proposal.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22121	An individual	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22122	An employee of West Lothian Council	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	Sounds good	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22123	An individual	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	Agree with this proposal. Towns can self support such activities within Commerce Groups not requiring council funding.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22124	An individual	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	It doesn't cost that much and if they are sustainable after the set up period then I don't see the issue	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22125	An individual	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	Seems like an overdue idea	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22126	An individual	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	I have not heard great feedback on zthe BIDs scheme in Linlithgow to date.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22127	An individual	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	Waste of money. They put up some lights and came up with pub crawl ideas. A total waste of money. Their whole idea seems to be to make Linlithgow the same as every other town with s dozen empty properties on the high street.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22128	An employee of West Lothian Council	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	Agree â€ funding gaps could be met by bid members	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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22129	An employee of West Lothian Council	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	Agreed BIDS should not receive match-funding. If the BIDs are no longer viable without council support they should be allowed to cease operating.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22130	An individual	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	I support. They should self-fund.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22131	An individual	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	Agree, I don't find it suitable that the Council subsidises two towns with an improvement district. Residents and businesses in the new housing developments are having to fund the communal areas with a charge over and above their council tax/NDR	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22132	An employee of West Lothian Council	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	I would support this since they are not a statutory function.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22133	An individual	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	I agree with the above.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22134	An employee of West Lothian Council	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	This sounds fair	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22135	An individual	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	Agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22136	An individual	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	Agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22137	An employee of West Lothian Council	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	Agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22138	An individual	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	Not before time.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22139	An individual	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	Realistic	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22140	An employee of West Lothian Council	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	This appears to be a reasonable proposal.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22141	An individual	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22142	No Response	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	Agreed.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22143	An individual	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22144	An individual	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22145	An individual	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22146	An individual	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22147	An individual	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	I agree with this saving.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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22148	An individual	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	Ok	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22149	An employee of West Lothian Council	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22150	No Response	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	Agreed.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22151	No Response	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	Good idea.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22152	An individual	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	Yes.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22153	An individual	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	Agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22154	An individual	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	I would support this	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22155	No Response	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	Do it	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22156	An individual	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	Good.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22157	No Response	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22158	An employee of West Lothian Council	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	Totally agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22159	An employee of West Lothian Council	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22160	No Response	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22161	An employee of West Lothian Council	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22162	An employee of West Lothian Council	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	I agree with this proposal	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22163	An individual	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	I agree with this proposal	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22164	An employee of West Lothian Council	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	Agreed.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22165	An employee of West Lothian Council	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	Agree.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22166	An individual	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	fine	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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22167	An individual	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	I agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22168	An employee of West Lothian Council	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	I agree with this.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22169	An individual	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	okay	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22170	An individual	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	Supported	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22171	An individual	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	okay	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22172	An individual	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	This seems appropriate	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22173	An individual	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	ok	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22174	An individual	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22175	An individual	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	Agree with this	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22176	An individual	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22177	An employee of West Lothian Council	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	Agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22178	An individual	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	Good call!	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22179	An employee of West Lothian Council	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	Agree.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22180	An employee of West Lothian Council	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	Good idea.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22181	An individual	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	Removed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22182	An employee of West Lothian Council	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	4c Agreed, BIDs should be sustainable once set up. This should be about empowering the business community but they must take ownership.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22183	An individual	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	This is supported.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22184	An individual	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	I have no issues with this.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22185	An individual	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	Agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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22186	An individual	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22187	An individual	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	Agree that this should be done - it is non statutory and should not be sustained by WLC contributions.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22188	An individual	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	Review supported.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22189	An individual	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	I agree with this.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22190	An individual	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	Agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22191	An individual	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	Support	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22192	An individual	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	Agreed.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22193	An individual	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	I support a review.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22194	An employee of West Lothian Council	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	Agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22195	An individual	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	Agree with this.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22196	An individual	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	Good idea	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22197	An individual	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22198	No Response	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	OK	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22199	An employee of West Lothian Council	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	Agreed.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22200	An employee of West Lothian Council	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	Good idea	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22201	An individual	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	Good	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22202	An employee of West Lothian Council	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22203	An individual	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22204	An individual	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22205	An individual	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	Ok	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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22206	An employee of West Lothian Council	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	Agree with this completely	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22207	An individual	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	Makes sense - non core	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22208	No Response	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	ok by me	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22209	An employee of West Lothian Council	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	I think this should be reviewed as it is not a statutory function.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22210	An individual	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	Don't know what these are and what they do - on that basis I agree that I would prefer the £200,000 is spent on something that really matters like schools or care for elderly.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22211	An individual	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	Seems fine	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22212	An individual	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	This sounds reasonable.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22213	An individual	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	I agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22214	An employee of West Lothian Council	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	I agree with this proposal.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22215	An individual	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	Accepted.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22216	An individual	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22217	An individual	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	Agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22218	An individual	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	Fine	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22219	An individual	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22220	An individual	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	ok	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22221	An individual	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	Agree.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22222	An individual	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22223	An individual	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	Agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22224	An individual	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	No problem with this	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22225	An individual	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	I agree with above	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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22226	An individual	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	Agreed Non-statutory services must justify their existence by either income/savings/outcomes delivered.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22227	An individual	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	As BIDS are not a statutory function they should be left to be self sustainable.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22228	An individual	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	Sounds sensible, should probably be a central government function anyway.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22229	An individual	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	Agree that this should stop. I'm not convinced of the effectiveness of such initiatives	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22230	An individual	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	I don't think BIDS are effective, therefore agree with this.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22231	An employee of West Lothian Council	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	Strongly agree - BIDS must be self sufficient.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22232	An individual	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	Ok in principle	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22233	An individual	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	I support these savings	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22234	An individual	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22235	An individual	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	strongly agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22236	An individual	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	Support	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22237	An individual	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22238	An individual	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	Agree.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22239	An employee of West Lothian Council	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	Yes.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22240	An individual	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	OK	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22241	An individual	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	I agree.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22242	An individual	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	Agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22243	An individual	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22244	An employee of West Lothian Council	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	I agree.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22245	An individual	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	Agree.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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22246	No Response	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	Agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22247	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	Agreed.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22248	An employee of West Lothian Council	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22249	No Response	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22250	An individual	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	Fine with this	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22251	An employee of West Lothian Council	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	Yes I agree with this.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22252	An employee of West Lothian Council	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22253	An individual	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	Fine	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22254	An individual	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	Agree.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22255	An individual	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	Sounds fine.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22256	An individual	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	acceptable	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22257	An individual	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	OK	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22258	An individual	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	Agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22259	An individual	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	Agreed -	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22260	An individual	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	I completely agree with this.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22261	An employee of West Lothian Council	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	This makes sense. As they have been set up for sometime they should now continue without council support.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22262	An individual	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	These are desirable, but are not core services given austerity required they should be cut	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22263	An individual	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	Good	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22264	An employee of West Lothian Council	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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22265	An employee of West Lothian Council	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	ok	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22266	An employee of West Lothian Council	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	I agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22267	An employee of West Lothian Council	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22268	An employee of West Lothian Council	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22269	An individual	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	I agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22270	An individual	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22271	An individual	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	Look okay as it is possible to evaluate given the vague descriptions given in the 'Transforming Your Council'	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22272	An individual	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	I support this as we need to protect council statutory services	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22273	An individual	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	I agree with the proposal.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22274	An individual	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	All proposals are sound.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22275	An individual	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	Noone	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22276	An individual	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	Not worth the savings	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22277	An individual	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	There should be no changes to the existing!	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22278	An individual	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	Are BIDS not taking on duties of council...why would the small amount of support be cut?	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22279	An individual	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	no	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22280	An individual	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	None	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22281	An employee of West Lothian Council	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	Should be withdrawn as proposed	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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22282	An employee of West Lothian Council	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	No comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22283	An employee of West Lothian Council	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	I don't know enough about this service to comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22284	An individual	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	This statement is too general to elicit a comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22285	An individual	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	Unsure about this initiative.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22286	An employee of West Lothian Council	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	unable to respond	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22287	An employee of West Lothian Council	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	Again there is a lack of information to provide comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22288	An individual	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	I do not know enough to comment.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22289	An employee of West Lothian Council	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	no comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22290	An individual	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	N/A	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22291	An individual	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	No comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22292	An employee of West Lothian Council	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	N/A	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22293	An employee of West Lothian Council	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	No comment.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22294	An individual	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	Hard to comment without further information.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22295	An employee of West Lothian Council	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	not enough info	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22296	An employee of West Lothian Council	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	Not enough information to add a comment.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22297	An employee of West Lothian Council	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	What are Business Improvement Districts?	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22298	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	I don't know what this service does. Not enough information	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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22299	An individual	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	Not sure what this means	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22300	An employee of West Lothian Council	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	âœ“ï, □	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22301	An individual	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	I haven't heard of BIDS.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22302	An individual	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	I don't understand budgeting advantages and restraints enough to comment.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22303	An employee of West Lothian Council	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	I dont not know wat this means	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22304	An individual	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	I don't understand this	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22305	An individual	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	?	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22306	An employee of West Lothian Council	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	I do not know what these are.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22307	An individual	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	I know nothing about this	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22308	An individual	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	Doesn't tell me what BIDS does, who they are, what they do or who they help. So against this due to lack of information.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22309	An employee of West Lothian Council	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	I am not in a position to comment on this	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22310	An individual	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	Not sure what this initiative is.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22311	An individual	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	no comment to make.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22312	An individual	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	No comment on this	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22313	An employee of West Lothian Council	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	Do not know what this is and unable to comment.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22314	An individual	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	No comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22315	An individual	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	-	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22316	No Response	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	No comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22317	An individual	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	no comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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22318	An individual	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	No comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22319	An employee of West Lothian Council	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	Unable to comment.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22320	An employee of West Lothian Council	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	Unable to comment.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22321	No Response	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	not sure	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22322	An employee of West Lothian Council	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	N/a	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22323	An employee of West Lothian Council	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	Don't know what this means.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22324	An individual	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	No comment.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22325	An individual	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	No comment.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22326	No Response	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	No comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22327	An individual	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	Unsure as to what this is	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22328	An individual	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	Oh dear	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22329	An employee of West Lothian Council	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	No comment as don't know enough.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22330	No Response	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	dgdg	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22331	An employee of West Lothian Council	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	Not able to comment as it is not known in what BIDS function is/does - i.e not examples!	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22332	An individual	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	No Comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22333	An employee of West Lothian Council	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	No comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22334	An individual	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	Unsure.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22335	An individual	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	No comment.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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22336	An employee of West Lothian Council	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	No comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22337	An individual	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	Never heard of this	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22338	An individual	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	More information is needed	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22339	An individual	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	I am not familiar with this area so cannot comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22340	An individual	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	Most people don't even know what BIDs area and do will find answering this question difficult.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22341	An individual	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	Don't understand	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22342	No Response	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	Don't understand this	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22343	An individual	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	no comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22344	An individual	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	no comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22345	An individual	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	Don't know enough to comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22346	An individual	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	noted	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22347	An individual	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	No comments	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22348	An individual	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	Not sure what this means. More clarity needed	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22349	An individual	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	I do not know enough about this to comment,	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22350	An individual	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	No comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22351	No Response	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	Don't know enough to comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22352	An employee of West Lothian Council	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	Don't know enough about this to comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22353	An employee of West Lothian Council	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	I do not understand this and therefore cannot comment.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22354	An individual	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	don't know what this is	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22355	An employee of West Lothian Council	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	no comment.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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22356	An employee of West Lothian Council	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	don't know enough about it to comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22357	No Response	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	I do not know enough about this or have sufficient information above to be able to comment.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22358	An individual	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	No comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22359	An employee of West Lothian Council	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	No comments	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22360	An employee of West Lothian Council	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	NO COMMENT	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22361	An individual	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	Don't know what this is	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22362	An individual	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	No comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22363	An individual	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	no comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22364	An individual	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	?	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22365	An individual	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	Haven't a clue what this is? Common theme throughout all these proposals and asking for our views is that WE DON'T HAVE THE NECESSARY INFORMATION OR KNOWLEDGE of most of what is being talked about/proposed.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22366	An individual	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	No comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22367	An individual	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	No comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22368	An individual	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	No comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22369	An individual	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	No comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22370	An employee of West Lothian Council	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	N/a	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22371	No Response	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	Don't know anything about this.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22372	An individual	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	No knowledge, cannot comment.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22373	An individual	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	Proposal is too unspecific to comment but surely if they are paying a higher rate of council tax they have to get something back!	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22374	An individual	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	Do you mean cut rather than reviewed? If so, say that! In principle I agree	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22375	An individual	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	Not quite sure what Bids in LinlithgowTown centre do as the town centre has deteriorated over the last few years.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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22376	An individual	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	no comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22377	An individual	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	Eh?	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22378	An individual	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	No knowledge	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22379	An employee of West Lothian Council	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	I am unsure what this involves - more information should have been provided to allow a more comprehensive response!!	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22380	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	We do not believe we have the knowledge or experience of this area to be able to make an informed comment on it.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22381	An individual	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	Noted	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22382	An employee of West Lothian Council	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	The council have not provided enough indepth information for me to make an informed comment on this, as all information about this whole consultation is more secret that area 51.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22383	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	Not enough knowledge to comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22384	An individual	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	Nil	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22385	An individual	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	More info needed.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22386	An employee of West Lothian Council	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	Unable to comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22387	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	No comments	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22388	An individual	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	Don't know what this is.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22389	An employee of West Lothian Council	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	There is no informatoin to comment.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22390	An employee of West Lothian Council	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	no comments on this.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22391	An individual	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	No idea what they are	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22392	An individual	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	unable to comment as not in plain english	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22393	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	No Comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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22394	An individual	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	Don't understand	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22395	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	no comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22396	An employee of West Lothian Council	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	I cannot comment on this	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22397	An individual	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	no detail so unable to comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22398	An individual	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	Insufficient information to comment.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22399	An individual	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	No comment.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22400	An individual	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	No comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22401	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	As an organisation that the Council works with and supports by jointly-employing a member of our staff for the [REDACTED], we are concerned about how the potential redesign, integration and modernisation of the system will impact on our existing business practices but, more importantly, on our employee themselves, who has been left in a perpetual state of uncertainty for several years, due to the rolling temporary contract they were placed on being renewed on an ongoing basis. The latest proposed budget cuts, which indicate a review of service redesign and partnership working, as well as the review of business improvement district funding, will undoubtedly have an impact on our employee's job stability, which in turn has an impact on [REDACTED] ability to continue operating on a day-to-day basis and to plan for the future if we are unable to guarantee our existing way of working and the manner in which we operate in partnership with West Lothian Council.	Support to Business Improvement Districts (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22402	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	As discussed in the first section, [REDACTED] employs a member of staff who works for the [REDACTED] as well as performing the role of [REDACTED] meaning the council should not make unilateral decisions on anything that impacts the employee's status without discussing this with the respective business improvement district's Board of Directors' first, to ensure that the interests of all parties are observed, prior to any action being taken.	Support to Business Improvement Districts (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22403	An individual	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	Whilst nice to have, some of these services cannot be provided by WLC in future.	Support to Business Improvement Districts (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22404	An employee of West Lothian Council	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	END SERVICE ALLOW STAND ALONE.	Support to Business Improvement Districts (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22405	An individual	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	What has this service ever actually delivered? I don't see a lot of thriving businesses in town centres in West Lothian, except Livingston.	Support to Business Improvement Districts (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22406	An employee of West Lothian Council	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	Needs to be assessed against the success of the BIDS in drawing inward investment and jobs	Support to Business Improvement Districts (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22407	An employee of West Lothian Council	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	BIDS have to learn to stand on their own two feet. Great idea but the business community must take on the responsibility for these. They have as much expertise as council staff do.	Support to Business Improvement Districts (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22408	An individual	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	Funding should be cut to non essential services.	Support to Business Improvement Districts (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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22409	An employee of West Lothian Council	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	it is not clear which groups would loose funding (ie what are the non priority areas) - without knowing this it is impossible to comment on whether these may be areas which may prevent a higher level of need developing	Support to Business Improvement Districts (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	The council will continue to support community groups and organisations. However, support will be focused on the priority areas identified the Transforming Your Council consultation. Support will also be focused on those groups and organisations which can demonstrate the greatest impact on the overall priorities. Recognising possible 'secondary' impacts will be a feature of this assessment.
22410	An employee of West Lothian Council	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	I am not able to comment on this	Support to Business Improvement Districts (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22411	An individual	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	I have never heard of this service before and I am sure I would not miss it if it was withdrawn	Support to Business Improvement Districts (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22412	An employee of West Lothian Council	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	I am unsure what benefit BIDS are providing to the Council over and above what other staff/council areas may be doing already so think funding should be withdrawn by the Council.	Support to Business Improvement Districts (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22413	An individual	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	there should be no funding for BIDS	Support to Business Improvement Districts (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22414	An individual	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	These are a waste of resources and there is no evidence to support or justify having these. They merely displace economic activity.	Support to Business Improvement Districts (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22415	No Response	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	I support this measure as I don't think the improvements in Bathgate town centre have been necessary. Seems like spending for spending's sake. Also, why should this funding be spent in the BID areas when they are not the ones that need it most?	Support to Business Improvement Districts (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22416	An individual	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	Most people won't have a clue what these are so just get rid of.	Support to Business Improvement Districts (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22417	An employee of West Lothian Council	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	We still cannot see our town centres fall apart. Look at Whitburn, how can you attract business if it is deserted	Support to Business Improvement Districts (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22418	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	[REDACTED] has been part funded by West Lothian Council to provide a range of early intervention services for children, young people and families who are experiencing difficulties and challenges as a result of divorce, separation and family break up e.g. family mediation, parenting apart workshops, child contact, for many years. The focus of our work is family relationships and improving the quality of lives for children. We receive match funding from the Scottish Government, Lottery and other trusts. The profile of the families who use our services has changed over the years and we are now providing a service for families experiencing greater challenges e.g. alcohol abuse, mental health issues, low income, child protection and domestic abuse. We are seeing an increasing demand for our services. The contribution from the council is much appreciated and means that families can continue to access services in Livingston and Whitburn. We appreciate that the council has difficult decisions to make and appreciate being consulted and kept in the loop,	Support to Business Improvement Districts (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22419	An individual	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	Support proposal and remove funding if the review does not find that any real benefits are found.	Support to Business Improvement Districts (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22420	An individual	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	Kill off all non statutory non contracted funding.	Support to Business Improvement Districts (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22421	An individual	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	They seem to be run by volunteers anyway.	Support to Business Improvement Districts (general)	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22422	An individual	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	If this is the case then why has it not already been done. Seems too simple	Support to Business Improvement Districts (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	There are existing agreements in place to match fund BID areas, the last of which expires in 2019/20.

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22423	An employee of West Lothian Council	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	Look at the state of Whitburn town centre, come on!!	Support to Business Improvement Districts (general)	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	The BIDS in West Lothian are in Bathgate and Linlithgow so the proposals should have no impact, on Whitburn.
22424	An individual	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	Whitburn town centre needs a boost for instance. Once proud it has slipped	Support to Business Improvement Districts (general)	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	The BIDS in West Lothian are in Bathgate and Linlithgow so the proposals should have no impact, on Whitburn.
22425	An individual	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	I am not clear what BIDS currently undertake so I have no view of the potential impact.	Support to Business Improvement Districts (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	BIDs are a geographically defined, business-led initiative where businesses agree to invest collectively to improve their trading environment within a fixed period of time (e.g. 5 year term).
22426	An employee of West Lothian Council	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	Reducing funding will be counter productive and shift the burden rather than remove it	Support to Business Improvement Districts (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	BID funding was never intended to be provided in perpetuity and was there to support the establishment of the BIDS and to support them in becoming sustainable without on-going financial support from the council.
22427	An individual	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	Do not understand the proposal to make an informed choice - what does a BID actually do for the community? Not a clue!	Support to Business Improvement Districts (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	BIDs are a geographically defined, business-led initiative where businesses agree to invest collectively to improve their trading environment within a fixed period of time (e.g. 5 year term). The council currently supports the investment of these businesses through match funding.
22428	An employee of West Lothian Council	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	I couldn't comment because I am unsure what the purpose of this service is.	Support to Business Improvement Districts (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	BIDs are a geographically defined, business-led initiative where businesses agree to invest collectively to improve their trading environment within a fixed period of time (e.g. 5 year term). The council currently supports the investment of these businesses through match funding.
22429	An individual	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	Stick to statutory duties.	Support to Business Improvement Districts (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22430	No Response	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	If not statutory funding should end.	Support to Business Improvement Districts (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22431	An individual	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	agree. the move after the initial set up needs to be instant.	Support to Business Improvement Districts (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22432	An employee of West Lothian Council	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	Town centres are critical to the heart of any area and significant work and regeneration has taken place in these towns. This is a nominal saving in the wider scheme but could have a significantly detrimental and very visible impact.	Support to Business Improvement Districts (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	BID funding was never intended to be provided in perpetuity and was there to support the establishment of the BIDS and to support them in becoming sustainable without on-going financial support from the council.
22433	An employee of West Lothian Council	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	Can you be more specific please.	Support to Business Improvement Districts (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	The council will continue to support community groups and organisations. However, support will be focused on the priority areas identified in the Transforming Your Council consultation. Support will also be focused on those groups and organisations which can demonstrate the greatest impact on the overall priorities.
22434	An employee of West Lothian Council	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	Reviewed or removed ?	Support to Business Improvement Districts (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	BID funding was never intended to be provided in perpetuity and was there to support the establishment of the BIDS and to support them in becoming sustainable without on-going financial support from the council.
22435	An employee of West Lothian Council	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	Please cut this altogether if it is non-statutory	Support to Business Improvement Districts (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22436	An individual	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	Funding should be stopped. If it's truly business driven then business should fund it.	Support to Business Improvement Districts (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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22437	An individual	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	Stop wasting money on this. No results for the time you have already had town centre managers, this is the same.	Support to Business Improvement Districts (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22438	An employee of West Lothian Council	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	Get rid of BIDS - another load of jargon that costs a fortune and brings nothing in for the council!	Support to Business Improvement Districts (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22439	No Response	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	We still need thriving Businesses even in these hard times. Please do not substitute "reviewed" for "stopped".	Support to Business Improvement Districts (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22440	An individual	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	If this saves money then it should be reviewed.	Support to Business Improvement Districts (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22441	An individual	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	Not sure how successful the BIDS are - what benefit can they be shown to give the communities they support? Could that money be used more inventively to deliver better outcomes in terms of economic dynamism?	Support to Business Improvement Districts (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Funding provided by BIDS is a matter for the BIDS Board and is not something which is controlled by the council. The council will continue through its economic development functions will continue to support economic expansion across all business sectors.
22442	An individual	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	they should be self-funding	Support to Business Improvement Districts (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22443	An individual	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	Should be eliminated.	Support to Business Improvement Districts (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22444	An individual	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	If it's not statutory, don't fund it.	Support to Business Improvement Districts (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22445	An employee of West Lothian Council	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	Public funding already hugely subsidises the private sector and business of all sizes - not a priority - get rid of it.	Support to Business Improvement Districts (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22446	An individual	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	If this is anything like the "improvement" work being done in Bathgate then it needs to go. There is no way it is value-for-money.	Support to Business Improvement Districts (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22447	An individual	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	Remove support	Support to Business Improvement Districts (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22448	An individual	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	Funding should not be withdrawn too early. Sustainability should be first ensured or funds already committed could be wasted	Support to Business Improvement Districts (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	BID funding was never intended to be provided in perpetuity and was there to support the establishment of the BIDS and to support them in becoming sustainable without on-going financial support from the council.
22449	An employee of West Lothian Council	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	non statutory functions should be top of the list to reduce costs	Support to Business Improvement Districts (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22450	An employee of West Lothian Council	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	If it's not a statutory function, given the amount of savings needed, these should go.	Support to Business Improvement Districts (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22451	An employee of West Lothian Council	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	if it can't make a profit then it sinks	Support to Business Improvement Districts (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22452	An individual	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	Could affect investment in the area- what assessments are done to review the benefit if these	Support to Business Improvement Districts (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	BID funding was never intended to be provided in perpetuity and was there to support the establishment of the BIDS and to support them in becoming sustainable without on-going financial support from the council.

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22453	An individual	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	The Linlithgow BID is beginning to have a real impact on Linlithgow High Street. It is still in its infancy and now is not the time to make cuts of such a small amount. Cutting BID funding will discourage businesses from contributing.	Support to Business Improvement Districts (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	BID funding was never intended to be provided in perpetuity and was there to support the establishment of the BIDS and to support them in becoming sustainable without on-going financial support from the council.
22454	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	What does this saving mean? Again we have insufficient information relating to the specifics of this saving to make an informed decision on who this will affect and how. Has an equality impact assessment been completed for this saving? What is this and what does it relate too?	Support to Business Improvement Districts (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22455	An individual	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	This seems sensible if you can get outside support set up to handle this that will not charge a fortune to those who need the service.	Support to Business Improvement Districts (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22456	An individual	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	Community councils and local business leaders should manage this themselves.	Support to Business Improvement Districts (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22457	An individual	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	Disagree. Return on investment will pay dividends were strict performance criteria are met and exceeded by the BIDS in the future. It is already a stealth tax on businesses and deserves economic support by WLC. Not many participants will even understand what a BID is so it is guaranteed not to be supported when presented this way.	Support to Business Improvement Districts (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22458	An employee of West Lothian Council	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	The council's BIDS service has in the past given out grants without fully considering the impact each grant would have. There should be enhanced scrutiny of such grants, with an assessment of the benefit to the local community.	Support to Business Improvement Districts (general)	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	Funding provided by BIDS is a matter for the BIDS Board and is not something which is controlled by the council.
22459	An individual	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	Doubtful their contribution as there seems to be a clash with other organisations. My opinion	Support to Business Improvement Districts (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22460	An individual	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	My business has to pay this why on earth are the council supporting it. I do not agree with BID as it has shown my business no support I would rather the council just took more from my rates. Jobs for boys pointless waste of time and money. Effectively another council in the BID area but West Lothian council have to collect the money why do we have another set of Wages being paid. I disagree 100% that no support should be provide to BID and the council could ask businesses to pay more to deliver a better service than what BID provides. BID has taken my businesses money that I could have employed someone with and put up flowers on fecking lamp posts. WASTE OF Money.....	Support to Business Improvement Districts (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22461	An individual	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	End BIDS	Support to Business Improvement Districts (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22462	An individual	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	I dont agree with Business improvement districts. I think its ridiculous they have been given support up to now. They should be scraped.	Support to Business Improvement Districts (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22463	An employee of West Lothian Council	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	I'm sure it takes longer than the initial set-up period for a business to become sustainable. Why do you think there are so many empty shops/premises (even in the shopping centre). Small entrepreneurs cannot get established/known to the customer due to overheads on premises. Are you going to force all small businesses down the route of virtual shopping as a channel shift objective?	Support to Business Improvement Districts (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Funding provided by BIDS is a matter for the BIDS Board and is not something which is controlled by the council. The council will continue through its economic development functions will continue to support economic expansion across all business sectors including small and medium sized enterprises (SMEs)
22464	No Response	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	BIDS are important ! Total Lack of understanding in general Public as to their impact on towns. They can generate massive economic impact when run correctly and successfully. Don't lose the BIDS!	Support to Business Improvement Districts (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposal is to review support for BIDS. The match funding for BIDS provided by the council was never intended to be provided in perpetuity. It was there to support the establishment of the BIDS and to support them in becoming sustainable without on-going financial support from the council.
22465	An individual	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	Who says they are sustainable	Support to Business Improvement Districts (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	The proposal is to review support for BIDS. The match funding for BIDS provided by the council was never intended to be provided in perpetuity. It was there to support the establishment of the BIDS and to support them in becoming sustainable without on-going financial support from the council.

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22466	An individual	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	£200,000 looks a trivial amount to save on BIDS	Support to Business Improvement Districts (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22467	No Response	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	Could BIDS be asked to take on a full time paid employee if the council provide any level of support. This would reduce the unemployment list and provide experience to the most needy, young and old.	Support to Business Improvement Districts (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	This comment will be considered in the development of the proposal.
22468	An individual	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	Banks and private investment companies provide this service.	Support to Business Improvement Districts (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22469	An individual	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	Good. I've yet to meet a poor business person. If they were, they wouldn't continue in business.	Support to Business Improvement Districts (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22470	An employee of West Lothian Council	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	it should be stopped.	Support to Business Improvement Districts (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22471	An employee of West Lothian Council	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	Agree, needs to be business-led and self-funded	Support to Business Improvement Districts (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22472	An employee of West Lothian Council	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	not sure if BIDS are helping Bathgate? not enough information	Support to Business Improvement Districts (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	BIDS are a geographically defined, business-led initiative where businesses agree to invest collectively to improve their trading environment within a fixed period of time (e.g. 5 year term). The council currently supports the investment of these businesses through match funding. The BIDS in West Lothian are in Bathgate and Linlithgow.
22473	An individual	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	Would be helpful to outline the voluntary community groups and organisations that will receive reduced/no support.	Support to Business Improvement Districts (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	The consultation does not propose removing support from any specific organisation or geographical area and the council will continue to support community groups and organisations. However, support will be focused on the priority areas identified the Transforming Your Council consultation. Support will also be focused on those groups and organisations which can demonstrate the greatest impact on the overall priorities.
22474	An individual	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	A review is quite reasonable but this statement gives the public no opportunity to comment on the outcome of such an exercise.	Support to Business Improvement Districts (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22475	An individual	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	If this allows the businesses to be independent if any external parties like the council then I have no objection.	Support to Business Improvement Districts (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22476	An individual	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	Drop BIDS completely	Support to Business Improvement Districts (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22477	An individual	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	Get out of this economic nonsense, it's shuffling deckchairs.	Support to Business Improvement Districts (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22478	An employee of West Lothian Council	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	Or ended, preferably. Benches, banners, flags and flowers no more.	Support to Business Improvement Districts (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22479	An employee of West Lothian Council	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	Continue to provide staff support to BIDS but don't match fund them anymore	Support to Business Improvement Districts (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22480	An individual	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	BIDS support should continue for a few years to finish work already started.	Support to Business Improvement Districts (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	This comment will be considered in the development of the proposal.

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22481	An individual	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	I don't see BIDs making a positive difference so suggest the funding is redeployed elsewhere.	Support to Business Improvement Districts (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22482	An individual	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	The Linlithgow BID is beginning to demonstrate an impact on Linlithgow High Street. It is still in its infancy and now is not the time to make cuts of such a small amount.	Support to Business Improvement Districts (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22483	No Response	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	Agree this should pass to the organisations to do the work as they will be the ones to benefit directly.	Support to Business Improvement Districts (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22484	An employee of West Lothian Council	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	This would depend on income for councils once BIDS are established. Is it worth the initial investment?	Support to Business Improvement Districts (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22485	An individual	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	cut back on BIDS support	Support to Business Improvement Districts (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22486	An individual	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	I am never entirely sure what BIDS are for and what benefits they bring: Linlithgow's High Street is, frankly, dying a death by coffee shop, charity shop, and barbers, despite the BID. I would actually be in favour of scrapping BIDS altogether and using the savings to mitigate those proposed elsewhere.	Support to Business Improvement Districts (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	BIDS are a geographically defined, business-led initiative where businesses agree to invest collectively to improve their trading environment within a fixed period of time (e.g. 5 year term). The council currently supports the investment of these businesses through match funding. This comment will be considered in the development of the proposal.
22487	An individual	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	I agree should be withdrawn altogether if not a statutory requirement. Nice to have out the window.	Support to Business Improvement Districts (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22488	No Response	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	BIDS should be supported by the council only to the value of the levy due for council owned property in the BID area.	Support to Business Improvement Districts (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	This comment will be considered in the development of the proposal.
22489	An individual	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	Without a knowledge of what exactly BIDS involve and what the Council's role in them is, I feel that economic development should be one of the Council's Top priorities.	Support to Business Improvement Districts (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	It is proposed that supporting business and economic growth in West Lothian, and helping people into employment, will remain as priorities for the council in the future.
22490	An individual	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	BIDS are already hugely contentious. They are, in effect, a stealth tax on small businesses at a time when they are already under huge pressure. The Linlithgow Town Centre BID has been implemented disastrously over the past three years with those running it objecting to any request for clarity over what they are spending levy payer's money on. There has yet to be an open meeting where anyone can raise objections or views. They offered no support to small businesses on things which actually matter to them, ie the recent outrageous NDR rise in West Lothian which will put many at the risk of closure. That any of my council tax money has disappeared into the running of a cowboy operation such as this at all is enraging. In short, get rid of the BID.	Support to Business Improvement Districts (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	This comment will be considered in the development of the proposal.
22491	An individual	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	The precinct in Bathgate seems a waste of money too	Support to Business Improvement Districts (general)	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22492	An individual	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	If you have a business in the area you should be looking to support these things yourself.	Support to Business Improvement Districts (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22493	An individual	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	If a business was to lose support then the business may close, meaning a loss of employment and more strain on the economy	Support to Business Improvement Districts (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22494	An individual	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	Again, what are non priority areas? The council's interpretation of non priority could be different from a resident's - more info is needed here - where are the specifics of this proposal? - a link should be provided as part of this consultation so I can submit an informed response	Support to Business Improvement Districts (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Priority areas will be confirmed following the Transforming Your Council consultation.

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22495	An individual	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	Is this support for small business start ups, not explained fully	Support to Business Improvement Districts (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	BIDs are a geographically defined, business-led initiative where businesses agree to invest collectively to improve their trading environment within a fixed period of time (e.g. 5 year term). The council currently supports the investment of these businesses through match funding.
22496	An individual	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	I think BIDS should be self-funding by now and struggle to see what real improvements they have made in West Lothian.	Support to Business Improvement Districts (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	This comment will be considered in the development of the proposal.
22497	An individual	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	If it is not a statutory function then cease funding it until such times as more money is available.	Support to Business Improvement Districts (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	This comment will be considered in the development of the proposal.
22498	An individual	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	As 1A - Excellent if all of the above are carried out. However on current personally experienced performance it will take a huge effort to even provide an improvement. Further why has the "efficiency and effectiveness" not been applied to current procedures. No real criteria to be reached is actually stated and the starting point for these "efficiency and effectiveness" upgrade to services is not evident. Vagueness in targets to achieve. How will residents know when this is achieved?	Support to Business Improvement Districts (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22499	An individual	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	If it's not statutory and you can't afford it don't do it	Support to Business Improvement Districts (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	This comment will be considered in the development of the proposal.
22500	An employee of West Lothian Council	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	don't actually know what benefit the companies got from BIDS,,,,, the service to support these could be continued but finance should be adding additional fees or charges for non payment and chasing of debt or scrap it all together as a total waste of effort for no benefit	Support to Business Improvement Districts (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22501	An individual	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	Can you not get commercial support for this?	Support to Business Improvement Districts (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	BIDs are a geographically defined, business-led initiative where businesses agree to invest collectively to improve their trading environment within a fixed period of time (e.g. 5 year term). The council currently supports the investment of these businesses through match funding.
22502	An individual	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	I have (bad) experience of Linlithgow High St BIDS as a levy payer. I fully support WLC withdrawing funding - and the BIDS Company should be wound up immediately. Unfortunately BIDS was effectively imposed on Linlithgow High St, by the votes of WLC (as there are WLC properties and associated WLC buildings - Burgh Halls, Low Port who had votes). The LHSt BIDS has not achieved anything meaningful for High St Traders in 3 years - and is seen as a supplementary Council Tax by many traders on the High St. If WLC can withdraw funding - then so should the Compulsory Levy Payers. Also if WLC withdraw funding - WLC properties should be excluded from any future votes!	Support to Business Improvement Districts (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	This comment will be considered in the development of the proposal.
22503	An individual	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	i would like the young people to get job when they leave school or college	Support to Business Improvement Districts (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	It is proposed that supporting business and economic growth in West Lothian, and helping people into employment, will remain as priorities for the council in the future.
22504	An employee of West Lothian Council	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	I think given the saving this should be cut. The Revenues team have to collect bid levy's affecting their work load and stopping them from collecting other more important monies. Shut down bids saving money and meaning the team can focus on more important monies.	Support to Business Improvement Districts (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22505	An employee of West Lothian Council	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	BIDS are disliked by many of the ratepayers who are asked to pay them and again time is wasted in their collection. West Lothian Council should not be contributing.	Support to Business Improvement Districts (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22506	An individual	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	Again as a Revenues Employee I would like to see this reviewed. I work in Collections and feel our time would be more cost effectively spent in dealing with Council Tax and Business Rates.	Support to Business Improvement Districts (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22507	An individual	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	I would like to see the top 3 items/specific deliverables that contribute to this redesign.	Support to Business Improvement Districts (general)	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22508	An individual	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	Surely BIDS is important for economic well being of West Lothian.	Support to Business Improvement Districts (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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22509	An individual	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	The council should be concentrating on providing and financing the core services to meet it's statutory requirements.	Support to Business Improvement Districts (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22510	An individual	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	a review is okay - a decision to cut without a proper and meaningful review is not	Support to Business Improvement Districts (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	This comment will be considered in the development of the proposal.
22511	No Response	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	I agree as an employee in the Collections team, already down to the bare minimum of staff, our time would be better spent collecting Council Tax, Business Rates and services that are charged upfront providing revenue for Council.	Support to Business Improvement Districts (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22512	An individual	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	BIDS should assist on providing local employment	Support to Business Improvement Districts (general)	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22513	An individual	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	Support should be minimal. Each business should be capable of standing on its own performance / revenue.	Support to Business Improvement Districts (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22514	An individual	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	Could result in BIDs being voted out by business owners if council no longer supports it.	Support to Business Improvement Districts (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22515	An individual	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	BIDS appear to be highly unpopular and ineffective, so loosing them would be a good cost saving	Support to Business Improvement Districts (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22516	An employee of West Lothian Council	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	Totally agree with getting rid of the support to this. It is not core to what the council are trying to deliver to those most in need.	Support to Business Improvement Districts (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22517	An individual	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	Important to continue to support local business as they can in turn generate jobs in the community. Small businesses are struggling due to changes in rates costs etc. They need as much help as they can.,	Support to Business Improvement Districts (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22518	No Response	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	Care must be taken about making cuts without thinking through the long term implications. BIDS helps local businesses which in turn creates employment in the area. Local businesses are struggling due to rates increases therefore they need as much support as they can get.	Support to Business Improvement Districts (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22519	An individual	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	Why did the council ever support these groups?	Support to Business Improvement Districts (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	BIDs are a geographically defined, business-led initiative where businesses agree to invest collectively to improve their trading environment within a fixed period of time (e.g. 5 year term). The council currently supports the investment of these businesses through match funding. The BIDS in West Lothian are in Bathgate and Linlithgow.
22520	An individual	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	Content this should become self supporting.	Support to Business Improvement Districts (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22521	An employee of West Lothian Council	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	Agree, business led but councils provide most of the money. Needs to change.	Support to Business Improvement Districts (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22522	An individual	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	Agree with importance of sustainability and not being funded beyond that. If BIDS is not the way forward for West Lothian then can something appropriate be found to build capacity within the local area.	Support to Business Improvement Districts (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	This comment will be considered in the development of the proposal.

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22523	An employee of West Lothian Council	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	What are BIDS? What have they achieved? What are the problems with them? Do they help stimulate economic growth in West Lothian? What is the ongoing support for BIDS? What will the review involve? If they have not been reviewed, how can an estimate be provided for a cost saving? Has the review already been carried out? If so, what did it say?	Support to Business Improvement Districts (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	BIDs are a geographically defined, business-led initiative where businesses agree to invest collectively to improve their trading environment within a fixed period of time (e.g. 5 year term). The council currently supports the investment of these businesses through match funding. BID funding was never intended to be provided in perpetuity and was there to support the establishment of the BIDS and to support them in becoming sustainable without on-going financial support from the council.
22524	An employee of West Lothian Council	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	Good - the BIDS in Bathgate have resurfaced the precinct 3 times in as many years - what a waste of money	Support to Business Improvement Districts (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22525	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	Our town centres are in a much better position than they were ten years ago. The fabric has improved and confidence is up. The presence of BIDS and matching funding from the Council in Bathgate and Linlithgow particularly has been instrumental and we hope we don't see a decline here.	Support to Business Improvement Districts (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	BIDs are a geographically defined, business-led initiative where businesses agree to invest collectively to improve their trading environment within a fixed period of time (e.g. 5 year term). The council currently supports the investment of these businesses through match funding. BID funding was never intended to be provided in perpetuity and was there to support the establishment of the BIDS and to support them in becoming sustainable without on-going financial support from the council.
22526	An employee of West Lothian Council	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	Who will notice if this happens?	Support to Business Improvement Districts (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22527	An individual	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	I feel this will only make it more difficult for small business, and create even more empty units	Support to Business Improvement Districts (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Potential impacts, risks and opportunities will be given further consideration by officers as work on this proposal progresses.
22528	No Response	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	agreed, shouldn't be dealt with through West Lothian Council.	Support to Business Improvement Districts (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22529	An individual	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	I feel towns like Linlithgow have not been well supported in terms of business. Shops lie empty as rates and rent are too high	Support to Business Improvement Districts (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22530	An individual	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	As not statutory function then agree this should be reviewed so funding can be directed to support statutory functions.	Support to Business Improvement Districts (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22531	An individual	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	And I object strongly to all the money being spent on Bathgate's main shopping street, to no greatly obvious improvement. Was this council funded? If so, ridiculous. Will be a far more successful centre if returned to traffic use and money spent on improved car parking facilities.	Support to Business Improvement Districts (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Projects were carried out by the BID but use some match funding from the council. The review of BID funding would remove council support for projects such as those in Bathgate.
22532	An individual	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	Cull!	Support to Business Improvement Districts (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22533	An individual	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	Agree BIDS should be self funding. But don't give up on communities.	Support to Business Improvement Districts (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22534	No Response	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	Agreed BIDS should be self funding. Council still need to provide for communities to justify their existence.	Support to Business Improvement Districts (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22535	An individual	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	Small businesses should not be punished with excessive rates, leaving communities with empty shops.	Support to Business Improvement Districts (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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22536	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	As we are a [REDACTED] focusing on our fourth year of our five year term, we are concerned that the following implications would affect us, should our funding be at risk from these proposed budget reviews: - Potential risk of loss of existing employee, due to temporary contract and lack of job stability for them, as they are employed by the council as well as us. - Inability to plan for the future due to uncertainty in terms of staffing and budgets. - We have financial commitments to maintain that we have budgeted for in line with our support from WLC. These commitments are contractual agreements and are legally binding. - In the event the BID does not continue after this term, the CCTV system will require someone to run its operating costs and to manage the system on a day-to-day basis, which WLC has expressly rejected previously. - An increase of criminal activity in Mill Road Industrial Estate, with no governing body able to coordinate responses after the BID terms ends, should we not renew and lack of community police partners if we did.	Support to Business Improvement Districts (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	BID funding was never intended to be provided in perpetuity and was there to support the establishment of the BIDS and to support them in becoming sustainable without on-going financial support from the council. The BID can continue even if council funding is withdrawn. In these circumstances the council will continue to work with the BID companies to maximise external financial support.
22537	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	As we are a Business Improvement District, focusing on our fourth year of our five year term, we are concerned that the following implications would affect us, should our funding be at risk from these proposed budget reviews: - Potential risk of loss of existing employee, due to temporary contract and lack of job stability for them, as they are employed by the council as well as us. - Inability to plan for the future due to uncertainty in terms of staffing and budgets. - We have financial commitments to maintain that we have budgeted for in line with our support from WLC. These commitments are contractual agreements and are legally binding. - In the event the BID does not continue after this term, the CCTV system will require someone to run its operating costs and to manage the system on a day-to-day basis, which WLC has expressly rejected previously. - An increase of criminal activity in Mill Road Industrial Estate, with no governing body able to coordinate responses after the BID terms ends, should we not renew and lack of community police partners if we did.	Support to Business Improvement Districts (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	BID funding was never intended to be provided in perpetuity and was there to support the establishment of the BIDS and to support them in becoming sustainable without on-going financial support from the council. The BID can continue even if council funding is withdrawn. In these circumstances the council will continue to work with the BID companies to maximise external financial support.
22538	An individual	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	Clear information about the benefits gained from BID and how the Levy is spent should be widely publicised. The system requires to be reviewed and businesses given the opportunity to decide if the scheme is to continue or not. Many small business find the levy very difficult to pay and do not perceive any obvious benefit.	Support to Business Improvement Districts (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	A ballot on continuation is carried out on each BID every 5 years. That ballot gives local business a say on the continuation of the BID. All BIDs ballots are due within the next two years.
22539	An individual	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	Again this goes against the councils priorities to increase business and economic development within this local authority	Support to Business Improvement Districts (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	BID funding was never intended to be provided in perpetuity and was there to support the establishment of the BIDS and to support them in becoming sustainable without on-going financial support from the council. The BID can continue even if council funding is withdrawn. In these circumstances the council will continue to work with the BID companies to maximise external financial support.
22540	An individual	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	Good. My experience is that local BIDS have not been successful to any great extent e.g. Linlithgow.	Support to Business Improvement Districts (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22541	An individual	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	Why have you been wasting so much of our money up to this point?	Support to Business Improvement Districts (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22542	An employee of West Lothian Council	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	I strongly support this measure. BID's were always meant to be self sustaining and the council should not continue to support them.	Support to Business Improvement Districts (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22543	An individual	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	Review away ! If BIDS is not a statutory function then why is it still being supported at all !	Support to Business Improvement Districts (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22544	An individual	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	As 4b. BIDS can have a significant benefit and the council must understand the wider impact if they withdraw support.	Support to Business Improvement Districts (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	BID funding was never intended to be provided in perpetuity and was there to support the establishment of the BIDS and to support them in becoming sustainable without on-going financial support from the council. The BID can continue even if council funding is withdrawn. In these circumstances the council will continue to work with the BID companies to maximise external financial support.
22545	An individual	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	these should look at ways of being self-sustaining.	Support to Business Improvement Districts (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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22546	An individual	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	Our high streets are dying partly due to high rates! There should be no reduction in BIDS until we have vibrant high streets again,	Support to Business Improvement Districts (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	BID funding was never intended to be provided in perpetuity and was there to support the establishment of the BIDS and to support them in becoming sustainable without on-going financial support from the council. The BID can continue even if council funding is withdrawn. In these circumstances the council will continue to work with the BID companies to maximise external financial support.
22547	An individual	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	Subject to the life span and requirement of bid	Support to Business Improvement Districts (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22548	An individual	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	There needs to be enough support and leadership to drive forward improvements in communities to encourage more people to become involved in working for their community. I was at the Scotland v. Samoa game and pondered, while walking up Murrayfield Road amongst the leaves, that if they were fruit there would be clear ownership demonstrated but leaves are someone else's problem. Sometimes a bit of 'ownership' becomes infectious, with more people becoming involved.	Support to Business Improvement Districts (general)	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22549	An individual	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	Agreed. BIDS should now be self sustaining and self financing.	Support to Business Improvement Districts (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22550	An employee of West Lothian Council	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	BIDS groups once set up should be self funding	Support to Business Improvement Districts (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22551	An individual	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	Cut all council support after first three years ... if they do not survive it wasn't meant to be ...	Support to Business Improvement Districts (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22552	An individual	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	If not statutory, why have you promoted said so heavily in the past, and now look to 'pull the plug'? Has a review of what BIDS teams deliver and how that will be financed in future should WLC withdraw?	Support to Business Improvement Districts (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	BID funding was never intended to be provided in perpetuity and was there to support the establishment of the BIDS and to support them in becoming sustainable without on-going financial support from the council. The BID can continue even if council funding is withdrawn. In these circumstances the council will continue to work with the BID companies to maximise external financial support.
22553	An individual	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	Have to go in this economic climate	Support to Business Improvement Districts (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22554	An individual	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	I agree this should be able to stand on its own.	Support to Business Improvement Districts (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22555	An individual	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	Funding for BIDS should be retained.	Support to Business Improvement Districts (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22556	An employee of West Lothian Council	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	As this is not a statutory requirement for the Council this should be reviewed to make savings.	Support to Business Improvement Districts (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22557	An individual	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	How can you regenerate with no funds? Taking away money and people working will end up degeneration not regeneration.	Support to Business Improvement Districts (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22558	An employee of West Lothian Council	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	Supportive in principle based on limited detailed information, but important that consultation and engagement is undertaken with the West Lothian BIDs and internal teams that deliver support them, so that there is full appreciation and transparency in decision making and implications.	Support to Business Improvement Districts (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22559	An individual	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	I think funding should be removed totally	Support to Business Improvement Districts (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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22560	An individual	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	BIDS should be funded by the local businesses. One or 2 might fold but implications are not huge.	Support to Business Improvement Districts (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22561	An individual	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	Happy for these to go, developers will find money even if they say they gave none.	Support to Business Improvement Districts (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22562	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	Has an equality impact assessment been carried out for each of the budget proposals? It is essential that this is done at the earliest opportunity in order to assess what the impact will be on those in the protected characteristics groups and those already experiencing disadvantage.	Support to Business Improvement Districts (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Equality Impact Assessments will be undertaken as deemed necessary through the Equality Relevance Assessment process.
22563	An individual	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	Yes. If there's a real need and a sustainable model and decent results, BIDS will survive on own 2 feet. Definitely less important than provision of sports and arts opportunities in schools.	Support to Business Improvement Districts (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22564	An individual	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	Continue funding as bids are free from council politics	Support to Business Improvement Districts (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22565	An individual	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	Do initial set-up periods vary ?	Support to Business Improvement Districts (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	This is an outline proposal put forward by officers to address the budget gap facing the council. More information on the proposal will be available once the council has the opportunity to consider the consultation feedback and further develop the proposal.
22566	An employee of West Lothian Council	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	I agree with this as it will help support the ever increasing workload of Collections in the Revenues department.	Support to Business Improvement Districts (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22567	An employee of West Lothian Council	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	get rid of this,,, costs us money to bill,,, recovery debt,,, write off debts,,, sheriff officer fees,,, staff hours of work... customers do not find a benefit to themselves from our experience. still trying to collect from 2014 now.... costs more than creates.	Support to Business Improvement Districts (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22568	An individual	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	So far I see little benefit to the community from the BIDs in Linlithgow. Withdrawing their funding would probably cause them to fail, but it would not be much of a loss, in my opinion.	Support to Business Improvement Districts (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22569	An individual	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	Reviewed to what degree? The lack of substance to proposals not only here but throughout the documentation makes it very difficult to respond with any degree of authority.	Support to Business Improvement Districts (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	This is an outline proposal put forward by officers to address the budget gap facing the council. More information on the proposal will be available once the council has the opportunity to consider the consultation feedback and further develop the proposal.
22570	An individual	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	This service is still needed for new start-ups. That need is always going to be there.	Support to Business Improvement Districts (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22571	An individual	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	Council should be closely monitoring where the money is spent.	Support to Business Improvement Districts (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22572	An individual	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	Council should be closely monitoring where the money is spent.	Support to Business Improvement Districts (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22573	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	The Linlithgow BID is beginning to demonstrate an impact on Linlithgow High Street. It is still in its infancy and now is not the time to make cuts of such a small amount.	Support to Business Improvement Districts (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	BID funding was never intended to be provided in perpetuity and was there to support the establishment of the BIDS and to support them in becoming sustainable without on-going financial support from the council. The BID can continue even if council funding is withdrawn. In these circumstances the council will continue to work with the BID companies to maximise external financial support.
22574	An individual	4c. Support to Business Improvement Districts (BIDS)	Support business but not with large grants and subsidies	Support to Business Improvement Districts (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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22575	An employee of West Lothian Council	4d. Working in Partnership	Partnerships with other local authorities should be seriously looked at.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22576	An employee of West Lothian Council	4d. Working in Partnership	If this can provide the necessary savings then this should be pursued.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22577	No Response	4d. Working in Partnership	Agree to all suggested proposals	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22578	An employee of West Lothian Council	4d. Working in Partnership	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22579	An employee of West Lothian Council	4d. Working in Partnership	I would agree with this proposal	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22580	An individual	4d. Working in Partnership	Yes great	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22581	No Response	4d. Working in Partnership	I agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22582	An individual	4d. Working in Partnership	Yes ok with this.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22583	An employee of West Lothian Council	4d. Working in Partnership	Yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22584	An employee of West Lothian Council	4d. Working in Partnership	Always a great idea.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22585	An individual	4d. Working in Partnership	Good idea integrating services	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22586	No Response	4d. Working in Partnership	It's only good management	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22587	An individual	4d. Working in Partnership	should already being done	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22588	An individual	4d. Working in Partnership	Agree this proposal.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22589	No Response	4d. Working in Partnership	Have no objection	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22590	An individual	4d. Working in Partnership	Sensible step - recent partnership with West Lothian Leisure.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22591	An individual	4d. Working in Partnership	after the merge with the nhs i agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22592	An individual	4d. Working in Partnership	If successful then move forward.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22593	An employee of West Lothian Council	4d. Working in Partnership	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22594	An individual	4d. Working in Partnership	Agreed.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22595	An employee of West Lothian Council	4d. Working in Partnership	Fine	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22596	An individual	4d. Working in Partnership	Good idea.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22597	An individual	4d. Working in Partnership	Yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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22598	An employee of West Lothian Council	4d. Working in Partnership	agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22599	An individual	4d. Working in Partnership	Good.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22600	No Response	4d. Working in Partnership	Great idea	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22601	An individual	4d. Working in Partnership	Go for it.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22602	An individual	4d. Working in Partnership	Sounds sensible.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22603	An individual	4d. Working in Partnership	Agree.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22604	An individual	4d. Working in Partnership	happy with this	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22605	An individual	4d. Working in Partnership	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22606	An employee of West Lothian Council	4d. Working in Partnership	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22607	No Response	4d. Working in Partnership	I agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22608	An individual	4d. Working in Partnership	Agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22609	An individual	4d. Working in Partnership	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22610	An individual	4d. Working in Partnership	Agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22611	An employee of West Lothian Council	4d. Working in Partnership	makes sense	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22612	An individual	4d. Working in Partnership	Positive	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22613	An employee of West Lothian Council	4d. Working in Partnership	Support this proposal	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22614	An individual	4d. Working in Partnership	go ahead with the savings	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22615	An employee of West Lothian Council	4d. Working in Partnership	Absolutely agree.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22616	An employee of West Lothian Council	4d. Working in Partnership	Very good proposal	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22617	An individual	4d. Working in Partnership	I support this change	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22618	An individual	4d. Working in Partnership	I agree with the Council's proposals for the moment to see how they all work out. Thank you.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22619	An employee of West Lothian Council	4d. Working in Partnership	Sounds very good to me!	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22620	An employee of West Lothian Council	4d. Working in Partnership	Removing duplication is a no-brainer.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22621	An individual	4d. Working in Partnership	Again sounds reasonable	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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22622	No Response	4d. Working in Partnership	I agree with the proposal	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22623	An individual	4d. Working in Partnership	sounds a plan	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22624	An individual	4d. Working in Partnership	Duplication has always been a problem.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22625	An individual	4d. Working in Partnership	Again all makes sense	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22626	An individual	4d. Working in Partnership	yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22627	An employee of West Lothian Council	4d. Working in Partnership	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22628	An individual	4d. Working in Partnership	no issue with this	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22629	An individual	4d. Working in Partnership	Agree.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22630	An employee of West Lothian Council	4d. Working in Partnership	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22631	An individual	4d. Working in Partnership	Good idea.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22632	No Response	4d. Working in Partnership	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22633	An individual	4d. Working in Partnership	ok.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22634	An individual	4d. Working in Partnership	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22635	An individual	4d. Working in Partnership	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22636	An individual	4d. Working in Partnership	ok	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22637	An individual	4d. Working in Partnership	Ok	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22638	An individual	4d. Working in Partnership	Agreed.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22639	An individual	4d. Working in Partnership	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22640	An individual	4d. Working in Partnership	Good	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22641	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	4d. Working in Partnership	great idea	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22642	An individual	4d. Working in Partnership	GOOD PLAN	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22643	No Response	4d. Working in Partnership	Sounds fine.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22644	An individual	4d. Working in Partnership	agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22645	An individual	4d. Working in Partnership	Seems reasonable	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22646	An individual	4d. Working in Partnership	I support this.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22647	No Response	4d. Working in Partnership	Agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22648	An individual	4d. Working in Partnership	Makes sense	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22649	An employee of West Lothian Council	4d. Working in Partnership	Good.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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22650	An individual	4d. Working in Partnership	sounds good	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22651	An individual	4d. Working in Partnership	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22652	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	4d. Working in Partnership	Excellent	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22653	An individual	4d. Working in Partnership	I would support this.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22654	An employee of West Lothian Council	4d. Working in Partnership	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22655	An employee of West Lothian Council	4d. Working in Partnership	I agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22656	An employee of West Lothian Council	4d. Working in Partnership	Good	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22657	An individual	4d. Working in Partnership	Good idea	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22658	No Response	4d. Working in Partnership	I agree with this proposal	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22659	An individual	4d. Working in Partnership	Sounds fine	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22660	No Response	4d. Working in Partnership	Agree with this proposal	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22661	An individual	4d. Working in Partnership	Support	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22662	An employee of West Lothian Council	4d. Working in Partnership	Agree.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22663	An individual	4d. Working in Partnership	Acceptable.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22664	An individual	4d. Working in Partnership	Sounds reasonable	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22665	An individual	4d. Working in Partnership	Agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22666	An individual	4d. Working in Partnership	Makes sense	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22667	An individual	4d. Working in Partnership	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22668	An employee of West Lothian Council	4d. Working in Partnership	Good idea	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22669	An employee of West Lothian Council	4d. Working in Partnership	agree with proposal	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22670	An individual	4d. Working in Partnership	Ok	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22671	An employee of West Lothian Council	4d. Working in Partnership	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22672	No Response	4d. Working in Partnership	Agree.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22673	An individual	4d. Working in Partnership	I agree with this proposal	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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22674	An employee of West Lothian Council	4d. Working in Partnership	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22675	An employee of West Lothian Council	4d. Working in Partnership	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22676	An employee of West Lothian Council	4d. Working in Partnership	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22677	An individual	4d. Working in Partnership	I agree with this.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22678	An individual	4d. Working in Partnership	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22679	An individual	4d. Working in Partnership	Get on with it	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22680	An employee of West Lothian Council	4d. Working in Partnership	The opportunities must be taken.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22681	An employee of West Lothian Council	4d. Working in Partnership	Agree if stops duplication	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22682	An individual	4d. Working in Partnership	There should not be any problems with this in its proposals.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22683	An individual	4d. Working in Partnership	Removal of duplication is sensible.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22684	An individual	4d. Working in Partnership	I have no objection to this.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22685	An individual	4d. Working in Partnership	Agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22686	An individual	4d. Working in Partnership	Sounds sensible.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22687	An individual	4d. Working in Partnership	Sensible approach	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22688	An employee of West Lothian Council	4d. Working in Partnership	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22689	An employee of West Lothian Council	4d. Working in Partnership	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22690	An employee of West Lothian Council	4d. Working in Partnership	would agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22691	An employee of West Lothian Council	4d. Working in Partnership	Agree.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22692	An individual	4d. Working in Partnership	agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22693	An individual	4d. Working in Partnership	Sounds good.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22694	An individual	4d. Working in Partnership	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22695	An individual	4d. Working in Partnership	Seems sensible.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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22696	An employee of West Lothian Council	4d. Working in Partnership	Makes sense.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22697	An individual	4d. Working in Partnership	ok	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22698	An individual	4d. Working in Partnership	Sounds sensible	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22699	An employee of West Lothian Council	4d. Working in Partnership	Agree with this proposal.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22700	An employee of West Lothian Council	4d. Working in Partnership	Agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22701	An individual	4d. Working in Partnership	Yes, good.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22702	An individual	4d. Working in Partnership	Should be basic principles really.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22703	An individual	4d. Working in Partnership	Anything that reduces duplication is a good thing	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22704	An individual	4d. Working in Partnership	Nice words but should have been done long ago	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22705	No Response	4d. Working in Partnership	Another good suggestion.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22706	An employee of West Lothian Council	4d. Working in Partnership	This is a logical review to undertake.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22707	An employee of West Lothian Council	4d. Working in Partnership	Agree with partnership working principle.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22708	An employee of West Lothian Council	4d. Working in Partnership	Definitely agree.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22709	An individual	4d. Working in Partnership	I support the principle. No sense of what the loss is in this statement though ...	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22710	An individual	4d. Working in Partnership	If you say so.....	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22711	An individual	4d. Working in Partnership	I strongly agree with the above.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22712	An individual	4d. Working in Partnership	I would support working in partnership and hope it would achieve more savings than this.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22713	An individual	4d. Working in Partnership	Should have been done long ago. Shame on West Lothian Council for having wasted so much money for so long!	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22714	An individual	4d. Working in Partnership	Agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22715	An employee of West Lothian Council	4d. Working in Partnership	This sounds like a good idea.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22716	An individual	4d. Working in Partnership	Agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22717	An individual	4d. Working in Partnership	OK	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22718	An individual	4d. Working in Partnership	Realistic	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22719	An employee of West Lothian Council	4d. Working in Partnership	This appears to be a reasonable proposal.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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22746	An individual	4d. Working in Partnership	Supported	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22747	An individual	4d. Working in Partnership	okay	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22748	An individual	4d. Working in Partnership	Sounds appropriate	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22749	An employee of West Lothian Council	4d. Working in Partnership	Happy to explore this proposal	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22750	An individual	4d. Working in Partnership	ok	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22751	An individual	4d. Working in Partnership	Good idea.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22752	An individual	4d. Working in Partnership	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22753	An individual	4d. Working in Partnership	Agree with this	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22754	An individual	4d. Working in Partnership	agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22755	An employee of West Lothian Council	4d. Working in Partnership	Agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22756	An individual	4d. Working in Partnership	I agree with this proposal	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22757	An individual	4d. Working in Partnership	Content	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22758	An employee of West Lothian Council	4d. Working in Partnership	should do this	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22759	An employee of West Lothian Council	4d. Working in Partnership	should be doing this already	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22760	An employee of West Lothian Council	4d. Working in Partnership	makes sense to reduce duplication.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22761	An employee of West Lothian Council	4d. Working in Partnership	Good idea.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22762	An individual	4d. Working in Partnership	This of course is good practice.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22763	An individual	4d. Working in Partnership	Yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22764	An individual	4d. Working in Partnership	Agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22765	An individual	4d. Working in Partnership	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22766	An individual	4d. Working in Partnership	Agree this should be progressed.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22767	An individual	4d. Working in Partnership	I agree with this.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22768	An individual	4d. Working in Partnership	Agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22769	An individual	4d. Working in Partnership	Good idea.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22770	An individual	4d. Working in Partnership	Agreed.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22771	An individual	4d. Working in Partnership	Yes, agree.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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22772	An employee of West Lothian Council	4d. Working in Partnership	When done well this can provide real benefits.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22773	An individual	4d. Working in Partnership	fine if it works	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22774	An individual	4d. Working in Partnership	As stated there is nothing to object to in this.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22775	An individual	4d. Working in Partnership	Totally support this approach.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22776	An employee of West Lothian Council	4d. Working in Partnership	Good	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22777	An individual	4d. Working in Partnership	I would agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22778	An individual	4d. Working in Partnership	good idea	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22779	An individual	4d. Working in Partnership	agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22780	No Response	4d. Working in Partnership	OK	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22781	An individual	4d. Working in Partnership	I agree with this proposal	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22782	An individual	4d. Working in Partnership	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22783	An individual	4d. Working in Partnership	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22784	An individual	4d. Working in Partnership	Ok	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22785	An individual	4d. Working in Partnership	Makes perfect sense and is normal in all other workplaces.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22786	No Response	4d. Working in Partnership	Yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22787	An individual	4d. Working in Partnership	Admirable in theory but must be assessed at regular intervals.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22788	An individual	4d. Working in Partnership	Seems a sensible proposal so agree with what is proposed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22789	An individual	4d. Working in Partnership	Agree, provided it does actually cost less.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22790	An individual	4d. Working in Partnership	Duplication cannot be sustained during times of budget constraints so would agree that this needs to be a point of action.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22791	An individual	4d. Working in Partnership	Removal of duplication wherever possible is desirable .	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22792	An individual	4d. Working in Partnership	Again sounds like common sense but I'd ask why you haven't done that yet. What specific services etc are we talking about?	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22793	An individual	4d. Working in Partnership	Again seems OK	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22794	An individual	4d. Working in Partnership	Seems logical	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22795	An individual	4d. Working in Partnership	This makes sense.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22796	An individual	4d. Working in Partnership	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22797	An individual	4d. Working in Partnership	Agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22798	An individual	4d. Working in Partnership	Fine	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22799	An individual	4d. Working in Partnership	Good	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22800	An individual	4d. Working in Partnership	Agree.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22801	An individual	4d. Working in Partnership	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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22802	An individual	4d. Working in Partnership	Makes sense	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22803	An individual	4d. Working in Partnership	Agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22804	An individual	4d. Working in Partnership	agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22805	An individual	4d. Working in Partnership	Agreed Non-statutory services must justify their existence by either income/savings/outcomes delivered.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22806	No Response	4d. Working in Partnership	Laudable	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22807	An individual	4d. Working in Partnership	Agree... however another woolly statement not identifying who it impacts .	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22808	An employee of West Lothian Council	4d. Working in Partnership	I support this measure and ideally more could be saved as this is explored further.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22809	An individual	4d. Working in Partnership	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22810	An individual	4d. Working in Partnership	Support	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22811	An employee of West Lothian Council	4d. Working in Partnership	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22812	An individual	4d. Working in Partnership	Agree.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22813	No Response	4d. Working in Partnership	STRONGLY SUPPORT	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22814	An individual	4d. Working in Partnership	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22815	An individual	4d. Working in Partnership	Good idea	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22816	An individual	4d. Working in Partnership	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22817	An individual	4d. Working in Partnership	Agree.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22818	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	4d. Working in Partnership	Agreed.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22819	An employee of West Lothian Council	4d. Working in Partnership	I think all opportunities and initiatives need to be explored.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22820	An individual	4d. Working in Partnership	Agree - shows how much duplication goes on	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22821	An individual	4d. Working in Partnership	flexibility is key. excellent.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22822	An individual	4d. Working in Partnership	Carry on the excellence	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22823	An employee of West Lothian Council	4d. Working in Partnership	Supportive in principle based on limited detailed information.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22824	An individual	4d. Working in Partnership	Yes. More efficient and customer focused, please.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22825	An individual	4d. Working in Partnership	should not have been happening	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22826	An individual	4d. Working in Partnership	Fine	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22827	An individual	4d. Working in Partnership	Agree.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22828	An individual	4d. Working in Partnership	Sounds fine.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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22829	An individual	4d. Working in Partnership	Sounds sensible.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22830	An individual	4d. Working in Partnership	I support this	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22831	An individual	4d. Working in Partnership	Fine	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22832	An individual	4d. Working in Partnership	I completely agree with this.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22833	An individual	4d. Working in Partnership	Yeah	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22834	An employee of West Lothian Council	4d. Working in Partnership	I agree that more could be done to explore sharing information and reducing duplication.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22835	An employee of West Lothian Council	4d. Working in Partnership	I agree - no further comment.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22836	An individual	4d. Working in Partnership	These are desirable, but are not core services given austerity required they should be cut	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22837	An employee of West Lothian Council	4d. Working in Partnership	Strongly agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22838	An individual	4d. Working in Partnership	Good.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22839	An employee of West Lothian Council	4d. Working in Partnership	ok	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22840	An employee of West Lothian Council	4d. Working in Partnership	I agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22841	An individual	4d. Working in Partnership	Seems sensible	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22842	An individual	4d. Working in Partnership	I agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22843	An individual	4d. Working in Partnership	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22844	An individual	4d. Working in Partnership	Look okay as it is possible to evaluate given the vague descriptions given in the 'Transforming Your Council'	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22845	An individual	4d. Working in Partnership	I agree with the proposal.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22846	An individual	4d. Working in Partnership	All proposals are sound.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22847	An individual	4d. Working in Partnership	Against as more buzzwords that don't actually tell me what you're changing.	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22848	An individual	4d. Working in Partnership	Not the best	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22849	An individual	4d. Working in Partnership	There should be no changes to the existing!	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22850	An individual	4d. Working in Partnership	no	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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22851	An individual	4d. Working in Partnership	none	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22852	An individual	4d. Working in Partnership	no	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22853	An individual	4d. Working in Partnership	Again far too vague, no details, cannot support based on lack of detail.	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22854	An individual	4d. Working in Partnership	None	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22855	An employee of West Lothian Council	4d. Working in Partnership	This provides no detail to what is actually proposed to be cut and so no appropriate comment can be made.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22856	An individual	4d. Working in Partnership	What does this mean you are planning to do. Be specific. This is infuriatingly vague.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22857	An employee of West Lothian Council	4d. Working in Partnership	Too vague to comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22858	An individual	4d. Working in Partnership	Duplication again!	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22859	An individual	4d. Working in Partnership	Nothing concrete behind this to comment on.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22860	An individual	4d. Working in Partnership	This statement is too general to elicit a comment It is a 'do your job' statement.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22861	An employee of West Lothian Council	4d. Working in Partnership	Unless the council states what services maybe removed how can anyone give feedback when information given is so vague	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22862	An employee of West Lothian Council	4d. Working in Partnership	no comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22863	An individual	4d. Working in Partnership	No comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22864	An employee of West Lothian Council	4d. Working in Partnership	No comment.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22865	An individual	4d. Working in Partnership	Again a very broad statement with no real information.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22866	An employee of West Lothian Council	4d. Working in Partnership	not enough info	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22867	An employee of West Lothian Council	4d. Working in Partnership	Not enough detail to comment.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22868	An individual	4d. Working in Partnership	Not enough detail for a comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22869	An employee of West Lothian Council	4d. Working in Partnership	What will be integrated?	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22870	An individual	4d. Working in Partnership	List some so we can confer	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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22871	An individual	4d. Working in Partnership	Working together	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22872	An employee of West Lothian Council	4d. Working in Partnership	âœ“T, □	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22873	An individual	4d. Working in Partnership	I don't understand budgeting advantages and restraints enough to comment.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22874	An individual	4d. Working in Partnership	as long as that works	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22875	An employee of West Lothian Council	4d. Working in Partnership	i dont not know wat this means	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22876	An individual	4d. Working in Partnership	I don't understand this	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22877	An employee of West Lothian Council	4d. Working in Partnership	Services such as..? Of course working towards better flexibility and affordability sounds good - but it's really hard to comment without any examples.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22878	An individual	4d. Working in Partnership	?	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22879	An individual	4d. Working in Partnership	Once again a saving is identified with no real idea as to what might be economised on!	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22880	An employee of West Lothian Council	4d. Working in Partnership	This is currently too vague to comment on	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22881	An employee of West Lothian Council	4d. Working in Partnership	Detailed examples of what services these are would be required to comment on this proposal.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22882	An individual	4d. Working in Partnership	Which partners, which services? What does this actually mean - you can't consult with people but not ask us specifics!!	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22883	An individual	4d. Working in Partnership	No comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22884	An individual	4d. Working in Partnership	-	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22885	An employee of West Lothian Council	4d. Working in Partnership	Unable to comment.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22886	An individual	4d. Working in Partnership	No comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22887	An individual	4d. Working in Partnership	no comment.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22888	An employee of West Lothian Council	4d. Working in Partnership	N/a	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22889	An individual	4d. Working in Partnership	No comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22890	An individual	4d. Working in Partnership	This statement means nothing and the figure is likely made up. What workings are available to come up with this figure?	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22891	An employee of West Lothian Council	4d. Working in Partnership	Not clear what services are being referred to.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22892	No Response	4d. Working in Partnership	What services? More detail required!	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22893	An individual	4d. Working in Partnership	Who are partners?	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22894	No Response	4d. Working in Partnership	Not sure where this is different from previous questions regarding working with partnerships. Would need further information to make a comment.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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22895	An individual	4d. Working in Partnership	Can be complicated	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22896	An employee of West Lothian Council	4d. Working in Partnership	More clarity is required in this area.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22897	An individual	4d. Working in Partnership	O	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22898	No Response	4d. Working in Partnership	dgdg	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22899	An employee of West Lothian Council	4d. Working in Partnership	Ongoing as always.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22900	An individual	4d. Working in Partnership	Utter waffle	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22901	An individual	4d. Working in Partnership	nil	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22902	An individual	4d. Working in Partnership	No Comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22903	An individual	4d. Working in Partnership	No comment.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22904	An individual	4d. Working in Partnership	Need more details to comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22905	An individual	4d. Working in Partnership	No comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22906	An employee of West Lothian Council	4d. Working in Partnership	No comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22907	An employee of West Lothian Council	4d. Working in Partnership	NA	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22908	No Response	4d. Working in Partnership	No information given here on which I can comment.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22909	An employee of West Lothian Council	4d. Working in Partnership	Difficult to comment on this without knowing the detail of which specific services might be subject to review.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22910	An individual	4d. Working in Partnership	partnerships only work if you are in charge	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22911	An individual	4d. Working in Partnership	Again, buzzwords that say nothing...	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22912	An individual	4d. Working in Partnership	Very vague statement therefore cannot be commented on.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22913	An individual	4d. Working in Partnership	Pardon? What does this mean?	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22914	An individual	4d. Working in Partnership	No idea which partners or which services.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22915	An individual	4d. Working in Partnership	no comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22916	An individual	4d. Working in Partnership	no comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22917	An individual	4d. Working in Partnership	More information required	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22918	An individual	4d. Working in Partnership	Too vague	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22919	An individual	4d. Working in Partnership	No comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22920	No Response	4d. Working in Partnership	Cannot comment as not enough information in the above	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22921	An individual	4d. Working in Partnership	No comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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22922	An employee of West Lothian Council	4d. Working in Partnership	no comment.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22923	An individual	4d. Working in Partnership	No comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22924	An employee of West Lothian Council	4d. Working in Partnership	No comments	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22925	An employee of West Lothian Council	4d. Working in Partnership	NO COMMENT	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22926	An individual	4d. Working in Partnership	Vague.No idea what this is referring to, or which service areas. .	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22927	An individual	4d. Working in Partnership	No comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22928	An individual	4d. Working in Partnership	no comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22929	An individual	4d. Working in Partnership	Do not have Business background	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22930	An employee of West Lothian Council	4d. Working in Partnership	Sounds good in theory but no practical evidence is given to support this action.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22931	An individual	4d. Working in Partnership	No comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22932	An employee of West Lothian Council	4d. Working in Partnership	N/a	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22933	An employee of West Lothian Council	4d. Working in Partnership	Not clear what this means so can't comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22934	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	4d. Working in Partnership	Tell us about them then - how can we comment on vague words	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22935	No Response	4d. Working in Partnership	Not enough information to provide comment.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22936	No Response	4d. Working in Partnership	Er yes...but what.....?	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22937	An individual	4d. Working in Partnership	This sounds reasonable, but not enough information to make an informed comment.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22938	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	4d. Working in Partnership	Note review being carried out by West Lothian Museums Forum	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22939	An individual	4d. Working in Partnership	Proposal is too unspecific to comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22940	An individual	4d. Working in Partnership	What does this even mean?	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22941	An employee of West Lothian Council	4d. Working in Partnership	is this council wide - if so the saving seems small in proportion to the overall council budget?	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22942	An individual	4d. Working in Partnership	why is there duplication in the first place, why has this not been recognised and managed before now?	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22943	An individual	4d. Working in Partnership	Who are these partners you keep talking about? How can we comment when we don't know that?	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22944	An individual	4d. Working in Partnership	no comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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22945	An individual	4d. Working in Partnership	This should like a duplication of other proposals to be honest so hard to comment as this is very vague	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22946	An individual	4d. Working in Partnership	Eh?	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22947	An employee of West Lothian Council	4d. Working in Partnership	More detail required. This is a meaningless proposal without any substance	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22948	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	4d. Working in Partnership	.We do not believe we have the knowledge or experience of this area to be able to make an informed comment on it.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22949	An individual	4d. Working in Partnership	More information required	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22950	An individual	4d. Working in Partnership	No comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22951	An individual	4d. Working in Partnership	it is not clear what this is actually proposing	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22952	An employee of West Lothian Council	4d. Working in Partnership	Again, give us more information on what has been considered?	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22953	An employee of West Lothian Council	4d. Working in Partnership	The council have not provided enough indepth information for me to make an informed comment on this, as all information about this whole consultation is more secret that area 51.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22954	An employee of West Lothian Council	4d. Working in Partnership	I feel unable to comment due to lack of information	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22955	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	4d. Working in Partnership	Not enough specific details	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22956	An individual	4d. Working in Partnership	Don't know the details, so can't comment.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22957	An individual	4d. Working in Partnership	More detail required.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22958	An individual	4d. Working in Partnership	I don't know what this involves. it sounds like jargon.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22959	An individual	4d. Working in Partnership	Say what you actually plan to do	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22960	An individual	4d. Working in Partnership	unable to comment as not in plain english	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22961	An employee of West Lothian Council	4d. Working in Partnership	no comments.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22962	An employee of West Lothian Council	4d. Working in Partnership	Cannot comment as no detail on which partners we are talking about. Section too vague.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22963	An employee of West Lothian Council	4d. Working in Partnership	This is an untruthful assertion or a corporate delusion. Evidence Christie commission/public sector reforms to convince us. The CPP RAG does not appear to shift resources significantly 'upstream' nor move staff or budgets to the most effective provider or those best placed to address needs. Foodbanks abound, poor people don't use middle class services (howden park, Burgh Halls, active sports, Excite etc.) - yet kids from poor families are humiliated because of the increasing costs of 'participating' in school trips and events (many of which are curricular. We now have projects and initiatives to help poor people 'afford' the school year - 21st century and all that - where's the poor house now?	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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22964	An individual	4d. Working in Partnership	However community support to partner operations need to ensure that it works for both .	Working in Partnership (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council works with many partners which share the same or similar values, priorities and approach to overcoming future challenges. The council wishes to build on this and the benefits of increasing the number and scope of successful partnerships will be explored as part of this word
22965	An employee of West Lothian Council	4d. Working in Partnership	Using partner organisations leads to a cost anyway as outside companies will not be providing a service for nothing.	Working in Partnership (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council works with many partners which share the same or similar values, priorities and approach to overcoming future challenges. The council wishes to build on this and the benefits of increasing the number and scope of successful partnerships will be explored as part of this word
22966	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	4d. Working in Partnership	Effective partnerships can be developed, and will need to be , with the impending cuts, support from the Council and Community Planning Partners to the third sector to deliver services will be welcomed. Consortiums and more PSP's could be the way forward, these take time to develop but can attract external funding and in the longer term reduce core costs to the Council services. Time invested in such structures over the next year could lead to reduced Council expenditure in years to come.	Working in Partnership (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council works with many partners which share the same or similar values, priorities and approach to overcoming future challenges. The council wishes to build on this and the benefits of increasing the number and scope of successful partnerships will be explored as part of this word
22967	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	4d. Working in Partnership	Use of third-party services and suppliers will be required but should not be to the detriment of Council staff or tax payers.	Working in Partnership (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council works with many partners which share the same or similar values, priorities and approach to overcoming future challenges. The council wishes to build on this and the benefits of increasing the number and scope of successful partnerships will be explored as part of this word
22968	An individual	4d. Working in Partnership	What are the downsides? This isn't much of a consultation if you don't say what you mean by statements such as 'there will also be changes to how the Council works with partner organisations providing services.'	Working in Partnership (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council works with many partners which share the same or similar values, priorities and approach to overcoming future challenges. The council wishes to build on this and the benefits of increasing the number and scope of successful partnerships will be explored as part of this word
22969	An individual	4d. Working in Partnership	Integration within the Council and with its partner organisations should be beneficial as it would represent an opportunity to address silos and related ways of thinking that reduce efficiency and effectiveness.	Working in Partnership (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council works with many partners which share the same or similar values, priorities and approach to overcoming future challenges. The council wishes to build on this and the benefits of increasing the number and scope of successful partnerships will be explored as part of this word
22970	An individual	4d. Working in Partnership	The use of technology is a positive however changes to how West Lothian Council works with partnership organisations draws concerns that some of the same work will be carried out by these organisations resulting in loss of work for WLC employees.	Working in Partnership (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council works with many partners which share the same or similar values, priorities and approach to overcoming future challenges. The council wishes to build on this and the benefits of increasing the number and scope of successful partnerships will be explored as part of this word
22971	An individual	4d. Working in Partnership	The community should be facilitated to engage with services and there is a good history of third sector working in partnership but perhaps West Lothian next needs to be bolder and look to "plug the gaps" with volunteer and indeed people with children should and not in paid work or even if they are there should will contribute to their local community in a real way for so many hours a week. This would help community raise self esteem and work reduce social isolation, improve physical ability, support mental health, etc. My feeling is if the expectation is established as the new norm and is very local to the person the will be a buy in by most of the population. Council cannot provide everything nor should they but strong services are required by society for the most vulnerable. We have a skills gap that we need to be imaginative to resolve.	Working in Partnership (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council works with many partners which share the same or similar values, priorities and approach to overcoming future challenges. The council wishes to build on this and the benefits of increasing the number and scope of successful partnerships will be explored as part of this word

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22972	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	4d. Working in Partnership	The sector would like the Council to commit to improving the relationship by improving systems, processes and service delivery through the following: A full service redesign programme; this would be a holistic redesign, without any 'silo-working', and which includes the Third Sector as equal partners. This will include: a review of commissioning/procurement, a commitment to co-production, a commitment to a more complete adherence to National Standards for Community Engagement. Currently there are areas where the Council prioritises in-house Council services, sometimes in competition with the Sector, even where this may not deliver best value. The Sector would like to see the equal, fair and transparent evaluative and review processes, which are applied to Third Sector services, also applied to the Council's in-house services (avoiding what could be perceived as a conflict of interest or protectionism). In addition the Sector would like these areas included in the service redesign requested. This could mean some areas of Council/Sector service delivery: are amalgamated/ becomes a partnership, are closed and transferred to either Council or Sector. This will mean significant change to both Council and Third Sector delivered services.	Working in Partnership (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council works with many partners which share the same or similar values, priorities and approach to overcoming future challenges. The council wishes to build on this and the benefits of increasing the number and scope of successful partnerships will be explored as part of this work
22973	An individual	4d. Working in Partnership	Partnership working should be developed.	Working in Partnership (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The council works with many interested partners which share the same or similar values, priorities and approach to overcoming future challenges. The council wishes to build on this and the benefits of increasing the number and scope of successful partnerships will be explored as part of this work.
22974	An individual	4d. Working in Partnership	Whilst nice to have, some of these services cannot be provided by WLC in future.	Working in Partnership (general)	5d. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it has been previously considered and will not be progressed.	Whilst not a service as such, the council will continue to build on its approach to working in partnership.
22975	An employee of West Lothian Council	4d. Working in Partnership	Partnerships only work if you are in charge!!	Working in Partnership (general)	5c. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it is not consistent with the council's values and priorities.	The council is involved in many successful partnerships; some where it has a lead role and some where it does not. The specific role of the council in any potential future partnership will be explored as part of this work.
22976	An individual	4d. Working in Partnership	More should be done with other council's to share resources and deliver services. With all councils needing to make savings this seems like the only logical way to go.	Working in Partnership (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The benefits of working more closely with a wide range of other local authorities and public bodies will be explored as part of this work.
22977	An employee of West Lothian Council	4d. Working in Partnership	Supportive of this proposal although clarity of actual detail would be useful.	Working in Partnership (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The specific partners and services to be explored as part of this work are yet to be agreed and any relevant suggestions made as part of the consultation will be considered prior to any decisions being made.
22978	An employee of West Lothian Council	4d. Working in Partnership	Integration of services is essential but in doing do that does not mean the council takes on the burden of any arrangements/administration. The council can be guilty of wanting to take control - we must have confidence and faith in others to run things on our behalf.	Working in Partnership (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The council is involved in many successful partnerships; some where it has a lead role and some where it does not. The specific role of the council in any potential future partnership will be explored as part of this work.
22979	An individual	4d. Working in Partnership	WLC doesn't have an excellent record in anything.	Working in Partnership (general)	5c. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it is not consistent with the council's values and priorities.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22980	An employee of West Lothian Council	4d. Working in Partnership	Again, necessity should be the focus.	Working in Partnership (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	It is a necessity for the council to meet its legal obligations and agreed priorities for the area, and such necessities underpin future work to explore the potential in new partnerships.
22981	An individual	4d. Working in Partnership	You are coming across here as patting yourself on the back. Take care not to unnecessarily alienate those you are ostensibly trying to reach. Give one of two specific examples of what you have done here and say you will increase the number of such successful partnerships.	Working in Partnership (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The benefits of increasing the number and scope of successful partnerships will be explored as part of this work.
22982	An individual	4d. Working in Partnership	There ar pros and cons with this. I have mentioned in a previous answer the risks of shared services. Shared services are attractive but having seen some of this in effect with many other councils, there is a risk to efficiency and prioritising work depending which is the lead authority.	Working in Partnership (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The benefits of working more closely with a wide range of other local authorities and public bodies will be explored as part of this work.

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22983	An individual	4d. Working in Partnership	once again this paragraph is just jargon and it seems unlikely this questionnaire was tested before being released to the public. Which partners? what services? what resources? How can you expect someone to assess and comment on these proposals when it is not remotely clear what is being proposed?	Working in Partnership (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	The specific partners and services to be explored as part of this work are yet to be agreed and any relevant suggestions made as part of the consultation will be considered prior to any decisions being made.
22984	An employee of West Lothian Council	4d. Working in Partnership	This can work well in certain areas and should be continued.	Working in Partnership (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The benefits of increasing the number and scope of successful partnerships will be explored as part of this work.
22985	An individual	4d. Working in Partnership	Partners aren't interested.	Working in Partnership (general)	5c. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it is not consistent with the council's values and priorities.	The council works with many interested partners which share the same or similar values, priorities and approach to overcoming future challenges. The council wishes to build on this and the benefits of increasing the number and scope of successful partnerships will be explored as part of this work.
22986	An individual	4d. Working in Partnership	Agreed, there should also be opportunities for working with other local authorities to provide key services. There is too much duplication	Working in Partnership (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The benefits of working more closely with a wide range of other local authorities and public bodies will be explored as part of this work.
22987	An individual	4d. Working in Partnership	See no issue with working in partnership with other Councils as long as it represents value for money	Working in Partnership (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The options for, and benefits of, working more closely with a wide range of other local authorities and public bodies will be explored as part of this work.
22988	An individual	4d. Working in Partnership	I'm fully supportive of this so long as the relevant investment is made to systems, processed and staff are fully trained. This initial investment, along with the loss of jobs that'll go along, must provide a real change to the support service provided within and by the council. If it is not then the initial saving might be delivered, but it will not be sustainable.	Working in Partnership (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. The sustainability of existing and future partnerships will be explored as part of this work.
22989	An employee of West Lothian Council	4d. Working in Partnership	Joint work with councils all leading on something would save money and boost expertise	Working in Partnership (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The options for, and benefits of, working more closely with a wide range of other local authorities and public bodies will be explored as part of this work.
22990	An employee of West Lothian Council	4d. Working in Partnership	Work with Heath and other councils jointly	Working in Partnership (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The benefits of working more closely with a wide range of other local authorities and public bodies will be explored as part of this work.
22991	An employee of West Lothian Council	4d. Working in Partnership	The removal of duplication of services is paramount within the Council in my opinion.	Working in Partnership (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Removing unnecessary duplication will be a key aim for any future partnership working or service change undertaken within the council.
22992	An individual	4d. Working in Partnership	Where the partnership works efficiently this seems to be a good way of saving money.	Working in Partnership (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22993	An individual	4d. Working in Partnership	meanwhile the council is to reduce funding to three groups -- this will not enhance the supposed excellent track record	Working in Partnership (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
22994	An individual	4d. Working in Partnership	close attention should be made to services offered by partners / some experience has shown that aims do not meet aspirations and expectations	Working in Partnership (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. It will be necessary to jointly agree the aims of any future partnership with the partners involved at the outset to ensure aspirations and expectations are appropriately aligned.
22995	An individual	4d. Working in Partnership	It is disappointing that a consultation is needed for you to get permission to save money from something like working in partnership - why is that not the normal way of approaching your business?	Working in Partnership (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council works with many partners which share the same or similar values, priorities and approach to overcoming future challenges. The council wishes to build on this and the benefits of increasing the number and scope of successful partnerships will be explored as part of this work.
22996	An individual	4d. Working in Partnership	Always sensible, wherever it is possible as long as not detrimental to the service users.	Working in Partnership (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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22997	An employee of West Lothian Council	4d. Working in Partnership	Outsourcing, agency staff, PFI's, partnership working - never been a financially viable business model.	Working in Partnership (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. The relative merits of a range of approaches to partnership working will be explored as part of the work on this proposal.
22998	An individual	4d. Working in Partnership	Does this involve private - profit-making - organisations? If so, public services should not be provided in this way. I believe profit-making organisations provide services cheaper but at the detriment to service quality and/or the terms and conditions of staff.	Working in Partnership (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. The relative merits of a range of approaches to partnership working will be explored as part of the work on this proposal.
22999	An employee of West Lothian Council	4d. Working in Partnership	Avoid the duplication	Working in Partnership (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Removing unnecessary duplication will be a key aim for any future partnership working or service change undertaken within the council.
23000	An employee of West Lothian Council	4d. Working in Partnership	The problem is with reduced staff finding the time to look at integration.	Working in Partnership (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23001	An employee of West Lothian Council	4d. Working in Partnership	Again this makes sense. Internal WLC partnerships should be explored thoroughly as this would help streamline process and resources and would avoid duplication. For example: Homeless prevention and housing working closer with the Advice Shop in areas of prevention rather than cure.	Working in Partnership (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Removing unnecessary duplication will be a key aim for any future partnership working or service change undertaken within the council.
23002	An individual	4d. Working in Partnership	Support proposal to centralise and amalgamate services as is seen in all industries to manage costs and savings.	Working in Partnership (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23003	An individual	4d. Working in Partnership	This means nothing or it means 10 people will be made unemployed. Which is it ?	Working in Partnership (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	The council works with many partners which share the same or similar values, priorities and approach to overcoming future challenges. The council wishes to build on this and the benefits of increasing the number and scope of successful partnerships will be explored as part of this work.
23004	An individual	4d. Working in Partnership	Agree but need to ensure that agencies can provide what is required without crumbling under increased pressure.	Working in Partnership (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23005	An employee of West Lothian Council	4d. Working in Partnership	council should look at sharing hr/payroll/legal resources with other nearby councils and public services.	Working in Partnership (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The benefits of working more closely with a wide range of other local authorities and public bodies will be explored as part of this work.
23006	An individual	4d. Working in Partnership	More collaboration needs to happen. The council needs to be run more commercially and we should compete with Lothian and East Lothian for commercial collaboration.	Working in Partnership (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. The relative merits of a range of approaches to partnership working will be explored as part of the work on this proposal.
23007	An individual	4d. Working in Partnership	No real information to comment on here, this is a common sense statement of aspiration. Working in partnership should not be confused with simply outsourcing a service for what you consider a good price that allows you to make savings at the time, then spending years having to tidy up after a contractor and arguing over the quality of the service.	Working in Partnership (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. The Council is committed to ensure a strong governance framework is in place to make sure quality is at the heart of service delivery.
23008	An employee of West Lothian Council	4d. Working in Partnership	We have no choice but to partner and avoid duplication	Working in Partnership (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23009	An individual	4d. Working in Partnership	I believe in good partnership working. Avoid duplication	Working in Partnership (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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23010	An individual	4d. Working in Partnership	The principle outlined here seems to make good sense, but again there is little detail.	Working in Partnership (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. The specific partners and services to be explored as part of this work are yet to be agreed and any relevant suggestions made as part of the consultation will be considered prior to any decisions being made.
23011	An employee of West Lothian Council	4d. Working in Partnership	Reducing funding will be counter productive and shift the burden rather than remove it	Working in Partnership (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23012	An individual	4d. Working in Partnership	These providers should be benchmarked and assessed yearly with limited periods of contract to ensure best service and added value.	Working in Partnership (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23013	An individual	4d. Working in Partnership	yes need to look at what doing well	Working in Partnership (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23014	An individual	4d. Working in Partnership	Integrating services and working in partnership with partners will allow more sharing of resources including staff and promote best high quality practice across the board by a motivated and innovative staff team.	Working in Partnership (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23015	An individual	4d. Working in Partnership	Essential for joined up working	Working in Partnership (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23016	An employee of West Lothian Council	4d. Working in Partnership	the most important thing is quality services for council employees and the people of west Lothian.	Working in Partnership (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Quality of service will be a key aim for any future partnership arrangements.
23017	An individual	4d. Working in Partnership	Which partners? Again, insufficient information to comment on. Is this just a paper exercise?	Working in Partnership (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	The specific partners and services to be explored as part of this work are yet to be agreed and any relevant suggestions made as part of the consultation will be considered prior to any decisions being made.
23018	An employee of West Lothian Council	4d. Working in Partnership	Working in partnership is a worthwhile venture and to be commended	Working in Partnership (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23019	An individual	4d. Working in Partnership	Again, there should be a community vote on integrated services.	Working in Partnership (general)	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23020	An individual	4d. Working in Partnership	Yes get rid of red tape, duplication and all the stuff weighing down services and that would save more money than firing folk.	Working in Partnership (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23021	An employee of West Lothian Council	4d. Working in Partnership	Where and with whom ?	Working in Partnership (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	The specific partners and services to be explored as part of this work are yet to be agreed and any relevant suggestions made as part of the consultation will be considered prior to any decisions being made.
23022	An employee of West Lothian Council	4d. Working in Partnership	Integration of services should not come at the expense of peoples jobs.	Working in Partnership (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Efficiencies generated through partnership working may not necessarily equate to direct FTE reductions.
23023	An employee of West Lothian Council	4d. Working in Partnership	Further work on partnership working is required. Increased information re what services are available is required. A directory/information booklet on all services, purposes and resources is required.	Working in Partnership (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23024	An individual	4d. Working in Partnership	What are these "opportunities"? Why don't you give some examples?	Working in Partnership (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23025	An individual	4d. Working in Partnership	Only if partners pay their way and staff have nothing else to do.	Working in Partnership (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23026	An individual	4d. Working in Partnership	Seems fair in principle but depends upon how it is done	Working in Partnership (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23027	An employee of West Lothian Council	4d. Working in Partnership	This should be further explored with new statutory requirements and sharing specialised functions such as Legal and IT Services	Working in Partnership (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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23028	An employee of West Lothian Council	4d. Working in Partnership	ok providing no issues with unions	Working in Partnership (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23029	An individual	4d. Working in Partnership	This would appear to be a reasonable proposal	Working in Partnership (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23030	An individual	4d. Working in Partnership	I support this as long as these are not private sector "partners".	Working in Partnership (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23031	An individual	4d. Working in Partnership	in the absence of any other place to put this - I m disappointed that the council is not considering in greater depth the value of engaging differently with communities and people who use services. Other councils and community planning (Dundee, East Ayrshire, South Ayrshire, Fife eg..) partnerships are placing enhanced value on increasing the capacity of communities to work alongside statutory partners and find solutions. They are investing in new ways to measure the impact of engaging differently and are able to see real changes in how communities capacity has increased to be able to deliver transformational change. Other CPPs and councils are also investing in teams designed to support communities increase their capacity to be involved. It is disappointing that West Lothian seems to be going in the opposite direction.	Working in Partnership (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	The council continues to review is engagement with partnerships, including through the Community Planning Partnership. The council will continue to support community groups, organisations and partnerships.
23032	An individual	4d. Working in Partnership	West Lothian CPP was highly regarded. It would seem to be important that Community Planning mechanisms are enhanced to enable better partnership working and an increased focus in localised solutions.	Working in Partnership (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23033	An individual	4d. Working in Partnership	What does this mean - sharing gritters? Road improvements? Bins? Social Services? Advice Shop services? All of these and many more could be shared across councils.	Working in Partnership (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23034	An employee of West Lothian Council	4d. Working in Partnership	Seems like a small saving for what could be exploited in a huge way. Would this also include areas where partners / business can perhaps sponsor areas where the Council once funded e.g. Christmas Lights, Gala Days, hanging baskets, gardens in prominent places,etc...	Working in Partnership (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The council will look at the option to secure funding through sponsorship and other means of increasing income.
23035	An individual	4d. Working in Partnership	Shared Services for HR/Finance etc...across Scotland	Working in Partnership (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23036	No Response	4d. Working in Partnership	not agree. not enough resourses to out everyone in the same place	Working in Partnership (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23037	An individual	4d. Working in Partnership	why is this a cut as should be doing this as par for course	Working in Partnership (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23038	An individual	4d. Working in Partnership	Yes, get rid of managers. Don't restructure and create more tiers of management.	Working in Partnership (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23039	An individual	4d. Working in Partnership	Agreed but unsure about working with partners who are outside companies which may be expensive.	Working in Partnership (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23040	An individual	4d. Working in Partnership	Given the exploration seems not to have happened is this achievable in the short term?	Working in Partnership (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	All proposals set out in the Transforming Your Council consultation are considered to be deliverable within a five year period.
23041	An employee of West Lothian Council	4d. Working in Partnership	Not enough info - agree in principle but no detail on the Å£600k saving or "opportunities" that exist: What opportunities?	Working in Partnership (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23042	An individual	4d. Working in Partnership	No additional outsourcing to non-public organisations should be considered, as this would only result in longer-term higher costs and decreased services	Working in Partnership (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23043	An employee of West Lothian Council	4d. Working in Partnership	Partnership working itself needs a long hard look. It is not as good as it is claiming to be.	Working in Partnership (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23044	An employee of West Lothian Council	4d. Working in Partnership	Outsourcing is not cost-effective and will lead to more money spent for a poorer level of service.	Working in Partnership (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23045	An individual	4d. Working in Partnership	Yes but actually work in partnership don't just say it	Working in Partnership (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23046	An individual	4d. Working in Partnership	If there are workable opportunities - take them. Leave exploring to people who can afford the time to do it.	Working in Partnership (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23047	An individual	4d. Working in Partnership	Partnership working is often lip service with not enough being done across departments or with partner agencies.	Working in Partnership (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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23048	An individual	4d. Working in Partnership	No objection to this. Why another £600,000 sounds just a stab in the dark.	Working in Partnership (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23049	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	4d. Working in Partnership	What does this saving mean? Again we have insufficient information relating to the specifics of this saving to make an informed decision on who this will affect and how. Has an equality impact assessment been completed for this saving? What services and activities are you integrating and how will they be resourced and what level of service delivery will the communities receive and who will these changes affect?	Working in Partnership (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23050	An individual	4d. Working in Partnership	Fine as long as there are no reductions in the quality of service.	Working in Partnership (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. The Council is committed to ensure a strong governance framework is in place to make sure quality is at the heart of service delivery.
23051	An individual	4d. Working in Partnership	As long as service quality is not reduced	Working in Partnership (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. The Council is committed to ensure a strong governance framework is in place to make sure quality is at the heart of service delivery.
23052	An individual	4d. Working in Partnership	The voluntary sector should be seen as an equal partners in service delivery and strategic planning in health and social care.	Working in Partnership (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23053	An individual	4d. Working in Partnership	I am a fan of partnership working as I myself work for a company who provides opportunities for school children, job seekers to come train with us for work experience. It is getting better but so much more could be done to make sure people are being directed to the right training and work experience not just "this place will take you" so many do not engage when they feel there is no reward or if they feel forced to do it.	Working in Partnership (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council will continue to explore opportunities for effective partnership working including those focused on maximising opportunities for young people.
23054	An individual	4d. Working in Partnership	Who are the council partners?	Working in Partnership (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	The council works with a large number of partners across the public sector, business sector and the voluntary sector.
23055	An individual	4d. Working in Partnership	This does not say what this means and what the cut savings will be.	Working in Partnership (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23056	An individual	4d. Working in Partnership	As long as this has no negative impact on employment	Working in Partnership (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23057	An individual	4d. Working in Partnership	This proposal sounds like a slashing of vital services this is not a good idea and I would be against this proposal. If this must be done then the Council should ask relevant charities and support groups to advise on what should be cut as they are better placed to make these decisions that the staff within the Council.	Working in Partnership (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council will continue to support community groups and organisations. However, support will be focused on the priority areas identified in the Transforming Your Council consultation. Support will also be focused on those groups and organisations which can demonstrate the greatest impact on the overall priorities.
23058	An individual	4d. Working in Partnership	How about helping local charities to take on young people not in employment? We need lots of help and can make money go a long way.	Working in Partnership (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	The council will continue to explore opportunities for effective partnership working including those focused on maximising opportunities for young people.
23059	An individual	4d. Working in Partnership	Depends who you think your partners are. There's lots of community groups out there that could do more with a fraction of your budget, but you don't share or involve us in participatory budget setting.	Working in Partnership (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council works with a large number of partners across the public sector, business sector and the voluntary sector. The council continues to explore options for participatory budgeting in line with Scottish Government guidance
23060	An individual	4d. Working in Partnership	There really needs to be a review of partnership services and voluntary groups. There are a lot of groups receiving funding for nothing.	Working in Partnership (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council will continue to support community groups and organisations. However, support will be focused on the priority areas identified in the Transforming Your Council consultation. Support will also be focused on those groups and organisations which can demonstrate the greatest impact on the overall priorities.
23061	An individual	4d. Working in Partnership	If the council have no money then I can't see how they can contribute to voluntary groups and organisations	Working in Partnership (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23062	An employee of West Lothian Council	4d. Working in Partnership	working in partnership with other partners is a great thing as it would help reduce costs for the council. Surely.	Working in Partnership (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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23063	An individual	4d. Working in Partnership	use of more community volunteer	Working in Partnership (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23064	No Response	4d. Working in Partnership	Partnership working with local non-statutory agencies, may provide an opportunity to reduce costs including premises and staffing, however the value of personal support must not be overlooked in these considerations.	Working in Partnership (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council will continue to explore opportunities for effective partnership working. Any future arrangements will be focused on the priority areas identified in the Transforming Your Council consultation. Support will be focused on those partnerships which contribution most to meeting confirmed priorities.
23065	No Response	4d. Working in Partnership	Funding voluntary groups is cost efficient and provides the Council with a value for money alternative to direct provision of the service, this should be continued, where there is a clear demand and the voluntary organisation can demonstrate the effectiveness of it's service and positive outcomes for the people it supports.	Working in Partnership (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council will continue to support community groups and organisations. However, support will be focused on the priority areas identified in the Transforming Your Council consultation. Support will also be focused on those groups and organisations which can demonstrate the greatest impact on the overall priorities.
23066	No Response	4d. Working in Partnership	Working in partnership with voluntary organisations is cost efficient and provides the Council with a value for money alternative to direct provision of the service, this should be continued, where there is a clear demand and the voluntary organisation can demonstrate the effectiveness of it's service and positive outcomes for the people it supports.	Working in Partnership (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23067	An individual	4d. Working in Partnership	Look to involve local businesses and charities more in this sector.	Working in Partnership (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	The council will continue to explore opportunities for effective partnership working including those focused on maximising opportunities for young people.
23068	An individual	4d. Working in Partnership	Welcome removing duplication but why not place workers from the coal face so to speak in charge of this? Or at least consult with them. Many will have excellent ideas about how savings can be made.	Working in Partnership (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Staff will continue to be encourage to develop effective partnerships and to be involved with framing the partnerships to ensure that anticipated outcomes are being met.
23069	An individual	4d. Working in Partnership	We rely a lot on voluntary groups and organisations.	Working in Partnership (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23070	An individual	4d. Working in Partnership	I would agree with this with the council staff being retained and other services linking into council services.	Working in Partnership (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23071	An individual	4d. Working in Partnership	It makes sense to share resources with other Authorities, especially where one has more specialist staff, and access to better resources than another.	Working in Partnership (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23072	An individual	4d. Working in Partnership	take some services off the council and work with local organisations like community centres. that should help lower council costs.	Working in Partnership (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23073	An individual	4d. Working in Partnership	This makes sense provided that quality and accessibility are maintained.	Working in Partnership (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. The Council is committed to ensure a strong governance framework is in place to make sure quality is at the heart of service delivery.
23074	An employee of West Lothian Council	4d. Working in Partnership	NO to involving private businesses or partners as you call them.	Working in Partnership (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council works with a large number of partners across the public sector, business sector and the voluntary sector.
23075	An individual	4d. Working in Partnership	The council should work to improve sharing resources more efficiently across partnerships. This hasn't been as successful as it could be.	Working in Partnership (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23076	An employee of West Lothian Council	4d. Working in Partnership	I am sure there are some services that could be delivered in partnership. Particularly in areas where the council has few specialist resources, this would give a larger skills base to draw on	Working in Partnership (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23077	An employee of West Lothian Council	4d. Working in Partnership	I think it is time that councils work together for the good of all of Scotland and share services. Schools have been collaborating better over the past few years and I have seen improvements made so this seems to be the way forward. We need to be less protective and rigid in our approaches and work better together. This of course may be difficult to do as people are naturally defensive and cling to what they know.	Working in Partnership (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23078	An employee of West Lothian Council	4d. Working in Partnership	Shared services should be explored as fully as possible, and no service should be off limits. Other councils are keen on the idea as well, so each service should be charged with contacting their opposite number in surrounding councils to explore the possibility.	Working in Partnership (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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23079	An employee of West Lothian Council	4d. Working in Partnership	Council services already work together effectively; this should be encouraged as a way of enhancing the services we provide. It should not be seen as a means of making budget savings.	Working in Partnership (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23080	An employee of West Lothian Council	4d. Working in Partnership	Again worth working in partnership when resources are limited.	Working in Partnership (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23081	An individual	4d. Working in Partnership	Shared services where possible please	Working in Partnership (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23082	An individual	4d. Working in Partnership	Partnerships must be used if benefit for both parties	Working in Partnership (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23083	No Response	4d. Working in Partnership	As long as a service provides a good service and good value for money	Working in Partnership (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council will continue to 'health check' partnership arrangements to ensure that best value is being achieved.
23084	An employee of West Lothian Council	4d. Working in Partnership	We do work well with key partners however some inter agency discussion should take place where changes will impact on other. Organizational change is happening everywhere and sometimes services are removed without any consultation or prior warning.	Working in Partnership (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council will continue to 'health check' partnership arrangements to ensure that best value is being achieved. Any organisational changes will be progressed in accordance with the council's Change Management Policy which sets out the requirements for engagement.
23085	An individual	4d. Working in Partnership	While I think it makes sense to remove duplication and share best practice I also feel there is not enough information about what this actually means. What are you planning to cut? What effect will this have on the area and the different services?	Working in Partnership (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Efficiencies will be delivered in accordance with agreed council priorities. Until these are agreed following consultation it is not possible to identify changes to individual services.
23086	An individual	4d. Working in Partnership	As long as you're looking after the young, elderly and disabled without taking anything away from them	Working in Partnership (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Any partnership working will continue to be aligned to the agreed priorities of the council.
23087	An individual	4d. Working in Partnership	The council has an excellent track record of working successfully with our partners to provide services that are effective; great, but transparency is required for us to know who are the Council's partners. Please provide a list stating what they partner with the Council	Working in Partnership (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	This comment will be considered in the development of the proposal.
23088	An individual	4d. Working in Partnership	This must be double counted! These phrases occur in multiple boxes. No specific proposals here to comment on.	Working in Partnership (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	This is a separate proposal from any others in the consultation. The specific partners and services to be explored as part of this work are yet to be agreed and any relevant suggestions made as part of the consultation will be considered prior to any decisions being made.
23089	No Response	4d. Working in Partnership	This would depend on the type of services being shared. Collaboration can/does work, however each service / partner will have their own interest at heart and could put the focus on this rather than another councils.	Working in Partnership (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	It is a necessity for the council to meet its legal obligations and agreed priorities for the area, and such necessities will underpin any future work to explore the potential in new partnerships. The council already works with partners which share the same or similar values, priorities and approach to overcoming future challenges. The council wishes to build on this and the benefits of increasing the number and scope of successful partnerships will be explored as part of this work.
23090	An individual	4d. Working in Partnership	Given the level of support we receive from one of your partners I certainly wouldn't call it successful	Working in Partnership (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23091	An employee of West Lothian Council	4d. Working in Partnership	As there are a number of areas in the council undertaking similar work e.g. finance, there is scope for removal of duplication through effective planning and redesign	Working in Partnership (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	This comment will be considered in the development of the proposal.
23092	An employee of West Lothian Council	4d. Working in Partnership	I feel there is a very close relationship between social work and health here.	Working in Partnership (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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23093	An employee of West Lothian Council	4d. Working in Partnership	I agree with this proposal as long as the remaining staff are suitable and sufficient	Working in Partnership (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23094	An individual	4d. Working in Partnership	Yes, I think this could work. If managed strategically, with respect for knowledge within the community, with excellent communication and not driven wholly by cost cutting.	Working in Partnership (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23095	An employee of West Lothian Council	4d. Working in Partnership	Integration of services without loss of service would be pragmatic	Working in Partnership (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23096	An individual	4d. Working in Partnership	WLC should work more closely with the third sector to deliver services. Third sector groups (and networks) should be exploited to deliver their services in more targeted and strategic ways, thus taking up some slack from diminished services.	Working in Partnership (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23097	An employee of West Lothian Council	4d. Working in Partnership	I think this is a good idea but it would make sense to have only one corporate team instead of duplicating services overall.	Working in Partnership (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23098	An individual	4d. Working in Partnership	working in partnership has always been painted as a pretty picture but as for the council employees who were forced to move across in to those partnerships I'm not so sure	Working in Partnership (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23099	An individual	4d. Working in Partnership	Save the money.	Working in Partnership (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23100	An individual	4d. Working in Partnership	I feel some services do this really well and others not so great. We should get better at sharing best practice and run workshops where responsible staff can learn from each other and be supported.	Working in Partnership (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	This comment will be considered in the development of the proposal.
23101	An employee of West Lothian Council	4d. Working in Partnership	Good idea. Stating the obvious. Too vague to comment on otherwise.	Working in Partnership (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23102	No Response	4d. Working in Partnership	Agreed that duplication is not necessary but to be distinguished form additional service which is required. If one area is discontinued then the existing one should have increased capacity if required.	Working in Partnership (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23103	An individual	4d. Working in Partnership	It is impossible to integrate specialist services, i.e engineering and legal. WLC requires to consider its statutory responsibilities before employing such a lean structure.	Working in Partnership (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	It is a necessity for the council to meet its legal obligations and agreed priorities for the area, and such necessities will underpin any future work to explore the potential in new partnerships or integrated approaches to service provision.
23104	No Response	4d. Working in Partnership	All duplication should be eradicated.	Working in Partnership (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Removing unnecessary duplication will be a key aim for any future partnership working or service change undertaken within the council.
23105	An employee of West Lothian Council	4d. Working in Partnership	Removing duplication and sharing best practice is very important. Must be forward thinking and always looking for new ideas and innovations. Councils risk being stuck in the past if managers are not open to this kind of outlook.	Working in Partnership (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23106	An employee of West Lothian Council	4d. Working in Partnership	This should be normal practice to provide the best possible service to the residents of West Lothian but the correct systems must be in place to allow this to happen	Working in Partnership (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23107	No Response	4d. Working in Partnership	So much duplication what is going on at the council?	Working in Partnership (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Removing unnecessary duplication will be a key aim for any future partnership working or service change undertaken within the council.
23108	An individual	4d. Working in Partnership	The message on this needs to be clear and the perceptions of people need to be managed as there is a growing perception in some areas that the council are day by day competing with 'potential' partners.	Working in Partnership (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	This comment will be considered in the development of the proposal.
23109	An individual	4d. Working in Partnership	All makes eminent sense so long as related services are not seriously adversely affected.	Working in Partnership (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Quality of service will be a key aim for any future partnership arrangements.
23110	An individual	4d. Working in Partnership	Does integration of services result in a less well trained staff Staff you are being asked to do other duties and not fully competent	Working in Partnership (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Consideration will be given to staff training and development requirements through the development of the proposal.
23111	An individual	4d. Working in Partnership	If more services are outsources there needs to be more spent on the monitoring of these providers.	Working in Partnership (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Any partnership working arrangements will require robust financial and performance monitoring.
23112	An individual	4d. Working in Partnership	Should be streamlined where possible where maintaining choices and standards.	Working in Partnership (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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23113	An employee of West Lothian Council	4d. Working in Partnership	If the council pay for staff in partner organisations, this could be looked at to focus on those most beneficial to the council.	Working in Partnership (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	This comment will be considered in the development of the proposal.
23114	An employee of West Lothian Council	4d. Working in Partnership	Duplication occurs in certain areas with gathering the same information. For example free school meals/milk and clothing grant this information is already held by the Revenues Department for benefit purposes but the customer is being asked to provide this information to other departments. This may reduce the number of customers applying for help they are entitled to and could contribute towards the council not maximising their funding from Scottish Government. ie the equity fund will not be paid for customers who are entitled to free school meals but they have not claimed it.	Working in Partnership (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	This comment will be considered in the development of the proposal.
23115	An individual	4d. Working in Partnership	As 1A - Excellent if all of the above are carried out. However on current personally experienced performance it will take a huge effort to even provide an improvement. Further why has the "efficiency and effectiveness" not been applied to current procedures. No real criteria to be reach is actually stated and the starting point for these "efficiency and effectiveness" upgrade to services is not evident. Vagueness in targets to achieve. How will residents know when this is achieved?	Working in Partnership (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23116	An individual	4d. Working in Partnership	As stated before - If it's not statutory and you can't afford it don't do it	Working in Partnership (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is a necessity for the council to meet its legal obligations and agreed priorities for the area, and such necessities underpin future work to explore the potential in new partnerships.
23117	An employee of West Lothian Council	4d. Working in Partnership	Does the Council ensure an oversight of their partner's employees to ensure that they are being treated in a similar way to the Council's employees.	Working in Partnership (general)	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Any partnership working arrangements will require robust financial and performance monitoring.
23118	An individual	4d. Working in Partnership	Agree if there is duplication, but to ensure no major impact on services provided	Working in Partnership (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23119	An individual	4d. Working in Partnership	I'm all for best practices but I fail to see how partners can do a more effective, flexible and affordable job than can be done "in house"	Working in Partnership (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Partnership working need not necessarily mean outsourcing.
23120	An individual	4d. Working in Partnership	Rather than cut some employment roles, perhaps job shares could be explored as potential options, this could be done in partnership with other organisations or other councils perhaps?	Working in Partnership (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	This comment will be considered in the development of the proposal.
23121	An employee of West Lothian Council	4d. Working in Partnership	Partnership working is key to protecting the natural environment. We need to ensure that council systems and processes make this easy to do.	Working in Partnership (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	This comment will be considered in the development of the proposal.
23122	An individual	4d. Working in Partnership	Would need some detail to enable me to comment on a substantial saving. Nothing provided.	Working in Partnership (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23123	An individual	4d. Working in Partnership	Consider also partnering with other councils and public bodies e.g. can police use council offices, can you charge them?	Working in Partnership (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The benefits of working more closely with a wide range of other local authorities and public bodies will be explored as part of this work.
23124	An individual	4d. Working in Partnership	I would like to see the top 3 items/specific deliverables that contribute to this redesign.	Working in Partnership (general)	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23125	An individual	4d. Working in Partnership	Continue with partnership and sharing of resources model it is the way forward. Consider how to extend this and the devolving to local communities.	Working in Partnership (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	This comment will be considered in the development of the proposal.
23126	An individual	4d. Working in Partnership	Agree provided that local accountability is not lost.	Working in Partnership (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Any partnership working arrangements will require robust financial and performance monitoring.
23127	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	4d. Working in Partnership	What are these opportunities? The IJB and recent TUPE transfer of staff do not fill the TUS with confidence.	Working in Partnership (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	The council works with many partners which share the same or similar values, priorities and approach to overcoming future challenges. The council wishes to build on this and the benefits of increasing the number and scope of successful partnerships will be explored as part of this work. The specific partners and services to be explored as part of this work are yet to be agreed and any relevant suggestions made as part of the consultation will be considered prior to any decisions being made.

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23128	An employee of West Lothian Council	4d. Working in Partnership	Always support partnership working where there is a benefit to the public and a reduction of barriers to access to services.	Working in Partnership (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23129	An employee of West Lothian Council	4d. Working in Partnership	sounds good in theory but skeptical of the ability to integrate services	Working in Partnership (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23130	An employee of West Lothian Council	4d. Working in Partnership	This will effective as long as all partners are consulted with and their is not a top down approach, as has happened in the past. This has not been successful in the case of WLDAS or the disintegration of the Health improvement team, it only works if everyone is involved. with the schools receiving so much PEF funding there is going to be a gap in provision after the money is spent - we need as many partners onboard to ensure the sustainability and staff capacity building for the future.	Working in Partnership (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	This comment will be considered in the development of the proposal.
23131	An employee of West Lothian Council	4d. Working in Partnership	Can't do this on the one hand and then cut off funding support as proposed above...	Working in Partnership (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23132	An individual	4d. Working in Partnership	This would be a good route to take. There must be savings to be made here to support the services which offer best value	Working in Partnership (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23133	An individual	4d. Working in Partnership	You haven't given any helpful or specific information here, very woolly and unclear where Â£600,000 cuts will come from.	Working in Partnership (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23134	An individual	4d. Working in Partnership	Ensure all partner meet the high standards currently set by West Lothian Council	Working in Partnership (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Quality of service will be a key aim for any future partnership arrangements.
23135	An individual	4d. Working in Partnership	Providing quality of service is maintained or better still improved .	Working in Partnership (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Quality of service will be a key aim for any future partnership arrangements. The Council is committed to ensure a strong governance framework is in place to make sure quality is at the heart of service delivery.
23136	An individual	4d. Working in Partnership	I agree with the removal of duplication and sharing best practices.	Working in Partnership (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23137	An employee of West Lothian Council	4d. Working in Partnership	Best practice whilst partnership working, excellent idea.	Working in Partnership (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23138	An individual	4d. Working in Partnership	Agree with this and am generally very positive about partnerships, involving local community groups and sharing with other Councils to maintain if not develop service provision.	Working in Partnership (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23139	An individual	4d. Working in Partnership	Anything which is duplicated should be overviewed to reduce costs	Working in Partnership (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23140	An employee of West Lothian Council	4d. Working in Partnership	integrating services seems a positive way to go and a more joined up approach to spending may be a successful way of saving	Working in Partnership (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23141	An employee of West Lothian Council	4d. Working in Partnership	4d Not sure which partnerships this involves, which services, activities and resources. Very vague proposal so difficult to comment.	Working in Partnership (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	The specific partners and services to be explored as part of this work are yet to be agreed and any relevant suggestions made as part of the consultation will be considered prior to any decisions being made.
23142	An individual	4d. Working in Partnership	Why haven't you done this before? Moreover, does it really need to be on this very overlong consultation.	Working in Partnership (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23143	An employee of West Lothian Council	4d. Working in Partnership	This is very vague. What examples are there of working with partners? What have been there successes? What has not worked? What services have become more effective as a result of working with partners? How is that effectiveness determined? What services have become more flexible as a result of working with partners? How is that flexibility determined? Is it always seen as a positive outcome? What services have become more affordable as a result of working with partners? If we have not explored the opportunities for further integration how can we estimate a saving? What opportunities are there to explore? What does integration of services look like? Will this involve external partners? How will we share resources? What duplication is currently occurring? What integration will reduce that?	Working in Partnership (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	The specific partners and services to be explored as part of this work are yet to be agreed and any relevant suggestions made as part of the consultation will be considered prior to any decisions being made. These comments will be considered in the development of the proposal.

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23144	An individual	4d. Working in Partnership	Why is this questionnaire so vague? Since this is such a comparatively smaller saving can you be specific with the duplication you plan to remove? Can't be that much to list	Working in Partnership (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	The specific partners and services to be explored as part of this work are yet to be agreed and any relevant suggestions made as part of the consultation will be considered prior to any decisions being made.
23145	An individual	4d. Working in Partnership	Significant savings could be made thro high quality procurement and regular tendering processes	Working in Partnership (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	This comment will be considered in the development of the proposal. The Council is committed to ensure a strong governance framework is in place to make sure quality is at the heart of service delivery.
23146	An individual	4d. Working in Partnership	I agree with the proposal to explore further opportunities to work in partnership with others thus saving on the total spend in multiple areas.	Working in Partnership (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23147	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	4d. Working in Partnership	Although the council's funding support for Visit West Lothian has been withdrawn, the organisation has responded innovatively by working to secure other avenues of funding and sponsorship to help support company activities. The presence of a dedicated staff member has enabled VWL to successfully bring in funding over the years and levered in significant additional private sector investment. Visit West Lothian would implore West Lothian Council to take advantage of the economic and quality of life growth potential that the visitor economy offers by ring fencing a nominal amount of funding in this area.	Working in Partnership (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	The specific partners and services to be explored as part of this work are yet to be agreed and any relevant suggestions made as part of the consultation will be considered prior to any decisions being made. The type and extent of support provided by the council to any given organisation in the future will be reviewed as part of the work on this and other proposals.
23148	An individual	4d. Working in Partnership	Public should be made aware of such things before they are implemented .	Working in Partnership (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	The specific partners and services to be explored as part of this work are yet to be agreed and any relevant suggestions made as part of the consultation will be considered prior to any decisions being made. Information about each consultation proposal will be made public at subsequent stages of the budget planning process.
23149	No Response	4d. Working in Partnership	Understandable, keeping services to a maximum will mean we have less services doing the same work.	Working in Partnership (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23150	An individual	4d. Working in Partnership	I agree strongly; this will require considerably commitment from all, and will be a particular challenge for national organisations.	Working in Partnership (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23151	An employee of West Lothian Council	4d. Working in Partnership	I have some concerns that "private partners" are perhaps more profit driven than customer focused.	Working in Partnership (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	The relative merits of a range of approaches to partnership working will be explored as part of the work on this proposal. It will be necessary to jointly agree the aims of any future partnership with the partners involved at the outset to ensure aspirations and expectations are appropriately aligned.
23152	An employee of West Lothian Council	4d. Working in Partnership	Removal of duplication and sharing best practice is all good - remembering here though that certain services are performing well and aren't top heavy with staff	Working in Partnership (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23153	No Response	4d. Working in Partnership	Partnership working is vitally important.	Working in Partnership (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23154	No Response	4d. Working in Partnership	Partnership working with the private and third sectors as well as other local authorities should be encouraged.	Working in Partnership (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council works with many partners which share the same or similar values, priorities and approach to overcoming future challenges. The council wishes to build on this and the benefits of increasing the number and scope of successful partnerships will be explored as part of this work.
23155	An individual	4d. Working in Partnership	Definitely. Avoid expensive duplication at all costs.	Working in Partnership (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Removing duplication will be a key aim for any future partnership working or service change undertaken within the council.

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23156	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	4d. Working in Partnership	Options for consideration in WLC. [REDACTED] proposes two options for the Council's consideration in its review of costs and its stated intention to cut £600,000 from the voluntary sector budget. We believe and can demonstrate that the WLC core grant of £101k for provision of core funding gives unparalleled value for money to the Council and to its residents. It enables a high number of advice needs to be met and a financial gain of almost £6m to be achieved for users of the service. The competent running and reputation of the core service additionally allows the [REDACTED] to bid successfully for other project work which brings major lifestyle and health benefits to West Lothian residents. As an alternative to the present funding arrangement, [REDACTED] West Lothian proposes that we and WLC work in partnership to manage a phased handover of all advice provision within West Lothian to be carried out by [REDACTED]. This would be a very cost effective option in that it would allow the Council to cut entire department costs over the period rather than slim down, while achieving a professional, independent service run at lower cost.	Working in Partnership (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council will continue to support community groups and organisations. However, support will be focused on the priority areas identified in the Transforming Your Council consultation. Support will also be focused on those groups and organisations which can demonstrate the greatest impact on the overall priorities.
23157	An employee of West Lothian Council	4d. Working in Partnership	Partnership working is essential and there should be appropriate resource in place to facilitate this	Working in Partnership (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council works with many partners which share the same or similar values, priorities and approach to overcoming future challenges. The council wishes to build on this and the benefits of increasing the number and scope of successful partnerships will be explored as part of this work.
23158	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	4d. Working in Partnership	"The council has an excellent track record of working successfully with our Partners". [REDACTED] [REDACTED] [REDACTED] wish to continue working in partnership with West Lothian Councils Community Sports Team. We would be interested in sending representatives to WLC Policy Development meetings. There are opportunities to further explore the integration of services, resources and activities removing duplication and sharing best practice. Our concern here is the implications for smaller clubs with fewer than 50 members, run by volunteers. Are they going to be able to continue to grow and develop, particularly if there is an integration of services, resource and activities to avoid duplication? Most governing bodies share best practice so we would like to see WLC, WLL and Sports Scotland sharing best practice taken from the sport governing bodies.	Working in Partnership (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council will continue to support community groups and organisations. However, support will be focused on the priority areas identified in the Transforming Your Council consultation. Support will also be focused on those groups and organisations which can demonstrate the greatest impact on the overall priorities. □
23159	An individual	4d. Working in Partnership	Shared back end systems and resources would save money and promote closer working partnerships Too much duplication for businesses in support available creates confusion. Seek opportunities for secondments to promote cross agency working and rationalisation of services	Working in Partnership (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The council will continue to look at opportunities for shared services and new partnerships. These suggestions will be given further consideration as part of this work.
23160	An individual	4d. Working in Partnership	Who are these partners. These questions do not provide enough information for informed comments to be made.	Working in Partnership (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	The council works with many partners which share the same or similar values, priorities and approach to overcoming future challenges. The council wishes to build on this and the benefits of increasing the number and scope of successful partnerships will be explored as part of this work.
23161	An individual	4d. Working in Partnership	Council need to work towards giving their partner organisations confidence and re- assurance that they have an agreement which will be honoured for a least five years. Hopefully, this will encourage more community involvement to replace or enhance services currently being provided by the Council. Much needs to be done to change the public's perception that the Council has endless funds available.	Working in Partnership (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council will continue to support community groups and organisations. However, support will be focused on the priority areas identified in the Transforming Your Council consultation. Support will also be focused on those groups and organisations which can demonstrate the greatest impact on the overall priorities. □
23162	An individual	4d. Working in Partnership	4d This does not equate as you can not cutback funding to partners but expect them to increase service provision and support. in a time when council services are being rationalised their is a greater reliance upon partners. They rely on realistic levels of funding to provide much wanted services. clients and those in need will suffer the most increasing the cycle of deprivation and health issues. Best practice always changes and one model does not fit all Again this question lacks detail on service provision and budgets	Working in Partnership (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council will continue to support community groups and organisations. However, support will be focused on the priority areas identified in the Transforming Your Council consultation. Support will also be focused on those groups and organisations which can demonstrate the greatest impact on the overall priorities. □
23163	An individual	4d. Working in Partnership	Why have you been wasting so much of our money up to this point?	Working in Partnership (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Existing partnerships and support for community groups and organisations are reviewed on a regular basis. This ensures that these arrangements are effective and continue to represent 'Best Value' for the community.
23164	An employee of West Lothian Council	4d. Working in Partnership	This proposal lacks specification. However, the whole financial arrangements from set up through to implementation need to be examined thoroughly. The advice of support services should not be ignored.	Working in Partnership (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Existing partnerships and support for community groups and organisations are reviewed on a regular basis. This ensures that these arrangements are effective and continue to represent 'Best Value' for the community.

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23165	An individual	4d. Working in Partnership	OK, if it provides what we need.	Working in Partnership (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23166	An individual	4d. Working in Partnership	I agree so long as services can be maintained.	Working in Partnership (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council will continue to support community groups and organisations. However, support will be focused on the priority areas identified in the Transforming Your Council consultation. Support will also be focused on those groups and organisations which can demonstrate the greatest impact on the overall priorities. □
23167	An individual	4d. Working in Partnership	My preference is to retain the staff within the council as you then know that West Lothian Council's interests are prioritised and not those of a private business.	Working in Partnership (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23168	An individual	4d. Working in Partnership	Remove any duplication and share best practice where-ever possible to make savings.	Working in Partnership (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Removing duplication will be a key aim for any future partnership working or service change undertaken within the council.
23169	An individual	4d. Working in Partnership	Council should continue to work with community groups who are doing their best to improve their local environments, including making it more attractive to visitors, encouraging them to return and generate income for local businesses.	Working in Partnership (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council will continue to support community groups and organisations. However, support will be focused on the priority areas identified in the Transforming Your Council consultation. Support will also be focused on those groups and organisations which can demonstrate the greatest impact on the overall priorities. □
23170	An employee of West Lothian Council	4d. Working in Partnership	A review of the costs charged by varying agencies should be carried out; many are charging higher levels than are reasonable compared to other agencies. An increase in competition may be a good thing for agencies vying for Council contracts.	Working in Partnership (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	All contracts are subject to the council's procurement process and standards. Inspections of quality of work are carried out on all contracts.
23171	An individual	4d. Working in Partnership	This should only happen where there is proper synergy and real savings to be made.	Working in Partnership (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council will continue to support community groups and organisations. However, support will be focused on the priority areas identified in the Transforming Your Council consultation. Support will also be focused on those groups and organisations which can demonstrate the greatest impact on the overall priorities. □
23172	An individual	4d. Working in Partnership	As with other answers, must be delivered effectively and efficiently and benefits realised	Working in Partnership (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23173	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	4d. Working in Partnership	Working with partners is good so long as their business model is closely monitored and they are supporting rather than benefiting from the council.	Working in Partnership (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	As in the past, it will be necessary to jointly agree the aims of any future partnership with the partners involved at the outset. This will continue to ensure that aspirations and expectations are mutually agreed and appropriately aligned to the priorities for West Lothian.
23174	An employee of West Lothian Council	4d. Working in Partnership	WLC has not been "excellent" in all its partnerships.	Working in Partnership (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23175	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	4d. Working in Partnership	The integration of services, resources and activities to remove duplication and sharing best practice, should be explored but not at the demise of the existing partnership arrangements. Partnership working in West Lothian is held up as a model of "Best Practice" that other local authority (LA) areas strive to replicate. This is evidenced through the number of LA areas who request a visit to view the activities of the Community Safety Unit. The West Lothian Community Safety Unit is held up as a model of best practise on the Community Partnership Development Courses run at the Police Scotland College at Tulliallan.	Working in Partnership (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Potential impacts, risks and opportunities will be given further consideration by officers as work on this proposal progresses.
23176	An individual	4d. Working in Partnership	Again must have to meet proven targets or goals	Working in Partnership (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	As in the past, it will be necessary to jointly agree the aims of any future partnership with the partners involved at the outset. This will continue to ensure that aspirations and expectations are mutually agreed and appropriately aligned to the priorities for West Lothian.
23177	An individual	4d. Working in Partnership	As above - lets have a root and branch review of the service and delivery. It isn't necessary to increase costs when efficiencies can be identified. A business approach is what is needed to ensure the correct spending on items needed is controlled. The council should ensure Partnership working does not mean assuming total financial liability (i.e. the NHS appear to enjoy occupation of some buildings at no cost).	Working in Partnership (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	As in the past, it will be necessary to jointly agree the aims of any future partnership with the partners involved at the outset. This will continue to ensure that aspirations and expectations are mutually agreed and appropriately aligned to the priorities for West Lothian.

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23178	An individual	4d. Working in Partnership	Cooperating but not dictating!	Working in Partnership (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	As in the past, it will be necessary to jointly agree the aims of any future partnership with the partners involved at the outset. This will continue to ensure that aspirations and expectations are mutually agreed and appropriately aligned to the priorities for West Lothian.
23179	An employee of West Lothian Council	4d. Working in Partnership	I agree	Working in Partnership (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23180	An individual	4d. Working in Partnership	Agree that there should be a focus in partnership. But the are still too many 'talking shop'. There should be a comprehensive review of every partnership to ensure that it is fit for purpose. Objectives need to be clearly set and outcomes measured on an annual basis (minimum).	Working in Partnership (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	This comment will be considered in the development of the proposal.
23181	An employee of West Lothian Council	4d. Working in Partnership	Working in partnership should always be considered as it can provide benefits for everyone. If working with community groups it can be time consuming for Council staff providing support to them.	Working in Partnership (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23182	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	4d. Working in Partnership	I fully support fair partnership working practices as evident in previous comments - savings can be made.	Working in Partnership (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23183	An individual	4d. Working in Partnership	nothing wrong with efficiency ...	Working in Partnership (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23184	An individual	4d. Working in Partnership	I support this however the 'volunteer' pot is not inexhaustible. This means that services have to be paid for by someone. You provide no detail to allow sensible answers/response to this question.	Working in Partnership (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Consideration would be given to the anticipated impact of any reductions in support to community groups and organisations, including on the organisation itself and wider council provision. This will include consideration of negative and consequential impacts from removing support.
23185	An individual	4d. Working in Partnership	Need to make sure it's all properly done though. Who checks and monitors the contracts.	Working in Partnership (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Any formal partnership arrangements will require to be monitored by the partners involved in accordance with the agreement(s) entered into at the commencement of the partnership.
23186	An individual	4d. Working in Partnership	This should continue, any removable of duplication must be good practice.	Working in Partnership (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23187	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	4d. Working in Partnership	Section (4d) of the consultation looks at savings made through partnership working and exploring opportunities for further integration of services, resources and activities; to remove duplication and share best practice. VSGWL agrees that enhanced partnership working between the Council, VSGWL and the Third Sector will provide the best outcomes for service delivery in West Lothian and look to West Lothian Council to continue to further explore, with the Sector, improvements to commissioning. VSGWL already works in partnership with West Lothian Council and holds a unique position as the Third Sector Interface. This is a single point of contact for not only West Lothian Council departments but also the organisations across West Lothian. We seek to be an equal partner in the co-production of solutions at this transformational time supporting the facilitation of the re-design of service delivery, creation of consortiums, real participatory budgeting and the integration of services. For this to work it is vital that the Third Sector can rely on a strong, influential and empowering body; which harnesses their knowledge and distils the voices of the Sector as a whole. Following significant challenges VSGWL has continued to grow and connect locally with people, organisations and community. The Third Sector Strategy Group (TSSG) continues to grow and make an impact. We already align our resources to the priority areas within West Lothian Council's Improvement Plan. We actively work to link organisations and communities with Community Planning to involve them in policy design, co-production of services and scrutiny.	Working in Partnership (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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23188	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	4d. Working in Partnership	In addition, the outcome of a recent Third Sector Strategy Group (TSSG) included a commitment to explore options for the Third Sector to share backroom services such as payroll, joint purchasing, Human Resources, and insurance as well as building capacity and skills in monitoring and evaluation and measuring value e.g. SROI. Our links with national bodies such as SCVO, Social Enterprise intermediary organisations, Volunteer Scotland and the Alliance etc enable us to obtain additional support for West Lothian Third Sector organisations. Furthermore, our involvement as a member of the TSI Network and its intermediary body Voluntary Action Scotland (VAS) provide us with a national overview of best practice which can be disseminated at local level.	Working in Partnership (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	This comment will be considered in the development of the proposal.
23189	An employee of West Lothian Council	4d. Working in Partnership	Agree in principle but needs to ensure no reduction in quality	Working in Partnership (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Quality of service will be a key aim for any future partnership arrangements.
23190	An individual	4d. Working in Partnership	This should be reviewed anyway but cuts should not be made at expense of service delivery and again I believe this level of saving could come from elsewhere.	Working in Partnership (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23191	No Response	4d. Working in Partnership	Continue	Working in Partnership (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23192	An employee of West Lothian Council	4d. Working in Partnership	Yes I can understand this but would like to know the affect on jobs.	Working in Partnership (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The specific partners and services to be explored as part of this work are yet to be agreed and any relevant suggestions made as part of the consultation will be considered prior to any decisions being made. Potential impacts, risks and opportunities will be given further consideration by officers as work on this proposal progresses.
23193	An employee of West Lothian Council	4d. Working in Partnership	CPP is a waste of time. What does it actually achieve? It's simply jargon. The problem with working in partnership with the likes of WL College is that these organisations are not as modern or efficient as WLC. It results in more work for WLC and the college simply carry on in their own little world of inefficiency.	Working in Partnership (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23194	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	4d. Working in Partnership	More information required, however GMB is opposed to any partnership working that may impact on jobs.	Working in Partnership (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	The specific partners and services to be explored as part of this work are yet to be agreed and any relevant suggestions made as part of the consultation will be considered prior to any decisions being made. Potential impacts, risks and opportunities will be given further consideration by officers as work on this proposal progresses.
23195	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	4d. Working in Partnership	Simply Play would welcome the opportunity for increased partnership working, in childcare and play provision, through co-production of new/expanded services, in order to meet the increasing demands of the sector and to meet Government's targets. A more co-ordinated, strategic approach would reduce potential duplication and/or competition, eg. Wraparound and out of school care. This would maximise the opportunities from Simply Play's best practice model, which has already been recognised for delivering on quality, flexibility, affordability and accessibility across West Lothian.	Working in Partnership (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23196	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	4d. Working in Partnership	██████████ would like to maximise the opportunities for partnership working, in family learning, early years and play provision for our most vulnerable families. Across Armadale and Blackridge we have the expertise and relationships with local people and the wider community, to continue to deliver best practice and reduce any opportunities for duplication, thus delivering best value for all. ██████████ is a net generator of income to West Lothian. Investment from West Lothian Council has been essential to leverage in other monies, which is unique to the Third Sector and it has delivered significant added value to our public pound. This additional income for our communities and its people has, however, been dependant on the stability of Council's core investment. Council funding for our work in Mayfield (& Blackridge) last year was only 44% of the total costs. £70, 863 (56%) was able to be levered into the community/project, directly due to Council's investment, which was used as match funding and/or demonstrated a trust & commitment to other potential funders.	Working in Partnership (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23197	An individual	4d. Working in Partnership	How can you regenerate with no funds? Taking away money and people working will end up degeneration not regeneration.	Working in Partnership (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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23198	An employee of West Lothian Council	4d. Working in Partnership	Experience is positive of partnership working, so would anticipate this could/should progress to be integrated in other ways	Working in Partnership (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23199	An employee of West Lothian Council	4d. Working in Partnership	Yes I fully agree other Council's are looking at this - functional areas like School/PPI management, FM, Finance, HR, Admin and ICT.	Working in Partnership (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23200	An employee of West Lothian Council	4d. Working in Partnership	As long as clear communication between agencies exists then this can be a good thing.	Working in Partnership (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23201	An individual	4d. Working in Partnership	As previously mentioned there are some administrative function which could be shared with another local authority or NHS. The Council has looked at joining with Stirling previously but this was the wrong choice of authority. However joining up with Falkirk would make a lot more sense.. Do not join back up with Edinburgh as previously mentioned as service provision would be prioritised to the city.	Working in Partnership (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23202	An employee of West Lothian Council	4d. Working in Partnership	Carrying out the recovery function for West Lothian Leisure bringing in funding to Revenues Unit.	Working in Partnership (general)	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23203	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	4d. Working in Partnership	agree where the needs of the individual continue to be met	Working in Partnership (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23204	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	4d. Working in Partnership	Has an equality impact assessment been carried out for each of the budget proposals? It is essential that this is done at the earliest opportunity in order to assess what the impact will be on those in the protected characteristics groups and those already experiencing disadvantage.	Working in Partnership (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Equality Impact Assessments will be undertaken as deemed necessary through the Equality Relevance Assessment process.
23205	An individual	4d. Working in Partnership	SLAs with non-statutory services are mutually beneficial, enabling WLC to reduce it's direct provision of services, while ensuring that the required support continues to be delivered, this also prevents unnecessary duplication of provision and that support is delivered by the services best placed to do so in the community	Working in Partnership (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23206	An individual	4d. Working in Partnership	Agreed but many partners' funds are also being cut so need to be assured that these 'other services' will actually be there.	Working in Partnership (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23207	An individual	4d. Working in Partnership	Good if it happens. Worrying that we are still struggling to achieve this after so many years.	Working in Partnership (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council works with many partners which share the same or similar values, priorities and approach to overcoming future challenges. The council wishes to build on this and the benefits of increasing the number and scope of successful partnerships will be explored as part of this work.
23208	An individual	4d. Working in Partnership	Integration of services may not give rise to quality and effectiveness.	Working in Partnership (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23209	An employee of West Lothian Council	4d. Working in Partnership	After 10 years of cuts really cant see what else can be integrated and unaware of any "duplication"	Working in Partnership (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	This is an outline proposal put forward by officers to address the budget gap facing the council. More information on the proposal will be available once the council has the opportunity to consider the consultation feedback and further develop the proposal.
23210	An employee of West Lothian Council	4d. Working in Partnership	service areas should take payments up front for lets and services - saving on having to do invoices, send to outsourcing for producing invoices, printing costs, postage costs, collection of debts, dealing with correspondence, sheriff officer fees for recovery of bad debts,,,, bad debts being written off.	Working in Partnership (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23211	An individual	4d. Working in Partnership	Duplication should be removed as this is not helping finances.	Working in Partnership (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23212	An employee of West Lothian Council	4d. Working in Partnership	What is the basis for this estimated saving?	Working in Partnership (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	This is an outline proposal put forward by officers to address the budget gap facing the council. More information on the proposal will be available once the council has the opportunity to consider the consultation feedback and further develop the proposal.

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23213	An individual	4d. Working in Partnership	What are these opportunities? If there is a lot of duplication of service why has this not been tackled until now?	Working in Partnership (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	The council works with many partners which share the same or similar values, priorities and approach to overcoming future challenges. The council wishes to build on this and the benefits of increasing the number and scope of successful partnerships will be explored as part of this work.
23214	An employee of West Lothian Council	4d. Working in Partnership	Working in partnership can be effective and could be considered to reduce cost as long as services are not placed in jeopardy.	Working in Partnership (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23215	An individual	4d. Working in Partnership	Does the NHS pay the occupational costs for its staff being located in Council premises?	Working in Partnership (general)	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	The council has arrangements with partner organisations that ensure integrated services are delivered to the community, optimising and sharing resources between partners as a key part of the partnership arrangements.
23216	An individual	4d. Working in Partnership	Sounds logical, but surely this has been an ongoing exercise, especially as each new partner is brought on board?	Working in Partnership (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23217	An individual	4d. Working in Partnership	Does this mean that the partnership with Police Scotland (4e proposal) is not cost effective and the council has been spending £700,000 per annum?	Working in Partnership (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Community Safety remains one of the key council priorities and the services we provide to make our communities a safe place to live and work will continue. The need to review this activity and ensure value for money means that the current level of funding provided to Police Scotland is no longer sustainable. However, this offers WLC opportunities to modernise and transform the current ways of working to work more closely with other services to ensure community safety is not compromised.
23218	An individual	4d. Working in Partnership	Insufficient information on the groups to comment.	Working in Partnership (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	This is an outline proposal put forward by officers to address the budget gap facing the council. More information on the proposal will be available once the council has the opportunity to consider the consultation feedback and further develop the proposal.
23219	An individual	4d. Working in Partnership	WLC must continue to reflect the changes in the working environment, respond to the changing needs of its local residents and have closer focus on value for money where projects and 3rd sector agencies are proved with funding to establish both financial and social benefits.	Working in Partnership (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council will continue to support community groups and organisations. However, support will be focused on the priority areas identified in the Transforming Your Council consultation. Support will also be focused on those groups and organisations which can demonstrate the greatest impact on the overall priorities.
23220	No Response	4d. Working in Partnership	Council redesign and integration of services is commended. Any changes to working with partner organisations providing services should focus on best value (not just best price). Social enterprise providers reinvest in communities as well as deliver services. This will provide added value in both monetary and social outcome terms. WLC should carefully consider what Third sector providers bring in terms of additional external funding, social and environmental benefits and re-investment of surplus profits as an income-generator that will help off-set required reduction in service budgets.	Working in Partnership (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council will continue to support community groups and organisations. However, support will be focused on the priority areas identified in the Transforming Your Council consultation. Support will also be focused on those groups and organisations which can demonstrate the greatest impact on the overall priorities.
23221	An individual	4d. Working in Partnership	What changes will the council make to how it works with partner organisations and what are the organisations? How can anyone comment on something with so little substance to it?	Working in Partnership (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	The council will continue to support community groups and organisations. However, support will be focused on the priority areas identified in the Transforming Your Council consultation. Support will also be focused on those groups and organisations which can demonstrate the greatest impact on the overall priorities.
23222	An individual	4d. Working in Partnership	In respect of changes to how the council works with partner organisations providing services, I am assuming that this will be in relation to the financial support. This could result in services becoming reduced or ceased.	Working in Partnership (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	The council will continue to support community groups and organisations. However, support will be focused on the priority areas identified in the Transforming Your Council consultation. Support will also be focused on those groups and organisations which can demonstrate the greatest impact on the overall priorities.

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23223	An individual	4d. Working in Partnership	Also withdraw help from some partnerships that are already partially funded by other government funding or have more than one organisation doing the same job and we partially fund both seems silly.	Working in Partnership (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council works with many partners which share the same or similar values, priorities and approach to overcoming future challenges. The council wishes to build on this and the benefits of increasing the number and scope of successful partnerships will be explored as part of this work.
23224	An individual	4d. Working in Partnership	Cheaper doesn't mean quality or high standard. I have experience of alternatives offering services - they don't work and council staff have to sort out situations that others cause.	Working in Partnership (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23225	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	4d. Working in Partnership	The Sector would like to see improvements in the relationship between West Lothian Council and the Third Sector. Whilst on a personal basis there are very positive relationships, systems and processes often undermine these and damage joint working.	Working in Partnership (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council works with many partners which share the same or similar values, priorities and approach to overcoming future challenges. The council wishes to build on this and the benefits of increasing the number and scope of successful partnerships will be explored as part of this work.
23226	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	I agree that this funding should be removed.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23227	An employee of West Lothian Council	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	This should definitely be pursued.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23228	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	Yes, why have you been funding this at all???	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23229	An employee of West Lothian Council	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	no brainer this one!	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23230	No Response	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	Agree to all suggested proposals	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23231	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	I agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23232	An employee of West Lothian Council	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	Agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23233	An employee of West Lothian Council	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23234	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	Excellent idea	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23235	An employee of West Lothian Council	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	Supportive of this proposal.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23236	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	Agree.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23237	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	100% agree!!!!	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23238	An employee of West Lothian Council	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	I agree with this, we shouldn't be funding something that is not council-related.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23239	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	Agree this can't be sustained.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23240	No Response	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	I strongly agree funding should be removed.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23241	An employee of West Lothian Council	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	seems sensible	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23242	No Response	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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23243	An employee of West Lothian Council	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	Yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23244	An employee of West Lothian Council	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	Totally agree with this saving.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23245	An employee of West Lothian Council	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23246	An employee of West Lothian Council	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	Totally agree this should be removed!	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23247	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	agree. Should have happened at the last review.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23248	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	That seems fair	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23249	An employee of West Lothian Council	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	Agreed, we need to prioritise spend.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23250	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	Agree this proposal.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23251	An employee of West Lothian Council	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	Please cut completely.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23252	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	reluctantly i agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23253	An employee of West Lothian Council	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	Agree wholeheartedly with this proposal	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23254	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	Support proposal.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23255	An employee of West Lothian Council	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	I feel police cover should be paid out of police budget not council	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23256	An employee of West Lothian Council	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	Agree councils should not be funding Police activities	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23257	An employee of West Lothian Council	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	In th current financial climate this is sadly the only option.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23258	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	I agree the Council needs all the budget it receives.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23259	An employee of West Lothian Council	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	Cease any service that is not council responsibility. Police I Scottish government service	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23260	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	Agreed.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23261	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23262	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	Agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23263	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	i agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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23289	No Response	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	Agreed this should be funded by scottish govt. After al it was them who wanted a single police force.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23290	An employee of West Lothian Council	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	Agree. Police Scotland should fund this.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23291	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	go ahead with the savings	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23292	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	I support this. The Scottish Government should be adequately funding Police Scotland.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23293	No Response	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	Partially agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23294	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	Yes indeed - when do we ever see one when we need one anyway!	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23295	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	Makes sense in some respects	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23296	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	In full agreement with this.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23297	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	I support this change	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23298	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	I agree with the Council's proposals for the moment to see how they all work out. Thank you.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23299	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	Agree - why should WLC do this if other councils do not?	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23300	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	Remove it.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23301	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	Not aware of any particular issue that mean West Lothian needs this additional police support.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23302	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	Sounds right	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23303	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	Yes ...use this saving here	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23304	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	Agreed. This funding should be ceased at the earliest opportunity.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23305	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	Police funding should be central government ,, not local council budget funding,,	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23306	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	I agree that all provision should be provided by Police Scotland.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23307	An employee of West Lothian Council	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	I agree with this being removed.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23308	An employee of West Lothian Council	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	Would agree for funding to be removed.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23309	An employee of West Lothian Council	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23310	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	Sounds good to me	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23311	An employee of West Lothian Council	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	Sounds good to me!	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23312	An employee of West Lothian Council	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	Yes.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23313	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	Agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23314	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	Agree with this.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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23315	An employee of West Lothian Council	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23316	An employee of West Lothian Council	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23317	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	I agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23318	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	Long overdue	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23319	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23320	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	Agree.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23321	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	makes sense	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23322	No Response	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	I agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23323	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	I AGREE	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23324	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	Agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23325	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	Seems reasonable.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23326	An employee of West Lothian Council	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	Agreed.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23327	No Response	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	Sounds fine.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23328	An employee of West Lothian Council	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23329	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	Agreed.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23330	An employee of West Lothian Council	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23331	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	Good.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23332	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23333	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	I would support this.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23334	An employee of West Lothian Council	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	Makes sense.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23335	An employee of West Lothian Council	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	I agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23336	An employee of West Lothian Council	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	Good	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23337	No Response	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	I agree with this proposal	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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23338	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	Agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23339	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	Agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23340	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	agreed!	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23341	An employee of West Lothian Council	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	Sounds good	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23342	An employee of West Lothian Council	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	agree with proposal	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23343	No Response	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	Agreed.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23344	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	Ok	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23345	An employee of West Lothian Council	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23346	No Response	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	agree with this proposal	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23347	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	I support this.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23348	An employee of West Lothian Council	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	Yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23349	An employee of West Lothian Council	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23350	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	It's a pity, but I can understand that difficult decisions like this have to be considered.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23351	An employee of West Lothian Council	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	I agree completely with this.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23352	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	This would seem a sensible proposal	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23353	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	This proposal seems fair.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23354	An employee of West Lothian Council	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	would agree as long as it does not put WLC at risk.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23355	An employee of West Lothian Council	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	This should never have been in place.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23356	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	OK. Police budget ought to cover policing costs.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23357	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	I have no objection to this.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23358	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	Ok	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23359	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	Sounds sensible.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23360	An employee of West Lothian Council	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	Agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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23361	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	Yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23362	An employee of West Lothian Council	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23363	An employee of West Lothian Council	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23364	An employee of West Lothian Council	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	Agree.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23365	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23366	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23367	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	I agree with this proposal.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23368	No Response	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	Fair enough	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23369	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	Obviously	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23370	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	OK	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23371	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	Agreed.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23372	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	seems fair	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23373	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	ok	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23374	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	I agree.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23375	An employee of West Lothian Council	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	Agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23376	An employee of West Lothian Council	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	Sounds good	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23377	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	I support the Council's position on this.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23378	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	I agree this is the government's responsibility to provide an adequate nationwide policing system.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23379	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	Remove it	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23380	No Response	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	Agree, just do it	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23381	An employee of West Lothian Council	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	Completely agree. This should have stopped years ago.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23382	An employee of West Lothian Council	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	Remove the funding	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23383	An employee of West Lothian Council	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	Agree Scottish Government need to provide the finance	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23384	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	I agree with this proposal. The Scottish Government should fund police services in full	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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23385	An employee of West Lothian Council	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	Totally agree this funding should be stopped. This funding is the responsibility of Holyrood. The Council should not be paying for this.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23386	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	If more officers are needed then the government not council should pay for it	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23387	An employee of West Lothian Council	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	Agree. Police Scotland should be able to operate without this additional subsidy. The potential savings could be greater than £700K if this funding is removed entirely.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23388	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	If this external funding is not consistent with other local authorities, it should be removed. Police Scotland are responsible for providing policing.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23389	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	I don't think the police do enough as it is.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23390	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	Stop the funding immediately!	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23391	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	Agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23392	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	Agreed.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23393	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	Agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23394	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	Agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23395	An employee of West Lothian Council	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	Agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23396	An employee of West Lothian Council	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	I would agree with this proposal.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23397	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	I agree.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23398	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	Sensible	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23399	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	Agreed.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23400	No Response	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	I agree.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23401	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23402	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23403	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23404	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	Ok	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23405	An employee of West Lothian Council	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23406	No Response	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	Agreed.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23407	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23408	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	Agreed.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23409	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	I would support this	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23410	An employee of West Lothian Council	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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23411	An employee of West Lothian Council	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23412	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	AGREE.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23413	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	Totally agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23414	An employee of West Lothian Council	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23415	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	I agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23416	An employee of West Lothian Council	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	Agree.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23417	An employee of West Lothian Council	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	agreed.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23418	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	I agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23419	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	okay	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23420	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	okay	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23421	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	Makes sense. Police Scotland should take over funding these resources ASAP.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23422	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	This is a worry as I'm not sure of the impact.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23423	No Response	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	I did not know this by the way so agree on removal	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23424	An employee of West Lothian Council	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	Happy with this proposal.....	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23425	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	If police Scotland are going to protect the police budget then I agree the duty of adequate levels of policing is police Scotlands responsibility	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23426	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	ok	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23427	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23428	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23429	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	Agree with this	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23430	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23431	An employee of West Lothian Council	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	Agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23432	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	Agree with this proposal	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23433	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	Fair enough.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23434	An employee of West Lothian Council	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	Agree.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23435	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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23436	An employee of West Lothian Council	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	Good idea.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23437	An employee of West Lothian Council	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	This makes sense to be in line with other councils and an easy way of saving some money	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23438	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	I would be happy for this to end	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23439	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	I agree with this decision.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23440	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	I believe the Scottish Government should be responsible for adequate Police services in Scotland	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23441	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	Yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23442	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23443	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	Agree that this must now be done.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23444	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	Agree didn't know this happened don't believe it's a council responsibility	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23445	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	Think police should come from police budget not council	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23446	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	This seems logical though I wonder why it hasn't been done previously.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23447	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	This sounds reasonable.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23448	No Response	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	I agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23449	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	I agree with this.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23450	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	Agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23451	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	Fully agree,	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23452	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	agree the police should be fully funded by government	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23453	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	Agree funding should be on Government level.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23454	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	it is not your responsibility so good idea	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23455	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	I agree.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23456	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	I would agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23457	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	Agree with this.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23458	An employee of West Lothian Council	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	I agree with this proposal.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23459	An employee of West Lothian Council	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	Totally agree with this.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23460	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	Agreed.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23461	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	This seems sensible.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23462	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23463	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	Ok	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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23464	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	Difficult to dispute!	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23465	An employee of West Lothian Council	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	Agree with this - responsibility lies with Police Scotland here	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23466	An employee of West Lothian Council	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	This is a no brainer and should never have been allowed to continue as long as it has.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23467	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	Yip I agree .. The council should not be paying for the police	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23468	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	Good idea - immediate action	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23469	An employee of West Lothian Council	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	This should be removed.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23470	An employee of West Lothian Council	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	100% agree with this. SG have protected police budgets	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23471	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	The Police should be funded elsewhere and not by a local council.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23472	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	Police budgets are protected. Police should pay for police officers obviously	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23473	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	Agree. Leave it to central Government. They will protect it anyway	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23474	An employee of West Lothian Council	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	Why should the Council ever pay for this?	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23475	An employee of West Lothian Council	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	As the Police Scotland budgets have been given protection by the Scottish Government I agree that any further policing provisions should be funded by Police Scotland's budget and not supported by the council.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23476	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	I didn't even know that west lothian provided funding for police. With crime figures falling this would be a good saving.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23477	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	Why is the council funding police if £73 million of savings need to be made? I thought the police employed police officers. If the Police don't need to make savings why should I be paying for police officers through my council tax. Agree.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23478	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	Strongly agree with this proposal.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23479	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	I was not aware that west Lothian provided support funding. I would support removing funding providing adequate services are provided by police Scotland.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23480	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	We need to have value for money and on this issue I agree we need to come in line with other LA's.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23481	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	Makes sense. Why is the council funding police in the first place, Isn't that the Scottish government's job?	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23482	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	Absolutely agree. This is Police Scotland issue	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23483	An employee of West Lothian Council	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	I agree with this proposal.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23484	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	I would agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23485	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	Fine	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23486	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	Agree.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23487	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	Agree.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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23488	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	Agreed.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23489	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	100% Agreed - this has to be supported by all councilors - the council cannot continue to pay this	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23490	An employee of West Lothian Council	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	I don't think the council should be paying for the police	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23491	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	Agreed, police have their own budget.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23492	An employee of West Lothian Council	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23493	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	Completely agree.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23494	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23495	An employee of West Lothian Council	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	Agreed.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23496	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23497	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	Agreed.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23498	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	Support	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23499	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	Agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23500	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	Agree.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23501	An employee of West Lothian Council	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	I agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23502	An employee of West Lothian Council	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	Agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23503	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	Agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23504	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	Seems sensible	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23505	An employee of West Lothian Council	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	Agreed, funding should be removed.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23506	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	Agree. Why should WLC be subsidising get the police service.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23507	An employee of West Lothian Council	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	We should stop this funding immediately.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23508	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	Harsh but understandable. Money can help in other ways.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23509	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	I wholly agree!	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23510	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	I agree with the proposal	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23511	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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23512	An employee of West Lothian Council	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	Agreed.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23513	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23514	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	Agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23515	No Response	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	Agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23516	An employee of West Lothian Council	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23517	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	Agree.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23518	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	Not before time.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23519	An employee of West Lothian Council	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	I agree this is a worthwhile saving	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23520	An employee of West Lothian Council	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	Supportive in principle based on limited detailed information,	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23521	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	I believe that this funding should be removed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23522	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23523	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23524	An employee of West Lothian Council	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	Agree.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23525	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	Fine	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23526	An employee of West Lothian Council	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23527	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23528	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23529	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	Yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23530	An employee of West Lothian Council	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	Absolutely.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23531	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	agree to this	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23532	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23533	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	Agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23534	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	Yes.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23535	No Response	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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23536	An employee of West Lothian Council	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	Agree should all be funded from central gov.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23537	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	Quite right - the Scottish Government clearly want to control the Police, so they should pay for it.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23538	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	I completely agree with this.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23539	An employee of West Lothian Council	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	Agree with this proposal though sure some communities will be concerned.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23540	An employee of West Lothian Council	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	I agree 100%.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23541	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	These are desirable, but are not core services given austerity required they should be cut	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23542	An employee of West Lothian Council	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	Yes. Police should be funded by the government. Why should the council pay more to Police Scotland than other authorities do.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23543	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	YES	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23544	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	Fair enough	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23545	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	Agreed.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23546	An employee of West Lothian Council	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23547	An employee of West Lothian Council	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	I agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23548	An employee of West Lothian Council	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23549	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	Agree.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23550	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23551	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	Look okay as it is possible to evaluate given the vague descriptions given in the 'Transforming Your Council'	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23552	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	I agree with the proposal.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23553	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	I agree reduction in police spending, though Council should still help with anti-social behaviours.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23554	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	All proposals are sound.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23555	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	Not good news	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23556	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	I totally disagree with this we need more Police not less this is just ridiculous	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23557	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	It is insanity for any community to consider cutting funding for their police services.	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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23558	An employee of West Lothian Council	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	Very disappointing if we want to make West Lothian safer.	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23559	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	This budget should not be affected.	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23560	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	I do not agree with this cut. Our police force should be at the vanguard of any council.	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23561	An employee of West Lothian Council	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	cutting police is never a good idea.	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23562	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	there will never be enough policing in west lothian so to remove this budget I ludicrous	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23563	No Response	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	Not acceptable.	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23564	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	I don't think it should be fully removed.	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23565	No Response	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	Law and Order are a priority in our society and I do not agree with this funding cut.	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23566	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	At a time of rising crime, I think this is a bad idea.	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23567	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	Ridiculous, there are already not enough police officers in our area, this will increase the crime rate even more. Utterly ridiculous idea.	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23568	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	Law and order important to communities must retain	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23569	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	Worrying	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23570	An employee of West Lothian Council	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	There is already a shortage of police in the area.	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23571	An employee of West Lothian Council	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	I DO NOT agree with this proposal.	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23572	An employee of West Lothian Council	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	reduce police = increased crime	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23573	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	Important to have strong police presence. Do not agree with proposals to cut funding for 21 officers etc.	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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23574	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	I don't think we can reduce police numbers	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23575	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	The police force should not be cut at any point and such a promise should be made by the council.	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23576	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	No, keep this in place.	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23577	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	There should be no changes to the existing!	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23578	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	I don't think funding to the police should be cut.	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23579	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	Police Acotland doesn't have enough money and if funding were removed our Police device would be in a worse state than it is now There is no way this is an option	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23580	An employee of West Lothian Council	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	Even with a guaranteed budget for Police Scotland there is clearly still a need for as many officers as we can get so I think its a mistake to remove this support	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23581	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	I disagree. Policing is important. In Linlithgow we have already lost our parking warden with the result that the abuse of the parking restrictions on the High Street is at dangerous levels. The police are struggling to deal with this already because of low manpower. This cut would make things worse for the community.	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23582	An employee of West Lothian Council	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	I do not agree with this - with crime on the increase, we need a visible and active police force.	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23583	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	As crime becomes more and more common, I do NOT agree with this.	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23584	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	This is absolutely absurd - policing should be viewed as a valuable service which could provide early intervention and a lifeline for some of the most vulnerable members of society. I strongly believe this should not be a consideration at any level.	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23585	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	This is a poor statement by stating "Few local authorities in Scotland provide funding for additional police officers". West Lothian excels in partnership working with the police. Who else is going to bother with the local priorities in the community? What does it matter what other local authorities are doing, I only care about West Lothian and I'm confident everyone in West Lothian feels the same. Shocking!!!!	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23586	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	I think this is a disgrace	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23587	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	not happy with the idea of 21 police officers taken off the streets i will feel safer if it does not go ahead	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23588	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	i think it bad news if you cut the police as crime will go up and up .	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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23589	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	no	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23590	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	I object - with the other cuts you are proposing, community policing will be more important than ever	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23591	No Response	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	Don't agree	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23592	An employee of West Lothian Council	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	What on earth does the council fund the police for? Police Scotland has its own budget set by Scottish Government. What is the statutory authority for us to fund officers, vehicles and analyst support? Who are these officers? What are these vehicles? What analyst support is being funded? What benefit does WLC receive from this funding? Why do we do this. On the face of it, this funding should be removed and repayment sought for however long it has been going on for.	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23593	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	Seriously!??? There are not enough police as it is. Please do not reduce this. This should be reduced when your other targets are met as withdrawing this now would not enable them	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23594	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	Funding for Policing should be protected by WLC in order to keep the community safe and to encourage visitors and new businesses to our towns.	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23595	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	there should be no cuts to police budget	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23596	An employee of West Lothian Council	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	Police and other emergency services should be under National finances and their funding should never be in question	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23597	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	Disagree - safety and policing is incredibly important to residents	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23598	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	I think the community policing is invaluable. Without it petty and adolescent crime* would increase which would probably cost the council more in the long run * Graffiti, malicious damage to council property such as play parks, setting fire to bins etc.	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23599	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	The loss of police officers who work in partnership with schools would be a serious loss. Excellent partnership work and early intervention initiatives have assisted in ensuring that youth disorder and crime can be addressed at an early stage, impacting positively on re-offending statistics. This proposal should be resisted.	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23600	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	And what will the impact of this be on our community. See even fewer police? No support.	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23601	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	Totally disagree - this funding should not be cut!	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23602	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	What are the implications of that decision. Highly undesirable to reduce number of police.	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23603	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	Think this would possibly the worst cut you could make. Community policing makes a difference , if it was cut it would cost money in the increase in crime.	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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23604	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	How can you have keeping the community safe as a priority and remove this funding?	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23605	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	No.	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23606	An employee of West Lothian Council	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	oh no!!! I don't think this is right.	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23607	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	This should not be removed without agreement with Police Scotland on how it is going to be replaced.	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23608	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	Community policing provided in Linlithgow by PCs #### and ##### has been a major success. It is tackling the prime priority areas of concern to residents. To compromise community policing would be absolutely opposed. Please do not cut in this area, particularly in light of increased inappropriate parking and speeding.	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23609	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	Expect a rise in crime.	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23610	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	Presumably, the funding of Police Scotland does not include the cost of the 21 police officers mentioned. In that case, it will be important to ensure that these officers are not lost to West Lothian.	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23611	An employee of West Lothian Council	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	Cutting police resources is wrong.	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23612	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	This service is needed	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23613	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	No - the police budget is so important - I do not trust the government - they will cut this budget	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23614	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	No - fund the police first before anything else	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23615	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	Firmly disagree	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23616	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	Need more police on the ground.	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23617	An employee of West Lothian Council	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	No comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23618	An employee of West Lothian Council	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	Wasn't aware that the Council funded any additional officers.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23619	An employee of West Lothian Council	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	Come on	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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23620	An employee of West Lothian Council	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	no comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23621	An employee of West Lothian Council	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	No comment.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23622	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	This will not help with security.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23623	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	I didn't think west Lothian had 21 police officer never mind an additional 21	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23624	No Response	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	Not sure as we need them	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23625	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	I don't understand budgeting advantages and restraints enough to comment.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23626	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	I don't know about this	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23627	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	Not sufficiently informed on the impact or potential consequences on crime and public safety as a result of this measure. Unable to comment.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23628	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	No comment on this	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23629	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	-	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23630	No Response	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	Noted.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23631	No Response	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	No comment.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23632	An employee of West Lothian Council	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23633	An employee of West Lothian Council	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	N/a	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23634	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	Not sure	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23635	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	No comment.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23636	No Response	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	No comment.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23637	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	I certainly see any increased police presence in West Lothian	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23638	An employee of West Lothian Council	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	More information on what the 21 officers are funded to do and what will not happen as a result of the removal.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23639	No Response	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	dgdgd	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23640	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	Worrying.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23641	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	nil	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23642	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	No Comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23643	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	No comment.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23644	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	Didn't know you did that. No more police seen on the streets that is for sure	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23645	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	I don't understand this one	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23646	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	More information is needed on how this impacts the community	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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23647	No Response	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	Every man for himself!!Scottish Gov at the centre of all of these problems and wriggling out!	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23648	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	Sounds like a political decision?	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23649	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	No comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23650	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	This sounds like playing politics to me, which just confirms my earlier views.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23651	An employee of West Lothian Council	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	NO COMMENT	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23652	An employee of West Lothian Council	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	What is the benefit of this? have pro/cons been weighed up?	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23653	An employee of West Lothian Council	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	?????	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23654	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	again detail should have been given as to what services the police provided to allow informed opinion	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23655	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	Police provision in Linlithgow is virtually non-existent. The Police Office is often closed during hours when it is supposed to be open.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23656	An employee of West Lothian Council	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	Sad reality of Tory austerity	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23657	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	This is an area that worries me because the service provided by Police Scotland has deteriorated in the past few years.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23658	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	it.We do not believe we have the knowledge or experience of this area to be able to make an informed comment on it.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23659	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	Not enough details	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23660	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	Don't know the details, so can't comment.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23661	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	Don't know as don't know what these 21 do? Why do WL do this?	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23662	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	unable to comment as not in plain english	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23663	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	I am concerned with the proposal that only those who can afford to pay, as usual people who have a small pension will be asked to pay	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23664	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	I value Community Policing in Linlithgow and oppose the cuts.	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Police Scotland's Local Police Resource Plan for West Lothian determines the type of services and number of resources allocated locally.
23665	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	I value Community Policing in Linlithgow and oppose the cuts.	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Police Scotland's Local Police Resource Plan for West Lothian determines the type of services and number of resources allocated locally.
23666	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	I value Community Policing in Linlithgow and oppose the cuts.	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Police Scotland's Local Police Resource Plan for West Lothian determines the type of services and number of resources allocated locally.
23667	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	I value Community Policing in Linlithgow and oppose the cuts.	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Police Scotland's Local Police Resource Plan for West Lothian determines the type of services and number of resources allocated locally.

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23684	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	I value Community Policing in Linlithgow and oppose the cuts.	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Police Scotland's Local Police Resource Plan for West Lothian determines the type of services and number of resources allocated locally.
23685	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	I value Community Policing in Linlithgow and oppose the cuts.	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Police Scotland's Local Police Resource Plan for West Lothian determines the type of services and number of resources allocated locally.
23686	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	I value Community Policing in Linlithgow and oppose the cuts.	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Police Scotland's Local Police Resource Plan for West Lothian determines the type of services and number of resources allocated locally.
23687	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	I value Community Policing in Linlithgow and oppose the cuts.	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Police Scotland's Local Police Resource Plan for West Lothian determines the type of services and number of resources allocated locally.
23688	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	Moreover, some of the Council's proposals e.g. the withdrawal of funding for additional police officers would have a direct and immediate impact on the West Lothian Community and its environment.	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Community Safety remains one of the key council priorities and the services we provide to make our communities a safe place to live and work will continue. The need to review this activity and ensure value for money means that the current level of funding provided to Police Scotland is no longer sustainable. However, this offers WLC opportunities to modernise and transform the current ways of working to work more closely with other services to ensure community safety is not compromised. Police Scotland's Local Police Resource Plan for West Lothian determines the type of services and number of resources allocated local
23689	An employee of West Lothian Council	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	What is the level of funding locally? What services does it provide and what are the implication of withdrawing this funding to the region? Crime appears to be on the increase would funding cuts exacerbate this trend?	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	Community Safety remains one of the key council priorities and the services we provide to make our communities a safe place to live and work will continue. The need to review this activity and ensure value for money means that the current level of funding provided to Police Scotland is no longer sustainable. However, this offers WLC opportunities to modernise and transform the current ways of working to work more closely with other services to ensure community safety is not compromised. Police Scotland's Local Police Resource Plan for West Lothian determines the type services and number of resources allocated locally.
23690	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	Whilst nice to have, some of these services cannot be provided by WLC in future. Police budgets are protected. Let the Police pay for these officers.	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The need to review this activity and ensure value for money means that the current level of funding provided to Police Scotland is no longer sustainable. However, this offers WLC opportunities to modernise and transform the current ways of working to work more closely with other services to ensure community safety is not compromised
23691	An employee of West Lothian Council	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	CEASE THIS SERVICE. POLICE SCOTLAND HOULD PROVIDE OWN STAFF.	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The need to review this activity and ensure value for money means that the current level of funding provided to Police Scotland is no longer sustainable.
23692	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	Don't understand why the council pays for police. They have their own budget.	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The need to review this activity and ensure value for money means that the current level of funding provided to Police Scotland is no longer sustainable.

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23693	An employee of West Lothian Council	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	I think that this is important for us to police scotland to assist the safety of the local authority residents	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	Community Safety remains one of the key council priorities and the services we provide to make our communities a safe place to live and work will continue. The need to review this activity and ensure value for money means that the current level of funding provided to Police Scotland is no longer sustainable. However, this offers WLC opportunities to modernise and transform the current ways of working to work more closely with other services to ensure community safety is not compromised.
23694	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	Surely the police can fund themselves.	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The need to review this activity and ensure value for money means that the current level of funding provided to Police Scotland is no longer sustainable.
23695	An employee of West Lothian Council	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	Will this affect the officer on the beat - community police visiting schools etc ?	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	Community Safety remains one of the key council priorities and the services we provide to make our communities a safe place to live and work will continue. The need to review this activity and ensure value for money means that the current level of funding provided to Police Scotland is no longer sustainable. However, this offers WLC opportunities to modernise and transform the current ways of working to work more closely with other services to ensure community safety is not compromised. Police Scotland's Local Police Resource Plan for West Lothian determines the type services and number of resources allocated locally.
23696	An employee of West Lothian Council	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	This would clearly have a detrimental impact on safety and security in and around west lothians, if Police Scotland do not pay for the additional funding now being proposed to be removed, then this will have a knock on effect in the communities that they support. What proposals are in place to support this removal?	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Community Safety remains one of the key council priorities and the services we provide to make our communities a safe place to live and work will continue. The need to review this activity and ensure value for money means that the current level of funding provided to Police Scotland is no longer sustainable. However, this offers WLC opportunities to modernise and transform the current ways of working to work more closely with other services to ensure community safety is not compromised. Police Scotland's Local Police Resource Plan for West Lothian determines the type services and number of resources allocated locally.
23697	An employee of West Lothian Council	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	The Scottish Government should pay for the police, not the local authority	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Community Safety remains one of the key council priorities and the services we provide to make our communities a safe place to live and work will continue. The need to review this activity and ensure value for money means that the current level of funding provided to Police Scotland is no longer sustainable. However, this offers WLC opportunities to modernise and transform the current ways of working to work more closely with other services to ensure community safety is not compromised.

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23698	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	as long as the crime rate does not rise we should not be funding this	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Community Safety remains one of the key council priorities and the services we provide to make our communities a safe place to live and work will continue. The need to review this activity and ensure value for money means that the current level of funding provided to Police Scotland is no longer sustainable. However, this offers WLC opportunities to modernise and transform the current ways of working to work more closely with other services to ensure community safety is not compromised.
23699	An employee of West Lothian Council	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	Council must cease to provide this funding with immediate effect. The council's job is not to provide police services; that must be left to Police Scotland. The council has enough to be getting on with.	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Community Safety remains one of the key council priorities and the services we provide to make our communities a safe place to live and work will continue. The need to review this activity and ensure value for money means that the current level of funding provided to Police Scotland is no longer sustainable. However, this offers WLC opportunities to modernise and transform the current ways of working to work more closely with other services to ensure community safety is not compromised.
23700	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	Disagree with this. Police Scotland is already under strain as some essential staff have not been replaced when they retired. This has already had a detrimental effect on partnership working between Police and Social Work which is putting vulnerable adults at risk due to decreased levels of information/sharing.	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Community Safety remains one of the key council priorities and the services we provide to make our communities a safe place to live and work will continue. The need to review this activity and ensure value for money means that the current level of funding provided to Police Scotland is no longer sustainable. However, this offers WLC opportunities to modernise and transform the current ways of working to work more closely with other services to ensure community safety is not compromised. Police Scotland's Local Police Resource Plan for West Lothian determines the type services and number of resources allocated locally.
23701	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	Police funding is a national issue, not an issue for WLC	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The need to review this activity and ensure value for money means that the current level of funding provided to Police Scotland is no longer sustainable
23702	An employee of West Lothian Council	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	I am not clear what police posts are funded by the council and therefore cannot comment on the impact on services / the community - I would agree that the council should not be providing funding for police vehicles and analyst support	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Community Safety remains one of the key council priorities and the services we provide to make our communities a safe place to live and work will continue. The need to review this activity and ensure value for money means that the current level of funding provided to Police Scotland is no longer sustainable. However, this offers WLC opportunities to modernise and transform the current ways of working to work more closely with other services to ensure community safety is not compromised. Police Scotland's Local Police Resource Plan for West Lothian determines the type services and number of resources allocated locally.

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23703	No Response	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	Too much villainy about. Keep them.	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Community Safety remains one of the key council priorities and the services we provide to make our communities a safe place to live and work will continue. The need to review this activity and ensure value for money means that the current level of funding provided to Police Scotland is no longer sustainable. However, this offers WLC opportunities to modernise and transform the current ways of working to work more closely with other services to ensure community safety is not compromised. Police Scotland's Local Police Resource Plan for West Lothian determines the type services and number of resources allocated locally.
23704	An employee of West Lothian Council	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	I agree that the council's focus should on necessity services not external based services.	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The need to review this activity and ensure value for money means that the current level of funding provided to Police Scotland is no longer sustainable
23705	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	We need more visible policing, both on the beat and traffic policing	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	Police Scotland's Local Police Resource Plan for West Lothian determines the type services and number of resources allocated locally.
23706	An employee of West Lothian Council	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	This must stop. Simple as that. We should not be propping up the Police force if our budget is not protected and theirs is.	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The need to review this activity and ensure value for money means that the current level of funding provided to Police Scotland is no longer sustainable.
23707	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	The Police service is already inadequate, particularly in rural areas; but the Scottish Government should be providing adequate funding for the combined Police Scotland they created. The merger of the 8 Forces clearly has not worked.	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The need to review this activity and ensure value for money means that the current level of funding provided to Police Scotland is no longer sustainable.
23708	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	Police forces are being scaled back and councils can no longer fund these areas agree but partnership working still needs to be maintained	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Community Safety remains one of the key council priorities and the services we provide to make our communities a safe place to live and work will continue. The need to review this activity and ensure value for money means that the current level of funding provided to Police Scotland is no longer sustainable. However, this offers WLC opportunities to modernise and transform the current ways of working to work more closely with other services to ensure community safety is not compromised.
23709	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	No, this is one area of Council funding that provides a direct relief to citizens blighted by anti-social behaviour. This is a big success story, and to be honest the problems it will cause and cost the Council (e.g. Vandalism) will outweigh the anticipated £700K savings.	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Community Safety remains one of the key council priorities and the services we provide to make our communities a safe place to live and work will continue. The need to review this activity and ensure value for money means that the current level of funding provided to Police Scotland is no longer sustainable. However, this offers WLC opportunities to modernise and transform the current ways of working to work more closely with other services to ensure community safety is not compromised. Police Scotland's Local Police Resource Plan for West Lothian determines the type services and number of resources allocated locally.
23710	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	It is difficult to identify what support is given through funding 21 officers.	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	Police Scotland's Local Police Resource Plan for West Lothian determines the type services and number of resources allocated locally.

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23711	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	wait till a councillor is murdered	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23712	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	This is a shame that the funding should be pulled, there is a need to keep policing in West Lothian up and not reduced given the current climate we are living in.	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Community Safety remains one of the key council priorities and the services we provide to make our communities a safe place to live and work will continue. The need to review this activity and ensure value for money means that the current level of funding provided to Police Scotland is no longer sustainable. However, this offers WLC opportunities to modernise and transform the current ways of working to work more closely with other services to ensure community safety is not compromised. Police Scotland's Local Police Resource Plan for West Lothian determines the type services and number of resources allocated locally.
23713	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	No cuts should be made when it comes to protecting us civilians	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Community Safety remains one of the key council priorities and the services we provide to make our communities a safe place to live and work will continue. The need to review this activity and ensure value for money means that the current level of funding provided to Police Scotland is no longer sustainable. However, this offers WLC opportunities to modernise and transform the current ways of working to work more closely with other services to ensure community safety is not compromised. Police Scotland's Local Police Resource Plan for West Lothian determines the type services and number of resources allocated locally.
23714	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	Just what we need - less police on the street. This consultation only promotes the future lack of police.	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Police Scotland's Local Police Resource Plan for West Lothian determines the type services and number of resources allocated locally.
23715	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	I cannot believe that the council subsidise the police. I admit I don't know what services these 21 officers provide but on the face of it I would be happy to see this funding cease and the money either saved or put into other council services areas.	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The need to review this activity and ensure value for money means that the current level of funding provided to Police Scotland is no longer sustainable. Police Scotland's Local Police Resource Plan for West Lothian determines the type services and number of resources allocated locally.
23716	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	cant understand why the council fund this, cant remember the last time I seen any walking the streets, talking to people...they always seem to be driving or in the stations....I, as a member of the public haven't seen ANY difference to police coverage due to council funding.	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Police Scotland's Local Police Resource Plan for West Lothian determines the type services and number of resources allocated locally.
23717	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	agree. Police Scotland should fund the police officers.	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The need to review this activity and ensure value for money means that the current level of funding provided to Police Scotland is no longer sustainable.
23718	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	Police Scotland should be funding this anyway.	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The need to review this activity and ensure value for money means that the current level of funding provided to Police Scotland is no longer sustainable.
23719	An employee of West Lothian Council	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	Agreed, does the council see any direct benefit from these officers or are they simply amalgamated into the wider force?	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Police Scotland's Local Police Resource Plan for West Lothian determines the type services and number of resources allocated locally.
23720	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	Remove, why should we pay for Police. They get their own funding.	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The need to review this activity and ensure value for money means that the current level of funding provided to Police Scotland is no longer sustainable.

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23721	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	Cant remember the last time I saw a police officer or car ...	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	Police Scotland's Local Police Resource Plan for West Lothian determines the type of services and number of resources allocated locally.
23722	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	they are funded elsewhere so why give them more funding at a time when cuts are required.	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23723	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	This concerns me, though I dont see why the council should be funding anyway. If that means 21 less police in west lothian that is not a good thing.	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	Police Scotland's Local Police Resource Plan for West Lothian determines the type of services and number of resources allocated locally.
23724	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	Reduced rather than removed if having additional police officers helps in the reduction of crime.	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The need to review this activity and ensure value for money means that the current level of funding provided to Police Scotland is no longer sustainable. However, this offers WLC opportunities to modernise and transform the current ways of working to work more closely with other services to ensure community safety is not compromised. Police Scotland's Local Police Resource Plan for West Lothian determines the type of services and number of resources allocated locally.
23725	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	Yes I agree with that as it is the responsibility of the government for the funding of police Scotland and the responsibility of of police Scotland for the levels of policing	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23726	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	Fine as long as the council funded police officers continue to be funded.	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	Police Scotland's Local Police Resource Plan for West Lothian determines the type of services and number of resources allocated locally.
23727	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	Not supported - these posts would be lost from West Lothian and the excellent community engagement / crime prevention would be lost.	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Community Safety remains one of the key council priorities and the services we provide to make our communities a safe place to live and work will continue. The need to review this activity and ensure value for money means that the current level of funding provided to Police Scotland is no longer sustainable. However, this offers WLC opportunities to modernise and transform the current ways of working to work more closely with other services to ensure community safety is not compromised. Police Scotland's Local Police Resource Plan for West Lothian determines the type of services and number of resources allocated locally.
23728	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	No we need police to keep our communities safe.	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Community Safety remains one of the key council priorities and the services we provide to make our communities a safe place to live and work will continue. The need to review this activity and ensure value for money means that the current level of funding provided to Police Scotland is no longer sustainable. However, this offers WLC opportunities to modernise and transform the current ways of working to work more closely with other services to ensure community safety is not compromised. Police Scotland's Local Police Resource Plan for West Lothian determines the type of services and number of resources allocated locally.
23729	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	stop funding the police, thats for central govt., who need to sort out their VAT	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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23730	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	Agreed why should the Council pay for this. Let the SG do it and maybe they'll think more about introducing screeds of legislation and laws that the police have to enforce!	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23731	No Response	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	I don't believe crime prevention is a job highly regarded as a council issue I feel this is more a police matter or private property issue.	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Community Safety remains one of the key council priorities and the services we provide to make our communities a safe place to live and work will continue. The need to review this activity and ensure value for money means that the current level of funding provided to Police Scotland is no longer sustainable. However, this offers WLC opportunities to modernise and transform the current ways of working to work more closely with other services to ensure community safety is not compromised. Police Scotland's Local Police Resource Plan for West Lothian determines the type of services and number of resources allocated locally.
23732	No Response	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	Great idea, if staffing levels remain the same via Police Scotland.	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	Police Scotland's Local Police Resource Plan for West Lothian determines the type of services and number of resources allocated locally.
23733	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	My only concern would be what would happen to the police officers currently based in some local high schools? I believe they play an important role in schools	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	Police Scotland's Local Police Resource Plan for West Lothian determines the type of services and number of resources allocated locally.
23734	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	This is not an acceptable change. Livingston this week only has just a violent assault near Livingston North and two assaults on woman. This funding is essential in ensuring the safety and security of Livingston residents. Removing the additional funding to Police will mean a loss of officers, an increase in crime and a knock on effect across the community. The council should not cut police funding unless Police Scotland guarantee they will make up the shortfall. Otherwise our safety and security is at risk from this loss!	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Community Safety remains one of the key council priorities and the services we provide to make our communities a safe place to live and work will continue. The need to review this activity and ensure value for money means that the current level of funding provided to Police Scotland is no longer sustainable. However, this offers WLC opportunities to modernise and transform the current ways of working to work more closely with other services to ensure community safety is not compromised. Police Scotland's Local Police Resource Plan for West Lothian determines the type of services and number of resources allocated locally.
23735	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	How does this fit with the council priority for ensuring safer communities? This should be retained as a priority	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Community Safety remains one of the key council priorities and the services we provide to make our communities a safe place to live and work will continue. The need to review this activity and ensure value for money means that the current level of funding provided to Police Scotland is no longer sustainable. However, this offers WLC opportunities to modernise and transform the current ways of working to work more closely with other services to ensure community safety is not compromised. Police Scotland's Local Police Resource Plan for West Lothian determines the type of services and number of resources allocated locally.

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23736	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	With all the cuts to other services unemployment will rise which will then increase crime rates. You will then be needing your extra 21 policemen!	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Community Safety remains one of the key council priorities and the services we provide to make our communities a safe place to live and work will continue. The need to review this activity and ensure value for money means that the current level of funding provided to Police Scotland is no longer sustainable. However, this offers WLC opportunities to modernise and transform the current ways of working to work more closely with other services to ensure community safety is not compromised. Police Scotland's Local Police Resource Plan for West Lothian determines the type of services and number of resources allocated locally.
23737	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	The Police will not get enough money!! It would be a pity to cut all of the funding as this would result in increased crime in West Lothian.	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Community Safety remains one of the key council priorities and the services we provide to make our communities a safe place to live and work will continue. The need to review this activity and ensure value for money means that the current level of funding provided to Police Scotland is no longer sustainable. However, this offers WLC opportunities to modernise and transform the current ways of working to work more closely with other services to ensure community safety is not compromised. Police Scotland's Local Police Resource Plan for West Lothian determines the type of services and number of resources allocated locally.
23738	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	Would this not leave the police open to charging the council?	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	The need to review this activity and ensure value for money means that the current level of funding provided to Police Scotland is no longer sustainable. However, this offers WLC opportunities to modernise and transform the current ways of working to work more closely with other services to ensure community safety is not compromised. Police Scotland's Local Police Resource Plan for West Lothian determines the type of services and number of resources allocated locally.
23739	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	The police are already under pressure. Increasing that pressure at this time is not a good idea.	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The need to review this activity and ensure value for money means that the current level of funding provided to Police Scotland is no longer sustainable. However, this offers WLC opportunities to modernise and transform the current ways of working to work more closely with other services to ensure community safety is not compromised. Police Scotland's Local Police Resource Plan for West Lothian determines the type of services and number of resources allocated locally.
23740	An employee of West Lothian Council	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	with a growing population in West Lothian at least 50% of this commitment should be continued	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The need to review this activity and ensure value for money means that the current level of funding provided to Police Scotland is no longer sustainable. However, this offers WLC opportunities to modernise and transform the current ways of working to work more closely with other services to ensure community safety is not compromised. Police Scotland's Local Police Resource Plan for West Lothian determines the type of services and number of resources allocated locally.

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23741	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	The Police in my area do not always respond to calls and further cuts would make a bad situation worse.	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The need to review this activity and ensure value for money means that the current level of funding provided to Police Scotland is no longer sustainable. However, this offers WLC opportunities to modernise and transform the current ways of working to work more closely with other services to ensure community safety is not compromised. Police Scotland's Local Police Resource Plan for West Lothian determines the type of services and number of resources allocated locally.
23742	An employee of West Lothian Council	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	I would prefer more police, not fewer	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The need to review this activity and ensure value for money means that the current level of funding provided to Police Scotland is no longer sustainable. However, this offers WLC opportunities to modernise and transform the current ways of working to work more closely with other services to ensure community safety is not compromised. Police Scotland's Local Police Resource Plan for West Lothian determines the type of services and number of resources allocated locally.
23743	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	Police back up is important. If there is enough money to pay for a sustainable safe police presence in the area then the funding could be removed.	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The need to review this activity and ensure value for money means that the current level of funding provided to Police Scotland is no longer sustainable. However, this offers WLC opportunities to modernise and transform the current ways of working to work more closely with other services to ensure community safety is not compromised. Police Scotland's Local Police Resource Plan for West Lothian determines the type of services and number of resources allocated locally.
23744	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	Remove funding as police are non existant	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Police Scotland's Local Police Resource Plan for West Lothian determines the type of services and number of resources allocated locally.
23745	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	Agree. Policing should not be funded from local government budgets. It would have been helpful to know if this proposal includes the school based officers.	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Police Scotland's Local Police Resource Plan for West Lothian determines the type of services and number of resources allocated locally.
23746	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	This is a service that should not be removed, and is needed. Crime in west lothian needs to be a key concern, and local policing is extremely important to continue to address this.	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The need to review this activity and ensure value for money means that the current level of funding provided to Police Scotland is no longer sustainable. However, this offers WLC opportunities to modernise and transform the current ways of working to work more closely with other services to ensure community safety is not compromised. Police Scotland's Local Police Resource Plan for West Lothian determines the type of services and number of resources allocated locally.
23747	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	Iâ€™d like to know what the impact of this would be.	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	The need to review this activity and ensure value for money means that the current level of funding provided to Police Scotland is no longer sustainable. However, this offers WLC opportunities to modernise and transform the current ways of working to work more closely with other services to ensure community safety is not compromised. Police Scotland's Local Police Resource Plan for West Lothian determines the type of services and number of resources allocated locally.

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23748	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	It is essential that the Police budget is protected. Whatever it takes.	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The need to review this activity and ensure value for money means that the current level of funding provided to Police Scotland is no longer sustainable. However, this offers WLC opportunities to modernise and transform the current ways of working to work more closely with other services to ensure community safety is not compromised. Police Scotland's Local Police Resource Plan for West Lothian determines the type of services and number of resources allocated locally.
23749	An employee of West Lothian Council	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	It is responsibility of National Government to provide appropriate funding to ensure Police service is adequately resourced.	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23750	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	How does this relate to one of the 8 council set priorities of reducing crime and making communities safer?	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	The need to review this activity and ensure value for money means that the current level of funding provided to Police Scotland is no longer sustainable. However, this offers WLC opportunities to modernise and transform the current ways of working to work more closely with other services to ensure community safety is not compromised. Police Scotland's Local Police Resource Plan for West Lothian determines the type of services and number of resources allocated locally.
23751	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	Police funding should be a matter for Police Scotland.	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23752	An employee of West Lothian Council	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	Will this affect the police service and employment in the area?	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	Police Scotland's Local Police Resource Plan for West Lothian determines the type of services and number of resources allocated locally.
23753	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	The role of community police officers through visibility and interaction with individuals arguably saves more money in the longer term than will be gained from not funding the roles. If Police Scotland, who are also being forced to make tough budgetary considerations opt not to replace the 21 officers, it is West Lothian who will ultimately pay the price for the cost of increased crimes, inability to investigate and foot the bill for repair costs for vandalism that previously would have been prevented/captured by the community officers	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Community Safety remains one of the key council priorities and the services we provide to make our communities a safe place to live and work will continue. The need to review this activity and ensure value for money means that the current level of funding provided to Police Scotland is no longer sustainable. However, this offers WLC opportunities to modernise and transform the current ways of working to work more closely with other services to ensure community safety is not compromised. Police Scotland's Local Police Resource Plan for West Lothian determines the type of services and number of resources allocated locally.
23754	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	This funding should stop, police Scotland budget should pay for police officers.	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23755	An employee of West Lothian Council	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	No funding for policing should be cut!	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The need to review this activity and ensure value for money means that the current level of funding provided to Police Scotland is no longer sustainable. However, this offers WLC opportunities to modernise and transform the current ways of working to work more closely with other services to ensure community safety is not compromised.
23756	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	We have too few police already. They ignore many crimes against property. They take over 24 hrs to respond. Confidence in the police is at an all time low. If this reduction is applied it is a licence for crime increase in the area. Protect this funding.	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	Police Scotland's Local Police Resource Plan for West Lothian determines the type of services and number of resources allocated locally.

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23757	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	The council should not be funding centralised government services. Make this saving.	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23758	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	No, we need our police.	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Community Safety remains one of the key council priorities and the services we provide to make our communities a safe place to live and work will continue. The need to review this activity and ensure value for money means that the current level of funding provided to Police Scotland is no longer sustainable. However, this offers WLC opportunities to modernise and transform the current ways of working to work more closely with other services to ensure community safety is not compromised. Police Scotland's Local Police Resource Plan for West Lothian determines the type of services and number of resources allocated locally.
23759	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	Can't comment on this one to any degree except I would not want to lose any of these services - they are already fairly limited in a lot of locations.	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Police Scotland's Local Police Resource Plan for West Lothian determines the type of services and number of resources allocated locally.
23760	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	This is a difficult one to discuss. Why West Lothian part fund Police Scotland is difficult to understand. If every local authority support based on the number of police officer then ok. I would like to support this funding but I would like this money to be invested 100% into West Lothian	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	Police Scotland's Local Police Resource Plan for West Lothian determines the type of services and number of resources allocated locally.
23761	An employee of West Lothian Council	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	Is there data available on the benefits of this investment at present? Has there been a reduction in vandalism for example that would demonstrate the cost effectiveness of this investment?	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	Community Safety remains one of the key council priorities and the services we provide to make our communities a safe place to live and work will continue. The need to review this activity and ensure value for money means that the current level of funding provided to Police Scotland is no longer sustainable. However, this offers WLC opportunities to modernise and transform the current ways of working to work more closely with other services to ensure community safety is not compromised. Police Scotland's Local Police Resource Plan for West Lothian determines the type of services and number of resources allocated locally.
23762	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	Given Scottish Government have created this single Force, they should ensure funding to provide adequate levels of policing are in place. If West Lothian can withdraw this funding, then it should. Suggest also that other Local Authorities are consulted. Impact cannot be that residents have a poorer standard of policing as a result of WLC decision to remove funding.	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Police Scotland's Local Police Resource Plan for West Lothian determines the type of services and number of resources allocated locally.
23763	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	(already the closure of local police stations, unable to contact police officers without going through Bilston Glen has resulted in a poorer service).	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Police Scotland's Local Police Resource Plan for West Lothian determines the type of services and number of resources allocated locally.
23764	An employee of West Lothian Council	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	Agree. Police are protected and council is not. Why don't the police pay?	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23765	An employee of West Lothian Council	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	I cannot believe that Police are getting cut again.	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The need to review this activity and ensure value for money means that the current level of funding provided to Police Scotland is no longer sustainable. However, this offers WLC opportunities to modernise and transform the current ways of working to work more closely with other services to ensure community safety is not compromised.

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23766	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	The Police should have more funds	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The need to review this activity and ensure value for money means that the current level of funding provided to Police Scotland is no longer sustainable. However, this offers WLC opportunities to modernise and transform the current ways of working to work more closely with other services to ensure community safety is not compromised.
23767	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	Agreed. If Holyrood thinks it can run it entirely across the country then it should pay for it out of the national coffers.	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23768	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	What was the rationale behind providing this funding in the first place? Is it no longer valid? What are the "adequate levels of policing" for West Lothian? Does 21 officers represent a substantial change?	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	Community Safety remains one of the key council priorities and the services we provide to make our communities a safe place to live and work will continue. The need to review this activity and ensure value for money means that the current level of funding provided to Police Scotland is no longer sustainable. However, this offers WLC opportunities to modernise and transform the current ways of working to work more closely with other services to ensure community safety is not compromised. Police Scotland's Local Police Resource Plan for West Lothian determines the type of services and number of resources allocated locally.
23769	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	let police pay for their own staff the council money can be used to retain 21 of their own staff	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23770	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	Agree - did not know that the council paid for this service, this should be a Police Scotland matter, however do worry that this might lead to higher minor crimes in West Lothian. Fear that things this noisy neighbours, dogs causing problems, fly tipping will increase as the public realise there is nobody to stop this. Things are bad enough as it is.	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Police Scotland's Local Police Resource Plan for West Lothian determines the type of services and number of resources allocated locally.
23771	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	Given the current threat of terrorism, the influx of immigrants from terrorist related regions, increase in domestic violence, increase in rape and sexual abuse, increase in mental health issues, to cut this budget would be suicide.	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Community Safety remains one of the key council priorities and the services we provide to make our communities a safe place to live and work will continue. The need to review this activity and ensure value for money means that the current level of funding provided to Police Scotland is no longer sustainable. However, this offers WLC opportunities to modernise and transform the current ways of working to work more closely with other services to ensure community safety is not compromised. Police Scotland's Local Police Resource Plan for West Lothian determines the type of services and number of resources allocated locally.
23772	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	interesting to see if levels of crime rise...	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	Community Safety remains one of the key council priorities and the services we provide to make our communities a safe place to live and work will continue. . However, this offers WLC opportunities to modernise and transform the current ways of working to work more closely with other services to ensure community safety is not compromised.

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23773	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	Complete false economy.... remove this funding and west lothian will loose 21 officers who predominately deal with crimes and incidents that have the highest impact on local communities... There would be a massive increase in vandalism, violence and anti social behaviour resulting in higher costs for repairs and significant quality of life issues	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Community Safety remains one of the key council priorities and the services we provide to make our communities a safe place to live and work will continue. The need to review this activity and ensure value for money means that the current level of funding provided to Police Scotland is no longer sustainable. However, this offers WLC opportunities to modernise and transform the current ways of working to work more closely with other services to ensure community safety is not compromised. Police Scotland's Local Police Resource Plan for West Lothian determines the type of services and number of resources allocated locally.
23774	An employee of West Lothian Council	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	as long as policing levels are not cut by the removal of this funding.	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	Police Scotland's Local Police Resource Plan for West Lothian determines the type of services and number of resources allocated locally.
23775	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	community policing is important to deal with a range of community issues. its dissapointing that this is being removed but it is also dissapointing that this was being funded by the council. this should be something funded by police scotland	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The need to review this activity and ensure value for money means that the current level of funding provided to Police Scotland is no longer sustainable. However, this offers WLC opportunities to modernise and transform the current ways of working to work more closely with other services to ensure community safety is not compromised.
23776	An employee of West Lothian Council	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	Get rid of all funding to the police, why should the council fund extra officers.	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23777	An employee of West Lothian Council	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	I agree that this funding should be removed	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23778	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	Scottish government should be responsible however the crime in west Lothian seems to be getting worse sadly	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23779	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	never see a police presence anyway	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Police Scotland's Local Police Resource Plan for West Lothian determines the type of services and number of resources allocated locally.
23780	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	Although this may seem a saving it is not very reassuring for police in the community. Policing should be visible in the community and with the changes in Police Scotland and Police moving from area to area where they do not know they areas or the criminals to have funding reduced is a further loss and communities will feel less safe	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Community Safety remains one of the key council priorities and the services we provide to make our communities a safe place to live and work will continue. The need to review this activity and ensure value for money means that the current level of funding provided to Police Scotland is no longer sustainable. However, this offers WLC opportunities to modernise and transform the current ways of working to work more closely with other services to ensure community safety is not compromised. Police Scotland's Local Police Resource Plan for West Lothian determines the type of services and number of resources allocated locally.

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23781	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	I think this is a bad idea and very short sighted, particularly in view of the relatively small sum of money involved. Crime is increasing and reducing resources gives the wrong message to people who are criminally inclined.	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Community Safety remains one of the key council priorities and the services we provide to make our communities a safe place to live and work will continue. The need to review this activity and ensure value for money means that the current level of funding provided to Police Scotland is no longer sustainable. However, this offers WLC opportunities to modernise and transform the current ways of working to work more closely with other services to ensure community safety is not compromised. Police Scotland's Local Police Resource Plan for West Lothian determines the type of services and number of resources allocated locally.
23782	An employee of West Lothian Council	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	Retrograde step.	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Community Safety remains one of the key council priorities and the services we provide to make our communities a safe place to live and work will continue. The need to review this activity and ensure value for money means that the current level of funding provided to Police Scotland is no longer sustainable. However, this offers WLC opportunities to modernise and transform the current ways of working to work more closely with other services to ensure community safety is not compromised. Police Scotland's Local Police Resource Plan for West Lothian determines the type of services and number of resources allocated locally.
23783	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	if crime levels improve with the removal of this I would hope the Council would review this	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	Community Safety remains one of the key council priorities and the services we provide to make our communities a safe place to live and work will continue. The need to review this activity and ensure value for money means that the current level of funding provided to Police Scotland is no longer sustainable. However, this offers WLC opportunities to modernise and transform the current ways of working to work more closely with other services to ensure community safety is not compromised. Police Scotland's Local Police Resource Plan for West Lothian determines the type of services and number of resources allocated locally.
23784	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	this is the responsibility of Police Scotland	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23785	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	Council estates are not safe and there are many youth and drug crimes. I agree the council shouldn't pay for extra police but there needs to be something in place to tackle these crimes experienced to make it safe for myself and my children.	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Community Safety remains one of the key council priorities and the services we provide to make our communities a safe place to live and work will continue. The need to review this activity and ensure value for money means that the current level of funding provided to Police Scotland is no longer sustainable. However, this offers WLC opportunities to modernise and transform the current ways of working to work more closely with other services to ensure community safety is not compromised.

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23786	An employee of West Lothian Council	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	I think support for council staff is the priority at this stage so I understand that the above saving should be considered.	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Community Safety remains one of the key council priorities and the services we provide to make our communities a safe place to live and work will continue. The need to review this activity and ensure value for money means that the current level of funding provided to Police Scotland is no longer sustainable. However, this offers WLC opportunities to modernise and transform the current ways of working to work more closely with other services to ensure community safety is not compromised.
23787	No Response	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	Have no objection as it is a central Scotland Government function	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23788	An employee of West Lothian Council	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	From a housing point of view we have an excellent working relationship with community police who are very good at helping with difficult matters on short notice. They are very good at assisting with complex cases concerning vulnerable adults, anti social or criminal behaviour which disrupts our communities. However this is inconsistent across local area offices. The concern would be that those areas where a good working relationship with community police is in place would be lost.	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	Community Safety remains one of the key council priorities and the services we provide to make our communities a safe place to live and work will continue. The need to review this activity and ensure value for money means that the current level of funding provided to Police Scotland is no longer sustainable. However, this offers WLC opportunities to modernise and transform the current ways of working to work more closely with other services to ensure community safety is not compromised.
23789	No Response	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	I agree as long as this does not impact on community safety	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Community Safety remains one of the key council priorities and the services we provide to make our communities a safe place to live and work will continue. The need to review this activity and ensure value for money means that the current level of funding provided to Police Scotland is no longer sustainable. However, this offers WLC opportunities to modernise and transform the current ways of working to work more closely with other services to ensure community safety is not compromised.
23790	No Response	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	I agree, this should be Police Scotland's priority, not the councils.	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23791	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	Scottish Government should fund police not the Council	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23792	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	Why support the police, this is a disgrace.	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23793	An employee of West Lothian Council	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	Get rid - by funding these extra police, it gives less incentive to Police Scotland to fund resources adequately themselves. This funding absolutely should be removed, end of!	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23794	An employee of West Lothian Council	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	I did not know the council paid for this. Agree to cease given Police Scotland should be responsible for adequate police numbers.	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23795	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	Could it be reduced rather than removed?	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The need to review this activity and ensure value for money means that the current level of funding provided to Police Scotland is no longer sustainable. Removal and reduction of funding will be considered.
23796	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	It should not be the role of the council to adequately fund police provision in West Lothian. This should be the responsibility of the Scottish Government	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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23797	An employee of West Lothian Council	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	Not sure how you can protect communities if you remove additional police services.	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	Community Safety remains one of the key council priorities and the services we provide to make our communities a safe place to live and work will continue. The need to review this activity and ensure value for money means that the current level of funding provided to Police Scotland is no longer sustainable. However, this offers WLC opportunities to modernise and transform the current ways of working to work more closely with other services to ensure community safety is not compromised. Police Scotland's Local Police Resource Plan for West Lothian determines the type of services and number of resources allocated locally.
23798	An employee of West Lothian Council	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	Agree however it is essential that the level of policing is maintained to a close a level as possible	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Police Scotland's Local Police Resource Plan for West Lothian determines the type of services and number of resources allocated locally.
23799	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	WOW i had no idea that the council pays for some police officers	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23800	An employee of West Lothian Council	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	Agreed. Police Scotland has consistently removed services and forced local authorities to fill the gap left. Time for local authorities to take the same approach.	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23801	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	unnecessary funding.	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23802	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	Sometimes it is very hard to contact the Police service therefore a reduction in funding would make a bad situation worse.	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Police Scotland's Local Police Resource Plan for West Lothian determines the type of services and number of resources allocated locally.
23803	No Response	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	Constant dog barking day and night coming from [REDACTED] People are sick of listening to it.	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. Please contact your local housing officer for specific enquiries.
23804	An employee of West Lothian Council	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	see previous comments -this would be better used to purchase crisis intervention services to stop police having to deal with these so much.	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	5b. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it is likely that the costs of this proposal would outweigh the benefit.	The need to review this activity and ensure value for money means that the current level of funding provided to Police Scotland is no longer sustainable. However, this offers WLC opportunities to modernise and transform the current ways of working to work more closely with other services to ensure community safety is not compromised.
23805	No Response	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	makes sense to look after our own organisation before others.	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23806	An employee of West Lothian Council	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	This is directly linked to job losses - this may not appear to look great in terms of the general public. Generally, people want to be made safer from seeing police levels / appearances on the street. This may cause public to lose faith.	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The need to review this activity and ensure value for money means that the current level of funding provided to Police Scotland is no longer sustainable. However, this offers WLC opportunities to modernise and transform the current ways of working to work more closely with other services to ensure community safety is not compromised. Police Scotland's Local Police Resource Plan for West Lothian determines the type of services and number of resources allocated locally.
23807	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	We need our police but do agree that this should be funded in another way.	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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23808	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	I don't feel this is a council responsibility- it's central government's. Therefore support this.	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23809	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	I agree with this. Why should the Council be subsidising Police Scotland?	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23810	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	agreed. Police Scotland should fund.	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23811	An employee of West Lothian Council	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	Policing is a National matter and this should be the provision of the Scottish Government.	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23812	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	West Lothian can't afford to lose any more police officers and I would be against this proposal	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The need to review this activity and ensure value for money means that the current level of funding provided to Police Scotland is no longer sustainable. However, this offers WLC opportunities to modernise and transform the current ways of working to work more closely with other services to ensure community safety is not compromised. Police Scotland's Local Police Resource Plan for West Lothian determines the type of services and number of resources allocated locally.
23813	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	Police budget should be protected	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The need to review this activity and ensure value for money means that the current level of funding provided to Police Scotland is no longer sustainable. However, this offers WLC opportunities to modernise and transform the current ways of working to work more closely with other services to ensure community safety is not compromised. Police Scotland's Local Police Resource Plan for West Lothian determines the type of services and number of resources allocated locally.
23814	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	The Scottish Government should be paying for this.... it should not come out of local council budget	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23815	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	The Police are needed to work alongside the anti-social team in order to allow them to carry out their role successfully. You talk about partnership working - taking this away is a huge error. This will place pressure on staff to deal with more complex situations where anti-social behaviour is taking place. Also Police carrying out joint visits with staff.	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Community Safety remains one of the key council priorities and the services we provide to make our communities a safe place to live and work will continue. The need to review this activity and ensure value for money means that the current level of funding provided to Police Scotland is no longer sustainable. However, this offers WLC opportunities to modernise and transform the current ways of working to work more closely with other services to ensure community safety is not compromised. Police Scotland's Local Police Resource Plan for West Lothian determines the type of services and number of resources allocated locally.
23816	An employee of West Lothian Council	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	21 people will lose their jobs, is there no way to negotiate with the Scottish government to continue funding these posts?	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	The need to review this activity and ensure value for money means that the current level of funding provided to Police Scotland is no longer sustainable. However, this offers WLC opportunities to modernise and transform the current ways of working to work more closely with other services to ensure community safety is not compromised. Police Scotland's Local Police Resource Plan for West Lothian determines the type of services and number of resources allocated locally.

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23817	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	If it was funding directly and solely for community policing then I would keep those posts. However, if they are continually being used for other policing, then there is no point in the Council funding this.	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23818	An employee of West Lothian Council	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	Scrap it - useless anyway. Domestic abuse up etc. Not convinced many in West Lothian feel they have a good police service or that it has improved since Police Scotland was established. Many people/community groups I know - moan at the 'lost connection' and benefits compared to the (old) community police officer model.	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23819	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	Fewer Police, less visibility/presence = criminals acting with impunity. Already too [REDACTED] litter, fly-tipping, criminal damage, under-age drinking, illegal motorists in this region - because no-one is there to catch them. This would be akin to cutting off your nose to spite your face. Reconsider. increased Police presence = reduction in criminal activity = increase in revenue from fines and savings on clean-up. It ain't rocket science.	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Community Safety remains one of the key council priorities and the services we provide to make our communities a safe place to live and work will continue. The need to review this activity and ensure value for money means that the current level of funding provided to Police Scotland is no longer sustainable. However, this offers WLC opportunities to modernise and transform the current ways of working to work more closely with other services to ensure community safety is not compromised. Police Scotland's Local Police Resource Plan for West Lothian determines the type of services and number of resources allocated locally.
23820	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	Review pay and structure. Focus police in the RIGHT areas and get rid of under performers. Retire fat, old, bitter police and replace with younger, improved versions who can do twice as much work. Funding should go.	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Police Scotland's Local Police Resource Plan for West Lothian determines the type of services and number of resources allocated locally.
23821	No Response	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	keep funding as its important to west lothian people. the police struggle as it is	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Community Safety remains one of the key council priorities and the services we provide to make our communities a safe place to live and work will continue. The need to review this activity and ensure value for money means that the current level of funding provided to Police Scotland is no longer sustainable. However, this offers WLC opportunities to modernise and transform the current ways of working to work more closely with other services to ensure community safety is not compromised.
23822	An employee of West Lothian Council	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	If the Scottish Government have given commitment to protect the Police Scotland budget but not the council budgets then I would agree that the council should withdraw the funding to save the money aslong as this does not have an effect on the service that Police Officers can provide in West Lothian as minimising crime should be one of the top priorities. If few other Local Authorities provide funding for additional police officers then West Lothian Council should follow this approach.	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Police Scotland's Local Police Resource Plan for West Lothian determines the type of services and number of resources allocated locally.
23823	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	It is essential that this funding is continued. Both East & Mid Lothian councils removed the funding, and after only 6 months realised that community issues previously dealt with by council funded officers were spiralling out of control, and as a result they reinstated the council funded officers to tackle the issues causing a huge reduction in the problems raised by local residents. Yes, £700,000 is a lot of money, however without these officers tackling community issues, our streets will not be as safe.	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Community Safety remains one of the key council priorities and the services we provide to make our communities a safe place to live and work will continue. The need to review this activity and ensure value for money means that the current level of funding provided to Police Scotland is no longer sustainable. However, this offers WLC opportunities to modernise and transform the current ways of working to work more closely with other services to ensure community safety is not compromised. Police Scotland's Local Police Resource Plan for West Lothian determines the type of services and number of resources allocated locally.

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23824	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	The council funded Community Action Teams, School Link Officers and CBO's provide a key service to West Lothian council by targeting local issues and taking effective action to resolve them before these issues begin to cause a massive detrimental effect on the local area. These teams target local issues and locally have worked in partnership with WLC to remove Â£10,000's of controlled drugs from our streets, reduce violence, target parking issues in areas, and other key issues. Without this funding, the Police would not be able to meet council demand and expectations which would result in the widescale growth of these issues and cause a huge detrimental effect to our area.	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Community Safety remains one of the key council priorities and the services we provide to make our communities a safe place to live and work will continue. The need to review this activity and ensure value for money means that the current level of funding provided to Police Scotland is no longer sustainable. However, this offers WLC opportunities to modernise and transform the current ways of working to work more closely with other services to ensure community safety is not compromised. Police Scotland's Local Police Resource Plan for West Lothian determines the type of services and number of resources allocated locally.
23825	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	This should be provided for by Police Scotland	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23826	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	Agree with this saving, especially if it is based on benchmarking on other areas. It is Police Scotland's responsibility to ensure there are enough resources to deliver this service	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23827	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	This is shocking with amount of vandalising in some areas that's costing the council thousands to make repairs we need these police it would only get worse.	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Community Safety remains one of the key council priorities and the services we provide to make our communities a safe place to live and work will continue. The need to review this activity and ensure value for money means that the current level of funding provided to Police Scotland is no longer sustainable. However, this offers WLC opportunities to modernise and transform the current ways of working to work more closely with other services to ensure community safety is not compromised.
23828	An employee of West Lothian Council	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	Anti-social behaviour is likely to increase.	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Community Safety remains one of the key council priorities and the services we provide to make our communities a safe place to live and work will continue. Police Scotland's Local Police Resource Plan for West Lothian determines the type of services and number of resources allocated locally.
23829	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	I hope this will not have an affect on the safety of West Lothian residents!	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	Community Safety remains one of the key council priorities and the services we provide to make our communities a safe place to live and work will continue.
23830	An employee of West Lothian Council	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	This is terrifying unless police Scotland can fill the gap.	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The need to review this activity and ensure value for money means that the current level of funding provided to Police Scotland is no longer sustainable. However, this offers WLC opportunities to modernise and transform the current ways of working to work more closely with other services to ensure community safety is not compromised. Police Scotland's Local Police Resource Plan for West Lothian determines the type of services and number of resources allocated locally.
23831	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	Seems reasonable, although there will presumably be an impact on policing in West Lothian	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Police Scotland's Local Police Resource Plan for West Lothian determines the type of services and number of resources allocated locally.

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23832	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	The police are already struggling for funding with staffing cuts and rising crime. Please don't reduce this further as they are already very stretched	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The need to review this activity and ensure value for money means that the current level of funding provided to Police Scotland is no longer sustainable. However, this offers WLC opportunities to modernise and transform the current ways of working to work more closely with other services to ensure community safety is not compromised. Police Scotland's Local Police Resource Plan for West Lothian determines the type of services and number of resources allocated locally.
23833	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	Agreed as long as Hollywood deliver on its promise	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23834	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	More community police is required	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Police Scotland's Local Police Resource Plan for West Lothian determines the type of services and number of resources allocated locally.
23835	An employee of West Lothian Council	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	One of the main priorities in West Lothian is reducing crime and safety in the local community. Cutting 21 officers will only have a negative impact. I live in Whitburn and regularly feel unsafe walking around the town I have lived in for many years. The amount of crime that takes place in West Lothian is always on the increase so reducing the number of officers is ludicrous.	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Community Safety remains one of the key council priorities and the services we provide to make our communities a safe place to live and work will continue. The need to review this activity and ensure value for money means that the current level of funding provided to Police Scotland is no longer sustainable. However, this offers WLC opportunities to modernise and transform the current ways of working to work more closely with other services to ensure community safety is not compromised. Police Scotland's Local Police Resource Plan for West Lothian determines the type of services and number of resources allocated locally.
23836	An employee of West Lothian Council	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	Remove funding and hopefully police scotland will plug some of this gap with special police officer volunteers	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23837	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	Any proposed budget amendment would require a through risk benefit analysis as this has the potential to cost the Council in the long run. The proactive nature of these Police resources means that they may actually reduce costs - cost which may be incurred by unchecked vandalism, antisocial behaviour and general crime all of which would have a detrimental impact on communities. Any budget changes would need to be considered carefully and, if made, (in light of considering the consequences) may require to be incremental	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Community Safety remains one of the key council priorities and the services we provide to make our communities a safe place to live and work will continue. The need to review this activity and ensure value for money means that the current level of funding provided to Police Scotland is no longer sustainable. However, this offers WLC opportunities to modernise and transform the current ways of working to work more closely with other services to ensure community safety is not compromised.
23838	An employee of West Lothian Council	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	I agree they done away with the Traffic Wardens and promised they would be covering this duty but this has never happened	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23839	An employee of West Lothian Council	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	Sack this funding, The Police can fund themselves.	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23840	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	This would be a big saving if other local authorities do not do this why would WLC.	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23841	No Response	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	The police already fail to respond in a timely manner to reported crime, if they respond at all. For example, they no longer investigate burglaries. The provision of policing cannot be described as adequate!	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	Police Scotland's Local Police Resource Plan for West Lothian determines the type of services and number of resources allocated locally.

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23842	An employee of West Lothian Council	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	Why do WLC have to pay for additional officers? This is a matter for Police Scotland to address the needs and requirements for a specific area	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23843	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	I was unaware of this and would support this fully. Policing should be a nationally funded service rather than a local one	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23844	An employee of West Lothian Council	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	They should have more police officers about	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	Police Scotland's Local Police Resource Plan for West Lothian determines the type of services and number of resources allocated locally.
23845	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	No budget for police Scotland is insured and would cause many problems	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The need to review this activity and ensure value for money means that the current level of funding provided to Police Scotland is no longer sustainable.
23846	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	I would agree with this - there is no notable improvement on the west Lothian policing.	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23847	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	Don't agree with this. Policing can be preventative. For example, since the traffic wardens were cut, there is parking everywhere causing all sorts of problems. Although the parking warden didn't issue a huge number of tickets, the fact that people knew he could turn up at any time helped prevent irresponsible parking. A safe environment is very important. The council should reconsider this proposal and keep the majority of this service.	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Community Safety remains one of the key council priorities and the services we provide to make our communities a safe place to live and work will continue. The need to review this activity and ensure value for money means that the current level of funding provided to Police Scotland is no longer sustainable. However, this offers WLC opportunities to modernise and transform the current ways of working to work more closely with other services to ensure community safety is not compromised. Police Scotland's Local Police Resource Plan for West Lothian determines the type of services and number of resources allocated locally.
23848	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	As long as our community still retains adequate Policing	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Police Scotland's Local Police Resource Plan for West Lothian determines the type of services and number of resources allocated locally.
23849	An employee of West Lothian Council	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	Police numbers are not protected enough. Given one of the priorities of the Council is to reduce crime and to improve community safety, I think it would be short-sighted to reduce the funding in this area. Police persons are put under incredible pressure at this time and this is only likely to continue. They are the front line in keeping us safe and we should continue to fund this area, otherwise how else would this priority area be adequately met?	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Community Safety remains one of the key council priorities and the services we provide to make our communities a safe place to live and work will continue. The need to review this activity and ensure value for money means that the current level of funding provided to Police Scotland is no longer sustainable. However, this offers WLC opportunities to modernise and transform the current ways of working to work more closely with other services to ensure community safety is not compromised. Police Scotland's Local Police Resource Plan for West Lothian determines the type of services and number of resources allocated locally.
23850	An employee of West Lothian Council	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	Would this reduction in funding definitely be met by Police Scotland? I feel this cut cannot be justified if it would compromise the service we currently receive, as it already seems very thin on the ground...	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Police Scotland's Local Police Resource Plan for West Lothian determines the type of services and number of resources allocated locally. Community Safety remains one of the key council priorities and the services we provide to make our communities a safe place to live and work will continue.
23851	An employee of West Lothian Council	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	Harsh but fair, unless posts are specifically supporting council needs, ie missing young people who could be at risk of external provision being used?	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Police Scotland's Local Police Resource Plan for West Lothian determines the type of services and number of resources allocated locally. Community Safety remains one of the key council priorities and the services we provide to make our communities a safe place to live and work will continue.

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23852	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	I personally feel that the police have an already difficult job without you withdrawing police officers cannot this just be reduced rather than withdrawn.	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	Police Scotland's Local Police Resource Plan for West Lothian determines the type of services and number of resources allocated locally. The need to review this activity and ensure value for money means that the current level of funding provided to Police Scotland is no longer sustainable. Removal and reduction of funding will be considered.
23853	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	If this happend, crime rate will increasae	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Police Scotland's Local Police Resource Plan for West Lothian determines the type of services and number of resources allocated locally. The need to review this activity and ensure value for money means that the current level of funding provided to Police Scotland is no longer sustainable.
23854	An employee of West Lothian Council	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	The council needs to stop making police/education/health the bad guy by pointing out that funding is protected.	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23855	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	You cant remove funding without a commitment from Police Scotland to make up the deficit or else this is counter intuitive to your vision statement	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Police Scotland's Local Police Resource Plan for West Lothian determines the type of services and number of resources allocated locally. The need to review this activity and ensure value for money means that the current level of funding provided to Police Scotland is no longer sustainable. Community Safety remains one of the key council priorities and the services we provide to make our communities a safe place to live and work will continue.
23856	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	I would imagine that Police Scotland will be facing their own budget crisis too - would a conciliatory approach with them instead of removal of all funding be worth exploring? Just because it is not a government requirement doesn't mean that there is no need.	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	Community Safety remains one of the key council priorities and the services we provide to make our communities a safe place to live and work will continue. The need to review this activity and ensure value for money means that the current level of funding provided to Police Scotland is no longer sustainable. However, this offers WLC opportunities to modernise and transform the current ways of working to work more closely with other services to ensure community safety is not compromised
23857	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	There are already not enough police officers available to deal with emergencies. Reducing that number further does not seem to be a good idea in preventing and dealing with crime.	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Community Safety remains one of the key council priorities and the services we provide to make our communities a safe place to live and work will continue. The need to review this activity and ensure value for money means that the current level of funding provided to Police Scotland is no longer sustainable. However, this offers WLC opportunities to modernise and transform the current ways of working to work more closely with other services to ensure community safety is not compromised. Police Scotland's Local Police Resource Plan for West Lothian determines the type of services and number of resources allocated locally.
23858	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	What you propose though is to remove "additional" officers beyond what Police Scotland deems an adequate level. The wording is quite mealy mouthed and should be honest that you want to remove the additional focus on policing.	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	Police Scotland's Local Police Resource Plan for West Lothian determines the type of services and number of resources allocated locally.

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23859	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	This seems a pity. A reduction in the number of police officers in the area would seem likely and does nothing to inspire public confidence	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Community Safety remains one of the key council priorities and the services we provide to make our communities a safe place to live and work will continue. The need to review this activity and ensure value for money means that the current level of funding provided to Police Scotland is no longer sustainable. However, this offers WLC opportunities to modernise and transform the current ways of working to work more closely with other services to ensure community safety is not compromised. Police Scotland's Local Police Resource Plan for West Lothian determines the type of services and number of resources allocated locally.
23860	No Response	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	Disagree. The council needs to support local initiatives to reduce crimes in schools and promote education re road safety.	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Community Safety remains one of the key council priorities and the services we provide to make our communities a safe place to live and work will continue. The need to review this activity and ensure value for money means that the current level of funding provided to Police Scotland is no longer sustainable. However, this offers WLC opportunities to modernise and transform the current ways of working to work more closely with other services to ensure community safety is not compromised.
23861	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	What with crime rates continuing to rise in the world the police can't be expected to find the money to support everyone. Everyone should feel safe in their town.	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	Community Safety remains one of the key council priorities and the services we provide to make our communities a safe place to live and work will continue. The need to review this activity and ensure value for money means that the current level of funding provided to Police Scotland is no longer sustainable. However, this offers WLC opportunities to modernise and transform the current ways of working to work more closely with other services to ensure community safety is not compromised. Police Scotland's Local Police Resource Plan for West Lothian determines the type of services and number of resources allocated locally.
23862	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	Disagree would have a knock on effect to employment and the population	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Community Safety remains one of the key council priorities and the services we provide to make our communities a safe place to live and work will continue. The need to review this activity and ensure value for money means that the current level of funding provided to Police Scotland is no longer sustainable. However, this offers WLC opportunities to modernise and transform the current ways of working to work more closely with other services to ensure community safety is not compromised. Police Scotland's Local Police Resource Plan for West Lothian determines the type of services and number of resources allocated locally.
23863	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	I urge the council to appropriately research and publish a full risk assessment prior to undertaking this activity	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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23864	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	If funding is not removed they should be working in partnership with enforcement officers to identify offenders in relation to dog fouling, fly tipping and littering to make a difference to the environment and communities.	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	Community Safety remains one of the key council priorities and the services we provide to make our communities a safe place to live and work will continue. The need to review this activity and ensure value for money means that the current level of funding provided to Police Scotland is no longer sustainable. However, this offers WLC opportunities to modernise and transform the current ways of working to work more closely with other services to ensure community safety is not compromised
23865	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	Agreed - make clear to resident that this is as a result of the Scottish Governments position.	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23866	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	Against, we need our police and emergency services to have as much money as they can access!	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The need to review this activity and ensure value for money means that the current level of funding provided to Police Scotland is no longer sustainable. However, this offers WLC opportunities to modernise and transform the current ways of working to work more closely with other services to ensure community safety is not compromised. Police Scotland's Local Police Resource Plan for West Lothian determines the type of services and number of resources allocated locally.
23867	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	I think citizens would need to know what impact this would have on their own community to be able to fully consult on this.	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Community Safety remains one of the key council priorities and the services we provide to make our communities a safe place to live and work will continue. The need to review this activity and ensure value for money means that the current level of funding provided to Police Scotland is no longer sustainable. However, this offers WLC opportunities to modernise and transform the current ways of working to work more closely with other services to ensure community safety is not compromised. Police Scotland's Local Police Resource Plan for West Lothian determines the type of services and number of resources allocated locally.
23868	An employee of West Lothian Council	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	Agreed. Links to earlier comments on teachers, why does the Scottish Government protect teachers and police numbers, with no link to outcomes at the expense of other public services?	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23869	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	Will this be of detriment to local communities? Discussion with those communities who will be affected would be required to highlight the impact.	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	Community Safety remains one of the key council priorities and the services we provide to make our communities a safe place to live and work will continue. The need to review this activity and ensure value for money means that the current level of funding provided to Police Scotland is no longer sustainable. However, this offers WLC opportunities to modernise and transform the current ways of working to work more closely with other services to ensure community safety is not compromised. Police Scotland's Local Police Resource Plan for West Lothian determines the type of services and number of resources allocated locally.
23870	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	That seems to be a small saving for 21 police officers, vehicles and analyst support but the logic for removing it is sound	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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23871	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	Community policing in Linlithgow has been a major success. It is tackling the prime priority areas of concern to residents. To compromise community policing would be absolutely opposed. Our two Community Police work at the interface between hard law enforcement and the softer social issues and traffic management - both of which are Council functions. How can you cut the funding.	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The need to review this activity and ensure value for money means that the current level of funding provided to Police Scotland is no longer sustainable. However, this offers WLC opportunities to modernise and transform the current ways of working to work more closely with other services to ensure community safety is not compromised. Police Scotland's Local Police Resource Plan for West Lothian determines the type of services and number of resources allocated locally.
23872	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	Based on the information contained within this savings proposal we agree with this.	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23873	An employee of West Lothian Council	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	This is a luxury at the moment we can ill afford. There are some areas to this where double handling occurs. It is for the police service to properly fund the community policing areas. With the safer neighbourhood teams now having gone through a reorganisation many of the areas in which the police have been tasked can and should be picked up by the council's own teams including SNT, NETS etc. I see no reason for continued partnership working with the police to cease it will continue with or without them being funded.	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23874	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	Yes remove this is Police Scotland budget is protected	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23875	An employee of West Lothian Council	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	This will again have a massive impact on our society as you are cutting costs in social care meaning creating more social problems with less police to make us feel safe	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The need to review this activity and ensure value for money means that the current level of funding provided to Police Scotland is no longer sustainable. However, this offers WLC opportunities to modernise and transform the current ways of working to work more closely with other services to ensure community safety is not compromised. Police Scotland's Local Police Resource Plan for West Lothian determines the type of services and number of resources allocated locally.
23876	An employee of West Lothian Council	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	We already do not see enough police on the streets. Police do not come and visit local schools now. They are vital in the community and crime is continuing to arise. Please do not cut this further!	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Police Scotland's Local Police Resource Plan for West Lothian determines the type of services and number of resources allocated locally.
23877	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	Again seems only right that Police Scotland should seek funding from Scottish Government for this service. The service is invaluable so would be a shame if it was to be removed completely	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23878	No Response	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	Good luck dealing with the increase in crime when you remove all services and facilities for the community's children/teenagers/adolescents	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Community Safety remains one of the key council priorities and the services we provide to make our communities a safe place to live and work will continue.
23879	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	I understand why, but so little police to deal with local less pressing issues. ...	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	Police Scotland's Local Police Resource Plan for West Lothian determines the type of services and number of resources allocated locally. Community Safety remains one of the key council priorities and the services we provide to make our communities a safe place to live and work will continue.
23880	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	No way this means higher crime hard enough trying to get the police	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The need to review this activity and ensure value for money means that the current level of funding provided to Police Scotland is no longer sustainable. However, this offers WLC opportunities to modernise and transform the current ways of working to work more closely with other services to ensure community safety is not compromised. Police Scotland's Local Police Resource Plan for West Lothian determines the type of services and number of resources allocated locally.

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23881	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	You just hope the government will cover it? Seems a bit selfish really	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23882	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	police in some schools are required...	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	Police Scotland's Local Police Resource Plan for West Lothian determines the type of services and number of resources allocated locally.
23883	An employee of West Lothian Council	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	This would seem like an acceptable decision. Pressure should be put on the Scottish Government to fund these officers if they are truly required.	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23884	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	West Lothian cannot afford to loose 21 officers.	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The need to review this activity and ensure value for money means that the current level of funding provided to Police Scotland is no longer sustainable. However, this offers WLC opportunities to modernise and transform the current ways of working to work more closely with other services to ensure community safety is not compromised. Police Scotland's Local Police Resource Plan for West Lothian determines the type of services and number of resources allocated locally.
23885	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	This should come from central government but policing should not be reduced. Crime rates will soar and low level crime will be ignored leading to a downfall of society in general	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Community Safety remains one of the key council priorities and the services we provide to make our communities a safe place to live and work will continue. The need to review this activity and ensure value for money means that the current level of funding provided to Police Scotland is no longer sustainable. However, this offers WLC opportunities to modernise and transform the current ways of working to work more closely with other services to ensure community safety is not compromised. Police Scotland's Local Police Resource Plan for West Lothian determines the type of services and number of resources allocated locally.
23886	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	I agree this funding should be removed as Police Scotland should pay for this themselves	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23887	An employee of West Lothian Council	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	I think it is bad that the government has not given a commitment for funding to the council. Maybe the government need to look at cutting down a bit on things for free.	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23888	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	We don't have enough police to prevent crime, road crime etc. The police is very invisible especially in Winchburgh which mean we need more fundings and police officers in the area.	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	Police Scotland's Local Police Resource Plan for West Lothian determines the type of services and number of resources allocated locally.
23889	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	Would prefer a reduction rather than removal.	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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23890	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	This I am sure could lead to issues. Safety is a huge concern at the moment in regards "terrorism". However if their budget is to be protected then this would need to be considered. This could be reflected in the integration of services with link workers as we regularly require police support for joint working (I would say).	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Community Safety remains one of the key council priorities and the services we provide to make our communities a safe place to live and work will continue. The need to review this activity and ensure value for money means that the current level of funding provided to Police Scotland is no longer sustainable. However, this offers WLC opportunities to modernise and transform the current ways of working to work more closely with other services to ensure community safety is not compromised
23891	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	Police is the responsibility of Police Scotland and if their budget is protected then yes, the council shouldn't be providing additional funding. The one difference is the school based police officers who appear to integrate well with school teams and the young people and if that resource is only provided because of the council funding then I would be keen to see options for retaining that involvement in schools.	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Community Safety remains one of the key council priorities and the services we provide to make our communities a safe place to live and work will continue. The need to review this activity and ensure value for money means that the current level of funding provided to Police Scotland is no longer sustainable. However, this offers WLC opportunities to modernise and transform the current ways of working to work more closely with other services to ensure community safety is not compromised. Police Scotland's Local Police Resource Plan for West Lothian determines the type of services and number of resources allocated locally.
23892	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	no objections provided there are assurances that crime rates will not increase.	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	Police Scotland's Local Police Resource Plan for West Lothian determines the type of services and number of resources allocated locally. Community Safety remains one of the key council priorities and the services we provide to make our communities a safe place to live and work will continue.
23893	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	Think as this benefits the whole community it should be continued and work in partnership to reduce crime with youths and local Issues	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Community Safety remains one of the key council priorities and the services we provide to make our communities a safe place to live and work will continue. The need to review this activity and ensure value for money means that the current level of funding provided to Police Scotland is no longer sustainable. However, this offers WLC opportunities to modernise and transform the current ways of working to work more closely with other services to ensure community safety is not compromised.
23894	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	no cuts. more funding to bring police back into communities. where is the bobbies on the beat. everyone deserves to be feel safe, have enough food and be able to pay all their bills. we expect our politicians and council employees to make the right decisions and our behalf and to be as fair as they can for everyone.	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	Community Safety remains one of the key council priorities and the services we provide to make our communities a safe place to live and work will continue. The need to review this activity and ensure value for money means that the current level of funding provided to Police Scotland is no longer sustainable. However, this offers WLC opportunities to modernise and transform the current ways of working to work more closely with other services to ensure community safety is not compromised. Police Scotland's Local Police Resource Plan for West Lothian determines the type of services and number of resources allocated locally.

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23895	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	Would the removal of the budget affect the level of service provided? It is hard enough to get police help without a further reduction in service	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	Community Safety remains one of the key council priorities and the services we provide to make our communities a safe place to live and work will continue. The need to review this activity and ensure value for money means that the current level of funding provided to Police Scotland is no longer sustainable. However, this offers WLC opportunities to modernise and transform the current ways of working to work more closely with other services to ensure community safety is not compromised. Police Scotland's Local Police Resource Plan for West Lothian determines the type of services and number of resources allocated locally.
23896	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	we need police to be safe in our homes and community. boghall has a up and down history with crime. we need police. police should be given priority for funding.	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Community Safety remains one of the key council priorities and the services we provide to make our communities a safe place to live and work will continue. The need to review this activity and ensure value for money means that the current level of funding provided to Police Scotland is no longer sustainable. However, this offers WLC opportunities to modernise and transform the current ways of working to work more closely with other services to ensure community safety is not compromised. Police Scotland's Local Police Resource Plan for West Lothian determines the type of services and number of resources allocated locally.
23897	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	the police is already thin on the ground. we can not lose more police. do not cut funding from this area. give more	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	5b. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it is likely that the costs of this proposal would outweigh the benefit.	Community Safety remains one of the key council priorities and the services we provide to make our communities a safe place to live and work will continue. The need to review this activity and ensure value for money means that the current level of funding provided to Police Scotland is no longer sustainable. However, this offers WLC opportunities to modernise and transform the current ways of working to work more closely with other services to ensure community safety is not compromised. Police Scotland's Local Police Resource Plan for West Lothian determines the type of services and number of resources allocated locally.
23898	An employee of West Lothian Council	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	We would all agree to this until something happens and we need them, but I think this is something we should do in the circumstances.	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23899	An employee of West Lothian Council	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	The council should, if it implements this cut, support the case for making Scotland's police service VAT free. Perhaps the Conservative politicians could become actively involved in this.	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23900	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	I support this. If the Scottish Government wish to invest in community policing they should fund it via Police Scotland	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23901	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	CCTV in open/public spaces should be funded by police services not the council	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23902	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	Cut away. Business has been broken into my car has been broken into my business cars and vans have been trashed my own house has been broken into. Police is already a useless service in West Lothian and has failed to reform under current government. Force the government to fund them correctly	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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23903	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	Has the impact of this on local crime etc been explored?	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	Community Safety remains one of the key council priorities and the services we provide to make our communities a safe place to live and work will continue. The need to review this activity and ensure value for money means that the current level of funding provided to Police Scotland is no longer sustainable. However, this offers WLC opportunities to modernise and transform the current ways of working to work more closely with other services to ensure community safety is not compromised.
23904	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	I hope the council will monitor and publish any changes in crime figures after this change.	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	Community Safety remains one of the key council priorities and the services we provide to make our communities a safe place to live and work will continue. The need to review this activity and ensure value for money means that the current level of funding provided to Police Scotland is no longer sustainable. However, this offers WLC opportunities to modernise and transform the current ways of working to work more closely with other services to ensure community safety is not compromised. Police Scotland performance information will continue to be reported publicly within West Lothian. You can find this information on the council website.
23905	No Response	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	I would prefer a reduction rather than complete removal of funding. This is helping keep West Lothian a safer place to live and work.	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23906	No Response	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	Please don't take any Police officers off the streets of West Lothian. Remember the last time Youths held Mid Calder to ransom (TV headline news)	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	Police Scotland's Local Police Resource Plan for West Lothian determines the type of services and number of resources allocated locally.
23907	No Response	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	As per other comments forget about other authorities the public and rate payers of West Lothian don't want a reduction on Police Officers. West Lothian pride themselves with the working relationships with Police Scotland. How can you talk about sharing buildings & resources if funding is cut. If this proposal goes ahead the Police response time will increase and they will simply lay the blame at West Lothian Council when challenged	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Community Safety remains one of the key council priorities and the services we provide to make our communities a safe place to live and work will continue. The need to review this activity and ensure value for money means that the current level of funding provided to Police Scotland is no longer sustainable. However, this offers WLC opportunities to modernise and transform the current ways of working to work more closely with other services to ensure community safety is not compromised. Police Scotland's Local Police Resource Plan for West Lothian determines the type of services and number of resources allocated locally.
23908	An employee of West Lothian Council	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	I do not know where all the officers are based or their role so cannot comment on their proposed loss. I would however argue for the on-going funding of the analyst as they provide much needed information both for strategic planning and local operational intelligence sharing.	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Community Safety remains one of the key council priorities and the services we provide to make our communities a safe place to live and work will continue.
23909	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	and this ties in with your reduction of crime priority how exactly?	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Community Safety remains one of the key council priorities and the services we provide to make our communities a safe place to live and work will continue. The need to review this activity and ensure value for money means that the current level of funding provided to Police Scotland is no longer sustainable. However, this offers WLC opportunities to modernise and transform the current ways of working to work more closely with other services to ensure community safety is not compromised.

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23910	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	I dont believe the council should fund the police. Thats the governments job especially since everyone pays tax for such services.	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23911	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	The government should fund police services in my opinion and if they do so in other areas, why not WLC?	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23912	An employee of West Lothian Council	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	Good idea let's take more officers off the street and make the place worse that it is the community teams do a hell of lot of work there funding is vital and you would put some safety concerns in plain view	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Community Safety remains one of the key council priorities and the services we provide to make our communities a safe place to live and work will continue. The need to review this activity and ensure value for money means that the current level of funding provided to Police Scotland is no longer sustainable. However, this offers WLC opportunities to modernise and transform the current ways of working to work more closely with other services to ensure community safety is not compromised. Police Scotland's Local Police Resource Plan for West Lothian determines the type of services and number of resources allocated locally.
23913	An employee of West Lothian Council	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	You obviously think there is a need for additional police officers in West Lothian, how will removing the funding for ALL of them provide the required safety and service for the public?	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Community Safety remains one of the key council priorities and the services we provide to make our communities a safe place to live and work will continue. The need to review this activity and ensure value for money means that the current level of funding provided to Police Scotland is no longer sustainable. However, this offers WLC opportunities to modernise and transform the current ways of working to work more closely with other services to ensure community safety is not compromised. Police Scotland's Local Police Resource Plan for West Lothian determines the type of services and number of resources allocated locally.
23914	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	We live in an area where drugs, alcohol and violence is rife, and the police are nowhere to be seen. If they are going to do their jobs and crack down on the lowlifes then give them money, if they're not willing to do their job then don't	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	Police Scotland's Local Police Resource Plan for West Lothian determines the type of services and number of resources allocated locally.
23915	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	This may be good, and fair, politics, but it won't do much for crime prevention or detection.	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Police Scotland's Local Police Resource Plan for West Lothian determines the type of services and number of resources allocated locally.
23916	An employee of West Lothian Council	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	Agree in principle but partnership working with social work would suffer.	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The need to review this activity and ensure value for money means that the current level of funding provided to Police Scotland is no longer sustainable. However, this offers WLC opportunities to modernise and transform the current ways of working to work more closely with other services to ensure community safety is not compromised.
23917	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	The government should be paying for this anyway not the local councils. Would not like to see the police lose out on vital support but the government needs to pay up	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23918	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	There may be trouble ahead on this one. It comes over as a little bit stubborn but understandable.	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The need to review this activity and ensure value for money means that the current level of funding provided to Police Scotland is no longer sustainable. However, this offers WLC opportunities to modernise and transform the current ways of working to work more closely with other services to ensure community safety is not compromised.

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23919	An employee of West Lothian Council	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	With Police Scotland receiving funding protection, and the council having its funding cut, there is no way we should be paying for police officers. The council shouldn't be responsible for providing police and most other councils don't do it (I wonder if those who don't have seen an increase in crime - probably not!).	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23920	An employee of West Lothian Council	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	This seems reasonable as long there is no reduction in officers.	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Police Scotland's Local Police Resource Plan for West Lothian determines the type of services and number of resources allocated locally.
23921	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	If you reduce this funding it will have serious implications for other areas of council business who are reliant on police involvement and response. They can only be stretched so far	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Community Safety remains one of the key council priorities and the services we provide to make our communities a safe place to live and work will continue. The need to review this activity and ensure value for money means that the current level of funding provided to Police Scotland is no longer sustainable. However, this offers WLC opportunities to modernise and transform the current ways of working to work more closely with other services to ensure community safety is not compromised. Police Scotland's Local Police Resource Plan for West Lothian determines the type of services and number of resources allocated locally.
23922	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	Funding needed here according to needs and where communities have more needs than others	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Community Safety remains one of the key council priorities and the services we provide to make our communities a safe place to live and work will continue. The need to review this activity and ensure value for money means that the current level of funding provided to Police Scotland is no longer sustainable. However, this offers WLC opportunities to modernise and transform the current ways of working to work more closely with other services to ensure community safety is not compromised. Police Scotland's Local Police Resource Plan for West Lothian determines the type of services and number of resources allocated locally.
23923	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	I am unclear what do these 21 extra police provide to the Council over and above that normally provide by Police Scotland.	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Police Scotland's Local Police Resource Plan for West Lothian determines the type of services and number of resources allocated locally.
23924	No Response	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	Agreed. Police Scotland should be financed by national government. Only concern would be the cost to police council events including elections, foreign dignitaries visiting etc which are possibly provided free to offset current cost of 21 police officers.	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Police Scotland's Local Police Resource Plan for West Lothian determines the type of services and number of resources allocated locally.
23925	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	Pay the police more and support them through reductions in paperwork etc	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Police Scotland's Local Police Resource Plan for West Lothian determines the type of services and number of resources allocated locally.
23926	An employee of West Lothian Council	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	Reduce but not remove completely may be better i.e. keep 2 or 3 dedicated officers as SNT staff will need this resource for protection/dealing with gypsy travellers (a huge success for the team); getting information quickly; incase of any issues when out on calls. Police currently deal with very trivial matters that council staff can deal with instead - but council SNT staff needed even more if police are removed. Review calls into council about noise nuisance - it can be very high at the weekends. A service is still required or communities will get out of hand! Do not replace staff who leave this service.	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The need to review this activity and ensure value for money means that the current level of funding provided to Police Scotland is no longer sustainable. However, this offers WLC opportunities to modernise and transform the current ways of working to work more closely with other services to ensure community safety is not compromised. Police Scotland's Local Police Resource Plan for West Lothian determines the type of services and number of resources allocated locally.
23927	An employee of West Lothian Council	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	I agree that funding should be removed. Police funding is the responsibility of the Scottish Government.	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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23928	An employee of West Lothian Council	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	Why reduce police in any way. We need more not less. Anti social behaviour is too high and makes many uncomfortable especially with over dramatized news stories constantly. We need more to help people not less	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Community Safety remains one of the key council priorities and the services we provide to make our communities a safe place to live and work will continue. The need to review this activity and ensure value for money means that the current level of funding provided to Police Scotland is no longer sustainable. However, this offers WLC opportunities to modernise and transform the current ways of working to work more closely with other services to ensure community safety is not compromised. Police Scotland's Local Police Resource Plan for West Lothian determines the type of services and number of resources allocated locally.
23929	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	This is a childish and should be taken up with Police Scotland.	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23930	An employee of West Lothian Council	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	Removal of Police funding will have a huge effect on dealing with issues such as anti-social behaviour which is on the increase due to the clientele we have. Officers rely heavily on joint working with Police for joint visits/visiting to issue warnings etc. Working with partners - surely this is contradicting what we say we are good at.	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Community Safety remains one of the key council priorities and the services we provide to make our communities a safe place to live and work will continue. The need to review this activity and ensure value for money means that the current level of funding provided to Police Scotland is no longer sustainable. However, this offers WLC opportunities to modernise and transform the current ways of working to work more closely with other services to ensure community safety is not compromised. Police Scotland's Local Police Resource Plan for West Lothian determines the type of services and number of resources allocated locally.
23931	An employee of West Lothian Council	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	as long as the police are able to sustain the same numbers of police on the streets then this should not be an issue	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Police Scotland's Local Police Resource Plan for West Lothian determines the type of services and number of resources allocated locally.
23932	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	Given that the Scottish Government has committed to protecting Police Scotland's budget, they then have the responsibility to fund all requirements of policing.	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23933	An employee of West Lothian Council	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	I am surprised that this exists in the first place.	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23934	No Response	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	Agree but we could offer a different type of support i.e. share contracts / services	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Community Safety remains one of the key council priorities and the services we provide to make our communities a safe place to live and work will continue. The need to review this activity and ensure value for money means that the current level of funding provided to Police Scotland is no longer sustainable. However, this offers WLC opportunities to modernise and transform the current ways of working to work more closely with other services to ensure community safety is not compromised.
23935	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	I'd like to see more police on the streets	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	Police Scotland's Local Police Resource Plan for West Lothian determines the type of services and number of resources allocated locally.
23936	No Response	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	I agree with this. Is Scottish Government responsibly and should be the same set up across local authorities. In addition to this funding, members of WLC staff also provide the Appropriate Adult Service to the local Police. This service is provided free and relies on workers volunteering over & above their exiting job roles.	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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23937	No Response	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	I would like to see more police on the streets where I live.	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	Police Scotland's Local Police Resource Plan for West Lothian determines the type of services and number of resources allocated locally.
23938	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	If the council reduce police numbers they risk increasing crime which will ultimately put pressure on communities and health services. The council claim to promote 'up-streaming' activities to reduce future impact. Removal of police is contrary to this claim. The impact may not be felt in year 1 and by the time it is felt, it will have been forgotten that the council removing police officers contributed to it.	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Community Safety remains one of the key council priorities and the services we provide to make our communities a safe place to live and work will continue. The need to review this activity and ensure value for money means that the current level of funding provided to Police Scotland is no longer sustainable. However, this offers WLC opportunities to modernise and transform the current ways of working to work more closely with other services to ensure community safety is not compromised. Police Scotland's Local Police Resource Plan for West Lothian determines the type of services and number of resources allocated locally.
23939	An employee of West Lothian Council	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	As Police is a Scottish Government responsibility if they are not prepared to fund, this should be removed. However, care needs to be taken that any removal does not result in an increase in crime and an increase in expenditure for the council e.g. vandalism	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The need to review this activity and ensure value for money means that the current level of funding provided to Police Scotland is no longer sustainable. However, this offers WLC opportunities to modernise and transform the current ways of working to work more closely with other services to ensure community safety is not compromised. Police Scotland's Local Police Resource Plan for West Lothian determines the type of services and number of resources allocated locally.
23940	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	I wasn't aware of this as a resident. The police should fund the police	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23941	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	What do the 21 police officers currently do? Do they help you fulfil your own priorities?	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	Police Scotland's Local Police Resource Plan for West Lothian determines the type of services and number of resources allocated locally. Community Safety remains one of the key council priorities and the services we provide to make our communities a safe place to live and work will continue.
23942	An employee of West Lothian Council	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	Agree this should be removed. Policing should not be subsidised by the public through council tax etc it should be fully funded centrally. Police Scotland who have their own savings to make, are now starting to charge the council for basic information such as the driver of a car involved in a Road Traffic Accident which assists the council to recover costs. They are also now asking councils to police large events and put Road closures to avoid police having to attend. Given the level of funding we should get this information free of charge.	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23943	An employee of West Lothian Council	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	Unfortunately the fact that it is the responsibility of Police Scotland to fund Police officers is not the most important point for us. It is whether the service is essential/extremely useful. In the case of early intervention the police analysts provide much information for our projects that populate our Covalent systems and help us measure out outcomes. Unless this service can be provided elsewhere it is a huge disadvantage. Perhaps some of these roles could be consolidated to ensure that the priority requirements for us are fulfilled?	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Community Safety remains one of the key council priorities and the services we provide to make our communities a safe place to live and work will continue. The need to review this activity and ensure value for money means that the current level of funding provided to Police Scotland is no longer sustainable. However, this offers WLC opportunities to modernise and transform the current ways of working to work more closely with other services to ensure community safety is not compromised

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23944	An employee of West Lothian Council	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	Strongly disagree as this would probably cost more in increased vandalism unsocial behaviour etc so it will not represent any saving. Indeed it may cost more.	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Community Safety remains one of the key council priorities and the services we provide to make our communities a safe place to live and work will continue. The need to review this activity and ensure value for money means that the current level of funding provided to Police Scotland is no longer sustainable. However, this offers WLC opportunities to modernise and transform the current ways of working to work more closely with other services to ensure community safety is not compromised. Police Scotland's Local Police Resource Plan for West Lothian determines the type of services and number of resources allocated locally.
23945	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	Well that's an easy saving then , why pay again for something that is already paid for by government.	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23946	An employee of West Lothian Council	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	Community police are very important, but Police Scotland should pay for themselves, not the council	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23947	An employee of West Lothian Council	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	why has the council been doing this in the first instance???	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23948	An employee of West Lothian Council	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	I think that all emergency services are very important and should be supported in any which way we can to retain services at an acceptable level and not run on an unmanageable budget.	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The need to review this activity and ensure value for money means that the current level of funding provided to Police Scotland is no longer sustainable. However, this offers WLC opportunities to modernise and transform the current ways of working to work more closely with other services to ensure community safety is not compromised. Police Scotland's Local Police Resource Plan for West Lothian determines the type of services and number of resources allocated locally.
23949	An employee of West Lothian Council	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	I would be concerned if there were fewer police in West Lothian as a result of this proposed cut.	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	Police Scotland's Local Police Resource Plan for West Lothian determines the type of services and number of resources allocated locally.
23950	An employee of West Lothian Council	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	More community policing required within West Lothian	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	Police Scotland's Local Police Resource Plan for West Lothian determines the type of services and number of resources allocated locally.
23951	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	The Council should not be in the position of funding additional police officers. That is not it's responsibility.	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23952	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	how did the council ever get into a position that it was funding the police in the first place?	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23953	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	Savings by centralisation....	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	Police Scotland's Local Police Resource Plan for West Lothian determines the type of services and number of resources allocated locally.
23954	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	Make the Scottish government reconsider and fund this direct!	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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23955	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	Could you reduce the funding rather than remove it completely and see how this affects the local crime figures?	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Community Safety remains one of the key council priorities and the services we provide to make our communities a safe place to live and work will continue. The need to review this activity and ensure value for money means that the current level of funding provided to Police Scotland is no longer sustainable. However, this offers WLC opportunities to modernise and transform the current ways of working to work more closely with other services to ensure community safety is not compromised.
23956	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	Police is a must in my opinion.	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The need to review this activity and ensure value for money means that the current level of funding provided to Police Scotland is no longer sustainable. However, this offers WLC opportunities to modernise and transform the current ways of working to work more closely with other services to ensure community safety is not compromised. Police Scotland's Local Police Resource Plan for West Lothian determines the type of services and number of resources allocated locally.
23957	An employee of West Lothian Council	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	Crime levels are high , we need police officers for the safety of the community and local businesses	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	Police Scotland's Local Police Resource Plan for West Lothian determines the type of services and number of resources allocated locally.
23958	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	The Scottish Government should be paying for the Police NOT the council!	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23959	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	I'm sure this will be detrimental on crime and society	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Community Safety remains one of the key council priorities and the services we provide to make our communities a safe place to live and work will continue. The need to review this activity and ensure value for money means that the current level of funding provided to Police Scotland is no longer sustainable. However, this offers WLC opportunities to modernise and transform the current ways of working to work more closely with other services to ensure community safety is not compromised. Police Scotland's Local Police Resource Plan for West Lothian determines the type of services and number of resources allocated locally.
23960	An employee of West Lothian Council	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	Agree with this proposal. What benefit does West Lothian get from this arrangement? It is the Scottish Government's responsibility to ensure police have the funding they need. It is noticeable how little presence that Police Scotland have in local towns and villages since the reform of policing a few years ago. Parking is visibly a serious issue in many main streets because of a lack of any enforcement activity. I don't see why West Lothian tax payers should subsidise the funding of officers who are not involved in helping our communities.	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23961	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	I would be concerned if this funding was withdrawn without assurance from a Police Scotland that there would be no reduction in officers, vehicles and analyst support in West Lothian.	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	Police Scotland's Local Police Resource Plan for West Lothian determines the type of services and number of resources allocated locally. Community Safety remains one of the key council priorities and the services we provide to make our communities a safe place to live and work will continue.
23962	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	Remove the funding.	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23963	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	no longer required.	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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23964	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	You canâ€™t set a priority to reduce crime and make the streets safer and then cut police officers on the beat!	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	Police Scotland's Local Police Resource Plan for West Lothian determines the type of services and number of resources allocated locally.
23965	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	Nevertheless, this will result in 21 less officers policing West Lothian and that will have a significant impact on their ability to deal with local issues (i.e. antisocial behaviour, parking complaints) which will, no doubt, be passed back to the local authority to deal with or simply be unattended. I'm opposed to any cuts to police funding as it allows us to have 21 additional officers who are visible and accessible in our communities.	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	Police Scotland's Local Police Resource Plan for West Lothian determines the type of services and number of resources allocated locally.
23966	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	Totally agree that the Council should withdraw funding for these officers. Policing should be a Police Scotland matter including how community based policing is implemented. The Council team should be focusing on how to maximise the use of existing anti-social legislation working in conjunction with other connected Council departments.	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Community Safety remains one of the key council priorities and the services we provide to make our communities a safe place to live and work will continue.
23967	An employee of West Lothian Council	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	Let the Scottish Government pay for its police force.	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23968	An employee of West Lothian Council	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	Providing the SG gives an assurance that the 21 officers will remain with appropriate funding.	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Police Scotland's Local Police Resource Plan for West Lothian determines the type of services and number of resources allocated locally.
23969	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	We need people in good jobs that in turn will spend money locally. We need the education back to where it once was. We need crime free streets, better health for young and old. We need to move with the times and get the fundamentals right. Our towns and villages are suffering as well. The infrastructure needs looked at. Once we were proud to walk around.	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23970	No Response	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	Given the fact that the funding is the responsibility of Police Scotland is not the point unfortunately. If the service provided is integral -this is more important, and if it would be lost otherwise. The data analyst provides a necessary service to analyse the reoffending figures as we don't have access to the police computers. This was not available before and has been an invaluable tool and serves to populate covalent as well as all our SOA's.This service would require to be supplied elsewhere.	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	Community Safety remains one of the key council priorities and the services we provide to make our communities a safe place to live and work will continue.
23971	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	Does that mean 21-officers would lose their jobs?	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	Police Scotland's Local Police Resource Plan for West Lothian determines the type of services and number of resources allocated locally.
23972	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	We need more police. Not less.	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Police Scotland's Local Police Resource Plan for West Lothian determines the type of services and number of resources allocated locally.
23973	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	Community policing provided in [REDACTED] has been a major success. It is tackling the prime priority areas of concern to residents. To compromise community policing would be absolutely opposed. No cuts in this area.	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Community Safety remains one of the key council priorities and the services we provide to make our communities a safe place to live and work will continue. The need to review this activity and ensure value for money means that the current level of funding provided to Police Scotland is no longer sustainable. However, this offers WLC opportunities to modernise and transform the current ways of working to work more closely with other services to ensure community safety is not compromised. Police Scotland's Local Police Resource Plan for West Lothian determines the type of services and number of resources allocated locally.

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23974	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	If funding is removed then would that impact the community and if so how? If it does then Iâ€™d disagree with removing the funding	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	Community Safety remains one of the key council priorities and the services we provide to make our communities a safe place to live and work will continue. The need to review this activity and ensure value for money means that the current level of funding provided to Police Scotland is no longer sustainable. However, this offers WLC opportunities to modernise and transform the current ways of working to work more closely with other services to ensure community safety is not compromised. Police Scotland's Local Police Resource Plan for West Lothian determines the type of services and number of resources allocated locally.
23975	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	Police funding should be kept. The maintenance of law and order is an essential and basic need in our society.	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Community Safety remains one of the key council priorities and the services we provide to make our communities a safe place to live and work will continue. The need to review this activity and ensure value for money means that the current level of funding provided to Police Scotland is no longer sustainable. However, this offers WLC opportunities to modernise and transform the current ways of working to work more closely with other services to ensure community safety is not compromised. Police Scotland's Local Police Resource Plan for West Lothian determines the type of services and number of resources allocated locally.
23976	No Response	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	Agree with this proposal, Police should be fully funded nationally from central gov.	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23977	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	Why do we even provide with this support?	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23978	An employee of West Lothian Council	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	Sounds very dangerous to do this immediately. Maybe a scaled rollback required.	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	If this is taken forward, the proposal would be phased over a reasonable timeframe.
23979	No Response	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	Agree. Not the council's responsibility to pay for police officers	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23980	No Response	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	Agree with this proposal. Seems disproportionately large considering the funding cut to Police UK wide	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23981	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	I totally agree with the removal of funding I am pretty sure we don't offer the Fire Service any funding for extra resources.	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23982	No Response	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	Agree with proposal. Partnership working with the Police should continue to share knowledge and keep communities safe.	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23983	An employee of West Lothian Council	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	The provision of police officers in schools is invaluable. They provide teaching to students in the form of assemblies and classroom lessons in topics such as cyber bullying, islamophobia, homophobia, keeping yourself safe. They provide a presence in school and have encouraged more young people to speak to them rather than being afraid to come forward. They provide reassurance to parents, carers and young people and have a handle on what is happening in the community therefore preventing any escalation in issues before they actually present themselves in school. They share information between professionals; schools and the Police and a more rounded approach can therefore be taken. Removing this particular role would be a sad decision for the young people and their parents/carers in West Lothian.	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Community Safety remains one of the key council priorities and the services we provide to make our communities a safe place to live and work will continue. The need to review this activity and ensure value for money means that the current level of funding provided to Police Scotland is no longer sustainable. However, this offers WLC opportunities to modernise and transform the current ways of working to work more closely with other services to ensure community safety is not compromised. Police Scotland's Local Police Resource Plan for West Lothian determines the type of services and number of resources allocated locally.

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23984	No Response	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	As long as services don't suffer but I bet they will.	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Community Safety remains one of the key council priorities and the services we provide to make our communities a safe place to live and work will continue.
23985	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	The national government and Police Scotland should be responsible for this, not Local Authorities. Agree with the proposal.	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23986	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	I totally disagree with this proposal. This funding needs to remain, well at least the majority of the funding. The government can not be trusted on this one.	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Police Scotland's Local Police Resource Plan for West Lothian determines the type of services and number of resources allocated locally.
23987	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	This should be a central provision.	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23988	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	I would be surprised if many residents appreciate that the Council provides this unique financial support for police manning in the area. From casual observation it does not appear that we are particularly generously provided with police manpower and one must assume that the Council will aim to ensure that the area receives its due manpower allocation when the funding support is withdrawn. I would request that the Council gives a full public account of negotiations with Police Scotland on these matters.	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	Police Scotland's Local Police Resource Plan for West Lothian determines the type of services and number of resources allocated locally.
23989	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	It is not West Lothian council that controls crime but the courts and they need to be pressurised into meaningful sentences not community service which is laughable	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23990	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	Had not realised that this was done especially since a police presence in Linlithgow was scarcer than hens' teeth. Yes stop and get litter wardens out on bonus to stop the dog filth and litter	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23991	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	Agree although important that police Scotland continues to deliver the level of police officers	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Police Scotland's Local Police Resource Plan for West Lothian determines the type of services and number of resources allocated locally.
23992	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	The police should pay for these officers under their own funding. Hardly see any police, so where are the 21?	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Police Scotland's Local Police Resource Plan for West Lothian determines the type of services and number of resources allocated locally.
23993	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	As long Police Scotland funds an adequate number officers to include community policing and there is no rise in crime rates due to under funding	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	Police Scotland's Local Police Resource Plan for West Lothian determines the type of services and number of resources allocated locally.
23994	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	We already had the police provision in Linlithgow more or less removed.	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	Police Scotland's Local Police Resource Plan for West Lothian determines the type of services and number of resources allocated locally.
23995	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	Responsibility of Police Scotland. I struggle to understand what the community police to in linlithgow. There are not visible or accessible.	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Police Scotland's Local Police Resource Plan for West Lothian determines the type of services and number of resources allocated locally.
23996	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	additional special constables can cover the shortfall	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Police Scotland's Local Police Resource Plan for West Lothian determines the type of services and number of resources allocated locally.
23997	No Response	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	Could replace with special constables	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Police Scotland's Local Police Resource Plan for West Lothian determines the type of services and number of resources allocated locally.
23998	No Response	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	Why are West Lothian Council reducing Crime, isn't this a Police Scotland priority and subsequently their financial liability. After all, their the experts.	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
23999	An employee of West Lothian Council	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	As long as this is sensitively addressed it makes financial sense. Police Scotland remain a key partner in addressing a range of local issues and its commitment to continuing to support these roles remains vitally important. Given the financial landscape it would be prudent to suggest that the employment of staff should be a role for Police Scotland and financial support for an organisation that has a protected budget would not appear to make much sense.	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Community Safety remains one of the key council priorities and the services we provide to make our communities a safe place to live and work will continue.
24000	An employee of West Lothian Council	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	Agreed â€ however what impact would this have on policing at local events ?	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Police Scotland's Local Police Resource Plan for West Lothian determines the type of services and number of resources allocated locally.

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24001	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	Possibly not for all 21 but need to fund some for local events - especially those that bring in tourists.	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	Police Scotland's Local Police Resource Plan for West Lothian determines the type of services and number of resources allocated locally.
24002	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	That depends on whether the money awarded to Police Scotland represents genuine value for money and that West Lothian actually gets EXTRA police resources for the money it contributes over and above local authority areas who do not give money to Police Scotland - I'd like more information on what exactly West Lothian would lose if funding was cut	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	Police Scotland's Local Police Resource Plan for West Lothian determines the type of services and number of resources allocated locally.
24003	An employee of West Lothian Council	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	If West Lothian are one of only a few local authorities in Scotland funding police services, looking at the partnership working with Police in other areas would establish what benefits West Lothian are getting from this. A reduction or the complete removal of funding may be a good cost saving measure.	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Community Safety remains one of the key council priorities and the services we provide to make our communities a safe place to live and work will continue. The need to review this activity and ensure value for money means that the current level of funding provided to Police Scotland is no longer sustainable. However, this offers WLC opportunities to modernise and transform the current ways of working to work more closely with other services to ensure community safety is not compromised. Police Scotland's Local Police Resource Plan for West Lothian determines the type of services and number of resources allocated locally.
24004	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	Who will provide the new funding, will we lose police officers in West Lothian due to this?	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	Community Safety remains one of the key council priorities and the services we provide to make our communities a safe place to live and work will continue. The need to review this activity and ensure value for money means that the current level of funding provided to Police Scotland is no longer sustainable. However, this offers WLC opportunities to modernise and transform the current ways of working to work more closely with other services to ensure community safety is not compromised. Police Scotland's Local Police Resource Plan for West Lothian determines the type of services and number of resources allocated locally.
24005	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	As long as the council will ensure that our streets will remain safe.	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Community Safety remains one of the key council priorities and the services we provide to make our communities a safe place to live and work will continue. The need to review this activity and ensure value for money means that the current level of funding provided to Police Scotland is no longer sustainable. However, this offers WLC opportunities to modernise and transform the current ways of working to work more closely with other services to ensure community safety is not compromised. Police Scotland's Local Police Resource Plan for West Lothian determines the type of services and number of resources allocated locally.
24006	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	Supported in principal however any reduction in manning levels should be avoided. Could this funding not come from increased licensing fees for events that will require some Police presence.	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Police Scotland's Local Police Resource Plan for West Lothian determines the type of services and number of resources allocated locally.

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24007	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	With the rate of crime going up, how can we not give funding to this necessary service.	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Community Safety remains one of the key council priorities and the services we provide to make our communities a safe place to live and work will continue. The need to review this activity and ensure value for money means that the current level of funding provided to Police Scotland is no longer sustainable. However, this offers WLC opportunities to modernise and transform the current ways of working to work more closely with other services to ensure community safety is not compromised.
24008	An employee of West Lothian Council	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	Whilst this makes sense on paper, I wonder how this will work in practice. Will gala days and other public events have any police presence in future if they are needed elsewhere? This could leave these events vulnerable to disruption.	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	Police Scotland's Local Police Resource Plan for West Lothian determines the type of services and number of resources allocated locally.
24009	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	I agree Scottish Government is responsible. Remove funding.	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
24010	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	The Scottish Government needs to drill into its own expenses inefficiencies and waste and lead by example	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
24011	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	Absolutely, I fail to understand why the council should pay for this.	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
24012	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	If funding withdrawn - will all events requiring Police presence, Marches, Advent Fayre etc have to pay the Police in future?	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	Police Scotland's Local Police Resource Plan for West Lothian determines the type of services and number of resources allocated locally.
24013	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	Agree in principle but would be interested to know if the input by WLC and others is reflected in lower crime rates? Sharing support/analyst services could be seen as partnership working which is quoted frequently in this document.	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Community Safety remains one of the key council priorities and the services we provide to make our communities a safe place to live and work will continue. The need to review this activity and ensure value for money means that the current level of funding provided to Police Scotland is no longer sustainable. However, this offers WLC opportunities to modernise and transform the current ways of working to work more closely with other services to ensure community safety is not compromised.
24014	An employee of West Lothian Council	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	Realistically I would rather extra funding was cut to the Police rather than paying off Council employees providing services. The police should be funding themselves.	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
24015	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	Agree if police funding come from another source	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
24016	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	If it can be done without adversely affecting the provision of policing services OK.	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Police Scotland's Local Police Resource Plan for West Lothian determines the type of services and number of resources allocated locally.
24017	An employee of West Lothian Council	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	End the funding, Police Scotland have a big enough budget	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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24018	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	Perhaps the removal of funding for the vehicles and analyst support and a maintaining of some of the polic officer roles could be considered instead of entirely removing the additional funding currently in place.	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Community Safety remains one of the key council priorities and the services we provide to make our communities a safe place to live and work will continue. The need to review this activity and ensure value for money means that the current level of funding provided to Police Scotland is no longer sustainable. However, this offers WLC opportunities to modernise and transform the current ways of working to work more closely with other services to ensure community safety is not compromised
24019	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	This shouldn't be done without being very publicly advertised and explained. The reasons these officers were taken on is because we needed them. If removing these officers results in less safe streets and less productive policing, where community policing is near eradicated completely, these cuts should be opposed.	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	Police Scotland's Local Police Resource Plan for West Lothian determines the type of services and number of resources allocated locally.
24020	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	If this is withdrawn, you should liaise with Police Scotland on how they will maintain and prioritise services	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	Community Safety remains one of the key council priorities and the services we provide to make our communities a safe place to live and work will continue. The need to review this activity and ensure value for money means that the current level of funding provided to Police Scotland is no longer sustainable. However, this offers WLC opportunities to modernise and transform the current ways of working to work more closely with other services to ensure community safety is not compromised. Police Scotland's Local Police Resource Plan for West Lothian determines the type of services and number of resources allocated locally.
24021	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	Council should work with other Councils to have the VAT applied to police services be set aside. This may involve approaches to Westminster and also Holyrood. Agree with proposal but would urge the VAT matter be raised to ease the pressure on police budgets.	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
24022	An employee of West Lothian Council	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	6.Also as citizen of West Lothian I personally would not like any reduction on Police funding from West Lothian Council. In the briefing you mentioned the council would increase the community safety side however they also depend on a police response. Simply go back a few years to what happened in Mid Calder (TV headline news) due to youths running wild it was the community police that resolved the issue	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Community Safety remains one of the key council priorities and the services we provide to make our communities a safe place to live and work will continue. The need to review this activity and ensure value for money means that the current level of funding provided to Police Scotland is no longer sustainable. However, this offers WLC opportunities to modernise and transform the current ways of working to work more closely with other services to ensure community safety is not compromised. Police Scotland's Local Police Resource Plan for West Lothian determines the type of services and number of resources allocated locally.
24023	No Response	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	As citizen of West Lothian I personally would not like any reduction on Police funding from West Lothian Council. In the briefing you mentioned the council would increase the community safety side however they also depend on a police response.	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Community Safety remains one of the key council priorities and the services we provide to make our communities a safe place to live and work will continue. The need to review this activity and ensure value for money means that the current level of funding provided to Police Scotland is no longer sustainable. However, this offers WLC opportunities to modernise and transform the current ways of working to work more closely with other services to ensure community safety is not compromised. Police Scotland's Local Police Resource Plan for West Lothian determines the type of services and number of resources allocated locally.

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24024	No Response	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	Just look at what happened in Mid Calder a few years back (TV headline news) Youths running wild it was community police funding that resolved this issue	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Community Safety remains one of the key council priorities and the services we provide to make our communities a safe place to live and work will continue. The need to review this activity and ensure value for money means that the current level of funding provided to Police Scotland is no longer sustainable. However, this offers WLC opportunities to modernise and transform the current ways of working to work more closely with other services to ensure community safety is not compromised. Police Scotland's Local Police Resource Plan for West Lothian determines the type of services and number of resources allocated locally.
24025	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	As Police Scotland is a separate publicly funded body then I see no reason why the council should be providing any funding to them. Would strongly agree that this funding is removed.	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
24026	An employee of West Lothian Council	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	Further reductions on police funding will have a detrimental effect on crime and incidents within the smaller communities of West Lothian so i would disagree with this proposal.	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Community Safety remains one of the key council priorities and the services we provide to make our communities a safe place to live and work will continue. The need to review this activity and ensure value for money means that the current level of funding provided to Police Scotland is no longer sustainable. However, this offers WLC opportunities to modernise and transform the current ways of working to work more closely with other services to ensure community safety is not compromised. Police Scotland's Local Police Resource Plan for West Lothian determines the type of services and number of resources allocated locally.
24027	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	This is a vital service that is needing more money ploughed in to it so that people actually see Police in the Community - not just whizzing past in a car with blue lights on.	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	Police Scotland's Local Police Resource Plan for West Lothian determines the type of services and number of resources allocated locally.
24028	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	Police Scotland should be responsible for policing and staffing	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
24029	An employee of West Lothian Council	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	This funding should be stopped. Police have their own funding from central government and the council should not have to augment this when their own budget is being squeezed.	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
24030	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	We in LINLITHGOW see police rarely.	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	Police Scotland's Local Police Resource Plan for West Lothian determines the type of services and number of resources allocated locally.
24031	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	Scrap the funding for additional police officers, analysts and their vehicles. They already have the assurance that their funding from Police Scotland is secure which is more than the employees of WLC have.	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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24032	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	This is very worrying!	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Community Safety remains one of the key council priorities and the services we provide to make our communities a safe place to live and work will continue. The need to review this activity and ensure value for money means that the current level of funding provided to Police Scotland is no longer sustainable. However, this offers WLC opportunities to modernise and transform the current ways of working to work more closely with other services to ensure community safety is not compromised. Police Scotland's Local Police Resource Plan for West Lothian determines the type of services and number of resources allocated locally.
24033	An employee of West Lothian Council	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	Scrap the funding for additional police officers and their vehicles. They already have the assurance that their funding from Police Scotland is secure which is more than the employees of WLC have.	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
24034	An employee of West Lothian Council	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	Scrap the funding for additional police officers, analysts and their vehicles. They already have the assurance that their funding from Police Scotland is secure which is more than the employees of WLC have.	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
24035	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	While this might have been something which was needed a number of years ago to prevent youth crime I understand the there are no longer specific police officers provided with this funding therefore it should end.	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
24036	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	I would would want Police Scotland to provide information about how they plan to provide adequate policing levels before this funding is withdrawn. As a resident of West Lothian who has used the service, I know how stretched the service is, to the point that many police officers are leaving the profession due to stress and ill health. I would like to see an increase in community police officers working on crime prevention and supporting our communities and schools.	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	Police Scotland's Local Police Resource Plan for West Lothian determines the type of services and number of resources allocated locally.
24037	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	Surely this will only be detrimental to employment/crime unless an appropriate agreement is not reached with Police Scotland first, this sounds more like an assumption of cooperation	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	Police Scotland's Local Police Resource Plan for West Lothian determines the type of services and number of resources allocated locally.
24038	An employee of West Lothian Council	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	Wholeheartedly support the end of this propping up of a government election promise. I would question if this funding is benefitting anyone in west Lothian at all, most likely neighbouring authorities due to their complete refusal to provide transparent information to the public on where these resources are deployed. If we are paying for a service, I would like to see who benefits in reality. Are the 21 officers in West Lothian all the time? I think not.	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
24039	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	This funding should remain as crime prevention is imperative to continue reduced crime statistics	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Community Safety remains one of the key council priorities and the services we provide to make our communities a safe place to live and work will continue. The need to review this activity and ensure value for money means that the current level of funding provided to Police Scotland is no longer sustainable. However, this offers WLC opportunities to modernise and transform the current ways of working to work more closely with other services to ensure community safety is not compromised. Police Scotland's Local Police Resource Plan for West Lothian determines the type of services and number of resources allocated locally.

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24040	An employee of West Lothian Council	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	whilst it may not be our responsibility legally, morally if we can help people feel safer in their homes with additional police officers then surely as a place we want to attract people to visit needs to be secure	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	Community Safety remains one of the key council priorities and the services we provide to make our communities a safe place to live and work will continue. The need to review this activity and ensure value for money means that the current level of funding provided to Police Scotland is no longer sustainable. However, this offers WLC opportunities to modernise and transform the current ways of working to work more closely with other services to ensure community safety is not compromised. Police Scotland's Local Police Resource Plan for West Lothian determines the type of services and number of resources allocated locally.
24041	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	As long as it does not involve a reduction in the number of police. There are few enough police and they all manage to keep a low profile.	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Police Scotland's Local Police Resource Plan for West Lothian determines the type of services and number of resources allocated locally.
24042	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	We do need the police but if they have their own budget then yes this should be cut as it is not the Councils responsibility	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
24043	An employee of West Lothian Council	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	Schools benefit greatly from additional support from Police Scotland. if at all possible, some retention of support for schools would be effective in terms of early intervention and prevention of crime.	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	Police Scotland's Local Police Resource Plan for West Lothian determines the type of services and number of resources allocated locally.
24044	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	As long as this is not at the detriment to the safety of West Lothian residents and crime levels are not negatively affected	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Community Safety remains one of the key council priorities and the services we provide to make our communities a safe place to live and work will continue. The need to review this activity and ensure value for money means that the current level of funding provided to Police Scotland is no longer sustainable. However, this offers WLC opportunities to modernise and transform the current ways of working to work more closely with other services to ensure community safety is not compromised. Police Scotland's Local Police Resource Plan for West Lothian determines the type of services and number of resources allocated locally.
24045	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	Will these 21 officers lose their jobs? A more clear picture needs to be painted of the effects of this change.	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	Police Scotland's Local Police Resource Plan for West Lothian determines the type of services and number of resources allocated locally.
24046	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	The council with its budget constraints should not be subsidising a function that should be the sole responsibility of the Scottish Government.	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
24047	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	Quite right. Let Holyrood sort it out!	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
24048	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	Let the police pay for themselves.	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
24049	An employee of West Lothian Council	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	Agree police Scotland numbers are protected	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
24050	An employee of West Lothian Council	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	In the last few years, the reports of crime in Livingston has gone up. To hear that police numbers may be reduced because the Council removes this funding is alarming.	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	Police Scotland's Local Police Resource Plan for West Lothian determines the type of services and number of resources allocated locally.

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24051	An employee of West Lothian Council	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	there seems to be few police as it is let alone less	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	Police Scotland's Local Police Resource Plan for West Lothian determines the type of services and number of resources allocated locally.
24052	An employee of West Lothian Council	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	you will need as much support as possible from the police	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Police Scotland's Local Police Resource Plan for West Lothian determines the type of services and number of resources allocated locally.
24053	No Response	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	Only if it doesn't mean less policing is available.	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	Police Scotland's Local Police Resource Plan for West Lothian determines the type of services and number of resources allocated locally.
24054	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	Police should be funded directly by Scottish Government and not by the local authority!	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
24055	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	Where are they ?	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	Police Scotland's Local Police Resource Plan for West Lothian determines the type of services and number of resources allocated locally.
24056	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	Agree it is the Governments responsibility	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
24057	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	If no where else in Scotland funds the police why do west lothian. Agree to drop funding.	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
24058	An employee of West Lothian Council	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	Police Funding is crucial. I do not belie this should be cut. I am absolutely opposed to this. We as an authority receive substantial input from police in many areas and without quibble. The impact of this is extremely positive on so many departments and provides with a cohesive approach to problems within the council area. I consider this to be a service we cannot lose.	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Community Safety remains one of the key council priorities and the services we provide to make our communities a safe place to live and work will continue. The need to review this activity and ensure value for money means that the current level of funding provided to Police Scotland is no longer sustainable. However, this offers WLC opportunities to modernise and transform the current ways of working to work more closely with other services to ensure community safety is not compromised.
24059	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	Agree with this. Council should approach HM Government to set aside the VAT applied to our Police force and thereby ease the pressure on their budget.	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
24060	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	due to the way Police Scotland is worked now if you remove funding for these officers and vehicles they will be used in other parts of Scotland, not West Lothian which already doesnt have enough officers and vehicles to carry out their duties effectively.	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	Police Scotland's Local Police Resource Plan for West Lothian determines the type of services and number of resources allocated locally.
24061	An employee of West Lothian Council	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	Changes to joint working with Police have seen a serious degradation in the ability of councils officers and police officers to work in partnership Having gone from a model which was held as a model of excellence and which was talked about as being rolled out nationally. This proposal risks sending services back at least 14 years and will result in no joint working being done between police or council officers, which in turn will have a detrimental effect on local communities. With residents being given conflicting advice as to who they should call and why and what will be witnessed in terms of reported incidents of antisocial behaviour. What should be done is a rationalization of the services offered and to streamline these so that both police and council officers share a shift pattern as was previously the case and which can be clearly evidenced as having provided significant results to local communities.	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Community Safety remains one of the key council priorities and the services we provide to make our communities a safe place to live and work will continue. The need to review this activity and ensure value for money means that the current level of funding provided to Police Scotland is no longer sustainable. However, this offers WLC opportunities to modernise and transform the current ways of working to work more closely with other services to ensure community safety is not compromised. Police Scotland's Local Police Resource Plan for West Lothian determines the type of services and number of resources allocated locally.

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24062	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	Make sure the Scottish government put in writing that these posts will continue to be funded.	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	Police Scotland's Local Police Resource Plan for West Lothian determines the type of services and number of resources allocated locally.
24063	An employee of West Lothian Council	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	4e I do appreciate the pressure on Police Scotland, but agree they have the responsibility to deliver their function, with or without funding from WLC.	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
24064	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	This is a very bad idea. An increase in crime and disorder would incur costs elsewhere and impact on other service areas. The funding should be seen as preventative and offset by notional costs that would incur if this was removed.	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Community Safety remains one of the key council priorities and the services we provide to make our communities a safe place to live and work will continue. The need to review this activity and ensure value for money means that the current level of funding provided to Police Scotland is no longer sustainable. However, this offers WLC opportunities to modernise and transform the current ways of working to work more closely with other services to ensure community safety is not compromised.
24065	No Response	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	A reduction in available Police may have the effect of an increase in crime etc. this should be balanced against the potential savings to the Council.	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	Community Safety remains one of the key council priorities and the services we provide to make our communities a safe place to live and work will continue. The need to review this activity and ensure value for money means that the current level of funding provided to Police Scotland is no longer sustainable. However, this offers WLC opportunities to modernise and transform the current ways of working to work more closely with other services to ensure community safety is not compromised.
24066	An employee of West Lothian Council	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	There is a danger that by removing this funding, policing standards within West Lothian will drop.	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Community Safety remains one of the key council priorities and the services we provide to make our communities a safe place to live and work will continue. The need to review this activity and ensure value for money means that the current level of funding provided to Police Scotland is no longer sustainable. However, this offers WLC opportunities to modernise and transform the current ways of working to work more closely with other services to ensure community safety is not compromised.
24067	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	The police offices working in schools are a valuable asset to the school and local community in terms of building positive relationships between young people and the police. Removal of this may impact on the council priority to reduce crime across West Lothian	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	Police Scotland's Local Police Resource Plan for West Lothian determines the type of services and number of resources allocated locally.
24068	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	perhaps the council should hand the police budget that it pays almost £700000 back to police Scotland, this would go a long way towards musical services. another aim is to keep children occupied, ie off the streets, off computers and out of trouble, music gives children hope and development in life. I don't know any adult that doesn't wish that they could, or wish that they had been given the chance to play an instrument as a child. please don't take this right away from mine and future generations.	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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24069	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	This is all good and well as long as this does not have a detrimental affect on crime increasing in West Lothian. More assurances from government should be sought. We want West Lothian to be a safe, crime free region.	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	Community Safety remains one of the key council priorities and the services we provide to make our communities a safe place to live and work will continue. The need to review this activity and ensure value for money means that the current level of funding provided to Police Scotland is no longer sustainable. However, this offers WLC opportunities to modernise and transform the current ways of working to work more closely with other services to ensure community safety is not compromised. Police Scotland's Local Police Resource Plan for West Lothian determines the type of services and number of resources allocated locally.
24070	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	This is worrying as it could result in increased crime.	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Community Safety remains one of the key council priorities and the services we provide to make our communities a safe place to live and work will continue. The need to review this activity and ensure value for money means that the current level of funding provided to Police Scotland is no longer sustainable. However, this offers WLC opportunities to modernise and transform the current ways of working to work more closely with other services to ensure community safety is not compromised.
24071	No Response	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	Maybe the housing officers should take more control over their tenants and then that would free up the police from having to attend noise complaints and other low level anti social behaviours.	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
24072	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	This is a retrograde step, the benefits of having Community police officers pays a dividend of reducing anti-social behaviour and vandalism. The current set-up with Police Scotland on the streets and in schools working the Council Safer Neighbourhood Teams provides an integration of services than not only reduces crime, it helps to stop low level offending escalating to something more serious that may lead to a youngster staying off the rails and blighting their future. The way that Livingston is structured with a myriad of footpaths requires police officers who know the locality and their 'customer' base. Community policing provides this and it is questionable if the proposed Â£700K saving would be materialised owing to the likely cost of vandalism not to mention the inconvenience to Council Tax payers by the increase in anti-social behaviour.	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Community Safety remains one of the key council priorities and the services we provide to make our communities a safe place to live and work will continue. The need to review this activity and ensure value for money means that the current level of funding provided to Police Scotland is no longer sustainable. However, this offers WLC opportunities to modernise and transform the current ways of working to work more closely with other services to ensure community safety is not compromised. Police Scotland's Local Police Resource Plan for West Lothian determines the type of services and number of resources allocated locally.
24073	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	This depends on what you get for the money!	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	Police Scotland's Local Police Resource Plan for West Lothian determines the type of services and number of resources allocated locally.
24074	An employee of West Lothian Council	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	The police already get their funding as do the council. Whilst it may not be sufficient this is government/ police issue and council funding should never have been put in place.	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
24075	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	Keep under review	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
24076	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	It is to be hoped that this will not impact on Police Scotland coverage of their duties.	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	Police Scotland's Local Police Resource Plan for West Lothian determines the type of services and number of resources allocated locally.

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24077	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	The one thing that should NOT be cut is funding for the police. There is enough unsolved crimes as there is without cutting this budget.	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Community Safety remains one of the key council priorities and the services we provide to make our communities a safe place to live and work will continue. The need to review this activity and ensure value for money means that the current level of funding provided to Police Scotland is no longer sustainable. However, this offers WLC opportunities to modernise and transform the current ways of working to work more closely with other services to ensure community safety is not compromised.
24078	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	The community police officers in Linlithgow have been highly successful in tackling priority areas of concern to residents in the town. I would not be supportive of any cuts to the community police budget and their presence and assistance in the town of Linlithgow.	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Community Safety remains one of the key council priorities and the services we provide to make our communities a safe place to live and work will continue. The need to review this activity and ensure value for money means that the current level of funding provided to Police Scotland is no longer sustainable. However, this offers WLC opportunities to modernise and transform the current ways of working to work more closely with other services to ensure community safety is not compromised. Police Scotland's Local Police Resource Plan for West Lothian determines the type of services and number of resources allocated locally.
24079	An employee of West Lothian Council	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	Remove all this immediately , Police Scotland have 7 regions of funding to use, new laws that allow the use of confiscated drugs money etc..	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
24080	An employee of West Lothian Council	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	I do not think that the council should support shrinking resources which another authority is responsible for. This only masks the impact of cuts to the police.	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
24081	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	Don't think the funding should be removed. We have a need for more officers on the streets, walking about, not less.	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Police Scotland's Local Police Resource Plan for West Lothian determines the type of services and number of resources allocated locally.
24082	An employee of West Lothian Council	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	The council should not be funding the police in the current climate.	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
24083	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	Police service is already on its knees.	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Police Scotland's Local Police Resource Plan for West Lothian determines the type of services and number of resources allocated locally.
24084	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	how will removing funding help? the police are already stretched to breaking point.	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	Police Scotland's Local Police Resource Plan for West Lothian determines the type of services and number of resources allocated locally.
24085	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	I think the removal of this particular funding will bring a higher level of costs in the long term. West Lothian have already experienced the impact of a reduction when changes were made and community police officers were reduced etc. For a little while there, it looked like things were going to improve. This feels like really bad news with a ripple effect that could be felt for years.	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Police Scotland's Local Police Resource Plan for West Lothian determines the type of services and number of resources allocated locally.
24086	No Response	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	It seems unnecessary to pay for additional police officers	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
24087	No Response	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	Not completely eradicating the 21 Police officers but certainly reducing the amount we have. Splitting them to East and West possibly 10 officers in total dealing with the whole county.	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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24088	No Response	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	OK - if Police Scotland can meet the adequate levels. If not, may have to be reviewed to ensure public safety.	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	Police Scotland's Local Police Resource Plan for West Lothian determines the type of services and number of resources allocated locally.
24089	No Response	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	Policing is now a national body which should be funded by the Scottish government	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
24090	No Response	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	As this is not within the existing protected Police budget, are there guarantees from Police Scotland that officer numbers will be maintained?	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	Police Scotland's Local Police Resource Plan for West Lothian determines the type of services and number of resources allocated locally.
24091	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	How much will this save?	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	The proposal is anticipated to realise a saving of £700,000
24092	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	I think this is a priority in West Lothian due to the increased attacks on the public	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Community Safety remains one of the key council priorities and the services we provide to make our communities a safe place to live and work will continue. The need to review this activity and ensure value for money means that the current level of funding provided to Police Scotland is no longer sustainable. However, this offers WLC opportunities to modernise and transform the current ways of working to work more closely with other services to ensure community safety is not compromised.
24093	No Response	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	I like the idea that WL council does this but possibly its a luxury we cannot afford? Maybe a reduction would be best.	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	Community Safety remains one of the key council priorities and the services we provide to make our communities a safe place to live and work will continue. The need to review this activity and ensure value for money means that the current level of funding provided to Police Scotland is no longer sustainable. However, this offers WLC opportunities to modernise and transform the current ways of working to work more closely with other services to ensure community safety is not compromised. Police Scotland's Local Police Resource Plan for West Lothian determines the type of services and number of resources allocated locally.
24094	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	Totally agree. Should be the responsibility of the Scottish Government.	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
24095	An employee of West Lothian Council	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	Agreed this is not something that the Council should be subsidising	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
24096	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	Community councils could play a part in funding initiatives for this.	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
24097	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	I do not support this approach. The increase in crime will lead to additional unaccounted for costs for the council. Â£700k is not a significant saving	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Community Safety remains one of the key council priorities and the services we provide to make our communities a safe place to live and work will continue. The need to review this activity and ensure value for money means that the current level of funding provided to Police Scotland is no longer sustainable. However, this offers WLC opportunities to modernise and transform the current ways of working to work more closely with other services to ensure community safety is not compromised.

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24098	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	Again with using removed , funding and police int he same sentence. one of the 8 priorities looks at crime. 21 officers doesnt sound like alot compared to the amount of officers with police scotland but for west lothian that could be a big hit. we already have too many police stations on part time as it is right now in west lothian. People already don't feel safe, this will make that worse.	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Community Safety remains one of the key council priorities and the services we provide to make our communities a safe place to live and work will continue. The need to review this activity and ensure value for money means that the current level of funding provided to Police Scotland is no longer sustainable. However, this offers WLC opportunities to modernise and transform the current ways of working to work more closely with other services to ensure community safety is not compromised. Police Scotland's Local Police Resource Plan for West Lothian determines the type of services and number of resources allocated locally.
24099	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	There are already far too few police officers in West Lothian. Totally disagree with this proposal.	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Police Scotland's Local Police Resource Plan for West Lothian determines the type of services and number of resources allocated locally.
24100	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	I appreciate why this is being done but will it be monitored to make sure the council does not lose any of the policing levels as there is definitely an increase in crime and youth trouble that the police are currently trying deal with and a decrease in the levels means this would become a bigger problem than we currently have.	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Police Scotland's Local Police Resource Plan for West Lothian determines the type of services and number of resources allocated locally.
24101	No Response	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	Police Scotland should certainly be providing a budget for the provision of police officers	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
24102	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	I am not sure that community police are value for money. they work strange shifts and it is more likely that police from elsewhere will respond.	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Police Scotland's Local Police Resource Plan for West Lothian determines the type of services and number of resources allocated locally.
24103	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	yes, but this should not be at the expense of loosing Community Police officers, the Council must be robust in dealing with this matter and put pressure on Police Scotland to provide adequate police levels, particularly in Community Policing as this has been successful.	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Community Safety remains one of the key council priorities and the services we provide to make our communities a safe place to live and work will continue. The need to review this activity and ensure value for money means that the current level of funding provided to Police Scotland is no longer sustainable. However, this offers WLC opportunities to modernise and transform the current ways of working to work more closely with other services to ensure community safety is not compromised. Police Scotland's Local Police Resource Plan for West Lothian determines the type of services and number of resources allocated locally.
24104	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	This is concerning. It would be of interest to know where these police officers are currently deployed and the impact this will have on these areas if a police presence is reduced.	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	Community Safety remains one of the key council priorities and the services we provide to make our communities a safe place to live and work will continue. The need to review this activity and ensure value for money means that the current level of funding provided to Police Scotland is no longer sustainable. However, this offers WLC opportunities to modernise and transform the current ways of working to work more closely with other services to ensure community safety is not compromised. Police Scotland's Local Police Resource Plan for West Lothian determines the type of services and number of resources allocated locally.
24105	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	As long as Policing levels do not drop	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	Police Scotland's Local Police Resource Plan for West Lothian determines the type of services and number of resources allocated locally.

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24106	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	Does this means 21 police officers will lose their jobs? Significant resources goes into training these officers who carry out essential duties for the public. I am not sure all this training and experience going to waste is a good investment for the future.	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	Police Scotland's Local Police Resource Plan for West Lothian determines the type of services and number of resources allocated locally.
24107	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	A review should be taken across all local authorities to decide on a fair allocation across each local authority. This seems like a large jump from all to nothing without consideration fo how this will impact police Scotland	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	Police Scotland's Local Police Resource Plan for West Lothian determines the type of services and number of resources allocated locally.
24108	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	Although agree in principal that the government should be providing suitable staffing and services to support the local communities, concerned that this will have impact on local sense of security, causing potential for higher youth orientated crime, e.g. graffiti and smashed glass, bottles etc.	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Community Safety remains one of the key council priorities and the services we provide to make our communities a safe place to live and work will continue. The need to review this activity and ensure value for money means that the current level of funding provided to Police Scotland is no longer sustainable. However, this offers WLC opportunities to modernise and transform the current ways of working to work more closely with other services to ensure community safety is not compromised. Police Scotland's Local Police Resource Plan for West Lothian determines the type of services and number of resources allocated locally.
24109	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	OMG! I'd no idea that WLC funded Police Scotland to that level.21 officers is a sub division. We all know their budget is burst too, this will really set the cat amongst the pigeons. If every council does this police Scotland will be bankrupt. That said I fully get why this is being considered. Cracks starting to show in the Scottish Government funding policy it seems. Go for it I say, it won't stop bobbies on the beat just make the Government see the true cost of policing.	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
24110	No Response	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	I approve of the proposal to remove external funding for police officers.	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
24111	An employee of West Lothian Council	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	Community police are need in schools	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	Police Scotland's Local Police Resource Plan for West Lothian determines the type of services and number of resources allocated locally.
24112	An employee of West Lothian Council	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	Has there been an assessment on what the impact on this will be on the community?	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	Aside from considering the public on their views of the impact on them, an equality impact assessment forms part of the planning of this proposal and will take place before a final decision is made.
24113	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	I am worried about this. Less police may mean extra spending in the long run to â€œclear upâ€™ acts of anti social behaviour. I feel police are vital in helping communities to feel safe & to teach children from a young age desired social responsibility.	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	Community Safety remains one of the key council priorities and the services we provide to make our communities a safe place to live and work will continue. The need to review this activity and ensure value for money means that the current level of funding provided to Police Scotland is no longer sustainable. However, this offers WLC opportunities to modernise and transform the current ways of working to work more closely with other services to ensure community safety is not compromised. Police Scotland's Local Police Resource Plan for West Lothian determines the type of services and number of resources allocated locally.

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24114	An employee of West Lothian Council	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	Do not remove funding and full time police presence from the region. This will increase crime rates and therefore the burden upon the council to fix and maintain vandalised areas.	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Community Safety remains one of the key council priorities and the services we provide to make our communities a safe place to live and work will continue. The need to review this activity and ensure value for money means that the current level of funding provided to Police Scotland is no longer sustainable. However, this offers WLC opportunities to modernise and transform the current ways of working to work more closely with other services to ensure community safety is not compromised. Police Scotland's Local Police Resource Plan for West Lothian determines the type of services and number of resources allocated locally.
24115	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	How does Â£700,000 provide for 21 police officers etc? Â£700,000 seems a bargain for that amount of support. Did you get your figures from Diane Abbott?	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
24116	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	I assume that the resultant reduction in Police numbers will not be in Livingston, but in more affluent areas such as Linlithgow?	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	Police Scotland's Local Police Resource Plan for West Lothian determines the type of services and number of resources allocated locally.
24117	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	Lobby MPâ€™s for return of VAT for police then they may not need additional council funding. Challenge our conservative councillors to lobby Westminster colleagues to do likewise	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
24118	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	The amount of crime and anti social behavior in west lothian is a disgrace you should not be cutting funding in any shape or form	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Community Safety remains one of the key council priorities and the services we provide to make our communities a safe place to live and work will continue. The need to review this activity and ensure value for money means that the current level of funding provided to Police Scotland is no longer sustainable. However, this offers WLC opportunities to modernise and transform the current ways of working to work more closely with other services to ensure community safety is not compromised. Police Scotland's Local Police Resource Plan for West Lothian determines the type of services and number of resources allocated locally.
24119	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	Disagree! We need all the funding we can get for as many police officers and equipment needed by them giving the level of terror attacks	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	Police Scotland's Local Police Resource Plan for West Lothian determines the type of services and number of resources allocated locally.
24120	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	If it can be shown that West Lothian reaps the full benefit of this investment I would prefer it to continue. I would be less inclined to support it if West Lothian was receiving less than its fair share of policing because it was funding some of it itself.	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	Police Scotland's Local Police Resource Plan for West Lothian determines the type of services and number of resources allocated locally.
24121	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	Hopefully your gamble is correct!	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Community Safety remains one of the key council priorities and the services we provide to make our communities a safe place to live and work will continue. The need to review this activity and ensure value for money means that the current level of funding provided to Police Scotland is no longer sustainable. However, this offers WLC opportunities to modernise and transform the current ways of working to work more closely with other services to ensure community safety is not compromised

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24122	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	Mill Road BID have also had a number of successes working with the local authority supported community police officers for the Linlithgow area, to tackle a number of issues in the area. These include dangerous driving, antisocial use of vehicles, investigation of break-ins, liaising with businesses and the community over arrival of travelers; plus, they have provided a number of local surgeries both at the industrial estate and the town centre for businesses and members of the community to raise their issues or concerns, as well as helping to advise the Board on the installation of our CCTV system. One of the greatest successes from working with the community officers was a coordinated operation between the community officers, myself from the BID and a team of two officers from traffic, placed on detachment for 3 days to address the rising problem of antisocial vehicle use and the consequential dangerous driving that followed. From this operation came no less than 8 ASBO's, 3 people charged under the Road Traffic Act 1988 and one person arrested on warrant. Should the support for the police officers in our community be cut, we will lose a valuable resource and officers who are committed to serving their community, in the same manner the BID and its team are.	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	Community Safety remains one of the key council priorities and the services we provide to make our communities a safe place to live and work will continue. The need to review this activity and ensure value for money means that the current level of funding provided to Police Scotland is no longer sustainable. However, this offers WLC opportunities to modernise and transform the current ways of working to work more closely with other services to ensure community safety is not compromised. Police Scotland's Local Police Resource Plan for West Lothian determines the type of services and number of resources allocated locally.
24123	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	Section 4E Police. The model in west Lothian is a very good one and should be maintained. Has any kind of impact assessment been done on this proposal? We are strongly against this.	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Aside from considering the public on their views of the impact on them, an equality impact assessment forms part of the planning of this proposal and will take place before a final decision is made.
24124	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	I feel safe when I see officers in the street	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
24125	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	While I am a firm believer in community planning and collaboration the council should not pay for services the police should be paying for as their budgets have not been so aggressively cut.	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
24126	An employee of West Lothian Council	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	4E) Scrap the funding for additional police officers, analysts and their vehicles. They already have the assurance that their funding from Police Scotland is secure which is more than the employees of WLC have.	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
24127	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	Police need more support not less.	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Community Safety remains one of the key council priorities and the services we provide to make our communities a safe place to live and work will continue. The need to review this activity and ensure value for money means that the current level of funding provided to Police Scotland is no longer sustainable. However, this offers WLC opportunities to modernise and transform the current ways of working to work more closely with other services to ensure community safety is not compromised. Police Scotland's Local Police Resource Plan for West Lothian determines the type of services and number of resources allocated locally.
24128	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	Council shouldn't be funding other public bodies if you can't afford to fund the services that you provide. Seems a no brainer compared.	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
24129	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	waste of good money the government should foot the bill	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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24130	No Response	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	Worrying that you had previously identified problems you required to cover. What will become of those issues once they are unsupervised?	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Community Safety remains one of the key council priorities and the services we provide to make our communities a safe place to live and work will continue. The need to review this activity and ensure value for money means that the current level of funding provided to Police Scotland is no longer sustainable. However, this offers WLC opportunities to modernise and transform the current ways of working to work more closely with other services to ensure community safety is not compromised. Police Scotland's Local Police Resource Plan for West Lothian determines the type of services and number of resources allocated locally.
24131	No Response	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	4E) Scrap the funding for additional police officers, analysts and their vehicles. They already have the assurance that their funding from Police Scotland is secure which is more than the employees of WLC have.	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
24132	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	I have concerns regarding this we have been seeing increased instances of people targeting vehicles in the area. If the Scottish Government has deemed the current budget to be adequate this will be based on these 21 officers being included in the delivery of crime prevention. I do not believe numbers should be reduced any further as there is not enough as it stands.	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	Community Safety remains one of the key council priorities and the services we provide to make our communities a safe place to live and work will continue. The need to review this activity and ensure value for money means that the current level of funding provided to Police Scotland is no longer sustainable. However, this offers WLC opportunities to modernise and transform the current ways of working to work more closely with other services to ensure community safety is not compromised. Police Scotland's Local Police Resource Plan for West Lothian determines the type of services and number of resources allocated locally.
24133	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	If policing Scotland provide adequate levels what do these 21 officers do? Where are they based?	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	Police Scotland's Local Police Resource Plan for West Lothian determines the type of services and number of resources allocated locally.
24134	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	Disagree. The Police funded posts are vital to supporting the community .	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Community Safety remains one of the key council priorities and the services we provide to make our communities a safe place to live and work will continue. The need to review this activity and ensure value for money means that the current level of funding provided to Police Scotland is no longer sustainable. However, this offers WLC opportunities to modernise and transform the current ways of working to work more closely with other services to ensure community safety is not compromised. Police Scotland's Local Police Resource Plan for West Lothian determines the type of services and number of resources allocated locally.
24135	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	I strongly disagree with this proposal. There should be no cuts of funding for police officers. Cuts in this area would be a danger to public safety.	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Community Safety remains one of the key council priorities and the services we provide to make our communities a safe place to live and work will continue. The need to review this activity and ensure value for money means that the current level of funding provided to Police Scotland is no longer sustainable. However, this offers WLC opportunities to modernise and transform the current ways of working to work more closely with other services to ensure community safety is not compromised. Police Scotland's Local Police Resource Plan for West Lothian determines the type of services and number of resources allocated locally.

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24136	An employee of West Lothian Council	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	Role of community police officers supports the work of schools and communities - this will impact negatively on the communities of WL and relationships with young people and schools , Additional police officers can build positive ,supportive relationships with young people who are vulnerable.	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Community Safety remains one of the key council priorities and the services we provide to make our communities a safe place to live and work will continue. The need to review this activity and ensure value for money means that the current level of funding provided to Police Scotland is no longer sustainable. However, this offers WLC opportunities to modernise and transform the current ways of working to work more closely with other services to ensure community safety is not compromised. Police Scotland's Local Police Resource Plan for West Lothian determines the type of services and number of resources allocated locally.
24137	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	4e This is not as simplistic as has been proposed. What will the cost be to society and all the criminal justice services if levels of crime increase in the community. Short term gains, long term losses. Council elected members should be opposing this and all cuts publicly not stepping back and playing political football with opposing parties. elected members have a duty to put their head above the parapet and challenge the current culture of carrying out distasteful policy.	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
24138	An employee of West Lothian Council	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	Strongly agree. The Scottish government are responsible for police funding so the council should not be using scarce resources for this purpose.	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
24139	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	Will this mean that all the Orange Lodge marches that you allow to happen all over West Lothian every year won't be going ahead? If so, good.	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
24140	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	Does this mean that the current council budget would be provided directly to Police Scotland by the Scottish Government?	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	The need to review this activity and ensure value for money means that the current level of funding provided to Police Scotland is no longer sustainable. However, this offers WLC opportunities to modernise and transform the current ways of working to work more closely with other services to ensure community safety is not compromised. Police Scotland's Local Police Resource Plan for West Lothian determines the type of services and number of resources allocated locally.
24141	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	Sounds a bit drastic, but as it is Police Scotland's responsibility then they should fund it.	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
24142	An employee of West Lothian Council	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	This is already having a detrimental effect on council staff as Police Scotland are requiring council staff to complete specific work not normally completed by them. This will only increase further stress and pressure on staff.	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The need to review this activity and ensure value for money means that the current level of funding provided to Police Scotland is no longer sustainable. However, this offers WLC opportunities to modernise and transform the current ways of working to work more closely with other services to ensure community safety is not compromised. Police Scotland's Local Police Resource Plan for West Lothian determines the type of services and number of resources allocated locally.
24143	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	Totally agree with Scottish Government paying for Police Scotland. No costs should be passed to the council.	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
24144	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	If this funding is removed by Council, is there a guarantee that Police Scotland will fill the vacuum.	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	Police Scotland's Local Police Resource Plan for West Lothian determines the type of services and number of resources allocated locally.

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24145	An employee of West Lothian Council	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	This is the measure I support most in the consultation. The council is not responsible for funding Police Scotland and this is especially the case when the Scottish government is making significant cash cuts to council funding, whilst providing some budget protection for Police Scotland. The police have never adequately shown where the council funding goes, and have only now started an information campaign when they have seen this funding may be removed. This is in my view a decade too late. It would be hugely disappointing for council staff if more council services had to be cut to protect the funding given to the police. In conclusion, it is time for the police funding to go - the Scottish government are accountable for police funding and performance. If the Scottish government want to free up police time they could repeal the authoritarian Offensive Behaviour at Football act which wastes police time harassing football fans.	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
24146	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	Eh...? Have a word with the SG!! They've got enough for baby boxes and allowing everybody to have a free school meal or prescription irrespective of the ability to pay. Sometimes you just have to make yourself (slightly) unpopular and make some grown up decisions and cut these things, release some money and pay for a safer Scotland. Yes - I am annoyed about that. What a waste than you have as a Council have to deal with.	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
24147	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	I disagree with this proposal- crime is currently too high	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Community Safety remains one of the key council priorities and the services we provide to make our communities a safe place to live and work will continue. The need to review this activity and ensure value for money means that the current level of funding provided to Police Scotland is no longer sustainable. However, this offers WLC opportunities to modernise and transform the current ways of working to work more closely with other services to ensure community safety is not compromised. Police Scotland's Local Police Resource Plan for West Lothian determines the type of services and number of resources allocated locally.
24148	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	Agree - this is the responsibility of the Scottish Government who have salami sliced Council funding while freezing Council Tax over many years. This is one of the obvious casualties.	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
24149	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	Let the Scottish government fund the Police, I agree the council funding for this should be removed.	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
24150	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	Questions why the council provided the funding in the first place and by removing the funding what impact will this have? What services will be removed?	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	Community Safety remains one of the key council priorities and the services we provide to make our communities a safe place to live and work will continue. The need to review this activity and ensure value for money means that the current level of funding provided to Police Scotland is no longer sustainable. However, this offers WLC opportunities to modernise and transform the current ways of working to work more closely with other services to ensure community safety is not compromised. Police Scotland's Local Police Resource Plan for West Lothian determines the type of services and number of resources allocated locally.
24151	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	I do not agree, this is an indirect means of cutting funding to Police Scotland	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The need to review this activity and ensure value for money means that the current level of funding provided to Police Scotland is no longer sustainable. However, this offers WLC opportunities to modernise and transform the current ways of working to work more closely with other services to ensure community safety is not compromised. Police Scotland's Local Police Resource Plan for West Lothian determines the type of services and number of resources allocated locally.

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24152	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	What are the benefits of Community policing and what would the disadvantages be of losing our community police? We in Linlithgow have got used to our two Community Policemen who do a great job.	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	The need to review this activity and ensure value for money means that the current level of funding provided to Police Scotland is no longer sustainable. However, this offers WLC opportunities to modernise and transform the current ways of working to work more closely with other services to ensure community safety is not compromised. Police Scotland's Local Police Resource Plan for West Lothian determines the type of services and number of resources allocated locally.
24153	An employee of West Lothian Council	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	My understanding is that this service supports Housing and the Safer Neighbourhood Team for anti-social issues within communities - if this was lost then it is unlikely that police Scotland would want to deal with minor issues. Overall this service likely helps all communities and the sharing of information between the relationship of the Council and the Police is vital and has taken time to build up so I think it would be a detriment to the community and Council staff if this was lost	review of External Funding for Police (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Community Safety remains one of the key council priorities and the services we provide to make our communities a safe place to live and work will continue. The need to review this activity and ensure value for money means that the current level of funding provided to Police Scotland is no longer sustainable. However, this offers WLC opportunities to modernise and transform the current ways of working to work more closely with other services to ensure community safety is not compromised. Police Scotland's Local Police Resource Plan for West Lothian determines the type of services and number of resources allocated locally.
24154	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	Additional police officers make West Lothian a safer place to live, perhaps before any changes there needs to be a full consultation around this to establish whether there are any benefits to this.	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Community Safety remains one of the key council priorities and the services we provide to make our communities a safe place to live and work will continue. The need to review this activity and ensure value for money means that the current level of funding provided to Police Scotland is no longer sustainable. However, this offers WLC opportunities to modernise and transform the current ways of working to work more closely with other services to ensure community safety is not compromised. Police Scotland's Local Police Resource Plan for West Lothian determines the type of services and number of resources allocated locally.
24155	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	Agree - but someone must pay to have local police stations and community policemen. Closing Linlithgow Police Station was a really bad thing	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	Police Scotland's Local Police Resource Plan for West Lothian determines the type of services and number of resources allocated locally.
24156	No Response	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	I do not believe that the current level of Policing is at all satisfactory for the West Lothian area. I think that they are already stretched beyond acceptable and the funding should not be cut at all in this area.	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	Police Scotland's Local Police Resource Plan for West Lothian determines the type of services and number of resources allocated locally.
24157	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	Bearing in mind the inadequate manning levels in West Lothian currently, ie 8 Officers to cover all of WL on a Saturday night do you really think this helps the safety and security of WL residents?	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	Community Safety remains one of the key council priorities and the services we provide to make our communities a safe place to live and work will continue. The need to review this activity and ensure value for money means that the current level of funding provided to Police Scotland is no longer sustainable. However, this offers WLC opportunities to modernise and transform the current ways of working to work more closely with other services to ensure community safety is not compromised. Police Scotland's Local Police Resource Plan for West Lothian determines the type of services and number of resources allocated locally.

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24158	An employee of West Lothian Council	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	Remove funding for the Police by WLC. If other local authorities have done so and the Police have adjusted accordingly, why is WLC any different.	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
24159	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	This could have a massive affect on services if the police pull back from on the ground partnership operations and lower priority police matters which the service may then have to try and deal with.	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	Community Safety remains one of the key council priorities and the services we provide to make our communities a safe place to live and work will continue. The need to review this activity and ensure value for money means that the current level of funding provided to Police Scotland is no longer sustainable. However, this offers WLC opportunities to modernise and transform the current ways of working to work more closely with other services to ensure community safety is not compromised. Police Scotland's Local Police Resource Plan for West Lothian determines the type of services and number of resources allocated locally.
24160	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	The removal of this funding could be to the detriment of the success of partnership working on West Lothian. The analyst support analyses information from partners [West Lothian Council, Police Scotland and Scottish Fire and Rescue Service], which then informs the deployment of partnership resources in a evidence based manner. The removal of the analyst to support this evidence based approach and funded Police Officers may bring about a rise in antisocial behaviour and associated costs, which may in turn be would be far greater than the cost of providing the analyst and additional Police Scotland Resource.	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Community Safety remains one of the key council priorities and the services we provide to make our communities a safe place to live and work will continue. The need to review this activity and ensure value for money means that the current level of funding provided to Police Scotland is no longer sustainable. However, this offers WLC opportunities to modernise and transform the current ways of working to work more closely with other services to ensure community safety is not compromised. Police Scotland's Local Police Resource Plan for West Lothian determines the type of services and number of resources allocated locally.
24161	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	Linlithgow needs a police presence otherwise its community will loose confidence	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	Police Scotland's Local Police Resource Plan for West Lothian determines the type of services and number of resources allocated locally.
24162	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	Agree especially as we don't have a manned police station in Linlithgow	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
24163	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	This council provided funding to Police Scotland should be cut. This is clearly a Police responsibility, and I fail to understand why any local authority would fund Police Scotland resources. If there is a Police Scotland business and resource requirement then clearly this is a Police responsibility, and WLC should not be subsidising this service.	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
24164	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	Will this lead to an increase in antisocial behaviour, especially at night when the nearest patrol could be on the Edinburgh bypass?	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	Police Scotland's Local Police Resource Plan for West Lothian determines the type of services and number of resources allocated locally.
24165	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	Sensible proposal as these officers should be supplied and paid for by the government.	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
24166	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	I do not want the number of officers to reduce but agree Police Scotland needs to take up the fight.	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
24167	An employee of West Lothian Council	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	Absolutely agree. I didn't realise that we had any proper policing left in this County anyway! This is the Scottish Government's responsibility and the Council should not be held to account for this either socially or financially.	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
24168	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	Police funding should be a matter for Police Scotland.	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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24169	An employee of West Lothian Council	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	21 police officers seems a significant number to reduce the police work force by, I would be concerned that this would have an impact on the safety of the west lothian community and the response times of police to incidents. If Police Scotland would take on this responsibility then this seems like a logical saving.	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	Police Scotland's Local Police Resource Plan for West Lothian determines the type of services and number of resources allocated locally.
24170	An employee of West Lothian Council	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	Hard decision. They do provide a service to the community to deal with antisocial behaviour and make communities safer. though it could be argued that the Police should be funding this if it is needed.	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Community Safety remains one of the key council priorities and the services we provide to make our communities a safe place to live and work will continue. The need to review this activity and ensure value for money means that the current level of funding provided to Police Scotland is no longer sustainable. However, this offers WLC opportunities to modernise and transform the current ways of working to work more closely with other services to ensure community safety is not compromised.
24171	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	I understand that the Police officers should be funded through Police Scotland, our concerns are that however, they are funded, Community Police Officers remain, they have been invaluable in reducing crime in West Lothian. Our detached streetwork service has worked in partnership with this team effectively on many occasions, without this work we will see an increase in youth crime and ASB in West Lothian communities. There could possibly be room to reduce the number of SNT Officers. The Police Analyst post is absolutely essential and a pivotal role in all Community Safety Partnership communication and shared information systems. As a third sector organisation involved in this partnership work, can we be involved in any budget reduction discussions where appropriate as we have a seconded post as a member of the CSU.	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Community Safety remains one of the key council priorities and the services we provide to make our communities a safe place to live and work will continue. The need to review this activity and ensure value for money means that the current level of funding provided to Police Scotland is no longer sustainable. However, this offers WLC opportunities to modernise and transform the current ways of working to work more closely with other services to ensure community safety is not compromised. Police Scotland's Local Police Resource Plan for West Lothian determines the type of services and number of resources allocated locally.
24172	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	More information is required on what the police officers do. A significant amount of work outlined in the Police's latest report was dealing with vulnerable people in West Lothian. I recall in the region of 80% of their time. If this is the case what will happen to those people now? Where would the help, support and referrals go? How many police officers do we have in West Lothian now and how many will we have after the 21 are removed? What risk analysis has been done on this proposed cut and the impact on residents safety and well being?	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	Community Safety remains one of the key council priorities and the services we provide to make our communities a safe place to live and work will continue. The need to review this activity and ensure value for money means that the current level of funding provided to Police Scotland is no longer sustainable. However, this offers WLC opportunities to modernise and transform the current ways of working to work more closely with other services to ensure community safety is not compromised. Police Scotland's Local Police Resource Plan for West Lothian determines the type of services and number of resources allocated locally.
24173	No Response	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	you speak with the police and they advise how little cars and officers are on during the week throughout the evenings, are Police Scotland using the councils funding to finances other local authorities?	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	Police Scotland's Local Police Resource Plan for West Lothian determines the type of services and number of resources allocated locally.
24174	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	The budget of Police Scotland appears to be all used up and so I would support continuing the funding of our 21 police officers and their vehicles and analyst support. The number of officers in West Lothian is already low and so we need to protect this funding. We do not want a rise in the crime rate.	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	Police Scotland's Local Police Resource Plan for West Lothian determines the type of services and number of resources allocated locally. Community Safety remains one of the key council priorities and the services we provide to make our communities a safe place to live and work will continue.

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24175	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	Despite the temptation to pass this on to Police Scotland .. the result would be less police .. West Lothian is doing ok on crime the community feels mostly safe lets not take the easy cut that could have a dramatic effect on our safety the community cops are doing a good job with their ears to the ground and viable presence	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	Community Safety remains one of the key council priorities and the services we provide to make our communities a safe place to live and work will continue. The need to review this activity and ensure value for money means that the current level of funding provided to Police Scotland is no longer sustainable. However, this offers WLC opportunities to modernise and transform the current ways of working to work more closely with other services to ensure community safety is not compromised. Police Scotland's Local Police Resource Plan for West Lothian determines the type of services and number of resources allocated locally.
24176	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	Should this impact the police service provision in Linlithgow I would object to this proposition. This year I had the unfortunate need to call 999 as I was witnessing a crime taking place (attempted car break-ins) in the vicinity of my home in Linlithgow. After 15 minutes of no sight of police I witnessed the criminals running with items they had stolen from a vehicle. I called 999 again being advised that police were indeed 'on their way'. What I wasn't advised was that the police were being sent from Edinburgh as there was no-one available 'locally'. It took the police some 40-45 minutes to get to the place of the crime. This is a shocking service. After the second 999 call I have heard absolutely nothing from Police Scotland.	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	Police Scotland's Local Police Resource Plan for West Lothian determines the type of services and number of resources allocated locally. In terms of response times and prioritisation of crimes, this is out with the remit of West Lothian Council and is a Police Scotland decision.
24177	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	I hope you then put forward to the government the situation you are in and for them to make our communities safe by providing these extra officers and resources.	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	Community Safety remains one of the key council priorities and the services we provide to make our communities a safe place to live and work will continue. The need to review this activity and ensure value for money means that the current level of funding provided to Police Scotland is no longer sustainable. However, this offers WLC opportunities to modernise and transform the current ways of working to work more closely with other services to ensure community safety is not compromised. Police Scotland's Local Police Resource Plan for West Lothian determines the type of services and number of resources allocated locally.
24178	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	This is a scandal. Why are you even allowing this to happen. Stop the funding now.	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
24179	An employee of West Lothian Council	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	This is a disgrace and should be stopped immediately.	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
24180	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	No disagree need more police officer on our street and a traffic warden back.	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	Police Scotland's Local Police Resource Plan for West Lothian determines the type of services and number of resources allocated locally.
24181	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	There are serious concerns over this proposed reduction of funding. There will be fewer community officers covering a larger area so by this very fact incidents will no longer get the same time and in-depth work done. The loss of CSO, YCO, CAT and CBO officers will have a serious impact on partnership working and engagement with the community. Also the local contact between Police and the community councils/organisations and agencies is in danger of being lost or drastically reduced. Should the funding be removed then at this time it is not known what community policing model would be adopted. The bottom line is that there could be an increase in crime with all its concomitant effects.	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Community Safety remains one of the key council priorities and the services we provide to make our communities a safe place to live and work will continue. The need to review this activity and ensure value for money means that the current level of funding provided to Police Scotland is no longer sustainable. However, this offers WLC opportunities to modernise and transform the current ways of working to work more closely with other services to ensure community safety is not compromised. Police Scotland's Local Police Resource Plan for West Lothian determines the type of services and number of resources allocated locally.

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24182	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	what is the history to the funding decision? it is not clear from your statements if the Scottish government will take on the funding that the council will withdraw	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	Police Scotland's Local Police Resource Plan for West Lothian determines the type of services and number of resources allocated locally.
24183	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	I agree that policing should be provided by Police Scotland and not from the WL's budget.	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
24184	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	There should be no cuts to the police budget unless Police Scotland agree that they can provide the same level of policing despite the cuts.	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	Police Scotland's Local Police Resource Plan for West Lothian determines the type of services and number of resources allocated locally.
24185	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	Scrap the funding for additional police officers, analysts and their vehicles. They already have the assurance that their funding from Police Scotland is secure which is more than the employees of WLC have.	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
24186	An employee of West Lothian Council	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	Scrap the funding for additional police officers, analysts and their vehicles. They already have the assurance that their funding from Police Scotland is secure which is more than the employees of WLC have.	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
24187	No Response	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	Feel some panick about whether Police Scotland will be in a position to replace this support. I do feel local community officers funded by the council helps massively to keeping crime in West Lothian down. A careful approach is required here.	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	Police Scotland's Local Police Resource Plan for West Lothian determines the type of services and number of resources allocated locally.
24188	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	There is no obvious justification for the council funding police officers	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
24189	An employee of West Lothian Council	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	The police should be able to fund there own officers and provide a level of service to meet their criteria	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
24190	An employee of West Lothian Council	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	I agree with this suggestion. This would also bring the Council in line with the other local authorities.	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
24191	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	I totally agree with this proposal. This would appear to bring West Lothian in line with other local authorities.	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
24192	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	Agree with this proposal. Let Police Scotland fund the funding to provide statutory requirements.	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
24193	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	I would hope that the community Police will be still be visible and accessible within WL high schools.	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	Police Scotland's Local Police Resource Plan for West Lothian determines the type of services and number of resources allocated locally.
24194	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	Hopefully , this would not result in 21 fewer police officers in the council area.	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	Police Scotland's Local Police Resource Plan for West Lothian determines the type of services and number of resources allocated locally.

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24195	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	I think the current state of the community requires additional police officers and think this would be a wrong move by the Council	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Community Safety remains one of the key council priorities and the services we provide to make our communities a safe place to live and work will continue. The need to review this activity and ensure value for money means that the current level of funding provided to Police Scotland is no longer sustainable. However, this offers WLC opportunities to modernise and transform the current ways of working to work more closely with other services to ensure community safety is not compromised. Police Scotland's Local Police Resource Plan for West Lothian determines the type of services and number of resources allocated locally.
24196	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	Agree. However, I hope that the Council will seek confirmation that Police Scotland will maintain currently policing levels in West Lothian.	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Police Scotland's Local Police Resource Plan for West Lothian determines the type of services and number of resources allocated locally.
24197	An employee of West Lothian Council	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	I agree with this proposal. The council needs to protect it's own staff where possible and let eg Police Scotland protect theirs.	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
24198	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	This goes against one of the Councils priorities which is to 'Reduce crime and improve community safety'.	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Community Safety remains one of the key council priorities and the services we provide to make our communities a safe place to live and work will continue. The need to review this activity and ensure value for money means that the current level of funding provided to Police Scotland is no longer sustainable. However, this offers WLC opportunities to modernise and transform the current ways of working to work more closely with other services to ensure community safety is not compromised.
24199	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	Please do not cut within the police, the result could be much higher levels of crime.	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	Police Scotland's Local Police Resource Plan for West Lothian determines the type of services and number of resources allocated locally.
24200	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	The security of the people of West Lothian must be paramount. Will police Scotland then replace these officers?	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	Police Scotland's Local Police Resource Plan for West Lothian determines the type of services and number of resources allocated locally.
24201	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	Counter to stated Priority 6: reducing crime and improving community safety. The Community Team do an amazing job that seems to fly under the radar. WLC are the only council that fund officers in schools, officers to support housing officers in the community, officers to come to Community Council meetings etc., and they are educating as well as enforcing. Therefore, this proposal is unacceptable to me.	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Community Safety remains one of the key council priorities and the services we provide to make our communities a safe place to live and work will continue. The need to review this activity and ensure value for money means that the current level of funding provided to Police Scotland is no longer sustainable. However, this offers WLC opportunities to modernise and transform the current ways of working to work more closely with other services to ensure community safety is not compromised. Police Scotland's Local Police Resource Plan for West Lothian determines the type of services and number of resources allocated locally.

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24202	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	If policing fails then all else is useless. You will get the largest blow back from this if standards of safety are compromised as it affects everyone directly. The government will point to the council for not putting in a contribution especially if other councils do and their levels of crime don't rise.	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Community Safety remains one of the key council priorities and the services we provide to make our communities a safe place to live and work will continue. The need to review this activity and ensure value for money means that the current level of funding provided to Police Scotland is no longer sustainable. However, this offers WLC opportunities to modernise and transform the current ways of working to work more closely with other services to ensure community safety is not compromised. Police Scotland's Local Police Resource Plan for West Lothian determines the type of services and number of resources allocated locally.
24203	An employee of West Lothian Council	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	Would agree, if the work will still be considered to be funded by Police Scotland	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
24204	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	If the council provided money for 21 police officers, this decision was likely made after much discussion, possibly feeling there was a need in the county for extra police. I don't believe that society has improved, more homes robbed, violence in the streets especially at night and weekends. I am against this proposal.	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Community Safety remains one of the key council priorities and the services we provide to make our communities a safe place to live and work will continue. The need to review this activity and ensure value for money means that the current level of funding provided to Police Scotland is no longer sustainable. However, this offers WLC opportunities to modernise and transform the current ways of working to work more closely with other services to ensure community safety is not compromised. Police Scotland's Local Police Resource Plan for West Lothian determines the type of services and number of resources allocated locally.
24205	An employee of West Lothian Council	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	Scrap the funding for additional police officers, analysts and their vehicles. They already have the assurance that their funding from Police Scotland is secure which is more than the employees of WLC have.	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
24206	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	If you reduce funding for local police crime will increase and the cost to resolve the crime will increase. This is a false saving in my opinion.	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Community Safety remains one of the key council priorities and the services we provide to make our communities a safe place to live and work will continue. The need to review this activity and ensure value for money means that the current level of funding provided to Police Scotland is no longer sustainable. However, this offers WLC opportunities to modernise and transform the current ways of working to work more closely with other services to ensure community safety is not compromised.
24207	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	Although I agree Police Scotland are the responsible organisation for ensuring adequate levels of policing, withdrawal of this funding would directly contradict one of WLC's key priorities. The huge deficit WLC is trying to address is going to have a negative impact on all areas of WL. To remove funding from an area which strives to keep communities safe within West Lothian, would not be a sensible option to take.	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Community Safety remains one of the key council priorities and the services we provide to make our communities a safe place to live and work will continue. The need to review this activity and ensure value for money means that the current level of funding provided to Police Scotland is no longer sustainable. However, this offers WLC opportunities to modernise and transform the current ways of working to work more closely with other services to ensure community safety is not compromised. Police Scotland's Local Police Resource Plan for West Lothian determines the type of services and number of resources allocated locally.

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24208	An employee of West Lothian Council	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	Police funding should be from Police Scotland to ensure that they provide sufficient resources to ensure public safety and order. this should not be something that is funded by the local authority, however, I completely understand the reasons for this to improve the safety of the area we all reside in. that responsibility, however, should be shifted to those responsible for it.	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
24209	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	Totally agree with this proposal and as the police budget is to be protected then I would expect them to continue to provide the additional officers at their cost - it would not be acceptable to reduce the amount of police but surely just like WLC the police can make other changes to allow this to happen.	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
24210	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	A difficult choice. Community Police remove fear of crime which is a bigger issue than crime itself. It also is a useful source of information for Police investigations. Given that other Councils do not support this it is an obvious one to go.	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
24211	An employee of West Lothian Council	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	Agree if the Police budget is protected.	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. Protecting the police budget is not the responsibility of the council.
24212	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	Police Scotland should provide an appropriate level of policing in West Lothian, it should not be the council's responsibility	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
24213	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	The Race Forum do not have a strong issue with this proposal as the Police will still be providing a service despite these cuts. On the other hand, where a council needs to cut a service, this will be completely lost. However; the forum would still like to know if an equality impact assessment been carried out for this budget proposals? It is essential that this is done at the earliest opportunity in order to assess what the impact will be on those in the protected characteristics groups and those already experiencing disadvantage.	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Community Safety remains one of the key council priorities and the services we provide to make our communities a safe place to live and work will continue. The need to review this activity and ensure value for money means that the current level of funding provided to Police Scotland is no longer sustainable. However, this offers WLC opportunities to modernise and transform the current ways of working to work more closely with other services to ensure community safety is not compromised. The service is committed to ensuring an Equality Impact Assessment will be carried out prior to any final decision. The outcome of this assessment will be used within the formative considerations of this decision making process.
24214	An employee of West Lothian Council	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	I feel there could be a cut here, not taking it away completely possibly limiting it to 10 police officers for the district. More community engagement and the neighbours taking responsibility for the area would be more cost effective.	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. This will be passed to those responsible for the planning of this proposal.
24215	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	Seems that you made a poor decision historically that you now need to change. Are WLs levels of policing funded by Police Scotland lower because you have been covering costs and so will we now suffer lower levels than elsewhere?	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	The need to review this activity and ensure value for money means that the current level of funding provided to Police Scotland is no longer sustainable. However, this offers WLC opportunities to modernise and transform the current ways of working to work more closely with other services to ensure community safety is not compromised. Police Scotland's Local Police Resource Plan for West Lothian determines the type of services and number of resources allocated locally.
24216	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	No we need more police not less!! I will happily pay for more police	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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24217	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	At our peril. But if all councils did this- government intervention? Government help?	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Community Safety remains one of the key council priorities and the services we provide to make our communities a safe place to live and work will continue. The need to review this activity and ensure value for money means that the current level of funding provided to Police Scotland is no longer sustainable. However, this offers WLC opportunities to modernise and transform the current ways of working to work more closely with other services to ensure community safety is not compromised. Police Scotland's Local Police Resource Plan for West Lothian determines the type of services and number of resources allocated locally.
24218	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	Will Police Scotland provide the appropriate/necessary/adequate cover from their own budget. This should be ascertained.	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	Community Safety remains one of the key council priorities and the services we provide to make our communities a safe place to live and work will continue. The need to review this activity and ensure value for money means that the current level of funding provided to Police Scotland is no longer sustainable. However, this offers WLC opportunities to modernise and transform the current ways of working to work more closely with other services to ensure community safety is not compromised. Police Scotland's Local Police Resource Plan for West Lothian determines the type of services and number of resources allocated locally.
24219	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	Feelings that people in the community would be less safe if there is going to be less police officers working in west lothian.	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	Community Safety remains one of the key council priorities and the services we provide to make our communities a safe place to live and work will continue. The need to review this activity and ensure value for money means that the current level of funding provided to Police Scotland is no longer sustainable. However, this offers WLC opportunities to modernise and transform the current ways of working to work more closely with other services to ensure community safety is not compromised. Police Scotland's Local Police Resource Plan for West Lothian determines the type of services and number of resources allocated locally.
24220	An employee of West Lothian Council	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	I do not agree with this proposal. Police services are an important part of our community and should be fully funded. There has been cuts to this service already.	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The need to review this activity and ensure value for money means that the current level of funding provided to Police Scotland is no longer sustainable. However, this offers WLC opportunities to modernise and transform the current ways of working to work more closely with other services to ensure community safety is not compromised. Police Scotland's Local Police Resource Plan for West Lothian determines the type of services and number of resources allocated locally.
24221	An employee of West Lothian Council	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	Agreed. There is no case for the council to fund police officers.	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
24222	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	Let's have traffic wardens in Linlithgow. The present situation is impossible and has to change. Fund it by parking meters to ration spaces so we can free up spaces for visitors and shoppers.	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	5b. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it is likely that the costs of this proposal would outweigh the benefit.	Police Scotland's Local Police Resource Plan for West Lothian determines the type of services and number of resources allocated locally. Traffic Management is part of the remit of the police in West Lothian.

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24223	An employee of West Lothian Council	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	Strongly agree. In current circumstances there is no justification for the continuation of Council funding to Police Scotland.	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
24224	An employee of West Lothian Council	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	The council should not be supporting police jobs at the expense of council employees	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
24225	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	The removal of community officers would surely see an increase in crime and anti-social behavior which would lead to further problems in the long run.	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	Police Scotland's Local Police Resource Plan for West Lothian determines the type of services and number of resources allocated locally.
24226	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	The removal of the community policing and safer neighbourhood model will be very detrimental to West Lothian. There was a marked decrease in sense of community safety when Police Scotland came to fruition and a move away from the safer neighbourhood approach. That appears to have returned recently with better success and to lose this service would likely see an increase in issues in future years. With a 20 year commitment to reduce the worst inequality this would be to the detriment of that aim.	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Community Safety remains one of the key council priorities and the services we provide to make our communities a safe place to live and work will continue. The need to review this activity and ensure value for money means that the current level of funding provided to Police Scotland is no longer sustainable. However, this offers WLC opportunities to modernise and transform the current ways of working to work more closely with other services to ensure community safety is not compromised. Police Scotland's Local Police Resource Plan for West Lothian determines the type of services and number of resources allocated locally.
24227	An employee of West Lothian Council	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	If budgets are reduced then it could be beneficial for us to look within council services and not provide money where we cannot afford to, it could be every man for themselves and for Police Scotland to budget accordingly.	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
24228	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	Not a statutory function for WLC so remove the funding.	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
24229	An employee of West Lothian Council	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	although I agree funding should be reduced stopped for the police my concern is that the reduction in funding will reduce policing more & increase crime, I think it is maybe better to reduce rather than stop altogether	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
24230	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	unfortunate but understandable but again impact study should be undertaken	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
24231	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	I think the introduction of the school police officer in our local high school was a great initiative by the council. His ability and local knowledge has proved to be invaluable on many occasions. The pupils too have responded well to the presence of a police officer on campus and behaviour and self esteem have improved. Could this be one area for consideration even on a shared basis with other schools.	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	Police Scotland's Local Police Resource Plan for West Lothian determines the type of services and number of resources allocated locally.
24232	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	The Council should have increased the Council Tax for this year. The Council's support for the local police force who help make the people of West Lothian's lives safe and secure should be kept.	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
24233	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	Yes, this funding should be removed.	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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24234	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	If they make these cuts and there is no police vandalism and crime are going to go through the roof.	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Community Safety remains one of the key council priorities and the services we provide to make our communities a safe place to live and work will continue. The need to review this activity and ensure value for money means that the current level of funding provided to Police Scotland is no longer sustainable. However, this offers WLC opportunities to modernise and transform the current ways of working to work more closely with other services to ensure community safety is not compromised. Police Scotland's Local Police Resource Plan for West Lothian determines the type of services and number of resources allocated locally.
24235	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	Agree that the funding should be removed - be courageous elsewhere!	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
24236	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	Only remove this funding if Police Scotland putting in £200,000	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	Community Safety remains one of the key council priorities and the services we provide to make our communities a safe place to live and work will continue. The need to review this activity and ensure value for money means that the current level of funding provided to Police Scotland is no longer sustainable. However, this offers WLC opportunities to modernise and transform the current ways of working to work more closely with other services to ensure community safety is not compromised. Police Scotland's Local Police Resource Plan for West Lothian determines the type of services and number of resources allocated locally.
24237	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	Community policing in Linlithgow has been a major success. It is tackling the prime priority areas of concerns to residents. To compromise community policing would be absolutely opposed.	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Community Safety remains one of the key council priorities and the services we provide to make our communities a safe place to live and work will continue. The need to review this activity and ensure value for money means that the current level of funding provided to Police Scotland is no longer sustainable. However, this offers WLC opportunities to modernise and transform the current ways of working to work more closely with other services to ensure community safety is not compromised. Police Scotland's Local Police Resource Plan for West Lothian determines the type of services and number of resources allocated locally.
24238	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	Support the removal of funding for extra police officers . They ones we do have don't seem to provide a very good service. The only time I see the two in Linlithgow is coming out of Gregs with there snacks and then disappear in their car - oblivious to bad parking , cyclists on pavement etc.	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
24239	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	Working with partners: Police funding for services - this must be retained or you will end up with no go areas in West Lothian - local police find out who are in need of watching - rather pay than be afraid to go out.	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Community Safety remains one of the key council priorities and the services we provide to make our communities a safe place to live and work will continue. The need to review this activity and ensure value for money means that the current level of funding provided to Police Scotland is no longer sustainable. However, this offers WLC opportunities to modernise and transform the current ways of working to work more closely with other services to ensure community safety is not compromised. Police Scotland's Local Police Resource Plan for West Lothian determines the type of services and number of resources allocated locally.

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24240	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	Don't remove all funding from police perhaps just reduce the number of officers funded	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
24241	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	Policing should be wholly funded by Police Scotland	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
24242	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	The provision of community policing has had a tangible benefit in making the streets and other areas of West Lothian safer. Removal of this funding would be misguided as it would limit crime prevention - thus increasing the risk of offending (with all the stigma attached to that) and render far greater risk to the health and safety of WL residents.	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Community Safety remains one of the key council priorities and the services we provide to make our communities a safe place to live and work will continue. The need to review this activity and ensure value for money means that the current level of funding provided to Police Scotland is no longer sustainable. However, this offers WLC opportunities to modernise and transform the current ways of working to work more closely with other services to ensure community safety is not compromised. Police Scotland's Local Police Resource Plan for West Lothian determines the type of services and number of resources allocated locally.
24243	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	No more policing cuts	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
24244	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	Police Scotland cuts have already had an impact on our community. I would suggest the opposite of your proposal. There would be lower crime rates through re-building trust & respect within Knightsridge, our partnerships & organisations & Police Scotland. We need community officers again.	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Community Safety remains one of the key council priorities and the services we provide to make our communities a safe place to live and work will continue. The need to review this activity and ensure value for money means that the current level of funding provided to Police Scotland is no longer sustainable. However, this offers WLC opportunities to modernise and transform the current ways of working to work more closely with other services to ensure community safety is not compromised. Police Scotland's Local Police Resource Plan for West Lothian determines the type of services and number of resources allocated locally.
24245	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	Reducing crime is a police responsibility and as such should be funded solely by PS. It seems that the poor are getting poorer leading to deprivation in turn - poverty, crime, health concerns.	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
24246	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	This should come from Police Scotland's Budget - without reduction to the 21 officers currently being paid by council	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
24247	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	Crime will take care of itself.	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
24248	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	Scottish Government should be paying for this.	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
24249	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	How does removing funding for additional policing meet the reducing crime and improving community safety priorities?	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Community Safety remains one of the key council priorities and the services we provide to make our communities a safe place to live and work will continue. The need to review this activity and ensure value for money means that the current level of funding provided to Police Scotland is no longer sustainable. However, this offers WLC opportunities to modernise and transform the current ways of working to work more closely with other services to ensure community safety is not compromised. Police Scotland's Local Police Resource Plan for West Lothian determines the type of services and number of resources allocated locally.

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24250	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	How does removing funding for additional policing meet the reducing crime and improving community safety priorities?	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Community Safety remains one of the key council priorities and the services we provide to make our communities a safe place to live and work will continue. The need to review this activity and ensure value for money means that the current level of funding provided to Police Scotland is no longer sustainable. However, this offers WLC opportunities to modernise and transform the current ways of working to work more closely with other services to ensure community safety is not compromised. Police Scotland's Local Police Resource Plan for West Lothian determines the type of services and number of resources allocated locally.
24251	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	How does removing funding for additional policing meet the reducing crime and improving community safety priorities?	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Community Safety remains one of the key council priorities and the services we provide to make our communities a safe place to live and work will continue. The need to review this activity and ensure value for money means that the current level of funding provided to Police Scotland is no longer sustainable. However, this offers WLC opportunities to modernise and transform the current ways of working to work more closely with other services to ensure community safety is not compromised. Police Scotland's Local Police Resource Plan for West Lothian determines the type of services and number of resources allocated locally.
24252	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	How does removing funding for additional policing meet the reducing crime and improving community safety priorities?	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Community Safety remains one of the key council priorities and the services we provide to make our communities a safe place to live and work will continue. The need to review this activity and ensure value for money means that the current level of funding provided to Police Scotland is no longer sustainable. However, this offers WLC opportunities to modernise and transform the current ways of working to work more closely with other services to ensure community safety is not compromised. Police Scotland's Local Police Resource Plan for West Lothian determines the type of services and number of resources allocated locally.
24253	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	This is a difficult one as more police are needed, there are always prisoners at St John's escorting prisoners seems a waste of resources to be looking after people who have broken the law.	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	Police Scotland's Local Police Resource Plan for West Lothian determines the type of services and number of resources allocated locally.
24254	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	How does removing funding for additional policing meet the reducing crime and improving community safety priorities?	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Community Safety remains one of the key council priorities and the services we provide to make our communities a safe place to live and work will continue. The need to review this activity and ensure value for money means that the current level of funding provided to Police Scotland is no longer sustainable. However, this offers WLC opportunities to modernise and transform the current ways of working to work more closely with other services to ensure community safety is not compromised. Police Scotland's Local Police Resource Plan for West Lothian determines the type of services and number of resources allocated locally.

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24255	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	How does removing funding for additional policing meet the reducing crime and improving community safety priorities?	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Community Safety remains one of the key council priorities and the services we provide to make our communities a safe place to live and work will continue. The need to review this activity and ensure value for money means that the current level of funding provided to Police Scotland is no longer sustainable. However, this offers WLC opportunities to modernise and transform the current ways of working to work more closely with other services to ensure community safety is not compromised. Police Scotland's Local Police Resource Plan for West Lothian determines the type of services and number of resources allocated locally.
24256	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	"The council currently provides Police Scotland with funding for 21 police officers, vehicles and analyst support. Few local authorities in Scotland provide funding for additional police officers. The Scottish Government has given a commitment that Police Scotland's budget is to be protected. No such commitment has been given for council budgets. Given that the provision of adequate levels of policing is the responsibility of Police Scotland, it is proposed that this funding is removed." I refer to the 'transforming your council' consultation process and would like to offer the following by way of response to the proposal to remove the funding provided to Police Scotland for additional police officers. I acknowledge and recognise the challenges West Lothian Council face in seeking to deliver the best possible services to the communities of West Lothian whilst managing a significant budget deficit. Clearly the Council, like other public services including Police Scotland, must make difficult choices in the coming years as it will not be possible to do all of the things we would like to do or indeed do currently. This needs to be clearly defined as we go forward to minimise complaints and realign public expectation. I note however that the consultation states that the Police Budget is protected and I think it important to point out that despite the Scottish Government's commitment to providing grant support that is protected in real terms over the- parliamentary term, the underlying financial position for Police Scotland is a recurring operating deficit of £47m. This presents significant challenges for Police Scotland in terms of providing a sustainable operating model for Policing at both local and national levels. It is only right to acknowledge that the impact of Police Scotland's budget constraints has been greatly mitigated in recent years within West Lothian due to the additional funding provided for police resources over that period where communities have continued to benefit from a strong and effective community policing model supported by a pro-active Community Action Team as well as Youth Community Officers embedded across all of our secondary schools. Our Community officers provide an identifiable and named point of point of contact for communities, schools, community councils as well as our locally elected members and our current approach to community policing, community safety and school liaison widely regarded as an example of National Best Practice. These officers are the cornerstone of the preventative and problem solving policing that is undertaken across West Lothian; addressing key Community Safety Priorities including Antisocial Behaviour, Violence Reduction, Road Safety and Drugs	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
24257	An employee of West Lothian Council	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	. Cut the police funding	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
24258	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	Cannot believe we have been paying for this, the only area of shared resources should be the area of child protection.	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
24259	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	No a good read but understand proposal	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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24260	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	Savings are not always as stated eg Police Scotland. All that happens is the service is reduced	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	Community Safety remains one of the key council priorities and the services we provide to make our communities a safe place to live and work will continue. The need to review this activity and ensure value for money means that the current level of funding provided to Police Scotland is no longer sustainable. However, this offers WLC opportunities to modernise and transform the current ways of working to work more closely with other services to ensure community safety is not compromised. Police Scotland's Local Police Resource Plan for West Lothian determines the type of services and number of resources allocated locally.
24261	An employee of West Lothian Council	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	Agreed, the Scottish Government should be funding these positions not the Council.	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
24262	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	I agree with this proposal. The Government is responsible for Police Scotland and how it is funded.	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
24263	An employee of West Lothian Council	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	If adequate levels are currently in place then this makes sense.	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	Police Scotland's Local Police Resource Plan for West Lothian determines the type of services and number of resources allocated locally.
24264	An employee of West Lothian Council	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	This could be dangerous depending on the governments input	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	Community Safety remains one of the key council priorities and the services we provide to make our communities a safe place to live and work will continue. The need to review this activity and ensure value for money means that the current level of funding provided to Police Scotland is no longer sustainable. However, this offers WLC opportunities to modernise and transform the current ways of working to work more closely with other services to ensure community safety is not compromised. Police Scotland's Local Police Resource Plan for West Lothian determines the type of services and number of resources allocated locally.
24265	An employee of West Lothian Council	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	Police work very hard within the system to protect the public. Removing funding from them will likely cause more cracks within the system as they are overworked.	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	Police Scotland's Local Police Resource Plan for West Lothian determines the type of services and number of resources allocated locally.
24266	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	I strongly disagree with this. There are few enough police officers in West Lothian and reducing the number further will severely impact law and order. I would prefer the funding to continue for this.	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Police Scotland's Local Police Resource Plan for West Lothian determines the type of services and number of resources allocated locally.
24267	An individual	4e. Review of External Funding for Police	Understand that policing levels is Police Scotland responsibility but worried impact on community safety which will negatively impact on residents and neighbourhoods	Review of External Funding for Police (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	Community Safety remains one of the key council priorities and the services we provide to make our communities a safe place to live and work will continue. The need to review this activity and ensure value for money means that the current level of funding provided to Police Scotland is no longer sustainable. However, this offers WLC opportunities to modernise and transform the current ways of working to work more closely with other services to ensure community safety is not compromised. Police Scotland's Local Police Resource Plan for West Lothian determines the type of services and number of resources allocated locally.

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24268	An employee of West Lothian Council	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	If this can provide the necessary savings then this should be pursued.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
24269	No Response	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	Agree to all suggested proposals	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
24270	An employee of West Lothian Council	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	Great idea	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
24271	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
24272	An employee of West Lothian Council	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
24273	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	Good idea	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
24274	An employee of West Lothian Council	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	Supportive of this proposal.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
24275	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	no issue	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
24276	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	Yes it is no longer needed as much	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
24277	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
24278	An employee of West Lothian Council	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	Yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
24279	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	Another good idea	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
24280	No Response	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	Sounds good for the bigger towns!	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
24281	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	No problem.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
24282	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	Support this review.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
24283	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	Agree this proposal.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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24284	No Response	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	Have no objection	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
24285	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	Agreed - far too many empty buildings as it is	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
24286	An employee of West Lothian Council	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	Again this makes complete sense.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
24287	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	Support proposal.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
24288	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	Sadly one which might be a necessity.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
24289	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	In principle, this seems a good idea. However, not all communities will be able to respond and could lose out badly.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
24290	An employee of West Lothian Council	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	Fine	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
24291	An employee of West Lothian Council	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	I agree.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
24292	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	Good idea.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
24293	An employee of West Lothian Council	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
24294	An employee of West Lothian Council	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
24295	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	Absolutely...	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
24296	An employee of West Lothian Council	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	Agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
24297	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	happy with this	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
24298	An employee of West Lothian Council	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
24299	No Response	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	I agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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24300	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	Agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
24301	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	Agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
24302	An employee of West Lothian Council	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	makes sense	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
24303	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	positive	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
24304	An employee of West Lothian Council	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	Yes, agreed.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
24305	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	I agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
24306	An employee of West Lothian Council	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	Support this proposal	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
24307	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	go ahead with the savings	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
24308	No Response	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	Partially agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
24309	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	Agree with this saving. Many council buildings, like halls etc, don't seem to be at capacity and are expensive to run.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
24310	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	Achievable and sensible	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
24311	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	I support this change	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
24312	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	I agree with the Council's proposals for the moment to see how they all work out. Thank you.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
24313	An employee of West Lothian Council	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	Sounds good but again the devil is in the details!	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
24314	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	As long as they are sensibly local	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
24315	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	Yes This looks a good saving.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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24316	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	good iodea	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
24317	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	these should be consolidated.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
24318	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	Great idea	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
24319	An employee of West Lothian Council	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
24320	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	sounds good to me	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
24321	An employee of West Lothian Council	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	Seems fair.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
24322	An employee of West Lothian Council	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
24323	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	ok.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
24324	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
24325	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
24326	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
24327	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	This is a good idea	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
24328	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	I agree with this	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
24329	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	In agreement with this proposal.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
24330	An employee of West Lothian Council	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	Seems like a good idea	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
24331	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	Good	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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24332	An employee of West Lothian Council	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	Agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
24333	No Response	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	Sounds fine.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
24334	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
24335	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	Agreed.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
24336	An employee of West Lothian Council	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	Makes sense.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
24337	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
24338	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	I would support this.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
24339	An employee of West Lothian Council	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	Makes sense	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
24340	An employee of West Lothian Council	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	Good	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
24341	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	Sounds good	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
24342	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	Long overdue	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
24343	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	Support	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
24344	An employee of West Lothian Council	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	Agree.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
24345	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	Acceptable	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
24346	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	Agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
24347	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	Agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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24348	An employee of West Lothian Council	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	makes sense	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
24349	An employee of West Lothian Council	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	Yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
24350	An employee of West Lothian Council	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	agree with proposal	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
24351	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	Ok	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
24352	An employee of West Lothian Council	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
24353	No Response	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	Agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
24354	An employee of West Lothian Council	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	ok	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
24355	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
24356	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	This is important to take stock here but maybe you are years slow realising this	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
24357	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	In view of the savings proposed, it would not appear to be detrimental for communities or the provision of community centres.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
24358	An employee of West Lothian Council	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	Agree this should be looked at. The new depot in Bathgate will remove a few buildings from the councils portfolio.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
24359	An employee of West Lothian Council	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	Good idea in theory!	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
24360	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	I see no objection to this.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
24361	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	I have no objection to this.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
24362	An employee of West Lothian Council	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	Agree with this measure	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
24363	An employee of West Lothian Council	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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24364	An employee of West Lothian Council	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
24365	An employee of West Lothian Council	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	would agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
24366	An employee of West Lothian Council	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
24367	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	ok	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
24368	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	Good idea.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
24369	An employee of West Lothian Council	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	Agree with this proposal.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
24370	An employee of West Lothian Council	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	Yes.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
24371	An employee of West Lothian Council	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	Sounds good	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
24372	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	Yes need to strip back assets set up historically under Victorian regimes.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
24373	An employee of West Lothian Council	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	Yes this review should happen. There should never be redundant building stock. It should be sold or let.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
24374	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	Agree, council needs to step back and if communities value then must come forward	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
24375	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	Agreed I think this is a sensible idea, why have the expense of buildings when they are not needed. Because they have always been there if the service can be delivered another way, no problem.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
24376	No Response	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	A sad saving , but unfortunately necessary .	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
24377	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	I support.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
24378	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	I agree with the above.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
24379	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	I agree with this statement.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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24380	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	Agree. These should be greatly rationalised. Communities are no longer so rural as to need dedicated community centres and halls in all villages. Most areas have church halls that provide similar services.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
24381	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	As 1A - Excellent if all of the above are carried out. However on current personally experienced performance it will take a huge effort to even provide an improvement. Further why has the " efficiency and effectiveness" not been applied to current procedures. No real criteria to be reach is actually stated and the starting point for these " efficiency and effectiveness" upgrade to services is not evident. Vagueness in targets to achieve . How will residents know when this is achieved?	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
24382	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	Agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
24383	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	I would support this proposal.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
24384	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	OK	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
24385	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	Passing responsibility to communities would be welcome	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
24386	An employee of West Lothian Council	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	This appears to be a reasonable proposal.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
24387	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	Agreed.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
24388	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
24389	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	I agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
24390	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	Good suggestion	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
24391	An employee of West Lothian Council	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
24392	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
24393	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	OK.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
24394	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	Agreed.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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24395	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	I would support this	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
24396	No Response	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	Do it	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
24397	No Response	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
24398	An employee of West Lothian Council	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	agree with proposal	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
24399	An employee of West Lothian Council	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
24400	No Response	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
24401	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	Agreed.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
24402	An employee of West Lothian Council	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
24403	An employee of West Lothian Council	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	I agree with this proposal	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
24404	An employee of West Lothian Council	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	Agree.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
24405	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	ok	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
24406	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	I agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
24407	An employee of West Lothian Council	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	I agree with this.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
24408	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	Agree as long as they are provided with support in the early months.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
24409	An employee of West Lothian Council	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	Happy with this proposal	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
24410	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	ok	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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24411	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	Yes.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
24412	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
24413	An employee of West Lothian Council	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	Agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
24414	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	I agree with this	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
24415	An employee of West Lothian Council	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	Agree.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
24416	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
24417	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
24418	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	Yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
24419	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
24420	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	Agree this must be done - some have very low usage.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
24421	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	I agree.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
24422	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
24423	An employee of West Lothian Council	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	Agreed.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
24424	An employee of West Lothian Council	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	This would make sense.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
24425	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
24426	An employee of West Lothian Council	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	Ok	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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24427	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
24428	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	I would agree these community centres and village halls should be considered.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
24429	An employee of West Lothian Council	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	Proposal seems fair.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
24430	An employee of West Lothian Council	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	has to be done.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
24431	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	fine but I am sure that this will be watched by the locals	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
24432	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	Agree with this. Communities need to take more responsibility for community facilities - can't expect the council to do everything for us	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
24433	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	Agree with the basic principle of this but please remember not everyone has a car. Some groups are run from these halls which provide a life line service to people who otherwise would not get out. They would become isolated. We need at least one community run hall in every village	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
24434	An employee of West Lothian Council	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	Agree that communities should be able to take on assets but there needs to be appropriate resource in place to support these groups to ensure the transfer is sustainable	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
24435	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	Ok with me	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
24436	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	No issue with selling properties to communities as long as these are real offers where communities are properly informed!	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
24437	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	This makes sense.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
24438	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
24439	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	Agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
24440	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	Fine	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
24441	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	Agree.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
24442	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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24443	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	Agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
24444	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	good idea most should be closed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
24445	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	Agree. Close facilities where there is duplication e.g. towns with both community centres/village halls and schools which support community use e.g. Bellsquary Hall. Transfer remaining community centres to community groups wherever possible.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
24446	An employee of West Lothian Council	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	The council has done a good job in rationalising buildings and I would fully support efforts for further rationalisation and for asset transfer to communities.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
24447	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	Noted and understandable	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
24448	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
24449	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	Agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
24450	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	Agreed.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
24451	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	Support	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
24452	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	OK	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
24453	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	This sounds a reasonable approach.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
24454	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	No problem	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
24455	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
24456	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	Good	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
24457	An employee of West Lothian Council	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
24458	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	Harsh but fair	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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24459	An employee of West Lothian Council	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
24460	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	Sounds fine.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
24461	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
24462	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
24463	An employee of West Lothian Council	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	I agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
24464	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	Sounds sensible.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
24465	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	I agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
24466	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	Good idea	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
24467	No Response	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
24468	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	I completely agree with this.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
24469	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	Yeah	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
24470	An employee of West Lothian Council	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	I have seen the difference and agree this has been a success.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
24471	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	Good... perhaps more could be achieved here?	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
24472	An employee of West Lothian Council	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	This seems sensible.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
24473	An employee of West Lothian Council	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
24474	An employee of West Lothian Council	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	I agree with this proposal.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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24475	An employee of West Lothian Council	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	I agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
24476	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
24477	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	Good idea	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
24478	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	Look okay as it is possible to evaluate given the vague descriptions given in the 'Transforming Your Council'	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
24479	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	I agree with the proposal.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
24480	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	All proposals are sound.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
24481	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	Already at a low. I do not agree with this.	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
24482	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	Why not just shut everything! My community has very little as it is!	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
24483	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	I don't support this.	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
24484	No Response	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	So you want to close community centres & village halls ? that's the way to do it, even more people unemployed, whoopee for the council .	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
24485	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	Oh great shift the burden to council tax payers! Escape your responsibilities! You're having a laugh now.	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
24486	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	No rural Community need these life lines	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
24487	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	There should be no changes to the existing!	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
24488	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	Nah think we should keep the community centres keeps the kids out of trouble and gives people things to do stops them from being on the street and making trouble.	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
24489	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	No we need more	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
24490	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	No closures please, its the lifeblood of the community	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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24491	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	Very impracticable	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
24492	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	no	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
24493	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	So more are to be closed and the community is to take on the responsibility and cost? No. Cannot support.	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
24494	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	These are an important part of communities and should not be cut,	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
24495	No Response	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	Should be continued	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
24496	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	Decimating local communities will be detrimental and cause isolation	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
24497	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	You CANNOT empower communities and reduce number of community facilities at the same time. Cutting back on comm facilities breaks community togetherness	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
24498	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	Bad decision	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
24499	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	This is perhaps the most ludicrous proposal in the document	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
24500	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	Should not be compulsory	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
24501	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	Reduction of support for communities is not acceptable.	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
24502	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	Facilities should be continuously monitored in relation to the demand for their use.	Empowering Communities - Community Centre Management Committees (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	HCBS carefully monitor the performance of all aspects of our service, including customer demand and use of our services and facilities. This helps to guide improvements and offers us opportunities to modernise the way in which we deliver services to customers. This allows us to achieve better value for money.
24503	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	So youths will now hang about streets and commit petty crime and fewer police will be around to deal with it. Is there any joined up thinking across your proposals?	Empowering Communities - Community Centre Management Committees (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Community Safety remains one of the key council priorities and the services we provide to make our communities a safe place to live and work will continue. This proposal provides an opportunity to modernise and achieve better value for money. By continuing to transform the way in which we provide this service, we will deliver services that meet the changing needs of our communities.

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24504	An employee of West Lothian Council	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	Is there an opportunity to transfer some of these building to the Management Committees through asset transfer.	Empowering Communities - Community Centre Management Committees (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	The Community Empowerment (Scotland) Act 2015 enables community groups to request ownership of properties. As the council is looking at new ways to deliver services based on the successful partnership model, the number of buildings required to do this will naturally reduce. We will seek to work with our partners in the communities where there are opportunities to empower and support them to take ownership of these facilities.
24505	An employee of West Lothian Council	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	Why are some Community Centres charging for council services in the building when the building belongs to the council?	Empowering Communities - Community Centre Management Committees (general)	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	The council leases the building to a management committee who are responsible for setting let charges based on the needs within their community.
24506	An employee of West Lothian Council	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	Why do council services have to pay to use Community Centres when they are still run and paid for by the council? Surely if services are paying to use council community centre's then the council can charge the management committee's for staff, power and centre up keep? These charges are putting strain on front line community services and making it impossible for people to access some services in areas where charges occur.	Empowering Communities - Community Centre Management Committees (general)	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	The council leases the building to a management committee who are responsible for setting let charges based on the needs within their community.
24507	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	If community centres are being used, then these should still be maintained.	Empowering Communities - Community Centre Management Committees (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Community Empowerment (Scotland) Act 2015 enables community groups to request ownership of properties. As the council is looking at new ways to deliver services based on the successful partnership model, the number of buildings required to do this will naturally reduce. We will seek to work with our partners in the communities where there are opportunities to empower and support them to take ownership of these facilities.
24508	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	Seems reasonable, although this may well have an impact on community activities and options available for those who use the community centres.	Empowering Communities - Community Centre Management Committees (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The Community Empowerment (Scotland) Act 2015 enables community groups to request ownership of properties. As the council is looking at new ways to deliver services based on the successful partnership model, the number of buildings required to do this will naturally reduce. We will seek to work with our partners in the communities where there are opportunities to empower and support them to take ownership of these facilities.
24509	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	Each town or village needs a community centre / hub. Take that away and there's no community. The way these are managed does need reviewing though.	Empowering Communities - Community Centre Management Committees (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	The Community Empowerment (Scotland) Act 2015 enables community groups to request ownership of properties. As the council is looking at new ways to deliver services based on the successful partnership model, the number of buildings required to do this will naturally reduce. We will seek to work with our partners in the communities where there are opportunities to empower and support them to take ownership of these facilities.
24510	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	Sounds sensible. Property maintenance is important so if costs can be reduced by reducing number of buildings those remaining will serve for longer	Empowering Communities - Community Centre Management Committees (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
24511	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	A consistent charging model across the community centres might help at least cover the costs. For example one of the community centres in Livingston charges £7 per hour to rent the venue for children's party....this cannot possibly cover the venue costs including staff and building overheads!	Empowering Communities - Community Centre Management Committees (general)	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	The council leases the building to a management committee who are responsible for setting let charges based on the needs within their community.

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24512	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	cutting community centres and village halls is not a good idea.Its a lot of peoples lifeline.	Empowering Communities - Community Centre Management Committees (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Community Empowerment (Scotland) Act 2015 enables community groups to request ownership of properties. As the council is looking at new ways to deliver services based on the successful partnership model, the number of buildings required to do this will naturally reduce. We will seek to work with our partners in the communities where there are opportunities to empower and support them to take ownership of these facilities.
24513	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	I HOPE LOCAL COMMUNITIES WILL BE INVOLVED IN ANY CHANGE TO CONSOLIDATE SERVICES. I DO NOT THINK THE PLAN TO CLOSE THE ABILITY CENTRE IS SENSIBLE AS IT HAS HIGH LEVELS OF ACHIEVEMENT. I THINK MORE USE OF THESE BUILDINGS SHOULD BE ON OFFER TO VOLUNTART GROUPS OR COMMUNITY SERVICES.	Empowering Communities - Community Centre Management Committees (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	The Community Empowerment (Scotland) Act 2015 enables community groups to request ownership of properties. As the council is looking at new ways to deliver services based on the successful partnership model, the number of buildings required to do this will naturally reduce. We will seek to work with our partners in the communities where there are opportunities to empower and support them to take ownership of these facilities.
24514	An employee of West Lothian Council	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	Community centres can be vital for groups living in communities, particularly the elderly. I hope you will seriously consider the impact of any changes on those who perhaps cannot share their views on this matter due to age.	Empowering Communities - Community Centre Management Committees (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	This proposal provides an opportunity to modernise and achieve better value for money. By continuing to transform the way in which we provide this service, we will deliver services that meet the changing needs of our communities. This includes ensuring there is full access to services for vulnerable people.
24515	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	People, particularly vulnerable youngsters, need to keep their community hubs, otherwise they will soon fall into drugs and alcohol. Think of people instead of finances, and everything else will fall into place.	Empowering Communities - Community Centre Management Committees (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Community Empowerment (Scotland) Act 2015 enables community groups to request ownership of properties. As the council is looking at new ways to deliver services based on the successful partnership model, the number of buildings required to do this will naturally reduce. We will seek to work with our partners in the communities where there are opportunities to empower and support them to take ownership of these facilities.
24516	An employee of West Lothian Council	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	From an employee point of view any council run clubs or lets (sports halls/ community centres etc) should be paid for up front instead of raising invoices that are subsequently ignored/not paid. I cannot fathom why we allow people to use these facilities without paying upfront in turn resulting in wasted manpower hours chasing up customers for payment & in worst scenario actually writing debt off.	Empowering Communities - Community Centre Management Committees (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
24517	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	Again this is regrettable way of saving, but choices have to be made.....	Empowering Communities - Community Centre Management Committees (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
24518	An employee of West Lothian Council	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	There are a number of under utilised public facilities such as community centres and village halls. The cost of running these facilities needs to be self sustaining to ensure these are not a drain on the councils funding.	Empowering Communities - Community Centre Management Committees (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
24519	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	Partnership model seems to be working in areas that it has been introduced, I think having all services under the one roof is of benefit to everyone. However I don't think that the staff in the specific areas should have to cover staff from other areas.	Empowering Communities - Community Centre Management Committees (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Following the redesign of Library and information Services, staff roles are now generic which enables free movement of across a range of locations in West Lothian. This flexibility will enable the movement of staff within the service during the modernisation of the service if required.

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24520	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	How can modernisation be achieved with the above savings.	Empowering Communities - Community Centre Management Committees (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	The Community Empowerment (Scotland) Act 2015 enables community groups to request ownership of properties. As the council is looking at new ways to deliver services based on the successful partnership model, the number of buildings required to do this will naturally reduce. We will seek to work with our partners in the communities where there are opportunities to empower and support them to take ownership of these facilities.
24521	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	This will be a huge undertaking as sports clubs will no longer be voluntary groups but will have some sort of company public liability status, as well as potential investment backing to maintain and continue to improve facilities. This is of particular concern to our swimming clubs. The existing facilities are well used but there is concern about the capacity for expansion.	Empowering Communities - Community Centre Management Committees (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
24522	An employee of West Lothian Council	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	Ensure computers terminals available in communities to make this work. Where viable pass to community Ownership	Empowering Communities - community ownership	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The council has an approved policy which deals with transfers of certain council assets to the Third Sector, and maybe appropriate in this situation. The approved council policy contains a number of safeguards designed to ensure that any transfer is sustainable in terms of future use.
24523	An employee of West Lothian Council	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	Move to Community ownership. If not statutory cease services	Empowering Communities - community ownership	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has an approved policy which deals with transfers of certain council assets to the Third Sector, and maybe appropriate in this situation. The approved council policy contains a number of safeguards designed to ensure that any transfer is sustainable in terms of future use.
24524	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	I have seen this in other local authorities and in principal it is sound but some communities don't have the expertise to keep these running, council should still have input even if only advisory	Empowering Communities - community ownership	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has an approved policy which deals with transfers of certain council assets to the Third Sector. The approved council policy contains a number of safeguards designed to ensure that any transfer is sustainable in terms of future use.
24525	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	I would be concerned of the impact this would have in low income communities.	Empowering Communities - community ownership	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The council's Property Asset Management Strategy includes plans to ensure effective and efficient use of property assets. We will review our property assets and rationalise usage where possible taking into account the review and redesign of services delivered in the community and investigating opportunities for coordinating availability of facilities.
24526	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	Community Asset Transfer is a burden on this process and allows poorly managed and represented community groups to prevent the Council from receiving this income.	Empowering Communities - community ownership	5a. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because the council is required by law to deliver this work.	The council is required by law to transfer assets to community groups where there is a robust business case. The council is reviewing the community asset transfer policy and processes to ensure that they continue to be fit for purpose.
24527	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	This is a burden on the Council. Leasing or selling the property should be the priority. Asset Transfer should be the last consideration only if there is no commercial interest in the buildings. Community groups often lack the professional experience and capital to run and manage a property.	Empowering Communities - community ownership	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has an approved policy which deals with transfers of certain council assets to the Third Sector. The approved council policy contains a number of safeguards designed to ensure that any transfer is sustainable in terms of future use. The council has a disposal process for assets declared surplus to requirements with receipts reinvested in council assets. By law income received from the sale of assets can only be used for capital expenditure or repaying debt.
24528	An employee of West Lothian Council	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	Village halls can be vital but perhaps the community need to realise the costs involved and run and maintain them themselves	Empowering Communities - community ownership	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has an approved policy which deals with transfers of certain council assets to the Third Sector. The approved council policy contains a number of safeguards designed to ensure that any transfer is sustainable in terms of future use.

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24529	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	Publicise that these centres are available to rent for groups!	Empowering Communities - community ownership	4. The council is already doing this.	We will review our property assets and rationalise usage where possible taking into account the review and redesign of services delivered in the community and investigating opportunities for coordinating availability of facilities. This will include the use and promotion of council facilities for community lets.
24530	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	Appropriate discount or zero rates would allow for existing priority functions be continued like Community Council meetings or support groups etc.	Empowering Communities - community ownership	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	The non domestic rates scheme is determined nationally by the Scottish Government. The council will also work with community organisations to support the use of non council buildings for community activities and services.
24531	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	Yes pass them on all to Community Groups - look how successful the Regal Community Group has been !	Empowering Communities - community ownership	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
24532	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	Could these be let to community groups or members of the public for youth clubs / parties etc	Empowering Communities - community ownership	4. The council is already doing this.	We will review our property assets and rationalise usage where possible taking into account the review and redesign of services delivered in the community and investigating opportunities for coordinating availability of facilities. This will include the use and promotion of council facilities for community lets.
24533	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	support the idea of community empowerment and community asset ownership. areas such as east calder and others should all have development trusts set up to act on behalf of the community. some communities already have them. where appropriate, potential for development trusts could be explored and council support to develop them with the community, this could then lead to asset transfer for buildings and potentially greenspace. it could be taken a step further and these groups (if set up correctly) could bid for providing the council services such as grass cutting, running of buildings ect which could come in cheaper than a outside contractor. with the money being funneled into these groups, it basically recycles the money with it being put to other uses for developing the communities.	Empowering Communities - community ownership	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has an approved policy which deals with transfers of certain council assets to the Third Sector. The approved council policy contains a number of safeguards designed to ensure that any transfer is sustainable in terms of future use.
24534	No Response	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	local community groups should be self funding and not the responsibility of the council	Empowering Communities - community ownership	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has an approved policy which deals with transfers of certain council assets to the Third Sector. The approved council policy contains a number of safeguards designed to ensure that any transfer is sustainable in terms of future use.
24535	An employee of West Lothian Council	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	This could help inspire community groups to take on properties and there are some great examples of volunteering across West Lothian.	Empowering Communities - community ownership	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has an approved policy which deals with transfers of certain council assets to the Third Sector. The approved council policy contains a number of safeguards designed to ensure that any transfer is sustainable in terms of future use.
24536	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	Agree worth exploring but needs to be support for groups making this transition.	Empowering Communities - community ownership	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	We will review our property assets and rationalise usage where possible taking into account the review and redesign of services delivered in the community and investigating opportunities for coordinating availability of facilities. The council has an approved policy which deals with transfers of certain council assets to the Third Sector. The approved council policy contains a number of safeguards designed to ensure that any transfer is sustainable in terms of future use.
24537	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	As long as the groups look after the properties and we are not left with derelict buildings. That the council later have to pick up the cost for, when there is even less money and value in the building.	Empowering Communities - community ownership	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has an approved policy which deals with transfers of certain council assets to the Third Sector. The approved council policy contains a number of safeguards designed to ensure that any transfer is sustainable in terms of future use.
24538	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	Well used community facilities should only be closed where a community group has been identified to take over the running of the facility.	Empowering Communities - community ownership	5b. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it is likely that the costs of this proposal would outweigh the benefit.	The council has an approved policy which deals with transfers of certain council assets to the Third Sector. The approved council policy contains a number of safeguards designed to ensure that any transfer is sustainable in terms of future use.

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24539	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	you should tell the community groups	Empowering Communities - community ownership	4. The council is already doing this.	This document is the first stage of public consultation. Further public consultation on specific changes to services is an integral part of the change management process and will be undertaken as proposals are developed further.
24540	An employee of West Lothian Council	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	Agreed. If people really want community facilities, they will step up to run them.	Empowering Communities - community ownership	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	We will review our property assets and rationalise usage where possible taking into account the review and redesign of services delivered in the community and investigating opportunities for coordinating availability of facilities.
24541	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	The Community Empowerment Act is designed to enable people and communities to have more of say in the services they use. It is community understood that this will lead to better services and real savings. A focus on outcomes over service delivery is a key feature of this act. Asset transfer is only 1 part of this act. It is disappointing to see that other elements of the act - participation in public decision making, participation requests, PB - hardly feature in this consultation.	Empowering Communities - community ownership	4. The council is already doing this.	The council is developing its approach to other elements of the Community Empowerment Act through Community Choices. This will be the mechanism used by the council to facilitate participatory budgeting.
24542	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	Partnership Centres are a great idea apart from the noise level. There can be cuts for lighting and heating of these buildings. There should be specific checking on access to and from these buildings as there is a door in the partnership building that causes major problems for staff and service users.	Empowering Communities - community ownership	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The introduction of partnership centres has seen an increase in the number of multi purpose buildings. Building users are consulted throughout the design and construction of these buildings to help ensure that their requirements are met within the constraints of available resources.
24543	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	Sounds like a good idea if local groups are organised and provided with support to gain their autonomy from the Council.	Empowering Communities - community ownership	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has an approved policy which deals with transfers of certain council assets to the Third Sector. The approved council policy contains a number of safeguards designed to ensure that any transfer is sustainable in terms of future use.
24544	An employee of West Lothian Council	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	As long as adequate support is provided to the groups who will potentially take these over. If this is not planned and coordinated properly it may result in buildings being demolished or falling to ruin.	Empowering Communities - community ownership	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has an approved policy which deals with transfers of certain council assets to the Third Sector. The approved council policy contains a number of safeguards designed to ensure that any transfer is sustainable in terms of future use.
24545	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	Why not look at devolving more responsibilities to the local communities. I hear much from the SNP about building community involvement but I cant see this in action.	Empowering Communities - community ownership	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council is developing its approach to other elements of the Community Empowerment Act through Community Choices. This will be the mechanism used by the council to facilitate participatory budgeting.
24546	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	By doing this you reduce community involvement and ownership of the local area.	Empowering Communities - community ownership	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Community resources will not necessarily be lost if local communities support them through community asset transfer and ownership. The council will also work with community organisations to support the use of non council buildings for community activities and services.
24547	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	This has been mooted over the years in various guises but I seriously doubt if mainly aging Community Centre management Committees have the expertise, will or resources to undertake ownership of these buildings and wonder what will happen if the decision is taken to put these buildings into local ownership and that option is not taken up will the buildings be closed.	Empowering Communities - community ownership	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The council has an approved policy which deals with transfers of certain council assets to the Third Sector. The approved council policy contains a number of safeguards designed to ensure that any transfer is sustainable in terms of future use.
24548	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	What does this saving mean? Again we have insufficient information relating to the specifics of this saving to make an informed decision on who this will affect and how. Has an equality impact assessment been completed for this saving? What buildings/facilities are being referred to in this saving, will the community be given assistance in terms of working there way through the community empowerment process.	Empowering Communities - community ownership	4. The council is already doing this.	The council has an approved policy which deals with transfers of certain council assets to the Third Sector. The approved council policy contains a number of safeguards designed to ensure that any transfer is sustainable in terms of future use. In line with established budget setting processes, all proposed reduction measures will be subject to an equality impact assessment.
24549	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	Remove Council control of all facilities and give them to community operational control	Empowering Communities - community ownership	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The council has an approved policy which deals with transfers of certain council assets to the Third Sector. The approved council policy contains a number of safeguards designed to ensure that any transfer is sustainable in terms of future use.

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24550	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	Good plan, but not being done in practice. Why not gift Linlithgow the library, Vennel, Annet House, British Linen Bank and Burgh Halls to our community trust?. We could manage these resources much better, but you put barriers up at every opportunity. Not for sale, not available for community right to buy. I see little to empower communities. Instead all I see is layers of beaurocracy and a fear of handing over assets you view as expensive and costly to run.	Empowering Communities - community ownership	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has an approved policy which deals with transfers of certain council assets to the Third Sector. The approved council policy contains a number of safeguards designed to ensure that any transfer is sustainable in terms of future use.
24551	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	I think this is a great idea. Shared ownership and community.	Empowering Communities - community ownership	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has an approved policy which deals with transfers of certain council assets to the Third Sector. The approved council policy contains a number of safeguards designed to ensure that any transfer is sustainable in terms of future use.
24552	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	Operational issues that should not require a general consultation. You should already have a mandate to operate as efficiently as you can. Community groups taking over buildings need to clearly understand that the council is not there to bail them out when they realise they can't manage themselves.....	Empowering Communities - community ownership	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	We will review our property assets and rationalise usage where possible taking into account the review and redesign of services delivered in the community and investigating opportunities for coordinating availability of facilities. The council has an approved policy which deals with transfers of certain council assets to the Third Sector. The approved council policy contains a number of safeguards designed to ensure that any transfer is sustainable in terms of future use.
24553	An employee of West Lothian Council	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	Greater use of community volunteers to keep village halls etc open longer? If there is no other facility available to a community, community centres are extremely important.	Empowering Communities - community ownership	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Community resources will not necessarily be lost if local communities support them through community asset transfer and ownership. The council will also work with community organisations to support the use of non council buildings for community activities and services.
24554	An employee of West Lothian Council	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	Only concern is that the community who take on the properties don't have the skills to maintain them and buildings fall into disrepair.	Empowering Communities - community ownership	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The council has an approved policy which deals with transfers of certain council assets to the Third Sector. The approved council policy contains a number of safeguards designed to ensure that any transfer is sustainable in terms of future use.
24555	No Response	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	local groups would take pride in managing the facility, and the removal of the Council Red tape when trying to book the facility would only be an improvement to building users	Empowering Communities - community ownership	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has an approved policy which deals with transfers of certain council assets to the Third Sector. The approved council policy contains a number of safeguards designed to ensure that any transfer is sustainable in terms of future use.
24556	An employee of West Lothian Council	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	Partnerships do seem to offer an efficient range of services, however, there is still a need for smaller community centres but as you advise these can be run by their own management.	Empowering Communities - community ownership	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
24557	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	2) How will the Council ensure that those community groups who are more privileged in terms of resources, e.g. an individual's knowledge & experience, are not the only ones who benefit from community empowerment?	Empowering Communities - community ownership	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The council has an approved policy which deals with transfers of certain council assets to the Third Sector. The approved council policy contains a number of safeguards designed to ensure that any transfer is sustainable in terms of future use. Community resources will not necessarily be lost if local communities support them through community asset transfer and ownership. The council will also work with community organisations to support the use of non council buildings for community activities and services.
24558	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	3) In this similar train of thought, how will the Council promote the powers that the Community Empowerment Act (2015) offers as a means to engage in communities where formal community action/organisation is historically less common?	Empowering Communities - community ownership	4. The council is already doing this.	The council has an approved policy which deals with transfers of certain council assets to the Third Sector. The approved council policy contains a number of safeguards designed to ensure that any transfer is sustainable in terms of future use. This policy and process is being reviewed to assist community groups further in this process.
24559	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	This is fine, so long as community groups will bear their own costs and not expect subsidies.	Empowering Communities - community ownership	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has an approved policy which deals with transfers of certain council assets to the Third Sector. The approved council policy contains a number of safeguards designed to ensure that any transfer is sustainable in terms of future use.

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24560	An employee of West Lothian Council	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	I agree - if community groups want these facilities, which the council can't afford, they need to run them.	Empowering Communities - community ownership	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has an approved policy which deals with transfers of certain council assets to the Third Sector. The approved council policy contains a number of safeguards designed to ensure that any transfer is sustainable in terms of future use.
24561	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	community groups will have the opportunity to request ownership of properties through the provisions of the Community Empowerment (Scotland) Act 2015: true but this is only passing the cost of maintaining and improving to the Communities in the Region. This assumes that Communities have the funds to take over these buildings whilst at the same time paying higher taxes to the Council. Again this favours the more prosperous Communities across the Region	Empowering Communities - community ownership	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The council has an approved policy which deals with transfers of certain council assets to the Third Sector. The approved council policy contains a number of safeguards designed to ensure that any transfer is sustainable in terms of future use. Community resources will not necessarily be lost if local communities support them through community asset transfer and ownership. The council will also work with community organisations to support the use of non council buildings for community activities and services.
24562	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	I agree that it is a good thing for local communities to take on ownership of their local community assets.	Empowering Communities - community ownership	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has an approved policy which deals with transfers of certain council assets to the Third Sector. The approved council policy contains a number of safeguards designed to ensure that any transfer is sustainable in terms of future use.
24563	An employee of West Lothian Council	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	If requests come from the community, it is important the council do not take years to put an agreement in place or make a decision.	Empowering Communities - community ownership	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The council has an approved policy which deals with transfers of certain council assets to the Third Sector. The approved council policy contains a number of safeguards designed to ensure that any transfer is sustainable in terms of future use. This policy and process is being reviewed to assist community groups further in this process.
24564	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	Agreed. If locals want them, let locals fund them.	Empowering Communities - community ownership	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has an approved policy which deals with transfers of certain council assets to the Third Sector. The approved council policy contains a number of safeguards designed to ensure that any transfer is sustainable in terms of future use.
24565	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	If this ends up with community halls becoming private housing then it would be a tragedy. 100s of years of service lost. Please ensure that community group ownership offerings are made at token prices, but the conditions for perpetual public use are watertight.	Empowering Communities - community ownership	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Any community transfer will include clauses to ensure buildings could only be used for community purposes and could not be sold in this manner.
24566	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	Burdening communities with old buildings. Hope not.	Empowering Communities - community ownership	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The council has an approved policy which deals with transfers of certain council assets to the Third Sector. The approved council policy contains a number of safeguards designed to ensure that any transfer is sustainable in terms of future use.
24567	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	I think an important shift is necessary to empower community led decision making and empowerment to enable solutions not only to be identified, but also to become part of that solution. There has been strong evidence of political tactics to impose/inhibit fair and objective decision-making at a political level. It is not good enough to say we can't engage communities; there has to be a strong shift in culture and planning to achieve this. A vibrant communities approach (such as in East Ayrshire) demonstrates how it is being transformed. The principle difference there is one of culture and leadership decisions harmonised to bring effective participation. Councils across Scotland are facing similar decisions, public sector staff are dwindling numbers. How may staff are involved in a real and meaningful way in developing solutions for proposals? How far has the culture developed that enables staff on the ground to lead and deliver local solutions. Some initiatives in West Lothian are not reaching capacity when that is about not engaging with the community well enough to identify and recognise the help. Too many people lose faith in local services because they are not heard or feel disenfranchised. Is that really what the council wants to portray. Inviting people to participate in meetings where agendas are led from the top down is not a solution. Real authentic leadership is needed to take us into the new dawn. Without these savings will feel entirely the council's	Empowering Communities - community ownership	4. The council is already doing this.	The council is developing its approach to other elements of the Community Empowerment Act through Community Choices. This will be the mechanism used by the council to facilitate participatory budgeting.
24568	No Response	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	Agree with community involvement. Danger though that longer term these community groups dont keep the assets up to the mark, resulting in a greater outlay further down the line if the buildings have to come back to the Council.	Empowering Communities - community ownership	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has an approved policy which deals with transfers of certain council assets to the Third Sector. The approved council policy contains a number of safeguards designed to ensure that any transfer is sustainable in terms of future use.

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24569	An employee of West Lothian Council	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	This sounds good on paper, provided community groups can actually afford to take on these buildings and -more importantly- their upkeep. Otherwise its just good quality space that will eventually be lost to developers or fall into disrepair.	Empowering Communities - community ownership	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has an approved policy which deals with transfers of certain council assets to the Third Sector. The approved council policy contains a number of safeguards designed to ensure that any transfer is sustainable in terms of future use.
24570	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	I agree the council needs to get rid of assets that are not well utilised by the public. There is nothing to stop communities who claim they need these community centres to get together and run them themselves.	Empowering Communities - community ownership	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has an approved policy which deals with transfers of certain council assets to the Third Sector. The approved council policy contains a number of safeguards designed to ensure that any transfer is sustainable in terms of future use.
24571	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	Certainly a concept worth pursuing - guess it depends on how much the local community would need to pay WLC to take ownership?	Empowering Communities - community ownership	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has an approved policy which deals with transfers of certain council assets to the Third Sector. The approved council policy contains a number of safeguards designed to ensure that any transfer is sustainable in terms of future use.
24572	An employee of West Lothian Council	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	How will residents access the nearest community centre if they have mobility issues. What will happen to the buildings if ownership by the community group is not viable. Empty derelict buildings can make areas look downtrodden.	Empowering Communities - community ownership	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Community resources will not necessarily be lost if local communities support them through community asset transfer and ownership. The council will also work with community organisations to support the use of non council buildings for community activities and services.
24573	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	Moving buildings into community ownership is a good move provided the buildings will not become a wasting asset and blight the townscapes. There would have to be some diligence undertaken to ensure that communities know the full costs and responsibilities of what they are taking on.	Empowering Communities - community ownership	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has an approved policy which deals with transfers of certain council assets to the Third Sector. The approved council policy contains a number of safeguards designed to ensure that any transfer is sustainable in terms of future use.
24574	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	A review is fine as long as it is done in tandem with the local community councils or other interest groups - the Council may have no idea how important a facility is to the local community and a meaningful review is essential. Communities must be kept informed of what buildings are under consideration and be given a realistic chance of using the Community Empowerment (Scotland) Act to make a community buy-out	Empowering Communities - community ownership	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Community resources will not necessarily be lost if local communities support them through community asset transfer and ownership. The council will also work with community organisations to support the use of non council buildings for community activities and services. This document is the first stage of public consultation. Further public consultation on specific changes to services is an integral part of the change management process and will be undertaken as proposals are developed further.
24575	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	Again this is fine if you live in Livingston	Empowering Communities - community ownership	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Community resources will not necessarily be lost if local communities support them through community asset transfer and ownership. The council will also work with community organisations to support the use of non council buildings for community activities and services. The focus will continue to be on partnership centre provision therefore there is currently there is no proposal to centralise all council buildings in Livingston.
24576	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	Many community groups/centres help reduce social isolation and loneliness in older people and parents, especially new parents. I'm concerned the measures above will increase isolation, loneliness and mental health problems.	Empowering Communities - community ownership	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Community resources will not necessarily be lost if local communities support them through community asset transfer and ownership. The council will also work with community organisations to support the use of non council buildings for community activities and services.
24577	An employee of West Lothian Council	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	Mixed opportunities - communities when strong can go down this route but most vulnerable often left with poorer facilities.	Empowering Communities - community ownership	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Community resources will not necessarily be lost if local communities support them through community asset transfer and ownership. The council will also work with community organisations to support the use of non council buildings for community activities and services.
24578	An employee of West Lothian Council	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	Agree, Management Committees and Development Trusts need to step up to the plate if they want to protect community assets. Great opportunity for some	Empowering Communities - community ownership	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has an approved policy which deals with transfers of certain council assets to the Third Sector. The approved council policy contains a number of safeguards designed to ensure that any transfer is sustainable in terms of future use.

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24579	An employee of West Lothian Council	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	Some of the groups delivered rely on being able to use council facilities. Will the Council monitor the impact on being able to provide these groups caused by reducing Council buildings, or of them becoming private/fee charging.	Empowering Communities - community ownership	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Community resources will not necessarily be lost if local communities support them through community asset transfer and ownership. The council will also work with community organisations to support the use of non council buildings for community activities and services.
24580	An employee of West Lothian Council	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	will the council be relying on volunteers to take over	Empowering Communities - community ownership	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The council has an approved policy which deals with transfers of certain council assets to the Third Sector. The approved council policy contains a number of safeguards designed to ensure that any transfer is sustainable in terms of future use.
24581	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	If a community wants to keep a hall then see no reason why they should not fund it as well .	Empowering Communities - community ownership	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has an approved policy which deals with transfers of certain council assets to the Third Sector. The approved council policy contains a number of safeguards designed to ensure that any transfer is sustainable in terms of future use.
24582	An employee of West Lothian Council	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	I think this an excellent idea. Community Groups can rent otherwise empty facilities and deliver much needed community services which at core address issues such as poverty, addictions and mental ill health.	Empowering Communities - community ownership	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Community resources will not necessarily be lost if local communities support them through community asset transfer and ownership. The council will also work with community organisations to support the use of non council buildings for community activities and services.
24583	An employee of West Lothian Council	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	I think this is long overdue. We have a lot of buildings and being let by different council departments and management committees, with no overall thought about efficiency in terms of staffing, energy etc. I do have reservations about the effectiveness of the management committee model. The Council still picks up the bills and the problems at the end of the day.	Empowering Communities - community ownership	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	We will review our property assets and rationalise usage where possible taking into account the review and redesign of services delivered in the community and investigating opportunities for coordinating availability of facilities. The council has an approved policy which deals with transfers of certain council assets to the Third Sector. The approved council policy contains a number of safeguards designed to ensure that any transfer is sustainable in terms of future use.
24584	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	Community asset transfer may be appropriate in some cases but the council would need to increase promotion of this opportunity and it may not work in all areas.	Empowering Communities - community ownership	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has an approved policy which deals with transfers of certain council assets to the Third Sector. The approved council policy contains a number of safeguards designed to ensure that any transfer is sustainable in terms of future use.
24585	An employee of West Lothian Council	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	Fine. Review away. What happens after the review though? Will there be a further consultation on what to do? Have any communities shown any interest in taking over these centres?	Empowering Communities - community ownership	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	This document is the first stage of public consultation. Further public consultation on specific changes to services is an integral part of the change management process and will be undertaken as proposals are developed further.
24586	An employee of West Lothian Council	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	Sounds good in theory but no practical evidence is given to support this action.It might cost more!	Empowering Communities - community ownership	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has an approved policy which deals with transfers of certain council assets to the Third Sector. The approved council policy contains a number of safeguards designed to ensure that any transfer is sustainable in terms of future use.
24587	An employee of West Lothian Council	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	If we are moving the balance of care from the council to communities and individuals, there need to be community resources for citizens to access/utilise to meet their needs. Perhaps social enterprise opportunities could be maximised - there has proved successful in Ayrshire	Empowering Communities - community ownership	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The council will consider opportunities for social enterprise and will look at the approaches used in other authorities to inform our approach.
24588	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	Will there be support and training available as some will struggle with this	Empowering Communities - community ownership	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The council has an approved policy which deals with transfers of certain council assets to the Third Sector. The approved council policy contains a number of safeguards designed to ensure that any transfer is sustainable in terms of future use. This policy and process is being reviewed to assist community groups further in this process.
24589	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	That will be fine as long as there is someone or a group willing to take on the responsibility.	Empowering Communities - community ownership	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has an approved policy which deals with transfers of certain council assets to the Third Sector. The approved council policy contains a number of safeguards designed to ensure that any transfer is sustainable in terms of future use.

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24590	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	This is not saving energy, it's simply passing the energy costs onto the public.	Empowering Communities - community ownership	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Due to the continued constraint on both revenue and capital budgets, the council needs to reduce the total number of assets requiring maintenance. The unavoidable cost of keeping all properties would require a larger saving to be delivered.
24591	An employee of West Lothian Council	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	Not sure if there is a desire from the community for Asset Transfer. If there isn't, and a portion of our centres remain (and I say this knowing we get rates relief due to the existence of mgt committees): * identify the real benefits of having a management committee. Many of them do not have 'fit and proper' people on the committee. * Its a falsehood to say mgt committees are running the centres: many turn up once a month for a meeting and nothing happens in between. We do their accounts, handle bookings, deal with customer enquiries, staff the centre, handle compliance and building issues, pay for utilities and stock, liaise with groups/contractors, handle payments, room set ups, create forms/paperwork etc. However the amount of work generated in keeping committees updated, consulting with them, trying to move things forward, seek permission for changes, explain council processes is so time consuming. * there is too much confusion around who is responsible for what: and the committees do not like following council guidelines or processes so its a constant source of friction. The partnership is set up to fail because of the complexities involved in the structure of relationship and the parameters to which it must work. * there is very little work done on developing centre programmes from a mgt committee perspective. They never ask about performance, usage, footfall, analysing community need: they just don't seem interested. * WLC has to say 'yes' to every let: if we could manage bookings in a more joined up, cost effective way we would save on staff salaries / overtime. * if the council were to take on the running of centres we could explore charging more competitive rates, manage staff rotas, manage bookings, share best practice and resources. We would also get the income! * definitely too many community centres in West Lothian: consider closing some. * Management Committees to pay a % of their income to the council each year to assist with running costs * WLC to develop a method of ensuring management committee members are fit for the role - that way the relationships would be more productive and outcomes realised. * WLC should develop an 'acceptable behaviour' contract with committee members: I have witnessed and been on the receiving end of appalling, bullish behaviour but we reinforce it by not challenging it effectively. * if Mgt Comms do remain, we say...these are the amount of hours assigned to your centre: how do you want to use them? If the hours are used up then rely on self access, mgt comm volunteers to open/close, say 'no' to a let. * increase number of centres with self access technology - staff presence is reduced * I write all the above with the irony that many	Empowering Communities - community ownership	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The council has an approved policy which deals with transfers of certain council assets to the Third Sector. The approved council policy contains a number of safeguards designed to ensure that any transfer is sustainable in terms of future use. This policy and process is being reviewed to assist community groups further in this process.
24592	No Response	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	Transfers of buildings through the Empowerment Act is a good idea where there is capacity within the community to take these on. Careful consideration should be given before transferring these, particularly around the provision of a sustainable business model from the interested parties.	Empowering Communities - community ownership	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has an approved policy which deals with transfers of certain council assets to the Third Sector. The approved council policy contains a number of safeguards designed to ensure that any transfer is sustainable in terms of future use. This policy and process is being reviewed to assist community groups further in this process.
24593	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	This is supported and local groups should be encourage to take ownership of the current buildings so the history of these buildings is supported.	Empowering Communities - community ownership	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has an approved policy which deals with transfers of certain council assets to the Third Sector. The approved council policy contains a number of safeguards designed to ensure that any transfer is sustainable in terms of future use. This policy and process is being reviewed to assist community groups further in this process.
24594	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	How will this work exactly? Will community groups be given any initial funding to help them get established within these empty buildings? Will any structural problems in these buildings be fixed before ownership is transferred to community groups?	Empowering Communities - community ownership	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The council has an approved policy which deals with transfers of certain council assets to the Third Sector. The approved council policy contains a number of safeguards designed to ensure that any transfer is sustainable in terms of future use. This policy and process is being reviewed to assist community groups further in this process.
24595	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	What happens if community groups fold in the future, buildings falling into disrepair etc?	Empowering Communities - community ownership	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The council has an approved policy which deals with transfers of certain council assets to the Third Sector. The approved council policy contains a number of safeguards designed to ensure that any transfer is sustainable in terms of future use.

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24596	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	Community centres appear under used, should they be better advertised as places to rent, services offered and review opening needs with local communities	Empowering Communities - community ownership	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	We will review our property assets and rationalise usage where possible taking into account the review and redesign of services delivered in the community and investigating opportunities for coordinating availability of facilities.
24597	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	Disagree. I work in a 'partnership' area / building and it's Not conducive to engagement with the community and availability to book venues.	Empowering Communities - community ownership	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The introduction of partnership centres has seen an increase in the number of multi purpose buildings. Building users are consulted throughout the design and construction of these buildings to help ensure that their requirements are met within the constraints of available resources. The introduction of partnership centres has generated real cashable savings for the council over the past five years.
24598	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	The council should not cut the number of community centres, particularly if they are well used by the community.	Empowering Communities - community ownership	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Community resources will not necessarily be lost if local communities support them through community asset transfer and ownership. The council will also work with community organisations to support the use of non council buildings for community activities and services.
24599	An employee of West Lothian Council	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	Agree - the number of buildings operated by the council must be reduced. This will be a great opportunity for communities to take on assets and run them in a way that meets local needs.	Empowering Communities - community ownership	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	We will review our property assets and rationalise usage where possible taking into account the review and redesign of services delivered in the community and investigating opportunities for coordinating availability of facilities.
24600	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	Villagers should be empowered to operate village halls, etc on a development trust basis.	Empowering Communities - community ownership	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has an approved policy which deals with transfers of certain council assets to the Third Sector. The approved council policy contains a number of safeguards designed to ensure that any transfer is sustainable in terms of future use. This policy and process is being reviewed to assist community groups further in this process.
24601	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	Can the community centres not be given long term leases instead of going down the asset transfer route? Asset transfer is a huge step and the volunteers running the centres do not have the time, interest or possibly the training/knowledge to be aware of the pitfalls of such a huge step.	Empowering Communities - community ownership	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Asset transfer includes the possibility of a long lease of the building to a management group or similar and does not mean that outright ownership has to transfer.
24602	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	Giving power to volunteers via Management Committees can mean people who often do not reflect the community are managing, they can have their own agendas and don't run them properly.	Empowering Communities - community ownership	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council has an approved policy which deals with transfers of certain council assets to the Third Sector. The approved council policy contains a number of safeguards designed to ensure that any transfer is sustainable in terms of future use. This policy and process is being reviewed to assist community groups further in this process.
24603	An employee of West Lothian Council	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	So long as assurances are given and met that statutory requirements are maintained, Health & Safety is paramount in public buildings, cyclical maintenance is adhered to, accountability is clearly laid out to empowered communities, etc. Concern would be again that if the empowerment failed, what business continuity plans would be in place - would WLC incur all the cost to make good?	Empowering Communities - community ownership	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has an approved policy which deals with transfers of certain council assets to the Third Sector. The approved council policy contains a number of safeguards designed to ensure that any transfer is sustainable in terms of future use.
24604	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	Asset transfer is a powerful tool that, used correctly, can benefit both the community and the Council. The Council should develop ways of building capacity within community groups to give them the confidence and ability to take on asset transfer. This should include providing financial support / incentives as part of the proposed scheme.	Empowering Communities - community ownership	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has an approved policy which deals with transfers of certain council assets to the Third Sector. The approved council policy contains a number of safeguards designed to ensure that any transfer is sustainable in terms of future use. This policy and process is being reviewed to assist community groups further in this process.
24605	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	As above. Lets transfer properties to local communities/groups, reducing/transferring the building running and staffing liability.	Empowering Communities - community ownership	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has an approved policy which deals with transfers of certain council assets to the Third Sector. The approved council policy contains a number of safeguards designed to ensure that any transfer is sustainable in terms of future use. This policy and process is being reviewed to assist community groups further in this process.

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24606	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	The opportunity for asset transfer of buildings is viable, if support and open processes are adhered to.	Empowering Communities - community ownership	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has an approved policy which deals with transfers of certain council assets to the Third Sector. The approved council policy contains a number of safeguards designed to ensure that any transfer is sustainable in terms of future use. This policy and process is being reviewed to assist community groups further in this process.
24607	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	As stated previously, these processes may provide opportunities for groups outwith the council, but expertise is required to assist this process. It can take too long such as the Craigsfarm Asset transfer. Opportunities for this development were missed. We need to learn from these transfers as it is possible to be a win win situation.	Empowering Communities - community ownership	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has an approved policy which deals with transfers of certain council assets to the Third Sector. The approved council policy contains a number of safeguards designed to ensure that any transfer is sustainable in terms of future use. This policy and process is being reviewed to assist community groups further in this process.
24608	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	Not many community groups would be able to afford to buy and upkeep a building, therefore again this would lead to a huge loss within local communities. People need places to meet and take part in clubs and be involved in their own communities.	Empowering Communities - community ownership	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Community resources will not necessarily be lost if local communities support them through community asset transfer and ownership. The council will also work with community organisations to support the use of non council buildings for community activities and services.
24609	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	Community ownership of buildings is a statutory right. I hope that in reviewing and vacating these properties the Council will give appropriate support to communities who may wish to exercise the rights bestowed by the 2015 Act.	Empowering Communities - community ownership	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has an approved policy which deals with transfers of certain council assets to the Third Sector. The approved council policy contains a number of safeguards designed to ensure that any transfer is sustainable in terms of future use. This policy and process is being reviewed to assist community groups further in this process.
24610	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	To maintain out of school care provision across West Lothian it is essential that Council continues its practice of not charging community-based out of school care groups for lets in schools and community centres. This recognises the essential nature of this provision and its significant economic and community impact in enabling parents to maintain their employment and bring in Millions of pounds to West Lothian's economy. We recognise the potential benefits of asset transfer and community ownership of buildings, as a real opportunity to strengthen local communities, who could run buildings more efficiently and effectively than Council and we are keen to explore this further. Rates relief for charities is an essential support that Council provides to the sector. Many organisations could not continue to operate without this valuable support and the sector would like to see this continue, as it will become even more essential in the tough years ahead.	Empowering Communities - community ownership	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has an approved policy which deals with transfers of certain council assets to the Third Sector. The approved council policy contains a number of safeguards designed to ensure that any transfer is sustainable in terms of future use. This policy and process is being reviewed to assist community groups further in this process. Non domestic rates are set and determined by the Scottish Government.
24611	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	We recognise the potential benefits of asset transfer and community ownership of buildings, as a real opportunity for local communities, who could run buildings more efficiently and effectively than Council and we are keen to explore this further. Rates relief for charities is an essential support that Council provides to the sector. Many organisations could not continue to operate without this valuable support and we would like to see this continue, as it will become even more essential in the tough years ahead.	Empowering Communities - community ownership	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has an approved policy which deals with transfers of certain council assets to the Third Sector. The approved council policy contains a number of safeguards designed to ensure that any transfer is sustainable in terms of future use. This policy and process is being reviewed to assist community groups further in this process. Non domestic rates are set and determined by the Scottish Government.
24612	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	We recognise the potential benefits of asset transfer and community ownership of buildings, as a real opportunity for local communities, who could run buildings more efficiently and effectively than Council and we are keen to explore this further. Rates relief for charities is an essential support that Council provides to the sector. Many organisations could not continue to operate without this valuable support and we would like to see this continue, as it will become even more essential in the tough years ahead.	Empowering Communities - community ownership	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has an approved policy which deals with transfers of certain council assets to the Third Sector. The approved council policy contains a number of safeguards designed to ensure that any transfer is sustainable in terms of future use. This policy and process is being reviewed to assist community groups further in this process. Non domestic rates are set and determined by the Scottish Government.
24613	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	Can't sort this if we don't have people working in the community supporting groups and individuals.	Empowering Communities - community ownership	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The council has an approved policy which deals with transfers of certain council assets to the Third Sector. The approved council policy contains a number of safeguards designed to ensure that any transfer is sustainable in terms of future use. This policy and process is being reviewed to assist community groups further in this process.

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24614	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	Again need the work in the community to happen before this can be achieved	Empowering Communities - community ownership	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The council has an approved policy which deals with transfers of certain council assets to the Third Sector. The approved council policy contains a number of safeguards designed to ensure that any transfer is sustainable in terms of future use. This policy and process is being reviewed to assist community groups further in this process.
24615	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	We recognise the potential benefits of asset transfer and community ownership of buildings, as a real opportunity to strengthen local communities, who could run buildings more efficiently and effectively than Council and we are keen to explore this further. This strategy will only succeed however if rates relief is maintained. Rates relief for charities is an essential support that Council provides to the sector. Many organisations could not continue to operate without this valuable support and we would like to see this continue, as it will become even more essential in the tough years ahead.	Empowering Communities - community ownership	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has an approved policy which deals with transfers of certain council assets to the Third Sector. The approved council policy contains a number of safeguards designed to ensure that any transfer is sustainable in terms of future use. This policy and process is being reviewed to assist community groups further in this process. Non domestic rates are set and determined by the Scottish Government.
24616	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	Yes communities should have the chance to get these buildings	Empowering Communities - community ownership	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has an approved policy which deals with transfers of certain council assets to the Third Sector. The approved council policy contains a number of safeguards designed to ensure that any transfer is sustainable in terms of future use. This policy and process is being reviewed to assist community groups further in this process.
24617	An employee of West Lothian Council	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	Definitely too many facilities and they require to be reduced further. Care must however be taken to ensure if these facilities are taken on by organisations, it must be monitored that they take on all the aspects involved and we do not find ourselves getting back down trod facilities in the future to have to spend money on.	Empowering Communities - community ownership	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	We will review our property assets and rationalise usage where possible taking into account the review and redesign of services delivered in the community and investigating opportunities for coordinating availability of facilities.
24618	An employee of West Lothian Council	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	Risks involved if building fall into disrepair	Empowering Communities - community ownership	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The council has an approved policy which deals with transfers of certain council assets to the Third Sector. The approved council policy contains a number of safeguards designed to ensure that any transfer is sustainable in terms of future use. This policy and process is being reviewed to assist community groups further in this process.
24619	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	Are community groups in a position to take on this proposed responsibility? Reductions to front line staff and support to these organisations makes it very difficult to support them to a position that they are able and ready to assume the proposed responsibility. More self access to community buildings could reduce costs over time and allow longer to support committees to be in a position to take on responsibility	Empowering Communities - community ownership	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The council has an approved policy which deals with transfers of certain council assets to the Third Sector. The approved council policy contains a number of safeguards designed to ensure that any transfer is sustainable in terms of future use. This policy and process is being reviewed to assist community groups further in this process.
24620	An employee of West Lothian Council	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	It would appear that the provision of Bathgate Partnership Centre has been good at bringing council services together. The move to partnership module is modern and helps the general public be signposted to other council services when attending partnership centres for 1 particular service.	Empowering Communities - community ownership	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	We will review our property assets and rationalise usage where possible taking into account the review and redesign of services delivered in the community and investigating opportunities for coordinating availability of facilities.
24621	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	Ownership of Properties - Community empowerment - Feel very strongly about this - Happening - Council close community centre management blamed - Big ask for volunteers!! to run community centre.	Empowering Communities - community ownership	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council has an approved policy which deals with transfers of certain council assets to the Third Sector. The approved council policy contains a number of safeguards designed to ensure that any transfer is sustainable in terms of future use. This policy and process is being reviewed to assist community groups further in this process.
24622	An employee of West Lothian Council	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	FULL SUPPORT. WHERE THE COMMUNITY WILL NOT ASSUME LIABILITY THE SHOULD BE CLOSED DOWN	Empowering Communities - community ownership	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	We will review our property assets and rationalise usage where possible taking into account the review and redesign of services delivered in the community and investigating opportunities for coordinating availability of facilities.

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24623	An employee of West Lothian Council	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	If properties become surplus to requirement and the community want to take them on they must do so without any further input from the council. The council has been known to transfer an asset to the community and then has to continue assisting and advising those running the facility. That is not cost effective and communities or groups must learn to stand on their own two feet.	Empowering Communities - community ownership	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has an approved policy which deals with transfers of certain council assets to the Third Sector. The approved council policy contains a number of safeguards designed to ensure that any transfer is sustainable in terms of future use. This policy and process is being reviewed to assist community groups further in this process.
24624	An employee of West Lothian Council	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	These should be based on numbers within these groups along with maintenance costs of the village hall etc. and how to shift focus to the partnership centre model.	Empowering Communities - community ownership	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	This will be considered as part of the development of these proposals.
24625	An employee of West Lothian Council	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	I support community asset transfer and the potential ownership of community facilities by community groups.	Empowering Communities - community ownership	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has an approved policy which deals with transfers of certain council assets to the Third Sector. The approved council policy contains a number of safeguards designed to ensure that any transfer is sustainable in terms of future use. This policy and process is being reviewed to assist community groups further in this process.
24626	An employee of West Lothian Council	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	I feel however that for this to be successful we must provide officer support to build capacity in these communities if we are serious about this.	Empowering Communities - community ownership	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The council has an approved policy which deals with transfers of certain council assets to the Third Sector. The approved council policy contains a number of safeguards designed to ensure that any transfer is sustainable in terms of future use. This policy and process is being reviewed to assist community groups further in this process.
24627	An employee of West Lothian Council	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	I agree with this proposal, as long as valuable centres and halls aren't lost if they can't be community supported.	Empowering Communities - community ownership	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Community resources will not necessarily be lost if local communities support them through community asset transfer and ownership. The council will also work with community organisations to support the use of non council buildings for community activities and services.
24628	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	there should be a review of all council community centres and village halls and those which do not have a daily footfall should be closed or considered for ownership by community groups.	Empowering Communities - community ownership	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	We will review our property assets and rationalise usage where possible taking into account the review and redesign of services delivered in the community and investigating opportunities for coordinating availability of facilities.
24629	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	If a group takes over a property then they should fund entirely the running and upkeep of the building. Regal Buildings Charity an example where this has failed spectacularly and the council has been left picking up the bills for the failings of the group.	Empowering Communities - community ownership	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has an approved policy which deals with transfers of certain council assets to the Third Sector. The approved council policy contains a number of safeguards designed to ensure that any transfer is sustainable in terms of future use. This policy and process is being reviewed to assist community groups further in this process.
24630	An employee of West Lothian Council	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	Could some communities do a buy out of these resources?	Empowering Communities - community ownership	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has an approved policy which deals with transfers of certain council assets to the Third Sector. The approved council policy contains a number of safeguards designed to ensure that any transfer is sustainable in terms of future use.
24631	An employee of West Lothian Council	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	Can community centres and village halls be financed through charity trusts? Their provision in the long term is probably unsustainable.	Empowering Communities - community ownership	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Community groups are able to access many more sources of external funding than the council can to help support delivery of local facilities.
24632	An employee of West Lothian Council	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	review is required here as we find ourselves in a situation where we cannot get access to council buildings and council equipment without having to pay form budgets already stretched.	Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The council's Property Asset Management Strategy includes plans to ensure effective and efficient use of property assets. We will review our property assets and rationalise usage where possible taking into account the review and redesign of services delivered in the community and investigating opportunities for coordinating availability of facilities. This will include the use of council facilities for community lets.

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24633	An employee of West Lothian Council	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	Again possibly removing the focal point of the community affecting the young and the elderly.	Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Community resources will not necessarily be lost if local communities support them through community asset transfer and ownership. The council has an approved policy which deals with transfers of certain council assets to the Third Sector. The approved council policy contains a number of safeguards designed to ensure that any transfer is sustainable in terms of future use and meets the council's requirement to support community ownership.
24634	An employee of West Lothian Council	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	removal of village halls and community halls in theory is a good idea to save on building operational costs, however in smaller communities these are often the hub/heart of the community. If these facilities were removed there could be long term detrimental impacts to the community, along with the reduction in policing, crime and vandalism would most likely increase, if social cohesion and communities are being eroded to save on costs.	Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Community resources will not necessarily be lost if local communities support them through community asset transfer and ownership. The council has an approved policy which deals with transfers of certain council assets to the Third Sector. The approved council policy contains a number of safeguards designed to ensure that any transfer is sustainable in terms of future use and meets the council's requirement to support community ownership.
24635	An employee of West Lothian Council	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	Agreed, but again this can be a time consuming exercise.	Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has an approved policy which deals with transfers of certain council assets to the Third Sector. The approved council policy contains a number of safeguards designed to ensure that any transfer is sustainable in terms of future use.
24636	An employee of West Lothian Council	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	given the budget shortfall this seems an acceptable proposal however it may be that local communities / groups would not continue if moved outwith that local area	Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	As part of any exercise to consolidate buildings one of the aims will be to maintain local services where there is a demand. This may mean supporting local groups to use other non council facilities or buildings.
24637	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	Scale back on building that are not utilised and sell these on or utilise these for housing if possible to assist with homelessness	Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council's Property Asset Management Strategy includes plans to ensure effective and efficient use of property assets. We will review our property assets and rationalise usage where possible taking into account the review and redesign of services delivered in the community and investigating opportunities for coordinating availability of facilities. The council has a disposal process for assets declared surplus to requirements with receipts reinvested in council assets.
24638	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	If communities want to keep buildings then they should take ownership and run them. If not needed for service delivery then they should be closed, sold, redeveloped or transferred.	Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has an approved policy which deals with transfers of certain council assets to the Third Sector. The approved council policy contains a number of safeguards designed to ensure that any transfer is sustainable in terms of future use. he council has a disposal process for assets declared surplus to requirements with receipts reinvested in council assets.
24639	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	There needs to be provision of some sort in each ward, one building providing lots of services. Such as mini-partnership centres - library, community, sport etc	Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The council's Property Asset Management Strategy includes plans to ensure effective and efficient use of property assets. We will review our property assets and rationalise usage where possible taking into account the review and redesign of services delivered in the community and investigating opportunities for coordinating availability of facilities.
24640	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	This is potentially disastrous. Council is using their own cuts agenda and hiding behind community empowerment act to relinquish responsibility for community facilities. The future under this proposal will be disrepair, closure and demolition of facilities.	Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council has an approved policy which deals with transfers of certain council assets to the Third Sector. The approved council policy contains a number of safeguards designed to ensure that any transfer is sustainable in terms of future use.

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24641	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	Community centres are an important part of local communities. Where would group/clubs go if they couldn't access a community centre?	Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities (general)	5c. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it is not consistent with the council's values and priorities.	Community resources will not necessarily be lost if local communities support them through community asset transfer and ownership. The council has an approved policy which deals with transfers of certain council assets to the Third Sector. The approved council policy contains a number of safeguards designed to ensure that any transfer is sustainable in terms of future use and meets the council's requirement to support community ownership.
24642	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	It is important to ensure that facilities remain in each community but the burden of the cost could cripple a voluntary organisation with just maintenance of the building.	Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The council has an approved policy which deals with transfers of certain council assets to the Third Sector. The approved council policy contains a number of safeguards designed to ensure that any transfer is sustainable in terms of future use.
24643	An employee of West Lothian Council	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	Concern that this will impact on the ability to deliver a previous savings measure of reducing the building based day service.	Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Patterns of demand for services show that many people now require services on an outreach basis in their own homes. Partnership centres would continue to be available to support service delivery in communities along with the potential use of non council buildings.
24644	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	Considering the saving is low, it seems a shame to lose provision in local communities.	Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities (general)	5b. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it is likely that the costs of this proposal would outweigh the benefit.	Due to the continued constraint on both revenue and capital budgets, the council needs to reduce the total number of assets requiring maintenance. The unavoidable cost of keeping all properties would require a larger saving to be delivered. Community resources will not necessarily be lost if local communities support them through community asset transfer and ownership.
24645	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	Beggars belief. Bloody SNP with the freeze on council tax have made quite a mess have they not?	Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities (general)	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
24646	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	Two thousand years ago, the Roman Empire had a staff in Rome of only about 1,500 administrators operating out of very little real estate. Not a bad role model. If the council has redundant buildings, vacated by compressing staff into other premises then these buildings should be sold for development.	Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council's Property Asset Management Strategy includes plans to ensure effective and efficient use of property assets. We will review our property assets and rationalise usage where possible taking into account the review and redesign of services delivered in the community and investigating opportunities for coordinating availability of facilities.
24647	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	Current situation with local community centres is terrible. More cuts affect communities. This is a serious step backward.	Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
24648	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	Agree that there should be less buildings in West Lothian.	Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council's Property Asset Management Strategy includes plans to ensure effective and efficient use of property assets. We will review our property assets and rationalise usage where possible taking into account the review and redesign of services delivered in the community and investigating opportunities for coordinating availability of facilities.
24649	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	Sad that community centres have been identified, as these can be very important in some communities however if you review the usage of each community centre, I am sure that there will be some that are not cost effective to have and the uptake from the community doesn't quantify them.	Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council's Property Asset Management Strategy includes plans to ensure effective and efficient use of property assets. We will review our property assets and rationalise usage where possible taking into account the review and redesign of services delivered in the community and investigating opportunities for coordinating availability of facilities.

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24650	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	a lot of empty council buildings should not have been left to fall down..Armadale Nursery? Bangour? Winchburgh Old School? I have lived in WLC since 2008 and could not believe how they left the buildings to become derelict and then 'oh they are dangerous and need to be pulled down' - the school in Whitburn...the school in Broxburn...	Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The council aims to retain buildings, especially those with architectural merit, however it may not be economically viable in some cases. The retention of buildings is considered on a case by case basis.
24651	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	Charge commercial organisations full market value for long term lets	Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	In reviewing the commercial property portfolio the aim is to create a dynamic and proactive portfolio that strives to deliver good opportunities and improving rent returns. The review of rents will be considered in line with various factors including market rates and local circumstances. The commercial property portfolio generates income for the council with the cost of providing the units being substantially less than the income received.
24652	An employee of West Lothian Council	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	the new partnership centres being built should off set closure of community centres and village halls.	Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	We will review our property assets and rationalise usage where possible taking into account the review and redesign of services delivered in the community and investigating opportunities for coordinating availability of facilities. Council will continue to utilise the partnership centre model where there are shared services and facilities, including those delivered by partners.
24653	An employee of West Lothian Council	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	Partnership centres DO NOT provide what community centres used to have. Bathgate Partnership Centre's community centre feels like an after thought and is no use for youth clubs. It's feels like it's only really good for adult clubs. The hall is far too small for what it replaced. It feels like the council wanted to get rid of young people from there.	Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities (general)	5c. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it is not consistent with the council's values and priorities.	The introduction of partnership centres has seen an increase in the number of multi purpose buildings. Building users are consulted throughout the design and construction of these buildings to help ensure that their requirements are met within the constraints of available resources.
24654	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	The school estate is not effectively used - partly because they are not seen as a community resource but as a financial source. Closing other facilities and reducing the cost of using schools would be cost effective.	Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council's Property Asset Management Strategy includes plans to ensure effective and efficient use of property assets. We will review our property assets and usage where possible taking into account the review and redesign of services delivered in the community, whilst considering safety and service delivery requirements.
24655	An employee of West Lothian Council	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	If reviewing involves upgrading to the new partnership centres then this would be a welcome move.	Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	We will review our property assets and rationalise usage where possible taking into account the review and redesign of services delivered in the community and investigating opportunities for coordinating availability of facilities. Council will continue to utilise the partnership centre model where there are shared services and facilities, including those delivered by partners.
24656	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	Community centres are the heart of the community , fair enough if a building is not being used then close it down but please do not underfund building that are being used by brownies dance groups over 50s etc they rely on local funding to keep their groups together and it's a great way for people to get out and keep fit and socialise	Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Community resources will not necessarily be lost if local communities support them through community asset transfer and ownership. The council has an approved policy which deals with transfers of certain council assets to the Third Sector. The approved council policy contains a number of safeguards designed to ensure that any transfer is sustainable in terms of future use and meets the council's requirement to support community ownership.
24657	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	as the name says village halls if moved out of village would people travel	Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Community resources will not necessarily be lost if local communities support them through community asset transfer and ownership. The council has an approved policy which deals with transfers of certain council assets to the Third Sector. The approved council policy contains a number of safeguards designed to ensure that any transfer is sustainable in terms of future use and meets the council's requirement to support community ownership.

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24658	An employee of West Lothian Council	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	I feel promoting the use of community centres and village halls for groups who require Lets would be more beneficial than opening our Primary Schools out of hours. The revenue generated by Lets in PS's is often much less than the cost of opening our Primary Schools due to the heating, lighting, Facilities Management costs and cleaning costs.	Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	We will review our property assets and rationalise usage where possible taking into account the review and redesign of services delivered in the community and investigating opportunities for coordinating availability of facilities. This will include the use and promotion of council facilities for community lets.
24659	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	agree. And they need to be self sufficient. No support from the council.	Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has an approved policy which deals with transfers of certain council assets to the Third Sector. The approved council policy contains a number of safeguards designed to ensure that any transfer is sustainable in terms of future use.
24660	An employee of West Lothian Council	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	Excellent idea. There are far too many community centres.	Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
24661	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	There are no community facilities, these Partnership centres do not count. They are not fit for purpose, glorified offices.	Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities (general)	5c. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it is not consistent with the council's values and priorities.	The introduction of partnership centres has seen an increase in the number of multi purpose buildings. Building users are consulted throughout the design and construction of these buildings to help ensure that their requirements are met within the constraints of available resources. The nature of partnership centres is different from the traditional community centres to reflect the changing way that services are delivered and how individuals access these services.
24662	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	I see no reason why community centres and village halls cannot be consolidated.	Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	We will review our property assets and rationalise usage where possible taking into account the review and redesign of services delivered in the community and investigating opportunities for coordinating availability of facilities.
24663	An employee of West Lothian Council	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	This should go further and more council services should be moved out of buildings and more working from home/over the internet should take place.	Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	We will review our property assets and rationalise usage where possible taking into account the review and redesign of services delivered in the community and investigating opportunities for coordinating availability of facilities. The council continues to investigate opportunities for further flexible working and use of technology.
24664	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	Close all the communities don't take on all the ruining costs for.	Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	We will review our property assets and rationalise usage where possible taking into account the review and redesign of services delivered in the community and investigating opportunities for coordinating availability of facilities.
24665	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	All communities need a community centre where crucial services are provided to local people who may otherwise struggle to access these services	Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Community resources will not necessarily be lost if local communities support them through community asset transfer and ownership. The council will also work with community organisations to support the use of non council buildings for community activities and services.
24666	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	I agree with this proposal. Some of the community buildings the council maintain are not well used and if community groups don't want to take on the responsibility of looking after them, these buildings should be closed.	Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	We will review our property assets and rationalise usage where possible taking into account the review and redesign of services delivered in the community and investigating opportunities for coordinating availability of facilities.

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24667	An employee of West Lothian Council	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	As previously stated there should not be staff in public buildings when they are not open to the public, this is a waste of resources, heat, light and staff time	Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
24668	An employee of West Lothian Council	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	Agree - we can not sustain the number of community centres we have	Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	We will review our property assets and rationalise usage where possible taking into account the review and redesign of services delivered in the community and investigating opportunities for coordinating availability of facilities.
24669	An employee of West Lothian Council	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	Completely agree with consolidation of Partnership centres and community halls. Agree with office spaces to be consolidated also - potential for things such as shared spaces / improved home working to be introduced?	Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	We will review our property assets and rationalise usage where possible taking into account the review and redesign of services delivered in the community and investigating opportunities for coordinating availability of facilities. The council continues to investigate opportunities for further flexible working and use of technology.
24670	An employee of West Lothian Council	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	Partnership centres are good ideas, but the council must ensure that people in more rural and outlying communities are not forgotten about and can retain some sort of "hub" in their area.	Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Community resources will not necessarily be lost if local communities support them through community asset transfer and ownership. The council will also work with community organisations to support the use of non council buildings for community activities and services.
24671	An employee of West Lothian Council	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	"EMPOWERING COMMUNITIES!!!" How? By doing what - slashing services? Close facilities ONLY in affluent communities (Linlithgow, east calder, Murieston etc.) retain and invest in these and communities such as Whitburn, Blackburn etc. Provide meaningful and sustained community development/worker support to target communities	Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Community resources will not necessarily be lost if local communities support them through community asset transfer and ownership. The council will also work with community organisations to support the use of non council buildings for community activities and services.
24672	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	never used one, won't miss it. Just don't let the buildings remain empty and become a haven for criminal activity (having already done away with any Police Officers to catch them)	Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The council has a disposal process for assets declared surplus to requirements.
24673	An employee of West Lothian Council	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	I agree but think costs could be met by users.	Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	We will review our property assets and rationalise usage where possible taking into account the review and redesign of services delivered in the community and investigating opportunities for coordinating availability of facilities.
24674	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	Services provided by community centres can be significant for the general wellbeing of the community. This point must be considered with care.	Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Community resources will not necessarily be lost if local communities support them through community asset transfer and ownership. The council will also work with community organisations to support the use of non council buildings for community activities and services.
24675	An employee of West Lothian Council	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	This would impact on the people who need these places most. Making them more vulnerable and isolated.	Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Community resources will not necessarily be lost if local communities support them through community asset transfer and ownership. The council will also work with community organisations to support the use of non council buildings for community activities and services.
24676	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	Agreed no point paying for buildings that are surplus to council requirements	Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	We will review our property assets and rationalise usage where possible taking into account the review and redesign of services delivered in the community and investigating opportunities for coordinating availability of facilities.

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24677	An employee of West Lothian Council	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	The council has too many facilities that the public can use and the opening and closing of these is costly.. The saving on FMA time would be considerable	Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	We will review our property assets and rationalise usage where possible taking into account the review and redesign of services delivered in the community and investigating opportunities for coordinating availability of facilities.
24678	An employee of West Lothian Council	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	I believe cutting this will be more damage within the community's as we have a good working relationship element from cradle to grave with all groups and centralising these would be more of a cost and detrimental to the community and possibly causing loneliness within the young and elderly	Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Community resources will not necessarily be lost if local communities support them through community asset transfer and ownership. The council will also work with community organisations to support the use of non council buildings for community activities and services.
24679	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	A local community centre is the heart of a small village for young and old. This brings in hall hire money and lets local people meet for activities and social occasions	Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Community resources will not necessarily be lost if local communities support them through community asset transfer and ownership. The council will also work with community organisations to support the use of non council buildings for community activities and services.
24680	An employee of West Lothian Council	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	Agree but will the communities?	Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	We will review our property assets and rationalise usage where possible taking into account the review and redesign of services delivered in the community and investigating opportunities for coordinating availability of facilities.
24681	No Response	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	. Community centres are a valuable part of our communities.	Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
24682	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	How will you ensure that the west lothian area will be fully covered or represented in community provision and that this will be easily accessed by all.	Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Community resources will not necessarily be lost if local communities support them through community asset transfer and ownership. The council will also work with community organisations to support the use of non council buildings for community activities and services.
24683	An employee of West Lothian Council	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	If these areas provide premises for local businesses this could be detrimental to the local economy (Dance schools, sport events, community choirs etc)	Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council has a disposal process for assets declared surplus to requirements with receipts reinvested in council assets. The sites would be available for purchase by all interested parties. Use of sites for specific purposes is determined by planning restrictions.
24684	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	Review the provision of facilities in a constructive manner. Some of these services are vital to maintaining any sense of community that is left in the modern West Lothian.	Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	We will review our property assets and rationalise usage where possible taking into account the review and redesign of services delivered in the community and investigating opportunities for coordinating availability of facilities.
24685	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	Loops again community centres get a kick in the teeth for doin a great job of keeping loads of kids of the street of course I am a bit biased as I am the chairperson of E/W Community centre which has a full program I lat add. So here we are again threatened with closure and outing around 200 kids back on the street along with the adult groups, I really have my doubts that any small community centre would be able to become self sufficient without some help. .	Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities (general)	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
24686	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	Make sure that when these properties are being sold off that the council obtains the best possible price for them instead of selling off at ridiculously low figures only to have developers get money which should reach the public purse.	Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	The council has a disposal process for assets declared surplus to requirements with receipts reinvested in council assets. By law income received from the sale of assets can only be used for capital expenditure or repaying debt.

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24687	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	Community centres and village halls are essential for communities and should not be removed.	Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Community resources will not necessarily be lost if local communities support them through community asset transfer and ownership. The council will also work with community organisations to support the use of non council buildings for community activities and services.
24688	No Response	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	Agree. However current assets need to protected, monitored and maintained..	Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council's property asset management strategy and capital programme seek to identify planned maintenance to building fabric to minimise reactive maintenance going forward and maintain assets essential for the delivery of council services. The new ten year capital investment strategy will aim to maintain assets as much as possible within capital funding constraints to minimise the impact on revenue maintenance budgets.
24689	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	Transport deprivation is a huge problem in the area and you'll cut the more rural off from their support groups.	Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Community resources will not necessarily be lost if local communities support them through community asset transfer and ownership. The council will also work with community organisations to support the use of non council buildings for community activities and services.
24690	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	In principal yes, this again sounds sensible but there does need to be set some form of minimum requirement for number of facilities per community to avoid the risk of some Communities losing all their facilities.	Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Community resources will not necessarily be lost if local communities support them through community asset transfer and ownership. The council will also work with community organisations to support the use of non council buildings for community activities and services.
24691	An employee of West Lothian Council	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	Rationalise the number of community centres and village halls.	Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council's Property Asset Management Strategy includes plans to ensure effective and efficient use of property assets. We will review our property assets and rationalise usage where possible taking into account the review and redesign of services delivered in the community and investigating opportunities for coordinating availability of facilities.
24692	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	Good idea but must be done sensitively with the full backing of the Community and therefore unlikely to happen during the period of the financial plan.	Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	We will review our property assets and rationalise usage where possible taking into account the review and redesign of services delivered in the community and investigating opportunities for coordinating availability of facilities.
24693	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	What does this saving mean? Again we have insufficient information relating to the specifics of this saving to make an informed decision on who this will affect and how. Has an equality impact assessment been completed for this saving? Partnership model - what is this?	Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	In line with established budget setting processes, all proposed reduction measures will be subject to an equality impact assessment.
24694	An employee of West Lothian Council	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	These community centres are the heart of villages sometimes, and well utilised, others will not be used as often, and can see why savings would be required.	Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	We will review our property assets and rationalise usage where possible taking into account the review and redesign of services delivered in the community and investigating opportunities for coordinating availability of facilities.
24695	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	Some small communities rely on these services. This will cause hardship and social exclusion to these areas	Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Community resources will not necessarily be lost if local communities support them through community asset transfer and ownership. The council will also work with community organisations to support the use of non council buildings for community activities and services.
24696	An employee of West Lothian Council	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	This would help the council. and hopefully groups would get support from other organisations or businesses to fund their groups.	Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has an approved policy which deals with transfers of certain council assets to the Third Sector. The approved council policy contains a number of safeguards designed to ensure that any transfer is sustainable in terms of future use.

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24697	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	In Winchburgh we only have 1 community centre which is small and not enough for the growing community we now have with the new developments. The council should invest in either a second community centre or expanding the current one to allow more room for activities for the community. The council need to invest in the community not cut funds.	Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Options for community provision are being considered as part of the core development plan for Winchburgh.
24698	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	Difficult one. How would small, less wealthy communities organise this?	Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The council has an approved policy which deals with transfers of certain council assets to the Third Sector. The approved council policy contains a number of safeguards designed to ensure that any transfer is sustainable in terms of future use.
24699	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	Must be considered. Relying on reliable and community minded citizens that have any spare time.	Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	We will review our property assets and rationalise usage where possible taking into account the review and redesign of services delivered in the community and investigating opportunities for coordinating availability of facilities.
24700	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	Properties/ vacant sites should be sold for commercial development that will provide additional financial return through local taxation/ rates.	Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	The council has a disposal process for assets declared surplus to requirements with receipts reinvested in council assets. By law income received from the sale of assets can only be used for capital expenditure or repaying debt.
24701	An employee of West Lothian Council	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	Feel we could reduce the number of community facilities but it has to be the right ones or the savings will not be made. Feel that very few management committees are strong enough and skilled up appropriately to asset transfer and expect many will walk away. Be prepare for a political storm.	Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	We will review our property assets and rationalise usage where possible taking into account the review and redesign of services delivered in the community and investigating opportunities for coordinating availability of facilities. The council has an approved policy which deals with transfers of certain council assets to the Third Sector. The approved council policy contains a number of safeguards designed to ensure that any transfer is sustainable in terms of future use.
24702	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	I think it makes sense to consolidate and ensure that opportunities reach a wide audience and make good use of resources, consideration would need to be given to smaller communities where access and transport may be an issue.	Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	We will review our property assets and rationalise usage where possible taking into account the review and redesign of services delivered in the community and investigating opportunities for coordinating availability of facilities.
24703	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	I think it will be important to think about the accessibility and the general standard of those buildings. Which ones are the best ones to keep in WLC ownership to ensure a good distribution across all communities, large and small? I live in Linlithgow which has a variety of venues in council but also in other organisations' ownership. Therefore I would not object to council 'rationalisation'. Other communities are much smaller and have less assets in their population and therefore should be prioritised for council support. Much of community development required in the transformation needs a good base which the many council work streams can access for a range of activities across all age groups.	Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Community resources will not necessarily be lost if local communities support them through community asset transfer and ownership. The council will also work with community organisations to support the use of non council buildings for community activities and services.
24704	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	Must have duplication of function and use across all of council area	Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council's Property Asset Management Strategy includes plans to ensure effective and efficient use of property assets. We will review our property assets and rationalise usage where possible taking into account the review and redesign of services delivered in the community and investigating opportunities for coordinating availability of facilities.
24705	No Response	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	Many small communities may suffer. If reductions are required then it should be where there are similar services inn the same geographical area e.g Livingston, bathgate etc	Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Community resources will not necessarily be lost if local communities support them through community asset transfer and ownership. The council will also work with community organisations to support the use of non council buildings for community activities and services.

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24706	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	Currently these village halls and community centres offer very little benefit so I would agree. However, if you're talking about reducing crime, alcohol abuse etc then perhaps actually investing in these and offering an alternative to hanging round streets and doing nothing would be more appropriate. Investing to save in the future rather than a short sighted approach of closing them.	Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	We will review our property assets and rationalise usage where possible taking into account the review and redesign of services delivered in the community and investigating opportunities for coordinating availability of facilities.
24707	An employee of West Lothian Council	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	Close all the small village halls that are hardly used	Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	We will review our property assets and rationalise usage where possible taking into account the review and redesign of services delivered in the community and investigating opportunities for coordinating availability of facilities.
24708	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	1) How would the Council assess that assets are not solely being transferred as part of a cost-saving exercise & to reduce the number of community facilities but only where there is capacity for genuine community empowerment?	Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities (general)	5b. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it is likely that the costs of this proposal would outweigh the benefit.	Due to the continued constraint on both revenue and capital budgets, the council needs to reduce the total number of assets requiring maintenance. The unavoidable cost of keeping all properties would require a larger saving to be delivered. Where usage is low and there is no demand for community ownership it is likely that the building will still have to close.
24709	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	Leave them alone	Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
24710	No Response	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	Again this question comes down to different requirements for different areas. In a fairly affluent area, or large urban area like Livingston or Linlithgow there are plenty groups and individuals able to own and run the facilities. In deprived areas like Bridgend, Philipstoun And probably many others there is not enough requirement to keep the hall open all week.	Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Community resources will not necessarily be lost if local communities support them through community asset transfer and ownership. The council will also work with community organisations to support the use of non council buildings for community activities and services.
24711	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	Yes reasonable, I'm amazed at the low thresholds for some facilities which seem to date from a pre-car generation but granted WL is suburban / small town in nature. Great that there are loads of public swimming pools here; very few in home counties by comparison but local is nice	Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	We will review our property assets and rationalise usage where possible taking into account the review and redesign of services delivered in the community and investigating opportunities for coordinating availability of facilities.
24712	No Response	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	Agree, this is a fantastic idea and not only does it save costs but it brings communities together, and gives the joint responsibility. Could we consider renting the properties to our supply chain. This could be at reduced goods/ services costs, or works to be carried out to an agreed value and instruction?	Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
24713	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	As services constrict, community resources will be needed more than ever. I think these approaches would be great however, community leaders will still need some support in their role to ensure continuity of groups/local activities. Perhaps the council could re-driect resources to this i.e. community workers, support workers, social workers as part of their roles	Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The council has an approved policy which deals with transfers of certain council assets to the Third Sector. The approved council policy contains a number of safeguards designed to ensure that any transfer is sustainable in terms of future use. This policy and process is being reviewed to assist community groups further in this process.
24714	An employee of West Lothian Council	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	This may be something the private sector will pick up on.	Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
24715	An employee of West Lothian Council	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	Is this not going to prevent more community groups from developing and meeting up? If young people are not going to have activities to go to in the evenings or weekends, is there not more chance of 'anti social behaviour' and poorer wellbeing amongst young people?	Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Community resources will not necessarily be lost if local communities support them through community asset transfer and ownership. The council will also work with community organisations to support the use of non council buildings for community activities and services.

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24716	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	Suggest that community centres and village halls are crucial - space already limited for many important activities (particularly for the young and the very old.) Can we make them MORE vibrant and purposeful without increasing the budget?	Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities (general)	5b. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it is likely that the costs of this proposal would outweigh the benefit.	Community resources will not necessarily be lost if local communities support them through community asset transfer and ownership. The council will also work with community organisations to support the use of non council buildings for community activities and services. Due to the continued constraint on both revenue and capital budgets, the council needs to reduce the total number of assets requiring maintenance.
24717	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	Provision should be available for all without travelling long distances.	Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Community resources will not necessarily be lost if local communities support them through community asset transfer and ownership. The council will also work with community organisations to support the use of non council buildings for community activities and services.
24718	An employee of West Lothian Council	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	yes, too many old buildings are very expensive.	Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	We will review our property assets and rationalise usage where possible taking into account the review and redesign of services delivered in the community and investigating opportunities for coordinating availability of facilities.
24719	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	The removal of such facilities will only further impoverish communities that probably need them most. This will do nothing for community cohesion and runs counter to the Government's health and fitness agenda.	Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Community resources will not necessarily be lost if local communities support them through community asset transfer and ownership. The council will also work with community organisations to support the use of non council buildings for community activities and services.
24720	An employee of West Lothian Council	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	Many of these buildings are used because of their close proximity to otherwise isolated villages and towns.	Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Community resources will not necessarily be lost if local communities support them through community asset transfer and ownership. The council will also work with community organisations to support the use of non council buildings for community activities and services.
24721	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	this is a disgrace to get rid off or take no responsibility for almost all of the community buildings .	Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Community resources will not necessarily be lost if local communities support them through community asset transfer and ownership. The council will also work with community organisations to support the use of non council buildings for community activities and services.
24722	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	agree to certain extent , volunteering is what might have to happen rather than pay staff to look after poorly used facility's and halls .	Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	We will review our property assets and rationalise usage where possible taking into account the review and redesign of services delivered in the community and investigating opportunities for coordinating availability of facilities.
24723	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	What would happen to halls no longer used.	Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Buildings could be transferred to community groups or sold to generate a capital receipt for the council.
24724	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	This should be core council business.	Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities (general)	5b. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it is likely that the costs of this proposal would outweigh the benefit.	Due to the continued constraint on both revenue and capital budgets, the council needs to reduce the total number of assets requiring maintenance. The unavoidable cost of keeping all properties would require a larger saving to be delivered.
24725	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	It is apparent that the Council is quite willing to abandon communities. Many communities depend upon and benefit considerably from such facilities but do not have available to them individuals who are articulate (and have time available) who can step in to keep services running after the Council ceases to provide them. For centuries we have been used to such facilities being provided by local councils.	Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Community resources will not necessarily be lost if local communities support them through community asset transfer and ownership. The council will also work with community organisations to support the use of non council buildings for community activities and services.

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24726	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	Rent charges for space in council buildings are too high for many community groups reducing the use of council buildings. There are many examples of groups or classes stopping or moving out to other venues.	Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. In comparison to other local authorities, the charges in West Lothian are considered to be lower than many others.
24727	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	I agree with the proposal as long as it does not impact on smaller outlying towns.	Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Community resources will not necessarily be lost if local communities support them through community asset transfer and ownership. The council will also work with community organisations to support the use of non council buildings for community activities and services.
24728	An employee of West Lothian Council	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	There will be a critical mass for council buildings and services. The number of buildings should not be reduced to an extent where staff feel shoehorned into buildings and the working environment adversely affected.	Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	The amount of floor space per staff member is governed by regulation and the council meets this standard.
24729	An employee of West Lothian Council	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	Community Centres should be reduced. More shared facilities and use of schools	Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council's Property Asset Management Strategy includes plans to ensure effective and efficient use of property assets. We will review our property assets and usage where possible taking into account the review and redesign of services delivered in the community, whilst considering safety and service delivery requirements.
24730	No Response	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	Some consolidation makes sense-some localities would be left with very little	Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Community resources will not necessarily be lost if local communities support them through community asset transfer and ownership. The council will also work with community organisations to support the use of non council buildings for community activities and services.
24731	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	Any properties lying empty should be assessed quickly and property sold promptly before it falls into a state of disrepair	Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has a disposal process for assets declared surplus to requirements with receipts reinvested in council assets. This includes consideration of when to bring properties to the market to ensure the greatest receipt for the council. Market conditions may mean that properties are not listed for sale for some period.
24732	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	Asset transfer is not a quick process. It is unlikely that the savings proposed can be realised in this financial period unless there is a wholesale disposal of assets. This I would oppose. Linlithgow benefits from a major asset in the context of the Burgh Halls. However, much more needs to be done to promote the venue which means investing more to generate increased income. This is a primary money earning asset that is currently not fulfilling its potential. Community Centres provide a useful venue for various community groups. The statement "an opportunity to consolidate the number of community centres" sounds like closure which I would oppose in Linlithgow.	Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Community resources will not necessarily be lost if local communities support them through community asset transfer and ownership. The council will also work with community organisations to support the use of non council buildings for community activities and services. Due to the continued constraint on both revenue and capital budgets, the council needs to reduce the total number of assets requiring maintenance.
24733	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	Let's think this one through carefully and not treat every area the same	Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	We will review our property assets and rationalise usage where possible taking into account the review and redesign of services delivered in the community and investigating opportunities for coordinating availability of facilities.
24734	An employee of West Lothian Council	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	Agree although this will need to be carefully managed and auditing arrangements in place.	Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has an approved policy which deals with transfers of certain council assets to the Third Sector. The approved council policy contains a number of safeguards designed to ensure that any transfer is sustainable in terms of future use.

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24735	No Response	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	Wholly agree with this proposal- Considering the age and standard of some of the older buildings, my opinion is that it would be more financially viable going down this route	Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	We will review our property assets and rationalise usage where possible taking into account the review and redesign of services delivered in the community and investigating opportunities for coordinating availability of facilities.
24736	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	Agree, provided there is an adequate spread of quality facilities available for local use.	Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	We will review our property assets and rationalise usage where possible taking into account the review and redesign of services delivered in the community and investigating opportunities for coordinating availability of facilities.
24737	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	Agree, but a tapered approach should be adopted over time to allow the community to adapt.	Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has an approved policy which deals with transfers of certain council assets to the Third Sector. The approved council policy contains a number of safeguards designed to ensure that any transfer is sustainable in terms of future use.
24738	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	Can a profit not be made from these facilities? Aligns with priorities although will be a loss to communities.	Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Community resources will not necessarily be lost if local communities support them through community asset transfer and ownership. The council will also work with community organisations to support the use of non council buildings for community activities and services.
24739	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	It is to be hoped that this does not have a deterrent effect on participation levels in community councils which is already disappointingly low in Livingston.	Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Community resources will not necessarily be lost if local communities support them through community asset transfer and ownership. The council will also work with community organisations to support the use of non council buildings for community activities and services.
24740	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	Will there be enough space in Partnership buildings to accommodate groups	Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	The introduction of partnership centres has seen an increase in the number of multi purpose buildings. Building users are consulted throughout the design and construction of these buildings to help ensure that their requirements are met within the constraints of available resources.
24741	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	On what criteria will this be decided? Someone is bound to lose out.	Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Community resources will not necessarily be lost if local communities support them through community asset transfer and ownership. The council will also work with community organisations to support the use of non council buildings for community activities and services.
24742	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	I would have thought this would already have been done, but would expect cost saving to be greater.	Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	The council has an energy reduction work plan and is committed to exploring opportunities for reducing the energy bill through the use of renewable energy solutions, improved energy efficiency of buildings and equipment and changing the behaviour of users in council buildings. The council has already delivered considerable savings over the last five years through energy efficiency.
24743	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	why not retain the properties but charge for their use - these are important facilities	Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities (general)	5b. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it is likely that the costs of this proposal would outweigh the benefit.	Due to the continued constraint on both revenue and capital budgets, the council needs to reduce the total number of assets requiring maintenance. The unavoidable cost of keeping all properties would require a larger saving to be delivered.
24744	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	Access to council run properties at an attractive rate is critical to local communities, many being entirely dependent on these facilities. This cannot be impacted.	Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Community resources will not necessarily be lost if local communities support them through community asset transfer and ownership. The council will also work with community organisations to support the use of non council buildings for community activities and services.

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24745	No Response	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	Do not agree with this. Community centres and village halls can promote socialisation in the elderly or mentally ill. These centres can often be a lifeline to those that need it.	Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Community resources will not necessarily be lost if local communities support them through community asset transfer and ownership. The council will also work with community organisations to support the use of non council buildings for community activities and services.
24746	An employee of West Lothian Council	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	Where this is feasible to do so it would make sense to consolidate these facilities. Transferring ownership to community groups may be appropriate as long as they have the tools to appropriately manage these facilities and that the responsibility is not likely to return to the council should they be mismanaged.	Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has an approved policy which deals with transfers of certain council assets to the Third Sector. The approved council policy contains a number of safeguards designed to ensure that any transfer is sustainable in terms of future use.
24747	An employee of West Lothian Council	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	The default position should be either to transfer all community facilities of this sort to local management groups or trusts or sell the building on the open market.	Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	We will review our property assets and rationalise usage where possible taking into account the review and redesign of services delivered in the community and investigating opportunities for coordinating availability of facilities. The council has an approved policy which deals with transfers of certain council assets to the Third Sector. The council has a disposal process for assets declared surplus to requirements.
24748	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	Supported as long as community facilities are handed to the local community rather than withdrawn and put up for sale	Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has an approved policy which deals with transfers of certain council assets to the Third Sector. The approved council policy contains a number of safeguards designed to ensure that any transfer is sustainable in terms of future use.
24749	An employee of West Lothian Council	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	This is very damaging to communities, community centres provide opportunities for marginalised groups to access groups, social opportunities, exercise and learning opportunities.	Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Community resources will not necessarily be lost if local communities support them through community asset transfer and ownership. The council will also work with community organisations to support the use of non council buildings for community activities and services.
24750	An employee of West Lothian Council	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	Good idea. Also sell any land that is no longer required (ie the site of the former swimming pool in Bathgate).	Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has a disposal process for assets declared surplus to requirements with receipts reinvested in council assets. This includes consideration of when to bring properties to the market to ensure the greatest receipt for the council. Market conditions may mean that properties are not listed for sale for some period.
24751	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	Would like to see impact assessments on communities.	Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Community resources will not necessarily be lost if local communities support them through community asset transfer and ownership. The council will also work with community organisations to support the use of non council buildings for community activities and services.
24752	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	This makes sense as many buildings may be under used or could have reduced hours (e.g closure on Sundays or non-popular weekdays) and therefore represent a good potential source of saving.	Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The review of council facilities will consider a number of factors but the demand and current use of the facility will be one of the main considerations.
24753	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	Some premises are not fit for purpose and are overpriced and underused, therefore the staff being paid to work in them are being paid to do nothing more than watch the buildings. These buildings also require lighting and cleaning which is more money wasted. The numbers of children attending Youth clubs needs investigation as some clubs are running with only two people in attendance.	Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has an approved policy which deals with transfers of certain council assets to the Third Sector. The approved council policy contains a number of safeguards designed to ensure that any transfer is sustainable in terms of future use. Community resources will not necessarily be lost if local communities support them through community asset transfer and ownership. The council will also work with community organisations to support the use of non council buildings for community activities and services.

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24754	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	Corporate partnerships or a renting model should be explored.	Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities (general)	5b. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it is likely that the costs of this proposal would outweigh the benefit.	Due to the continued constraint on both revenue and capital budgets, the council needs to reduce the total number of assets requiring maintenance. The unavoidable cost of keeping all properties would require a larger saving to be delivered.
24755	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	It appears centralisation of local services generally means moved to Livingston, seems unfair to other outlying communities.	Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Community resources will not necessarily be lost if local communities support them through community asset transfer and ownership. The council will also work with community organisations to support the use of non council buildings for community activities and services. The focus will continue to be on partnership centre provision therefore there is currently there is no proposal to centralise all council buildings in Livingston.
24756	No Response	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	There needs to be care here, as a number of Community Centres have volunteers on the committees. If more is pushed on these people the people will resign/leave. As it is unpaid/volunteer work, of which no more hours than already given can be increased. Due to the volunteers having families and other commitments. This would potentially affect the local community and residents. Don't know enough about the Community Empowerment act	Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council has an approved policy which deals with transfers of certain council assets to the Third Sector. The approved council policy contains a number of safeguards designed to ensure that any transfer is sustainable in terms of future use.
24757	An employee of West Lothian Council	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	seems that fewer facilities will be available for people in the communities	Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Community resources will not necessarily be lost if local communities support them through community asset transfer and ownership. The council will also work with community organisations to support the use of non council buildings for community activities and services.
24758	No Response	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	For people who have access to their own transport these changes may not present a problem but care must be taken to ensure that the more vulnerable are not adversely affected with these changes. Many people rely on these services.	Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Community resources will not necessarily be lost if local communities support them through community asset transfer and ownership. The council will also work with community organisations to support the use of non council buildings for community activities and services.
24759	An employee of West Lothian Council	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	how sad that buildings owned by WLC allowed to fall down...Armadale Nursery???? pigeons living in it for years?? Winchburgh???	Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The council aims to retain buildings, especially those with architectural merit, however it may not be economically viable in some cases. The retention of buildings is considered on a case by case basis.
24760	An employee of West Lothian Council	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	By helping to reduce cost of buildings. Why not have different services, share buildings over the festive period when staffing is reduced, close some work buildings and make a saving on energy bills.	Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	This is a good idea. Although some council facilities need to remain open for service delivery and cover, opportunities to consolidate cover into fewer buildings over the festive period will be considered.
24761	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	Good idea lots of these buildings are old.	Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	We will review our property assets and rationalise usage where possible taking into account the review and redesign of services delivered in the community and investigating opportunities for coordinating availability of facilities.
24762	An employee of West Lothian Council	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	Good idea, although I would hope small community assets don't loose out.	Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Community resources will not necessarily be lost if local communities support them through community asset transfer and ownership. The council will also work with community organisations to support the use of non council buildings for community activities and services.

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24763	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	Agree generally with buildings rationalisation but would urge that they are not left empty and become a wasting asset and blot on the landscape. Wherever possible Council should offer them to community groups and local partnerships for community use. In this Council should encourage imaginative and create use of resources that are no longer required. Keep it local and empower local community. Local groups should be made aware of cost implications and need to maintain these assets.	Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has a disposal process for assets declared surplus to requirements with receipts reinvested in council assets. This includes consideration of when to bring properties to the market to ensure the greatest receipt for the council. Market conditions may mean that properties are not listed for sale for some period. The council has an approved policy which deals with transfers of certain council assets to the Third Sector. The approved council policy contains a number of safeguards designed to ensure that any transfer is sustainable in terms of future use.
24764	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	Community Centres can be vital to the old, young and disabled. There is less and less in the community which genuinely caters for everyone. But then as a Council you don't really care about that!	Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Community resources will not necessarily be lost if local communities support them through community asset transfer and ownership. The council will also work with community organisations to support the use of non council buildings for community activities and services.
24765	An employee of West Lothian Council	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	Streamlining of under used buildings is common sense and should be looked at	Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	We will review our property assets and rationalise usage where possible taking into account the review and redesign of services delivered in the community and investigating opportunities for coordinating availability of facilities.
24766	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	The Community Empowerment Act sounds good in theory but I am concerned that whilst community proposals need to be seriously considered by councils, they are not obliged to accept them. If a number of proposals are on the table, money would be considered before any community concern. The council should publicly announce what buildings they are going to "dispose" of - particularly historical ones like Annet House in Linlithgow - with time and support for community groups who want to draft a proposal(s) to take ownership of WLC properties.	Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The council has an approved policy which deals with transfers of certain council assets to the Third Sector. The approved council policy contains a number of safeguards designed to ensure that any transfer is sustainable in terms of future use. Community resources will not necessarily be lost if local communities support them through community asset transfer and ownership. The council will also work with community organisations to support the use of non council buildings for community activities and services.
24767	No Response	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	This is a shame as it adversely affects older people, isolated people and the most vulnerable members of our society.	Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Community resources will not necessarily be lost if local communities support them through community asset transfer and ownership. The council will also work with community organisations to support the use of non council buildings for community activities and services.
24768	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	The partnership model and having community access to school facilities, including sports facilities should be developed where possible.	Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council's Property Asset Management Strategy includes plans to ensure effective and efficient use of property assets. We will review our property assets and usage where possible taking into account the review and redesign of services delivered in the community, whilst considering safety and service delivery requirements.
24769	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	I would support additional Community Benefit leases or Community Asset Transfers for all facilities that would benefit local communities and reduce costs for WLC.	Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has an approved policy which deals with transfers of certain council assets to the Third Sector. The approved council policy contains a number of safeguards designed to ensure that any transfer is sustainable in terms of future use.
24770	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	Joined-up thinking needs to take place with regards to proposed transfer of facilities to community management (e.g. football pavilions) and retained maintenance arrangements (e.g. football pitches). Opportunities exists to reduce costs through wider consideration of responsibilities for leased/transferred facilities in discussion with community clubs and organisations.	Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council's Property Asset Management Strategy includes plans to ensure effective and efficient use of property assets. We will review our property assets and rationalise usage where possible taking into account the review and redesign of services delivered in the community and investigating opportunities for coordinating availability of facilities.

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24771	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	This will probably isolate vulnerable people	Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Community resources will not necessarily be lost if local communities support them through community asset transfer and ownership. The council will also work with community organisations to support the use of non council buildings for community activities and services.
24772	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	Disagree. Partnership model does NOT serve all communities, in outlying areas. Some community centres are vital to smaller villages and should be maintained or, asset transfer should be given to existing management committees, on a first refusal basis. WLC should be prepared to provide funding of approx. £100,000 for the first year of transferred ownership.	Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Community resources will not necessarily be lost if local communities support them through community asset transfer and ownership. The council will also work with community organisations to support the use of non council buildings for community activities and services. The council has an approved policy which deals with transfers of certain council assets to the Third Sector. The approved council policy contains a number of safeguards designed to ensure that any transfer is sustainable in terms of future use.
24773	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	Carefull Village halls and community centres provide informal but signicant opportunities for community cohesion, support and identity. Any review in this area must be very sensitive to individual community needs and identities.	Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Community resources will not necessarily be lost if local communities support them through community asset transfer and ownership. The council will also work with community organisations to support the use of non council buildings for community activities and services.
24774	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	If the costs and management of community centres were well managed then they should provide sufficient income to cover costs. In my experience WLC hiring charges make hiring a WLC facility unattractive.	Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Current levels of hire charge for community centres compare favourably with other councils.
24775	An employee of West Lothian Council	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	The issue with this is whether you have competent people who are willing to give a lot of time and effort to voluntarily running facilities. Often management committees do not reflect the community make-up and may have their own agendas.	Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The council has an approved policy which deals with transfers of certain council assets to the Third Sector. The approved council policy contains a number of safeguards designed to ensure that any transfer is sustainable in terms of future use.
24776	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	This would cause concern for me in deprived areas	Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Community resources will not necessarily be lost if local communities support them through community asset transfer and ownership. The council will also work with community organisations to support the use of non council buildings for community activities and services.
24777	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	Agree with putting together proposals but they should be presented to the public before any decisions are made as members of the public may be able, with the appropriate information and knowledge, to agree or suggest alternative ways of making savings.	Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	This document is the first stage of public consultation. Further public consultation on specific changes to services is an integral part of the change management process and will be undertaken as proposals are developed further.
24778	No Response	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	Ok, if absolutely necessary. Community groups are essential - please try not to lose them.	Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Community resources will not necessarily be lost if local communities support them through community asset transfer and ownership. The council will also work with community organisations to support the use of non council buildings for community activities and services.
24779	An employee of West Lothian Council	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	My concerns around this are areas in West Lothian were there would then be no or little access to local services or centres, I have heard people say there is nothing much in there area and they don't have the finances to travel to access services. The programmes provided in centres provide a great service to the local people to attend different activities and this can have a very positive impact on their quality of life as well as provide employment to local people. I feel careful consideration needs to be given to the wider impact of closing many centres.	Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Community resources will not necessarily be lost if local communities support them through community asset transfer and ownership. The council will also work with community organisations to support the use of non council buildings for community activities and services.

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24780	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	While I would consider that, in principle, local resources are important, detailed local needs assessments would be required to establish how this would work. In the sentence above "As the council has moved to the partnership model, there is an opportunity to consolidate the number of community centres and village halls.", it appears that what is actually meant is the council ceasing to operate some facilities. If this means that where there are multiple facilities in a community, these could all be handled in one local facility, that would be an acceptable use of the word "consolidate". However if the plan is to remove facilities altogether from a community, this is not reasonable use of the word. Definition of consolidate in Oxford Dictionaries: "combine (a number of things) into a single more effective or coherent whole."	Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	We will review our property assets and rationalise usage where possible taking into account the review and redesign of services delivered in the community and investigating opportunities for coordinating availability of facilities. Community resources will not necessarily be lost if local communities support them through community asset transfer and ownership. The council will also work with community organisations to support the use of non council buildings for community activities and services.
24781	An employee of West Lothian Council	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	Community groups are used to help children, young people and adults limiting this resource will not help with mental health/ support If buildings are closed will people still have an access point?	Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Community resources will not necessarily be lost if local communities support them through community asset transfer and ownership. The council will also work with community organisations to support the use of non council buildings for community activities and services.
24782	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	Some older people who use these buildings and cannot travel easily will stop going put if a short journey down the street turns into a 30 min journey on a bus. This will impact on one of the 8 key areas and not positively.	Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Community resources will not necessarily be lost if local communities support them through community asset transfer and ownership. The council will also work with community organisations to support the use of non council buildings for community activities and services.
24783	No Response	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	As staff numbers are going to reduce, there must be opportunities to reduce the number of buildings.	Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	We will review our property assets and rationalise usage where possible taking into account the review and redesign of services delivered in the community and investigating opportunities for coordinating availability of facilities.
24784	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	Rats from a sinking ship	Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities (general)	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
24785	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	Totally agree with this one. Too many private companies using council premises and paying ridiculously low rates, whilst makes enormous profits. So yes to partnership centres and hire rates commesurate with profit-making organisations and lower rates for true community organisations and clubs.	Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	In reviewing the commercial property portfolio the aim is to create a dynamic and proactive portfolio that strives to deliver good opportunities and improving rent returns. The review of rents will be considered in line with various factors including market rates and local circumstances.
24786	No Response	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	This might include Annet House in Linlithgow.	Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	The council will consider any requests for asset transfer under the requirements of the Community Empowerment (Scotland) Act 2015 on their own merits.
24787	No Response	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	Not too many	Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	We will review our property assets and rationalise usage where possible taking into account the review and redesign of services delivered in the community and investigating opportunities for coordinating availability of facilities.

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24788	An employee of West Lothian Council	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	the likes of Bridgend where I am a youth worker on a Friday should not be closed. LYPP provides a football club on a Wednesday. Bridgend is classed as a deprived area. They have no management committee for the centre there. I can have 20 kids max on a Friday. We have been there since May 2016. Kids are desperate to come to our club. For the centre in Bridgend to close would have a major affect on our young people. we have 20 kids who we do make a difference with, even younger kids know me by name and cannot wait to reach P6 so they csn come to club. I work a Monday and Thursday night in Winchburgh community centre, and am involved with Winchburgh Scout group who meet on a Friday night in winchburgh community centre. our numbers on a Monday and Thursday night are at full capacity, the same with our Scout Group. We have waiting lists. with our Thursday youth club for P1s to P5s we have a waiting list, and that has been without advertising in Winchburgh Primary or Holy Family School. We are also one of the few clubs in West Lothian who have a parent rota, where parents are glad to help out.	Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Community resources will not necessarily be lost if local communities support them through community asset transfer and ownership. The council will also work with community organisations to support the use of non council buildings for community activities and services.
24789	An employee of West Lothian Council	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	Village halls could be sold for Housing / Homeless accommodation?	Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The council has undertaken projects in the past to use surplus land and buildings for provision of council housing (e.g. Broxburn PS). The council will continue to review opportunities to use surplus assets for this purpose.
24790	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	In principal I agree provided safeguards are put in place to ensure that assets are indeed transferred to the community for it's use and not to developers. Also asset transfer is not a quick process. It is unlikely that the savings proposed can be realised in this financial period unless there is a wholesale disposal of assets.	Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has an approved policy which deals with transfers of certain council assets to the Third Sector. The approved council policy contains a number of safeguards designed to ensure that any transfer is sustainable in terms of future use. This policy and process is being reviewed to assist community groups further in this process.
24791	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	I think this should only be imposed on Community Centres etc. if there is a willingness from local people to take control, if not the facility should be left to operate in that area but perhaps more efficiently.	Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Community resources will not necessarily be lost if local communities support them through community asset transfer and ownership. The council will also work with community organisations to support the use of non council buildings for community activities and services.
24792	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	Community centres are incredibly important resources for the people of West Lothian. People need places to meet and carry out a range of activities.	Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Community resources will not necessarily be lost if local communities support them through community asset transfer and ownership. The council will also work with community organisations to support the use of non council buildings for community activities and services.
24793	An employee of West Lothian Council	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	this makes sense where there is demand a community capacity to ensure a sustainable solution is found within the community. If there isn't one the properties cannot be mothballed and allowed to slowly fall to bits. They should be sold or demolished and the land put to better use.	Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Community resources will not necessarily be lost if local communities support them through community asset transfer and ownership. The council will also work with community organisations to support the use of non council buildings for community activities and services.
24794	An employee of West Lothian Council	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	this makes sense where there is demand a community capacity to ensure a sustainable solution is found within the community. If there isn't one the properties cannot be mothballed and allowed to slowly fall to bits. They should be sold or demolished and the land put to better use.	Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Community resources will not necessarily be lost if local communities support them through community asset transfer and ownership. The council will also work with community organisations to support the use of non council buildings for community activities and services.
24795	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	Whilst I can see the benefit of this, what will happen to vacated buildings? will they be rented out to provide revenue, sold or left empty? Again this proposal suggests a reduction in staffing.	Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The council has a disposal process for assets declared surplus to requirements with receipts reinvested in council assets. This includes consideration of when to bring properties to the market to ensure the greatest receipt for the council. Market conditions may mean that properties are not listed for sale for some period. The council has an approved policy which deals with transfers of certain council assets to the Third Sector. The approved council policy contains a number of safeguards designed to ensure that any transfer is sustainable in terms of future use.

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24796	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	Could some of these buildings be given to nursery or places that cater for children and children with disabilities? There is a lack of facilities for such places	Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has an approved policy which deals with transfers of certain council assets to the Third Sector. The approved council policy contains a number of safeguards designed to ensure that any transfer is sustainable in terms of future use. This policy and process is being reviewed to assist community groups further in this process.
24797	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	Consider the availability of community social meeting places, especially for the elderly as an important lifeline for them, to meet and interact with fellow citizens, possibly being the only people they talk to in their later years. As unfortunate as the financial circumstances are, I would like to think that these meeting places, will still be available, however may be reduced in number.	Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Community resources will not necessarily be lost if local communities support them through community asset transfer and ownership. The council will also work with community organisations to support the use of non council buildings for community activities and services.
24798	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	Sounds like a job for your partners again. People want local facilities in their town or village so don't have to travel which is difficult as it sounds like you are going to cut the bus services.	Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Community resources will not necessarily be lost if local communities support them through community asset transfer and ownership. The council will also work with community organisations to support the use of non council buildings for community activities and services.
24799	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	This will be a huge undertaking as sports clubs will no longer be voluntary groups but will have to have some sort of company public liability status, as well as potential investment backing to maintain and continue to improve facilities. This is of particular concern to our swimming clubs. The existing facilities are well used but there is concern about the capacity for expansion of club.	Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council has an approved policy which deals with transfers of certain council assets to the Third Sector. The approved council policy contains a number of safeguards designed to ensure that any transfer is sustainable in terms of future use. This policy and process is being reviewed to assist community groups further in this process.
24800	An employee of West Lothian Council	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	With the proposed reduction in numbers of community facilities and this proposed reduction in opening hours, where are community groups such as cubs/scouts/guides, youth clubs and so on going to go? Surely this could lead to a reduction in diversionary activities, which in turn could lead to an increase in antisocial behaviour.	Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Community resources will not necessarily be lost if local communities support them through community asset transfer and ownership. The council will also work with community organisations to support the use of non council buildings for community activities and services.
24801	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	Some community facilities are already stripped back to the minimum and it is very difficult to organise events as such and to get access. Disagree with this proposal as these are vital lifelines for communities, especially small villages.	Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Community resources will not necessarily be lost if local communities support them through community asset transfer and ownership. The council will also work with community organisations to support the use of non council buildings for community activities and services.
24802	No Response	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	Individual impact will be critical here.	Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Community resources will not necessarily be lost if local communities support them through community asset transfer and ownership. The council will also work with community organisations to support the use of non council buildings for community activities and services.
24803	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	Why have you been wasting so much of our money up to this point?	Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has delivered substantial property management savings over the past ten years and will continue to do so over the next five years.
24804	An employee of West Lothian Council	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	There are a number of buildings in the Council's estate which are in a poor state of repair, including the Civic Centre. The community is empowered by statute, not by the proposal. It is not clear how the saving will be made.	Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Generally the council's property assets are in good condition compared to many others. The saving will be achieved through the reduction in revenue running costs of facilities to the council.
24805	An employee of West Lothian Council	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	This will remove in some areas vital contact for social educational and fitness families for communities.	Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Community resources will not necessarily be lost if local communities support them through community asset transfer and ownership. The council will also work with community organisations to support the use of non council buildings for community activities and services.

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24806	An employee of West Lothian Council	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	Isolated areas (e.g. Stoneyburn, Addiewell, Fauldhouse) should be prioritised when consolidating buildings. These communities often have very few amenities and loss of community centres would have a huge impact on these fairly isolated, and often low-income communities.	Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Community resources will not necessarily be lost if local communities support them through community asset transfer and ownership. The council will also work with community organisations to support the use of non council buildings for community activities and services.
24807	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	Village halls and local community centres provide a local venue which supports local groups and activities. These are important to the fabric if the local communities	Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Community resources will not necessarily be lost if local communities support them through community asset transfer and ownership. The council will also work with community organisations to support the use of non council buildings for community activities and services.
24808	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	Review needs to assess potential impact of any removal if facilities on community and voluntary groups e.g. Scouts, who may not be in a position to find alternative facilities.	Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Community resources will not necessarily be lost if local communities support them through community asset transfer and ownership. The council will also work with community organisations to support the use of non council buildings for community activities and services.
24809	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	Community services should be centralised instead of 3 or 4 council buildings in one village, have everything in one.	Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	We will review our property assets and rationalise usage where possible taking into account the review and redesign of services delivered in the community and investigating opportunities for coordinating availability of facilities.
24810	An employee of West Lothian Council	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	Agreed. Refer to my previous response in last section regarding potential opportunities in schools with regard to increased community use : [Better use of school sports facilities outwith school hours could be considered if West Lothian Leisure facilities are reduced. Most schools are closed every weekend and for about 12/13 weeks every year and perhaps there are opportunities there for greater community use. Also if we are really serious about improving health and promoting healthy activities we need facilities that will assist.]	Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council's Property Asset Management Strategy includes plans to ensure effective and efficient use of property assets. We will review our property assets and usage where possible taking into account the review and redesign of services delivered in the community, whilst considering safety and service delivery requirements.
24811	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	Most advantaged areas and organisations will benefit whilst the most disadvantaged will lose out.	Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Community resources will not necessarily be lost if local communities support them through community asset transfer and ownership. The council will also work with community organisations to support the use of non council buildings for community activities and services.
24812	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	This needs to be managed sensitively. Again, taking away the facilities for youth clubs could lead to more kids on the streets.	Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Community resources will not necessarily be lost if local communities support them through community asset transfer and ownership. The council will also work with community organisations to support the use of non council buildings for community activities and services.
24813	An employee of West Lothian Council	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	The number of community facilities is already fairly poor and the services and groups offered are poorly publicised. Community ownership of certain facilities may actually enhance public awareness and the use of such buildings.	Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has an approved policy which deals with transfers of certain council assets to the Third Sector. The approved council policy contains a number of safeguards designed to ensure that any transfer is sustainable in terms of future use. This policy and process is being reviewed to assist community groups further in this process.
24814	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	Unless enough remain to provide good resources to improve physical and mental health it won't save money as people's health deteriorate. Private organisations will not have an obligation to maintain tgases in the long term and they may be list for good	Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Community resources will not necessarily be lost if local communities support them through community asset transfer and ownership. The council will also work with community organisations to support the use of non council buildings for community activities and services.
24815	An employee of West Lothian Council	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	If building numbers are being reduced there will need to be provision at the remaining properties for the use of the community	Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Community resources will not necessarily be lost if local communities support them through community asset transfer and ownership. The council will also work with community organisations to support the use of non council buildings for community activities and services.

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24816	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	Good to see the joint use of the new partnership buildings and the investment made on these newer more efficiently run properties.	Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	We will review our property assets and rationalise usage where possible taking into account the review and redesign of services delivered in the community and investigating opportunities for coordinating availability of facilities.
24817	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	Depends on where the savings are proposed. In general it is laudable to do as you propose but depending on that actually intended it is not possible to comment further.	Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	We will review our property assets and rationalise usage where possible taking into account the review and redesign of services delivered in the community and investigating opportunities for coordinating availability of facilities.
24818	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	Keep the Regal in Bathgate open. So many wonderful activities happen there.	Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	A public consultation is currently being held on options for the Regal.
24819	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	Agreed. Undesirable but necessary. Concerned about the viability of standalone facilities in the long run.	Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	We will review our property assets and rationalise usage where possible taking into account the review and redesign of services delivered in the community and investigating opportunities for coordinating availability of facilities.
24820	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	Some premises are not fit for purpose and are overpriced and underused, therefore the staff being paid to work in them are being paid to do nothing more than watch the buildings. These buildings also require lighting and cleaning which is more money wasted. The numbers of children attending Youth clubs needs investigation as some clubs are running with only two people in attendance	Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	We will review our property assets and rationalise usage where possible taking into account the review and redesign of services delivered in the community and investigating opportunities for coordinating availability of facilities.
24821	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	I hope the Burgh Halls in Linlithgow will be retained.	Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	There are no plans to dispose of this building.
24822	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	Facilities such as Low Port Centre and Burgh Hall should be retained and better utilised.	Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	There are no plans to dispose of Burgh Halls. Lowport has recently been leased to West Lothian Leisure on a long lease to allow them to run the facility.
24823	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	This may well have a very negative impact for a small saving that could be made elsewhere.	Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	We will review our property assets and rationalise usage where possible taking into account the review and redesign of services delivered in the community and investigating opportunities for coordinating availability of facilities.
24824	An employee of West Lothian Council	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	Some premises are not fit for purpose and are overpriced and underused, therefore the staff being paid to work in them are being paid to do nothing more than watch the buildings. These buildings also require lighting and cleaning which is more money wasted. The numbers of children attending Youth clubs needs investigation as some clubs are running with only two people in attendance	Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	We will review our property assets and rationalise usage where possible taking into account the review and redesign of services delivered in the community and investigating opportunities for coordinating availability of facilities.
24825	An employee of West Lothian Council	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	The Community Empowerment (Scotland) Act 2015, does give opportunity although believe that facilities are required for the community.	Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has an approved policy which deals with transfers of certain council assets to the Third Sector. The approved council policy contains a number of safeguards designed to ensure that any transfer is sustainable in terms of future use. This policy and process is being reviewed to assist community groups further in this process.

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24826	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	Only with local consultation	Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	This document is the first stage of public consultation. Further public consultation on specific changes to services is an integral part of the change management process and will be undertaken as proposals are developed further.
24827	An employee of West Lothian Council	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	Groups and organisations that use these facilities may cease to exist if they have to look for alternative venues which are outwith the local vicinity or cost more. This could mean that some clubs/organisations vital to the health and wellbeing of the community will close.	Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Community resources will not necessarily be lost if local communities support them through community asset transfer and ownership. The council will also work with community organisations to support the use of non council buildings for community activities and services.
24828	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	Again it is unclear what is being proposed within the £600K saving. The Council needs to clarify exactly what is being proposed and which community centres and village halls will be closed in they really wish to receive any meaningful comments on their proposals.	Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	This document is the first stage of public consultation. Further public consultation on specific changes to services is an integral part of the change management process and will be undertaken as proposals are developed further.
24829	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	Communities need their facilities	Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Community resources will not necessarily be lost if local communities support them through community asset transfer and ownership. The council will also work with community organisations to support the use of non council buildings for community activities and services.
24830	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	Not a good thing who knows what to do without business know how	Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	We will review our property assets and rationalise usage where possible taking into account the review and redesign of services delivered in the community and investigating opportunities for coordinating availability of facilities.
24831	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	We recognise the potential benefits of asset transfer and community ownership of buildings, as a real opportunity to strengthen local communities, who could run buildings more efficiently and effectively than Council and we are keen to explore this further. This strategy will only succeed however if rates relief is maintained. Rates relief for charities is an essential support that Council provides to the sector. Many organisations could not continue to operate without this valuable support and we would like to see this continue, as it will become even more essential in the tough years ahead.	Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has an approved policy which deals with transfers of certain council assets to the Third Sector. The approved council policy contains a number of safeguards designed to ensure that any transfer is sustainable in terms of future use. This policy and process is being reviewed to assist community groups further in this process. Non domestic rates are set and determined by the Scottish Government.
24832	An employee of West Lothian Council	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	Supportive in principle based on limited detailed information, but important to commit to undertaking local engagement and consultation with those communities that may be impacted..	Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	This document is the first stage of public consultation. Further public consultation on specific changes to services is an integral part of the change management process and will be undertaken as proposals are developed further.
24833	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	Agree where communities have access to a shared facility	Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	We will review our property assets and rationalise usage where possible taking into account the review and redesign of services delivered in the community and investigating opportunities for coordinating availability of facilities.
24834	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	Has an equality impact assessment been carried out for each of the budget proposals? It is essential that this is done at the earliest opportunity in order to assess what the impact will be on those in the protected characteristics groups and those already experiencing disadvantage.	Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	In line with established budget setting processes, all proposed reduction measures will be subject to an equality impact assessment.
24835	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	Integration of community facilities is a sensible approach	Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	We will review our property assets and rationalise usage where possible taking into account the review and redesign of services delivered in the community and investigating opportunities for coordinating availability of facilities.

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24836	An employee of West Lothian Council	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	I do feel West Lothian Council should minimize the building and integrate more of the departments so they work closer and together. Re-shuffling the community centre and community groups these should be done through grants from private organisations i.e Heritage Lottery funding etc.	Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	We will review our property assets and rationalise usage where possible taking into account the review and redesign of services delivered in the community and investigating opportunities for coordinating availability of facilities.
24837	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	So rich communities will get richer and poor communities will get poorer. The skills, capacities and resources required to do this in a community are considerable and I fear that in wee villages, such a Blackridge, they will be left isolated, with no community facility and almost no public transport to get them to anywhere else. For non working and older people, depression and poor health becomes more likely.	Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Community resources will not necessarily be lost if local communities support them through community asset transfer and ownership. The council will also work with community organisations to support the use of non council buildings for community activities and services.
24838	An employee of West Lothian Council	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	This could impact on other services. We are already experiencing charges to use council community facilities that have management committees, consideration needs to be given to this in reviewing the budgets of services that use community facilities for delivery.	Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Community resources will not necessarily be lost if local communities support them through community asset transfer and ownership. The council will also work with community organisations to support the use of non council buildings for community activities and services.
24839	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	Further rationalisation, more digitisation .	Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	We will review our property assets and rationalise usage where possible taking into account the review and redesign of services delivered in the community and investigating opportunities for coordinating availability of facilities.
24840	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	good - as long as well-used facilities are kept and it's those that are neglected which are disposed of	Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Due to the continued constraint on both revenue and capital budgets, the council needs to reduce the total number of assets requiring maintenance. The unavoidable cost of keeping all properties would require a larger saving to be delivered.
24841	An employee of West Lothian Council	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	why don't we look at closing building that are not necessary on certain days eg Easter Saturday,,, we are closed Friday and Monday so why not Saturday as well close St David house over the 2 weeks Xmas holidays and make use of the Bathgate partnership office for skeleton staff on the days in between to keep a full office closed for 2 weeks.. fully use the Space in St David house,,, the office could be redesigned which may make it warmer, more efficient and loads of empty space could be used to house other people / teams departments etc.	Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Although some council facilities need to remain open for service delivery and cover, opportunities to consolidate cover into fewer buildings over the festive period will be considered.
24842	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	For a county that's 20 miles in diameter its got far too many community facilities that duplicate what they offer every 2 miles! It cannot be efficient. For such a small county compared to say Moray or Highlands and Islands it is not efficient to have a community centre, bowling club, football club paid for by the council in every hamlet.	Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	We will review our property assets and rationalise usage where possible taking into account the review and redesign of services delivered in the community and investigating opportunities for coordinating availability of facilities.
24843	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	There may be areas where things could be done more effectively, but concerned that the most disadvantaged and marginalised in communities may suffer. Community organisations may not have the skills needed to take over responsibility for community centres. Or may not be able to continue to meet the costs for centres to run.	Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Community resources will not necessarily be lost if local communities support them through community asset transfer and ownership. The council will also work with community organisations to support the use of non council buildings for community activities and services.
24844	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	Good to idea in principal if proposal can be realised without incurring unintended costs - properties left empty can quickly become danger zones, places used for criminal activity/anti-social behaviour.	Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	We will review our property assets and rationalise usage where possible taking into account the review and redesign of services delivered in the community and investigating opportunities for coordinating availability of facilities.
24845	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	Generally agree but cannot comment on these as no info available.	Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	We will review our property assets and rationalise usage where possible taking into account the review and redesign of services delivered in the community and investigating opportunities for coordinating availability of facilities.

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24846	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	WLC want local people to manage services and buildings - why then pay when services are not being provided - makes no sense!	Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Due to the continued constraint on both revenue and capital budgets, the council needs to reduce the total number of assets requiring maintenance. The unavoidable cost of keeping all properties would require a larger saving to be delivered. In addition the council has already delivered substantial energy savings over the past five years.
24847	An employee of West Lothian Council	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	Your say on West Lothian's proposals - community centres play a big part in people's lives and there may be difficulties for people who are unable to go to another community centre.	Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Community resources will not necessarily be lost if local communities support them through community asset transfer and ownership. The council will also work with community organisations to support the use of non council buildings for community activities and services.
24848	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	Totally against community facilities being reduced or included in asset transfer - too much to expect from volunteers (most of whom are elderly).	Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council has an approved policy which deals with transfers of certain council assets to the Third Sector. The approved council policy contains a number of safeguards designed to ensure that any transfer is sustainable in terms of future use. This policy and process is being reviewed to assist community groups further in this process.
24849	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	As a management committee we feel intimidated by the 2nd last sentence. We are volunteers with families & other commitments and give as much of our time as we can. Any change to the resources we have at Forestbank will have a negative impact; not long ago Ladywell was classed as an area of deprivation, but through the hard work of the community groups, centres, youth services, council employees, etc. this is no longer the case. Do you really want to endanger that status by reducing the current services provided?	Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council has an approved policy which deals with transfers of certain council assets to the Third Sector. The approved council policy contains a number of safeguards designed to ensure that any transfer is sustainable in terms of future use. This policy and process is being reviewed to assist community groups further in this process.
24850	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	Our community was not that long ago classed as an area of deprivation, but due to the work hard work of community council, community groups, community centres and partnership working with youth services, council employees and other partners this is no longer the case. Do you want to endanger that status and dismiss all the hard work that achieved this by reducing the current services provided. We are volunteers with families and other commitments and give as much of our time and energy to our community and have always prided ourselves in our excellent working relationship with WLC and our other partners in doing our best to help our community be the best it can be and giving people a sense of pride in where they live and give them a sense of belonging to a community who really cares about each and everyone who lives there. Are there any budgets in reserve that could help to offset these cuts and the impact these proposals will have on the lives and well being of the people of West Lothian.	Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Community resources will not necessarily be lost if local communities support them through community asset transfer and ownership. The council will also work with community organisations to support the use of non council buildings for community activities and services.
24851	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	Usually when I see the term 'consolidate' I read CUT and I presume that is what you mean here. I don't mind Community Centres/Village Halls but I don't see how they can survive on their own without decent funding/support (maintenance, utilities, staff etc) and this may be the road to closure for many of them.	Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has an approved policy which deals with transfers of certain council assets to the Third Sector. The approved council policy contains a number of safeguards designed to ensure that any transfer is sustainable in terms of future use. This policy and process is being reviewed to assist community groups further in this process.
24852	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	Not convinced that this will make any difference.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
24853	An employee of West Lothian Council	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	No comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
24854	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	The Partnership model should be completed.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
24855	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	again, not a lot of detail here - i would like to know more about exactly whats involved to make any comments on.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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24856	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	Centralising things can offer some benefits, but it is not a one size fits all model and is not the most suitable option in every area	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
24857	An employee of West Lothian Council	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	no comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
24858	An employee of West Lothian Council	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	No comment.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
24859	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	No comment.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
24860	An employee of West Lothian Council	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	This survey is too long at there is both too much and not enough information.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
24861	An employee of West Lothian Council	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	What is the contingency is community groups cannot afford to own them?	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
24862	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	I don't understand budgeting advantages and restraints enough to comment.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
24863	An employee of West Lothian Council	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	i dont not know wat this means	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
24864	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	It is a shame that this has to happen but understand that more and more of these facilities are being used minimally.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
24865	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	Insufficient detail to provide an informed response.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
24866	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	No comment on this	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
24867	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	No comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
24868	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	-	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
24869	An employee of West Lothian Council	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	N/a	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
24870	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	No comment.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
24871	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	No comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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24872	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	No comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
24873	An employee of West Lothian Council	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	I would want more information on how local groups would fund them	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
24874	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	Another cut back	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
24875	No Response	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	dgdgd	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
24876	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	nil	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
24877	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	No Comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
24878	An employee of West Lothian Council	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	No comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
24879	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	No comment.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
24880	An employee of West Lothian Council	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	no comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
24881	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	No idea	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
24882	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	Do not know enough about the Empowerment Act, but need to ensure not pressuring volunteers further. As they will walk away, as this is unpaid work volunteers undertake with other commitments in their life. This could have major impact on the local community and centres	No preference given	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
24883	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	no comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
24884	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	No comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
24885	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	Which ones?	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
24886	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	No comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
24887	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	Mixed feeling on this.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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24888	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	No comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
24889	An employee of West Lothian Council	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	No comments	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
24890	An employee of West Lothian Council	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	NO COMMENT	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
24891	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	no comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
24892	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	?	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
24893	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	Not sure exactly what you are proposing to comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
24894	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	No comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
24895	An employee of West Lothian Council	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	N/a	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
24896	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	Community are best in the local community.D	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
24897	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	No details , so can't comment.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
24898	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	Don't have a view on this	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
24899	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	No comments	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
24900	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	No Comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
24901	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	Eh?	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
24902	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	More information needed	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
24903	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	We do not believe we have the knowledge or experience of this area to be able to make an informed comment on it.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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24904	An employee of West Lothian Council	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	The council have not provided enough indepth information for me to make an informed comment on this, as all information about this whole consultation is more secret that area 51.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
24905	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	As above.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
24906	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	More detail needed to comment.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
24907	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	More information on the proposed community centres and village halls identified before making comment.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
24908	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	unable to comment as not in plain english	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
24909	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	No comment.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
24910	An employee of West Lothian Council	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	Annet House in Linlithgow is about to be sold and this will be great loss to the community and I am sure there are lots of similar building.	Reducing the Number of Community Facilities - building consolidation	5b. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it is likely that the costs of this proposal would outweigh the benefit.	The disposal of Annet House was part of the funding package for the new Linlithgow Partnership Centre which includes space for Annet House/Linlithgow Heritage Trust.
24911	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	Agree that this should be looked at. Council's building manager should be responsible for enforcing lights and computers being turned off at night.	Reducing the Number of Community Facilities - building consolidation	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council is committed to ensuring buildings are as energy efficient as possible. The council has motion sensors in place in number of locations and will introduce on an ongoing basis where there is a business case to do so to. We will continue to encourage employees to minimise their use of energy through a behaviour change programme.
24912	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	Ok. Halls that are not used should be closed or transferred to community groups.	Reducing the Number of Community Facilities - building consolidation	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has an approved policy which deals with transfers of certain council assets to the Third Sector, and maybe appropriate in this situation. The approved council policy contains a number of safeguards designed to ensure that any transfer is sustainable in terms of future use.
24913	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	selling unused property is a good way of raising funds	Reducing the Number of Community Facilities - building consolidation	4. The council is already doing this.	The council has a disposal process for assets declared surplus to requirements with receipts reinvested in council assets. By law income received from the sale of assets can only be used for capital expenditure or repaying debt.
24914	An employee of West Lothian Council	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	It is important that the council reduces its portfolio of buildings and community facilities. If these are not sustainable then we must sell them. If the community want to run them then they must be left to get on with it - no hand-holding by council officers which takes time and money.	Reducing the Number of Community Facilities - building consolidation	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council's Property Asset Management Strategy includes plans to ensure effective and efficient use of property assets. We will review our property assets and rationalise usage where possible taking into account the review and redesign of services delivered in the community and investigating opportunities for coordinating availability of facilities. The council has an approved policy which deals with transfers of certain council assets to the Third Sector, and maybe appropriate in this situation. The approved council policy contains a number of safeguards designed to ensure that any transfer is sustainable in terms of future use.

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24915	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	Agree there is a need to reduce number of buildings.	Reducing the Number of Community Facilities - building consolidation	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council's Property Asset Management Strategy includes plans to ensure effective and efficient use of property assets. We will review our property assets and rationalise usage where possible taking into account the review and redesign of services delivered in the community and investigating opportunities for coordinating availability of facilities.
24916	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	As more and more churches are closing, surely there must be a great opportunity to work in partnership with every denomination to consolidate the council buildings into relevant church buildings, whilst sympathetically maintaining an ability for the church to remain at least in part a place of worship. Especially good if this consolidated data and service provision hubs for the elderly.	Reducing the Number of Community Facilities - building consolidation	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Council will continue to utilise the partnership centre model to provide shared services and facilities, including those services delivered by partners. The council will also work with community organisations to support the use of non council service for community activities and services.
24917	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	Is it possible to envision a local hub with school, cr�che, library, doctors surgery, community hall, cafe for the local community, all within the same buildings complex ie what is the visionary future which you are driving towards? Consider all council owned or sponsored services along with adjacent facility owners who have the aligned mission of providing a local service to the wider population eg police, health and fire services, local charities, and the like	Reducing the Number of Community Facilities - building consolidation	4. The council is already doing this.	Council will continue to utilise the partnership centre model where there are shared services and facilities, including those delivered by partners.
24918	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	close them all down..	Reducing the Number of Community Facilities - building consolidation	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council's Property Asset Management Strategy includes plans to ensure effective and efficient use of property assets. We will review our property assets and rationalise usage where possible taking into account the review and redesign of services delivered in the community and investigating opportunities for coordinating availability of facilities.
24919	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	Is there any need for a village hall anywhere in West Lothian?	Reducing the Number of Community Facilities - building consolidation	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council's Property Asset Management Strategy includes plans to ensure effective and efficient use of property assets. We will review our property assets and rationalise usage where possible taking into account the review and redesign of services delivered in the community and investigating opportunities for coordinating availability of facilities.
24920	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	Use the schools instead of expensive purpose built community centres .Heated and staffed already not used after 4pm.	Reducing the Number of Community Facilities - building consolidation	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council's Property Asset Management Strategy includes plans to ensure effective and efficient use of property assets. We will review our property assets and rationalise usage where possible taking into account the review and redesign of services delivered in the community and investigating opportunities for coordinating availability of facilities.
24921	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	Empowering communities is not likely to be achieved by reducing the number of community facilities	Reducing the Number of Community Facilities - building consolidation	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Community resources will not necessarily be lost if local communities support them through community asset transfer and ownership. The council has an approved policy which deals with transfers of certain council assets to the Third Sector. The approved council policy contains a number of safeguards designed to ensure that any transfer is sustainable in terms of future use and meets the council's requirement to support community ownership.
24922	An employee of West Lothian Council	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	Costs/time involved in creating/adapting to form these partnership centres will in no way shape or form be covered by any sales carried out	Reducing the Number of Community Facilities - building consolidation	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council has invested substantially in the last five years in developing partnership centres. The focus on the next five years will be to further consolidate activity into these centres, investigate opportunities to transfer assets to interested community groups and consolidate the overall number of facilities to match demand for services. This may include use of non council buildings.

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24923	An employee of West Lothian Council	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	The outsourcing to contractors has cost the Council huge amounts of money. The newly built/adapted buildings need to be suitably supplied with IT facilities and staff and public need to be protected at all times.	Reducing the Number of Community Facilities - building consolidation	4. The council is already doing this.	The council considers IT requirements as part of the design brief for any new construction project. The council is subject to rigorous external audit and both Audit Scotland and EY have confirmed, over a number of years, that the council has robust financial management and delivers best value in the use of public resources.
24924	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	In general having some experience of community centers and village halls, they appear inconsequential to the vast majority of a settlements residents and are generally run down and unpleasant, regularly filled with one of initiatives that soon fall out of favor or reach public apathy. I would favor selling these or converting to revenue generating spaces that could be hired by community or small business etc and include franchise catering if it could be attracted.	Reducing the Number of Community Facilities - building consolidation	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council's Property Asset Management Strategy includes plans to ensure effective and efficient use of property assets. We will review our property assets and rationalise usage where possible taking into account the review and redesign of services delivered in the community and investigating opportunities for coordinating availability of facilities. Opportunities to develop properties to create an income stream could also be investigated.
24925	An employee of West Lothian Council	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	Council need to ensure that the buildings they do have are fit for purpose. A number of large buildings with inadequate facilities which can lead to detrimental effects on staff productivity and health.	Reducing the Number of Community Facilities - building consolidation	4. The council is already doing this.	Large council buildings are developed/redeveloped to include appropriate facilities. Open plan layouts are used to maximise the efficient use of floor space to support service delivery.
24926	No Response	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	Some building could be looked at to see if any of them would be suitable for a Homeless Hostle this could be used to support homeless people instead of using Hotels & B&Bs	Reducing the Number of Community Facilities - building consolidation	4. The council is already doing this.	The council has undertaken projects in the past to use surplus land and buildings for provision of council housing (e.g. Broxburn PS). The council will continue to review opportunities to use surplus assets for this purpose.
24927	No Response	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	If community centres are not being utilised properly then it needs to be revised whether or not they should be funded any longer. It costs money to run a building that isn't being used.	Reducing the Number of Community Facilities - building consolidation	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	We will review our property assets and rationalise usage where possible taking into account the review and redesign of services delivered in the community and investigating opportunities for coordinating availability of facilities.
24928	An employee of West Lothian Council	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	Old community buildings no longer fit for purpose should be knocked down, either a replacement build on the land, or the land considered for community use, e.g. play park, small business etc.	Reducing the Number of Community Facilities - building consolidation	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	We will review our property assets and rationalise usage where possible taking into account the review and redesign of services delivered in the community and investigating opportunities for coordinating availability of facilities.
24929	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	Many of these are unused. Ruthless review. Get rid.	Reducing the Number of Community Facilities - building consolidation	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	We will review our property assets and rationalise usage where possible taking into account the review and redesign of services delivered in the community and investigating opportunities for coordinating availability of facilities.
24930	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	More facilities are needed not cut	Reducing the Number of Community Facilities - building consolidation	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Due to the continued constraint on both revenue and capital budgets, the council needs to reduce the total number of assets requiring maintenance. The unavoidable cost of keeping all properties would require a larger saving to be delivered. Community resources will not necessarily be lost if local communities support them through community asset transfer and ownership.
24931	An employee of West Lothian Council	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	The facilities that do not get used on a regular basis should be reviewed.	Reducing the Number of Community Facilities - building consolidation	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	We will review our property assets and rationalise usage where possible taking into account the review and redesign of services delivered in the community and investigating opportunities for coordinating availability of facilities.
24932	An employee of West Lothian Council	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	do not sell them of below market value	Reducing the Number of Community Facilities - building consolidation	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has a disposal process for assets declared surplus to requirements with receipts reinvested in council assets. By law income received from the sale of assets can only be used for capital expenditure or repaying debt.

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24933	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	It would be detrimental to many of the small communities in West Lothian if their community centres or village halls were to close. For many these are the only place they go for community events and to see their local councillors and you would be taking away a life.ine for many.	Reducing the Number of Community Facilities - building consolidation	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Community resources will not necessarily be lost if local communities support them through community asset transfer and ownership. The council will also work with community organisations to support the use of non council buildings for community activities and services.
24934	No Response	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	Agree, the number of Council owned buildings could and should be reduced.	Reducing the Number of Community Facilities - building consolidation	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	We will review our property assets and rationalise usage where possible taking into account the review and redesign of services delivered in the community and investigating opportunities for coordinating availability of facilities.
24935	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	Agree services sharing facilities, particularly sharing more efficient buildings, would be beneficial. Close Broxburn Business Gateway Office, staff should be able to work out of Strathbrock where other services are. Having more services in one place, i.e. Adult Learning, Advice Shop, Employability, Business Gateway, CIS should be beneficial to the customer also.	Reducing the Number of Community Facilities - building consolidation	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	We will review our property assets and rationalise usage where possible taking into account the review and redesign of services delivered in the community and investigating opportunities for coordinating availability of facilities.
24936	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	close facilities that are not being used but review why they are not who is responsible for promoting use	Reducing the Number of Community Facilities - building consolidation	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	We will review our property assets and rationalise usage where possible taking into account the review and redesign of services delivered in the community and investigating opportunities for coordinating availability of facilities.
24937	An employee of West Lothian Council	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	Various services utilising one building rather than a number of buildings makes more sense.	Reducing the Number of Community Facilities - building consolidation	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	We will review our property assets and rationalise usage where possible taking into account the review and redesign of services delivered in the community and investigating opportunities for coordinating availability of facilities.
24938	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	Agreed. Are further partnerships possible with other organisations - eg church halls, guide/scout halls etc.	Reducing the Number of Community Facilities - building consolidation	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	We will review our property assets and rationalise usage where possible taking into account the review and redesign of services delivered in the community and investigating opportunities for coordinating availability of facilities. The council will also work with community organisations to support the use of non council buildings for community activities and services.
24939	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	Disposing of assets is fine but it has to be towards a purpose and not yet more empty buildings around our communities - dispose with a purpose, please, and ensure maintenance.	Reducing the Number of Community Facilities - building consolidation	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	We will review our property assets and rationalise usage where possible taking into account the review and redesign of services delivered in the community and investigating opportunities for coordinating availability of facilities. The council has an approved policy which deals with transfers of certain council assets to the Third Sector. The approved council policy contains a number of safeguards designed to ensure that any transfer is sustainable in terms of future use.
24940	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	Agree although as I mentioned before it is vital that any buildings which become surplus to requirements are sold or redeveloped as soon as possible rather than lying empty for sometime.	Reducing the Number of Community Facilities - building consolidation	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has a disposal process for assets declared surplus to requirements with receipts reinvested in council assets. This includes consideration of when to bring properties to the market to ensure the greatest receipt for the council. Market conditions may mean that properties are not listed for sale for some period.
24941	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	Identify which village halls and community centres are rarely used before considering consolidation	Reducing the Number of Community Facilities - building consolidation	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	We will review our property assets and rationalise usage where possible taking into account the review and redesign of services delivered in the community and investigating opportunities for coordinating availability of facilities.
24942	An employee of West Lothian Council	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	I agree - the partnership centres are wonderful modern buildings. We should look to involve things like banks or post offices that are closing.	Reducing the Number of Community Facilities - building consolidation	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Council will continue to utilise the partnership centre model where there are shared services and facilities, including those delivered by partners.

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24943	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	Buildings are in public ownership for a reason. These cannot always be devolved or divested to others. Buildings should be converted to meet housing need perhaps	Reducing the Number of Community Facilities - building consolidation	4. The council is already doing this.	The council has undertaken projects in the past to use surplus land and buildings for provision of council housing (e.g. Broxburn PS). The council will continue to review opportunities to use surplus assets for this purpose.
24944	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	This is the start of removal of all facilities to residents in West Lothian and something that residents will fight	Reducing the Number of Community Facilities - building consolidation	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Community resources will not necessarily be lost if local communities support them through community asset transfer and ownership. The council will also work with community organisations to support the use of non council buildings for community activities and services.
24945	An employee of West Lothian Council	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	Ok in principle but who will maintain the buildings? And if the community groups decide to close community centres then will they be selling the land/building to developers?	Reducing the Number of Community Facilities - building consolidation	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	If buildings are transferred, it will be the responsibility of the community group to maintain them. Any community transfer will include clauses to ensure buildings could only be used for community purposes and could not be sold in this manner.
24946	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	Basically closing down buildings.	Reducing the Number of Community Facilities - building consolidation	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	We will review our property assets and rationalise usage where possible taking into account the review and redesign of services delivered in the community and investigating opportunities for coordinating availability of facilities.
24947	No Response	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	In agreement with this, especially council buildings that could be merged to save power costs, security and keep everyone in the same place.	Reducing the Number of Community Facilities - building consolidation	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	We will review our property assets and rationalise usage where possible taking into account the review and redesign of services delivered in the community and investigating opportunities for coordinating availability of facilities.
24948	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	yes sell of unwanted buildings would bring in income, instead of the fee of maintaining an unwanted building	Reducing the Number of Community Facilities - building consolidation	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	We will review our property assets and rationalise usage where possible taking into account the review and redesign of services delivered in the community and investigating opportunities for coordinating availability of facilities.
24949	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	Makes perfect sense and is normal in all other workplaces. However do not leave communities with empty buildings liable to vandalism etc.	Reducing the Number of Community Facilities - building consolidation	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	We will review our property assets and rationalise usage where possible taking into account the review and redesign of services delivered in the community and investigating opportunities for coordinating availability of facilities.
24950	An employee of West Lothian Council	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	Close some community facilities that are not viable / well used	Reducing the Number of Community Facilities - building consolidation	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	We will review our property assets and rationalise usage where possible taking into account the review and redesign of services delivered in the community and investigating opportunities for coordinating availability of facilities.
24951	An employee of West Lothian Council	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	5A) Some premises are not fit for purpose and are overpriced and underused, therefore the staff being paid to work in them are being paid to do nothing more than watch the buildings. These buildings also require lighting and cleaning which is more money wasted.	Reducing the Number of Community Facilities - building consolidation	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	We will review our property assets and rationalise usage where possible taking into account the review and redesign of services delivered in the community and investigating opportunities for coordinating availability of facilities.
24952	An employee of West Lothian Council	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	Only buildings that are being fully utilised should be kept.	Reducing the Number of Community Facilities - building consolidation	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	We will review our property assets and rationalise usage where possible taking into account the review and redesign of services delivered in the community and investigating opportunities for coordinating availability of facilities.
24953	No Response	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	5A) Some premises are not fit for purpose and are overpriced and underused, therefore the staff being paid to work in them are being paid to do nothing more than watch the buildings. These buildings also require lighting and cleaning which is more money wasted.	Reducing the Number of Community Facilities - building consolidation	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	We will review our property assets and rationalise usage where possible taking into account the review and redesign of services delivered in the community and investigating opportunities for coordinating availability of facilities.
24954	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	Totally agree, please rationalise old out of date facilities that are costly to run and maintain and co-locate services into nearby new buildings where you will realise revenue savings over the lifetime of the building.	Reducing the Number of Community Facilities - building consolidation	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	We will review our property assets and rationalise usage where possible taking into account the review and redesign of services delivered in the community and investigating opportunities for coordinating availability of facilities.

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24955	An employee of West Lothian Council	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	Look at proposals like getting rid of the rbs building in west calder and using the land to make money I sure rbs don't want to be paying council tax for a building they don't uses and apparently can't seam to do anything with	Reducing the Number of Community Facilities - building consolidation	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	This building is owned by RBS on a long ground lease from the council. The council continues to collect ground rental from the subjects but has no overall involvement in the disposal of the building.
24956	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	Concerned about the wider impact of removing some of these facilities. What consultation will take place and how will any negative impact be understood?	Reducing the Number of Community Facilities - building consolidation	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	This document is the first stage of public consultation. Further public consultation on specific changes to services is an integral part of the change management process and will be undertaken as proposals are developed further.
24957	An employee of West Lothian Council	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	The council needs to embrace a greater level of home working and hot desking to allow rationalisation of buildings and increase income where possible through leasing office space to other public sector bodies.	Reducing the Number of Community Facilities - building consolidation	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	We will review our property assets and rationalise usage where possible taking into account the review and redesign of services delivered in the community and investigating opportunities for coordinating availability of facilities.
24958	An employee of West Lothian Council	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	Since the transfer of leisure facilities in 2017, West Lothian Leisure, which is wholly owned by the council, now manages 5 swimming pools in Livingston - a town which has a population of less than 60,000. There is clearly an over-supply of sport and leisure facilities in West Lothian and this requires immediate rationalisation. Little or under-used community facilities such as community centres, the Regal Theatre in Bathgate and wet and dry sports facilities should be closed.	Reducing the Number of Community Facilities - building consolidation	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	We will review our property assets and rationalise usage where possible taking into account the review and redesign of services delivered in the community and investigating opportunities for coordinating availability of facilities.
24959	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	Big savings one heating bill etc when together in one building.	Reducing the Number of Community Facilities - building consolidation	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	We will review our property assets and rationalise usage where possible taking into account the review and redesign of services delivered in the community and investigating opportunities for coordinating availability of facilities.
24960	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	A rationalisation of community facilities is well overdue. Where there is a demand for facilities, the community should be encouraged to run them on a community basis with no support from the council.	Reducing the Number of Community Facilities - building consolidation	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	We will review our property assets and rationalise usage where possible taking into account the review and redesign of services delivered in the community and investigating opportunities for coordinating availability of facilities.
24961	An employee of West Lothian Council	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	Need to look at schools for providing spaces for community use rather than providing separate properties.	Reducing the Number of Community Facilities - building consolidation	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The council's Property Asset Management Strategy includes plans to ensure effective and efficient use of property assets. We will review our property assets and usage where possible taking into account the review and redesign of services delivered in the community, whilst considering safety and service delivery requirements.
24962	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	Consolidation to Livingston? Consider the unintended consequences of short term actions.	Reducing the Number of Community Facilities - building consolidation	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The focus will continue to be on partnership centre provision therefore there is currently no proposal to centralise all council buildings in Livingston.
24963	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	Keep the Regal in Bathgate open.	Reducing the Number of Community Facilities - building consolidation	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	A public consultation is currently being held on options for the Regal.
24964	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	Rationalise and reduce, leaving smaller number of better equipped centres providing enhanced level of service.	Reducing the Number of Community Facilities - building consolidation	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	We will review our property assets and rationalise usage where possible taking into account the review and redesign of services delivered in the community and investigating opportunities for coordinating availability of facilities.
24965	An employee of West Lothian Council	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	we still have to have facilities for our teenagers to go to, maybe make them more accessible & try to encourage more teenage related activities, at a reasonable cost, this would bring in more income & reduce youth crime	Reducing the Number of Community Facilities - building consolidation	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Community resources will not necessarily be lost if local communities support them through community asset transfer and ownership. The council will also work with community organisations to support the use of non council buildings for community activities and services.
24966	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	It makes sense to rationalise buildings	Reducing the Number of Community Facilities - building consolidation	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	We will review our property assets and rationalise usage where possible taking into account the review and redesign of services delivered in the community and investigating opportunities for coordinating availability of facilities.

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24967	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	This proposal does not feel right. It sounds like the Council is proposing a reduction in the quantity and quality of services to those in need. How many community groups are going to be able to, not only purchase the properties from the Council, but also maintain them properly? This moving to a 'partnership model' shouts increased costs to me.	Reducing the Number of Community Facilities - building consolidation	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Community resources will not necessarily be lost if local communities support them through community asset transfer and ownership. The council will also work with community organisations to support the use of non council buildings for community activities and services.
24968	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	See my comment to item 5a. This proposal does not feel right. It sounds like the Council is proposing a reduction in the quantity and quality of services to those in need. How many community groups are going to be able to, not only purchase the properties from the Council, but also maintain them properly? This moving to a 'partnership model' shouts increased costs to me.	Reducing the Number of Community Facilities - building consolidation	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Community resources will not necessarily be lost if local communities support them through community asset transfer and ownership. The council will also work with community organisations to support the use of non council buildings for community activities and services.
24969	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	If community facilities are insufficient, known down the old building & replace it with a new energy efficient and purpose built building - in the same place.	Reducing the Number of Community Facilities - building consolidation	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Community resources will not necessarily be lost if local communities support them through community asset transfer and ownership. The council will also work with community organisations to support the use of non council buildings for community activities and services.
24970	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	Which properties are you considering to be surplus to requirements?	Reducing the Number of Community Facilities - building consolidation	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	This document is the first stage of public consultation. Further public consultation on specific changes to services is an integral part of the change management process and will be undertaken as proposals are developed further.
24971	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	Which properties are you considering to be surplus to requirements?	Reducing the Number of Community Facilities - building consolidation	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	This document is the first stage of public consultation. Further public consultation on specific changes to services is an integral part of the change management process and will be undertaken as proposals are developed further.
24972	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	Which properties are you considering to be surplus to requirements?	Reducing the Number of Community Facilities - building consolidation	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	This document is the first stage of public consultation. Further public consultation on specific changes to services is an integral part of the change management process and will be undertaken as proposals are developed further.
24973	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	Which properties are you considering to be surplus to requirements?	Reducing the Number of Community Facilities - building consolidation	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	This document is the first stage of public consultation. Further public consultation on specific changes to services is an integral part of the change management process and will be undertaken as proposals are developed further.
24974	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	Which properties are you considering to be surplus to requirements?	Reducing the Number of Community Facilities - building consolidation	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	This document is the first stage of public consultation. Further public consultation on specific changes to services is an integral part of the change management process and will be undertaken as proposals are developed further.
24975	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	Support for village halls and community centres should be maintained. Can the operation of commercial activities in these centres e.g. Cafes be used to offset costs?	Reducing the Number of Community Facilities - community centres	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Community resources will not necessarily be lost if local communities support them through community asset transfer and ownership. The council will also work with community organisations to support the use of non council buildings for community activities and services.
24976	An employee of West Lothian Council	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	there are several community centers which provide a limited service to the community. These centers should either be closed or the appropriate community groups should take over. This should be done with the proviso that the maintenance is not undertaken by WLC	Reducing the Number of Community Facilities - community centres	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has an approved policy which deals with transfers of certain council assets to the Third Sector, and maybe appropriate in this situation. The approved council policy contains a number of safeguards designed to ensure that any transfer is sustainable in terms of future use.

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24977	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	I would be sorry to see community centres reduced and closed given how they positively affect community cohesion especially re potentially socially isolated groups eg elderly, youth, unemployed etc	Reducing the Number of Community Facilities - community centres	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Community resources will not necessarily be lost if local communities support them through community asset transfer and ownership. The council has an approved policy which deals with transfers of certain council assets to the Third Sector. The approved council policy contains a number of safeguards designed to ensure that any transfer is sustainable in terms of future use and meets the council's requirement to support community ownership.
24978	An employee of West Lothian Council	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	Maybe looking at alternative ways of fundings these building or actively looking for new occupants rather than leaving the building closed would be a good idea.	Reducing the Number of Community Facilities - community centres	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The council has an approved policy which deals with transfers of certain council assets to the Third Sector. The approved council policy contains a number of safeguards designed to ensure that any transfer is sustainable in terms of future use.
24979	An employee of West Lothian Council	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	Its a shame that community resources will be lost	Reducing the Number of Community Facilities - community centres	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Community resources will not necessarily be lost if local communities support them through community asset transfer and ownership. The council has an approved policy which deals with transfers of certain council assets to the Third Sector. The approved council policy contains a number of safeguards designed to ensure that any transfer is sustainable in terms of future use and meets the council's requirement to support community ownership.
24980	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	Multi purpose venues are ideal but the design has to be right and this is a major failing at the moment it is about money at the expense of quality sadly	Reducing the Number of Community Facilities - community centres	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The introduction of partnership centres has seen an increase in the number of multi purpose buildings. Building users are consulted throughout the design and construction of these buildings to help ensure that their requirements are met within the constraints of available resources.
24981	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	Many voluntary groups rely on these community centres and town halls to carry on as they have no where else to go. You must consider very wisely.	Reducing the Number of Community Facilities - community centres	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Community resources will not necessarily be lost if local communities support them through community asset transfer and ownership. The council has an approved policy which deals with transfers of certain council assets to the Third Sector. The approved council policy contains a number of safeguards designed to ensure that any transfer is sustainable in terms of future use and meets the council's requirement to support community ownership.
24982	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	Village halls provide an important community hub in small villages and provide an outlet for community groups. This should be preserved	Reducing the Number of Community Facilities - community centres	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Community resources will not necessarily be lost if local communities support them through community asset transfer and ownership. The council has an approved policy which deals with transfers of certain council assets to the Third Sector. The approved council policy contains a number of safeguards designed to ensure that any transfer is sustainable in terms of future use and meets the council's requirement to support community ownership.
24983	An employee of West Lothian Council	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	if not in use this should be fine if well used buildings should be left	Reducing the Number of Community Facilities - community centres	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council's Property Asset Management Strategy includes plans to ensure effective and efficient use of property assets. We will review our property assets and rationalise usage where possible taking into account the review and redesign of services delivered in the community and investigating opportunities for coordinating availability of facilities.

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24984	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	Any buildings becoming surplus to requirements should have a mandatory first offer to communities. If refused, sweetheart deals selling assets below market value to private buyers / developers should be banned and any sales made should be published in a clear and widespread manner to the public domain to ensure accountability in these proceedings	Reducing the Number of Community Facilities - community centres	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has an approved policy which deals with transfers of certain council assets to the Third Sector. The approved council policy contains a number of safeguards designed to ensure that any transfer is sustainable in terms of future use. The council has a disposal process for assets declared surplus to requirements with receipts reinvested in council assets. By law income received from the sale of assets can only be used for capital expenditure or repaying debt.
24985	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	sell them and the land to bring money back in community centres and village halls are not used as they should be	Reducing the Number of Community Facilities - community centres	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council's Property Asset Management Strategy includes plans to ensure effective and efficient use of property assets. We will review our property assets and rationalise usage where possible taking into account the review and redesign of services delivered in the community and investigating opportunities for coordinating availability of facilities. The council has a disposal process for assets declared surplus to requirements with receipts reinvested in council assets. By law income received from the sale of assets can only be used for capital expenditure or repaying debt.
24986	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	With reduced facilities and police you are lining up a double whammy	Reducing the Number of Community Facilities - community centres	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
24987	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	This is a sore point in certain communities. The closure of the Low Port centre in Linlithgow to the general public has been resented and the café has been missed. It was felt that for the café to be economical the prices could have been raised and the clientele would have been happy to pay the higher amount. Cannot comment on other areas.	Reducing the Number of Community Facilities - community centres	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Options for the continued operation of the Low Port Café were considered prior to its closure. The café did not generate sufficient income to cover the cost of delivery with the council having to provide a substantial subsidy. Due to the low levels of footfall at the cafe, the charges required for full cost recovery would have been prohibitive.
24988	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	the reality is that most communities cannot afford what it would cost to operate such facilities	Reducing the Number of Community Facilities - community centres	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The council has an approved policy which deals with transfers of certain council assets to the Third Sector. The approved council policy contains a number of safeguards designed to ensure that any transfer is sustainable in terms of future use.
24989	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	Family mediation Lothian uses Forestbank Community Centre and Whitburn Resource Centre every weekend for our child contact centres; they are excellent resources and the Forestbank centre in particular is always very popular with our families.	Reducing the Number of Community Facilities - community centres	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Community resources will not necessarily be lost if local communities support them through community asset transfer and ownership. The council has an approved policy which deals with transfers of certain council assets to the Third Sector. The approved council policy contains a number of safeguards designed to ensure that any transfer is sustainable in terms of future use and meets the council's requirement to support community ownership. The council will also work with community organisations to support the use of non council buildings for community activities and services.
24990	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	Difficult one here as usually it is the less capable, less well off that value their local centre. Not a good option.	Reducing the Number of Community Facilities - community centres	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Community resources will not necessarily be lost if local communities support them through community asset transfer and ownership. The council has an approved policy which deals with transfers of certain council assets to the Third Sector. The approved council policy contains a number of safeguards designed to ensure that any transfer is sustainable in terms of future use and meets the council's requirement to support community ownership.

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24991	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	Assess economic viability of all community centers and village halls and introduce revenue generating activities	Reducing the Number of Community Facilities - community centres	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council's Property Asset Management Strategy includes plans to ensure effective and efficient use of property assets. We will review our property assets and rationalise usage where possible taking into account the review and redesign of services delivered in the community and investigating opportunities for coordinating availability of facilities.
24992	An employee of West Lothian Council	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	Charge for the use of all facilities at community centre's increase the fees	Reducing the Number of Community Facilities - community centres	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Currently community groups keep all income generated in community centres with the council receiving no income towards the cost of providing these facilities.
24993	No Response	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	Do not remove the small community centres as they are a valuable asset to the local people	Reducing the Number of Community Facilities - community centres	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Community resources will not necessarily be lost if local communities support them through community asset transfer and ownership. The council will also work with community organisations to support the use of non council buildings for community activities and services.
24994	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	Again people rely on halls etc however depends on how many people use it	Reducing the Number of Community Facilities - community centres	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	We will review our property assets and rationalise usage where possible taking into account the review and redesign of services delivered in the community and investigating opportunities for coordinating availability of facilities.
24995	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	We need these youth centres to stay open to keep youth of streets.	Reducing the Number of Community Facilities - community centres	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Community resources will not necessarily be lost if local communities support them through community asset transfer and ownership. The council will also work with community organisations to support the use of non council buildings for community activities and services.
24996	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	Each community needs a hub for local events and activities for young and old.	Reducing the Number of Community Facilities - community centres	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
24997	An employee of West Lothian Council	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	Community Centre's are a valuable community asset, in some communities the only asset and the only place to vote, maybe centre's run by Management Committee's could pay towards council maintenance/staffing costs. More building's could have groups self-accessing, cutting back on staffing.	Reducing the Number of Community Facilities - community centres	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Community resources will not necessarily be lost if local communities support them through community asset transfer and ownership. The council will also work with community organisations to support the use of non council buildings for community activities and services.
24998	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	More are needed	Reducing the Number of Community Facilities - community centres	5b. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it is likely that the costs of this proposal would outweigh the benefit.	Due to the continued constraint on both revenue and capital budgets, the council needs to reduce the total number of assets requiring maintenance. The unavoidable cost of keeping all properties would require a larger saving to be delivered. Community resources will not necessarily be lost if local communities support them through community asset transfer and ownership.
24999	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	I do not want to lose my community center in Winchburgh	Reducing the Number of Community Facilities - community centres	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Options for community provision are being considered as part of the core development plan for Winchburgh.
25000	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	May be so but worry that local smaller communities will be the first to suffer, and there be no travel infrastructure to support travel.	Reducing the Number of Community Facilities - community centres	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Community resources will not necessarily be lost if local communities support them through community asset transfer and ownership. The council will also work with community organisations to support the use of non council buildings for community activities and services.
25001	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	Taking away community provision will take away the heart of some communities.	Reducing the Number of Community Facilities - community centres	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Community resources will not necessarily be lost if local communities support them through community asset transfer and ownership. The council will also work with community organisations to support the use of non council buildings for community activities and services.

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25002	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	not a word I would use closing village halls and community centres is not what I call efficiency	Reducing the Number of Community Facilities - community centres	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council has delivered balanced budgets each year since 1996. The budget gap faced by the council is a result of funding being insufficient to cover the increasing cost of delivering services due to factors such as population growth and indexation. The council is subject to rigorous external audit and both Audit Scotland and EY have confirmed, over a number of years, that the council has robust financial management.
25003	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	Agree in principal, but need to consider ability of people to travel to centralised facilities.	Reducing the Number of Community Facilities - community centres	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Community resources will not necessarily be lost if local communities support them through community asset transfer and ownership. The council will also work with community organisations to support the use of non council buildings for community activities and services.
25004	An employee of West Lothian Council	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	Review and rationalise. Do we monitor numbers using these buildings, demonstrate to local communities that buildings are not utilised and need rationalised.	Reducing the Number of Community Facilities - community centres	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	We will review our property assets and rationalise usage where possible taking into account the review and redesign of services delivered in the community and investigating opportunities for coordinating availability of facilities.
25005	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	What does this saving mean? Again we have insufficient information relating to the specifics of this saving to make an informed decision on who this will affect and how. Has an equality impact assessment been completed for this saving? If the closure is in a deprived area then what support will be put in place to upskill the people in that community so that they can operate and manage the community facility themselves in a sustainable period.	Reducing the Number of Community Facilities - community centres	4. The council is already doing this.	The council has an approved policy which deals with transfers of certain council assets to the Third Sector. The approved council policy contains a number of safeguards designed to ensure that any transfer is sustainable in terms of future use. In line with established budget setting processes, all proposed reduction measures will be subject to an equality impact assessment.
25006	An employee of West Lothian Council	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	Community facilities are an important life line for many. Short sighted decision, social isolation will lead to other problems	Reducing the Number of Community Facilities - community centres	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Community resources will not necessarily be lost if local communities support them through community asset transfer and ownership. The council will also work with community organisations to support the use of non council buildings for community activities and services.
25007	An employee of West Lothian Council	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	A lot of buildings are not been used and cost a lot to run i feel this needs to be reviewed and staff need to be reviewed.	Reducing the Number of Community Facilities - community centres	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	We will review our property assets and rationalise usage where possible taking into account the review and redesign of services delivered in the community and investigating opportunities for coordinating availability of facilities.
25008	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	How easy would access be to the whole community if local services removed.	Reducing the Number of Community Facilities - community centres	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Community resources will not necessarily be lost if local communities support them through community asset transfer and ownership. The council will also work with community organisations to support the use of non council buildings for community activities and services.
25009	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	Again ridiculous, won't be long until there are no community centers or activities for anyone. What are people meant to do, where are they meant to go for community based activities? Every village / town should have access to one community center / council building and ALL services for that village / town should be available within that building.	Reducing the Number of Community Facilities - community centres	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Community resources will not necessarily be lost if local communities support them through community asset transfer and ownership. The council will also work with community organisations to support the use of non council buildings for community activities and services.
25010	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	Our community centre is a vital building for our residents including children and the elderly. The bus service in our village of winchburgh is terrible so parents or adults who do not drive would struggle to allow their kids to attend local youth clubs or groups. These are vital services to our area and children.	Reducing the Number of Community Facilities - community centres	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Community resources will not necessarily be lost if local communities support them through community asset transfer and ownership. The council will also work with community organisations to support the use of non council buildings for community activities and services.
25011	An employee of West Lothian Council	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	Agreed that there is no need for so many community facilities and the costs associated with them need to be provided.	Reducing the Number of Community Facilities - community centres	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	We will review our property assets and rationalise usage where possible taking into account the review and redesign of services delivered in the community and investigating opportunities for coordinating availability of facilities.

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25012	An employee of West Lothian Council	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	Some properties could be sold to private interests. This would help to fill the funding gap.	Reducing the Number of Community Facilities - community centres	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has a disposal process for assets declared surplus to requirements with receipts reinvested in council assets. By law income received from the sale of assets can only be used for capital expenditure or repaying debt. On this basis any receipt would not reduce the gap however it would generate savings in running costs for buildings.
25013	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	As the council has moved to the partnership model, there is an opportunity to consolidate the number of community centres and village halls.' : community halls are by definition locally sited. Therefore it seems that 'consolidate' necessarily mean 'cut'. If that is so, please just say so.	Reducing the Number of Community Facilities - community centres	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25014	An employee of West Lothian Council	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	Community Centres provide essential contact for many people who would therefore be lonely and alone. I think they are a vital part of each community.	Reducing the Number of Community Facilities - community centres	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Community resources will not necessarily be lost if local communities support them through community asset transfer and ownership. The council will also work with community organisations to support the use of non council buildings for community activities and services.
25015	An employee of West Lothian Council	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	the council should get rid of community centres that are not well used.	Reducing the Number of Community Facilities - community centres	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	We will review our property assets and rationalise usage where possible taking into account the review and redesign of services delivered in the community and investigating opportunities for coordinating availability of facilities.
25016	An employee of West Lothian Council	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	I am not informed enough to comment, although I think community centres and village halls are a necessary commodity within our communities and it is a pitiful saving....	Reducing the Number of Community Facilities - community centres	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Community resources will not necessarily be lost if local communities support them through community asset transfer and ownership. The council will also work with community organisations to support the use of non council buildings for community activities and services.
25017	An employee of West Lothian Council	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	Agreed that savings could be made where some of these buildings are concerned. I would be very concerned for some of our very disadvantaged communities however if a building providing considerable community provision and well used should be lost. Perhaps a selective approach for this one.	Reducing the Number of Community Facilities - community centres	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Community resources will not necessarily be lost if local communities support them through community asset transfer and ownership. The council will also work with community organisations to support the use of non council buildings for community activities and services.
25018	An employee of West Lothian Council	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	Hugely disappointing as these centres are community hubs they allow people to meet each other, take pride in their community, arrange groups for old and young and activities to benefit their local community that have health benefits etc.	Reducing the Number of Community Facilities - community centres	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Community resources will not necessarily be lost if local communities support them through community asset transfer and ownership. The council will also work with community organisations to support the use of non council buildings for community activities and services.
25019	An employee of West Lothian Council	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	As previously stated please do not close these facilities in Blackridge.	Reducing the Number of Community Facilities - community centres	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Community resources will not necessarily be lost if local communities support them through community asset transfer and ownership. The council will also work with community organisations to support the use of non council buildings for community activities and services.
25020	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	Community centres are important for keeping people connected	Reducing the Number of Community Facilities - community centres	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Community resources will not necessarily be lost if local communities support them through community asset transfer and ownership. The council will also work with community organisations to support the use of non council buildings for community activities and services.
25021	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	Partnership model fine. Do not remove local community centres/village halls without consultation - good focal point for elderly in the community.	Reducing the Number of Community Facilities - community centres	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	This document is the first stage of public consultation. Further public consultation on specific changes to services is an integral part of the change management process and will be undertaken as proposals are developed further.
25022	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	Community centres can be the heart of a town particularly in smaller areas. It would be a shame if these had to close perhaps forcing the closure of local clubs which use the facilities	Reducing the Number of Community Facilities - community centres	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Community resources will not necessarily be lost if local communities support them through community asset transfer and ownership. The council will also work with community organisations to support the use of non council buildings for community activities and services.

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25023	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	Whitburn's community centre has been working very hard and very well for our community, I'd hate to see these services cut	Reducing the Number of Community Facilities - community centres	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Community resources will not necessarily be lost if local communities support them through community asset transfer and ownership. The council will also work with community organisations to support the use of non council buildings for community activities and services.
25024	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	keep local community centres open for the local people. so i can keep going to my clubs.	Reducing the Number of Community Facilities - community centres	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Community resources will not necessarily be lost if local communities support them through community asset transfer and ownership. The council will also work with community organisations to support the use of non council buildings for community activities and services.
25025	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	Keep local community centres for the use of local people	Reducing the Number of Community Facilities - community centres	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Community resources will not necessarily be lost if local communities support them through community asset transfer and ownership. The council will also work with community organisations to support the use of non council buildings for community activities and services.
25026	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	Many community centres are not used well and are often being kept open for the wrong reasons. The partnership centre format works well and encourages partnership working. These should be reviewed and land sold or handed over (most beneficial for budget)	Reducing the Number of Community Facilities - community centres	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	We will review our property assets and rationalise usage where possible taking into account the review and redesign of services delivered in the community and investigating opportunities for coordinating availability of facilities.
25027	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	Community centres are a vital resource for local people, especially where an individual may not be able to travel to the next community or further to benefit from the service.	Reducing the Number of Community Facilities - community centres	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Community resources will not necessarily be lost if local communities support them through community asset transfer and ownership. The council will also work with community organisations to support the use of non council buildings for community activities and services.
25028	No Response	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	The current council community centres provide venues to run council groups, such as parenting programmes. If the properties become private, those venues will not longer be free to these groups meaning a reduction in the programmes.	Reducing the Number of Community Facilities - community centres	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	There is no proposal to transfer community centres to private organisations. Any transfer would be to a community group therefore the facility would continue to be available to the community.
25029	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	Consideration will need to be given to the siting of community facilities so that those providing a service to isolated or difficult to reach communities are protected.	Reducing the Number of Community Facilities - community centres	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Community resources will not necessarily be lost if local communities support them through community asset transfer and ownership. The council will also work with community organisations to support the use of non council buildings for community activities and services.
25030	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	This clearly won't work as community groups are run by volunteers who mostly all have day jobs. The volunteers won't be able to run the community centres. So it sounds like your proposal is to withdraw staff from community centres and let them die. Community centres are well used by the voters of West Lothian.	Reducing the Number of Community Facilities - community centres	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council has an approved policy which deals with transfers of certain council assets to the Third Sector. The approved council policy contains a number of safeguards designed to ensure that any transfer is sustainable in terms of future use. Community resources will not necessarily be lost if local communities support them through community asset transfer and ownership. The council will also work with community organisations to support the use of non council buildings for community activities and services.
25031	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	The council should detail which community centres it is considering "consolidating"; otherwise this is more waffle - without meaningful detail.	Reducing the Number of Community Facilities - community centres	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	This document is the first stage of public consultation. Further public consultation on specific changes to services is an integral part of the change management process and will be undertaken as proposals are developed further.
25032	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	Lots of centres are really well used surely this would need to be looked at for each centre?	Reducing the Number of Community Facilities - community centres	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Community resources will not necessarily be lost if local communities support them through community asset transfer and ownership. The council will also work with community organisations to support the use of non council buildings for community activities and services.

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25033	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	Do not reduce the means through which smaller communities can come together, they are an absolutely essential part of small town and village life, people depend on them.	Reducing the Number of Community Facilities - community centres	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Community resources will not necessarily be lost if local communities support them through community asset transfer and ownership. The council will also work with community organisations to support the use of non council buildings for community activities and services.
25034	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	Local community centres are an asset to everyone in the community. I feel this is the wrong way to go.	Reducing the Number of Community Facilities - community centres	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Community resources will not necessarily be lost if local communities support them through community asset transfer and ownership. The council will also work with community organisations to support the use of non council buildings for community activities and services.
25035	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	Community centres which are under used and not viable may be at risk but those which are well utilised by various groups and bodies within the community such as Bellsquarry Village Hall and Springfield Community Wing should be supported.	Reducing the Number of Community Facilities - community centres	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Community resources will not necessarily be lost if local communities support them through community asset transfer and ownership. The council will also work with community organisations to support the use of non council buildings for community activities and services.
25036	An employee of West Lothian Council	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	Agree- however are community centre fit to be transferred ? is there a need for every locality to have a community centre / town hall ? All facilities that are in a state of disrepair should be closed.	Reducing the Number of Community Facilities - community centres	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	We will review our property assets and rationalise usage where possible taking into account the review and redesign of services delivered in the community and investigating opportunities for coordinating availability of facilities. The council has an approved policy which deals with transfers of certain council assets to the Third Sector. The approved council policy contains a number of safeguards designed to ensure that any transfer is sustainable in terms of future use.
25037	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	Consolidating the community centres will reduce the number of community activities available. I run a Guides group and we were forced by the council increasing our let costs to move to the church hall. Luckily they were able to accommodate us but otherwise our group would have had to close. These community groups are important to many people and reducing the number of available spaces will mean they have to close.	Reducing the Number of Community Facilities - community centres	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Community resources will not necessarily be lost if local communities support them through community asset transfer and ownership. The council will also work with community organisations to support the use of non council buildings for community activities and services.
25038	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	this should be explored but consideration of other available local resources should be identified. WL is very rural and if some villages only have one community centre this may be the only community resource compared to larger towns which have other available venues/services to use.	Reducing the Number of Community Facilities - community centres	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Community resources will not necessarily be lost if local communities support them through community asset transfer and ownership. The council will also work with community organisations to support the use of non council buildings for community activities and services.
25039	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	each town and village should have a community centre or hall	Reducing the Number of Community Facilities - community centres	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Community resources will not necessarily be lost if local communities support them through community asset transfer and ownership. The council will also work with community organisations to support the use of non council buildings for community activities and services.
25040	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	This sounds like "buzzword" for shutting community centres and village halls. Why not rationalise community centres into other council infrastructures (sports centres/council offices etc).	Reducing the Number of Community Facilities - community centres	4. The council is already doing this.	We will review our property assets and rationalise usage where possible taking into account the review and redesign of services delivered in the community and investigating opportunities for coordinating availability of facilities.
25041	An employee of West Lothian Council	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	The smaller halls and centres would be better utilised if the rental costs were not so high and perhaps if they advertised their services more across the whole county.	Reducing the Number of Community Facilities - community centres	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Community resources will not necessarily be lost if local communities support them through community asset transfer and ownership. The council will also work with community organisations to support the use of non council buildings for community activities and services.
25042	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	Charges could be introduced to save closures.	Reducing the Number of Community Facilities - community centres	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The scope for charging will be considered, taking account current charges, the position in other local authorities and the impact of charges on vulnerable people and the availability of concessions.

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25043	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	A lot of money has been invested in restoring village halls over the last few years. Please do not consolidate them and close some of them. These provide vital services for a wide variety of your residents.	Reducing the Number of Community Facilities - community centres	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Community resources will not necessarily be lost if local communities support them through community asset transfer and ownership. The council will also work with community organisations to support the use of non council buildings for community activities and services.
25044	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	I'm not for reducing Community Facilities except where the facility is not needed, and I can't think of any Community Centre which is not used adequately.	Reducing the Number of Community Facilities - community centres	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The review of council facilities will consider a number of factors but the demand and current use of the facility will be one of the main considerations.
25045	An employee of West Lothian Council	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	Again , get the payments in for these facilities upfront.	Reducing the Number of Community Facilities - community centres	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	This would need to be considered within the parameters of providing methods of payment consistent with the council's Anti Poverty Strategy.
25046	An employee of West Lothian Council	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	I live in Whitburn & the community centre is a great asset to the town I use it frequently with my 2 young sons, have attended many toddler groups & held numerous birthday parties. I would be a great loss if it were to close.	Reducing the Number of Community Facilities - community centres	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Community resources will not necessarily be lost if local communities support them through community asset transfer and ownership. The council will also work with community organisations to support the use of non council buildings for community activities and services.
25047	An employee of West Lothian Council	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	This is a negative move as it takes away the places where the small communities can build relationships.	Reducing the Number of Community Facilities - community centres	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Community resources will not necessarily be lost if local communities support them through community asset transfer and ownership. The council will also work with community organisations to support the use of non council buildings for community activities and services.
25048	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	I don't think Community Centres can be cut much further if this is to happen then we will not be delivering a good quality service to the customer .	Reducing the Number of Community Facilities - community centres	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Community resources will not necessarily be lost if local communities support them through community asset transfer and ownership. The council will also work with community organisations to support the use of non council buildings for community activities and services.
25049	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	Community Centre has been a huge party of Community life being the hub and brining everyone together children and adult use this service and rely on a place to meet . We need to try and keep the youths of the streets and by taking away Community centres would see an increase in crime if the kids had no where to go.	Reducing the Number of Community Facilities - community centres	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Community resources will not necessarily be lost if local communities support them through community asset transfer and ownership. The council will also work with community organisations to support the use of non council buildings for community activities and services.
25050	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	Community buildings are essential to enriching lives and providing a community with the facilities to come together. A review should take into account how well used the building is used / how well used are alternative buildings in the community used / the redevelopment value of it.	Reducing the Number of Community Facilities - community centres	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	We will review our property assets and rationalise usage where possible taking into account the review and redesign of services delivered in the community and investigating opportunities for coordinating availability of facilities. The review of council facilities will consider a number of factors but the demand and current use of the facility will be one of the main considerations.
25051	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	My only concern would be a lack of appropriate buildings to run the services leading to those who have mobility issue or vision issues or any need that is not mainstream being discriminated against.	Reducing the Number of Community Facilities - community centres	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Community resources will not necessarily be lost if local communities support them through community asset transfer and ownership. The council will also work with community organisations to support the use of non council buildings for community activities and services.
25052	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	If communities aren't successful in requesting ownership of these properties, then once they close and are sold off they will be lost for ever to the community. For many villages the community centre or village hall is the hub of the community and provision of many supportive and beneficial groups. Some of these buildings have been available to their communities for hundreds of years!! It sounds an awful proposal!	Reducing the Number of Community Facilities - community centres	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Community resources will not necessarily be lost if local communities support them through community asset transfer and ownership. The council will also work with community organisations to support the use of non council buildings for community activities and services.
25053	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	I think community halls are vital for local groups and should continue to be funded	Reducing the Number of Community Facilities - community centres	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Community resources will not necessarily be lost if local communities support them through community asset transfer and ownership. The council will also work with community organisations to support the use of non council buildings for community activities and services.

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25054	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	Some community centres are well used what would happen to these ?.	Reducing the Number of Community Facilities - community centres	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Community resources will not necessarily be lost if local communities support them through community asset transfer and ownership. The council will also work with community organisations to support the use of non council buildings for community activities and services.
25055	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	Consultations from the community should be sought after before shutting community centres down.	Reducing the Number of Community Facilities - community centres	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	This document is the first stage of public consultation. Further public consultation on specific changes to services is an integral part of the change management process and will be undertaken as proposals are developed further.
25056	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	Disagree - community centres are often the heart of small communities and would be a devastating blow if these were to shut.	Reducing the Number of Community Facilities - community centres	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Community resources will not necessarily be lost if local communities support them through community asset transfer and ownership. The council will also work with community organisations to support the use of non council buildings for community activities and services.
25057	An employee of West Lothian Council	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	DONT CLOSE COMMUNITY CENTRES, LEADS TO MORE ISOLATION	Reducing the Number of Community Facilities - community centres	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Community resources will not necessarily be lost if local communities support them through community asset transfer and ownership. The council will also work with community organisations to support the use of non council buildings for community activities and services.
25058	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	some villages only have a community centre for youth clubs etc not keen on these being taken away	Reducing the Number of Community Facilities - community centres	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Community resources will not necessarily be lost if local communities support them through community asset transfer and ownership. The council will also work with community organisations to support the use of non council buildings for community activities and services.
25059	An employee of West Lothian Council	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	Reducing community facilities eventually leads to higher crime amongst the young, and poorer health for adults. Not a priority for making savings, and few communities/individuals will feel 'empowered' by their removal.	Reducing the Number of Community Facilities - community centres	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Community resources will not necessarily be lost if local communities support them through community asset transfer and ownership. The council will also work with community organisations to support the use of non council buildings for community activities and services.
25060	An employee of West Lothian Council	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	There is a view that local communities already lack 'community spirit' and community cohesion. The shifting of responsibility for community resources to local people places greater responsibility on those communities, often on the people who need the service the most. The charging policies being implemented in some centres is already reducing provision.	Reducing the Number of Community Facilities - community centres	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Community resources will not necessarily be lost if local communities support them through community asset transfer and ownership. The council will also work with community organisations to support the use of non council buildings for community activities and services.
25061	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	East Whitburn has one community building that is needed to ensure the integrity of the village is not compromised and to enable social cohesion in an area that has been historically shredded by pit closures and loss of industry. We have nowhere to meet and socialise and there's talk of increasing the village with another 250 houses	Reducing the Number of Community Facilities - community centres	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Community resources will not necessarily be lost if local communities support them through community asset transfer and ownership. The council will also work with community organisations to support the use of non council buildings for community activities and services.
25062	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	Why don't all evening lets be Put into High Schools, we have an abundance of resources that are underused..	Reducing the Number of Community Facilities - community centres	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	We will review our property assets and rationalise usage where possible taking into account the review and redesign of services delivered in the community and investigating opportunities for coordinating availability of facilities.
25063	No Response	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	Not enough information to provide comment. What is the use of the centres, how are they being used, how are these supporting preventative measures, is there a long term cost implication of their 'removal'?	Reducing the Number of Community Facilities - community centres	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	This document is the first stage of public consultation. Further public consultation on specific changes to services is an integral part of the change management process and will be undertaken as proposals are developed further.
25064	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	Looking at the need for community centers in some areas I agree is needed, but again it is hard because for small places that is all they might have there, yes not bringing in alot of money but surely that can be looked at. shouldnt the plane be "how can we make more money here and promote the community centre?" not "do we really need this building here cause it will save us money?"	Reducing the Number of Community Facilities - community centres	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Due to the continued constraint on both revenue and capital budgets, the council needs to reduce the total number of assets requiring maintenance. The unavoidable cost of keeping all properties would require a larger saving to be delivered.

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25065	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	The council need to be very careful here, as this could have a huge detrimental impact on many of the priorities of both council and national government. For example, encouraging people to get out to work requires facilities for out of school care clubs to function, and community buildings are necessary for such locally / parent run resources. To own and maintain such community wings would be outwith the budget ability of parents to support, so how do they get out to work?	Reducing the Number of Community Facilities - community centres	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Community resources will not necessarily be lost if local communities support them through community asset transfer and ownership. The council will also work with community organisations to support the use of non council buildings for community activities and services.
25066	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	Community Centres provide a useful venue for various community groups. The statement an opportunity to consolidate the number of community centres sounds like closure which I would oppose in Linlithgow.	Reducing the Number of Community Facilities - community centres	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Community resources will not necessarily be lost if local communities support them through community asset transfer and ownership. The council will also work with community organisations to support the use of non council buildings for community activities and services.
25067	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	I think this should only be imposed on Community Centres etc. if there is a willingness from local people to take control, if not the facility should be left to operate in that area but perhaps more efficiently.	Reducing the Number of Community Facilities - community centres	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Community resources will not necessarily be lost if local communities support them through community asset transfer and ownership. The council will also work with community organisations to support the use of non council buildings for community activities and services.
25068	An employee of West Lothian Council	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	Community centres provide important support for the local community.	Reducing the Number of Community Facilities - community centres	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Community resources will not necessarily be lost if local communities support them through community asset transfer and ownership. The council will also work with community organisations to support the use of non council buildings for community activities and services.
25069	An employee of West Lothian Council	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	community centres are the hub of each town/village.They are the only place where children can go and take part in activities, interact socially and make friends, build confidence and skills additional to their school learning. Reducing services in this area would be harmful to todays generation.	Reducing the Number of Community Facilities - community centres	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Community resources will not necessarily be lost if local communities support them through community asset transfer and ownership. The council will also work with community organisations to support the use of non council buildings for community activities and services.
25070	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	5a The question indicates that a number of buildings will taken / sold of their portfolio. Surely a much higher level of £600,000 income can be gained from estate sales. Are buildings / land going to be sold off at market price. The cost saving suggest that only one or two buildings will be sold off in contrast to what is being proposed through out this consultation document can detail be provided of what buildings will be sold and for what price.	Reducing the Number of Community Facilities - community centres	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The saving is revenue savings related to the day to day operation of buildings. By law income received from the sale of assets can only be used for capital expenditure or repaying debt and therefore is not included in the total saving in the consultation document.
25071	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	The consolidation of community centres and village halls would have a detrimental effect as the closure of any such facilities would make it far more difficult for residents to attend classes etc if they did not have access to a car.	Reducing the Number of Community Facilities - community centres	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Community resources will not necessarily be lost if local communities support them through community asset transfer and ownership. The council will also work with community organisations to support the use of non council buildings for community activities and services.
25072	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	Review away, however I am not for a reduction to the provision of any of the present facilities at community centres throughout West Lothian.	Reducing the Number of Community Facilities - community centres	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Community resources will not necessarily be lost if local communities support them through community asset transfer and ownership. The council will also work with community organisations to support the use of non council buildings for community activities and services.
25073	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	some villages are remote and village halls provide access to groups, services and social groups. The loss of these, no matter how small a saving, will be devastating to some of our smaller communities. I do not agree with this proposal	Reducing the Number of Community Facilities - community centres	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Community resources will not necessarily be lost if local communities support them through community asset transfer and ownership. The council will also work with community organisations to support the use of non council buildings for community activities and services.
25074	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	Key that access to community facilities, and the facilities themselves is maintained. This is vitally important for the large number of voluntary community organisations who use facilities within schools in communities where few or no alternative facilities exist.	Reducing the Number of Community Facilities - community centres	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Community resources will not necessarily be lost if local communities support them through community asset transfer and ownership. The council will also work with community organisations to support the use of non council buildings for community activities and services.

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25075	An employee of West Lothian Council	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	In some areas community centres are the only local facilities that is there so it would be wrong to lose these as they can provide vital local services such as support groups and meeting areas. In larger areas where partnership centres are open and have availability then these may be able to assist local groups and allow the closure of some community centres.	Reducing the Number of Community Facilities - community centres	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Community resources will not necessarily be lost if local communities support them through community asset transfer and ownership. The council will also work with community organisations to support the use of non council buildings for community activities and services.
25076	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	Make schools community schools instead of having community centres would save on buildings cost.	Reducing the Number of Community Facilities - community centres	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The council's Property Asset Management Strategy includes plans to ensure effective and efficient use of property assets. We will review our property assets and usage where possible taking into account the review and redesign of services delivered in the community, whilst considering safety and service delivery requirements.
25077	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	The provision of the Torphichen Community Centre is vital in this small village, it should be utilised fully and resourced to enable villagers of all ages access to multiple activities.	Reducing the Number of Community Facilities - community centres	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Community resources will not necessarily be lost if local communities support them through community asset transfer and ownership. The council will also work with community organisations to support the use of non council buildings for community activities and services.
25078	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	Sensible, although depends on location of centres relative to partnership centres.	Reducing the Number of Community Facilities - community centres	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	We will review our property assets and rationalise usage where possible taking into account the review and redesign of services delivered in the community and investigating opportunities for coordinating availability of facilities.
25079	No Response	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	Community facilities, particularly little or under-used community centres, should be closed.	Reducing the Number of Community Facilities - community centres	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	We will review our property assets and rationalise usage where possible taking into account the review and redesign of services delivered in the community and investigating opportunities for coordinating availability of facilities.
25080	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	Don't agree in WL a lot of small villages - these need a space	Reducing the Number of Community Facilities - community centres	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Community resources will not necessarily be lost if local communities support them through community asset transfer and ownership. The council will also work with community organisations to support the use of non council buildings for community activities and services.
25081	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	Depends on whether they are used or not. My reasons for not cutting music, arts and leisure facilities hold for this. Can you not put up rental encourage users to help with care and maintenance?	Reducing the Number of Community Facilities - community centres	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	We will review our property assets and rationalise usage where possible taking into account the review and redesign of services delivered in the community and investigating opportunities for coordinating availability of facilities.
25082	An employee of West Lothian Council	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	Agree with using community centres and village halls as they should be the "hub" of the community and are usually accessible to all ages. Review services to be accessed from/attended by to ensure best use of buildings	Reducing the Number of Community Facilities - community centres	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Community resources will not necessarily be lost if local communities support them through community asset transfer and ownership. The council will also work with community organisations to support the use of non council buildings for community activities and services.
25083	An employee of West Lothian Council	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	Some premises are not fit for purpose and are overpriced and underused, therefore the staff being paid to work in them are being paid to do nothing more than watch the buildings. These buildings also require lighting and cleaning which is more money wasted. The numbers of children attending Youth clubs needs investigation as some clubs are running with only two people in attendance	Reducing the Number of Community Facilities - community centres	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	We will review our property assets and rationalise usage where possible taking into account the review and redesign of services delivered in the community and investigating opportunities for coordinating availability of facilities.
25084	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	Continue the activities	Reducing the Number of Community Facilities - community centres	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25085	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	Yes review them as there will be savings - but community and village halls make the place and place is a key government policy - reduce the heat maybe as people can put on more jumpers but don't destroy the possibility of creating places for old people and young people particularly in communities where people do not travel far.	Reducing the Number of Community Facilities - community centres	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Community resources will not necessarily be lost if local communities support them through community asset transfer and ownership. The council will also work with community organisations to support the use of non council buildings for community activities and services.

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25086	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	For the community to benefit from the disposal of council assets those assets need to be identified and discussions held with Community Councils/Community Development Trusts over a long period of time. Asset transfer is not a quick process. It is unlikely that the savings proposed can be realised during the financial period unless there is a wholesale disposal of assets without consultation which we would oppose. BURGH HALLS Linlithgow benefits from a major asset in the context of the Burgh Halls. However, much more needs to be done to promote to venue which means investing more to generate increased income. This is a primary money earning asset that is currently not fulfilling its potential. COMMUNITY CENTRES provide a useful venue for various community groups. The statement "an opportunity to consolidate the number of community centres" sounds like closure which we would oppose in Linlithgow.	Reducing the Number of Community Facilities - community centres	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	This document is the first stage of public consultation. Further public consultation on specific changes to services is an integral part of the change management process and will be undertaken as proposals are developed further.
25087	An employee of West Lothian Council	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	Close community centres that have no potential to reach capacity and where there are available places nearby	Reducing the Number of Community Facilities - community centres	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	We will review our property assets and rationalise use where possible taking into account the review and redesign of services delivered in the community and investigating opportunities for coordinating availability of facilities.
25088	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	Closing centres will cut people off from their area & their community	Reducing the Number of Community Facilities - community centres	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Community resources will not necessarily be lost if local communities support them through community asset transfer and ownership. The council will also work with community organisations to support the use of non council buildings for community activities and services.
25089	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	I don't agree with closing community centres and other council buildings.	Reducing the Number of Community Facilities - community centres	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Community resources will not necessarily be lost if local communities support them through community asset transfer and ownership. The council will also work with community organisations to support the use of non council buildings for community activities and services.
25090	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	Maybe groups that are getting together could pay little for use of centres.	Reducing the Number of Community Facilities - community centres	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Officers will consider how this could be developed.
25091	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	Which properties are you considering to be surplus to requirements?	Reducing the Number of Community Facilities - community centres	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	This document is the first stage of public consultation. Further public consultation on specific changes to services is an integral part of the change management process and will be undertaken as proposals are developed further.
25092	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	We as a committee hope that the council will continue to prioritise resources on those in our community who are most in need, such as children and older and vulnerable people. It would be a tragedy if this community centre was closed. It is a community hub, well supported and vital to the heart of the community. Closure would cause distress. The village has greatly increased in size and the centre provides integration for the new residents and original residents. The centre is used as a polling station, councillors hold their surgeries, consultation meetings, the list is endless. We are committed to a programme of refurbishment to the interior of the community centre to maintain a welcoming and well maintained environment for all to enjoy.	Reducing the Number of Community Facilities - community centres	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Community resources will not necessarily be lost if local communities support them through community asset transfer and ownership. The council will also work with community organisations to support the use of non council buildings for community activities and services.
25093	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	Contradiction has risen as people and employers want young people to develop certain skills and strep out of their comfort zones to cosialise with people. After school clubs, social groups help and awareness groups along with many others take place in community centres and public buildings. By closing community centres and other buildings there will be less places and opportunities for people to develop and learn new skills as well as have somewhere to go to get help and support	Reducing the Number of Community Facilities - community centres	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Community resources will not necessarily be lost if local communities support them through community asset transfer and ownership. The council will also work with community organisations to support the use of non council buildings for community activities and services.
25094	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	It is understandable to rationalise facilities this would have a huge effect on small villages where the community centre village hall is the hub of the community.	Reducing the Number of Community Facilities - community centres	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Community resources will not necessarily be lost if local communities support them through community asset transfer and ownership. The council will also work with community organisations to support the use of non council buildings for community activities and services.
25095	An employee of West Lothian Council	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	previous reorganisation of community centre management has not provided an efficient or cost effective management service - poor / or no training offered and wrong skillset has made associations and user gps distrusting of council	Reducing the Number of Community Facilities - community centres	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council has an approved policy which deals with transfers of certain council assets to the Third Sector. The approved council policy contains a number of safeguards designed to ensure that any transfer is sustainable in terms of future use.

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25096	No Response	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	The income generated by community centre management committees (which in some cases is significant) should be ring-fenced for provision of targeted community learning and development opportunities (children's clubs, youth work provision etc) within/around the facilities they manage the lets for. I understand that such a move would be in line with their charitable purposes. The council needs to ensure that the income generated by management committees is utilised for the benefit of those that need it, not those who have always got it, or who know how/who to ask for it. I don't think management committees currently even need to commit to use their income to help maintain or improve the community centre facilities! Management committees should also seek to better utilise their charitable status to apply for (and hopefully obtain) external funding which is not available to the council, and which could be used to fund provision or improvements that the council may not be able to in the future.	Reducing the Number of Community Facilities - community centres	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	Where relevant, we will forward these comments to the appropriate organisations.
25097	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	How and where are these going to be provided? A number of community centers have had to close or reduce their hours dramatically. Will this happen again when this is no longer a priority	Reducing the Number of Community Facilities - community centres	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Community resources will not necessarily be lost if local communities support them through community asset transfer and ownership. The council will also work with community organisations to support the use of non council buildings for community activities and services.
25098	An employee of West Lothian Council	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	If we look at some Community Centre buildings the usage figures for these building is very low. Do we need the amount of Community Centre Buildings that we currently operate or is there more of an opportunity to share the staffing of these centres with the Management Committees to allow for staffing to be reduced further and for the Management Committees to staff the centres on a part time bases.	Reducing the Number of Community Facilities - community centres	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	We will review our property assets and rationalise usage where possible taking into account the review and redesign of services delivered in the community and investigating opportunities for coordinating availability of facilities.
25099	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	This cutting back of staff is not good. Some areas cuts are needed but in the community centres - appalling. I wandered around (one day) Strathbrock Community Wing trying to find someone to no avail. Even a social worker from upstairs could not find anyone. I could have removed (stolen) quite a bit of valuable goods as I had about 20 minutes to wander freely. C.Ed services are suffering - who cares? Nobody unless they are directly affected.	Reducing the Number of Community Facilities - community centres	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25100	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	community centres give people a central safe spot to go, get help, meet friends and get out. this is needed. the Boghall Community Wing is very important to me and my family. it is needed.	Reducing the Number of Community Facilities - community centres	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Community resources will not necessarily be lost if local communities support them through community asset transfer and ownership. The council will also work with community organisations to support the use of non council buildings for community activities and services.
25101	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	the community wing is one of my only ways of getting out and meeting my friends and other people. this is a life line for all of us. do not cut any funding to the local community centres. They are a central point for all people to get help	Reducing the Number of Community Facilities - community centres	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Community resources will not necessarily be lost if local communities support them through community asset transfer and ownership. The council will also work with community organisations to support the use of non council buildings for community activities and services.
25102	An employee of West Lothian Council	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	The Craiginn Centre in Blackridge and the Community facility that is run at Blackridge Primary are VITAL resources to the children and young people in Blackridge. In a village setting there is no where else to go and nothing else for the children and young people to do. I believe that these services should remain open as both are well utilised and the Library and Craiginn Centre have already been merged saving the Council money. Many groups are run in these locations including Dancing and a Community Centre which are essential to young peoples health and both physical and mental well being. Cutting these services would have an extremely detrimental effect on the Children and Young People concerned.	Reducing the Number of Community Facilities - community centres	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Community resources will not necessarily be lost if local communities support them through community asset transfer and ownership. The council will also work with community organisations to support the use of non council buildings for community activities and services.
25103	An individual	5a. Empowering Communities & Reducing the Number of Community Facilities	if you are going to close community centres at least keep community schools open.	Reducing the Number of Community Facilities - community centres	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The council's Property Asset Management Strategy includes plans to ensure effective and efficient use of property assets. We will review our property assets and usage where possible taking into account the review and redesign of services delivered in the community, whilst considering safety and service delivery requirements.
25104	An employee of West Lothian Council	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	Agree, but where how has this figure been calculated?	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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25105	An employee of West Lothian Council	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	If this can provide the necessary savings then this should be pursued.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25106	No Response	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	Agree to all suggested proposals	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25107	An employee of West Lothian Council	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	Great idea	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25108	An individual	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25109	An individual	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	Good idea	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25110	An employee of West Lothian Council	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25111	An employee of West Lothian Council	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	Supportive of this proposal.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25112	An individual	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	Agree.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25113	An employee of West Lothian Council	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	I would agree with this proposal	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25114	An individual	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25115	An employee of West Lothian Council	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	I agree with this.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25116	An individual	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25117	An employee of West Lothian Council	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	SUPPORT	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25118	An individual	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	Ok	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25119	An employee of West Lothian Council	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	Yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25120	An employee of West Lothian Council	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	that would seem sensible	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25121	An individual	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	Yes sell them .	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25122	An individual	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	finally....	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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25123	An individual	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	Agree this proposal.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25124	No Response	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	Have no objection	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25125	No Response	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	I agree, this is a good decision.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25126	An employee of West Lothian Council	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	Again this makes complete sense.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25127	An individual	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	Support proposal.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25128	An individual	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	Agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25129	An individual	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	Sounds reasonable.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25130	An employee of West Lothian Council	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	fully support	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25131	An employee of West Lothian Council	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	Fine	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25132	An employee of West Lothian Council	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	I agree.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25133	An individual	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	Good idea.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25134	No Response	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	Of course!	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25135	An employee of West Lothian Council	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25136	An individual	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	Good.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25137	An individual	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25138	No Response	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	I agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25139	An individual	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25140	An employee of West Lothian Council	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25141	An individual	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	Makes sense.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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25142	An individual	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	Agree.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25143	An individual	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	Sounds sensible.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25144	An employee of West Lothian Council	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	Agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25145	An individual	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	happy with this	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25146	An employee of West Lothian Council	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25147	No Response	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	I agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25148	An individual	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25149	An employee of West Lothian Council	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	makes sense!	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25150	An individual	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	Agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25151	An individual	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	good	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25152	An individual	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25153	An employee of West Lothian Council	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	makes sense	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25154	An employee of West Lothian Council	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	Excellent idea	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25155	An individual	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	Positive	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25156	An employee of West Lothian Council	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	Yes, agreed.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25157	An individual	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	I agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25158	An employee of West Lothian Council	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	Support this proposal	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25159	An individual	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	go ahead with the savings	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25160	An individual	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	Should be happening already	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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25161	An employee of West Lothian Council	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	As long as buildings are protected and not left empty.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25162	An individual	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	Sounds Rational	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25163	An individual	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	Achievable and sensible	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25164	An individual	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	I support this change	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25165	An individual	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	I agree with the Council's proposals for the moment to see how they all work out. Thank you.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25166	An individual	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	Sell, sell sell!	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25167	An individual	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	sounds a plan	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25168	An individual	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	no objections.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25169	An individual	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25170	An employee of West Lothian Council	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	Agree with this.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25171	An employee of West Lothian Council	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25172	An individual	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	sounds good to me	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25173	An employee of West Lothian Council	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	Sounds good to me!	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25174	An individual	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	Agree.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25175	An employee of West Lothian Council	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25176	An individual	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	ok.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25177	An individual	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25178	An individual	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25179	An individual	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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25180	An individual	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	Good	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25181	An individual	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	I support this	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25182	An individual	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25183	An individual	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	Good	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25184	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	good idea	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25185	No Response	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25186	An individual	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	Good idea.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25187	An individual	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25188	No Response	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	Sounds fine.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25189	An individual	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25190	An individual	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	Seems reasonable	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25191	An individual	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	Makes sense	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25192	An individual	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	I support this.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25193	No Response	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	Agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25194	An individual	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	Agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25195	An individual	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	Agreed.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25196	An employee of West Lothian Council	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25197	An employee of West Lothian Council	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25198	An individual	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25199	An individual	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	I would support this.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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25200	An employee of West Lothian Council	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	Good	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25201	An individual	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	Sounds good	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25202	No Response	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	Agree with this proposal	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25203	An individual	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	Support	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25204	An individual	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	Agree.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25205	An employee of West Lothian Council	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	Agree.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25206	An individual	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	Acceptable	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25207	An individual	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	Agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25208	An individual	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	Agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25209	An individual	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25210	An employee of West Lothian Council	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	I agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25211	An employee of West Lothian Council	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	agree with proposal	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25212	An individual	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	Ok	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25213	An employee of West Lothian Council	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25214	An individual	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	Seems sensible	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25215	No Response	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	Agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25216	An individual	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	I agree with this proposal	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25217	An employee of West Lothian Council	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25218	An employee of West Lothian Council	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	ok	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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25219	An employee of West Lothian Council	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25220	An individual	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25221	No Response	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25222	An individual	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	A reasonable measure.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25223	An individual	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	great idea . let investors use these buildings to potentially bring employment	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25224	An individual	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	No problem with this proposal.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25225	An employee of West Lothian Council	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	I agree with this proposal, it would appear to make good business sense.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25226	An individual	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	This seems a viable opportunity as long as the proposals are agreed upon and implemented.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25227	An individual	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	This could be beneficial.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25228	An individual	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	I Have no objection to this.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25229	An individual	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	Agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25230	An individual	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	Sounds sensible.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25231	An employee of West Lothian Council	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	Agree with this measure	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25232	An employee of West Lothian Council	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	Agree.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25233	An employee of West Lothian Council	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25234	An employee of West Lothian Council	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25235	An employee of West Lothian Council	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	ok with this	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25236	An employee of West Lothian Council	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	would agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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25237	An employee of West Lothian Council	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25238	An individual	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25239	An individual	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	OK.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25240	An employee of West Lothian Council	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	Agree.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25241	No Response	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	Good	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25242	An employee of West Lothian Council	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	Makes sense.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25243	An employee of West Lothian Council	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	I agree with this proposal	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25244	An individual	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	ok	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25245	An individual	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	Great idea.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25246	An individual	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	Great idea	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25247	An employee of West Lothian Council	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	Agree with this proposal.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25248	An employee of West Lothian Council	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	Yes.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25249	An employee of West Lothian Council	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	Sounds good	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25250	An individual	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	Another wise but overdue decision	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25251	An individual	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	This is an area of possible saving.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25252	An individual	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	I support the principle. Savings seem a little low.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25253	An individual	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	I strongly agree with the above.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25254	An individual	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	I would support this proposal and hope it would raise further savings.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25255	An individual	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	Think this is a good idea.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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25256	An individual	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	As 1A - Excellent if all of the above are carried out. However on current personally experienced performance it will take a huge effort to even provide an improvement. Further why has the " efficiency and effectiveness" not been applied to current procedures. No real criteria to be reach is actually stated and the starting point for these " efficiency and effectiveness" upgrade to services is not evident. Vagueness in targets to achieve . How will residents know when this is achieved?	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25257	An individual	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	Agree if surplus to requirements	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25258	An individual	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	Agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25259	An employee of West Lothian Council	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	Makes sense.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25260	An individual	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	Agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25261	An individual	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	Agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25262	An employee of West Lothian Council	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	Agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25263	An employee of West Lothian Council	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	This appears to be a reasonable proposal.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25264	An individual	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	Obviously !	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25265	An individual	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	Agree.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25266	An individual	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25267	An individual	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25268	An individual	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25269	An individual	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	I agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25270	An individual	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25271	An individual	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	Ok	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25272	An employee of West Lothian Council	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25273	No Response	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25274	No Response	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	Good.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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25275	An individual	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25276	An individual	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	Yes, agree.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25277	An individual	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	Agreed.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25278	An individual	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	I would support this	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25279	No Response	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	Do it!	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25280	No Response	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25281	An employee of West Lothian Council	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25282	An individual	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	I agree with this proposal	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25283	An employee of West Lothian Council	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	agree with proposal	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25284	An employee of West Lothian Council	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25285	No Response	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25286	An individual	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25287	An employee of West Lothian Council	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25288	An employee of West Lothian Council	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	I agree with this proposal.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25289	An individual	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	I agree with this proposal	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25290	An employee of West Lothian Council	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	Again this makes sense.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25291	An individual	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	I agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25292	An employee of West Lothian Council	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	Agree.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25293	An individual	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	I agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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25294	An individual	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25295	An employee of West Lothian Council	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	I agree with this.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25296	An individual	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	Supported	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25297	An employee of West Lothian Council	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	Happy with this proposal	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25298	An individual	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	ok	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25299	An individual	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	Makes sense.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25300	An individual	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	Makes sense	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25301	An individual	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25302	An individual	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	I agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25303	An individual	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25304	An individual	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25305	An employee of West Lothian Council	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	This makes sense.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25306	An employee of West Lothian Council	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	This seems reasonable.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25307	An employee of West Lothian Council	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	Agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25308	An employee of West Lothian Council	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	I think this is unavoidable.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25309	An employee of West Lothian Council	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	Agree.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25310	An individual	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25311	An individual	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	Agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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25312	An employee of West Lothian Council	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	This seems like a necessary step. We should only be maintaining buildings we really need and which allow us to deliver the services we need to deliver.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25313	An individual	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25314	An individual	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	Agree this must be done.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25315	An individual	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	Support this initiative.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25316	An individual	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	I agree with this.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25317	An individual	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	Agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25318	An individual	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	Understand this proposal and agree should this be the case.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25319	An employee of West Lothian Council	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	Agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25320	An individual	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	Good	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25321	An individual	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25322	No Response	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	OK	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25323	An employee of West Lothian Council	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	Agreed.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25324	An employee of West Lothian Council	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	Agree with this proposal	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25325	An individual	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25326	An employee of West Lothian Council	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	Ok	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25327	An individual	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25328	An employee of West Lothian Council	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	This is an obvious way to save money I support it.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25329	An individual	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	Makes perfect sense and is normal in all other workplaces.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25330	No Response	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	OK	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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25331	An employee of West Lothian Council	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	I believe in the importance of revenue generating services such as the commercial portfolio which brings money in for the council. This income supports vital services, supports local businesses and promotes economic growth in west Lothian.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25332	An individual	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	Agree with this there are so many run down council centres in West Lothian. Lets sell them and put the money into schools and care for elderly	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25333	An individual	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	Agreed subject to concern at 5a	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25334	An individual	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	I find the wording of this difficult to understand.OK	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25335	An individual	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	Well this sounds like a great opportunity for property speculators.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25336	An individual	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	This makes sense.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25337	An individual	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	Good idea	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25338	An individual	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	ok	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25339	An individual	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	This makes sense.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25340	An individual	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25341	An individual	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	Agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25342	An individual	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	ok	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25343	An individual	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25344	An individual	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	Agree.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25345	An individual	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25346	An individual	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	Agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25347	An individual	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	Yes, surplus properties are not required	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25348	An employee of West Lothian Council	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	Strongly support this measure.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25349	An individual	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	OK and if sold will realise some cash.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25350	An individual	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	Agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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25351	An individual	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	Support	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25352	An individual	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25353	An individual	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	I agree.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25354	An individual	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	Go for it !	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25355	An individual	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	Seems sensible	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25356	An individual	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	Agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25357	An individual	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	no problem	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25358	An individual	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25359	An individual	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25360	An employee of West Lothian Council	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	Seems sensible	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25361	An individual	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	Agree.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25362	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	Agreed.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25363	An individual	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	Good	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25364	An employee of West Lothian Council	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25365	An individual	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25366	An employee of West Lothian Council	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	This may be a good idea to help generate funds for the Council.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25367	An individual	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	A reasonable proposal.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25368	An employee of West Lothian Council	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	Agree this seems to make sense	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25369	An employee of West Lothian Council	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	Supportive in principle based on limited / known detailed information	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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25370	An employee of West Lothian Council	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25371	An individual	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	Fine	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25372	An individual	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	Sounds fine.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25373	An employee of West Lothian Council	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	Yes I agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25374	An individual	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25375	An individual	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25376	An individual	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	Sounds good.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25377	An individual	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	i agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25378	An individual	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25379	An individual	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	Yes.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25380	An employee of West Lothian Council	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	Agree fully, any surplus estate should be sold for a capital gain	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25381	An individual	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	I completely agree with this.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25382	An individual	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	Yeah	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25383	An individual	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	seems practical	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25384	An employee of West Lothian Council	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	Agreed.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25385	An employee of West Lothian Council	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	Agreed.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25386	An employee of West Lothian Council	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25387	An employee of West Lothian Council	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	I agree with this proposal.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25388	An individual	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	good.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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25389	An employee of West Lothian Council	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	I agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25390	An individual	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25391	An individual	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	Look okay as it is possible to evaluate given the vague descriptions given in the 'Transforming Your Council'	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25392	An individual	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	I agree with the proposal.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25393	An individual	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	All proposals are sound.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25394	An employee of West Lothian Council	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	Asset transfer and disposal mean large FOR SALE signs in towns and communities. I understand if they can sold then this is beneficial to the council but no one benefits if they lie empty.	Commercial Property (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	The council's Property Asset Management Strategy includes plans to ensure effective and efficient use of property assets. We will review our property assets and rationalise usage where possible taking into account the review and redesign of services delivered in the community and investigating opportunities for coordinating availability of facilities. The rationalisation of buildings will generate ongoing substantial revenue savings.
25395	An employee of West Lothian Council	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	Could some properties be put up for sale as some might have a commercial value ?	Commercial Property (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	The council has a disposal process for assets declared surplus to requirements with receipts reinvested in council assets. By law income received from the sale of assets can only be used for capital expenditure or repaying debt.
25396	An employee of West Lothian Council	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	These should be based on the financial burdens.	Commercial Property (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25397	An individual	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	This is small amount of money compared to the valuable resource lost to the community.	Commercial Property (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Community resources will not necessarily be lost if local communities support them through community asset transfer and ownership. The council has an approved policy which deals with transfers of certain council assets to the Third Sector. The approved council policy contains a number of safeguards designed to ensure that any transfer is sustainable in terms of future use and meets the council's requirement to support community ownership.
25398	An individual	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	You should be looking at getting more people into fewer buildings in your estate, hot desking, working from home, etc.	Commercial Property (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	We will review our property assets and rationalise usage where possible taking into account the review and redesign of services delivered in the community and investigating opportunities for coordinating availability of facilities. The council continues to investigate opportunities for further flexible working and use of technology.
25399	An individual	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	Can they be renovated into housing? This is one way of addressing a hot topic.	Commercial Property (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The council has undertaken projects in the past to use surplus land and buildings for provision of council housing (e.g. Broxburn PS). The council will continue to review opportunities to use surplus assets for this purpose.
25400	An individual	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	Why not if possible change the properties into houses for homeless	Commercial Property (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The council has undertaken projects in the past to use surplus land and buildings for provision of council housing (e.g. Broxburn PS). The council will continue to review opportunities to use surplus assets for this purpose.

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25401	No Response	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	Asset transfer must include also income to the local authority	Commercial Property (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	Currently community groups keep all income generated in community centres with the council receiving no income towards the cost of providing these facilities.
25402	An individual	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	again i have seen this in other local authorities and communities don't understand the vastness of running these locations - advisory support is imperative	Commercial Property (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The council has an approved policy which deals with transfers of certain council assets to the Third Sector. The approved council policy contains a number of safeguards designed to ensure that any transfer is sustainable in terms of future use.
25403	An individual	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	only carefully considered properties should be sold.	Commercial Property (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council's Property Asset Management Strategy includes plans to ensure effective and efficient use of property assets. We will review our property assets and rationalise usage where possible taking into account the review and redesign of services delivered in the community and investigating opportunities for coordinating availability of facilities. The council has a disposal process for assets declared surplus to requirements with receipts reinvested in council assets. By law income received from the sale of assets can only be used for capital expenditure or repaying debt.
25404	An employee of West Lothian Council	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	Waste of Council monies previously will not be covered by the sale or transfer of property.	Commercial Property (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council is subject to rigorous external audit and both Audit Scotland and EY have confirmed, over a number of years, that the council has robust financial management and delivers best value in the use of public resources.
25405	An individual	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	Income to the Council is vital therefore - property revenue and business rates are crucial as they generate a useful income for the Council whilst boosting economic development and the employment position in West Lothian.	Commercial Property (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	In reviewing the commercial property portfolio the aim is to create a dynamic and proactive portfolio that strives to deliver good opportunities and improving rent returns. The review of rents will be considered in line with various factors including market rates and local circumstances. The commercial property portfolio generates income for the council with the cost of providing the units being substantially less than the income received.
25406	An individual	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	Commercial interest should be tested first.	Commercial Property (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council's Property Asset Management Strategy includes plans to ensure effective and efficient use of property assets. We will review our property assets and rationalise usage where possible taking into account the review and redesign of services delivered in the community and investigating opportunities for coordinating availability of facilities. The council has a disposal process for assets declared surplus to requirements with receipts reinvested in council assets.
25407	An employee of West Lothian Council	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	Holding onto property that is not longer required does not make sense.	Commercial Property (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has a disposal process for assets declared surplus to requirements with receipts reinvested in council assets.
25408	An employee of West Lothian Council	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	Rationalising properties owned and used by the council should help.	Commercial Property (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council's Property Asset Management Strategy includes plans to ensure effective and efficient use of property assets. We will review our property assets and rationalise usage where possible taking into account the review and redesign of services delivered in the community and investigating opportunities for coordinating availability of facilities.
25409	An individual	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	As above - As long as the groups look after the properties and we are not left with derelict buildings. That the council later have to pick up the cost for, when there is even less money and value in the building	Commercial Property (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has an approved policy which deals with transfers of certain council assets to the Third Sector. The approved council policy contains a number of safeguards designed to ensure that any transfer is sustainable in terms of future use.

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25410	An individual	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	Close and sell all properly not needed. Reduce maintenance costs and staff. Win win.	Commercial Property (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council's Property Asset Management Strategy includes plans to ensure effective and efficient use of property assets. We will review our property assets and rationalise usage where possible.
25411	An employee of West Lothian Council	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	How will it be decided what community loses out and what community will be relieved?	Commercial Property (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The review of council facilities will consider a number of factors but the demand and current use of the facility will be one of the main considerations.
25412	An individual	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	Surplus properties should be made available for asset transfer or disposal before lying empty for years, losing value. There are many surplus buildings in the Council area that have little value due to poor condition.	Commercial Property (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has a disposal process for assets declared surplus to requirements with receipts reinvested in council assets. This includes consideration of when to bring properties to the market to ensure the greatest receipt for the council. Market conditions may mean that properties are not listed for sale for some period.
25413	An individual	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	turn brownfield sites in to housing. Please.	Commercial Property (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	The council has undertaken projects in the past to use surplus land and buildings for provision of council housing (e.g. Broxburn PS). The council will continue to review opportunities to use surplus assets for this purpose.
25414	An employee of West Lothian Council	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	Could council building be hired to local groups at the weekend or hired for external company meetings during the week - to create revenue.	Commercial Property (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The council currently generates income from providing a range of services to partners and organisations. Further opportunities to expand this could be investigated.
25415	An individual	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	Footprint should be reduced to a bare minimum	Commercial Property (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	We will review our property assets and rationalise usage where possible taking into account the review and redesign of services delivered in the community and investigating opportunities for coordinating availability of facilities.
25416	An employee of West Lothian Council	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	I agree that the buildings lying empty should be sold off	Commercial Property (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	We will review our property assets and rationalise usage where possible taking into account the review and redesign of services delivered in the community and investigating opportunities for coordinating availability of facilities.
25417	An employee of West Lothian Council	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	Makes sense to sell surplus properties.	Commercial Property (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has a disposal process for assets declared surplus to requirements with receipts reinvested in council assets.
25418	An employee of West Lothian Council	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	Transferred to local groups would be better than transferred to property developers. Village halls and community centres are vital to their population centres. Removing them from public access would be a retrograde move.	Commercial Property (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has an approved policy which deals with transfers of certain council assets to the Third Sector. The approved council policy contains a number of safeguards designed to ensure that any transfer is sustainable in terms of future use. The council has a disposal process for assets declared surplus to requirements with receipts reinvested in council assets.
25419	An employee of West Lothian Council	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	Surplus properties should be sold off	Commercial Property (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has a disposal process for assets declared surplus to requirements with receipts reinvested in council assets.
25420	An individual	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	What does this actually mean? Sell off land for unaffordable housing?	Commercial Property (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	We will review our property assets and rationalise usage where possible taking into account the review and redesign of services delivered in the community and investigating opportunities for coordinating availability of facilities.
25421	An individual	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	Make sure that when these properties are being sold off that the council obtains the best possible price for them instead of selling off at ridiculously low figures only to have developers get money which should reach the public purse.	Commercial Property (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has a disposal process for assets declared surplus to requirements with receipts reinvested in council assets. This includes consideration of when to bring properties to the market to ensure the greatest receipt for the council.

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25422	An individual	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	Seems a small return for transfer or disposal	Commercial Property (general)	5b. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it is likely that the costs of this proposal would outweigh the benefit.	Due to the continued constraint on both revenue and capital budgets, the council needs to reduce the total number of assets requiring maintenance. The unavoidable cost of keeping all properties would require a larger saving to be delivered.
25423	An individual	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	Same comment as above. - Good idea but must be done sensitively with the full backing of the Community and therefore unlikely to happen during the period of the financial plan.	Commercial Property (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	We will review our property assets and rationalise usage where possible taking into account the review and redesign of services delivered in the community and investigating opportunities for coordinating availability of facilities.
25424	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	What does this saving mean? Again we have insufficient information relating to the specifics of this saving to make an informed decision on who this will affect and how. Has an equality impact assessment been completed for this saving? What properties are you referring too? What impact will this have in rural areas and those already isolated within the communities in which they live.	Commercial Property (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council's Property Asset Management Strategy includes plans to ensure effective and efficient use of property assets. We will review our property assets and rationalise usage where possible taking into account the review and redesign of services delivered in the community and investigating opportunities for coordinating availability of facilities. In line with established budget setting processes, all proposed reduction measures will be subject to an equality impact assessment.
25425	An individual	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	Addiewell Community house is not being used. Return it to a house to allow a family to use it.	Commercial Property (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	We will review our property assets and rationalise usage where possible taking into account the review and redesign of services delivered in the community and investigating opportunities for coordinating availability of facilities.
25426	An individual	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	Yes get rid of excess properties	Commercial Property (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	We will review our property assets and rationalise usage where possible taking into account the review and redesign of services delivered in the community and investigating opportunities for coordinating availability of facilities.
25427	An employee of West Lothian Council	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	In agreemnet rent out these to other agencies.	Commercial Property (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	We will review our property assets and rationalise usage where possible taking into account the review and redesign of services delivered in the community and investigating opportunities for coordinating availability of facilities.
25428	An individual	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	Good idea. However, you need to make sure that there is adequate support for those wishing to take up the Asset Transfer option. Having looked at this for our village hall have to say that the support from the council so far is not good therefore leaving us undecided on where we should take this forward	Commercial Property (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has an approved policy which deals with transfers of certain council assets to the Third Sector. The approved council policy contains a number of safeguards designed to ensure that any transfer is sustainable in terms of future use. This policy is being reviewed to assist community groups further in this process.
25429	An employee of West Lothian Council	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	Rental could also be considered to provide additional revenue stream.	Commercial Property (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The scope for charging will be considered, taking account current charges, the position in other local authorities and the impact of charges on vulnerable people and the availability of concessions.
25430	An individual	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	Only Â£700k much more could be saved here	Commercial Property (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Due to the continued constraint on both revenue and capital budgets, the council needs to reduce the total number of assets requiring maintenance. The unavoidable cost of keeping all properties would require a larger saving to be delivered. The council has a disposal process for assets declared surplus to requirements with receipts reinvested in council assets. By law income received from the sale of assets can only be used for capital expenditure or repaying debt.
25431	An individual	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	I agree any properties not being used should be sold to make the council money I dont think we should be making excuses to close services so that they can sell them off. I think if they are empty then yes make use of the asset.	Commercial Property (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council's Property Asset Management Strategy includes plans to ensure effective and efficient use of property assets. We will review our property assets and rationalise usage where possible taking into account the review and redesign of services delivered in the community and investigating opportunities for coordinating availability of facilities.

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25432	An individual	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	Many council buildings are sitting empty sell them or make a use for them that will bring in money	Commercial Property (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council's Property Asset Management Strategy includes plans to ensure effective and efficient use of property assets. We will review our property assets and rationalise usage where possible.
25433	An individual	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	As above these assets can only be realised if there are Communities well off to pay for them. The statement itself indicates a further centralisation on Livingston; this is to be deprecated	Commercial Property (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Community resources will not necessarily be lost if local communities support them through community asset transfer and ownership. The council will also work with community organisations to support the use of non council buildings for community activities and services. The focus will continue to be on partnership centre provision therefore there is currently no proposal to centralise all council buildings in Livingston.
25434	No Response	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	If these properties are sold to private enterprise, regulations must be put in place that they are sold for market value. If they are transferred to the local community the same regulations would need to be stipulated to safeguard against future sale if local demand is not sufficient to keep the property within local ownership.	Commercial Property (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has a disposal process for assets declared surplus to requirements with receipts reinvested in council assets. This includes consideration of when to bring properties to the market to ensure the greatest benefit for the council. Market conditions may mean that properties are not listed for sale for some period. Any community transfer will include clauses to ensure buildings could only be used for community purposes and could not be sold.
25435	An individual	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	Let's hope the council does not lose too many capital assets through community takeover as very costly & can imagine council will be asked later to bail out problems	Commercial Property (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The council has an approved policy which deals with transfers of certain council assets to the Third Sector. The approved council policy contains a number of safeguards designed to ensure that any transfer is sustainable in terms of future use.
25436	No Response	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	What will happen at the end of year 5 when we don't have any more properties to transfer and have further savings. Can we not offer the properties rent free/reduced on the condition that the company/organisation maintains it to an agreed standard. This could bring more businesses into West Lothian, and keep our properties maintained and functional.	Commercial Property (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Due to the continued constraint on both revenue and capital budgets, the council needs to reduce the total number of assets requiring maintenance. The unavoidable cost of keeping all properties would require a larger saving to be delivered. Free transfer of assets to groups who have responsibility to maintain the assets is delivered through the provisions of the Community Empowerment Act.
25437	An individual	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	I think you are talking about selling off properties? (The language is a bit opaque.) If so, I think it would have to be considered case-by-case.	Commercial Property (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council's Property Asset Management Strategy includes plans to ensure effective and efficient use of property assets. We will review our property assets and rationalise usage where possible.
25438	An individual	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	Provided core services are maintained	Commercial Property (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	All services will be reviewed based on the impact they have on priorities. It is proposed that future spending will be aligned to the priorities in the Transforming Your Council consultation document.
25439	An individual	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	Sell them off for housing projects.	Commercial Property (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	The council has undertaken projects in the past to use surplus land and buildings for provision of council housing (e.g. Broxburn PS). The council will continue to review opportunities to use surplus assets for this purpose.
25440	An employee of West Lothian Council	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	Sell all land which is not required. Sell all property which is not required.	Commercial Property (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has a disposal process for assets declared surplus to requirements with receipts reinvested in council assets. By law income received from the sale of assets can only be used for capital expenditure or repaying debt.
25441	No Response	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	Agree we must make property related savings as a first priority. We have too many buildings not being fully utilised and rationalisation is required.	Commercial Property (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	We will review our property assets and rationalise usage where possible taking into account the review and redesign of services delivered in the community and investigating opportunities for coordinating availability of facilities.

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25442	An employee of West Lothian Council	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	Some of these buildings might be needed in the long run. Selling is very final and could be dangerous if assets are significantly depleted. Letting may be better?	Commercial Property (general)	5b. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it is likely that the costs of this proposal would outweigh the benefit.	Due to the continued constraint on both revenue and capital budgets, the council needs to reduce the total number of assets requiring maintenance. The unavoidable cost of keeping all properties would require a larger saving to be delivered.
25443	An individual	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	Agree, provided there is an adequate spread of quality facilities available for local use.	Commercial Property (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	We will review our property assets and rationalise usage where possible taking into account the review and redesign of services delivered in the community and investigating opportunities for coordinating availability of facilities.
25444	An individual	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	I would like to see the top 3 items/specific deliverables that contribute to this redesign.	Commercial Property (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The council's aim is, and always will be, to ensure that West Lothian continues to be a great place to live, work, visit and do business. To achieve this aim we will continue to prioritise the money that we spend on services to make sure that our investment has the biggest and most positive impact on the community.
25445	An individual	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	Service provision should be maintained in Linlithgow	Commercial Property (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Community resources will not necessarily be lost if local communities support them through community asset transfer and ownership. The council will also work with community organisations to support the use of non council buildings for community activities and services.
25446	An individual	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	Selling the family silver?	Commercial Property (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Due to the continued constraint on both revenue and capital budgets, the council needs to reduce the total number of assets requiring maintenance. The unavoidable cost of keeping all properties would require a larger saving to be delivered. Community resources will not necessarily be lost if local communities support them through community asset transfer and ownership.
25447	An individual	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	Asset transfer on surplus properties should be Considered carefully - selling them to the highest bidder (not people connected with the council) should bring more money into the council	Commercial Property (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has an approved policy which deals with transfers of certain council assets to the Third Sector. The approved council policy contains a number of safeguards designed to ensure that any transfer is sustainable in terms of future use. The council has a disposal process for assets declared surplus to requirements with receipts reinvested in council assets.
25448	An employee of West Lothian Council	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	if there isn't a requirement for the buildings it would make sense to remove them from WLC's portfolio	Commercial Property (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council's Property Asset Management Strategy includes plans to ensure effective and efficient use of property assets. We will review our property assets and rationalise usage where possible taking into account the review and redesign of services delivered in the community and investigating opportunities for coordinating availability of facilities.
25449	An individual	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	A good proposal if sold on at market value.	Commercial Property (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has a disposal process for assets declared surplus to requirements with receipts reinvested in council assets. By law income received from the sale of assets can only be used for capital expenditure or repaying debt.
25450	An employee of West Lothian Council	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	Good idea. Shame about Annet House though...	Commercial Property (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	We will review our property assets and rationalise usage where possible taking into account the review and redesign of services delivered in the community and investigating opportunities for coordinating availability of facilities.
25451	An individual	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	Agree but please be creative and think of benefit to community and not more empty buildings. If needed clear the sites and encourage development.	Commercial Property (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The council has a disposal process for assets declared surplus to requirements with receipts reinvested in council assets. This includes consideration of when to bring properties to the market to ensure the greatest receipt for the council. Market conditions may mean that properties are not listed for sale for some period.

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25452	An employee of West Lothian Council	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	Good - get rid of all the empty office space in West Lothian - like happened in Livingston Village!	Commercial Property (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	We will review our property assets and rationalise usage where possible taking into account the review and redesign of services delivered in the community and investigating opportunities for coordinating availability of facilities.
25453	An individual	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	who will buy these they will either be left to rot or houses will be built with no facilities left for the community and where would the money go from the sale of the properties would they be offered to local communities to but at a discounted price	Commercial Property (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The council has a disposal process for assets declared surplus to requirements with receipts reinvested in council assets. By law income received from the sale of assets can only be used for capital expenditure or repaying debt. The council has an approved policy which deals with transfers of certain council assets to the Third Sector. The approved council policy contains a number of safeguards designed to ensure that any transfer is sustainable in terms of future use.
25454	An employee of West Lothian Council	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	A Good idea, so long as land or titles are kept to prevent developers taking advantage.	Commercial Property (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has a disposal process for assets declared surplus to requirements with receipts reinvested in council assets. This includes consideration of when to bring properties to the market to ensure the greatest receipt for the council. Market conditions may mean that properties are not listed for sale for some period. Any community transfer will include clauses to ensure buildings could only be used for community purposes and could not be sold.
25455	An individual	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	I would agree with this only if the property was completely vacant or in disrepair	Commercial Property (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	We will review our property assets and rationalise usage where possible taking into account the review and redesign of services delivered in the community and investigating opportunities for coordinating availability of facilities.
25456	An individual	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	Good idea as see quite a few buildings rotting around the place	Commercial Property (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	We will review our property assets and rationalise usage where possible taking into account the review and redesign of services delivered in the community and investigating opportunities for coordinating availability of facilities.
25457	An individual	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	real estate possibilities will provide revenue as some of these places are dis-functional but once they're gone they're gone. Properties like Bangour for example would be useful generation of revenue. However, the fabric of some existing buildings are shabby and a disgrace. For example the Civic Centre, the quality of which falls far short of adequate.	Commercial Property (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The council has a disposal process for assets declared surplus to requirements with receipts reinvested in council assets. All council buildings are maintained to appropriate standards. Any issues with condition should be raised with the Building Manager. The Bangour site is owned by the NHS and not the council.
25458	An individual	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	Agree where properties become surplus these are transferred /sold	Commercial Property (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	We will review our property assets and rationalise usage where possible taking into account the review and redesign of services delivered in the community and investigating opportunities for coordinating availability of facilities.
25459	An individual	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	Duplicated services should be streamlined, but local communities do need local facilities	Commercial Property (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Opportunities to streamline process and remove duplication will continued be considered. Community resources will not necessarily be lost if local communities support them through community asset transfer and ownership. The council will also work with community organisations to support the use of non council buildings for community activities and services.
25460	An individual	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	sell them all	Commercial Property (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	We will review our property assets and rationalise usage where possible taking into account the review and redesign of services delivered in the community and investigating opportunities for coordinating availability of facilities.

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25461	No Response	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	Small increments in rent may be appropriate but large increases such as the 3% per year will adversely affect the viability of small organisations that already substitute for "Big Brother" provision inadequacy	Commercial Property (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	In reviewing the commercial property portfolio the aim is to create a dynamic and proactive portfolio that strives to deliver good opportunities and improving rent returns. The review of rents will be considered in line with various factors including market rates and local circumstances.
25462	No Response	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	Watch how much you sell off.	Commercial Property (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Any disposals will be considered against the loss of revenue income produced. The council has a schedule of planned capital receipts which consists almost entirely of land and buildings which have previously been declared surplus to requirements.
25463	An individual	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	5b The question indicates that a number of buildings will taken / sold of their portfolio. Surely a much higher level of £600,000 income can be gained from estate sales. Are buildings / land going to be sold off at market price. The cost saving suggest that only one or two buildings will be sold off in contrast to what is being proposed through out this consultation document can detail be provided of what buildings will be sold and for what price.	Commercial Property (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The saving is revenue savings related to the day to day operation of buildings. By law income received from the sale of assets can only be used for capital expenditure or repaying debt and therefore is not included in the total saving in the consultation document.
25464	An individual	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	Why have you been wasting so much of our money up to this point?	Commercial Property (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has delivered substantial property management savings over the past ten years and will continue to do so over the next five years.
25465	An employee of West Lothian Council	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	Although properties may be available for disposal, disposal depends on a willing purchaser. This saving cannot be guaranteed.	Commercial Property (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has a disposal process for assets declared surplus to requirements with receipts reinvested in council assets. This includes consideration of when to bring properties to the market to ensure the greatest receipt for the council. Market conditions may mean that properties are not listed for sale for some period.
25466	An employee of West Lothian Council	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	All surplus properties should be disposed of as quickly as possible.	Commercial Property (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	We will review our property assets and rationalise usage where possible taking into account the review and redesign of services delivered in the community and investigating opportunities for coordinating availability of facilities.
25467	An individual	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	It is important that surplus properties are sold as quickly as possible to ensure that any equity is released to the maximum.	Commercial Property (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The council has a disposal process for assets declared surplus to requirements with receipts reinvested in council assets. This includes consideration of when to bring properties to the market to ensure the greatest receipt for the council. Market conditions may mean that properties are not listed for sale for some period.
25468	An employee of West Lothian Council	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	No issues with this as long as the assets are sold for the correct value and if possible for any transfer/purchase to assist the community in another way.	Commercial Property (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has a disposal process for assets declared surplus to requirements with receipts reinvested in council assets. This includes consideration of when to bring properties to the market to ensure the greatest receipt for the council. Market conditions may mean that properties are not listed for sale for some period.
25469	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	This is a great idea and there should not be empty council buildings all over the place. We know of community groups who are looking for premises and are having to rent privately because of red tape.	Commercial Property (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has an approved policy which deals with transfers of certain council assets to the Third Sector. The approved council policy contains a number of safeguards designed to ensure that any transfer is sustainable in terms of future use.
25470	An employee of West Lothian Council	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	Property need to no just look at surplus properties but the inefficiencies that exist within "poor management of projects with no clear lines of responsibility during & after the project, lack of financial budget to complete a good project, additional costs then having to be unfairly born by the section's revenue budget itself rather than the project, lack of support in addressing the issues that arise. If inefficiencies and poor practice were addressed, what savings could they alone make.	Commercial Property (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	All capital projects have a dedicated project officer appointed who has responsibility for delivery, communication and budget management. This is reinforced by a plan of work for all construction projects that clearly defines roles and responsibilities. A new customer care procedure has been developed requiring project officers to resolve any emerging issues for up to one year after works are complete. 77.3% of customers rate project delivery as good or excellent.

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25471	An employee of West Lothian Council	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	Agreed. Also there are lots and lots of small pockets of land dotted around the district, often small areas of unused space within housing estates. A lot of these could be sold off as individual house plots that wouldn't have any significant effect on school capacities. If say 50 small plots at an average cost of £20k could be identified across whole of West Lothian then that would give £1m plus eliminate future need to maintain these spaces	Commercial Property (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has a disposal process for assets declared surplus to requirements with receipts reinvested in council assets. This includes consideration of when to bring properties to the market to ensure the greatest receipt for the council. Market conditions may mean that properties are not listed for sale for some period.
25472	An individual	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	Surplus properties should not be transferred or sold at less than full market value unless the proposed scheme can demonstrate equivalent or greater savings for the Council elsewhere.	Commercial Property (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The council has a disposal process for assets declared surplus to requirements with receipts reinvested in council assets. This includes consideration of when to bring properties to the market to ensure the greatest receipt for the council. Market conditions may mean that properties are not listed for sale for some period.
25473	An individual	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	Ok - with community having first call - not developers	Commercial Property (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has a disposal process for assets declared surplus to requirements with receipts reinvested in council assets. This includes consideration of when to bring properties to the market to ensure the greatest receipt for the council. Market conditions may mean that properties are not listed for sale for some period. Any community transfer will include clauses to ensure buildings could only be used for community purposes and could not be sold.
25474	An individual	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	If the properties are not to be used now or over the next 5 years and will not cause additional cost thereafter it makes sense to sell these.	Commercial Property (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	We will review our property assets and rationalise usage where possible taking into account the review and redesign of services delivered in the community and investigating opportunities for coordinating availability of facilities.
25475	An employee of West Lothian Council	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	Seems reasonable but I'm surprised the saving is estimated at such a small cost.	Commercial Property (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The saving is revenue savings related to the day to day operation of buildings. By law income received from the sale of assets can only be used for capital expenditure or repaying debt and therefore is not included in the total saving in the consultation document.
25476	An employee of West Lothian Council	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	Any surplus properties should be sold off and best use made of remaining properties to maximise the use of these remaining ones day and night.	Commercial Property (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	We will review our property assets and rationalise usage where possible taking into account the review and redesign of services delivered in the community and investigating opportunities for coordinating availability of facilities.
25477	An individual	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	When selling properties please consider the plans for the properties or site so it adds value to the community and services not purely financial gain to West Lothian Council or the new owner. Ideally with a focus on sustainability good decisions will be made.	Commercial Property (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	When selling properties which are surplus to council requirements, the likely after use will be determined in accordance with the local development plan.

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25478	An individual	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	There is a requirement for a Respite Hotel for people living on their own, for families/carers to have loved ones safe and happy when they take a much needed break. Could tax breaks for business/private investment/ crowd funding be used to regenerate a current site. Good quality properties, rooms and services. A 5 or 10-year lease could be given to the Provider so they are prepared to make the investment of resources to maintain high standards. How about regenerating Gogarburn, to make it a sustainable community for supporting vulnerable people and also developing work skills for others. The contract could include employment support so as many people a reasonably possible could learn new skills who could then apply for paid work, there or someone else. Catering, care, admin, cleaning, laundry. Business skills for others. It could be aligned to the college as well. Can the government allow tax breaks for people/companies to invest in capital projects in Scotland? For those going into residential housing or supported accommodation for vulnerable or older people families/individuals could make a contract to contribute upto a set percentage of the bill by volunteering. The full price is taken by the service and the agreed percentage is returned once the volunteering work has been completed. It is imperative the funds are returned immediately the work is concluded. People may be able to contribute skills, knowledge etc rather than money. If services are being cut, these resources may enable activities and other things happen that otherwise would close. We need to establish different ways of working and providing services. Who is carrying out the think tank work to capture ideas and try new approaches? Where are local authorities sharing best practice? Can individuals/organisations be encouraged to submit ideas and good practice as well? For example, I have some ideas but don't know how, where to share them. I am a member of the West Lothian Learning Disability Forum.	Commercial Property (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	The council are currently considering options for respite provision as part of the ten year capital investment programme.
25479	An individual	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	Council should look at ways of increasing money from its assets.	Commercial Property (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25480	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	We recognise the potential benefits of asset transfer and community ownership of buildings, as a real opportunity to strengthen local communities, who could run buildings more efficiently and effectively than Council and we are keen to explore this further. Rates relief for charities is an essential support that Council provides to the sector. Many organisations could not continue to operate without this valuable support and the sector would like to see this continue, as it will become even more essential in the tough years ahead. To maintain out of school care provision across West Lothian it is essential that Council continues its practice of not charging community-based out of school care groups for lets in schools and community centres. This recognises the essential nature of this provision and its significant economic and community impact in enabling parents to maintain their employment and bring in Millions of pounds to West Lothian's economy.	Commercial Property (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has an approved policy which deals with transfers of certain council assets to the Third Sector. The approved council policy contains a number of safeguards designed to ensure that any transfer is sustainable in terms of future use. This policy and process is being reviewed to assist community groups further in this process. Non domestic rates are set and determined by the Scottish Government.
25481	An individual	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	Council assets properties under rental. Enforce homes or commercial properties who are in rent arrears. Take upfront rent/rates for 3-6 months then roll on.	Commercial Property (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	The council actively pursues all debt, including council tax, community charge, rent and commercial debtors arrears. The council will investigate other ways to improve debt collections including strengthening corporate debt management activity.
25482	An employee of West Lothian Council	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	is this achievable in the current economic climate	Commercial Property (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The council has a disposal process for assets declared surplus to requirements with receipts reinvested in council assets. This includes consideration of when to bring properties to the market to ensure the greatest receipt for the council. Market conditions may mean that properties are not listed for sale for some period.
25483	An individual	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	Generally agree but cannot comment on these as no info available.	Commercial Property (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	We will review our property assets and rationalise usage where possible taking into account the review and redesign of services delivered in the community and investigating opportunities for coordinating availability of facilities.
25484	An employee of West Lothian Council	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	Stop giving properties that can generate a capital receipt to community groups.	Commercial Property (general)	5a. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because the council is required by law to deliver this work.	Under the Community Empowerment Act the council must consider all robust business cases in the transfer of assets to communities.
25485	No Response	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	Disagree..	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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25486	An employee of West Lothian Council	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	Or investment? Lease?	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25487	An individual	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	There should be no changes to the existing!	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25488	An individual	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	no	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25489	An individual	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	none	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25490	An individual	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	See previous comments you should not cut services just so you can sell on valuable premises - once they are gone they are gone.	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25491	An employee of West Lothian Council	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	No comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25492	An individual	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	Need examples	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25493	An individual	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	This statement is too general to elicit a comment It is a 'do your job' statement.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25494	An individual	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	This explanation does not actually say what the saving will be?!	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25495	An employee of West Lothian Council	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	no comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25496	An individual	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	No comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25497	An employee of West Lothian Council	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	N/A	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25498	An individual	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	Unsure.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25499	An individual	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	No comment.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25500	An employee of West Lothian Council	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	This survey is too long at there is both too much and not enough information.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25501	An employee of West Lothian Council	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	Not enough detail to comment.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25502	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	I refer to the answer I gave above	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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25503	An employee of West Lothian Council	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals and continued centralisation of services and staff.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25504	An employee of West Lothian Council	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	Not a lot of money - maybe more?	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25505	An individual	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	I don't understand budgeting advantages and restraints enough to comment.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25506	An employee of West Lothian Council	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	i dont not know wat this means	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25507	An individual	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	No comment on this	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25508	An individual	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	-	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25509	No Response	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	No comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25510	No Response	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	No comment.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25511	An individual	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	No comment.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25512	An individual	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	No comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25513	An employee of West Lothian Council	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	Unable to comment.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25514	An employee of West Lothian Council	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	N/a	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25515	An individual	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	Not sure	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25516	An individual	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	No comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25517	An employee of West Lothian Council	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	No comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25518	An individual	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	No comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25519	An individual	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	No comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25520	An individual	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	What else were you thinking of doing with surplus properties : keeping them !?	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25521	An employee of West Lothian Council	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	No comment as don't know enough.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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25522	An individual	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	Unable to comment as assets are not listed	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25523	No Response	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	gdgdg	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25524	An employee of West Lothian Council	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	No comment available.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25525	An individual	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	Council to provide further info as to where these funds will be allocated.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25526	An individual	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	nil	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25527	An individual	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	No Comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25528	An employee of West Lothian Council	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	No comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25529	An individual	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	Unsure.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25530	An individual	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	No comment.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25531	An individual	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	More information is required	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25532	An individual	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	Not enough detail to make a judgement	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25533	An individual	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	Too vague a statement to comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25534	An individual	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	no commentno comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25535	An individual	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	No comment.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25536	No Response	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	Don't know enough about this to commen	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25537	An individual	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	Mixed feeling on this.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25538	An individual	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	No comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25539	An individual	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	No comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25540	An employee of West Lothian Council	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	No comments	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25541	An employee of West Lothian Council	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	NO COMMENT	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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25542	An individual	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	This statement lacks detail - unable to comment.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25543	An individual	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	Too vague to comment on. Sounds threatening.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25544	An individual	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	No comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25545	An individual	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	Is the alternative that you continue to hold empty and surplus property? What do you want us to say?	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25546	An individual	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	As above. don't have enough information.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25547	An individual	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	No comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25548	An individual	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	Unable to comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25549	An individual	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	No comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25550	No Response	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	no comments	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25551	An individual	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	No comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25552	An individual	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	No comment.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25553	An employee of West Lothian Council	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	N/a	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25554	An individual	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	Hope this also means that fancy new council office buildings (Bathgate for example) won't be necessary.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25555	An individual	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	Don't have a view on this	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25556	An individual	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	Eh?	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25557	An individual	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	Woolly statement	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25558	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	We do not believe we have the knowledge or experience of this area to be able to make an informed comment on it.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25559	An individual	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	Noted	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25560	An employee of West Lothian Council	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	The council have not provided enough indepth information for me to make an informed comment on this, as all information about this whole consultation is more secret that area 51.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25561	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	No enough information	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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25562	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	More information on properties identified within this proposal.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25563	An individual	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	?	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25564	An individual	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	unable to comment as not in plain english	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25565	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	no comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25566	An individual	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	Insufficient information on which properties to comment.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25567	An individual	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	No comment.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25568	An employee of West Lothian Council	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	Housing becoming and RSL- pros cons	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25569	An individual	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	This needs to be sped up	Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25570	An individual	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	Don't get too excited - I remember the Civic Centre 'windfall' anticipated after the big council offices in Livingston closed a few years ago - and the court and County Buildings in Linlithgow	Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The property modernisation strategy has delivered a range of savings and efficiencies over the past ten years.
25571	An individual	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	All surplus property should be either sold or leased to make money.	Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has a disposal process for assets declared surplus to requirements with receipts reinvested in council assets. The council also has a commercial rent portfolio which generates income for the council with the cost of providing the units being substantially less than the income received.
25572	An individual	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	why not reduce the number of empty / unfilled spaces in schools rather.	Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The council's Property Asset Management Strategy includes plans to ensure effective and efficient use of property assets. We will review our property assets and usage where possible taking into account the review and redesign of services delivered in the community, whilst considering safety requirements.
25573	An individual	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	Any buildings becoming surplus to requirements should have a mandatory first offer to communities. If refused, sweetheart deals selling assets below market value to private buyers / developers should be banned and any sales made should be published in a clear and widespread manner to the public domain to ensure accountability in these proceedings	Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has an approved policy which deals with transfers of certain council assets to the Third Sector. The approved council policy contains a number of safeguards designed to ensure that any transfer is sustainable in terms of future use. The council has a disposal process for assets declared surplus to requirements with receipts reinvested in council assets. By law income received from the sale of assets can only be used for capital expenditure or repaying debt.
25574	An individual	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	flatten them and sell on the land	Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has a disposal process for assets declared surplus to requirements with receipts reinvested in council assets. By law income received from the sale of assets can only be used for capital expenditure or repaying debt.

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25575	An individual	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	If the number of owned property is reduced then the Council will not have to pay for maintenance of these buildings.	Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council's Property Asset Management Strategy includes plans to ensure effective and efficient use of property assets. We will review our property assets and rationalise usage where possible taking into account the review and redesign of services delivered in the community and investigating opportunities for coordinating availability of facilities. The rationalisation of buildings will generate ongoing substantial revenue savings.
25576	An individual	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	I suspect this will be hard to implement.	Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25577	An individual	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	Sell off all your old difficult to maintain in the wrong location properties.	Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has a disposal process for assets declared surplus to requirements with receipts reinvested in council assets.
25578	An individual	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	There should be a systematic analysis of all council assets, including all the small strips of land, and those that are not contributing to the 8 priorities should be appropriately sold to help meet budget savings. Ideally sold to those that have the funds to develop the land to meet the 8 priorities.	Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council's Property Asset Management Strategy includes plans to ensure effective and efficient use of property assets. We will review our property assets and rationalise usage where possible taking into account the review and redesign of services delivered in the community and investigating opportunities for coordinating availability of facilities. The council has a disposal process for assets declared surplus to requirements with receipts reinvested in council assets.
25579	An individual	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	See above. Two thousand years ago, the Roman Empire had a staff in Rome of only about 1,500 administrators operating out of very little real estate. Not a bad role model. If the council has redundant buildings, vacated by compressing staff into other premises then these buildings should be sold for development.	Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council's Property Asset Management Strategy includes plans to ensure effective and efficient use of property assets. We will review our property assets and rationalise usage where possible taking into account the review and redesign of services delivered in the community and investigating opportunities for coordinating availability of facilities.
25580	An individual	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	Agree - Surely as there will be less staff, as it is obvious from this consultation that there will be, there is a requirement for less buildings. Less buildings means you could sell the land for housing shortages, less maintenance and overheads etc.	Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council's Property Asset Management Strategy includes plans to ensure effective and efficient use of property assets. We will review our property assets and rationalise usage where possible taking into account the review and redesign of services delivered in the community and investigating opportunities for coordinating availability of facilities.
25581	An individual	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	Agreed should also consider sale and lease back	Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council continue to investigate innovative ways to best value however the nature of the council's asset base means that there is limited opportunities to benefit from a sale and leaseback model.
25582	An employee of West Lothian Council	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	this is a sound idea if the council doesn't need these buildings then they should be disposed off.	Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	We will review our property assets and rationalise usage where possible taking into account the review and redesign of services delivered in the community and investigating opportunities for coordinating availability of facilities.
25583	An individual	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	Asset transfer or selling? Giving away properties is counterproductive and immoral.	Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals (general)	5a. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because the council is required by law to deliver this work.	Under certain conditions the Community Empowerment (Scotland) Act 2015 requires the council to transfer assets to community groups. Transferring assets will generate savings in running costs for the council. The council will continue to pursue opportunities to sell assets where possible to ensure best value.

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25584	No Response	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	Agree.,but, given the value of property/ land in west Lothian I think the saving would likely be higher	Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	If buildings are closed the level of saving that can be achieved relates only to the ongoing running costs. Transfers to community groups would generate no income for the council. Selling buildings and land to third parties would generate a capital receipt which by law the council can only use to reinvest in capital assets or repay debt, therefore no revenue budget saving would be achievable.
25585	An individual	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	Look at them to house the homeless rather than putting them up in hotels	Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The council has undertaken projects in the past to use surplus land and buildings for provision of council housing (e.g. Broxburn PS). The council will continue to review opportunities to use surplus assets for this purpose.
25586	An employee of West Lothian Council	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	Generating income from disposal of property surplus to requirements should be maximised.	Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has a disposal process for assets declared surplus to requirements with receipts reinvested in council assets. By law income received from the sale of assets can only be used for capital expenditure or repaying debt.
25587	An individual	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	If this means as I take it to mean, selling off unused buildings then yes agree totally	Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has a disposal process for assets declared surplus to requirements with receipts reinvested in council assets. By law income received from the sale of assets can only be used for capital expenditure or repaying debt.
25588	An employee of West Lothian Council	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	This makes sense, i hope any properties which have historic value eg. Annet House, are safeguarded in appearance for future generations to enjoy.	Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has an approved policy which deals with transfers of certain council assets to the Third Sector. The approved council policy contains a number of safeguards designed to ensure that any transfer is sustainable in terms of future use. Changes to listed buildings would be subject to planning conditions.
25589	An individual	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	By doing this you reduce community involvement and ownership of the local area.	Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Community resources will not necessarily be lost if local communities support them through community asset transfer and ownership. The council will also work with community organisations to support the use of non council buildings for community activities and services.
25590	An individual	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	again this means sell of	Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25591	An individual	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	I'll be interested to see whether you get rid of the centrally located offices or whether you'll subject yourself to similar commutes your service users will need to make to access services.	Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council has previously consolidated office accommodation. This approach will now be used to analyse other operational buildings.
25592	An individual	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	Not a lot to save for buildings. Is thei realistic?	Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Due to the continued constraint on both revenue and capital budgets, the council needs to reduce the total number of assets requiring maintenance. The unavoidable cost of keeping all properties would require a larger saving to be delivered.
25593	An individual	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	Seems a low figure for the number of properties that the Council should be in a position to dispose of? What mechanism will be in place to ensure that best possible deal is attained for the public purse and there is not a fire sale by the Council just to quickly get rid of the property.	Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Due to the continued constraint on both revenue and capital budgets, the council needs to reduce the total number of assets requiring maintenance. The unavoidable cost of keeping all properties would require a larger saving to be delivered. The council has a disposal process for assets declared surplus to requirements with receipts reinvested in council assets. This includes consideration of when to bring properties to the market to ensure the greatest receipt for the council.

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25594	An individual	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	It will cost you to sell these properties and put them on the open market. A market that is dead and few want your old scabby buildings. Gift them to the communities, and let them get on with making a real difference.	Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has an approved policy which deals with transfers of certain council assets to the Third Sector. The approved council policy contains a number of safeguards designed to ensure that any transfer is sustainable in terms of future use.
25595	An employee of West Lothian Council	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	This would seem like an acceptable decision. Pressure should be put on the Scottish Government to fund these officers if they are truly required.	Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25596	An employee of West Lothian Council	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	Great, if it doesn't effect services and the council picks the right buildings that aren't fit for the purpose of services.	Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council's Property Asset Management Strategy includes plans to ensure effective and efficient use of property assets. We will review our property assets and usage where possible taking into account the review and redesign of services delivered in the community, whilst considering safety and service delivery requirements.
25597	An individual	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	I UNDERSTAND HOW THIS WILL TAKE PLACE BUT IT MUST BE BETTER VALIE OPTION THAN STATUS QUO	Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council's Property Asset Management Strategy includes plans to ensure effective and efficient use of property assets. We will review our property assets and usage where possible taking into account the review and redesign of services delivered in the community.
25598	An individual	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	Would hope that council looks at the whole of west lothian and not as can be perceived taking everything into Livingston.	Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The council is not looking to centralise all service delivery within Livingston.
25599	An individual	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	I have noticed a large number of WLC properties which are currently vacant and have not been occupied for some time. Vacant properties should be offered for a minimal or neutral rent to boost the local economy and enterprise rather than lying vacant. Town centre locations should be redeveloped into housing projects or developed for commercial interests. Properties with low value or high maintenance cost should be sold for private development rather than held as a liability.	Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The occupancy rates for commercial properties are consistently above targets. The council has a disposal process for assets declared surplus to requirements with receipts reinvested in council assets. This includes consideration of when to bring properties to the market to ensure the greatest receipt for the council.
25600	An individual	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	This makes sense provided transfer or disposal takes place on a true vale basis.	Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council is required by law to transfer assets to community groups where there is a robust business case. The council is reviewing the community asset transfer policy and processes to ensure that they continue to be fit for purpose. The council has a disposal process for assets declared surplus to requirements with receipts reinvested in council assets. This includes consideration of when to bring properties to the market to ensure the greatest receipt for the council.
25601	An employee of West Lothian Council	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	Partnership Centre are a total waste of my money. they are not fit for purpose and deliver no savings at all.	Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals (general)	5c. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it is not consistent with the council's values and priorities.	The introduction of partnership centres has seen an increase in the number of multi purpose buildings. Building users are consulted throughout the design and construction of these buildings to help ensure that their requirements are met within the constraints of available resources. The introduction of partnership centres has generated real cashable savings for the council over the past five years.
25602	An employee of West Lothian Council	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	We should sell what we don't use - or rent out	Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	We will review our property assets and rationalise usage where possible taking into account the review and redesign of services delivered in the community and investigating opportunities for coordinating availability of facilities.

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25603	An individual	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	sell off properties not being utilised	Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council's Property Asset Management Strategy includes plans to ensure effective and efficient use of property assets. We will review our property assets and rationalise usage where possible taking into account the review and redesign of services delivered in the community and investigating opportunities for coordinating availability of facilities. The council has a disposal process for assets declared surplus to requirements with receipts reinvested in council assets. By law income received from the sale of assets can only be used for capital expenditure or repaying debt.
25604	An individual	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	this should be expanded and council be more ruthless. under attended schools should be closed and merged with other in local areas. buildings not used or under utilised should be closed and sold off to the local resident groups or to private organisations	Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	We will review our property assets and rationalise usage where possible taking into account the review and redesign of services delivered in the community and investigating opportunities for coordinating availability of facilities. Currently the council is not considering the closure of any schools.
25605	An individual	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	should be expanded	Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council's Property Asset Management Strategy includes plans to ensure effective and efficient use of property assets. We will review our property assets and rationalise usage where possible taking into account the review and redesign of services delivered in the community and investigating opportunities for coordinating availability of facilities.
25606	An individual	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	Please continue but consider local community aspirations	Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council's Property Asset Management Strategy includes plans to ensure effective and efficient use of property assets. We will review our property assets and rationalise usage where possible taking into account the review and redesign of services delivered in the community and investigating opportunities for coordinating availability of facilities. The council has an approved policy which deals with transfers of certain council assets to the Third Sector.
25607	An individual	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	It never made sense the unavailability of certain council facilities while others were open. Must be rationalised to maximise opening times.	Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council's Property Asset Management Strategy includes plans to ensure effective and efficient use of property assets. We will review our property assets and rationalise usage where possible taking into account the review and redesign of services delivered in the community and investigating opportunities for coordinating availability of facilities.
25608	An employee of West Lothian Council	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	Reduced rates to small businesses should be offered for them to take on premises that may not be in a location to sell on quickly.	Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals (general)	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	The non domestic rates scheme is determined nationally by the Scottish Government.
25609	An individual	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	There won't be a reduced need, and there won't be any properties that are surplus to requirements. Maybe to the pen pushers who are deciding these changes, but to the real people who are living in these areas nothing will be surplus to requirements	Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Community resources will not necessarily be lost if local communities support them through community asset transfer and ownership. The council will also work with community organisations to support the use of non council buildings for community activities and services. Current patterns of demand show that there is significant under utilisation of assets.
25610	An individual	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	Save the Ability Centres.	Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your comments which have been noted. This consultation is the first stage of the process to enable the council to develop a five year plan. Detailed proposals will be worked up following the outcome of this consultation.

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25611	An individual	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	if there is no need for them sell them	Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council's Property Asset Management Strategy includes plans to ensure effective and efficient use of property assets. We will review our property assets and rationalise usage where possible.
25612	An individual	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	Utilise all empty buildings for housing, start up businesses etc	Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	The council has undertaken projects in the past to use surplus land and buildings for provision of council housing (e.g. Broxburn PS). The council will continue to review opportunities to use surplus assets for this purpose.
25613	An individual	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	same as above. Many council builds are costly and we/people/users receive little in return. We are too soft in this area	Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	We will review our property assets and rationalise usage where possible taking into account the review and redesign of services delivered in the community and investigating opportunities for coordinating availability of facilities.
25614	An individual	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	This will add to the amount of dilapidated building on the streets of all of West Lothian's towns. Some parts already look absolutely awful.	Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council has a disposal process for assets declared surplus to requirements with receipts reinvested in council assets. Community resources will not necessarily be lost if local communities support them through community asset transfer and ownership.
25615	An employee of West Lothian Council	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	The number of buildings should not be reduced to an extent where staff feel shoehorned into buildings and the working environment adversely affected.	Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	The amount of floor space per staff member is governed by regulation and the council meets this standard.
25616	An individual	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	We need to ensure we can transfer assets effectively and efficiently and not tie up resources in unnecessary red tape, undermining potential savings.	Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has an approved policy which deals with transfers of certain council assets to the Third Sector. The approved council policy contains a number of safeguards designed to ensure that any transfer is sustainable in terms of future use. This policy is being reviewed to assist community groups further in this process.
25617	An employee of West Lothian Council	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	Agree. If not required they should be disposed of.	Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	We will review our property assets and rationalise usage where possible taking into account the review and redesign of services delivered in the community and investigating opportunities for coordinating availability of facilities.
25618	An individual	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	Hopefully the buildings or land will sell Not much movement on the large Council Building at Almondvale Centre	Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has a disposal process for assets declared surplus to requirements with receipts reinvested in council assets. This includes consideration of when to bring properties to the market to ensure the greatest receipt for the council. Market conditions may mean that properties are not listed for sale for some period. The old West Lothian House site was sold and is no longer under council ownership.
25619	An individual	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	Yeah surplus properties to be sold great, transferred not so sure, will they or just come back to the council in a few years run down and no worth anything, only for the council to sell at a reduced cost.	Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has a disposal process for assets declared surplus to requirements. The council has an approved policy which deals with transfers of certain council assets to the Third Sector. The approved council policy contains a number of safeguards designed to ensure that any transfer is sustainable in terms of future use.
25620	An individual	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	If the community doesn't need/use a property on paper it makes sense to sell. However, it should be seen also as an opportunity - why is that building not being used? How could the community make better use of it?	Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Community resources will not necessarily be lost if local communities support them through community asset transfer and ownership. The council will also work with community organisations to support the use of non council buildings for community activities and services.
25621	An individual	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	Should be streamlined where possible where maintaining choices and standards.	Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Opportunities to streamline process and remove duplication will continued be considered.

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25622	An employee of West Lothian Council	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	Agree - ensure that external funding for communities to take over community assets would not be restricted due to this ?	Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Community groups are able to access many more sources of external funding than the council can to help support delivery of local facilities.
25623	An employee of West Lothian Council	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	See above	Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	We will review our property assets and rationalise usage where possible taking into account the review and redesign of services delivered in the community and investigating opportunities for coordinating availability of facilities. The council has an approved policy which deals with transfers of certain council assets to the Third Sector. The council has a disposal process for assets declared surplus to requirements.
25624	An individual	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	agreed as long as this is not done as a quick fix and you are certain they really are surplus to requirements in the long term	Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	We will review our property assets and rationalise usage where possible taking into account the review and redesign of services delivered in the community and investigating opportunities for coordinating availability of facilities.
25625	An individual	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	providing properties sold are done so at market rate and not sold off cheaply	Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has a disposal process for assets declared surplus to requirements with receipts reinvested in council assets. This includes consideration of when to bring properties to the market to ensure the greatest receipt for the council. Market conditions may mean that properties are not listed for sale for some period.
25626	An individual	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	as long as they really are surplus	Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	We will review our property assets and rationalise usage where possible taking into account the review and redesign of services delivered in the community and investigating opportunities for coordinating availability of facilities.
25627	An individual	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	You mean "we'll be making some savings as we close buildings made redundant by the cost cutting already mentioned"	Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	We will review our property assets and rationalise usage where possible taking into account the review and redesign of services delivered in the community and investigating opportunities for coordinating availability of facilities. This includes changes to service delivery as a result of TYC consultation.
25628	An individual	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	depends if buildings really are surplus to requirement	Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	We will review our property assets and rationalise usage where possible taking into account the review and redesign of services delivered in the community and investigating opportunities for coordinating availability of facilities.
25629	An individual	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	Make sure you look at these properties with the thought of whether they can be made into social housing it would be cheaper than building new properties; and flats / houses are needed at the moment. If Bangour hospital had been converted when it was closed you wouldn't have this problem now.	Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	The council has undertaken projects in the past to use surplus land and buildings for provision of council housing (e.g. Broxburn PS). The council will continue to review opportunities to use surplus assets for this purpose. The Bangour site is owned by the NHS and not the council.
25630	An individual	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	Seems a small amount of money from this area. The Council must have a vast number of properties that could be sold. Surely greater savings are to be made here?	Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The saving associated with this proposal is the revenue costs associated with the running and maintenance of buildings. By law income received from the sale of assets can only be used for capital expenditure or repaying debt.
25631	An individual	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	And presumably income from disposal?	Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals (general)	5a. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because the council is required by law to deliver this work.	The council has a disposal process for assets declared surplus to requirements with receipts reinvested in council assets. By law income received from the sale of assets can only be used for capital expenditure or repaying debt.
25632	An individual	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	Again, fully support the disposal of any excess Council owned properties	Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	We will review our property assets and rationalise usage where possible taking into account the review and redesign of services delivered in the community and investigating opportunities for coordinating availability of facilities.

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25633	An individual	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	Can't argue against this one. Talking about assets I think there are now more WLC vans on the road than ever before. I would think there could be a savings here with a reduction of vehicles.	Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has included a targeted saving in the number of council vehicles within proposal 7e.
25634	An individual	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	As above, ensure the buildings do not blight our communities by lying empty and unmaintained. Do something creative and positive when you dispose of assets and maybe consult locally with the immediate area as to how a building should be disposed.	Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	This document is the first stage of public consultation. Further public consultation on specific changes to services is an integral part of the change management process and will be undertaken as proposals are developed further.
25635	An individual	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	ok subject to community consultation (a proper one, not like this shambles)	Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	This document is the first stage of public consultation. Further public consultation on specific changes to services is an integral part of the change management process and will be undertaken as proposals are developed further.
25636	An employee of West Lothian Council	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	Some premises are not fit for purpose and are overpriced and underused, therefore the staff being paid to work in them are being paid to do nothing more than watch the buildings. These buildings also require lighting and cleaning which is more money wasted.	Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	We will review our property assets and rationalise usage where possible taking into account the review and redesign of services delivered in the community and investigating opportunities for coordinating availability of facilities.
25637	An employee of West Lothian Council	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	Civic Centre already over capacity for staffing levels.	Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Civic Centre is not over capacity. The accommodation of staff demonstrates an efficient utilisation of space.
25638	An individual	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	See above. Buildings are in public ownership for a reason. These cannot always be devolved or divested to others. Buildings should be converted to meet housing need perhaps	Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	The council has undertaken projects in the past to use surplus land and buildings for provision of council housing (e.g. Broxburn PS). The council will continue to review opportunities to use surplus assets for this purpose.
25639	An employee of West Lothian Council	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	no point keeping buildings if not being used,	Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	We will review our property assets and rationalise usage where possible taking into account the review and redesign of services delivered in the community and investigating opportunities for coordinating availability of facilities.
25640	An individual	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	Fully support building rationalisation, surplus properties must be disposed off and not cost the council money!	Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	We will review our property assets and rationalise usage where possible taking into account the review and redesign of services delivered in the community and investigating opportunities for coordinating availability of facilities.
25641	An individual	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	What does this mean? Have you not just said this previously?	Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	This proposal includes buildings made surplus as a result of changes to service delivery. 5a focuses on transfer of buildings to community organisations.
25642	An employee of West Lothian Council	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	Good. Moves should be made to make sure that buildings are properly utilised. More flexible working for staff including working from home could free up desk space. More hot desking should be considered so that desks are not necessarily allocated to one member of staff.	Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	We will review our property assets and rationalise usage where possible taking into account the review and redesign of services delivered and investigating opportunities for coordinating availability of facilities. This includes maximising the use of council office space. The council continues to investigate opportunities for further flexible working and use of technology.
25643	An individual	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	The council should publicly announce what buildings they are going to "dispose" of - particularly historical ones like Annet House in Linlithgow - with time and support for community groups who want to draft a proposal(s) to take ownership of WLC properties through the Community Empowerment Act. Annually, the council should publish what properties they have, what properties they aim to dispose of, and what money they have received from each property they have sold (and ideally where that money was then used).	Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	Reports on surplus properties and community asset transfer will be considered by the Council Executive in the near future. All disposals, except those with very low values, must be reported to the Council Executive for approval and this is available publicly on COINS.
25644	An individual	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	This depends on property apparently this is what the council feel Eilburn is despite clearly not knowing what goes on there	Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	If the Social Policy measure for day care centres is approved, the property would be surplus to requirements.

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25645	An individual	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	I would support additional Community Benefit leases or Community Asset Transfers for all facilities that would benefit local communities and reduce costs for WLC.	Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has an approved policy which deals with transfers of certain council assets to the Third Sector. The approved council policy contains a number of safeguards designed to ensure that any transfer is sustainable in terms of future use. This policy is being reviewed to assist community groups further in this process.
25646	An individual	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	The narrative here lays bare that decisions have already been made and that the 'proposals' are going ahead regardless. This makes a sham of this so-called consultation!	Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposals in the consultation document are officer measures. Decisions on whether these proposals are implemented will be made by elected members in February 2018.
25647	An individual	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	Will the disposal values of these properties be sufficient to make it worthwhile? Or is West Lothian losing properties that other organisations and companies will profit from?	Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The council has a disposal process for assets declared surplus to requirements with receipts reinvested in council assets. By law income received from the sale of assets can only be used for capital expenditure or repaying debt. Due to the continued constraint on both revenue and capital budgets, the council needs to reduce the total number of assets requiring maintenance. The unavoidable cost of keeping all properties would require a larger saving to be delivered.
25648	An individual	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	Why not do what some of the council's are doing in England and change the format of the building into houses or rooms for the people who are needing housing for short term or emergency housing.	Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	The council has undertaken projects in the past to use surplus land and buildings for provision of council housing (e.g. Broxburn PS). The council will continue to review opportunities to use surplus assets for this purpose.
25649	No Response	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	As in 5a. - As staff numbers are going to reduce, there must be opportunities to reduce the number of buildings.	Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	We will review our property assets and rationalise usage where possible taking into account the review and redesign of services delivered in the community and investigating opportunities for coordinating availability of facilities.
25650	No Response	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	Some of the income received from the sale of these buildings should be used to improve the facilities and efficiency of remaining buildings.	Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The council has a disposal process for assets declared surplus to requirements with receipts reinvested in council assets. By law income received from the sale of assets can only be used for capital expenditure or repaying debt.
25651	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	All about money - stuff the social cost	Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Community resources will not necessarily be lost if local communities support them through community asset transfer and ownership. The council will also work with community organisations to support the use of non council buildings for community activities and services.
25652	An individual	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	How about Annet House, Linlithgow	Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	The council will consider any requests for asset transfer under the requirements of the Community Empowerment (Scotland) Act 2015 on their own merits.
25653	An individual	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	More flexibility from planning to consider change of use	Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals (general)	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	Although a planning authority, planning decisions are determined within the parameters of planning legislation determined nationally.
25654	An individual	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	Not entirely sure what these means or what the impact would be. If it is closure of schools, day centres or village community centres then disagree.	Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	We will review our property assets and rationalise usage where possible taking into account the review and redesign of services delivered in the community and investigating opportunities for coordinating availability of facilities.
25655	An individual	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	How will this be addressed?	Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	We will review our property assets and rationalise usage where possible taking into account the review and redesign of services delivered in the community and investigating opportunities for coordinating availability of facilities.

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25656	An individual	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	Agree, but there needs to be care taken that any transfers of property assets do not deprive the council of significant capital receipts which would otherwise be obtained.	Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has a disposal process for assets declared surplus to requirements with receipts reinvested in council assets. This includes consideration of when to bring properties to the market to ensure the greatest receipt for the council. Market conditions may mean that properties are not listed for sale for some period.
25657	An individual	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	Agree, but if Council buildings are unwanted please demolish them rather than leaving a building to become rundown and dangerous or a target for vandalism.	Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	We will review our property assets and rationalise usage where possible taking into account the review and redesign of services delivered in the community and investigating opportunities for coordinating availability of facilities.
25658	An employee of West Lothian Council	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	Care needs to be taken when disposing / leasing properties that this does make the management of the remaining asset more difficult and costly.	Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25659	An individual	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	Concerned that some older buildings are left abandoned with no plan for re-use.	Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	All surplus buildings will either be transferred to community groups or identified for sale through the council's established disposal process.
25660	An individual	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	It is vital that revenue generating property assets are retained by the Council in order to support the delivery of Council services going forward. Any proposal to asset transfer or to cash-in on the market sale of these assets would be short-sighted and would result in a wider revenue funding gap going forward. These strategic assets are also key in supporting the Council's priority of improving local employment opportunities and sustaining economic development in across the county.	Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The council generates substantial revenue income from this source which helps to ensure balanced budgets.
25661	An individual	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	Does this include buildings where they have separate buildings along side, are they being put under the one roof to save on two of everything heating maintenance etc.	Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	We will review our property assets and rationalise usage where possible taking into account the review and redesign of services delivered in the community and investigating opportunities for coordinating availability of facilities.
25662	An individual	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	If buildings not being used, dispose of them. Waste of money to keep them.	Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	We will review our property assets and rationalise usage where possible taking into account the review and redesign of services delivered in the community and investigating opportunities for coordinating availability of facilities.
25663	An individual	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	Disposal or transfer of properties should be exercised with a view to impact on surrounding communities.	Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The council has an approved policy which deals with transfers of certain council assets to the Third Sector. The approved council policy contains a number of safeguards designed to ensure that any transfer is sustainable in terms of future use. This policy and process is being reviewed to assist community groups further in this process.
25664	An individual	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	Make sure you get the best price for disposals	Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has a disposal process for assets declared surplus to requirements with receipts reinvested in council assets. This includes consideration of when to bring properties to the market to ensure the greatest receipt for the council. Market conditions may mean that properties are not listed for sale for some period.
25665	An individual	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	West Lothian is a relatively small authority in Area which can be easily reached from the centre. Cetraining Offices and Depots makes a lot of sense. Sell or rent the rest.	Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	We will review our property assets and rationalise usage where possible taking into account the review and redesign of services delivered in the community and investigating opportunities for coordinating availability of facilities.
25666	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	Has an equality impact assessment been carried out for each of the budget proposals? It is essential that this is done at the earliest opportunity in order to assess what the impact will be on those in the protected characteristics groups and those already experiencing disadvantage.	Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	In line with established budget setting processes, all proposed reduction measures will be subject to an equality impact assessment.
25667	An employee of West Lothian Council	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	Selling off properties will create revenue especially if there is not a need to keep maintaining these properties.	Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	We will review our property assets and rationalise usage where possible taking into account the review and redesign of services delivered in the community and investigating opportunities for coordinating availability of facilities.

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25668	An individual	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	Yes sell buildings not needed for extra cash	Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	We will review our property assets and rationalise usage where possible taking into account the review and redesign of services delivered in the community and investigating opportunities for coordinating availability of facilities.
25669	An individual	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	If the proposals are implemented : House Building sites ?	Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The council has undertaken projects in the past to use surplus land and buildings for provision of council housing (e.g. Broxburn PS). The council will continue to review opportunities to use surplus assets for this purpose.
25670	An individual	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	Council properties should be the best they can for service delivery purposes - uneconomic obsolete buildings should be made surplus and disposed of	Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	We will review our property assets and rationalise usage where possible taking into account the review and redesign of services delivered in the community and investigating opportunities for coordinating availability of facilities.
25671	An employee of West Lothian Council	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	Good idea as long as sold at fair price!	Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has a disposal process for assets declared surplus to requirements with receipts reinvested in council assets. This includes consideration of when to bring properties to the market to ensure the greatest receipt for the council. Market conditions may mean that properties are not listed for sale for some period.
25672	An individual	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	It will be a great shame to allow properties to go into disrepair or be vandalised if no one can take them on. Are there contingency plans to avoid this. I'm thinking of the Centrex building which at present is in a deadful state and very unappealing to buyers.	Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	The council's surplus property procedures seek to avoid this eventuality through a range of different measures.
25673	An individual	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	Which properties are you considering to be surplus to requirements?	Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	This document is the first stage of public consultation. Further public consultation on specific changes to services is an integral part of the change management process and will be undertaken as proposals are developed further.
25674	An employee of West Lothian Council	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	The problem with this action is that lots of building sit empty and deteriorate and therefore make communities appear unloved and uncared for. A	Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	The council's surplus property procedures seek to avoid this eventuality through a range of different measures.
25675	An individual	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	Building places no one can use, i.e. not community based centres now, just offices and meeting rooms.	Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The introduction of partnership centres has seen an increase in the number of multi purpose buildings. Building users are consulted throughout the design and construction of these buildings to help ensure that their requirements are met within the constraints of available resources. The introduction of partnership centres has generated real cashable savings for the council over the past five years.
25676	An individual	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	Also looking at staffing levels within Council buildings like building services & payment offices where usually met by least 3 or 4 staff doing same jobs where 1 of them can do it.	Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	The council is considering this within managing our relationship with customers.
25677	An individual	5b. Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals	Make Council Property rents competitive rather than a cheap option for those unwilling to try to better themselves. crack down on fraudulent claims. the list is endless.	Revised Property Requirements from Service Proposals (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	In reviewing the commercial property portfolio the aim is to create a dynamic and proactive portfolio that strives to deliver good opportunities and improving rent returns. The review of rents will be considered in line with various factors including market rates and local circumstances.
25678	An employee of West Lothian Council	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	If this can provide the necessary savings then this should be pursued.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25679	No Response	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	Agree to all suggested proposals	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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25680	An individual	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	Do it.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25681	An employee of West Lothian Council	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25682	An individual	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	Good idea	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25683	An employee of West Lothian Council	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25684	An employee of West Lothian Council	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	Supportive of this proposal.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25685	An individual	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	I'm all for that	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25686	An individual	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	Agree.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25687	An individual	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	no issue	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25688	An employee of West Lothian Council	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	I would agree with this proposal	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25689	An individual	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25690	An employee of West Lothian Council	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	I agree with this.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25691	An individual	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	Good proposal	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25692	An employee of West Lothian Council	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	Yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25693	An employee of West Lothian Council	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	Good idea	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25694	An individual	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	No brainer.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25695	No Response	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	Good management again	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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25696	An individual	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	I approve.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25697	An employee of West Lothian Council	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	I approve of this.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25698	An individual	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	Theoretically good	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25699	An individual	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	Agree this proposal.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25700	No Response	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	Have no objection	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25701	An employee of West Lothian Council	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	Again this makes complete sense.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25702	An individual	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	Support proposal	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25703	An individual	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25704	An individual	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	Good idea	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25705	An individual	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	yes.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25706	An individual	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	Totally agree.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25707	An individual	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	I agree with this proposal	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25708	An employee of West Lothian Council	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	Fine	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25709	An employee of West Lothian Council	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	I agree.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25710	An employee of West Lothian Council	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	Good idea.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25711	An individual	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	Good idea.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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25712	An employee of West Lothian Council	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25713	An individual	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25714	No Response	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	Great	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25715	No Response	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	I agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25716	An individual	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	Good.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25717	An employee of West Lothian Council	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25718	An individual	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	Good idea.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25719	An individual	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	Agree.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25720	An individual	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25721	An individual	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	Good	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25722	An individual	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	Agree.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25723	An employee of West Lothian Council	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	Agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25724	An individual	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	happy with this	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25725	An individual	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	Good idea.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25726	An employee of West Lothian Council	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25727	An individual	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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25728	No Response	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	I agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25729	An individual	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	Agreed.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25730	An individual	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25731	An individual	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	Agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25732	An employee of West Lothian Council	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	agree with above	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25733	An individual	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	Positive	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25734	An individual	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	I agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25735	An employee of West Lothian Council	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	Support this proposal	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25736	An individual	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	Exactly what the private sector is doing	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25737	An individual	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	I think this is reasonable but again not alot of information has been provided.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25738	An individual	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	go ahead with the savings	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25739	An individual	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	I support this strategy	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25740	An employee of West Lothian Council	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	This would be very welcome.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25741	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	Great idea, fully supportive.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25742	An individual	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	Achievable	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25743	An individual	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	I support this change	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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25744	An individual	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	I agree with the Council's proposals for the moment to see how they all work out. Thank you.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25745	An employee of West Lothian Council	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	Sounds very good to me!	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25746	An individual	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	Common sense.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25747	An individual	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	I wish more councils were doing this.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25748	An individual	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	I fully support this	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25749	An individual	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	Again, makes sense.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25750	An individual	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	sounds a plan	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25751	An individual	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	Sounds reasonable but not enough detail.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25752	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	On the balance of information contained within the above proposal, we agree with this proposal.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25753	An individual	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	Good way to save money	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25754	An individual	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	Agreed.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25755	An employee of West Lothian Council	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25756	An individual	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	sounds good to me	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25757	An employee of West Lothian Council	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	Good idea.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25758	An individual	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	This makes sense.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25759	An individual	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	Sounds reasonable.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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25760	An individual	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	Agree.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25761	An employee of West Lothian Council	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25762	No Response	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25763	An individual	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	ok.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25764	An individual	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25765	An individual	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25766	An individual	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	Good	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25767	An individual	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	Good	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25768	An individual	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25769	An individual	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	Good	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25770	An employee of West Lothian Council	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	Great.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25771	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	good idea	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25772	No Response	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25773	An individual	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	GOOD PLAN	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25774	An individual	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	Good idea.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25775	An individual	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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25776	No Response	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	Sounds fine.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25777	An individual	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25778	An individual	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	Seems reasonable	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25779	An individual	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	Makes sense	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25780	An individual	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	I support this.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25781	No Response	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	Agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25782	An individual	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	Agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25783	An individual	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	Agreed.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25784	An individual	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25785	An individual	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	I would support this.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25786	An employee of West Lothian Council	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25787	An employee of West Lothian Council	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	Good	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25788	An individual	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	Good idea	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25789	An individual	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	Good idea	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25790	An individual	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	Sounds good	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25791	No Response	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	Agree with this proposal	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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25792	An individual	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	Support	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25793	An individual	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	Completely agree with this.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25794	An employee of West Lothian Council	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	Agree.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25795	An individual	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	Acceptable	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25796	An individual	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	Agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25797	An individual	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	Agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25798	An individual	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	Agree.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25799	An employee of West Lothian Council	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	Good	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25800	An employee of West Lothian Council	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	sounds good.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25801	An employee of West Lothian Council	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	agree with proposal	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25802	An individual	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	Good	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25803	An employee of West Lothian Council	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	Agree.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25804	An individual	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	Seems fair	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25805	No Response	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	Agreed.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25806	An individual	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	I agree with this proposal.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25807	An employee of West Lothian Council	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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25808	An individual	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	I agree with this proposal	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25809	An employee of West Lothian Council	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25810	An individual	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25811	No Response	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25812	An employee of West Lothian Council	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	Always room for improvement here.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25813	An employee of West Lothian Council	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	Makes good sense.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25814	An individual	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	Good stuff	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25815	An employee of West Lothian Council	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	agree - environment important	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25816	An individual	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	This sounds like common sense.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25817	An individual	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	A very good proposal and saving over a developing ten year programme being put in place.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25818	An employee of West Lothian Council	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	Any new energy efficiency measures are welcomed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25819	An individual	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	I do think the use of renewable energy it a good thing.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25820	An individual	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	I have no objection to this.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25821	An individual	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	Agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25822	An individual	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	Sounds sensible.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25823	An employee of West Lothian Council	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	I agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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25824	An employee of West Lothian Council	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	Yes agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25825	An employee of West Lothian Council	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25826	An employee of West Lothian Council	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25827	An employee of West Lothian Council	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	would agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25828	An employee of West Lothian Council	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25829	An individual	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25830	An individual	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	Sounds good.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25831	An individual	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25832	An individual	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	Excellent.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25833	An employee of West Lothian Council	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	Agree.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25834	An individual	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	ok	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25835	An employee of West Lothian Council	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	Agreed.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25836	No Response	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	Definitely agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25837	An individual	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	Great idea.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25838	An employee of West Lothian Council	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	Agree with this proposal.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25839	An employee of West Lothian Council	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	Yes.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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25840	An employee of West Lothian Council	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	sounds good	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25841	An individual	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	Agree, make ur assets work for you.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25842	An employee of West Lothian Council	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	Energy efficiency can only be positive.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25843	An individual	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	This is a no brainer saving.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25844	An individual	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	Admirable.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25845	No Response	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	Good ideas.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25846	An individual	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	I support. Savings seem low.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25847	An individual	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	This might work!	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25848	An individual	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	I strongly agree with the above.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25849	An individual	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	I agree with this statement	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25850	An individual	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	Should have been done long ago!	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25851	An individual	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	As 1A - Excellent if all of the above are carried out. However on current personally experienced performance it will take a huge effort to even provide an improvement. Further why has the " efficiency and effectiveness" not been applied to current procedures. No real criteria to be reach is actually stated and the starting point for these " efficiency and effectiveness" upgrade to services is not evident. Vagueness in targets to achieve . How will residents know when this is achieved?	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25852	An employee of West Lothian Council	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	Keep up the good work	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25853	An individual	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	Should be pursued with vigour	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25854	An individual	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	And why not ?	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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25855	An individual	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	Agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25856	An employee of West Lothian Council	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25857	An individual	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	I would support this proposal.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25858	An individual	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	Agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25859	An individual	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	Agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25860	An individual	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	OK	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25861	An individual	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25862	An individual	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	This has been a good move and further drives towards efficiency and renewables is to be encouraged. Let us be as green as possible and as carbon neutral as we can achieve.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25863	An individual	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	I support energy efficiency and renewable projects	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25864	An individual	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	Agree.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25865	An individual	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25866	An individual	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25867	An individual	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25868	An individual	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	I agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25869	An individual	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25870	An individual	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	Ok	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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25871	An employee of West Lothian Council	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25872	An individual	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25873	An individual	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	Agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25874	An individual	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	I would support this	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25875	No Response	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	Do it!	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25876	No Response	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25877	An employee of West Lothian Council	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25878	An individual	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	I agree with this proposal	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25879	An employee of West Lothian Council	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	agree with proposal	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25880	An employee of West Lothian Council	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25881	No Response	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25882	No Response	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25883	An employee of West Lothian Council	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25884	An employee of West Lothian Council	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	I agree with this proposal.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25885	An individual	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	I agree with this proposal	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25886	An individual	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	I agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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25887	An employee of West Lothian Council	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	Agree.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25888	An individual	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25889	An individual	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	I agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25890	An employee of West Lothian Council	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	I agree with this.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25891	An individual	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	okay	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25892	An individual	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	Supported	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25893	An individual	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	okay	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25894	An individual	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	Energy efficiency and reduced waste make sense.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25895	An employee of West Lothian Council	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	Happy with this proposal	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25896	An individual	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	ok	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25897	An individual	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25898	An employee of West Lothian Council	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	Positive.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25899	An individual	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25900	An employee of West Lothian Council	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	Agree with this.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25901	An employee of West Lothian Council	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	Agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25902	An individual	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	I agree with this	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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25903	An individual	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	Content	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25904	An employee of West Lothian Council	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	Great! Good for the environment.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25905	An employee of West Lothian Council	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	Agree.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25906	An individual	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25907	An employee of West Lothian Council	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	Good idea.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25908	An employee of West Lothian Council	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	Excellent idea.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25909	An individual	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	This is a good proposal.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25910	An individual	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	Agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25911	An employee of West Lothian Council	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	This all sounds very sensible.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25912	An individual	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	Any energy saving schemes are worth looking into.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25913	An individual	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	Yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25914	An individual	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25915	An individual	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	Good idea.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25916	An individual	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	Agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25917	An individual	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	Good idea.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25918	An individual	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	Support	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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25919	An individual	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	Agreed.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25920	An individual	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	Sounds sensible.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25921	An employee of West Lothian Council	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	Good - good	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25922	An individual	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	Agree. Continue to make use of any energy efficiency initiatives.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25923	An individual	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	Not a problem with this proposal. Should have already be doing this.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25924	An employee of West Lothian Council	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	Agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25925	An individual	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	I would agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25926	An individual	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	Agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25927	An individual	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25928	No Response	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	OK	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25929	An employee of West Lothian Council	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	Agreed.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25930	An employee of West Lothian Council	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	Agree with proposal	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25931	An employee of West Lothian Council	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	Good idea	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25932	An individual	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25933	An individual	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25934	An individual	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	Ok	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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25935	An individual	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	Makes perfect sense and is normal in all other workplaces.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25936	An individual	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	Agree that council continues to reduce energy consumption and seek new energy projects to achieve this	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25937	No Response	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	Seems a common sense approach.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25938	An individual	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	Good idea. Support renewable energy.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25939	An individual	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	Absolutly necessary.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25940	An individual	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	Seems like an obvious proposal so agree that should look to make as much savings as possible here.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25941	An individual	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	This makes sense.noted	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25942	An individual	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	I support proposals to improve energy efficiency	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25943	An individual	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	Agree, if it does indeed make savings	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25944	An individual	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	What took you so long? Maybe if this had happened before you wouldn't be making as many cuts!	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25945	An individual	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	OK with me	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25946	An individual	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	Definitely supporting the implementation of renewable energy projects.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25947	An employee of West Lothian Council	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	Agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25948	An employee of West Lothian Council	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	I agree with this proposal	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25949	An individual	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25950	An individual	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	Agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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25951	An individual	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	Fine	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25952	An individual	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	ok	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25953	An individual	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	Agree.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25954	An individual	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25955	An individual	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	Makes sense	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25956	An individual	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	Agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25957	An employee of West Lothian Council	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	Strongly agree - keep up the good work in this area.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25958	An employee of West Lothian Council	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	The council has made great progress in reducing energy consumption and should continue to prioritise this area.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25959	An individual	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	Agree - is sensible and sustainable	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25960	An individual	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	Be efficient and save money !	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25961	An individual	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	Agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25962	An employee of West Lothian Council	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25963	An individual	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	Agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25964	An individual	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	Support	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25965	An individual	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25966	An individual	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	OK	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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25967	An individual	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	Seems sensible	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25968	An individual	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	Agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25969	An individual	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	no problem	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25970	An individual	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	No brained.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25971	An individual	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	Agree too many council workers joiners, electrician etc	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25972	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	Agreed. This is essential.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25973	An individual	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	Sensible and helps environment.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25974	An individual	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	I agree with this proposal	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25975	An individual	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25976	An individual	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	Ok	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25977	An individual	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25978	An employee of West Lothian Council	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	Seems sensible	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25979	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	Agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25980	An individual	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	Agree.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25981	An individual	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	Good	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25982	An employee of West Lothian Council	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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25983	An individual	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	Good.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25984	An individual	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	Very much needed.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25985	An individual	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	Agree I think	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25986	An employee of West Lothian Council	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	Supportive in principle based on limited detailed information supplied	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25987	An individual	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	Yes. Do more of this .	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25988	An employee of West Lothian Council	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25989	An individual	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	Fine	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25990	An individual	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	Agree.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25991	An individual	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25992	An individual	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	good	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25993	An individual	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	Sounds good.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25994	An individual	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	OK	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25995	An individual	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	I agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25996	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25997	An individual	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
25998	An individual	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	Yes this is a good idea	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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25999	No Response	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26000	An individual	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	I completely agree with this.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26001	An employee of West Lothian Council	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	I have seen the difference and agree this has been a success.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26002	An individual	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	This should be done in this day and age.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26003	An employee of West Lothian Council	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	This is also a good idea.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26004	An individual	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	I think this is important to save as much energy as possible by looking an renewables	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26005	An employee of West Lothian Council	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	I agree.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26006	An employee of West Lothian Council	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26007	An individual	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	Good	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26008	An employee of West Lothian Council	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	I agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26009	An individual	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	seems sensible	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26010	An individual	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	Good.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26011	An individual	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26012	An individual	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	Look okay as it is possible to evaluate given the vague descriptions given in the 'Transforming Your Council'	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26013	An individual	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	I agree with the proposal.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26014	An individual	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	All proposals are sound.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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26015	An individual	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	Why then has the council not invested in more renewables such as wind and solar at the Partnership Centres and the the Building works depot and Whitehill Service Centre.	Council Properties - energy efficiency	4. The council is already doing this.	The council continues to explore opportunities for reducing the energy bill through the use of renewable energy solutions. The council currently uses Biomass and solar PV panels to generate energy in some buildings. Other Renewables will be looked at for incorporation where economically viable.
26016	An employee of West Lothian Council	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	modernisation of buildings including looking at solar panels and other energy efficiencies is important on buildings that are to be retained.	Council Properties - energy efficiency	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council continues to explore opportunities for reducing the energy bill through the use of renewable energy solutions. The council currently uses Biomass and solar PV panels to generate energy in some buildings. Other Renewables will be looked at for incorporation where economically viable.
26017	An employee of West Lothian Council	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	Switching to renewables and increasing energy efficiency is a great plan and one that needs more investment to produce larger scale savings.	Council Properties - energy efficiency	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council continues to explore opportunities for reducing the energy bill through the use of renewable energy solutions. The council currently uses Biomass and solar PV panels to generate energy in some buildings. Other Renewables will be looked at for incorporation where economically viable.
26018	An employee of West Lothian Council	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	St David House lights are very bright and on all day no matter what the weather. Possibility to reduce electricity costs if we reduce the lighting and can switch it off when it's a bright day.	Council Properties - energy efficiency	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Officers within Property Management and Development will investigate these claims further.
26019	An employee of West Lothian Council	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	Any savings that can be made from making better efficient use of energy consumption is to be welcomed.	Council Properties - energy efficiency	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has an energy reduction work plan and is committed to exploring opportunities for reducing the energy bill through the use of renewable energy solutions, improved energy efficiency of buildings and equipment and changing the behaviour of users in council buildings.
26020	An individual	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	In Whitehill house it is constantly 25 degrees as we have a digital thermometer. With the heating being constantly on and with people using fan heaters most of the day, we could reduce costs by removing the heaters and turning down the heating.	Council Properties - energy efficiency	4. The council is already doing this.	The council is currently developing corporate heating guidance which will address many of the concerns expressed and help to generate energy efficiency savings.
26021	An individual	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	"reduce energy consumption and related costs" - are you kidding? I have worked in a few west Lothian council offices and can confirm that the central heating systems run all year long. and offices are fully illuminated even on bright sunny days. My office is currently heated above 25degrees C and is only kept under control by opening windows to let the heat out (Whitehill House).	Council Properties - energy efficiency	4. The council is already doing this.	The council is currently developing corporate heating guidance which will address many of the concerns expressed and help to generate energy efficiency savings.
26022	An individual	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	the LED street lighting is a good example of this. I would like to see more help given to households to reduce their energy needs.	Council Properties - energy efficiency	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council's Advice Shop currently provides support and advice to households on managing energy costs. The council's website also has a page on saving energy with links to Energy Savings Trust Scotland.
26023	An employee of West Lothian Council	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	Put solar panels on council buildings. Use biomas at bigger buildings like civic	Council Properties - energy efficiency	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council will continue to explore opportunities for reducing the energy bill through the use of renewable energy solutions. The council currently uses Biomass and solar PV panels to generate energy in some council buildings. Other Renewables will be looked at for incorporation where economically and practically viable. The Civic Centre has solar panels, although not on the main roof, and a biomass boiler for the generation of heat.
26024	An employee of West Lothian Council	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	solar panels can be useful	Council Properties - energy efficiency	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council will continue to explore opportunities for reducing the energy bill through the use of renewable energy solutions. The council currently uses solar PV panels to generate energy in some council buildings. Other Renewables will be looked at for incorporation where economically and practically viable.

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26025	An employee of West Lothian Council	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	School heating could also be turned down from my experience with my children.	Council Properties - energy efficiency	4. The council is already doing this.	The council is currently developing corporate heating guidance which will address many of the concerns expressed and help to generate energy efficiency savings.
26026	An employee of West Lothian Council	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	Holiday shutdowns should be considered where staff have to retain holidays and use where required.	Council Properties - energy efficiency	5d. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it has been previously considered and will not be progressed.	Many offices currently have elements of emergency cover delivered from them which means that holiday shutdowns could not be implemented.
26027	An individual	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	Make sure that the heating level is sufficient to work in as regularly staff sit with hot water bottles due to low temperatures.	Council Properties - energy efficiency	4. The council is already doing this.	The council is currently developing corporate heating guidance which will address many of the concerns expressed and help to generate energy efficiency savings.
26028	An individual	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	We should be in a position whereby all service heads are regularly show data on the energy consumption of at least their fleet and buildings. They should have relevant targets to address poorly performing fleet and buildings.	Council Properties - energy efficiency	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The council has an energy reduction work plan and is committed to exploring opportunities for reducing the energy bill through the use of renewable energy solutions, improved energy efficiency of buildings and equipment and changing the behaviour of users in council buildings. Levels of consumption will continue to be reviewed as part of the energy audit works.
26029	An individual	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	Does this mean more renewal and enhancement of assets on a regular planned basis rather than a fix on fail approach? If so then this is a worthwhile approach. Energy efficiency should always be pursued.	Council Properties - energy efficiency	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council's property asset management strategy and capital programme seek to identify planned maintenance to building fabric to minimise reactive maintenance going forward and maintain assets essential for the delivery of council services. The council has an energy reduction work plan and is committed to exploring opportunities for reducing the energy bill through the use of renewable energy solutions, improved energy efficiency of buildings and equipment and changing the behaviour of users in council buildings.
26030	An individual	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	Agree - increase use of solar power, more lights on sensors, more LED lights etc.	Council Properties - energy efficiency	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has an energy reduction work plan and is committed to exploring opportunities for reducing the energy bill through the use of renewable energy solutions, improved energy efficiency of buildings and equipment and changing the behaviour of users in council buildings.
26031	An individual	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	Analysis is required on actual cost to implement and actual savings.	Council Properties - energy efficiency	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The council will continue to explore opportunities for reducing the energy bill through the use of renewable energy solutions. The council currently uses Biomass and solar PV panels to generate energy in some council buildings. Other Renewables will be looked at for incorporation where economically and practically viable.
26032	An individual	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	It is essential that the correct staff are in place. Much of the current staff are in jobs they were not originally employed to fill and, consequently, less effective work is produced.	Council Properties - energy efficiency	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26033	An individual	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	should be doing that now anyway	Council Properties - energy efficiency	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council's property asset management strategy and capital programme seek to identify planned maintenance to building fabric to minimise reactive maintenance going forward and maintain assets essential for the delivery of council services. The new ten year capital investment strategy will aim to maintain assets as much as possible within capital funding constraints to minimise the impact on revenue maintenance budgets.

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26034	An individual	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	Properties should be energy efficient and green model from the build. They should have a building maintenance plan keeping them fresh and ready for change, rather than reactive. Small and often is more cost effective than major repair. they should also have adaptable spaces .	Council Properties - energy efficiency	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council's property asset management strategy and capital programme seek to identify planned maintenance to building fabric to minimise reactive maintenance going forward and maintain assets essential for the delivery of council services. The new ten year capital investment strategy will aim to maintain assets as much as possible within capital funding constraints to minimise the impact on revenue maintenance budgets. The Sustainable Construction Policy helps to ensure new builds and refurbishments are as energy efficient as possible.
26035	An employee of West Lothian Council	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	Close primary schools after school, no external lets, this will save money for heating and lighting.	Council Properties - energy efficiency	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	We will review our property assets and rationalise usage where possible taking into account the review and redesign of services delivered in the community and investigating opportunities for coordinating availability of facilities. This will include the use and promotion of council facilities for community lets.
26036	An employee of West Lothian Council	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	Although good recycling facilities have been provided at the civic centre, there are some employees who make no effort to use them correctly.	Council Properties - energy efficiency	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Posters and guidance have been provided to staff on use of recycling bins in council properties however more work could be done to education staff on this matter.
26037	An employee of West Lothian Council	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	Invest capital in green power generation, to reduce revenue outflows on energy. Maximise use of our south facing roofs for solar PV gain.	Council Properties - energy efficiency	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council continues to explore opportunities for reducing the energy bill through the use of renewable energy solutions. The council currently uses Biomass and solar PV panels to generate energy in some buildings. Other Renewables will be looked at for incorporation where economically and practically viable.
26038	An individual	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	Improve energy efficiency is good. .	Council Properties - energy efficiency	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has an energy reduction work plan and is committed to exploring opportunities for reducing the energy bill through the use of renewable energy solutions, improved energy efficiency of buildings and equipment and changing the behaviour of users in council buildings.
26039	An employee of West Lothian Council	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	There is enormous scope to reduce the use of energy across the council's assets and operations.	Council Properties - energy efficiency	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has an energy reduction work plan and is committed to exploring opportunities for reducing the energy bill through the use of renewable energy solutions, improved energy efficiency of buildings and equipment and changing the behaviour of users in council buildings.
26040	An employee of West Lothian Council	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	Green proposals and reduction in energy use is always a good thing. LED lighting in all buildings. More efficient heating systems.	Council Properties - energy efficiency	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has an energy reduction work plan and is committed to exploring opportunities for reducing the energy bill through the use of renewable energy solutions, improved energy efficiency of buildings and equipment and changing the behaviour of users in council buildings.
26041	An employee of West Lothian Council	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	How is this going to be done? In Bathgate Partnership Centre, for example, there is a major problem with the heating not being able to be turned off in the Summer. This has been investigated and no solution has been found. There needs to be some consideration as to how buildings are built so that this does not happen. Having a malfunctioning heating system is a waste of energy and this is not a new problem in that specific building.	Council Properties - energy efficiency	4. The council is already doing this.	The council is currently developing corporate heating guidance which will address many of the concerns expressed and help to generate energy efficiency savings.
26042	An employee of West Lothian Council	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	solar and wind power in spec, Ground source heat pumps/bore holes (plenty of old mine works across the county and appropriate geology) Consider wind power and establishing a number of mini-hydro pumped storage schemes (beecraigs - Linlithgow lochs anyone?) River almond to elevated areas south?	Council Properties - energy efficiency	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council will continue to explore opportunities for reducing the energy bill through the use of renewable energy solutions. The council currently uses Biomass and solar PV panels to generate energy in some council buildings. Other Renewables will be looked at for incorporation where economically and practically viable.
26043	An employee of West Lothian Council	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	I work in a primary school and the heating has been on all summer. I can't believe this is the only school where this has happened. I'm sure a big saving could be made there	Council Properties - energy efficiency	4. The council is already doing this.	The council is currently developing corporate heating guidance which will address many of the concerns expressed and help to generate energy efficiency savings.

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26044	An employee of West Lothian Council	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	Most of these energy efficiency programme cost money to install but if the savings are greater in the long term then this would be beneficial	Council Properties - energy efficiency	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has an energy reduction work plan and is committed to exploring opportunities for reducing the energy bill through the use of renewable energy solutions, improved energy efficiency of buildings and equipment and changing the behaviour of users in council buildings.
26045	No Response	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	Have you looked into the reduction of your "matetals" For example fuel, energy for buildings usage of paper example research has shown that substainual savings can be made in these areas, could your buildings and vehicles be more energy efficient and could staff be trained on methods to reduce the misuse of energy?	Council Properties - energy efficiency	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has an energy reduction work plan and is committed to exploring opportunities for reducing the energy bill through the use of renewable energy solutions, improved energy efficiency of buildings and equipment and changing the behaviour of users in council buildings.
26046	An individual	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	Energy efficiency sounds good though.	Council Properties - energy efficiency	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has an energy reduction work plan and is committed to exploring opportunities for reducing the energy bill through the use of renewable energy solutions, improved energy efficiency of buildings and equipment and changing the behaviour of users in council buildings.
26047	An individual	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	Cut heating temperatures down in all council buildings.	Council Properties - energy efficiency	4. The council is already doing this.	The council is currently developing corporate heating guidance which will address many of the concerns expressed and help to generate energy efficiency savings.
26048	An individual	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	Where does this fit in with national renewable energy schemes	Council Properties - energy efficiency	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The council will continue to explore opportunities for reducing the energy bill through the use of renewable energy solutions. The council currently uses Biomass and solar PV panels to generate energy in some council buildings. Other Renewables will be looked at for incorporation where economically and practically viable.
26049	An individual	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	Sounds good but a poor investment in renewable energy.sace	Council Properties - energy efficiency	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council will continue to explore opportunities for reducing the energy bill through the use of renewable energy solutions. The council currently uses Biomass and solar PV panels to generate energy in some council buildings. Other Renewables will be looked at for incorporation where economically and practically viable.
26050	An individual	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	Good, but be bolder. Have some council owned wind and solar parks and generate some income. You are far too timid on this front and so anti renewable energy it's hard to believe. Go visit other councils in Europe that have grasped this and learn from them. You are not doing enough oral understanding that wind and solar can now generate large profits.	Council Properties - energy efficiency	4. The council is already doing this.	The council will continue to explore opportunities for reducing the energy bill through the use of renewable energy solutions. The council currently uses Biomass and solar PV panels to generate energy in some council buildings. Other Renewables will be looked at for incorporation where economically and practically viable.
26051	An employee of West Lothian Council	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	I am always in favour of energy efficiency, however, minimal work has taken place at my school in the 4 years I have worked there. Although we do now have a biomass burner, its capacity is not enough to fuel the school (never mind the local area) and all the burning materials are still delivered on the back of a huge truck, therefore partially negating any environmental benefits. If the council are to get behind energy efficient measures, then get behind them completely	Council Properties - energy efficiency	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has an energy reduction work plan and is committed to exploring opportunities for reducing the energy bill through the use of renewable energy solutions, improved energy efficiency of buildings and equipment and changing the behaviour of users in council buildings.
26052	An individual	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	Can be more efficient,... solar ... incinerators to power hospitals buildings ect,..	Council Properties - energy efficiency	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council will continue to explore opportunities for reducing the energy bill through the use of renewable energy solutions. The council currently uses Biomass and solar PV panels to generate energy in some council buildings. Other Renewables will be looked at for incorporation where economically and practically viable.
26053	An employee of West Lothian Council	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	Would be an idea to fit solar panels to large energy consumption council buildings, schools etc.	Council Properties - energy efficiency	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council will continue to explore opportunities for reducing the energy bill through the use of renewable energy solutions. The council currently uses Biomass and solar PV panels to generate energy in some council buildings. Other Renewables will be looked at for incorporation where economically and practically viable.

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26054	An employee of West Lothian Council	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	It is important that this efficiency also comes with a green tag. Perhaps solar panels and wind turbines on council buildings to reduce power costs. Introduction of recycled water schemes for industrial use. It stands to reason that you must spend money to save money in the long term.	Council Properties - energy efficiency	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council will continue to explore opportunities for reducing the energy bill through the use of renewable energy solutions. The council currently uses Biomass and solar PV panels to generate energy in some council buildings. Other Renewables will be looked at for incorporation where economically and practically viable.
26055	An individual	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	I would say that is a conservative estimate if the council were serious about energy savings	Council Properties - energy efficiency	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has an energy reduction work plan and is committed to exploring opportunities for reducing the energy bill through the use of renewable energy solutions, improved energy efficiency of buildings and equipment and changing the behaviour of users in council buildings. The council has already delivered considerable savings over the last five years through energy efficiency.
26056	An individual	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	Energy efficiency is always good, provided you're not taking anything away from vulnerable people	Council Properties - energy efficiency	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has an energy reduction work plan and is committed to exploring opportunities for reducing the energy bill through the use of renewable energy solutions, improved energy efficiency of buildings and equipment and changing the behaviour of users in council buildings.
26057	An individual	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	Renewable energy schemes are often pure snake oil, with long, uneconomic amortisation periods. This is especially true in Scotland where the climate hinders as much as it helps. This needs a very wary approach if REAL savings are to be generated.	Council Properties - energy efficiency	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The council will continue to explore opportunities for reducing the energy bill through the use of renewable energy solutions. The council currently uses Biomass and solar PV panels to generate energy in some council buildings. Other Renewables will be looked at for incorporation where economically and practically viable.
26058	No Response	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	Energy efficiencies need to be evident in all facilities	Council Properties - energy efficiency	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has an energy reduction work plan and is committed to exploring opportunities for reducing the energy bill through the use of renewable energy solutions, improved energy efficiency of buildings and equipment and changing the behaviour of users in council buildings.
26059	An individual	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	I trust that you verify the savings of all energy conservation measures to ensure that predicted savings are actually realised? There are a lot of cowboys out there trying to push dodgy 'magic boxes' at hard pressed facilities managers.	Council Properties - energy efficiency	4. The council is already doing this.	The council has an energy reduction work plan and is committed to exploring opportunities for reducing the energy bill through the use of renewable energy solutions, improved energy efficiency of buildings and equipment and changing the behaviour of users in council buildings. The council has had energy consumption and budget savings over the last number of years, both of which have been delivered in each year.
26060	An individual	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	There are too many council buildings open in the evenings and weekends. All evening and weekend activity should be based in Secondary Schools wherever possible and primary schools should remain closed (parent council meetings for example needn't take place in the local primary). This would allow for rationalisation of FM staff and energy savings.	Council Properties - energy efficiency	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council's Property Asset Management Strategy includes plans to ensure effective and efficient use of property assets. We will review our property assets and usage where possible taking into account the review and redesign of services delivered in the community, whilst considering safety and service delivery requirements.
26061	An employee of West Lothian Council	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	I see a lot of monitors are still left switched on overnight. I know it's not a big hit in the scale of things but every little helps.	Council Properties - energy efficiency	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has an energy reduction work plan and is committed to exploring opportunities for reducing the energy bill through the use of renewable energy solutions, improved energy efficiency of buildings and equipment and changing the behaviour of users in council buildings.

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26062	An individual	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	Adaptions to improve energy efficiency is a sensible investment. However reduced maintenance regimes are potentially short sighted and will only store up problems for the future when remedial works are likely to be more costly than if carried out more frequently.	Council Properties - energy efficiency	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council's property asset management strategy and capital programme seek to identify planned maintenance to building fabric to minimise reactive maintenance going forward and maintain assets essential for the delivery of council services. The new ten year capital investment strategy will aim to maintain assets as much as possible within capital funding constraints to minimise the impact on revenue maintenance budgets.
26063	An individual	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	the council should have been investing in renewable energy years ago	Council Properties - energy efficiency	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has invested substantially in renewable energy and will continue to explore opportunities for reducing the energy bill through the use of renewable energy solutions. The council currently uses Biomass and solar PV panels to generate energy in some council buildings. Other Renewables will be looked at for incorporation where economically and practically viable.
26064	An individual	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	Should roll out energy saving initiatives across all council/public buildings. Look at renewable energy provision.	Council Properties - energy efficiency	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council will continue to explore opportunities for reducing the energy bill through the use of renewable energy solutions. The council currently uses Biomass and solar PV panels to generate energy in some council buildings. Other Renewables will be looked at for incorporation where economically and practically viable.
26065	An individual	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	This is a good idea as renewable energy is much better for the environment but usually it is more expensive so if it is made more affordable then that's excellent.	Council Properties - energy efficiency	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council will continue to explore opportunities for reducing the energy bill through the use of renewable energy solutions. The council currently uses Biomass and solar PV panels to generate energy in some council buildings. Other Renewables will be looked at for incorporation where economically and practically viable.
26066	An individual	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	agreed, improvements over long term	Council Properties - energy efficiency	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26067	An employee of West Lothian Council	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	All council buildings, where appropriate, should be fitted with solar pv eg. the Civic Centre, or have solar panels installed on adjacent land. Buildings should also be retrofitted with light switches which allow lights to be turned off when not required. Other micro renewables should also be considered such as ground and air source heat pumps if appropriate.	Council Properties - energy efficiency	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council will continue to explore opportunities for reducing the energy bill through the use of renewable energy solutions. The council currently uses Biomass and solar PV panels to generate energy in some council buildings. Other Renewables will be looked at for incorporation where economically and practically viable. The Civic Centre has solar panels, although not on the main roof, and a biomass boiler for the generation of heat.
26068	An individual	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	All council building should use LED bulbs.	Council Properties - energy efficiency	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council currently has a capital programme for LED lighting within buildings.
26069	An individual	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	continue	Council Properties - energy efficiency	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council's property asset management strategy and capital programme seek to identify planned maintenance to building fabric to minimise reactive maintenance going forward and maintain assets essential for the delivery of council services. The new ten year capital investment strategy will aim to maintain assets as much as possible within capital funding constraints to minimise the impact on revenue maintenance budgets.
26070	An employee of West Lothian Council	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	The Council should always be looking to improve through new energy efficient systems.	Council Properties - energy efficiency	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has an energy reduction work plan and is committed to exploring opportunities for reducing the energy bill through the use of renewable energy solutions, improved energy efficiency of buildings and equipment and changing the behaviour of users in council buildings.

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26071	An individual	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	Don't really understand this one. Less buildings equates with less power used?	Council Properties - energy efficiency	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	The council has an energy reduction work plan and is committed to exploring opportunities for reducing the energy bill through the use of renewable energy solutions, improved energy efficiency of buildings and equipment and changing the behaviour of users in council buildings.
26072	An individual	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	I do not like the "renewable energy projects". Surely not wind turbines or solar panels. Energy bills are already charged over Â£258 for renewables subsidies so do not want my council tax to go up by a similar cost.	Council Properties - energy efficiency	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council will continue to explore opportunities for reducing the energy bill through the use of renewable energy solutions. The council currently uses Biomass and solar PV panels to generate energy in some council buildings. Other Renewables will be looked at for incorporation where economically and practically viable.
26073	An individual	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	Great idea seems sensible, looking forward. As all you hear is property is the way forward one of the best assets to have.	Council Properties - energy efficiency	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council's property asset management strategy and capital programme seek to identify planned maintenance to building fabric to minimise reactive maintenance going forward and maintain assets essential for the delivery of council services. The new ten year capital investment strategy will aim to maintain assets as much as possible within capital funding constraints to minimise the impact on revenue maintenance budgets.
26074	An individual	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	Energy efficiency measures should have a long term benefit for the budget.	Council Properties - energy efficiency	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has an energy reduction work plan and is committed to exploring opportunities for reducing the energy bill through the use of renewable energy solutions, improved energy efficiency of buildings and equipment and changing the behaviour of users in council buildings.
26075	No Response	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	Renewable energy projects are the way to go.	Council Properties - energy efficiency	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council will continue to explore opportunities for reducing the energy bill through the use of renewable energy solutions. The council currently uses Biomass and solar PV panels to generate energy in some council buildings. Other Renewables will be looked at for incorporation where economically and practically viable.
26076	An individual	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	I think it is a brilliant idea to put effort into reducing energy costs. Both cost and carbon footprint can be reduced by being more energy efficient as well as using renewable energy.	Council Properties - energy efficiency	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has an energy reduction work plan and is committed to exploring opportunities for reducing the energy bill through the use of renewable energy solutions, improved energy efficiency of buildings and equipment and changing the behaviour of users in council buildings.
26077	An employee of West Lothian Council	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	Savings can be made in energy efficiency but the requirement for reactive maintenance work will only increase as the council buildings are aging.	Council Properties - energy efficiency	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council's property asset management strategy and capital programme seek to identify planned maintenance to building fabric to minimise reactive maintenance going forward and maintain assets essential for the delivery of council services. The new ten year capital investment strategy will aim to maintain assets as much as possible within capital funding constraints to minimise the impact on revenue maintenance budgets.
26078	An individual	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	More attention needs to be paid to what staff are saying about lighting in the building. In St David House we are continually asking for the brightness of the lights to be turned down but only get told that the lights are set to the correct setting. We have suggested that some bulbs are removed/switched off but that has not been considered. The lights are on all day every day even in the middle of the summer. The ability to switch off lights when staff request it would save some money.	Council Properties - energy efficiency	4. The council is already doing this.	Property Management are considering ways to amend the lighting in St David House and will work with employees to make changes within lighting parameters set out by law.
26079	An individual	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	One energy saving that could be made is free electric for electric cars. People who can afford to spend Â£30K to buy an electric car are well able to afford the electricity to run it - not get it sponsored by the poor!	Council Properties - energy efficiency	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The council has a limited number of charging points for public use. The majority of council charging points are for the council's electric fleet.
26080	An individual	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	agree - use more use of web cameras, reduce number of council cars	Council Properties - energy efficiency	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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26081	An individual	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	Council buildings are always too hot. Turn heating down. This will save money and be healthier	Council Properties - energy efficiency	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council is currently developing corporate heating guidance which will address many of the concerns expressed and help to generate energy efficiency savings.
26082	An individual	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	We are all having to look at energy use and the Council is no different.	Council Properties - energy efficiency	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has an energy reduction work plan and is committed to exploring opportunities for reducing the energy bill through the use of renewable energy solutions, improved energy efficiency of buildings and equipment and changing the behaviour of users in council buildings.
26083	An individual	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	Fair point but speaking of my WLC office, small measures could be taken which would ultimately save money, one such being the installation of thermostatic controls on radiators.	Council Properties - energy efficiency	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council is currently developing corporate heating guidance which will address many of the concerns expressed and help to generate energy efficiency savings.
26084	An employee of West Lothian Council	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	schools are far too hot!	Council Properties - energy efficiency	4. The council is already doing this.	The council is currently developing corporate heating guidance which will address many of the concerns expressed and help to generate energy efficiency savings.
26085	An individual	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	Make sure any proposal is cost effective over a sensible timescale .	Council Properties - energy efficiency	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	A cost benefit analysis is completed of any energy efficiency project to ensure it represents value for money. Adopting a proactive approach to maintenance should ensure that there is less need for reactive works.
26086	An individual	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	Absolutely agree - we should be as green as possible and as close to carbon neutral.	Council Properties - energy efficiency	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has an energy reduction work plan and is committed to exploring opportunities for reducing the energy bill through the use of renewable energy solutions, improved energy efficiency of buildings and equipment and changing the behaviour of users in council buildings.
26087	An individual	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	Schools, and possibly other buildings, are overheated. Pupils should be given forewarning so they don't turn up at school in shirtsleeves in the depths of winter, but temperatures should be reduced to about 18 degrees. Thermostats in each room would help.	Council Properties - energy efficiency	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council is currently developing corporate heating guidance which will address many of the concerns expressed and help to generate energy efficiency savings.
26088	An individual	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	Good idea. Why not put thermostats on all radiators in council properties? Invest in solar panels?	Council Properties - energy efficiency	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council is currently developing corporate heating guidance which will address many of the concerns expressed and help to generate energy efficiency savings.
26089	An individual	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	Look to other areas/councils for examples of best practice	Council Properties - energy efficiency	4. The council is already doing this.	The council currently benchmarks with other private and public organisations to identify areas of best practice.
26090	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	Having the heating at community centres on during the summer is plain daft	Council Properties - energy efficiency	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The council is currently developing corporate heating guidance which will address many of the concerns expressed and help to generate energy efficiency savings.
26091	No Response	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	Renewable energy projects are to be commended in terms of environmental impact. I would however, question the design of buildings that are essentially not fit for staff working conditions and end up costing more in the long term.	Council Properties - energy efficiency	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council will continue to explore opportunities for reducing the energy bill through the use of renewable energy solutions. The council currently uses Biomass and solar PV panels to generate energy in some council buildings. Other Renewables will be looked at for incorporation where economically and practically viable.
26092	An individual	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	The council policy of remote controlling heating in schools needs to be looked at as there is many times like this year we have had a mild October but yet the heating has been on in the school which become to hot so Windows are open. So money being spent when it is not needed. Can the schools not have the option to switch off the heating? I appreciate the council will not want to give control on switching on.	Council Properties - energy efficiency	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The council is currently developing corporate heating guidance which will address many of the concerns expressed and help to generate energy efficiency savings.
26093	An individual	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	Saving could be made in many areas e.g. electricity cost too many building lit up at night burning electricity e.g. Deans community High School	Council Properties - energy efficiency	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has an energy reduction work plan and is committed to exploring opportunities for reducing the energy bill through the use of renewable energy solutions, improved energy efficiency of buildings and equipment and changing the behaviour of users in council buildings.

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26094	An individual	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	Important to seek external funding for energy efficiency measures.	Council Properties - energy efficiency	4. The council is already doing this.	The council seeks external funding wherever available to introduce new initiatives or support service delivery.
26095	An individual	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	Things like lower cost / lower carbon heating are key to improved use of your facilities	Council Properties - energy efficiency	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The council has an energy reduction work plan and is committed to exploring opportunities for reducing the energy bill through the use of renewable energy solutions, improved energy efficiency of buildings and equipment and changing the behaviour of users in council buildings.
26096	An individual	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	If further energy efficiency savings can be secured when faced with increasing fuel costs then by all means go ahead.	Council Properties - energy efficiency	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has an energy reduction work plan and is committed to exploring opportunities for reducing the energy bill through the use of renewable energy solutions, improved energy efficiency of buildings and equipment and changing the behaviour of users in council buildings.
26097	An individual	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	turn of the lights in the civic center its lit up like a christmas tree most nights	Council Properties - energy efficiency	4. The council is already doing this.	Most council buildings have automated lights which are operated through movement. Some buildings, such as the Civic Centre, are operated 24 hours a day due to the nature of the services delivered.
26098	No Response	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	Good ideal. How about sensor lighting?	Council Properties - energy efficiency	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Most council buildings have automated lights which are operated through movement. Some buildings, such as the Civic Centre, are operated 24 hours a day due to the nature of the services delivered.
26099	An individual	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	5c suggest the council invest in solar panels and place them on their buildings to generate own electricity. Geo -thermal for heating schools and swimming pools.	Council Properties - energy efficiency	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council will continue to explore opportunities for reducing the energy bill through the use of renewable energy solutions. The council currently uses Biomass and solar PV panels to generate energy in some council buildings. Other Renewables will be looked at for incorporation where economically and practically viable.
26100	An individual	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	Agree. There is an urgent need for the implementation of heating guidelines coupled with staff wearing appropriate clothing in winter to avoid the heating being "cranked up" to suit those members of staff who are used to living in a particularly warm environment.	Council Properties - energy efficiency	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council is currently developing corporate heating guidance which will address many of the concerns expressed and help to generate energy efficiency savings.
26101	An employee of West Lothian Council	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	More action to insure staff switch off lights and equipment when not in use.	Council Properties - energy efficiency	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has an energy reduction work plan and is committed to exploring opportunities for reducing the energy bill through the use of renewable energy solutions, improved energy efficiency of buildings and equipment and changing the behaviour of users in council buildings.
26102	An employee of West Lothian Council	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	perhaps energy in existing council buildings are reviewed as some staff have to open windows in order to "cool down"!!	Council Properties - energy efficiency	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council is currently developing corporate heating guidance which will address many of the concerns expressed and help to generate energy efficiency savings.
26103	An individual	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	I agree so long as energy savings are not just fashionable issues eg fuel for wood burning boilers provided by other countries.	Council Properties - energy efficiency	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has an energy reduction work plan and is committed to exploring opportunities for reducing the energy bill through the use of renewable energy solutions, improved energy efficiency of buildings and equipment and changing the behaviour of users in council buildings.
26104	An individual	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	Ok, but please allow sufficient funds for maintenance and not maintaining your current building stock is a false economy.	Council Properties - energy efficiency	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council's property asset management strategy and capital programme seek to identify planned maintenance to building fabric to minimise reactive maintenance going forward and maintain assets essential for the delivery of council services. The new ten year capital investment strategy will aim to maintain assets as much as possible within capital funding constraints to minimise the impact on revenue maintenance budgets.

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26105	An employee of West Lothian Council	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	Lighting should be reviewed across all council buildings and LED lighting or other energy efficiency measure taken. The council is already adept at maximising its use of government funding and this needs to continue.	Council Properties - energy efficiency	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has an energy reduction work plan and is committed to exploring opportunities for reducing the energy bill through the use of renewable energy solutions, improved energy efficiency of buildings and equipment and changing the behaviour of users in council buildings.
26106	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	Great idea. What about solar panels, wind turbines etc. Renewable energy?	Council Properties - energy efficiency	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council will continue to explore opportunities for reducing the energy bill through the use of renewable energy solutions. The council currently uses Biomass and solar PV panels to generate energy in some council buildings. Other Renewables will be looked at for incorporation where economically and practically viable.
26107	An individual	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	Wind turbines and solar panels should be installed where possible at all council buildings.	Council Properties - energy efficiency	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The council will continue to explore opportunities for reducing the energy bill through the use of renewable energy solutions. The council currently uses Biomass and solar PV panels to generate energy in some council buildings. Other Renewables will be looked at for incorporation where economically and practically viable.
26108	An individual	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	Yes I agree that this is likely to deliver significant benefits financially as well as environmental	Council Properties - energy efficiency	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council will continue to explore opportunities for reducing the energy bill through the use of renewable energy solutions. The council currently uses Biomass and solar PV panels to generate energy in some council buildings. Other Renewables will be looked at for incorporation where economically and practically viable.
26109	An employee of West Lothian Council	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	Why has the Council not contributed more into rolling out green energy technology by way of green technology (solar/photovoltaics, ground source heat pumps, air source heat pumps etc.), green fleet across the Council, so much more could surely have been done on this? WLC appears to be so far behind other authorities despite sections calling out for this. Years ago properties were put forward by managers for solar panel projects, requests were made to convert/promote green transport and yet WLC appears not to be driving this or rolling-it out. Please commit sufficient staffing to this area to make it happen! When it happens, promote yourselves, be proud of what has been achieved and use key public sites to do so. Share successes with the public (resident & visiting) and use key Council facilities that attract significant visitors to get the message out there e.g. Country Parks.	Council Properties - energy efficiency	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council will continue to explore opportunities for reducing the energy bill through the use of renewable energy solutions. The council currently uses Biomass and solar PV panels to generate energy in some council buildings. Other Renewables will be looked at for incorporation where economically and practically viable.
26110	An employee of West Lothian Council	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	Agreed. Energy efficiency measures though often don't have the desired effect - a simple example would be the lighting system in parts of the Civic Centre - why aren't there simple on/off light switches in the meeting rooms!	Council Properties - energy efficiency	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has an energy reduction work plan and is committed to exploring opportunities for reducing the energy bill through the use of renewable energy solutions, improved energy efficiency of buildings and equipment and changing the behaviour of users in council buildings.
26111	An individual	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	WLC needs to improve the energy efficiency of its assets. There have been lots of opportunities for the installation of renewable energies that are not taken up which would over time have paid for themselves. This needs to be taken on board and more emphasis on this for future	Council Properties - energy efficiency	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council will continue to explore opportunities for reducing the energy bill through the use of renewable energy solutions. The council currently uses Biomass and solar PV panels to generate energy in some council buildings. Other Renewables will be looked at for incorporation where economically and practically viable.
26112	An employee of West Lothian Council	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	Staff in council buildings must be made aware of energy wastage. Lights being left on unnecessarily for example.	Council Properties - energy efficiency	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The council has an energy reduction work plan and is committed to exploring opportunities for reducing the energy bill through the use of renewable energy solutions, improved energy efficiency of buildings and equipment and changing the behaviour of users in council buildings.

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26113	An employee of West Lothian Council	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	You could probably save £2 million by getting all staff and pupils in schools throughout the region to adopt a more environmentally aware approach. The amount of times I've been in a school after hours and seen literally hundreds of computers and monitors left switched on. Electronic keyboards in music departments and sound equipment running overnight is also par for the course. More schools and other council facilities should have their power sources and lighting upgraded to self switching technology (like virtually every building in Germany for example) and the amount of money wasted on heating schools through the warmer months is also frankly ridiculous.	Council Properties - energy efficiency	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The council has an energy reduction work plan and is committed to exploring opportunities for reducing the energy bill through the use of renewable energy solutions, improved energy efficiency of buildings and equipment and changing the behaviour of users in council buildings.
26114	An individual	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	Close all council building other than 'emergency provision' over Christmas and New Year and maximise efficiency at other times.	Council Properties - energy efficiency	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Although some council facilities need to remain open for service delivery and cover, opportunities to consolidate cover into fewer buildings over the festive period will be considered.
26115	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	Work in building we were told heating off due to cut backs . I was not allowed on, lead to working with coats on not a good way to work , children and babies being cold in council buildings because of lack of heat . This is not a good saving	Council Properties - energy efficiency	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The council is currently developing corporate heating guidance which will address many of the concerns expressed and help to generate energy efficiency savings.
26116	An employee of West Lothian Council	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	Could new buildings not be more environmentally friendly, Solar/ wind use, green roofs, Storage of rainwater for use in toilets/ road sweepers.	Council Properties - energy efficiency	4. The council is already doing this.	The council will continue to explore opportunities for reducing the energy bill through the use of renewable energy solutions. The council currently uses Biomass and solar PV panels to generate energy in some council buildings. Other Renewables will be looked at for incorporation where economically and practically viable.
26117	An individual	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	Energy efficiency is mandatory for all .	Council Properties - energy efficiency	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has an energy reduction work plan and is committed to exploring opportunities for reducing the energy bill through the use of renewable energy solutions, improved energy efficiency of buildings and equipment and changing the behaviour of users in council buildings.
26118	An individual	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	Agree got to find cheaper source especially for utilities	Council Properties - energy efficiency	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council procures energy through the national framework contract which aims to secure the best prices available.
26119	An individual	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	I have visited many public buildings in a voluntary role. I cannot believe the level of heating especially in schools. Please cut this back.	Council Properties - energy efficiency	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The council is currently developing corporate heating guidance which will address many of the concerns expressed and help to generate energy efficiency savings.
26120	An employee of West Lothian Council	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	lighting and heating needs to be looked at as totally inadequate in St David house..... lighting could be switched off but sensors make this impossible in most areas.. heating is not heating it does not radiate heat in the office....the windows are just useless letting in draughts..... there has been no insulation put around the window areas,,, if you put something on the windowsill it is absolutely freezing when left there so any heat is going straight back outside	Council Properties - energy efficiency	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The council is currently developing corporate heating guidance which will address many of the concerns expressed and help to generate energy efficiency savings.
26121	An individual	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	Energy consumption will be increased if the recycling facility in Linlithgow is closed. This should not be happening.	Council Properties - energy efficiency	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	This proposal relates to the energy consumption within council buildings.
26122	An individual	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	Set temperatures in council buildings and schools- FAR TO HIGH. Turn lights off when not required by staff inside and outside. Do not build new council premises when you have other that would do. ie. new whitburn office £5 million no needed spent.	Council Properties - energy efficiency	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The council is currently developing corporate heating guidance which will address many of the concerns expressed and help to generate energy efficiency savings.
26123	An employee of West Lothian Council	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	Council services (schools for instance) waste enormous amounts of money . Lights left on in empty rooms etc heating raging in June.	Council Properties - energy efficiency	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has an energy reduction work plan and is committed to exploring opportunities for reducing the energy bill through the use of renewable energy solutions, improved energy efficiency of buildings and equipment and changing the behaviour of users in council buildings.

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26124	An employee of West Lothian Council	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	Unfortunately it is down to the lack of investment in the properties which has increased the maintenance spend. An examples of this, is cleaning roofs and associated pipework, road gullies, school kitchens, school toilets, boilers and general external decoration. If these items had been prioritized the maintenance spend would be less.	Council Properties - maintenance	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The council's property asset management strategy and capital programme seek to identify planned maintenance to building fabric to minimise reactive maintenance going forward and maintain assets essential for the delivery of council services. The new ten year capital investment strategy will aim to maintain assets as much as possible within capital funding constraints to minimise the impact on revenue maintenance budgets.
26125	An employee of West Lothian Council	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	Without maintenance spend our properties will deteriorate.	Council Properties - maintenance	4. The council is already doing this.	The council's property asset management strategy and capital programme seek to identify planned maintenance to building fabric to minimise reactive maintenance going forward and maintain assets essential for the delivery of council services.
26126	An individual	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	Their is no crystal ball for reactive maintenance. Investment in the assets does not guarantee a reduction in failures and reactive maintenance as all of the assets still need to be maintained. WLC only carry out annual maintenance for statutory compliance, the majority of other works are reactive or works identified by insurance inspections.	Council Properties - maintenance	4. The council is already doing this.	The council's property asset management strategy and capital programme seek to identify planned maintenance to building fabric to minimise reactive maintenance going forward and maintain assets essential for the delivery of council services.
26127	An individual	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	There are lots of buildings especially schools which are in a sad state and urgently need investment, this will ultimately save money as the continual need for patch up repairs will reduce	Council Properties - maintenance	4. The council is already doing this.	Currently 100% of the council's school estate is assessed as satisfactory or better. The focus of future capital investment will be on maintaining the condition of the council's existing asset base to minimise the need for costly emergency and reactive repairs and maintenance.
26128	An employee of West Lothian Council	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	If the council fixed problems in the buildings properly on the first instance then repeated visits for maintenance would not be required	Council Properties - maintenance	4. The council is already doing this.	The council's property asset management strategy and capital programme seek to identify planned maintenance to building fabric to minimise reactive maintenance going forward and maintain assets essential for the delivery of council services. The new ten year capital investment strategy will aim to maintain assets as much as possible within capital funding constraints to minimise the impact on revenue maintenance budgets.
26129	An employee of West Lothian Council	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	What is reactive maintenance work ? Example please.	Council Properties - maintenance	4. The council is already doing this.	Reactive maintenance tends to be minor repairs and small emergency works to resolve specific issues. For example this could include a small roof leak, a faulty window or door or a broken fixture such as lights or taps.
26130	An individual	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	Get the private sector to maintain your property.	Council Properties - maintenance	4. The council is already doing this.	The council is already doing this at its largest building, the Civic Centre, to be joined next year by the new Whitehill Service Centre.
26131	An employee of West Lothian Council	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	Does the council own all its buildings? There have been occasions where maintenance of certain areas of a building have been delayed due to "tendering" when that maintenance could easily be undertaken by Council staff, such as plumbers, joiners, etc. This is an opportunity to save, yet is never considered. Why? If the council don't own their buildings, why not? Tendering repairs is a massive waste of council funds when employed tradespeople are doing the same job. Surely this is "duplication" as is mentioned elsewhere in this consultation?	Council Properties - maintenance	5a. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because the council is required by law to deliver this work.	The council is required to make sure that all expenditure demonstrates best value therefore the council is required to put specific projects out to tender in the competitive market. The council owns most of its buildings but this does not impact on the need for the council to demonstrate value for money in use of public money.
26132	An employee of West Lothian Council	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	There must also be significant scope to reduce the cost of school building maintenance.	Council Properties - maintenance	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council's property asset management strategy and capital programme seek to identify planned maintenance to building fabric to minimise reactive maintenance going forward and maintain assets essential for the delivery of council services. The new ten year capital investment strategy will aim to maintain assets as much as possible within capital funding constraints to minimise the impact on revenue maintenance budgets.

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26133	An employee of West Lothian Council	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	Maintenance works should be properly costed to ensure that multiple patch jobs and quick-fixes aren't ending up more costly than a one-off renovation cost.	Council Properties - maintenance	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The council's property asset management strategy and capital programme seek to identify planned maintenance to building fabric to minimise reactive maintenance going forward and maintain assets essential for the delivery of council services. The new ten year capital investment strategy will aim to maintain assets as much as possible within capital funding constraints to minimise the impact on revenue maintenance budgets.
26134	An individual	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	we have already seen the response to this cut where building and communities look dire.	Council Properties - maintenance	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Community resources will not necessarily be lost if local communities support them through community asset transfer and ownership. The council will also work with community organisations to support the use of non council buildings for community activities and services.
26135	An individual	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	The council is letting its buildings be compromised by poor quality repair jobs - again, holding people accountable would benefit here.	Council Properties - maintenance	4. The council is already doing this.	The council's property asset management strategy and capital programme seek to identify planned maintenance to building fabric to minimise reactive maintenance going forward and maintain assets essential for the delivery of council services. The new ten year capital investment strategy will aim to maintain assets as much as possible within capital funding constraints to minimise the impact on revenue maintenance budgets.
26136	An individual	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	Care needs to be taken in reducing maintenance as this may just store up problems for the future. This is a case where little and often may actually cost less in the long run.	Council Properties - maintenance	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The council's property asset management strategy and capital programme seek to identify planned maintenance to building fabric to minimise reactive maintenance going forward and maintain assets essential for the delivery of council services. The new ten year capital investment strategy will aim to maintain assets as much as possible within capital funding constraints to minimise the impact on revenue maintenance budgets.
26137	An individual	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	We must maintain our buildings to the level that they retain their value	Council Properties - maintenance	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The council's property asset management strategy and capital programme seek to identify planned maintenance to building fabric to minimise reactive maintenance going forward and maintain assets essential for the delivery of council services. The new ten year capital investment strategy will aim to maintain assets as much as possible within capital funding constraints to minimise the impact on revenue maintenance budgets.
26138	An individual	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	Watch you don't enter into false economy if you reduce your maintenance on assets. I can't imagine you have the capital budget to replace when things fall into disrepair because you reduced the maintenance	Council Properties - maintenance	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The council's property asset management strategy and capital programme seek to identify planned maintenance to building fabric to minimise reactive maintenance going forward and maintain assets essential for the delivery of council services. The new ten year capital investment strategy will aim to maintain assets as much as possible within capital funding constraints to minimise the impact on revenue maintenance budgets.
26139	An individual	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	if you do not maintain buildings and properties they are not safe or useable for the population and are worth less if you wish to sell them if you continue to upgrade with newer technologies then every one wins including the environment	Council Properties - maintenance	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The council's property asset management strategy and capital programme seek to identify planned maintenance to building fabric to minimise reactive maintenance going forward and maintain assets essential for the delivery of council services. The new ten year capital investment strategy will aim to maintain assets as much as possible within capital funding constraints to minimise the impact on revenue maintenance budgets.

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26140	An individual	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	Council services should be used and not expensive partners, train youngsters to be builders, mplumbers, painters etc and work for the council in the future	Council Properties - maintenance	5a. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because the council is required by law to deliver this work.	The council is required to make sure that all expenditure demonstrates best value therefore the council is required to put specific projects out to tender in the competitive market. The council has a best value framework which requires the council to consider best value and all possible ways of delivering services, including use of external contractors.
26141	An individual	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	The council should ensure that the assets are still kept in a good state - otherwise this is a short term saving and a long term cost - to make good delapidated asset.	Council Properties - maintenance	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The council has an approved policy which deals with transfers of certain council assets to the Third Sector. The approved council policy contains a number of safeguards designed to ensure that any transfer is sustainable in terms of future use.
26142	An individual	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	Charges should also be applied to customers where inappropriate damage or abuse of out of hours service is undertaken.	Council Properties - maintenance	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The scope for charging will be considered, taking account current charges, the position in other local authorities and the impact of charges on vulnerable people and the availability of concessions.
26143	An employee of West Lothian Council	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	Very few council properties are being replaced with new buildings or at least refurbished and this means that the required reactive maintenance will only increase rather than reduce. The condition of many properties is already falling below what should be acceptable but the funding is not there to ensure we can keep building wind/water-tight and safe for all building users.	Council Properties - maintenance	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council's property asset management strategy and capital programme seek to identify planned maintenance to building fabric to minimise reactive maintenance going forward and maintain assets essential for the delivery of council services. The new ten year capital investment strategy will aim to maintain assets as much as possible within capital funding constraints to minimise the impact on revenue maintenance budgets.
26144	An employee of West Lothian Council	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	Some premises are not fit for purpose and are overpriced and underused, therefore the staff being paid to work in them are being paid to do nothing more than watch the buildings. These buildings also require lighting and cleaning which is more money wasted.	Council Properties - maintenance	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has an approved policy which deals with transfers of certain council assets to the Third Sector. The approved council policy contains a number of safeguards designed to ensure that any transfer is sustainable in terms of future use. Community resources will not necessarily be lost if local communities support them through community asset transfer and ownership. The council will also work with community organisations to support the use of non council buildings for community activities and services.
26145	An employee of West Lothian Council	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	Council buildings needs to be maintained or they go to rack and ruin - this is important.	Council Properties - maintenance	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The council's property asset management strategy and capital programme seek to identify planned maintenance to building fabric to minimise reactive maintenance going forward and maintain assets essential for the delivery of council services. The new ten year capital investment strategy will aim to maintain assets as much as possible within capital funding constraints to minimise the impact on revenue maintenance budgets.
26146	An individual	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	They maintained pretty well	Council Properties - maintenance	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council's property asset management strategy and capital programme seek to identify planned maintenance to building fabric to minimise reactive maintenance going forward and maintain assets essential for the delivery of council services. The new ten year capital investment strategy will aim to maintain assets as much as possible within capital funding constraints to minimise the impact on revenue maintenance budgets.
26147	An individual	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	Pay for repairs to be done properly not on the cheap then need done again	Council Properties - maintenance	4. The council is already doing this.	The council's property asset management strategy and capital programme seek to identify planned maintenance to building fabric to minimise reactive maintenance going forward and maintain assets essential for the delivery of council services. The new ten year capital investment strategy will aim to maintain assets as much as possible within capital funding constraints to minimise the impact on revenue maintenance budgets.

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26148	An employee of West Lothian Council	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	In my school and classroom there is asbestos and it limits the amount of work we can display and we are somewhat at risk, this should be a scheduled appointment rather we are told don't touch the walls. Also at our school it has taken months to build the extension and everyday their is constant drilling even though it should have been completed during the summer holidays it's not scheduled to finish until Feb 2018 with learning being disrupted continually.	Council Properties - maintenance	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	School improvements works are scheduled mainly in non term time however there can be situations where these can't be contained within that window. Each property has an asbestos management plan as it is not always possible to completely remove asbestos from a building.
26149	An individual	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	Good annual maintenance will always save money in the long run if done properly and not shortcuts are not used.	Council Properties - maintenance	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The council's property asset management strategy and capital programme seek to identify planned maintenance to building fabric to minimise reactive maintenance going forward and maintain assets essential for the delivery of council services. The new ten year capital investment strategy will aim to maintain assets as much as possible within capital funding constraints to minimise the impact on revenue maintenance budgets.
26150	An individual	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	Do not reduce maintenances. This is usually the first victim of cuts.	Council Properties - maintenance	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council's property asset management strategy and capital programme seek to identify planned maintenance to building fabric to minimise reactive maintenance going forward and maintain assets essential for the delivery of council services. The new ten year capital investment strategy will aim to maintain assets as much as possible within capital funding constraints to minimise the impact on revenue maintenance budgets.
26151	An individual	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	This looks like being well underway. LED lighting e.g. is saving a fortune but beware as consumption goes down costs go up. Use of System charges are a big proportion of energy costs and will become a bigger % as use goes down. However better buildings with less maintenance makes good long term sense.	Council Properties - maintenance	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has an energy reduction work plan and is committed to exploring opportunities for reducing the energy bill through the use of renewable energy solutions, improved energy efficiency of buildings and equipment and changing the behaviour of users in council buildings.
26152	An individual	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	Hopefully there will be a more proactive approach to maintenance work e.g. removing non-maintained trees causing numerous problems and non uplift of leaves.	Council Properties - maintenance	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council's property asset management strategy and capital programme seek to identify planned maintenance to building fabric to minimise reactive maintenance going forward and maintain assets essential for the delivery of council services. The new ten year capital investment strategy will aim to maintain assets as much as possible within capital funding constraints to minimise the impact on revenue maintenance budgets.
26153	An employee of West Lothian Council	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	It would be beneficial if Property Services focused on creating buildings specifications that do not have flat roofs. This roof type constantly has leaks and causes problems. In fact it would be good if they attempted to approve designs that do not have inherent leaks which seem to be endemic across all council buildings. Come down to any Armadale council build properties and see the leaks there. It must cost the taxpayer a fortune to fix this.	Council Properties - maintenance	4. The council is already doing this.	The council has standard Employers Design Requirements which state the desire to avoid valley gutters, internal drainage and wet verges on new build projects. Where flat roofs are installed (or existing roofs replaced) the council insists on a manufacturers 20 year guarantee. Recently a number of leaks have been rectified by the manufacturer at no cost to the council.
26154	An individual	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	The council should perhaps concentrate on the repairing its flagship building - the Civic Centre - which requires a multitude of buckets to be rolled out every time there is any rain in the sky. Is it just leaks the council specialise in or do you grow other vegetables.	Council Properties - maintenance	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Arrangements are being made with the original contractor to repair the leaks referred to in late Spring 2018.
26155	An individual	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	Council properties should be the best they can for service delivery purposes - uneconomic obsolete buildings should be made surplus and disposed of	Council Properties - maintenance	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	We will review our property assets and rationalise usage where possible taking into account the review and redesign of services delivered in the community and investigating opportunities for coordinating availability of facilities.
26156	An individual	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	Repairs are required to Armadale Primary School.	Council Properties - maintenance	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26157	An individual	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	Renewable energy projects I would not be sure about	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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26158	An individual	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	no	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26159	An individual	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	none	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26160	An employee of West Lothian Council	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	SUPPORT. MAKE MORE USE OF PARTNERSHIP CENTRES FOR STAFF	Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Council will continue to utilise the partnership centre model to provide shared services and facilities, including those services delivered by partners.
26161	An employee of West Lothian Council	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	Perhaps consideration could be given to how to make award winning partnership buildings actually comfortable and presumably then more economic. BPC for example, is constantly far too hot to work comfortably in and surely there is a saving to be made in terms of how buildings are designed and heated?	Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	The council is currently developing corporate heating guidance which will address many of the concerns expressed and help to generate energy efficiency savings.
26162	An individual	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	opening buildings outwith normal opening times for hourly charges that don't even cover janitor wages, let alone heating and lighting costs?????	Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The council's Property Asset Management Strategy includes plans to ensure effective and efficient use of property assets. We will review our property assets and rationalise usage where possible taking into account the review and redesign of services delivered in the community and investigating opportunities for coordinating availability of facilities. This will include the use of council facilities for community lets.
26163	An individual	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	Agree	Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26164	An employee of West Lothian Council	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	Reduce offices. Make more use of Partnership Centres. More joint service provision.	Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The council's Property Asset Management Strategy includes plans to ensure effective and efficient use of property assets. We will review our property assets and rationalise usage where possible taking into account the review and redesign of services delivered in the community and investigating opportunities for coordinating availability of facilities, including sharing facilities with partners. The rationalisation of buildings will generate ongoing substantial revenue savings.
26165	No Response	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	Shared buildings and locations have become common place in recent years. A continuation of this could well lead to further savings.	Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has a proven track record of partnership working and would wish to build on this to continue providing local services. Through integration, and potentially sharing services with partners, it is expected that access and individual experiences will be improved. There would be less duplication and more streamlining of services.
26166	An employee of West Lothian Council	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	Stop letting out Primary Schools to outside organisations after school hours. The fees generated for the council usually do not cover the admin time spend setting up permits, reorganising dates, notifying all the relevant people, the heating and lighting costs. Not to mention the potential security risk of having unaccompanied people in our schools when a janitor cannot be there to supervise at all times.	Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	We will review our property assets and rationalise usage where possible taking into account the review and redesign of services delivered in the community and investigating opportunities for coordinating availability of facilities. This will include the use and promotion of council facilities for community lets.

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26167	An employee of West Lothian Council	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	ok - but still important to maintain properties.	Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council's property asset management strategy and capital programme seek to identify planned maintenance to building fabric to minimise reactive maintenance going forward and maintain assets essential for the delivery of council services. The new ten year capital investment strategy will aim to maintain assets as much as possible within capital funding constraints to minimise the impact on revenue maintenance budgets.
26168	An employee of West Lothian Council	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	How about building new buildings to Passivhaus standards?	Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The Sustainable Construction Policy helps to ensure new builds and refurbishments are as energy efficient as possible.
26169	An employee of West Lothian Council	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	Agreed - this is good asset management but the saving is quite ambitious.	Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26170	An individual	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	Estimated saving £1 Million ? Shame on you for being so wasteful with our money in the first place.	Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council is subject to rigorous external audit and both Audit Scotland and EY have confirmed, over a number of years, that the council has robust financial management and delivers best value in the use of public resources.
26171	An employee of West Lothian Council	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	The Council needs to make best use of it assets. Property occupation should be maximised rather than giving everyone a desk make them all work smart. In the Civic Centre there are banks of desks largely unoccupied and a costs!	Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	We will review our property assets and rationalise usage where possible taking into account the review and redesign of services delivered and investigating opportunities for coordinating availability of facilities. This includes maximising the use of council office space.
26172	An employee of West Lothian Council	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	What investment is required to save £1M	Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The majority of this saving will not require any additional investment and will be deliverable through the council's main capital maintenance programme.
26173	No Response	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	stop selling off your land assets to developers.	Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties (general)	5b. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it is likely that the costs of this proposal would outweigh the benefit.	The council has a disposal process for assets declared surplus to requirements with receipts reinvested in council assets. The sites would be available for purchase by all interested parties. Use of sites for specific purposes is determined by planning restrictions.
26174	An individual	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	See above on Addiewell Community House. The council is paying for the utilities here and other buildings similar to this.	Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	We will review our property assets and rationalise usage where possible taking into account the review and redesign of services delivered in the community and investigating opportunities for coordinating availability of facilities.
26175	An employee of West Lothian Council	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	I feel a lot of council properties are lying empty. Look at what you have got and make the most of it!	Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	We will review our property assets and rationalise usage where possible taking into account the review and redesign of services delivered in the community and investigating opportunities for coordinating availability of facilities.
26176	An individual	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	I would hope that the initiatives chosen are not fads that will need to be replaced within a short time scale that then means they actually cost more.	Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The council will continue to explore opportunities for reducing the energy bill through the use of renewable energy solutions. The council currently uses Biomass and solar PV panels to generate energy in some council buildings. Other Renewables will be looked at for incorporation where economically and practically viable.

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26177	An individual	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	This proposal also seems to hint that pre-planned maintenance may give way to reactive maintenance - a foolish measure, if that is indeed being envisaged. The cost of neglecting opre-emptive maintenance will far outweigh any savings in the long run.	Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council's property asset management strategy and capital programme seek to identify planned maintenance to building fabric to minimise reactive maintenance going forward and maintain assets essential for the delivery of council services. The new ten year capital investment strategy will aim to maintain assets as much as possible within capital funding constraints to minimise the impact on revenue maintenance budgets.
26178	An individual	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	The Council should be investing in such new methods of service delivery from within its existing budgets rather than meeting these costs from its existing budgets	Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26179	No Response	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	The council needs to revisit heating control arrangements. Apparently our local community centre heating control is run from a central location. It is always far too hot which must be costing the council a fortune. There is also a large 'security' light which burns all night until about 9:30am. All this s doing is providing light for anyone who wants to break into the centre or local shop.	Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	The council is currently developing corporate heating guidance which will address many of the concerns expressed and help to generate energy efficiency savings.
26180	An individual	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	Seems rather a low target.	Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Due to the continued constraint on both revenue and capital budgets, the council needs to reduce the total number of assets requiring maintenance. The unavoidable cost of keeping all properties would require a larger saving to be delivered.
26181	An employee of West Lothian Council	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	Dispose of more properties	Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council's Property Asset Management Strategy includes plans to ensure effective and efficient use of property assets. We will review our property assets and rationalise usage where possible taking into account the review and redesign of services delivered in the community and investigating opportunities for coordinating availability of facilities.
26182	An individual	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	This needs much more thought	Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	The council's property asset management strategy and capital programme seek to identify planned maintenance to building fabric to minimise reactive maintenance going forward and maintain assets essential for the delivery of council services. The new ten year capital investment strategy will aim to maintain assets as much as possible within capital funding constraints to minimise the impact on revenue maintenance budgets.
26183	No Response	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	As long as this proposal does not spawn a rash of managers to deliver it.	Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Changes to the council's approach to maintenance will be accommodated within the current approach to capital investment. The council's existing Energy and Climate Change Manager will be responsible for implementing energy savings.
26184	An individual	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	Does West Lothian Council have a comprehensive list of all the properties it owns and manages?	Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	The council maintains records on all its operational and commercial TNRP buildings and land.
26185	An individual	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	A more strategic, proactive approach to all areas under WLC remit would be beneficial. Currently very reactive.	Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	The council's property asset management strategy and capital programme seek to identify planned maintenance to building fabric to minimise reactive maintenance going forward and maintain assets essential for the delivery of council services. The new ten year capital investment strategy will aim to maintain assets as much as possible within capital funding constraints to minimise the impact on revenue maintenance budgets.

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26186	An employee of West Lothian Council	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	This has the benefit of not only offering savings in the short term but given the rate of inflation and the associated cost of energy in the future these savings are likely to be amplified.	Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has an energy reduction work plan and is committed to exploring opportunities for reducing the energy bill through the use of renewable energy solutions, improved energy efficiency of buildings and equipment and changing the behaviour of users in council buildings.
26187	An employee of West Lothian Council	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	Good More ambitious savings and income generation could be achieved if the council invests in renewable on its own buildings and land	Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council will continue to explore opportunities for reducing the energy bill through the use of renewable energy solutions. The council currently uses Biomass and solar PV panels to generate energy in some council buildings. Other Renewables will be looked at for incorporation where economically and practically viable.
26188	An individual	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	I support this but only if it delivers genuine value for money - there appears to be a lot of expenditure on new street lighting for example which must be costing huge amounts - is the council robust in getting value for money?	Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The cost benefit analysis for the introduction of LED street lighting demonstrates that substantial savings can be achieved. The savings cover both the cost of installation and the additional revenue savings to contribute to the council's budget gap.
26189	An employee of West Lothian Council	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	St David house - this building is under utilised ,,,, huge space and loads of empty desks.....could be used by other teams allowing other offices or departments to be brought in and save money by consolidating Better use of the space, ie the layout of the desks could improve morale,,, which in turn would have a positive effect on keeping staff at work Lighting in this building needs to be reviewed, being able to switch off lights rather than motion sensors in lesser used areas would be beneficial....	Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	We will review our property assets and rationalise usage where possible taking into account the review and redesign of services delivered in the community and investigating opportunities for coordinating availability of facilities.
26190	An employee of West Lothian Council	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	Close buildings like St David House between the Christmas and New Year holidays. Is it necessary to provide a Collections service over this period.	Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	This is a good idea. Although some council facilities need to remain open for service delivery and cover, opportunities to consolidate cover into fewer buildings over the festive period will be considered.
26191	An individual	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	Encouraging research and innovation in environmental learning can be funded externally: https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/space-for-smarter-government-programme-sggp-showcase-2017	Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	The council seeks external funding wherever available to introduce new initiatives or support service delivery.
26192	An employee of West Lothian Council	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	If sports pavilions are still owned by the council (not West Lothian Leisure), ensure that they are energy efficient and multifunctional - suitable for community activities other than football changing rooms. Apply the same approach to Open Space Assets - investing in Natural Capital, ensuring these assets are multifunctional and managed efficiently.	Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The introduction of partnership centres has seen an increase in the number of multi purpose buildings throughout the authority. Building users are consulted throughout the design and construction of these buildings to help ensure that their requirements are met within the constraints of available resources.
26193	An employee of West Lothian Council	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	The new and renovated buildings have looked at energy efficiency e.g. lights that switch off automatically however there are a substantial amount of dated buildings that need to be looked at. Also educating staff in this area is difficult if they are not directly impacted by increasing charges. More transparency on what is being implemented and the savings gained is required with the results being published for staff review.	Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has an energy reduction work plan and is committed to exploring opportunities for reducing the energy bill through the use of renewable energy solutions, improved energy efficiency of buildings and equipment and changing the behaviour of users in council buildings.
26194	An individual	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	I would like to see the top 3 items/specific deliverables that contribute to this redesign.	Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The council's aim is, and always will be, to ensure that West Lothian continues to be a great place to live, work, visit and do business. To achieve this aim we will continue to prioritise the money that we spend on services to make sure that our investment has the biggest and most positive impact on the community.
26195	No Response	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	With a lovely new civic centre, I am unsure of what more you need. Not when there are other areas within West Lothian that need it more	Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The Civic Centre delivered considerable savings and facilitated the rationalisation of a number of council buildings that were no longer fit for purpose.
26196	An employee of West Lothian Council	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	some buildings have had a lot of money spent on them and are not used and/ or badly managed. Either sell them, rent them or use them.	Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	We will review our property assets and rationalise usage where possible taking into account the review and redesign of services delivered in the community and investigating opportunities for coordinating availability of facilities.

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26197	An employee of West Lothian Council	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	some buildings have had a lot of money spent on them and are not used and/ or badly managed. Either sell them, rent them or use them.	Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	We will review our property assets and rationalise usage where possible taking into account the review and redesign of services delivered in the community and investigating opportunities for coordinating availability of facilities.
26198	An individual	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	Very impressive area of WLC operation and this should be continued.	Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26199	An individual	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	Does this mean a more proactive approach ?	Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The council's property asset management strategy and capital programme seek to identify planned maintenance to building fabric to minimise reactive maintenance going forward and maintain assets essential for the delivery of council services. The new ten year capital investment strategy will aim to maintain assets as much as possible within capital funding constraints to minimise the impact on revenue maintenance budgets.
26200	An employee of West Lothian Council	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	Long term this must save much more than1 million.	Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The consultation relates to the five year period only. As the council budgets on a rolling basis, these savings are built into the council's base budget and will be required for many more years to come.
26201	No Response	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	Carefull	Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	The council's property asset management strategy and capital programme seek to identify planned maintenance to building fabric to minimise reactive maintenance going forward and maintain assets essential for the delivery of council services. The new ten year capital investment strategy will aim to maintain assets as much as possible within capital funding constraints to minimise the impact on revenue maintenance budgets.
26202	An individual	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	the performance of the reactive maintenance group and their supervisors is pathetic. it should be run like a business. repair once but properly. there are properties in Linlithgow that have been waiting for refurbishment for more than 12 months.	Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	87.5% of customers rate maintenance services as good or excellent. All operational properties are maintained in accordance with standards and issues should be raised where appropriate. Housing repairs are undertaken by Housing, Customer and Building Services.
26203	An employee of West Lothian Council	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	Will this mean a further reduction in council buildings. Will the council think about where the best place for a building is rather than keep buildings for sentimental reasons. Council buildings should have reliable IT provision and provide services to the community. Ideally a one stop shop for everything and ideally in the heart of the community.	Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	We will review our property assets and rationalise usage where possible taking into account the review and redesign of services delivered in the community and investigating opportunities for coordinating availability of facilities.
26204	An employee of West Lothian Council	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	The council should look at the buildings that are being used and look at moving lets to one view. Looking at what buildings need to be open and perhaps looking at split shifts for staff because are they required throughout the day. Can groups open buildings or do buildings only open at particularly points of the day.	Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	We will review our property assets and rationalise usage where possible taking into account the review and redesign of services delivered in the community and investigating opportunities for coordinating availability of facilities.
26205	An individual	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	Why have you been wasting so much of our money up to this point?	Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council continues to generate savings in the efficient management of council buildings. This saving is incorporated into the consultation document to ensure that all proposed savings are known and available for consideration. These savings would be additional to the savings delivered over the previous ten years.
26206	An individual	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	Surely this will incur considerable further expenditure to achieve	Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Requirements for investment to deliver this saving are being considered as part of the new capital investment programme. Investment will only be undertaken where substantial savings and benefits can be delivered.

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26207	An individual	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	The goal should be that all facilities management (hard and soft) for all council buildings should be tendered in the private sector to obtain efficiencies and savings.	Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The council is already doing this for hard FM in the case of its largest single building at the Civic Centre and the new Whitehill Service Centre will follow next year. There is the possibility that other buildings will follow subject to best value being demonstrated.
26208	An employee of West Lothian Council	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	Council needs to think long-term. It currently very often seems good at painting the walls (doing the easily organised less technical jobs) but forgets to fix the roof (tackling the larger more difficult tasks) this may be due to the staff resource available. The new schools programme has delivered a huge difference. Energy saving could be rolled out across most Council buildings.	Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council's property asset management strategy and capital programme seek to identify planned maintenance to building fabric to minimise reactive maintenance going forward and maintain assets essential for the delivery of council services. The new ten year capital investment strategy will aim to maintain assets as much as possible within capital funding constraints to minimise the impact on revenue maintenance budgets.
26209	An employee of West Lothian Council	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	Carry out proper repairs instead of doing cheap repairs pay cheap pay twice !	Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council's property asset management strategy and capital programme seek to identify planned maintenance to building fabric to minimise reactive maintenance going forward and maintain assets essential for the delivery of council services. The new ten year capital investment strategy will aim to maintain assets as much as possible within capital funding constraints to minimise the impact on revenue maintenance budgets.
26210	No Response	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	Here's an idea, why doesn't the council stop wasting money on fancy new schools and buildings to make themselves look good to the public and just start fixing up the buildings instead.	Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	Generally the council's property assets are in good condition compared to many others. The council has a substantial planned improvement programme which invests in existing council assets.
26211	An employee of West Lothian Council	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	There must be a lot of buildings open after hours or at weekends for overtime (albeit I assume that will reduce across services) however is there a need for all these properties to be open. Consideration should be given to building sharing at these times ie staff who need to work for specific reasons can do so in a central location. Closing buildings that house staff that provide non essential or are not public facing between Christmas and New Year. Again if staff within these services were not keen on keeping annual or flexi leave for this period, let them work from a central location if their role permits, reducing heating and lighting and in general utility costs during the festive period in some buildings	Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Although some council facilities need to remain open for service delivery and cover, opportunities to consolidate cover into fewer buildings over the festive period will be considered.
26212	An individual	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	Reducing energy is always going to be good, looking at greener energy would also be a benefit.	Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has an energy reduction work plan and is committed to exploring opportunities for reducing the energy bill through the use of renewable energy solutions, improved energy efficiency of buildings and equipment and changing the behaviour of users in council buildings.
26213	An individual	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	Yes review and make more efficient - a lot of heat is wasted - and we are heating west lothian skies	Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council is currently developing corporate heating guidance which will address many of the concerns expressed and help to generate energy efficiency savings.
26214	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	Has an equality impact assessment been carried out for each of the budget proposals? It is essential that this is done at the earliest opportunity in order to assess what the impact will be on those in the protected characteristics groups and those already experiencing disadvantage.	Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	In line with established budget setting processes, all proposed reduction measures will be subject to an equality impact assessment.
26215	An employee of West Lothian Council	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	regardless of the budget cuts I feel energy efficiency is something we should be prioritizing on a national level. Completely in agreement with this as we do need to adapt renewable energy projects.	Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has an energy reduction work plan and is committed to exploring opportunities for reducing the energy bill through the use of renewable energy solutions, improved energy efficiency of buildings and equipment and changing the behaviour of users in council buildings.
26216	An individual	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	Generally agree but cannot comment on these as no info available.	Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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26217	An individual	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	Decisions should also be made not on political outcomes but on need. There have been instances where facilities have been put into some towns and not in others. When I pass through Linlithgow and see the amount of money invested in sports facilities and compare this with other towns there is no equity. We should not be spending money nearing the end of the financial year just to ensure it is spent but it should be transferred over to other services where need s required.	Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	We will review our property assets and rationalise usage where possible taking into account the review and redesign of services delivered in the community and investigating opportunities for coordinating availability of facilities. The phasing of spending on all budgets will be reviewed and if spending is higher towards the year end this will be investigated. All services will be reviewed based on the impact they have on priorities.
26218	An individual	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	Which properties are you considering to be surplus to requirements?	Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	This document is the first stage of public consultation. Further public consultation on specific changes to services is an integral part of the change management process and will be undertaken as proposals are developed further.
26219	An individual	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	Which properties are you considering to be surplus to requirements?	Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	This document is the first stage of public consultation. Further public consultation on specific changes to services is an integral part of the change management process and will be undertaken as proposals are developed further.
26220	An individual	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	Which properties are you considering to be surplus to requirements?	Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	This document is the first stage of public consultation. Further public consultation on specific changes to services is an integral part of the change management process and will be undertaken as proposals are developed further.
26221	No Response	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	Close all Council buildings over Christmas and New year	Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Although some council facilities need to remain open for service delivery and cover, opportunities to consolidate cover into fewer buildings over the festive period will be considered.
26222	No Response	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	sharing buildings offices , selling on existing ones and the land they are situated on would save and bring in capital	Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council's Property Asset Management Strategy includes plans to ensure effective and efficient use of property assets. We will review our property assets and usage where possible taking into account the review and redesign of services delivered in the community, whilst considering safety and service delivery requirements.
26223	An individual	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	The council also needs to consider what office buildings it uses. Can you make use of building stock and sell some off? e.g. could you make better use of school buildings to house certain departments especially considering these buildings sit unused over the summer and other holidays...their locations tend to be well placed for people too.	Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council's Property Asset Management Strategy includes plans to ensure effective and efficient use of property assets. We will review our property assets and usage where possible taking into account the review and redesign of services delivered in the community, whilst considering safety and service delivery requirements.
26224	An individual	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	Consolidate/amalgamate council office buildings.	Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	We will review our property assets and rationalise usage where possible taking into account the review and redesign of services delivered in the community and investigating opportunities for coordinating availability of facilities.
26225	An employee of West Lothian Council	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	No comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26226	An individual	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	This statement is too general to elicit a comment It is a 'do your job' statement.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26227	An employee of West Lothian Council	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	no comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26228	An individual	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	No comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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26229	An employee of West Lothian Council	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	N/A	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26230	An employee of West Lothian Council	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	This survey is too long at there is both too much and not enough information.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26231	An individual	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	How will this be done if not spending	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26232	An employee of West Lothian Council	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	Definitely more investigating needed into this field.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26233	An individual	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	I don't understand budgeting advantages and restraints enough to comment.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26234	An employee of West Lothian Council	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	i dont not know wat this means	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26235	An individual	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	I don't undeterstand this	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26236	An individual	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	No comment on this	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26237	An individual	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	-	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26238	No Response	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	No comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26239	An employee of West Lothian Council	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	Not able to comment.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26240	An individual	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	No comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26241	An employee of West Lothian Council	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	N/a	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26242	An individual	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	No comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26243	An individual	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	No comment.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26244	An employee of West Lothian Council	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	No comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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26245	An individual	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	UhhuhAgain,	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26246	An individual	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	Not enough information to commentok	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26247	An individual	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	Can you give examples please? Not at all clear what is meant here.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26248	No Response	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	dgdgd	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26249	An employee of West Lothian Council	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	Ongoing as usual	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26250	An individual	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	nil	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26251	An employee of West Lothian Council	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26252	An individual	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	No Comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26253	An employee of West Lothian Council	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	No comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26254	An individual	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	No comment.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26255	An individual	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	More information is needed	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26256	An individual	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	A long term programme	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26257	An individual	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	No comment.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26258	An individual	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	No comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26259	No Response	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	Don't know enough about this to comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26260	An employee of West Lothian Council	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	don't know enough about it to comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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26261	An employee of West Lothian Council	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	No comments	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26262	An employee of West Lothian Council	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	NO COMMENT	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26263	An individual	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	no comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26264	An individual	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	No comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26265	An individual	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	Unable to comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26266	An individual	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	No comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26267	An individual	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	No comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26268	An individual	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	No comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26269	An employee of West Lothian Council	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	N/a	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26270	An individual	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	More information would need to be provided to comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26271	An individual	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	No comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26272	An individual	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	Eh?	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26273	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	We do not believe we have the knowledge or experience of this area to be able to make an informed comment on it.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26274	An individual	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	Noted	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26275	An employee of West Lothian Council	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	The council have not provided enough indepth information for me to make an informed comment on this, as all information about this whole consultation is more secret that area 51.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26276	An individual	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	As above.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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26277	An individual	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	Agree in principal but need more detail.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26278	An individual	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	Don't know the details, so can't comment.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26279	An individual	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	unable to comment as not in plain english	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26280	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	No Comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26281	An individual	5c. Efficiencies from Improved Use & Management of Council Properties	not sure what the plan is here	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26282	An employee of West Lothian Council	5d. Treasury and Insurance Savings	If this can provide the necessary savings then this should be pursued.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26283	No Response	5d. Treasury and Insurance Savings	Agree to all suggested proposals	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26284	An individual	5d. Treasury and Insurance Savings	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26285	An individual	5d. Treasury and Insurance Savings	Fine.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26286	An employee of West Lothian Council	5d. Treasury and Insurance Savings	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26287	An employee of West Lothian Council	5d. Treasury and Insurance Savings	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26288	An employee of West Lothian Council	5d. Treasury and Insurance Savings	Supportive of this proposal.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26289	An employee of West Lothian Council	5d. Treasury and Insurance Savings	This is to be welcomed.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26290	An individual	5d. Treasury and Insurance Savings	no issue	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26291	An individual	5d. Treasury and Insurance Savings	Yes we need to save	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26292	An individual	5d. Treasury and Insurance Savings	agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26293	An individual	5d. Treasury and Insurance Savings	I have no complaints about the council's fiscal management	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26294	An individual	5d. Treasury and Insurance Savings	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26295	An employee of West Lothian Council	5d. Treasury and Insurance Savings	Yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26296	An employee of West Lothian Council	5d. Treasury and Insurance Savings	Good idea	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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26297	An individual	5d. Treasury and Insurance Savings	Well I hope so .Thats what you are being paid and elected to do.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26298	An individual	5d. Treasury and Insurance Savings	Agree this proposal.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26299	No Response	5d. Treasury and Insurance Savings	Have no objection	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26300	An individual	5d. Treasury and Insurance Savings	Sensible step.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26301	An employee of West Lothian Council	5d. Treasury and Insurance Savings	Sound sensible	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26302	An employee of West Lothian Council	5d. Treasury and Insurance Savings	Again this makes complete sense.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26303	An individual	5d. Treasury and Insurance Savings	Support proposal	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26304	An individual	5d. Treasury and Insurance Savings	This is a bit of a no brainer.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26305	An employee of West Lothian Council	5d. Treasury and Insurance Savings	full support	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26306	An individual	5d. Treasury and Insurance Savings	agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26307	An individual	5d. Treasury and Insurance Savings	go for it	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26308	An individual	5d. Treasury and Insurance Savings	Sounds reasonable.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26309	An individual	5d. Treasury and Insurance Savings	Sounds good.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26310	An employee of West Lothian Council	5d. Treasury and Insurance Savings	I agree.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26311	An individual	5d. Treasury and Insurance Savings	Good idea.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26312	No Response	5d. Treasury and Insurance Savings	Of course!	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26313	An individual	5d. Treasury and Insurance Savings	Good.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26314	An individual	5d. Treasury and Insurance Savings	agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26315	No Response	5d. Treasury and Insurance Savings	I agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26316	An individual	5d. Treasury and Insurance Savings	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26317	An individual	5d. Treasury and Insurance Savings	Ok.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26318	An individual	5d. Treasury and Insurance Savings	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26319	An individual	5d. Treasury and Insurance Savings	Sensible.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26320	An individual	5d. Treasury and Insurance Savings	Good	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26321	An individual	5d. Treasury and Insurance Savings	Agree.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26322	An employee of West Lothian Council	5d. Treasury and Insurance Savings	Agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26323	An individual	5d. Treasury and Insurance Savings	happy with this	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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26324	An individual	5d. Treasury and Insurance Savings	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26325	An employee of West Lothian Council	5d. Treasury and Insurance Savings	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26326	An individual	5d. Treasury and Insurance Savings	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26327	No Response	5d. Treasury and Insurance Savings	I agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26328	An individual	5d. Treasury and Insurance Savings	Agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26329	An individual	5d. Treasury and Insurance Savings	Agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26330	An individual	5d. Treasury and Insurance Savings	agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26331	An individual	5d. Treasury and Insurance Savings	Positive	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26332	An employee of West Lothian Council	5d. Treasury and Insurance Savings	Support this proposal	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26333	An individual	5d. Treasury and Insurance Savings	go ahead with the savings	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26334	An individual	5d. Treasury and Insurance Savings	If can be done then why not.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26335	An individual	5d. Treasury and Insurance Savings	Sounds achievable	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26336	An individual	5d. Treasury and Insurance Savings	Makes sense	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26337	An individual	5d. Treasury and Insurance Savings	Very sound	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26338	An individual	5d. Treasury and Insurance Savings	Achievable	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26339	An individual	5d. Treasury and Insurance Savings	I support this change	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26340	An individual	5d. Treasury and Insurance Savings	I agree with the Council's proposals for the moment to see how they all work out. Thank you.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26341	An individual	5d. Treasury and Insurance Savings	Yup that's your job	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26342	An individual	5d. Treasury and Insurance Savings	Great if this can be achieved.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26343	An individual	5d. Treasury and Insurance Savings	Sounds a good saving.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26344	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	5d. Treasury and Insurance Savings	On the balance of information contained within the above proposal, we agree with this proposal	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26345	An individual	5d. Treasury and Insurance Savings	yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26346	An individual	5d. Treasury and Insurance Savings	Agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26347	An individual	5d. Treasury and Insurance Savings	Makes sense	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26348	An employee of West Lothian Council	5d. Treasury and Insurance Savings	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26349	An individual	5d. Treasury and Insurance Savings	sounds good to me	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26350	An employee of West Lothian Council	5d. Treasury and Insurance Savings	Sounds good to me!	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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26351	An employee of West Lothian Council	5d. Treasury and Insurance Savings	Good idea.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26352	An individual	5d. Treasury and Insurance Savings	Sounds reasonable	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26353	An individual	5d. Treasury and Insurance Savings	Agree.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26354	An employee of West Lothian Council	5d. Treasury and Insurance Savings	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26355	An individual	5d. Treasury and Insurance Savings	ok.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26356	An individual	5d. Treasury and Insurance Savings	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26357	An individual	5d. Treasury and Insurance Savings	Agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26358	An individual	5d. Treasury and Insurance Savings	Agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26359	An individual	5d. Treasury and Insurance Savings	Good	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26360	An individual	5d. Treasury and Insurance Savings	I support this	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26361	An individual	5d. Treasury and Insurance Savings	agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26362	An individual	5d. Treasury and Insurance Savings	Good	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26363	An employee of West Lothian Council	5d. Treasury and Insurance Savings	Great	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26364	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	5d. Treasury and Insurance Savings	good idea	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26365	No Response	5d. Treasury and Insurance Savings	agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26366	An individual	5d. Treasury and Insurance Savings	GOOD PLAN	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26367	An individual	5d. Treasury and Insurance Savings	Agree.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26368	No Response	5d. Treasury and Insurance Savings	Sounds fine.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26369	An individual	5d. Treasury and Insurance Savings	agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26370	An individual	5d. Treasury and Insurance Savings	Seems reasonable.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26371	An individual	5d. Treasury and Insurance Savings	I support this.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26372	No Response	5d. Treasury and Insurance Savings	Agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26373	An individual	5d. Treasury and Insurance Savings	Agreed.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26374	An individual	5d. Treasury and Insurance Savings	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26375	An individual	5d. Treasury and Insurance Savings	I would support this.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26376	An employee of West Lothian Council	5d. Treasury and Insurance Savings	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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26377	An employee of West Lothian Council	5d. Treasury and Insurance Savings	Good	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26378	An individual	5d. Treasury and Insurance Savings	Good	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26379	No Response	5d. Treasury and Insurance Savings	Agree with this proposal	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26380	An individual	5d. Treasury and Insurance Savings	Support	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26381	An employee of West Lothian Council	5d. Treasury and Insurance Savings	Agree.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26382	An individual	5d. Treasury and Insurance Savings	Definitely	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26383	An individual	5d. Treasury and Insurance Savings	Agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26384	An individual	5d. Treasury and Insurance Savings	Agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26385	An individual	5d. Treasury and Insurance Savings	Sounds reasonable....	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26386	An individual	5d. Treasury and Insurance Savings	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26387	An employee of West Lothian Council	5d. Treasury and Insurance Savings	Good	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26388	An employee of West Lothian Council	5d. Treasury and Insurance Savings	sounds good.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26389	An employee of West Lothian Council	5d. Treasury and Insurance Savings	agree with proposal	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26390	No Response	5d. Treasury and Insurance Savings	Agree.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26391	An individual	5d. Treasury and Insurance Savings	Ok	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26392	An individual	5d. Treasury and Insurance Savings	Seems fair	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26393	No Response	5d. Treasury and Insurance Savings	Agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26394	An individual	5d. Treasury and Insurance Savings	I agree with this proposal.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26395	An employee of West Lothian Council	5d. Treasury and Insurance Savings	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26396	An employee of West Lothian Council	5d. Treasury and Insurance Savings	ok	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26397	An individual	5d. Treasury and Insurance Savings	I agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26398	An employee of West Lothian Council	5d. Treasury and Insurance Savings	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26399	An individual	5d. Treasury and Insurance Savings	agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26400	An individual	5d. Treasury and Insurance Savings	Go for it, that's a lot of money, use it to help people that need it	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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26401	No Response	5d. Treasury and Insurance Savings	You should be doing this already - it's your responsibility!	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26402	An individual	5d. Treasury and Insurance Savings	Again, should have been maximised long ago	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26403	An employee of West Lothian Council	5d. Treasury and Insurance Savings	Cannot argue with that.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26404	An individual	5d. Treasury and Insurance Savings	Very practical in its efficient financial management.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26405	An employee of West Lothian Council	5d. Treasury and Insurance Savings	I agree, although have we been doing a good enough job ?	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26406	An employee of West Lothian Council	5d. Treasury and Insurance Savings	Agreed as a potential area of saving	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26407	An individual	5d. Treasury and Insurance Savings	totally agree as long as the funds in the treasury are used when needed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26408	An individual	5d. Treasury and Insurance Savings	I have no objection to this.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26409	An individual	5d. Treasury and Insurance Savings	Agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26410	An individual	5d. Treasury and Insurance Savings	Ok	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26411	An individual	5d. Treasury and Insurance Savings	Sounds sensible.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26412	An employee of West Lothian Council	5d. Treasury and Insurance Savings	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26413	An employee of West Lothian Council	5d. Treasury and Insurance Savings	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26414	An employee of West Lothian Council	5d. Treasury and Insurance Savings	would agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26415	An employee of West Lothian Council	5d. Treasury and Insurance Savings	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26416	An individual	5d. Treasury and Insurance Savings	agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26417	An individual	5d. Treasury and Insurance Savings	Sounds good.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26418	An individual	5d. Treasury and Insurance Savings	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26419	An individual	5d. Treasury and Insurance Savings	Good.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26420	An employee of West Lothian Council	5d. Treasury and Insurance Savings	Agree.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26421	An individual	5d. Treasury and Insurance Savings	Fine	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26422	An individual	5d. Treasury and Insurance Savings	ok	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26423	An individual	5d. Treasury and Insurance Savings	Sounds sensible	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26424	No Response	5d. Treasury and Insurance Savings	as above - Definitely agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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26425	An individual	5d. Treasury and Insurance Savings	Good idea.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26426	An employee of West Lothian Council	5d. Treasury and Insurance Savings	Agree with this proposal.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26427	An individual	5d. Treasury and Insurance Savings	agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26428	An employee of West Lothian Council	5d. Treasury and Insurance Savings	Agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26429	An employee of West Lothian Council	5d. Treasury and Insurance Savings	Sounds good	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26430	No Response	5d. Treasury and Insurance Savings	Good news.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26431	An individual	5d. Treasury and Insurance Savings	I support.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26432	An individual	5d. Treasury and Insurance Savings	I you say so !!!	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26433	An individual	5d. Treasury and Insurance Savings	I agree with the above.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26434	An individual	5d. Treasury and Insurance Savings	The more the better.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26435	An individual	5d. Treasury and Insurance Savings	good on you !	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26436	An individual	5d. Treasury and Insurance Savings	Agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26437	An employee of West Lothian Council	5d. Treasury and Insurance Savings	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26438	An individual	5d. Treasury and Insurance Savings	Agreed.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26439	An individual	5d. Treasury and Insurance Savings	Agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26440	An individual	5d. Treasury and Insurance Savings	Agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26441	An employee of West Lothian Council	5d. Treasury and Insurance Savings	Agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26442	An individual	5d. Treasury and Insurance Savings	You have done well in this area.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26443	An employee of West Lothian Council	5d. Treasury and Insurance Savings	This appears to be a reasonable proposal.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26444	An individual	5d. Treasury and Insurance Savings	Agree.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26445	An individual	5d. Treasury and Insurance Savings	agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26446	An individual	5d. Treasury and Insurance Savings	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26447	An individual	5d. Treasury and Insurance Savings	Agreed.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26448	An individual	5d. Treasury and Insurance Savings	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26449	An individual	5d. Treasury and Insurance Savings	I agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26450	An individual	5d. Treasury and Insurance Savings	Ok	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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26451	An individual	5d. Treasury and Insurance Savings	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26452	An individual	5d. Treasury and Insurance Savings	Good	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26453	An individual	5d. Treasury and Insurance Savings	OK.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26454	An individual	5d. Treasury and Insurance Savings	Agreed.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26455	An individual	5d. Treasury and Insurance Savings	I would support this	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26456	No Response	5d. Treasury and Insurance Savings	Do it!	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26457	An employee of West Lothian Council	5d. Treasury and Insurance Savings	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26458	No Response	5d. Treasury and Insurance Savings	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26459	An employee of West Lothian Council	5d. Treasury and Insurance Savings	Yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26460	An individual	5d. Treasury and Insurance Savings	I agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26461	An employee of West Lothian Council	5d. Treasury and Insurance Savings	agree with proposal	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26462	An employee of West Lothian Council	5d. Treasury and Insurance Savings	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26463	No Response	5d. Treasury and Insurance Savings	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26464	An individual	5d. Treasury and Insurance Savings	agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26465	An employee of West Lothian Council	5d. Treasury and Insurance Savings	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26466	An employee of West Lothian Council	5d. Treasury and Insurance Savings	I agree with this proposal	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26467	An individual	5d. Treasury and Insurance Savings	Agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26468	An employee of West Lothian Council	5d. Treasury and Insurance Savings	agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26469	An employee of West Lothian Council	5d. Treasury and Insurance Savings	Agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26470	An individual	5d. Treasury and Insurance Savings	I agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26471	An employee of West Lothian Council	5d. Treasury and Insurance Savings	Agree.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26472	An individual	5d. Treasury and Insurance Savings	ok	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26473	An individual	5d. Treasury and Insurance Savings	Good	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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26474	An employee of West Lothian Council	5d. Treasury and Insurance Savings	I agree with this.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26475	An individual	5d. Treasury and Insurance Savings	okay	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26476	An individual	5d. Treasury and Insurance Savings	Supported	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26477	An individual	5d. Treasury and Insurance Savings	okay	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26478	An individual	5d. Treasury and Insurance Savings	Are you not already doing this?	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26479	An individual	5d. Treasury and Insurance Savings	ok	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26480	An individual	5d. Treasury and Insurance Savings	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26481	An individual	5d. Treasury and Insurance Savings	agre	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26482	An employee of West Lothian Council	5d. Treasury and Insurance Savings	Ok	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26483	An employee of West Lothian Council	5d. Treasury and Insurance Savings	Agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26484	An individual	5d. Treasury and Insurance Savings	I agree with this	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26485	An individual	5d. Treasury and Insurance Savings	Well done.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26486	An employee of West Lothian Council	5d. Treasury and Insurance Savings	Agree.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26487	An individual	5d. Treasury and Insurance Savings	yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26488	An employee of West Lothian Council	5d. Treasury and Insurance Savings	Good idea.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26489	An individual	5d. Treasury and Insurance Savings	Agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26490	An individual	5d. Treasury and Insurance Savings	Yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26491	An employee of West Lothian Council	5d. Treasury and Insurance Savings	Great.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26492	An individual	5d. Treasury and Insurance Savings	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26493	An individual	5d. Treasury and Insurance Savings	Very good area of council management and more efficiency should be sought.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26494	An individual	5d. Treasury and Insurance Savings	Agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26495	An individual	5d. Treasury and Insurance Savings	Support	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26496	An individual	5d. Treasury and Insurance Savings	Agreed.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26497	An employee of West Lothian Council	5d. Treasury and Insurance Savings	ok	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26498	An individual	5d. Treasury and Insurance Savings	Good.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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26499	An individual	5d. Treasury and Insurance Savings	I would agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26500	An individual	5d. Treasury and Insurance Savings	agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26501	No Response	5d. Treasury and Insurance Savings	OK	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26502	An employee of West Lothian Council	5d. Treasury and Insurance Savings	Agreed.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26503	An individual	5d. Treasury and Insurance Savings	I agree.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26504	An employee of West Lothian Council	5d. Treasury and Insurance Savings	Agree with proposal	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26505	An individual	5d. Treasury and Insurance Savings	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26506	An individual	5d. Treasury and Insurance Savings	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26507	An individual	5d. Treasury and Insurance Savings	Ok	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26508	An employee of West Lothian Council	5d. Treasury and Insurance Savings	Hard top comment on this as no detail.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26509	An individual	5d. Treasury and Insurance Savings	Makes perfect sense and is normal in all other workplaces.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26510	An individual	5d. Treasury and Insurance Savings	business sense to ensure effective and efficient financial management	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26511	An individual	5d. Treasury and Insurance Savings	Agree and agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26512	No Response	5d. Treasury and Insurance Savings	Over to you on this one	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26513	An individual	5d. Treasury and Insurance Savings	Important and should be done automatically. Why is this not being done already?	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26514	An individual	5d. Treasury and Insurance Savings	Seems fine	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26515	An individual	5d. Treasury and Insurance Savings	Agree.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26516	An employee of West Lothian Council	5d. Treasury and Insurance Savings	I agree with this proposal	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26517	An individual	5d. Treasury and Insurance Savings	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26518	An individual	5d. Treasury and Insurance Savings	Agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26519	An individual	5d. Treasury and Insurance Savings	Fine	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26520	An individual	5d. Treasury and Insurance Savings	OK	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26521	An individual	5d. Treasury and Insurance Savings	ok	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26522	An individual	5d. Treasury and Insurance Savings	Agree.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26523	An individual	5d. Treasury and Insurance Savings	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26524	An individual	5d. Treasury and Insurance Savings	Agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26525	An employee of West Lothian Council	5d. Treasury and Insurance Savings	Support this - good to see money saved by working smartly.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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26526	An individual	5d. Treasury and Insurance Savings	Ok in principle.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26527	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	5d. Treasury and Insurance Savings	We welcome this.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26528	An individual	5d. Treasury and Insurance Savings	Save away !	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26529	An individual	5d. Treasury and Insurance Savings	Agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26530	An employee of West Lothian Council	5d. Treasury and Insurance Savings	agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26531	An individual	5d. Treasury and Insurance Savings	Support	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26532	An individual	5d. Treasury and Insurance Savings	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26533	An individual	5d. Treasury and Insurance Savings	Agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26534	An individual	5d. Treasury and Insurance Savings	Agreed.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26535	An individual	5d. Treasury and Insurance Savings	OK	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26536	An individual	5d. Treasury and Insurance Savings	I agree.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26537	An individual	5d. Treasury and Insurance Savings	no problem	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26538	An individual	5d. Treasury and Insurance Savings	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26539	An individual	5d. Treasury and Insurance Savings	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26540	An individual	5d. Treasury and Insurance Savings	Ok	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26541	An individual	5d. Treasury and Insurance Savings	Agree.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26542	An individual	5d. Treasury and Insurance Savings	Support.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26543	An individual	5d. Treasury and Insurance Savings	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26544	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	5d. Treasury and Insurance Savings	Agreed.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26545	An individual	5d. Treasury and Insurance Savings	Good	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26546	An employee of West Lothian Council	5d. Treasury and Insurance Savings	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26547	An individual	5d. Treasury and Insurance Savings	Good.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26548	An individual	5d. Treasury and Insurance Savings	Yes, get better at this.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26549	An employee of West Lothian Council	5d. Treasury and Insurance Savings	yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26550	An individual	5d. Treasury and Insurance Savings	Fine	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26551	An individual	5d. Treasury and Insurance Savings	Agree.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26552	An individual	5d. Treasury and Insurance Savings	Sounds fine.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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26553	An individual	5d. Treasury and Insurance Savings	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26554	An individual	5d. Treasury and Insurance Savings	good	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26555	An individual	5d. Treasury and Insurance Savings	Good.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26556	An individual	5d. Treasury and Insurance Savings	I agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26557	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	5d. Treasury and Insurance Savings	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26558	An individual	5d. Treasury and Insurance Savings	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26559	An individual	5d. Treasury and Insurance Savings	Sounds good	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26560	No Response	5d. Treasury and Insurance Savings	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26561	An employee of West Lothian Council	5d. Treasury and Insurance Savings	Continue the good work	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26562	An individual	5d. Treasury and Insurance Savings	I completely agree with this.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26563	An individual	5d. Treasury and Insurance Savings	Yeah	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26564	An individual	5d. Treasury and Insurance Savings	practical	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26565	An employee of West Lothian Council	5d. Treasury and Insurance Savings	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26566	An employee of West Lothian Council	5d. Treasury and Insurance Savings	I agree.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26567	An individual	5d. Treasury and Insurance Savings	OK	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26568	An employee of West Lothian Council	5d. Treasury and Insurance Savings	I agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26569	An individual	5d. Treasury and Insurance Savings	Good!	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26570	An individual	5d. Treasury and Insurance Savings	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26571	An individual	5d. Treasury and Insurance Savings	Look okay as it is possible to evaluate given the vague descriptions given in the 'Transforming Your Council'	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26572	An individual	5d. Treasury and Insurance Savings	I agree with the proposal.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26573	An individual	5d. Treasury and Insurance Savings	All proposals are sound.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26574	An individual	5d. Treasury and Insurance Savings	There should be no changes to the existing!	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26575	An individual	5d. Treasury and Insurance Savings	no	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26576	An individual	5d. Treasury and Insurance Savings	none	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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26577	An individual	5d. Treasury and Insurance Savings	None	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26578	An employee of West Lothian Council	5d. Treasury and Insurance Savings	I have no idea what this means in reality.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26579	An employee of West Lothian Council	5d. Treasury and Insurance Savings	No comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26580	An individual	5d. Treasury and Insurance Savings	No opinion	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26581	An individual	5d. Treasury and Insurance Savings	Don't know what this means.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26582	An employee of West Lothian Council	5d. Treasury and Insurance Savings	I don't know enough about this service to comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26583	An employee of West Lothian Council	5d. Treasury and Insurance Savings	don't know enough	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26584	An individual	5d. Treasury and Insurance Savings	Not possible to comment without detailed information.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26585	An employee of West Lothian Council	5d. Treasury and Insurance Savings	unable to respond	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26586	An employee of West Lothian Council	5d. Treasury and Insurance Savings	??	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26587	An employee of West Lothian Council	5d. Treasury and Insurance Savings	no comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26588	An individual	5d. Treasury and Insurance Savings	No comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26589	An employee of West Lothian Council	5d. Treasury and Insurance Savings	N/A	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26590	An employee of West Lothian Council	5d. Treasury and Insurance Savings	No comment.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26591	An employee of West Lothian Council	5d. Treasury and Insurance Savings	How?	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26592	An individual	5d. Treasury and Insurance Savings	If this is correct then I agree but numbers and statistics would be required.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26593	An employee of West Lothian Council	5d. Treasury and Insurance Savings	This survey is too long at there is both too much and not enough information.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26594	An employee of West Lothian Council	5d. Treasury and Insurance Savings	Not sure what this actually means and I doubt that many people would.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26595	An individual	5d. Treasury and Insurance Savings	What does this mean???	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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26596	An employee of West Lothian Council	5d. Treasury and Insurance Savings	Big savings with no detail again.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26597	An employee of West Lothian Council	5d. Treasury and Insurance Savings	How will savings be generated?	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26598	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	5d. Treasury and Insurance Savings	Not enough specific information to comment accurately	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26599	An employee of West Lothian Council	5d. Treasury and Insurance Savings	easily achieved given imminent rise in interest rates. I read the reports and accounts each year - so what?	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26600	An employee of West Lothian Council	5d. Treasury and Insurance Savings	â€¦	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26601	An employee of West Lothian Council	5d. Treasury and Insurance Savings	..?	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26602	An individual	5d. Treasury and Insurance Savings	I don't understand budgeting advantages and restraints enough to comment.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26603	An employee of West Lothian Council	5d. Treasury and Insurance Savings	i dont not know wat this means	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26604	An employee of West Lothian Council	5d. Treasury and Insurance Savings	This proposal isn't saying much other than patting the council on the back... Of course financial management should be effective and efficient?!	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26605	An individual	5d. Treasury and Insurance Savings	Nope don't understand this	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26606	An individual	5d. Treasury and Insurance Savings	Can't comment as internal opinion above.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26607	An employee of West Lothian Council	5d. Treasury and Insurance Savings	I am not in a position to comment on this	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26608	An individual	5d. Treasury and Insurance Savings	Says nothing. There is nothing to comment on.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26609	An individual	5d. Treasury and Insurance Savings	No comment to make.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26610	An individual	5d. Treasury and Insurance Savings	Please continue	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26611	An individual	5d. Treasury and Insurance Savings	No comment on this	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26612	An individual	5d. Treasury and Insurance Savings	No comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26613	An individual	5d. Treasury and Insurance Savings	-	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26614	No Response	5d. Treasury and Insurance Savings	No comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26615	An employee of West Lothian Council	5d. Treasury and Insurance Savings	Unable to comment.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26616	An individual	5d. Treasury and Insurance Savings	I don't understand	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26617	An individual	5d. Treasury and Insurance Savings	Na	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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26618	An individual	5d. Treasury and Insurance Savings	No comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26619	An employee of West Lothian Council	5d. Treasury and Insurance Savings	.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26620	An individual	5d. Treasury and Insurance Savings	no comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26621	An employee of West Lothian Council	5d. Treasury and Insurance Savings	N/a	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26622	An individual	5d. Treasury and Insurance Savings	Not sure	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26623	An individual	5d. Treasury and Insurance Savings	No comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26624	An individual	5d. Treasury and Insurance Savings	No comment.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26625	An employee of West Lothian Council	5d. Treasury and Insurance Savings	No comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26626	An individual	5d. Treasury and Insurance Savings	No comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26627	No Response	5d. Treasury and Insurance Savings	No comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26628	An individual	5d. Treasury and Insurance Savings	Financial management and planning is crucial in diminished circumstances	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26629	An employee of West Lothian Council	5d. Treasury and Insurance Savings	no eomment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26630	No Response	5d. Treasury and Insurance Savings	dgdg	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26631	An individual	5d. Treasury and Insurance Savings	No polite comment come to mind.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26632	An individual	5d. Treasury and Insurance Savings	nil	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26633	An employee of West Lothian Council	5d. Treasury and Insurance Savings	don't know enough to comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26634	An individual	5d. Treasury and Insurance Savings	No Comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26635	An employee of West Lothian Council	5d. Treasury and Insurance Savings	Not able to comment.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26636	An employee of West Lothian Council	5d. Treasury and Insurance Savings	No comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26637	An individual	5d. Treasury and Insurance Savings	No comment.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26638	No Response	5d. Treasury and Insurance Savings	No comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26639	An employee of West Lothian Council	5d. Treasury and Insurance Savings	No comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26640	An individual	5d. Treasury and Insurance Savings	Really is this not about being overspent? Really?	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26641	An individual	5d. Treasury and Insurance Savings	More information is needed	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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26642	No Response	5d. Treasury and Insurance Savings	nothing to comment on here.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26643	An individual	5d. Treasury and Insurance Savings	no idea	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26644	An individual	5d. Treasury and Insurance Savings	no comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26645	An individual	5d. Treasury and Insurance Savings	No comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26646	An individual	5d. Treasury and Insurance Savings	Don't know enough to comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26647	An individual	5d. Treasury and Insurance Savings	Too technical to have sensible comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26648	An individual	5d. Treasury and Insurance Savings	No comment.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26649	An individual	5d. Treasury and Insurance Savings	No comments	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26650	An individual	5d. Treasury and Insurance Savings	No comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26651	No Response	5d. Treasury and Insurance Savings	Don't know enough about this to comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26652	An individual	5d. Treasury and Insurance Savings	Is this overlong consultation efficient?	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26653	An individual	5d. Treasury and Insurance Savings	No comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26654	An employee of West Lothian Council	5d. Treasury and Insurance Savings	No comments	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26655	An employee of West Lothian Council	5d. Treasury and Insurance Savings	NO COMMENT	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26656	An individual	5d. Treasury and Insurance Savings	Let's hope so.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26657	An individual	5d. Treasury and Insurance Savings	No comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26658	An individual	5d. Treasury and Insurance Savings	no comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26659	An individual	5d. Treasury and Insurance Savings	Again - What is this - no information on which to base a reply.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26660	An individual	5d. Treasury and Insurance Savings	No comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26661	An individual	5d. Treasury and Insurance Savings	Unable to comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26662	An individual	5d. Treasury and Insurance Savings	No comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26663	No Response	5d. Treasury and Insurance Savings	no comments	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26664	An individual	5d. Treasury and Insurance Savings	No comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26665	An employee of West Lothian Council	5d. Treasury and Insurance Savings	N/a	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26666	An individual	5d. Treasury and Insurance Savings	More information would be needed to comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26667	No Response	5d. Treasury and Insurance Savings	Not enough information to provide comment.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26668	An individual	5d. Treasury and Insurance Savings	It is important to demonstrate this.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26669	An individual	5d. Treasury and Insurance Savings	Without more detail this is difficult to comment on.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26670	An individual	5d. Treasury and Insurance Savings	Proposal is too unspecific to comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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26671	An individual	5d. Treasury and Insurance Savings	Given the consultation document and proposed widespread cuts to services it does not seem that the council has been in any way successful or efficient in its financial management	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26672	An individual	5d. Treasury and Insurance Savings	Hopefully this will develop.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26673	An individual	5d. Treasury and Insurance Savings	No comment - if you say so	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26674	An individual	5d. Treasury and Insurance Savings	no comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26675	An individual	5d. Treasury and Insurance Savings	Noted.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26676	An individual	5d. Treasury and Insurance Savings	No comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26677	An individual	5d. Treasury and Insurance Savings	Eh?	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26678	An individual	5d. Treasury and Insurance Savings	5d Again this lacks detail and requires relevant knowledge to provide informed suggestions. i comment again that this lacks detail and financial budgets of what is being proposed.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26679	An employee of West Lothian Council	5d. Treasury and Insurance Savings	How?	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26680	An individual	5d. Treasury and Insurance Savings	Noted	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26681	An employee of West Lothian Council	5d. Treasury and Insurance Savings	The council have not provided enough indepth information for me to make an informed comment on this, as all information about this whole consultation is more secret that area 51.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26682	An individual	5d. Treasury and Insurance Savings	How will the savings be achieved. Not clear need more detail.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26683	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	5d. Treasury and Insurance Savings	Don't know enough	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26684	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	5d. Treasury and Insurance Savings	Not enough information/ knowledge to make comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26685	An individual	5d. Treasury and Insurance Savings	No idea what this is about	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26686	An individual	5d. Treasury and Insurance Savings	Don't know the details, so can't comment.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26687	An individual	5d. Treasury and Insurance Savings	Nil	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26688	An individual	5d. Treasury and Insurance Savings	unable to comment as not in plain english	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26689	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	5d. Treasury and Insurance Savings	No Comment.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26690	An individual	5d. Treasury and Insurance Savings	How?	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26691	An employee of West Lothian Council	5d. Treasury and Insurance Savings	no comments	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26692	An individual	5d. Treasury and Insurance Savings	Insufficient knowledge to comment.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26693	An employee of West Lothian Council	5d. Treasury and Insurance Savings	How?	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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26694	An employee of West Lothian Council	5d. Treasury and Insurance Savings	No comment.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26695	An individual	5d. Treasury and Insurance Savings	No comment.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26696	An individual	5d. Treasury and Insurance Savings	Don't understand	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26697	An employee of West Lothian Council	5d. Treasury and Insurance Savings	REVIEW DEBT SCHEDULES	Treasury and Insurance Savings (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	The council has a robust treasury management strategy which considers the continued affordability and sustainability of borrowing to support a prudent capital investment programme. This includes regularly reviewing outstanding debt and pooled interest rate costs.
26698	An employee of West Lothian Council	5d. Treasury and Insurance Savings	I do not have enough knowledge to comment on this proposal	Treasury and Insurance Savings (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26699	An individual	5d. Treasury and Insurance Savings	How many budget briefings have been undertaken in the last 5 years, this does not suggest effective and efficient financial management. Each time the budget gap gets larger.	Treasury and Insurance Savings (general)	5c. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it is not consistent with the council's values and priorities.	The council is committed to providing all employees with information on the council's budget position, including future budget gaps. The most effective way to share this information is through staff budget briefings. Officers endeavour to forecast as accurately as possible the council's future financial position, however as with any medium to long term plan this is subject to risks and uncertainty and can change.
26700	An individual	5d. Treasury and Insurance Savings	Why is a consultation needed for you to be more efficient in these kinds of areas?	Treasury and Insurance Savings (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	The council continues to generate savings in the efficient management of treasury and insurance activities. This saving is incorporated into the consultation document to ensure that all proposed savings are known and available for consideration.
26701	An employee of West Lothian Council	5d. Treasury and Insurance Savings	The Council has to strive towards achieving effective and efficient financial management. Reduce the number of levels of management. Councillors pay? They never used to be paid, a phone/travel allowance of a set amount was given. Invest in your employees. Ensure they are suitably trained and adequately resourced to carry out their jobs. Recognise that the Council's biggest asset is their employees.	Treasury and Insurance Savings (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	The council is subject to rigorous external audit and both Audit Scotland and EY have confirmed, over a number of years, that the council has robust financial management. The council continually reviews the tiers of management and span of control across all service levels. This ensures that the council continues to operate with an effective and efficient managerial structure. The Local Government (Allowances and Expenses) (Scotland) Regulations 2007 set councillors remuneration and expenses. The council recognises the value provided by employees in delivering services to the community.
26702	An individual	5d. Treasury and Insurance Savings	Why are you not doing this already?	Treasury and Insurance Savings (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	The council continues to generate savings in the efficient management of treasury and insurance activities. This saving is incorporated into the consultation document to ensure that all proposed savings are known and available for consideration.
26703	An individual	5d. Treasury and Insurance Savings	I suggest that the Council should consider moving from a ZBB to a Priority Based budget process.	Treasury and Insurance Savings (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	The council is using a priority based budget approach to the development of the revenue financial strategy for the five years 2018/19 to 2022/23. This will be supplemented on an annual basis with staffing zero based budgets to ensure staffing establishments reflect revised service requirements.
26704	An individual	5d. Treasury and Insurance Savings	This statement is too general to elicit a comment It is a 'do your job' statement.	Treasury and Insurance Savings (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	The council continues to generate savings in the efficient management of treasury and insurance activities. This saving is incorporated into the consultation document to ensure that all proposed savings are known and available for consideration.

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26705	An individual	5d. Treasury and Insurance Savings	Good luck if you can achieve this without actually taking on more of the risk yourself.	Treasury and Insurance Savings (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	The council is subject to rigorous external audit and both Audit Scotland and EY have confirmed, over a number of years, that the council has robust financial management. This includes the management of risks associated with treasury and insurance decision making. The council is confident that it can manage associated risks within revised budgets.
26706	An individual	5d. Treasury and Insurance Savings	If there is a long history of efficient management are these savings realisable?	Treasury and Insurance Savings (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	The council delivers substantial cashable treasury management savings each year which are used to fund investment in council assets.
26707	An individual	5d. Treasury and Insurance Savings	There are many areas where the council is seen to be spending money that they should be spending elsewhere. Recently, spending council money on externally operated and managed services such as the Regal and West Lothian Leisure is felt to be excessive at a time when the council's own existing services are struggling. More effective prioritisation is required. I feel the council's financial management is not as effective as it used to be.	Treasury and Insurance Savings (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	The council is subject to rigorous external audit and both Audit Scotland and EY have confirmed, over a number of years, that the council has robust financial management. The council continually reviews and monitors the value for money and performance of organisations which receive financial support. All services will be reviewed based on the impact they have on priorities. It is proposed that future spending will be aligned to the priorities in the Transforming Your Council consultation document.
26708	An individual	5d. Treasury and Insurance Savings	Management of funds has always overlooked easy ways to save money but several small changes and focussed on a few big cuts	Treasury and Insurance Savings (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	All services will be reviewed based on the impact they have on priorities. It is proposed that future spending will be aligned to the priorities in the Transforming Your Council consultation document. The size of the budget gap will necessitate wide spread changes to how the council delivers services.
26709	An individual	5d. Treasury and Insurance Savings	You may think you do. But you don't. Send the bean-counters out from behind their desks and they'll see an organisation riddled with waste and inefficiency. Something is not working here. Leadership and capability. Get rid of old-guard. Move on, with new ideas.	Treasury and Insurance Savings (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The council is subject to rigorous external audit and both Audit Scotland and EY have confirmed, over a number of years, that the council has robust financial management. The council continually reviews and monitors the value for money and performance of organisations which receive financial support. All services will be reviewed based on the impact they have on priorities. It is proposed that future spending will be aligned to the priorities in the Transforming Your Council consultation document.
26710	An individual	5d. Treasury and Insurance Savings	It seems to me the real problem for local government is a lack of proper funding. This is NOT the fault of the Scottish Government now, nor was it the fault of the Labour/Libdem government in the earlier days of the Scottish Government. The problem is entirely the fault of the Westminster government. So could I suggest that West Lothian councillors who are members of the Conservative party start putting pressure on our Scottish Conservative MPs to speak up for the people of West Lothian and all other areas of Scotland instead of meekly doing what their party leaders want! If they do not do so I fear for the welfare of many of our population as the cuts the council is having to make, through no fault of its own, are completely unacceptable.	Treasury and Insurance Savings (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	The council regularly emphasises to the Scottish Government the need for a fair settlement for local government as well as working with COSLA (the body that collectively represents local government in Scotland) to emphasise this point.
26711	An individual	5d. Treasury and Insurance Savings	No comment to make	Treasury and Insurance Savings (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26712	An individual	5d. Treasury and Insurance Savings	Strange that with 'a long history of effective and efficient financial management' the council is now needing to save millions on expenditure.	Treasury and Insurance Savings (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council has delivered balanced budgets each year since 1996. The budget gap faced by the council is a result of funding being insufficient to cover the increasing cost of delivering services due to factors such as population growth and indexation. The council is subject to rigorous external audit and both Audit Scotland and EY have confirmed, over a number of years, that the council has robust financial management.

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26713	An individual	5d. Treasury and Insurance Savings	Agree although should be standard practice	Treasury and Insurance Savings (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council continues to generate savings in the efficient management of treasury and insurance activities. This saving is incorporated into the consultation document to ensure that all proposed savings are known and available for consideration.
26714	An individual	5d. Treasury and Insurance Savings	Would expect you to shop around for insurance policies each year anyway...	Treasury and Insurance Savings (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council continues to generate savings in the efficient management of treasury and insurance activities. This saving is incorporated into the consultation document to ensure that all proposed savings are known and available for consideration.
26715	An individual	5d. Treasury and Insurance Savings	Agreed. However, if the Council truly had a long history of effective and efficient financial management, then how can so much be saved by this proposal?	Treasury and Insurance Savings (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council continues to generate savings in the efficient management of treasury and insurance activities.
26716	An individual	5d. Treasury and Insurance Savings	ANOTHER operational issue that should be a matter of course and shouldn't require you to ask permission to be efficient!!!!	Treasury and Insurance Savings (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council continues to generate savings in the efficient management of treasury and insurance activities. This saving is incorporated into the consultation document to ensure that all proposed savings are known and available for consideration.
26717	An individual	5d. Treasury and Insurance Savings	Why are you only doing this now	Treasury and Insurance Savings (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council continues to generate savings in the efficient management of treasury and insurance activities. This saving is incorporated into the consultation document to ensure that all proposed savings are known and available for consideration.
26718	An individual	5d. Treasury and Insurance Savings	Another throw away figure. Do you have any workings for this saving?	Treasury and Insurance Savings (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The figures contained within this consultation are targeted saving values. Officers will develop detailed proposals to meet these targets should the saving be agreed.
26719	An individual	5d. Treasury and Insurance Savings	If the council's history is one of 'effective and efficient financial management', how is there scope to save a further £800,000? You can't be that efficient at present if this scope exists!	Treasury and Insurance Savings (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council continues to generate savings in the efficient management of treasury and insurance activities.
26720	An individual	5d. Treasury and Insurance Savings	The council has a long history of effective and efficient financial management: if so I am unclear how it can do better in the future to the tune of £600,00	Treasury and Insurance Savings (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council continues to generate savings in the efficient management of treasury and insurance activities.
26721	An employee of West Lothian Council	5d. Treasury and Insurance Savings	I believe council tax should be raised to try and sustain supports	Treasury and Insurance Savings (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax.
26722	An individual	5d. Treasury and Insurance Savings	If this is an easy way of making savings that has the least possible chance of effecting thousands of people drastically, then I think this would be good	Treasury and Insurance Savings (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26723	An employee of West Lothian Council	5d. Treasury and Insurance Savings	What we need is a West Lothian Ponzi Scheme.	Treasury and Insurance Savings (general)	5a. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because the council is required by law to deliver this work.	A Ponzi scheme is a form of fraud.
26724	No Response	5d. Treasury and Insurance Savings	Waste of money	Treasury and Insurance Savings (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council has delivered balanced budgets each year since 1996. The budget gap faced by the council is a result of funding being insufficient to cover the increasing cost of delivering services due to factors such as population growth and indexation. The council is subject to rigorous external audit and both Audit Scotland and EY have confirmed, over a number of years, that the council has robust financial management.
26725	An individual	5d. Treasury and Insurance Savings	As well as utilising the DMO, the Council should explore the use of Investment Houses for Managed Funds to achieve greater returns whilst still being risk averse. Please look at the Education Sector for relevant examples.	Treasury and Insurance Savings (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	The council works with a treasury management advisor to ensure that treasury management decisions deliver best value whilst minimising exposure to risk. All new opportunities for investment and borrowing are investigated.
26726	An individual	5d. Treasury and Insurance Savings	How do you pass on your experience to benefit other businesses, particularly those you are funding?	Treasury and Insurance Savings (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The council continues to consider opportunities to work with others, especially the voluntary sector. The council currently generates income from providing a range of services to partners and organisations. Further opportunities to expand this could be investigated.

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26727	An individual	5d. Treasury and Insurance Savings	Again why was this not done years ago?	Treasury and Insurance Savings (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	The council continues to generate savings in the efficient management of treasury and insurance activities. This saving is incorporated into the consultation document to ensure that all proposed savings are known and available for consideration.
26728	An individual	5d. Treasury and Insurance Savings	Agree, however is there scope for further savings	Treasury and Insurance Savings (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council continues to generate savings in the efficient management of treasury and insurance activities. This saving is incorporated into the consultation document to ensure that all proposed savings are known and available for consideration.
26729	An individual	5d. Treasury and Insurance Savings	I am not sure that the councils reputation here is as positive as indicated. More humility would be a good start. Lots of scope for improvement and better care of tax payers money.	Treasury and Insurance Savings (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	The council has delivered balanced budgets each year since 1996. The budget gap faced by the council is a result of funding being insufficient to cover the increasing cost of delivering services due to factors such as population growth and indexation. The council is subject to rigorous external audit and both Audit Scotland and EY have confirmed, over a number of years, that the council has robust financial management.
26730	An individual	5d. Treasury and Insurance Savings	If you have been doing this correctly and you intend to do this going forward then why is this a saving! This should be your starting position!	Treasury and Insurance Savings (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	The council continues to generate savings in the efficient management of treasury and insurance activities. This saving is incorporated into the consultation document to ensure that all proposed savings are known and available for consideration.
26731	An individual	5d. Treasury and Insurance Savings	I note that in the Council's Annual Accounts as at 31.3.16 there is a figure of > Â£25M for "council customer" arrears (Note 12.3) in excess of 12 months. While a provision of < Â£22M has been made, what efforts are being made to convert these debtors into income thus reducing some of the budget difficulty? How many of the debtors are Council employees/councillors where attachment of earnings should be relatively easy?	Treasury and Insurance Savings (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	The council actively pursues all debt, including council tax, community charge, rent and commercial debtors arrears. The council will investigate other ways to improve debt collections including strengthening corporate debt management activity.
26732	An individual	5d. Treasury and Insurance Savings	Not convinced that the Council has managed the budget so well when you see all the opportunities to rationalise, standardise and consolidate services, which appear to have previously been missed. Have a truly independent auditor come in to see where continued savings could be made, including outsourcing of finance services if required!	Treasury and Insurance Savings (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	The council has delivered balanced budgets each year since 1996. The budget gap faced by the council is a result of funding being insufficient to cover the increasing cost of delivering services due to factors such as population growth and indexation. The council is subject to rigorous external audit and both Audit Scotland and EY have confirmed, over a number of years, that the council has robust financial management.
26733	An individual	5d. Treasury and Insurance Savings	As 1A - Excellent if all of the above are carried out. However on current personally experienced performance it will take a huge effort to even provide an improvement. Further why has the " efficiency and effectiveness" not been applied to current procedures. No real criteria to be reach is actually stated and the starting point for these " efficiency and effectiveness" upgrade to services is not evident. Vagueness in targets to achieve . How will residents know when this is achieved?	Treasury and Insurance Savings (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	The budget report will clearly set out in detail measures to balance the budget including the potential impact on equality and performance. The council has a robust approach to monitoring financial performance during the year with reports provided to Council Executive. All of these reports are available to the public on COINS, the committee system.
26734	An individual	5d. Treasury and Insurance Savings	I would like to see the top 3 items/specific deliverables that contribute to this redesign.	Treasury and Insurance Savings (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The council's aim is, and always will be, to ensure that West Lothian continues to be a great place to live, work, visit and do business. To achieve this aim we will continue to prioritise the money that we spend on services to make sure that our investment has the biggest and most positive impact on the community.
26735	An individual	5d. Treasury and Insurance Savings	This is an important area. The council should balance needs and risks sufficiently. Perhaps traditional insurance arrangements may offer best value and known cost? Or move to assume greater financial control of risks. As long as this is adequately supported and staffed.	Treasury and Insurance Savings (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council does balance risks with the costs of insurance provision to ensure best value management of risks and claims.

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26736	An employee of West Lothian Council	5d. Treasury and Insurance Savings	Stricter and more stringent processes as well as cohesiveness and information sharing.	Treasury and Insurance Savings (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	The council has delivered balanced budgets each year since 1996. The budget gap faced by the council is a result of funding being insufficient to cover the increasing cost of delivering services due to factors such as population growth and indexation. The council is subject to rigorous external audit and both Audit Scotland and EY have confirmed, over a number of years, that the council has robust financial management.
26737	An individual	5d. Treasury and Insurance Savings	You do a good job of stewardship in challenging times.	Treasury and Insurance Savings (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	The council has delivered balanced budgets each year since 1996. The budget gap faced by the council is a result of funding being insufficient to cover the increasing cost of delivering services due to factors such as population growth and indexation. The council is subject to rigorous external audit and both Audit Scotland and EY have confirmed, over a number of years, that the council has robust financial management.
26738	An employee of West Lothian Council	5d. Treasury and Insurance Savings	If this is simply a continuation, how will this result in an estimated saving of £800,000? Surely this is more of a waste prevention measure which would be happening anyway?	Treasury and Insurance Savings (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	The council continues to generate savings in the efficient management of treasury and insurance activities. This saving is incorporated into the consultation document to ensure that all proposed savings are known and available for consideration.
26739	An individual	5d. Treasury and Insurance Savings	As the council has a long history of effective and efficient financial management i am sure that savings shall be delivered.	Treasury and Insurance Savings (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	The council has delivered balanced budgets each year since 1996. The budget gap faced by the council is a result of funding being insufficient to cover the increasing cost of delivering services due to factors such as population growth and indexation. The council is subject to rigorous external audit and both Audit Scotland and EY have confirmed, over a number of years, that the council has robust financial management.
26740	An employee of West Lothian Council	5d. Treasury and Insurance Savings	How will this be achieved? if its that simple why hasn't this been done before??	Treasury and Insurance Savings (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	The council continues to generate savings in the efficient management of treasury and insurance activities. This saving is incorporated into the consultation document to ensure that all proposed savings are known and available for consideration.
26741	An individual	5d. Treasury and Insurance Savings	Is there not a point when it will become difficult, if not impossible, to save any more money? Won't be much left to eke out money from after this.	Treasury and Insurance Savings (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Legally the council is required to deliver a wide range of statutory services. If this level of funding constraint continues, there may come a time when it will be incredibly difficult to deliver these statutory services.
26742	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	5d. Treasury and Insurance Savings	It can have if you're able to make all these cuts	Treasury and Insurance Savings (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The budget gap faced by the council is a result of funding being insufficient to cover the increasing cost of delivering services due to factors such as population growth and indexation. The council is subject to rigorous external audit and both Audit Scotland and EY have confirmed, over a number of years, that the council has robust financial management.
26743	No Response	5d. Treasury and Insurance Savings	Like this idea	Treasury and Insurance Savings (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26744	An individual	5d. Treasury and Insurance Savings	So why now? Why not for the past 10 years? Less savings needed now if this had been implemented before. A long history of effective and efficient management sounds hollow if you can make £800k savings in one year! Shame on our council for cutting services to the elderly vulnerable etc on the back of having failed to make these sort of savings previously	Treasury and Insurance Savings (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	For the past nine years the Scottish Government restricted councils' ability to raise council tax through the financial settlement. In 2017/18 councillors froze council tax. Over the past ten years the council has delivered substantial treasury and insurance savings. The savings identified within this document are additional savings to those previously delivered.

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26745	An individual	5d. Treasury and Insurance Savings	Seems a relatively small target compared to other areas that are directly affecting service provision.	Treasury and Insurance Savings (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Over the past ten years the council has delivered substantial treasury and insurance savings. The savings identified within this document are additional savings to those previously delivered.
26746	No Response	5d. Treasury and Insurance Savings	Laudable providing layers of managers do not exist or get created to manage this.	Treasury and Insurance Savings (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Treasury and insurance management savings will be delivered as part of the ongoing work of the Financial Management Unit.
26747	An individual	5d. Treasury and Insurance Savings	I don't agree with this statement, otherwise how is the council having to make cuts?	Treasury and Insurance Savings (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council has delivered balanced budgets each year since 1996. The budget gap faced by the council is a result of funding being insufficient to cover the increasing cost of delivering services due to factors such as population growth and indexation. The council is subject to rigorous external audit and both Audit Scotland and EY have confirmed, over a number of years, that the council has robust financial management. External audit and regulation provides no evidence of reckless spending.
26748	An individual	5d. Treasury and Insurance Savings	Why have you been wasting so much of our money up to this point?	Treasury and Insurance Savings (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council has delivered balanced budgets each year since 1996. The budget gap faced by the council is a result of funding being insufficient to cover the increasing cost of delivering services due to factors such as population growth and indexation. The council is subject to rigorous external audit and both Audit Scotland and EY have confirmed, over a number of years, that the council has robust financial management. External audit and regulation provides no evidence of reckless spending.
26749	An employee of West Lothian Council	5d. Treasury and Insurance Savings	These are sensible savings that reflect the good work of the council finance team.	Treasury and Insurance Savings (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The budget gap faced by the council is a result of funding being insufficient to cover the increasing cost of delivering services due to factors such as population growth and indexation. The council is subject to rigorous external audit and both Audit Scotland and EY have confirmed, over a number of years, that the council has robust financial management.
26750	An employee of West Lothian Council	5d. Treasury and Insurance Savings	Do they compare and bargain with other companies for the best deals - shopping around can make a difference.	Treasury and Insurance Savings (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	Insurance cover is put to tender every three years to ensure best value. The council works to obtain the best treasury rates within the parameters of risk. The council is one of the best performers in terms of treasury rates and costs.
26751	An employee of West Lothian Council	5d. Treasury and Insurance Savings	In the service I worked in for 15 years, money was squandered on invaluable in-service training and paying several staff to not teach but remain in a school regardless. Good luck though.	Treasury and Insurance Savings (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	The council is subject to rigorous external audit and both Audit Scotland and EY have confirmed, over a number of years, that the council has robust financial management. All services will be reviewed based on the impact they have on priorities. It is proposed that future spending will be aligned to the priorities in the Transforming Your Council consultation document.
26752	An individual	5d. Treasury and Insurance Savings	How come we are £73 mill in debt if we are that much in dept.	Treasury and Insurance Savings (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	The budget gap faced by the council is a result of funding being insufficient to cover the increasing cost of delivering services due to factors such as population growth and indexation. The council is subject to rigorous external audit and both Audit Scotland and EY have confirmed, over a number of years, that the council has robust financial management.
26753	An individual	5d. Treasury and Insurance Savings	Beware insurance costs will increase as maintenance particularly roads goes down.	Treasury and Insurance Savings (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The new ten year capital investment strategy will aim to maintain assets as much as possible within capital funding constraints to minimise the impact on revenue maintenance budgets. This should reduce the risk of increased insurance costs.

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26754	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	5d. Treasury and Insurance Savings	Has an equality impact assessment been carried out for each of the budget proposals? It is essential that this is done at the earliest opportunity in order to assess what the impact will be on those in the protected characteristics groups and those already experiencing disadvantage.	Treasury and Insurance Savings (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	In line with established budget setting processes, all proposed reduction measures will be subject to an equality impact assessment.
26755	An individual	5d. Treasury and Insurance Savings	The first sentence is very worrying considering all these magnificent savings we make or do we year after year. Something is wrong somewhere.	Treasury and Insurance Savings (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	The budget gap faced by the council is a result of funding being insufficient to cover the increasing cost of delivering services due to factors such as population growth and indexation. The council is subject to rigorous external audit and both Audit Scotland and EY have confirmed, over a number of years, that the council has robust financial management.
26756	An individual	5d. Treasury and Insurance Savings	A fancy way of saying you are fudging your accounts.	Treasury and Insurance Savings (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council continues to generate savings in the efficient management of treasury and insurance activities. The council is subject to rigorous external audit and both Audit Scotland and EY have confirmed, over a number of years, that the council has robust financial management.
26757	An individual	5d. Treasury and Insurance Savings	Again, what are these proposals?	Treasury and Insurance Savings (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	These savings are generated through savings in the treasury and insurance costs of the council.
26758	An individual	5d. Treasury and Insurance Savings	Generally agree but cannot comment on these as no info available.	Treasury and Insurance Savings (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26759	An individual	5d. Treasury and Insurance Savings	Don't spend any left over £ at the end of the year just for the sack of it.	Treasury and Insurance Savings (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	The phasing of spending on all budgets will be reviewed and if spending is higher towards the year end this will be investigated.
26760	An individual	5d. Treasury and Insurance Savings	Again, treasury, insurance and other estate and property asset management services should be shared across Councils and other public bodies as enabled by public services reform legislation. Surely much greater savings can be achieved here and all that is stopped this (as under 1a) is management and workforce intransigence and Scottish Government dancing around COSLA handbags.	Treasury and Insurance Savings (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The council has a proven track record of partnership working and would wish to build on this to continue providing local services. Through integration, and potentially sharing services with partners, it is expected that access and individual experiences will be improved. There would be less duplication and more streamlining of services.
26761	An individual	5d. Treasury and Insurance Savings	Please review contracts you have with cost management consultants - Council should not be paying commission year after year for costs savings made as a result of advice in the past. Care is needed with negotiating any such new contracts	Treasury and Insurance Savings (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council does not have any contracts with cost management consultants and do not pay commission on previous general services savings.
26762	An individual	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	I agree that this work should be continued.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26763	An employee of West Lothian Council	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	Continue LED lighting only if it is proved to be a saving.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26764	An employee of West Lothian Council	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	If this can provide the necessary savings then this should be pursued.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26765	No Response	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	Agree to all suggested proposals	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26766	An individual	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	good	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26767	An individual	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26768	An employee of West Lothian Council	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	excellent!	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26769	An individual	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	Good.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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26770	An employee of West Lothian Council	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26771	An individual	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	Good idea.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26772	An employee of West Lothian Council	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26773	An employee of West Lothian Council	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	Supportive of this proposal.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26774	An employee of West Lothian Council	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	I would agree with this proposal	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26775	An individual	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26776	An individual	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	sounds good to me	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26777	An employee of West Lothian Council	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	I agree with this.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26778	An individual	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26779	An individual	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26780	An individual	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	Completely agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26781	An employee of West Lothian Council	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	Good	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26782	An employee of West Lothian Council	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	SUPPORT	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26783	An individual	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	Again you should be doing this already.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26784	An employee of West Lothian Council	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	Yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26785	No Response	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	Good management again!	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26786	An individual	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	I concur.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26787	An individual	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	Assuming there is a long term saving here then makes good sense.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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26788	An individual	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	Sound idea.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26789	An individual	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	This is a sensible suggestion.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26790	An individual	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	Fine but has costs involved	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26791	An individual	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	Agree this proposal.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26792	No Response	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	Have no objection	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26793	An individual	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	Sensible step.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26794	An employee of West Lothian Council	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	Again this makes complete sense.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26795	An individual	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	Support proposal	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26796	An individual	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	If successful this should absolutely be rolled out further.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26797	An individual	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	continue to use this method	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26798	An individual	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	I agreed with this proposal	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26799	An individual	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	Key saving here	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26800	An individual	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26801	An individual	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	Yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26802	An individual	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	Absolutely.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26803	An employee of West Lothian Council	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	Fine	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26804	An employee of West Lothian Council	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	I agree.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26805	An individual	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	Good.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26806	An employee of West Lothian Council	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	Great idea	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26807	An individual	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	Good idea.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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26808	An individual	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	Good.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26809	An employee of West Lothian Council	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26810	An individual	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26811	No Response	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	Great	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26812	An individual	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	Good	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26813	An individual	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	I agree.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26814	An individual	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26815	An employee of West Lothian Council	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26816	An individual	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	Agree.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26817	An individual	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26818	An individual	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	Sensible.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26819	An individual	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	yes agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26820	An individual	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	Good	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26821	An individual	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	Agree.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26822	An employee of West Lothian Council	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	Agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26823	An individual	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	happy with this	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26824	An individual	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26825	An individual	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26826	An individual	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	Agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26827	An individual	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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26828	An employee of West Lothian Council	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	Good idea	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26829	An individual	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	Agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26830	An individual	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	good	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26831	An employee of West Lothian Council	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	makes sense	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26832	An individual	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	Positive	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26833	An employee of West Lothian Council	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	Good.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26834	An individual	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	I agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26835	An employee of West Lothian Council	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	Support this proposal	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26836	An employee of West Lothian Council	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	Agree, Great idea.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26837	An individual	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	Yes, as this will be financial savings.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26838	An employee of West Lothian Council	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	Can't argue with that.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26839	An individual	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	Agree no brainer	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26840	An individual	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	If real savings just do it.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26841	No Response	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	Agreed wholeheartedly	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26842	An employee of West Lothian Council	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	A good way forward.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26843	An employee of West Lothian Council	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	I fully agree with this proposal	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26844	An individual	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	Agree to this saving. Efficient and green	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26845	An individual	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	Great project and must continue	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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26846	An individual	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	Achievable	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26847	An employee of West Lothian Council	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	Good to hear.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26848	An individual	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	I support this change	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26849	An individual	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	I agree with the Council's proposals for the moment to see how they all work out. Thank you.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26850	An individual	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	This is fine	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26851	An employee of West Lothian Council	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	Approve.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26852	An employee of West Lothian Council	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	Sounds very good to me!	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26853	An individual	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	Definitely makes sense.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26854	An individual	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	Agree - the new street lights are great and they are more energy efficient.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26855	An individual	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	Great - not just financial savings.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26856	An individual	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26857	An individual	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	Great to hear	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26858	An individual	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	Good.. gotta protect the environment	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26859	An individual	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	I fully support this	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26860	An individual	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	Agree fully	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26861	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	vgood idea	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26862	An individual	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	Agree this is necessary.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26863	An individual	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	Yet another operational issue that you should be just getting on with please.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26864	An individual	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	Would definitely agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26865	An individual	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	Ok. Box ticking exercise.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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26866	An employee of West Lothian Council	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	again sounds goods	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26867	An individual	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	Continue or accelerate this plan	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26868	An employee of West Lothian Council	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	In agreemnet.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26869	An individual	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26870	An individual	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	Agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26871	An individual	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	Makes sense	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26872	An employee of West Lothian Council	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26873	An individual	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	sounds good to me	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26874	An employee of West Lothian Council	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	Good idea.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26875	An individual	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	Good	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26876	An individual	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	no issue	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26877	An employee of West Lothian Council	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26878	No Response	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26879	An individual	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	ok.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26880	An individual	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26881	An individual	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26882	An individual	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	Agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26883	An individual	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26884	An individual	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	Good	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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26885	No Response	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26886	An individual	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	Great	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26887	An individual	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	GOOD PLAN	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26888	An individual	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	Great	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26889	An individual	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26890	No Response	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	Sounds fine.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26891	An individual	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26892	An individual	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	Agree.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26893	An individual	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	Seems reasonable	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26894	An individual	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	Makes sense	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26895	An individual	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	I support this.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26896	An individual	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	agreed.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26897	An individual	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26898	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	Excellent idea	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26899	An individual	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	I would support this.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26900	An employee of West Lothian Council	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26901	An employee of West Lothian Council	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	Good	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26902	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	ok	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26903	An individual	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	Good idea	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26904	An individual	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	Good	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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26905	An individual	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	Excellent!	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26906	No Response	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	Agree with this proposal	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26907	An individual	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	Agree.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26908	An individual	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	Agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26909	An individual	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	Agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26910	An employee of West Lothian Council	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	Great	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26911	An employee of West Lothian Council	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	agree with proposal	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26912	No Response	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	Agree.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26913	An individual	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	Good	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26914	An individual	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	Seems sensible	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26915	No Response	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	Agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26916	An individual	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	I agree with this proposal.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26917	An employee of West Lothian Council	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26918	An employee of West Lothian Council	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	excellent	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26919	An individual	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	I agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26920	An employee of West Lothian Council	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26921	An individual	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26922	An individual	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26923	No Response	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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26924	An individual	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	Go for it, that's a lot of money, use it to help people that need it	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26925	An employee of West Lothian Council	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	This sounds very effective.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26926	An individual	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	Get on with it	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26927	An individual	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	I agree. Hope the civic centre and local business are on board with this	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26928	No Response	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	Makes sense. LED lights providing better illumination of roads and pavements	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26929	An individual	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	yup	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26930	An individual	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	Energy efficiency should continue	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26931	An individual	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	Keep up the good work being carried out at present.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26932	An employee of West Lothian Council	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	Great initiative, welcome more of this throughout West Lothian and within building were possible	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26933	An individual	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	Spending to save is a commendable strategy.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26934	An individual	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	I do care for the effect we have to protecting our planet so I think this would be a good use if available resources.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26935	An individual	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	Ok	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26936	An individual	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	Sounds sensible.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26937	An employee of West Lothian Council	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26938	An employee of West Lothian Council	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	This sounds good	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26939	An employee of West Lothian Council	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	I agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26940	An employee of West Lothian Council	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	Agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26941	An employee of West Lothian Council	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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26942	An employee of West Lothian Council	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	ok with this	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26943	An employee of West Lothian Council	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	would agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26944	An employee of West Lothian Council	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	Strongly agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26945	An individual	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	great idea	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26946	An individual	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	Great.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26947	An individual	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26948	An individual	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	Good.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26949	An individual	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	Yes!	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26950	An individual	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	This is a great idea.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26951	An employee of West Lothian Council	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	Agree.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26952	No Response	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	Good	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26953	An employee of West Lothian Council	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26954	An individual	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	Good.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26955	An individual	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	Good.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26956	An individual	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	ok	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26957	An individual	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	Agree, new lights are much better as well as more efficient.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26958	An individual	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	Sounds a good plan	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26959	No Response	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	as above - Definitely agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26960	An employee of West Lothian Council	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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26961	An individual	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	Good idea.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26962	An employee of West Lothian Council	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	Agree with this proposal.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26963	An individual	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26964	An employee of West Lothian Council	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	Agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26965	An employee of West Lothian Council	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	Sounds good	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26966	An individual	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	Keep up the good work.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26967	An individual	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	Welcome initiative.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26968	An employee of West Lothian Council	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	Yes agree this is a scheme that should continue.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26969	An individual	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	I approve of this measure	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26970	An individual	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	Yes - continue that good work here.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26971	No Response	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	This is what we are all trying to do and hopefully it will help.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26972	An individual	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	I support.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26973	An individual	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	I agree with the above.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26974	An individual	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	This also seems like an ideal solution for saving money, my thoughts about this are similar to 5c.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26975	An individual	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	a do agree with reduction carbon	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26976	An individual	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	Again, should have been done long ago!	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26977	An individual	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	As 1A - Excellent if all of the above are carried out. However on current personally experienced performance it will take a huge effort to even provide an improvement. Further why has the "efficiency and effectiveness" not been applied to current procedures. No real criteria to be reach is actually stated and the starting point for these "efficiency and effectiveness" upgrade to services is not evident. Vagueness in targets to achieve . How will residents know when this is achieved?	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26978	An individual	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	Again, go for it !	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26979	An individual	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	Agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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26980	An individual	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	I would support this proposal.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26981	An individual	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	Ok	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26982	An individual	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26983	An individual	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	Absolutely agree and I can see the difference in areas that have the new lighting.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26984	An employee of West Lothian Council	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	This appears to be a reasonable proposal.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26985	An individual	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	Agreed.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26986	An individual	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	Agree.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26987	An individual	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	Yes please	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26988	An individual	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26989	An individual	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26990	An individual	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	Agreed.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26991	An individual	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26992	An individual	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	Good	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26993	An individual	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	I agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26994	An individual	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26995	An individual	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26996	An individual	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	good	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26997	An individual	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	Ok	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26998	An employee of West Lothian Council	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
26999	No Response	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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27000	An individual	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27001	An individual	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	Great	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27002	An individual	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	Yes.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27003	An individual	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	Good	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27004	An individual	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	Agreed.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27005	An individual	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27006	An individual	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	I would support this	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27007	No Response	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	Do it!	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27008	An employee of West Lothian Council	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27009	An employee of West Lothian Council	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	Good idea	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27010	An employee of West Lothian Council	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	agree with proposal	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27011	An employee of West Lothian Council	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27012	No Response	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27013	An individual	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27014	An employee of West Lothian Council	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27015	An employee of West Lothian Council	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	I agree with this proposal	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27016	An individual	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	Agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27017	An employee of West Lothian Council	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	Agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27018	An individual	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	I agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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27019	An employee of West Lothian Council	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	Agree.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27020	An individual	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	I agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27021	An individual	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	Good	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27022	An employee of West Lothian Council	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	I agree with this.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27023	An individual	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	Agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27024	An individual	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	Supported	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27025	An individual	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	okay	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27026	No Response	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	Agree with these proposals	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27027	An employee of West Lothian Council	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	I agree with this. It is a good solution.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27028	An individual	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	This is excellent work of West Lothian council	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27029	An individual	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	ok	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27030	An individual	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	Support this proposal	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27031	An individual	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27032	An individual	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27033	An employee of West Lothian Council	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	makes sense	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27034	An employee of West Lothian Council	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	Ok	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27035	An employee of West Lothian Council	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	Agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27036	An individual	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	I agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27037	An individual	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	Content with this	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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27038	An employee of West Lothian Council	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	Fantastic.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27039	An employee of West Lothian Council	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	keep going	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27040	An individual	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	Good idea if its saving money.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27041	An individual	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	Excellent. Keep it up.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27042	An employee of West Lothian Council	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	Agree.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27043	An individual	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27044	An individual	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	Agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27045	An employee of West Lothian Council	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	Good idea.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27046	An employee of West Lothian Council	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	Excellent idea.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27047	An individual	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	Agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27048	An individual	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	Yes street lighting is an essential requirement for all West Lothian residents in order to remain safe and prevent accidents.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27049	An individual	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	I am happy with this.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27050	An employee of West Lothian Council	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	Great.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27051	An individual	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27052	An individual	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	Agree - this is an excellent area of work and efficiencies.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27053	An individual	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	Yes, very supportive of this.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27054	An individual	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	Excellent.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27055	An individual	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	Agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27056	An individual	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	Agreed.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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27057	An individual	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	Good idea	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27058	An individual	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	Support	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27059	An individual	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	Agreed.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27060	An employee of West Lothian Council	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	Good	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27061	An individual	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	Sensible	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27062	An employee of West Lothian Council	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	Agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27063	An employee of West Lothian Council	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	ok	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27064	An individual	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	Good.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27065	An individual	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27066	An individual	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	Agree with this proposal.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27067	No Response	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	OK	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27068	An individual	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	Good	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27069	An employee of West Lothian Council	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	Agreed.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27070	An individual	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	I agree with this proposal.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27071	An individual	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27072	An employee of West Lothian Council	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	Ok	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27073	An individual	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	I agree with this	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27074	An individual	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27075	An individual	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	Ok	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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27076	An employee of West Lothian Council	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	This is an excellent proposal	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27077	An individual	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	yes agree, but this would only help the carbon emissions if other councils were doing the same	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27078	An employee of West Lothian Council	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	Good odea	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27079	An individual	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	Agree. Definitely	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27080	No Response	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	Yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27081	An individual	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	A positive proposal at last.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27082	An individual	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	Agree it's important we protect the environment so if savings can be made at same time - great!	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27083	An employee of West Lothian Council	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	This looks like a spend to save initiative and makes sense particularly if funding is available to replace inefficient street lights quickly.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27084	An individual	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	Very much endorse this.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27085	An individual	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	I support the above.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27086	An individual	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	Appears sensible	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27087	An individual	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	Agreed. Use of better, more efficient technology that results in energy savings is always a good investment	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27088	An individual	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	Yes, agree with this modernising approach.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27089	An individual	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	Yes now got these at the bottom of our street. We call it the twilight zone! Why would anyone object to these savings? But again the technology has been around for years and so savings could have been made earlier to avoid cuts now.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27090	An individual	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	Please do!	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27091	An individual	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	Very very important, there are cost and carbon savings to be made within the councils estate that need to be addressed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27092	An individual	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	Keep up the good work on this	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27093	An employee of West Lothian Council	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	Yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27094	An individual	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	good	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27095	An individual	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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27096	An individual	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	This makes sense.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27097	An individual	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	Agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27098	An individual	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	Fine	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27099	An individual	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	Agree.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27100	An employee of West Lothian Council	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27101	An individual	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27102	An individual	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	Good.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27103	An individual	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	Agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27104	An individual	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	I think this is an excellent investment and will pay for itself in future years.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27105	An individual	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	5e Great, the only question that has highlighted a proposal and given estimated saving. This type of detail should has been lacking though-out this whole consultation document	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27106	An employee of West Lothian Council	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	This saving should me maximised.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27107	An employee of West Lothian Council	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	This is a very positive area and as much as possible should be done.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27108	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	We welcome this.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27109	An individual	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	Strongly support this sustainable approach	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27110	An individual	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	Save further.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27111	An individual	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	Agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27112	An individual	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	Good idea	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27113	An individual	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	Agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27114	An individual	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	I agree with this	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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27115	An employee of West Lothian Council	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27116	An individual	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27117	An individual	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27118	An individual	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	Agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27119	An individual	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	OK	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27120	An individual	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	I agree.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27121	An individual	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	Ok	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27122	An employee of West Lothian Council	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	Sensible.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27123	An individual	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	Good	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27124	An individual	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	Seems sensible	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27125	An individual	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	Agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27126	An individual	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	Seems like a no brainer	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27127	An individual	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	no problem	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27128	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	Agreed. This is essential.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27129	An individual	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	I agree with this proposal	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27130	An individual	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27131	An individual	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	Ok	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27132	An individual	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	Agree.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27133	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27134	An individual	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	Agree.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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27135	An individual	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	Agreed.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27136	An individual	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	Good idea	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27137	An individual	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27138	An individual	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	Good	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27139	An employee of West Lothian Council	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27140	An individual	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27141	An individual	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	Good.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27142	An individual	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	Sensible	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27143	An individual	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	Excellent. Anything to help the environment can only be good.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27144	An employee of West Lothian Council	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	Supportive in principle	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27145	An individual	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	Yes excellent idea	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27146	An employee of West Lothian Council	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	This seems a sensible proposal.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27147	An individual	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	Yes, good investment for future.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27148	An individual	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	IN the long run	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27149	An employee of West Lothian Council	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27150	An individual	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	Fine	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27151	An individual	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	Good idea	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27152	An individual	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	Agree with this	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27153	An individual	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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27154	An employee of West Lothian Council	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	Agree with this	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27155	An individual	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	Yes, agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27156	An individual	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	excellent	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27157	An individual	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	Good plan.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27158	An individual	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	OK	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27159	An individual	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	i agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27160	No Response	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	Go for it!	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27161	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27162	An individual	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27163	An individual	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	Yes this is a good idea	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27164	An individual	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	Good!	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27165	An employee of West Lothian Council	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	Again if it is true that these savings can be generated agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27166	An individual	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	I completely agree with this.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27167	An employee of West Lothian Council	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	Yes, agree can see (!) the improvement and fully support.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27168	An employee of West Lothian Council	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	I agree 100% with this proposal.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27169	An individual	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	A must	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27170	An employee of West Lothian Council	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	Agreed.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27171	An employee of West Lothian Council	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	Strongly agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27172	An individual	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	This should be done.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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27173	An employee of West Lothian Council	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	I agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27174	An individual	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	Good!	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27175	An individual	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	Good.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27176	An individual	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	Good idea	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27177	An individual	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	Look okay as it is possible to evaluate given the vague descriptions given in the 'Transforming Your Council'	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27178	An individual	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	I agree with the proposal.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27179	An individual	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	All proposals are sound.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27180	An individual	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	You say this will save money but I suspect right now it will cost us alot more money that we dont have to spend.	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27181	An employee of West Lothian Council	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	Led street light which illuminate the top of the lamppost	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27182	An individual	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	disagree	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27183	An individual	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	no	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27184	An employee of West Lothian Council	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	Totally agree that this makes sense.	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27185	An individual	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	Disagree	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27186	An individual	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	More efficient heating in newer buildings would also deliver a saving as they are often too hot and don't seem to be thermostatically controlled.	Improving Energy Efficiency - council buildings	4. The council is already doing this.	The Sustainable Construction Policy helps to ensure new builds and refurbishments are as energy efficient as possible. The council has an energy reduction work plan and is committed to exploring opportunities for reducing the energy bill through the use of renewable energy solutions, improved energy efficiency of buildings and equipment and changing the behaviour of users in council buildings.
27187	An individual	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	Agree that this should be looked at. Council's building manager should be responsible for enforcing lights and computers being turned off at night.	Improving Energy Efficiency - council buildings	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council is committed to ensuring buildings are as energy efficient as possible. The council has motion sensors in place in number of locations and will introduce on an ongoing basis where there is a business case to do so to. We will continue to encourage employees to minimise their use of energy through a behaviour change programme.

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27188	An employee of West Lothian Council	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	council needs to be more rebust of energy use/savings in centres and schools heating full on and windows open doesn't save money	Improving Energy Efficiency - council buildings	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has an energy reduction work plan and is committed to exploring opportunities for reducing the energy bill through the use of renewable energy solutions, improved energy efficiency of buildings and equipment and changing the behaviour of users in council buildings.
27189	An employee of West Lothian Council	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	Staff should be provided with thermal underwear in the winter and limit the heating level in council building s !!!!	Improving Energy Efficiency - council buildings	5c. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it is not consistent with the council's values and priorities.	The council continues to encourage employees to minimise their use of energy through a behaviour change programme. Updated building management systems have been installed in a number of council properties to regulate heat and generate energy efficiency savings.
27190	An individual	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	Needing to pay contractors to come into Bathgate Partnership Centre to control the heating is a huge waste of the council's money. A complete overhaul is needed on the energy consumption. The BPC has a design flaw with regards to the heating usage and public and staff have been complaining for years with still no resolve, so I would happily agree with the above proposal.	Improving Energy Efficiency - council buildings	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council is currently developing corporate heating guidance which will address many of the concerns expressed and help to generate energy efficiency savings.
27191	An individual	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	All opportunities for energy efficiency should be looked at in all areas of the Council and area.	Improving Energy Efficiency - council buildings	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has an energy reduction work plan and is committed to exploring opportunities for reducing the energy bill through the use of renewable energy solutions, improved energy efficiency of buildings and equipment and changing the behaviour of users in council buildings.
27192	An individual	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	Positive work been done so far with Biomass Heating Systems.	Improving Energy Efficiency - council buildings	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council will continue to explore opportunities for reducing the energy bill through the use of renewable energy solutions. The council currently uses Biomass and solar PV panels to generate energy in some council buildings. Other Renewables will be looked at for incorporation where economically and practically viable.
27193	An employee of West Lothian Council	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	Further savings could come from the heating systems and insulating council offices appropriately	Improving Energy Efficiency - council buildings	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has an energy reduction work plan and is committed to exploring opportunities for reducing the energy bill through the use of renewable energy solutions, improved energy efficiency of buildings and equipment and changing the behaviour of users in council buildings.
27194	No Response	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	Further biomass projects could be considered.	Improving Energy Efficiency - council buildings	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council will continue to explore opportunities for reducing the energy bill through the use of renewable energy solutions. The council currently uses Biomass and solar PV panels to generate energy in some council buildings. Other Renewables will be looked at for incorporation where economically and practically viable.
27195	An employee of West Lothian Council	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	Fantastic idea. Why wasn't the Civic Centre fitted with solar panels? Why aren't all council buildings fitted with solar panels and wind turbines. In fact, some communities have set up their own electricity companies to capture the energy generated by the community and sell this back to the national grid meaning the community don't pay for energy any more. What if West Lothian could be self sufficient in energy? It may take a long time to reap the rewards after the initial investment, but what about the local authority our children will inherit?	Improving Energy Efficiency - council buildings	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council will continue to explore opportunities for reducing the energy bill through the use of renewable energy solutions. The council currently uses Biomass and solar PV panels to generate energy in some council buildings. Other Renewables will be looked at for incorporation where economically and practically viable. The Civic Centre has solar panels, although not on the main roof, and a biomass boiler for the generation of heat.
27196	An employee of West Lothian Council	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	see 5c - Invest capital in green power generation, to reduce revenue outflows on energy. Maximise use of our south facing roofs for solar PV gain.	Improving Energy Efficiency - council buildings	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council will continue to explore opportunities for reducing the energy bill through the use of renewable energy solutions. The council currently uses Biomass and solar PV panels to generate energy in some council buildings. Other Renewables will be looked at for incorporation where economically and practically viable.

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27197	An employee of West Lothian Council	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	Why has a brand new depot been built with no solar panels on the roof?	Improving Energy Efficiency - council buildings	5d. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it has been previously considered and will not be progressed.	Solar panes were considered for the new depot however the roof structure would not support them. There will be a small PV installation on the gate house building.
27198	An individual	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	Renewables on all council property could be used to sell power back to the national grid.	Improving Energy Efficiency - council buildings	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council will continue to explore opportunities for reducing the energy bill through the use of renewable energy solutions. The council currently uses Biomass and solar PV panels to generate energy in some council buildings. Other Renewables will be looked at for incorporation where economically and practically viable.
27199	An individual	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	Sounds sensible. Can similar technology be used in buildings? Also can heat be turned down in some schools? The primary school my kids attended used to be so hot that in the middle of winter kids would come out without they jumpers or their coats on. I don't necessarily turn up the heating at home just tell them to put their slippers and jumper on.	Improving Energy Efficiency - council buildings	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council currently has a capital programme for LED lighting within buildings. The council is currently developing corporate heating guidance which will address many of the concerns expressed and help to generate energy efficiency savings.
27200	An individual	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	This only works if people can access resources. Use renewable energy resources at all council sites to bring down costs	Improving Energy Efficiency - council buildings	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council will continue to explore opportunities for reducing the energy bill through the use of renewable energy solutions. The council currently uses Biomass and solar PV panels to generate energy in some council buildings. Other Renewables will be looked at for incorporation where economically and practically viable.
27201	An individual	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	More efficient use of lighting heating ect,...	Improving Energy Efficiency - council buildings	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has an energy reduction work plan and is committed to exploring opportunities for reducing the energy bill through the use of renewable energy solutions, improved energy efficiency of buildings and equipment and changing the behaviour of users in council buildings.
27202	An employee of West Lothian Council	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	An easy, cheap fix would be to provide light switches in the Civic Centre, or passive switches that switch off the overhead lights when a certain level of illumination is reached. As I type this my section is bathed in bright sunlight and our lights are on.	Improving Energy Efficiency - council buildings	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The lighting systems in the Civic Centre are designed to operate in the manner suggested and so it could be that there is a fault in your area. Please report this through the normal channels. The council is also looking at the feasibility of window tinting to help with this issue.
27203	No Response	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	Look at this on amore basic level - introduce cost savings within buildings. Heating, lighting etc - some buildings seem to be running at full tilt!	Improving Energy Efficiency - council buildings	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has an energy reduction work plan and is committed to exploring opportunities for reducing the energy bill through the use of renewable energy solutions, improved energy efficiency of buildings and equipment and changing the behaviour of users in council buildings.
27204	An employee of West Lothian Council	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	Schools/council buildings continue to be too hot or too cold with very little thermostat controls being in place. Could these be fitted initially at a cost to see reduced energy costs over time? Is there scope for building being able to manage their own heating rather than this being done centrally?	Improving Energy Efficiency - council buildings	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council is currently developing corporate heating guidance which will address many of the concerns expressed and help to generate energy efficiency savings.
27205	No Response	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	Large savings could also be achieved by changing school / public building lighting to more efficient LED lighting.	Improving Energy Efficiency - council buildings	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council currently has a capital programme for LED lighting within buildings.
27206	An employee of West Lothian Council	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	ok with this. Too many doors still left open, too many PC's left on all day, too many lights left on, not enough recycling, too many short journeys in cars.	Improving Energy Efficiency - council buildings	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has an energy reduction work plan and is committed to exploring opportunities for reducing the energy bill through the use of renewable energy solutions, improved energy efficiency of buildings and equipment and changing the behaviour of users in council buildings.
27207	An individual	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	led lighting is the way forward not just for street lighting	Improving Energy Efficiency - council buildings	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council currently has a capital programme for LED lighting within buildings.

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27208	An employee of West Lothian Council	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	All council buildings, where appropriate, should be fitted with solar pv eg. the Civic Centre, or have solar panels installed on adjacent land. Buildings should also be retrofitted with light switches which allow lights to be turned off when not required. Other micro renewables should also be considered such as ground and air source heat pumps if appropriate.	Improving Energy Efficiency - council buildings	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council will continue to explore opportunities for reducing the energy bill through the use of renewable energy solutions. The council currently uses Biomass and solar PV panels to generate energy in some council buildings. Other Renewables will be looked at for incorporation where economically and practically viable.
27209	An individual	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	Again future proofing our buildings seems to be the best way forward.	Improving Energy Efficiency - council buildings	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27210	An individual	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	too many schools with lights on windows open and heating full on?	Improving Energy Efficiency - council buildings	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council is currently developing corporate heating guidance which will address many of the concerns expressed and help to generate energy efficiency savings.
27211	An employee of West Lothian Council	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	This is an interesting statement considering the reasonably newly built Bathgate Partnership Centre has to be one of the most inefficient buildings I have ever worked in. The heating system it has ensures some parts of the building are freezing whilst others are unbearably hot. Windows then have to be opened and as they don't have latches on to allow them to be opened slightly, have to be opened in full. This is surely not energy efficiency at his best?	Improving Energy Efficiency - council buildings	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council is currently developing corporate heating guidance which will address many of the concerns expressed and help to generate energy efficiency savings.
27212	An individual	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	I'm surprised the Energy Savings projects in WLC only save £400K. Suspect this is an area where considerable additional savings are possible	Improving Energy Efficiency - council buildings	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Due to the continued constraint on both revenue and capital budgets, the council needs to reduce the total number of assets requiring maintenance. The unavoidable cost of keeping all properties would require a larger saving to be delivered. In addition the council has already delivered substantial energy savings over the past five years.
27213	An employee of West Lothian Council	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	Within St David house staff are constantly asking for lighting to be reduced but are told that the lights are set at the correct level. However staff would prefer less lighting but suggestions to remove some bulbs or switch off sections of lighting all together have been ignored. The lights are on all day every day even in the middle of summer which is totally unnecessary	Improving Energy Efficiency - council buildings	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Property Management are considering ways to amend the lighting in St David House and will work with employees to make changes within lighting parameters set out by law.
27214	An individual	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	This is an obvious and long term way of saving on energy.	Improving Energy Efficiency - council buildings	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council will continue to explore opportunities for reducing the energy bill through the use of renewable energy solutions. The council currently uses Biomass and solar PV panels to generate energy in some council buildings. Other Renewables will be looked at for incorporation where economically and practically viable.
27215	No Response	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	The more clean energy initiatives the better.	Improving Energy Efficiency - council buildings	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council will continue to explore opportunities for reducing the energy bill through the use of renewable energy solutions. The council currently uses Biomass and solar PV panels to generate energy in some council buildings. Other Renewables will be looked at for incorporation where economically and practically viable.
27216	An individual	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	No brainer - less energy much longer life than conventional lighting so less maintenance . Go for it .	Improving Energy Efficiency - council buildings	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council will continue to explore opportunities for reducing the energy bill through the use of renewable energy solutions. The council currently uses Biomass and solar PV panels to generate energy in some council buildings. Other Renewables will be looked at for incorporation where economically and practically viable.
27217	An individual	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	As green and as carbon neutral as possible. The new street lighting works well in areas where it has been introduced.	Improving Energy Efficiency - council buildings	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council will continue to explore opportunities for reducing the energy bill through the use of renewable energy solutions. The council currently uses Biomass and solar PV panels to generate energy in some council buildings. Other Renewables will be looked at for incorporation where economically and practically viable.
27218	No Response	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	Money is wasted heating schools to too high a temperature. Pupils should be warned that temperatures are being gradually reduced so they stop coming to school in the winter in their shirt sleeves. The ability to control each room separately would be a help.	Improving Energy Efficiency - council buildings	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council is currently developing corporate heating guidance which will address many of the concerns expressed and help to generate energy efficiency savings.

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27219	An individual	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	Solar panels etc should be fitted to all council buildings. What about a big turbine at the civic centre	Improving Energy Efficiency - council buildings	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council will continue to explore opportunities for reducing the energy bill through the use of renewable energy solutions. The council currently uses Biomass and solar PV panels to generate energy in some council buildings. Other Renewables will be looked at for incorporation where economically and practically viable.
27220	An employee of West Lothian Council	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	What is the cost of implementing the energy efficiency and renewable energy projects? How much will they reduce the council's yearly energy bills by? How much will it reduce carbon footprint and other emissions? How has this estimate been arrived at?	Improving Energy Efficiency - council buildings	4. The council is already doing this.	A cost benefit analysis is completed of any energy efficiency project to ensure it represents value for money. Previous energy efficiency projects have delivered substantial savings for the council.
27221	An individual	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	The Council is massively off the pace on this. Just look at the renovated rooms in Linlithgow Burgh halls where elegant new chandeliers don't have LED light bulbs because it would cost too much. So the self-congratulatory text here rings very hollow. Nevertheless the Council should invest to improve energy efficiency. All new council houses should have solar panels so that the council collect the feed in tariff and the tenant benefits from reduced electricity bills.	Improving Energy Efficiency - council buildings	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Your comment has been noted.
27222	An employee of West Lothian Council	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	Look at streamlining access to building. Buildings with few employees relocating in quieter periods reducing energy.	Improving Energy Efficiency - council buildings	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	We will review our property assets and rationalise usage where possible taking into account the review and redesign of services delivered in the community and investigating opportunities for coordinating availability of facilities.
27223	An employee of West Lothian Council	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	installing solar panels in many public buildings would ultimately reduce costs.	Improving Energy Efficiency - council buildings	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council will continue to explore opportunities for reducing the energy bill through the use of renewable energy solutions. The council currently uses Biomass and solar PV panels to generate energy in some council buildings. Other Renewables will be looked at for incorporation where economically and practically viable.
27224	No Response	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	Energy efficiency should not be limited to street lighting. Work should continue to ensure that our remaining buildings (and other assets) are more efficient and sustainable in the long term, helping the council to protect itself against predicted rising energy costs. Where new buildings are proposed, they should be as efficient and low carbon as possible, leading to long term reductions in costs through reduced ongoing energy bills. Lifetime costings of all proposals should be considered to ensure long term value is being achieved. Sustainable procurement also plays a big part and contracts should take consideration of the fundamental principles of this, ensuring that the council's wider footprint is reduced.	Improving Energy Efficiency - council buildings	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has an energy reduction work plan and is committed to exploring opportunities for reducing the energy bill through the use of renewable energy solutions, improved energy efficiency of buildings and equipment and changing the behaviour of users in council buildings.
27225	An individual	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	All council buildings should be fitted with solar panels to both reduce bills and the carbon footprint	Improving Energy Efficiency - council buildings	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The council will continue to explore opportunities for reducing the energy bill through the use of renewable energy solutions. The council currently uses Biomass and solar PV panels to generate energy in some council buildings. Other Renewables will be looked at for incorporation where economically and practically viable.
27226	An individual	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	How about switching off any office lighting after 8pm at night, depending on the building function.	Improving Energy Efficiency - council buildings	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The council has an energy reduction work plan and is committed to exploring opportunities for reducing the energy bill through the use of renewable energy solutions, improved energy efficiency of buildings and equipment and changing the behaviour of users in council buildings.
27227	An individual	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	An efficiency saving would be to reduce the temperature in public buildings except perhaps in hospitals. The fact that children in schools wear only a shirt in the middle of winter is crazy. A lower temperature is more healthy and we could all wear warmer clothes.	Improving Energy Efficiency - council buildings	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The council is currently developing corporate heating guidance which will address many of the concerns expressed and help to generate energy efficiency savings.
27228	An employee of West Lothian Council	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	perhaps energy in existing council buildings are reviewed as some staff have to open windows in order to "cool down"!!	Improving Energy Efficiency - council buildings	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council is currently developing corporate heating guidance which will address many of the concerns expressed and help to generate energy efficiency savings.

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27229	An employee of West Lothian Council	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	Agreed but consideration also needs to be given to internal lighting and heating.	Improving Energy Efficiency - council buildings	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has an energy reduction work plan and is committed to exploring opportunities for reducing the energy bill through the use of renewable energy solutions, improved energy efficiency of buildings and equipment and changing the behaviour of users in council buildings.
27230	An employee of West Lothian Council	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	Again go for it but give you should apply sanctions across all council facilities from every service if they are unable to improve they're wasteful use of gas and electricity (education in particular). Also, if you the council properly coordinated roadworks with the utility companies you would maybe have a road network that moved more smoothly. The situation around Bathgate (Boghall), the M8 and Whitburn town centre over the last few weeks are a prime example where the Council has, in the public's eyes, failed tremendously. Also, whatever happened to car-sharing or cycle to work schemes? The street lights are fine though. Since they changed ours it looks like the climax of Close Encounters of the Third Kind outside my living-room at night.	Improving Energy Efficiency - council buildings	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has an energy reduction work plan and is committed to exploring opportunities for reducing the energy bill through the use of renewable energy solutions, improved energy efficiency of buildings and equipment and changing the behaviour of users in council buildings.
27231	An employee of West Lothian Council	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	The Council needs to keep up to date with all types of new technology especially where there are long term benefits	Improving Energy Efficiency - council buildings	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The council will continue to explore opportunities for reducing the energy bill through the use of renewable energy solutions. The council currently uses Biomass and solar PV panels to generate energy in some council buildings. Other Renewables will be looked at for incorporation where economically and practically viable.
27232	An individual	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	Could West Lothian Council enter into a volume discount contract with energy providers to help fund the budgetary shortfalls? Premises use the WLC preferred supplier or pay more for their rent, as long as the utility prices are the same or less than they currently pay and it is benchmarked as competitive. Could this be extended to private homes for bulk buying energy?	Improving Energy Efficiency - council buildings	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council procures energy through the national framework contract which aims to secure the best prices available.
27233	An individual	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	Turn the heat down in the schools?	Improving Energy Efficiency - council buildings	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The council is currently developing corporate heating guidance which will address many of the concerns expressed and help to generate energy efficiency savings.
27234	An employee of West Lothian Council	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	the energy efficiency must be maximised for the benefit of all.	Improving Energy Efficiency - council buildings	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has an energy reduction work plan and is committed to exploring opportunities for reducing the energy bill through the use of renewable energy solutions, improved energy efficiency of buildings and equipment and changing the behaviour of users in council buildings.
27235	An individual	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	A 'Ten year' planning period for this issue is good. Other issues also need to be looked at other a more medium- to long-term basis.	Improving Energy Efficiency - council buildings	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	We will review our property assets and rationalise usage where possible taking into account the review and redesign of services delivered in the community and investigating opportunities for coordinating availability of facilities.
27236	An individual	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	Solar panels & small wind turbines should be placed on WLC buildings to generate energy for the building - reducing energy costs.	Improving Energy Efficiency - council buildings	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The council will continue to explore opportunities for reducing the energy bill through the use of renewable energy solutions. The council currently uses Biomass and solar PV panels to generate energy in some council buildings. Other Renewables will be looked at for incorporation where economically and practically viable.
27237	An employee of West Lothian Council	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	Enforce stricter management of energy in schools and other community buildings	Improving Energy Efficiency - council buildings	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The council is currently developing corporate heating guidance which will address many of the concerns expressed and help to generate energy efficiency savings.
27238	An individual	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	Switch off lights at the Civic Centre etc when not needed.	Improving Energy Efficiency - council buildings	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The council has an energy reduction work plan and is committed to exploring opportunities for reducing the energy bill through the use of renewable energy solutions, improved energy efficiency of buildings and equipment and changing the behaviour of users in council buildings.

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27239	An individual	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	More savings at the Civic Centre would be good. lights are always on and furniture is constantly replaced.	Improving Energy Efficiency - council buildings	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has an energy reduction work plan and is committed to exploring opportunities for reducing the energy bill through the use of renewable energy solutions, improved energy efficiency of buildings and equipment and changing the behaviour of users in council buildings.
27240	An individual	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	I think the council really needs to look at the little things (turning off computers, lights, etc. in offices) which can accumulate to make a big difference.	Improving Energy Efficiency - council buildings	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has an energy reduction work plan and is committed to exploring opportunities for reducing the energy bill through the use of renewable energy solutions, improved energy efficiency of buildings and equipment and changing the behaviour of users in council buildings.
27241	An employee of West Lothian Council	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	I think these can be looked at more often and with a better procurement method	Improving Energy Efficiency - council buildings	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council procures energy through the national framework contract which aims to secure the best prices available.
27242	An employee of West Lothian Council	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	Although I do feel this is a beneficial way to save money the street lighting is not as effective as it was prior and streets can sometimes be dark as light is not projected	Improving Energy Efficiency - street lighting	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The standards of lumination provided by the LED lights meets the requirements the council are obliged to light areas to.
27243	An individual	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	As long as streets are lit properly, then see no issue	Improving Energy Efficiency - street lighting	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The standards of lumination provided by the LED lights meets the requirements the council are obliged to light areas to.
27244	An individual	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	Sounds reasonable provided that people feel safe in the levels of light they provide.	Improving Energy Efficiency - street lighting	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27245	An employee of West Lothian Council	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	To ensure safety of residents, who equate to a significant number of your employees, adequate street lighting provision and maintenance is a must. However, LED bulbs are more expensive, where does the A£400K saving come from?	Improving Energy Efficiency - street lighting	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The saving generated from this proposal relates directly to reduced energy costs to power the new LED lights.
27246	An individual	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	Utilising green technology, making street lights etc solar powered as they are in many European countries, may be a cost at first but soon pay for themselves. This has been proven.	Improving Energy Efficiency - street lighting	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The saving generated from this proposal relates directly to reduced energy costs to power the new LED lights.
27247	An individual	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	Introduce solar street lights with longer lasting LED lights	Improving Energy Efficiency - street lighting	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27248	An employee of West Lothian Council	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	There are areas where LED lighting is not effective ie where there are tall trees surrounding	Improving Energy Efficiency - street lighting	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The standards of lumination provided by the LED lights meets the requirements the council are obliged to light areas to.
27249	An individual	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	will be interested to see the changes in Bathgate and how it affects the savings	Improving Energy Efficiency - street lighting	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Roll out of the programme will be consistent in all towns
27250	No Response	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	There are far too many street lights, the spacing between them should be reduced, therefore reducing the numbers needed	Improving Energy Efficiency - street lighting	5a. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because the council is required by law to deliver this work.	The spacing and height of columns is calculated to ensure optimum lighting is supplied and this cannot be altered.
27251	An individual	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	While I agree that the LED lights are good, Can we not look as changing the way that we refit the lights, do we really need to install new lamp posts, in other regions they have just changed the heads, which is quicker and does not need to install new lamp posts and all the work this entails	Improving Energy Efficiency - street lighting	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your comment. Your response has been noted. There is a spend to save initiative for LED conversion.
27252	An individual	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	Agree. though it would be beneficial if when the lights are installed they remove surrounding shrubbery so the lights shine on the paths and roads and not into the middle of trees. We have saved money, but only if they can be used and improve public safety. We should also look at switching off lights during non peak times (e.g 12 midnight to 4am). Bring back the wind turbines at Balbardie.	Improving Energy Efficiency - street lighting	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	We have a standard to which the council are obliged to providing lighting to. We always aim to meet this and avoid any over or under provision.
27253	No Response	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	There are too many street lights and the spacing between them could be increased so that not so many are needed	Improving Energy Efficiency - street lighting	5a. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because the council is required by law to deliver this work.	The spacing and height of columns is calculated to ensure optimum lighting is supplied and this cannot be altered.

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27254	An employee of West Lothian Council	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	What is the cost of the LED conversion compared with ongoing savings? LED technology is still young and costs may be higher than waiting an extra few years...Can we not move to a model of switching off unnecessary street lighting between midnight and 6am? Why main arterial roads are lit up like Blackpool illuminations all night with one or 2 vehicles (which surprisingly enough are equipped with headlights!) is a huge waste of money. A89 between Bathgate and Newbridge is a prime example!!	Improving Energy Efficiency - street lighting	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	There has been a detailed calculation behind this project and the spend to save initiative will provide long term future savings to the Council in relation to energy consumption.
27255	An employee of West Lothian Council	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	Switching off street lighting between the hours of 00:00 and 05:00? This has been piloted in some areas in England.	Improving Energy Efficiency - street lighting	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your comment. Officers will investigate the feasibility of this suggestion
27256	An individual	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	I support converting existing street lights to LED but as they new lamps have a reduced spread of light, dark spots can occur between lamps. This can make some people feel uncomfortable, even unwilling to walk along some streets and paths at night. Street lighting not only allows you to see where you are going but also to give you some confidence that you are not going to be assaulted. When changing to LED it may in some cases be necessary to increase the number of lights.	Improving Energy Efficiency - street lighting	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	We have a standard to which the council are obliged to providing lighting to. We always aim to meet this and avoid any over or under provision.
27257	An employee of West Lothian Council	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	Why do we need so many street lights? Why on duelled roads etc.? LEDS in all publicly funded lighting and remove every 2nd light from service. Help save the planet for our kids.	Improving Energy Efficiency - street lighting	5d. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it has been previously considered and will not be progressed.	We are required to comply with legislation to supply minimum illumination standards.
27258	An employee of West Lothian Council	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	Consider turning off streetlights in the middle of the night. Reduce the street lights put in along roads with no footpaths. To generate power, a hydro project on the River Almond. A local community hydro project was effectively set up at Harlaw Reservoir in the Pentland Hills. Consider small wind turbines to generate our own power.	Improving Energy Efficiency - street lighting	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your comment. Officers will investigate the feasibility of this suggestion
27259	An employee of West Lothian Council	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	New lights are great. Keep going.	Improving Energy Efficiency - street lighting	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27260	An individual	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	thought needs to be given about shutting off traffic lights off peak. what about road lights in the communities can these not be dimmed through the night ?	Improving Energy Efficiency - street lighting	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your comment. Officers will investigate the feasibility of this suggestion
27261	An individual	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	Reduction of light pollution into the night sky must be a priority that also add to savings. erm.	Improving Energy Efficiency - street lighting	4. The council is already doing this.	The standards of lumination provided by the LED lights meets the requirements the council are obliged to light areas to.
27262	An individual	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	Fully support this. Also, could solar technology not be utilised further to store power for street lighting. Such as installing solar panels on street lights to reduce power used at start up times?	Improving Energy Efficiency - street lighting	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your comment. Officers will investigate the feasibility of this suggestion
27263	An employee of West Lothian Council	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	Street lighting does not have to be on all night. Maybe turn off between one a.m. and three a.m. except where needed for safety.	Improving Energy Efficiency - street lighting	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your comment. Officers will investigate the feasibility of this suggestion
27264	An individual	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	I wonder if it is possible to increase the distance between street lights and still provide sufficient lighting. So when new lights are being installed then every second light is taken away.	Improving Energy Efficiency - street lighting	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	We are required to comply with legislation to supply minimum illumination standards.
27265	An employee of West Lothian Council	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	The LED lighting seems a promising route to continue, especially if it's saving money.	Improving Energy Efficiency - street lighting	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27266	An individual	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	We often see street lights burning all day for weeks, if the maintenance to be reduced then this will be even worse.	Improving Energy Efficiency - street lighting	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Lighting can be turned on during day time for testing and inspection to be done. The LED lights require less maintenance.
27267	An individual	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	Fine, so long as we don't eventually go down the Kent route of only being able to afford to turn certain streets on.	Improving Energy Efficiency - street lighting	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27268	An individual	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	Does this saving take into account removal of the old street lights	Improving Energy Efficiency - street lighting	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Yes this accounts for removal of old and installation of new lights.
27269	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	On the balance of information contained within the above proposal, we agree with this proposal, but some concerns would be the coverage of the LED lighting - lights don't cover a wide enough area which could lead to personal safety concerns.	Improving Energy Efficiency - street lighting	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	We are required to comply with legislation to supply minimum illumination standards.

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27270	An individual	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	Oh save a ligh but cut the care unreal	Improving Energy Efficiency - street lighting	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27271	An individual	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	No! We need decent lighting to get home and reduce crime.	Improving Energy Efficiency - street lighting	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27272	An individual	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	All street lights should be LED	Improving Energy Efficiency - street lighting	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27273	An individual	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	Lousy. How about also halving the number of lights as well as converting them to LED. How about working with SCOT gov to support moving away from summer/winter clock changing. This will save more energy and £.	Improving Energy Efficiency - street lighting	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	We are required to comply with legislation to supply minimum illumination standards.
27274	An individual	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	LED is good if the luminosity equivalent is maintained. The front of my property has LED street lamps and they do not light up the street as well as the old ones. My property backs onto the railway path which still has traditional lighting. I fear for the safety of walkers if this is reduced. This week there was an attack on this path and with even less lighting I fear there will be far more.	Improving Energy Efficiency - street lighting	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	We are required to comply with legislation to supply minimum illumination standards.
27275	An individual	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	I personally find that the new street lighting is nowhere near as bright as old and can be left feeling insecure when waking home late in the evening.	Improving Energy Efficiency - street lighting	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	We are required to comply with legislation to supply minimum illumination standards.
27276	An individual	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	Good, but please stop fatuous and unnecessary projects like putting in ground-level lights along Linlithgow canal. They may be powered by light-sensitive cells, but they were unnecessary in the first place. In addition, a careful eye needs kept on the matter of light pollution, a by-product of LED technology, being increased.	Improving Energy Efficiency - street lighting	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27277	An individual	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	The saving has to be long term for such a change. £400,000 over what period?	Improving Energy Efficiency - street lighting	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	There has been a detailed calculation behind this project and the spend to save initiative will provide long term future savings to the Council in relation to energy consumption.
27278	An individual	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	Switch the street lights off in the early morning hours - say 1am to 6am, or even just every second light?	Improving Energy Efficiency - street lighting	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your comment. Officers will investigate the feasibility of this suggestion
27279	An individual	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	LED lights are installed in my street they are far too bright and there are far too many of them. Possibly consider wider spacing or less bright lighting options	Improving Energy Efficiency - street lighting	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	We have a standard to which the council are obliged to provide lighting to. We always aim to meet this and avoid any over or under provision.
27280	An individual	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	Great, go ahead: but there must be a significant cost in conversion which might be larger than the suggested savings of £400,00	Improving Energy Efficiency - street lighting	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	There has been a detailed calculation behind this project and the spend to save initiative will provide long term future savings to the Council in relation to energy consumption.
27281	An individual	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	Before doing this the council should work out what the cost break even point is between the installation costs and the savings. It is probably a few hundred years. Why not switch off every second light - let the public look after themselves a little.	Improving Energy Efficiency - street lighting	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	There has been a detailed calculation behind this project and the spend to save initiative will provide long term future savings to the Council in relation to energy consumption.
27282	An individual	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	Is it possible to convert all street lights to LED to maximise savings?	Improving Energy Efficiency - street lighting	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27283	An employee of West Lothian Council	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	Fine in theory, however external lighting not as good for those with visual impairments.	Improving Energy Efficiency - street lighting	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	We have a standard to which the council are obliged to provide lighting to. We always aim to meet this and avoid any over or under provision.
27284	An employee of West Lothian Council	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	LED street lights do not emit the same lighting as traditional lights	Improving Energy Efficiency - street lighting	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	We have a standard to which the council are obliged to provide lighting to. We always aim to meet this and avoid any over or under provision.
27285	An individual	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	LED lighting is the way forward for all offices and buildings	Improving Energy Efficiency - street lighting	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27286	An employee of West Lothian Council	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	Turn street lights off altogether between midnight and 6 am. Give every household a torch.	Improving Energy Efficiency - street lighting	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your comment. Officers will investigate the feasibility of this suggestion

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27287	An individual	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	This work is essential to help combat global warming and I agree with more lighting using LEDS	Improving Energy Efficiency - street lighting	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27288	An individual	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	Does the energy saving cover the capital outlay when replacing all the lamps. Street lighting is important for the safety of people after dark	Improving Energy Efficiency - street lighting	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	There has been a detailed calculation behind this project and the spend to save initiative will provide long term future savings to the Council in relation to energy consumption.
27289	An individual	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	The new lamps look awful Where has the money come from for their provision	Improving Energy Efficiency - street lighting	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27290	An individual	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	We agree with this however we do not agree that this work is conducted at weekends where overtime is paid.	Improving Energy Efficiency - street lighting	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27291	An individual	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	The streets that have been done are noticeably darker - just a comment, perhaps may lead to people not feeling so safe?	Improving Energy Efficiency - street lighting	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	We have a standard to which the council are obliged to providing lighting to. We always aim to meet this and avoid any over or under provision.
27292	An individual	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	Check "Lightaware" charity website- number of people becoming allergic to new form of light is on the rise. Research is not yet complete to show these are safe and won't be for a number of years yet. A wholesale change at this stage is a bad idea until the technology is proven.	Improving Energy Efficiency - street lighting	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27293	An individual	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	As above I'd be interested to know how much this project has cost - I not infrequently witness street lighting switched on during the day in some areas - can this be addressed?	Improving Energy Efficiency - street lighting	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	There has been a detailed calculation behind this project and the spend to save initiative will provide long term future savings to the Council in relation to energy consumption.
27294	An employee of West Lothian Council	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	This is a good idea as long as the cost of converting the street lights is not more than the predicted savings.	Improving Energy Efficiency - street lighting	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	There has been a detailed calculation behind this project and the spend to save initiative will provide long term future savings to the Council in relation to energy consumption.
27295	An employee of West Lothian Council	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	I (and everyone I know) hate the new street lights as they are not very bright and only give light directly under the actual lamp-post.	Improving Energy Efficiency - street lighting	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	We have a standard to which the council are obliged to providing lighting to. We always aim to meet this and avoid any over or under provision.
27296	An individual	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	Agreed. Is it worth considering turning off street lights in certain areas in middle of the night or perhaps every 2nd/3rd light?	Improving Energy Efficiency - street lighting	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your comment. Officers will investigate the feasibility of this suggestion
27297	An individual	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	Agreed. Could saving on street lighting be made by only using half the number overnight?	Improving Energy Efficiency - street lighting	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your comment. Officers will investigate the feasibility of this suggestion
27298	An employee of West Lothian Council	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	I find that the lights are not bright enough and can cause areas that are darker than I find comfortable.	Improving Energy Efficiency - street lighting	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	We have a standard to which the council are obliged to providing lighting to. We always aim to meet this and avoid any over or under provision.
27299	An individual	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	LED street lighting in residential areas, and in particular small streets in housing estates is FAR TOO BRIGHT! The light through the bedroom window is disruptive to sleep. It is also contributing to an ecological issue - overall light pollution. Need to re consider the type and brightness of the lights.	Improving Energy Efficiency - street lighting	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	We have a standard to which the council are obliged to providing lighting to. We always aim to meet this and avoid any over or under provision.
27300	An employee of West Lothian Council	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	Energy saving lights are great - but just make sure that people are safe when walking in the dark.	Improving Energy Efficiency - street lighting	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27301	An employee of West Lothian Council	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	LED has savings and reduces carbon footprint so is a good long term idea for savings.	Improving Energy Efficiency - street lighting	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Many thanks for your response. Your comments have been noted.
27302	An employee of West Lothian Council	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	Good. What is the cost of the conversion? How much will it save in energy bills? How much will it reduce energy consumption and carbon footprint?	Improving Energy Efficiency - street lighting	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	There has been a detailed calculation behind this project and the spend to save initiative will provide long term future savings to the Council in relation to energy
27303	An individual	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	yes better street lighting is good and makes for a safer environment in better lighting	Improving Energy Efficiency - street lighting	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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27304	An individual	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	I agree with this however am very concerned about removal of the historical lampposts in court square Linlithgow - unsure if this is part of the previous lighting project ?!?	Improving Energy Efficiency - street lighting	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27305	An individual	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	If only they lit up the streets	Improving Energy Efficiency - street lighting	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27306	An individual	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	As long as changes are made sensibly. Here in Linlithgow some lamps covered with a listing building cover have just been removed. Very short term.	Improving Energy Efficiency - street lighting	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27307	An individual	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	I assume the long term savings will well outdo the cost of replacement.	Improving Energy Efficiency - street lighting	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	There has been a detailed calculation behind this project and the spend to save initiative will provide long term future savings to the Council in relation to energy consumption.
27308	An individual	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	More Street Lighting may have be converted to LED technology but the Light Output is poor. Also Switch On/Switch Off Times are erratic. Solar Dial Time Clocks should be employed or all Lighting operated by Photoceell properly maintained.	Improving Energy Efficiency - street lighting	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27309	An individual	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	Providing this lighting produces same element of safety, it should continue.	Improving Energy Efficiency - street lighting	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27310	An individual	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	I feel the new LED streetlights do not give off enough light, which makes walking around more difficult for the visually impaired, like myself.	Improving Energy Efficiency - street lighting	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council comply with standard of illumination.
27311	No Response	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	encouraging to see the renewals of new street lighting which will, over the years to come, reduce spend after converting to LED lighting.	Improving Energy Efficiency - street lighting	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27312	An individual	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	Look at the cost benefit analysis. Could the high cost of conversion to LED be delayed? I don't see this as a priority, the money could be better spent on mental health?	Improving Energy Efficiency - street lighting	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	There has been a detailed calculation behind this project and the spend to save initiative will provide long term future savings to the Council in relation to energy
27313	An individual	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	I hope we will still have our street lights its sounds like we will be going backward not forward	Improving Energy Efficiency - street lighting	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27314	An employee of West Lothian Council	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	If this is a successful model it should be continued. Street lighting is an essential service and there would have to be enough staff in place to support this in terms of public safety.	Improving Energy Efficiency - street lighting	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27315	No Response	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	The LED street lighting project should continue until all have been converted. Proven energy and carbon savings and reducing costs of carrying out the work highlight that this has the continued potential to have a valuable contribution to the council's savings targets.	Improving Energy Efficiency - street lighting	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27316	An individual	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	Consider reducing atreet lighting after midnight.	Improving Energy Efficiency - street lighting	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27317	No Response	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	Have council considered reduction of street lighting after(say) midnight?	Improving Energy Efficiency - street lighting	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27318	An employee of West Lothian Council	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	Led lighting I think has been a great improvement and successful in generating savings.	Improving Energy Efficiency - street lighting	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27319	An individual	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	Good idea. Could some street lighting be switched off completely?	Improving Energy Efficiency - street lighting	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27320	An individual	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	Maybe lights over a shorter period and smaller area would be considered more cost effective.	Improving Energy Efficiency - street lighting	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27321	An individual	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	also agree with street and motorway lamp lighting going off during small hours of the night to save money. Also installation of solar electricity on any buildings the council has in their remaining portfolio should become mandatory, where appropriate within planning rules.	Improving Energy Efficiency - street lighting	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. The Council do not control lighting on motorways.

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27322	An individual	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	How can the council afford to spend masses of money on replacing street lighting in the Springfield Estate which has plunged many houses into darkness when they have to save £73n over the next five years. There must be an abundance of money when such projects can be given the go ahead. Perhaps start by saving on the salary of the person who authorised this.	Improving Energy Efficiency - street lighting	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	The project is a spend to save initiative, the roll out of Led lighting will generate revenue savings in relation to energy costs.
27323	An individual	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	Change of Street lights maybe saving money but they are not the best	Improving Energy Efficiency - street lighting	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. The Council install lighting to meet illumination standards.
27324	No Response	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	Great. How about sensor lighting ?	Improving Energy Efficiency - street lighting	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27325	An individual	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	I think the option of switching off some lights over night should be looked at too.	Improving Energy Efficiency - street lighting	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27326	An individual	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	Is the Council prepared to consider switching off lights in the small hours e.g. 0000 to 0500? Are new installations allowing for flexible use e.g. switching off alternate lights, or dimming lights during periods of lower use.	Improving Energy Efficiency - street lighting	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27327	An employee of West Lothian Council	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	Please, please, please include the street lights within the Country Parks in this upgrade. We would appreciate if our key sites could be upgraded asap as we all have a duty to reduce light pollution as well as conserve energy/reduce wastefulness of energy.	Improving Energy Efficiency - street lighting	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27328	An employee of West Lothian Council	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	Agreed. Consider reducing street light levels in middle of night - perhaps switching some off?	Improving Energy Efficiency - street lighting	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27329	An individual	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	Why not check the reported non working of street lights during the evenings when they are on rather than turn them on during the day and then repair them. The affected light could be marked on inspection and repaired the following day?	Improving Energy Efficiency - street lighting	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Proactive daytime inspections are and bulk replacements are done to minimise the instances of dark lamps.
27330	An individual	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	In our area recently street lights were on for a fortnight..day and night...during the work to renew the lampposts. Disgraceful waste of money.	Improving Energy Efficiency - street lighting	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27331	An individual	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	I strongly support further roll out of the LED street-lighting. We've been anticipating it for some time on our street, having seen the benefits of this type of lighting on nearby streets.	Improving Energy Efficiency - street lighting	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27332	An employee of West Lothian Council	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	I agree. I also know of a council down south that is saving money on street lighting by switching lighting off during the night on all non essential areas such as housing estates, industrial estates, council owned car parks etc	Improving Energy Efficiency - street lighting	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27333	An individual	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	Very good - look at the long term good idea. LED more reliable, low power consumption.	Improving Energy Efficiency - street lighting	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27334	An individual	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	LED lighting makes a lot of sense not only in energy (see above) but lifespan will increase with resultant maintenance reduction. Laser lighting is currently being developed and looks like making further savings possible in the future.	Improving Energy Efficiency - street lighting	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27335	An employee of West Lothian Council	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	Think this should be something we are proactively doing, by switching to LED we are cutting emissions and energy costs.	Improving Energy Efficiency - street lighting	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27336	An individual	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	Quite frankly i find the statement above farcical. The Led lighting system has been installed and running in my street for about 3 months now and would say the lighting is poorer and find the technology Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency less than impressive Will be interesting to see if this makes any savings.	Improving Energy Efficiency - street lighting	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. The Council install lighting to meet illumination standards.
27337	An individual	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	Street Lighting conversion may be on-going but the Light Output from converted lighting is poor. Street Lighting switch on/switch off time is erratic. Solar Dial Time Clock/Photocell operation properly maintained will eliminate this problem.	Improving Energy Efficiency - street lighting	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. The Council install lighting to meet illumination standards.
27338	An individual	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	I like the new lights.	Improving Energy Efficiency - street lighting	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27339	An individual	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	Switch off street lights from 12am - 6am 7 days a week to save millions over the next 20-30 years.	Improving Energy Efficiency - street lighting	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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27340	An employee of West Lothian Council	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	Turn off all street lighting at 1 am. This has been trialled in England. Leave only high priority areas, hospitals etc., important junctions etc. There are miles and miles of roads being lit for no reason. Also, stop erecting traffic signals on every street corner.	Improving Energy Efficiency - street lighting	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27341	An individual	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	maintenance of all other streets lights at council properties should also be maintained by the street lighting team.	Improving Energy Efficiency - street lighting	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27342	An individual	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	The new street lights are a joke and not fit for purpose. They fail to provide enough light to light up the streets. End this idea	Improving Energy Efficiency - street lighting	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27343	An individual	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	Turn off all non necessary traffic lights after set times.	Improving Energy Efficiency - street lighting	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. Traffic signals could be switched off at some locations off peak but the actual savings would be very small.
27344	An employee of West Lothian Council	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	ensure street lighting is not on 24 hours a day ,	Improving Energy Efficiency - street lighting	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27345	An individual	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	What about a switch off process (street lighting)?	Improving Energy Efficiency - street lighting	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27346	An individual	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	Whats carbon emmission got to do with saving money Consider switching every second light off during quiet times	Improving Energy Efficiency - street lighting	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27347	No Response	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	How about increasing these savings by turning traffic lights off in areas such as roundabouts at times when the amount of traffic is low and turn off street lights from midnight until 6 am.	Improving Energy Efficiency - street lighting	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27348	An individual	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	Get rid of the illuminated traffic island signs and replace them with the reflective version. Half of them are not illuminated anyway and it would save electricity and manpower trying to fix them.	Improving Energy Efficiency - street lighting	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27349	An individual	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	How about smart switching so that residential street lighting could be dimmed or even switch off on every 2nd light between say midnight and 5am. Energy savings would be considerable.	Improving Energy Efficiency - street lighting	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27350	An individual	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	Green initiative carbon foot print, this should be more spoken about reducing the carbon footprint to save money. Not putting things out to tender as this is usually a more expensive option to, think we need to shop around more.	Improving Energy Efficiency (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	The council has an energy reduction work plan and is committed to exploring opportunities for reducing the energy bill through the use of renewable energy solutions, improved energy efficiency of buildings and equipment and changing the behaviour of users in council building
27351	An individual	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	Any new buildings should also have solar panels installed as standard	Improving Energy Efficiency (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The Sustainable Construction Policy helps to ensure new builds and refurbishments are as energy efficient as possible. The council will explore opportunities for reducing the energy bill through the use of renewable energy solutions. The council currently uses Biomass and solar PV panels to generate energy in some council buildings. Other Renewables will be looked at for incorporation where economically viable.
27352	An employee of West Lothian Council	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	Any savings that can be made from making better efficient use of energy consumption is to be welcomed.	Improving Energy Efficiency (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has an energy reduction work plan and is committed to exploring opportunities for reducing the energy bill through the use of renewable energy solutions, improved energy efficiency of buildings and equipment and changing the behaviour of users in council buildings.
27353	An employee of West Lothian Council	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	This is another good proposal, with the squeeze on our budgets, those who can afford it should not have access to concessions	Improving Energy Efficiency (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council will continue to have a fair pricing strategy and concession scheme to ensure that charges generate income to support council services, in a way that is consistent with the council's Anti Poverty Strategy.

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27354	An individual	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	more led lamps , and pv panels on council owned buildings	Improving Energy Efficiency (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council will continue to explore opportunities for reducing the energy bill through the use of renewable energy solutions. The council currently uses Biomass and solar PV panels to generate energy in some council buildings. Other Renewables will be looked at for incorporation where economically and practically viable.
27355	An individual	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	i dont think this should be a top priority now	Improving Energy Efficiency (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27356	An employee of West Lothian Council	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	Reduction in maintenance is a false economy. Well maintained buildings will last longer. For community building such as village halls perhaps the community could deal with maintenance with advice from the council.	Improving Energy Efficiency (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The council's property asset management strategy and capital programme seek to identify planned maintenance to building fabric to minimise reactive maintenance going forward and maintain assets essential for the delivery of council services. The new ten year capital investment strategy will aim to maintain assets as much as possible within capital funding constraints to minimise the impact on revenue maintenance budgets.
27357	An individual	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	Sensible. Although consideration must be given to residents who find themselves being disrupted due to extension of wind turbine farms! Balance is necessary.	Improving Energy Efficiency (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council will continue to explore opportunities for reducing the energy bill through the use of renewable energy solutions. The council currently uses Biomass and solar PV panels to generate energy in some council buildings. Other Renewables will be looked at for incorporation where economically and practically viable.
27358	An individual	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	This is an example of where spending a wee bit more money safes lots in the future. Long term projects are needed - especially in social work and education rather than short term expediency.	Improving Energy Efficiency (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council will continue to explore opportunities for reducing the energy bill through the use of renewable energy solutions. The council currently uses Biomass and solar PV panels to generate energy in some council buildings. Other Renewables will be looked at for incorporation where economically and practically viable.
27359	No Response	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	The council has done great work in reducing carbon emissions and improving energy. Any changes the council can make to save energy and money in process should be done. Even if the initial cost is high as long as the long term benefits and savings outweigh that cost then it should be done.	Improving Energy Efficiency (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has an energy reduction work plan and is committed to exploring opportunities for reducing the energy bill through the use of renewable energy solutions, improved energy efficiency of buildings and equipment and changing the behaviour of users in council buildings.
27360	An employee of West Lothian Council	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	Financial savings are not achievable unless energy supply contracts are amended to avoid suppliers hiking costs to bridge the energy reduction gap.	Improving Energy Efficiency (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	The council buys energy through national contracts which secure provision at the best rates. The supply is often bought substantially in advance to secure the best rates.
27361	An employee of West Lothian Council	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	look at sites where wind turbines could be introduced to power buildings and sell back to the grid	Improving Energy Efficiency (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council will continue to explore opportunities for reducing the energy bill through the use of renewable energy solutions. The council currently uses Biomass and solar PV panels to generate energy in some council buildings. Other Renewables will be looked at for incorporation where economically and practically viable.
27362	An employee of West Lothian Council	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	Seriously, I know all councils have to follow guidelines regarding carbon emissions etc....But really, this is pointless in the bigger picture. These energy saving bulbs are totally rubbish & expensive.	Improving Energy Efficiency (general)	5b. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it is likely that the costs of this proposal would outweigh the benefit.	The cost benefit analysis for the introduction of LED street lighting demonstrates that substantial savings can be achieved. The savings cover both the cost of installation and the additional revenue savings to contribute to the council's budget gap.
27363	An employee of West Lothian Council	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	LED Technology is costly - how much investment will take it take to save £400,000. Do not agree that this is cost effective.	Improving Energy Efficiency (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The cost benefit analysis for the introduction of LED street lighting demonstrates that substantial savings can be achieved. The savings cover both the cost of installation and the additional revenue savings to contribute to the council's budget gap.

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27364	An individual	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	Investment in solar power in this area would also save in the long term.	Improving Energy Efficiency (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council will continue to explore opportunities for reducing the energy bill through the use of renewable energy solutions. The council currently uses Biomass and solar PV panels to generate energy in some council buildings. Other Renewables will be looked at for incorporation where economically and practically viable.
27365	An individual	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	Energy efficiencies which work in combination with environmental improvements should be a priority	Improving Energy Efficiency (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council will continue to explore opportunities for reducing the energy bill through the use of renewable energy solutions. The council currently uses Biomass and solar PV panels to generate energy in some council buildings. Other Renewables will be looked at for incorporation where economically and practically viable.
27366	An individual	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	Get on with it. Why haven't you made any progress on this in the last decade? You could have	Improving Energy Efficiency (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	This council has delivered substantial savings in this area especially in regard to operational offices and buildings. There are further opportunities to generate savings in this area.
27367	An individual	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	Again sounds like a wise call. I would also like to see council run wind turbines and solar installations.	Improving Energy Efficiency (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council will continue to explore opportunities for reducing the energy bill through the use of renewable energy solutions. The council currently uses Biomass and solar PV panels to generate energy in some council buildings. Other Renewables will be looked at for incorporation where economically and practically viable.
27368	An individual	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	i am afraid that again I don't see that quote as being true as repairs are few and far between as this has already bean cut to the bone as well	Improving Energy Efficiency (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Generally the council's property assets are in good condition compared to many others. The focus of future capital investment will be on maintaining the condition of the council's existing asset base to minimise the need for costly emergency and reactive repairs and maintenance.
27369	An individual	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	Agree but what would be the cost to do this...would it outweigh the £400000 saving?	Improving Energy Efficiency (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The cost benefit analysis for the introduction of LED street lighting demonstrates that substantial savings can be achieved. The savings cover both the cost of installation and the additional revenue savings to contribute to the council's budget gap.
27370	An individual	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	How much capital investment or borrowing is needed to achieve this estimated saving ?	Improving Energy Efficiency (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The cost benefit analysis for the introduction of LED street lighting demonstrates that substantial savings can be achieved. The savings cover both the cost of installation and the additional revenue savings to contribute to the council's budget gap.
27371	An individual	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	Agree- what about sponsorship from energy companies	Improving Energy Efficiency (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The scope for charging or sponsorship opportunities will be considered, taking account current charges, the position in other local authorities and the impact of charges on vulnerable people and the availability of concessions.
27372	An individual	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	sponsorship?	Improving Energy Efficiency (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The scope for charging or sponsorship opportunities will be considered, taking account current charges, the position in other local authorities and the impact of charges on vulnerable people and the availability of concessions.
27373	An employee of West Lothian Council	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	And how about a scheme to make electric cars more affordable?	Improving Energy Efficiency (general)	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27374	An individual	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	Make your own energy to sell from wind and solar.	Improving Energy Efficiency (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The council will continue to explore opportunities for reducing the energy bill through the use of renewable energy solutions. The council currently uses Biomass and solar PV panels to generate energy in some council buildings. Other Renewables will be looked at for incorporation where economically and practically viable.

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27375	An individual	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	Growth will only come from low carbon renewable, sustainable enterprises. Get behind that thinking in all you do. If any of your finance team think the future is investing in fossil fuels then sack them now.	Improving Energy Efficiency (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council will continue to explore opportunities for reducing the energy bill through the use of renewable energy solutions. The council currently uses Biomass and solar PV panels to generate energy in some council buildings. Other Renewables will be looked at for incorporation where economically and practically viable.
27376	An individual	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	Maximise your income, divest from fossil fuels which will ultimately reduce the worth of your pension and other savings funds. I just don't agree that you can't foresee the future. I can see it clearly. Fossil fuels and all industry connected with it will become a massive risk in the next 1-30 years.	Improving Energy Efficiency (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council will continue to explore opportunities for reducing the energy bill through the use of renewable energy solutions. The council currently uses Biomass and solar PV panels to generate energy in some council buildings. Other Renewables will be looked at for incorporation where economically and practically viable.
27377	An employee of West Lothian Council	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	See answer to 5c	Improving Energy Efficiency (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27378	An employee of West Lothian Council	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	defenetly and also they give greater lighting and safety for everyone.	Improving Energy Efficiency (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27379	An individual	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	WLC should seek to support community energy projects and community heating initiatives to tackle carbon emissions from domestic heating. The WLC vehicle fleet should transition to low/zero emission vehicles to achieve carbon emission reductions (See Fife council's use of hydrogen vehicles).	Improving Energy Efficiency (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council is supportive of community energy projects and heating initiatives to reduce carbon emissions from domestic heating and have supported organisations in the development of projects and funding applications. We have investigated the possibilities of biomass district heating systems and are currently taking forward a pilot mini district heating scheme using ground source heat pumps in an off-gas village.
27380	An employee of West Lothian Council	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	More pressing issues like people surviving. This is an important issue but this is not the time to address it when we are in a recession.	Improving Energy Efficiency (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27381	An individual	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	go ahead with the savings and encorage people to use Electric vehicles by installing more charge points in housing schemes where people have near house chargepoint	Improving Energy Efficiency (general)	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	Although not within the scope of current council budgets, the council is developing supplementary planning guidance requiring developers to pay for and install charging points in new developments.
27382	An employee of West Lothian Council	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	This is something which requires continuing investment.	Improving Energy Efficiency (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	The council's future capital programme will include investment in LED street lighting to deliver savings.
27383	An employee of West Lothian Council	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	We need more green energy. which does not include wind farms as in the long run they aren't very green at all	Improving Energy Efficiency (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council will continue to explore opportunities for reducing the energy bill through the use of renewable energy solutions. The council currently uses Biomass and solar PV panels to generate energy in some council buildings. Other Renewables will be looked at for incorporation where economically and practically viable.
27384	An individual	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	New energy initiatives should take lifetime cost & reliability into consideration rather than initial savings.	Improving Energy Efficiency (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	The council has an energy reduction work plan and is committed to exploring opportunities for reducing the energy bill through the use of renewable energy solutions, improved energy efficiency of buildings and equipment and changing the behaviour of users in council buildings. The lifetime cost of any initiative is taken into account as part of the cost/benefit of any proposal. This will include both quantitative and qualitative assessments.
27385	An individual	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	This should continue as these are far more efficient at provided better quality light using less power and saving power budget	Improving Energy Efficiency (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council is proposing further investment in LED street lighting over the next five years to deliver further savings and reduced carbon emissions.

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27386	An individual	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	This should definitely be continued to reduce carbon emmsions	Improving Energy Efficiency (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has an energy reduction work plan and is committed to exploring opportunities for reducing the energy bill through the use of renewable energy solutions, improved energy efficiency of buildings and equipment and changing the behaviour of users in council buildings.
27387	No Response	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	Good facilities management and planed preventive maintenance could well reduce cost of repairs and save money in the long run. Doing things like installing LED lights, solar panels and improving insulation will improve the energy efficiency of buildings. This will help save money in the long run but also help protect the environment and reduce the amount of CO2 the council facilities produce. All positive steps.	Improving Energy Efficiency (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council's property asset management strategy and capital programme seek to identify planned maintenance to building fabric to minimise reactive maintenance going forward and maintain assets essential for the delivery of council services. The new ten year capital investment strategy will aim to maintain assets as much as possible within capital funding constraints to minimise the impact on revenue maintenance budgets.
27388	An individual	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	Continue with this change - Investing for future savings	Improving Energy Efficiency (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council's future capital programme will include investment in LED street lighting to deliver savings.
27389	An individual	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	continue	Improving Energy Efficiency (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council's future capital programme will include investment in LED street lighting to deliver savings.
27390	No Response	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	Waste of money, cheaper more frequent buses would help	Improving Energy Efficiency (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The cost benefit analysis for the introduction of LED street lighting demonstrates that substantial savings can be achieved. The savings cover both the cost of installation and the additional revenue savings to contribute to the council's budget gap.
27391	No Response	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	Does this stack up. Is the investment really delivering these savings. If so good idea.	Improving Energy Efficiency (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The cost benefit analysis for the introduction of LED street lighting demonstrates that substantial savings can be achieved. The savings cover both the cost of installation and the additional revenue savings to contribute to the council's budget gap.
27392	An individual	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	Surely we can save more than that?	Improving Energy Efficiency (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The cost benefit analysis for the introduction of LED street lighting demonstrates that substantial savings can be achieved. The savings cover both the cost of installation and the additional revenue savings to contribute to the council's budget gap.
27393	An individual	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	So you are spending large sums of money that you do not have to save "carbon emissions". Any savings are infinitesimal and hardly going to "save the planet". Scotland has 0.13 per cent of global emission so West Lothian does not even register. For you consideration other countries promises are not even half of what scientists would make us believe are essential to stop the Four Horsemen riding in. America has withdrawn from the Paris Accord and China stated that it will not reduce emissions until after 2030. America and China are responsible for 44 per cent of global emissions so your lighting projects are a waste of money	Improving Energy Efficiency (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The cost benefit analysis for the introduction of LED street lighting demonstrates that substantial savings can be achieved. The savings cover both the cost of installation and the additional revenue savings to contribute to the council's budget gap.
27394	An individual	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	A more larger investment in reducing carbon emissions is required. Top priority for long term health of our planet.	Improving Energy Efficiency (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council will continue to explore opportunities for reducing the energy bill through the use of renewable energy solutions. The council currently uses Biomass and solar PV panels to generate energy in some council buildings. Other Renewables will be looked at for incorporation where economically and practically viable.
27395	An employee of West Lothian Council	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	Fantastic initiative in terms of providing savings with the added benefit of working towards the aspirations to reduce carbon emissions across the authority area.	Improving Energy Efficiency (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The cost benefit analysis for the introduction of LED street lighting demonstrates that substantial savings can be achieved. The savings cover both the cost of installation and the additional revenue savings to contribute to the council's budget gap.
27396	An employee of West Lothian Council	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	Solar power? New partnership buildings fitted with panels ?	Improving Energy Efficiency (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	The council will continue to explore opportunities for reducing the energy bill through the use of renewable energy solutions. The council currently uses Biomass and solar PV panels to generate energy in some council buildings. Other Renewables will be looked at for incorporation where economically and practically viable.

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27397	An individual	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	I'm surprised the Energy Savings projects in WLC only save £400K. Suspect this is an area where considerable additional savings are possible	Improving Energy Efficiency (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The cost benefit analysis for the introduction of LED street lighting demonstrates that substantial savings can be achieved. The savings cover both the cost of installation and the additional revenue savings to contribute to the council's budget gap. This saving relates to street lighting only with energy reduction in buildings covered within 5c.
27398	An employee of West Lothian Council	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	I feel the savings will only really affect us in years to come when the economy will most likely have improved. Currently I think money should not be spent on this as it will cost more right now to change them than we shall see benefit of in the handful of years to come.	Improving Energy Efficiency (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The cost benefit analysis for the introduction of LED street lighting demonstrates that substantial savings can be achieved. The savings cover both the cost of installation and the additional revenue savings to contribute to the council's budget gap.
27399	An individual	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	Encouraging research and innovation in environmental learning can be funded externally: https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/space-for-smarter-government-programme-sggp-showcase-2017 Seekign external funding for larger projects would be a good idea to generate additional funding.	Improving Energy Efficiency (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council seeks external funding wherever available to introduce new initiatives or support service delivery.
27400	An individual	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	Not bothered about carbon reductions but cost reductions all help	Improving Energy Efficiency (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has an energy reduction work plan and is committed to exploring opportunities for reducing the energy bill through the use of renewable energy solutions, improved energy efficiency of buildings and equipment and changing the behaviour of users in council buildings.
27401	An individual	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	Investment in renewable energy would be an investment for the future	Improving Energy Efficiency (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council will continue to explore opportunities for reducing the energy bill through the use of renewable energy solutions. The council currently uses Biomass and solar PV panels to generate energy in some council buildings. Other Renewables will be looked at for incorporation where economically and practically viable.
27402	An individual	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	Again solar panels, turbines etc. Switch lights off.	Improving Energy Efficiency (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council will continue to explore opportunities for reducing the energy bill through the use of renewable energy solutions. The council currently uses Biomass and solar PV panels to generate energy in some council buildings. Other Renewables will be looked at for incorporation where economically and practically viable.
27403	An individual	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	How much does this cost to put in and when do the savings actually start?	Improving Energy Efficiency (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The cost benefit analysis for the introduction of LED street lighting demonstrates that substantial savings can be achieved. The savings cover both the cost of installation and the additional revenue savings to contribute to the council's budget gap. Savings are achieved in the year that the installations are complete.
27404	An individual	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	Climate change & population growth are the biggest threat to (human) life on earth	Improving Energy Efficiency (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council will continue to explore opportunities for reducing the energy bill through the use of renewable energy solutions. The council currently uses Biomass and solar PV panels to generate energy in some council buildings. Other Renewables will be looked at for incorporation where economically and practically viable.
27405	No Response	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	agreed, energy efficiency is something we should be doing regardless of budget cuts.	Improving Energy Efficiency (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has an energy reduction work plan and is committed to exploring opportunities for reducing the energy bill through the use of renewable energy solutions, improved energy efficiency of buildings and equipment and changing the behaviour of users in council buildings.

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27406	An individual	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	Makes perfect sense and is normal in all other workplaces. Has anyone checked that there are actually any savings though?	Improving Energy Efficiency (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council will continue to explore opportunities for reducing the energy bill through the use of renewable energy solutions. The council currently uses Biomass and solar PV panels to generate energy in some council buildings. Other Renewables will be looked at for incorporation where economically and practically viable. Previous projects have delivered substantial savings for the council over the last five years.
27407	An individual	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	I agree with reducing carbon emissions and the conversion to LED's. But why stop there. Improving the lights to prevent excessive light from obscuring our sky would be desirable to many as well.	Improving Energy Efficiency (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has an energy reduction work plan and is committed to exploring opportunities for reducing the energy bill through the use of renewable energy solutions, improved energy efficiency of buildings and equipment and changing the behaviour of users in council buildings.
27408	An individual	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	The following comments also relate to 5C above with regard to "...reduce energy consumption..." as the lack of awareness and management at this school is clearly wasting energy. At St Nicholas RC Primary School in Broxburn there is not only energy wastage in lighting up certain school areas unnecessarily, but this is causing intrusive light pollution into many of the houses on Badger Walk: 1) the 'street' lights within the new vehicle drop off zone (off Blyth Road) are on from c3pm to c6.30 pm daily, therefore during daylight hours and continuing well after the school is closed (this can even be observed today - a Saturday!). 2) the external wall lights on the new gym hall are on until c10pm, for what appears to be purely decorative purposes, since the school has closed hours before this. 3) during both the summer months and the school holidays the external gym hall lights were also on until this time, when again it was daylight and the school was closed. 4) within the school it has been observed that classroom lights can be left on overnight and sometimes over a weekend, when again the school is closed.	Improving Energy Efficiency (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The council has an energy reduction work plan and is committed to exploring opportunities for reducing the energy bill through the use of renewable energy solutions, improved energy efficiency of buildings and equipment and changing the behaviour of users in council buildings.
27409	An individual	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	Link with Scot Gov national energy provider initiative Explore community energy initiatives in new build housing	Improving Energy Efficiency (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	The council is supportive of community energy projects and heating initiatives to reduce carbon emissions from domestic heating and have supported organisations in the development of projects and funding applications. We have investigated the possibilities of biomass district heating systems and are currently taking forward a pilot mini district heating scheme using ground source heat pumps in an off-gas village.
27410	An individual	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	Agree if cash releasing.	Improving Energy Efficiency (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	We will review our property assets and rationalise usage where possible taking into account the review and redesign of services delivered in the community and investigating opportunities for coordinating availability of facilities.
27411	An individual	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	tell council employees to turn of engines when and where possible or fit some form of tracking so the guilty can be brought to account	Improving Energy Efficiency (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Officers will consider how this could be developed.
27412	An individual	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	Why have you been wasting so much of our money up to this point?	Improving Energy Efficiency (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has delivered substantial property management savings over the past ten years and will continue to do so over the next five years.
27413	An individual	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	Agree. The council should look at its land holdings to see if there are any suitable sites for wind turbines and other sources of renewable energy. e.g. land above Blackridge.	Improving Energy Efficiency (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Officers will review the council's land holdings in order to develop this suggestion.
27414	An employee of West Lothian Council	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	similar to other authorities	Improving Energy Efficiency (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has an energy reduction work plan and is committed to exploring opportunities for reducing the energy bill through the use of renewable energy solutions, improved energy efficiency of buildings and equipment and changing the behaviour of users in council buildings.
27415	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	Great idea, see previous question.	Improving Energy Efficiency (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council will continue to explore opportunities for reducing the energy bill through the use of renewable energy solutions. The council currently uses Biomass and solar PV panels to generate energy in some council buildings. Other Renewables will be looked at for incorporation where economically and practically viable.

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27416	An individual	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	As above I feel there are so many opportunities where this is not even considered. WLC need to look at all their assets and make them work more efficiently by modernisation and retrofitting renewables	Improving Energy Efficiency (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The council will continue to explore opportunities for reducing the energy bill through the use of renewable energy solutions. The council currently uses Biomass and solar PV panels to generate energy in some council buildings. Other Renewables will be looked at for incorporation where economically and practically viable.
27417	An individual	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	I see very few schools etc. which have PV panels.	Improving Energy Efficiency (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The council will continue to explore opportunities for reducing the energy bill through the use of renewable energy solutions. The council currently uses Biomass and solar PV panels to generate energy in some council buildings. Other Renewables will be looked at for incorporation where economically and practically viable.
27418	An individual	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	Savings should be maximised through forward funding of improvements using external support where possible.	Improving Energy Efficiency (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	The council seeks external funding wherever available to introduce new initiatives or support service delivery.
27419	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	Has an equality impact assessment been carried out for each of the budget proposals? It is essential that this is done at the earliest opportunity in order to assess what the impact will be on those in the protected characteristics groups and those already experiencing disadvantage.	Improving Energy Efficiency (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	In line with established budget setting processes, all proposed reduction measures will be subject to an equality impact assessment.
27420	An individual	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	Improved sustainable energy efficiency programmes should be supported	Improving Energy Efficiency (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has an energy reduction work plan and is committed to exploring opportunities for reducing the energy bill through the use of renewable energy solutions, improved energy efficiency of buildings and equipment and changing the behaviour of users in council buildings.
27421	An individual	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	What are the timescales of these savings against costs?	Improving Energy Efficiency (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	The cost benefit analysis for the introduction of LED street lighting demonstrates that substantial savings can be achieved. The savings cover both the cost of installation and the additional revenue savings to contribute to the council's budget gap. Savings are achieved in the year that the installations are complete.
27422	An individual	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	Very difficult to quantify without taking all aspect into account. Solar panels require money up front.	Improving Energy Efficiency (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The council will continue to explore opportunities for reducing the energy bill through the use of renewable energy solutions. The council currently uses Biomass and solar PV panels to generate energy in some council buildings. Other Renewables will be looked at for incorporation where economically and practically viable.
27423	An individual	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	Is the council receiving income from the Scottish Power Services for producing extra wind power electricity since so many have been installed in West Lothian over the last 5 years?	Improving Energy Efficiency (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	The council is receiving income from installing renewable energy generation sources.
27424	An individual	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	Also, income from solar panel schemes which have been fitted to council housing - does the council not receive any extra income from the power companies for this too?	Improving Energy Efficiency (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	The council is receiving income from installing renewable energy generation sources.
27425	An employee of West Lothian Council	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	More and wider developments of renewable energy sources used across the council including Xmas lighting and finding away to provide within the community.	Improving Energy Efficiency (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The council will continue to explore opportunities for reducing the energy bill through the use of renewable energy solutions. The council currently uses Biomass and solar PV panels to generate energy in some council buildings. Other Renewables will be looked at for incorporation where economically and practically viable.
27426	An employee of West Lothian Council	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	look at solar power / wind turbines to generate power in council buildings	Improving Energy Efficiency (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council will continue to explore opportunities for reducing the energy bill through the use of renewable energy solutions. The council currently uses Biomass and solar PV panels to generate energy in some council buildings. Other Renewables will be looked at for incorporation where economically and practically viable.

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27427	An employee of West Lothian Council	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	No comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27428	An employee of West Lothian Council	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	I don't know enough about this service to comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27429	An employee of West Lothian Council	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	no comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27430	An individual	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	No comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27431	An employee of West Lothian Council	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	N/A	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27432	An employee of West Lothian Council	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	This survey is too long at there is both too much and not enough information.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27433	An individual	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	In our local area the work took at least 2x longer than it needed to. Also, rather than doing it right first time, corners were cut = more ££££££££	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27434	An individual	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	However, in order to make savings, how much will this initially cost?	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27435	An individual	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	I don't understand budgeting advantages and restraints enough to comment.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27436	An employee of West Lothian Council	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	i dont not know wat this means	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27437	An individual	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	spend to save	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27438	An individual	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	No comment on this	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27439	An individual	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	-	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27440	An employee of West Lothian Council	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	N/a	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27441	An individual	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	No comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27442	An individual	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	No comment.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27443	No Response	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	dgdg	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27444	An individual	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	nil	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27445	An individual	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	No Comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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27446	An employee of West Lothian Council	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	No comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27447	An individual	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	No comment.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27448	An individual	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	How much does this cost? What is the overall saving? Is it really worth it?	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27449	An individual	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	More information is needed	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27450	An individual	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	walking. you loose weight!	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27451	An individual	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	Too technical to have sensible comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27452	An individual	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	No comments	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27453	An individual	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	No comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27454	An employee of West Lothian Council	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	No comments	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27455	An employee of West Lothian Council	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	NO COMMENT	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27456	An individual	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	couldn't care less	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27457	An individual	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	No comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27458	An employee of West Lothian Council	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	N/a	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27459	No Response	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	Not enough information to provide comment.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27460	An individual	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	This belongs in the environment section	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27461	An individual	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	The reduced lighting in our road is unsatisfactory since it was changed a couple of years ago. Safety should be taken into account as well as savings.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27462	An individual	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	No comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27463	An individual	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	I'm fed up now & don't want to answer any more, this is ridiculous.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27464	An individual	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	No comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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27465	An employee of West Lothian Council	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	The council have not provided enough indepth information for me to make an informed comment on this, as all information about this whole consultation is more secret that area 51.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27466	An individual	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	nil	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27467	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	No comments	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27468	An individual	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	unable to comment as not in plain english	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27469	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	5e. Reducing Carbon Emissions & Improving Energy Efficiency	No Comment.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27470	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	1. agree, this would be in line with other councils.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27471	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	2. agree, although charges should not be too high.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27472	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	3. agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27473	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	4. agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27474	No Response	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Agree to all suggested proposals	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27475	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	agree with prosposals	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27476	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	This is much clearer. I support these suggestions.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27477	An employee of West Lothian Council	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27478	An employee of West Lothian Council	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	I agree with the 4 points above	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27479	An employee of West Lothian Council	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	I fully agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27480	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Cautiously agree.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27481	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Thatâ€™s fair	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27482	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	I think the council should start to charge/increase charges for specific services.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27483	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Agree 100%	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27484	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	6. Agree overall with review of fees and charges.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27485	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Agreed that the council should generate income wherever it can.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27486	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	yes to all of these	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27487	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Absolutely agree.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27488	An employee of West Lothian Council	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Not surprised that this policy may come in to force	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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27489	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Council should take every opportunity to increase income to prevent further reductions to council services	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27490	An employee of West Lothian Council	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Yes, big chance to make money.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27491	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	1, 2, 4 I agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27492	An employee of West Lothian Council	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	I agree that the council should be looking to maximise all opportunities to generate income.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27493	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Agree this proposal.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27494	An employee of West Lothian Council	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	All looks fair enough to me.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27495	No Response	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Have no objection	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27496	An employee of West Lothian Council	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	I think that these proposed charges are reasonable.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27497	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Glad that there is a financial assessment of affordability involved.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27498	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Yes, must charge more if necessary.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27499	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Yes, seems reasonable	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27500	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	good idea if it works	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27501	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Sounds reasonable as long as this is not a deterrent to their use.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27502	An employee of West Lothian Council	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	all of these options appear to be fair.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27503	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	3. I agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27504	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	All these proposals sound worth while so long as the most needy people are considered.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27505	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Agreed but must be in line with external bodys etc etc	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27506	An employee of West Lothian Council	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27507	An employee of West Lothian Council	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Seems sensible	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27508	An employee of West Lothian Council	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	I agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27509	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27510	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27511	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Makes sense.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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27512	An employee of West Lothian Council	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27513	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27514	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	I agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27515	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Agree.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27516	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	happy with this	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27517	An employee of West Lothian Council	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27518	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27519	No Response	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27520	An employee of West Lothian Council	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	agree with above	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27521	An employee of West Lothian Council	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	About time	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27522	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Positive	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27523	An employee of West Lothian Council	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Agree with all of these proposals.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27524	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	I support all of these suggestions.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27525	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	This sounds acceptable	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27526	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	I think this makes sense as long as it is scrutinised and subject to the financial assessment of affordability.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27527	An employee of West Lothian Council	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	I fully agree with this proposal	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27528	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Sounds very reasonable!	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27529	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Yes, I would agree.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27530	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Yes - generate a income. It is essential	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27531	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	I support this change	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27532	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	I agree with the Council's proposals for the moment to see how they all work out. Thank you.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27533	An employee of West Lothian Council	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Point 1 - agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27534	An employee of West Lothian Council	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Point 3 - Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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27535	An employee of West Lothian Council	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Point 4 - agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27536	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Rest of them sounds good to me.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27537	An employee of West Lothian Council	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	has to be done.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27538	An employee of West Lothian Council	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	1. fair enough	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27539	An employee of West Lothian Council	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	2. fair enough	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27540	An employee of West Lothian Council	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	OH YES about time	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27541	An employee of West Lothian Council	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Sounds good but again the devil is in the details!	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27542	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Agree with all of this. The council should not be scared of asking pensioners to make a greater contribution, given their triple locked incomes.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27543	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	It seems inevitable that some charges should be made.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27544	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	If the council was a private company this would be done immediately. Why is it not ? Could it lose votes ?	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27545	An employee of West Lothian Council	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Agree with all of the above.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27546	No Response	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	I agree that where people are able to pay that they should be asked to do so	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27547	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	I AGREE THAT WHERE POSSIBLE THOSE THAN CAN CONTRIBUTE TO USE OF SERVICES SHOULD DO SO	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27548	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Agree with nominal charging for services as people cannot expect everything to be entirely free for them.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27549	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	3. Agree or even better - sell all the property off at market value and close the whole department	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27550	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Agree the council should introduce a charge for blue badges	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27551	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	1. Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27552	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	3. Agree. Needs to be far more commercially savvy in approach.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27553	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	4. Agree Not enough information on non-residential care services to make an informed response.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27554	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Must maximise income	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27555	An employee of West Lothian Council	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Would agree with this.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27556	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27557	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	ok.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27558	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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27559	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	This sounds reasonable.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27560	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Agreed.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27561	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27562	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	good idea	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27563	No Response	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Sounds fine.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27564	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27565	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Sounds reasonable	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27566	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	OK	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27567	An employee of West Lothian Council	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27568	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	I would support this.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27569	An employee of West Lothian Council	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27570	An employee of West Lothian Council	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Good	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27571	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Acceptable	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27572	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27573	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	great idea	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27574	An employee of West Lothian Council	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Yes I agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27575	An employee of West Lothian Council	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	agree with proposal	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27576	An employee of West Lothian Council	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Completely agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27577	An employee of West Lothian Council	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27578	An employee of West Lothian Council	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27579	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27580	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27581	No Response	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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27582	An employee of West Lothian Council	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Agree with all of these proposals.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27583	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Charge those who can afford it if you want	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27584	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	I agree this needs reviewed. But for votes we are used to free.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27585	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	3 - yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27586	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	4 - yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27587	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	agree with 2,3 and 4	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27588	An employee of West Lothian Council	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	agree with charges for all of the above	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27589	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Absolutely should charge for parking, not least because it will help to reduce traffic.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27590	An employee of West Lothian Council	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Agree with the above.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27591	An employee of West Lothian Council	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	This seems rational	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27592	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Needs must.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27593	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	I believe this would work as it is a small change that makes a big difference.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27594	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27595	An employee of West Lothian Council	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27596	An employee of West Lothian Council	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Would agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27597	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Good	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27598	An employee of West Lothian Council	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Agree with all proposals.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27599	An employee of West Lothian Council	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	4. Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27600	An employee of West Lothian Council	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27601	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	I am in favour of all of these. Some may be unpopular but the balance does seem tipped too far away from raising the necessary cash to make certain schemes viable.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27602	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	I agree that those who can afford to pay, should do so. I agree with points 1,2,3,and 4 above	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27603	An employee of West Lothian Council	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Agree that the council needs to maximise all of its potential income streams if the Scottish Government is not going to provide sufficient money to fund services	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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27604	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	This makes sense given the climate and provision offered.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27605	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	This seems a fair proposal.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27606	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	All seem reasonable proposals in the circumstances.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27607	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	1. Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27608	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	2. Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27609	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Saving seems worthwhile.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27610	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Agree with council car park charges.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27611	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	100% agree with utilising rental income	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27612	No Response	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	I think it is a difficult , but necessary saving. We are in debt and have to swallow difficult pills.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27613	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	I support.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27614	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	agree. if people can afford to contribute to their care, it is right and fair to pay towards services	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27615	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Supported however should not be seen as a cash cow with charges escalating beyond inflation.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27616	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	I would support all of these proposals.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27617	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Generally in agreement	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27618	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	As 1A - Excellent if all of the above are carried out. However on current personally experienced performance it will take a huge effort to even provide an improvement. Further why has the " efficiency and effectiveness" not been applied to current procedures. No real criteria to be reach is actually stated and the starting point for these " efficiency and effectiveness" upgrade to services is not evident. Vagueness in targets to achieve . How will residents know when this is achieved?	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27619	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Fully agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27620	An employee of West Lothian Council	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	This appears to be a reasonable proposal.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27621	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	I agree with raising revenue this way.Charging for blue badges is something other councils do at the moment.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27622	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27623	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27624	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	I agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27625	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27626	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Ok	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27627	An employee of West Lothian Council	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27628	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27629	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Agree with this.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27630	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Fair enough.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27631	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Fair enough	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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27632	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Good idea.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27633	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	This sounds reasonable.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27634	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Sounds like a good idea!	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27635	An employee of West Lothian Council	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27636	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	I agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27637	An employee of West Lothian Council	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Agree.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27638	An employee of West Lothian Council	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	I agree with this.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27639	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	I agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27640	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	okay	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27641	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	I do agree with the other suggestions.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27642	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	This would work , as long as the assessments are carried out with care and dignity.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27643	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	ok	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27644	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Support this proposal	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27645	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Sounds fair	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27646	An employee of West Lothian Council	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27647	An employee of West Lothian Council	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27648	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27649	An employee of West Lothian Council	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	all are good proposals	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27650	An employee of West Lothian Council	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Totally agree with this approach.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27651	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	i would be happy if there was a charging for council car parks, with the exception of areas around Partnership Centres and if council staff are exempt when carrying out service provision.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27652	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Agree with charge for blue badges and rental income.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27653	No Response	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Agree with charge for Blue Badges	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27654	No Response	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Agree with charge for rental income	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27655	No Response	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Agree with charge for transport.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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27656	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Agree this is now essential.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27657	No Response	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27658	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Agreed.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27659	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	fine with the above proposals	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27660	An employee of West Lothian Council	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	I think it is prudent to charge for some services as long as this is based on an assessment of affordability as suggested.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27661	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	I understand the need to introduce charges especially if this results in older people continuing to be eligible for free personal care and free nursing care.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27662	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27663	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27664	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27665	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	A reasonable approach.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27666	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	I agree with these proposals.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27667	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	I agree with maximising rental income.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27668	An employee of West Lothian Council	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Yes if they can contribute this should be put in place.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27669	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Makes perfect sense and is normal in all other workplaces.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27670	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	I see no objection in principle to charging for certain services.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27671	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Agree with all these proposals	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27672	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Agree that people should pay what they can afford for council services. Universal benefits and free services for many on high incomes or with savings is unethical when so many are struggling to make ends meet	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27673	An employee of West Lothian Council	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	I agree with this proposal if it helps sustain critical services	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27674	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	I agree with 1. to 4. above however, you work hard for 50 years and save for your old age provision to have it snatched from you because you can "afford to pay".	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27675	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Reluctantly agree.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27676	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	I feel some of these costs are appropriate.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27677	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Agree with most of these proposals	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27678	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	I agree with the proposals provided the criteria is followed -- only those who can afford to pay will be required to make a contribution.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27679	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Absolutely. All should contribute for what they use Community transport could charge	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27680	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Do not have a problem with these initiatives, as long as they are fair	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27681	An employee of West Lothian Council	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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27682	No Response	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	this seems sensible	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27683	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Fair enough	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27684	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Fine	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27685	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Agree for blue badge holders to pay a fee.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27686	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	3. Agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27687	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	4. Agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27688	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Agree with ethos of those that can pay more should.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27689	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	i strongly agree with all of your recommendations above	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27690	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	1. Agreed.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27691	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	2. Agreed.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27692	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	3. Agreed.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27693	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	4. Agreed. All should be means-tested.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27694	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	agree with most of these	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27695	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	It seems reasonable to means test these services	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27696	An employee of West Lothian Council	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Agree - attempts should be made to maximise income.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27697	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Agree with all of these proposals.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27698	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	No 3 should be implemented.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27699	An employee of West Lothian Council	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	I fully support these measures.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27700	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	£20 blue badge agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27701	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27702	An employee of West Lothian Council	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27703	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27704	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Support	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27705	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	OK	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27706	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	ok	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27707	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27708	An employee of West Lothian Council	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	I agree with this proposal.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27709	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	I agree with 1 - 4	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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27710	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Agreed. Undesirable but necessary.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27711	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27712	An employee of West Lothian Council	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Agreed.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27713	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Ok	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27714	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27715	An employee of West Lothian Council	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27716	An employee of West Lothian Council	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Agree with these proposals	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27717	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	I fully agree that charges should be implemented immediately	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27718	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Yes. Get smart, and more commercial in your approach.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27719	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	No Issues.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27720	An employee of West Lothian Council	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27721	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Sounds fine.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27722	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Fine	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27723	No Response	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27724	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Yes these seem a good plan	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27725	An employee of West Lothian Council	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	I do not think the £20 charge for a blue badge is excessive.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27726	An employee of West Lothian Council	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Yes go for it	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27727	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	This is unfortunate but probably necessary.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27728	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	okay	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27729	An employee of West Lothian Council	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27730	An employee of West Lothian Council	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27731	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	ok	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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27732	An employee of West Lothian Council	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	I agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27733	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Necessary if regrettable	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27734	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Look okay as it is possible to evaluate given the vague descriptions given in the 'Transforming Your Council'	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27735	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	I agree with the proposal.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27736	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	All proposals are sound.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27737	No Response	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Introduction of charging for council car parks - no issue	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27738	No Response	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	no problem providing charges are not prohibitive.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27739	An employee of West Lothian Council	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Disagree strongly with this.	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27740	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	1. I do not agree to a charge for Blue Badges	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27741	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	2. Definitely not	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27742	No Response	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Don't agree	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27743	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Charge the poorest in society, fantastic plan guys.....	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27744	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	I do not agree with this.	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27745	An employee of West Lothian Council	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	this won't go down well!	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27746	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	I don't feel this would be a good idea	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27747	No Response	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	This is complete & utter crap ! this must be coming from someone who has not got a blue badge.	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27748	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Totally disagree every one gets older one day punishing the elderly is not an option	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27749	No Response	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Disagree.	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27750	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Hugely disagree with all of the above.	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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27751	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	No to blue badge proposal!	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27752	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Dont agree with most of this. Disabled people should not be penalised.	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27753	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	1. Disagree - If the person needs a Blue Badge and additiona lcharge should not be levied	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27754	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Do not agree	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27755	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Unacceptable	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27756	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	1. No	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27757	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	4. Thin end of the wedge....a definite no.	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27758	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Disagree with charge for.blue badge holders.	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27759	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	I strongly agree with the above.	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27760	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	You're actually proposing that disabled people, the ones who are more likely to be unemployed and on low incomes, get charged £20 for a disabled badge????????? It's not like it's a "nice to have". Blue badges are a lifeline. The idea of implementing an additional charge on people who have already had to apply for disability benefits in order to get the badge in the first place shows how inefficient and wasteful the council policy planning can actually be.	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27761	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	It is hard enough surviving on the crappy amount you get when disabled and unable to work without being penalised for lack of mobility cause by illness or pain or disability of another kind. £20 looks small but is enormous when you don't have it. Seriously you are considering discriminating against people who struggle daily just to leave then house! That is plain wrong and has obviously been thought of by someone with no experience of the debilitating lives blue badge holders lead.	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27762	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	no	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27763	No Response	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Don't agree	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27764	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	I do not agree with the introduction of charges for all council car parks.	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27765	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Disagree with charging for council car park - This could potentially lead to less spending in the area.	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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27766	No Response	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Disagree with council car park charging - This could stop people coming into the area to spend.	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27767	An employee of West Lothian Council	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	DO NOT AGREE WITH CHARGES FOR CAR PARKS	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27768	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	NO Quite simply 1 and 4 are a tax on the elderly and disabled. A charge on car parks will reduce use and will make it more difficult for users to access facilities. It will not raise enough income to offset the disadvantages.	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27769	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	disagree with all of the above 4 points. Things should be free for everyone.	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27770	No Response	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Not keen - charging people who are in need of support does not seem right.	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27771	An employee of West Lothian Council	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	I do not agree with this at all.	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27772	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	No!!! Nice to hear the older people are still eligible for free personal and nursing care but what about the younger disabled people. People with disability tend to earn less. Parent with disabled children already pay more. I don't think charging them extra is acceptable. In fact I think it is outrageous. If the council is closing so many buildings to consolidate social services departments and disabled care center as strongly hinted in the previous questions in this document then the council should not propose to charge money for the transport of the most vulnerable to these central buildings. Anyone of us could be disabled tomorrow because of a freak accident. The reasons I pay taxes is that if this happens to me or my wife or my neighbours tomorrow, I know the government will take care of me, my wife or my neighbours to an extent. I do not agree at all with this proposal.	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27773	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Disagree about car park fees	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27774	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	i object to all proposals as elected members should stand up and demand that Scottish government review their funding and policies and represent the local population who elected them.	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27775	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	I completely agree with this apart from charging to use council car parks. I am disabled and have a blue badge, which is a life saver. I use many council facilities but I have to use my car to access them as I have very limited mobility. If I had to pay to park at council facilities I would virtually housebound as I would simply not be able to afford to pay to park each time I went swimming or used the library or my local neighbourhood network facility. I can manage a Â£20 payment for my blue badge every 3 years but to have to pay to park almost every time I left the house would mean I would have to reduce my already reduced shopping bill even further. These council facilities are my life line but my budget is very restricted.	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27776	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Feel that the proposal to charge Â£20 for a Blue Badge is focusing on disabled people again.	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27777	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	one step forward in a road of 10 miles	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27778	An employee of West Lothian Council	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	No comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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27779	An employee of West Lothian Council	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	4. I don't understand this change.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27780	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	4. No comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27781	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	some one needs to have there eye tested	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27782	An employee of West Lothian Council	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	no comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27783	An employee of West Lothian Council	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	This survey is too long at there is both too much and not enough information.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27784	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	I don't understand budgeting advantages and restraints enough to comment.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27785	An employee of West Lothian Council	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	they neec to stop change stuff	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27786	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Means testing costs money!	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27787	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Look at the folk who never work	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27788	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	No comment on this	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27789	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	-	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27790	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	No comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27791	An employee of West Lothian Council	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	N/a	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27792	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	No comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27793	No Response	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Run out of time	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27794	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	50% through this survey and itâ€™s taken 25 minutes - is this some sort of joke ?	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27795	An employee of West Lothian Council	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	4. Introduction of a charge for transport services reflecting greater use of outreach services - not sure what this covers?	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27796	An employee of West Lothian Council	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	4. Not sure what outreach is?	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27797	No Response	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	dgdgd	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27798	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	nil	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27799	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	No Comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27800	An employee of West Lothian Council	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	No comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27801	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	No comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27802	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Who thinks these ideas up!	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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27803	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	I do not have any comment on maximising the rental income, I don't have enough information to comment on the charge for transport services.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27804	An employee of West Lothian Council	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	no comment.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27805	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	This has to be sensible.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27806	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Cant comment on the charge for transport as I don't know what this covers.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27807	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	More information needed	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27808	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	No comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27809	No Response	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	xxx	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27810	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	No idea about this	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27811	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Not sure about options 1 and 2.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27812	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Not sure about car parking charges	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27813	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	No comment.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27814	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Income - See the legendary regular Linlithgow gazette correspondent ### ## of Linlithgow about litter/dog wardens' costs and (the poor) income generated and apply the principles.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27815	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Not enough detail of contributions policy for non residents care services.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27816	An employee of West Lothian Council	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	If blue badges are required then a charge for them is punishing the infirm, I would be against this move.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - Blue Badges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The £20 charge will be to cover the cost of administering blue badge applications as set out by the Scottish Government. We continually review what other local authorities charge for services to ensure that we remain fair and consistent
27817	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	All other councils charge for blue badges. Why not WLC?	Reviewing Income and Concessions - Blue Badges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The £20 charge will be to cover the cost of administering blue badge applications as set out by the Scottish Government. We continually review what other local authorities charge for services to ensure that we remain fair and consistent
27818	An employee of West Lothian Council	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	SUPPORT CHARGES AS MOST PEOPLE WILL HAVE DLA OR PIP.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - Blue Badges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The £20 charge will be to cover the cost of administering blue badge applications as set out by the Scottish Government. We continually review what other local authorities charge for services to ensure that we remain fair and consistent
27819	An employee of West Lothian Council	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	The most disabled in our society are in receipt of blue badges. They should NOT be asked to pay an admin fee. They often have the lowest income.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - Blue Badges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The £20 charge will be to cover the cost of administering blue badge applications as set out by the Scottish Government. We continually review what other local authorities charge for services to ensure that we remain fair and consistent
27820	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	The A£20 charge for Blue Badges seems fair as most other councils are already doing this.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - Blue Badges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The £20 charge will be to cover the cost of administering blue badge applications as set out by the Scottish Government. We continually review what other local authorities charge for services to ensure that we remain fair and consistent
27821	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	I disagree with charging blue badge holders you are targeting most vulnerable people in the community .	Reviewing Income and Concessions - Blue Badges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27822	An employee of West Lothian Council	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Where the council can charge for services such as the blue badge scheme it must. Maximising income is important and residents will soon understand that the council can not keep delivering services free of charge.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - Blue Badges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The £20 charge will be to cover the cost of administering blue badge applications as set out by the Scottish Government. We continually review what other local authorities charge for services to ensure that we remain fair and consistent

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27823	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Agree on admin charge for blue badges. There should also be small admin charge for lost bus passes (if clients require replacement more than once) as some clients are passing bus passes on to other people and then ordering replacements which is currently free.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - Blue Badges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The £20 charge will be to cover the cost of administering blue badge applications as set out by the Scottish Government. We continually review what other local authorities charge for services to ensure that we remain fair and consistent
27824	An employee of West Lothian Council	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	I would prefer that there be a charge for any replacement blue badges rather than an initial cost	Reviewing Income and Concessions - Blue Badges	5b. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it is likely that the costs of this proposal would outweigh the benefit.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27825	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Don't hit the weakest with charges. No to blue badge charging.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - Blue Badges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27826	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	I am against introducing charges for blue badges and particularly transport services. as a disabled person, I am reliant on help to get about and survive on minimal financial help.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - Blue Badges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The £20 charge will be to cover the cost of administering blue badge applications as set out by the Scottish Government. We continually review what other local authorities charge for services to ensure that we remain fair and consistent
27827	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	The cost of set up, maintenance of collecting a £20 fee for blue badges is unlikely to generate much revenue.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - Blue Badges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The £20 charge will be to cover the cost of administering blue badge applications as set out by the Scottish Government. We continually review what other local authorities charge for services to ensure that we remain fair and consistent
27828	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Blue badge administration should be charged to cover all staff time. Provision of disabled parking bays should be charged for as this must come at great expense to the Council.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - Blue Badges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The £20 charge will be to cover the cost of administering blue badge applications as set out by the Scottish Government. We continually review what other local authorities charge for services to ensure that we remain fair and consistent
27829	An employee of West Lothian Council	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Verify that individuals initially qualify for a blue badge.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - Blue Badges	4. The council is already doing this.	The Council is required to conduct an eligibility assessment prior to awarding a blue badge.
27830	An employee of West Lothian Council	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	most other authorities charge for admin of blue badges so this should have been done years ago.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - Blue Badges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The £20 charge will be to cover the cost of administering blue badge applications as set out by the Scottish Government. We continually review what other local authorities charge for services to ensure that we remain fair and consistent
27831	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	This is a great idea these things cannot go on being free were do people expect this money to come from they all need to play their part a blue badge fee is a fantastic idea its a small contribution	Reviewing Income and Concessions - Blue Badges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The £20 charge will be to cover the cost of administering blue badge applications as set out by the Scottish Government. We continually review what other local authorities charge for services to ensure that we remain fair and consistent
27832	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Blue Badge admin fee- seems fair car park charging - West Lothian is a lot of separate villages, generally low incomes and some areas are poorly served by public transport.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - Blue Badges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The £20 charge will be to cover the cost of administering blue badge applications as set out by the Scottish Government. We continually review what other local authorities charge for services to ensure that we remain fair and consistent
27833	An employee of West Lothian Council	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	I disagree with the blue badge fee as the individual has to do most of the admin with completing the form and sorting out photographs. Plus the Council need to ensure they provide a very good service when charging such a high amount. I think the charging for council car parks would be acceptable, for example in Livingston you have to pay for most car parks anyway.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - Blue Badges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The £20 charge will be to cover the cost of administering blue badge applications as set out by the Scottish Government. We continually review what other local authorities charge for services to ensure that we remain fair and consistent
27834	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	I agree that charges should be brought in for blue badge holders. Given the concessions to these individuals in car parking charges this is not a lot of money in comparison.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - Blue Badges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The £20 charge will be to cover the cost of administering blue badge applications as set out by the Scottish Government. We continually review what other local authorities charge for services to ensure that we remain fair and consistent
27835	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	It is almost impossible to get a blue badge anyway so irrelevant	Reviewing Income and Concessions - Blue Badges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The £20 charge will be to cover the cost of administering blue badge applications as set out by the Scottish Government. We continually review what other local authorities charge for services to ensure that we remain fair and consistent

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27836	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Charges for Blue Badges???? Are you crazy? This is disability discrimination! If someone loses their badge then a charge could be made but to charge in general is to discriminate.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - Blue Badges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The £20 charge will be to cover the cost of administering blue badge applications as set out by the Scottish Government. We continually review what other local authorities charge for services to ensure that we remain fair and consistent
27837	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	£20 seems excessive for a blue badge. A fiver would be better if anything.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - Blue Badges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The £20 charge will be to cover the cost of administering blue badge applications as set out by the Scottish Government. We continually review what other local authorities charge for services to ensure that we remain fair and consistent
27838	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Charging those going through a personal crisis and horrible change in life because they require a blue badge is not in the slightest bit empathetic..	Reviewing Income and Concessions - Blue Badges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The £20 charge will be to cover the cost of administering blue badge applications as set out by the Scottish Government. We continually review what other local authorities charge for services to ensure that we remain fair and consistent
27839	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	also for a blue badge I think £100 is a reasonable cost my mother and father both have these and for £100 per annum it is worthwhile	Reviewing Income and Concessions - Blue Badges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The £20 charge will be to cover the cost of administering blue badge applications as set out by the Scottish Government. We continually review what other local authorities charge for services to ensure that we remain fair and consistent
27840	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	charges for blue badges would be welcomed for some as too many people want services for nothing,,,	Reviewing Income and Concessions - Blue Badges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27841	No Response	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Blue badge holder paying the £20 if in receipt of disability benefits.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - Blue Badges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The £20 charge will be to cover the cost of administering blue badge applications as set out by the Scottish Government. We continually review what other local authorities charge for services to ensure that we remain fair and consistent
27842	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	The administrative charge for blue badges is fine as long as more people's circumstances are taken into account.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - Blue Badges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The £20 charge will be to cover the cost of administering blue badge applications as set out by the Scottish Government. We continually review what other local authorities charge for services to ensure that we remain fair and consistent
27843	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Charging for Blue badges is not a good idea people with disabilities should Not Be charged for this service very unfair , pensioners that have blue Badges are living on a limited budget this would be unfair To charge them For This	Reviewing Income and Concessions - Blue Badges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The £20 charge will be to cover the cost of administering blue badge applications as set out by the Scottish Government. We continually review what other local authorities charge for services to ensure that we remain fair and consistent
27844	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Having to pay for a blue badge is wrong as individuals that require these, need them for a reason so that they don't have far to walk, not everyone will pay this therefore increasing the risk of endangerment and risk to health.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - Blue Badges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The £20 charge will be to cover the cost of administering blue badge applications as set out by the Scottish Government. We continually review what other local authorities charge for services to ensure that we remain fair and consistent
27845	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Don't agree with admin charge for blue badges as people don't choose to be disabled but should cut down on fraudulent applications.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - Blue Badges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The £20 charge will be to cover the cost of administering blue badge applications as set out by the Scottish Government. We continually review what other local authorities charge for services to ensure that we remain fair and consistent
27846	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Charging for Blue Badges could be seen as another stealth tax on the already vulnerable, however tackling the numbers of people who apply for the badges when they have no proper reason for does need to be addressed	Reviewing Income and Concessions - Blue Badges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The £20 charge will be to cover the cost of administering blue badge applications as set out by the Scottish Government. We continually review what other local authorities charge for services to ensure that we remain fair and consistent
27847	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Don't agree with blue badge charge.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - Blue Badges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The £20 charge will be to cover the cost of administering blue badge applications as set out by the Scottish Government. We continually review what other local authorities charge for services to ensure that we remain fair and consistent
27848	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	I thought there was already a £20 blue badge charge.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - Blue Badges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The £20 charge will be to cover the cost of administering blue badge applications as set out by the Scottish Government. We continually review what other local authorities charge for services to ensure that we remain fair and consistent

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27849	An employee of West Lothian Council	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Agree with admin charges for blue badges	Reviewing Income and Concessions - Blue Badges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The £20 charge will be to cover the cost of administering blue badge applications as set out by the Scottish Government. We continually review what other local authorities charge for services to ensure that we remain fair and consistent
27850	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Those who require a blue badge may not be in a position to work and therefore Â£20 is quite a lot of money but perhaps an administration fee could be introduced?.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - Blue Badges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The £20 charge will be to cover the cost of administering blue badge applications as set out by the Scottish Government. We continually review what other local authorities charge for services to ensure that we remain fair and consistent
27851	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Yes it is good that rich pensioners are being asked to pay their way.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - Blue Badges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The £20 charge will be to cover the cost of administering blue badge applications as set out by the Scottish Government. We continually review what other local authorities charge for services to ensure that we remain fair and consistent
27852	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	1. Agree with the introduction of Â£20 for blue badges - as a pensioner I still see this as a good deal for three years of free parking and street parking.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - Blue Badges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The £20 charge will be to cover the cost of administering blue badge applications as set out by the Scottish Government. We continually review what other local authorities charge for services to ensure that we remain fair and consistent
27853	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Also there should be fines for people that are found to misuse the blue badge.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - Blue Badges	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	The £20 charge will be to cover the cost of administering blue badge applications as set out by the Scottish Government. We continually review what other local authorities charge for services to ensure that we remain fair and consistent
27854	An employee of West Lothian Council	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Blue badge charge is understandable	Reviewing Income and Concessions - Blue Badges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The £20 charge will be to cover the cost of administering blue badge applications as set out by the Scottish Government. We continually review what other local authorities charge for services to ensure that we remain fair and consistent
27855	An employee of West Lothian Council	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Blue badge admin charge is charged in many authorities and should be implemented - this may also stop some customer from applying that do not require the badge in the first place.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - Blue Badges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The £20 charge will be to cover the cost of administering blue badge applications as set out by the Scottish Government. We continually review what other local authorities charge for services to ensure that we remain fair and consistent
27856	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Definitely charge for blue badge	Reviewing Income and Concessions - Blue Badges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The £20 charge will be to cover the cost of administering blue badge applications as set out by the Scottish Government. We continually review what other local authorities charge for services to ensure that we remain fair and consistent
27857	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Everyone should pay for blue badge,	Reviewing Income and Concessions - Blue Badges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The £20 charge will be to cover the cost of administering blue badge applications as set out by the Scottish Government. We continually review what other local authorities charge for services to ensure that we remain fair and consistent
27858	An employee of West Lothian Council	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Start charging for blue badges	Reviewing Income and Concessions - Blue Badges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The £20 charge will be to cover the cost of administering blue badge applications as set out by the Scottish Government. We continually review what other local authorities charge for services to ensure that we remain fair and consistent
27859	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Â£20 doesn't seem bad but after everything people go through to prove they need one, charging seems a bit much. Especially if low income.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - Blue Badges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The £20 charge will be to cover the cost of administering blue badge applications as set out by the Scottish Government. We continually review what other local authorities charge for services to ensure that we remain fair and consistent
27860	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Outrageous blue badge holders don't pay. They often get DLA and attendance allowance.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - Blue Badges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The £20 charge will be to cover the cost of administering blue badge applications as set out by the Scottish Government. We continually review what other local authorities charge for services to ensure that we remain fair and consistent

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27861	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Blue badge holders receive PIP and would be able to afford the £20.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - Blue Badges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The £20 charge will be to cover the cost of administering blue badge applications as set out by the Scottish Government. We continually review what other local authorities charge for services to ensure that we remain fair and consistent
27862	An employee of West Lothian Council	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	1. I support the introduction of admin charges for blue badges.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - Blue Badges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The £20 charge will be to cover the cost of administering blue badge applications as set out by the Scottish Government. We continually review what other local authorities charge for services to ensure that we remain fair and consistent
27863	No Response	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Disabled people who need the blue badge do not have the money to pay for one.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - Blue Badges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The £20 charge will be to cover the cost of administering blue badge applications as set out by the Scottish Government. We continually review what other local authorities charge for services to ensure that we remain fair and consistent
27864	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	No charge for blue badges	Reviewing Income and Concessions - Blue Badges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The £20 charge will be to cover the cost of administering blue badge applications as set out by the Scottish Government. We continually review what other local authorities charge for services to ensure that we remain fair and consistent
27865	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Agree but would have been helpful to know the full list of charges that you propose.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - Blue Badges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27866	An employee of West Lothian Council	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	I agree that charges to cover costs are absolutely fine.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - Blue Badges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27867	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	I don't agree with 1 but do agree with 2-4	Reviewing Income and Concessions - Blue Badges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The £20 charge will be to cover the cost of administering blue badge applications as set out by the Scottish Government. We continually review what other local authorities charge for services to ensure that we remain fair and consistent
27868	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	As a blue badge holder of 79 years of age, I would find this just another tax on older people and conflicts with your focus on OAPs. In my working life I have paid income tax, local tax and insurance stamp tax and even in retirement pay further income tax. I feel I have paid for any entitlement as opposed to immigrants just arrived.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - Blue Badges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The £20 charge will be to cover the cost of administering blue badge applications as set out by the Scottish Government. We continually review what other local authorities charge for services to ensure that we remain fair and consistent
27869	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	1) yes people with a blue badge should be on PIP so they have the money	Reviewing Income and Concessions - Blue Badges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The £20 charge will be to cover the cost of administering blue badge applications as set out by the Scottish Government. We continually review what other local authorities charge for services to ensure that we remain fair and consistent
27870	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	£20 for a blue badge is reasonable	Reviewing Income and Concessions - Blue Badges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The £20 charge will be to cover the cost of administering blue badge applications as set out by the Scottish Government. We continually review what other local authorities charge for services to ensure that we remain fair and consistent
27871	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	1. I would be willing to pay the administrative charge on administering the blue badge	Reviewing Income and Concessions - Blue Badges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The £20 charge will be to cover the cost of administering blue badge applications as set out by the Scottish Government. We continually review what other local authorities charge for services to ensure that we remain fair and consistent
27872	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	I agree	Reviewing Income and Concessions - Blue Badges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27873	No Response	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Don't agree with charging £20 for Blue Badge would affect pensioners. Some may even not have £20.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - Blue Badges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The £20 charge will be to cover the cost of administering blue badge applications as set out by the Scottish Government. We continually review what other local authorities charge for services to ensure that we remain fair and consistent
27874	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	I agree with the cost of £20 for a blue badge as a lot of these people can afford this and over the year will save on parking charges.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - Blue Badges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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27875	An employee of West Lothian Council	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	A Blue Badge administration fee is something many council's have already, so this makes sense.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - Blue Badges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The £20 charge will be to cover the cost of administering blue badge applications as set out by the Scottish Government. We continually review what other local authorities charge for services to ensure that we remain fair and consistent
27876	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Agree with all of 1 to 4	Reviewing Income and Concessions - Blue Badges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27877	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Agree with annual payment for blue badge think Â£30.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - Blue Badges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The £20 charge will be to cover the cost of administering blue badge applications as set out by the Scottish Government. We continually review what other local authorities charge for services to ensure that we remain fair and consistent
27878	An employee of West Lothian Council	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	I think people in need of a blue badge will find it difficult to pay Â£20 for one, I would review this so people are not isolated.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - Blue Badges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The £20 charge will be to cover the cost of administering blue badge applications as set out by the Scottish Government. We continually review what other local authorities charge for services to ensure that we remain fair and consistent
27879	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Point 1 seems a bit harsh - far better to catch and fine those who abuse the badge (many do).	Reviewing Income and Concessions - Blue Badges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The £20 charge will be to cover the cost of administering blue badge applications as set out by the Scottish Government. We continually review what other local authorities charge for services to ensure that we remain fair and consistent
27880	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Fines for blue badge abuse should be a deterrent. They are not.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - Blue Badges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The £20 charge will be to cover the cost of administering blue badge applications as set out by the Scottish Government. We continually review what other local authorities charge for services to ensure that we remain fair and consistent
27881	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Don't understand all of this proposal, however, I do agree to the introduction of admin charge for blue badges - although small, it would help	Reviewing Income and Concessions - Blue Badges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27882	An employee of West Lothian Council	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Charging for blue badges seems very worrying and would effect the most vulnerable in our society.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - Blue Badges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The £20 charge will be to cover the cost of administering blue badge applications as set out by the Scottish Government. We continually review what other local authorities charge for services to ensure that we remain fair and consistent
27883	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Charging the elderly and disabled for the blue badge seems very unfair though.s	Reviewing Income and Concessions - Blue Badges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The £20 charge will be to cover the cost of administering blue badge applications as set out by the Scottish Government. We continually review what other local authorities charge for services to ensure that we remain fair and consistent
27884	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Items 1 - absolutely not! Charging those on the lowest incomes for items which help them to function in their daily life is not on, particularly when Westminster have already hit them hard. Grab from the poorest in times of need? NO!	Reviewing Income and Concessions - Blue Badges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The £20 charge will be to cover the cost of administering blue badge applications as set out by the Scottish Government. We continually review what other local authorities charge for services to ensure that we remain fair and consistent
27885	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Charging a fee for blue badges and lost blue badges would be acceptable	Reviewing Income and Concessions - Blue Badges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The £20 charge will be to cover the cost of administering blue badge applications as set out by the Scottish Government. We continually review what other local authorities charge for services to ensure that we remain fair and consistent
27886	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Income generation is essential but it needs to consider the impact on people on low income and if someone has a PIP then a charge could be set against this.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - Blue Badges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The £20 charge will be to cover the cost of administering blue badge applications as set out by the Scottish Government. We continually review what other local authorities charge for services to ensure that we remain fair and consistent
27887	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	1 - think this is not a good idea, better review of people who use blue badges! Seems to me alot parked at supermarkets do not need them.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - Blue Badges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The £20 charge will be to cover the cost of administering blue badge applications as set out by the Scottish Government. We continually review what other local authorities charge for services to ensure that we remain fair and consistent

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27888	An employee of West Lothian Council	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Why should the council provide the provision of free parking? This is a charge that should be implemented, as well as the admin charge for blue badges.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - Blue Badges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The £20 charge will be to cover the cost of administering blue badge applications as set out by the Scottish Government. We continually review what other local authorities charge for services to ensure that we remain fair and consistent
27889	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	I think the blue badge idea is good though, because to get a badge somebody must be receiving DLA so Â£20 charge is more than reasonable	Reviewing Income and Concessions - Blue Badges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The £20 charge will be to cover the cost of administering blue badge applications as set out by the Scottish Government. We continually review what other local authorities charge for services to ensure that we remain fair and consistent
27890	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Not sure charging for blue badges is the right thing to do...	Reviewing Income and Concessions - Blue Badges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The £20 charge will be to cover the cost of administering blue badge applications as set out by the Scottish Government. We continually review what other local authorities charge for services to ensure that we remain fair and consistent
27891	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Administrative charges for blue badge holders should not be implimented. This would negatively impact many disabled people who are reliant on disability benefits	Reviewing Income and Concessions - Blue Badges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The £20 charge will be to cover the cost of administering blue badge applications as set out by the Scottish Government. We continually review what other local authorities charge for services to ensure that we remain fair and consistent
27892	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	no admin fees for blue badges.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - Blue Badges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The £20 charge will be to cover the cost of administering blue badge applications as set out by the Scottish Government. We continually review what other local authorities charge for services to ensure that we remain fair and consistent
27893	An employee of West Lothian Council	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	I do not think charging for Blue Badges is the right approach. This could be considered to be disability discrimination. I would strongly suggest that this be reconsidered as we may face a disability discrimination claim should this be done. In addition, those individuals may not be able to work thus penalising them further for being disabled.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - Blue Badges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The £20 charge will be to cover the cost of administering blue badge applications as set out by the Scottish Government. We continually review what other local authorities charge for services to ensure that we remain fair and consistent
27894	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Charging Â£20 for blue badge is penalising the vulnerable	Reviewing Income and Concessions - Blue Badges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The £20 charge will be to cover the cost of administering blue badge applications as set out by the Scottish Government. We continually review what other local authorities charge for services to ensure that we remain fair and consistent
27895	An employee of West Lothian Council	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	This is difficult, given that charging for a blue badge may be seen as a discriminatory cost. People cannot help their disability, so why should they be charged?	Reviewing Income and Concessions - Blue Badges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The £20 charge will be to cover the cost of administering blue badge applications as set out by the Scottish Government. We continually review what other local authorities charge for services to ensure that we remain fair and consistent
27896	An employee of West Lothian Council	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Charging for blue badges is despicable - these are already only provided to those who meet strict criteria and don't have an alternative.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - Blue Badges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The £20 charge will be to cover the cost of administering blue badge applications as set out by the Scottish Government. We continually review what other local authorities charge for services to ensure that we remain fair and consistent
27897	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	So lets target the most vulnerable? I seriously doubt that it costs Â£20 to admin a blue badge application.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - Blue Badges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The £20 charge will be to cover the cost of administering blue badge applications as set out by the Scottish Government. We continually review what other local authorities charge for services to ensure that we remain fair and consistent
27898	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Charging people an admin charge for a blue badge also won't help. My mother has a blue badge and cannot work because of her condition. Why should she be expected to pay for the badge when she is having to claim benefits to keep up a decent standard of living!	Reviewing Income and Concessions - Blue Badges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The £20 charge will be to cover the cost of administering blue badge applications as set out by the Scottish Government. We continually review what other local authorities charge for services to ensure that we remain fair and consistent
27899	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	1 - no comment as does not affect me	Reviewing Income and Concessions - Blue Badges	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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27900	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	What does this saving mean? Again we have insufficient information relating to the specifics of this saving to make an informed decision on who this will affect and how. Has an equality impact assessment been completed for this saving? Further comments are as follows:- 1. Current administration of Blue Badge Applications requires to be resolved before any charge would be implemented. DWP letter no longer specifies the level of award, it only has a monetary value which means that this letter is not accepted by CIS staff which is not the fault of the disabled person as its a DWP issue - this would require to be resolved to ensure no extra burden is placed on the disabled person. Some people in the group think Â£20 is too high. Would the monies raised after administration costs from the Â£20 charge be used to maintain/upgrade existing and new accessible bays within West Lothian.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - Blue Badges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The £20 charge will be to cover the cost of administering blue badge applications as set out by the Scottish Government. We continually review what other local authorities charge for services to ensure that we remain fair and consistent
27901	An employee of West Lothian Council	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	I agree with charge for blue badges, don't agree with those who can afford to pay have to pay, as they have contributed through out their lives and should be able to have assistance in later life without worry of having to be able to afford care.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - Blue Badges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The £20 charge will be to cover the cost of administering blue badge applications as set out by the Scottish Government. We continually review what other local authorities charge for services to ensure that we remain fair and consistent
27902	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	As a disabled person I can see the need for a Â£20 fee fr Blue badges although I don't really agree with it in principle. Too often now I see drivers parking in the Steel Yard outwith regulated times which would incur a Â£80 fine. I see the police telling people off and rarely issuing tickets. I spent a lot of time around this area in the summer and saw between 20 - 30 vehicles a day flouting regulations. That equates to around Â£2400 per day! You are in a position where people flouting laws are being let off and you are about to start charging Â£20 to disabled people to park legally.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - Blue Badges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The £20 charge will be to cover the cost of administering blue badge applications as set out by the Scottish Government. We continually review what other local authorities charge for services to ensure that we remain fair and consistent
27903	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Badges acceptable	Reviewing Income and Concessions - Blue Badges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The £20 charge will be to cover the cost of administering blue badge applications as set out by the Scottish Government. We continually review what other local authorities charge for services to ensure that we remain fair and consistent
27904	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	I feel charging even this small amount for a blue badge is grossly unfair.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - Blue Badges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The £20 charge will be to cover the cost of administering blue badge applications as set out by the Scottish Government. We continually review what other local authorities charge for services to ensure that we remain fair and consistent
27905	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Donâ€™t agree with charging Â£20.00 for blue badge either.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - Blue Badges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The £20 charge will be to cover the cost of administering blue badge applications as set out by the Scottish Government. We continually review what other local authorities charge for services to ensure that we remain fair and consistent
27906	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Those who need a blue badge should never be penalised. This is punishing the less able.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - Blue Badges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The £20 charge will be to cover the cost of administering blue badge applications as set out by the Scottish Government. We continually review what other local authorities charge for services to ensure that we remain fair and consistent
27907	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Charging for disabled badges is pathetic and discriminatory.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - Blue Badges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The £20 charge will be to cover the cost of administering blue badge applications as set out by the Scottish Government. We continually review what other local authorities charge for services to ensure that we remain fair and consistent
27908	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Agree charge for blue badges to be paid at application to avoid collection issues. Increase rent on council houses as they haven't really risen much for years. Change free bus pass to age 65	Reviewing Income and Concessions - Blue Badges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27909	An employee of West Lothian Council	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	I am a disabled driver and use a blue badge. I wouldn't object to paying for it but what I do mind is when people abuse disabled areas and get away with it. The council could make money from fining people who do this. Having a blue badge is a need not a privilege	Reviewing Income and Concessions - Blue Badges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The £20 charge will be to cover the cost of administering blue badge applications as set out by the Scottish Government. We continually review what other local authorities charge for services to ensure that we remain fair and consistent
27910	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	1. No objections.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - Blue Badges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
27911	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	YES to 1 (blue badge)	Reviewing Income and Concessions - Blue Badges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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27912	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Don't agree with the admin charge for blue badges. Mis-use of the badges should be monitored.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - Blue Badges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The £20 charge will be to cover the cost of administering blue badge applications as set out by the Scottish Government. We continually review what other local authorities charge for services to ensure that we remain fair and consistent
27913	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	I don't think £20 is that much when the person gets supporting benefits.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - Blue Badges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The £20 charge will be to cover the cost of administering blue badge applications as set out by the Scottish Government. We continually review what other local authorities charge for services to ensure that we remain fair and consistent
27914	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	The key thing for me would be whether there are an savings in the long run to introducing charging policies and processes. Would it be more economical for example to ask blue badge applicants to pay the fee if they can afford to rather than fill in a financial assessment form that then has to be checked?	Reviewing Income and Concessions - Blue Badges	5b. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it is likely that the costs of this proposal would outweigh the benefit.	The £20 charge will be to cover the cost of administering blue badge applications as set out by the Scottish Government. We continually review what other local authorities charge for services to ensure that we remain fair and consistent
27915	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Do not agree with charging £20.00 for blue badges	Reviewing Income and Concessions - Blue Badges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The £20 charge will be to cover the cost of administering blue badge applications as set out by the Scottish Government. We continually review what other local authorities charge for services to ensure that we remain fair and consistent
27916	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	I don't think it is fair to charge for the admin relating to providing disabled parking badges.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - Blue Badges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The £20 charge will be to cover the cost of administering blue badge applications as set out by the Scottish Government. We continually review what other local authorities charge for services to ensure that we remain fair and consistent
27917	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Blue badge charge should no be charged on low income groups	Reviewing Income and Concessions - Blue Badges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The £20 charge will be to cover the cost of administering blue badge applications as set out by the Scottish Government. We continually review what other local authorities charge for services to ensure that we remain fair and consistent
27918	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	I would increase blue badges to £50+ They are handed out like sweets and half the people that have them are able enough to walk a reasonable distance	Reviewing Income and Concessions - Blue Badges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The £20 charge will be to cover the cost of administering blue badge applications as set out by the Scottish Government. We continually review what other local authorities charge for services to ensure that we remain fair and consistent
27919	An employee of West Lothian Council	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	A review of all blue badges users requires to be carried out	Reviewing Income and Concessions - Blue Badges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The £20 charge will be to cover the cost of administering blue badge applications as set out by the Scottish Government. We continually review what other local authorities charge for services to ensure that we remain fair and consistent
27920	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	What are 'blue badge'	Reviewing Income and Concessions - Blue Badges	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	The £20 charge will be to cover the cost of administering blue badge applications as set out by the Scottish Government. We continually review what other local authorities charge for services to ensure that we remain fair and consistent
27921	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	1 - should be some hardship option to avoid	Reviewing Income and Concessions - Blue Badges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The £20 charge will be to cover the cost of administering blue badge applications as set out by the Scottish Government. We continually review what other local authorities charge for services to ensure that we remain fair and consistent
27922	An employee of West Lothian Council	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	I do not agree with charging for blue badges. Other than the effect on the wider community this will greatly increase the level of work for staff to collect and recover these payments. As we know that staff levels will be declining it's not then suitable to greatly increase the work load in certain areas.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - Blue Badges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The £20 charge will be to cover the cost of administering blue badge applications as set out by the Scottish Government. We continually review what other local authorities charge for services to ensure that we remain fair and consistent
27923	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	I think charging £20.00 for blue badges a horrible idea	Reviewing Income and Concessions - Blue Badges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The £20 charge will be to cover the cost of administering blue badge applications as set out by the Scottish Government. We continually review what other local authorities charge for services to ensure that we remain fair and consistent

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27924	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	disagree - no charge for blue badges	Reviewing Income and Concessions - Blue Badges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The £20 charge will be to cover the cost of administering blue badge applications as set out by the Scottish Government. We continually review what other local authorities charge for services to ensure that we remain fair and consistent
27925	An employee of West Lothian Council	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	I agree with the admin charge. The council should be consistent, there are admin charges for other services like wraparound, why not blue badge.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - Blue Badges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The £20 charge will be to cover the cost of administering blue badge applications as set out by the Scottish Government. We continually review what other local authorities charge for services to ensure that we remain fair and consistent
27926	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	again charging disabled people £20 for the privilege of having a blue badge because they have a disability. another poor choice	Reviewing Income and Concessions - Blue Badges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The £20 charge will be to cover the cost of administering blue badge applications as set out by the Scottish Government. We continually review what other local authorities charge for services to ensure that we remain fair and consistent
27927	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	I don't feel that charging for the blue badges is any way expensive.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - Blue Badges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The £20 charge will be to cover the cost of administering blue badge applications as set out by the Scottish Government. We continually review what other local authorities charge for services to ensure that we remain fair and consistent
27928	An employee of West Lothian Council	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	I feel it is acceptable to charge for blue badges and again it is something other councils have done.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - Blue Badges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The £20 charge will be to cover the cost of administering blue badge applications as set out by the Scottish Government. We continually review what other local authorities charge for services to ensure that we remain fair and consistent
27929	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	I don't think charging for blue badges is acceptable.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - Blue Badges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The £20 charge will be to cover the cost of administering blue badge applications as set out by the Scottish Government. We continually review what other local authorities charge for services to ensure that we remain fair and consistent
27930	An employee of West Lothian Council	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	1. Introduction of administrative charge of £20 for blue badges - agree with this	Reviewing Income and Concessions - Blue Badges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The £20 charge will be to cover the cost of administering blue badge applications as set out by the Scottish Government. We continually review what other local authorities charge for services to ensure that we remain fair and consistent
27931	An employee of West Lothian Council	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	However, an administration charge of £20:00 is not unreasonable	Reviewing Income and Concessions - Blue Badges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The £20 charge will be to cover the cost of administering blue badge applications as set out by the Scottish Government. We continually review what other local authorities charge for services to ensure that we remain fair and consistent
27932	An employee of West Lothian Council	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	1. Agree there should be an admin fee for blue badges. It's not a lot of money and would cover staff time taken to carry out that function.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - Blue Badges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The £20 charge will be to cover the cost of administering blue badge applications as set out by the Scottish Government. We continually review what other local authorities charge for services to ensure that we remain fair and consistent
27933	An employee of West Lothian Council	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	1. People who need blue badges do not want to need blue badges. Do not penalise them further for this.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - Blue Badges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The £20 charge will be to cover the cost of administering blue badge applications as set out by the Scottish Government. We continually review what other local authorities charge for services to ensure that we remain fair and consistent
27934	An employee of West Lothian Council	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	A £20 charge for blue badges is unfair to those with a disability. A person with a disability should not be financially burdened by needing to apply for their blue badge. A contribution should be made by those pensioners who have adequate funds to afford their own personal care. West Lothian should be aware of the impact of this on the wider finances of the economy as this then takes away money spent within the community at businesses.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - Blue Badges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The £20 charge will be to cover the cost of administering blue badge applications as set out by the Scottish Government. We continually review what other local authorities charge for services to ensure that we remain fair and consistent
27935	An employee of West Lothian Council	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	I think more admin charges should be charged to customers when applying blue badges or for lost badges. The same should be applied for payment cards.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - Blue Badges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The £20 charge will be to cover the cost of administering blue badge applications as set out by the Scottish Government. We continually review what other local authorities charge for services to ensure that we remain fair and consistent

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27936	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	1. Wholly opposed to charges for blue badges	Reviewing Income and Concessions - Blue Badges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The £20 charge will be to cover the cost of administering blue badge applications as set out by the Scottish Government. We continually review what other local authorities charge for services to ensure that we remain fair and consistent
27937	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	1 blue badge no charge	Reviewing Income and Concessions - Blue Badges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The £20 charge will be to cover the cost of administering blue badge applications as set out by the Scottish Government. We continually review what other local authorities charge for services to ensure that we remain fair and consistent
27938	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Re 1, 2 & 4 : Should not charge for these services.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - Blue Badges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The £20 charge will be to cover the cost of administering blue badge applications as set out by the Scottish Government. We continually review what other local authorities charge for services to ensure that we remain fair and consistent
27939	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	These increases will hurt the already vulnerable people. Admistraion costs of Â£20 on a blue badge is ridiculous. These people are on low incomes , they do not need this	Reviewing Income and Concessions - Blue Badges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The £20 charge will be to cover the cost of administering blue badge applications as set out by the Scottish Government. We continually review what other local authorities charge for services to ensure that we remain fair and consistent
27940	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	I have no objection to an admin fee being introduced for the blue badge system.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - Blue Badges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The £20 charge will be to cover the cost of administering blue badge applications as set out by the Scottish Government. We continually review what other local authorities charge for services to ensure that we remain fair and consistent
27941	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	1. Fair enough. But tough enforcement on those that park in blue badge spaces without one.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - Blue Badges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The £20 charge will be to cover the cost of administering blue badge applications as set out by the Scottish Government. We continually review what other local authorities charge for services to ensure that we remain fair and consistent
27942	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	I do not agree with charging for blue badge. Car park charging would be ok as long as your own staff were exempted from paying. I have no objection to number 3. Transport charges should not be introduced.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - Blue Badges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The £20 charge will be to cover the cost of administering blue badge applications as set out by the Scottish Government. We continually review what other local authorities charge for services to ensure that we remain fair and consistent
27943	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	I don't think it's fair to start charging people who are physically disabled to get a blue badge so that they can park in a disabled parking space.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - Blue Badges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The £20 charge will be to cover the cost of administering blue badge applications as set out by the Scottish Government. We continually review what other local authorities charge for services to ensure that we remain fair and consistent
27944	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Perhaps the admin charge for blue badges could be means tested so as not to disadvantage those who cannot afford this	Reviewing Income and Concessions - Blue Badges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The £20 charge will be to cover the cost of administering blue badge applications as set out by the Scottish Government. We continually review what other local authorities charge for services to ensure that we remain fair and consistent
27945	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Â£5 for blue badges okay but Â£20 far too much!	Reviewing Income and Concessions - Blue Badges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The £20 charge will be to cover the cost of administering blue badge applications as set out by the Scottish Government. We continually review what other local authorities charge for services to ensure that we remain fair and consistent
27946	An employee of West Lothian Council	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	1. I agree with an annual charge of 320, seems fair.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - Blue Badges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The £20 charge will be to cover the cost of administering blue badge applications as set out by the Scottish Government. We continually review what other local authorities charge for services to ensure that we remain fair and consistent
27947	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	1. This would penalise individuals who are already disadvantaged in many aspects of their daily life. This must not happen!	Reviewing Income and Concessions - Blue Badges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The £20 charge will be to cover the cost of administering blue badge applications as set out by the Scottish Government. We continually review what other local authorities charge for services to ensure that we remain fair and consistent

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27948	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Administrative charges for blue badges and for non essential services should also be considered	Reviewing Income and Concessions - Blue Badges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The £20 charge will be to cover the cost of administering blue badge applications as set out by the Scottish Government. We continually review what other local authorities charge for services to ensure that we remain fair and consistent
27949	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Why should people who are already struggling in life both personally and financially have to pay a ridiculous sum of money for something that allows them to use a variety of benefits? Do not charge for blue badges people should not have to pay to get the extra support they need.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - Blue Badges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The £20 charge will be to cover the cost of administering blue badge applications as set out by the Scottish Government. We continually review what other local authorities charge for services to ensure that we remain fair and consistent
27950	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	I would not support idea 1 [blue badges]	Reviewing Income and Concessions - Blue Badges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The £20 charge will be to cover the cost of administering blue badge applications as set out by the Scottish Government. We continually review what other local authorities charge for services to ensure that we remain fair and consistent
27951	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Yes, disable persons need to be charged for their badges.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - Blue Badges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The £20 charge will be to cover the cost of administering blue badge applications as set out by the Scottish Government. We continually review what other local authorities charge for services to ensure that we remain fair and consistent
27952	No Response	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	A £20 annual fee does NOT appear to be excessive and if you see the high quality and low age of the blue badge cars, it would appear that the owners can afford this fee.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - Blue Badges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The £20 charge will be to cover the cost of administering blue badge applications as set out by the Scottish Government. We continually review what other local authorities charge for services to ensure that we remain fair and consistent
27953	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Don't agree with paying for blue badges	Reviewing Income and Concessions - Blue Badges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The £20 charge will be to cover the cost of administering blue badge applications as set out by the Scottish Government. We continually review what other local authorities charge for services to ensure that we remain fair and consistent
27954	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	NO to charging for blue badges.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - Blue Badges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The £20 charge will be to cover the cost of administering blue badge applications as set out by the Scottish Government. We continually review what other local authorities charge for services to ensure that we remain fair and consistent
27955	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	No introduction of Blue Badge cost - look at the form - cut that down - do a check with health service providers - would help with health ailments for the person requesting badge (use the technology)	Reviewing Income and Concessions - Blue Badges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The £20 charge will be to cover the cost of administering blue badge applications as set out by the Scottish Government. We continually review what other local authorities charge for services to ensure that we remain fair and consistent
27956	No Response	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Agree with all except charging for blue badges. Do not like charging vulnerable people already and this could mean some just cannot get about as well as they could before.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - Blue Badges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The £20 charge will be to cover the cost of administering blue badge applications as set out by the Scottish Government. We continually review what other local authorities charge for services to ensure that we remain fair and consistent
27957	An employee of West Lothian Council	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Blue badge holders should not be penalised by admin charges. This could result in people already struggling not being able to afford this aid.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - Blue Badges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The £20 charge will be to cover the cost of administering blue badge applications as set out by the Scottish Government. We continually review what other local authorities charge for services to ensure that we remain fair and consistent
27958	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	1. My daughter is severely disabled and has a blue badge - being able to park in wheelchair bays is invaluable for us. We are lucky that as a family we could afford to pay an admin charge for our Blue Badge. HOWEVER, many disabled people are not as financially well-off as we are and asking for an admin charge of £20 for their blue badge is placing them under a further financial burden as well as under further disadvantage. I would actually be amazed if this was allowed under Disability Discrimination legislation: if I go to Dobbies, say, without my daughter I can park in their car park for free, but to access spaces that enable my daughter to have easy access to Dobbies the Council are proposing to charge me £20??	Reviewing Income and Concessions - Blue Badges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The £20 charge will be to cover the cost of administering blue badge applications as set out by the Scottish Government. We continually review what other local authorities charge for services to ensure that we remain fair and consistent
27959	No Response	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	I agree with the above Happy to pay for blue badge, and happy to pay more than £20. £50 would be more appropriate, equating to less than £1 per week for accessible parking	Reviewing Income and Concessions - Blue Badges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The £20 charge will be to cover the cost of administering blue badge applications as set out by the Scottish Government. We continually review what other local authorities charge for services to ensure that we remain fair and consistent

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27960	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	All other councils charge for blue badges so our council needs to as well or further job cuts will be required	Reviewing Income and Concessions - Blue Badges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The £20 charge will be to cover the cost of administering blue badge applications as set out by the Scottish Government. We continually review what other local authorities charge for services to ensure that we remain fair and consistent
27961	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Need to raise more cash but doubt blue badge holders can typically afford this	Reviewing Income and Concessions - Blue Badges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The £20 charge will be to cover the cost of administering blue badge applications as set out by the Scottish Government. We continually review what other local authorities charge for services to ensure that we remain fair and consistent
27962	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Edinburgh already charge for Blue Badges	Reviewing Income and Concessions - Blue Badges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The £20 charge will be to cover the cost of administering blue badge applications as set out by the Scottish Government. We continually review what other local authorities charge for services to ensure that we remain fair and consistent
27963	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	I feel this could be effective. My daughter has a blue badge and a fee would be appropriate. Although it may be a struggle for some.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - Blue Badges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The £20 charge will be to cover the cost of administering blue badge applications as set out by the Scottish Government. We continually review what other local authorities charge for services to ensure that we remain fair and consistent
27964	No Response	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	1. I believe this charge should be means tested with people who can't afford it, still having the service for free.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - Blue Badges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The £20 charge will be to cover the cost of administering blue badge applications as set out by the Scottish Government. We continually review what other local authorities charge for services to ensure that we remain fair and consistent
27965	An employee of West Lothian Council	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	If administration charges are being considered for blue badges then these should also be considered for blue badge parking bays, giving the same consideration for those that may be unable to afford any charges. Any requested markings pertaining to an individual property could also be charged such as access protection markings (where successful when assessed against the existing policy). Free transport to school could also be altered in line with national policy to reduce the costs of transporting children to schools, or a financial contribution replacement be implemented for those between 2-3 miles.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - Blue Badges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The £20 charge will be to cover the cost of administering blue badge applications as set out by the Scottish Government. We continually review what other local authorities charge for services to ensure that we remain fair and consistent
27966	An employee of West Lothian Council	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	I think the admin charge for a blue badge is a small value but with potential for savings and I do not think that individuals would complain too much about this proposal.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - Blue Badges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The £20 charge will be to cover the cost of administering blue badge applications as set out by the Scottish Government. We continually review what other local authorities charge for services to ensure that we remain fair and consistent
27967	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Blue badge charge should go ahead	Reviewing Income and Concessions - Blue Badges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The £20 charge will be to cover the cost of administering blue badge applications as set out by the Scottish Government. We continually review what other local authorities charge for services to ensure that we remain fair and consistent
27968	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Personally don't mind paying £20 for a blue badge however I think this is aimed at some of the most vulnerable in society so seems unfair.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - Blue Badges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The £20 charge will be to cover the cost of administering blue badge applications as set out by the Scottish Government. We continually review what other local authorities charge for services to ensure that we remain fair and consistent
27969	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	1. I welcome means testing in all areas of service provision. Many blue badge holders are extremely wealthy and lower income taxpayers should not be supporting concessions for this group therefore while I support the blue badge charge, I don't believe it is high enough	Reviewing Income and Concessions - Blue Badges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The £20 charge will be to cover the cost of administering blue badge applications as set out by the Scottish Government. We continually review what other local authorities charge for services to ensure that we remain fair and consistent
27970	An employee of West Lothian Council	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Although I agree with charging for blue badges, £20 admin charge seems a bit steep.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - Blue Badges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The £20 charge will be to cover the cost of administering blue badge applications as set out by the Scottish Government. We continually review what other local authorities charge for services to ensure that we remain fair and consistent
27971	An employee of West Lothian Council	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Yes pay £20.00 for blue badge.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - Blue Badges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The £20 charge will be to cover the cost of administering blue badge applications as set out by the Scottish Government. We continually review what other local authorities charge for services to ensure that we remain fair and consistent

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27972	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	I agree with the proposal to an administrative charge of Â£20:00 for the issue of blue badges,	Reviewing Income and Concessions - Blue Badges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The £20 charge will be to cover the cost of administering blue badge applications as set out by the Scottish Government. We continually review what other local authorities charge for services to ensure that we remain fair and consistent
27973	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Do not agree on any of the above, maybe on point 3	Reviewing Income and Concessions - Blue Badges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The £20 charge will be to cover the cost of administering blue badge applications as set out by the Scottish Government. We continually review what other local authorities charge for services to ensure that we remain fair and consistent
27974	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Strongly object to disabled badge charge.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - Blue Badges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The £20 charge will be to cover the cost of administering blue badge applications as set out by the Scottish Government. We continually review what other local authorities charge for services to ensure that we remain fair and consistent
27975	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	1 yes	Reviewing Income and Concessions - Blue Badges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The £20 charge will be to cover the cost of administering blue badge applications as set out by the Scottish Government. We continually review what other local authorities charge for services to ensure that we remain fair and consistent
27976	An employee of West Lothian Council	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Admin charges for blue badge applications and other service are only right - many other councils have had this for many years.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - Blue Badges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The £20 charge will be to cover the cost of administering blue badge applications as set out by the Scottish Government. We continually review what other local authorities charge for services to ensure that we remain fair and consistent
27977	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	i am a blue badge holder i do agree on a Â£20 charge	Reviewing Income and Concessions - Blue Badges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The £20 charge will be to cover the cost of administering blue badge applications as set out by the Scottish Government. We continually review what other local authorities charge for services to ensure that we remain fair and consistent
27978	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	i think good idea if only blue badges get charged each three year but if someone who has not got it the money in others	Reviewing Income and Concessions - Blue Badges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The £20 charge will be to cover the cost of administering blue badge applications as set out by the Scottish Government. We continually review what other local authorities charge for services to ensure that we remain fair and consistent
27979	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Would happily pay Â£20 for blue badge.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - Blue Badges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The £20 charge will be to cover the cost of administering blue badge applications as set out by the Scottish Government. We continually review what other local authorities charge for services to ensure that we remain fair and consistent
27980	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	1. Introduction of blue badge admin charge is targeting our most vulnerable citizens & the costs of administration may outweigh the benefits. .	Reviewing Income and Concessions - Blue Badges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The £20 charge will be to cover the cost of administering blue badge applications as set out by the Scottish Government. We continually review what other local authorities charge for services to ensure that we remain fair and consistent
27981	An employee of West Lothian Council	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	I think all these are acceptable as other councils charge these currently.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - Blue Badges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The £20 charge will be to cover the cost of administering blue badge applications as set out by the Scottish Government. We continually review what other local authorities charge for services to ensure that we remain fair and consistent
27982	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	1 no problem	Reviewing Income and Concessions - Blue Badges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The £20 charge will be to cover the cost of administering blue badge applications as set out by the Scottish Government. We continually review what other local authorities charge for services to ensure that we remain fair and consistent
27983	An employee of West Lothian Council	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	A Â£20.00 charge for a Blue Badge is not unreasonable and should be applied. The badge lasts for about 5 years so it's not a yearly charge.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - Blue Badges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The £20 charge will be to cover the cost of administering blue badge applications as set out by the Scottish Government. We continually review what other local authorities charge for services to ensure that we remain fair and consistent

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27984	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Totally opposed to the introduction of a charge for blue badges.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - Blue Badges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The £20 charge will be to cover the cost of administering blue badge applications as set out by the Scottish Government. We continually review what other local authorities charge for services to ensure that we remain fair and consistent
27985	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Disagree with admin fee for blue badges, if properly vetted these people are entitled to them.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - Blue Badges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The £20 charge will be to cover the cost of administering blue badge applications as set out by the Scottish Government. We continually review what other local authorities charge for services to ensure that we remain fair and consistent
27986	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	No fee for disability badge this is a necessity for people and the council should not profit from it. No cuts or charges for vulnerable groups	Reviewing Income and Concessions - Blue Badges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The £20 charge will be to cover the cost of administering blue badge applications as set out by the Scottish Government. We continually review what other local authorities charge for services to ensure that we remain fair and consistent
27987	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Blue badge admin should be free to applicants.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - Blue Badges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The £20 charge will be to cover the cost of administering blue badge applications as set out by the Scottish Government. We continually review what other local authorities charge for services to ensure that we remain fair and consistent
27988	An employee of West Lothian Council	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Charging for blue badges should happen, an annual fee on renewal similar to road tax or MOT	Reviewing Income and Concessions - Blue Badges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The £20 charge will be to cover the cost of administering blue badge applications as set out by the Scottish Government. We continually review what other local authorities charge for services to ensure that we remain fair and consistent
27989	An employee of West Lothian Council	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Blue badges should be charged for as anyone entitled to this will be in receipt of PIP or DLA mobility. It will also mean that people will only apply if they really need the badge and not apply 'just in case' the badge is required so might reduce the amount of work.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - Blue Badges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The £20 charge will be to cover the cost of administering blue badge applications as set out by the Scottish Government. We continually review what other local authorities charge for services to ensure that we remain fair and consistent
27990	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	A £20 charge for a Blue Badge is not unrealistic as most people who use a Blue Badge are in receipt of mobility benefits which are awarded in order to pay for services like this.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - Blue Badges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The £20 charge will be to cover the cost of administering blue badge applications as set out by the Scottish Government. We continually review what other local authorities charge for services to ensure that we remain fair and consistent
27991	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Bit mean to charge £20 for blue badges.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - Blue Badges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The £20 charge will be to cover the cost of administering blue badge applications as set out by the Scottish Government. We continually review what other local authorities charge for services to ensure that we remain fair and consistent
27992	An employee of West Lothian Council	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	A £20 charge for a Blue Badge is not unrealistic as most people who use a Blue Badge are in receipt of mobility benefits which are awarded in order to pay for services like this.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - Blue Badges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The £20 charge will be to cover the cost of administering blue badge applications as set out by the Scottish Government. We continually review what other local authorities charge for services to ensure that we remain fair and consistent
27993	An employee of West Lothian Council	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	A £20 charge for a Blue Badge is not unrealistic as most people who use a Blue Badge are in receipt of mobility benefits which are awarded in order to pay for services like this.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - Blue Badges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The £20 charge will be to cover the cost of administering blue badge applications as set out by the Scottish Government. We continually review what other local authorities charge for services to ensure that we remain fair and consistent
27994	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Most people getting blue badges will have some additional payment from PIP/DLA for mobility issues £20 for the year does not seem to be an unreasonable cost and would perhaps mean that only those who would really benefit from the scheme would actually apply. There may be people who apply 'just in case' who might reconsider if they had to make a payment.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - Blue Badges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The £20 charge will be to cover the cost of administering blue badge applications as set out by the Scottish Government. We continually review what other local authorities charge for services to ensure that we remain fair and consistent
27995	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	I agree with the proposal of charging for the administration of blue badge	Reviewing Income and Concessions - Blue Badges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The £20 charge will be to cover the cost of administering blue badge applications as set out by the Scottish Government. We continually review what other local authorities charge for services to ensure that we remain fair and consistent

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27996	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Charging people £20 for the privilege of being disabled?! Means tested charges for appropriate things	Reviewing Income and Concessions - Blue Badges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The £20 charge will be to cover the cost of administering blue badge applications as set out by the Scottish Government. We continually review what other local authorities charge for services to ensure that we remain fair and consistent
27997	An employee of West Lothian Council	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Charging the elderly to cover costs - disgusting suggestions from WLC. 1. Charging the disabled to park closer to shops	Reviewing Income and Concessions - Blue Badges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The £20 charge will be to cover the cost of administering blue badge applications as set out by the Scottish Government. We continually review what other local authorities charge for services to ensure that we remain fair and consistent
27998	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	1. Agree with the charge	Reviewing Income and Concessions - Blue Badges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The £20 charge will be to cover the cost of administering blue badge applications as set out by the Scottish Government. We continually review what other local authorities charge for services to ensure that we remain fair and consistent
27999	An employee of West Lothian Council	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	This council does not charge for things other councils do, even a small administration fee is preferable to nothing. For blue badges absolutely cover the management costs.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - Blue Badges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The £20 charge will be to cover the cost of administering blue badge applications as set out by the Scottish Government. We continually review what other local authorities charge for services to ensure that we remain fair and consistent
28000	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	An administrative charge for blue badge is acceptable	Reviewing Income and Concessions - Blue Badges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The £20 charge will be to cover the cost of administering blue badge applications as set out by the Scottish Government. We continually review what other local authorities charge for services to ensure that we remain fair and consistent
28001	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	1. Good idea. Extend the blue badge scheme to people who have difficulty getting in and out of cars, needing the door opened wider than the parking bays allow. This could be at a cost of £30	Reviewing Income and Concessions - Blue Badges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The £20 charge will be to cover the cost of administering blue badge applications as set out by the Scottish Government. We continually review what other local authorities charge for services to ensure that we remain fair and consistent
28002	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	I think Blue badges should still be free.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - Blue Badges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The £20 charge will be to cover the cost of administering blue badge applications as set out by the Scottish Government. We continually review what other local authorities charge for services to ensure that we remain fair and consistent
28003	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	I would be prepared to pay a charge for blue badge	Reviewing Income and Concessions - Blue Badges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The £20 charge will be to cover the cost of administering blue badge applications as set out by the Scottish Government. We continually review what other local authorities charge for services to ensure that we remain fair and consistent
28004	An employee of West Lothian Council	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	A charge for Blue Badges - bring in line with other local authorities.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - Blue Badges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The £20 charge will be to cover the cost of administering blue badge applications as set out by the Scottish Government. We continually review what other local authorities charge for services to ensure that we remain fair and consistent
28005	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	I believe that making people pay for their blue badges is downright wrong. They already suffer with a disability, why make them pay to access the services they will need?	Reviewing Income and Concessions - Blue Badges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The £20 charge will be to cover the cost of administering blue badge applications as set out by the Scottish Government. We continually review what other local authorities charge for services to ensure that we remain fair and consistent
28006	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	No charge for blue badges. This is essential for disabled people	Reviewing Income and Concessions - Blue Badges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The £20 charge will be to cover the cost of administering blue badge applications as set out by the Scottish Government. We continually review what other local authorities charge for services to ensure that we remain fair and consistent
28007	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Charging for Blue Badge admin is perfectly reasonable.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - Blue Badges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The £20 charge will be to cover the cost of administering blue badge applications as set out by the Scottish Government. We continually review what other local authorities charge for services to ensure that we remain fair and consistent

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28008	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	I think it is a good idea to charge for blue badges	Reviewing Income and Concessions - Blue Badges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The £20 charge will be to cover the cost of administering blue badge applications as set out by the Scottish Government. We continually review what other local authorities charge for services to ensure that we remain fair and consistent
28009	An employee of West Lothian Council	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	definitely charge for blue badges	Reviewing Income and Concessions - Blue Badges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The £20 charge will be to cover the cost of administering blue badge applications as set out by the Scottish Government. We continually review what other local authorities charge for services to ensure that we remain fair and consistent
28010	No Response	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Penalising disabled people with £20 for a blue badge is not.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - Blue Badges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The £20 charge will be to cover the cost of administering blue badge applications as set out by the Scottish Government. We continually review what other local authorities charge for services to ensure that we remain fair and consistent
28011	An employee of West Lothian Council	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Charging for blue badges may be construed as disability discrimination unless it is clear that it is only the administrative element of the application for a badge that is chargeable.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - Blue Badges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The £20 charge will be to cover the cost of administering blue badge applications as set out by the Scottish Government. We continually review what other local authorities charge for services to ensure that we remain fair and consistent
28012	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Strongly disagree on blue badge fee.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - Blue Badges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The £20 charge will be to cover the cost of administering blue badge applications as set out by the Scottish Government. We continually review what other local authorities charge for services to ensure that we remain fair and consistent
28013	An employee of West Lothian Council	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	There are a lot of proposals here but very little detail. I think it really depends how much we are proposing to charge. The £20 fee for a blue badge does not seem particularly excessive.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - Blue Badges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The £20 charge will be to cover the cost of administering blue badge applications as set out by the Scottish Government. We continually review what other local authorities charge for services to ensure that we remain fair and consistent
28014	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	My son has a blue badge and if it continued to be changed every three years I have no problem with paying £20. I shall be 60 in two years time and I can then wait five years to get a free one.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - Blue Badges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The £20 charge will be to cover the cost of administering blue badge applications as set out by the Scottish Government. We continually review what other local authorities charge for services to ensure that we remain fair and consistent
28015	An employee of West Lothian Council	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	1 - How has a £20 figure been arrived at?	Reviewing Income and Concessions - Blue Badges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The £20 charge will be to cover the cost of administering blue badge applications as set out by the Scottish Government. We continually review what other local authorities charge for services to ensure that we remain fair and consistent
28016	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	In your ordered list 1. If £20 is fair then ok but remember this is yet another burden on those whom in section 2 you are trying to squeeze through reducing assisted care. If you need to charge to cover administration of a blue badge then consider reducing administration by extending the duration of validity of the blue badge. If someone is disabled and needs a badge then the disability is long lasting or forever in most cases. Reduce your administration that way too.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - Blue Badges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The £20 charge will be to cover the cost of administering blue badge applications as set out by the Scottish Government. We continually review what other local authorities charge for services to ensure that we remain fair and consistent
28017	An employee of West Lothian Council	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Blue badge holders should not be penalised as they are already disadvantaged	Reviewing Income and Concessions - Blue Badges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The £20 charge will be to cover the cost of administering blue badge applications as set out by the Scottish Government. We continually review what other local authorities charge for services to ensure that we remain fair and consistent
28018	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	certainly more scrutiny in providing blue badges is probably important it is important that all old people who need person care should get that provision but not all can pay for it some arrangement has to be made and if some can afford more well so be it	Reviewing Income and Concessions - Blue Badges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The £20 charge will be to cover the cost of administering blue badge applications as set out by the Scottish Government. We continually review what other local authorities charge for services to ensure that we remain fair and consistent
28019	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Blue badge parking should also be chargeable. Just because someone may have a disability, this doesn't mean they can't afford to pay for parking	Reviewing Income and Concessions - Blue Badges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The £20 charge will be to cover the cost of administering blue badge applications as set out by the Scottish Government. We continually review what other local authorities charge for services to ensure that we remain fair and consistent

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28020	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	This is a tough one. Broadly in agreement. Agree entirely with charging for blue badges.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - Blue Badges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The £20 charge will be to cover the cost of administering blue badge applications as set out by the Scottish Government. We continually review what other local authorities charge for services to ensure that we remain fair and consistent
28021	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Charging for blue badges no	Reviewing Income and Concessions - Blue Badges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The £20 charge will be to cover the cost of administering blue badge applications as set out by the Scottish Government. We continually review what other local authorities charge for services to ensure that we remain fair and consistent
28022	An employee of West Lothian Council	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Wrong to charge for admin for blue badges UNLESS means tested.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - Blue Badges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The £20 charge will be to cover the cost of administering blue badge applications as set out by the Scottish Government. We continually review what other local authorities charge for services to ensure that we remain fair and consistent
28023	An employee of West Lothian Council	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Any charges for services e.g. blue badge must only be delivered when paid in advance otherwise the costs of recovery could negate any additional income, particularly when revenues are being told they need to deliver current services with less staff.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - Blue Badges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The £20 charge will be to cover the cost of administering blue badge applications as set out by the Scottish Government. We continually review what other local authorities charge for services to ensure that we remain fair and consistent
28024	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Imagine charging people for being disabled.. Damn, you guys are really messed up.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - Blue Badges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The £20 charge will be to cover the cost of administering blue badge applications as set out by the Scottish Government. We continually review what other local authorities charge for services to ensure that we remain fair and consistent
28025	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	1. Agree with totally (could be more).	Reviewing Income and Concessions - Blue Badges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The £20 charge will be to cover the cost of administering blue badge applications as set out by the Scottish Government. We continually review what other local authorities charge for services to ensure that we remain fair and consistent
28026	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	I would be happy to accept the introduction of an administrative charge of £20 for blue badges.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - Blue Badges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The £20 charge will be to cover the cost of administering blue badge applications as set out by the Scottish Government. We continually review what other local authorities charge for services to ensure that we remain fair and consistent
28027	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	1. This will adversely affect people with disabilities	Reviewing Income and Concessions - Blue Badges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The £20 charge will be to cover the cost of administering blue badge applications as set out by the Scottish Government. We continually review what other local authorities charge for services to ensure that we remain fair and consistent
28028	An employee of West Lothian Council	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	If is a small charge for this service thats acceptable, most of the blue badge holders are driving brand new cars at £20k a throw , make it £50.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - Blue Badges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The £20 charge will be to cover the cost of administering blue badge applications as set out by the Scottish Government. We continually review what other local authorities charge for services to ensure that we remain fair and consistent
28029	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	I would agree to this, and hopefully combat the misuse of blue badges	Reviewing Income and Concessions - Blue Badges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The £20 charge will be to cover the cost of administering blue badge applications as set out by the Scottish Government. We continually review what other local authorities charge for services to ensure that we remain fair and consistent
28030	An employee of West Lothian Council	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	The introduction of admin charge for blue badges may help in dissuading fraudulent applicants from applying and stricter monitoring of who actually uses badges should be introduced.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - Blue Badges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The £20 charge will be to cover the cost of administering blue badge applications as set out by the Scottish Government. We continually review what other local authorities charge for services to ensure that we remain fair and consistent
28031	No Response	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Completely in agreement with this, other Council's charge for blue badges.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - Blue Badges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The £20 charge will be to cover the cost of administering blue badge applications as set out by the Scottish Government. We continually review what other local authorities charge for services to ensure that we remain fair and consistent

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28032	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	I don't agree with charging for blue badges. People who have blue badges have these for a reason and not all the people who have them get a higher rate of benefit so no I don't agree with charging for this either.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - Blue Badges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The £20 charge will be to cover the cost of administering blue badge applications as set out by the Scottish Government. We continually review what other local authorities charge for services to ensure that we remain fair and consistent
28033	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	This sounds like your taking from the poor and giving to the rich /// A£ 20 for a blue badge ... Charging council car parks .. Who uses these WORKING CLASS	Reviewing Income and Concessions - Blue Badges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The £20 charge will be to cover the cost of administering blue badge applications as set out by the Scottish Government. We continually review what other local authorities charge for services to ensure that we remain fair and consistent
28034	An employee of West Lothian Council	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Yes I think blue badges should carry a nominal charge	Reviewing Income and Concessions - Blue Badges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The £20 charge will be to cover the cost of administering blue badge applications as set out by the Scottish Government. We continually review what other local authorities charge for services to ensure that we remain fair and consistent
28035	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Blue Badge is a significant privilege and a cost covering charge is reasonable.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - Blue Badges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The £20 charge will be to cover the cost of administering blue badge applications as set out by the Scottish Government. We continually review what other local authorities charge for services to ensure that we remain fair and consistent
28036	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	I agree with introducing for blue badges. There has been a great increase in disabled parking than perhaps is needed. More of these are being given out due to mobility problems caused by obesity rather than a proper disability.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - Blue Badges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The £20 charge will be to cover the cost of administering blue badge applications as set out by the Scottish Government. We continually review what other local authorities charge for services to ensure that we remain fair and consistent
28037	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Dont agree with charging for car parks	Reviewing Income and Concessions - Blue Badges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The £20 charge will be to cover the cost of administering blue badge applications as set out by the Scottish Government. We continually review what other local authorities charge for services to ensure that we remain fair and consistent
28038	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Appropriate is difficult to quantify	Reviewing Income and Concessions - Blue Badges	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	The £20 charge will be to cover the cost of administering blue badge applications as set out by the Scottish Government. We continually review what other local authorities charge for services to ensure that we remain fair and consistent
28039	No Response	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Rather than introducing a blue badge charge, either enforce disabled parking more strictly and use the funds raised from fines to pay the administrative costs or increase the proposed parking charges to cover. Charging for blue badges is more likely to impact on those on already low incomes.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - Blue Badges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The £20 charge will be to cover the cost of administering blue badge applications as set out by the Scottish Government. We continually review what other local authorities charge for services to ensure that we remain fair and consistent.
28040	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Charge for blue badges seems high and a tax on disabilities.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - Blue Badges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The £20 charge will be to cover the cost of administering blue badge applications as set out by the Scottish Government. We continually review what other local authorities charge for services to ensure that we remain fair and consistent.
28041	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	I believe it is not necessary to be charged for a blue badge. People that need a blue badge need it for a reason they are not just handed out to anybody, charging this would just be petty and morally wrong.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - Blue Badges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The £20 charge will be to cover the cost of administering blue badge applications as set out by the Scottish Government. We continually review what other local authorities charge for services to ensure that we remain fair and consistent.
28042	No Response	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	I am in favour of charging for the blue badges.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - Blue Badges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The £20 charge will be to cover the cost of administering blue badge applications as set out by the Scottish Government. We continually review what other local authorities charge for services to ensure that we remain fair and consistent.
28043	No Response	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	1. I agree a £20 charge for badges would be acceptable.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - Blue Badges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The £20 charge will be to cover the cost of administering blue badge applications as set out by the Scottish Government. We continually review what other local authorities charge for services to ensure that we remain fair and consistent.

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28044	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	item 1 ok	Reviewing Income and Concessions - Blue Badges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The £20 charge will be to cover the cost of administering blue badge applications as set out by the Scottish Government. We continually review what other local authorities charge for services to ensure that we remain fair and consistent.
28045	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	1. I agree, this would bring into line with other councils.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - Blue Badges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The £20 charge will be to cover the cost of administering blue badge applications as set out by the Scottish Government. We continually review what other local authorities charge for services to ensure that we remain fair and consistent.
28046	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Do not agree with the proposal to introduce a £20 charge for a blue badge. Feel disabled people are asked to contribute enough to the services they receive at the moment without being asked to pay more.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - Blue Badges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The £20 charge will be to cover the cost of administering blue badge applications as set out by the Scottish Government. We continually review what other local authorities charge for services to ensure that we remain fair and consistent.
28047	No Response	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	In favour of some of these charges but concerned about low income families with disabled children being charged for blue badges.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - Blue Badges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The £20 charge will be to cover the cost of administering blue badge applications as set out by the Scottish Government. We continually review what other local authorities charge for services to ensure that we remain fair and consistent.
28048	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Charging for blue badges is a disgrace. The disabled in society have been targeted enough by the cuts to welfare. Asking for money to give a much needed badge is disgusting.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - Blue Badges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The £20 charge will be to cover the cost of administering blue badge applications as set out by the Scottish Government. We continually review what other local authorities charge for services to ensure that we remain fair and consistent.
28049	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	As a blue card holder myself I am happy to pay £20.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - Blue Badges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The £20 charge will be to cover the cost of administering blue badge applications as set out by the Scottish Government. We continually review what other local authorities charge for services to ensure that we remain fair and consistent.
28050	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Oh dear it's come to this has it? Don't support charge for blue badges.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - Blue Badges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The £20 charge will be to cover the cost of administering blue badge applications as set out by the Scottish Government. We continually review what other local authorities charge for services to ensure that we remain fair and consistent.
28051	No Response	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	I disagree with the proposed £20 charge for blue badges; these are for already disadvantaged people, and this would simply be a tax on the disabled.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - Blue Badges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The £20 charge will be to cover the cost of administering blue badge applications as set out by the Scottish Government. We continually review what other local authorities charge for services to ensure that we remain fair and consistent.
28052	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	It is unclear whether the £20 charge for blue badges is a one-off or annual charge - this should be clarified.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - Blue Badges	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	The £20 charge will be to cover the cost of administering blue badge applications as set out by the Scottish Government. We continually review what other local authorities charge for services to ensure that we remain fair and consistent.
28053	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	In a climate where benefits are becoming harder to access and those with disabilities are being more harshly treated by the government, charging for blue badges seems particularly unfair and may reduce access for people with disabilities. This is likely to have an increase the need to access higher costs services in the long run	Reviewing Income and Concessions - Blue Badges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The £20 charge will be to cover the cost of administering blue badge applications as set out by the Scottish Government. We continually review what other local authorities charge for services to ensure that we remain fair and consistent.
28054	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	1. Disagree - doubt it actually costs £20 to administer a blue badge - £5 (max) is more reasonable.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - Blue Badges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The £20 charge will be to cover the cost of administering blue badge applications as set out by the Scottish Government. We continually review what other local authorities charge for services to ensure that we remain fair and consistent.
28055	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	2. Agreed - discounted for staff during working hours	Reviewing Income and Concessions - Blue Badges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The £20 charge will be to cover the cost of administering blue badge applications as set out by the Scottish Government. We continually review what other local authorities charge for services to ensure that we remain fair and consistent.

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28056	An employee of West Lothian Council	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	A £20 charge for a Blue Badge is not unrealistic as most people who use a Blue Badge are in receipt of mobility benefits which are awarded in order to pay for services like this.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - Blue Badges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The £20 charge will be to cover the cost of administering blue badge applications as set out by the Scottish Government. We continually review what other local authorities charge for services to ensure that we remain fair and consistent.
28057	An employee of West Lothian Council	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	I think it is disgusting that you are considering charging disabled people £20 for blue badges.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - Blue Badges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The £20 charge will be to cover the cost of administering blue badge applications as set out by the Scottish Government. We continually review what other local authorities charge for services to ensure that we remain fair and consistent.
28058	No Response	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	A £20 charge for a Blue Badge is not unrealistic as most people who use a Blue Badge are in receipt of mobility benefits which are awarded in order to pay for services like this.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - Blue Badges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The £20 charge will be to cover the cost of administering blue badge applications as set out by the Scottish Government. We continually review what other local authorities charge for services to ensure that we remain fair and consistent.
28059	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Charging for blue badges would require policing, thereby employing someone to do this, so not much saving there.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - Blue Badges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The £20 charge will be to cover the cost of administering blue badge applications as set out by the Scottish Government. We continually review what other local authorities charge for services to ensure that we remain fair and consistent.
28060	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	An admin fee for blue badges of £20 is not unreasonable	Reviewing Income and Concessions - Blue Badges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The £20 charge will be to cover the cost of administering blue badge applications as set out by the Scottish Government. We continually review what other local authorities charge for services to ensure that we remain fair and consistent.
28061	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Disagree re the blue badge charges as most people who access the blue badge system are on reduced income already.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - Blue Badges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The £20 charge will be to cover the cost of administering blue badge applications as set out by the Scottish Government. We continually review what other local authorities charge for services to ensure that we remain fair and consistent.
28062	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Agree with admin charge for blue badges as I feel this would prevent many from applying when they know they are not really eligible.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - Blue Badges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The £20 charge will be to cover the cost of administering blue badge applications as set out by the Scottish Government. We continually review what other local authorities charge for services to ensure that we remain fair and consistent.
28063	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	This is depressing. taking more money of people when you expect them to pay more Council tax. services they have already paid for. oppose cost for blue badges as generally people are already on low income. Employees have not received a wage rise above inflation and this would add to their costs.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - Blue Badges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The £20 charge will be to cover the cost of administering blue badge applications as set out by the Scottish Government. We continually review what other local authorities charge for services to ensure that we remain fair and consistent.
28064	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Why have you been wasting so much of our money up to this point?	Reviewing Income and Concessions - Blue Badges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The £20 charge will be to cover the cost of administering blue badge applications as set out by the Scottish Government. We continually review what other local authorities charge for services to ensure that we remain fair and consistent.
28065	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Disabled people should not be charged for Blue badges the likelihood is that they will have financial constraints due to their disability.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - Blue Badges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The £20 charge will be to cover the cost of administering blue badge applications as set out by the Scottish Government. We continually review what other local authorities charge for services to ensure that we remain fair and consistent.
28066	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Admin charge of £20 for blue badge is excessive.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - Blue Badges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The £20 charge will be to cover the cost of administering blue badge applications as set out by the Scottish Government. We continually review what other local authorities charge for services to ensure that we remain fair and consistent.
28067	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Question whether a charge of £20 for blue badges would be cost effective. Don't like the idea of penalising those who already have additional costs because of their disability.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - Blue Badges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The £20 charge will be to cover the cost of administering blue badge applications as set out by the Scottish Government. We continually review what other local authorities charge for services to ensure that we remain fair and consistent.

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28068	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Disagree with admin charge for blue badge as discriminatory for people with disabilities.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - Blue Badges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The £20 charge will be to cover the cost of administering blue badge applications as set out by the Scottish Government. We continually review what other local authorities charge for services to ensure that we remain fair and consistent.
28069	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	There should be no charges for blue badge provision for disabled people	Reviewing Income and Concessions - Blue Badges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The £20 charge will be to cover the cost of administering blue badge applications as set out by the Scottish Government. We continually review what other local authorities charge for services to ensure that we remain fair and consistent.
28070	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	I would not be happy to see the introduction of a fee for the Blue Badge	Reviewing Income and Concessions - Blue Badges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The £20 charge will be to cover the cost of administering blue badge applications as set out by the Scottish Government. We continually review what other local authorities charge for services to ensure that we remain fair and consistent.
28071	An employee of West Lothian Council	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	I understand and have no issue with the introduction of blue badge charges as other council's already do this.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - Blue Badges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The £20 charge will be to cover the cost of administering blue badge applications as set out by the Scottish Government. We continually review what other local authorities charge for services to ensure that we remain fair and consistent.
28072	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Most people who genuinely need a blue badge would not be adverse to paying for admin charges.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - Blue Badges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The £20 charge will be to cover the cost of administering blue badge applications as set out by the Scottish Government. We continually review what other local authorities charge for services to ensure that we remain fair and consistent.
28073	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Disagree with the £20 blue badge charge. This penalises disabled people	Reviewing Income and Concessions - Blue Badges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The £20 charge will be to cover the cost of administering blue badge applications as set out by the Scottish Government. We continually review what other local authorities charge for services to ensure that we remain fair and consistent.
28074	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	If it doesn't cost more to administer those on above average income should not necessarily receive free blue badges etc.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - Blue Badges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The £20 charge will be to cover the cost of administering blue badge applications as set out by the Scottish Government. We continually review what other local authorities charge for services to ensure that we remain fair and consistent.
28075	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Agree that if you can afford to contribute to, say the blue badge administration, a charge should be made.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - Blue Badges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The £20 charge will be to cover the cost of administering blue badge applications as set out by the Scottish Government. We continually review what other local authorities charge for services to ensure that we remain fair and consistent.
28076	An employee of West Lothian Council	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	The administration charge for blue badges should be means tested surely. If the person can afford it, then fine. You would be hard pressed to find any available disabled parking spaces. All the school run mums and football players that use our schools and leisure facilities are blocking them up. Charge these parasites and charge them high and you'll make a significant dent in that £5.4 million.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - Blue Badges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The £20 charge will be to cover the cost of administering blue badge applications as set out by the Scottish Government. We continually review what other local authorities charge for services to ensure that we remain fair and consistent.
28077	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	I agree with point one.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - Blue Badges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The £20 charge will be to cover the cost of administering blue badge applications as set out by the Scottish Government. We continually review what other local authorities charge for services to ensure that we remain fair and consistent.
28078	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	disabled parking spaces should always be free as there is not universal availability of accessible transport alternatives to private cars.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - Blue Badges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The £20 charge will be to cover the cost of administering blue badge applications as set out by the Scottish Government. We continually review what other local authorities charge for services to ensure that we remain fair and consistent.
28079	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	A £20 charge for a Blue Badge is not unrealistic as most people who use a Blue Badge are in receipt of mobility benefits which are awarded in order to pay for services like this.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - Blue Badges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The £20 charge will be to cover the cost of administering blue badge applications as set out by the Scottish Government. We continually review what other local authorities charge for services to ensure that we remain fair and consistent.

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28080	An employee of West Lothian Council	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	A £20 charge for a Blue Badge is not unrealistic as most people who use a Blue Badge are in receipt of mobility benefits which are awarded in order to pay for services like this.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - Blue Badges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The £20 charge will be to cover the cost of administering blue badge applications as set out by the Scottish Government. We continually review what other local authorities charge for services to ensure that we remain fair and consistent.
28081	An employee of West Lothian Council	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Agree with blue badges. Every other council charges. Makes totally sense	Reviewing Income and Concessions - Blue Badges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The £20 charge will be to cover the cost of administering blue badge applications as set out by the Scottish Government. We continually review what other local authorities charge for services to ensure that we remain fair and consistent.
28082	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Agree with 1	Reviewing Income and Concessions - Blue Badges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The £20 charge will be to cover the cost of administering blue badge applications as set out by the Scottish Government. We continually review what other local authorities charge for services to ensure that we remain fair and consistent.
28083	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Will the charge for a blue badge be means tested	Reviewing Income and Concessions - Blue Badges	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	The £20 charge will be to cover the cost of administering blue badge applications as set out by the Scottish Government. We continually review what other local authorities charge for services to ensure that we remain fair and consistent.
28084	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Charge for administration of blue badges not acceptable.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - Blue Badges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The £20 charge will be to cover the cost of administering blue badge applications as set out by the Scottish Government. We continually review what other local authorities charge for services to ensure that we remain fair and consistent.
28085	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	1. blue badge, punishing the most vulnerable in society, why not charge actual admin cost in this technological age.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - Blue Badges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The £20 charge will be to cover the cost of administering blue badge applications as set out by the Scottish Government. We continually review what other local authorities charge for services to ensure that we remain fair and consistent.
28086	An employee of West Lothian Council	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	A £20 charge for a Blue Badge is not unrealistic as most people who use a Blue Badge are in receipt of mobility benefits which are awarded in order to pay for services like this.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - Blue Badges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The £20 charge will be to cover the cost of administering blue badge applications as set out by the Scottish Government. We continually review what other local authorities charge for services to ensure that we remain fair and consistent.
28087	An employee of West Lothian Council	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	There are potential issues in charging for blue badges in terms of disability discrimination.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - Blue Badges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The £20 charge will be to cover the cost of administering blue badge applications as set out by the Scottish Government. We continually review what other local authorities charge for services to ensure that we remain fair and consistent.
28088	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Yes, charge for blue badges, Livingston appears to have an inordinate number of blue badges. Why? Why do blue badges also get free rail travel?	Reviewing Income and Concessions - Blue Badges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The £20 charge will be to cover the cost of administering blue badge applications as set out by the Scottish Government. We continually review what other local authorities charge for services to ensure that we remain fair and consistent.
28089	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	I support the general principle of making those who can afford to, to pay for services (but also to maintain some free provision of services to older people.)	Reviewing Income and Concessions - Blue Badges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The £20 charge will be to cover the cost of administering blue badge applications as set out by the Scottish Government. We continually review what other local authorities charge for services to ensure that we remain fair and consistent.
28090	An employee of West Lothian Council	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	The proposal for charging for blue badges should be based on ability to pay through a financial assessment.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - Blue Badges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The £20 charge will be to cover the cost of administering blue badge applications as set out by the Scottish Government. We continually review what other local authorities charge for services to ensure that we remain fair and consistent.
28091	An employee of West Lothian Council	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Charging £20 for blue badges for those who are already on benefits or low incomes would cause issues?? C	Reviewing Income and Concessions - Blue Badges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The £20 charge will be to cover the cost of administering blue badge applications as set out by the Scottish Government. We continually review what other local authorities charge for services to ensure that we remain fair and consistent.

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28092	An employee of West Lothian Council	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	I feel we should be charging an admin fee, other councils do this it isn't anything new.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - Blue Badges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The £20 charge will be to cover the cost of administering blue badge applications as set out by the Scottish Government. We continually review what other local authorities charge for services to ensure that we remain fair and consistent.
28093	An employee of West Lothian Council	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	This should be something, even possibly paying a £20 fee or similar for NEC cards i.e over 60's because essentially they would be saving money in the long run.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - Blue Badges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The £20 charge will be to cover the cost of administering blue badge applications as set out by the Scottish Government. We continually review what other local authorities charge for services to ensure that we remain fair and consistent.
28094	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	These changes should not be allowed to impact those on low incomes. I'm not in favour of 1 as many of those requiring blue badges have so many other extra costs anyway.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - Blue Badges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The £20 charge will be to cover the cost of administering blue badge applications as set out by the Scottish Government. We continually review what other local authorities charge for services to ensure that we remain fair and consistent.
28095	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	As for £20 charge for blue badge holders this would be eaten up by council inefficiencies and a pointless move.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - Blue Badges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The £20 charge will be to cover the cost of administering blue badge applications as set out by the Scottish Government. We continually review what other local authorities charge for services to ensure that we remain fair and consistent.
28096	An employee of West Lothian Council	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Do not agree with attacking the vulnerable, no blue badge charges please	Reviewing Income and Concessions - Blue Badges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The £20 charge will be to cover the cost of administering blue badge applications as set out by the Scottish Government. We continually review what other local authorities charge for services to ensure that we remain fair and consistent.
28097	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Don't agree with proposal to charge £20 for a Blue Badge.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - Blue Badges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The £20 charge will be to cover the cost of administering blue badge applications as set out by the Scottish Government. We continually review what other local authorities charge for services to ensure that we remain fair and consistent.
28098	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	How can they afford to pay for this when the welfare reforms have already taken money away from them and the proposed changes to how handycabs, dial-a-bus and concessionary travel scheme will only make it worse! Hitting the poor people again.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - Blue Badges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The £20 charge will be to cover the cost of administering blue badge applications as set out by the Scottish Government. We continually review what other local authorities charge for services to ensure that we remain fair and consistent.
28099	An employee of West Lothian Council	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	I think the blue badge is an issue anyway there are a lot of them getting misused . parking well everywhere else is charging for parking so why not.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - Blue Badges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The £20 charge will be to cover the cost of administering blue badge applications as set out by the Scottish Government. We continually review what other local authorities charge for services to ensure that we remain fair and consistent.
28100	An employee of West Lothian Council	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	1 yes ok to charge for blue badge	Reviewing Income and Concessions - Blue Badges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The £20 charge will be to cover the cost of administering blue badge applications as set out by the Scottish Government. We continually review what other local authorities charge for services to ensure that we remain fair and consistent.
28101	An employee of West Lothian Council	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Has an Equality Impact Assessment been completed on the Blue Badge proposal which seems to directly discriminate against disabled people?	Reviewing Income and Concessions - Blue Badges	4. The council is already doing this.	The £20 charge will be to cover the cost of administering blue badge applications as set out by the Scottish Government. We continually review what other local authorities charge for services to ensure that we remain fair and consistent. This is an outline proposal and the appropriate assessment will be undertaken as it develops.
28102	An employee of West Lothian Council	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	I would agree that the administration charge for blue badges could be considered. I am not sure if this could also be means tested?	Reviewing Income and Concessions - Blue Badges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The £20 charge will be to cover the cost of administering blue badge applications as set out by the Scottish Government. We continually review what other local authorities charge for services to ensure that we remain fair and consistent.
28103	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	1. Agree (if applicant can afford to pay)	Reviewing Income and Concessions - Blue Badges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The £20 charge will be to cover the cost of administering blue badge applications as set out by the Scottish Government. We continually review what other local authorities charge for services to ensure that we remain fair and consistent.

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28104	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Sounds sensible. However does that mean older people will need to be means tested . Does the cost not outweigh the gain?	Reviewing Income and Concessions - Blue Badges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The £20 charge will be to cover the cost of administering blue badge applications as set out by the Scottish Government. We continually review what other local authorities charge for services to ensure that we remain fair and consistent.
28105	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Item 1: Seems fair, but I'm not disabled.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - Blue Badges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The £20 charge will be to cover the cost of administering blue badge applications as set out by the Scottish Government. We continually review what other local authorities charge for services to ensure that we remain fair and consistent.
28106	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Cost of blue badges should be paid up front to allow them to then receive the badge.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - Blue Badges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The £20 charge will be to cover the cost of administering blue badge applications as set out by the Scottish Government. We continually review what other local authorities charge for services to ensure that we remain fair and consistent.
28107	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Actually mentioned a charge here! £20 why not £50!	Reviewing Income and Concessions - Blue Badges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The £20 charge will be to cover the cost of administering blue badge applications as set out by the Scottish Government. We continually review what other local authorities charge for services to ensure that we remain fair and consistent.
28108	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	I agree, £20 for blue badges.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - Blue Badges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The £20 charge will be to cover the cost of administering blue badge applications as set out by the Scottish Government. We continually review what other local authorities charge for services to ensure that we remain fair and consistent.
28109	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Support charges for blue badge holders- would make it £30 to deter some people who don't really need them	Reviewing Income and Concessions - Blue Badges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The £20 charge will be to cover the cost of administering blue badge applications as set out by the Scottish Government. We continually review what other local authorities charge for services to ensure that we remain fair and consistent.
28110	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	I would be happy to pay £20 for a blue badge	Reviewing Income and Concessions - Blue Badges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The £20 charge will be to cover the cost of administering blue badge applications as set out by the Scottish Government. We continually review what other local authorities charge for services to ensure that we remain fair and consistent.
28111	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Blue badges - there should be NO charge for blue badges for anyone.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - Blue Badges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The £20 charge will be to cover the cost of administering blue badge applications as set out by the Scottish Government. We continually review what other local authorities charge for services to ensure that we remain fair and consistent.
28112	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	I am not supportive of the changes proposed to the blue badge scheme or changes to travel concessions.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - Blue Badges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The £20 charge will be to cover the cost of administering blue badge applications as set out by the Scottish Government. We continually review what other local authorities charge for services to ensure that we remain fair and consistent.
28113	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Charging for blue badges not acceptable!!!	Reviewing Income and Concessions - Blue Badges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The £20 charge will be to cover the cost of administering blue badge applications as set out by the Scottish Government. We continually review what other local authorities charge for services to ensure that we remain fair and consistent.
28114	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Blue badge charge not acceptable.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - Blue Badges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The £20 charge will be to cover the cost of administering blue badge applications as set out by the Scottish Government. We continually review what other local authorities charge for services to ensure that we remain fair and consistent.
28115	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	I would not be happy about paying £20 for my blue badge. This is discrimination.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - Blue Badges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The £20 charge will be to cover the cost of administering blue badge applications as set out by the Scottish Government. We continually review what other local authorities charge for services to ensure that we remain fair and consistent.

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28116	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	£20 for a blue badge I don't think so!	Reviewing Income and Concessions - Blue Badges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The £20 charge will be to cover the cost of administering blue badge applications as set out by the Scottish Government. We continually review what other local authorities charge for services to ensure that we remain fair and consistent.
28117	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Introduce blue badge charges only for those able to comfortably afford it rather than further cuts for ht disabled - if it has to be introduced at all.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - Blue Badges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The £20 charge will be to cover the cost of administering blue badge applications as set out by the Scottish Government. We continually review what other local authorities charge for services to ensure that we remain fair and consistent.
28118	An employee of West Lothian Council	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Introduction of £20 for blue badges - will people be financially assessed for this?	Reviewing Income and Concessions - Blue Badges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The £20 charge will be to cover the cost of administering blue badge applications as set out by the Scottish Government. We continually review what other local authorities charge for services to ensure that we remain fair and consistent.
28119	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Blue badge scheme is a lifeline to me. If a charge is to be made this should be means-tested. I could not afford this. Those who are able to should pay, those in receipt of a qualifying benefit should not.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - Blue Badges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The £20 charge will be to cover the cost of administering blue badge applications as set out by the Scottish Government. We continually review what other local authorities charge for services to ensure that we remain fair and consistent.
28120	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Blue badge - as a blue badge holder myself I agree with an annual payment. £10 would have been more acceptable.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - Blue Badges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The £20 charge will be to cover the cost of administering blue badge applications as set out by the Scottish Government. We continually review what other local authorities charge for services to ensure that we remain fair and consistent.
28121	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	£20 charge for administration of blue badge scheme is far too high.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - Blue Badges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The £20 charge will be to cover the cost of administering blue badge applications as set out by the Scottish Government. We continually review what other local authorities charge for services to ensure that we remain fair and consistent.
28122	No Response	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Admin charge of £20 for blue badges - you are hitting vulnerable people. I think you should ensure they are used properly and if not withdraw it.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - Blue Badges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The £20 charge will be to cover the cost of administering blue badge applications as set out by the Scottish Government. We continually review what other local authorities charge for services to ensure that we remain fair and consistent.
28123	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	I accept that a charge for blue badges is reasonable - a charge of £20 is excessive, surely £10 would be fairer.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - Blue Badges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The £20 charge will be to cover the cost of administering blue badge applications as set out by the Scottish Government. We continually review what other local authorities charge for services to ensure that we remain fair and consistent.
28124	An employee of West Lothian Council	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Agree with charging for blue badges in line with most other councils. Some people wouldn't apply reducing admin and assessment time and targeting focus on application for those genuinely entitled.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - Blue Badges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The £20 charge will be to cover the cost of administering blue badge applications as set out by the Scottish Government. We continually review what other local authorities charge for services to ensure that we remain fair and consistent.
28125	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Having to pay for a blue badge is wrong as individuals that require these, need them for a reason so that they don't have far to walk, not everyone will pay this therefore increasing the risk of endangerment and risk to health.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - Blue Badges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The £20 charge will be to cover the cost of administering blue badge applications as set out by the Scottish Government. We continually review what other local authorities charge for services to ensure that we remain fair and consistent.
28126	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	You are suggesting putting a tax on disabled by charge an admin charge for the blue badge,	Reviewing Income and Concessions - Blue Badges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The £20 charge will be to cover the cost of administering blue badge applications as set out by the Scottish Government. We continually review what other local authorities charge for services to ensure that we remain fair and consistent.
28127	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Charging £20 for a blue badge is mean. Just check that the recipient deserves it!	Reviewing Income and Concessions - Blue Badges	4. The council is already doing this.	The £20 charge will be to cover the cost of administering blue badge applications as set out by the Scottish Government. We continually review what other local authorities charge for services to ensure that we remain fair and consistent.

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28128	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	I think that a £20 charge for blue badges is reasonable.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - Blue Badges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The £20 charge will be to cover the cost of administering blue badge applications as set out by the Scottish Government. We continually review what other local authorities charge for services to ensure that we remain fair and consistent.
28129	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	There should be a small charge for some of the frontline services we deliver - Charge for Blue Badges and lost Blue Badges.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - Blue Badges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The £20 charge will be to cover the cost of administering blue badge applications as set out by the Scottish Government. We continually review what other local authorities charge for services to ensure that we remain fair and consistent.
28130	An employee of West Lothian Council	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Parking costs are expensive and if you want customers to visits partnership centres then we should not prevent customers using council services. Parking costs never benefit the customer, I would be wholly opposed to this move.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - car park charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The possible introduction of car parking charges would apply to public car parks in certain locations. It is not envisaged that this would include parking at any partnership centres.
28131	An employee of West Lothian Council	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	2. That will be charge for the employees? For this pay which already have and struggle to every day expensive I don't think so it is a great idea	Reviewing Income and Concessions - car park charges	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. The possible introduction of car parking charges would apply to public car parks in certain locations. There is no specific proposal to charge employees for parking.
28132	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Charging for car parks is a poor proposal. Raises very little income when you compare the cost for implementation and on going costs. You also push drivers to park indiscriminately which causes complaints and discussion. This is time consuming and sometimes costly. On the face of it, this makes sense but I think this is a poor proposal. All other proposals make sense. All other councils charge for blue badges. Why not WLC?	Reviewing Income and Concessions - car park charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Evidence shows that the business model likely to be used by the council can raise significant revenue. Moreover responsibility for collection of charges and maintenance of properties is transferred from the council to a third party. All neighbouring council authorities charge for car parking.
28133	An employee of West Lothian Council	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	SUPPORT CHARGES. CHARGING FOR CAR PARKS HAPPENS EVERYWHERE ELSE	Reviewing Income and Concessions - car park charges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
28134	An employee of West Lothian Council	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	They often have the lowest income. Charging for car parks should not to apply to council employees who have little enough disposable income when pay rises are so low year on year.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - car park charges	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. The possible introduction of car parking charges would apply to public car parks in certain locations. There is no specific proposal to charge employees for parking.
28135	An employee of West Lothian Council	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Staff should never be asked to pay for parking.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - car park charges	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. The possible introduction of car parking charges would apply to public car parks in certain locations. There is no specific proposal to charge employees for parking.
28136	An employee of West Lothian Council	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	1. Seems reasonable. 2. Could accept a notional sum of around £5 per month (Implemented at Glasgow City Council) for parking at terrace, Civic Centre. 3. Seems reasonable.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - car park charges	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. The possible introduction of car parking charges would apply to public car parks in certain locations. There is no specific proposal to charge employees for parking.
28137	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Council workers should not be charged for parking at work.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - car park charges	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. The possible introduction of car parking charges would apply to public car parks in certain locations. There is no specific proposal to charge employees for parking.
28138	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Introduction of car parking charges is not a good idea - it forces people onto the nearby housing estates and causes congestion on local roads.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - car park charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
28139	An employee of West Lothian Council	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	I don't agree that council staff should be charged for parking to come to work.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - car park charges	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. The possible introduction of car parking charges would apply to public car parks in certain locations. There is no specific proposal to charge employees for parking.
28140	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	There is little on street parking to charging for Council Parking for land, we the tax payers have paid for is double charging.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - car park charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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28141	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Who would enforce the payment for parking in council car parks? Would the cost of enforcement outweigh the potential income?	Reviewing Income and Concessions - car park charges	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Evidence shows that the business model likely to be used by the council can raise significant revenue. Moreover responsibility for collection of charges and maintenance of properties is transferred from the council to a third party. All neighbouring council authorities charge for car parking.
28142	An employee of West Lothian Council	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	To charge staff for car parking in a staff car park is ludicrous and should not be considered. This happened to some privately run NHS facilities and it's totally unfair to charge lower paid staff for parking as the cost of living is costly enough without paying to attend work.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - car park charges	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. The possible introduction of car parking charges would apply to public car parks in certain locations. There is no specific proposal to charge employees for parking.
28143	An employee of West Lothian Council	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Council car parks should not be charged.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - car park charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
28144	An employee of West Lothian Council	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Don't see how charging for car parks would be effective and this would require staffing and monitoring...	Reviewing Income and Concessions - car park charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Evidence shows that the business model likely to be used by the council can raise significant revenue. Moreover responsibility for collection of charges and maintenance of properties is transferred from the council to a third party. All neighbouring council authorities charge for car parking.
28145	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Car use is near essential for some people and it is likely if car parking charges are introduced then on street parking will just increase.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - car park charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
28146	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Agree - charging for car parks, everyone else does it.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - car park charges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
28147	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	I disagree with charging for council car parks. Car users pay income tax, Vehical Excise Duty, BAT and fuel duty as well as council tax. I believe that car owners and users have made a large enough contribution to public finances without this being added to the list.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - car park charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
28148	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	we certainly should not be paying to use a council car park	Reviewing Income and Concessions - car park charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
28149	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	By charging for parking in these areas, you are basically telling people they are not entitled to their health and wellbeing because they cannot afford to park in these areas.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - car park charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. The possible introduction of car parking charges would apply to public car parks in certain locations and not all council car parks.
28150	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	charging for council car parks will drive away consumers so not a good idea	Reviewing Income and Concessions - car park charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
28151	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	I think the council should charge for car parking int there car parks although a reasonable charge	Reviewing Income and Concessions - car park charges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
28152	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	charges for carparking would be welcomed for some as too many people want services for nothing,,,,	Reviewing Income and Concessions - car park charges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
28153	No Response	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Nominal fee for council car parks, staff to pay (deducted from their wage) for staff car parking, ie Civic Centre etc , eg. £2 per month. Other council car parks 50p per day token payment while generating an income.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - car park charges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. The possible introduction of car parking charges would apply to public car parks in certain locations. There is no specific proposal to charge employees for parking.
28154	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	I don't mind paying for parking as long as it is a reasonable amount.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - car park charges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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28155	An employee of West Lothian Council	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	I agree with all of these points however I don't believe council staff should be paying to park to attend work but car parks should be charged for members of the public	Reviewing Income and Concessions - car park charges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. The possible introduction of car parking charges would apply to public car parks in certain locations. There is no specific proposal to charge employees for parking.
28156	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Council employees should also pay for parking at council car parks if public have to. This would also support carbon reduction.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - car park charges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. The possible introduction of car parking charges would apply to public car parks in certain locations. There is no specific proposal to charge employees for parking.
28157	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Allowing Council staff use of all Council car parks to reduce staff claiming back parking fees	Reviewing Income and Concessions - car park charges	4. The council is already doing this.	Council staff should be using free council car parks when on council business including the Football Stadium car park at the Civic Centre.
28158	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Ridiculous to charge often the more vulnerable to get a bit of independence. Itâ€™s bad enough to pay for parking never mind council car parks.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - car park charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
28159	An employee of West Lothian Council	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	if staff could be guaranteed a dedicated space at their work (incl terrace)an annual fee of Â£35 would not appear unreasonable	Reviewing Income and Concessions - car park charges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. The possible introduction of car parking charges would apply to public car parks in certain locations. There is no specific proposal to charge employees for parking.
28160	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Charging for WLC car parks is bad news. Town centres are all ready on their knees (due to WLC policy of favouring Livingston) and you want to limit further reasons for people to use them?	Reviewing Income and Concessions - car park charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
28161	An employee of West Lothian Council	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Paid parking may cause issues with people choosing to park on the street instead where it is free.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - car park charges	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
28162	An employee of West Lothian Council	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	While charging for car parks will bring in revenue, I think it is important not to charge too much for this. Maybe a daily fee rather than charging by the hour.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - car park charges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
28163	An employee of West Lothian Council	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Council car parks should not be charging.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - car park charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
28164	An employee of West Lothian Council	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	I would find it unfair if WLC employees had to pay parking charges for coming to work !!!	Reviewing Income and Concessions - car park charges	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. The possible introduction of car parking charges would apply to public car parks in certain locations. There is no specific proposal to charge employees for parking.
28165	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Charging for council car parks is most definitely a tax on the residents whose council tax already goes towards the up keep of them, in this respect people will be being for this service twice	Reviewing Income and Concessions - car park charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
28166	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Dont agree with council car park charge	Reviewing Income and Concessions - car park charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
28167	An employee of West Lothian Council	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Agree with paying for parking.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - car park charges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
28168	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	No car park charges	Reviewing Income and Concessions - car park charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
28169	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	With 2., the charges would have to be enough to meet any subsequent costs associated with problems caused by additional anti-social and illegal parking by those trying to find any free spot they can.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - car park charges	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Evidence shows that the business model likely to be used by the council can raise significant revenue. Moreover responsibility for collection of charges and maintenance of properties is transferred from the council to a third party.

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28170	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	In terms of car parking, I suppose it is a revenue stream worth pursuing and anyway where are these free council car parks!.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - car park charges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
28171	An employee of West Lothian Council	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Don't agree with car park charges.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - car park charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
28172	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Charging for car parks will reduce footfall in town centres and higher rents will deter tenants - is this worth it?	Reviewing Income and Concessions - car park charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
28173	An employee of West Lothian Council	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	It is not clear what is meant by point 2. 'Introduction of charging for council car parks.' Does this mean charging for council officers to use the car park? Or charge members of the public to use the car park? Please provide clarification.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - car park charges	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. The possible introduction of car parking charges would apply to public car parks in certain locations. There is no specific proposal to charge employees for parking.
28174	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Parking charges seem reasonable as long as they are priced low and the Council is not greedy with what they plan to charge. Also consideration would be required on how this is enforced.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - car park charges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
28175	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	You could start with charging for the car parks at Livingston South and North stations and the like. A couple of quid a day is not a crippling amount for commuters and it would add up over the year.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - car park charges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. The possible introduction of car parking charges would apply to public car parks in certain locations.
28176	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Charging for parking would require resources to either monitor barrier gates or police parking if a "pay and display" model is adopted. Will there actually be a net gain after these resources are deployed? It may also lead to more traffic congestion if more cars are parked on street to avoid the charge.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - car park charges	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Evidence shows that the business model likely to be used by the council can raise significant revenue. Moreover responsibility for collection of charges and maintenance of properties is transferred from the council to a third party.
28177	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	2. Agree with charging for council car parks - visiting other areas you are accustomed to paying such as in Edinburgh. As long as they fall in line with the other car parks in the surrounding area and are not more expensive e.g. 50p in Livingston per hour.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - car park charges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
28178	No Response	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	The council should not charge for car parks. some people use these for residential spaces as they cannot get parked at home, this may end in neighbour disputes.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - car park charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
28179	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	I don't agree about introduction of charging for parking in council car parks as this will cost more than we get back and force shoppers and others to start parking on the streets near by.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - car park charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. Evidence shows that the business model likely to be used by the council can raise significant revenue.
28180	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	agree with all of the above apart from the car park charges.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - car park charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
28181	An employee of West Lothian Council	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Charging for car parks will move the problem to streets around the shopping areas.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - car park charges	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
28182	An employee of West Lothian Council	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	I would agree that WLC could charge for parking in the car parks to the public at the weekend but not when they are used by staff.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - car park charges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. The possible introduction of car parking charges would apply to public car parks in certain locations. There is no specific proposal to charge employees for parking.
28183	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Everyone should pay council car parks and	Reviewing Income and Concessions - car park charges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
28184	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	On your points above you do not mention if the charge for council car parks is for the public or for staff who require to park for work.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - car park charges	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. The possible introduction of car parking charges would apply to public car parks in certain locations. There is no specific proposal to charge employees for parking.

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28185	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Can barely find a car park locally so where are these you would charge for? How much to put this into place, how much could you really expect to make back. Not good use of money.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - car park charges	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. The possible introduction of car parking charges would apply to public car parks in certain locations and not all council car parks. Evidence shows that the business model likely to be used by the council can raise significant revenue.
28186	An employee of West Lothian Council	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Who would be subject to charges for parking at council car parks ? Staff ? Surely not !	Reviewing Income and Concessions - car park charges	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. The possible introduction of car parking charges would apply to public car parks in certain locations. There is no specific proposal to charge employees for parking.
28187	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	I hope these charges for parking are for people visiting the building. If it is for staff I think this will have a massive impact on where council staff park. The civic centre already removed the terrace car park away from the centre parking and people still need to park at the stadium, where will all the staff park if they can't afford to pay for parking? The roads will be filled with lines of cars all over west Lothian from staff cars parked to avoid paying fees thus increasing the likelihood of road traffic accidents	Reviewing Income and Concessions - car park charges	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. The possible introduction of car parking charges would apply to public car parks in certain locations. There is no specific proposal to charge employees for parking.
28188	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	I do not agree with charging for parking	Reviewing Income and Concessions - car park charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
28189	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Charging at council car parks would not affect the community but just employees? This seems unfair to your own staff?	Reviewing Income and Concessions - car park charges	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. The possible introduction of car parking charges would apply to public car parks in certain locations. There is no specific proposal to charge employees for parking.
28190	An employee of West Lothian Council	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	2. Charging for council car parks will encourage congestion in areas that are not council property. There is no staff to police these car parks and people who are more likely to use the car parks may not be in a position to pay fines etc, only damaging their financial position	Reviewing Income and Concessions - car park charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. Evidence shows that the business model likely to be used by the council can raise significant revenue. Moreover responsibility for collection of charges and maintenance of properties is transferred from the council to a third party.
28191	An employee of West Lothian Council	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	If there is any proposal to charge staff for parking, I'd suggest this is tiered based on the distance of a staff member's home from their place of work as there are undoubtedly individuals who could walk / cycle and others who have little option other than to drive. Also, could any staff charge for annual parking be done on a 'salary sacrifice' basis to gain tax / NI benefits?	Reviewing Income and Concessions - car park charges	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	There is no specific proposal to charge employees for parking.
28192	No Response	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Council workers should not be charged for parking their cars while attending work.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - car park charges	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. The possible introduction of car parking charges would apply to public car parks in certain locations. There is no specific proposal to charge employees for parking.
28193	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	No charge for Council car parks unless you wish to employ more traffic wardens!	Reviewing Income and Concessions - car park charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
28194	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Charging for car parking is a farce in small towns ....you are cutting the place budget and expecting them to ticket cars parked illegally because of carpark charges?	Reviewing Income and Concessions - car park charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. The possible introduction of car parking charges would apply to public car parks in certain locations and not all council car parks.
28195	An employee of West Lothian Council	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Charging for car parks - we are not a high tourist destination like Edinburgh - I question if these charges will bring sufficient funding to cover administration. Is it really worth it? If so, then Blue Badge Holders SHOULD ALSO BE CHARGED. Just because someone has a blue badge, why does this entitle to free parking? Buses are now fully accessible...it's effectively discrimination against non-disabled persons.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - car park charges	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Evidence shows that the business model likely to be used by the council can raise significant revenue
28196	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	I don't agree with 1 but do agree with 2-4	Reviewing Income and Concessions - car park charges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The scope for charging will be considered, taking account the impact of charges on vulnerable people and the availability of concessions.

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28197	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	2) what about the average person that's just going to work	Reviewing Income and Concessions - car park charges	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The council will continue to have a fair pricing strategy and concession scheme to ensure that charges generate income to support council services, in a way that is consistent with the council's Anti Poverty Strategy.
28198	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	I object to the idea of charging for council car parks. Staff already are suffering from minimal wage increases and have seen their standard of living suffer accordingly, to have to pay to park to come to work would be unfair on top of that, as I assume you mean all the car parks around council buildings.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - car park charges	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. The possible introduction of car parking charges would apply to public car parks in certain locations. There is no specific proposal to charge employees for parking.
28199	An employee of West Lothian Council	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Charging for car parking is long overdue but funding can only be used for certain purposes under the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984. Also, implementation of charging is a fairly onerous task which will require upfront resources. There are a range of other services that the council could significantly increase charges for but these are not mentioned.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - car park charges	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Evidence shows that the business model likely to be used by the council can raise significant revenue. The scope for further charging will be considered, taking account current charges, the position in other local authorities and the impact of charges on vulnerable people and the availability of concessions.
28200	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Charging for council car parks would be alright if still cheaper than other car parks	Reviewing Income and Concessions - car park charges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
28201	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	2. I agree	Reviewing Income and Concessions - car park charges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
28202	An employee of West Lothian Council	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	I would agree with all points - Charging of council owned car parks at weekends, especially around livingston would be a good idea, however general public may not appreciate this.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - car park charges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
28203	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Disagree with costs for parking in council car parks as there are not enough car parks for staff in our area.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - car park charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. The possible introduction of car parking charges would apply to public car parks in certain locations. There is no specific proposal to charge employees for parking.
28204	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	I agree but would not agree with the car parks being effectively privatised. Example, there are no traffic wardens so you can park where you like and for as long as you like on Linlithgow main street as long as it is not on yellow lines. However if you overstay your time at the "privatised" car park at the cross you get a fine! There is also a problem identifying which car parks would be charged.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - car park charges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. The possible introduction of car parking charges would apply to public car parks in certain locations and not all council car parks.
28205	An employee of West Lothian Council	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Charging for car parks could lead to a reduction of people going into towns and using services, so less money in the local communities and the loss would greatly outweigh the income received from charges.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - car park charges	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
28206	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Agree with all of 1 to 4	Reviewing Income and Concessions - car park charges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
28207	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	I don't think council staff should pay to park, but possibly pay & display for general public on streets & car parks	Reviewing Income and Concessions - car park charges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. The possible introduction of car parking charges would apply to public car parks in certain locations. There is no specific proposal to charge employees for parking.
28208	No Response	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	2. Self destructive	Reviewing Income and Concessions - car park charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
28209	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Charging for parking would be detrimental to local small businesses. It would encourage drivers to visit out of town shopping centres	Reviewing Income and Concessions - car park charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. The possible introduction of car parking charges would apply to public car parks in certain locations and not all council car parks.
28210	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Point 2 seems reasonable, there are always options to park and walk, park and ride, or public transport if folk don't want to pay this charge. Their choice.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - car park charges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
28211	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Council car park charges will drive people out of smaller areas and into retail parks (look at the state Falkirk is in).	Reviewing Income and Concessions - car park charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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28212	An employee of West Lothian Council	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Don't think its a good idea to charge for council car parks, especially to staff as they have had a low pay rise and this just adds to their outgoings.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - car park charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. The possible introduction of car parking charges would apply to public car parks in certain locations. There is no specific proposal to charge employees for parking.
28213	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	charging for parking is a questionable approach as it will potentially impact local businesses. If people have to pay to park, they are more likely to travel further to somewhere they don't have to pay.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - car park charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
28214	An employee of West Lothian Council	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	It could cost a lot to collect charges for car parks and to enforce them.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - car park charges	5b. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it is likely that the costs of this proposal would outweigh the benefit.	Evidence shows that the business model likely to be used by the council can raise significant revenue. Moreover responsibility for collection of charges and maintenance of properties is transferred from the council to a third party.
28215	An employee of West Lothian Council	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	As a council employee it concerns me greatly about the idea of charging for council car parks. As ever this would effect those individuals who earn a moderate wage and would be an added stress in their life.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - car park charges	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
28216	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Items 2 - absolutely not! Charging those on the lowest incomes for items which help them to function in their daily life is not on, particularly when Westminster have already hit them hard. Grab from the poorest in times of need? NO!	Reviewing Income and Concessions - car park charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
28217	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Are the council going to charge staff for parking that would be unfair	Reviewing Income and Concessions - car park charges	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. The possible introduction of car parking charges would apply to public car parks in certain locations. There is no specific proposal to charge employees for parking.
28218	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Rates of charges for parking need to consider those on low income.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - car park charges	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The council will continue to have a fair pricing strategy and concession scheme to ensure that charges generate income to support council services, in a way that is consistent with the council's Anti Poverty Strategy.
28219	An employee of West Lothian Council	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Where can you go now without incurring charges for parking this should be done.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - car park charges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
28220	An employee of West Lothian Council	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	All of the above mentioned are good ideas, However, what about charging for residents parking? Some streets in West Lothian are Jam Packed. .	Reviewing Income and Concessions - car park charges	5b. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it is likely that the costs of this proposal would outweigh the benefit.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. The possible introduction of car parking charges would apply to public car parks in certain locations and not all council car parks.
28221	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	2. This would probably empty local towns even more than they currently are, meaning less people using local shops and businesses. Especially older people who can get free bus to Livingstone or Edinburgh.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - car park charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
28222	An employee of West Lothian Council	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Why should the council provide the provision of free parking? This is a charge that should be implemented, as well as the admin charge for blue badges.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - car park charges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
28223	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Please don't charge for council car parks - this will just result in people leaving their cars in housing estates and road sides.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - car park charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
28224	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Parking charges should be kept to small amounts but could be spread to a wide area (use City of Edinburgh as an example of how NOT to do it)	Reviewing Income and Concessions - car park charges	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The council will continue to have a fair pricing strategy and concession scheme to ensure that charges generate income to support council services, in a way that is consistent with the council's Anti Poverty Strategy.
28225	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	I would be in favour of paying for Council car parks at weekends, but it would be unfair to consider charging staff to park while at their place of work.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - car park charges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. The possible introduction of car parking charges would apply to public car parks in certain locations. There is no specific proposal to charge employees for parking.

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28226	An employee of West Lothian Council	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Charging for council car parks is fine - it might even encourage alternative transport for council workers.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - car park charges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. The possible introduction of car parking charges would apply to public car parks in certain locations. There is no specific proposal to charge employees for parking.
28227	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Why charge council car parks so council workers get charge for going to work.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - car park charges	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. The possible introduction of car parking charges would apply to public car parks in certain locations. There is no specific proposal to charge employees for parking.
28228	An employee of West Lothian Council	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Point 2 - agree but not for charges to staff	Reviewing Income and Concessions - car park charges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. The possible introduction of car parking charges would apply to public car parks in certain locations. There is no specific proposal to charge employees for parking.
28229	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	there should be no charging in council car parks	Reviewing Income and Concessions - car park charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
28230	An employee of West Lothian Council	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	A charge for council car parks for staff would be akin to varying terms and conditions of the employment contract by the back door by having to make this payment back to the Council. The Civic Centre has been built in an area that is poor accessible by public transport. To penalise a person for taking their car is a step too far given the isolated nature of the building.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - car park charges	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. The possible introduction of car parking charges would apply to public car parks in certain locations. There is no specific proposal to charge employees for parking.
28231	An employee of West Lothian Council	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	It's not clear which car parks the charges would affect - does this mean that employees would have to pay for the terrace, for example..? There's also a risk that this will affect local businesses as they see customers travel further if it means they don't have to pay to park.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - car park charges	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. The possible introduction of car parking charges would apply to public car parks in certain locations. There is no specific proposal to charge employees for parking.
28232	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Council parking charge is ludicrous!	Reviewing Income and Concessions - car park charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
28233	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	People already pay council tax for council services... they should not then need to pay for parking to access council services!	Reviewing Income and Concessions - car park charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
28234	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	A small fee for car park use would be better than taking money in fees from the old or disabled. I use my car often and expect to have to pay to park most places.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - car park charges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
28235	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Charging for council car parks sounds wonderful, but will just lead to more on-street parking and fewer people using local shops. Perhaps the charges might be structured so that short term parking is free, but longer term parking is charged for (this has been successfully implemented in other local authorities to encourage town centre retention of shops)	Reviewing Income and Concessions - car park charges	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
28236	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	If you charge for car parks you will then need wardens as people will not use them and cause a nuisance on nearby streets.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - car park charges	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Evidence shows that the business model likely to be used by the council can raise significant revenue. Moreover responsibility for collection of charges and maintenance of properties is transferred from the council to a third party.
28237	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	2 - will this cause on street parking issues with people trying to park for free?	Reviewing Income and Concessions - car park charges	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. The possible introduction of car parking charges would apply to public car parks in certain locations and not all council car parks.
28238	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	What does this saving mean? Again we have insufficient information relating to the specifics of this saving to make an informed decision on who this will affect and how. Has an equality impact assessment been completed for this saving? 2.Introduction of charging for council car parks - feasibility study to gauge whether we could decriminalise parking in WL and employ traffic wardens. Does that include charging employees to park whilst at their work, will the charges be applied to the accessible bays also.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - car park charges	4. The council is already doing this.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. There is no specific proposal to charge employees for parking. The feasibility of any income proposal will be considered as part of the project management process to review and implement changes. In line with established budget setting processes, all proposed reduction measures will be subject to an equality impact assessment.

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28239	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Charging for car parks could make street congestion worse. Commuters who use them for long stay during the day will park in the street or use other car parking spaces.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - car park charges	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
28240	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Again I see lots of cars doing this and also in the main shopping areas and parking on pavements and double yellows. The revenues to be had from this would probably be over Â£5000 per day. I don't understand why this is not being done. It is very difficult for disabled people and mother with push chairs to get around and not to mention the safety aspects.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - car park charges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
28241	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Have concerns that charging for council car parks will have an impact on the footfall to the High Street of the smaller town centres.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - car park charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
28242	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Car parks acceptable	Reviewing Income and Concessions - car park charges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
28243	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	SAVE MONEY BY: Charge for staff parking.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - car park charges	5d. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it has been previously considered and will not be progressed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. There is no specific proposal to charge employees for parking.
28244	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	I also disagree with paying for parking.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - car park charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
28245	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	I totally disagree with council car parking charges. People earn little enough. Unless it is for staff who earn in excess of Â£30,000.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - car park charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
28246	An employee of West Lothian Council	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Town centre shopping has taken enough of a hit in recent years without parking being affected. If you make this change, you may find certain areas start to lose even more footfall	Reviewing Income and Concessions - car park charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. The possible introduction of car parking charges would apply to public car parks in certain locations and not all council car parks.
28247	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	People who can afford to pay should pay for resources. I don't agree with parking charges, especially if you have to leave your car all day.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - car park charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. The possible introduction of car parking charges would apply to public car parks in certain locations and not all council car parks.
28248	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	If you charge for workplace parking this is yet another drain on staff morale. How much income will be generated by charging for parking versus staffing the car parks to do this or contracting out to dubious parking companies. This will drive people away from West Lothian as a venue	Reviewing Income and Concessions - car park charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. There is no specific proposal to charge employees for parking.
28249	An employee of West Lothian Council	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	I also think making money out of charging for the use of car parks is not a bad idea, if the money is used to repair roads or the up keep of car parks and other council resources.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - car park charges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
28250	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Small car parking charges would be acceptable but keep it in house.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - car park charges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. Evidence shows that an external business model would generate more income for the council than using an internal model of delivery.
28251	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	2. Council parking should be free of charge. Employment of enforcement agents, and the related administrative and managerial costs for this, combined with hidden costs, such as the potential impact of reduced footfall for local business and subsequent closure of marginal businesses with loss of tax revenue are likely to counter any expected profits from this.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - car park charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Evidence shows that the business model likely to be used by the council can raise significant revenue. Moreover responsibility for collection of charges and maintenance of properties is transferred from the council to a third party.
28252	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Charging for council car parks will impact on local businesses Don't agree that only those that can afford to pay should be required to pay. Just because people have been careful and saved, why should they be penalised?	Reviewing Income and Concessions - car park charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Audit Scotland continue to state that councils should consider charging as part of their overall financial management. Therefore councils should understand the contribution that charges make to their overall financial position, and the extent to which individual charges are subsidised. All local authorities can introduce discretionary charges where assessed as appropriate.

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28253	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	2. All that this will lead to is empty car parks and people parking in the streets even more. Which car parks. Imagine the choice was pay to park at Beecraigs or drive on for another 20 minutes and get it free at helix park falkirk?	Reviewing Income and Concessions - car park charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. The possible introduction of car parking charges would apply to public car parks in certain locations and not all council car parks.
28254	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	I find the idea of charging for council car parks highly objectionable. I do agree however that charging for certain care services, on an assessed affordability basis, is sensible.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - car park charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
28255	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Charging in council car parks is not the way forward.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - car park charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
28256	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	I would not have a problem with paying 50p an hour for Council parking, would not be happy if it was up To £1.50 like some of the car parks at the shopping centre.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - car park charges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council will continue to have a fair pricing strategy and concession scheme to ensure that charges generate income to support council services, in a way that is consistent with the council's Anti Poverty Strategy.
28257	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	2. 100% disagree - False economy based on effects on town centre footfalls, effect on local businesses and tourism. Motorists already avoid the Vennel car park where possible despite only nominal charges. Big mistake!	Reviewing Income and Concessions - car park charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
28258	An employee of West Lothian Council	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Feel a small charge would be accepted by the public.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - car park charges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
28259	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Do not agree with paying for using a council carpark.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - car park charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
28260	An employee of West Lothian Council	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	A introduction of a charging for all council car parks is the way forward	Reviewing Income and Concessions - car park charges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
28261	An employee of West Lothian Council	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	I would not use a council car park if charges were applied and would find alternative parking.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - car park charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
28262	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	All the Council car parks I use I have to pay a parking charge	Reviewing Income and Concessions - car park charges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
28263	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	2 - will displace parking to side streets	Reviewing Income and Concessions - car park charges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. The possible introduction of car parking charges would apply to public car parks in certain locations and not all council car parks.
28264	An employee of West Lothian Council	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Would this include car parks that council staff use? if so its not fair to expect them to pay to come to work.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - car park charges	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. There is no specific proposal to charge employees for parking.
28265	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Which council car parks?	Reviewing Income and Concessions - car park charges	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. The possible introduction of car parking charges would apply to public car parks in certain locations and not all council car parks.
28266	An employee of West Lothian Council	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	The car park charge should not exceed the lowest private car park charge in that area.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - car park charges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
28267	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	As to charging for council car parks, this would be very unjust to Council tax payers.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - car park charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
28268	An employee of West Lothian Council	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	A modest charge for council car parks makes sense.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - car park charges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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28269	An employee of West Lothian Council	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	However, with the council struggling to attract staff in certain areas, any proposal to charge for council car parks may be counterproductive.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - car park charges	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. There is no specific proposal to charge employees for parking.
28270	An employee of West Lothian Council	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	As a person who lives and works in West Lothian I feel it would be unfair to introduce parking charges at offices for staff particularly seeing as public transport is not great within West Lothian. In terms of doing it for town centres I think this is reasonable for commercial access.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - car park charges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. There is no specific proposal to charge employees for parking.
28271	An employee of West Lothian Council	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	I don't think charging people for parking is a good idea. People pay their taxes and can't even park in the council for free? Also would that mean charging staff members for coming to work?	Reviewing Income and Concessions - car park charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. There is no specific proposal to charge employees for parking.
28272	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	I don't know what is meant by charging for council car parks means but if it means charging council employees to park their car to come to work I would be totally against this.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - car park charges	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. There is no specific proposal to charge employees for parking.
28273	An employee of West Lothian Council	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	2. Introduction of charging for council car parks - agree with this but not at to high a rate	Reviewing Income and Concessions - car park charges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
28274	An employee of West Lothian Council	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	not sure about the charge for council car parking (would this mean workers would have to pay).	Reviewing Income and Concessions - car park charges	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. There is no specific proposal to charge employees for parking.
28275	An employee of West Lothian Council	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	2. Agree councils should charge for public car parks. Need to be careful this doesn't discourage people from shopping in town centres or create parking issues in neighbouring streets.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - car park charges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
28276	An employee of West Lothian Council	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	The council car park charge would hit employees hard that cannot access public transport due to geography or other factors. Perhaps a charge over a certain time for car parks to ensure that regular meeting attendees are not compromised with a charge.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - car park charges	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. There is no specific proposal to charge employees for parking.
28277	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Charging for council car parks could cause issues in towns with users opting to park on roads and in housing estates, which may necessitate the reintroduction of traffic wardens at a cost. This could also have an adverse effect on the use of town centres.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - car park charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
28278	An employee of West Lothian Council	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	2. Who suffers because of this? Council employees being charged to park at their own work? Residents requiring assistance from their council (probably due to services already being cut)?	Reviewing Income and Concessions - car park charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. There is no specific proposal to charge employees for parking.
28279	An employee of West Lothian Council	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Charging for council car parks could be an issue for employees where there are no other alternatives and no employee car parking facility.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - car park charges	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. There is no specific proposal to charge employees for parking.
28280	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	2. Do not object to charges for public council car parks but object to any charges for staff council car parking	Reviewing Income and Concessions - car park charges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. There is no specific proposal to charge employees for parking.
28281	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	2 council car parks yes charge	Reviewing Income and Concessions - car park charges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
28282	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Re 1, 2 & 4 : Should not charge for these services.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - car park charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
28283	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Charging for car parks would exacerbate the problems of street parking. Falkirk Council imposed charges at a large car park in Kemper Avenue - it lies virtually empty and the streets are full of parked cars.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - car park charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
28284	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	However it is my experience that parking charges discourage people from using shops in the area local to such car parks. Introduce car parking charges, lose customers from the area, shops close, area becomes less attractive, more shops close, fewer people shop in the area, income from commercial properties falls; a guaranteed way to boost footfall in the out-of-town shopping centres.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - car park charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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28285	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	2. Make it a fair, low price. Don't milk people	Reviewing Income and Concessions - car park charges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
28286	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Charges for parking, within reason, would be an excellent way to generate income during working hours.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - car park charges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
28287	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Car park charging would be ok as long as your own staff were exempted from paying.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - car park charges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. There is no specific proposal to charge employees for parking.
28288	An employee of West Lothian Council	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	2. The terrace could generate a lot of income by charging in the evenings and weekends, however would staff be charged during the day for coming to work? With high chance of no pay rise and increased Council Tax this would seem unfair.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - car park charges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. There is no specific proposal to charge employees for parking.
28289	No Response	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Fair enough although car park is a difficult one for employees who have to use their car and for those attending regular meetings. Maybe for over a certain amount of time-to exclude most meetings?	Reviewing Income and Concessions - car park charges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. There is no specific proposal to charge employees for parking.
28290	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Charging for council carpark is not a good idea, it will lead to off street parking and congested side roads.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - car park charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
28291	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Does that mean school workers would be charged to park in school car parks?	Reviewing Income and Concessions - car park charges	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. There is no specific proposal to charge employees for parking.
28292	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	2. No disagreement.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - car park charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
28293	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	The Council should at least double its aspiration for income during the financial plan period. Things to consider are: â€¢ Charging for all West Lothian owned car parks (Monday to Saturday 8am to 4pm).	Reviewing Income and Concessions - car park charges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The scope for charging will be considered, taking account current charges, the position in other local authorities and the impact of charges on vulnerable people and the availability of concessions.
28294	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Paying for parking can be revenue raising. It also creates jobs. WLC should look at decriminalised parking model.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - car park charges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
28295	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	I would not support idea 2 [car park charges]	Reviewing Income and Concessions - car park charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
28296	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Charging for council car parks? This effectively amounts to charging local people twice. Not a good idea.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - car park charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
28297	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Don't agree with paying for council car parks	Reviewing Income and Concessions - car park charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
28298	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	increase parking massively, like Edinburgh, to discourage car usage	Reviewing Income and Concessions - car park charges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
28299	An employee of West Lothian Council	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Agree although do not introduce charging for staff car parks	Reviewing Income and Concessions - car park charges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. There is no specific proposal to charge employees for parking.
28300	An employee of West Lothian Council	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Council carparks should only be chargeable where council services are not in place ie. general shopping/business areas would be ok but not ok to charge around hospitals/schools/civic centre etc. as this just makes it less accessible.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - car park charges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. There is no specific proposal to charge employees for parking. The possible introduction of car parking charges would apply to public car parks in certain locations and not all council car parks.

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28301	An employee of West Lothian Council	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	I disagree if this charge for council car parks included the staff only car parks - I feel this would be unfair to charge staff to park at work.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - car park charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. The possible introduction of car parking charges would apply to public car parks in certain locations. There is no specific proposal to charge employees for parking.
28302	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	2. I am happy to pay to use a car park.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - car park charges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
28303	An employee of West Lothian Council	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	I think it is very poor for the council to even consider charging staff for parking. Some staff are on such low pay that every penny counts and this is a wrong move.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - car park charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. The possible introduction of car parking charges would apply to public car parks in certain locations. There is no specific proposal to charge employees for parking.
28304	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	I agree the council needs to introduce charges for council car parks. Every other council already does it	Reviewing Income and Concessions - car park charges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
28305	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	No way!!! Charging people to park to visit council services is another joke surely?	Reviewing Income and Concessions - car park charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. The possible introduction of car parking charges would apply to public car parks in certain locations and not all council car parks.
28306	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Charging for council car parks is a big no!! The impact that will have on people's pocket every day just to go to work the public transport is horrendous, some people have no choice. Car are already parked everywhere in Livingston on grass verges etc....cost for repairing back to the council. Terrible idea. .	Reviewing Income and Concessions - car park charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
28307	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Number 2 - most already are are they not? Means testing old people for services - really?	Reviewing Income and Concessions - car park charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Charges are not applied to the majority of council car parks currently.
28308	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	If charges are applied to council car parks, even a small amount I feel this also would help generate income.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - car park charges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
28309	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	No charging for hospital car parks must remain	Reviewing Income and Concessions - car park charges	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	NHS Lothian determines parking charges for St John's car park, not West Lothian Council.
28310	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	2. You already do	Reviewing Income and Concessions - car park charges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
28311	No Response	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	2. I don't believe you should charge your own staff to park at their own workplace.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - car park charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. The possible introduction of car parking charges would apply to public car parks in certain locations. There is no specific proposal to charge employees for parking.
28312	An employee of West Lothian Council	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	It would be appropriate to charge for parking in line with the stance taken by other local authorities but these facilities would require appropriate management and enforcement and this would need to be a consideration given the costs that may be associated in undertaking these roles. There is a difference between charged car parking and the provision of decriminalised parking that should be made apparent when considering these means.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - car park charges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. Evidence shows that the business model likely to be used by the council can raise significant revenue. Moreover responsibility for collection of charges and maintenance of properties is transferred from the council to a third party.
28313	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	You should charge for car parks	Reviewing Income and Concessions - car park charges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
28314	An employee of West Lothian Council	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	I would be opposed to having to pay to park my car in order to come to work. I also think this would cause more local congestion as people will try to find a place to park nearby where they don't need to pay.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - car park charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. The possible introduction of car parking charges would apply to public car parks in certain locations. There is no specific proposal to charge employees for parking.
28315	An employee of West Lothian Council	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	parking charges are a good idea,	Reviewing Income and Concessions - car park charges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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28316	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Charging in council car parks ok at weekends but during week a lot staff use council car parks to park in for work hours, either at their own place of work or when visiting another office.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - car park charges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. The possible introduction of car parking charges would apply to public car parks in certain locations. There is no specific proposal to charge employees for parking.
28317	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	2. this depends because in many areas of West Lothian, I don't believe business is particularly thriving and this could deter people further from shopping locally - in wealthy areas such as Linlithgow, I support charges but perhaps not other towns in West Lothian with less affluent populations	Reviewing Income and Concessions - car park charges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. The possible introduction of car parking charges would apply to public car parks in certain locations and not all council car parks.
28318	An employee of West Lothian Council	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	With a number of car parks in West Lothian already charging, I don't see an issue with charges being introduced for those run by the council.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - car park charges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
28319	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	I don't think we should be charged for council car parks,	Reviewing Income and Concessions - car park charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
28320	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Do not agree on any of the above, maybe on point 3	Reviewing Income and Concessions - car park charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
28321	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	who would collect there? If staffing reducing how do you foresee dealing with issues where existing staff are under further pressure to do more jobs?	Reviewing Income and Concessions - car park charges	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	When introducing new charges the council considers the most cost efficient and effective way of administering and managing the collection process.
28322	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	2 no	Reviewing Income and Concessions - car park charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
28323	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	No charging for Council car parks	Reviewing Income and Concessions - car park charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
28324	An employee of West Lothian Council	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Strongly DISAGREE with the proposal for charges to park in council car parks!! In England many areas charge for parking and this can be as much as £20-30 per week. People would park elsewhere and would be vulnerable to being fined by private parking operators.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - car park charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
28325	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	2. I disagree with charging for council car parks.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - car park charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
28326	An employee of West Lothian Council	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Charge for council car parks for employees??? absolutely ridiculous	Reviewing Income and Concessions - car park charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. The possible introduction of car parking charges would apply to public car parks in certain locations. There is no specific proposal to charge employees for parking.
28327	An employee of West Lothian Council	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	If it means charging your own employees for the car parks while they are at work this seems like you are imposing a penalty on them for working.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - car park charges	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. The possible introduction of car parking charges would apply to public car parks in certain locations. There is no specific proposal to charge employees for parking.
28328	An employee of West Lothian Council	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	In Bathgate, most of the car parks in the town centre are used by West Lothian Council staff Monday to Friday all day. If charges are to be introduced for using these, this will have a significant impact on the purse strings of those employees, who are already feeling the squeeze of minimal/no pay rises over these last few years. Do you intend to give staff a free pass or significant discount?	Reviewing Income and Concessions - car park charges	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. The possible introduction of car parking charges would apply to public car parks in certain locations. There is no specific proposal to charge employees for parking.
28329	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Would not pay car park fee.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - car park charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
28330	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	2. Council car park charges - again likely to hit the most vulnerable & would like to see some cost/benefit analysis s.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - car park charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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28331	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	2 I'm against further car parking charges	Reviewing Income and Concessions - car park charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
28332	An employee of West Lothian Council	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Council employees should not be expected to pay for parking at their place of work. Charges should apply at weekends only with exception to employees.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - car park charges	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. The possible introduction of car parking charges would apply to public car parks in certain locations. There is no specific proposal to charge employees for parking.
28333	An employee of West Lothian Council	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	I can only really answer from my point of view and the car park charges if this is brought in how would it affect coming to work would I now be expected to pay for parking to come to the Civic Centre to work? A lot of what I have read seems to deal with reduction in staffing which includes me and also pay rises will not be large if at all so my concern would be would I then have to find money which I don't have to pay to come to work.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - car park charges	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. The possible introduction of car parking charges would apply to public car parks in certain locations. There is no specific proposal to charge employees for parking.
28334	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Parking fees would have a positive effect on car use and increased exercise from walking or cycling	Reviewing Income and Concessions - car park charges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
28335	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Please charge for use of council car parks. This should include staff who travel to work by car in order to encourage use of public transport.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - car park charges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. The possible introduction of car parking charges would apply to public car parks in certain locations. There is no specific proposal to charge employees for parking.
28336	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Parking should be free on council car parks.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - car park charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
28337	An employee of West Lothian Council	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Are you having a laugh. The council has a fleet of hundreds of vehicles that park in public car parks resulting in the public having to park wherever are you suggesting payment for parking at work?	Reviewing Income and Concessions - car park charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. The possible introduction of car parking charges would apply to public car parks in certain locations. There is no specific proposal to charge employees for parking.
28338	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Charging for parking is a good idea - preferably not "gifted" to private parking companies	Reviewing Income and Concessions - car park charges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. Evidence shows that the business model likely to be used by the council can raise significant revenue. Moreover responsibility for collection of charges and maintenance of properties is transferred from the council to a third party.
28339	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Why charge council employees for parking, we are already under paid by national standards. This would be one step too many.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - car park charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. The possible introduction of car parking charges would apply to public car parks in certain locations. There is no specific proposal to charge employees for parking.
28340	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Charging for council car parks is just another attack on the motorist that should be avoided if possible.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - car park charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
28341	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Quite sad to see payment for parking being introduced. Does West Lothian really want to become like Edinburgh? Short period 15min parking should be free. Particularly for disabled or elderly as they often need their cars and can't walk long distance and may need to park in multiple locations in the one day.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - car park charges	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
28342	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Bit mean to charge for car parking.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - car park charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
28343	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	I do not agree with charging for council car parks	Reviewing Income and Concessions - car park charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
28344	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Charging a council car parks may penalise the most vulnerable in society and put more pressure on street parking in residential areas. To cover the costs in collecting and monitoring payments, charges are likely to be high. Please remember that this area is not well served by public transport links when traveling through West Lothian	Reviewing Income and Concessions - car park charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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28345	An employee of West Lothian Council	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Do not wish to pay for parking when at work. I live in Edinburgh and do not have another means of getting to work. Suggest pay at weekends.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - car park charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
28346	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Agree, but not charging for workplace carparks for staff who use cars for work	Reviewing Income and Concessions - car park charges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. The possible introduction of car parking charges would apply to public car parks in certain locations. There is no specific proposal to charge employees for parking.
28347	An employee of West Lothian Council	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	2. Charging for council car parks - penalising workers or those who use town centres which will just encourage more dangerous parking on the street, causing obstructions to traffic.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - car park charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
28348	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	2. Agree as other councils already do this and West Lothian has a lot of visitors so why not get some benefit from this.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - car park charges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
28349	An employee of West Lothian Council	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	For car parks absolutely cover the management costs.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - car park charges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
28350	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Council car park charges should be an agreed amount	Reviewing Income and Concessions - car park charges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
28351	An employee of West Lothian Council	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	what about staff parking is that subject to payment as well?	Reviewing Income and Concessions - car park charges	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. The possible introduction of car parking charges would apply to public car parks in certain locations. There is no specific proposal to charge employees for parking.
28352	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Charges for car parking	Reviewing Income and Concessions - car park charges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
28353	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Charges need to be reasonable eg. Council car park charges 50p per hour as opposed to prices in private carparks.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - car park charges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
28354	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	charges for council parking also acceptable	Reviewing Income and Concessions - car park charges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
28355	An employee of West Lothian Council	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Charging for cap parks - not good - will staff be charged - will it stop customer entering buildings??	Reviewing Income and Concessions - car park charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. The possible introduction of car parking charges would apply to public car parks in certain locations. There is no specific proposal to charge employees for parking.
28356	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	I agree that there should be a charge for council car parks as it will possibly stop the public from parking in the car parks meant for the council.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - car park charges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
28357	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	The introduction of charging for council car parks will be unpopular, puts those working at the civic centre at a disadvantage and will create a problem with regards to parking in surrounding residential areas etc. Staff are already suffering with a 1% pay increase against a backdrop of 3% inflation. Those who are on a low wage will suffer disproportionately. The council needs to show that they value their staff and charging to pay to work is not a way to do this. This is the type of penny pinching mentality that back fires on organisations. Ryanair and its treatment of pilots is an example. The council still needs to remain competitive against other organisations including the private sector to attract the right staff. It maybe create a saving but the message it sends out to staff could be detrimental.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - car park charges	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. The possible introduction of car parking charges would apply to public car parks in certain locations. There is no specific proposal to charge employees for parking.
28358	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	I agree however would like to ask if on top of reduced income, a plan to remove terms and conditions and allowances are you also planning on charging staff to park at work - in the end the result will be that you will have staff that actually can no longer afford to work.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - car park charges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. The possible introduction of car parking charges would apply to public car parks in certain locations. There is no specific proposal to charge employees for parking.
28359	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Charging for car parking is a good way of generating income, if a tad unpopular,	Reviewing Income and Concessions - car park charges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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28360	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	I think it is a good idea to charge car parks	Reviewing Income and Concessions - car park charges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
28361	An employee of West Lothian Council	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	definitely charge for car parks	Reviewing Income and Concessions - car park charges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
28362	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Council staff should not need to pay for parking in a council car park.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - car park charges	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. The possible introduction of car parking charges would apply to public car parks in certain locations. There is no specific proposal to charge employees for parking.
28363	An employee of West Lothian Council	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	I strongly disagree with parking charges for staff unless a supplementary wage increase is implemented to accommodate what is effectively a cut in wages. This could also be seen as a unilateral material change in terms and conditions.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - car park charges	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. The possible introduction of car parking charges would apply to public car parks in certain locations. There is no specific proposal to charge employees for parking.
28364	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Strongly disagree on parking charges for council car parks.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - car park charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
28365	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Car parking charges agreed. There is no right to free parking - that land could have been used for something productive so motorists should pay. Ensure there is the option of cheap short term parking - ie 30 minutes.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - car park charges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
28366	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Services should be means tested Charging for council car parks is effectively reducing council employees wages	Reviewing Income and Concessions - car park charges	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. The possible introduction of car parking charges would apply to public car parks in certain locations. There is no specific proposal to charge employees for parking.
28367	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	if charging for council car parks comes into place will there be barriers put up at for the flats at the high street in Linlithgow to stop people parking in residents spaces	Reviewing Income and Concessions - car park charges	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
28368	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Keep parking free.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - car park charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
28369	An employee of West Lothian Council	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	How much are we talking about for car parks?	Reviewing Income and Concessions - car park charges	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	This will be subject of a tender exercise.
28370	An employee of West Lothian Council	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	2 - This will be an effective decrease in salary for lots of staff. This could make the council much less attractive to potential employees. I would personally be in favour as someone who does not use their car and thinks it might encourage a healthier approach to how people get to work. The more people walking and cycling to work the better.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - car park charges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. The possible introduction of car parking charges would apply to public car parks in certain locations. There is no specific proposal to charge employees for parking.
28371	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Regarding 2. above - I trust this does not include staff council car parks?	Reviewing Income and Concessions - car park charges	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. The possible introduction of car parking charges would apply to public car parks in certain locations. There is no specific proposal to charge employees for parking.
28372	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	2. It seems inevitable but then next you will say your partners can run the service cheaper for you. The way that is done is by increasing the parking charges for those who use the car parks.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - car park charges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. Evidence shows that the business model likely to be used by the council can raise significant revenue. Moreover responsibility for collection of charges and maintenance of properties is transferred from the council to a third party.
28373	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	The council should also charge for on-street parking in busy areas (like Linlithgow) to generate income but also to reduce congestion. Fines could also help increase revenue.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - car park charges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. The possible introduction of car parking charges would apply to public car parks in certain locations and not all council car parks.

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28374	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	On-street parking charges and fines would generate some income and be a positive thing in towns where there can be problems with congestion and provision of parking.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - car park charges	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The scope for charging will be considered, taking account current charges, the position in other local authorities and the impact of charges on vulnerable people and the availability of concessions.
28375	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	I don't agree with council car park charges it's probably mostly staff that will use them and they would have to pay to attend work	Reviewing Income and Concessions - car park charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. The possible introduction of car parking charges would apply to public car parks in certain locations. There is no specific proposal to charge employees for parking.
28376	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	As long as staff don't need to pay to park in council car parks!	Reviewing Income and Concessions - car park charges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. The possible introduction of car parking charges would apply to public car parks in certain locations. There is no specific proposal to charge employees for parking.
28377	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Please consider parking violation charges as an option for income. Preferably by legitimate council employed traffic wardens not from a private company.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - car park charges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. The possible introduction of car parking charges would apply to public car parks in certain locations and not all council car parks.
28378	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	1, 3 and 4 agreed 2 - disagree. To charge for car parking will discourage people from using the facilities and cause issues on surrounding roads.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - car park charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
28379	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Cannot support 2 and 4 or ageing population fees and charges. All of this is far too vague to even offer a basic response never mind anything more informed.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - car park charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
28380	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Some limited charging for council parking areas is reasonable with every user being expected to pay something, even those with blue or disabled badges.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - car park charges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
28381	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	car parking yes if it was minimal .	Reviewing Income and Concessions - car park charges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
28382	An employee of West Lothian Council	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Would not want the staff car parks to be charged as that would be like a tax to attend work.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - car park charges	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. The possible introduction of car parking charges would apply to public car parks in certain locations. There is no specific proposal to charge employees for parking.
28383	An employee of West Lothian Council	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Charging council employees for parking is a nonsense. Unless you're hoping to lose more staff through this initiative?	Reviewing Income and Concessions - car park charges	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. The possible introduction of car parking charges would apply to public car parks in certain locations. There is no specific proposal to charge employees for parking.
28384	An employee of West Lothian Council	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Senior management with access to the civic car park should pay a monthly charge for this convenience. Ordinary members of staff should not need to pay to come to work.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - car park charges	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. The possible introduction of car parking charges would apply to public car parks in certain locations. There is no specific proposal to charge employees for parking.
28385	An employee of West Lothian Council	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Unclear what is meant by 'Council Car Parks', but should not include those used by employees in the course of their work, or at libraries or swimming centres.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - car park charges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. There is no specific proposal to charge employees for parking. The possible introduction of car parking charges would apply to public car parks in certain locations and not all council car parks.
28386	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	2. Don't agree with parking charges	Reviewing Income and Concessions - car park charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
28387	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	I would suggest a charge for all West Lothian Council owned car parks, including to staff using them, is brought in eg Monday-Saturday 8am-5pm, free to blue badge holders. Such funds could offset the costs currently incurred from subsidised bus services.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - car park charges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. There is no specific proposal to charge employees for parking.
28388	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Oh come on isn't parking bad enough?	Reviewing Income and Concessions - car park charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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28389	An employee of West Lothian Council	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	The introduction of charging for Council car parks would only incur people stopping using the car parks and finding other places to leave their cars which might not always be in the best positions.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - car park charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
28390	No Response	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Completely in agreement with this, other Council's charge for council car parks. Private car parks are chargeable so why not. This will assist with costs for upkeep, gritting etc.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - car park charges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
28391	An employee of West Lothian Council	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	I would be concerned about having to pay to come to work, I live outwith West Lothian and the extra cost would have a big impact on my finances, given the minimal pay rises this would be like a cut in pay for me.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - car park charges	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. The possible introduction of car parking charges would apply to public car parks in certain locations. There is no specific proposal to charge employees for parking.
28392	An employee of West Lothian Council	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Don't agree with proposal to introduce charging for council car parks. This impacts considerably on visitors to West Lothian who come for the most part for shopping and leisure - to spent money.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - car park charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
28393	An employee of West Lothian Council	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Yes probably the car park charge should take effect	Reviewing Income and Concessions - car park charges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
28394	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Disagree with charging for council car parks- people should be able to visit council buildings without being charged.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - car park charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. The possible introduction of car parking charges would apply to public car parks in certain locations and not all council car parks.
28395	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	I agree with the principle reasonable car park charges but please be aware of the need for drop off/pick up spaces eg for children's activities.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - car park charges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
28396	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Council car parks, what does this include? a care park that is essential for people to park there cars for when they get home also? I am sure no one would pay to park at there own property so there could be a big uproar about that and not worth it at all.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - car park charges	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The possible introduction of car parking charges would apply to public car parks in certain locations and not all council car parks. Evidence shows that the business model likely to be used by the council can raise significant revenue.
28397	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Charge for all car parks and install meters on all high streets.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - car park charges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
28398	No Response	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Council should chRge for commuter car parks and install meters in all High Streets. This would have side benefit of making short term parking more available.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - car park charges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
28399	No Response	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	I am not in favour of charging in council car parks.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - car park charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
28400	No Response	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	2. Agree charges to council car parks, similar to Linlithgow Burgh Halls car park. Would need to be monitored.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - car park charges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
28401	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Charging for all West Lothian owned car parks (Monday to Saturday 8am to 4pm). This is money that could be directed as a contribution to subsidising bus services.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - car park charges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
28402	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	item 2 ok but please provide some and don't sub let to NCP.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - car park charges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Evidence shows that the business model likely to be used by the council can raise significant revenue. Moreover responsibility for collection of charges and maintenance of properties is transferred from the council to a third party.
28403	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	2. Disagree, as a person involved in a traders' association, our members find the drop in footfall and business a challenge. The result of this can be seen in the increase in the number of empty shop premises. Charging for council car-parks in towns and villages could only make this trend worse. Different perhaps in country parks and such (as tourist attractions do), where a charge would be more appropriate.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - car park charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The possible introduction of car parking charges would apply to public car parks in certain locations and not all council car parks. Evidence shows that the business model likely to be used by the council can raise significant revenue.
28404	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	No to parking fees! These have been proven to have a knock on effect to local businesses. Bad idea	Reviewing Income and Concessions - car park charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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28405	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	A review of the surrounding area particularly residential areas should also be performed so as not to impact parking there as a result of this .	Reviewing Income and Concessions - car park charges	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
28406	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Happy to pay for car parking.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - car park charges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
28407	No Response	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	I suspect that the cost of policing and collecting parking charges would outweigh the revenue generated.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - car park charges	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Evidence shows that the business model likely to be used by the council can raise significant revenue. Moreover responsibility for collection of charges and maintenance of properties is transferred from the council to a third party.
28408	An employee of West Lothian Council	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Charging for car parking will reduce people using the facility and lower income people this would affect greatly.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - car park charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
28409	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Would the income from council car parks outweigh the cost of managing them? Charging for chargings sake makes no sense.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - car park charges	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Evidence shows that the business model likely to be used by the council can raise significant revenue. Moreover responsibility for collection of charges and maintenance of properties is transferred from the council to a third party.
28410	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Council staff should not have to pay for parking if they are at work.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - car park charges	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	There is no specific proposal to charge employees for parking.
28411	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	No problem in paying for council car parks and also introduce charges at other free car parks and street parking eg Linlithgow High Street after giving a free hour's parking.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - car park charges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
28412	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Introducing these charges just shifts the problems to other areas. Eg charging for car parks leads to more on street parking and more problems	Reviewing Income and Concessions - car park charges	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
28413	An employee of West Lothian Council	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Charging for car parks could cause more financial strain on employees who require to use these when coming to work and could also mean staff having to leave their place of work periodically to feed a meter	Reviewing Income and Concessions - car park charges	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	There is no specific proposal to charge employees for parking.
28414	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Charging for parking ridiculous	Reviewing Income and Concessions - car park charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
28415	An employee of West Lothian Council	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Clearer information on what car parks are Council run and proposed charging d be needed before the public can comment in a constructive manner, up as usual with the Council the information is so vague to be pretty much useless.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - car park charges	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	This document is the first stage of public consultation. Further public consultation on specific changes to services is an integral part of the change management process and will be undertaken as proposals are developed further.
28416	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	I cannot argue against any of the above proposals but would ask that charges for car parks should be at a reasonable cost as you don't want to stop people coming to a town because the car parking charges are too much.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - car park charges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
28417	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Charging for parking would require policing, thereby employing someone to do this, so not much saving there.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - car park charges	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Evidence shows that the business model likely to be used by the council can raise significant revenue. Moreover responsibility for collection of charges and maintenance of properties is transferred from the council to a third party.
28418	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	charging for parking in council car parks is difficult as people attending the building should not have to pay however those using as it more convenient for other activities should be charged especially where the car park is small e.g. Bathgate and Armadale partnership centres are difficult to get a space and in Bathgate many fail to obey the recently erecting stating is for customers only.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - car park charges	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The possible introduction of car parking charges would apply to public car parks in certain locations and not all council car parks. Evidence shows that the business model likely to be used by the council can raise significant revenue.
28419	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Good idea to charge for council car parks as this may prevent commuters from taking up valuable spaces all day and allow town users access.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - car park charges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
28420	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	With regard to number 2, I would advocate the use of some form of charges for all staff who benefit from having access privileges to controlled and managed council car parks e.g. teachers at all schools; staff at civic centre and terrace car park, Strathbrock etc.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - car park charges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	There is no specific proposal to charge employees for parking.

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28421	An employee of West Lothian Council	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Charging for council car parks will reduce the numbers of users and move parking to surrounding streets. An inability to park for free will reduce footfall in the town centres leading to an increase in the number of empty units and a reduction in rental income.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - car park charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
28422	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Where are there council car parks???	Reviewing Income and Concessions - car park charges	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	This document is the first stage of public consultation. Further public consultation on specific changes to services is an integral part of the change management process and will be undertaken as proposals are developed further.
28423	An employee of West Lothian Council	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Most Councils charge for car parks but with reductions for those purchasing weekly/ monthly permits etc	Reviewing Income and Concessions - car park charges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
28424	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	You can't not pay council workers cost of living then charge them to use car parks.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - car park charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	There is no specific proposal to charge employees for parking.
28425	An employee of West Lothian Council	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Against council employees having to pay to attend work by charging for car parks charges to council residents should be in forced if the get a service they should have to pay for it or be evicted	Reviewing Income and Concessions - car park charges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	There is no specific proposal to charge employees for parking.
28426	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	The council should encourage visitors and therefore local spending. Car parking charges discouraged this	Reviewing Income and Concessions - car park charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
28427	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Any charging needs to be paid upfront otherwise you spend time and money trying to recover. Asking staff to pay for parking when there have been no real pay increasesm for years seems unfair. Perhaps those with access to the Civic Centre car park should have this.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - car park charges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Evidence shows that the business model likely to be used by the council can raise significant revenue. Moreover responsibility for collection of charges and maintenance of properties is transferred from the council to a third party. There is no specific proposal to charge employees for parking.
28428	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Car park charges need to be minimal as people will seek parking elsewhere and may cause hazards	Reviewing Income and Concessions - car park charges	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
28429	An employee of West Lothian Council	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	However the introduction of charging for Council car parks would be very difficult for staff as I do not know where I would park in Bathgate as there is no 'staff' parking near any of our buildings so I would not be in favour of this unless staff received access privilage that were free of charge.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - car park charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	There is no specific proposal to charge employees for parking.
28430	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Charging for car parks for time in excess of say half an hour would make sense.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - car park charges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
28431	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Disagree with car park charging unless this is aimed at discouraging use of private cars.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - car park charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
28432	An employee of West Lothian Council	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Is the Council considering introducing car park charges at all of its car parks even within Country Parks (some of which do not have public transport to them)? How will this be managed? Will the income go to the Parks & Woodland budget to help with maintaining the facility? The public could be more acceptable of this if it was guaranteed that this was the case, even it was to go to a central pot but it was explained that this was contributing towards the running cost of the specific Parks it was collected in.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - car park charges	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The possible introduction of car parking charges would apply to public car parks in certain locations and not all council car parks. Evidence shows that the business model likely to be used by the council can raise significant revenue. Moreover responsibility for collection of charges and maintenance of properties is transferred from the council to a third party. There is no specific proposal to charge employees for parking.
28433	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	How are the car parks to be managed? Which car parks?	Reviewing Income and Concessions - car park charges	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Evidence shows that the business model likely to be used by the council can raise significant revenue. Moreover responsibility for collection of charges and maintenance of properties is transferred from the council to a third party. There is no specific proposal to charge employees for parking.

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28434	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Agree with charging for parking at weekends to generate income	Reviewing Income and Concessions - car park charges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
28435	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	I would support pay and display public car parks. West Lothian is one of the very few areas where this doesn't already happen and in the circumstances it is justified.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - car park charges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
28436	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	I think all council car parks should be charged, this includes where council staff utilise any facilities and should be charged at the same rate as other West Lothian citizens.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - car park charges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	There is no specific proposal to charge employees for parking.
28437	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Will council employees have to pay parking fees during working hours. If yes, disagree with this if service frequency and costs in public transport are not substantially improved.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - car park charges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	There is no specific proposal to charge employees for parking.
28438	An employee of West Lothian Council	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	I don't see a problem introducing a "reasonable" charge for council car parks but don't follow Edinburgh's lead and force families to spend 45 minutes to an hour on one of those awful trams to get into the city because you have to take out a second mortgage to park in Newington or Corstorphine for half an hour. Again though, you could probably control council car parks better and make a small fortune of the parasites that choose to use disabled spaces as they can't be bothered to walk an additional 10 to 15 metres.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - car park charges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
28439	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	I have been forced to move to council building as a place of work, I would be unhappy to pay to come to work, I have to leave and return to the car park many times a day. There is no available car park nearby.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - car park charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	There is no specific proposal to charge employees for parking.
28440	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	No real issue here but would beware the consequences ... car parking charges will impact on retail/ commercial trade and needs enforcement and for goodness sake avoid cash systems ... an annual west lothian car park permit available on line especially if incorporating livingston centre charges with online payment for visitors would be good with pledge that surplus will be used to support care services might go down well.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - car park charges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Evidence shows that the business model likely to be used by the council can raise significant revenue. Moreover responsibility for collection of charges and maintenance of properties is transferred from the council to a third party. There is no specific proposal to charge employees for parking.
28441	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	I agree with point two.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - car park charges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
28442	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Car parking charges should not be restricted to visitors, all users including council employees should pay..	Reviewing Income and Concessions - car park charges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	There is no specific proposal to charge employees for parking.
28443	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Staff should not pay for parking.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - car park charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	There is no specific proposal to charge employees for parking.
28444	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	There should be no parking charges for staff parking. There are no direct public transport services available for many staff who live out with Livingston and the introduction of parking charges for those who are in low paid roles would or could find staff parking charges prohibitive when their salaries have been restricted for a number of years whilst the cost of living has increased. There is ample space around the civic centre to increase staff parking arrangements	Reviewing Income and Concessions - car park charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	There is no specific proposal to charge employees for parking.
28445	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	I disagree with 2. charging for council car parks - More and more car park charges are being introduced and these will force people to look outwith West Lothian for work and therefore reducing money coming into the West Lothian's economy.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - car park charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
28446	An employee of West Lothian Council	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	if you bring in parking charges will the costs be better if you have to get people to check these and issue tickets. then there is the cost of collecting these charges.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - car park charges	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Evidence shows that the business model likely to be used by the council can raise significant revenue. Moreover responsibility for collection of charges and maintenance of properties is transferred from the council to a third party. There is no specific proposal to charge employees for parking.
28447	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Agree with 2	Reviewing Income and Concessions - car park charges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
28448	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Not happy about car parking charges being implemented	Reviewing Income and Concessions - car park charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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28449	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	2. yes	Reviewing Income and Concessions - car park charges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
28450	An employee of West Lothian Council	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Additionally staff should not be expected to pay to park their care for their normal business. Staff working at teh council have already had pay freezes and reduced benefits, all of which will reduce further with these proposals, and to then expect staff to pay to park on top of that. it is effectively a pay cut for staff and could be considered to be a change of their contract terms and conditions.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - car park charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	There is no specific proposal to charge employees for parking.
28451	An employee of West Lothian Council	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	2. Introduction of charging for council car parks - it would be beneficial to undertake a full cost benefit analysis of any investigative proposal for introducing parking charges, in particular whether this forms a realistic viable option in ongoing operational and enforcement cost weighed against dis/benefits, such as the potential economic, social and environmental impacts/consequences.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - car park charges	4. The council is already doing this.	Evidence shows that the business model likely to be used by the council can raise significant revenue. Moreover responsibility for collection of charges and maintenance of properties is transferred from the council to a third party. There is no specific proposal to charge employees for parking.
28452	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	By introducing parking for council car parks - an exception should be made for staff who use the car parks on a daily basis for work.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - car park charges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	There is no specific proposal to charge employees for parking.
28453	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Charges for car parks would make sense. Linlithgow already has this and although unpopular when introduced these are now accepted as the norm. Other charges will have to go up as well.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - car park charges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
28454	An employee of West Lothian Council	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Charging for Council car parks should be 24/7 and not just working days so everyone has to pay not just staff.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - car park charges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	There is no specific proposal to charge employees for parking.
28455	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Feel strongly that there should NOT be an introduction of charging for council car parks. The motorised is already heavily tax and due to the very poor public transport available to those in West Lothian we are given no choice but to use a car as a means of transport because there is no realist alternative. Should the bus service be improved to the point that it is a feasible means of transport, which it currently isn't, then this could be reviewed then.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - car park charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
28456	An employee of West Lothian Council	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Charging for Council Car Parks - 2 in particular I can see problems with - Opposite St Marys Primary school - Bathgate (Gardeners Lane) - this is jam packed at best of times. If this is made a chargeable car park, drivers will only park up on kerbs around that area (especially school times, making it even more of a hazard to drive past, walk over the Aldi, cross the road!, risk getting your car keyed!!!). Or will park in some other random unsafe place without the consideration of others.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - car park charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
28457	An employee of West Lothian Council	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Also charging for council car parks is something i would like to see introduced. Even a small fee for the general upkeep (maintenance, gritting etc.)	Reviewing Income and Concessions - car park charges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
28458	An employee of West Lothian Council	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	2. This is likely to have an impact on car parks that are predominantly used by council workers, particularly in Livingston and Bathgate. Consideration should be given to what are 'shoppers' car parks.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - car park charges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	There is no specific proposal to charge employees for parking.
28459	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Council workers surely would not have to pay to park their car at work?	Reviewing Income and Concessions - car park charges	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	There is no specific proposal to charge employees for parking.
28460	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Yes well motorists are easy targets. With the council failing to provide adequate parking spaces for residents over a number of years.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - car park charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
28461	An employee of West Lothian Council	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Charging for Council car parks, will this affect staff at all our office buildings etc.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - car park charges	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	There is no specific proposal to charge employees for parking.
28462	An employee of West Lothian Council	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	If introducing a charge for council car parks staff would need to be given some sort of concession. How will this revenue be collected given that Revenues staff will be reducing this is adding more work onto the staff left again putting pressure on them.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - car park charges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	There is no specific proposal to charge employees for parking.
28463	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Charging for council car park would drive more cars onto overcrowded streets including double yellow lines as there is no policing or on streets by wardens or police (on odd occasion)	Reviewing Income and Concessions - car park charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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28464	An employee of West Lothian Council	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	2 NO to charging for council car parking....	Reviewing Income and Concessions - car park charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
28465	An employee of West Lothian Council	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Will charging for council car parks impact on the VAT partial exemption calculation? Re-introduce traffic wardens.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - car park charges	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Officers will consider this as part of the business case for the introduction of charging.
28466	No Response	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Charging for council car parks? Is this for staff?	Reviewing Income and Concessions - car park charges	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	There is no specific proposal to charge employees for parking.
28467	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	I agree that charges should be made where it is consistent with conventions throughout the UK. It is a nonsense that people can par in town centre car parks all day at no charge. The retailers need a turn over of visitors if they are to survive.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - car park charges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
28468	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Where are the council car parks? Would staff be charged to use them during work time? Would this include the civic centre and terrace car parks? Hopefully not proposing to charge staff as this would be massive dent to morale and again reduce take home pay.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - car park charges	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	There is no specific proposal to charge employees for parking.
28469	An employee of West Lothian Council	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	If all council car parks would incur a charge then some consideration would need to be given to council employees as if parking is at a premium then this would eat into their salary. Perhaps they could have this facility at a reduced rate?	Reviewing Income and Concessions - car park charges	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	There is no specific proposal to charge employees for parking.
28470	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	2. Agree - the Centre car parks and Linlithgow town centre car parks already charge	Reviewing Income and Concessions - car park charges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
28471	An employee of West Lothian Council	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	How would this be collected ie one off payment versus instalments. Revenues will be collecting this however with less staff and additional work the remaining staff and will be under significant pressure	Reviewing Income and Concessions - car park charges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Evidence shows that the business model likely to be used by the council can raise significant revenue. Moreover responsibility for collection of charges and maintenance of properties is transferred from the council to a third party. There is no specific proposal to charge employees for parking.
28472	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Item 2: As I think that these car parks are used much by the people who need help, I would say, no.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - car park charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
28473	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	2. Agree with charges for council car parks at the weekends	Reviewing Income and Concessions - car park charges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
28474	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Only a low parking charge for WLC car parks, e.g. lower than other car parks in the area. Or people will just park on the streets, causing problems in the housing estates & local roads. All older people should make some level of payment, just lower for those on low incomes. Pensioners are now better off than they have ever been. With an ageing population everyone must make a contribution. Not always just the working age people or the people who are employed.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - car park charges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
28475	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Do not charge for council car parks!	Reviewing Income and Concessions - car park charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
28476	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Charging for ALL West Lothian owned car parks (Monday to Saturday 8am to 4pm).	Reviewing Income and Concessions - car park charges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
28477	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Support charging for council car parks. No means testing for concessions.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - car park charges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
28478	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Parking - How much cost would be involved in setting up facilities to collect payment? How much would the charge be? Who would be exempt?	Reviewing Income and Concessions - car park charges	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Evidence shows that the business model likely to be used by the council can raise significant revenue. Moreover responsibility for collection of charges and maintenance of properties is transferred from the council to a third party. There is no specific proposal to charge employees for parking.

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28479	An employee of West Lothian Council	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	I support charges for car parks.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - car park charges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
28480	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Charging car parking - could have a detrimental effect towards communities - how many car park attendants would you need to enforce charging?	Reviewing Income and Concessions - car park charges	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Evidence shows that the business model likely to be used by the council can raise significant revenue. Moreover responsibility for collection of charges and maintenance of properties is transferred from the council to a third party. There is no specific proposal to charge employees for parking.
28481	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	I think it's scandalous that workers will be charged to use their car park when doing their jobs.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - car park charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	There is no specific proposal to charge employees for parking.
28482	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Much more could be generated from fines and parking fees.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - car park charges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
28483	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Much more could be generated from fines and parking fees.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - car park charges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
28484	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Agree good idea to charge for more things such as car parks.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - car park charges	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The scope for charging will be considered, taking account current charges, the position in other local authorities and the impact of charges on vulnerable people and the availability of concessions.
28485	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Will you be charging to park at council work places including schools? What is the proposed hourly charge?	Reviewing Income and Concessions - car park charges	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	There is no specific proposal to charge employees for parking. The possible introduction of car parking charges would apply to public car parks in certain locations and not all council car parks.
28486	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Will you be charging to park at council work places including schools? What is the proposed hourly charge?	Reviewing Income and Concessions - car park charges	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	There is no specific proposal to charge employees for parking. The possible introduction of car parking charges would apply to public car parks in certain locations and not all council car parks.
28487	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Will you be charging to park at council work places including schools? What is the proposed hourly charge?	Reviewing Income and Concessions - car park charges	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	There is no specific proposal to charge employees for parking. The possible introduction of car parking charges would apply to public car parks in certain locations and not all council car parks.
28488	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Will you be charging to park at council work places including schools? What is the proposed hourly charge?	Reviewing Income and Concessions - car park charges	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	There is no specific proposal to charge employees for parking. The possible introduction of car parking charges would apply to public car parks in certain locations and not all council car parks.
28489	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Will you be charging to park at council work places including schools? What is the proposed hourly charge?	Reviewing Income and Concessions - car park charges	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	There is no specific proposal to charge employees for parking. The possible introduction of car parking charges would apply to public car parks in certain locations and not all council car parks.
28490	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Will you be charging to park at council work places including schools? What is the proposed hourly charge?	Reviewing Income and Concessions - car park charges	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	There is no specific proposal to charge employees for parking. The possible introduction of car parking charges would apply to public car parks in certain locations and not all council car parks.
28491	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Also a charge for council car parks is totally unacceptable.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - car park charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
28492	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Charging for all West Lothian owned car parks (Monday to Saturday 8am to 4pm). This is money that could be directed as a contribution to subsidising bus services.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - car park charges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
28493	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Charging for council car parks might work as most car parks do charge these days, there should be no charging for employees and perhaps a short stay options could be considered.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - car park charges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	There is no specific proposal to charge employees for parking.
28494	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Put a charge on council car parks outwith working hours.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - car park charges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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28495	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Charge for parking seems more than fair, although please align more with Glasgow pricing structure than edinburgh's extortionate rates.s	Reviewing Income and Concessions - car park charges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
28496	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Give town wardens the power to write parking tickets	Reviewing Income and Concessions - car park charges	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
28497	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	1, 3 and 4 agreed 2 - disagree. To charge for car parking will discourage people from using the facilities and cause issues on surrounding roads.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - car park charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
28498	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	I don't agree with charging for council car parks. For council worker's this would be unfair again wages are tight enough for people without being charge to park at work and carry out our job. Petrol has gone up more than our wages, so why be penalised even more.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - car park charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	There is no specific proposal to charge employees for parking.
28499	An employee of West Lothian Council	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	3. Look in to property management as many properties are few months empty before let this gap is money loosing process, with so many people employee with the council that should be happened much earlier, time management have a lot to do need to improve asap. 4. ?	Reviewing Income and Concessions - commercial property rent	4. The council is already doing this.	The occupancy rates for commercial properties are consistently above targets. There are situations where properties require remedial/refurbishment works between tenancies whereby they require to remain vacant for a period of time.
28500	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	All other proposals make sense.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - commercial property rent	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
28501	An employee of West Lothian Council	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Income on commercial properties should be maximised - this is an area where the recipient is more able to pay.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - commercial property rent	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	In reviewing the commercial property portfolio the aim is to create a dynamic and proactive portfolio that strives to deliver good opportunities and improving rent returns. The review of rents will be considered in line with various factors including market rates and local circumstances. The commercial property portfolio generates income for the council with the cost of providing the units being substantially less than the income received.
28502	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Agree. You should invest in property to generate more income.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - commercial property rent	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	In reviewing the commercial property portfolio the aim is to create a dynamic and proactive portfolio that strives to deliver good opportunities and improving rent returns. The review of rents will be considered in line with various factors including market rates and local circumstances. The commercial property portfolio generates income for the council with the cost of providing the units being substantially less than the income received.
28503	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	With the number of empty shops/retail units surely dropping rates and getting lower rates (maybe tiered rates) is better than no rates at all??	Reviewing Income and Concessions - commercial property rent	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The occupancy rates for commercial properties are consistently above targets. In reviewing the commercial property portfolio the aim is to create a dynamic and proactive portfolio that strives to deliver good opportunities and improving rent returns. The review of rents will be considered in line with various factors including market rates and local circumstances.
28504	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	higher fees for professional services. Property portfolio performs well against market - increase in rents?	Reviewing Income and Concessions - commercial property rent	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The scope for charging will be considered. In reviewing the commercial property portfolio the aim is to create a dynamic and proactive portfolio that strives to deliver good opportunities and improving rent returns. The review of rents will be considered in line with various factors including market rates and local circumstances.
28505	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Maximising rent is a good thing provided rates do not become so unattractive people look to move elsewhere	Reviewing Income and Concessions - commercial property rent	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The scope for charging will be considered. In reviewing the commercial property portfolio the aim is to create a dynamic and proactive portfolio that strives to deliver good opportunities and improving rent returns. The review of rents will be considered in line with various factors including market rates and local circumstances.

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28506	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Sell all your commercial property.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - commercial property rent	5b. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it is likely that the costs of this proposal would outweigh the benefit.	The council has a disposal process for assets declared surplus to requirements with receipts reinvested in council assets. By law income received from the sale of assets can only be used for capital expenditure or repaying debt. The commercial property portfolio generates income for the council with the cost of providing the units being substantially less than the income received.
28507	An employee of West Lothian Council	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Addiewell Community House is not being utilised should be brought back into stock. this would generate income for the council and reduce costs ie utility bills	Reviewing Income and Concessions - commercial property rent	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The council's Property Asset Management Strategy includes plans to ensure effective and efficient use of property assets. We will review our property assets and rationalise usage where possible taking into account the review and redesign of services delivered in the community and investigating opportunities for coordinating availability of facilities.
28508	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	higher rents will deter tenants - is this worth it?	Reviewing Income and Concessions - commercial property rent	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The occupancy rates for commercial properties are consistently above targets. In reviewing the commercial property portfolio the aim is to create a dynamic and proactive portfolio that strives to deliver good opportunities and improving rent returns. The review of rents will be considered in line with various factors including market rates and local circumstances.
28509	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	3. Agree as long as not too much as you might end up with loosing tenants of property as you have made it too expensive to remain in property and they may elsewhere.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - commercial property rent	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	In reviewing the commercial property portfolio the aim is to create a dynamic and proactive portfolio that strives to deliver good opportunities and improving rent returns. The review of rents will be considered in line with various factors including market rates and local circumstances.
28510	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	We should already be maximising the rental for the commercial property portfolio, but not to a point where people don't want the commercial property. WE want to draw in business and potential employment, not cost it out	Reviewing Income and Concessions - commercial property rent	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	In reviewing the commercial property portfolio the aim is to create a dynamic and proactive portfolio that strives to deliver good opportunities and improving rent returns. The review of rents will be considered in line with various factors including market rates and local circumstances.
28511	An employee of West Lothian Council	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	3. I support the rental income proposal.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - commercial property rent	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
28512	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Why are we not maximising the rental income of commercial property already??	Reviewing Income and Concessions - commercial property rent	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	In reviewing the commercial property portfolio the aim is to create a dynamic and proactive portfolio that strives to deliver good opportunities and improving rent returns. The review of rents will be considered in line with various factors including market rates and local circumstances. This would be a continuation of the current proactive approach.
28513	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	I don't agree with 1 but do agree with 2-4	Reviewing Income and Concessions - commercial property rent	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
28514	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	3. I agree	Reviewing Income and Concessions - commercial property rent	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
28515	An employee of West Lothian Council	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	The council should always be trying to maximise its rental income from commercial property and this should reflect the current market.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - commercial property rent	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	In reviewing the commercial property portfolio the aim is to create a dynamic and proactive portfolio that strives to deliver good opportunities and improving rent returns. The review of rents will be considered in line with various factors including market rates and local circumstances. This would be a continuation of the current proactive approach.

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28516	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Agree with all of 1 to 4	Reviewing Income and Concessions - commercial property rent	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
28517	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Point 3 surely this should have been a matter of urgency all along. Again shame on you if you have NOT been proactive in ensuring such properties are used to the full.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - commercial property rent	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	In reviewing the commercial property portfolio the aim is to create a dynamic and proactive portfolio that strives to deliver good opportunities and improving rent returns. The review of rents will be considered in line with various factors including market rates and local circumstances. This would be a continuation of the current proactive approach.
28518	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Rent sounds sensible too. s	Reviewing Income and Concessions - commercial property rent	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	In reviewing the commercial property portfolio the aim is to create a dynamic and proactive portfolio that strives to deliver good opportunities and improving rent returns. The review of rents will be considered in line with various factors including market rates and local circumstances.
28519	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Commercial charging needs to consider if charge to high it could impact on ability to run a business or employ staff, better a used building with income, than an empty property.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - commercial property rent	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The scope for charging will be considered, taking account current charges, the position in other local authorities and the impact of charges on vulnerable people and the availability of concessions.
28520	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Looking at High Street in several towns, there are empty retail/commercial properties and units, increasing rent is not always a solution. Surely it is better to rent out more at a lower price. Then this helps employment and full of a place.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - commercial property rent	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The occupancy rates for commercial properties are consistently above targets. In reviewing the commercial property portfolio the aim is to create a dynamic and proactive portfolio that strives to deliver good opportunities and improving rent returns. The review of rents will be considered in line with various factors including market rates and local circumstances.
28521	An employee of West Lothian Council	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	3. tricky - if you raise too high the business close and you end up with no revenue. Just look at the state of Falkirk town centre.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - commercial property rent	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	In reviewing the commercial property portfolio the aim is to create a dynamic and proactive portfolio that strives to deliver good opportunities and improving rent returns. The review of rents will be considered in line with various factors including market rates and local circumstances.
28522	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	3 - Why is this not already being done?	Reviewing Income and Concessions - commercial property rent	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	In reviewing the commercial property portfolio the aim is to create a dynamic and proactive portfolio that strives to deliver good opportunities and improving rent returns. The review of rents will be considered in line with various factors including market rates and local circumstances. This would be a continuation of the current proactive approach.
28523	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	What does this saving mean? Again we have insufficient information relating to the specifics of this saving to make an informed decision on who this will affect and how. Has an equality impact assessment been completed for this saving? 3. Is it reasonable to apply higher charges to local small businesses considering the pressures they are already under.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - commercial property rent	4. The council is already doing this.	In reviewing the commercial property portfolio the aim is to create a dynamic and proactive portfolio that strives to deliver good opportunities and improving rent returns. The review of rents will be considered in line with various factors including market rates and local circumstances. In line with established budget setting processes, all proposed reduction measures will be subject to an equality impact assessment.
28524	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Maximise rental income	Reviewing Income and Concessions - commercial property rent	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	In reviewing the commercial property portfolio the aim is to create a dynamic and proactive portfolio that strives to deliver good opportunities and improving rent returns. The review of rents will be considered in line with various factors including market rates and local circumstances.
28525	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Rental of commercial properties should be viewed with caution, this could effect the survival of smaller businesses	Reviewing Income and Concessions - commercial property rent	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	In reviewing the commercial property portfolio the aim is to create a dynamic and proactive portfolio that strives to deliver good opportunities and improving rent returns. The review of rents will be considered in line with various factors including market rates and local circumstances.

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28526	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Property rents acceptable	Reviewing Income and Concessions - commercial property rent	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	In reviewing the commercial property portfolio the aim is to create a dynamic and proactive portfolio that strives to deliver good opportunities and improving rent returns. The review of rents will be considered in line with various factors including market rates and local circumstances.
28527	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	I agree with making more money through commercial buildings	Reviewing Income and Concessions - commercial property rent	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	In reviewing the commercial property portfolio the aim is to create a dynamic and proactive portfolio that strives to deliver good opportunities and improving rent returns. The review of rents will be considered in line with various factors including market rates and local circumstances.
28528	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	These are all fair and sensible measures. My only thought is that sweating commercial property lessors is very risky - it all too often drives them elsewhere and results in deserted high streets.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - commercial property rent	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	In reviewing the commercial property portfolio the aim is to create a dynamic and proactive portfolio that strives to deliver good opportunities and improving rent returns. The review of rents will be considered in line with various factors including market rates and local circumstances.
28529	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	In my experience the shop keepers in Linlithgow High Street where shops are rented from the Council are dissatisfied by the high rents the Council levies	Reviewing Income and Concessions - commercial property rent	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	In reviewing the commercial property portfolio the aim is to create a dynamic and proactive portfolio that strives to deliver good opportunities and improving rent returns. The review of rents will be considered in line with various factors including market rates and local circumstances.
28530	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Many small local businesses make use of council owned buildings to operate and so it is important to them and the local community that the rental prices for these are kept as low as possible in order for local small business to continue to survive.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - commercial property rent	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	In reviewing the commercial property portfolio the aim is to create a dynamic and proactive portfolio that strives to deliver good opportunities and improving rent returns. The review of rents will be considered in line with various factors including market rates and local circumstances.
28531	An employee of West Lothian Council	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Focusing on maximising commercial property income should be an absolute priority within these options.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - commercial property rent	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	In reviewing the commercial property portfolio the aim is to create a dynamic and proactive portfolio that strives to deliver good opportunities and improving rent returns. The review of rents will be considered in line with various factors including market rates and local circumstances.
28532	An employee of West Lothian Council	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	3. Maximising the rental income from the council's commercial property portfolio - concerned this would impact on local businesses and have a negative impact	Reviewing Income and Concessions - commercial property rent	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	In reviewing the commercial property portfolio the aim is to create a dynamic and proactive portfolio that strives to deliver good opportunities and improving rent returns. The review of rents will be considered in line with various factors including market rates and local circumstances.
28533	An employee of West Lothian Council	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Definitely look at your commercial portfolio	Reviewing Income and Concessions - commercial property rent	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	In reviewing the commercial property portfolio the aim is to create a dynamic and proactive portfolio that strives to deliver good opportunities and improving rent returns. The review of rents will be considered in line with various factors including market rates and local circumstances.
28534	An employee of West Lothian Council	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	3. Should we not be doing this anyway?	Reviewing Income and Concessions - commercial property rent	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	In reviewing the commercial property portfolio the aim is to create a dynamic and proactive portfolio that strives to deliver good opportunities and improving rent returns. The review of rents will be considered in line with various factors including market rates and local circumstances. This would be a continuation of the current proactive approach.
28535	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Why are we not presently maximising rental income from commercial property?	Reviewing Income and Concessions - commercial property rent	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	In reviewing the commercial property portfolio the aim is to create a dynamic and proactive portfolio that strives to deliver good opportunities and improving rent returns. The review of rents will be considered in line with various factors including market rates and local circumstances. This would be a continuation of the current proactive approach.

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28536	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	3. Commercial rents should be charged	Reviewing Income and Concessions - commercial property rent	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	In reviewing the commercial property portfolio the aim is to create a dynamic and proactive portfolio that strives to deliver good opportunities and improving rent returns. The review of rents will be considered in line with various factors including market rates and local circumstances.
28537	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	3 yes	Reviewing Income and Concessions - commercial property rent	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
28538	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	I have no objection to number 3.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - commercial property rent	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
28539	An employee of West Lothian Council	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	There is a balance to be had. There will be many blue badge applicant who can afford Â£20 admin charge. Maximising income from commercial properties could be detrimental to the ability of small business to operate which in the long term will result in vacant shop units and commercial premises. It is better to have a high level of occupancy with a slightly lower income per unit than a large number of vacant units.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - commercial property rent	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	In reviewing the commercial property portfolio the aim is to create a dynamic and proactive portfolio that strives to deliver good opportunities and improving rent returns. The review of rents will be considered in line with various factors including market rates and local circumstances.
28540	An employee of West Lothian Council	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	3. this may result in a lot of empty units.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - commercial property rent	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	In reviewing the commercial property portfolio the aim is to create a dynamic and proactive portfolio that strives to deliver good opportunities and improving rent returns. The review of rents will be considered in line with various factors including market rates and local circumstances.
28541	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	I would support idea 3 [commercial propoerty rent]	Reviewing Income and Concessions - commercial property rent	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	In reviewing the commercial property portfolio the aim is to create a dynamic and proactive portfolio that strives to deliver good opportunities and improving rent returns. The review of rents will be considered in line with various factors including market rates and local circumstances.
28542	An employee of West Lothian Council	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Rental incomes being maximised is good.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - commercial property rent	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	In reviewing the commercial property portfolio the aim is to create a dynamic and proactive portfolio that strives to deliver good opportunities and improving rent returns. The review of rents will be considered in line with various factors including market rates and local circumstances.
28543	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	I feel that any increase to commercial rent would impact negatively on high street small businesses.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - commercial property rent	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The occupancy rates for commercial properties are consistently above targets. In reviewing the commercial property portfolio the aim is to create a dynamic and proactive portfolio that strives to deliver good opportunities and improving rent returns. The review of rents will be considered in line with various factors including market rates and local circumstances.
28544	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	I'm not sure if this is covered under maximising rental income from the council's commercial property portfolio, but rental charges for the Burgh Halls, Linlithgow and other similar buildings are already high relative to alternatives, so any increases here are likely to be counter productive.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - commercial property rent	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	In reviewing the commercial property portfolio the aim is to create a dynamic and proactive portfolio that strives to deliver good opportunities and improving rent returns. The review of rents will be considered in line with various factors including market rates and local circumstances.
28545	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	3. Agree so long as increases are reasonable and not the detriment of those who occupy them	Reviewing Income and Concessions - commercial property rent	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The occupancy rates for commercial properties are consistently above targets. In reviewing the commercial property portfolio the aim is to create a dynamic and proactive portfolio that strives to deliver good opportunities and improving rent returns. The review of rents will be considered in line with various factors including market rates and local circumstances.

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28546	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	The council rental income I agree with this is one of the best ways to produce income, definitely the way forward, read the papers property investing all the way.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - commercial property rent	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	In reviewing the commercial property portfolio the aim is to create a dynamic and proactive portfolio that strives to deliver good opportunities and improving rent returns. The review of rents will be considered in line with various factors including market rates and local circumstances.
28547	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	If I hadn't spend over an hour on this survey already I could contribute masses to this. Number 3 above - ask yourself why are you not doing this already?	Reviewing Income and Concessions - commercial property rent	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	In reviewing the commercial property portfolio the aim is to create a dynamic and proactive portfolio that strives to deliver good opportunities and improving rent returns. The review of rents will be considered in line with various factors including market rates and local circumstances. This would be a continuation of the current proactive approach.
28548	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	3. This must be appropriate depending on who uses them.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - commercial property rent	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	In reviewing the commercial property portfolio the aim is to create a dynamic and proactive portfolio that strives to deliver good opportunities and improving rent returns. The review of rents will be considered in line with various factors including market rates and local circumstances.
28549	No Response	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	3. Agreed, however increasing rent in an already poor area is likely to push traders out of the area. It would be better to reduce rents to encourage traders to come back into the area, thereby increasing rental income overall by not having empty commercial properties.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - commercial property rent	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The occupancy rates for commercial properties are consistently above targets. In reviewing the commercial property portfolio the aim is to create a dynamic and proactive portfolio that strives to deliver good opportunities and improving rent returns. The review of rents will be considered in line with various factors including market rates and local circumstances.
28550	An employee of West Lothian Council	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	More ambition required on identifying commercial opportunities. Target should be to generate Â£10-15m	Reviewing Income and Concessions - commercial property rent	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	In reviewing the commercial property portfolio the aim is to create a dynamic and proactive portfolio that strives to deliver good opportunities and improving rent returns. The review of rents will be considered in line with various factors including market rates and local circumstances.
28551	An employee of West Lothian Council	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	If commercial properties can generate revenue by an increase in rent then I think this could also be applied.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - commercial property rent	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	In reviewing the commercial property portfolio the aim is to create a dynamic and proactive portfolio that strives to deliver good opportunities and improving rent returns. The review of rents will be considered in line with various factors including market rates and local circumstances.
28552	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	3. yes - market rents should be charged not under	Reviewing Income and Concessions - commercial property rent	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	In reviewing the commercial property portfolio the aim is to create a dynamic and proactive portfolio that strives to deliver good opportunities and improving rent returns. The review of rents will be considered in line with various factors including market rates and local circumstances.
28553	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	I agree with maximising the rental income from council property	Reviewing Income and Concessions - commercial property rent	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	In reviewing the commercial property portfolio the aim is to create a dynamic and proactive portfolio that strives to deliver good opportunities and improving rent returns. The review of rents will be considered in line with various factors including market rates and local circumstances.
28554	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Do not agree on any of the above, maybe on point 3	Reviewing Income and Concessions - commercial property rent	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	In reviewing the commercial property portfolio the aim is to create a dynamic and proactive portfolio that strives to deliver good opportunities and improving rent returns. The review of rents will be considered in line with various factors including market rates and local circumstances.
28555	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	3 yes	Reviewing Income and Concessions - commercial property rent	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	In reviewing the commercial property portfolio the aim is to create a dynamic and proactive portfolio that strives to deliver good opportunities and improving rent returns. The review of rents will be considered in line with various factors including market rates and local circumstances.

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28556	An employee of West Lothian Council	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	having properties with affordable rents rather than empty would benefit...	Reviewing Income and Concessions - commercial property rent	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The occupancy rates for commercial properties are consistently above targets. In reviewing the commercial property portfolio the aim is to create a dynamic and proactive portfolio that strives to deliver good opportunities and improving rent returns. The review of rents will be considered in line with various factors including market rates and local circumstances.
28557	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	3. Considering the number of vacant units in our towns the departments responsible should be reviewed for adequate staffing & training.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - commercial property rent	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The occupancy rates for commercial properties are consistently above targets. In reviewing the commercial property portfolio the aim is to create a dynamic and proactive portfolio that strives to deliver good opportunities and improving rent returns. The review of rents will be considered in line with various factors including market rates and local circumstances.
28558	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	3 OK go for it	Reviewing Income and Concessions - commercial property rent	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	In reviewing the commercial property portfolio the aim is to create a dynamic and proactive portfolio that strives to deliver good opportunities and improving rent returns. The review of rents will be considered in line with various factors including market rates and local circumstances.
28559	An employee of West Lothian Council	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	A review of rent for commercial properties should be taken in line with the rates revaluation.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - commercial property rent	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	In reviewing the commercial property portfolio the aim is to create a dynamic and proactive portfolio that strives to deliver good opportunities and improving rent returns. The review of rents will be considered in line with various factors including market rates and local circumstances.
28560	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Commercial rentals should be competitive within market but at the same time return value to Council.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - commercial property rent	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	In reviewing the commercial property portfolio the aim is to create a dynamic and proactive portfolio that strives to deliver good opportunities and improving rent returns. The review of rents will be considered in line with various factors including market rates and local circumstances.
28561	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	If raising the rental price non housing properties then assurances are needed that these properties are properly maintained and can be accessed at all times.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - commercial property rent	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	In reviewing the commercial property portfolio the aim is to create a dynamic and proactive portfolio that strives to deliver good opportunities and improving rent returns. The review of rents will be considered in line with various factors including market rates and local circumstances.
28562	An employee of West Lothian Council	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	If raising the rental price non housing properties then assurances are needed that these properties are properly maintained and can be accessed at all times.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - commercial property rent	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	In reviewing the commercial property portfolio the aim is to create a dynamic and proactive portfolio that strives to deliver good opportunities and improving rent returns. The review of rents will be considered in line with various factors including market rates and local circumstances.
28563	An employee of West Lothian Council	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	3. Penalising smaller businesses to use council property - prohibiting people from trying to make a success of themselves through self-employment.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - commercial property rent	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The occupancy rates for commercial properties are consistently above targets. In reviewing the commercial property portfolio the aim is to create a dynamic and proactive portfolio that strives to deliver good opportunities and improving rent returns. The review of rents will be considered in line with various factors including market rates and local circumstances.
28564	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	3. Agree	Reviewing Income and Concessions - commercial property rent	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	In reviewing the commercial property portfolio the aim is to create a dynamic and proactive portfolio that strives to deliver good opportunities and improving rent returns. The review of rents will be considered in line with various factors including market rates and local circumstances.

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28565	An employee of West Lothian Council	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	For property absolutely cover the management costs.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - commercial property rent	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	In reviewing the commercial property portfolio the aim is to create a dynamic and proactive portfolio that strives to deliver good opportunities and improving rent returns. The review of rents will be considered in line with various factors including market rates and local circumstances.
28566	An employee of West Lothian Council	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	I agree with only the following: 3. Maximising the rental income from the council's commercial property portfolio	Reviewing Income and Concessions - commercial property rent	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	In reviewing the commercial property portfolio the aim is to create a dynamic and proactive portfolio that strives to deliver good opportunities and improving rent returns. The review of rents will be considered in line with various factors including market rates and local circumstances.
28567	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Agree that rentals should be set at least at market value and as competitively as possible.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - commercial property rent	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	In reviewing the commercial property portfolio the aim is to create a dynamic and proactive portfolio that strives to deliver good opportunities and improving rent returns. The review of rents will be considered in line with various factors including market rates and local circumstances.
28568	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Don't over charge rent on small businesses as this will impact on their ability to employ staff.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - commercial property rent	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	In reviewing the commercial property portfolio the aim is to create a dynamic and proactive portfolio that strives to deliver good opportunities and improving rent returns. The review of rents will be considered in line with various factors including market rates and local circumstances.
28569	An employee of West Lothian Council	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	There are a lot of proposals here but very little detail. How will this impact on our struggling town centres?	Reviewing Income and Concessions - commercial property rent	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The occupancy rates for commercial properties are consistently above targets. In reviewing the commercial property portfolio the aim is to create a dynamic and proactive portfolio that strives to deliver good opportunities and improving rent returns. The review of rents will be considered in line with various factors including market rates and local circumstances.
28570	An employee of West Lothian Council	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	There are a lot of proposals here but very little detail. Maximising rental income from the commercial portfolio - I thought we would already be doing this. Yes we need to maximise income, but make rates reasonable to ensure we don't drive away businesses.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - commercial property rent	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	In reviewing the commercial property portfolio the aim is to create a dynamic and proactive portfolio that strives to deliver good opportunities and improving rent returns. The review of rents will be considered in line with various factors including market rates and local circumstances. This would be a continuation of the current proactive approach.
28571	An employee of West Lothian Council	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	3 - Surely this is being done anyway. How can this be seen as plugging any funding gap? It must be part of our modelling for our finances.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - commercial property rent	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	In reviewing the commercial property portfolio the aim is to create a dynamic and proactive portfolio that strives to deliver good opportunities and improving rent returns. The review of rents will be considered in line with various factors including market rates and local circumstances. This would be a continuation of the current proactive approach.
28572	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	3. If this is inflationary then there is a case however you understand some of these businesses using commercial property are already strained by costs and are fighting a losing battle against e-commerce. You are allowing ebay and amazon to turn your high streets into a commercial desert	Reviewing Income and Concessions - commercial property rent	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The occupancy rates for commercial properties are consistently above targets. In reviewing the commercial property portfolio the aim is to create a dynamic and proactive portfolio that strives to deliver good opportunities and improving rent returns. The review of rents will be considered in line with various factors including market rates and local circumstances.
28573	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	1, 3 and 4 agreed 2 - disagree. To charge for car parking will discourage people from using the facilities and cause issues on surrounding roads.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - commercial property rent	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	In reviewing the commercial property portfolio the aim is to create a dynamic and proactive portfolio that strives to deliver good opportunities and improving rent returns. The review of rents will be considered in line with various factors including market rates and local circumstances.

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28574	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Possibly but item 3 could mean WLC prices itself out of the market.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - commercial property rent	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	In reviewing the commercial property portfolio the aim is to create a dynamic and proactive portfolio that strives to deliver good opportunities and improving rent returns. The review of rents will be considered in line with various factors including market rates and local circumstances.
28575	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	3. Agree	Reviewing Income and Concessions - commercial property rent	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	In reviewing the commercial property portfolio the aim is to create a dynamic and proactive portfolio that strives to deliver good opportunities and improving rent returns. The review of rents will be considered in line with various factors including market rates and local circumstances.
28576	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Maximising the rental income from the council's commercial property portfolio - The tourism sector is a key part of the economy, as set out in West Lothian's economic strategy, and a great stepping stone to a career for young people. It offers a tremendous opportunity to develop young people's skills. There are almost 2,900 jobs across the county supported by the visitor economy and numerous more that depend on the wide breadth of services involved in tourism. West Lothian Council aims to maximise the rental income from its commercial portfolio. For a nominal investment in staff resource and promotion, venues such as the Linlithgow Burgh Halls could be positioned for the business tourism and wedding market. This would not only bring in revenue but would also bring wider economic benefit to the local economy via accommodation, local eateries, retail and attractions.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - commercial property rent	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	In reviewing the commercial property portfolio the aim is to create a dynamic and proactive portfolio that strives to deliver good opportunities and improving rent returns. The review of rents will be considered in line with various factors including market rates and local circumstances. The scope for charging will be considered, taking account current charges, the position in other local authorities and the impact of charges on vulnerable people and the availability of concessions. The council currently generates income from providing a range of services to partners and organisations. Further opportunities to expand this could be investigated.
28577	An employee of West Lothian Council	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Yes increase in rental	Reviewing Income and Concessions - commercial property rent	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	In reviewing the commercial property portfolio the aim is to create a dynamic and proactive portfolio that strives to deliver good opportunities and improving rent returns. The review of rents will be considered in line with various factors including market rates and local circumstances.
28578	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	I get some properties could be put up in rent but based on income, again with this cycle...dont help with jobs? people dont get money. No money? cant pay rent. cant pay rent? either get no help or told to get a job or a better job which leads back the start. Should be looked at on an individual bases and not if someone fits into a category again.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - commercial property rent	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	This proposal is considering commercial rental income for businesses and other organisations. This comment refers to council house rent which is set based on the rent strategy which tenants are consulted on.
28579	No Response	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	3. would be concerned about this as you could lose business who are struggling at present. you could look at other ways to save from them e.g. discounted services provided to the council, percentage of income if they reach a certain amount.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - commercial property rent	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	In reviewing the commercial property portfolio the aim is to create a dynamic and proactive portfolio that strives to deliver good opportunities and improving rent returns. The review of rents will be considered in line with various factors including market rates and local circumstances.
28580	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	item 3 you might create more demand by reducing hire costs. one of the drawbacks to hiring council properties is the need to provide janitorial services.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - commercial property rent	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	In reviewing the commercial property portfolio the aim is to create a dynamic and proactive portfolio that strives to deliver good opportunities and improving rent returns. The review of rents will be considered in line with various factors including market rates and local circumstances.
28581	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	3. This could have a negative effect as small businesses could well close or move away due to high rental costs. It is my experience that the rent levels for Council Properties have already increased fairly steeply over the last few years meaning they are expensive for what you get.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - commercial property rent	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	In reviewing the commercial property portfolio the aim is to create a dynamic and proactive portfolio that strives to deliver good opportunities and improving rent returns. The review of rents will be considered in line with various factors including market rates and local circumstances.
28582	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	A rent increase for third sector, along with funding cuts could put third sector at major risk of closure. I would ask that third sector who are paying full commercial rent do not get a double hit.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - commercial property rent	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	In reviewing the commercial property portfolio the aim is to create a dynamic and proactive portfolio that strives to deliver good opportunities and improving rent returns. The review of rents will be considered in line with various factors including market rates and local circumstances.

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28583	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Happy on charges for commercial property but if rented by a community non profit group whose funding is also being stopped, that would be a double whammy. Please consider concessions for such groups.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - commercial property rent	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	In reviewing the commercial property portfolio the aim is to create a dynamic and proactive portfolio that strives to deliver good opportunities and improving rent returns. The review of rents will be considered in line with various factors including market rates and local circumstances.
28584	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Of course the Council should be charging commercial rents but better a lower rent than numerous empty shops.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - commercial property rent	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	In reviewing the commercial property portfolio the aim is to create a dynamic and proactive portfolio that strives to deliver good opportunities and improving rent returns. The review of rents will be considered in line with various factors including market rates and local circumstances.
28585	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	My concern is that trying to maximise income from customers council commercial properties will push business out of the high streets, many retailers struggle to manage rents, and as a small business myself a council let is a less attractive proposal.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - commercial property rent	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	In reviewing the commercial property portfolio the aim is to create a dynamic and proactive portfolio that strives to deliver good opportunities and improving rent returns. The review of rents will be considered in line with various factors including market rates and local circumstances.
28586	An employee of West Lothian Council	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	With regard to maximising rental income from portfolio, maybe the Council should consider whether it's realistic or sustainable to keep granting planning consent for commercial/retail developments while there is a large number of properties currently lying empty.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - commercial property rent	5a. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because the council is required by law to deliver this work.	The planning system considers the acceptability of proposals in environmental rather than financial terms. As a result the council as a planning authority cannot take existing occupancy rates into account in its planning determinations.
28587	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Other areas are maximising rental income the council should consider increase even if not maximising, the prices are increasing e.g. Bathgate partnership centre cafe charged 70/75p per can, this week the new hideaway cafe there charges £1, there has been no obvious changes to the area yet the new tender have passed a significant increase to the consumer	Reviewing Income and Concessions - commercial property rent	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	In reviewing the commercial property portfolio the aim is to create a dynamic and proactive portfolio that strives to deliver good opportunities and improving rent returns. The review of rents will be considered in line with various factors including market rates and local circumstances.
28588	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	increased Rates for commercial properties are already too high and would impact upon employment and small business creation within West Lothian.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - commercial property rent	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	In reviewing the commercial property portfolio the aim is to create a dynamic and proactive portfolio that strives to deliver good opportunities and improving rent returns. The review of rents will be considered in line with various factors including market rates and local circumstances.
28589	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Charge appropriate rent for Council houses rather than the token gesture that some people pay.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - commercial property rent	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	This proposal is considering commercial rental income for businesses and other organisations. This comment refers to council house rent which is set based on the rent strategy which tenants are consulted on.
28590	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	The council's commercial property portfolio is a vital source of much needed revenue income. It should be retained and invested in to ensure the Council can continue to benefit from that revenue stream going forward.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - commercial property rent	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	In reviewing the commercial property portfolio the aim is to create a dynamic and proactive portfolio that strives to deliver good opportunities and improving rent returns. The review of rents will be considered in line with various factors including market rates and local circumstances.
28591	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	High rents impact on traders viability You should be thinking on a grander scale of income generating service to public and other organisations	Reviewing Income and Concessions - commercial property rent	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The scope for charging will be considered, taking account current charges, the position in other local authorities and the impact of charges on vulnerable people and the availability of concessions. The council currently generates income from providing a range of services to partners and organisations. Further opportunities to expand this could be investigated.
28592	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	I disagree with point 3.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - commercial property rent	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	In reviewing the commercial property portfolio the aim is to create a dynamic and proactive portfolio that strives to deliver good opportunities and improving rent returns. The review of rents will be considered in line with various factors including market rates and local circumstances.

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28593	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	If raising the rental price non housing properties then assurances are needed that these properties are properly maintained and can be accessed at all times.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - commercial property rent	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	In reviewing the commercial property portfolio the aim is to create a dynamic and proactive portfolio that strives to deliver good opportunities and improving rent returns. The review of rents will be considered in line with various factors including market rates and local circumstances.
28594	An employee of West Lothian Council	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	If raising the rental price non housing properties then assurances are needed that these properties are properly maintained and can be accessed at all times.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - commercial property rent	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	In reviewing the commercial property portfolio the aim is to create a dynamic and proactive portfolio that strives to deliver good opportunities and improving rent returns. The review of rents will be considered in line with various factors including market rates and local circumstances.
28595	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Agree with 3.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - commercial property rent	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	In reviewing the commercial property portfolio the aim is to create a dynamic and proactive portfolio that strives to deliver good opportunities and improving rent returns. The review of rents will be considered in line with various factors including market rates and local circumstances.
28596	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	3. What businesses would be affected and by how much? One of the Council aims is to encourage business in West Lothian. Increasing charges will likely have the opposite effect.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - commercial property rent	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	In reviewing the commercial property portfolio the aim is to create a dynamic and proactive portfolio that strives to deliver good opportunities and improving rent returns. The review of rents will be considered in line with various factors including market rates and local circumstances.
28597	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	3 yes	Reviewing Income and Concessions - commercial property rent	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	In reviewing the commercial property portfolio the aim is to create a dynamic and proactive portfolio that strives to deliver good opportunities and improving rent returns. The review of rents will be considered in line with various factors including market rates and local circumstances.
28598	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Agree with 3.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - commercial property rent	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	In reviewing the commercial property portfolio the aim is to create a dynamic and proactive portfolio that strives to deliver good opportunities and improving rent returns. The review of rents will be considered in line with various factors including market rates and local circumstances.
28599	An employee of West Lothian Council	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Agree with point 3 commercial portfolio	Reviewing Income and Concessions - commercial property rent	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	In reviewing the commercial property portfolio the aim is to create a dynamic and proactive portfolio that strives to deliver good opportunities and improving rent returns. The review of rents will be considered in line with various factors including market rates and local circumstances.
28600	An employee of West Lothian Council	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	personal experience of trying to rent a unit for a sole trader was just ridiculous because the rent being asked for was astronomical eg £1200 for a sole trader per calendar month.... who in their right mind would be able to pay that before rates, gas elec telephone etc etc and still make a profit and draw a wage.... why not have affordable rent rather than empty buildings going to waste	Reviewing Income and Concessions - commercial property rent	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The occupancy rates for commercial properties are consistently above targets. In reviewing the commercial property portfolio the aim is to create a dynamic and proactive portfolio that strives to deliver good opportunities and improving rent returns. The review of rents will be considered in line with various factors including market rates and local circumstances.
28601	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	3. Agree - although is it not already maximised?	Reviewing Income and Concessions - commercial property rent	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	In reviewing the commercial property portfolio the aim is to create a dynamic and proactive portfolio that strives to deliver good opportunities and improving rent returns. The review of rents will be considered in line with various factors including market rates and local circumstances. This would be a continuation of the current proactive approach.
28602	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Item 3: The level of these rents has got to be such that it encourages small businesses to, not only get set-up in the first instance, but keep going. I would, therefore, say, no.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - commercial property rent	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	In reviewing the commercial property portfolio the aim is to create a dynamic and proactive portfolio that strives to deliver good opportunities and improving rent returns. The review of rents will be considered in line with various factors including market rates and local circumstances.

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28603	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	3. Agree	Reviewing Income and Concessions - commercial property rent	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	In reviewing the commercial property portfolio the aim is to create a dynamic and proactive portfolio that strives to deliver good opportunities and improving rent returns. The review of rents will be considered in line with various factors including market rates and local circumstances.
28604	An employee of West Lothian Council	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Stop giving reduced rental to community groups occupying TNRP properties.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - commercial property rent	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	In reviewing the commercial property portfolio the aim is to create a dynamic and proactive portfolio that strives to deliver good opportunities and improving rent returns. The review of rents will be considered in line with various factors including market rates and local circumstances.
28605	An employee of West Lothian Council	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Charge NHS where they occupy council property (and any other government organisation, union, third party sector).	Reviewing Income and Concessions - commercial property rent	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council seeks to apply commercial rents to all tenants who occupy council buildings.
28606	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Maximise rental income - we should be trying to encourage businesses by reducing rents.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - commercial property rent	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	In reviewing the commercial property portfolio the aim is to create a dynamic and proactive portfolio that strives to deliver good opportunities and improving rent returns. The review of rents will be considered in line with various factors including market rates and local circumstances.
28607	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Rates relief for charities is an essential support that Council provides to the sector. Many organisations could not continue to operate without this valuable support and the sector would like to see this continue, as it will become even more essential in the tough years ahead.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - commercial property rent	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	Non domestic rates for commercial properties, including relief schemes, are set nationally by the Scottish Government.
28608	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	council should be charging appropriate rents for all domestic, commercial and industrial properties, including making sure tenants leases include costs for maintenance of the properties. Additionally all lets to councils buildings should be paying more appropriate fees for the use of rooms, playing pitches, 3G football pitches etc.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - commercial property rent	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	In reviewing the commercial property portfolio the aim is to create a dynamic and proactive portfolio that strives to deliver good opportunities and improving rent returns. The review of rents will be considered in line with various factors including market rates and local circumstances.
28609	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Increase cost of hiring council facilities e.g. School halls	Reviewing Income and Concessions - commercial property rent	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The scope for charging will be considered, taking account current charges, the position in other local authorities and the impact of charges on vulnerable people and the availability of concessions.
28610	An employee of West Lothian Council	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	I think that rent to buy council properties should be back to use. Many people will buy the property and pay the council tax etc. Please think about the older houses to release them to the market with the option for householders to purchase. Extra income for council and less money to spend for the repair, gas servicing, etc...	Reviewing Income and Concessions - council housing	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	Right to Buy' was abolished for all council and housing association tenants in Scotland on 31 July 2016 through a change to the primary housing legislation - the Housing (Scotland) Act 2014. WLC is duty bound to abide by this legislation. The end of Right to Buy enables further investment in existing and new homes by protecting them from being sold at a discount. The transfer of hundreds of thousands of properties out of the social housing sector has decreased social housing stock, and placed increasing pressures on councils and housing associations. It has also had a profound and detrimental effect on some communities, with less desirable areas falling into further disrepair.

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28611	An employee of West Lothian Council	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Although Housing is not directly affected by these cuts and has some measure of protection as a result of rental income from its stock portfolio we are building a massive risk through the use of large scale loans. The new build programme has several key flaws: Councillor dilution - Councillors insistence to build in each ward is a poor idea. housing should be built in stronger economic areas where demand is higher and sites should be picked where the maximum number of houses under the project can be created. There is no point building small sites in back water locations where people cannot get to work and will therefore become more susceptible to living a life trapped on benefits. Mid-Market Rents - new build properties should have their rental income maximised for a fixed period at the beginning of their life time. By making the rent a Mid-Market value for the first X (say 10) years of the properties life we can use the higher revenue to drive the building of further stock. Avoid peaks and troughs - By raising the income and then by building steady blocks of properties in bulk we should be adding a consistent number of properties each year. Then rather than crowing about a single high figure we could actually be adding value to the area driving the economy by placing workers near business and building bulk to cope with demand. We have had a 'new build' programme running for years but have no progress in terms of stock count to show for it!	Reviewing Income and Concessions - council housing	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Increasing the availability of good quality, affordable accommodation in West Lothian remains a key priority for WLC. With the abolition of right to buy this year, our investment in stock will see the count of council owned housing stock increase. We will continue to deliver the new build programme whilst seeking to improve all communities fairly across the region, including those areas which have lacked investment and are in need of regeneration. We are striving to achieve value for money and housing options for our tenants through continued efforts to drive improved performance of our external partners.
28612	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Rental income - whatever the market will accept.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - council housing	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The amount of rent that tenants are charged for is based on affordability, tenant views on the rent they pay, and the cost of maintaining existing properties to a high standard. As the cost of goods and services increase, and the demand for new affordable homes increases, we occasionally have to reflect that in the rent that is charged through a modest increase. Our aim is to continue to provide good value for money on rent in comparison to other landlords, whilst improving the standard and availability of affordable accommodation in West Lothian.
28613	An employee of West Lothian Council	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Recharging repairs costs to tenants when the repair is deemed their responsibility, only carry out Right To Repair jobs for tenants in rent arrears. providing chargeable repairs for private tenants in council owned blocks	Reviewing Income and Concessions - council housing	4. The council is already doing this.	The service clearly sets out the repairs that are a tenants responsibility and does recharge these to tenants where required. There are a number of reasons why tenants have rent arrears, not all of them within the tenants' control - therefore it is unlawful as a social housing provider to create a two-tier system in terms of access to a repairs service and standards for those experiencing financial difficulty. The costs and liabilities of providing a repairs service to non-tenants in a competitive market does not represent good value for money for tenants - the income generated from their rent payments must be used to benefit tenants only.
28614	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	7. Increase to council house rent	Reviewing Income and Concessions - council housing	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The amount of rent that tenants are charged for is based on affordability, tenant views on the rent they pay, and the cost of maintaining existing properties to a high standard. We are currently conducting a consultation with tenants on what they think the increase to their rent should be for the next 5 years.
28615	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	The huge issue is people of working age not working and not paying rent and the council having to fund all these properties for free as well as repairs etc. There should be a minimum that non working people should pay towards rent.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - council housing	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	If tenants are of working age and unemployed, they are entitled to Housing Benefit, or the new Universal Credit payment to cover their rent liability. Where payment is not made, the council seeks to recover these any monies due.
28616	An employee of West Lothian Council	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	In addition to this the council could charge customers for missed repairs appointments and are recharged accordingly for any work required that is outwith the guidelines of the tenants handbook.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - council housing	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The current policy is to recharge tenants for repairs they are responsible for. Any future changes to charges would have to be carried out in full consultation with all tenants.
28617	An employee of West Lothian Council	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	The council needs to be smarter at collecting rents. The council should not be giving new tenancies to those that already in debt to us. This is only going to create more debt.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - council housing	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	In the case of rent arrears, and by law, we may suspend offers of housing only if the rent arrears exceed one month's rent and arrangements to repay are not made and kept to.

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28618	An employee of West Lothian Council	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Why does the council install and maintain satellite systems in council houses - I should not be paying for this service Customers or tenants should be recharged for no access - a binding agreement should be made to allow work to be carried out in council houses and premises at a time it suits each service The tenants handbook should be reviewed and backed up by a policy that all Councillors agree to. Therefore reducing work getting carried out in properties where it is not necessary, and subsequently line managers getting, their decision not to carry out the work in the first place	Reviewing Income and Concessions - council housing	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
28619	No Response	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	The council should also maximise its rental income from housing, compared with private rent council housing rent is very competitive, a small increase in rent could be used to allow the council to continue its excellent work in increasing its housing stock. This will help the long term income of the council but would also require steps to help keep employment levels high.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - council housing	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The amount of rent that tenants are charged for is based on affordability, tenant views on the rent they pay, and the cost of maintaining existing properties to a high standard, We are currently conducting a consultation with tenants on what they think the increase to their rent should be for the next 5 years.
28620	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Keep Council rents low.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - council housing	4. The council is already doing this.	The amount of rent that tenants are charged for is based on affordability, tenant views on the rent they pay, and the cost of maintaining existing properties to a high standard, We are currently conducting a consultation with tenants on what they think the increase to their rent should be for the next 5 years.
28621	An employee of West Lothian Council	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	The services need more awareness of debts not collected or review the value of invoices and what they are raised for.... raising bills for people who have absconded from a property when they do not know where they have gone is just ludicrous... a deposit should be taken from council tenants like they do for private for general repairs, forced entries,, garden clearing, etc and if not needed then can be refunded but we make use of the funds in the meantime by investing the money	Reviewing Income and Concessions - council housing	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your comments - these will be passed to the relevant service manager.
28622	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	I think that the rent for council properties should increase. I think the council should provide services to private housing at a cost i.e electricians , gas engineers painter & decorator etc this would be away to bring in revenue.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - council housing	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The amount of rent that tenants are charged for is based on affordability, tenant views on the rent they pay, and the cost of maintaining existing properties to a high standard, We are currently conducting a consultation with tenants on what they think the increase to their rent should be for the next 5 years.
28623	An employee of West Lothian Council	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	3 as previous advised ,, set realistic affordable rents,,,, maximum rents only lead to failed business	Reviewing Income and Concessions - council housing	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The amount of rent that tenants are charged for is based on affordability, tenant views on the rent they pay, and the cost of maintaining existing properties to a high standard. As the cost of goods and services increase, and the demand for new affordable homes increases, we occasionally have to reflect that in the rent that is charged through a modest increase. Our aim is to continue to provide good value for money on rent in comparison to other landlords, whilst improving the standard and availability of affordable accommodation in West Lothian.
28624	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Council houses - tenants should pay more - they have more disposable income than working families 2 parents 2 jobs each 1 child! New council house builds should be for rent-paying individuals generating income!	Reviewing Income and Concessions - council housing	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
28625	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Increase in rent for council tenants.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - council housing	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
28626	An employee of West Lothian Council	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	As previously stated those who are disabled have been given an allowance by the government to pay for their care.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - non - council housing	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The provision of government allowances for care will be considered in the development of a charging scheme for social care.
28627	An employee of West Lothian Council	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	If raising the rental price for non housing properties then assurances are needed that these properties are properly maintained and can be accessed at all times.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - non - council housing	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	In reviewing the commercial property portfolio the aim is to create a dynamic and proactive portfolio that strives to deliver good opportunities and improving rent returns. The review of rents will be considered in line with various factors including market rates and local circumstances.

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28628	An employee of West Lothian Council	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	6) If raising the rental price non housing properties then assurances are needed that these properties are properly maintained and can be accessed at all times.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - non - council housing	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	In reviewing the commercial property portfolio the aim is to create a dynamic and proactive portfolio that strives to deliver good opportunities and improving rent returns. The review of rents will be considered in line with various factors including market rates and local circumstances.
28629	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	make people who have the money pay for help if they have the money	Reviewing Income and Concessions - non - council housing	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The scope for charging will be considered, taking account current charges, the position in other local authorities and the impact of charges on vulnerable people and the availability of concessions.
28630	No Response	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	6) If raising the rental price non housing properties then assurances are needed that these properties are properly maintained and can be accessed at all times.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - non - council housing	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	In reviewing the commercial property portfolio the aim is to create a dynamic and proactive portfolio that strives to deliver good opportunities and improving rent returns. The review of rents will be considered in line with various factors including market rates and local circumstances.
28631	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Concerned about the 3% increase of non-housing rents with council tax increasing as well. Small business are being squeezed. What risk assessment has been done on business and also High Street shops, together with the impact on West Lothian residents for work and quality of life? Will benchmarking be done on the rents for properties so WLC remain competitive?	Reviewing Income and Concessions - non - council housing	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The scope for charging will be considered, taking account current charges, the position in other local authorities and the impact of charges on vulnerable people and the availability of concessions. The implications of any proposal to introduce charging will be considered in full by officers.
28632	An employee of West Lothian Council	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	If raising the rental price non housing properties then assurances are needed that these properties are properly maintained and can be accessed at all times.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - non - council housing	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	In reviewing the commercial property portfolio the aim is to create a dynamic and proactive portfolio that strives to deliver good opportunities and improving rent returns. The review of rents will be considered in line with various factors including market rates and local circumstances.
28633	An employee of West Lothian Council	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Free personal and nursing care is a government strategy so do not make out you are doing the elderly any favours. Again this is another proposal that hits at the more vulnerable in the community.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - non residential care contributions	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Criteria will be set within an assessment framework to ensure people's needs are assessed consistently and fairly. Work will continue to focus on those who are most vulnerable and have additional needs.
28634	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Charging for some elements of care for the elderly also makes sense. This age group has been most protected from cuts in recent years.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - non residential care contributions	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
28635	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	I agree with the first 4. I do not think care for the elderly should be contributions based. This penalises those who have worked throughout their life, whilst benefiting those who have not accumulated any wealth	Reviewing Income and Concessions - non residential care contributions	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
28636	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	yes, i think a contributions policy would be reasonable linked to affordability,	Reviewing Income and Concessions - non residential care contributions	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
28637	An employee of West Lothian Council	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Very good idea in principle. I would suggest that financial assessments are kept very simple and that fees be determined according to bands rather than completely individualised, otherwise just creating additional work stream that would be inefficient	Reviewing Income and Concessions - non residential care contributions	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
28638	An employee of West Lothian Council	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Introduce social care charges, to help reduce costs. R	Reviewing Income and Concessions - non residential care contributions	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
28639	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	As per Scottish government personal care is free anyway so outting that in is redundant.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - non residential care contributions	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
28640	An employee of West Lothian Council	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	A contributions policy for non-residential care services is introduced subject to the financial assessment of affordability - so means tested contributions day care for our elderly and infirm ! NO.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - non residential care contributions	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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28641	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	It is not all about the elderly....what about mental health?	Reviewing Income and Concessions - non residential care contributions	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. The Scottish Government's commitment to Free Personal and Nursing Care is for older people which is why this client group has been mentioned specifically.
28642	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	I agree that means tested charging needs to be introduced for non residential care services as it is the only way that the council can sustain supporting these services	Reviewing Income and Concessions - non residential care contributions	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
28643	An employee of West Lothian Council	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Disagree with the requirement for payment of care services for elderly individuals unless the threshold is sufficient to allow individuals to remain in their property and not be required to sell it to pay for care. Consider a reduction in the subsidy on council tax for those on benefits and lone occupancy where additional rooms are left vacant.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - non residential care contributions	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	Thanks you for your comment. We will pass your feedback onto the relevant organisations responsible for this.
28644	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	I agree that only those who can afford to pay make a contribution as long as this was not excessive	Reviewing Income and Concessions - non residential care contributions	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The proposal is about the introduction of a contributions policy subject to the financial assessment of affordability
28645	An employee of West Lothian Council	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Everyone should contribute for non-residential care, only a lower amount for those with lower incomes. Most pensioners are better off than they have ever been through various government initiatives.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - non residential care contributions	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The proposal is about the introduction of a contributions policy subject to the financial assessment of affordability
28646	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	I feel that a separate consultation on this issue is warranted. Introducing charges for personal care is a huge issue and potentially something that should be discussed at national government rather and local government level. Concerned about the cost of admin functions required to support such a system.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - non residential care contributions	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	National guidance for charging already exists but West Lothian has not implemented it do date. The proposal, if, approved would bring West Lothian in line with other local authorities
28647	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	I mentioned this earlier - those prudent enough to save for their old age or who bought their house to pass onto family will subsidise those who didn't. Is that fair? To me it's not but I agree everyone needs basic rights. It's just too easy for authorities to say if you have this amount, you will pay this fee?	Reviewing Income and Concessions - non residential care contributions	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	National guidance for charging already exists but West Lothian has not implemented it do date. The proposal, if, approved would bring West Lothian in line with other local authorities
28648	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	I don't agree with charging older people transfer fees to units or outreach projects when you've decided to consolidate them. Its like being penalised twice! No	Reviewing Income and Concessions - non residential care contributions	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
28649	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	I find it hard to support this. People are disable through no fault of their own.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - non residential care contributions	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	National guidance for charging already exists but West Lothian has not implemented it do date. The proposal, if, approved would bring West Lothian in line with other local authorities
28650	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Non-residential care needs to be people and service driven, not just lead by technology.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - non residential care contributions	4. The council is already doing this.	The council already deploys technology as part of care and support packages where appropriate. Expanding the use of this to more people will help ensure that direct face to face client time is used to best effect.
28651	An employee of West Lothian Council	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	What is the contribution? What does it mean to be able to afford to pay? Extremely unfair for some to have free and others not if fortunate enough to have saved during their life. Quite despicable.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - non residential care contributions	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Any non residential care contributions policy would be subject to the financial assessment of affordability
28652	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Have you assessed how much financial assessment will cost? And how much, therefore will be the net gain?	Reviewing Income and Concessions - non residential care contributions	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
28653	An employee of West Lothian Council	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Also how do you judge who can afford to pay?	Reviewing Income and Concessions - non residential care contributions	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Any contributions policy would be subject to the financial assessment of affordability
28654	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Where people can afford to pay for certain services within a reasonable limit, all older people must be protected at all costs.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - non residential care contributions	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Any contributions policy would be subject to the financial assessment of affordability
28655	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Payments for care services should be progressive.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - non residential care contributions	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Any contributions policy would be subject to the financial assessment of affordability

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28656	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	non-residential care - a token charge could be made on higher income households.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - non residential care contributions	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Any contributions policy would be subject to the financial assessment of affordability
28657	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	This contributions policy would be very difficult to administer and could be daunting for older people. When older people have paid taxes all of their working life, I believe that they should be granted support services.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - non residential care contributions	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Any contributions policy would be subject to the financial assessment of affordability
28658	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Affordability is not a good basis for charge. How can you assess that. Just because someone has a higher salary or income does not equate to them having a higher level of available cash. Just because someone owns (or more likely has a mortgage over) a house rather than renting does not mean they are better off. Notwithstanding that the whole principal of charging more to those who work hard or do well seems wrong - and I would not fall into that bracket. Some people who earn more may choose to pay more but it should be a level playing field from the start. The council should not, and cannot, rely on those that they perceive 'can afford to pay' to sort this for them. Further, it is no business of the Council as to what people do or do not have or what they can or cannot afford to pay unless that information is offered up to them.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - non residential care contributions	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Any contributions policy would be subject to the financial assessment of affordability
28659	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	One off charges for outreach may be justified in most cases but would need to be clearly explained and implemented.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - non residential care contributions	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
28660	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	I am happy with the current free personal nursing care	Reviewing Income and Concessions - non residential care contributions	4. The council is already doing this.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
28661	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	5. Contributions policy - agree	Reviewing Income and Concessions - non residential care contributions	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
28662	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Means testing for health care should be a last resort but handled sensitively	Reviewing Income and Concessions - non residential care contributions	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
28663	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Unfortunately deciding who can afford to pay is difficult. It is frustrating for the elderly who have worked all their life to have to pay for care and services from their pension. People who have never worked or paid into pensions are better off as they get everything paid for them!	Reviewing Income and Concessions - non residential care contributions	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
28664	No Response	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Income-assessed contributions are an excellent idea.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - non residential care contributions	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
28665	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Lots of wealthy older people can afford to make a care contribution. Anything which is free is not appreciated .	Reviewing Income and Concessions - non residential care contributions	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
28666	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Does this mean that seriously ill or disabled younger adults would only receive care on a means tested basis? I would strongly resist such a change.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - non residential care contributions	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposal considers how a contributions policy can be introduced subject to the financial assessment of affordability
28667	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	More detail is required here as to what is meant by 'non-residential care services'.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - non residential care contributions	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	The proposal considers how a contributions policy can be introduced subject to the financial assessment of affordability
28668	An employee of West Lothian Council	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Fees appropriate are fair re non residential care	Reviewing Income and Concessions - non residential care contributions	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
28669	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Regarding the care you are still segregating people who have saved their money from their earnings and again are penalising them twice.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - non residential care contributions	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposal considers how a contributions policy could be introduced subject to the financial assessment of affordability

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28670	An employee of West Lothian Council	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Depends on the outreach service	Reviewing Income and Concessions - non residential care contributions	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	The proposal considers how a contributions policy can be introduced subject to the financial assessment of affordability
28671	An employee of West Lothian Council	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Not an ideal solution given not everyone can afford to pay for help and people who have worked hard all their life deserve care not just if they can afford it.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - non residential care contributions	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposal considers how a contributions policy can be introduced subject to the financial assessment of affordability
28672	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	No to charging for non residential care full stop.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - non residential care contributions	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
28673	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Older people are eligible for free personal and free nursing care by law, the council would not be doing them a favour. It is written as if it is!	Reviewing Income and Concessions - non residential care contributions	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
28674	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	It is vital that free nursing and personal care continues to our ageing population. Many live below the poverty line but there are many who have worked all their life who would like to use their savings to leave to families as an inheritance and not see it all disappear to receive basic care in latter years of life.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - non residential care contributions	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
28675	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Your council tax payers are already paying an increased amount in council tax. There should be no question of any means testing for providing care services. This would mean council tax payers who may well be paying more than average already for their council tax depending on the property they live in having to pay extra once again due to means testing.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - non residential care contributions	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
28676	An employee of West Lothian Council	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	A contributions policy is essential to make social care sustainable.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - non residential care contributions	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
28677	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	We are concerned about the extension of a contribution policy and this being introduced for non-residential care and would hope that any proposed changes in this area would have a robust and far ranging consultation which were open and accessible to all the groups. We would also welcome an Equality Impact Assessment being carried out and published along with details costings and proposed savings. We are concerned that this may increase costs through assessment and administration of such a scheme, as well as additional costs of budgets in other areas through crisis or health problems through people not receiving early interventions and ongoing support. We are concerned that this will have a negative effect on the health and well-being of older people and other vulnerable individuals who require support.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - non residential care contributions	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. This consultation is the first stage of the process to enable the council to develop a five year plan. Detailed proposals will be worked up following the outcome of this consultation.
28678	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	My parents worked hard all their life. They both worked, my father a spark, my mother a clerical worker in a social work department. They saved, paid into a pension, put money away when they could - they lived simply, frugally even so that they could enjoy themselves in later life. Will they be penalised for this as they could afford to pay? Would it be better for them to have splurged the lot, put nothing aside and said that when we get older somebody else can pick up the tab?	Reviewing Income and Concessions - non residential care contributions	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. This consultation is the first stage of the process to enable the council to develop a five year plan. Detailed proposals will be worked up following the outcome of this consultation.
28679	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Contributions towards care should be implemented as those who can afford to pay should pay to a certain extent.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - non residential care contributions	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
28680	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	People already pay for their care for respite and care at home	Reviewing Income and Concessions - non residential care contributions	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
28681	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	I am unclear as to what exactly is meant by non-residential care services. If nursing and personal care is free, then what is left to charge? By supporting people properly in their own homes, you will avoid the in care costs.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - non residential care contributions	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
28682	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	also disagree with proposals for care services in the above paragraph.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - non residential care contributions	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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28683	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Care services for the elderly should not be subject to a fee, means tested or otherwise. If the need for the care can be demonstrated then it should be available.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - non residential care contributions	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
28684	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Contributions to non-residential care services subject to financial assessment â€" will cost more than it saves and again give the vulnerable and ill hassle they do not need.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - non residential care contributions	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
28685	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	I thought it was statutory, a legal requirement that older people had free personal and nursing care.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - non residential care contributions	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
28686	An employee of West Lothian Council	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Anyone who can afford to pay should be making some level of financial contribution for their care.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - non residential care contributions	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
28687	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Older people are 'saving' for the day they might need to go into a home. Charging them for some in home care service is a terrifying thought and many will simply go without leading to rapid escalation in their need for long term residential care which is infinitely more expensive. PLEASE RAISE our council tax rather than charge old people for these services. Why don't you even do a fundraising campaign appealing to residents to donate money for these services, anything, but please don't ask old vulnerable people to pay for minimal care.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - non residential care contributions	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
28688	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Yes I elderly care should be means tested So should the free public transport for older people	Reviewing Income and Concessions - non residential care contributions	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
28689	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	People with some savings should not be penalized.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - non residential care contributions	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
28690	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Main paragraph: I currently have my mother-in-law in one of your homes. Is this policy not already in place?	Reviewing Income and Concessions - non residential care contributions	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	The proposal does not relate to residential care
28691	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Protect nursing care as a basic need to be met - please!	Reviewing Income and Concessions - non residential care contributions	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
28692	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Contributions Policy - financial assessment of affordability - back to means testing. Those of us who worked hard, made arrangements for pensions and STILL PAY TAX will be hit again and be worse off than people who did not - why should elderly have to pay for these vital services while FREE PRESCRIPTIONS are available to everyone.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - non residential care contributions	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
28693	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Older people will continue to be eligible for free personal care â€" does this mean Adults will not? Will the charge be paid upfront or will you need extra debt recovery staff?	Reviewing Income and Concessions - non residential care contributions	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Income and Concessions proposal will consider how a contributions policy could be introduced subject to the financial assessment of affordability.
28694	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Contributions to Social Care after a financial assessment? Will this charge be paid upfront or will you need extra debt recovery staff? Will you need to conduct the financial assessments?	Reviewing Income and Concessions - non residential care contributions	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Income and Concessions proposal will consider how a contributions policy could be introduced subject to the financial assessment of affordability.
28695	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Older people will continue to be eligible for free personal care â€" does this mean Adults will not? Will the charge be paid upfront or will you need extra debt recovery staff?	Reviewing Income and Concessions - non residential care contributions	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Income and Concessions proposal will consider how a contributions policy could be introduced subject to the financial assessment of affordability.
28696	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Contributions to Social Care after a financial assessment? Will this charge be paid upfront or will you need extra debt recovery staff? Will you need to conduct the financial assessments?	Reviewing Income and Concessions - non residential care contributions	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Income and Concessions proposal will consider how a contributions policy could be introduced subject to the financial assessment of affordability.
28697	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Older people will continue to be eligible for free personal care â€" does this mean Adults will not? Will the charge be paid upfront or will you need extra debt recovery staff?	Reviewing Income and Concessions - non residential care contributions	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Income and Concessions proposal will consider how a contributions policy could be introduced subject to the financial assessment of affordability.

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28698	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Contributions to Social Care after a financial assessment? Will this charge be paid upfront or will you need extra debt recovery staff? Will you need to conduct the financial assessments?	Reviewing Income and Concessions - non residential care contributions	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Income and Concessions proposal will consider how a contributions policy could be introduced subject to the financial assessment of affordability.
28699	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Older people will continue to be eligible for free personal care - does this mean Adults will not? Will the charge be paid upfront or will you need extra debt recovery staff?	Reviewing Income and Concessions - non residential care contributions	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Income and Concessions proposal will consider how a contributions policy could be introduced subject to the financial assessment of affordability.
28700	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Contributions to Social Care after a financial assessment? Will this charge be paid upfront or will you need extra debt recovery staff? Will you need to conduct the financial assessments?	Reviewing Income and Concessions - non residential care contributions	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Income and Concessions proposal will consider how a contributions policy could be introduced subject to the financial assessment of affordability.
28701	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Older people will continue to be eligible for free personal care - does this mean Adults will not? Will the charge be paid upfront or will you need extra debt recovery staff?	Reviewing Income and Concessions - non residential care contributions	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Income and Concessions proposal will consider how a contributions policy could be introduced subject to the financial assessment of affordability.
28702	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Contributions to Social Care after a financial assessment? Will this charge be paid upfront or will you need extra debt recovery staff? Will you need to conduct the financial assessments?	Reviewing Income and Concessions - non residential care contributions	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Income and Concessions proposal will consider how a contributions policy could be introduced subject to the financial assessment of affordability.
28703	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Older people will continue to be eligible for free personal care - does this mean adults will not? Will the charge be paid upfront or will you need extra debt recovery staff? Contributions to social care after a financial assessment? Will this charge be paid upfront or will you need extra debt recovery staff? Will you need extra staff to conduct the financial assessments?	Reviewing Income and Concessions - non residential care contributions	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Income and Concessions proposal will consider how a contributions policy could be introduced subject to the financial assessment of affordability.
28704	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Adding a financial assessment to non-profit residential care services creates a level of administration and beaurocracy that is not currently there and would cost more to administer than would be saved.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - non residential care contributions	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Income and Concessions proposal will consider how a contributions policy could be introduced subject to the financial assessment of affordability.
28705	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	I think that these charges should be minimal. We need to ensure that those living in poverty and those who are borderline are not restricted in their travels around the county.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - transport services	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council is currently undertaking a review of its passenger and school transport services and this comment will be incorporated within that review.
28706	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	We also shouldn't be impacting on travel from our harder to reach communities who have multiple areas of deprivation, meaning access to other areas is restricted.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - transport services	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council is currently undertaking a review of its passenger and school transport services and this comment will be incorporated within that review.
28707	An employee of West Lothian Council	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	1. Â£20 once a year seems great idea.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - transport services	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
28708	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	All other proposals make sense.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - transport services	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
28709	An employee of West Lothian Council	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	The elderly should be allowed to travel for free - helps to avoid isolation. Elderly people needing care should NOT have to contribute. This would be inequitable - those who have worked hard to save are punished? The elderly should be entirely protected even if they have saved a little for their retirement!	Reviewing Income and Concessions - transport services	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
28710	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	There should also be small admin charge for lost bus passes (if clients require replacement more than once) as some clients are passing bus passes on to other people and then ordering replacements which is currently free.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - transport services	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thanks you for your comment. Officers will consider how they can take your proposal forward.
28711	An employee of West Lothian Council	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	I would prefer that there be a charge for any replacementbus passes rather than an initial cost - the charge for transport may result in people not attending services - for example if an older person is not willing to attend a resource due to transport costs would this then result in additional care at home services (at a higher cost) being required and the person having less social contact - when tenancy support providers stopped using their cars to transport clients this has resulted in health and social workers having to accompany clients to appointments / help clients with certain tasks which could be undertaken by tenancy support	Reviewing Income and Concessions - transport services	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thanks you for your comment. Officers will consider how they can take your proposal forward.
28712	An employee of West Lothian Council	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Transport services should not be charged. using them already contributes in many ways.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - transport services	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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28713	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Transport for outreach services - I think users should pay for this service	Reviewing Income and Concessions - transport services	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
28714	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	I also support the charging for use of transport services. This does not need to be much but will contribute.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - transport services	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
28715	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Yes inevitable I'm afraid. Bus passes wonderful though. Makes over 60s feel valued having paid in all their lives. I get NO other benefits.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - transport services	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
28716	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	If you consolidate care/day centres, etc then this will force people using them to travel further. Surely charging for transportation is a double hit on a vulnerable part of the community?	Reviewing Income and Concessions - transport services	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
28717	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Charging for transport services again feels like the most vulnerable are being picked on	Reviewing Income and Concessions - transport services	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
28718	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Don't provide transport at all. Let the people make their own arrangements	Reviewing Income and Concessions - transport services	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
28719	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Charge people more for buses.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - transport services	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
28720	An employee of West Lothian Council	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Maybe flat rate fares for buses and trains - instead of free?	Reviewing Income and Concessions - transport services	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
28721	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Agree that opportunities for additional sources of income are necessary but suggest that free travel for over 60s/65 should not be on offer where individuals have access to a car. Those needing outreach services are less likely to have spare money to pay for transport services.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - transport services	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council is currently undertaking a review of its passenger and school transport services and this comment will be incorporated within that review.
28722	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	5. Agree as long as there is cap on the levels. Why us pensioners are getting totally free travel is beyond me. I am more than happy to pay a small fee on every trip if it helps sustain a transport fleet around West Lothian e.g. town wanderers.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - transport services	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council is currently undertaking a review of its passenger and school transport services and this comment will be incorporated within that review.
28723	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Many elderly people have higher standard of living than younger generation. Means testing only fair. If still working/sizeable private pensions should over 60s still benefit from concessionary travel etc?	Reviewing Income and Concessions - transport services	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
28724	An employee of West Lothian Council	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Charging for transport services should be means tested.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - transport services	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
28725	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	every one should pay the same amount. Don't penalise those that have saved for a rainy day or emergency. They may be using this money for other services and keeping employment in the area. You are also saying that you are centralising services so users will need to travel further to get there but they will need to pay for the travel resource.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - transport services	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council is currently undertaking a review of its passenger and school transport services and this comment will be incorporated within that review.
28726	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Everyone should pay transport services.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - transport services	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
28727	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	The public transport across west Lothian is not sufficient for people to travel around west Lothian therefore private cars have to be used and an increase in costs will be debilitating for some people	Reviewing Income and Concessions - transport services	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
28728	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Cansay about transport services as unsure what you mean	Reviewing Income and Concessions - transport services	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
28729	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	I don't agree with 1 but do agree with 2-4	Reviewing Income and Concessions - transport services	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
28730	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	4) yes charge if they have outreach services in the village but let them go free if they don't	Reviewing Income and Concessions - transport services	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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28731	An employee of West Lothian Council	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	charging for transport is a fair way of enabling all to attend services.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - transport services	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
28732	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	I think OAPs and disabled should get a discounted bus fare but not a free one	Reviewing Income and Concessions - transport services	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
28733	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Suggest admin charge for taxi card also!	Reviewing Income and Concessions - transport services	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
28734	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Agree with all of 1 to 4	Reviewing Income and Concessions - transport services	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
28735	No Response	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	4. Destructive	Reviewing Income and Concessions - transport services	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
28736	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Point 4 I would urge better co-ordination of vehicles and routes. Too often I've seen council vehicles with one or two users only at fairly 'peak' times. If the service is offered for free or a reasonable charge, no-one should object to planning their day around a schedule that maybe doesn't suit them 100%, but means a slightly inconvenient wait here or there - if it upsets you so much then feel free to exercise your right to pay your own way. No recompense should ever be given when an individual who refuses to utilise a service that is offered merely because it doesn't fit to the minute with their personal plans.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - transport services	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council is currently undertaking a review of its passenger and school transport services and this comment will be incorporated within that review.
28737	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	This seems reasonable. Will this also include 'Dial a Bus' - a small charge could be levied or perhaps an annual permit at Â£20 or Â£30 per year for those using the service.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - transport services	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council is currently undertaking a review of its passenger and school transport services and this comment will be incorporated within that review.
28738	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	. And charging for transportation to outreach care is a terrible idea especially when you are centralising services as this may put very much needed respite and assistance out of reach for some parents and carers	Reviewing Income and Concessions - transport services	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council is currently undertaking a review of its passenger and school transport services and this comment will be incorporated within that review.
28739	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	should also look at charges for replacing bus passes and taxi cards	Reviewing Income and Concessions - transport services	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council is currently undertaking a review of its passenger and school transport services and this comment will be incorporated within that review.
28740	An employee of West Lothian Council	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Which outreach services would the transport charges impact? If it means the people having to travel to Pathways (following the closure of other day care centres) then no, this absolutely should not be the case.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - transport services	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
28741	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	4- not entirely sure what this relates to as long as it was means tested so as not to disadvantage those unable to afford it.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - transport services	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
28742	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Free travel for over 60 should be changed. The passes should be for people of state pension age and should be subject to a administration charge just the same as blue badges. The free travel should only be within west Lothian. People are using them for away days all over Scotland and to travel into Edinburgh for work. That is not what they were designed for. Subsidised bus routes should only be provided on a reduced level. eg. For remote places maybe two busses a day rather than every hour would surely save money	Reviewing Income and Concessions - transport services	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Provision of concessionary bus passes is a Scottish Government responsibility.
28743	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	What does this saving mean? Again we have insufficient information relating to the specifics of this saving to make an informed decision on who this will affect and how. Has an equality impact assessment been completed for this saving? 4. Who does this saving relate to and who will it affect - are we looking to implement charges on already marginalised groups, would we be increasing social isolation because people cant afford to use and / or access the transport services. Does this saving include the removal of the concessionary travel card and taxi car	Reviewing Income and Concessions - transport services	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
28744	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Putting more charges may affect poor families who don't own a car and travel by public transport which is not as good as Edinburgh as it's not as often.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - transport services	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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28745	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Would like to think that the wider community who are not able to afford personal travel means are not hit in the pocket for bus services that are essential.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - transport services	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
28746	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	4. Yes.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - transport services	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
28747	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	NO to 2 (parking charges)	Reviewing Income and Concessions - transport services	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
28748	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	4. Unsure which transport services this refers to	Reviewing Income and Concessions - transport services	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
28749	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Removing day care services from certain areas and then asking elderly public to part fund transport to services based further away sounds like a double hit on this service. Although means testing does sound like a fair idea, it would need to be set at an appropriate level.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - transport services	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
28750	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	A Â£20 administration cost for your first blue badge is fair, but not for a renewal.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - transport services	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
28751	An employee of West Lothian Council	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	I don't know if elderly residents in Linlithgow still benefit from reduced rail travel. If they do, it should cease immediately.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - transport services	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
28752	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	I'd rather see the over 60s rail concession, an over-generous duplication of the Scotrail card, done away with.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - transport services	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
28753	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	In my view I would also look to increasing the age when older people receive the transport subsidy as most people are working beyond 60 and can afford to pay for transport.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - transport services	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
28754	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Those who can afford it could buy an annual bus pass as a senior rail card at Â£30. Train fares could rise to Â£5	Reviewing Income and Concessions - transport services	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
28755	An employee of West Lothian Council	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	I think the council should stop issuing bus passes to residents of age 60 and over. Most people are employed to 65 these days so don't need a bus pass.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - transport services	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
28756	An employee of West Lothian Council	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	back off from transport service charges for outreach services.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - transport services	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
28757	An employee of West Lothian Council	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Why not introduce charging parents to get their children they chose to have and live in remote places for transporting their children to school or let them take their children this will save a fortune	Reviewing Income and Concessions - transport services	5a. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because the council is required by law to deliver this work.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
28758	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	4. Wholly opposed to charges for transport services for elderly an disadvantaged groups Wholly opposed to means testing for non-residential care services. This should be funded nationally or through the NHS budget.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - transport services	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
28759	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	4 no charge	Reviewing Income and Concessions - transport services	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
28760	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Re 1, 2 & 4 : Should not charge for these services.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - transport services	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
28761	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	3. Transport charges should not be introduced.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - transport services	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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28762	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	I would not support idea 4 [transport services]	Reviewing Income and Concessions - transport services	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
28763	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Keep bus concession	Reviewing Income and Concessions - transport services	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
28764	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Older people being able to get out is necessary for their welfare.If they are unable or cannot afford to get out and meet people, then this will lead to depression which in turn, will require more finance to treat.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - transport services	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council is currently undertaking a review of its passenger and school transport services and this comment will be incorporated within that review.
28765	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Concessionary travel should be kept as we have an older population who do not all live near shops They may have no car and free travel is a boon for them Allows them to get to shops and gives a little social interaction which otherwise they may not get	Reviewing Income and Concessions - transport services	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council is currently undertaking a review of its passenger and school transport services and this comment will be incorporated within that review.
28766	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	4. Agree but this needs to be means tested.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - transport services	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
28767	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	I would not like to see the bus pass disappear as this helps many elderly people get out & about & help keep active rather than spend too long at home alone. The contribution towards rail fares into Edinburgh/Glasgow could be stopped as it is possible to get to these destinations by bus.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - transport services	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council is currently undertaking a review of its passenger and school transport services and this comment will be incorporated within that review.
28768	No Response	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	4. Not exactly sure what this means. There is already a charge for public transport. If you are talking about charging for taking elderly/vulnerable to day centres for example, I think this would be penalising people who are already vulnerable.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - transport services	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
28769	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Transport is too expensive already.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - transport services	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
28770	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	4. yes transport services must be means tested as if they are not, the taxpayer on an average wage effectively subsidizes those who can afford to pay	Reviewing Income and Concessions - transport services	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
28771	An employee of West Lothian Council	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Personally free bus passes should be means tested rather than given to all pensioners, they could charge a concessionary rate.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - transport services	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
28772	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	I don't agree with transport charges for outreach services.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - transport services	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
28773	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Do not agree on any of the above, maybe on point 3	Reviewing Income and Concessions - transport services	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
28774	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	4yes	Reviewing Income and Concessions - transport services	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
28775	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	I agree that the elderly population should have reduced travel.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - transport services	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
28776	An employee of West Lothian Council	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Number 4 should not be charged for.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - transport services	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
28777	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	. 4. Would like more information on what this involves.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - transport services	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
28778	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	4 I'm neither for nor against.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - transport services	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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28779	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Introduce an application for people requiring bus passes when 60. Many people are still working and can therefore afford to pay for their own transportation.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - transport services	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
28780	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Not sure that charging for transport for outreach services is fair, nor am I clear why it is bundled with car parks etc	Reviewing Income and Concessions - transport services	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
28781	An employee of West Lothian Council	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	4. Again penalising those who need outreach - madness.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - transport services	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
28782	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	4. Agree but explanation could be more clear	Reviewing Income and Concessions - transport services	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
28783	An employee of West Lothian Council	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Transport charges are unavoidable if localised services are not going to be there - as long as there is some means testing for those on low-incomes that ensures people do not miss out on critical services then I agree.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - transport services	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
28784	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	I don't agree on the transport charges only people who can afford to pay this is penalising people out working again if you are not in employment you seem to get everything that is going but if you are hard working you are entitled to nothing.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - transport services	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
28785	An employee of West Lothian Council	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Example number 4 is very vague. What kind of transport services, who will this impact and at what detriment?	Reviewing Income and Concessions - transport services	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
28786	An employee of West Lothian Council	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Agree with all except transport charges for the vulnerable.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - transport services	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Many thanks for your response. Your comments have been noted.
28787	An employee of West Lothian Council	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	We have a free taxi for our son to get to school (he is ASD) It is very appreciated but we would be willing to contribute towards this service if it meant it was still run.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - transport services	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Many thanks for your response. Your comments have been noted.
28788	An employee of West Lothian Council	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	I agree with only the following: o 4. Introduction of a charge for transport services reflecting greater use of outreach services This is on the basis that number 4 would be means tested. Many of the older population have greater assets and disposable income than the generations behind them, many of whom cannot afford to purchase a home.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - transport services	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Many thanks for your response. Your comments have been noted.
28789	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Maybe OK with outreach transport charges.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - transport services	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Many thanks for your response. Your comments have been noted.
28790	An employee of West Lothian Council	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	There are a lot of proposals here but very little detail. Transport services for outreach services - I am not sure which these are or who this would affect? Fees for non-residential care services sounds like it could be very expensive for those who do need the services. I would want more information on how this will affect people and how eligibility will be assessed.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - transport services	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Many thanks for your response. Your comments have been noted.
28791	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	I would also be happy to pay for my son to access transport to Pathways even though it may not be popular. We do not use public transport often. When accessing visitor attractions disabled people are often charged but their carer goes free; perhaps this could also apply to bus passes. Again, this won't be a popular move. Charging for car parks would be acceptable, but not if it is the only place for people who work for the Council.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - transport services	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Many thanks for your response. Your comments have been noted.
28792	An employee of West Lothian Council	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	4 - what does this mean? will this be through council tax? will this just be a charge for those in need of outreach services? What will be involved in the financial assessment of affordability? How will we determine a threshold of who is to pay and who is not? What care services will this apply to? How many people will be affected?	Reviewing Income and Concessions - transport services	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Many thanks for your response. Your comments have been noted.
28793	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	4. And yet you say earlier you are consolidating services to concentrate from less locations. It seems this is a way to create new revenues!	Reviewing Income and Concessions - transport services	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Many thanks for your response. Your comments have been noted.
28794	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	1, 3 and 4 agreed 2 - disagree. To charge for car parking will discourage people from using the facilities and cause issues on surrounding roads.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - transport services	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Many thanks for your response. Your comments have been noted.

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28795	An employee of West Lothian Council	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	I think a creative look at provision and services for older people needs to be adopted. Can services like free bus passes/rail travel be means tested? There are a large number of retired people who do not need to have this as they can afford to fund this themselves.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - transport services	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Many thanks for your response. Your comments have been noted.
28796	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Cannot support 2 and 4 or ageing population fees and charges. All of this is far too vague to even offer a basic response never mind anything more informed.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - transport services	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Many thanks for your response. Your comments have been noted.
28797	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	A review of the concession pass for transport outside the area could also be looked at.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - transport services	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Many thanks for your response. Your comments have been noted.
28798	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	4. Agree totally	Reviewing Income and Concessions - transport services	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Many thanks for your response. Your comments have been noted.
28799	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Scrap the taxi card scheme. The Dial A Bus service is already available to those who cannot travel by other public transport means. One of the purposes of benefits such as Disability Living Allowance/Personal Independence Payment is to offset additional costs from a person's disability and cover costs such as using taxis.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - transport services	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Many thanks for your response. Your comments have been noted.
28800	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	4. This further isolate people with disabilities and their carers, particularly as public transport in West Lothian is already poor. Depending on the threshold set we are concerned about the effect this would have on carers in employment and their families who may already be experiencing financial poverty.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - transport services	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Many thanks for your response. Your comments have been noted.
28801	An employee of West Lothian Council	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Item 4 above would not be on my list as transport is a key issue in some of our communities and can affect employment opportunities and take up.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - transport services	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Many thanks for your response. Your comments have been noted.
28802	An employee of West Lothian Council	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Again if shifting the balance of support from council to communities, alternative affordable transport must be in place to allow citizens to access support.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - transport services	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Many thanks for your response. Your comments have been noted.
28803	No Response	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	An introduction of a charge of transport services seems fair	Reviewing Income and Concessions - transport services	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
28804	No Response	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	4. You could look at implementing charges based on the number of empty seats.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - transport services	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
28805	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	item 4 no comment	Reviewing Income and Concessions - transport services	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
28806	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	4. Proposal is too unspecific to comment	Reviewing Income and Concessions - transport services	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
28807	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Travel to special needs schools and facilities or adult day centres should not be means tested.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - transport services	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
28808	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Yes to charging modest amounts on an income basis for transport services.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - transport services	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
28809	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Absolutely. All should contribute for what they use. Community transport could charge	Reviewing Income and Concessions - transport services	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
28810	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	More information needed on proposal 4.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - transport services	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
28811	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Increase in transport services again will hit the poorest members in society who can not afford their own car.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - transport services	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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28812	An employee of West Lothian Council	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Subsidies for local bus services need to be reduced and greater focus placed on encouraging the commercial sector to close this gap. Developer funding needs to be maximised to contribute to transport requirements.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - transport services	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
28813	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Free bus travel should be provided for all elderly community members.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - transport services	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
28814	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	What are the plans ideas/plans for the transport changes? Outreach services are being put in due to council changes, therefore why are charges being passed onto service users? Do WLC currently provide pay Support Providers for travelling time/mileage and therefore is this cost covered in SDS budgets for individuals?	Reviewing Income and Concessions - transport services	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Thank you for your comment. Your response has been noted. The proposal will be fully developed once the consultation outcome is agreed.
28815	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	except that concessionary travel should remain in place as this supports the mobility needs of our elderly and prevents isolation and loneliness. I would say, though, that I would support the raising of the age for eligibility for the bus pass from 60 to 65. (and perhaps even 68 as people don't need it before they retire from work).	Reviewing Income and Concessions - transport services	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
28816	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	I disagree with point 4.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - transport services	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
28817	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Fees for transport services could preclude people from using the services they need due to the additional transport costs.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - transport services	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
28818	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	I believe that everyone should be paying a small fee for using public transport.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - transport services	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
28819	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	4 does this suggest removing the over 60 bus pass and charging for travel?	Reviewing Income and Concessions - transport services	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. The Scottish Government is responsible for the concessionary travel bus passes.
28820	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Yes I elderly care should be means tested So should the free public transport for older people	Reviewing Income and Concessions - transport services	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
28821	An employee of West Lothian Council	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Point 4 remember that these links in rural areas are vital to these communities in feeling inclusive	Reviewing Income and Concessions - transport services	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
28822	An employee of West Lothian Council	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	4 Transport should be charged at going rates	Reviewing Income and Concessions - transport services	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
28823	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	4. Agree	Reviewing Income and Concessions - transport services	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
28824	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Item 4: Again, these services are generally used by people in need, buses to other hospitals. Therefore, again, I would say, no.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - transport services	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
28825	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	I believe people should pay for transportation. People who are able to could make a contribution.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - transport services	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
28826	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	I agree older people should pay on public transport - it should not be free!	Reviewing Income and Concessions - transport services	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
28827	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	This is money that could be directed as a contribution to subsidising bus services. Discontinue elderly rail concession where there is an adequate bus service.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - transport services	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
28828	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	small charge for children who at present have a free bus pass.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - transport services	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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28829	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	I am not supportive of the changes proposed to travel concessions.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - transport services	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
28830	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Introduction of charge for transport services - should not happen - people could become housebound.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - transport services	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
28831	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Those transport services should not be charging - we need help when unwell to see specialist mental health services - when unwell we don't always want to go for help - charging would make it more difficult to get us to the help we need.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - transport services	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
28832	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Discontinue elderly rail concession where there is an adequate bus service.	Reviewing Income and Concessions - transport services	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
28833	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	NO to 4 (transport)	Reviewing Income and Concessions - transport services	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
28834	An employee of West Lothian Council	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Will this include Country Parks?	Reviewing Income and Concessions (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The scope for charging will be considered, taking account current charges, the position in other local authorities and the impact of charges on vulnerable people and the availability of concessions.
28835	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	The most vulnerable must be protected. Charges could hit them the most.	Reviewing Income and Concessions (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	The council will continue to have a fair pricing strategy and concession scheme to ensure that charges generate income to support council services, in a way that is consistent with the council's Anti Poverty Strategy.
28836	An employee of West Lothian Council	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Yes. The council needs to promote revenue generation streams in order to protect core services.	Reviewing Income and Concessions (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The scope for charging will be considered, taking account the impact of charges on vulnerable people and the availability of concessions.
28837	An employee of West Lothian Council	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	I feel that these services should be means tested and if people have the ability to pay then they should.	Reviewing Income and Concessions (general)	5a. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because the council is required by law to deliver this work.	Means testing would involve considerable resources and is not legally allowed for many services. Concessions will be reviewed to ensure they are appropriate and that their use is maximised.
28838	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	yes I agree some financial contribution needs to be made in order to keep these services running.	Reviewing Income and Concessions (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The scope for charging will be considered, taking account the impact of charges on vulnerable people and the availability of concessions.
28839	An employee of West Lothian Council	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	As reflected in my other comments, I agree with a charging policy.	Reviewing Income and Concessions (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The scope for charging will be considered, taking account the impact of charges on vulnerable people and the availability of concessions.
28840	An employee of West Lothian Council	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Agree that this needs to be looked at, but needs to be considered against the proposals to increase council tax etc. Needs to be fair to both those who are on benefits and those who are not?	Reviewing Income and Concessions (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The scope for charging will be considered, taking account the impact of charges on vulnerable people and the availability of concessions. The council will continue to have a fair pricing strategy and concession scheme to ensure that charges generate income to support council services, in a way that is consistent with the council's Anti Poverty Strategy.
28841	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	It would be dependent on what the criteria for those who 'could afford' to pay was. Our aging population, most worked for decades, so I would be against penalising them in old age.	Reviewing Income and Concessions (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The council will continue to have a fair pricing strategy and concession scheme to ensure that charges generate income to support council services, in a way that is consistent with the council's Anti Poverty Strategy.
28842	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Understandable as long as it is done sensitively	Reviewing Income and Concessions (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council will continue to have a fair pricing strategy and concession scheme to ensure that charges generate income to support council services, in a way that is consistent with the council's Anti Poverty Strategy.

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28843	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Agree charging is necessary for some services to support these services	Reviewing Income and Concessions (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The scope for charging will be considered, taking account the impact of charges on vulnerable people and the availability of concessions.
28844	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	any introduction of charges in these areas must be fair.	Reviewing Income and Concessions (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	The council will continue to have a fair pricing strategy and concession scheme to ensure that charges generate income to support council services, in a way that is consistent with the council's Anti Poverty Strategy.
28845	An employee of West Lothian Council	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Certain concessions need to be reviewed - age is not reflection of ability to pay. Charges on car parks and commercial property may have detrimental impact on businesses and towns throughout the area. It would need careful consideration. Other income opportunities need to be considered by services throughout the council. This would be essential for effective cost recovery.	Reviewing Income and Concessions (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The scope for charging will be considered, taking account the impact of charges on vulnerable people and the availability of concessions. The council will continue to have a fair pricing strategy and concession scheme to ensure that charges generate income to support council services, in a way that is consistent with the council's Anti Poverty Strategy. A number of the concessions available to older people are set by the Scottish Government.
28846	No Response	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	The council should be looking at services that it does not have to provide for free by law. Too many services are provided which could be chargeable - at a modest amount.	Reviewing Income and Concessions (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Audit Scotland continue to state that councils should consider charging as part of their overall financial management. Therefore councils should understand the contribution that charges make to their overall financial position, and the extent to which individual charges are subsidised. All local authorities can introduce discretionary charges where assessed as appropriate. The scope for charging will be considered, taking account the impact of charges on vulnerable people and the availability of concessions.
28847	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	what you mean is those prudent enough to have saved some money will pay - those who had the same opportunities but chose to spend all their money will get a free ride. Those who work for a living will, as usual, have to pay - those who shirk will get a free ride.	Reviewing Income and Concessions (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council will continue to have a fair pricing strategy and concession scheme to ensure that charges generate income to support council services, in a way that is consistent with the council's Anti Poverty Strategy.
28848	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	If car leasing charges were reasonable enough (we're not a major city remember) then absolutely bring them in!	Reviewing Income and Concessions (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council will continue to have a fair pricing strategy and concession scheme to ensure that charges generate income to support council services, in a way that is fair and reasonable.
28849	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Support alignment with Scottish averages.	Reviewing Income and Concessions (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council regularly reviews its charging and concessions policy with current council charges being benchmarked against other local and national charges.
28850	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	it is important that those who are most in need and have little money are protected against some of these proposals.	Reviewing Income and Concessions (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	The council will continue to have a fair pricing strategy and concession scheme to ensure that charges generate income to support council services, in a way that is consistent with the council's Anti Poverty Strategy.
28851	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Another attack on the elderly who've all worked and paid taxes and insurance yet will be asked to pay again if they've been financially astute and planned for their retirement.	Reviewing Income and Concessions (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The scope for charging will be considered, taking account the impact of charges on vulnerable people and the availability of concessions. The council will continue its fair pricing strategy and concession scheme. This should ensure that charges used to generate income to support council services is done in a way that is consistent with the council's Anti Poverty Strategy.
28852	An employee of West Lothian Council	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	This pretty much seems like penalising the vulnerable.	Reviewing Income and Concessions (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The scope for charging will be considered, taking account the impact of charges on vulnerable people and the availability of concessions. The council will continue its fair pricing strategy and concession scheme. This should ensure that charges used to generate income to support council services is done in a way that is consistent with the council's Anti Poverty Strategy.

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28853	An employee of West Lothian Council	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Not all old people are poor. Where they can afford it they should be paying, and many are willing but there is no facility for them to do so.	Reviewing Income and Concessions (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The scope for charging will be considered, taking account the impact of charges on vulnerable people and the availability of concessions.
28854	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	This area should be a priority to generate income. People expect to pay for certain services and the broader tax payer shouldn't see an increase in council tax for services that they do not require so charging for specific services should be prioritised.	Reviewing Income and Concessions (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The scope for charging will be considered, taking account the impact of charges on vulnerable people and the availability of concessions.
28855	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Yet again the hardworking low paid people will be paying for all of your proposed charges	Reviewing Income and Concessions (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council will continue to have a fair pricing strategy and concession scheme to ensure that charges generate income to support council services, in a way that is consistent with the council's Anti Poverty Strategy.
28856	An employee of West Lothian Council	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Unless withdrawal of service would marginalise a community, support. Charge for any services we provide.	Reviewing Income and Concessions (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The scope for charging will be considered, taking account the impact of charges on vulnerable people and the availability of concessions.
28857	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	How to identify those who could afford to pay is the issue here. There are loads of people out there who are capable of disguising their income.	Reviewing Income and Concessions (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The council will continue to have a fair pricing strategy and concession scheme to ensure that charges generate income to support council services, in a way that is consistent with the council's Anti Poverty Strategy. In some instances this may require financial assessment of individuals to identify who can afford to pay.
28858	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	agreed, but assessment of needs is a priority over ability to pay	Reviewing Income and Concessions (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council will continue to have a fair pricing strategy and concession scheme to ensure that charges generate income to support council services, in a way that is consistent with the council's Anti Poverty Strategy.
28859	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	As long as means testing is applied where appropriate then fine	Reviewing Income and Concessions (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council will continue to have a fair pricing strategy and concession scheme to ensure that charges generate income to support council services, in a way that is consistent with the council's Anti Poverty Strategy. Means testing would need to be considered within the context of legal requirements and the cost compared to the potential income generated. Concessions will be reviewed to ensure they are appropriate and that their use is maximised.
28860	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	It always gets back to those who can afford will be asked to pay - for the individuals who have worked, paid into the system and/or saved hard this is another tax. Same old, same old.	Reviewing Income and Concessions (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
28861	An employee of West Lothian Council	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Why haven't the 4 proposed charges been in place previously? Other LA's have these in place.	Reviewing Income and Concessions (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
28862	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Income to the Council is vital therefore - property revenue and business rates are crucial as they generate a useful income for the Council whilst boosting economic development and the employment position in West Lothian.	Reviewing Income and Concessions (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The scope for charging will be considered, taking account the impact of charges on vulnerable people and the availability of concessions.
28863	An employee of West Lothian Council	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	I would be happy to pay for services if I could afford them to help those less fortunate.	Reviewing Income and Concessions (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The scope for charging will be considered, taking account the impact of charges on vulnerable people and the availability of concessions.
28864	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	The council can not be seen to be discriminating against those who are not elderly or have made their own arrangements to have financial stability.	Reviewing Income and Concessions (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The council will continue to have a fair pricing strategy and concession scheme to ensure that charges generate income to support council services, in a way that is consistent with the council's Anti Poverty Strategy.
28865	An employee of West Lothian Council	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	there should always be consideration for those who are on low incomes	Reviewing Income and Concessions (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The council will continue to have a fair pricing strategy and concession scheme to ensure that charges generate income to support council services, in a way that is consistent with the council's Anti Poverty Strategy.

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28866	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	I think you have no choice. It may need to go further.	Reviewing Income and Concessions (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The scope for charging will be considered, taking account the impact of charges on vulnerable people and the availability of concessions.
28867	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	1. to 4. seem sensible.	Reviewing Income and Concessions (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
28868	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Charge for events held in public open spaces and provide cleanup and toilet facilities at a charge.	Reviewing Income and Concessions (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The scope for charging will be considered, taking account the impact of charges on vulnerable people and the availability of concessions.
28869	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Develop internal consultant service to generate revenue e.g. if a developer is paying a contractor to design their required open space and show impact on existing open space (on a new housing development) we could charge the same or less, and provide a much better consulting service that is fully in line with our open space strategy and planning guidelines. This could also be easily expanded to provide ecological information and advice with minimum setup costs. There would be a saving to developer and we would generate revenue	Reviewing Income and Concessions (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
28870	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Too many people milking the system	Reviewing Income and Concessions (general)	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
28871	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	agree with all of the above apart from the car park charges.	Reviewing Income and Concessions (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
28872	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Is this legal?	Reviewing Income and Concessions (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Audit Scotland continue to state that councils should consider charging as part of their overall financial management. Therefore councils should understand the contribution that charges make to their overall financial position, and the extent to which individual charges are subsidised. All local authorities can introduce discretionary charges where assessed as appropriate.
28873	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	so if you work and save all your life you are penalized but if you are a dosser you get every thing going. not fair	Reviewing Income and Concessions (general)	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
28874	An employee of West Lothian Council	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Charge for Freedom of Information Requests and Subject Access Requests.	Reviewing Income and Concessions (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The scope for charging will be considered, taking account current charges, the position in other local authorities and the impact of charges on vulnerable people and the availability of concessions.
28875	An employee of West Lothian Council	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Charge for Child Performance Licences.	Reviewing Income and Concessions (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The scope for charging will be considered, taking account current charges, the position in other local authorities and the impact of charges on vulnerable people and the availability of concessions.
28876	No Response	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	I agree that paying for these services should be means tested.	Reviewing Income and Concessions (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council will continue to have a fair pricing strategy and concession scheme to ensure that charges generate income to support council services, in a way that is consistent with the council's Anti Poverty Strategy. Means testing would need to be considered within the context of legal requirements and the cost compared to the potential income generated. Concessions will be reviewed to ensure they are appropriate and that their use is maximised.
28877	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Charge for anything you can.	Reviewing Income and Concessions (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The scope for charging will be considered, taking account the impact of charges on vulnerable people and the availability of concessions.
28878	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	As regards the rest of the proposals, I tend to agree on, if it indeed plugged the gap.	Reviewing Income and Concessions (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The scope for charging will be considered, taking account the impact of charges on vulnerable people and the availability of concessions.
28879	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	I agree the council needs to look at introducing charges where there is a cost involved in providing a non statutory service to the public. Most other councils charge for blue badges and car parking.	Reviewing Income and Concessions (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The scope for charging will be considered, taking account current charges, the position in other local authorities and the impact of charges on vulnerable people and the availability of concessions.

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28880	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Core services should not be charged for (e.g. bin collections). Option services/products should normally be subject to a charge, e.g. blue badges, as proposed; all special refuse uplifts; use of council property for non-council activities; provision of specialist equipment/facilities.	Reviewing Income and Concessions (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The scope for charging will be considered, taking account current charges, the position in other local authorities and the impact of charges on vulnerable people and the availability of concessions.
28881	An employee of West Lothian Council	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	fair assessments required so as not to disadvantage residents who are already struggling.	Reviewing Income and Concessions (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	The council will continue to have a fair pricing strategy and concession scheme to ensure that charges generate income to support council services, in a way that is consistent with the council's Anti Poverty Strategy.
28882	An employee of West Lothian Council	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Where the levying of these charges appear to be a reasonable position and will generate revenue, there will inevitably be a cost involved in the administration and collection process. This process will have to be considered carefully as if this proves to be inefficient and costly to administer then the estimated income from these already unpopular charges will be impacted.	Reviewing Income and Concessions (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	When introducing new charges the council considers the most cost efficient and effective way of administering and managing the collection process.
28883	An employee of West Lothian Council	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	The proposal may just be the tip of the iceberg. There is thought to be a number of services for which West Lothian does not charge where others do. There is room for greater benchmarking of such charges to ensure that the council maximises its income in the context of its location and the character of its area. All charges should be included in a book of charges and increased by inflation each year. care should be taken to ensure that administering the charge does not exceed the income generated and that use of new technology and outsourcing are optimised.	Reviewing Income and Concessions (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The scope for charging will be considered, taking account current charges, the position in other local authorities and the impact of charges on vulnerable people and the availability of concessions.
28884	No Response	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Have concerts at Livingston Stadium would bring money in to help council. Maybe Rod Stewart.	Reviewing Income and Concessions (general)	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	Livingston Football Club lease the land on which the stadium sits from the council and as such the football club are responsible for the stadium management and events. We will pass this suggestion to Livingston Football Club.
28885	An employee of West Lothian Council	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	I think people would be happy to contribute, if they are able, to keep quality front line services.	Reviewing Income and Concessions (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
28886	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	There must be scope for making better use of Council facilities to deliver income streams.	Reviewing Income and Concessions (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The council currently generates income from providing a range of services to partners and organisations. Further opportunities to expand this could be investigated.
28887	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Treat it like a charity and have pots at tills in shops, etc. for people to donate money to WLC.	Reviewing Income and Concessions (general)	5a. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because the council is required by law to deliver this work.	The council does not have charitable status therefore it could not undertake fundraising in the manner suggested.
28888	An employee of West Lothian Council	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Statutory public services are funded from the public fund/taxation - paying again and again for something already paid for. Get rid of ALL non-statutory services (unlike the several statutory services you are proposing to delete/reduce to insignificance).	Reviewing Income and Concessions (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	All services, including non statutory services, will be reviewed based on the impact they have on priorities. It is proposed that future spending will be aligned to the priorities in the Transforming Your Council consultation document.
28889	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	All older people should not pay	Reviewing Income and Concessions (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council will continue to have a fair pricing strategy and concession scheme to ensure that charges generate income to support council services, in a way that is consistent with the council's Anti Poverty Strategy.
28890	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Raise Council Tax - even slightly will help.	Reviewing Income and Concessions (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
28891	An employee of West Lothian Council	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	This is very sad. If you work hard all your life and save well live well you will get everything taken. If you never work, drink, gamble etc we will pay for you. How is this fair?	Reviewing Income and Concessions (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
28892	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Sounds sensible as long as it is properly assessed	Reviewing Income and Concessions (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council will continue to have a fair pricing strategy and concession scheme to ensure that charges generate income to support council services, in a way that is consistent with the council's Anti Poverty Strategy.
28893	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	2. Increase fees and charges for payable services i.e planning and building warrant applications and similar voluntary fees which individuals opt to pay for what they want for their own circumstances.	Reviewing Income and Concessions (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The scope for charging will be considered, taking account the impact of charges on vulnerable people and the availability of concessions.

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28894	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	3. Increase penalty fees i.e. parking fines, late payment fines	Reviewing Income and Concessions (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The scope for charging will be considered, taking account the impact of charges on vulnerable people and the availability of concessions. This will include non statutory penalty fees where the council has discretion to make changes.
28895	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	4. . Increase penalty fees i.e Late payment of council tax fines	Reviewing Income and Concessions (general)	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	The fees for late payment of council tax are not set by the council.
28896	An employee of West Lothian Council	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	This falls in line with many other Local Authorities.	Reviewing Income and Concessions (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The scope for charging will be considered, taking account current charges, the position in other local authorities and the impact of charges on vulnerable people and the availability of concessions.
28897	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Either everyone pays or no new charges. The money made would be eaten up by administering the charges.	Reviewing Income and Concessions (general)	5c. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it is not consistent with the council's values and priorities.	When introducing new charges the council considers the most cost efficient and effective way of administering and managing the collection process. The council will continue to have a fair pricing strategy and concession scheme to ensure that charges generate income to support council services, in a way that is consistent with the council's Anti Poverty Strategy.
28898	An employee of West Lothian Council	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	There is concern around the collection of this additional income which will ultimately fall within Revenues.	Reviewing Income and Concessions (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	When introducing new charges the council considers the most cost efficient and effective way of administering and managing the collection process.
28899	An employee of West Lothian Council	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	I think that more services need to be means tested and if you can afford to pay you should.	Reviewing Income and Concessions (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council will continue to have a fair pricing strategy and concession scheme to ensure that charges generate income to support council services, in a way that is consistent with the council's Anti Poverty Strategy. Means testing would need to be considered within the context of legal requirements and the cost compared to the potential income generated. Concessions will be reviewed to ensure they are appropriate and that their use is maximised.
28900	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Free to all should be the maxim here. Travel Concession is free to all as all services for over 60's should be.	Reviewing Income and Concessions (general)	5b. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it is likely that the costs of this proposal would outweigh the benefit.	Audit Scotland continue to state that councils should consider charging as part of their overall financial management. Therefore councils should understand the contribution that charges make to their overall financial position, and the extent to which individual charges are subsidised.
28901	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Universal delivery of services is the only way to ensure that services remain free for all. The minute you starting charging some for services is the second you put the first nail in the coffin of those services for the most vulnerable.	Reviewing Income and Concessions (general)	5b. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it is likely that the costs of this proposal would outweigh the benefit.	Audit Scotland continue to state that councils should consider charging as part of their overall financial management. Therefore councils should understand the contribution that charges make to their overall financial position, and the extent to which individual charges are subsidised.
28902	An employee of West Lothian Council	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	More support for the over 60s	Reviewing Income and Concessions (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The council will continue to have a fair pricing strategy and concession scheme to ensure that charges generate income to support council services, in a way that is consistent with the council's Anti Poverty Strategy.
28903	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Can see the sense in this, but need to make sure that the introduction of charges does not create an administrative burden that costs more than the charge introduced.	Reviewing Income and Concessions (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	When introducing new charges the council considers the most cost efficient and effective way of administering and managing the collection process.
28904	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Restruct free travel for over 60's to those in greatest need	Reviewing Income and Concessions (general)	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	The concessionary bus travel scheme is national scheme determined and set by the Scottish Government.

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28905	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Charges for a wider range of services makes sense IF the revenues can be collected efficiently (e.g. digitally) There is no point in charging if all the benefits are lost chasing late payments etc. The assessing of affordability could also create costs. This needs to be carefully analysed.	Reviewing Income and Concessions (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	When introducing new charges the council considers the most cost efficient and effective way of administering and managing the collection process.
28906	An employee of West Lothian Council	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	With regard to concessions, look at models in more remote communities where concessions are offered perhaps once a week or month to vulnerable groups, if concessions are to continue. This could include free swimming, dial a bus service etc etc. Make people who can afford to pay for services pay - remove universality, especially free breakfast clubs!	Reviewing Income and Concessions (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The council regularly reviews its charging and concessions policy and this can be considered as part of the next review. Most universal service provision is set nationally by the Scottish Government and cannot be changed by the council.
28907	An employee of West Lothian Council	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Yes I agree. Income generate where and when possible	Reviewing Income and Concessions (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The scope for charging will be considered, taking account current charges, the position in other local authorities and the impact of charges on vulnerable people and the availability of concessions.
28908	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	yet again if you have worked all your life you have to pay	Reviewing Income and Concessions (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
28909	An employee of West Lothian Council	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	With the exception of charging in car parks, I am in favour of all the suggestions.	Reviewing Income and Concessions (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
28910	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	You can't charge council tax then charge again for essential services.	Reviewing Income and Concessions (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
28911	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Change free bus pass to age 65	Reviewing Income and Concessions (general)	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	The concessionary bus travel scheme is national scheme determined and set by the Scottish Government.
28912	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	open to more multi use,,, charges to use after hours	Reviewing Income and Concessions (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The council's Property Asset Management Strategy includes plans to ensure effective and efficient use of property assets. We will review our property assets and usage where possible taking into account the review and redesign of services delivered in the community, whilst considering safety and service delivery requirements.
28913	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	all for more charges for services or sponsorships ,, paid advertising!!!! Keep services	Reviewing Income and Concessions (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The scope for charging will be considered, taking account current charges, the position in other local authorities and the impact of charges on vulnerable people and the availability of concessions.
28914	An employee of West Lothian Council	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Can consideration be given to adding administrative charges to those who choose to pay council tax/rent other than by direct debit	Reviewing Income and Concessions (general)	5c. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it is not consistent with the council's values and priorities.	The council continues to have a variety of ways to pay council tax to help maintain collection levels.
28915	An employee of West Lothian Council	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Can administrative charges be levied on service users who choose to pay on invoice rather than in advance.	Reviewing Income and Concessions (general)	5c. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it is not consistent with the council's values and priorities.	The nature of some services may mean that there is no opportunity to pay in advance.
28916	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	The council needs to focus more on increasing the collection of unpaid council tax and debts owed from over paid housing benefit awards. This would result in significant funds getting paid back into the local authority.	Reviewing Income and Concessions (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	The council actively pursues all debt, including council tax, community charge, rent and commercial debtors arrears. The council will investigate other ways to improve debt collections including strengthening corporate debt management activity.
28917	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Perhaps nominal charging for some health services should also be considered.	Reviewing Income and Concessions (general)	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	Health services are provided by NHS Lothian and through the Integrated Joint Board.

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28918	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	As long as all charges and contributions are means tested then yes, fine	Reviewing Income and Concessions (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council will continue to have a fair pricing strategy and concession scheme to ensure that charges generate income to support council services, in a way that is consistent with the council's Anti Poverty Strategy. Means testing would need to be considered within the context of legal requirements and the cost compared to the potential income generated. Concessions will be reviewed to ensure they are appropriate and that their use is maximised.
28919	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	3. The council should already be maximising rental returns on desirable properties whilst encouraging occupancy in unoccupied areas.	Reviewing Income and Concessions (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The scope for charging will be considered. In reviewing the commercial property portfolio the aim is to create a dynamic and proactive portfolio that strives to deliver good opportunities and improving rent returns. The review of rents will be considered in line with various factors including market rates and local circumstances.
28920	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Would agree totally with all charges I don't think they are unreasonable. council workers taking cars to work should not have issues with paying a nominal amount to park	Reviewing Income and Concessions (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. There is no specific proposal to charge employees for parking.
28921	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	YES to 3 (commercial property)	Reviewing Income and Concessions (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	In reviewing the commercial property portfolio the aim is to create a dynamic and proactive portfolio that strives to deliver good opportunities and improving rent returns. The review of rents will be considered in line with various factors including market rates and local circumstances.
28922	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Yes - I support the councils planned changes but not more than 3% no more rises	Reviewing Income and Concessions (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
28923	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	How is the general public expected to find a solution to the funding situation and savings expected to be made when mp's and Councillors who are suppose to understand and be experienced in these matters, when they dont appear to have a clue as to what is needed and receive a good salary for supposedly doing so.	Reviewing Income and Concessions (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
28924	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	These little changes are going to hit our most vulnerable people again, can't support this. Again, no matter how nicely it's worded, these are not positive changes that are being proposed.	Reviewing Income and Concessions (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council will continue to have a fair pricing strategy and concession scheme to ensure that charges generate income to support council services, in a way that is consistent with the council's Anti Poverty Strategy.
28925	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	I fully support this providing the cost is frozen at set rates for the next five years	Reviewing Income and Concessions (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
28926	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	This appears to be a tax on those who have perhaps worked hard and again those who have always received support despite never having contributed. This offers no incentive to the young who will see that working hard puts you at a disadvantage.	Reviewing Income and Concessions (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
28927	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Agreed but all must pay not just those with some savings, fair all contribute	Reviewing Income and Concessions (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
28928	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	I think its reasonable to charge for these as other councils do and people get used to paying for them after a little while. If it was private they would be paying anyway.	Reviewing Income and Concessions (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The scope for charging will be considered, taking account current charges, the position in other local authorities and the impact of charges on vulnerable people and the availability of concessions.
28929	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	do not cut these services , old people and disabled should not be mean tested , they have worked all their days not to be penalised due to age related issues.	Reviewing Income and Concessions (general)	5b. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it is likely that the costs of this proposal would outweigh the benefit.	West Lothian Council currently has one of the lowest levels of charging within Scotland. Audit Scotland continue to state that councils should consider charging as part of their overall financial management. Therefore councils should understand the contribution that charges make to their overall financial position, and the extent to which individual charges are subsidised. All local authorities can introduce discretionary charges where assessed as appropriate.

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28930	An employee of West Lothian Council	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Totally do not agree - who do you deem can afford to pay? The person who pays their community charges fully on time should be given concessions, not the person who chooses not to pay.	Reviewing Income and Concessions (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
28931	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	In order for equitable approach here this would need to be means tested	Reviewing Income and Concessions (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The council will continue to have a fair pricing strategy and concession scheme to ensure that charges generate income to support council services, in a way that is consistent with the council's Anti Poverty Strategy. Means testing would need to be considered within the context of legal requirements and the cost compared to the potential income generated. Concessions will be reviewed to ensure they are appropriate and that their use is maximised.
28932	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	How about introducing a bedroom tax for the wealthy, that should take care of all the money you need and then some	Reviewing Income and Concessions (general)	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	Other than council tax, the council has no ability to introduce or apply taxes.
28933	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	This leaves an imbalance between working people that have been in the area all their lives and immigrants settling in the area.	Reviewing Income and Concessions (general)	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
28934	An employee of West Lothian Council	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	It is unfortunate to increase charges but as a council we do not take advantage of income generation activities. We need to look at introducing charges where we don't and others do (e.g. blue badges and bulkies).	Reviewing Income and Concessions (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The scope for charging will be considered, taking account current charges, the position in other local authorities and the impact of charges on vulnerable people and the availability of concessions.
28935	An employee of West Lothian Council	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	I do think those that can afford to make contributions should do so.	Reviewing Income and Concessions (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council will continue to have a fair pricing strategy and concession scheme to ensure that charges generate income to support council services, in a way that is consistent with the council's Anti Poverty Strategy.
28936	An employee of West Lothian Council	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Sounds like it will hit those most in need hardest.	Reviewing Income and Concessions (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council will continue to have a fair pricing strategy and concession scheme to ensure that charges generate income to support council services, in a way that is consistent with the council's Anti Poverty Strategy.
28937	An employee of West Lothian Council	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	agree unless person in severe financial straits	Reviewing Income and Concessions (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council will continue to have a fair pricing strategy and concession scheme to ensure that charges generate income to support council services, in a way that is consistent with the council's Anti Poverty Strategy.
28938	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Consider charging journalists and political analysts for the provision of Freedom of Information Requests.	Reviewing Income and Concessions (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The scope for charging will be considered, taking account current charges, the position in other local authorities and the impact of charges on vulnerable people and the availability of concessions. The council is allowed to introduce charges for FOI requests.
28939	An employee of West Lothian Council	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	charges for some things might put off the most vulnerable from applying, even if they know that they will be financially assessed. Some individuals also might not understand finances etc. and even though they had enough money to pay, they could refuse the assistance.	Reviewing Income and Concessions (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The council will continue to have a fair pricing strategy and concession scheme to ensure that charges generate income to support council services, in a way that is consistent with the council's Anti Poverty Strategy.
28940	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Again this seems to be targeting the old and vulnerable, plus my generation were encouraged to take out pensions for there later years now if you take an illness in later years the pension will be taken from you to support your illness what happened to all the contribution to we made to National Insurance and Taxes we paid during our working life	Reviewing Income and Concessions (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council will continue to have a fair pricing strategy and concession scheme to ensure that charges generate income to support council services, in a way that is consistent with the council's Anti Poverty Strategy. The state pension is set nationally by the UK government.
28941	An employee of West Lothian Council	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	I generally agree with the principle that those who can afford to pay should be prepared to make a contribution for certain services.	Reviewing Income and Concessions (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The scope for charging will be considered, taking account current charges, the position in other local authorities and the impact of charges on vulnerable people and the availability of concessions.

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28942	An employee of West Lothian Council	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	There are other potential income streams or savings Parking fines / attendants stop council vehicles going home a mechanism for reporting residents who fly tip, dog waste, use drugs within council homes or premises, ensure that all rechargeable works are fully chased up and tenants, customers and residents are aware of their responsibilities and what actions would happen	Reviewing Income and Concessions (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The scope for charging will be considered, taking account current charges, the position in other local authorities and the impact of charges on vulnerable people and the availability of concessions.
28943	An employee of West Lothian Council	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Here we go again, make the people who have worked hard pay and the ones who have piddled it down the drain get it for free. I am sick of means tested funding arguments. Really, really sick of it.	Reviewing Income and Concessions (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council will continue to have a fair pricing strategy and concession scheme to ensure that charges generate income to support council services, in a way that is consistent with the council's Anti Poverty Strategy.
28944	An employee of West Lothian Council	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Perhaps a means tested one for some of these suggestions	Reviewing Income and Concessions (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council will continue to have a fair pricing strategy and concession scheme to ensure that charges generate income to support council services, in a way that is consistent with the council's Anti Poverty Strategy.
28945	An employee of West Lothian Council	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	If your goal is to create further anger and resentment towards the council from residents already facing further reductions to a service they already struggle to access, then this is a wonderful idea.	Reviewing Income and Concessions (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Audit Scotland continue to state that councils should consider charging as part of their overall financial management. Therefore councils should understand the contribution that charges make to their overall financial position, and the extent to which individual charges are subsidised. All local authorities can introduce discretionary charges where assessed as appropriate.
28946	An employee of West Lothian Council	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Agree that this has to be Means tested	Reviewing Income and Concessions (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council will continue to have a fair pricing strategy and concession scheme to ensure that charges generate income to support council services, in a way that is consistent with the council's Anti Poverty Strategy.
28947	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	provided the charges are not excessive , good ideas	Reviewing Income and Concessions (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council will continue to have a fair pricing strategy and concession scheme to ensure that charges generate income to support council services, in a way that is consistent with the council's Anti Poverty Strategy.
28948	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	This will disproportionately impact people on low incomes	Reviewing Income and Concessions (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council will continue to have a fair pricing strategy and concession scheme to ensure that charges generate income to support council services, in a way that is consistent with the council's Anti Poverty Strategy.
28949	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	The free travel for over 60s is very generous and could be reviewed given that many of this age group have more disposable income than younger people with families who have to pay travel costs in full.	Reviewing Income and Concessions (general)	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	The concessionary bus travel scheme is national scheme determined and set by the Scottish Government.
28950	An employee of West Lothian Council	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Other ways to increase income Charging for replacing lost rent or council tax cards.	Reviewing Income and Concessions (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The scope for charging will be considered, taking account current charges, the position in other local authorities and the impact of charges on vulnerable people and the availability of concessions.
28951	An employee of West Lothian Council	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Photocopying charges in libraries could be increased. Re-introduce fines for late library books to ensure they are brought back on time.	Reviewing Income and Concessions (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The scope for charging will be considered, taking account current charges, the position in other local authorities and the impact of charges on vulnerable people and the availability of concessions.
28952	An employee of West Lothian Council	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Charging for missed appointments eg repairs	Reviewing Income and Concessions (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The scope for charging will be considered, taking account current charges, the position in other local authorities and the impact of charges on vulnerable people and the availability of concessions.
28953	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	How much will means testing these services cost?	Reviewing Income and Concessions (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Means testing will be considered within the context of legal requirements and the cost compared to the potential income generated. Means testing will only be applied where income received is substantially greater than the cost of collection.
28954	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	I fully support these proposals.	Reviewing Income and Concessions (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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28955	An employee of West Lothian Council	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Yes to all.	Reviewing Income and Concessions (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
28956	No Response	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	I agree that if those who can afford to pay for services should pay for them. But these are probably the same people who would have worked hard through their working lives and contributed much more in council tax, national insurance contributions. Caution should be used when setting the threshold for when payment should start.	Reviewing Income and Concessions (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council will continue to have a fair pricing strategy and concession scheme to ensure that charges generate income to support council services, in a way that is consistent with the council's Anti Poverty Strategy.
28957	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Lobby the Scottish Government for an immediate increase in planning fees, particularly for Developers applying for major projects, â€¢ Increasing licensing fees to cover the cost of staff.	Reviewing Income and Concessions (general)	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	The Scottish Government is implementing increases in planning fees for 2017/18.
28958	No Response	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	How much will it cost to introduce a team to carry out these financial assessments for contributions?	Reviewing Income and Concessions (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	When introducing new charges the council considers the most cost efficient and effective way of administering and managing the collection process.
28959	An employee of West Lothian Council	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Increase service charges for people who can afford to pay more.	Reviewing Income and Concessions (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The scope for charging will be considered, taking account current charges, the position in other local authorities and the impact of charges on vulnerable people and the availability of concessions.
28960	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	I think council employees are often in lesser paid positions than private sector this is a cost I don't think they should have to pay.	Reviewing Income and Concessions (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council will continue to have a fair pricing strategy and concession scheme to ensure that charges generate income to support council services, in a way that is consistent with the council's Anti Poverty Strategy.
28961	An employee of West Lothian Council	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	As long as charges are only made against people who can afford it.	Reviewing Income and Concessions (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The scope for charging will be considered, taking account current charges, the position in other local authorities and the impact of charges on vulnerable people and the availability of concessions.
28962	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Should have been done ages ago when the SNP-dominated government froze council tax. If this had not been done your finances would have been in better shape. Blame it on SNP councillors	Reviewing Income and Concessions (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The scope for charging will be considered, taking account current charges, the position in other local authorities and the impact of charges on vulnerable people and the availability of concessions.
28963	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	As in my earlier answers, you need to invest time and effort into maximising your income opportunities. So, the halls you have, how can they be better utilised - flexible office space, small business units, increase rents/decrease as appropriate to get more people using them. Schools - rent out the canteen spaces evenings / weekends, really actively promote school meals to get more sales and therefore more profit - why do the students not use the canteen? Run Healthy Eating clubs - Slimming World and Weight Watchers make millions! Tie in with Healthy cooking clubs using the school canteen after hours I could go on	Reviewing Income and Concessions (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The council's Property Asset Management Strategy includes plans to ensure effective and efficient use of property assets. We will review our property assets and usage where possible taking into account the review and redesign of services delivered in the community, whilst considering safety and service delivery requirements.
28964	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Absolutely No. The aged have most likely paid their NI and tax and are absolutely entitled to receive these benefits in their old abs vulnerable days. Those who have paid into the welfare system all their lives need to access those services in their old age and have a right to do so. We are losing sight of that.	Reviewing Income and Concessions (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council will continue to have a fair pricing strategy and concession scheme to ensure that charges generate income to support council services, in a way that is consistent with the council's Anti Poverty Strategy.
28965	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	I think that any plans for additional charging needs to be careful considered case by case. The majority already pay a huge amount in tax for council services.	Reviewing Income and Concessions (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The council will continue to have a fair pricing strategy and concession scheme to ensure that charges generate income to support council services, in a way that is consistent with the council's Anti Poverty Strategy.
28966	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	OK - as long as those who can afford pay.	Reviewing Income and Concessions (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council will continue to have a fair pricing strategy and concession scheme to ensure that charges generate income to support council services, in a way that is consistent with the council's Anti Poverty Strategy.
28967	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Could the council generate further revenue from looking after more of the local area for example - increasing council tax slightly to cover the costs of removing the need for private factor fees?	Reviewing Income and Concessions (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The scope for charging will be considered, taking account current charges, the position in other local authorities and the impact of charges on vulnerable people and the availability of concessions.

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28968	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	I would rather pay a bit more than lose a service all together	Reviewing Income and Concessions (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The scope for charging will be considered, taking account current charges, the position in other local authorities and the impact of charges on vulnerable people and the availability of concessions.
28969	An employee of West Lothian Council	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Agree, However i think there is more scope to charge for services and generate income: â€¢Issue parking permits to staff for an annual fee. Suggest Â£50 p/a this could be deducted from wages ? â€¢Terraces car park open to public after 10am and charge accordingly. â€¢Sell advertising space? on council vehicles â€¢ pool cars ? Socail media ? potential to generate millions over the next 5 years . This would help plug the gap. Would the above mean a corporate arm / team be set up to manage and run this? could in house skills be used for this? ie corporate coms/ business gateway	Reviewing Income and Concessions (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The scope for charging will be considered, taking account current charges, the position in other local authorities and the impact of charges on vulnerable people and the availability of concessions. There is no specific proposal to charge employees for parking. Scope for advertising and sponsorship will be considered.
28970	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Very political to be targeting the handicapped and elderly. Free personal and nursing care should remain available to everyone.	Reviewing Income and Concessions (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. Free personal care will continue to be provided for older people.
28971	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	The council should move towards removing service that are free or heavily subsidised which are non statutory	Reviewing Income and Concessions (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	All services will be reviewed based on the impact they have on priorities. It is proposed that future spending will be aligned to the priorities in the Transforming Your Council consultation document.
28972	An employee of West Lothian Council	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Parents are used to paying Â£1.50 for snack at nursery continue this and put it towards the contribution for breakfast club.	Reviewing Income and Concessions (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The scope for charging will be considered, taking account current charges, the position in other local authorities and the impact of charges on vulnerable people and the availability of concessions.
28973	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	How much would they pay and what are the details of means-testing?	Reviewing Income and Concessions (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The details of a charging scheme will be developed and reported to committee for approval.
28974	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	look at revenue generation not just cuts, parking charges/fines/permits, enviro enforcement.	Reviewing Income and Concessions (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The scope for charging will be considered, taking account current charges, the position in other local authorities and the impact of charges on vulnerable people and the availability of concessions. The council currently generates income from providing a range of services to partners and organisations. Further opportunities to expand this could be investigated.
28975	An employee of West Lothian Council	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	How much would this save? Does means testing produce requisite savings?	Reviewing Income and Concessions (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	This proposal will generate an income source for the council whilst also having an impact on demand for services.
28976	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Very many elderly could not afford the new charges,and must be protected.	Reviewing Income and Concessions (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council will continue to have a fair pricing strategy and concession scheme to ensure that charges generate income to support council services, in a way that is consistent with the council's Anti Poverty Strategy.
28977	An employee of West Lothian Council	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Services provided by schools eg room rent should be paid for up front and not on a service account which costs revenues money in producing bills, postage,, recovery notices for non payment etc etc.	Reviewing Income and Concessions (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
28978	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	I'm OK with this, as long as the means testing is fair and not cost prohibitive.	Reviewing Income and Concessions (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	When introducing new charges the council considers the most cost efficient and effective way of administering and managing the collection process.
28979	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Need to ensure that any decision on costs/charges does not heavily impact on people who cannot afford high charges. Especially the elder population	Reviewing Income and Concessions (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The council will continue to have a fair pricing strategy and concession scheme to ensure that charges generate income to support council services, in a way that is consistent with the council's Anti Poverty Strategy.
28980	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Think the above acceptable charges. Small charges for older people using public transport is a good idea and sure this would be preferable to losing the bus services	Reviewing Income and Concessions (general)	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	The concessionary bus travel scheme is national scheme determined and set by the Scottish Government.

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28981	An employee of West Lothian Council	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Customer's should pay upfront for lease of the council's facilities. We currently have to waste time chasing non payment of hire of sports halls and schools. Thousands of pounds are written off every year.	Reviewing Income and Concessions (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	This would need to be considered within the parameters of providing methods of payment consistent with the council's Anti Poverty Strategy.
28982	An employee of West Lothian Council	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Further income generation can be gained for our parks through sponsorship from businesses and Crowdfunding from residents/visitors. (This will only work if the income generated is ringfenced for spend in the park that people have donated towards.) This could either be set up in-house or through existing crowdfunding sites, such as MyParkScotland.	Reviewing Income and Concessions (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The scope for charging will be considered, taking account current charges, the position in other local authorities and the impact of charges on vulnerable people and the availability of concessions.
28983	An employee of West Lothian Council	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	How will the income be collected? This will probably mean investment in software and additional training for existing staff on top of their normal duties. Consideration needs to be given to the recovery processes for non-payers. If the council starts charging for services it must be seen to be effective in the collection and recovery. Would the non-residential care assessments come under the Anti-Poverty team? There is also the risk that those that are entitled do not claim as it can be seen as an onerous task which means that the vulnerable do not receive the services that they need. This needs to be considered and a strategy put in place.	Reviewing Income and Concessions (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	When introducing new charges the council considers the most cost efficient and effective way of administering and managing the collection process. This will include the development of the new Anti Poverty team when developing an approach to assessing income for charging.
28984	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	I would like to see the top 3 items/specific deliverables that contribute to this redesign.	Reviewing Income and Concessions (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The council's aim is, and always will be, to ensure that West Lothian continues to be a great place to live, work, visit and do business. To achieve this aim we will continue to prioritise the money that we spend on services to make sure that our investment has the biggest and most positive impact on the community.
28985	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Whilst such charges would be unpopular with residents, their introduction is probably inevitable at some stage. Care should be taken though to ensure that some charges do not disadvantage the less well off sections of society and some charges should only be introduced as a last resort. As a council employee there are probably quite a few services (especially to businesses) we provide which we should charge for but don't at present. It could be that legislation does not currently allow us to make these charges but this could perhaps be looked at further by legal and perhaps lobbying local politicians to put forward changes to legislation to allow charges to be made.	Reviewing Income and Concessions (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The council will continue to have a fair pricing strategy and concession scheme to ensure that charges generate income to support council services, in a way that is consistent with the council's Anti Poverty Strategy. The scope for charging will be considered, taking account current charges, the position in other local authorities and the impact of charges on vulnerable people and the availability of concessions.
28986	An employee of West Lothian Council	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	There is concern around the collection of this additional income which will ultimately fall within Revenues. Between this section and section 7, there are proposals to charge for brown bin collection, bulky uplifts and blue badges. Questions arose as to how this would be collected ie one off payment versus instalments. We already know from the briefings that Revenues need to collect more with less staff so additional work in this area will place remaining staff under significant pressure. Up front charges may be a way to make this and other charges more cost effective. This would avoid the need to chase debt. Since it is only cost effective to chase debt over a certain level up front charges would mean that the customer has to pay before the service is provided. This upfront charge should be extended to cover rental of rooms, buildings and sports facilities.	Reviewing Income and Concessions (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	When introducing new charges the council considers the most cost efficient and effective way of administering and managing the collection process.
28987	An employee of West Lothian Council	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	This section also links back to section 3c, the new Anti-Poverty team and the suggestion of charging for non residential care for the elderly. Should this be agreed, the administration of this would be best placed under the same team, if agreed, that all financial assessments will be assessed	Reviewing Income and Concessions (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	When introducing new charges the council considers the most cost efficient and effective way of administering and managing the collection process. This will include the development of the new Anti Poverty team when developing an approach to assessing income for charging.
28988	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	I agree with raising revenue this way. I'm sure most people would agree. Also charging for lost/damaged bus passes,rent /council tax cards would raise revenue but also encourage people to pay their rent and council tax by direct debit. As direct debit is also cost effective. If these measures were taken it would also reduce administrative costs thus reducing the budget. Looking at the small savings that can be made as well as the big savings is very astute.	Reviewing Income and Concessions (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The scope for charging will be considered, taking account current charges, the position in other local authorities and the impact of charges on vulnerable people and the availability of concessions.

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28989	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	There is concern around the collection of this additional income which will ultimately fall within Revenues. Between this section and section 7, there are proposals to charge for brown bin collection, bulky uplifts and blue badges. Questions arose as to how this would be collected ie one off payment versus installments. We already know from the briefings that Revenues need to collect more with less staff so additional work in this area will place remaining staff under significant pressure. Perhaps by making up front charges rather than billing after the fact would be more cost effective. People would pay for the service/rental before they could use the service rental. This would reduce the need to chase debt and I understand that it is only cost effective to chase debt over a certain level so for small fees if the customer does not pay there is no penalty. Up front payment would mean the service/or rental could not be booked until payment was made.	Reviewing Income and Concessions (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	When introducing new charges the council considers the most cost efficient and effective way of administering and managing the collection process.
28990	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	This links back to section 6, more money collection work with less staff to do it. If these services are to be charged for it should be up front charges.	Reviewing Income and Concessions (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	This would need to be considered within the parameters of providing methods of payment consistent with the council's Anti Poverty Strategy.
28991	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Using the word include highlights that there are more than these four proposals on the plate - why were these four chosen, what has been missed out.	Reviewing Income and Concessions (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The proposals included are new charges being proposed. A large degree of the saving would be generated from incremental increases in current charges. There was not space to detail all potential increases to charges.
28992	No Response	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Need take care on making decisions to implement unfair charges, as it is always the same people who get hit. Those who have been careful throughout their working lives to save money for their old age to live comfortably on a day to day basis. But get hit because they have a bit more money than others... Everyone pays their council tax	Reviewing Income and Concessions (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The council will continue to have a fair pricing strategy and concession scheme to ensure that charges generate income to support council services, in a way that is consistent with the council's Anti Poverty Strategy.
28993	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Better to increase charges for services than further reduce the services themselves	Reviewing Income and Concessions (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The scope for charging will be considered, taking account current charges, the position in other local authorities and the impact of charges on vulnerable people and the availability of concessions.
28994	An employee of West Lothian Council	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Assuming this is "means tested" and those who cannot afford to pay are not required to, this would appear to be an effective suggestion.	Reviewing Income and Concessions (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council will continue to have a fair pricing strategy and concession scheme to ensure that charges generate income to support council services, in a way that is consistent with the council's Anti Poverty Strategy.
28995	An employee of West Lothian Council	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Could we look at charging for permits to work on our network, fines for not obtaining a permit, fines being applied for failed reinstatements & workmanship within the roads network & charges for approving new development designs. Recovering costs from accident damage to our street furniture i.e signage & lighting columns.....	Reviewing Income and Concessions (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The scope for charging will be considered, taking account current charges, the position in other local authorities and the impact of charges on vulnerable people and the availability of concessions.
28996	An employee of West Lothian Council	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	I think some consideration would need to be taken before implementing these, will it reach the correct group, or will we drive our older people further into fuel poverty and debt.	Reviewing Income and Concessions (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The council will continue to have a fair pricing strategy and concession scheme to ensure that charges generate income to support council services, in a way that is consistent with the council's Anti Poverty Strategy.
28997	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	If you can pay a contribution for these services then I would have no problem with this.	Reviewing Income and Concessions (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council will continue to have a fair pricing strategy and concession scheme to ensure that charges generate income to support council services, in a way that is consistent with the council's Anti Poverty Strategy.
28998	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	These seem like small charges for a large gain for the council.	Reviewing Income and Concessions (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council will continue to have a fair pricing strategy and concession scheme to ensure that charges generate income to support council services, in a way that is consistent with the council's Anti Poverty Strategy.
28999	An employee of West Lothian Council	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	does not seem fair to those who have saved throughout their lives	Reviewing Income and Concessions (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council will continue to have a fair pricing strategy and concession scheme to ensure that charges generate income to support council services, in a way that is consistent with the council's Anti Poverty Strategy.

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29000	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	I am in agreement with the concept of the above charges and think it could be applied to other areas within the proposal. I strongly feel that unilateral removal of public services as proposed with out providing communities the option of paying for them via taxes or at the point of use is very short sighted and detrimental. How tragic if facilities and services be removed that would be unlikely to ever be restored.	Reviewing Income and Concessions (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The scope for charging will be considered, taking account current charges, the position in other local authorities and the impact of charges on vulnerable people and the availability of concessions. The council currently generates income from providing a range of services to partners and organisations. Further opportunities to expand this could be investigated.
29001	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Ensuring low paid and low income residents are not disadvantaged	Reviewing Income and Concessions (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The council will continue to have a fair pricing strategy and concession scheme to ensure that charges generate income to support council services, in a way that is consistent with the council's Anti Poverty Strategy.
29002	An employee of West Lothian Council	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Additional income is a bonus to the council. However who would collect this additional income, would this fall within Revenues, we are facing staff cuts with additional work, this places staff under significant pressure to process & collect in a timely manner.	Reviewing Income and Concessions (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	When introducing new charges the council considers the most cost efficient and effective way of administering and managing the collection process.
29003	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	The council can not continue with universal provision, people that can afford to pay must pay. This applies not only to care, but also to breakfast clubs and instrumental music etc. Why must people in lower band council tax properties subsidise services for more wealthy families?	Reviewing Income and Concessions (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The officer proposals include measures related to raising additional income. The council regularly reviews its charging and concessions policy and this can be considered as part of the next review.
29004	An employee of West Lothian Council	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Agree with all except transport charges for the vulnerable.	Reviewing Income and Concessions (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29005	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Otherwise, agree that you should pay if you can afford it.	Reviewing Income and Concessions (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council will continue to have a fair pricing strategy and concession scheme to ensure that charges generate income to support council services, in a way that is consistent with the council's Anti Poverty Strategy.
29006	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Good idea if people can afford to pay	Reviewing Income and Concessions (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council will continue to have a fair pricing strategy and concession scheme to ensure that charges generate income to support council services, in a way that is consistent with the council's Anti Poverty Strategy.
29007	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	If required then people would pay in order for these services to continue and also to support funds which could be used to save people from losing their job.	Reviewing Income and Concessions (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council will continue to have a fair pricing strategy and concession scheme to ensure that charges generate income to support council services, in a way that is consistent with the council's Anti Poverty Strategy.
29008	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Asking for a contribution would mean a lot of older people would rather go without and suffer.	Reviewing Income and Concessions (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council will continue to have a fair pricing strategy and concession scheme to ensure that charges generate income to support council services, in a way that is consistent with the council's Anti Poverty Strategy.
29009	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Sounds reasonable as long as it's means tested. Some pensioners can afford to contribute but some definitely unable to.	Reviewing Income and Concessions (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council will continue to have a fair pricing strategy and concession scheme to ensure that charges generate income to support council services, in a way that is consistent with the council's Anti Poverty Strategy.
29010	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Older people may also be in a position where they 'could afford to pay'...	Reviewing Income and Concessions (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council will continue to have a fair pricing strategy and concession scheme to ensure that charges generate income to support council services, in a way that is consistent with the council's Anti Poverty Strategy.
29011	An employee of West Lothian Council	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Review free services to older people who can afford to pay, free travel, swimming etc	Reviewing Income and Concessions (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The income and contributions proposals include a review of free services but this can be considered as part of the next review. Some of these services are determined nationally.

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29012	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Ensure that those who really need help can get access to services, advice & help	Reviewing Income and Concessions (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	At a time of significant welfare reform, good quality advice services are needed to support people, particularly those on low incomes. The proposed integrated Anti Poverty service will help provide support and advice to vulnerable people in the community.
29013	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	People pay taxes, adding higher and more parking and service costs is counter productive	Reviewing Income and Concessions (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	West Lothian Council currently has one of the lowest levels of charging within Scotland. Audit Scotland continue to state that councils should consider charging as part of their overall financial management. Therefore councils should understand the contribution that charges make to their overall financial position, and the extent to which individual charges are subsidised. All local authorities can introduce discretionary charges where assessed as appropriate.
29014	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	I don't agree at all with the case that if you can afford to pay you will and if not you will get it for free. It is totally unfair that people who have worked all their days and saved have to pay for services whilst others who have either not worked a day in their life or spent it all should get free care. It is the same care so if it is chargeable it should be chargeable to everyone.	Reviewing Income and Concessions (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council will continue to have a fair pricing strategy and concession scheme to ensure that charges generate income to support council services, in a way that is consistent with the council's Anti Poverty Strategy.
29015	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	With £5m in play you need to say much more about who would lose what. The general idea has merit.	Reviewing Income and Concessions (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29016	An employee of West Lothian Council	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	charges should be means tested ....not a blanket charge .	Reviewing Income and Concessions (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The council will continue to have a fair pricing strategy and concession scheme to ensure that charges generate income to support council services, in a way that is consistent with the council's Anti Poverty Strategy.
29017	An employee of West Lothian Council	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Introduction of extra charges for cemeteries i.e. charges for family history work	Reviewing Income and Concessions (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The scope for charging will be considered, taking account current charges, the position in other local authorities and the impact of charges on vulnerable people and the availability of concessions.
29018	An employee of West Lothian Council	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Agreed in principal although once again the people who have worked, been prudent and saved money will be subsidising those who have not.	Reviewing Income and Concessions (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council will continue to have a fair pricing strategy and concession scheme to ensure that charges generate income to support council services, in a way that is consistent with the council's Anti Poverty Strategy.
29019	An employee of West Lothian Council	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Income and concessions should be properly reviewed. Many charges have just been increased on a cost of living basis for years with no insight as to what the fees actually cover.	Reviewing Income and Concessions (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council regularly reviews its charging and concessions policy and this can be considered as part of the next review. The scope for charging will be considered, taking account current charges, the position in other local authorities and the impact of charges on vulnerable people and the availability of concessions.
29020	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	agree only if the older people can afford to pay for and are not struggling to meet ends as it is and with the rest	Reviewing Income and Concessions (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council will continue to have a fair pricing strategy and concession scheme to ensure that charges generate income to support council services, in a way that is consistent with the council's Anti Poverty Strategy.
29021	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	If you have not paid in why do you get out? Long term workers have paid national insurance to cover all costs, why then do those who have not contributed also get the benefits.	Reviewing Income and Concessions (general)	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	National insurance rates and policy are set nationally by the UK Government.
29022	An employee of West Lothian Council	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	If its done in other councils, do it here. Charge for replacement rent/council cards.	Reviewing Income and Concessions (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The scope for charging will be considered, taking account current charges, the position in other local authorities and the impact of charges on vulnerable people and the availability of concessions.
29023	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	The Council can't keep providing free services so opportunities to source income should be investigated. Existing service users have been protected in some instances eg home safety service and charging only applied to new customers - this should be reviewed where all service users are charged - at present there is an unfairness	Reviewing Income and Concessions (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The scope for charging will be considered, taking account current charges, the position in other local authorities and the impact of charges on vulnerable people and the availability of concessions.

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29024	No Response	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	A means tested approach would certainly generate income. This is a function that could be performed the the Council's Benefits Team.	Reviewing Income and Concessions (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	When introducing new charges the council considers the most cost efficient and effective way of administering and managing the collection process. This will be a West Lothian Council based approach which will build upon examples of good practice in other authorities.
29025	No Response	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	It looks like we may be charging some of the most vulnerable citizens of West Lothian. How will we ensure that we protect those that are often on low income from being unable to pay for these essential services?	Reviewing Income and Concessions (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The council will continue to have a fair pricing strategy and concession scheme to ensure that charges generate income to support council services, in a way that is consistent with the council's Anti Poverty Strategy.
29026	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Totally agree. If we can afford to contribute and, many of us can, we should. But protect those who cannot at all costs.	Reviewing Income and Concessions (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council will continue to have a fair pricing strategy and concession scheme to ensure that charges generate income to support council services, in a way that is consistent with the council's Anti Poverty Strategy.
29027	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Lobby the Scottish Government for an immediate increase in planning fees, particularly for Developers applying for major projects, Increasing licensing fees to cover the cost of staff. More clarity is needed on the contributions policy mentioned in your statement. How would this financial assessment be conducted collected and utilised? in particular what would the administrative costs be to run this programme? Is this introducing a two tier tax system for care at the point of service in the local community?	Reviewing Income and Concessions (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The Scottish Government is implementing increases in planning fees for 2017/18. When introducing new charges the council considers the most cost efficient and effective way of administering and managing the collection process.
29028	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	How would means testing be carried out? Would all councils use this system?	Reviewing Income and Concessions (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	When introducing new charges the council considers the most cost efficient and effective way of administering and managing the collection process. This will be a West Lothian Council based approach which will build upon examples of good practice in other authorities.
29029	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Depends on the detail and the cost involved / other alternatives etc. What about council jollies, sorry," fact finding missions" , conferences etc?	Reviewing Income and Concessions (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The scope for charging will be considered, taking account current charges, the position in other local authorities and the impact of charges on vulnerable people and the availability of concessions.
29030	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	If we need to charge then I think we should be asking people to contribute towards services that enhance their quality of life.	Reviewing Income and Concessions (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The scope for charging will be considered, taking account current charges, the position in other local authorities and the impact of charges on vulnerable people and the availability of concessions.
29031	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Any charges introduced should reflect the costs within the area by other providers .	Reviewing Income and Concessions (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The scope for charging will be considered, taking account current charges, the position in other local authorities and the impact of charges on vulnerable people and the availability of concessions.
29032	An employee of West Lothian Council	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	All fees should be reviewed properly to see what things actually cost rather than increasing fees across the board by a small percentage	Reviewing Income and Concessions (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The scope for charging will be considered, taking account current charges, the position in other local authorities and the impact of charges on vulnerable people and the availability of concessions.
29033	An employee of West Lothian Council	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Has an equality impact been done on this and the other proposals? These changes must not place additional barriers on those who are already disadvantaged	Reviewing Income and Concessions (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	In line with established budget setting processes, all proposed reduction measures will be subject to an equality impact assessment.
29034	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	It is strongly felt that increases to fees and charges and any changes in discretionary charges should be introduces gradually to prevent large increases for clubs and individuals which may deter some from sporting activity.	Reviewing Income and Concessions (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council will continue to have a fair pricing strategy and concession scheme to ensure that charges generate income to support council services, in a way that is consistent with the council's Anti Poverty Strategy.
29035	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	No bus passes for pensioners still in work and earning above certain levels	Reviewing Income and Concessions (general)	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	The concessionary bus travel scheme is national scheme determined and set by the Scottish Government.
29036	An employee of West Lothian Council	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	As long as these are paid for up front by the customer and not raised as invoices to be pursued by another department	Reviewing Income and Concessions (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	When introducing new charges the council considers the most cost efficient and effective way of administering and managing the collection process. This will be a West Lothian Council based approach which will build upon examples of good practice in other authorities.

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29037	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Really? Not happy at cutting costs for kids & us elderly, you want to take it out on disabled too!!!	Reviewing Income and Concessions (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29038	An employee of West Lothian Council	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	The council should consider charging for FOIs, Subject Access Requests, etc..	Reviewing Income and Concessions (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The scope for charging will be considered, taking account current charges, the position in other local authorities and the impact of charges on vulnerable people and the availability of concessions.
29039	No Response	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Please ensure hall hire costs increase gradually and at a low level to ensure the renter remains viable and contributing. Don't price us out of existence and cut off your own nose.	Reviewing Income and Concessions (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29040	An employee of West Lothian Council	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	similar to other authorities	Reviewing Income and Concessions (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The scope for charging will be considered, taking account current charges, the position in other local authorities and the impact of charges on vulnerable people and the availability of concessions.
29041	An employee of West Lothian Council	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	More work could be done on bench-marking charges in other councils for opportunities for increases.	Reviewing Income and Concessions (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The scope for charging will be considered, taking account current charges, the position in other local authorities and the impact of charges on vulnerable people and the availability of concessions.
29042	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	How does the council propose to assess 'only those who could afford to pay'? That can be complex and can cost money to introduce systems to complete the function. It must be fair and fair is hard to achieve.	Reviewing Income and Concessions (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	When introducing new charges the council considers the most cost efficient and effective way of administering and managing the collection process. This will be a West Lothian Council based approach which will build upon examples of good practice in other authorities.
29043	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Any charges need to be affordable for users and not at the detriment of them	Reviewing Income and Concessions (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The council will continue to have a fair pricing strategy and concession scheme to ensure that charges generate income to support council services, in a way that is consistent with the council's Anti Poverty Strategy.
29044	An employee of West Lothian Council	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	I believe it would make sense to charge people upfront for services such as careline or community hall rental rather than after the fact - a person does not go into a shop and buy a loaf of bread then say they will pay it at the end of the month. I do not understand why some Council services are billed after the event and therefore there is the incentive for people to pay?!?! All these things can be means tested but people nowadays rarely expect to get anything for free unless they are on low incomes so I have no issues with a set fee for services such as Careline etc and this is for new AND existing customers.	Reviewing Income and Concessions (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	When introducing new charges the council considers the most cost efficient and effective way of administering and managing the collection process. This will be a West Lothian Council based approach which will build upon examples of good practice in other authorities.
29045	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	People should not be expected to pay for services that they have spent their whole life paying for.	Reviewing Income and Concessions (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29046	An employee of West Lothian Council	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Poorer people already struggling	Reviewing Income and Concessions (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council will continue to have a fair pricing strategy and concession scheme to ensure that charges generate income to support council services, in a way that is consistent with the council's Anti Poverty Strategy.
29047	An employee of West Lothian Council	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Ensure that all franchises and rented properties are paying the correct amounts for their electricity, gas, etc. consumption and WLC are not "paying" towards the business operations. There is much doubt that this is actually being done to a true figure!	Reviewing Income and Concessions (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29048	An employee of West Lothian Council	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	I agree, if you can afford it you pay for it or certainly contribute towards it.	Reviewing Income and Concessions (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council will continue to have a fair pricing strategy and concession scheme to ensure that charges generate income to support council services, in a way that is consistent with the council's Anti Poverty Strategy.
29049	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Why not make a modest charge for services to pensioners. I am 90 but would pay for what I use. The war cry will go up - what did we pay all these years for? Certainly not for free bus travel.	Reviewing Income and Concessions (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council will continue to have a fair pricing strategy and concession scheme to ensure that charges generate income to support council services, in a way that is consistent with the council's Anti Poverty Strategy.

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29050	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	I believe that many people who could would be willing to pay for some services and so as many concessions as possible should be removed.	Reviewing Income and Concessions (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council will continue to have a fair pricing strategy and concession scheme to ensure that charges generate income to support council services, in a way that is consistent with the council's Anti Poverty Strategy.
29051	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	I have no problems with this proposal provided the charges are sensible.	Reviewing Income and Concessions (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council will continue to have a fair pricing strategy and concession scheme to ensure that charges generate income to support council services, in a way that is consistent with the council's Anti Poverty Strategy.
29052	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Remove all council funded concessionary schemes and focus on national entitlement.	Reviewing Income and Concessions (general)	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	Many of the concessionary schemes, such as public transport and free school meals P1 to P3, are national schemes set by the Scottish Government.
29053	An employee of West Lothian Council	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Council needs to make charges for all types of services to bring in income but the cost of administration needs to be carefully considered.	Reviewing Income and Concessions (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The scope for charging will be considered, taking account current charges, the position in other local authorities and the impact of charges on vulnerable people and the availability of concessions.
29054	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	As stated in a previous section, robust assessments need to take place to ensure charges do not lead to situations of inflicting poverty.	Reviewing Income and Concessions (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The council will continue to have a fair pricing strategy and concession scheme to ensure that charges generate income to support council services, in a way that is consistent with the council's Anti Poverty Strategy.
29055	An employee of West Lothian Council	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Fees should be properly reviewed to see what the service actually costs instead of across the board increases.	Reviewing Income and Concessions (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The scope for charging will be considered, taking account current charges, the position in other local authorities and the impact of charges on vulnerable people and the availability of concessions.
29056	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Acceptable if kept to the minimum and not used as an excuse to increase funds just for the sake of it.	Reviewing Income and Concessions (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The scope for charging will be considered, taking account current charges, the position in other local authorities and the impact of charges on vulnerable people and the availability of concessions.
29057	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Means testing equals more office staff. No.	Reviewing Income and Concessions (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29058	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	I believe these savings will push people into poverty and is a very poor proposal. As an unpaid carer who also has paid employment I feel this suggests I will not only provide 35+ hours per week of care but would then have to pay for services if they were required (if indeed my partner was even able to qualify!). This is grossly unfair and most certainly does not fit with the principles behind most recent legislation such as Carers Act, SDS etc.	Reviewing Income and Concessions (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council will continue to have a fair pricing strategy and concession scheme to ensure that charges generate income to support council services, in a way that is consistent with the council's Anti Poverty Strategy.
29059	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	All charges should be reviewed at least annually.	Reviewing Income and Concessions (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The scope for charging will be considered, taking account current charges, the position in other local authorities and the impact of charges on vulnerable people and the availability of concessions.
29060	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	I note that the Council has one of the lowest levels of income through fees and charging and I strongly agree that charges should be at least in line with the national average and I would also agree that as many charges as practical should be subject to inflationary increases each year.	Reviewing Income and Concessions (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The scope for charging will be considered, taking account current charges, the position in other local authorities and the impact of charges on vulnerable people and the availability of concessions. The council currently generates income from providing a range of services to partners and organisations. Further opportunities to expand this could be investigated.
29061	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Attendance allowance and disability living allowance care components should be taken into account to pay for services. It is well known some people look on these benefits as an 'income bonus'.	Reviewing Income and Concessions (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council will continue to have a fair pricing strategy and concession scheme to ensure that charges generate income to support council services, in a way that is consistent with the council's Anti Poverty Strategy.
29062	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Provided assessment is fair and consistent , reasonable fees and charges are acceptable.	Reviewing Income and Concessions (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council will continue to have a fair pricing strategy and concession scheme to ensure that charges generate income to support council services, in a way that is consistent with the council's Anti Poverty Strategy.

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29063	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Support this on the basis of those who could afford to pay making contributions.	Reviewing Income and Concessions (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council will continue to have a fair pricing strategy and concession scheme to ensure that charges generate income to support council services, in a way that is consistent with the council's Anti Poverty Strategy.
29064	An employee of West Lothian Council	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	I agree with this policy and would suggest as mentioned in part 3c that this falls within the Anti-poverty team or financial assessment team. This is not done currently so staff within Revenues have the expertise to do get this underway. Consideration needs to be given however on how some of these charges will be collected. I would guess that it will fall within Service Accounts. Therefore more debts to collect in an area that there will be less staff. How will it be paid ie one off payment or instalments. I would suggest that for smaller amounts it needs to be a one off payment	Reviewing Income and Concessions (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	When introducing new charges the council considers the most cost efficient and effective way of administering and managing the collection process. This will be a West Lothian Council based approach which will build upon examples of good practice in other authorities.
29065	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	A general comment on this section is that the proposals are a lot clearer than those in other sections. I'm in agreement that an administration charge should be made for the application for a blue badge. It may be appropriate to make some charge in Council car parks but these would need to be considered on an individual basis and the level of charge set appropriately. Insufficient information provided in terms of point	Reviewing Income and Concessions (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The scope for charging will be considered, taking account current charges, the position in other local authorities and the impact of charges on vulnerable people and the availability of concessions.
29066	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	To maintain out of school care provision across West Lothian it is essential that Council continues its practice of not charging community-based out of school care groups for lets in schools and community centres. This recognises the essential nature of this provision and its significant economic and community impact in enabling parents to maintain their employment and bring in Millions of pounds to West Lothian's economy. Rates relief for charities is an essential support that Council provides to the sector. Many organisations could not continue to operate without this valuable support and the sector would like to see this continue, as it will become even more essential in the tough years ahead.	Reviewing Income and Concessions (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The scope for charging will be considered, taking account current charges, the position in other local authorities and the impact of charges on vulnerable people and the availability of concessions.
29067	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Rates relief for charities is an essential support that Council provides to the sector. Many organisations could not continue to operate without this valuable support and we would like to see this continue, as it will become even more essential in the tough years ahead.	Reviewing Income and Concessions (general)	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	Non domestic rates for commercial properties, including relief schemes, are set nationally by the Scottish Government.
29068	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Should look at how to bring more money in within the council	Reviewing Income and Concessions (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The scope for charging will be considered, taking account current charges, the position in other local authorities and the impact of charges on vulnerable people and the availability of concessions. The council currently generates income from providing a range of services to partners and organisations. Further opportunities to expand this could be investigated.
29069	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Rates relief for charities is an essential support that Council provides to the sector. Many organisations could not continue to operate without this valuable support and we would like to see this continue, as it will become even more essential in the tough years ahead.	Reviewing Income and Concessions (general)	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	Non domestic rates for commercial properties, including relief schemes, are set nationally by the Scottish Government.
29070	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	I agree with 2,3,4	Reviewing Income and Concessions (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29071	An employee of West Lothian Council	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	I agree with this. In these times, only people who can't pay should be excluded from the contributions policy. But may people can afford this.	Reviewing Income and Concessions (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council will continue to have a fair pricing strategy and concession scheme to ensure that charges generate income to support council services, in a way that is consistent with the council's Anti Poverty Strategy.
29072	No Response	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	There could be more charges for specific services rather than all being free	Reviewing Income and Concessions (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The scope for charging will be considered, taking account current charges, the position in other local authorities and the impact of charges on vulnerable people and the availability of concessions.
29073	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Agree where those unable to make a financial contribution are subsidised by those who can	Reviewing Income and Concessions (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council will continue to have a fair pricing strategy and concession scheme to ensure that charges generate income to support council services, in a way that is consistent with the council's Anti Poverty Strategy.
29074	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Has an equality impact assessment been carried out for each of the budget proposals? It is essential that this is done at the earliest opportunity in order to assess what the impact will be on those in the protected characteristics groups and those already experiencing disadvantage.	Reviewing Income and Concessions (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	In line with established budget setting processes, all proposed reduction measures will be subject to an equality impact assessment.

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29075	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Agree where those who can not afford to contribute are subsidised by those who can	Reviewing Income and Concessions (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council will continue to have a fair pricing strategy and concession scheme to ensure that charges generate income to support council services, in a way that is consistent with the council's Anti Poverty Strategy.
29076	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	How will less staff be able to collect more money for the council with additional work. If this happens then it will be the customers who suffer. The Council have a duty to make the area and environment better for all customers.	Reviewing Income and Concessions (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	When introducing new charges the council considers the most cost efficient and effective way of administering and managing the collection process. This will be a West Lothian Council based approach which will build upon examples of good practice in other authorities.
29077	An employee of West Lothian Council	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	There is concern around the collection of this additional income which will ultimately fall within Revenues. Between this section and section 7, there are proposals to charge for brown bin collection, bulky uplifts and blue badges. We already know from the briefings that Revenues need to collect more with less staff so additional work in this area will place remaining staff under significant pressure.	Reviewing Income and Concessions (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	When introducing new charges the council considers the most cost efficient and effective way of administering and managing the collection process. This will be a West Lothian Council based approach which will build upon examples of good practice in other authorities.
29078	An employee of West Lothian Council	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	There is concern around the collection of this additional income which will ultimately fall within Revenues. Between this section and section 7, there are proposals to charge for brown bin collection, bulky uplifts and blue badges. Questions arose as to how this would be collected ie one off payment versus instalments. We already know from the briefings that Revenues need to collect more with less staff so additional work in this area will place remaining staff under significant pressure. This minimum amount for collection for Service accounts should also be reviewed as there is no point in billing someone for £20.00 when recovery action is not taken due to the low amount. This section also links back to section 3c, the new Anti-Poverty team and the suggestion of charging for non residential care for the elderly. Should this be agreed, the administration of this would be best placed under the same team, if agreed, that all financial assessments will be assessed	Reviewing Income and Concessions (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	When introducing new charges the council considers the most cost efficient and effective way of administering and managing the collection process. This will be a West Lothian Council based approach which will build upon examples of good practice in other authorities.
29079	An employee of West Lothian Council	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	The idea of a Contributions Policy for non-residential care services rather than charges only linked to certain services is long overdue. However, what is the proposed income threshold above which a contribution must be made (and what disregards will there be)? How has the £5.4 million saving been calculated?	Reviewing Income and Concessions (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29080	An employee of West Lothian Council	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	My concern about introducing charges for services is the fact that some individuals/families may refuse services as a result of this, pushing some cases into the realm of Adult Protection. There needs to be some flexibility in terms of how this is implemented, for example, managers being able to make decisions on an individual basis in exceptional circumstances, such as where it is imperative that a service is introduced to protect an adult/prevent risk where there are concerns but not enough evidence to intervene formally.	Reviewing Income and Concessions (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The council will continue to have a fair pricing strategy and concession scheme to ensure that charges generate income to support council services, in a way that is consistent with the council's Anti Poverty Strategy.
29081	An employee of West Lothian Council	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	We cannot pass all the costs on to people of West Lothian, there is already talk of increasing council tax by 3% so charging for blue badges and car parks seems to be just passing on the cost to the population...this will soon get round and West Lothian may no longer be a place people want to move to. Also there is concern around the collection of this additional income which will ultimately fall within Revenues.	Reviewing Income and Concessions (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	When introducing new charges the council considers the most cost efficient and effective way of administering and managing the collection process. This will be a West Lothian Council based approach which will build upon examples of good practice in other authorities.
29082	An employee of West Lothian Council	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	The proposals to charge for brown bin collection, bulky uplifts and blue badges. Questions arose as to how this would be collected ie one off payment versus instalments. We already know from the briefings that Revenues need to collect more with less staff so additional work in this area will place remaining staff under significant pressure.	Reviewing Income and Concessions (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	When introducing new charges the council considers the most cost efficient and effective way of administering and managing the collection process. This will be a West Lothian Council based approach which will build upon examples of good practice in other authorities.
29083	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Seems to be a statement of intent - more savings could be made here £5.4m not much over 5 years?	Reviewing Income and Concessions (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The scope for charging will be considered, taking account current charges, the position in other local authorities and the impact of charges on vulnerable people and the availability of concessions.
29084	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	If departments cannot collect all monies due take action to discipline them for not doing their jobs or get people in that can.	Reviewing Income and Concessions (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	The council actively pursues all debt, including council tax, community charge, rent and commercial debtors arrears. The council will investigate other ways to improve debt collections including strengthening corporate debt management activity.

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29085	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	The Council should at least double its aspiration for income during the financial plan period. Things to consider are: Lobby the Scottish Government for an immediate increase in planning fees, particularly for major projects, such that Development Management becomes self-funding.	Reviewing Income and Concessions (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The scope for charging will be considered, taking account current charges, the position in other local authorities and the impact of charges on vulnerable people and the availability of concessions.
29086	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Increasing licensing fees to cover the cost of staff.	Reviewing Income and Concessions (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The scope for charging will be considered, taking account current charges, the position in other local authorities and the impact of charges on vulnerable people and the availability of concessions.
29087	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Charge for FOIs	Reviewing Income and Concessions (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The scope for charging will be considered, taking account current charges, the position in other local authorities and the impact of charges on vulnerable people and the availability of concessions.
29088	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	collect rent and debt direct from benefits.	Reviewing Income and Concessions (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	The council actively pursues all debt, including council tax, community charge, rent and commercial debtors arrears. The council will investigate other ways to improve debt collections including strengthening corporate debt management activity.
29089	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	It is strongly felt that increases in fees and charges and any changes in discretionary charges should be introduced gradually to prevent large increases for clubs and individuals which may deter some from sporting activity.	Reviewing Income and Concessions (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The council will continue to have a fair pricing strategy and concession scheme to ensure that charges generate income to support council services, in a way that is consistent with the council's Anti Poverty Strategy.
29090	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Charging - See the legendary regular Linlithgow gazette correspondent ### ## of Linlithgow about litter/dog wardens' costs and (the poor) income generated and apply the principles.	Reviewing Income and Concessions (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The scope for charging will be considered, taking account current charges, the position in other local authorities and the impact of charges on vulnerable people and the availability of concessions.
29091	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	There should be discretionally charging as this allows the gap between the rich and poor to get bigger	Reviewing Income and Concessions (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The council will continue to have a fair pricing strategy and concession scheme to ensure that charges generate income to support council services, in a way that is consistent with the council's Anti Poverty Strategy.
29092	An employee of West Lothian Council	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	This is a tragedy. Old and infirm people being charged for care services. Raise the council tax.	Reviewing Income and Concessions (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29093	An employee of West Lothian Council	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	continue with a library charge for late returns of books , payment for prescriptions	Reviewing Income and Concessions (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The scope for charging will be considered, taking account current charges, the position in other local authorities and the impact of charges on vulnerable people and the availability of concessions. Free prescriptions are determined nationally.
29094	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Nominal charging for health	Reviewing Income and Concessions (general)	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29095	An individual	6. Reviewing Income and Concessions	Can payments be requested from some of the groups for use of council facilities? Or suggesting possible rationalisation of groups?	Reviewing Income and Concessions (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The scope for charging will be considered, taking account current charges, the position in other local authorities and the impact of charges on vulnerable people and the availability of concessions.
29096	An employee of West Lothian Council	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	If this can provide the necessary savings then this should be pursued.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29097	No Response	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	Agree to all suggested proposals	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29098	No Response	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	Agree to all suggested proposals	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29099	No Response	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	Agree to all suggested proposals	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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29100	No Response	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	Agree to all suggested proposals	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29101	No Response	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	Agree to all suggested proposals	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29102	No Response	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	Agree to all suggested proposals	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29103	No Response	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	Agree to all suggested proposals	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29104	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	good	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29105	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29106	An employee of West Lothian Council	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29107	An employee of West Lothian Council	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	Seems reasonable.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29108	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	Ok with this	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29109	An employee of West Lothian Council	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	Yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29110	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	Fewer buildings mean less staff and admin costs.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29111	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	Why are you not already doing this?	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29112	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	should this not be already be getting done	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29113	An employee of West Lothian Council	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	I would support the review of the above.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29114	No Response	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	Have no objection	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29115	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	Support proposal.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29116	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	Yes, agreed. School meal provision is important in the context of children's health.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29117	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29118	An employee of West Lothian Council	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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29119	An employee of West Lothian Council	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	I agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29120	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	Agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29121	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	Good idea.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29122	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	Good proposal	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29123	An employee of West Lothian Council	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29124	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	OK.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29125	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29126	No Response	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	I agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29127	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29128	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	Sensible.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29129	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	happy with this	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29130	An employee of West Lothian Council	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29131	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29132	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	Agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29133	An employee of West Lothian Council	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29134	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	Ok	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29135	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	positive	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29136	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	I agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29137	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	Agree with this proposal.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29138	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	go ahead with the savings	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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29139	An employee of West Lothian Council	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	Agree in principle.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29140	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	Hard but fair	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29141	An employee of West Lothian Council	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	The school meal service is a good suggestion	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29142	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	I support this change	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29143	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	I agree with the Council's proposals for the moment to see how they all work out. Thank you.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29144	An employee of West Lothian Council	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	Ok wit that, as long as hygiene is not a problem.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29145	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	A WORTHWHILE PLAN	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29146	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	7a - Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29147	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	Please continue	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29148	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	Agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29149	An employee of West Lothian Council	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	Would agree.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29150	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	fine	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29151	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	sounds good to me	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29152	An employee of West Lothian Council	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	Sounds good to me!	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29153	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	Agree.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29154	An employee of West Lothian Council	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29155	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	good.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29156	No Response	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29157	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	ok.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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29158	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	Ok	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29159	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	This sounds reasonable.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29160	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	I support this	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29161	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	Agreed.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29162	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	Good	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29163	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	good idea	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29164	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	Agree with this.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29165	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29166	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	Makes sense	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29167	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	I support this.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29168	No Response	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	Agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29169	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	Sensible	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29170	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	Agreed.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29171	An employee of West Lothian Council	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29172	An employee of West Lothian Council	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29173	An employee of West Lothian Council	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	Good	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29174	An employee of West Lothian Council	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	Agreed.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29175	An employee of West Lothian Council	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	Agree.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29176	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	Acceptable	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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29177	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	Agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29178	An employee of West Lothian Council	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	I agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29179	An employee of West Lothian Council	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	agree with proposal	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29180	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	Ok	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29181	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	I agree with this proposal.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29182	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	I agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29183	An employee of West Lothian Council	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29184	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29185	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	This sounds like a good use of resources.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29186	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	I have no objection to this.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29187	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	Sounds sensible.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29188	An employee of West Lothian Council	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29189	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29190	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29191	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	Go for it	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29192	An employee of West Lothian Council	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	Ok.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29193	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	Sounds ok	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29194	An employee of West Lothian Council	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	Agree with this proposal.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29195	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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29196	An employee of West Lothian Council	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	Agree.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29197	An employee of West Lothian Council	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	Agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29198	An employee of West Lothian Council	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	Agree with these measures	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29199	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	I support.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29200	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	I agree with the above.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29201	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	I would support these proposals.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29202	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	Ok	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29203	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	Agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29204	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	Yes fine.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29205	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	Seems sensible suggestion.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29206	An employee of West Lothian Council	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	This appears to be a reasonable proposal.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29207	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	Sensible	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29208	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	Agreed.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29209	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29210	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29211	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	I agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29212	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	Seems sensible	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29213	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29214	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	Agree.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29215	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	OK.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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29216	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	Agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29217	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	I would support this	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29218	No Response	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29219	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	Sounds like a good idea!	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29220	An employee of West Lothian Council	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	agree with proposal	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29221	An employee of West Lothian Council	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29222	An employee of West Lothian Council	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	I agree with this proposal	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29223	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29224	An employee of West Lothian Council	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29225	An employee of West Lothian Council	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29226	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	I agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29227	An employee of West Lothian Council	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	Agree.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29228	An employee of West Lothian Council	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29229	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	I agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29230	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	Ok	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29231	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	okay	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29232	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	okay	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29233	An employee of West Lothian Council	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	Agree - everyone should take responsibility for their environment when working or accessing services.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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29234	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29235	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29236	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	I agree with this proposal	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29237	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	Good idea	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29238	An employee of West Lothian Council	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	Ok	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29239	An employee of West Lothian Council	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	Agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29240	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	All sounds good.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29241	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29242	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	Agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29243	An employee of West Lothian Council	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	sounds logical as long as only a small decrease in quality is the outcome	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29244	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	Yes. Free school meals is an essential service but asking parents/carers to pay a very small fee towards this would also save a lot of money in the long run.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29245	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	I a happy with this.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29246	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29247	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	Agree this is now essential.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29248	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	Again vague with no indication of impact, but reluctantly support.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29249	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	Agreed.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29250	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29251	No Response	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	OK	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29252	An employee of West Lothian Council	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	Agreed.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29253	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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29254	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29255	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	Ok	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29256	An employee of West Lothian Council	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	has to be done	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29257	An employee of West Lothian Council	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	Yes this should be an area of focus in order to reduce food waste and the costs of meals offered.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29258	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	Makes perfect sense and is normal in all other workplaces.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29259	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	Agree with these plans.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29260	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	I agree with the above	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29261	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	A gree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29262	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29263	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	Fine	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29264	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	Agree.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29265	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	Agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29266	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	No problem with this	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29267	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	Ok in principle	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29268	An employee of West Lothian Council	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	These are sensible measures that I support.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29269	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	Agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29270	An employee of West Lothian Council	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29271	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29272	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	OK	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29273	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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29274	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	Okay if implemented with care.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29275	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	Agree.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29276	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29277	An employee of West Lothian Council	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29278	An employee of West Lothian Council	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	Supportive in principle albeit based on limited information	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29279	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	Agree where standards are maintained	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29280	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	Sounds ok	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29281	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	Fine	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29282	An employee of West Lothian Council	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29283	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	Sounds fine.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29284	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	OK,	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29285	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	I agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29286	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29287	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	Yes.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29288	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	I completely agree with this.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29289	An employee of West Lothian Council	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	Agree - seems sensible.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29290	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	Sounds right.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29291	An employee of West Lothian Council	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29292	An employee of West Lothian Council	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	I agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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29293	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	I agree with the proposal.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29294	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	All proposals are sound.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29295	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	I don't feel this would be in positive prouction	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29296	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	No cuts to these essential services	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29297	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	Do not agree	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29298	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	Focus on education? I don't think so.	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29299	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	no	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29300	An employee of West Lothian Council	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	Do not agree	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29301	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	Disagree	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29302	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	None	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29303	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	Don't agree	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29304	An employee of West Lothian Council	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	Disagree with this - this could affect the quality of school meals and building cleanliness.	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29305	An employee of West Lothian Council	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	How many job losses? What impact on schools / buildings?	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29306	An employee of West Lothian Council	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	No comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29307	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	No opinion	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29308	An employee of West Lothian Council	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	I don't know enough about this service to comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29309	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	No comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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29310	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	N/A	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29311	An employee of West Lothian Council	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	N/A	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29312	An employee of West Lothian Council	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	N/A	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29313	An employee of West Lothian Council	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	This survey is too long at there is both too much and not enough information.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29314	An employee of West Lothian Council	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	Socio economic duty re school meals? Surely cleaning cost will already reduce given proposed cuts to staff and services?	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29315	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	As long as the children are provided with school meals which are nutritious and low cost,I have nothing to add.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29316	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	I don't understand budgeting advantages and restraints enough to comment.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29317	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	Environment - No information to comment on!	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29318	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	No comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29319	An employee of West Lothian Council	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29320	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	Not sure	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29321	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	No comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29322	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	No comment.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29323	An employee of West Lothian Council	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	No comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29324	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	No comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29325	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	Sorry, bored now and I'm only half way through.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29326	An employee of West Lothian Council	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	No comment as don't know enough.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29327	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	As it is not clear how much of a cut this is, it is not clear whether this is a small cut in food quality and cleanliness, or poor food and dirty schools.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29328	No Response	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	dgdgd	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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29329	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	nil	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29330	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	No Comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29331	An employee of West Lothian Council	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	No comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29332	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	No comment.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29333	An employee of West Lothian Council	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	No comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29334	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	More information is needed	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29335	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	no comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29336	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	No comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29337	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	unsure what exactly is being proposed here - any concerns here re nutrition quality?	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29338	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	Hard to comment on a review, until the results of a review are known!	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29339	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	No comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29340	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	No comments	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29341	No Response	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	Don't know enough about this to comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29342	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	No comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29343	An employee of West Lothian Council	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	No comments	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29344	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	No comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29345	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	No comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29346	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	No comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29347	An employee of West Lothian Council	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	N/a	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29348	No Response	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	Not enough information to provide comment.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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29349	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	The last time I was in Linlithgow Academy I didn't think it had any cleaners.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29350	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	no comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29351	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	No detail on what is being proposed and the cost savings.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29352	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	This makes no sense to me	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29353	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	We do not believe we have the knowledge or experience of this area to be able to make an informed comment on it.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29354	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	Noted	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29355	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	No comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29356	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	Not enough detail to know what this means	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29357	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	Don't know the details, so can't comment.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29358	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	Vague comments provided in the statement above. Unable to provide any meaningful comments back.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29359	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	unable to comment as not in plain english	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29360	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	No comment.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29361	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	No comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29362	An employee of West Lothian Council	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	Breakfast Club provision - consider introducing a 50p a day charge or a weekly charge of A£2 per child. To cover the cost of the additional staffing required.	Revised Catering Standards - schools	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29363	An employee of West Lothian Council	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	The current free of charge breakfast club should be chargeable.	Revised Catering Standards - schools	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29364	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	Using local produce for catering would help both costs and the environment and support the local communities	Revised Catering Standards - schools	5c. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it is not consistent with the council's values and priorities.	All council purchases must follow the council Standing Orders, government and European procurement regulations. This is designed to ensure we are legally open and transparent. Competitive tender processes are employed and all appropriate suppliers can bid for council business and contracts are an essential element of procurement practice.
29365	An employee of West Lothian Council	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	another consideration would be to " buy in" a ready prepared meal which could be microwaved perhaps even a couple of days per week therefore reducing the staffing costs even further .	Revised Catering Standards - schools	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	There is scope to reduce service costs by purchasing foods externally rather than creating in-house.
29366	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	This is great idea, kids get free meals so making it cheaper but still healthy etc can only be a good thing	Revised Catering Standards - schools	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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29367	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	School meals - I think school meal quality of service should be maintained but parents who benefit from the service should pay for it. Cleaning - while the cleaners do a decent job, cleaning services are already pretty basic - I can't remember when my desk was last wiped or my keyboard or phone were detoxed.	Revised Catering Standards - schools	5a. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because the council is required by law to deliver this work.	School meals - free school meals for P1-3 is a Government requirement and this will continue. School meals not covered by this are paid for by parent or are mean tested. Cleaning - service levels will reduce as a result of this proposal but statutory cleaning standards will be met.
29368	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	it is important that those receiving free school meals still receive a hot meal on a daily basis as this may be the only meal they get. Staff who are not employed to clean should not be spending valuable time cleaning!	Revised Catering Standards - schools	5a. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because the council is required by law to deliver this work.	The Council provides free P1-3 meals as it is required to by the Scottish Government and this is not something we are empowered to change.
29369	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	Preparing and serving meals wherever possible on site and not transporting to every school in West Lothian surely reduces the carbon footprint and is in line with the WLC "green policy". The way it is now appears to work well with maybe one school in each town providing meals for other local schools.	Revised Catering Standards - schools	4. The council is already doing this.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29370	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	Why not centralise all your school meal kitchens into 1 or 2 larger facilities. Cleaning in buildings is already poor why not put out to a private company and save costs.	Revised Catering Standards - schools	5b. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it is likely that the costs of this proposal would outweigh the benefit.	School kitchens - there would be a considerable cost to centralising our kitchens as well as logistical and food hygiene issues around transporting meals. Delivering services using an external provider would not prove to be cost effective
29371	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	You need to look at school meals for those with specific needs eg gluten free as currently it is terrible	Revised Catering Standards - schools	4. The council is already doing this.	The Council already cater for children with special dietary requirements.
29372	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	School meals are already too small and leaving pupils hungry .	Revised Catering Standards - schools	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	The school menus are designed and analysed to meet nutritional guidelines.
29373	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	School meals are inedible enough as it is - there needs to be more done to make them look appetizing.	Revised Catering Standards - schools	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	The school menus are designed and analysed to meet nutritional guidelines.
29374	An employee of West Lothian Council	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	I feel all school pupils should pay for a lunch if required people who have kids know they will have to feed them it's not something the council should be paying to provide	Revised Catering Standards - schools	5a. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because the council is required by law to deliver this work.	Free school meals are provided in line with legislation from the Scottish Government. The Council is not able change this.
29375	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	Mindful of this will impact on low skilled and paid staff. Is there scope to stop pupils from leaving school at lunchtime therefore generating more income whilst ensuring young people get a nutritional meal.	Revised Catering Standards - schools	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Each school is responsible for deciding whether or not pupils are allowed to leave school grounds a lunchtime.
29376	An employee of West Lothian Council	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	Stop free lunches p1-p3 it is completely unnecessary! Provide free meals to those that need it.	Revised Catering Standards - schools	5a. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because the council is required by law to deliver this work.	Free school meals are provided in line with legislation from the Scottish Government. The Council is not able change this.
29377	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	Improving the quality of school meals will be necessary to reduce the number of children that visit fish and chip shops and bakeries in the high street at lunch times.	Revised Catering Standards - schools	5a. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because the council is required by law to deliver this work.	The school menus are designed and analysed to meet nutritional guidelines and we cannot provide children with some of the options they elect to have.
29378	An employee of West Lothian Council	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	Charge for meals appropriately. Cook chill can mean meals made in one or two centres,	Revised Catering Standards - schools	5b. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it is likely that the costs of this proposal would outweigh the benefit.	Meals are prepared daily and some are already transported to schools in the area.
29379	An employee of West Lothian Council	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	The quality of the school meals is good, as long as this doesn't impact on the quality.	Revised Catering Standards - schools	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29380	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	The schools meals service is very worthwhile but could be re-organized to operate more efficiently. I cannot comment on cleaning services.	Revised Catering Standards - schools	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29381	An employee of West Lothian Council	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	At current in special needs school there is free school meals for everyone regardless of parental or carers income. This is definitely something I think could be looked at as some parents can afford to be paying these meals just as parents in mainstream have to do. The school provides free transport and parents are given benefits to help with payments also.	Revised Catering Standards - schools	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your comment. This is a proposal that the council will consider.

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29382	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	Spend less money providing sugary unhealthy desserts to school children at lunch time.	Revised Catering Standards - schools	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	This is something we are considering as part of the proposal.
29383	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	the council could save on ceasing provision of packed lunches to all special schools on a half day friday. Many children dont need them, and they can continue to have a hot meal for the rest of the week It is important that hygiene and cleaning standards are good. Many cuts have already been made in many areas, but staff could be encouraged to clean up after themselves much more to save costs.	Revised Catering Standards - schools	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	This is a proposal that we will consider.
29384	An employee of West Lothian Council	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	Free school meals need to stop. A standard charge which will cover the majority of the cost allocated to the provision of school meals should be made.	Revised Catering Standards - schools	5a. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because the council is required by law to deliver this work.	Free school meals are provided in line with legislation from the Scottish Government. The Council is not able change this.
29385	An employee of West Lothian Council	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	. Food safety must not be compromised as part of a penny pinching exercise. menus need to be assessed in conjunction with what is being recycled. No point wasting money of bucket loads of salad items/ fruit if these are going into food waste. Take the initiative and teach the children about nutrition in home economics. then they will learn that food does not just come from Tesco, Asda etc. and be more open to eating a more nutritionally balanced diet.	Revised Catering Standards - schools	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29386	An employee of West Lothian Council	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	No point wasting money of bucket loads of salad items/ fruit if these are going into food waste. Take the initiative and teach the children about nutrition in home economics. then they will learn that food does not just come from Tesco, Asda etc. and be more open to eating a more nutritionally balanced diet.	Revised Catering Standards - schools	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29387	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	Feeding children good, nutritious food does not need to cost the Earth. This has already been proven. Cooked at school rather than being ferried around. Be like the Europeans, two items maximum on the menu, lots of veg can be hidden in pasta which kids love. It's not rocket science, the work has already been done.	Revised Catering Standards - schools	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29388	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	Given the growing levels of obesity in our kids, can we put in place a plan that reduces Catering cost provision and also assists with better eating?	Revised Catering Standards - schools	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Part of the proposal is to review menu choice in line with your suggestion.
29389	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	Only food should be provided for family that canâ€™t afford it. Means testing again.	Revised Catering Standards - schools	5a. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because the council is required by law to deliver this work.	Free school meals are provided in line with legislation from the Scottish Government. The Council is not able change this.
29390	An employee of West Lothian Council	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	Close kitchens in smaller developments with a central kitchen delivering to satellite services; or have kitchen provide 1 main meal each day with packed meal in evenings. Appetito meals.	Revised Catering Standards - schools	5d. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it has been previously considered and will not be progressed.	Capital cost to set this up is prohibitive and we already produce in main kitchens and transport to smaller units.
29391	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	Buy local, seasonal and less sugar please	Revised Catering Standards - schools	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Part of the review will consider home baking. We buy from Scottish procurement contracts and where possible promote local and seasonal produce.
29392	An employee of West Lothian Council	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	Good nutrition is directly linked to academic performance. A reduction in this service will result in lower academic achievements across the region and future employment prospects.	Revised Catering Standards - schools	5a. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because the council is required by law to deliver this work.	Free school meals are provided in line with legislation from the Scottish Government. The Council is not able change this.
29393	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	Agree with school meal service but do not agree with all pupils getting them for free. We are not a nanny state and crÃ¢che for all children. If families are genuinely in need them of course they need help and free meals. Food feeds the brains and helps with their education and overall health which is extremely important.	Revised Catering Standards - schools	5a. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because the council is required by law to deliver this work.	Free school meals are provided in line with legislation from the Scottish Government. The Council is not able change this.
29394	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	far too much food is thrown away in schools...don't change the menu every year...and too many cleaners in schools	Revised Catering Standards - schools	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29395	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	School meals could be back to being means tested. Not all primary one to three children require free school meals many of whoms parents will be high level tax payers! This would then ensure that schools could be cleaned properly and therefore reduce the amount of illness and disease passed around saving money on supply teaching staff when they are off sick due to poor hygiene	Revised Catering Standards - schools	5a. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because the council is required by law to deliver this work.	Free school meals are provided in line with legislation from the Scottish Government. The Council is not able change this.
29396	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	Cut down portion size thus reducing wastage. Buffet style serving to allow children more choice/portion control	Revised Catering Standards - schools	5a. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because the council is required by law to deliver this work.	School meals need to be produced to meet nutritional standards by a balanced menu. Buffet style service would not support this.

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29397	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	I am from a household with a good income I never asked or required free school meals for my children yet they recieved them in early years of primary. I was also happy to pay for breakfast club to support me with child care while working, again this was made free, I would suggest the council approaches all households with children and gathering all info before blindly offering things for free that were not required. Infact dispite income I have never heard any parent complain when the had to pay Â£1 per week for snack at nursery etc most middle income families would be happy to pay for services that they require if they are of high standard and in doing so are able to supplement low income families.	Revised Catering Standards - schools	5a. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because the council is required by law to deliver this work.	Free school meals are provided in line with legislation from the Scottish Government. The Council is not able change this.
29398	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	What do you mean by the latter comment? What about catering in other establishments?	Revised Catering Standards - schools	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29399	An employee of West Lothian Council	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	If free food is to be available at an event then could donations not be taken to try to off set some of the costs.	Revised Catering Standards - schools	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29400	No Response	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	Increase charge for school meals.	Revised Catering Standards - schools	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29401	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	It no longer is of interest to me but we should reintroduce charging for school meals it's ridiculous that we give free meal when the majority of parents can afford to pay they most likely would rather pay than lose some ther vital education service	Revised Catering Standards - schools	5a. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because the council is required by law to deliver this work.	Free school meals are provided in line with legislation from the Scottish Government. The Council is not able change this.
29402	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	Charge for school meals	Revised Catering Standards - schools	5a. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because the council is required by law to deliver this work.	Free school meals are provided in line with legislation from the Scottish Government. The Council is not able change this.
29403	An employee of West Lothian Council	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	Why are school kids given bottled water - expensive to produce and bottle, and single use bottles are costly to the environment. Why not provide jugs of tap water and cups?	Revised Catering Standards - schools	5d. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it has been previously considered and will not be progressed.	The reasons we provide bottled water is to reduce instances for health and safety reasons and also for the child to take their water away with them after lunch and consume during the afternoon.
29404	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	agree with meals.	Revised Catering Standards - schools	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29405	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	School meals are a thing of the past. Parents should be held responsible for providing packed lunches	Revised Catering Standards - schools	5a. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because the council is required by law to deliver this work.	Free school meals are provided in line with legislation from the Scottish Government. The Council is not able change this.
29406	An employee of West Lothian Council	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	Ensuring school meals are healthy is vital and not letting cost cutting impact on the healthiness of children's food.	Revised Catering Standards - schools	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Nutritional content of meals would not be impacted by the proposals
29407	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	My kids will not eat the school food cause they both say it is horrible.	Revised Catering Standards - schools	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29408	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	What does a cleaning model and a catering model look like?	Revised Catering Standards - schools	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	The model and options are currently being evaluated
29409	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	Centralised school meals.	Revised Catering Standards - schools	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29410	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	Get the private sector to deliver.	Revised Catering Standards - schools	5c. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it is not consistent with the council's values and priorities.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29411	An employee of West Lothian Council	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	There is far too much food waste during school lunch times. Make the menu more kid friendly!!	Revised Catering Standards - schools	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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29412	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	Provide tap water in recyclable cups to children, rather than handing out masses of bottles of water.	Revised Catering Standards - schools	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Bottled water is provided after giving consideration to health and safety from spillages and to enable children to take water with them for the remainder of the day as hydration aid learning.
29413	An employee of West Lothian Council	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	Increase costs of school lunches to cover the total cost of preparing and delivering lunches. Don't lower the already very poor quality of meals delivered, just charge what it actually costs to prepare.	Revised Catering Standards - schools	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29414	An employee of West Lothian Council	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	I know this is not a council issue but free school meals for P1-3 is nonsense in certain areas and should be only applied in areas of need. Same with clothing grant.	Revised Catering Standards - schools	5a. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because the council is required by law to deliver this work.	The Council provides free P1-3 meals as it is required to by the Scottish Government and this is not something we are empowered to change.
29415	An employee of West Lothian Council	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	There may be scope to outsource the preparation of some foods (like ready meals) to improve quality and consistency of the offering and reduce costs?	Revised Catering Standards - schools	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29416	An employee of West Lothian Council	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	There is scope to reduce the choices in school meals, while also making them healthier.	Revised Catering Standards - schools	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29417	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	These meals can definitely be reviewed money that is spent on juice cartons & bottled water. Also lot of waste with menu choice	Revised Catering Standards - schools	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Bottled water / juice is provided after giving consideration to health and safety from spillages and to enable children to take water with them for the remainder of the day as hydration aid learning.
29418	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	I don't think it is a good idea for every child up to primary 3 to receive free school meals. Surely its about you're ability to pay, subject to the financial assessment of affordability.	Revised Catering Standards - schools	5a. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because the council is required by law to deliver this work.	The Council provides free P1-3 meals as it is required to by the Scottish Government and this is not something we are empowered to change.
29419	An employee of West Lothian Council	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	I am aware that free schools meals for all pupils until the end of P3 is a national government initiative but in my view this is a complete waste of tax payers money. Free meals should be means tested as it as for decades. I also feel free breakfast clubs provide free child care for working parents and does not address the issue of children coming to school without a breakfast. These are the pupils who are late every day. It should be at the discretion of head teachers to provide breakfast, discretely for those pupils who need it.	Revised Catering Standards - schools	5a. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because the council is required by law to deliver this work.	The Council provides free P1-3 meals as it is required to by the Scottish Government and this is not something we are empowered to change.
29420	An employee of West Lothian Council	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	Loose the free school meals , milk and breakfast club only for those in genuine need	Revised Catering Standards - schools	5a. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because the council is required by law to deliver this work.	The Council provides free P1-3 meals as it is required to by the Scottish Government and this is not something we are empowered to change.
29421	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	School meals and school cleaning services are stretched and unsatisfactory - food is unhealthy at best and inedible at worst!	Revised Catering Standards - schools	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29422	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	I don't see why parents can't provide their children with a packed lunch daily so that the council only has to provide meals for those in need. As long as children are being fed a cooked meal at home every night, I don't see an issue with a packed lunch during the day instead of a cooked meal.	Revised Catering Standards - schools	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29423	An employee of West Lothian Council	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	Portion sizes are definitely needing looked at. Way too much waste. Remove free school dinner for P1- P3.	Revised Catering Standards - schools	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29424	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	Free school meals are not a necessity for every child in West Lothian. This should be means tested to provide free meals for those in need. I'm sure a large proportion of the school population could afford to pay for their school meal.	Revised Catering Standards - schools	5a. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because the council is required by law to deliver this work.	The Council provides free P1-3 meals as it is required to by the Scottish Government and this is not something we are empowered to change.
29425	An employee of West Lothian Council	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	School menus - remove home baking from the choice it's not healthy	Revised Catering Standards - schools	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29426	An employee of West Lothian Council	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	There is a lot of food wasted at lunch time especially with lower age school kids . Perhaps reducing portion sizes might save money	Revised Catering Standards - schools	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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29427	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	The biggest loss of money came from giving all P1-P3 children free school lunch and breakfast. It would be better to charge everyone for school breakfast club and lunch. Child benefit and child tax credit is paid to none working people to support their kids.	Revised Catering Standards - schools	5a. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because the council is required by law to deliver this work.	The Council provides free P1-3 meals as it is required to by the Scottish Government and this is not something we are empowered to change.
29428	An employee of West Lothian Council	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	Scrap free meals for P1-3 - waste of money. Scrap free breakfast (except for those eligible for free school meals), again another waste of money. Start charging for breakfast clubs again.	Revised Catering Standards - schools	5a. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because the council is required by law to deliver this work.	The Council provides free P1-3 meals as it is required to by the Scottish Government and this is not something we are empowered to change.
29429	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	Provision of healthy school meals must always be a priority and seen as a long term investment of healthy development and learning.	Revised Catering Standards - schools	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29430	An employee of West Lothian Council	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	I believe that rationalisation of menu options could provide not only healthier meal options but a more cost effective means of preparation and serving school meals.	Revised Catering Standards - schools	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29431	An employee of West Lothian Council	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	they should do school meals for parent that not go job and other parents that has job should pay kids meals	Revised Catering Standards - schools	5a. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because the council is required by law to deliver this work.	The Council provides free P1-3 meals as it is required to by the Scottish Government and this is not something we are empowered to change.
29432	An employee of West Lothian Council	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	The school meals are still very unhealthy with limited choices. Whilst the service is being reviewed the health and nutrition of each meal should be looked at. Healthy soups and salads need not be costly but are not always available. And most sandwiches are filled with mayonnaise.	Revised Catering Standards - schools	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29433	An employee of West Lothian Council	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	It must be the case that children are given nutritious meals and this should not be affected.	Revised Catering Standards - schools	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29434	An employee of West Lothian Council	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	Providing breakfasts for all is ridiculous. Target at those in need.	Revised Catering Standards - schools	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29435	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	What will happen to the children who rely in school meals.	Revised Catering Standards - schools	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The Council will always ensure children in need receive a meal.
29436	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	Education has already been hammered in the last few years. Menus need to be nutritional as well as cheap. They might be the only hot meal a child receives in a day.	Revised Catering Standards - schools	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29437	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	The availability of a hot school meal option remains an essential.	Revised Catering Standards - schools	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29438	An employee of West Lothian Council	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	The menu options are already grim in school meals, and not nutritionally good choices. To see the already poor options become filled out with bread and starches and fresh vegetables and high quality meat scrimped on would damage the health of West Lothian's young people. Remember that some children only eat their school meal in a day, there is a duty of care to ensure this is a wholly nutritious option for the pupil. Currently it is not.	Revised Catering Standards - schools	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29439	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	I think that standards in school meals (which from what my daughter tells me are not particularly high) and in school meals, should be maintained	Revised Catering Standards - schools	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29440	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	So this menu reduction. Will it reduce the quality of food on offer? What will be the health impacts?	Revised Catering Standards - schools	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	No the proposal means doing things more efficiently and producing better quality meals.
29441	An employee of West Lothian Council	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	Primary 1 - 3 pupils should not all receive free school meals. This is unnecessary. I agreed this would reduce stigma for those on receipt of free school meals but now that we use iPay in all schools this is no longer an issue. I would suggest that money be added to children's account where they are entitled to FME. This could be done centrally or added to school budgets. There is too much wasted food in school kitchens already. Portion sizes and choice need looked at.	Revised Catering Standards - schools	5a. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because the council is required by law to deliver this work.	The Council provides free P1-3 meals as it is required to by the Scottish Government and this is not something we are empowered to change.
29442	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	Please, please make the school meals healthier - remove the easy junk food options such as hot-dogs/wedges and burgers and remove all sweet baked desserts (yoghurts and fruit would suffice as replacements). Each menu option should be healthier and not the overall menu choices as kids will usually choose the less-healthy options given a choice (as would many adults!).	Revised Catering Standards - schools	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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29443	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	School meals - Children vote with their feet. Chip shops, cafes and sweet shops don't have to meet statutory requirements in terms of healthy eating, a losing battle and unlikely to save or make money.	Revised Catering Standards - schools	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29444	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	Free breakfast club and free school lunches for p3 and under should be restricted to those in most need. With lpay no one needs to know who is paying for this and should avoid any embarrassment for the child	Revised Catering Standards - schools	5a. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because the council is required by law to deliver this work.	The Council provides free P1-3 meals as it is required to by the Scottish Government and this is not something we are empowered to change.
29445	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	Menu options should not be restricted such that they stop providing a balanced diet to young people	Revised Catering Standards - schools	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29446	An employee of West Lothian Council	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	Free breakfast and free school meals should be provided only to those who need it. It is not necessary for all P1-3 children to have free school dinners especially when the quality of the food is not of a high standard and much of it has a high sugar content.	Revised Catering Standards - schools	5a. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because the council is required by law to deliver this work.	The Council provides free P1-3 meals as it is required to by the Scottish Government and this is not something we are empowered to change.
29447	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	Feeding kids is important - efficiencies are fine but need to ensure food is of a decent standard and healthy	Revised Catering Standards - schools	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29448	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	I'll just start making my boy a packed lunch.	Revised Catering Standards - schools	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	No the proposal means doing things more efficiently and producing better quality meals.
29449	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	Key to ensure that any changes to school meals provision is done in partnership with experts to ensure nutritional adequacy of meals is maintained.	Revised Catering Standards - schools	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29450	An employee of West Lothian Council	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	Remove free school breakfast clubs for people who can pay, while this was a government initiative it is not a statutory service.	Revised Catering Standards - schools	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29451	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	Sounds sensible re catering.	Revised Catering Standards - schools	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29452	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	Do not agree with giving school children a packed lunch on a Friday when they head home early	Revised Catering Standards - schools	5a. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because the council is required by law to deliver this work.	The Council provides free P1-3 meals as it is required to by the Scottish Government and this is not something we are empowered to change.
29453	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	Stop giving free breakfast and school dinners.	Revised Catering Standards - schools	5a. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because the council is required by law to deliver this work.	The Council provides free P1-3 meals as it is required to by the Scottish Government and this is not something we are empowered to change.
29454	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	Given the lack of parental care in a lot of cases, making sure kids get at least one square meal a day is important	Revised Catering Standards - schools	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29455	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	Free school meals for all ages should be means tested and breakfast clubs should have a charge for all except the very poorest in out society. Feeding our children is important but those who can pay should.	Revised Catering Standards - schools	5a. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because the council is required by law to deliver this work.	The Council provides free P1-3 meals as it is required to by the Scottish Government and this is not something we are empowered to change.
29456	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	School meals cannot be increased in price as families with more than one child are already struggling to pay for this.	Revised Catering Standards - schools	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29457	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	Why not scrap free meal for p1 -p3?	Revised Catering Standards - schools	5a. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because the council is required by law to deliver this work.	The Council provides free P1-3 meals as it is required to by the Scottish Government and this is not something we are empowered to change.
29458	An employee of West Lothian Council	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	P1-P3 free school meals is a complete waste of money. There are many parents who can afford to pay their childrenâ€™s lunch. Give free school meals to those that need it, not those who are entitled to it!	Revised Catering Standards - schools	5a. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because the council is required by law to deliver this work.	The Council provides free P1-3 meals as it is required to by the Scottish Government and this is not something we are empowered to change.
29459	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	Why do schools not have a community veg/fruit garden to use in there kitchens? Seems crazy that this is not promoted as benefits would be all round. School meals are still not healthy in comparison to our Scandinavian neighbours... you don't find pizza, burgers, hot dogs on there menus and why cakes and puddings surely fruit, yogurt are better???	Revised Catering Standards - schools	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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29460	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	Waste oh money free dinners end in bin	Revised Catering Standards - schools	5a. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because the council is required by law to deliver this work.	The Council provides free P1-3 meals as it is required to by the Scottish Government and this is not something we are empowered to change.
29461	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	Think about food waste, listen to the consumers, adjust what you make to reduce waste, this is where the real savings are. We need much more support for walking and cycling to schools. Far too many bussed a few miles where in other countries with similar climates the kids would cycle. Invest in save cycle routes and paths. Reduce buses.	Revised Catering Standards - schools	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29462	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	Meals should not just be statutory. But yes review the wastage. My kids don't always like everything in the 'tray' they choose. Mix in match would be better on veg/pudding/fruit etc Cleaning...teach the kids how to clean their space..life skills..sweeping/ dusting...the sense of entitlement we/our kids have is reaching high levels..its a joke. Yes I would agree to my kids cleaning their space at school but I am aware I am dreaming..	Revised Catering Standards - schools	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29463	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	School meals to be passed to benefit section. Remove free school meals to all kids up to P3	Revised Catering Standards - schools	5a. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because the council is required by law to deliver this work.	The Council provides free P1-3 meals as it is required to by the Scottish Government and this is not something we are empowered to change.
29464	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	School meals in west lothian are good. Im not sure cuts would allow for continuing quality. For some youngsters this is the best meal they receive. Re cleaning our schools are already not overly hygeinic lowering cleaning standards is unthinkable.	Revised Catering Standards - schools	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29465	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	This is an important service for children within west lothian who receive free school meals would hate to think that this would be affected by reductions.	Revised Catering Standards - schools	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29466	An employee of West Lothian Council	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	Catering for school lunches is deplorable. The quality of food is poor and the size of portions for children is ridiculous in comparison to the cost. I think many parents would be shocked to see the food being presented to their children for lunch and would lead to many more providing quality lunches from home.	Revised Catering Standards - schools	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29467	An employee of West Lothian Council	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	As long as school meals are healthy and affordable.	Revised Catering Standards - schools	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29468	An employee of West Lothian Council	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	Feel free school meals for P1 - 3s should be means tested so that the people who can afford to pay do.	Revised Catering Standards - schools	5a. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because the council is required by law to deliver this work.	The Council provides free P1-3 meals as it is required to by the Scottish Government and this is not something we are empowered to change.
29469	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	Free school meals provided to all P1-3 - perhaps this could be reviewed and only provided to people on need it most. Cleaning within schools should be reviewed - at present my experience of this is poor, children in my family often report that there is a lack of toilet roll and hand soap in the toilets, this is in both primary and secondary.	Revised Catering Standards - schools	5a. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because the council is required by law to deliver this work.	The Council provides free P1-3 meals as it is required to by the Scottish Government and this is not something we are empowered to change.
29470	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	The school menus are ridiculous and obviously not cost effective. A new look at healthy and cheaply made options would be a vast improvement.	Revised Catering Standards - schools	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29471	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	Agreed, however please look at the levels of staffing in the schools catering. I know 1st hand the amount of wasted time in canteens by staff who work at a dead stop pace to try and get overtime etc. (Uphall PS)	Revised Catering Standards - schools	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29472	An employee of West Lothian Council	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	Get the pupils involved in helping make the meals - life skills which could be beneficial for them.	Revised Catering Standards - schools	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29473	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	Catering support should NOT be available to schools for provision of meals to staff on parents evenings, Staff should prepare by bringing their own provisions. cost of providing this to schools is Â£3,000 per year not including wages of catering staff, energy bills and ingredients. This could be a cost saving of a minimum of Â£33,000 if all secondary schools take the same approach	Revised Catering Standards - schools	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29474	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	Agreed- far too much choice for school meals, a lot of wastage. Stop the sale of home baking and cakes etc- healthy options only, no hot rolls etc	Revised Catering Standards - schools	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29475	An employee of West Lothian Council	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	School meals should all be vegetarian/vegan so they are suitable for all children.	Revised Catering Standards - schools	4. The council is already doing this.	The Council already provide vegetarian and vegan menu options.

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29476	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	School meal quality needs to be kept at a high standard. For some children this is there only chance at a good hot meal each day.	Revised Catering Standards - schools	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29477	An employee of West Lothian Council	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	Appreciate it is a Scottish Government commitment but I don't think there should be universal school meal provision for P1 to P3. I am more than capable of paying for my sons school dinner and I would rather that money was spent on areas where people really need help and support. This would generate substantial savings.	Revised Catering Standards - schools	5a. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because the council is required by law to deliver this work.	Free school meals are provided in line with legislation from the Scottish Government. The Council is not able change this.
29478	An employee of West Lothian Council	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	Free school meals for P1-3 - is this necessary? This seems a lot of money to spend on food which most parents would be happy to pay for.	Revised Catering Standards - schools	5a. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because the council is required by law to deliver this work.	Free school meals are provided in line with legislation from the Scottish Government. The Council is not able change this.
29479	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	Healthy eating is a priority. Maybe fewer puddings.	Revised Catering Standards - schools	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29480	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	Such proposed savings are deplored. The Council in its list of priorities considers education as 1 and 3. There is an implication that school meals may be prepared centrally to distributed to schools; this achieve the required statutory requirements but will detract for the pleasure of eating leading to those who can afford it choosing to use the cafes outwith the school itself	Revised Catering Standards - schools	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29481	An employee of West Lothian Council	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	I don't agree with free breakfast clubs	Revised Catering Standards - schools	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29482	An employee of West Lothian Council	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	I don't agree with free school meals for all children up to Primary 3 when they have parents working who can easily provide both. This should be means tested.	Revised Catering Standards - schools	5a. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because the council is required by law to deliver this work.	Free school meals are provided in line with legislation from the Scottish Government. The Council is not able change this.
29483	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	Review provision of breakfast clubs and restrict to statutory requirements/means testing.	Revised Catering Standards - schools	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29484	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	The provision of school meals is priority in every way. Transportation services must costed at an efficient rate to the tax payer, as well as all statutory cleaning requirements must be upheld.	Revised Catering Standards - schools	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29485	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	School meals must remain nutritious as these may be the only quality nutrition some children get. If they are too mass produced then served as re-heated poor quality food, children won't eat them, defeating the purpose they were introduced for in the first place.	Revised Catering Standards - schools	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29486	An employee of West Lothian Council	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	As children who may come from deprived backgrounds may not receive adequate food provision at home, I would not want savings to come from a reduction in the quality of menu provision.	Revised Catering Standards - schools	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29487	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	Not sure what the answer is, but good nutrition for all - and particularly those in poverty- must be one of our biggest challenges in Scotland, with long term positive impacts on health.	Revised Catering Standards - schools	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29488	An employee of West Lothian Council	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	Food - Could the council outsource all food preparation and delivery? Food - Could move to a packed lunch school meal service. However the unit rate of nearly Â£2 would need to reduce. Think some parents are happy to pay Â£2 for a hot meal but not packed lunches. Cost v Income analysis would be required for this.	Revised Catering Standards - schools	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29489	An employee of West Lothian Council	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	Regarding school meals would it not make more sense to have one production unit servicing all buildings throughout the West Lothian area.	Revised Catering Standards - schools	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29490	An employee of West Lothian Council	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	There are too many choices for school lunches. One hot meal or a packed lunch is adequate.	Revised Catering Standards - schools	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29491	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	This suggests that financial cuts will in some way impact on the quality of school meals. More detail is required to understand what is being considered. For example, is the Council talking about replacing hot meals with sandwiches? This would be regrettable as it is sometimes the main meal of the day for many children.	Revised Catering Standards - schools	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29492	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	school meals should be above the statutory requirements	Revised Catering Standards - schools	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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29493	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	Could school meals and breakfast clubs just have tap water available as a drink in reusable cups as this is healthier and better for the environment and cheaper for the council.	Revised Catering Standards - schools	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Bottled water is supplied to minimise spillages and to ensure children are safe. The bottled water is then be consumed outwith lunch time as hydration aids learning.
29494	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	School meals should be healthy and be affordable to school children.	Revised Catering Standards - schools	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29495	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	I think that school meals are extremely unhealthy and should be changed to a healthier option, I understand that healthier food is more expensive but in the long run it will cost less as there will be less pressure on the health service with people being obese.	Revised Catering Standards - schools	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29496	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	Also I know some people are entitled to free school meals if they cannot afford it but I know that in our local primary schools all primary 1-3 get their meals free even though most will be able to afford it.	Revised Catering Standards - schools	5a. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because the council is required by law to deliver this work.	Free school meals are provided in line with legislation from the Scottish Government. The Council is not able change this.
29497	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	There will be parents who would prefer to pay for school meals in early Primary years to prevent budget cuts elsewhere. However free school meals should be available for all children who are entitled to them.	Revised Catering Standards - schools	5a. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because the council is required by law to deliver this work.	Free school meals are provided in line with legislation from the Scottish Government. The Council is not able change this.
29498	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	Working in education it is appalling on how much waste there is in a school dinner hall. This is definitely an area where savings could be made. I also disagree in offering free Sch meals to all P1-3 children.	Revised Catering Standards - schools	5a. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because the council is required by law to deliver this work.	Free school meals are provided in line with legislation from the Scottish Government. The Council is not able change this.
29499	No Response	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	. I think that all school children should have free school meals and should be help to be funded from the government and WLC. A	Revised Catering Standards - schools	5b. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it is likely that the costs of this proposal would outweigh the benefit.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29500	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	Free school meals should not be automatic for all children in ASN provision.	Revised Catering Standards - schools	5a. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because the council is required by law to deliver this work.	Free school meals are provided in line with legislation from the Scottish Government. The Council is not able change this.
29501	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	Providing school meals for all P1-P3 students gives an enormous amount of food waste. Suggest to provide means-tested school meals only.	Revised Catering Standards - schools	5a. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because the council is required by law to deliver this work.	Free school meals are provided in line with legislation from the Scottish Government. The Council is not able change this.
29502	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	I would pay more for better food at schools. My 3 kids aren't at primary yet but I don't get the impression that the food is good (too high carbs, too sugary). Cost shouldn't be the main factor when it comes to feeding young kids. Surely paying more for healthier food should save money in other areas (better health)	Revised Catering Standards - schools	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29503	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	Free school meals for all p1-3 children seems an enormous waste of resources! Absolutely for children on lower incomes but completely unnecessary for most. The health of school meals is an area I feel is very important. When we know about the direct connection between an unhealthy diet and health, this is an opportunity to provide an educate our children on the benefits of healthy eating. In the long run this could provide enormous savings!	Revised Catering Standards - schools	5a. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because the council is required by law to deliver this work.	Free school meals are provided in line with legislation from the Scottish Government. The Council is not able change this.
29504	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	I do not feel the state should provide food, lets the parents prepare sack lunch (I know the history to this) everything else; There should be no changes to the existing!	Revised Catering Standards - schools	5a. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because the council is required by law to deliver this work.	The Council has a statutory obligation to provide this.
29505	An employee of West Lothian Council	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	School meals should be means tested. If one can afford to pay one should.	Revised Catering Standards - schools	5a. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because the council is required by law to deliver this work.	Free school meals are provided in line with legislation from the Scottish Government. The Council is not able change this.
29506	An employee of West Lothian Council	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	School meals must be healthy and affordable. More cooking from scratch would save money on ingredients.	Revised Catering Standards - schools	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29507	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	Reintroduce charging for meals for children in P1 to P3, and reintroduce free school meals for those on certain benefits / income brackets. That will eliminate a lot of wasted, uneaten and frankly unwanted food that children have 'because it is free'.	Revised Catering Standards - schools	5a. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because the council is required by law to deliver this work.	Free school meals are provided in line with legislation from the Scottish Government. The Council is not able change this.

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29508	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	I understand that the free school meals for P1-3 is not a council initiative, but it is a huge waste of money. The majority of people can afford to provide lunch for their children. The threshold for receiving free meals should be increased, rather than a sweeping policy of giving everyone free meals.	Revised Catering Standards - schools	5a. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because the council is required by law to deliver this work.	Free school meals are provided in line with legislation from the Scottish Government. The Council is not able change this.
29509	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	With respect to catering, provided the quality and nutritional value do not suffer the saving is a logical one.	Revised Catering Standards - schools	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29510	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	It is not necessary to provide free school meals for primary 1-3 for all pupils.	Revised Catering Standards - schools	5a. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because the council is required by law to deliver this work.	Free school meals are provided in line with legislation from the Scottish Government. The Council is not able change this.
29511	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	Please ensure that the meals are tasty and healthy	Revised Catering Standards - schools	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29512	An employee of West Lothian Council	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	School dinners. Lots of food getting thrown out. Should be finding out what children are actually wanting to eat.	Revised Catering Standards - schools	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	We are required by law to provide a nutritionally balanced diet and aim to do this in such a way to be attractive to children.
29513	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	Stop providing free school meals to all p1-3 . If parents can pay they should.	Revised Catering Standards - schools	5a. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because the council is required by law to deliver this work.	Free school meals are provided in line with legislation from the Scottish Government. The Council is not able change this.
29514	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	Agree However we do believe that free school meals should not be given to all P1-P3 children. This should be means tested so that those that can pay should pay. We realise this is a Scottish Government policy, however West Lothian council should raise this as an area of potential saving.	Revised Catering Standards - schools	5a. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because the council is required by law to deliver this work.	Free school meals are provided in line with legislation from the Scottish Government. The Council is not able change this.
29515	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	OK. So again here I could write loads. Yes, schools should absolutely provide a meal service, but only if it breaks even. I'm sure you have lots of stats about take up of meals etc, but round here most seem to leave school at lunch times (secondary school). I don't know what prices you charge for sandwiches in schools, but if they are paying Â£2.95 in the local shop your prices should be similar. Local businesses are kept afloat with the school lunch trade. If you could get just a fraction of these kids to buy from the school canteen you could add hundred of thousands to council funds each year. For me, this is the biggest potential revenue stream for the council. Not Â£20 blue badges.	Revised Catering Standards - schools	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	We aim to incentivise children to stay in school for lunch with reasonably priced and nutritionally balanced options.
29516	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	Although it is a Scottish government policy and not WLC, I feel that the School Meals Programme to P1-3 should be means tested.	Revised Catering Standards - schools	5a. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because the council is required by law to deliver this work.	Free school meals are provided in line with legislation from the Scottish Government. The Council is not able change this.
29517	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	School menus are very important and there should be no deterioration in their standard or quality. Healthier options need not be expensive. This is important not only for the wellbeing of children but also their education and health for the rest of their lives.	Revised Catering Standards - schools	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29518	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	This is disgusting. School dinners are sometimes the only warn or meal a child gets. This should stay the same.	Revised Catering Standards - schools	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29519	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	why does the council provide free breakfast to all primary students - not necessary	Revised Catering Standards - schools	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29520	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	Totally agree. As a PSW within a West Lothian school the menu choices are not proving to be efficient- too much wastage as children not eating the meals.	Revised Catering Standards - schools	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29521	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	Variety in school meals is already poor. Vital to keep access to fruit, bread and yoghurt in addition to main meal. Reduce dependence on home baking items and replace with healthy options.	Revised Catering Standards - schools	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29522	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	Happy to pay for my P1 - P3 school meals. Those who can't afford them should get them free, but those who can afford to pay, should. (Same goes for prescriptions)	Revised Catering Standards - schools	5a. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because the council is required by law to deliver this work.	Free school meals are provided in line with legislation from the Scottish Government. The Council is not able change this.
29523	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	parents should be paying 100% cost of school meals unless they are in poverty	Revised Catering Standards - schools	5a. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because the council is required by law to deliver this work.	Free school meals are provided in line with legislation from the Scottish Government. The Council is not able change this.

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29524	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	The provision of healthy school meals to the entire school population is fundamental to achieving these goals and any plans to reduce funding in this area would be extremely counterproductive in the long term. In addition, provision of a robust school meals service ensures that our young people remain on school premises at lunch time, thus significantly reducing the potential for antisocial behaviour which will help to meet another Council priority of 'Reducing crime and improving community safety'.	Revised Catering Standards - schools	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29525	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	Breakfast club provision should be removed as it is non statutory. This is a universal benefit provided to all families. It is the responsibility of parents and guardians to feed their children before attending school.	Revised Catering Standards - schools	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29526	An employee of West Lothian Council	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	Reduce the choice of meals rather than 4 cut to 3.	Revised Catering Standards - schools	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29527	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	Perhaps re-consider free school meals for all younger children? Not all of our children need this. There could be an option for parents to pay via IPAY if they can afford to ?	Revised Catering Standards - schools	5a. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because the council is required by law to deliver this work.	Free school meals are provided in line with legislation from the Scottish Government. The Council is not able change this.
29528	An employee of West Lothian Council	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	I think that free catering should be removed from council buildings other than schools.	Revised Catering Standards - schools	4. The council is already doing this.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29529	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	Real food d more expensive but better for our health care in the long run. Cuts in the right way are good it cuts to the quality of food is not. This may be the only meal some kids are getting each day!	Revised Catering Standards - schools	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29530	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	Stop free school meals for p1-3, those that can afford it should pay	Revised Catering Standards - schools	5a. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because the council is required by law to deliver this work.	Free school meals are provided in line with legislation from the Scottish Government. The Council is not able change this.
29531	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	Also school pupils are given bottled water. Why not use our perfectly good tap water for a fraction of the price.	Revised Catering Standards - schools	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Bottled water is supplied to minimise spillages and to ensure children are safe. The bottled water is then be consumed outwith lunch time as hydration aids learning.
29532	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	School meal menu options should be carefully adjusted. Reducing the cost of a meal should not reduce it's nutritional value.	Revised Catering Standards - schools	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29533	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	I think providing free school meals until primary 3 is a waste of money. they should be provided to those with low income but not those who can afford it.	Revised Catering Standards - schools	5a. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because the council is required by law to deliver this work.	Free school meals are provided in line with legislation from the Scottish Government. The Council is not able change this.
29534	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	Council needs to be more focussed on obesity levels, healthier meals and PE!	Revised Catering Standards - schools	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29535	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	There are free school meals for P1-3 children when most of the families can afford to pay and the children who need free meals get them anyway.	Revised Catering Standards - schools	5a. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because the council is required by law to deliver this work.	Free school meals are provided in line with legislation from the Scottish Government. The Council is not able change this.
29536	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	some parents find it hard to feed their kids so school meals are essential	Revised Catering Standards - schools	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29537	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	Agree. Also encourag emore use of children bringing their own packed lunch and povid e better facilities for children to do so. In high schools could microwaves be provided for older children to heat their own meals, either purchased from the canteen or brought in?	Revised Catering Standards - schools	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29538	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	Can the Council asses the school meal waste figure . I know it is government policy but the waste is huge. and also some breakfast clubs kids coming to schools for a second breakfast that really helps with childhood obesity.	Revised Catering Standards - schools	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29539	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	We need to move away from universal provision where appropriate. This includes removal of breakfast clubs.	Revised Catering Standards - schools	5a. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because the council is required by law to deliver this work.	Free school meals are provided in line with legislation from the Scottish Government. The Council is not able change this.
29540	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	School lunches should be evaluated based on social value, not cost. Do we believe children in our schools should be nourished in order that they be given the best chance to learn? Yes. Cuts to local government shouldn't reach school dinner plates.	Revised Catering Standards - schools	5a. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because the council is required by law to deliver this work.	Free school meals are provided in line with legislation from the Scottish Government. The Council is not able change this.

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29541	An employee of West Lothian Council	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	The school meals process of ordering does not reconcile to the numbers provided with meals being over ordered resulting in waste.	Revised Catering Standards - schools	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29542	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	stop free lunches for kids on Fridays	Revised Catering Standards - schools	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29543	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	Would it save money to only have a choice of 1 hot meal or a sandwich? Also how much does it cost to print out menus in colour? Menus are on line and teachers could tell pupils the choice for each day without the need for printed menus.	Revised Catering Standards - schools	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29544	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	The Free School meals system for Primary 1- 3 should be based on need not for everyone. This also included Free Breakfast Club which should also be means tested.	Revised Catering Standards - schools	5a. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because the council is required by law to deliver this work.	Free school meals are provided in line with legislation from the Scottish Government. The Council is not able change this.
29545	An employee of West Lothian Council	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	School meals are provided for P1-P3 free. In order to save money can it not go back to only low income families receive free meals. Parents who can afford to pay for their children's lunches used the free school meals, why. This is not essential so save monies here.	Revised Catering Standards - schools	5a. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because the council is required by law to deliver this work.	Free school meals are provided in line with legislation from the Scottish Government. The Council is not able change this.
29546	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	Free School Meals for all P1-3 children is an absolute waste of money. As is the Free Breakfast Club. Of the P1-3 children who receive free school meals some of the parents are more financially secure than some of the children further up the school whose parents work but still need to use food banks. The Breakfast Club is abused by working parents as a free babysitting service. FSM entitlement is also abused by some as some children whose parents have been awarded this send their child to school with a lunch from home. They obviously don't need this if they can afford to do this.	Revised Catering Standards - schools	5a. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because the council is required by law to deliver this work.	Free school meals are provided in line with legislation from the Scottish Government. The Council is not able change this.
29547	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	Makes sense, but quality and standards of school meals should be maintained / improved if possible.	Revised Catering Standards - schools	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29548	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	Are free breakfasts in schools a statutory requirement. This is an excellent service where there is a need but not for everyone.	Revised Catering Standards - schools	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	No this is not a statutory service provision
29549	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	Free Breakfast clubs in schools should be revisited and charges put in pace for those able to pay for the use.	Revised Catering Standards - schools	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29550	An employee of West Lothian Council	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	Free School Meals for all P1-3 children is an absolute waste of money. As is the Free Breakfast Club. Of the P1-3 children who receive free school meals some of the parents are more financially secure than some of the children further up the school whose parents work but still need to use food banks. The Breakfast Club is abused by working parents as a free babysitting service. FSM entitlement is also abused by some as some children whose parents have been awarded this send their child to school with a lunch from home. They obviously don't need this if they can afford to do this.	Revised Catering Standards - schools	5a. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because the council is required by law to deliver this work.	Free school meals are provided in line with legislation from the Scottish Government. The Council is not able change this.
29551	An employee of West Lothian Council	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	Free School Meals for all P1-3 children is an absolute waste of money. As is the Free Breakfast Club. Of the P1-3 children who receive free school meals some of the parents are more financially secure than some of the children further up the school whose parents work but still need to use food banks. The Breakfast Club is abused by working parents as a free babysitting service. FSM entitlement is also abused by some as some children whose parents have been awarded this send their child to school with a lunch from home. They obviously don't need this if they can afford to do this.	Revised Catering Standards - schools	5a. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because the council is required by law to deliver this work.	Free school meals are provided in line with legislation from the Scottish Government. The Council is not able change this.
29552	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	Providing free school meals for all P1-P3 is unnecessary. Many families are entirely able to fund the school lunches for their children and this should be focused on those families who need it the most.	Revised Catering Standards - schools	5a. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because the council is required by law to deliver this work.	Free school meals are provided in line with legislation from the Scottish Government. The Council is not able change this.
29553	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	I think free school meals for children in P1-3 can be taken from families who are able to contribute towards payment. Funding should be focused on those families in receipt of free school meals. I also feel that parents should contribute to paying for a breakfast club facility. Why not do what some councils do and use private companies to run breakfast clubs? Parents are then required to pay as they would for child care before school.	Revised Catering Standards - schools	5a. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because the council is required by law to deliver this work.	Free school meals are provided in line with legislation from the Scottish Government. The Council is not able change this.
29554	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	Agree. Charge for school meals for ALL pupils who can afford to pay	Revised Catering Standards - schools	5a. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because the council is required by law to deliver this work.	Free school meals are provided in line with legislation from the Scottish Government. The Council is not able change this.
29555	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	1. Schools meals are important - agree	Revised Catering Standards - schools	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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29556	An employee of West Lothian Council	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	There seems to be a lot of waste in terms of providing breakfast clubs which I see people using as free childcare to be honest.	Revised Catering Standards - schools	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29557	An employee of West Lothian Council	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	As long as there is reasonable and nutritious food there for children I really don't think it is the job of the council to provide a massive range of food, it is not the job of a school.	Revised Catering Standards - schools	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29558	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	I think that there should be a payment for all children no free school meals	Revised Catering Standards - schools	5a. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because the council is required by law to deliver this work.	Free school meals are provided in line with legislation from the Scottish Government. The Council is not able change this.
29559	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	Meals need to remain nutritional and quality of food only be improvise not negatively affected.	Revised Catering Standards - schools	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29560	An employee of West Lothian Council	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	This may be the only meal or hot meal that some children get a day, it would hopefully still have choose and quality, as this may be the only place where the child also has the opportunity to taste different foods.	Revised Catering Standards - schools	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29561	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	I don't know enough about this but if it results in poor quality food being served to my child I would rather you stopped offering hot meals completely and we had to provide packed lunches for our children.	Revised Catering Standards - schools	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29562	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	Whilst not the responsibility of WLC, the Scottish Government policy of free school meals to all pupils in P1-P3 should be done away with in favour of the existing scheme for P4 upwards pupils of free school meals for those in financial need only.	Revised Catering Standards - schools	5a. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because the council is required by law to deliver this work.	Free school meals are provided in line with legislation from the Scottish Government. The Council is not able change this.
29563	An employee of West Lothian Council	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	the free breakfast and lunches to p1-3 does not help those who are meant to benefit .it has become a child minding service.	Revised Catering Standards - schools	5a. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because the council is required by law to deliver this work.	Free school meals are provided in line with legislation from the Scottish Government. The Council is not able change this.
29564	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	Much better to stop free school meals to every P1-3 child in areas where it is not needed!	Revised Catering Standards - schools	5a. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because the council is required by law to deliver this work.	Free school meals are provided in line with legislation from the Scottish Government. The Council is not able change this.
29565	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	Major cuts could be made in school catering. Free meals for P1-3 pupils is ridiculous! Children who are in receipt of free meal entitlement should be only ones having free meals. This should also be looked into in certain areas where free meals/clothing is being offered to families who live in affluent areas and can clearly afford to pay. Savings should also be made by reviewing breakfast clubs. In most cases these are used for childcare and the children who should benefit are not! These should not be available free to all parents.	Revised Catering Standards - schools	5a. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because the council is required by law to deliver this work.	Free school meals are provided in line with legislation from the Scottish Government. The Council is not able change this.
29566	An employee of West Lothian Council	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	far too many changes made to menus....a lot of janitors sitting about all day...not doing a lot!	Revised Catering Standards - schools	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29567	An employee of West Lothian Council	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	School meals should be freshly prepared using high quality ingredients, would be against any cuts that lead to a deterioration in meal quality.	Revised Catering Standards - schools	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29568	An employee of West Lothian Council	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	Good idea. Can parents not pay towards school meals? P1 to 3 are currently free and most folk at our school could afford to pay towards them.	Revised Catering Standards - schools	5a. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because the council is required by law to deliver this work.	Free school meals are provided in line with legislation from the Scottish Government. The Council is not able change this.
29569	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	Food should be sourced from within West Lothian wherever possible and elsewhere in Scotland if necessary. Better for quality and spending taxpayers money furth of Scotland impoverishes the whole country.	Revised Catering Standards - schools	4. The council is already doing this.	Where possible we use Scottish produce.
29570	An employee of West Lothian Council	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	It is very important that our school meals are of a high quality, as for some young people that is their main meal of the day. If we can achieve the same standard but more efficiently, then fantastic.	Revised Catering Standards - schools	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29571	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	I have some concerns already about school menu choice and quality. This could lead to a very public backlash.	Revised Catering Standards - schools	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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29572	No Response	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	Agree with school meals.	Revised Catering Standards - schools	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29573	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	A reduction in catering services could lead to more young people leaving school grounds, eating less healthy food and increase anti social behaviour. Input from young people into proposed menus choices may be effective	Revised Catering Standards - schools	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29574	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	could more be charged for meals ?	Revised Catering Standards - schools	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29575	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	for some children the school lunch will be the only decent meal they will get in a day they have to continue	Revised Catering Standards - schools	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29576	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	All children should be charged for school meals parents have kids knowing they have to feed them. If parents are not able to feed there children it's a matter for social services	Revised Catering Standards - schools	5a. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because the council is required by law to deliver this work.	Free school meals are provided in line with legislation from the Scottish Government. The Council is not able change this.
29577	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	menu options could certainly be reviewed; I still cannot believe that a carb based meal like macaroni is served with more carb ie garlic bread! The macaroni is a meal on its own! The food waste at our school is ridiculous - not helped by fact that most of the younger children find the servings too big or dont actually have enough time to eat their main course let alone attempt pudding! My boys love having school dinners with their friends but I do feel embarrassed that I dont pay for their meals when i can afford to which is why when they dont like the meal choices I make a packed lunch rather than ask for a school one. r	Revised Catering Standards - schools	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29578	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	Meals - Agree Consider increasing prices slightly for school meals	Revised Catering Standards - schools	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29579	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	Any consideration of school meals should balance nutritional requirements with cost. Reduced budgets should not equate to unhealthy food. Fruit for puddings!	Revised Catering Standards - schools	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29580	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	By abolishing free school meals for all p1-3's would save even more money (I know this is a Scottish Government initiative but maybe pressure should be applied to get rid of it and also free breakfast clubs as many parents, who can well afford it, use them as free childcare in the mornings)	Revised Catering Standards - schools	5a. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because the council is required by law to deliver this work.	Free school meals are provided in line with legislation from the Scottish Government. The Council is not able change this.
29581	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	Does this mean poorer diets and dirty building?	Revised Catering Standards - schools	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	No standards need to be maintained with service just being delivered in a more efficient and effective way.
29582	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	my child's school has their meals delivered hot plate from another kitchen - they are unpalatable by the time they are served. The options are not all healthy - this is such a poor service already. What a pity for children who rely on their school meal!!! Shame on the council	Revised Catering Standards - schools	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29583	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	School meal service should return to being cooked on premises rather than centrally.	Revised Catering Standards - schools	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Out of the 67 primary schools in the are 45 have production kitchens. The remaining schools have meals transported to them. There is no central production kitchen.
29584	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	Significant savings could be made by providing free school meals and breakfast clubs to those in need and not to every child in primaries one, two and three(FSM) and all children for breakfast club. This is unnecessary!	Revised Catering Standards - schools	5a. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because the council is required by law to deliver this work.	Free school meals are provided in line with legislation from the Scottish Government. The Council is not able change this.
29585	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	The unnecessary provision of free school meals to all children in primaries one to three and of free breakfast club to all children would appear to be an obvious area for savings to be made!	Revised Catering Standards - schools	5a. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because the council is required by law to deliver this work.	Free school meals are provided in line with legislation from the Scottish Government. The Council is not able change this.
29586	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	The provision of free school meals to all primary 1 to 3 children and free breakfast club to all children is totally unnecessary	Revised Catering Standards - schools	5a. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because the council is required by law to deliver this work.	Free school meals are provided in line with legislation from the Scottish Government. The Council is not able change this.
29587	An employee of West Lothian Council	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	Reviewing menu options in school - I agree that using local- in-season produce is the way to go. Vegetarian only days etc would be good too - just don't make the meals less nutritious	Revised Catering Standards - schools	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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29588	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	From observation of many local high schools - pupils still ignore school meals and seek 'fast food' areas	Revised Catering Standards - schools	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	We try to provide menu options to entice children to eat in school but many elect to go out.
29589	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	Meals must remain nutritious. Cheap junk food is not acceptable.	Revised Catering Standards - schools	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29590	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	School meals should be means tested, those who can afford it should pay for school meals.	Revised Catering Standards - schools	5a. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because the council is required by law to deliver this work.	Free school meals are provided in line with legislation from the Scottish Government. The Council is not able change this.
29591	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	Teachers (on parents evenings) and janitors (daily) are still entitled to free meals. My understanding is that this is written into some historic agreement. This is a luxury that wlc cannot afford, anyone who is earning should be paying for their own meals at work. Also bottled water within council staff rooms should be sold on to staff rather than free. Free school meals for children should be means tested at all stages within both mainstream and special education to ensure real equity. The current system benefits pupils in p1-p3 and those in special schools regardless of parental income.	Revised Catering Standards - schools	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Re teachers meals, your comments are noted and will be explored further. Bottle water is supplied for two reasons, one to reduce spillage and risk of slips and secondly to enable the child to take water to class as it is proven hydration assist learning. The free P1-3 meals is an initiative of the Scottish Government and WLC are obliged to deliver this.
29592	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	free meals are important to low income families	Revised Catering Standards - schools	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29593	An employee of West Lothian Council	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	School meals are important not only for those who are entitled to free school meals but for all children. This will be in many cases the only hot nutritious food that some children have access to all day!	Revised Catering Standards - schools	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29594	An employee of West Lothian Council	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	Proposal seems fair. How about a review in the free school lunch provision for primary 1 - 3 ages. This is a large amount of money providing what isn't necessary for many pupils. Pupils who come into the category of requirement for free school meals should continue but those who can afford to pay should do so - as was the previous arrangement.	Revised Catering Standards - schools	5a. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because the council is required by law to deliver this work.	Free school meals are provided in line with legislation from the Scottish Government. The Council is not able change this.
29595	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	Catering side yes	Revised Catering Standards - schools	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29596	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	The poor kids again .. There is nothing wrong with meals they are getting just now ..They are wholesome and within the guide lines ...	Revised Catering Standards - schools	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29597	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	Charge realistic price for school meals	Revised Catering Standards - schools	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29598	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	I personally would rather pay for my child's meals from primary 1-3 than see cuts in other areas of education.	Revised Catering Standards - schools	5a. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because the council is required by law to deliver this work.	Free school meals are provided in line with legislation from the Scottish Government. The Council is not able change this.
29599	An employee of West Lothian Council	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	All school children should not be allowed to go out of the school grounds at any part of the day to any nearby shops. They should support the school canteens and spend their money there to boost the school finances.	Revised Catering Standards - schools	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29600	An employee of West Lothian Council	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	Breakfast clubs within schools should be looked at as people use it as a free baby sitter for an extra 20 mins in the morning to allow them to go to work. Most children have already had breakfast by the time they come in and food waste is a huge problem. Free school meals for p1-3 is also not the best way to save money as majority of parents can provide a meal for their child.	Revised Catering Standards - schools	5a. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because the council is required by law to deliver this work.	Free school meals are provided in line with legislation from the Scottish Government. The Council is not able change this.
29601	An employee of West Lothian Council	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	School means are already abysmal - I don't suppose they could get much worse	Revised Catering Standards - schools	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29602	No Response	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	Focus should be on delivering healthy meal options and providing education and support on the health and other benefits of this. Use of locally sourced produce should be encouraged where possible and it has been proven elsewhere that this can be done on a limited cost basis.	Revised Catering Standards - schools	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29603	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	Cleaning has already been reduced, to reduce more would compromise the cleanliness of the buildings, since the reduction we have had outbreaks of Novo Virus and an increase in pupil absence, surely the reduction of pupil absence and other factors due to drop in cleaning standards is more important.	Revised Catering Standards - schools	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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29604	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	Please provide tap water for our children to drink at school meals. It's crazy how much must be spent on water bottles and cartons when the kids waste so much of it and they do not need expensive, sugary strawberry milk! School meals could be a lot healthier.	Revised Catering Standards - schools	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	We provide bottled water to avoid spillages and reduce risk of skips and also to enable children to take water back to class with them as hydration assist learning.
29605	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	P1-3 don't all need free meals. Thus us a big waste of Council/government money.	Revised Catering Standards - schools	5a. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because the council is required by law to deliver this work.	The provision of P1-3 free meals is a Scottish Government initiative and the Council is obliged to provide these.
29606	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	Remove free school meals (and I am a parent)	Revised Catering Standards - schools	5a. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because the council is required by law to deliver this work.	The provision of P1-3 free meals is a Scottish Government initiative and the Council is obliged to provide these.
29607	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	I understand reviewing school meals as long as it is still there for children in need. Looking at school meals now though how much further can they really be reviewed? there is a limit.	Revised Catering Standards - schools	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29608	An employee of West Lothian Council	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	Introduce more cooking kitchens in schools and take away breakfast clubs to save money as most parents are just using this as a childminding facility to allow them to get to work. Use the breakfast club funding for better standard of cleaning in schools.	Revised Catering Standards - schools	5b. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it is likely that the costs of this proposal would outweigh the benefit.	All high schools have cooking kitchens and 45 of the 67 primary schools do.
29609	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	Mels ahuld focus on fresh materials and good dietary principles.	Revised Catering Standards - schools	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29610	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	The Director of Education and all elected Council members should be only permitted to eat meals provided by the school meal service. Only then will there be any improvement. You should be ashamed of the phrase, "statutory requirement" when referring to a child's nutrition. Would you eat what is provided in schools?	Revised Catering Standards - schools	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29611	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	There is not a need to provide every child in p1-p3 free school meals, this should be means tested as it always was and is the case with p4-7. Most parents can afford to pay for the school lunches and or provide pack lunches if that suits them better.	Revised Catering Standards - schools	5a. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because the council is required by law to deliver this work.	The provision of P1-3 free meals is a Scottish Government initiative and the Council is obliged to provide these.
29612	No Response	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	The council currently buy the foods and pay service to make it. Have we considered paying a company to supply food and serve.	Revised Catering Standards - schools	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29613	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	School meals cannot be made any worse.	Revised Catering Standards - schools	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29614	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	School meals should use local produce and not bring food in from many miles away if possible. This would give value to local farmers and growers and ensure fresh healthy food for our children.	Revised Catering Standards - schools	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29615	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	Secondary Schools do not need to offer such an extensive menu if this result in savings. Hot rolls should not be offered to children ant break time anyway. This is developing bad habits for life.	Revised Catering Standards - schools	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29616	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	If standards of food are to go down - this is not acceptable.	Revised Catering Standards - schools	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29617	An employee of West Lothian Council	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	more efficient service provision seems reasonable as long as its not at the expense of providing nutritious meals and a reasonable menu choice. are packed lunches on Fridays really needed?	Revised Catering Standards - schools	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29618	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	School meals should be healthy and hot food options should be available.	Revised Catering Standards - schools	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29619	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	A healthy and well balanced school meal service is essential for not only the health of our children, but as an educational tool to teach children the importance of a healthy balanced diet.	Revised Catering Standards - schools	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29620	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	Agree. More use of fresh local produce and imaginative menus, well cooked to get the kids away from chip shops and other convenience food outlets. Not nearly enough done to tackle childhood obesity and other problems.	Revised Catering Standards - schools	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29621	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	In deprived area, school meal ensure the children get at least one proper meal a day. By all means review the system but ensure that the end user (the school children) get a good nutritious meal at the end.	Revised Catering Standards - schools	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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29622	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	Another odd question. Some of this seems too much like common sense to really be true, and if it is true why isn't it already happening. My spider senses are tingling on this one. I'm wondering what reduction in menu options means?	Revised Catering Standards - schools	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29623	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	I see many school pupils buying at lunch-time from shops in the town. Does this mean that there is much wastage in school meals? Is research carried out as to what pupils actually want?	Revised Catering Standards - schools	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Yes the catering service engages with children to find out what they want and we provide what we can within the guidelines we work to. We only produce food based on anticipated meal numbers and on a cook to serve basis which limits and waste.
29624	An employee of West Lothian Council	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	To save money the government should stop providing free school meals for P1-3 pupils unless they are entitled to them. This would save a huge amount of money and continue to ensure that the children how need the meals receive them.	Revised Catering Standards - schools	5a. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because the council is required by law to deliver this work.	The provision of P1-3 free meals is a Scottish Government initiative and the Council is obliged to provide these.
29625	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	Removing flavoured milk from the school meals menu and offering children water from a jug instead of plastic bottles would reduce costs, waste and be far healthier!	Revised Catering Standards - schools	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The council provides bottled water to avoid spillages and reduce the risk of trips.
29626	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	Cut portion sizes, are hit meals necessary every day? Two days per week could be healthy wraps, salads etc.	Revised Catering Standards - schools	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29627	An employee of West Lothian Council	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	7A) Free School Meals for all P1-3 children is an absolute waste of money. As is the Free Breakfast Club. Of the P1-3 children who receive free school meals some of the parents are more financially secure than some of the children further up the school whose parents work but still need to use food banks. The Breakfast Club is abused by working parents as a free babysitting service. FSM entitlement is also abused by some as some children whose parents have been awarded this send their child to school with a lunch from home. They obviously don't need this if they can afford to do this.	Revised Catering Standards - schools	5a. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because the council is required by law to deliver this work.	The provision of P1-3 free meals is a Scottish Government initiative and the Council is obliged to provide these.
29628	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	If school menus are to be reduced every effort should be made to continue to offer healthy options.	Revised Catering Standards - schools	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29629	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	try to cut waste i no for a fact that food gets thrown out on a daily basis	Revised Catering Standards - schools	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29630	No Response	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	7A) Free School Meals for all P1-3 children is an absolute waste of money. As is the Free Breakfast Club. Of the P1-3 children who receive free school meals some of the parents are more financially secure than some of the children further up the school whose parents work but still need to use food banks. The Breakfast Club is abused by working parents as a free babysitting service. FSM entitlement is also abused by some as some children whose parents have been awarded this send their child to school with a lunch from home. They obviously don't need this if they can afford to do this.	Revised Catering Standards - schools	5a. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because the council is required by law to deliver this work.	The provision of P1-3 free meals is a Scottish Government initiative and the Council is obliged to provide these.
29631	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	Consideration should be given to increasing council tax and putting pressure on the Scottish government to reduce investment in initiatives such as free school meals for all / free prescriptions for those that can afford it.	Revised Catering Standards - schools	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29632	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	A lot of school catering is pre-packaged and bought in. Surely if everything was cooked on-site in a kitchen it would save money.	Revised Catering Standards - schools	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29633	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	This is a massive concern as a mother of children with multiple food allergies. I have to meet with catering prior to each menu change to agree a suitable 3 week rotation. This means the food is as closely matched as possible to standard menu however food is removed from main pot at differing stages and finished quickly, without the meals being prepared from scratch locally my children would be discriminated against by the government initiative of free school meals for p1-3, also in our schoo, the children sit in different areas depending on if school or packed lunch which if most kids in class are school meal and they were not able to have a school dinner this may affect social development and inclusion with peers and further reduce self esteem which allerohas done by seeing selves as different.	Revised Catering Standards - schools	5a. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because the council is required by law to deliver this work.	Meals are already provided to cater for children's allergies and specialist dietary requirements.
29634	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	I think this will be challenging. I would be happier if free school meals could be extended to those who need it, with thought given to holidays etc and the blanket provision of free school meals to everyone in p1-3 discontinued. Also their should be a charge for the breakfast club except for those on free school meals.	Revised Catering Standards - schools	5a. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because the council is required by law to deliver this work.	The provision of P1-3 free meals is a Scottish Government initiative and the Council is obliged to provide these.
29635	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	Have means-tested school meal provision only rather than general P1-3 automatic free meals. Some parents do not need this as they are working but some are in genuine need.	Revised Catering Standards - schools	5a. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because the council is required by law to deliver this work.	The provision of P1-3 free meals is a Scottish Government initiative and the Council is obliged to provide these.

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29636	An employee of West Lothian Council	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	Good quality school meals areas important if not more so than teaching in children's wellbeing and attainment. Get the basics right.	Revised Catering Standards - schools	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29637	An employee of West Lothian Council	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	Schools should change for school meals	Revised Catering Standards - schools	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29638	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	Free school meals for p1 to p3 plus free breakfast at school breakfast club is fundamentally wrong. This should be means tested. Most of those who benefit from this do not need 10 meals a week free from the state. Many free school lunches "served" in paper bags on a Friday are wasted. This should be scrapped and the money used to save some of the services mentioned above. Free school meals should also be properly nutritionally balanced and pupils benefitting from these should be strongly encouraged to eat vegetables - these should not be merely "offered" in a half hearted way by the serving staff. Any state sponsored food should demonstrate the ideal portions of fruit and vegetables that we know are required for the health of the nation to ever improve.	Revised Catering Standards - schools	5a. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because the council is required by law to deliver this work.	The provision of P1-3 free meals is a Scottish Government initiative and the Council is obliged to provide these.
29639	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	Healthy meals should be provided	Revised Catering Standards - schools	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29640	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	School meals have always been of a high standards in West Calder High School and it would be devastating for these to be jeopardised. Some young people only ever eat a hot meal in school and it would be a shocking tragedy to lose this. Free school meals for younger pupils seems like an unnecessary extravagance which the Scottish government put in place with no consideration as to where the money was going to come from.	Revised Catering Standards - schools	5a. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because the council is required by law to deliver this work.	The provision of P1-3 free meals is a Scottish Government initiative and the Council is obliged to provide these.
29641	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	Agree so long as food standards are maintained or improved	Revised Catering Standards - schools	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29642	An employee of West Lothian Council	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	Could school meals preparation be consolidated in one central facility and delivered to schools thus reducing or even eliminating need for school kitchens?	Revised Catering Standards - schools	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29643	An employee of West Lothian Council	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	Please ensure that menu options are healthy. Healthy meals are important for children who come from more deprived areas. We teach children about healthy foods and the need for a mixed balanced diet and sometimes the menus contain high carbohydrates/fats and very little fruit and vegetable options.	Revised Catering Standards - schools	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29644	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	Must be cheaper to provide this as not for profit by the council even if setting up your own central area to cook the meals and become your own 'supplier' rather than paying a company that makes a profit.	Revised Catering Standards - schools	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	The Council provide the school meals service and do not generate a profit from it.
29645	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	The free meals are needed for those who struggle. Surely people with high wages (e.g lawyers, doctors, teachers) over a specific amount can pay towards their children's meals. That may make a big difference to the budget.	Revised Catering Standards - schools	5a. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because the council is required by law to deliver this work.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29646	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	I get some services free which I can afford and would happily pay for (e.g. school lunches). Those than can afford to pay for Council service should pay for them.	Revised Catering Standards - schools	5a. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because the council is required by law to deliver this work.	The provision of P1-3 free meals is a Scottish Government initiative and the Council is obliged to provide these.
29647	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	It would help to review policy of provision of free school meals -!breakfast and lunch - for all p1-p3 pupils. I am aware of much wastage and firmly believe this should be for those with financial constraints only	Revised Catering Standards - schools	5a. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because the council is required by law to deliver this work.	The provision of P1-3 free meals is a Scottish Government initiative and the Council is obliged to provide these.
29648	An employee of West Lothian Council	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	Many schools are poor at promoting use of their school meal facilities to those pupils that can afford it. Many schools are still serving junk food or outdated meal choices. They could promote healthier modern options and actually inform the pupils (and staff) what they are selling. You could make a profit out of this aspect of the Council, not a saving.	Revised Catering Standards - schools	4. The council is already doing this.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29649	An employee of West Lothian Council	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	The Council needs to make cuts but children need to be offered healthy food and there classrooms	Revised Catering Standards - schools	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29650	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	make sure the quality of meals are improved again efficiency is a good thing	Revised Catering Standards - schools	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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29651	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	Free School Meals for all P1-3 children is an absolute waste of money. As is the Free Breakfast Club. Of the P1-3 children who receive free school meals some of the parents are more financially secure than some of the children further up the school whose parents work but still need to use food banks. The Breakfast Club is abused by working parents as a free babysitting service. FSM entitlement is also abused by some as some children whose parents have been awarded this send their child to school with a lunch from home. They obviously don't need this if they can afford to do this.	Revised Catering Standards - schools	5a. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because the council is required by law to deliver this work.	The provision of P1-3 free meals is a Scottish Government initiative and the Council is obliged to provide these.
29652	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	My children have commented that school meals are often not a great standard. I think they could be redesigned to have less processed elements in them, perhaps with a simpler menu that would provide better food at a lower cost, and then a lower or same price per day per child to families.	Revised Catering Standards - schools	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29653	An employee of West Lothian Council	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	Free School Meals for all P1-3 children is an absolute waste of money. As is the Free Breakfast Club. Of the P1-3 children who receive free school meals some of the parents are more financially secure than some of the children further up the school whose parents work but still need to use food banks. The Breakfast Club is abused by working parents as a free babysitting service. FSM entitlement is also abused by some as some children whose parents have been awarded this send their child to school with a lunch from home. They obviously don't need this if they can afford to do this.	Revised Catering Standards - schools	5a. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because the council is required by law to deliver this work.	The provision of P1-3 free meals is a Scottish Government initiative and the Council is obliged to provide these.
29654	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	The free school lunches for P1 - P3 should be means-tested. I find it quite incredible that I was forced NOT to pay for school lunches when I was both capable and willing to do so. Substantial savings could be made here.	Revised Catering Standards - schools	5a. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because the council is required by law to deliver this work.	The provision of P1-3 free meals is a Scottish Government initiative and the Council is obliged to provide these.
29655	An employee of West Lothian Council	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	reduce choices for school meals which would reduce costs, if children require special meals, parents should supply.	Revised Catering Standards - schools	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29656	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	Agree as long as healthy food for kids	Revised Catering Standards - schools	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29657	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	including breakfast clubs? Provision of food for the young is a priority with the level of unemployment and increased food bank usage. I assume the council would provide a safe and clean work environment in all of its buildings.	Revised Catering Standards - schools	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29658	An employee of West Lothian Council	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	Free School Meals for all P1-3 children is an absolute waste of money. As is the Free Breakfast Club. Of the P1-3 children who receive free school meals some of the parents are more financially secure than some of the children further up the school whose parents work but still need to use food banks. The Breakfast Club is abused by working parents as a free babysitting service. FSM entitlement is also abused by some as some children whose parents have been awarded this send their child to school with a lunch from home. They obviously don't need this if they can afford to do this.	Revised Catering Standards - schools	5a. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because the council is required by law to deliver this work.	The provision of P1-3 free meals is a Scottish Government initiative and the Council is obliged to provide these.
29659	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	Why not save money by removing free school means for all P1-3 - an unnecessary benefit for the majority - making it means tested. Also free breakfast provision should be removed - another example of money spent and being used by many who do not need the breakfast (indeed its often a second one for many) - it is being used by parents as means of extra free childcare provision.	Revised Catering Standards - schools	5a. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because the council is required by law to deliver this work.	The provision of P1-3 free meals is a Scottish Government initiative and the Council is obliged to provide these.
29660	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	School meal costs could be reduced by reversing to means tested free meals and removing the unnecessary free breakfast clubs. This would reduce staffing costs also.	Revised Catering Standards - schools	5a. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because the council is required by law to deliver this work.	The provision of P1-3 free meals is a Scottish Government initiative and the Council is obliged to provide these.
29661	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	Our parent forum feel that savings could be made nationally in provision of school meals. We have a working, discrete means testing system for free school meals for P4-7, yet P1-3 are provided with meals, and whole schools provided with breakfast irrespective of ability to pay. We are concerned that we are having to make huge savings locally whilst nationally being wasteful with these unneeded free services.	Revised Catering Standards - schools	5a. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because the council is required by law to deliver this work.	The provision of P1-3 free meals is a Scottish Government initiative and the Council is obliged to provide these.
29662	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	School meals are important - they could ask all parents to provide a piece of fruit for pudding (or provide it for certain pupils if they forget) and get rid of the sugar laden puddings they offer. That would save money and improve health. My school offered an apple or an orange (tangerine around christmas) every for every pudding it must have save thousands.	Revised Catering Standards - schools	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29663	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	Has an equality impact assessment been carried out for each of the budget proposals? It is essential that this is done at the earliest opportunity in order to assess what the impact will be on those in the protected characteristics groups and those already experiencing disadvantage.	Revised Catering Standards - schools	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	The council will carry out the appropriate equality impact assessment in relation to all proposals

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29664	An employee of West Lothian Council	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	I feel free school meals should be means tested, this isn't something that every child should get. Everyone should be in charge of their own cleaning for their areas. This shouldn't be something we are spending costs on if we can deal with this in house.	Revised Catering Standards - schools	5a. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because the council is required by law to deliver this work.	The provision of P1-3 free meals is a Scottish Government initiative and the Council is obliged to provide these.
29665	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	Schools are dirty due to cuts already made.	Revised Catering Standards - schools	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29666	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	school meals should be healthy and pupils should have access to nutritious meals, no cuts should be made to the standard of food in this respect.	Revised Catering Standards - schools	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29667	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	surely a central school meal making location should be cheaper. This could be sponsored by one of the big supermarkets in the area? A bit like the meals done for the airplanes??	Revised Catering Standards - schools	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29668	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	Schools meals are a necessity to many families however, there is a lot of waste involved as I have experienced . Perhaps some way could be devised that allowed pupils to pre order and pay for their meals in advance so food was only made to order. Only suggestion.	Revised Catering Standards - schools	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29669	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	I am only supportive of changes to meals if the meals provided are healthy.	Revised Catering Standards - schools	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29670	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	Crazy you have to pay for nursery snack & lunch but you get it free for P1-P3	Revised Catering Standards - schools	5a. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because the council is required by law to deliver this work.	The provision of free P1-3 meals is an initiative from the Scottish Government which WLC are obliged to provide.
29671	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	School meals - are free breakfasts in primary schools really necessary as the majority in my village receiving these are not from poor families. I agree with free lunches but not the Friday one.	Revised Catering Standards - schools	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	The council is required to provide free school meals to primary 1 to 3 children through legislation introduced by the Scottish Government.
29672	An employee of West Lothian Council	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	Stop giving free school meals - pizzas and only give some people who havent much money free meals.	Revised Catering Standards - schools	5a. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because the council is required by law to deliver this work.	The provision of free P1-3 meals is an initiative from the Scottish Government which WLC are obliged to provide.
29673	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	School meals - lunch should be a light meal. Why can't this consist of soup / sandwiches / fruit. Obesity is a huge problem in Scotland - a big child is an even bigger adult.	Revised Catering Standards - schools	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29674	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	Do all schools (esp with high % of top decile) need free breakfast club? - charge for this!	Revised Catering Standards - schools	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	The council is required to provide free school meals to primary 1 to 3 children through legislation introduced by the Scottish Government.
29675	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	Put the contracts out to tender	Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards (general)	5c. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it is not consistent with the council's values and priorities.	Thank you for your comment. Your response has been noted. There are currently no proposals on the widespread outsourcing of council services to external providers.
29676	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	Externalise more services (i.e. cleaning and catering)	Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards (general)	5c. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it is not consistent with the council's values and priorities.	Thank you for your comment. Your response has been noted. There are currently no proposals on the widespread outsourcing of council services to external providers.
29677	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	These functions could easily be outsourced.	Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards (general)	5c. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it is not consistent with the council's values and priorities.	Thank you for your comment. Your response has been noted. There are currently no proposals on the widespread outsourcing of council services to external providers.
29678	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	SAVE MONEY BY: Remove or privatises council staff canteen.	Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards (general)	5c. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it is not consistent with the council's values and priorities.	Thank you for your comment. Your response has been noted. There are currently no proposals on the widespread outsourcing of council services to external providers.
29679	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	Out source all of these services to one Scotland wide service provider	Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards (general)	5c. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it is not consistent with the council's values and priorities.	Thank you for your comment. Your response has been noted. There are currently no proposals on the widespread outsourcing of council services to external providers.

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29680	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	Out source all of these services to one Scotland wide service provider	Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards (general)	5c. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it is not consistent with the council's values and priorities.	Thank you for your comment. Your response has been noted. There are currently no proposals on the widespread outsourcing of council services to external providers.
29681	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	Support, cleaning services should be outsourced to private companies like mine hint hint! Truthfully thou if I can provide cleaning will all costs involved insurance kit uniforms ppe Wages payroll training paperstock etc etc at per hour at Â£12.60 the council needs to look hard into how this service is provided as the private model is much better and further ahead of the council in this. Something as simple as changing chemicals to super concentrated ones with doersers built into the dispensers saved Â£Â£Â£ of even laundering all cloths and mops saves	Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards (general)	5c. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it is not consistent with the council's values and priorities.	There are currently no proposals on the widespread outsourcing of council services to external providers.
29682	No Response	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	Education and behaviour change for cleaning etc should be part of a wider campaign looking at encouraging people to take personal responsibility for the buildings and services that they occupy and to encourage them to act in ways that are more sustainable and will lead to further savings (eg waste & recycling, energy use).	Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29683	No Response	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	Needs to be fit for purpose	Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29684	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	What does changes to cleaning specifications mean? The vagueness is astounding	Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards (general)	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29685	An employee of West Lothian Council	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	How cleaning specifications can be changed further is a mystery as cleaning has already been reduced to minimal and any further reductions will only result in more germ related illnesses.	Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29686	No Response	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	How cleaning specifications can be changed further is a mystery as cleaning has already been reduced to minimal and any further reductions will only result in more germ related illnesses.	Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29687	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	Agree. Even better, tender all cleaning services and achieve savings through provision by the private sector.	Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29688	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	Looks like this could be job losses???	Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards (general)	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29689	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	Seems fair as long as hygiene and standards are maintained.	Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29690	An employee of West Lothian Council	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	catering in these places are not being run economically no one with a catering background is managing these service cafes are running at a loss staffing cost alone do not justifies the money taken no one cost food right we are giving food away at a loss no one cares in just wlc staff still expect to have free tea coffee etc no illing for meetings the milk bill for my unit alone is over Â£700 a year I have tried for 9 years to bring this to the attention of my managers I came from the private sector and costed everthing and billed for meeting ,staff etc there are many other issues to do with money saving to many to go into and not sure anyones listens or in interested afterw all its only wlc !!!!!	Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards (general)	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	The Council only operate one café which is based in the Civic Centre and this breaks even. No free tea and coffee is provided to staff.
29691	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	Buildings I have been in recently have not been as clean as I think they should be. Any changes to cleaning and catering should be more investment rather than less.	Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29692	An employee of West Lothian Council	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	I feel quite insulted by the council that I need education on cleaning my work area which I hasten to add is meticulously clean anyway. does this education mean that the dirt and dust stops building up, no I don't think so.	Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29693	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	As above Why change the service, when it is the staffing level which needs addressing (ask what the requirement is, then look at the resource needed - then make a decision on cleaning specifications based on the budget available).	Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29694	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	Cleaning specifications are minimal at the moment. Users should play a part but need to ensure all co-operate and not just the few.	Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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29695	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	Agreed. Statutory cleaning requirements must be met.	Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29696	An employee of West Lothian Council	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	Consider outsourcing cleaning alongside hard FM	Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29697	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	I think that this level of saving will be very difficult to realistically achieve unless government policy on charging changes. However a drop in cleaning frequency is achievable.	Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29698	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	There are lots that schools and other buildings could do to promote general tidiness in their buildings leaving money available for deep cleaning etc.	Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29699	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	This sounds like the reality will be that unreal pressure is put on the cleaners to keep facilities clean on a smaller budget/number of hours.	Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29700	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	75% cleanliness does not seem appropriate to me or adequate.	Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29701	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	The council should review where it can make savings in its delivery - e.g. have 'gold standards' (seen set in the good times that can be compromised)	Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards (general)	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29702	An employee of West Lothian Council	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	What is meant by "educating building users"? Does this mean staff will become responsible for some of the cleaning themselves, and if so, when does this cleaning take place given that all teams will be doing more work with less staff.	Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29703	An employee of West Lothian Council	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	As I mentioned before, a reduction in cleaning services is causing a problem with the number of staff absences however if this must remain in place who should be carrying out cleaning tasks...staff? When they will already be dealing with additional work and probably less people to carry them out.	Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29704	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	All no 7 section will result in poorer services for everyone	Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29705	An employee of West Lothian Council	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	Privitise the Civic Centre cafe and charge a rent.	Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29706	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	External contractors are not cost effective - poorer service for cost as they make profit for shareholders.	Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29707	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	The council keep making changes they made changes a year past they also created a Cleaner coordinator post which they do not need why is the Managers not going around buildings checking on the work.	Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29708	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	Cut all unnecessary services. I have attended catered meetings at the Council, which was totally unnecessary. Stop providing catering at meetings, and do not have any subsidised services such as canteens and cafe's. Turn these into revenue streams!	Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. The Council provide no subsidised canteens or cafes.
29709	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	Cut Team Managers Cut Cleaner Co ordnators Cut SDO's Cut Locality coordinators for FMA staff CutTeam managers for FMA staff this would be a huge saving to start with each year	Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29710	An employee of West Lothian Council	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	large proportion of cleaning issues could be met, by educating people how to use facilities correctly. facilities were demand is increasing however will require cleaning etc. to be increased as these facilities are used more thoroughly.	Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Education of users is part of the proposal.

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29711	An employee of West Lothian Council	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	Any savings that can be made through a review of these services it to be welcomed.	Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29712	An employee of West Lothian Council	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	I am not clear what the education and awareness of building users would mean but it would appear to be linked to a reduction in cleaning	Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	Education and awareness of building users can help reduce the need for cleaning.
29713	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	Education meals and cleanliness should be prioritised and protected as has direct link to attainment.	Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The outcome of the consultation will determine future priorities.
29714	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	Kids lunches and cleaning of schools is a priority so no cost cutting should be done and no jobs should be lost	Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Consultation will provide an analysis of community view on council priorities.
29715	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	The cleanliness of buildings and food consumed by children has an impact on learning and should be protected and not cut - high priority area.	Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The outcome of the consultation will determine future priorities.
29716	An employee of West Lothian Council	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	not sure how this fits into 'environment'	Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29717	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	If more organisations were asked to clean up after themselves or people took more care of their environment then cost could be cut.	Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29718	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	use cheaper contractors	Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29719	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	Any reduction in cleaning specifications should be avoided. A clean tidy environment encourages positive behaviours in general and presents a positive image of the whole area.	Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29720	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	don't agree with the cleaning proposal. The schools are already on a cut back with the cleaning regime. we need immaculate schools not just meeting the statutory standard. Too many health issues caused by just meeting the standard.	Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29721	No Response	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	The frequency of cleaning has been reduced already and if there is to be more restrictions on cleaning staff then cleaning equipment/products need to be provided so that staff can effectively clean up after themselves properly in between when the cleaners are due.	Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29722	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	Would not cut cleaning hours as its not acceptable	Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29723	An employee of West Lothian Council	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	Basics standards of cleanliness need to be maintained and feel no requirement for free school meals for all p1 to p3 or breakfast clubs or milk , yes for free meal children but others that can afford too should make payment ,	Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29724	An employee of West Lothian Council	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	Cleaning cannot be cut!	Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29725	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	So long as you're not putting these services out for tender	Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. Delivering services using an external provider would not prove to be cost effective
29726	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	What can be cut on health and safety well that will be the councils responsibility .	Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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29727	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	I personally think cleaning is already at a all time low. Image is very important .	Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29728	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	What does this saving mean? Again we have insufficient information relating to the specifics of this saving to make an informed decision on who this will affect and how. Has an equality impact assessment been completed for this saving? Is there the opportunity for schools to grow there own foods, consider food options to ensure less waste? What is involved in the review and how will this affect service users more information is required.	Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards (general)	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29729	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	This may be difficult to implement and should be approached with caution	Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29730	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	good news for the kids,but not for the cleaners.	Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29731	An employee of West Lothian Council	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	Again it seems that more expensive resource may be diverted to carrying out tasks which may be removed from service provision	Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29732	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	Sounds unachievable. Probably needs some external advice from a large employer to benchmark to see if you are already as lean as you can be.	Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29733	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	When was the last time you reviewed the cleaning chemicals and consumables? Some of your facilities doesn't have the correct paper and or dispensers which could lead to up to 40% waste on your spend!	Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted and will be investigated.
29734	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	The changes to be honest will be cutting more services paying off staff and this all affects the children and people in the buildings.	Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29735	An employee of West Lothian Council	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	Already think that cleaning has been cut dramatically so am worried about how statutory requirements can be maintained.	Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29736	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	Cut the cleaners proportionately	Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29737	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	How do-able is this? I've heard stories of cleaners having to provide the cleaning materials	Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29738	An employee of West Lothian Council	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	Focus on health and environmentally friendly not money	Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29739	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	You can't rely on building users to keep the place clean. While most people are pretty clean there are enough exceptions to make it a real health hazard to reduce cleaning standards.	Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29740	An employee of West Lothian Council	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	I am sure if you look hard enough there could be savings made all of these areas.	Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29741	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	Further changes to cleaning specifications is a concern. These have already been eroded in pursuit of previous cost savings and the consequences are there for all to see. The cleanliness of buildings has been significantly eroded over recent years and it must not be allowed to deteriorate any further.	Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29742	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	Cleaning staff could work after business close rather than before they open, which to my understanding then entitles them to unsociable hours pay.	Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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29743	An employee of West Lothian Council	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	This area has been stripped to the bare essential and doubt if further savings can be made	Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29744	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	Provided the cleaning standards are to a level that is hygienic and suitable for the use provided then there is a logic to this saving. The council must ensure that users of the services are responsible for appropriate behaviour in these spaces to minimise the cleaning required outside of fair use.	Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29745	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	As long as the environmental issues are improving.	Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29746	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	Should be streamlined where possible where maintaining choices and standards.	Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29747	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	This is completely without ambition or aspiration to do well. It read as -we will meet the absolute lowest standard we can by law and nothing more.	Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29748	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	As 1A - Excellent if all of the above are carried out. However on current personally experienced performance it will take a huge effort to even provide an improvement. Further why has the " efficiency and effectiveness" not been applied to current procedures. No real criteria to be reach is actually stated and the starting point for these " efficiency and effectiveness" upgrade to services is not evident. Vagueness in targets to achieve . How will residents know when this is achieved?	Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29749	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	If cleaning is outsourced then the monitoring of contracted work must be a priority.	Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards (general)	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29750	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	Agree as long as there are not dramatic changes which impacts the cleanliness of buildings	Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29751	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	OK as long as you meet statutory cleaning requirements.	Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29752	An employee of West Lothian Council	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	The school meals process of ordering does not reconcile to the numbers provided with meals being over ordered resulting in waste. The cleaning regime has already been cut in areas and further cuts could result in building conditions deteriorating and repairs being required. How do you educate building users and monitor effectively?	Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29753	An employee of West Lothian Council	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	Cleaning staff need to be monitored to ensure that they are carrying out the hours that they are contracted for and this may assist with the cleanliness factor.	Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29754	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	Cleaning standards are already at an all time low. It is debatable whether cleaning standards are currently meeting statutory requirements.	Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29755	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	providing changes still ensure cleanliness is maintained	Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29756	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	Cleaning provision is cut too deeply as is. Don't cut further	Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29757	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	Feed children in need and provide clean schools so they can be learning in the very best environments.	Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29758	An employee of West Lothian Council	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	Cleaning has already been reduced, not sure what the meaning of "focusing more on the education and awareness of building users whilst meeting statutory cleaning requirements"	Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Many thanks for your response. Your comments have been noted.
29759	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	Good idea . If users take a pride in their buildings then it should suffer less damage and require less maintenance as a result . If building start to get dirty then people will start to not care and it becomes a mess.	Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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29760	An employee of West Lothian Council	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	In the interests of health and safety I do not believe this is a good idea. This is in terms of concerns regarding poor hygiene, less healthy food and the potential increased workload on the staff who will have to clean the schools on a smaller budget.	Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29761	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	Food handling and hygiene controls must be maintained and supervised properly to ensure a safe environment for children and staff.	Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29762	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	Everyone should be encouraged to take responsibility for their personal environment.	Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards (general)	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29763	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	Look at how these services are provided could cleaning be done at different times resulting in less time to do job,	Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29764	An employee of West Lothian Council	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	This may end up costing more not saving anything!	Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29765	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	Agree to a point. Cleaning services have already been cut and have resulted in buildings not being as clean as they should be.	Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29766	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	This is understandable although presumably any infection control issues will be a part of the focus.	Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29767	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	The council has already implemented the same proposals and I am concerned about the impact this will have on the maintenance of buildings and catering in general.	Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29768	An employee of West Lothian Council	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	What are the statutory cleaning requirements?	Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards (general)	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29769	No Response	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	Staff may be willing to assist in keeping their own workspace and buildings clean, if provided with materials and equipment.	Revised Cleaning Models & Standards - council buildings	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29770	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	statutory cleaning requirements -which are?	Revised Cleaning Models & Standards - council buildings	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29771	No Response	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	Cleaning I feel has to be kept at a high standard with no short cuts to ensure the health of our young people	Revised Cleaning Models & Standards - council buildings	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29772	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	I believe the council should review the cleaning within council premises. With the view to increasing the workforce and efficiency especially within schools. To do more unannounced inspections to ensure that the cleaning is to a higher specification than what it is now.	Revised Cleaning Models & Standards - council buildings	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29773	An employee of West Lothian Council	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	In terms of cleaning staff, I can't understand how this could be cut any further? The classrooms only get cleaned twice weekly, and with the current agenda for outdoor learning, art and design, food technology and hands-on practical STEM activities (not to mention spilled school milk, mess from snacks and that children spread germs more readily than adults) I think it is outrageous that things have got to where they already are.	Revised Cleaning Models & Standards - council buildings	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29774	An employee of West Lothian Council	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	Cleaning of Council buildings is already poor, cannot see how it can be trimmed further. Buildings are grubby, public areas are looking scruffy, does the Council really want its public image to decline further?	Revised Cleaning Models & Standards - council buildings	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29775	An employee of West Lothian Council	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	Cleaning of Council buildings is already poor, hard to see how further cuts could be made	Revised Cleaning Models & Standards - council buildings	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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29776	An employee of West Lothian Council	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	Staff should be required to carry out cleaning in their immediate work space.	Revised Cleaning Models & Standards - council buildings	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29777	An employee of West Lothian Council	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	The cleaning standards in our offices have already been reduced - if it was reduced any further the only thing that would be cleaned is the toilet. Remember inadequate cleaning leads to germs and bugs which leads to sickness - this is a terrible idea to reduce cleaning any further and I know a lot of my colleagues already take on 'cleaning' duties that are not part of their roles or else their workplace would be a disgrace.	Revised Cleaning Models & Standards - council buildings	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29778	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	Agree that trying to get users of buildings to take on more responsibility is reasonable	Revised Cleaning Models & Standards - council buildings	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29779	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	Bad decision - if a room is dirty - it must be cleaned!!!!	Revised Cleaning Models & Standards - council buildings	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29780	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	Continue to look at efficiencies. But care needs to be taken not to reduce cleaning to a level where it creates an unhealthy environment. This could be counter productive and could add costs through sickness absence.	Revised Cleaning Models & Standards - council buildings	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29781	An employee of West Lothian Council	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	Council buildings need to be cleaned properly	Revised Cleaning Models & Standards - council buildings	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29782	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	Further cuts in this area may lead to poor cleanliness - careful monitoring standards need to be adhered to.	Revised Cleaning Models & Standards - council buildings	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29783	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	The GMB oppose any further reductions on cleaning specifications. We are already reduced by 25% and this is causing conflict within key council buildings for staff and they are going the extra mile. Any attempt to further reduce hours and standards will be seriously challenged by our members.	Revised Cleaning Models & Standards - council buildings	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29784	An employee of West Lothian Council	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	The cleanliness of buildings is already causing concern. What is meant by educating the user? Does this mean staff will need to do a bit of the cleaning themselves?	Revised Cleaning Models & Standards - council buildings	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29785	An employee of West Lothian Council	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	How cleaning specifications can be changed further is a mystery as cleaning has already been reduced to minimal and any further reductions will only result in more germ related illnesses.	Revised Cleaning Models & Standards - council buildings	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29786	An employee of West Lothian Council	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	Cleaning in Council buildings is already very limited with toilets and kitchens done daily and most other things done monthly. The reduction in cleaning within Council buildings does not equate to a healthy work force as the longer germs are left on furniture/doors/tables/handles etc the more they will spread.	Revised Cleaning Models & Standards - council buildings	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29787	An employee of West Lothian Council	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	Care must be taken to ensure a good standard of service is still delivered. Our image is at stake in our facilities as well as the visitor experience	Revised Cleaning Models & Standards - council buildings	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29788	An employee of West Lothian Council	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	I would be concerned over the reduction of any more cleaning within the building as our floors are only hovered once each month which I feel is already inadequate.	Revised Cleaning Models & Standards - council buildings	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29789	An employee of West Lothian Council	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	Revised catering and cleaning models "I have concerns over the reduction in cleaning as it has already been reduced to a minimum and is causing issues. What is meant by "educating building users". Does this mean staff will become responsible for some of the cleaning themselves, and if so, when does this cleaning take place given that all teams will be doing more work with less staff.	Revised Cleaning Models & Standards - council buildings	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29790	An employee of West Lothian Council	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	Cleaning has already been reduced to a minimum. The condition of offices in some areas is disgusting. Will staff then become responsible for the cleaning themselves as this is happening already in some areas but this should not be acceptable.	Revised Cleaning Models & Standards - council buildings	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29791	An employee of West Lothian Council	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	Large open plan areas that host large numbers of people both staff and public will spread infections widely if not thoroughly cleaned	Revised Cleaning Models & Standards - council buildings	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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29792	An employee of West Lothian Council	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	Council Buildings are already difficult to keep clean and the cleaning has been cut back to a minimum. It may impair council buildings and their long term condition if not maintained.	Revised Cleaning Models & Standards - council buildings	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29793	An employee of West Lothian Council	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	reduction of the already reduced cleaning schedule, is not a good idea, I believe that the reduction that is already in place is causing issues with staff health & morale	Revised Cleaning Models & Standards - council buildings	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29794	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	Office cleaning has already been reduced. If this is reduced any further hygiene issues become a factor. Most offices are open plan, with less cleaning there is a higher risk of germs in the workplace leading to increased sickness absence.	Revised Cleaning Models & Standards - council buildings	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29795	An employee of West Lothian Council	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	Allow the use of bleach in some kitchen areas - effective & cheap	Revised Cleaning Models & Standards - council buildings	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29796	An employee of West Lothian Council	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	Many staff fail to save energy by switching off PC monitors at night. Caretakers could check whilst closing up buildings.	Revised Cleaning Models & Standards - council buildings	5b. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it is likely that the costs of this proposal would outweigh the benefit.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29797	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	You need to supply staff with materials so that they can clean their own areas. Most happy to do so if you supply wipes, hoover etc.	Revised Cleaning Models & Standards - council buildings	5c. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it is not consistent with the council's values and priorities.	Council staff can play a role in keeping their own areas clean and tidy but there would be some health & safety issues in terms of staff undertaking certain activities.
29798	An employee of West Lothian Council	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	SUPPORT PROVIDE H&S NOT JEOPARDISED	Revised Cleaning Models & Standards - council buildings	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Proposals will ensure that health & safety is not jeopardised.
29799	An employee of West Lothian Council	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	The use of recycling bins in council buildings has already proved effective in reducing cleaning etc. Good idea	Revised Cleaning Models & Standards - council buildings	4. The council is already doing this.	Positive statement in relation to previous changes.
29800	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	do not cut cleaning staff or how u do it you tried this before and it did not work schools need to be cleaned everyday.	Revised Cleaning Models & Standards - council buildings	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Savings need to be made to meet the gap in funding.
29801	No Response	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	If building users are going to be more responsible for keeping areas clean then cleaning staff should not be required. The cleaners don't make a good job now since the cleaning specs were revised recently.	Revised Cleaning Models & Standards - council buildings	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Council staff can play a role in keeping their own areas clean and tidy but there would still be a requirement to have a statutory level of cleanliness in our facilities.
29802	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	Good luck with the cleaning part. This is about people having pride in the facilities they are using. It's a real challenge to change behaviour. They will always find a way around.	Revised Cleaning Models & Standards - council buildings	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29803	An employee of West Lothian Council	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	buildings are already beginning to look scruffy	Revised Cleaning Models & Standards - council buildings	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29804	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	they already do not clean to standard due to lack of staff	Revised Cleaning Models & Standards - council buildings	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29805	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	Large buildings, including our schools, must be kept clean or they will fall into disrepair (to say nothing of the germs). Quite shortsighted to neglect the fabric and aesthetic look of buildings.	Revised Cleaning Models & Standards - council buildings	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29806	An employee of West Lothian Council	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	Council buildings need to be maintained in a clean condition. the use of open plan offices, with no ventilation/air circulation causes enough of a spread of germs/flu/colds without adding a lack of basic hygiene standards to the list.	Revised Cleaning Models & Standards - council buildings	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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29807	An employee of West Lothian Council	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	Council buildings need to be maintained in a clean condition. the use of open plan offices, with no ventilation/air circulation causes enough of a spread of germs/flu/colds without adding a lack of basic hygiene standards to the list.	Revised Cleaning Models & Standards - council buildings	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29808	An employee of West Lothian Council	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	Sounds reasonable. Currently many in the civic centre buy their own cleaning materials for desks which is already saving the council money	Revised Cleaning Models & Standards - council buildings	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29809	An employee of West Lothian Council	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	Care must be taken in the cleaning of buildings as failure to meet the needs of the workforce will only mean knock-on costs in relation to staff sickness due to poor environmental factors in workplace buildings'.	Revised Cleaning Models & Standards - council buildings	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29810	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	Staff can do their own area cleaning. Provide the materials and tools.	Revised Cleaning Models & Standards - council buildings	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29811	An employee of West Lothian Council	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	Staff could take more responsibility for basic housekeeping tasks	Revised Cleaning Models & Standards - council buildings	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29812	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	Yes let's slash cleaners' hours - the lowest paid grade - and have dirty buildings. Great idea.	Revised Cleaning Models & Standards - council buildings	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29813	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	Cleaning cannot slip. Lack of cleaning can cause illness in the work place causing more of a burden for the council in the long term.	Revised Cleaning Models & Standards - council buildings	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29814	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	Bit concerned regards cleaning of buildings. Agree that costs could be cut and staff have a role to play in this, but hope that this does not mean that staff are required to clean and Hoover themselves when by the sound of it they are already going to have to work the role of two people! I hope this does not mean we have very tired and unclean buildings going forward. Statutory requirements could be low.	Revised Cleaning Models & Standards - council buildings	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29815	An employee of West Lothian Council	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	Cleaning standards are of ultimate importance and cannot be reduced	Revised Cleaning Models & Standards - council buildings	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29816	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	The standard of cleanliness within the council buildings has already dropped therefore to safe further or reduce the service would be detrimental to the health and safety of building users. Recycle bins and food waste bins have been introduced and at the moment only breed germs and flies. The bins are not hygienic, the are no self opening and are not emptied often. toilet facilities are already at a low with the cleanliness and the provision of toilet paper not being sufficient	Revised Cleaning Models & Standards - council buildings	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29817	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	Privatise cleaning.	Revised Cleaning Models & Standards - council buildings	5c. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it is not consistent with the council's values and priorities.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29818	An employee of West Lothian Council	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	I agree. Everyone should be responsible for keeping work places clean and tidy.	Revised Cleaning Models & Standards - council buildings	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29819	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	Cleaning of our building is restricted enough.	Revised Cleaning Models & Standards - council buildings	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29820	An employee of West Lothian Council	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	hopefully council buildings will not be cleaned less than they are at present.	Revised Cleaning Models & Standards - council buildings	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29821	An employee of West Lothian Council	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	Cleaning is already poor in some buildings. Could the council achieve better standards at a lower cost by other means?	Revised Cleaning Models & Standards - council buildings	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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29822	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	Some buildings are needing more cleaning than others especially building that are used by the public.	Revised Cleaning Models & Standards - council buildings	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29823	An employee of West Lothian Council	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	There is concern was raised over the reduction in cleaning as it has already been reduced to a minimum and is causing issues. What is meant by "educating building users". Does this mean staff will become responsible for some of the cleaning themselves, and if so, when does this cleaning take place given that all teams will be doing more work with less staff.	Revised Cleaning Models & Standards - council buildings	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29824	An employee of West Lothian Council	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	I agree that the awareness of building users must be raised to help support efficiencies in operational services provision.	Revised Cleaning Models & Standards - council buildings	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29825	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	Might I suggest that the Civic Centre is only hoovered twice a week like schools and never have their surfaces cleaned? That might save some money.	Revised Cleaning Models & Standards - council buildings	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29826	An employee of West Lothian Council	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	"Education and awareness of building users" means getting non-cleaning staff to do the job a cleaner should be paid for. This would be unenforceable in many cases.	Revised Cleaning Models & Standards - council buildings	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29827	An employee of West Lothian Council	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	I assume this is going to involve staff emptying their own bins?	Revised Cleaning Models & Standards - council buildings	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29828	An employee of West Lothian Council	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	Cleaning services have already been cut which has been disastrous. Council buildings are filthy especially toilets - unhygienic and disgusting and I can't imagine what the school hygiene standards are like. Remember your staff have to work in these conditions every day.	Revised Cleaning Models & Standards - council buildings	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29829	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	Cleaning is tricky as this can relate to health and safety depending which areas are being cleaned less often.	Revised Cleaning Models & Standards - council buildings	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29830	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	Cleaning should be efficient but at a level that makes sure health implications are taken in to account	Revised Cleaning Models & Standards - council buildings	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29831	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	groups using WLC buildings should be charged if they leave a mess to be cleaned up.	Revised Cleaning Models & Standards - council buildings	4. The council is already doing this.	Thank you for your comment. Your response has been noted. This is already in place.
29832	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	Cleaning of building is already at a minimum so I don't feel this could be cut back anymore. Staff actually clean their work areas themselves as they don't want to work in a mess.	Revised Cleaning Models & Standards - council buildings	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29833	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	Cleaning will always need done, no matter how much awareness you give to service users	Revised Cleaning Models & Standards - council buildings	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29834	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	Are you seriously suggesting you want to stop employing cleaners??	Revised Cleaning Models & Standards - council buildings	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29835	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	Cleaning staff are already much reduced and, although they attempt to do a good job, they are demoralised by the restrictions put upon them	Revised Cleaning Models & Standards - council buildings	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29836	An employee of West Lothian Council	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	Previous reduction in cleaning services in schools was not successful and led to many pupil and staff absence.	Revised Cleaning Models & Standards - council buildings	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29837	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	I've been in a lot of council building and the quality of cleaning varies greatly from venue to venue. maybe a more focused effort at the standard of cleaning would be a better use of time/money	Revised Cleaning Models & Standards - council buildings	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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29838	An employee of West Lothian Council	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	Cannot be revised any more. children and adults are already becoming sick due to the reduced cleaning schedules that the cleaning staff are forced to work to.	Revised Cleaning Models & Standards - council buildings	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29839	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	The education and awareness of building users?! People won't clean up after themselves!	Revised Cleaning Models & Standards - council buildings	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29840	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	The last sentence sounds like a recipe for fifty buildings.	Revised Cleaning Models & Standards - council buildings	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29841	An employee of West Lothian Council	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	the cleaning facility for our buildings has already been greatly reduced. I don't think it is the responsibility of staff to keep their work place clean. The staff are already stretched trying meet the work standards with declining members of staff and have no time to clean!!	Revised Cleaning Models & Standards - council buildings	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29842	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	If you reduce the number of properties as suggested in an earlier proposal, you will reduce the need for the same number of cleaners.	Revised Cleaning Models & Standards - council buildings	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29843	An employee of West Lothian Council	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	Cleaning - Cleaning schedules have already been reduced and is noticeable. Not sure how much further this can be cut without possible health implications.	Revised Cleaning Models & Standards - council buildings	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29844	An employee of West Lothian Council	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	Cleaning services I personally think should not be touched and in some cases be increased to meet demand.	Revised Cleaning Models & Standards - council buildings	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29845	An employee of West Lothian Council	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	Would agree requires a review, however buildings are not as clean as they used to be which is impacting on germs etc being spread, which ultimately impacts on sickness absence.	Revised Cleaning Models & Standards - council buildings	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29846	An employee of West Lothian Council	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	statutory cleaning requirements' sounds minimal, the bare minimum is already done.	Revised Cleaning Models & Standards - council buildings	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29847	An employee of West Lothian Council	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	Agree although this will need to be closely monitored to ensure cleaning standards do not slip significantly	Revised Cleaning Models & Standards - council buildings	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29848	No Response	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	Care must be taken not to under estimate how much people appreciate a clean fresh environment. Our facilities are very good at present and standards must be maintained.	Revised Cleaning Models & Standards - council buildings	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29849	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	Education of building users The general public at times require education The public toilets in some of the Council buildings are awful due to the habits of some of the users	Revised Cleaning Models & Standards - council buildings	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29850	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	Filthy buildings will be harder to let and harmful to people using them..	Revised Cleaning Models & Standards - council buildings	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29851	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	does this mean that staff will be "educated" to do their own cleaning?? if so when exactly do they do this??	Revised Cleaning Models & Standards - council buildings	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Staff need to be mindful of how their action impact on cleaning regimes and other staff e.g. dropping litter, leaving toilets in a mess

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29852	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	I witness on a frequent basis cleaners sitting in classrooms hiding and chatting when they should be working hard like everyone else. I see them bring in supply cleaners to cover runs but then just sit about. I see supervisors with an entourage wandering about schools criticising cleaners who really are working. I see cleaners leave school 20 minutes before their shift ends, taking breaks when they are not legally entitled to one based based on their working hours. I know for a fact cleaners turn up for work late, sign in , leave immediately, get caught and do not get sacked like most people would. I see a lot of lazy cleaners, supervisors not doing their jobs and lots of people turning a blind eye. I see caretakers spending a huge amount of time at their homes "not babysitting empty buildings" as they have been instructed. I see them cover for each other during summer holidays under their "gentlemans agreement". So yes a review of this is area is long overdue. They have simply used the new cleaning rotas to get lazier and have an excuse for the dirt in buildings (being the new schedules for cleaning).	Revised Cleaning Models & Standards - council buildings	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comments have been noted and will be followed up.
29853	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	The already far pushed cleaning services are already not maintaining high standards of cleanliness in building - there needs to be an evaluation of the types of services provided which provides adequate cleaning time.	Revised Cleaning Models & Standards - council buildings	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29854	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	Some places, especially Bathgate Partnership Centre (ladies toilets) are already unclean so this will just make it worse	Revised Cleaning Models & Standards - council buildings	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29855	An employee of West Lothian Council	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	This can be a slippery road, reducing cleaning can increase bacteria which in turn leads to higher sickness level.	Revised Cleaning Models & Standards - council buildings	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29856	An employee of West Lothian Council	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	concern was raised over the reduction in cleaning as it has already been reduced to a minimum and is causing issues. What is meant by "educating building users". Does this mean staff will become responsible for some of the cleaning themselves, and if so, when does this cleaning take place given that all teams will be doing more work with less staff. Would it be cost effective to ask staff to carry out their own cleaning as someone with a higher salary than cleaning staff could be doing the cleaning and losing production time.	Revised Cleaning Models & Standards - council buildings	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29857	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	I am concerned over the reduction in cleaning as it has already been reduced to a minimum and is causing issues. What is meant by "educating building users". Does this mean staff will become responsible for some of the cleaning themselves, and if so, when does this cleaning take place given that all teams will be doing more work with less staff. Will this be cost effective as salary of many staff will be higher than that of cleaning staff. Taking staff away from specialised production work to clean the work are would not be cost effective.	Revised Cleaning Models & Standards - council buildings	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29858	An employee of West Lothian Council	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	Civic Centre is very dirty.	Revised Cleaning Models & Standards - council buildings	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29859	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	2. Cleaning - agree only due to necessity of cutting costs but feel it is really bad that this sounds like an expectation for staff to do the job of the cleaning department instead of their own job.	Revised Cleaning Models & Standards - council buildings	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29860	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	Education I agree with as staff take on responsibility for their own work space but only to a certain degree	Revised Cleaning Models & Standards - council buildings	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29861	An employee of West Lothian Council	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	I see the impact of the cleaning reductions in the civic centre which through a combination of this and users refusal to behave like adults has led to a vile working environment for some people. Again, only if we insist on managers doing what they are paid to do and enforcing the building standards will this work. Otherwise I anticipate working in a pig pen. It is quite frankly, embarrassing to bring in external people to the civic centre and I avoid it at all costs.	Revised Cleaning Models & Standards - council buildings	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29862	An employee of West Lothian Council	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	don't think the cleaning in buildings are up to scratch at the moment which can only lead to greater opportunities for germs to be transferred more freely.	Revised Cleaning Models & Standards - council buildings	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29863	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	Cleaning is essential to service users and employees. This should not be affected	Revised Cleaning Models & Standards - council buildings	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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29864	An employee of West Lothian Council	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	The offices where I work are rarely cleaned and staff seem to suffer lot more allergies/illnesses.	Revised Cleaning Models & Standards - council buildings	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29865	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	Absolutely agree provided service users do comply and we do not face deterioration in buildings.	Revised Cleaning Models & Standards - council buildings	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29866	An employee of West Lothian Council	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	The cleaning has already been reduced, it would be interesting to see how we cope if this is further reduced.	Revised Cleaning Models & Standards - council buildings	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29867	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	Cleaning in council buildings is not good at the present time.	Revised Cleaning Models & Standards - council buildings	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29868	No Response	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	Cleaning is another matter - buildings are not clean.Chairn	Revised Cleaning Models & Standards - council buildings	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29869	An employee of West Lothian Council	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	CLEANING STANDARDS WITHIN COUNCIL BUILDINGS HAVE DROPPED DRAMATICALLY OVER THE LAST DECADE	Revised Cleaning Models & Standards - council buildings	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29870	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	The current cleaning specifications within the Civic Centre are far from ideal, hopefully, they would not be cut further.	Revised Cleaning Models & Standards - council buildings	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29871	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	The cleaning in schools is already at a minimum and it is hard to see how older buildings can be cleaned any less often. Schools work hard to educate young people about litter and respect for the building but this is easier if they come into a clean building to start with.	Revised Cleaning Models & Standards - council buildings	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29872	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	Cleaning - disagree. It is important that current cleanliness standards are maintained / improved. If the standards are lowered, there is a danger that buildings will become grubby and unpleasant to use.	Revised Cleaning Models & Standards - council buildings	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29873	An employee of West Lothian Council	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	Council buildings are already showing signs of a reduction in cleanliness!!	Revised Cleaning Models & Standards - council buildings	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29874	An employee of West Lothian Council	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	Cleaning proposal seems fair - building users do lots at the moment regarding recycling bins etc so continuation in other potential processes is fair.	Revised Cleaning Models & Standards - council buildings	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29875	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	standard of cleaning within West Lothian Buildings are poor already.	Revised Cleaning Models & Standards - council buildings	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29876	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	There needs to be done one in a school who can provide cleaning in Schools on a timely basis especially when pupils are sick. Please provide hand wash for teachers and pupils in their classrooms (where there are sinks)	Revised Cleaning Models & Standards - schools	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29877	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	School toilets are already dirty and do not have adequate hot water and soap. Surely these services cannot be cut any further.	Revised Cleaning Models & Standards - schools	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29878	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	School buildings must have a basic level of cleanliness maintained.	Revised Cleaning Models & Standards - schools	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29879	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	Make the pupils pick the litter from around schools or call their parent in to do it.	Revised Cleaning Models & Standards - schools	5b. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it is likely that the costs of this proposal would outweigh the benefit.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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29880	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	Schools should retain in house domestic staff.	Revised Cleaning Models & Standards - schools	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29881	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	Educate the children in the need to keep their school clean. In Japan the pupils clean the school which gives them a greater appreciation of the impact of their actions on the cleanliness of the school. Are there some aspects of cleaning which could be delegated to the children and cut the costs of cleaning in schools?	Revised Cleaning Models & Standards - schools	5a. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because the council is required by law to deliver this work.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29882	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	I agree. However, feel caution is needed before reducing cleaning in schools any further. In a building with over 700 children (majority under the age of 7) it is important to ensure we do not simply increase outbreaks of illness. In the business world, an adult would be able to clean their own work station (as can teachers). However, even with teaching young children hygiene & good house keeping, it is important the teacher does not have to spend more hours cleaning classrooms & open areas on top of their already demanding jobs. An adult working environment & child environment can not always lend themselves to exactly the same policies.	Revised Cleaning Models & Standards - schools	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29883	An employee of West Lothian Council	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	It is paramount that schools are kept clean. Currently, there is already a lack of regular cleaning in schools. This amounts to the carpet being vacuumed and the tables wiped only two days per week. What people seem to forget is that primary teachers are obliged to provide a broad general education. This often involves moving regularly from the outdoors to the indoors (outdoor education), the use of a range of art and design materials, food technologies, science experiments, STEM activities and so on. In short this means that school teachers and pupils need a clean environment to learn in. It should be also noted that with young children there will inevitably be the usual milk spillages, food debris and germ circulation. This cannot be tackled purely by "focusing more on the education and awareness of building users".	Revised Cleaning Models & Standards - schools	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29884	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	Cleanliness (esp schools) is already at ridiculously Spartan levels. How low can u go ?	Revised Cleaning Models & Standards - schools	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29885	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	Current school buildings hygiene is basic and needs improved not reduced.	Revised Cleaning Models & Standards - schools	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29886	An employee of West Lothian Council	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	School cleaning schedules are already minimal and many staff believe that there has been an increase in absences of staff and pupils since the reductions in allocations and revised schedules which do not see all classrooms cleaned on a daily basis (tables wiped, floors hoovered) and with corridor areas cleaned termly resulting in build up of dust and stood. Cleaning schedules do not seem to take into account the range of use in schools and number of building users over the course of a day.	Revised Cleaning Models & Standards - schools	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29887	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	For cleanliness of schools target the children who drop rubbish where they stand! Schools are a mess at break and lunch due to disrespectful kids who assume someone else will tidy their wrappers and rubbish.	Revised Cleaning Models & Standards - schools	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29888	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	This is nonsense! Pay cleaners to do their job. I was a teacher and as far as I can see 'education and awareness of building users' is not the way to keep buildings clean. Cleaners already are stretched to the maximum so to cut services is a retrograde step.	Revised Cleaning Models & Standards - schools	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29889	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	There were changes to the cleaning services in the school a few years back, this resulted in the cleaners not having time to properly clean the school and the standard of cleanliness was greatly reduced. This is unacceptable in a school where there are a lot of people and lots of bugs and illnesses going around.	Revised Cleaning Models & Standards - schools	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29890	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	Already cleaners in schools are overstretched with some bins not being emptied as often as before. Surfaces/floors often have to be cleaned by other staff as they would otherwise be unhygienic. This can then impact on the health of the users as germs can spread more readily.	Revised Cleaning Models & Standards - schools	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29891	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	Agree no cleaners in school and staff do it.	Revised Cleaning Models & Standards - schools	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29892	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	How cleaning specifications can be changed further is a mystery as cleaning has already been reduced to minimal and any further reductions will only result in more germ related illnesses	Revised Cleaning Models & Standards - schools	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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29893	An employee of West Lothian Council	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	How cleaning specifications can be changed further is a mystery as cleaning has already been reduced to minimal and any further reductions will only result in more germ related illnesses.	Revised Cleaning Models & Standards - schools	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29894	An employee of West Lothian Council	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	Council cleaners are already under pressure. It is true however that building users, especially in schools, need to be much more responsible with littering.	Revised Cleaning Models & Standards - schools	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29895	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	Also cleaners summer clean for 2 weeks. This should be scrapped. If cleaners are sticking to the spect them the work should not at all need done.	Revised Cleaning Models & Standards - schools	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29896	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	Stop free lunches for all children give it to the ones who need it working parents don't need this.	Revised Cleaning Models & Standards - schools	5a. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because the council is required by law to deliver this work.	The provision of free school meals is driven by government.
29897	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	School meal service- All meals should be meat and dairy free which is cheaper and healthier and will ensure most children can eat same meal regardless of religious/dietary requirements. Cleaning services should not be reduced as this would lead to poor building maintenance and increase in staff illness.	Revised Cleaning Models & Standards - schools	5a. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because the council is required by law to deliver this work.	School meals - Government legislation requires councils to provide a nutritional balance diet for school children. Cleaning - the council requires that cleaning be delivered to a minimum standard, maintaining hygiene standards.
29898	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	I believe it has been widely noted nationally that improvements could be made in this area	Revised Cleaning Models & Standards - schools	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29899	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	So we all have to clean up after ourselves. This is a good lesson to teach to children.	Revised Cleaning Models & Standards - schools	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29900	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	Council buildings especially schools are filthy.	Revised Cleaning Models & Standards - schools	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29901	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	In my opinion cleaning services especially in schools cannot be reduced any further	Revised Cleaning Models & Standards - schools	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29902	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	Cleaning is essential in all buildings but especially educational facilities. More time for training is needed to ensure that senior cleaners have staff that are conscientious and reliable.	Revised Cleaning Models & Standards - schools	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29903	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	Keeping schools clean should be priority as most germs are spread in schools and cause illness for The community	Revised Cleaning Models & Standards - schools	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29904	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	Buildings still need to be safe and clean to work in to reduce the spread of infection and illness which then reduces staff absence. You can not expect council staff to also clean their own workspace other than keeping it tidy ect. Use of chemicals ect has to be controlled and used by trained staff I.e cleaners.	Revised Cleaning Models & Standards - schools	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29905	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	Schools should always be clean in order to ensure a healthy environment for children to be in. The Council should be mindful that the rise in hospital acquired infections experienced in recent years was exacerbated by the reductions in cleaning staff made in attempts to make budget savings . This should not be allowed to happen in schools.	Revised Cleaning Models & Standards - schools	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29906	An employee of West Lothian Council	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	buildings are already looking shabby. not sure that 'education' will support the improvement of cleaning	Revised Cleaning Models & Standards - schools	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29907	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	Reduction in cleaning has already been introduced in some schools, with detrimental effects. The cleaners have less and less time to do more and more and the buildings are dirtier than ever.	Revised Cleaning Models & Standards - schools	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29908	An employee of West Lothian Council	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	Cleaning of schools is already cut to the bone. My tables are wiped/washed twice a week...during winter months sickness and spreading of infections such as Norovirus increased drastically last year after the cleaning was cut...	Revised Cleaning Models & Standards - schools	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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29909	An employee of West Lothian Council	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	Concerned about cleaning though. This is really important in schools.	Revised Cleaning Models & Standards - schools	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29910	An employee of West Lothian Council	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	cleaning already an issue in schools	Revised Cleaning Models & Standards - schools	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29911	No Response	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	the cleaning staff in schools are short of hours as it is. you targeted the cleaners the last time by loosing staff and cutting mega hours in the schools. they are struggling as it is with the cut backs already never mind cutting back nore hours again. the schools will not be cleaned to a hygiene level if more hours get cut as they just manage with the schedule as it is never mind cutting it back again. you have to think of the health and safety also hygiene side of it in schools	Revised Cleaning Models & Standards - schools	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29912	No Response	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	the cleaning staff in schools are short of hours as it is. you targeted the cleaners the last time by loosing staff and cutting mega hours in the schools. they are struggling as it is with the cut backs already never mind cutting back nore hours again. the schools will not be cleaned to a hygiene level if more hours get cut as they just manage with the schedule as it is never mind cutting it back again. you have to think of the health and safety also hygiene side of it in schools	Revised Cleaning Models & Standards - schools	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29913	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	Classrooms are filthy as services have already been stripped back - this is a small amount of money - find the saving elsewhere and keep our schools healthy. EG how much to cut grass and weed kill when most schools are trying to cultivate green spaces?? This might be the service to cut in a school?	Revised Cleaning Models & Standards - schools	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29914	An employee of West Lothian Council	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	Schools are filthy already! Germs everywhere. Quite scary already.	Revised Cleaning Models & Standards - schools	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29915	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	It is essential that standards must not suffer as the health of our younger citizens is imperative and ill-considered decisions may have longer term detrimental consequence	Revised Cleaning Models & Standards - schools	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29916	An employee of West Lothian Council	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	With regard to cleaning I believe that better recruitment, training and rigorous monitoring of staff and provision of more efficient equipment for cleaning staff would provide a more cost effective service.	Revised Cleaning Models & Standards - schools	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29917	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	Schools are already filthy because cleaning has been squeezed so much.	Revised Cleaning Models & Standards - schools	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29918	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	Please do not reduce cleaning any further in schools. Already cleaners are limited in how many times they are allowed to clean tables, Hoover etc. Do we really value our children so little that we expect them to learn in dirty environments? Children can make a mess and not cleaning only encourages the spread of germs and illness.	Revised Cleaning Models & Standards - schools	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29919	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	Schools are already a hive of infection and you want to reduce cleaning services in them?	Revised Cleaning Models & Standards - schools	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29920	An employee of West Lothian Council	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	I do not agree with further changes to school cleaning arrangements. Our schools are filthy despite the cleaners working hard, germs are breeding and school attendance is being affected by the reduced cleaning arrangements as it is. I think the teams suggesting these proposed changes need to consult HTs and school staff as there has been no evaluation or discussion about the impact of the changes to date. This is an area of concern.	Revised Cleaning Models & Standards - schools	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29921	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	Look at the litter which has to be collected on the streets and realise that anti litter education just doesn't work. It is punishable with fines which are seldom enforced as policing the problem is probably more expensive than cleaning it up. Waste of time to add this to the already overburdened education system.	Revised Cleaning Models & Standards - schools	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29922	An employee of West Lothian Council	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	Please do not reduce cleaning in schools any further as there has already been a significant decline in the cleanliness of school environments. Children deserve to work in a clean and healthy environment. There are many ways in which the children can be involved in recycling and reducing waste etc. but given the wide and varied curriculum and the nature of the way they work, classrooms need to be cleaned and vacuumed on a daily basis.	Revised Cleaning Models & Standards - schools	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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29923	An employee of West Lothian Council	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	I believe this will work in all areas bar education. Unless you are going to instill a complete ethos change in the children, schools (both secondary and primary) will suffer from litter issues. Other school systems around the world see pupils at primary school involved in cleanup once a day in order to keep the place tidy, with this attitude carrying over into secondary school. If you want to completely eliminate the problem (and therefore save on costs) that's the step you'll have to take. As it stands, my school already has issues with the regularity (or lack thereof) that bins are emptied/floors are mopped etc.	Revised Cleaning Models & Standards - schools	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29924	An employee of West Lothian Council	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	cleaning has already been cut back in schools and this is a front line service with high numbers of pupils, parents and partner agencies accessing these buildings I would be concerned with a further reduced school cleaning service.	Revised Cleaning Models & Standards - schools	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29925	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	Given the reports of dirty toilets at James Young High school I am concerned that standards are already too low	Revised Cleaning Models & Standards - schools	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29926	An employee of West Lothian Council	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	Get the pupils involved in helping cleaning their classroom - life skills which could be beneficial for them.	Revised Cleaning Models & Standards - schools	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29927	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	As a retired teacher, I have already seen the level of cleaning in our schools reduce drastically, it surely cannot be reduced further.	Revised Cleaning Models & Standards - schools	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29928	An employee of West Lothian Council	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	Agreed for some. However cutting down on cleaning in institutions that are breeding grounds for norovirus would be counter-productive in illness costs no to mention the human costs. Toilets in other places to be prioritised too. Education is key but unfortunately not always adhered to by some and not always reinforced in homes for children so the problem continues.	Revised Cleaning Models & Standards - schools	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29929	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	What further reductions can be made to the cleaning of buildings? It is already at greatly reduced level and could cause issues especially in schools and care homes where there may be greater need for more thorough cleaning.	Revised Cleaning Models & Standards - schools	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29930	An employee of West Lothian Council	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	When pupils come into a building that is dirty and poorly maintained (not to mention understaffed and badly resourced), the message they receive is "This doesn't really matter. It's not important, because if it was we would do it properly." And we wonder why we struggle with pupil apathy.	Revised Cleaning Models & Standards - schools	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29931	An employee of West Lothian Council	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	The cleaning hours in schools have already been reduced. The cleaning standard has fallen significantly. These hours cannot be reduced more.	Revised Cleaning Models & Standards - schools	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29932	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	getting rid of cleaning, domestic staff and trying to educate building users is in my mind the start of a steep slope leading to failure	Revised Cleaning Models & Standards - schools	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29933	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	Schools etc need a thorough clean! Suggesting educating the pupils to be cleaner/tidier just isn't going to cut it.	Revised Cleaning Models & Standards - schools	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29934	An employee of West Lothian Council	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	The cleaners have already had cutbacks and I'm sorry but the cleaning has been cut back on too, we don't want our kids health to suffer due to cleaning getting cut back on	Revised Cleaning Models & Standards - schools	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29935	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	The cleanliness in schools has declined in the last year with the introduction of new cleaning routines. It's really not a good idea to decrease cleaning in schools.	Revised Cleaning Models & Standards - schools	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29936	An employee of West Lothian Council	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	Cleaning should only be done to a necessary level. Perhaps pupils should be cleaning up after themselves more?	Revised Cleaning Models & Standards - schools	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29937	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	School cleaning has already been stripped to the bone: as a lunchtime supervisor at my place of work I regularly mop stains from the hall floor NOT caused by children eating, and obviously NOT mopped by school cleaners.	Revised Cleaning Models & Standards - schools	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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29938	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	Schools must be clean!	Revised Cleaning Models & Standards - schools	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29939	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	Please ensure that the schools are clean.	Revised Cleaning Models & Standards - schools	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29940	An employee of West Lothian Council	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	In schools more often than none are not up to any cleaning standard. This should be looked at before any cutbacks.	Revised Cleaning Models & Standards - schools	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29941	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	No cutbacks should be made in the cleaning of education facilities which have already been reduced.	Revised Cleaning Models & Standards - schools	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29942	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	Schools are already struggling with reduced cleaning services. They should not take another reduction in cleaning hours.	Revised Cleaning Models & Standards - schools	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29943	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	Cleaners need to make sure schools are clean.... Look at the top of the council ladder and cut jobs their.	Revised Cleaning Models & Standards - schools	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29944	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	Issues regarding current levels of cleaning in our school are raised regularly at Parent Council. We are concerned that any further reduction may cause a significant problem in terms of Health and Safety. WL Council's declared priorities include 'Delivering positive outcomes on health' and 'Improving attainment for school children'.	Revised Cleaning Models & Standards - schools	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29945	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	Cleaning in schools is already causing problems and will soon lead to illness if you reduce it anymore. remember each child coughs sneezes and vomits in school on a regular basis if you don't clean often and well you end up with disease spreading really fast.	Revised Cleaning Models & Standards - schools	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29946	An employee of West Lothian Council	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	Cleaning in schools has already been reduced and sometimes the school is very dirty/messy. Amongst young children this can only lead to more sickness etc.	Revised Cleaning Models & Standards - schools	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29947	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	How can the actual cleaning in schools be cut when the cleaners still get paid the same amount of hours for doing less work.	Revised Cleaning Models & Standards - schools	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29948	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	ok. But we need to make sure that our schools are clean, in order to reduce infection and colds are not passed on through contact of un-disinfected surfaces	Revised Cleaning Models & Standards - schools	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29949	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	Free School Meals for all P1-3 children is an absolute waste of money. As is the Free How cleaning specifications can be changed further is a mystery as cleaning has already been reduced to minimal and any further reductions will only result in more germ related illnesses	Revised Cleaning Models & Standards - schools	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29950	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	HUGE waste currently in schools. Good going in the recycling bin is criminal.	Revised Cleaning Models & Standards - schools	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29951	An employee of West Lothian Council	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	How cleaning specifications can be changed further is a mystery as cleaning has already been reduced to minimal and any further reductions will only result in more germ related illnesses.	Revised Cleaning Models & Standards - schools	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29952	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	Please ensure school toilets are clean, my children will often not use school toilets due to hygiene reasons.	Revised Cleaning Models & Standards - schools	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29953	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	Schools are not clean enough and infections are more wide spread. It is a very short term solution to have dirty schools.	Revised Cleaning Models & Standards - schools	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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29954	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	in other words cutting cleaners and make the teachers do it !!!!!	Revised Cleaning Models & Standards - schools	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29955	An employee of West Lothian Council	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	schools cleaning budget is already too low.....poorly looked after ....will rely on goodwill of school staff who are already stretched ....not possible to cut back on this any further.	Revised Cleaning Models & Standards - schools	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29956	An employee of West Lothian Council	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	Cleaning in schools has been cut to the absolute minimum and cannot sustain another cut without affecting the health of all it's users.	Revised Cleaning Models & Standards - schools	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29957	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	I no since the last change in the cleaning in schools the places are now dirty looking ..	Revised Cleaning Models & Standards - schools	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29958	An employee of West Lothian Council	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	The cleaners have had cuts to their Rita's and the cleaning itinery has changed. Children's tables in the classroom are not cleaned every day according to policy, whether this is a budget cut it is not ideal.	Revised Cleaning Models & Standards - schools	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29959	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	Current cleaning standards in schools are not acceptable so cutting them further will just result in poorer health of people in schools.	Revised Cleaning Models & Standards - schools	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29960	An individual	7a. Revised Catering and Cleaning Models & Standards	Cleaning within schools is key to children's sick days as well as paid teachers. Having seen hiw quickly germs can spread, a more regular deep clean of schools may help reduce work force sick days.	Revised Cleaning Models & Standards - schools	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29961	An employee of West Lothian Council	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	If this can provide the necessary savings then this should be pursued.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29962	An employee of West Lothian Council	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	Seems reasonable.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29963	An individual	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	Agree.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29964	An individual	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	Agree.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29965	An individual	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29966	An employee of West Lothian Council	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	SUPPORT	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29967	An individual	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	Seems ok.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29968	An employee of West Lothian Council	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	Yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29969	No Response	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	Have no objection	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29970	An employee of West Lothian Council	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	Sound sensible.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29971	An employee of West Lothian Council	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	This makes complete sense.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29972	An individual	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	Support proposal	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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29973	An individual	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	good idea	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29974	An employee of West Lothian Council	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	Full support	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29975	An individual	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29976	An individual	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	yes, i agree with this	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29977	An employee of West Lothian Council	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	Agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29978	An individual	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	Sounds reasonable.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29979	An individual	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	Seems a good idea.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29980	An employee of West Lothian Council	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	Fine	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29981	An employee of West Lothian Council	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	I agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29982	An individual	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	Good idea.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29983	An individual	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	Good proposal	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29984	An individual	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	Yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29985	An employee of West Lothian Council	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29986	An individual	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	OK.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29987	An individual	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29988	No Response	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	I agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29989	An individual	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29990	An employee of West Lothian Council	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29991	An individual	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	Agree.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29992	An individual	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	Sensible	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29993	An individual	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	Seems sensible	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29994	An individual	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	happy with this	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29995	An employee of West Lothian Council	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29996	An individual	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29997	An individual	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	Agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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29998	An individual	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
29999	An individual	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	Seems ok	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30000	An individual	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	Positive	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30001	An individual	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	Agree with this proposal.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30002	An individual	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	Support but be aware if it is cut too much it is no longer a working service	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30003	An individual	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	go ahead with the savings	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30004	An individual	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	This service needs a massive review- the wasted time is priceless	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30005	An employee of West Lothian Council	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	I agree wholeheartedly with this proposal.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30006	An individual	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	sounds practical	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30007	An individual	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	This should already have been done.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30008	An individual	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	I support this change	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30009	An individual	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	I agree with the Council's proposals for the moment to see how they all work out. Thank you.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30010	An employee of West Lothian Council	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	Sounds very good to me!	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30011	An individual	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	Shouldn't you be doing this anyway?	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30012	An individual	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	This sounds a reasonable saving.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30013	An employee of West Lothian Council	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	great if it works	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30014	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	vgood idea	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30015	An individual	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	WORTHWHILE PLAN	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30016	An individual	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	This makes good sense.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30017	An employee of West Lothian Council	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	This makes sense and with thought could work quite well.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30018	An employee of West Lothian Council	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	With reduced staff comes reduced programmes so the council then need to get used to saying No to the local community groups who use these services.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30019	An individual	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	This could absolutely to much better	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30020	An individual	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	yes.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30021	An individual	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	Agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30022	An individual	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	sounds good to me	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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30023	An employee of West Lothian Council	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	Makes sense.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30024	An employee of West Lothian Council	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	Makes sense.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30025	An individual	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	Agree.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30026	An employee of West Lothian Council	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30027	No Response	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30028	An individual	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	ok.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30029	An individual	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30030	An individual	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30031	An individual	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	Ok	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30032	An individual	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	Ok	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30033	An individual	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	I support this idea	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30034	An individual	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	Agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30035	An individual	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	Good	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30036	An individual	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30037	An individual	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	Seems reasonable.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30038	An individual	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	Makes sense	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30039	An individual	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	I support this.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30040	No Response	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	Agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30041	An individual	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	Sensible	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30042	An individual	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	Agreed.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30043	An employee of West Lothian Council	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	This is fair.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30044	An employee of West Lothian Council	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30045	An employee of West Lothian Council	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	Good	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30046	An individual	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	Sounds good	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30047	An employee of West Lothian Council	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	I would support this proposal.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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30048	An employee of West Lothian Council	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	Agree.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30049	An individual	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	Acceptable	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30050	An individual	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	Agreed,	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30051	An individual	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	Agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30052	An individual	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	Seems reasonable.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30053	An individual	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30054	An employee of West Lothian Council	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	agree with proposal	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30055	An individual	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	Ok	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30056	An individual	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	Fair	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30057	An individual	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	I agree with this proposal.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30058	An individual	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	I agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30059	An employee of West Lothian Council	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30060	An individual	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	I agree with this.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30061	An individual	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30062	An individual	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30063	No Response	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30064	An employee of West Lothian Council	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	I don't know why we wouldn't be doing this even if we didn't face cuts. To not do it is being wasteful.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30065	An individual	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	Once again, should be getting dealt with all the time	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30066	An employee of West Lothian Council	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	Should be happening any way.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30067	An individual	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	All possible scheduling and funding must be revised without any detriment being caused.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30068	An individual	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	Essential	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30069	An employee of West Lothian Council	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	would agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30070	An individual	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	I have no objection to this.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30071	An individual	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	Sounds sensible.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30072	An employee of West Lothian Council	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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30073	An employee of West Lothian Council	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30074	An individual	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30075	An individual	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	Ok	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30076	An individual	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30077	An individual	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	Seems sensible.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30078	An employee of West Lothian Council	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	Agree.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30079	An individual	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	Ok	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30080	An individual	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	Sounds sensible.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30081	An employee of West Lothian Council	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	Overdue.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30082	An employee of West Lothian Council	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	Agree with this proposal.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30083	An individual	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30084	An employee of West Lothian Council	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	Agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30085	An individual	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	Again sensible	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30086	An individual	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	Agree, some people have the attitude it's not my job....not good. Might make them look at things differently.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30087	An individual	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	Agree. All schools can be covered by an area FM team rather than one.per school.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30088	An individual	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	I support.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30089	An individual	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	I agree with the above.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30090	An employee of West Lothian Council	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	Good use of resources.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30091	An individual	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	Think this would be a good saving	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30092	An individual	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	Ok	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30093	An individual	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	Agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30094	An individual	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	Sounds fair	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30095	An individual	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	Fine	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30096	An individual	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	Seems sensible suggestion.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30097	An employee of West Lothian Council	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	This appears to be a reasonable proposal.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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30098	An individual	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	a review is ok	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30099	An individual	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	Sensible	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30100	An individual	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	Agreed.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30101	An individual	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30102	An individual	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30103	An individual	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	I agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30104	An individual	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30105	An individual	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	Ok	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30106	An individual	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	OK	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30107	An individual	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	Agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30108	An individual	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	I would support this	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30109	An employee of West Lothian Council	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30110	An individual	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	Sounds like a good idea!	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30111	An employee of West Lothian Council	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	agree with proposal	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30112	An employee of West Lothian Council	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30113	An employee of West Lothian Council	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30114	An employee of West Lothian Council	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	I agree with this proposal	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30115	An individual	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30116	An employee of West Lothian Council	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30117	An employee of West Lothian Council	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30118	An individual	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	I agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30119	An employee of West Lothian Council	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	Agree.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30120	An employee of West Lothian Council	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	agreed.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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30147	An individual	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	Understand why this is necessary.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30148	An employee of West Lothian Council	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	Good	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30149	An individual	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30150	No Response	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	OK	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30151	An employee of West Lothian Council	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	Agreed.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30152	An individual	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30153	An individual	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30154	An individual	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	Ok	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30155	An employee of West Lothian Council	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	should be reviewed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30156	An employee of West Lothian Council	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	Yes definitely a saving here	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30157	An individual	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	Makes perfect sense and is normal in all other workplaces.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30158	No Response	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	OK	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30159	An individual	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	Seems a sensible idea to make savings	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30160	An employee of West Lothian Council	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	I agree with this proposal.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30161	An individual	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	Agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30162	An individual	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	Fine	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30163	An individual	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	Agree.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30164	An individual	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30165	An individual	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	No problem with this	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30166	An employee of West Lothian Council	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	This is a reasonable measure that I support.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30167	An individual	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	Agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30168	An individual	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	Seems sensible	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30169	An employee of West Lothian Council	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30170	An individual	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	Agreed.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30171	An individual	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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30172	An employee of West Lothian Council	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30173	An individual	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	OK	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30174	An individual	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	Ok	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30175	An individual	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	Agreed. This looks like an area where significant efficiencies could be achieved.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30176	An individual	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	no problem	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30177	An individual	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30178	An individual	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	Ok	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30179	An individual	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30180	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	Agreed.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30181	An employee of West Lothian Council	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30182	An employee of West Lothian Council	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	Supportive in principle albeit based on limited information	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30183	An employee of West Lothian Council	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	agreed- no comments.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30184	An individual	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	Yes. More efficient.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30185	An individual	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	Fine	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30186	An employee of West Lothian Council	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30187	An individual	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	Sounds fine.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30188	An individual	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30189	An employee of West Lothian Council	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30190	An individual	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	i agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30191	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30192	An employee of West Lothian Council	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	Seems achievable idea.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30193	An individual	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	I completely agree with this.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30194	An individual	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	yeah	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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30195	An employee of West Lothian Council	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	Agree.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30196	An employee of West Lothian Council	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30197	An employee of West Lothian Council	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30198	An employee of West Lothian Council	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	I agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30199	An individual	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30200	An individual	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	Look okay as it is possible to evaluate given the vague descriptions given in the 'Transforming Your Council'	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30201	An individual	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	I agree with the proposal.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30202	An individual	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	All proposals are sound.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30203	An individual	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	never work	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30204	An individual	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	Why are you not already doing this?	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30205	An individual	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	I feel that this is not necessary.	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30206	An individual	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	Do not agree	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30207	An individual	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	There should be no changes to the existing!	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30208	An individual	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	no	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30209	An individual	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	none	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30210	An employee of West Lothian Council	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	To ensure high quality provision facilities management should be protected.	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30211	An individual	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	I don't agree with this. This amount of savings is not justified.	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30212	An individual	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	None	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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30213	An individual	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	Don't agree	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30214	An individual	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	No to this proposal. FMA work unsocial hours , shift etc- 6am - 10 pm to maintain school are open and secure including daily maintenance involving anything that is required by the school and HT. Work covering other schools when staff are off sick/AL etc. without any extra payments (under valued). extra duties: Weed out staff who are regularly off sick for long periods of time each (year)- Also staff who think that most jobs are not theirs i.e. its not my job and whom do not work there pests this should be monitored by managers and school HT. Management staff levels are to high thins could be reduced.	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30215	An employee of West Lothian Council	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	Like many of the proposals in this consultation, it is difficult to comment without knowing more of the context. Do you really expect consultees to disagree with a proposal which says the Council will 'seek' to do anything 'better'?	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30216	An employee of West Lothian Council	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	How? How many job losses?	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30217	An individual	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	No opinion	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30218	An individual	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	This statement is too general to elicit a comment It is a 'do your job' statement.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30219	An individual	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	Not applicable.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30220	An employee of West Lothian Council	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	unable to respond	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30221	An individual	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	what will this entail good idea m	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30222	An employee of West Lothian Council	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	no comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30223	An individual	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	No comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30224	An individual	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	Cannot comment.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30225	An individual	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	No comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30226	An employee of West Lothian Council	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	N/A	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30227	An individual	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	No comment.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30228	An employee of West Lothian Council	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	No comment.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30229	An individual	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	No comment.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30230	An employee of West Lothian Council	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	N/A	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30231	An individual	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	Unsure what the impact/actual actions of this will be.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30232	An employee of West Lothian Council	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	This survey is too long at there is both too much and not enough information.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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30233	An individual	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	No detail here	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30234	An individual	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	What is meant by opening hours	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30235	An employee of West Lothian Council	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	âœ“	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30236	An individual	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	I don't understand budgeting advantages and restraints enough to comment.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30237	An employee of West Lothian Council	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	i dont not know wat this means	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30238	An individual	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	No comment as not clear what this affects.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30239	An individual	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	Operational management issue that should not require tax payers permission through a consultation.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30240	An individual	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	No comment on this	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30241	An individual	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	No comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30242	An individual	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	-	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30243	An individual	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	No comment.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30244	An individual	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	No comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30245	An employee of West Lothian Council	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30246	An employee of West Lothian Council	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	N/a	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30247	An individual	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	No comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30248	An employee of West Lothian Council	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	No comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30249	An employee of West Lothian Council	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	-	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30250	An individual	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	Not sure what this means. Is it fir staff and pupils or cleaning staff etc	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30251	An employee of West Lothian Council	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	No comment as don't know enough.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30252	An employee of West Lothian Council	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	I don't have enough information to comment.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30253	No Response	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	dgdgd	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30254	An employee of West Lothian Council	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	As above.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30255	An individual	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	Translated to plain English, what does this mean? Why the avoidance of explaining this in plain language? What is it that the Council hopes to sneak through under my nose?	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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30256	An individual	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	nil	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30257	An individual	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	No Comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30258	An employee of West Lothian Council	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	No Comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30259	An individual	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	No comment.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30260	An individual	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	No comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30261	An employee of West Lothian Council	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	No comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30262	An employee of West Lothian Council	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	NA	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30263	An individual	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	How can we comment on this What does it mean?	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30264	An individual	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	More information is needed	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30265	An individual	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	no comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30266	An individual	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	No comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30267	An individual	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	No comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30268	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	More detail required.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30269	An individual	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	No comment.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30270	An individual	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30271	An individual	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	No comment.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30272	An individual	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	No comments	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30273	An individual	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	No comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30274	No Response	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	Don't know enough about this to comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30275	An employee of West Lothian Council	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	no comment.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30276	An individual	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	No comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30277	An individual	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	No comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30278	An employee of West Lothian Council	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	No comments	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30279	An employee of West Lothian Council	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	NO COMMENT	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30280	An individual	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	Vague	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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30281	An individual	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	No comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30282	An employee of West Lothian Council	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	Sounds good in theory but no practical evidence is given to support this action.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30283	An individual	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	No comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30284	An individual	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	No comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30285	An individual	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	No comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30286	An individual	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	no comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30287	No Response	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	Not enough information to provide comment.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30288	An individual	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	What?	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30289	An individual	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	why is this not done routinely?	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30290	An individual	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	Depends on detail and what would be affected.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30291	An individual	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	No idea what is being proposed here. Too vague again	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30292	An individual	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	I am not qualified to comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30293	An individual	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	What does this mean? I didn't think you owned half the schools anyway.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30294	An individual	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	No comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30295	An individual	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	no comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30296	An individual	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	Noted.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30297	An individual	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	No comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30298	An individual	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	Lacks detail and outline of financial savings, a poor reflection of consultation questionnaire.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30299	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	We do not believe we have the knowledge or experience of this area to be able to make an informed comment on it.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30300	An individual	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	No comment.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30301	An individual	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	Not enough detail to know the impact	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30302	An employee of West Lothian Council	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	The council have not provided enough indepth information for me to make an informed comment on this, as all information about this whole consultation is more secret that area 51.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30303	An individual	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	Don't know the details, so can't comment.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30304	An individual	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	Don't know what you propose to actually do	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30305	An individual	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	unable to comment as not in plain english	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30306	An individual	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	How many people know who or what this refers to? Underfunded and undervalued.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30307	An individual	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	Unsure	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30308	An individual	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	No comment.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30309	An individual	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	No comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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30310	An individual	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	Unable to comment.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30311	An employee of West Lothian Council	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	School Crossing Patrols covering lunchtimes should also be an area for investigation as children who have the opportunity to go home for lunch are obviously going home to parents who are not at work, therefore it should be parent's responsibility to collect their child at this time, take them home, and bring them back again.	Revised Facilities Management in Schools (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30312	No Response	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	School Crossing Patrols covering lunchtimes should also be an area for investigation as children who have the opportunity to go home for lunch are obviously going home to parents who are not at work, therefore it should be parent's responsibility to collect their child at this time, take them home, and bring them back again.	Revised Facilities Management in Schools (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30313	No Response	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	Not a great amount of money to be saved here. If anything the council should consider extending building opening hours to 7.30 am through to 6.30 pm.	Revised Facilities Management in Schools (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30314	No Response	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	This should include rationalisation of building lets to ensure resources are being used most efficiently.	Revised Facilities Management in Schools (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30315	An individual	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	In my experience, as a teacher and parent, "janitors" have the easiest job in the school. More control required....under the direct supervision of headteachers NOT council officials if that is not the case already?	Revised Facilities Management in Schools (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30316	No Response	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	Would welcome longer opening hours, or a facility to go and work in longer hours i.e. hot desking if required	Revised Facilities Management in Schools (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30317	An individual	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	Ok but after school cover can be a lifesaver for working parents. Early morning breakfast club as well. Removing these early/late session can put parent in difficult situation. Creating unemployed people on benefit is never a saving. Support service that allow parents to get to and from work at suitable hours is better.	Revised Facilities Management in Schools (general)	5b. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it is likely that the costs of this proposal would outweigh the benefit.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30318	An employee of West Lothian Council	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	Very concerning regarding opening hours of schools. Teaching staff need access to schools as it is where all the equipment and materials are kept. A reduction in opening hours would block teachers ability to plan appropriately. This could result in a drop in standards and attainment.	Revised Facilities Management in Schools (general)	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30319	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	Many of our clubs use West Lothian Schools for their activities. Most of our swimming clubs use the school pools in to provide affordable swimming development and performance development to a large number of children within West Lothian. What impact will revised scheduling of activities, cover arrangements and opening hours have on community clubs?	Revised Facilities Management in Schools (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30320	An individual	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	Perhaps consideration should be given to providing a reduction in the number of facilities that need to be kept open e.g. are the number of schools open at night still required or could the services provided be amalgamated with another school.	Revised Facilities Management in Schools (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30321	An individual	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	In addition facilities management staff should be given contracts of employment that allow them to be transferred to any building in West Lothian at no extra cost to the council.	Revised Facilities Management in Schools (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30322	An individual	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	I'm not convinced the education and awareness for bullying users would deliver cash savings. Also the council should protect the services of those lowest paid as all too often these posts take a disproportionate level of savings compared to higher paid staff. Building cleaning standards should not be reduced.	Revised Facilities Management in Schools (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30323	An employee of West Lothian Council	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	7B) The FM service is definitely needing reviewed as there are janitors who are not in the school half the time and support staff are left to cover the workload. They are also able to take holidays outwith the school term. This is ludicrous. If work is going on in schools during holiday time then bank staff should be used to cover this and your permanent FM personnel should work normal school hours.	Revised Facilities Management in Schools (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30324	No Response	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	Please watch you do not prevent organisations using schools etc in the evenings and at weekends by reducing janitorial cover. For example, where can we hold church Sunday Clubs when we have no halls locally ?	Revised Facilities Management in Schools (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30325	No Response	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	If you are to derive income from your school hall and pool lets etc janitor cover/access must be maintained.	Revised Facilities Management in Schools (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30326	No Response	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	7B) The FM service is definitely needing reviewed as there are janitors who are not in the school half the time and support staff are left to cover the workload. They are also able to take holidays outwith the school term. This is ludicrous. If work is going on in schools during holiday time then bank staff should be used to cover this and your permanent FM personnel should work normal school hours.	Revised Facilities Management in Schools (general)	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	FMA's cannot work normal school hours as part of their duties are to open and close the school and accommodate lets which happen in the evenings

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30327	An employee of West Lothian Council	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	Further reduction in FMA will pass on workload to senior management teams and other staff in schools .	Revised Facilities Management in Schools (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30328	An individual	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	Why have you been wasting so much of our money up to this point?	Revised Facilities Management in Schools (general)	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30329	An individual	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	Why have you been wasting so much of our money up to this point?	Revised Facilities Management in Schools (general)	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30330	An individual	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	Will Head Teachers have involvement in the review?	Revised Facilities Management in Schools (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30331	An individual	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	Agree. Again, these could all be put out to tender with the contractor appointed taking on all staff and HR issues.	Revised Facilities Management in Schools (general)	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30332	An individual	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	Noted - however school halls can be a valuable resource for the community and community engagement generally - this should not be forgotten in the attempt to save costs.	Revised Facilities Management in Schools (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30333	An individual	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	Facilities management in schools already too light	Revised Facilities Management in Schools (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30334	An individual	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	Schools should be able to be accessed by communities, this is not the case for all schools in West Lothian. Facilities management services are often keen to see groups using them out of the buildings before their time slot is up. Review is necessary here.	Revised Facilities Management in Schools (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30335	An individual	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	If School janitorial support time is to be it, then access to schools from f immunity and voluntary groups will need a rethink/ application of new technology.	Revised Facilities Management in Schools (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30336	An individual	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	Need to make sure this does not impact on the organisations using ancillary school properties I.e. community wings/ rooms, etc. Many groups depend on access to community facilities to survive as there are few or no alternative facilities. Many groups run on very low incomes so cost is also a significant issue. It would be very easy to push many groups out of existence based on access and cost policies. We should be looking at greater flexibility to increase use and therefore income rather than leaving space empty.	Revised Facilities Management in Schools (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30337	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	It would be another tragedy that after school activities and community activities would be cut when we have excellent facilities and building to support them. We have an aging and increasingly obese population who need support and company and this could be provided in school buildings rather than spreading around all over.	Revised Facilities Management in Schools (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30338	An individual	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	If this means no after school activities I disagree. As stated re community centres close community centres and create community schools.	Revised Facilities Management in Schools (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30339	An individual	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	OK if does not result in a fall in quality of service.	Revised Facilities Management in Schools (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30340	An employee of West Lothian Council	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	If you can see where you are going or find a parking space then bash on with that review. The car parking spaces in most schools are over populated both by the number of staff who could car-share but don't or just by the sheer size of the cars. The spaces are mostly sized to the spec of 1980's cars. The lighting around some school facilities is atrocious. Bathgate Academy is one in particular. I badly kerbed my car there last week because I couldn't see the damn surroundings. I think I counted at least 5 non-functioning lamp posts just in the front car park of the building.	Revised Facilities Management in Schools (general)	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30341	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	Agreed if closures do not occur	Revised Facilities Management in Schools (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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30342	An individual	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	As long as this doesn't interfere with out of hours use of the facilities.	Revised Facilities Management in Schools (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30343	An individual	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	What is the proposal regarding opening hours and what services to the public will be reduced? More detail required.	Revised Facilities Management in Schools (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30344	An individual	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	Perhaps the role of school janitor should be reintroduced this would negate the need to engage in communication with third party providers for very small jobs eg changing light bulbs. It would also cut down on travel and pollution, time lost while travelling and would allow the head to have direct control of maintenance needs.	Revised Facilities Management in Schools (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30345	An individual	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	Implement with care about how this impacts with customers.	Revised Facilities Management in Schools (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30346	An individual	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	Current facilities management is poor in some schools. Better value for value is required. Leaking roofs/windows on buildings that council has relinquished responsibility for is not good enough.	Revised Facilities Management in Schools (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30347	An individual	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	School Crossing Patrols covering lunchtimes should also be an area for investigation as children who have the opportunity to go home for lunch are obviously going home to parents who are not at work, therefore it should be parent's responsibility to collect their child at this time, take them home, and bring them back again.	Revised Facilities Management in Schools (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30348	An individual	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	The FM service is definitely needing reviewed as there are janitors who are not in the school half the time and support staff are left to cover the workload. They are also able to take holidays outwith the school term. This is ludicrous. If work is going on in schools during holiday time then bank staff should be used to cover this and your permanent FM personnel should work normal school hours.	Revised Facilities Management in Schools (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30349	An employee of West Lothian Council	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	School Crossing Patrols covering lunchtimes should also be an area for investigation as children who have the opportunity to go home for lunch are obviously going home to parents who are not at work, therefore it should be parent's responsibility to collect their child at this time, take them home, and bring them back again.	Revised Facilities Management in Schools (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30350	An employee of West Lothian Council	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	The FM service is definitely needing reviewed as there are janitors who are not in the school half the time and support staff are left to cover the workload. They are also able to take holidays outwith the school term. This is ludicrous. If work is going on in schools during holiday time then bank staff should be used to cover this and your permanent FM personnel should work normal school hours	Revised Facilities Management in Schools (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30351	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	More information required on this proposal before we can make any comment. With all 9 high schools now under the direction of West Lothian Leisure and the service level agreements stating that all high school will be open at the weekends if id difficult to see where they potential savings are to be made.	Revised Facilities Management in Schools (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30352	An individual	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	Why are there crossing patrol persons based outwith schools i.e Bathgate academy when there is a pedestrian crossing right at the school gates? Surely high school children between the ages of 12 - 18 can use a pedestrian crossing, leaving the crossing patrol staff to be relocated to primary schools or special needs schools.	Revised Facilities Management in Schools (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30353	An employee of West Lothian Council	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	School Crossing Patrols covering lunchtimes should also be an area for investigation as children who have the opportunity to go home for lunch are obviously going home to parents who are not at work, therefore it should be parent's responsibility to collect their child at this time, take them home, and bring them back again.	Revised Facilities Management in Schools (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30354	An employee of West Lothian Council	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	The FM service is definitely needing reviewed as there are janitors who are not in the school half the time and support staff are left to cover the workload. They are also able to take holidays outwith the school term. This is ludicrous. If work is going on in schools during holiday time then bank staff should be used to cover this and your permanent FM personnel should work normal school hours. also why have FMS got Co-ordinators when FMS has Supervisors more money not spent well.	Revised Facilities Management in Schools (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30355	An employee of West Lothian Council	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	Mirror other best practice and proposals for cross authority working currently underway. Remove non statutory services such as School Crossing Patrols. Ensure costing on any support to schools on summer programmes is fully funded by Education to avoid other services taking the costs in within their own budget often at expense- i.e activity meal provision where numbers do not equal commissioned service leading to food waste and surplus staff unnecessarily. Reduce number of schools open for lets to only be larger schools. Ensure schools co-ordinate programmes of night activity to avoid excess overtime on multiple FM staff needed. Use technology to reduce keys for access over electronic access systems negating requirement for physical staff to open and close. All FM services (Leisure, community, Corporate, Operational etc to come under one service)	Revised Facilities Management in Schools (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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30356	An employee of West Lothian Council	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	Centralise FM services under one service relating to the facilities management of all buildings and streamline management structure. Be efficient in move/relocation management and space planning across Education and corporate buildings and run this via FM avoiding teacher resources being used to plan school moves etc when there are teacher shortages and to ensure consistent and quality approach to this requirement.	Revised Facilities Management in Schools (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30357	An employee of West Lothian Council	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	Dovetail this in with professional FM service aligned under one service only and not pockets in several services. This will enable streamlining of management structure and consistent approach across the council. Look to using the professional skills of your FM team as a potential for income generation - space planning, relocation work, building factoring etc.	Revised Facilities Management in Schools (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30358	An employee of West Lothian Council	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	It is vital to support this initiative that you remove the 'responsible person' approach to building management and align it under one FM management structure tying in with corporate Landlord model. Dovetail this in with professional FM service aligned under one service only and not pockets in several services. This will enable streamlining of management structure and consistent approach across the council.	Revised Facilities Management in Schools (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30359	An individual	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	OK, you could also help schools deliver education and awareness of building users whilst meeting statutory cleaning requirements	Revised Facilities Management in Schools (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30360	An individual	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	Some more sharing of services and cut in opening hours will make a small saving but this is a drop in the ocean in Education budget.	Revised Facilities Management in Schools (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30361	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	It does seem fair enough that school users out with school hours should leave the property as they found it. However there are concerns that undoubtedly this will not always happen and the responsibility will again fall to overstretched school staff. This could easily result in health and safety issues to children, such as broken glass or hygiene uses, which would surely come to council. The cost of cleaning could surely be incorporated into the price of the let.	Revised Facilities Management in Schools (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30362	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	This is fine as long as the staff have the time and resources to safely do their job. Lets to school provide income but require janitor cover to be undertaken safely.	Revised Facilities Management in Schools (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30363	An individual	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	Review of the roles of FMA in school would be a good idea	Revised Facilities Management in Schools (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30364	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	Has an equality impact assessment been carried out for each of the budget proposals? It is essential that this is done at the earliest opportunity in order to assess what the impact will be on those in the protected characteristics groups and those already experiencing disadvantage.	Revised Facilities Management in Schools (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	The council will carry out the appropriate equality impact assessment in relation to all proposals
30365	An individual	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	Contract this element out to local community trusts	Revised Facilities Management in Schools (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30366	An employee of West Lothian Council	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	The council has over the last few years made a lot of jobs up in the FMA Services over the last two years. cleaning/kitchen coordinators - on call team the old way was better as the people on the patch knew the buildings.	Revised Facilities Management in Schools (general)	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30367	An employee of West Lothian Council	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	As we all know the schools are also community used buildings. there for FMA'S are going between schools a lot of times at night. covering issues where where not a problem when it was a 4 school patch as long as it only had one community school on the patch. so when you had one person off it was covered by the fma on the middle shift	Revised Facilities Management in Schools (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30368	An employee of West Lothian Council	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	Consider building closures were possible between Christmas and new year to save on heating costs.	Revised Facilities Management in Schools (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30369	An individual	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	The council should review where it can make savings in its delivery - e.g. have 'gold standards' (seen set in the good times that can be compromised)	Revised Facilities Management in Schools (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30370	An individual	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	I don't know how this will work as many facility managers cover more than one building at present. If this is reduced the support needs at the facility and its security could be compromised	Revised Facilities Management in Schools (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30371	An individual	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	Seems good, but why was this service not carried out on an ongoing basis?	Revised Facilities Management in Schools (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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30372	An individual	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	All no 7 section will result in poorer services for everyone	Revised Facilities Management in Schools (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30373	An individual	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	No change to opening hours for schools.	Revised Facilities Management in Schools (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30374	An employee of West Lothian Council	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	Have a third party facility management for schools. Staff need more support from councillors when tenants aren't complying with their lease and staff are trying to enforce lease terms.	Revised Facilities Management in Schools (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30375	An individual	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	Many of our clubs use West Lothian Schools for their activities. Most of our swimming clubs use the school pools in to provide affordable swimming development and performance development to a large number of children within West Lothian. What impact will revised scheduling of activities, cover arrangements and opening hours have on community clubs?	Revised Facilities Management in Schools (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30376	An individual	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	Janitors work shifts, and receive shift allowance. They work through the summer holidays???? WHY I think janitor should work the same as teachers and other staff in the school. Or 7am till 5. This would save Â£1000s of money. Summer holidays they should be off too. Have 1 janitor on for there area on a rota to open and close schools etc. If any work is book then the janitor will know and make sure they are there to let work work men in. All school should close at the same time and this will reduce hours worked and save big money.	Revised Facilities Management in Schools (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30377	An individual	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	The council keep making changes they made changes a year past . Schools they have the FMA's which do a great job they have a Locality co ordinator then a team manager then another manager I am sure they do not need all these Managers this would be a huge saving over the 5 years also.	Revised Facilities Management in Schools (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30378	An employee of West Lothian Council	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	Some events and activities have to be in evenings to allow working parents to attend.	Revised Facilities Management in Schools (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	Proven will exist to support events that take place in the evenings.
30379	An employee of West Lothian Council	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	In other words less after school activities.	Revised Facilities Management in Schools (general)	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30380	An employee of West Lothian Council	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	Agree, but will need to be accompanied by contracts for staff that fit the requirement and not the other way around.	Revised Facilities Management in Schools (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comments have been noted. This will form part of service review.
30381	An employee of West Lothian Council	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	Any savings that can be made through a review of these services it to be welcomed.	Revised Facilities Management in Schools (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30382	An individual	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	Put out to tender	Revised Facilities Management in Schools (general)	5d. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it has been previously considered and will not be progressed.	Delivering services using an external provider would not prove to be cost effective
30383	An employee of West Lothian Council	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	I am not able to comment on this	Revised Facilities Management in Schools (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30384	An individual	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	As long as no jobs lost	Revised Facilities Management in Schools (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The delivery of the proposal would include revised service headcount.
30385	No Response	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	A saving could be made with lollipop men/women who are covering pelican crossings & zebra crossings. There are several of these in Addiewell/Blackburn/Whitburn etc. If the children cross at a crossing, where is the need for a lollipop man/woman?	Revised Facilities Management in Schools (general)	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	School Crossing Patrol Guide review is not included as part of the proposal

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30386	An individual	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	Open schools up to public use and maximise there use.	Revised Facilities Management in Schools (general)	5b. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it is likely that the costs of this proposal would outweigh the benefit.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30387	An individual	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	This is grwat as it is very outdated	Revised Facilities Management in Schools (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30388	An individual	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	not sure what this is? is this reducing hours for school janitors?	Revised Facilities Management in Schools (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	This proposal is considering a review of cover arrangements and opening hours.
30389	An individual	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	some partnerships FM services cover 7 days a week rota, some do six days a week rota meaning they do a 5 over 7 shift pattern.....schools do five days a week rota, get the same shift allowance (14%) as the 6 or 7 day guysyet rarely do a 5 over 7 shift pattern....yet if the school janitor works a Saturday or sunday, they get overtime pay (and not a day in lieu like the partnership guys and girls) overtime could be reduced	Revised Facilities Management in Schools (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30390	An individual	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	opening hours should be reviewed and buildings opened less often.	Revised Facilities Management in Schools (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30391	An individual	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	How, they are already over stretched	Revised Facilities Management in Schools (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30392	No Response	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	Perhaps i these areas cuts could be made to working environments etc (staff don't require fancy art work in offices expensive desks, chairs, lighting architecture) I'm sure of these staff were consulted they would agree a job means more than the ambiance of the room	Revised Facilities Management in Schools (general)	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30393	An individual	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	very helpfull, maximise usage promote more volunteers	Revised Facilities Management in Schools (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30394	An individual	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	FMA are an intricate part of school life - most work very hard and are part of the school community.	Revised Facilities Management in Schools (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30395	An individual	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	If schools/council need to make money from their facilities this needs to be managed against the FM support needed to support that.	Revised Facilities Management in Schools (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30396	An individual	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	it would be an interesting comparison to see what outsourcing to a private provider would cost	Revised Facilities Management in Schools (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30397	An individual	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	charge clubs / organisations using schools in the evenings levy contribution for cleaning and maintenance regime.	Revised Facilities Management in Schools (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30398	An individual	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	What is facilities management in schools? This is too vague a comment. Does this mean kitchens, cleaning etc?	Revised Facilities Management in Schools (general)	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30399	An individual	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	need to hire out more schools	Revised Facilities Management in Schools (general)	5b. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it is likely that the costs of this proposal would outweigh the benefit.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30400	An individual	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	As mentioned earlier why are schools not shut down over the Christmas period. The cost of staffing and opening buildings for service users needs to be considered. A count of service users of community schools at this time of year should be done and the result be measured against the cost of keeping them open over the Christmas week/2 week period	Revised Facilities Management in Schools (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30401	An employee of West Lothian Council	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	Only if people are able to change their times, don't force clubs to move out of community building or close because you want to save a bit of money.	Revised Facilities Management in Schools (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30402	An individual	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	This is linked to whether the correctly trained staff are available rather than making do with staff transferred from other duties.	Revised Facilities Management in Schools (general)	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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30403	An employee of West Lothian Council	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	I feel that we should stop letting out primary schools to outside organisations, as the money brought in will likely not cover heating and lighting costs. There are plenty community centres, village halls, churches etc... out there who would appreciate the business. Opening a school for one organisation is just not cost effective.	Revised Facilities Management in Schools (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30404	An employee of West Lothian Council	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	Stop external lets in primary schools, that will save cleaning costs.	Revised Facilities Management in Schools (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30405	An employee of West Lothian Council	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	Stop letting out primary schools to external organisations, this will help to revise cover arrangements.	Revised Facilities Management in Schools (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30406	An employee of West Lothian Council	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	Many schools are very busy outwith school hours and there may be scope to bring in more income this way.	Revised Facilities Management in Schools (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30407	An individual	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	In theory this sounds good but I think this may not be achievable	Revised Facilities Management in Schools (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30408	An employee of West Lothian Council	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	I believe staff are already struggling with cover and scheduling so I think this would only bring on greater stress to the remaining staff.	Revised Facilities Management in Schools (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30409	An individual	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	Get the private sector to deliver, cheaper and better.	Revised Facilities Management in Schools (general)	5c. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it is not consistent with the council's values and priorities.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30410	An employee of West Lothian Council	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	Stop allowing school buildings to be used in the evenings by external groups. This will reduce running costs and overtime payments to janitors.	Revised Facilities Management in Schools (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30411	An employee of West Lothian Council	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	Schools don't need a janitor at each school. 1 between 2 is more than sufficient. The one on duty is never around when work to be done. Can often be found relaxing in his room playing cards on his PC for hours on end. It's bad when the janitor from down the road can pop in for a 2 hour chat with our janitor!	Revised Facilities Management in Schools (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30412	An employee of West Lothian Council	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	Janitors get money for nothing.... yet to see one break into a sweat! There's not enough work for one to be based at a school. Once he's opened up the building in the morning all he does is play cards on his PC and chat until home time. Easiest shift within WLC	Revised Facilities Management in Schools (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30413	An employee of West Lothian Council	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	Agree. Perhaps reduced lets access would help.	Revised Facilities Management in Schools (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30414	An employee of West Lothian Council	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	Security in schools needs to remain a priority.	Revised Facilities Management in Schools (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30415	An individual	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	No comment - opening hours do not affect me	Revised Facilities Management in Schools (general)	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30416	An employee of West Lothian Council	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	If management committees are charging for community centre lets then why cant they provide cover for events in the community buildings or pay towards the cost of staffing events, opening and closing buildings.	Revised Facilities Management in Schools (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30417	An employee of West Lothian Council	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	This could be counter-productive insofar as many activities pay to hire space in a building. If these activities are removed, then the council is depriving itself of income.	Revised Facilities Management in Schools (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30418	An employee of West Lothian Council	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	this will put more pressure on school staff e.g.	Revised Facilities Management in Schools (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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30419	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	Extend key holders to user lets	Revised Facilities Management in Schools (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30420	An employee of West Lothian Council	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	WLC failed to 'sweat the assets' under the PFI/PPP schools and screwed up big style in passing these sports areas to WLL (rates relief for ALEO's about to be roved from March 2018). Maybe you can make this part of the revised DSM model for schools and have head teachers open /close/maintain facilities and teachers clean the classrooms, halls and toilets	Revised Facilities Management in Schools (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30421	An individual	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	I would not support this as schools are filthy currently. I cannot imagine how unhygienic they would be with even less cleaning.	Revised Facilities Management in Schools (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30422	An individual	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	As long as it doesn't interfere with youth work	Revised Facilities Management in Schools (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30423	An employee of West Lothian Council	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	Facility managers are already over stretched with what they are expected to do	Revised Facilities Management in Schools (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30424	An employee of West Lothian Council	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	I would propose all primary schools are closed in the evenings allowing the FMA's shift to be reduced. A couple of days per term for parents evenings could be facilitated. Public can use community centres and community high school or private venues for activities. The saving on FMA time would be considerable	Revised Facilities Management in Schools (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30425	An employee of West Lothian Council	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	Reduce the time primary schools can remain open they should all be close in the evening which mean FMA's finish with the cleaners at 6 and this will save money.	Revised Facilities Management in Schools (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30426	An employee of West Lothian Council	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	Disagree: Would opening hours not increase if asset transfer is not an option for some communities and the buildings can no longer be supported by council - the groups engaging in activities at those centres would be looking for alternative accommodation and schools would be high on the list (if affordable)	Revised Facilities Management in Schools (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30427	An employee of West Lothian Council	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	I would support this. There should be no provision of janitors when schools are closed unless by specific arrangement, such as building works etc. which cannot be carried out in term time. I believe that schools should not be opened outwith term time for lets etc.	Revised Facilities Management in Schools (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30428	An individual	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	Facilities are needed more than being cut	Revised Facilities Management in Schools (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30429	An individual	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	Already some schools don't have caretaker on site, what happens in an emergency situation.	Revised Facilities Management in Schools (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30430	An individual	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	This is definitely needed to make efficiencies here. The way West Lothian Council is treated as a 'client' is shocking in terms of quality of work carried out and speed of it being carried out.	Revised Facilities Management in Schools (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30431	An individual	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	Opening hours? Does that mean schools will no longer be available for youth groups?	Revised Facilities Management in Schools (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30432	An individual	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	From what I have observed as a parent of young children, I think there is scope to reduce the number of janitorial staff in schools i.e. they do not seem over-worked!	Revised Facilities Management in Schools (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30433	An individual	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	Hmmm. Again sounds like another way of cutting available activities within the buildings.	Revised Facilities Management in Schools (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30434	An individual	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	well I really don't know where that will come about as janitorial and caretaking is now at a depleted stage where more cuts would be impossible	Revised Facilities Management in Schools (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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30435	An employee of West Lothian Council	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	Agreed. FMA teams are too variable and there is a lack of transparency and accountability in the team.	Revised Facilities Management in Schools (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30436	An individual	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	Cover arrangements ? How is the cleaning of school premises charged as part of letting arrangements ?	Revised Facilities Management in Schools (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30437	An employee of West Lothian Council	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	I believe that FM services requires a complete overhaul and brought into this century as far as technology goes. Our kitchen staff spent half their time using paper forms that by now should have been phased out ten years ago.	Revised Facilities Management in Schools (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30438	An employee of West Lothian Council	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	Facilities Management Assistants should be put through minor maintenance course (s) to allow them to minimise the need for external contractors to, put light bulbs in, put shelving up, simple plumbing courses could mean that schools are equipped to be self maintained to an extent, in turn saving thousands...example: Head Teacher pays £4000 to have an area of the school painted, FMA is on site during school holidays watching the painter because his duties are all up to date? this is a no brainer there is £4000 saved to go towards education. Facilities Management use paper to sign in/out every day, to add jobs to a janitors to do list, diaries to fill out lets when everything you need for this is already in place, recourses are there, outlook for calendar and tasks, i personally trialed this for over five years! i told people this is how we should be doing it, and over these years it has not let me down once. Im not saying the savings would be astronomical but a saving none the less.	Revised Facilities Management in Schools (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30439	An individual	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	Fine - can better use be made of the facilities to ear income?	Revised Facilities Management in Schools (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30440	An employee of West Lothian Council	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	Charge communities if they want to use local facilities outwith hours.	Revised Facilities Management in Schools (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30441	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	What does this saving mean? Again we have insufficient information relating to the specifics of this saving to make an informed decision on who this will affect and how. Has an equality impact assessment been completed for this saving? Will this impact on community groups/clubs who use schools early mornings and at nights.	Revised Facilities Management in Schools (general)	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30442	An individual	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	FMA's who are based in schools should work term time and along with other school staff have their holidays during school holiday periods. This would not only save on human resources it would have a great impact heating and electricity costs.	Revised Facilities Management in Schools (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30443	An employee of West Lothian Council	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	In agreement hours need to be less.	Revised Facilities Management in Schools (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30444	An employee of West Lothian Council	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	Many schools are open over holidays that do not need to be opened. Janitors should start at a reasonable time and school buildings should open at a reasonable time.	Revised Facilities Management in Schools (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30445	An individual	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	If it worth it considering the small savings being proposed	Revised Facilities Management in Schools (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30446	An employee of West Lothian Council	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	This could work, but I think a better way of managing it would be to eliminate the need for central services to intervene with every job. Why not allow FacMan staff (those who are qualified of course) to fix electrical issues, heating issues, put up shelves/noticeboards etc. without having to 'phone home' to get someone else to do it. If you want your specialists to be central, then why bother having any provision in schools at all? Simply manning the building when school is out of session can be done by anyone.	Revised Facilities Management in Schools (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30447	An individual	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	Utilize the serices maybe with longer opening to maximise the use ,, more community involvement,, use services not close services,,,	Revised Facilities Management in Schools (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30448	An employee of West Lothian Council	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	Again it seems that more expensive resource may be diverted to carrying out tasks which may be removed from service provision	Revised Facilities Management in Schools (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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30449	An individual	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	Think that school staffing arrangements are already stretched to the max.	Revised Facilities Management in Schools (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30450	An individual	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	Let all school buildings be rented out to outside companies for use	Revised Facilities Management in Schools (general)	5b. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it is likely that the costs of this proposal would outweigh the benefit.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30451	An employee of West Lothian Council	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	More work should be done to recruit the right people and remove the "dead wood" that is present in schools. Some staff too comfortable and do less than the minimum. These people are giving the committed staff a bad name and it is totally unfair.	Revised Facilities Management in Schools (general)	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30452	An individual	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	One janitor working all day would allow many groups to use a local school facility for example	Revised Facilities Management in Schools (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30453	An individual	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	As long as activities do not have to be cancelled	Revised Facilities Management in Schools (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30454	An employee of West Lothian Council	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	Certainly think that the long opening hours at schools and community centres can be looked at. Each community serves a different audience and requires varied services, this should be considered.	Revised Facilities Management in Schools (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30455	An individual	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	FMA service needs a complete overhaul, most janitorial staff sit on their mobile phones all day and doing the bare minimum of work- this service could be halved ! Change the line management of FMAs to headteacher or business managers!	Revised Facilities Management in Schools (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30456	An individual	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	As long as it doesn't affect the children's education and well being and they're not losing out on anything	Revised Facilities Management in Schools (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30457	An individual	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	better scheduling of activities and revised cover arrangements and opening hours': these should suit the pupils rather than to meet some remote management criteria. Â£300,000 is trivial in the total savings sought	Revised Facilities Management in Schools (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30458	An individual	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	Even fewer jannies, in other words? Quite apart from the effect this will have on the schools as schools, might this not reduce income from rental of school halls? It is already difficult to use schools without a janitor present (eg getting locked out).	Revised Facilities Management in Schools (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30459	An employee of West Lothian Council	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	Opportunity for sharing of resources.	Revised Facilities Management in Schools (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30460	An individual	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	After school activities can be a lifeline for children and families.	Revised Facilities Management in Schools (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30461	An employee of West Lothian Council	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	Agree with this particularly Facilities management arrangements during the summer months. Could the Facilities management of schools not be combined with facilities management at community buildings / Councils building?	Revised Facilities Management in Schools (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30462	An employee of West Lothian Council	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	This seems sensible if access for all different working hours of parents etc	Revised Facilities Management in Schools (general)	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30463	An employee of West Lothian Council	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	Education Transport savings:- Change to the school week - Full term or part (August - October & Easter to end of education year (June) Extend school days Monday to Thursday - to take up the 1/2 day Friday teaching time. - this would then allow schools to be closed on a Friday. Savings - Transport cost reduced by one 5th - Saving on energy (Heating & Lighting Bills) plus saving of cleaning & catering costs. Cleaning programme could be set up to carry out a deep clean of a property each Friday (protect cleaners hours) - same could happen with catering staff. Pupils could still attend some designated schools - Open for extra curriculum activities - but this would need to be at a small covering cost (Â£10 per pupil) with parents provide transport. (Income to the council).	Revised Facilities Management in Schools (general)	5a. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because the council is required by law to deliver this work.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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30464	An employee of West Lothian Council	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	I know that shift allowances is a touchy subject but this must be a potential saving and schools should be deemed closed non - term time and if a maintenance has to be carried out during holiday periods they should be factored in to costs for an open/close cost and possibly have the maintenance team taking charge of buildings during any work time and then returning keys etc when works are complete.	Revised Facilities Management in Schools (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30465	An employee of West Lothian Council	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	what about out of hours.	Revised Facilities Management in Schools (general)	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30466	An individual	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	The implications of this need to be spelled out. What it appears to be saying is that opening hours may need to be curtailed and this will mean that many activities will cease.	Revised Facilities Management in Schools (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30467	An employee of West Lothian Council	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	Facilities management and cleaning have already been cut to the bone, why don't you start at the top of Facilities management, when i started in janitorial 29 years ago i had one boss now i have 4.	Revised Facilities Management in Schools (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30468	An individual	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	why not utilise the schools more	Revised Facilities Management in Schools (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30469	An employee of West Lothian Council	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	Could do all groups and activities on one week night keeping building open for one night and closing other nights	Revised Facilities Management in Schools (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30470	An individual	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	Does this mean cutting janitors?	Revised Facilities Management in Schools (general)	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	The service would be delivered via a different model which would mean a reduction to the number of janitors.
30471	No Response	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	Agree this needs revised and think savings are here if done properly.	Revised Facilities Management in Schools (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30472	An employee of West Lothian Council	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	As long as facilities are still accessible to groups that are putting something positive into the community. It would be a shame for beneficial groups to stop simply due to a lack of venue within schools.	Revised Facilities Management in Schools (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30473	An individual	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	Provided the cleaning standards are to a level that is hygienic and suitable for the use provided then there is a logic to this saving. The council must ensure that users of the services are responsible for appropriate behaviour in these spaces to minimise the cleaning required outside of fair use.	Revised Facilities Management in Schools (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30474	An individual	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	Disagree. Schools are a vibrant part of the community and should be open for as long as possible to accommodate community events and groups. Especially, if you are considering closing other council properties or day care services in small villages and towns. Status Quo please!	Revised Facilities Management in Schools (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30475	An individual	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	Please ensure that the needs of the school are met. School staff require access to school facilities way beyond pupil contact hours.	Revised Facilities Management in Schools (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30476	An employee of West Lothian Council	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	All FM's in schools should be conducting their work through some kind of technology where all of their duties are sent to them electronically and they know straight away which school needs them. That way efficiency in all of their schools would be increased and all schools get their fair share. That way schools would not have to try and continually phone them to carry out their duties.	Revised Facilities Management in Schools (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30477	An individual	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	If there is wasted hours and equipment in this department, yes it should be condensed.	Revised Facilities Management in Schools (general)	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30478	An individual	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	I do not approve of this measure if it means that structural / maintenance work to school buildings has to take place during the school day.	Revised Facilities Management in Schools (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30479	An individual	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	This needs to take into account working parents - and the importance of allowing parents to continue to work normal hours.	Revised Facilities Management in Schools (general)	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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30480	An individual	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	Schools must be heated and cleaned and maintained (timing important too if heating breaks down during winter!) - not supportive of changes that would compromise that. Are supportive of sensible changes but surely whoever manages that area already does so.	Revised Facilities Management in Schools (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30481	An individual	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	Bring back the school janitor! There is far too much outsourcing. Trucks and vans pitching up and charging a fortune for changing a lightbulb. Needs a more common sense approach with a smaller group of individuals who take ownership and have pride in their work. Lots of charged travel time, carbon emissions and involved in current model.	Revised Facilities Management in Schools (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30482	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	Linlithgow Academy Parent Council would urge WL Council to ensure that the FM provision is sufficient to ensure the Health and Safety of all those who use our school and to provide rapid response to essential repair requirements to ensure that the education of our young people is not negatively affected by defects in our building or facilities.	Revised Facilities Management in Schools (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30483	An individual	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	Once again I feel it would be unfair to propose cuts on our children's education.	Revised Facilities Management in Schools (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30484	An individual	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	Provision of school facilities to the community outwith school times is key to building communities. where schools and other facilities are located in the same area why not centralise all facilities in the school	Revised Facilities Management in Schools (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30485	An employee of West Lothian Council	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	The caretakers already supervise 2/3/4 schools at night - I cannot see how they can further expand this safely.	Revised Facilities Management in Schools (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30486	An individual	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	This seems a modest estimated saving - why?	Revised Facilities Management in Schools (general)	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30487	An individual	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	Agreed. Could FM staff not take on more tasks - eg basic maintenance tasks?	Revised Facilities Management in Schools (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30488	An individual	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	Again, could any services be centralised. Start charging more for use of school facilities out with class time. The council should always have all cost covered by groups and organisations using school premises and facilities.	Revised Facilities Management in Schools (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30489	An individual	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	As 1A no actual measurement or definitive target against existing. How will residents know when this is achieved?	Revised Facilities Management in Schools (general)	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30490	An individual	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	Have you considered the increase in Nursery Hours depending on how you execute them.	Revised Facilities Management in Schools (general)	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30491	An individual	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	Impact assessment required before changes are made.	Revised Facilities Management in Schools (general)	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30492	An individual	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	Agree as long as no dramatic impact on provision of activities	Revised Facilities Management in Schools (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30493	An individual	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	I'm sceptical about councils getting involved in revising Facilities Management in Schools	Revised Facilities Management in Schools (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30494	An individual	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	With regard to cleaning buildings etc - how much further can they cut services. Hygiene in the workplace & schools etc must be a priority or sickness levels will increase.	Revised Facilities Management in Schools (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30495	An individual	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	In consultation with the staff that provide these services.	Revised Facilities Management in Schools (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30496	An individual	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	If Facilities Management team did the job they were paid for but most janitors when you ask them to do something say "that's no ma job!", so in effect they get paid for not doing very much.	Revised Facilities Management in Schools (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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30497	An individual	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	providing changes still ensure cleanliness is maintained	Revised Facilities Management in Schools (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30498	An individual	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	School Crossing Patrols covering lunchtimes should also be an area for investigation as children who have the opportunity to go home for lunch are obviously going home to parents who are not at work, therefore it should be parent's responsibility to collect their child at this time, take them home, and bring them back again.	Revised Facilities Management in Schools (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30499	An individual	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	The FM service is definitely needing reviewed as there are janitors who are not in the school half the time and support staff are left to cover the workload. They are also able to take holidays outwith the school term. This is ludicrous. If work is going on in schools during holiday time then bank staff should be used to cover this and your permanent FM personnel should work normal school hours.	Revised Facilities Management in Schools (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30500	An individual	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	Reduce these costs as much as possible	Revised Facilities Management in Schools (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30501	An individual	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	Okay where these have not been earmarked as community spaces as well allowing for removal of other buildings and facilities previously.	Revised Facilities Management in Schools (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30502	An employee of West Lothian Council	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	School Crossing Patrols covering lunchtimes should also be an area for investigation as children who have the opportunity to go home for lunch are obviously going home to parents who are not at work, therefore it should be parent's responsibility to collect their child at this time, take them home, and bring them back again.	Revised Facilities Management in Schools (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30503	An employee of West Lothian Council	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	The FM service is definitely needing reviewed as there are janitors who are not in the school half the time and support staff are left to cover the workload. They are also able to take holidays outwith the school term. This is ludicrous. If work is going on in schools during holiday time then bank staff should be used to cover this and your permanent FM personnel should work normal school hours.	Revised Facilities Management in Schools (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30504	An employee of West Lothian Council	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	School Crossing Patrols covering lunchtimes should also be an area for investigation as children who have the opportunity to go home for lunch are obviously going home to parents who are not at work, therefore it should be a parent's responsibility to collect their child at this time, take them home, and bring them back again.	Revised Facilities Management in Schools (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30505	An employee of West Lothian Council	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	The FM service is definitely needing reviewed as there are janitors who are not in the school half the time and support staff are left to cover the workload. They are also able to take holidays outwith the school term. This is ludicrous. If work is going on in schools during holiday time then bank staff should be used to cover this and your permanent FM personnel should work normal school hours.	Revised Facilities Management in Schools (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30506	An employee of West Lothian Council	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	revised opening hours - forcing staff to take work home if their school closes sharp and also the community who might use the building being forced to go elsewhere (either council buildings where they'll be charged more to use, private buildings charging extortionate rates or not be able to meet at all).	Revised Facilities Management in Schools (general)	5c. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it is not consistent with the council's values and priorities.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30507	An individual	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	Employ janitors as handy men. They are paid a fortune to sit around most of the day and act as doormen.	Revised Facilities Management in Schools (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30508	An individual	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	I think FMA in schools are very important and that school could not run without them I think you need to look at the amount of Managers and reduce them this would be a huge saving	Revised Facilities Management in Schools (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30509	An individual	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	Janitors are important to buildings and their services made as available as can be afforded.	Revised Facilities Management in Schools (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30510	An employee of West Lothian Council	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	the fma's are all over the place at present	Revised Facilities Management in Schools (general)	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30511	An employee of West Lothian Council	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	you need to share resources as a lot of sitting...	Revised Facilities Management in Schools (general)	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30512	An employee of West Lothian Council	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	efficiencies can absolutely be made here- better management of the balance of schools being open with the income from lets being done on a weekly basis instead of a standard opening / closing hours	Revised Facilities Management in Schools (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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30513	An individual	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	Yes I see these services important as dealing with the public, clubs and children. If schools and council buildings can provide a good service a small increase in letting prices could be put in place.	Revised Facilities Management in Schools (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30514	An employee of West Lothian Council	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	Yes, this seems to be a bit of a problem. We need to rationalise the number of buildings that are open.	Revised Facilities Management in Schools (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30515	An individual	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	This should not impact on extra-curricular and community activities.	Revised Facilities Management in Schools (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30516	An employee of West Lothian Council	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	Are we basically wanting to cut cleaning staff and find the cheapest school meals possible. For school meals, the council has to remember its priorities are to deliver positive outcomes and early intervention for early ears and to improve the attainment and positive destinations for school children. The provision of good quality school meals is essential to both of these. This might be the only hot meal for some children in a day and care should be taken before reducing its quality to the minimum possible standard.	Revised Facilities Management in Schools (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30517	An employee of West Lothian Council	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	How on earth will this save £300,000? How is this figure calculated? We are simply talking about reviewing the service. If we haven't reviewed it, how do we know what can be saved?	Revised Facilities Management in Schools (general)	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30518	An individual	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	Bring these services back in house!	Revised Facilities Management in Schools (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	With the exception of PPP schools this service is delivered in-house
30519	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	Schools must have sufficient cover to meet H&S based on the size of the school	Revised Facilities Management in Schools (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30520	An individual	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	Agreed - however, if hours are to be reduced, there still needs to be sufficient cover for activities	Revised Facilities Management in Schools (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30521	An individual	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	With regards to secondary schools, how will this be achieved with proposed increased usage through transfer of facilities to West Lothian Leisure if management fee support to West Lothian Lesiure is also proposed for reduction? As FM staff provide out of hours access to school estate, this would appear to be fundamentally incompatible.	Revised Facilities Management in Schools (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposal will not impact on opening hours of High Schools
30522	An individual	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	Its already very poor	Revised Facilities Management in Schools (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30523	An individual	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	Janitorial services should be increased not decreased. In schools, there should be a janitor on hand ALL day.	Revised Facilities Management in Schools (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30524	An individual	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	again sounds like cutting staff	Revised Facilities Management in Schools (general)	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30525	An individual	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	More weasel words, Everything turns on what is lost. Who will lose out from reduced opening hours?	Revised Facilities Management in Schools (general)	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	The proposal will not impact on opening hours of High Schools
30526	An individual	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	Again any proposals should be put to the public before any decisions are made	Revised Facilities Management in Schools (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30527	An employee of West Lothian Council	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	FMA's are an essential part of schools....will place too much of a burden in already stretched staff in schools. who would do repairs , deliveries etc....children or teachers ??? time taken away from teaching and preparation.	Revised Facilities Management in Schools (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30528	An individual	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	I would wish to be clear that this change would not inhibit the activities of community groups by reducing access to facilities.	Revised Facilities Management in Schools (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The proposal will not impact on opening hours of High Schools
30529	An individual	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	Again, I am concerned about the impact this is having, as facilities managers have already had to take on more responsibilities and the way in which buildings are managed leaves little room more changes.	Revised Facilities Management in Schools (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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30530	An employee of West Lothian Council	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	This has already been revised over recent years. Hopefully any further review not detrimental to the management of facilities in schools.	Revised Facilities Management in Schools (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30531	An employee of West Lothian Council	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	This is an essential service in order to provide as much activities as possible. Community Centre and Schools should be used to full capacity and potentially bring in more money from lets, vending machine usage etc.	Revised Facilities Management in Schools (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30532	An employee of West Lothian Council	7b. Revised Facilities Management in Schools	HTs should have power over opening hours etc. These must be flexible and reflect the needs of the staff	Revised Facilities Management in Schools (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The proposal will not impact on opening hours of High Schools
30533	An employee of West Lothian Council	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	If this can provide the necessary savings then this should be pursued.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30534	An employee of West Lothian Council	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30535	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30536	An employee of West Lothian Council	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	SUPPORT	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30537	An employee of West Lothian Council	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30538	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Agree .. Brilliant service at present though.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30539	An employee of West Lothian Council	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	said above, agree should look at this to save money	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30540	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	reluctantly agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30541	An employee of West Lothian Council	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Fully support charges	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30542	An employee of West Lothian Council	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30543	An employee of West Lothian Council	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	I agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30544	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30545	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Good idea.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30546	An employee of West Lothian Council	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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30547	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	I agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30548	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Agree.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30549	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30550	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	positive	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30551	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Bulky uplifts I support	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30552	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	£m fine with paying for brown bin	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30553	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	I agree with charges for bulky uplifts	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30554	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	I support the charge for bulky uplifts although there may be an increase in fly tipping which could end up costing the council more in recovering dumped goods.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30555	An employee of West Lothian Council	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Agree but again would this be managed to allow those who cannot afford this to still have this service?	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30556	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	I support this change	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30557	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	I agree with the Council's proposals for the moment to see how they all work out. Thank you.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30558	An employee of West Lothian Council	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Sounds good but again the devil is in the details!	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30559	An employee of West Lothian Council	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	I am not opposed to changes in bin collection schedules.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30560	An employee of West Lothian Council	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Charging for bulkies should have been addressed years ago!	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30561	An employee of West Lothian Council	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Shame if recycling sites have to close but understand the logic	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30562	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	I think a charge for bulky uplifts would be acceptable. .	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30563	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Agreed. A charge for bulky uplifts is long overdue.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30564	An employee of West Lothian Council	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	I am in favour of bits of this proposal but against others.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30565	An employee of West Lothian Council	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	sounds okay.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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30566	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Agree.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30567	An employee of West Lothian Council	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30568	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Sounds reasonable.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30569	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	good idea	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30570	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30571	An employee of West Lothian Council	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Good	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30572	An employee of West Lothian Council	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Agree.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30573	An employee of West Lothian Council	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	agree with proposal	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30574	An employee of West Lothian Council	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30575	An employee of West Lothian Council	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Should be happening any way.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30576	An employee of West Lothian Council	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30577	An employee of West Lothian Council	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Would certainly agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30578	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Ok	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30579	An employee of West Lothian Council	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Agree.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30580	An employee of West Lothian Council	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30581	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	OK.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30582	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Paying for the brown bin is OK.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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30583	An employee of West Lothian Council	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Agree However, there is also a need to lobby / encourage efforts to reduce the need for recycling - much of which is generated by wholly unneeded packaging, and over purchase of food.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30584	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	I support.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30585	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	I would support these proposals.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30586	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	No problem with this one especially if you can save A£2.6m	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30587	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Fair enough on bulky uplifts.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30588	An employee of West Lothian Council	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	This appears to be a reasonable proposal.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30589	An employee of West Lothian Council	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Charging for bulky uplifts yes.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30590	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	I would support this	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30591	An employee of West Lothian Council	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30592	An employee of West Lothian Council	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30593	An employee of West Lothian Council	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	I agree with this.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30594	An employee of West Lothian Council	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Whilst not ideal, it this leads to situations where the savings can be met, this would be acceptable.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30595	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Happy to pay for any charges	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30596	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30597	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Good idea	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30598	An employee of West Lothian Council	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Ok	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30599	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30600	An employee of West Lothian Council	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Good idea.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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30601	An employee of West Lothian Council	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	This makes sense	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30602	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Agree this is essential.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30603	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30604	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30605	An employee of West Lothian Council	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Seems fair. A charge would also be fair for bulk uplift - not offering this service could lead to fly tipping.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30606	An employee of West Lothian Council	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Yes I agree with the bulky uplift charge	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30607	An employee of West Lothian Council	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Bulky uplift charges should be brought in.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30608	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Think people should be paying for their waste collection if they can afford it so agree with this especially if Â£73 million of cuts are needed.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30609	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	I strongly agree with all of the plans above	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30610	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Agree, but no doubt there will be an increase in fly tipping as a result.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30611	An employee of West Lothian Council	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	I strongly support charging for bulky uplifts. It is not right that people can put in expensive new kitchens and bathrooms and have the old items taken away at the public's expense.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30612	An employee of West Lothian Council	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	I strongly support charging for brown bins.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30613	An employee of West Lothian Council	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	should charge for bulky uplift.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30614	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30615	An employee of West Lothian Council	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30616	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Support	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30617	An employee of West Lothian Council	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30618	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Sounds fine. Without cutting staff.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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30619	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Agree, brown bins don't affect me	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30620	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Yes. More efficient.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30621	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	OK	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30622	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	I agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30623	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30624	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30625	An employee of West Lothian Council	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	I agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30626	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	I agree with the proposal.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30627	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Happy to pay reasonable charge for brown bins uplift	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30628	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	All proposals are sound.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30629	An employee of West Lothian Council	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Bulky uplifts and use of brown bins is a fundamental service that WLC provides and should not be charged.	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30630	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Totally disagree. The current waste collection service is good.	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30631	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	No I don't agree with closing recycling centres as it will create more fly tipping.	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30632	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Absolutely not. Is this not what I am paying my council tax for.	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30633	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	You have to be kidding? watch as fly tipping continues to increase.	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30634	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Disagree with Brown bin charges	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30635	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Totally disagree with all that is proposed.	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30636	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	As a single person living in a small village with little facilities, the only things I receive from my council tax are bin collections, street lighting etc, I would oppose a charge for brown bins.	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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30637	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	As a single person living in a small village with little facilities, the only things I receive from my council tax are bin collections, street lighting etc, I would oppose a charge for bulky uplifts.	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30638	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Bad outcome, do not agree	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30639	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	I strongly disagree. Removal of waste service and costs for bulky uplifts will mean fly tipping and mess even in beautiful areas which then brings everyone down. Having to travel further to recycling centre is not good for the environment.	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30640	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	There should be no changes to the existing!	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30641	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Totally disagree. This is an important service. We are already suffering from a retraction of services in these areas from previous years. If you are going to make changes then: 1 no closure of sites 2 no additional charges for bulky uplifts or brown bins.	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30642	An employee of West Lothian Council	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Do not agree. The three community recycling centre should/must remain. This would allow members of the public to personally dispose of their recyclable waste particularly if refuse collections are to be reviewed and likely revised. Charging for bulky uplifts will only lead to an increase in fly tipping which is already a problem across West Lothian. I think the bulky uplift is a good service, if it is to be charged it should be a minimal amount say Â£5 or Â£10 tops for a three item uplift, for example. Making this too expensive would be a bad idea. Charging for the use of brown bins would make the council look foolish and irresponsible with regard to recycling and recycling targets. It would also lead to a problem with people using other methods of uplift such as door to door travelling people removing peoples waste and then just dumping it wherever they want.	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30643	An employee of West Lothian Council	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	charges for brown bin collection, bulky uplifts and the closure of 3 recycling sites will result in fly tipping	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30644	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	no	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30645	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	I disagree, this will increase illegal dumping	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30646	No Response	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Don't agree	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30647	No Response	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	This is outrageous. You will probably find that people will dump in non-appropriate places	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30648	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Totally disagree with this - this is why we pay council tax !	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30649	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Do not support. Already charged for bulky uplifts and had enough of bin collection and bin changes. If this goes ahead fly tipping will likely increase.	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30650	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	This is such a bad idea - you;'ll have a bigger problem with fly tipping and end up costing more money in the long run. I think you should maintain as it is.	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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30651	No Response	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Disagree with this	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30652	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	I disagree with these cuts and charges. This is charging extra for a much reduced service and will lead to more fly tipping.	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30653	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Rubbish! How can we look after the environment if you make it harder to recycle. All that will happen is people will use their grey bins for things they would have taken to the recycling centres or put in brown bins - do you want a return to huge landfill?	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30654	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Absolutely disagree!!	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30655	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	We already pay through the council tax for bins to be cleared, we shouldn't have to pay again for it. I would object to a charge being made for that	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30656	An employee of West Lothian Council	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Should not close recycling centres	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30657	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Very bad decision ridiculous!!!!	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30658	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	None	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30659	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Do not charge for brown bin collection - mad suggestion	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30660	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Don't agree	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30661	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	I completely disagree with this.	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30662	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Disagree	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30663	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Fly tipping will increase - incurring more cost - false economy.	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30664	An employee of West Lothian Council	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	No comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30665	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	N/A	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30666	An employee of West Lothian Council	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	N/A	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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30667	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	I do not agree with this entirely.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30668	An employee of West Lothian Council	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	This survey is too long at there is both too much and not enough information.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30669	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Not a lot of detail on the proposals, how can we comment?	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30670	An employee of West Lothian Council	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	What keys sites will be focused on?	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30671	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Unable to comment as no specifics given in terms of which sites will be closed.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30672	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	I don't understand budgeting advantages and restraints enough to comment.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30673	An employee of West Lothian Council	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	I dont not know wat this means	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30674	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	-	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30675	No Response	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	No comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30676	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	I don't understand	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30677	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Unsure	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30678	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	There is a requirement to review all service provision and standards to make sure that the service is delivered in an effective and efficient way whilst meeting council priorities. Changes will be made to the waste collection service including consideration of revised recycling models, scheduling of routes and working arrangements'; again this such be part of the Council day to day management and good practice. It should not be considered as additional cost savings.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30679	An employee of West Lothian Council	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	No comment as don't know enough.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30680	No Response	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	dgdg	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30681	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	No Comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30682	An employee of West Lothian Council	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	No comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30683	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	No comment.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30684	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	no comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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30685	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	No comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30686	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	No comments	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30687	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	No comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30688	An employee of West Lothian Council	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	No comments	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30689	An employee of West Lothian Council	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	N/a	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30690	An employee of West Lothian Council	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	T	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30691	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	I m a single person who does not drive. I rely on the current waste uplift service.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30692	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	We do not believe we have the knowledge or experience of this area to be able to make an informed comment on it.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30693	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	More details please!	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30694	An employee of West Lothian Council	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	The council have not provided enough indepth information for me to make an informed comment on this, as all information about this whole consultation is more secret that area 51.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30695	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	unable to comment as not in plain english	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30696	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Brown bin charges is not needed. Give brown bins to people who need one, if they cant afford to pay for it then they will just get charged for leaving there garden waste but what are they meant to do.	Waste Services - charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Charges will be set to ensure that access to services are maintained and these non statutory services can continue to be offered. The charges are only for those who wish to use the services.
30697	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	The brown bin charge should be in council tax for approximate properties, with an opt out facility.	Waste Services - charges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Charges will be set to ensure that access to services are maintained and these non statutory services can continue to be offered. The charges are only for those who wish to use the services.
30698	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Small charge or brown bins is justified as service is not provided to everyone. How about increasing uplifts to fortnightly over summer period.	Waste Services - charges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Charges will be set to ensure that access to services are maintained and these non statutory services can continue to be offered. The charges are only for those who wish to use the services.
30699	No Response	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Could brown bin collections not be made into compost and sold?if you close three community recycling sites I can envisage people "fly Tipping" which would cost the council to clear up.	Waste Services - charges	4. The council is already doing this.	Thank you for your comments. The council already does this and the proposals would be designed to minimise the desire for residents to illegally fly tip.
30700	No Response	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	My council already charge £25 for bulky uplifts, this is an excellent idea.	Waste Services - charges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Charges will be set to ensure that access to services are maintained and these non statutory services can continue to be offered. The charges are only for those who wish to use the services.
30701	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Charges for Bulky uplifts will result in fly tipping coating the council money better to reduce the amount of free uplifts provided over the year and making small charge for additional uplifts.	Waste Services - charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Charges will be set to ensure that access to services are maintained and these non statutory services can continue to be offered. The charges are only for those who wish to use the services.

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30702	An employee of West Lothian Council	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	I disagree with charges to brown bin charges as during winter months bins are emptied once a month, and there will be little garden waste during the winter months. And even during the summer it is once a fortnight.	Waste Services - charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Charges will be set to ensure that access to services are maintained and these non statutory services can continue to be offered. The charges are only for those who wish to use the services.
30703	An employee of West Lothian Council	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	I would quite happily pay for any bulky uplifts as would be cheaper than paying companies say like Currys to remove a washing machine, cooker etc.	Waste Services - charges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30704	An employee of West Lothian Council	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	The charges need to be kept to reasonable level to minimise the costs of dealing with the fly tipping issue that will result from this change	Waste Services - charges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Charges will be set to ensure that access to services are maintained and these non statutory services can continue to be offered. The charges are only for those who wish to use the services.
30705	An employee of West Lothian Council	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Charges for bulky waste and brown bins will mean that people will take more of this waste to recycling centres	Waste Services - charges	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Charges will be set to ensure that access to services are maintained and these non statutory services can continue to be offered. The charges are only for those who wish to use the services.
30706	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Whereas I am not opposed to charges for bulky uplifts	Waste Services - charges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30707	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Charging for brown bin collection needs considerable thought. Better to charge everyone and avoid piles of grass cuttings accumulating in hedgerows and on verges. In addition if a neighbour uses someone else bin without permission this could lead to disputes if charges are levied.	Waste Services - charges	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Charges will be set to ensure that access to services are maintained and these non statutory services can continue to be offered. The charges are only for those who wish to use the services.
30708	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Closing of local recycling centres will lead to more fly tipping. Recycling should be positively encouraged but if the facilities don't exist locally people will not do this.	Waste Services - charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30709	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Charging for garden rubbish will also encourage tipping and or bonfires.	Waste Services - charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Charges will be set to ensure that access to services are maintained and these non statutory services can continue to be offered. The charges are only for those who wish to use the services.
30710	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	to charge for brown bins is total madness.	Waste Services - charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Charges will be set to ensure that access to services are maintained and these non statutory services can continue to be offered. The charges are only for those who wish to use the services.
30711	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Happy with charges,	Waste Services - charges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30712	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	1. Charging for brown bins will probably mean that most people will revert to local dumping. Surely this is another example of the Council failing to make use of a business model and making money out of this. How many bags of compost are bought in the UK every year and are you telling us that they don't make a profit?	Waste Services - charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Charges will be set to ensure that access to services are maintained and these non statutory services can continue to be offered. The charges are only for those who wish to use the services.
30713	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	2. I don't have an issue with charging for bulky uplifts, I think sometimes people are being lazy when perhaps they could dismantle something to make it transportable to a civic waste site. Just make sure the charge is small enough to still be affordable, otherwise you will find fly-tipping or street dumping increases.	Waste Services - charges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Charges will be set to ensure that access to services are maintained and these non statutory services can continue to be offered. The charges are only for those who wish to use the services.
30714	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Charging for the use of brown buckets, coupled with the reduction of recycling sites, is likely to increase fly tipping therefore increasing the council's costs to remove such mess from public, or private, ground. If a household cannot afford to pay the charge for a brown bucket there is no other alternative but to drive one's own waste to the next closest site, thus causing more motor pollution in the area. What is the alternative for those unable to transport this themselves? Won't the council lose out on the compost produced by the brown bins and the resultant revenue? How will the council determine the cost of using a brown bin and will the uplifts still be at the same intervals as now? Does the council know which three sites it is closing?	Waste Services - charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Charges will be set to ensure that access to services are maintained and these non statutory services can continue to be offered. The charges are only for those who wish to use the services.
30715	An employee of West Lothian Council	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Charging for bulky uplifts is overdue as most councils already do so.	Waste Services - charges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30716	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Agree with bulky uplifts charge	Waste Services - charges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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30717	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	not with charging for the brown bin uplift.	Waste Services - charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Charges will be set to ensure that access to services are maintained and these non statutory services can continue to be offered. The charges are only for those who wish to use the services.
30718	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Rather than charge for all brown bins, I suggest the Council considers charging only for those households with a second (or greater number) of brown bins. The brown bin service is very well used and much needed. I do not agree that there should be a charge where a single brown bin is used in a household.	Waste Services - charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Charges will be set to ensure that access to services are maintained and these non statutory services can continue to be offered. The charges are only for those who wish to use the services.
30719	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Bad idea! Charging for bulk uplifts from residential properties will only leave to fly tipping, which will have a large impact on our local environment. Similarly with brown bin collection charging we will see green tipping increased	Waste Services - charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Charges will be set to ensure that access to services are maintained and these non statutory services can continue to be offered. The charges are only for those who wish to use the services.
30720	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	introduction of charges is likely to result in increased fly tipping etc	Waste Services - charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Charges will be set to ensure that access to services are maintained and these non statutory services can continue to be offered. The charges are only for those who wish to use the services.
30721	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	I think we should be charged for brown bins this is a valuable service but if people do not want to pay they have the opportunity to take this to recycling sites themselves.	Waste Services - charges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Charges will be set to ensure that access to services are maintained and these non statutory services can continue to be offered. The charges are only for those who wish to use the services.
30722	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	This will end up increasing the amount of fly-tipping and waste problems. While three free bulky uplift a year might be much I don't think the free uplift should be cut altogether. Reduce it to 2. Brown bins uplift should be available for free. Could you look at reducing the size of the bin instead like it was done with the black bin?	Waste Services - charges	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Charges will be set to ensure that access to services are maintained and these non statutory services can continue to be offered. The charges are only for those who wish to use the services.
30723	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Agree that provision of bulky uplifts should progress however with a nominal charge continues, is important. the fee however needs to be carefully considered as to ensure uptake and fly tipping is not and adverse effect of the new charges.	Waste Services - charges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Charges will be set to ensure that access to services are maintained and these non statutory services can continue to be offered. The charges are only for those who wish to use the services.
30724	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Consider the above also applies to the proposal for brown bins and accept that a potential minimal fee could be applied, however the management of the small fee collection could be made more simply by across the board council tax fee selection option, so registered houses pay the fee for regular collections. Again this can not be too high, otherwise fly tipping will become an inevitable problem that the council then has to spend money and resources on dealing with.	Waste Services - charges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Charges will be set to ensure that access to services are maintained and these non statutory services can continue to be offered. The charges are only for those who wish to use the services.
30725	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Also they dump stuff in their gardens and the only thing which convinces them to get it removed is that the uplift is free. As a keen gardener who makes full use of my brown bin I fail to see how you can suggest charging for it. Folks just won't bother cutting the grass etc.	Waste Services - charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Charges will be set to ensure that access to services are maintained and these non statutory services can continue to be offered. The charges are only for those who wish to use the services.
30726	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Agree with most of this. Worried charges will simply lead to more fly tipping & anti social choices to dispose of personal waste. I DO NOT feel a charge on brown bin collection is appropriate. Not all people have transportation to take garden waste to a central area hence feel it may be dumped on council land near to their homes. I also feel this goes against encouraging recycling as some would just put it in grey bin. As someone who pays a lot of council tax I value the bin service as do not personally use many of the other services that my tax is going towards.	Waste Services - charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Charges will be set to ensure that access to services are maintained and these non statutory services can continue to be offered. The charges are only for those who wish to use the services.
30727	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Opposed to closure of community recycling sites and any change in brown bin provision/ charging.	Waste Services - charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Charges will be set to ensure that access to services are maintained and these non statutory services can continue to be offered. The charges are only for those who wish to use the services.
30728	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	To encourage recycling, it needs to be free. Charging for brown bins is backwards step. More money should be invested in recycling, such as glass and textile collections.	Waste Services - charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Charges will be set to ensure that access to services are maintained and these non statutory services can continue to be offered. The charges are only for those who wish to use the services.
30729	An employee of West Lothian Council	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	The brown bins were forced upon residents, at the same time making money for the council. It is ridiculous to expect residents to pay for the uplift of the bins that they didn't ask for in the first place. The only people that will end up paying for this are those with a strong moral fibre. Those that are unemployed/don't care, will not. Stop squeezing money out of the same people. Charging for bulky uplifts will result in fly tipping, as you well know.	Waste Services - charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Charges will be set to ensure that access to services are maintained and these non statutory services can continue to be offered. The charges are only for those who wish to use the services.
30730	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	I know that Borders Council have recently implemented charging for uplift of brown bins and this has resulted in an effective tax on elderly people and those without use of a car who have no option but to pay to get rid of their garden rubbish. I do not support this proposal.	Waste Services - charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Charges will be set to ensure that access to services are maintained and these non statutory services can continue to be offered. The charges are only for those who wish to use the services.

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30731	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	This is one of the services we use in West Lothian which seems to work satisfactorily. Every house should be entitled to at least one bulky uplift a year and charges for any more. No charge for the brown bin as if the recycling centre shuts you will find a lot of black bags littering the countryside.	Waste Services - charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Charges will be set to ensure that access to services are maintained and these non statutory services can continue to be offered. The charges are only for those who wish to use the services.
30732	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Strongly disagree with most of this - No problem with charging for bulky uplift or brown bins, as long as the charges are reasonable	Waste Services - charges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Charges will be set to ensure that access to services are maintained and these non statutory services can continue to be offered. The charges are only for those who wish to use the services.
30733	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	If the rumours are to be believed, Linlithgow recycling centre is one of three centres set for closure - again hitting the perceived more affluent end of the county Even if this is not true, it seems crazy to close recycling centres when climate change currently has such a high profile - no one is going to drive a round trip of 16 + miles to a centre to get rid of rubbish - it will mean far more fly tipping, with the resultant mess this brings to our neighbourhood - absolute madness	Waste Services - charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your comments. West Lothian is well provisioned with recycling centres in comparison with other Local Authorities and will maintain a reasonable level of provision to minimise the impacts of illegal fly tipping. The council will consider the impacts of potential closures across all of the CRC site to determine the best option from a sustainability perspective.
30734	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	We only get 3 free bulky uplifts a year and again this just puts the problems elsewhere like fly tipping	Waste Services - charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Charges will be set to ensure that access to services are maintained and these non statutory services can continue to be offered. The charges are only for those who wish to use the services.
30735	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Introducing charges for bulky uplifts will inevitably encourage fly tipping, damaging the environment and creating extra clean up costs.	Waste Services - charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Charges will be set to ensure that access to services are maintained and these non statutory services can continue to be offered. The charges are only for those who wish to use the services.
30736	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Section 7C Waste. The Community Council is resolutely opposed to proposals to charge for bulky uplifts. Consequences will be increased fly-tipping and an impact on public health.	Waste Services - charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Charges will be set to ensure that access to services are maintained and these non statutory services can continue to be offered. The charges are only for those who wish to use the services.
30737	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Section 7C Waste. The Community Council is resolutely opposed to proposals to charge for brown bins. Consequences will be increased fly-tipping and an impact on public health.	Waste Services - charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Charges will be set to ensure that access to services are maintained and these non statutory services can continue to be offered. The charges are only for those who wish to use the services.
30738	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Brown Bins should not be a chargeable service, people will fly tip and it will cost the council more.	Waste Services - charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Charges will be set to ensure that access to services are maintained and these non statutory services can continue to be offered. The charges are only for those who wish to use the services.
30739	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	This is ridiculous you are putting our council tax up and charging for bulky uplift and brown bins. This will encourage people to dump larger items anywhere. So what is our council tax exactly paying for is it not services to West Lothian residents including brown bins and bulky uplifts?	Waste Services - charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Charges will be set to ensure that access to services are maintained and these non statutory services can continue to be offered. The charges are only for those who wish to use the services.
30740	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	I'm not convinced the general public would pay for brown bins probably resulting in increased landfill costs for the council.	Waste Services - charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Charges will be set to ensure that access to services are maintained and these non statutory services can continue to be offered. The charges are only for those who wish to use the services.
30741	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Likewise for bulky uplifts these charges may increase fly tipping and additional costs to the council but perhaps a trial period to see the impact.	Waste Services - charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Charges will be set to ensure that access to services are maintained and these non statutory services can continue to be offered. The charges are only for those who wish to use the services.
30742	An employee of West Lothian Council	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	7C) Charging people for using brown bins! Seriously! It was the Council who spent millions of pounds on distributing all these bins to tenants and now you want to charge us for using them. What on earth is our Council Tax paying for? Especially since everything that is separated for recycling all ends up in the same place anyway! This is hypocrisy. There will be more fly tipping and the community will be overrun with vermin.	Waste Services - charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Charges will be set to ensure that access to services are maintained and these non statutory services can continue to be offered. The charges are only for those who wish to use the services.
30743	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	I agree that a charge for brown bin collections should be introduced	Waste Services - charges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Charges will be set to ensure that access to services are maintained and these non statutory services can continue to be offered. The charges are only for those who wish to use the services.
30744	An employee of West Lothian Council	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Charging for bulky uplifts is ok but the service needs to be there. I recently organised a bulky uplift, I received confirmation of the request but no confirmation. I had to chase the service, this level of service is not acceptable and even more so when you are paying for it.	Waste Services - charges	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Charges will be set to ensure that access to services are maintained and these non statutory services can continue to be offered. The charges are only for those who wish to use the services.

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30745	An employee of West Lothian Council	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	I am concerned that the council will charge for brown bin collection - this will lead to more contamination of other bins. I believe this is the wrong move.	Waste Services - charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Charges will be set to ensure that access to services are maintained and these non statutory services can continue to be offered. The charges are only for those who wish to use the services.
30746	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Recycling shouldn't cost or people won't do it. Charging for brown bins would be a backwards step, so should not happen.	Waste Services - charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Charges will be set to ensure that access to services are maintained and these non statutory services can continue to be offered. The charges are only for those who wish to use the services.
30747	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	I have no issue with charging for bulky uplifts. However, the charge per uplift could be reduced a little to make it more worthwhile to take time to use recycling centres. If the cost is perceived to be too high, the incidents of fly tipping could increase.	Waste Services - charges	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Charges will be set to ensure that access to services are maintained and these non statutory services can continue to be offered. The charges are only for those who wish to use the services.
30748	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	I think that if there was a charge for using brown bins, they simply wouldn't be used and garden waste would be put in grey bins.	Waste Services - charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Charges will be set to ensure that access to services are maintained and these non statutory services can continue to be offered. The charges are only for those who wish to use the services.
30749	No Response	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Watch you don't facilitate fly tipping. How about one free bulky uplift per year instead of 3? People will just put their grass cuttings in their black bins or dump them.	Waste Services - charges	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Charges will be set to ensure that access to services are maintained and these non statutory services can continue to be offered. The charges are only for those who wish to use the services.
30750	No Response	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	7C) Charging people for using brown bins! Seriously! It was the Council who spent millions of pounds on distributing all these bins to tenants and now you want to charge us for using them. What on earth is our Council Tax paying for? Especially since everything that is separated for recycling all ends up in the same place anyway! This is hypocrisy. There will be more fly tipping and the community will be overrun with vermin.	Waste Services - charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Charges will be set to ensure that access to services are maintained and these non statutory services can continue to be offered. The charges are only for those who wish to use the services.
30751	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	I agree with charging for bulky uplifts.	Waste Services - charges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Charges will be set to ensure that access to services are maintained and these non statutory services can continue to be offered. The charges are only for those who wish to use the services.
30752	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	I do not agree with charging for brown bins. The council use these to make and sell compost.	Waste Services - charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Charges will be set to ensure that access to services are maintained and these non statutory services can continue to be offered. The charges are only for those who wish to use the services.
30753	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	I think this is a bad idea, this will see an increase in the use of grey bins for the disposal of garden waste with the bins already reduced in size this will mean more people not having capacity. Perhaps the compost that is created from Garden waste could be sold to agriculture instead of being given away for free to help subsidise costs.	Waste Services - charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Charges will be set to ensure that access to services are maintained and these non statutory services can continue to be offered. The charges are only for those who wish to use the services.
30754	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Charging for bulky uplifts screams out an increase in fly tipping. Charge for bulky uplifts is reasonable as is a specific journey to an individual property	Waste Services - charges	5b. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it is likely that the costs of this proposal would outweigh the benefit.	Charges will be set to ensure that access to services are maintained and these non statutory services can continue to be offered. The charges are only for those who wish to use the services.
30755	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Charging for garden waste disposal screams out an increase in fly tipping. It make encourage inappropriate use of other bins which are collected "free".	Waste Services - charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Charges will be set to ensure that access to services are maintained and these non statutory services can continue to be offered. The charges are only for those who wish to use the services.
30756	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Is it cost effective to charge for brown bins??	Waste Services - charges	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30757	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	I can hardly believe that this may be cut back yet again. Not only have we been provided with smaller bins and less regular uplifts over the years you are now considering charging for uplifts. On the one hand we are being encouraged to recycle our waste and on the other you are cutting services - this makes no sense at all. All this will result in is an epidemic of fly tipping as experienced in other authorities.	Waste Services - charges	5b. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it is likely that the costs of this proposal would outweigh the benefit.	Charges will be set to ensure that access to services are maintained and these non statutory services can continue to be offered. The charges are only for those who wish to use the services.
30758	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	as mentioned this will encourage alternative ways of dealing with waste. As will the introduction of charges for bulky uplifts - free uplifts are something that this council should be proud to offer.	Waste Services - charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Charges will be set to ensure that access to services are maintained and these non statutory services can continue to be offered. The charges are only for those who wish to use the services.
30759	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	I do not agree that there should be charges for brown bins. This will lead to increased fly-tipping.	Waste Services - charges	5b. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it is likely that the costs of this proposal would outweigh the benefit.	Charges will be set to ensure that access to services are maintained and these non statutory services can continue to be offered. The charges are only for those who wish to use the services.

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30760	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	7c . I object to any cutbacks within this service area. I will oppose any charge on bulky uplifts especially when I am paying more council tax.	Waste Services - charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Charges will be set to ensure that access to services are maintained and these non statutory services can continue to be offered. The charges are only for those who wish to use the services.
30761	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	I will oppose any charge on use of brown bins especially when I am paying more council tax.	Waste Services - charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Charges will be set to ensure that access to services are maintained and these non statutory services can continue to be offered. The charges are only for those who wish to use the services.
30762	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	A recipe for disaster! Despite the push for recycling and green agenda the option being proposed is to charge for brown bins usage! This can only lead to people developing their own solutions to waste disposal and who can blame them. Mixed messages indeed.	Waste Services - charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Charges will be set to ensure that access to services are maintained and these non statutory services can continue to be offered. The charges are only for those who wish to use the services.
30763	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	A recipe for disaster! Despite the push for providing smaller black bins! This can only lead to people developing their own solutions to waste disposal and who can blame them. Mixed messages indeed.	Waste Services - charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Charges will be set to ensure that access to services are maintained and these non statutory services can continue to be offered. The charges are only for those who wish to use the services.
30764	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	I don't think there should be a charge for brown bin uplift.	Waste Services - charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Charges will be set to ensure that access to services are maintained and these non statutory services can continue to be offered. The charges are only for those who wish to use the services.
30765	An employee of West Lothian Council	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	If you start to charge for bulky uplifts, there will be more illegal dumping. Which will end up costing more to deal with than the savings with bulky uplifts.	Waste Services - charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Charges will be set to ensure that access to services are maintained and these non statutory services can continue to be offered. The charges are only for those who wish to use the services.
30766	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	What a cheek, you want us to recycle, but we may not have access to recycling site, unless you drive half way across the county. That surely cannot be environmentally desirable. The Linlithgow site is well used. I often use it. A monthly brown bin collection is not sufficient at certain times if the year, is I take bags and bags of garden refuse to the tip. How am I supposed to get rid of it if the tip is closed. I would object to Linlithgow recycling site being closed. How about reducing the opening hours or days? I realise you would probably like the site closed, so you could make a killing on selling the land for property development. There aren't the facilities (schools, doctors, parking etc) to support more housing, so let's not go there. If you close the site it will encourage fly tipping.	Waste Services - charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Charges will be set to ensure that access to services are maintained and these non statutory services can continue to be offered. The charges are only for those who wish to use the services.
30767	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Similarly charging for brown bin collection is also a backward step as you previously introduced these bins to stop garden waste being put on in grey bins .The collection of waste is a service that affects all your council tax payers and therefore you should be concentrating on ensuring everyone in the council area can easily get rid of your waste.	Waste Services - charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Charges will be set to ensure that access to services are maintained and these non statutory services can continue to be offered. The charges are only for those who wish to use the services.
30768	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	The proposal to introduce a charge for using brown bins is ridiculous . You have encouraged recycling of garden waste therefore this charge should be included in the normal council tax bill.	Waste Services - charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Charges will be set to ensure that access to services are maintained and these non statutory services can continue to be offered. The charges are only for those who wish to use the services.
30769	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Should never have wasted money changing grey bins! Paying for bulky uplifts is probably fair enough but hopefully won't result in people fly-tipping if they can't afford it as this clean up will probably cost the council more in long run.	Waste Services - charges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Charges will be set to ensure that access to services are maintained and these non statutory services can continue to be offered. The charges are only for those who wish to use the services.
30770	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Brown bin recycling should not be charged for - gardens are reflected in the higher council tax assessment therefore people with gardens already effectively pay more.	Waste Services - charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Charges will be set to ensure that access to services are maintained and these non statutory services can continue to be offered. The charges are only for those who wish to use the services.
30771	An employee of West Lothian Council	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	People should not be charged for brown bin council makes money from what they collect	Waste Services - charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Charges will be set to ensure that access to services are maintained and these non statutory services can continue to be offered. The charges are only for those who wish to use the services.
30772	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Charges for bulky items again would lead to people fly tipping	Waste Services - charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Charges will be set to ensure that access to services are maintained and these non statutory services can continue to be offered. The charges are only for those who wish to use the services.
30773	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Charges for brown bins again would lead to people fly tipping. I was under the impression that brown bin garden waste was recycled and made into fertilisers !	Waste Services - charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Charges will be set to ensure that access to services are maintained and these non statutory services can continue to be offered. The charges are only for those who wish to use the services.

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30774	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Charging for brown bin emptying will mean this waste is hidden in the black bins, so more waste produced here instead.	Waste Services - charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Charges will be set to ensure that access to services are maintained and these non statutory services can continue to be offered. The charges are only for those who wish to use the services.
30775	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Please do not charge for brown bin use.	Waste Services - charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	If the proposal is developed, charges would be set to ensure that access to services are maintained and these non statutory services can continue to be offered. The charges would be for those who wish to use the services.
30776	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	The council should be encouraging recycling in its contribution to zero waste. The council should not charge for Brown bin collection. This does not drive the desired behaviours	Waste Services - charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Charges will be set to ensure that access to services are maintained and these non statutory services can continue to be offered. The charges are only for those who wish to use the services.
30777	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Whilst bulky uplifts may increase fly tipping, hopefully the gains would outweigh the extra resources for cleanup.	Waste Services - charges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Charges will be set to ensure that access to services are maintained and these non statutory services can continue to be offered. The charges are only for those who wish to use the services.
30778	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Don't think we should implement this for brown bins as we want people to look after their gardens an this would dis-incentivise tenants and those on low incomes from doing so.	Waste Services - charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Charges will be set to ensure that access to services are maintained and these non statutory services can continue to be offered. The charges are only for those who wish to use the services.
30779	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	people will not pay for a bulky uplift so the stuff will be dumped.	Waste Services - charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Charges will be set to ensure that access to services are maintained and these non statutory services can continue to be offered. The charges are only for those who wish to use the services.
30780	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Highly suspect that use of brown bins will reduce and the waste will be put in grey bins to be collected free of charge. Or dumped. This plan needs to be thought through very carefully!!	Waste Services - charges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Charges will be set to ensure that access to services are maintained and these non statutory services can continue to be offered. The charges are only for those who wish to use the services.
30781	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	I would be unhappy at the proposal to introduce a charge for the use of the brown bin. I can see people just not using it. On the one hand people are supposed to recycle and dispose of waste appropriately so charging people is noot going to improve things.	Waste Services - charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Charges will be set to ensure that access to services are maintained and these non statutory services can continue to be offered. The charges are only for those who wish to use the services.
30782	An employee of West Lothian Council	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Agreed bulky uplifts and brown bins should be chargeable.	Waste Services - charges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Charges will be set to ensure that access to services are maintained and these non statutory services can continue to be offered. The charges are only for those who wish to use the services.
30783	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Charging for bulky uplift and brown collection needs to be balanced against the risk of fly tipping and abandonment.	Waste Services - charges	5b. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it is likely that the costs of this proposal would outweigh the benefit.	Charges will be set to ensure that access to services are maintained and these non statutory services can continue to be offered. The charges are only for those who wish to use the services.
30784	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	With a housing development adjacent to my property I have lost a woodland area where I disposed of leaves in th autumn where they decomposed naturally. Being responsible for an avenue which is 150metres long lined mostly with sycamore trees I am very dependent on the brown bins and recycle depot at Linlithgow . The avenue produces on average 90 builders bags full each season. Being charged for bins (the quantity that would be required) and the loss of the depot would leave me with no way of getting rid of them. Being on a tight budget it would be difficult to employ someone to dispose of the leaves as the work is spread over 3 months.	Waste Services - charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Charges will be set to ensure that access to services are maintained and these non statutory services can continue to be offered. The charges are only for those who wish to use the services.
30785	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	I strongly disagree with these proposals. Charges for bulky uplifts will undoubtedly lead to an increase in fly tipping. One free bulky uplift a year would minimise this risk as people could plan , without being out of pocket or consider destroying the environment by fly tipping. There is already a litter problem as people drop too readily, these people are without conscience and will fly tip. You will have to then clean up the mess as vermin will be attracted. This will portray a very unattractive face of Scotland to the visitor and would affect tourism adversely. No one wants to visit a smelly rubbish tip full of vermin, which would also lead to possible health hazards. Brown bins also produce compost and stop people using their other bins, causing them to smell. People could of course burn their plants as they used to do adding to greenhouse gases! So much for a green and pleasant land ! What century are we living in?	Waste Services - charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Charges will be set to ensure that access to services are maintained and these non statutory services can continue to be offered. The charges are only for those who wish to use the services.

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30786	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Strongly disagree with the proposed charging for Brown bins. People will simply put this green waste in the grey bin, thereby increasing the council's landfill waste disposal costs. Making recycling more difficult will just encourage fly tipping.	Waste Services - charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Charges will be set to ensure that access to services are maintained and these non statutory services can continue to be offered. The charges are only for those who wish to use the services.
30787	An employee of West Lothian Council	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	I do not mind paying for a bulky up-lift. Surely brown bins contents are used for plants within the council gardening maintenance? People will probably dump garden rubbish in their neighbourhood?	Waste Services - charges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Charges will be set to ensure that access to services are maintained and these non statutory services can continue to be offered. The charges are only for those who wish to use the services.
30788	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	If a person cannot afford the brown bin fees where will they dump the garden waste? Not in my back yard!	Waste Services - charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Charges will be set to ensure that access to services are maintained and these non statutory services can continue to be offered. The charges are only for those who wish to use the services.
30789	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Charges for bulky uplifts are fine, but don't introduce charges for brown bins this will result in more fly tipping. Use a sliding scale for bulky uplifts.	Waste Services - charges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Charges will be set to ensure that access to services are maintained and these non statutory services can continue to be offered. The charges are only for those who wish to use the services.
30790	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	I can afford to pay for bulky and brown bin uplifts but not everyone can or can transport these themselves to arc sites and fear it would lead to increase in fly tipping and additional cost to the council and farming community.	Waste Services - charges	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Charges will be set to ensure that access to services are maintained and these non statutory services can continue to be offered. The charges are only for those who wish to use the services.
30791	An employee of West Lothian Council	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	You should only charge to houses that can afford it. I would be happy to pay a small amount for a bulk uplift and would consider a small charge for the brown bin. Many families just couldn't afford this though.	Waste Services - charges	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Charges will be set to ensure that access to services are maintained and these non statutory services can continue to be offered. The charges are only for those who wish to use the services.
30792	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Charging for bulky uplifts is a 'no brainer'.	Waste Services - charges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Charges will be set to ensure that access to services are maintained and these non statutory services can continue to be offered. The charges are only for those who wish to use the services.
30793	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	This is mostly all right, except that I would not support charging for brown bin uplift. This service is much valued and necessary. All people do not have their own transport in order to take garden rubbish to the recycling centre, so what happens here?	Waste Services - charges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Charges will be set to ensure that access to services are maintained and these non statutory services can continue to be offered. The charges are only for those who wish to use the services.
30794	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	I support charging for bulky uplifts	Waste Services - charges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Charges will be set to ensure that access to services are maintained and these non statutory services can continue to be offered. The charges are only for those who wish to use the services.
30795	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	the waste service is good so do not mess it up but improving efficiency and effectiveness is good charging for bulky uplifts .. no problem keep it affordable and cash free online and next day service guaranteed	Waste Services - charges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Charges will be set to ensure that access to services are maintained and these non statutory services can continue to be offered. The charges are only for those who wish to use the services.
30796	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	happy to pay £40 a year for brown bin	Waste Services - charges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Charges will be set to ensure that access to services are maintained and these non statutory services can continue to be offered. The charges are only for those who wish to use the services.
30797	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Opposed to pay for brown bin uplift.	Waste Services - charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Charges will be set to ensure that access to services are maintained and these non statutory services can continue to be offered. The charges are only for those who wish to use the services.
30798	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Introducing bulky uplift charges and charges for brown bin use will lead to an increase in fly tipping so these should not be chargeable.	Waste Services - charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Charges will be set to ensure that access to services are maintained and these non statutory services can continue to be offered. The charges are only for those who wish to use the services.
30799	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	What about fly tipping this would increase if no free bulky uplifts consider carefully	Waste Services - charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Charges will be set to ensure that access to services are maintained and these non statutory services can continue to be offered. The charges are only for those who wish to use the services.
30800	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	There should be 1 fee bulky uplift a year, then charge. There should be no charge for use of brown bins; to do so, would be counter-productive.	Waste Services - charges	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Charges will be set to ensure that access to services are maintained and these non statutory services can continue to be offered. The charges are only for those who wish to use the services.
30801	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	The introduction of charges for bulky uplifts and emptying of brown bins are going to result in increased fly-tipping, which degrades the environment. There is also a risk of people putting garden waste into their grey bins to avoid the brown bin charge. This will increase the landfill tax for the council.	Waste Services - charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Charges will be set to ensure that access to services are maintained and these non statutory services can continue to be offered. The charges are only for those who wish to use the services.

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30802	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Bulky uplifts charge okay. Brown bin charge not acceptable or wise.	Waste Services - charges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Charges will be set to ensure that access to services are maintained and these non statutory services can continue to be offered. The charges are only for those who wish to use the services.
30803	An employee of West Lothian Council	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Agree with charge for bulky uplifts. Up till now recycling through the blue and brown bins has been encouraged with more than one bin being allowed. I have two compost bins within my garden but can still produce enough waste to fill the brown bin. If need be I can dispose of waste at recycling centres as I have access to a car but where does that leave the elderly and those with no car.	Waste Services - charges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Charges will be set to ensure that access to services are maintained and these non statutory services can continue to be offered. The charges are only for those who wish to use the services.
30804	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Charges for bulky uplifts and brown bins would be likely to lead to people dumping their garden waste and bulky items. This would lead to costs to the council for the clean up of the fly tipping. This needs to be analysed to see if it would actually lead to the proposed savings.	Waste Services - charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Charges will be set to ensure that access to services are maintained and these non statutory services can continue to be offered. The charges are only for those who wish to use the services.
30805	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Charging people for using brown bins! Seriously! It was the Council who spent millions of pounds on distributing all these bins to tenants and now you want to charge us for using them. What on earth is our Council Tax paying for? Especially since everything that is separated for recycling all ends up in the same place anyway! This is hypocrisy. There will be more fly tipping and the community will be overrun with vermin	Waste Services - charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Charges will be set to ensure that access to services are maintained and these non statutory services can continue to be offered. The charges are only for those who wish to use the services.
30806	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	I would be disappointed to see Blackburn recycling centre close and also would struggle to pay for my brown bin and to get garden waste to a centre especially as my partner is disabled.	Waste Services - charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Charges will be set to ensure that access to services are maintained and these non statutory services can continue to be offered. The charges are only for those who wish to use the services.
30807	An employee of West Lothian Council	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Charging people for using brown bins! Seriously! It was the Council who spent millions of pounds on distributing all these bins to tenants and now you want to charge us for using them. What on earth is our Council Tax paying for? Especially since everything that is separated for recycling all ends up in the same place anyway! This is hypocrisy. There will be more fly tipping and the community will be overrun with vermin.	Waste Services - charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Charges will be set to ensure that access to services are maintained and these non statutory services can continue to be offered. The charges are only for those who wish to use the services.
30808	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	As a keen gardener I do use my brown bin a lot, however, wouldn't mind paying a small fee to have this emptied. Agree that there should be a charge for bulky uplifts.	Waste Services - charges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Charges will be set to ensure that access to services are maintained and these non statutory services can continue to be offered. The charges are only for those who wish to use the services.
30809	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	The proposal to charge for bulkies and brown waste will also impact on the CRS also. All these potential savings/proposals come at a cost to jobs and once more information is required the GMB would welcome working with the waste management team to look at alternative proposals. The introduction on shift working within waste being one key area to explore.	Waste Services - charges	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Charges will be set to ensure that access to services are maintained and these non statutory services can continue to be offered. The charges are only for those who wish to use the services. We are committed to looking at viable alternative suggestions and delivering the best approach to savings possible.
30810	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Personally don't have a problem with any of this but will people not just dump even more in the byways. Maybe 2 bulky uplift per year & no charge for the Brown bin.	Waste Services - charges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Charges will be set to ensure that access to services are maintained and these non statutory services can continue to be offered. The charges are only for those who wish to use the services.
30811	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Taking away the 3 bulky uplifts allowed each year could lead to dumping of large household items in the community, which would eventually lead to the council picking them up anyway once a complaint has gone to a local councillor. Free of charge bulky uplifts could be reduced to twice yearly.	Waste Services - charges	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Charges will be set to ensure that access to services are maintained and these non statutory services can continue to be offered. The charges are only for those who wish to use the services.
30812	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Brown bins must be collected, collection dates for these are already at a minimum, and household grey bins are too small. Elderly people or people without transport could lose interest in keeping their gardens in good order, as they would not be able to dispose of gardening waste.	Waste Services - charges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Charges will be set to ensure that access to services are maintained and these non statutory services can continue to be offered. The charges are only for those who wish to use the services.
30813	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	This is a very risky proposal which could well backfire and result in increased costs cleaning up the inevitable amount of dumping and fly tipping of rubbish and waste that will follow on. A modest charge for bulky uplifts would be acceptable, but the closure of three community recycling sites is totally inappropriate at this time.	Waste Services - charges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Charges will be set to ensure that access to services are maintained and these non statutory services can continue to be offered. The charges are only for those who wish to use the services.
30814	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	If you charge for brown bins I think a lot of people will not recycle their waste and put in black bin	Waste Services - charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Charges will be set to ensure that access to services are maintained and these non statutory services can continue to be offered. The charges are only for those who wish to use the services.
30815	An employee of West Lothian Council	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Agree as this is preferable to staff losses in vital service areas.	Waste Services - charges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Charges will be set to ensure that access to services are maintained and these non statutory services can continue to be offered. The charges are only for those who wish to use the services.

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30816	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Charging for the use of brown bins would also see a drop in the sustainable management of gardens.	Waste Services - charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Charges will be set to ensure that access to services are maintained and these non statutory services can continue to be offered. The charges are only for those who wish to use the services.
30817	An employee of West Lothian Council	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Charging for bulky uplifts will result in fly tipping or people leaving items in their gardens. This may lead to neighbour disputes depending on living arrangements.	Waste Services - charges	5b. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it is likely that the costs of this proposal would outweigh the benefit.	Charges will be set to ensure that access to services are maintained and these non statutory services can continue to be offered. The charges are only for those who wish to use the services.
30818	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Charges for bulky uplifts are operated by other Councils and therefore would likely be accepted by residents within West Lothian, depending upon the level of charge. However, charging for brown bin (garden waste) uplift would be totally unacceptable.	Waste Services - charges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Charges will be set to ensure that access to services are maintained and these non statutory services can continue to be offered. The charges are only for those who wish to use the services.
30819	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Why brown bin charge and not grey and blue bin charge too?? It doesn't appear to make sense. If brown bins were charged then what would likely happen would be people dumping garden waste in various places throughout West Lothian which would receive complaints from the public and action would need to be taken buy Council to clean possibly costing them more money than they thought they might save.	Waste Services - charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Charges will be set to ensure that access to services are maintained and these non statutory services can continue to be offered. The charges are only for those who wish to use the services. Blue and grey collections are statutory.
30820	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	By all means reduce the number of free bulky uplifts to one a year.	Waste Services - charges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Charges will be set to ensure that access to services are maintained and these non statutory services can continue to be offered. The charges are only for those who wish to use the services.
30821	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	However charging for brown bins and closing community recycling sites would lead to more fly tipping.	Waste Services - charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Charges will be set to ensure that access to services are maintained and these non statutory services can continue to be offered. The charges are only for those who wish to use the services.
30822	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Not happy about charging for brown bins as rubbish will just be dumped in the woods.	Waste Services - charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Charges will be set to ensure that access to services are maintained and these non statutory services can continue to be offered. The charges are only for those who wish to use the services.
30823	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Should the council consider charging for currently free services? e.g. bulky uplifts reduce from 3 to 2 per year and charge a realistic but non commercial rate that is palatable to customers. We don't want more fly tipping.	Waste Services - charges	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Charges will be set to ensure that access to services are maintained and these non statutory services can continue to be offered. The charges are only for those who wish to use the services.
30824	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	domestic bins: the current collection of grey bins must remain a minimum. You are proposing punishing householders for having lawns in these days of concrete housing estates. This is antisocial. I strongly disagree with this. Our council tax must cover grey, blue and brown bins. I do envisage fly tipping if you don't offer some sort of bulky uplift service. This is a retrograde idea.e.g 2 free a year not 3.... the more you close the likelihood of illegal dumping will increase.	Waste Services - charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Charges will be set to ensure that access to services are maintained and these non statutory services can continue to be offered. The charges are only for those who wish to use the services.
30825	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Bulky uplifts - charging for ALL bulky uplifts results in items being dumped. These items still need to be picked up which must cost much more. Surely it would make more sense economically to allow 1 uplift per year. Families with no car are unable to take items to recycling centres themselves.	Waste Services - charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Charges will be set to ensure that access to services are maintained and these non statutory services can continue to be offered. The charges are only for those who wish to use the services.
30826	An employee of West Lothian Council	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Charging people for using brown bins! Seriously! It was the Council who spent millions of pounds on distributing all these bins to tenants and now you want to charge us for using them. What on earth is our Council Tax paying for? Especially since everything that is separated for recycling all ends up in the same place anyway! This is hypocrisy. There will be more fly tipping and the community will be overrun with vermin.	Waste Services - charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Charges will be set to ensure that access to services are maintained and these non statutory services can continue to be offered. The charges are only for those who wish to use the services.
30827	An employee of West Lothian Council	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Shouldn't have to pay for brown bin usage as this waste gets recycled it is also encouraging people to recycle which is better for the environment.	Waste Services - charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Charges will be set to ensure that access to services are maintained and these non statutory services can continue to be offered. The charges are only for those who wish to use the services.
30828	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Charging for non-statutory services could work. Bulky uplifts and brown bins charging makes sense as other LAs have adopted this approach with some success and savings. An easy-to-use and intuitive IT system would be required to encourage uptake for charging.	Waste Services - charges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Charges will be set to ensure that access to services are maintained and these non statutory services can continue to be offered. The charges are only for those who wish to use the services.
30829	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Be wary of tipping as a result of removal/charging for services.	Waste Services - charges	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Charges will be set to ensure that access to services are maintained and these non statutory services can continue to be offered. The charges are only for those who wish to use the services.

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30830	An employee of West Lothian Council	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Supportive in principle albeit based on limited information. I would disagree with the logic of proposed introduction of charging for brown bins, which would be viewed as a step back in terms of waste targets, recycling etc and has potential to impact on every household across West Lothian.	Waste Services - charges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Charges will be set to ensure that access to services are maintained and these non statutory services can continue to be offered. The charges are only for those who wish to use the services.
30831	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Charging for bulky uplifts is fine. The	Waste Services - charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Charges will be set to ensure that access to services are maintained and these non statutory services can continue to be offered. The charges are only for those who wish to use the services.
30832	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Charging for The Brown bin charge could be detrimental.	Waste Services - charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Charges will be set to ensure that access to services are maintained and these non statutory services can continue to be offered. The charges are only for those who wish to use the services.
30833	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Analyst should be taken to ensure that the income raised for bulky uplifts etc is not out weighed by the cost of cleaning up fly tipping etc	Waste Services - charges	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Charges will be set to ensure that access to services are maintained and these non statutory services can continue to be offered. The charges are only for those who wish to use the services.
30834	An employee of West Lothian Council	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	I agree with the charges for bulkies, we do not need this service. Understandably there will be a few people trying to fly tip but in the long run not all households use this service. It may be worth while closing amenity sites however these are widely used and i feel it would be of great loss to lose these sites.	Waste Services - charges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Charges will be set to ensure that access to services are maintained and these non statutory services can continue to be offered. The charges are only for those who wish to use the services.
30835	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	I completely disagree with any measure that removes the options for people without private transport to be able to recycle easily - you can't really get on a bus with your recycling?	Waste Services - charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Charges will be set to ensure that access to services are maintained and these non statutory services can continue to be offered. The charges are only for those who wish to use the services.
30836	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Charges for brown bins sounds good Charges for bulky uplifts will lead to increased fly tipping	Waste Services - charges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Charges will be set to ensure that access to services are maintained and these non statutory services can continue to be offered. The charges are only for those who wish to use the services.
30837	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Ensure you keep to that first sentence promise. Charges for brown bins. More dumping or no recycling ahead. Think.	Waste Services - charges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Charges will be set to ensure that access to services are maintained and these non statutory services can continue to be offered. The charges are only for those who wish to use the services.
30838	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	People should not be charged for brown bins or bulk up lifts reduce the number of free uplifts . The brown bins was a council delivery forced on people, why should they be asked to pay for something they didn't ask for !. The only effect that the brownbin charge would be is more going in grey bins. No doubt this idea came from the same person who put in the bin size reduction. if that's the case then perhaps there should be a reduction in peoples council tax for the removal of the service .	Waste Services - charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Charges will be set to ensure that access to services are maintained and these non statutory services can continue to be offered. The charges are only for those who wish to use the services.
30839	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Only if the charges are reasonable would this be a sensible approach e.g. In areas where Council Trees are not maintained and leaves are not uplifted - this is a burden on the householder to endeavour to keep their property clean and tidy which should not be their problem at all !!! Closure of recycling sites is definitely a ridiculous proposal. This would only give rise to more Fly Tipping and would cost the Council more money to scour the county clearing the mess up.	Waste Services - charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Charges will be set to ensure that access to services are maintained and these non statutory services can continue to be offered. The charges are only for those who wish to use the services.
30840	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Give people a free compost bin if they want one instead of charging for using brown bins. Charging for bulky uplifts will only lead to fly tipping and untidy gardens.	Waste Services - charges	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Charges will be set to ensure that access to services are maintained and these non statutory services can continue to be offered. The charges are only for those who wish to use the services.
30841	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	they any proposed charging of collecting rubbish, including the brown bins would send the wrong message to people.	Waste Services - charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Charges will be set to ensure that access to services are maintained and these non statutory services can continue to be offered. The charges are only for those who wish to use the services.
30842	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Everything in brown bins is biodegradable so a charge for collecting the brown bins is simply absurd. It will only encourage people to dump their waste instead. Recycling and helping the environment should not be punished by a charge to pick up people's brown bins.	Waste Services - charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Charges will be set to ensure that access to services are maintained and these non statutory services can continue to be offered. The charges are only for those who wish to use the services.
30843	An employee of West Lothian Council	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Agree on charges- and many other councils are looking to introduce these charges; but closure of 3 community recycling sites would be a backwards step and will just lead to more fly tipping > complaints > the council will be forced to react and clear up and it'll cost us more in the long term.	Waste Services - charges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Charges will be set to ensure that access to services are maintained and these non statutory services can continue to be offered. The charges are only for those who wish to use the services.
30844	An employee of West Lothian Council	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	The council has spent a long time trying to encourage residents to recycle therefore charging for brown bins will deter this and may lead to fly tipping. I do agree with charging for bulky uplifts.	Waste Services - charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Charges will be set to ensure that access to services are maintained and these non statutory services can continue to be offered. The charges are only for those who wish to use the services.

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30845	An employee of West Lothian Council	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Waste services à€ charges for brown bin collection, bulky uplifts and the closure of 3 recycling sites will result in fly tipping. This links back to section 6, more work with less staff to do it in Revenues.	Waste Services - charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Charges will be set to ensure that access to services are maintained and these non statutory services can continue to be offered. The charges are only for those who wish to use the services.
30846	An employee of West Lothian Council	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Charging for these things will just result in fly tipping.	Waste Services - charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Charges will be set to ensure that access to services are maintained and these non statutory services can continue to be offered. The charges are only for those who wish to use the services.
30847	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Waste services should remain free for bins. Any charges will make fly tipping the norm. Bulky uplifts maybe 1-2 per year free.	Waste Services - charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Charges will be set to ensure that access to services are maintained and these non statutory services can continue to be offered. The charges are only for those who wish to use the services.
30848	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Charging for brown bins? I thought you used the compost generated and sold on any excess? For some people with larger gardens - or small gardens but large hedges - it would be difficult to dispose of garden waste	Waste Services - charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Charges will be set to ensure that access to services are maintained and these non statutory services can continue to be offered. The charges are only for those who wish to use the services. The council do not make a profit on the sale of compost which is handled by a JV.
30849	An employee of West Lothian Council	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Increased risk of fly tipping.	Waste Services - charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Charges will be set to ensure that access to services are maintained and these non statutory services can continue to be offered. The charges are only for those who wish to use the services.
30850	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	The council should review where it can make savings in its delivery - e.g. have 'gold standards' (seen set in the good times that can be compromised)	Waste Services - charges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Charges will be set to ensure that access to services are maintained and these non statutory services can continue to be offered. The charges are only for those who wish to use the services.
30851	An employee of West Lothian Council	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	What analysis has been done to determine the impact of the introduction of charges for bulky uplifts on projected levels of / increase in fly tipping and the subsequent cost to the council in dealing with this?	Waste Services - charges	5b. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it is likely that the costs of this proposal would outweigh the benefit.	Charges will be set to ensure that access to services are maintained and these non statutory services can continue to be offered. The charges are only for those who wish to use the services.
30852	An employee of West Lothian Council	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	brown bin waste creates compost which in turn helps the council maintain landscaping so should not be charged for usage of bins	Waste Services - charges	4. The council is already doing this.	Thank you for your comment. Your response has been noted. The council already do this.
30853	An employee of West Lothian Council	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	I think that the free bulky uplifts should be reduced from 3 to 2 or perhaps even 1. On the other side there might be increased fly tipping with this option, which would be at the detriment to the countryside.	Waste Services - charges	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Charges will be set to ensure that access to services are maintained and these non statutory services can continue to be offered. The charges are only for those who wish to use the services.
30854	An employee of West Lothian Council	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	charges for brown bin collection, bulky uplifts and the closure of 3 recycling sites will result in fly tipping. this will more costly to the council.	Waste Services - charges	5b. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it is likely that the costs of this proposal would outweigh the benefit.	Charges will be set to ensure that access to services are maintained and these non statutory services can continue to be offered. The charges are only for those who wish to use the services.
30855	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Charging for bulky uplifts will only result in fly tipping on a large scale which will cost council money so false economy the free uplift could be reduce to 2 a year with charges thereafter.	Waste Services - charges	5b. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it is likely that the costs of this proposal would outweigh the benefit.	Charges will be set to ensure that access to services are maintained and these non statutory services can continue to be offered. The charges are only for those who wish to use the services.
30856	An employee of West Lothian Council	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Charges to rubbish uplifts will result in fly-tipping which will probably cost more in the long run to tidy.	Waste Services - charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Charges will be set to ensure that access to services are maintained and these non statutory services can continue to be offered. The charges are only for those who wish to use the services.
30857	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	West Lothian is one of the cleanest council areas in Scotland. I would not be happy with charges being made for bulky uplifts and brown bins uplifts. Where these charges have been made in other council areas this has resulted in fly tipping on a grand scale with more cost to the council for clearing the mess up. I would also question that the cost of managing this new scheme would far outweigh the continuance of the present programme.	Waste Services - charges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Charges will be set to ensure that access to services are maintained and these non statutory services can continue to be offered. The charges are only for those who wish to use the services.
30858	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	If the Council charges for bulky uplifts, that will only increase the amount of fly-tipping that takes place? I cannot see the logic behind introducing charges for brown bins. The Council asked the residents to be more user-friendly. Now, the Council wants to charge us for that. No!!!!	Waste Services - charges	5b. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it is likely that the costs of this proposal would outweigh the benefit.	Charges will be set to ensure that access to services are maintained and these non statutory services can continue to be offered. The charges are only for those who wish to use the services.

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30859	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	3 free bulky uplifts at the moment â€” reduce these to 1 free uplift and residents pay for any additional uplifts. What percentage of residents use all 3 uplifts each year? Still having a free uplift would help prevent fly tipping which WLC would have to clean up anyway. There should be no charge for normal scheduled brown bin collections, council introduced this scheme and uses this material as compost. WLC should remove the brown bins if free uplift is not possible, WLC introduced the scheme they should remove it.	Waste Services - charges	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Charges will be set to ensure that access to services are maintained and these non statutory services can continue to be offered. The charges are only for those who wish to use the services.
30860	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Do not agree with charges for bulky uplifts, brown bins as this would increase fly tipping.	Waste Services - charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The charges proposed will be set to be proportional to the service delivered and at a level that is affordable and prevents the desire to illegally fly tip material. The proposed charges will enable these non-statutory services to continue operating.
30861	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Whereas we are not opposed to charges for bulky uplifts.	Waste Services - charges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The charges proposed will be set to be proportional to the service delivered and at a level that is affordable and prevents the desire to illegally fly tip material. The proposed charges will enable these non-statutory services to continue operating.
30862	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Charging for brown bin collections needs considerable thought. What is the current cost of the brown bin collection service and what does it add to the Council Tax of properties in say Band D and above? Better to charge everyone and avoid piles of grass cutting accumulating in hedgerows and on verges.	Waste Services - charges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The charges proposed will be set to be proportional to the service delivered and at a level that is affordable and prevents the desire to illegally fly tip material. The proposed charges will enable these non-statutory services to continue operating.
30863	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Don't think charges should be made for brown bins collections - we all know what would happen if you did- especially if you are closing the dump at Linlithgow.	Waste Services - charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The charges proposed will be set to be proportional to the service delivered and at a level that is affordable and prevents the desire to illegally fly tip material. The proposed charges will enable these non-statutory services to continue operating.
30864	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	I oppose the proposed charge for use of a brown bin	Waste Services - charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The charges proposed will be set to be proportional to the service delivered and at a level that is affordable and prevents the desire to illegally fly tip material. The proposed charges will enable these non-statutory services to continue operating.
30865	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Environment - think plan to charge for brown bins and uplifts is a good idea.	Waste Services - charges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30866	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	It would be regrettable to have to pay for brown bins emptying especially as my council tax may increase.. I would however pay a reasonable charge for brown Bins emptying.	Waste Services - charges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The charges proposed will be set to be proportional to the service delivered and at a level that is affordable and prevents the desire to illegally fly tip material. The proposed charges will enable these non-statutory services to continue operating.
30867	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Charges for bulky uplifts and brown bin collections will only result in fly tipping, which is already an issue.	Waste Services - charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The charges proposed will be set to be proportional to the service delivered and at a level that is affordable and prevents the desire to illegally fly tip material. The proposed charges will enable these non-statutory services to continue operating.
30868	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	It is entirely appropriate to charge for bulky uplifts however how would this be applied eg. one charge per item or one charge per visit etc? Also, it might be practical to charge after the first request.	Waste Services - charges	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The charges proposed will be set to be proportional to the service delivered and at a level that is affordable and prevents the desire to illegally fly tip material. The proposed charges will enable these non-statutory services to continue operating.
30869	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Disagree with charging for bulky uplifts. This will cost more due to fly tipping/	Waste Services - charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The charges proposed will be set to be proportional to the service delivered and at a level that is affordable and prevents the desire to illegally fly tip material. The proposed charges will enable these non-statutory services to continue operating.
30870	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Charge for bulky uplifts & deal with a massive fly-tipping problem.	Waste Services - charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The charges proposed will be set to be proportional to the service delivered and at a level that is affordable and prevents the desire to illegally fly tip material. The proposed charges will enable these non-statutory services to continue operating.

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30871	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Bulky uplifts - should be means-tested. You are distinguishing between who can and who cannot pay - putting lower incomes at a disadvantage and encouraging fly tipping. Brown bin charge - again this should be means-tested. On a personal level, I live in a corner property which is next door to a private tenant. This property has a number of large, wild trees which are not maintained in any way. Every year these trees shed leaves which have to be lifted from my garden and placed in my brown bin along with weed etc. all year round. If this is not done they can become a hazard. Therefore, I would be paying to dispose of garden refuse caused by a private landlord (unfair). This would also encourage tenants not to keep gardens maintained and considering you employ estate officers or quality assurance officers to inspect council tenants' gardens to make sure these are kept to a certain standard - surely this doesn't make sense.	Waste Services - charges	5b. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it is likely that the costs of this proposal would outweigh the benefit.	The charges proposed will be set to be proportional to the service delivered and at a level that is affordable and prevents the desire to illegally fly tip material. The proposed charges will enable these non-statutory services to continue operating.
30872	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	There should be no charge for any services involving recycling where the work of the community is saving the Council landfill disposal charges.	Waste Services - charges	5c. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it is not consistent with the council's values and priorities.	The charges proposed will be set to be proportional to the service delivered and at a level that is affordable and prevents the desire to illegally fly tip material. The proposed charges will enable these non-statutory services to continue operating.
30873	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Introduction of costs for bulky uplifts will increase fly tipping. Charging for brown bins will reduce your recycling targets.	Waste Services - charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The charges proposed will be set to be proportional to the service delivered and at a level that is affordable and prevents the desire to illegally fly tip material. The proposed charges will enable these non-statutory services to continue operating.
30874	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	The brown bin charge is a backwards step - the majority of people will be unwilling to pay - landfill will increase; fly-tipping will increase; there will be more highly pollutant bonfires throughout the winter. If it is the only way to save money please admit that it is a defeat, that it goes against previous aspirations and could infringe Government and EU guidelines. I fear that all you mention in 7C could have a similar effect. Come clean. It's not your fault but it's very, very bad.	Waste Services - charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The charges proposed will be set to be proportional to the service delivered and at a level that is affordable and prevents the desire to illegally fly tip material. The proposed charges will enable these non-statutory services to continue operating.
30875	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Charges for bulky uplifts and brown bins will increase rubbish dumping.	Waste Services - charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The charges proposed will be set to be proportional to the service delivered and at a level that is affordable and prevents the desire to illegally fly tip material. The proposed charges will enable these non-statutory services to continue operating.
30876	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Introduction of these charges and proposed retrograde action may deter some individuals from accepting and may also become a catalyst for responsible individuals to dump bulky items, normal brown bin waste plus items that would normally be accepted at the recycling centre now being dumped in other public spaces - ie. "fly tipping". This fly tipping will become a scar on the WL landscape and at the roadside etc. In these circumstances WLC will inevitably incur more cost to remove & legally dispose and/or recycle.	Waste Services - charges	5b. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it is likely that the costs of this proposal would outweigh the benefit.	The charges proposed will be set to be proportional to the service delivered and at a level that is affordable and prevents the desire to illegally fly tip material. The proposed charges will enable these non-statutory services to continue operating.
30877	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Brown bin waste can be recycled and given to Burgh Beautiful or sold to garden centres.	Waste Services - charges	4. The council is already doing this.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30878	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Numbers for bulky uplifts for sites should be homecare who help folk who have nothing. Volunteer schemes should be used to help with uplifts and delivery.	Waste Services - charges	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30879	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	charging for brown bin use is unacceptable. Charging will just cause more fly tipping.	Waste Services - charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The charges proposed will be set to be proportional to the service delivered and at a level that is affordable and prevents the desire to illegally fly tip material. The proposed charges will enable these non-statutory services to continue operating.
30880	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	We are opposed to the proposals to charge for use of brown bins. It can be difficult as individuals to handle the disposal of a large volume of garden refuse without adequate brown bin provision .	Waste Services - charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The charges proposed will be set to be proportional to the service delivered and at a level that is affordable and prevents the desire to illegally fly tip material. The proposed charges will enable these non-statutory services to continue operating.
30881	No Response	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	I have huge concern about the proposal to charge for brown bins. I have 4 brown bins and a fairly large garden. If I were to pay for brown bins I will start to put garden waste in her grey and blue bin instead. waste services are the only thing i receive from the Council and already pay my Council tax so should not have to pay anything else.	Waste Services - charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The charges proposed will be set to be proportional to the service delivered and at a level that is affordable and prevents the desire to illegally fly tip material. The proposed charges will enable these non-statutory services to continue operating.

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30882	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	This policy will take us back in time to when mattresses etc were a common sight by the side of the road. There is already a terrible problem in west lothian with litter. The council will then have to go picking items up.	Waste Services - charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The charges proposed will be set to be proportional to the service delivered and at a level that is affordable and prevents the desire to illegally fly tip material. The proposed charges will enable these non-statutory services to continue operating.
30883	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	In light of recent success in terms of increases in recycling landfill how does the proposal to charge for bulky uplifts meet any environmental priorities?	Waste Services - charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The charges proposed will be set to be proportional to the service delivered and at a level that is affordable and prevents the desire to illegally fly tip material. The proposed charges will enable these non-statutory services to continue operating.
30884	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	In light of recent success in terms of increases in recycling landfill how does the proposal to charge for brown bin uplifts meet any environmental priorities? How much will my brown bin cost and how often will it be collected?	Waste Services - charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The charges proposed will be set to be proportional to the service delivered and at a level that is affordable and prevents the desire to illegally fly tip material. The proposed charges will enable these non-statutory services to continue operating.
30885	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	how much will a bulky uplift cost? Will this be paid upfront or will you need extra debt recovery staff?	Waste Services - charges	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	The charges proposed will be set to be proportional to the service delivered and at a level that is affordable and prevents the desire to illegally fly tip material. The proposed charges will enable these non-statutory services to continue operating.
30886	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	In light of recent success in terms of increases in recycling landfill how does the proposal to charge for bulky uplifts meet any environmental priorities?	Waste Services - charges	5c. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it is not consistent with the council's values and priorities.	The charges proposed will be set to be proportional to the service delivered and at a level that is affordable and prevents the desire to illegally fly tip material. The proposed charges will enable these non-statutory services to continue operating.
30887	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	In light of recent success in terms of increases in recycling landfill how does the proposal to charge for brown bin uplifts meet any environmental priorities? How much will my brown bin cost and how often will it be collected?	Waste Services - charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The charges proposed will be set to be proportional to the service delivered and at a level that is affordable and prevents the desire to illegally fly tip material. The proposed charges will enable these non-statutory services to continue operating.
30888	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	how much will a bulky uplift cost? Will this be paid upfront or will you need extra debt recovery staff?	Waste Services - charges	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	The charges proposed will be set to be proportional to the service delivered and at a level that is affordable and prevents the desire to illegally fly tip material. The proposed charges will enable these non-statutory services to continue operating.
30889	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	In light of recent success in terms of increases in recycling landfill how does the proposal to charge for bulky uplifts meet any environmental priorities?	Waste Services - charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The charges proposed will be set to be proportional to the service delivered and at a level that is affordable and prevents the desire to illegally fly tip material. The proposed charges will enable these non-statutory services to continue operating.
30890	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	In light of recent success in terms of increases in recycling landfill how does the proposal to charge for brown bin uplifts meet any environmental priorities? How much will my brown bin cost and how often will it be collected?	Waste Services - charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The charges proposed will be set to be proportional to the service delivered and at a level that is affordable and prevents the desire to illegally fly tip material. The proposed charges will enable these non-statutory services to continue operating.
30891	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	how much will a bulky uplift cost? Will this be paid upfront or will you need extra debt recovery staff?	Waste Services - charges	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	The charges proposed will be set to be proportional to the service delivered and at a level that is affordable and prevents the desire to illegally fly tip material. The proposed charges will enable these non-statutory services to continue operating.
30892	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	In light of recent success in terms of increases in recycling landfill how does the proposal to charge for bulky uplifts meet any environmental priorities?	Waste Services - charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The charges proposed will be set to be proportional to the service delivered and at a level that is affordable and prevents the desire to illegally fly tip material. The proposed charges will enable these non-statutory services to continue operating.
30893	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	In light of recent success in terms of increases in recycling landfill how does the proposal to charge for brown bin uplifts meet any environmental priorities? How much will my brown bin cost and how often will it be collected?	Waste Services - charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The charges proposed will be set to be proportional to the service delivered and at a level that is affordable and prevents the desire to illegally fly tip material. The proposed charges will enable these non-statutory services to continue operating.

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30894	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	how much will a bulky uplift cost? Will this be paid upfront or will you need extra debt recovery staff?	Waste Services - charges	5c. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it is not consistent with the council's values and priorities.	The charges proposed will be set to be proportional to the service delivered and at a level that is affordable and prevents the desire to illegally fly tip material. The proposed charges will enable these non-statutory services to continue operating.
30895	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	In light of recent success in terms of increases in recycling landfill how does the proposal to charge for bulky uplifts meet any environmental priorities?	Waste Services - charges	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	The charges proposed will be set to be proportional to the service delivered and at a level that is affordable and prevents the desire to illegally fly tip material. The proposed charges will enable these non-statutory services to continue operating.
30896	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	In light of recent success in terms of increases in recycling landfill how does the proposal to charge for brown bin uplifts meet any environmental priorities? How much will my brown bin cost and how often will it be collected?	Waste Services - charges	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	The charges proposed will be set to be proportional to the service delivered and at a level that is affordable and prevents the desire to illegally fly tip material. The proposed charges will enable these non-statutory services to continue operating.
30897	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	â€ how much will a bulky uplift cost? Will this be paid upfront or will you need extra debt recovery staff?	Waste Services - charges	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	The charges proposed will be set to be proportional to the service delivered and at a level that is affordable and prevents the desire to illegally fly tip material. The proposed charges will enable these non-statutory services to continue operating.
30898	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	In light of recent success in terms of increases in recycling landfill how does the proposal to charge for bulky uplifts and brown bin uplifts meet any environmental priorities? How much will my brown bin cost and how often will it be collected?	Waste Services - charges	5c. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it is not consistent with the council's values and priorities.	The charges proposed will be set to be proportional to the service delivered and at a level that is affordable and prevents the desire to illegally fly tip material. The proposed charges will enable these non-statutory services to continue operating.
30899	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Charge for use of brown bins seems unfair and an imposition on residents who tend their garden.	Waste Services - charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The charges proposed will be set to be proportional to the service delivered and at a level that is affordable and prevents the desire to illegally fly tip material. The proposed charges will enable these non-statutory services to continue operating.
30900	An employee of West Lothian Council	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Also, by introducing charges for uplifts and not uplifting brown bins, this will give rise to an explosion of fly tipping. Not a good option.	Waste Services - charges	5b. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it is likely that the costs of this proposal would outweigh the benefit.	The charges proposed will be set to be proportional to the service delivered and at a level that is affordable and prevents the desire to illegally fly tip material. The proposed charges will enable these non-statutory services to continue operating.
30901	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Charge for brown bin uplifts.	Waste Services - charges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30902	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Charge for more services such as waste uplifts.	Waste Services - charges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30903	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	but introduce a flat fee on other service, for example, on brown bins.	Waste Services - charges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30904	An employee of West Lothian Council	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	start charging for bulky uplifts - this is abused by customers as they are free.	Waste Services - charges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30905	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Charge for uplift on additional black bins	Waste Services - charges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30906	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Why are you not charging the public for replacement bins in line with other councils across Scotland.	Waste Services - charges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council is currently reviewing its income generation, charging and concessions policy and this will be considered as part of the next review.
30907	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	I think that some free bulky uplifts should be allowed - I know it is currently 3 per year and maybe this could be reduced rather than stopped altogether. .	Waste Services - charges	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The council is currently reviewing its income generation, charging and concessions policy and this will be considered as part of the next review. The council will review options for introducing new charges such as Bulky uplifts

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30908	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Charges for bulky uplifts would result in increased fly tipping and environmental local degradation so disagree.	Waste Services - charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Councils who currently charge for Bulky Uplift collections or who have introduced charges have not reported significant increases in illegal fly tipping as a result. Any changes that do occur will be monitored closely and action taken as appropriate against illegal practices.
30909	An employee of West Lothian Council	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Bulky uplifts and brown bin recycling are a necessary service otherwise black bins will contain garden waste and fly tipping will increase.	Waste Services - charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council is currently reviewing its income generation, charging and concessions policy and this will be considered as part of the next review. The council will review options for introducing new charges such as Bulky uplifts
30910	An employee of West Lothian Council	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	I was made aware the Highland council are now charging residents for the use of the brown bin uplift. Â£30 per year (I think). Although people would not like it, if the decision was made then they would accept it.	Waste Services - charges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council will be benchmarking against other authorities regarding the impact of changes such as this and the lessons learnt from their introduction.
30911	An employee of West Lothian Council	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Agree, but changes to waste services, particularly charging does have knock on effects. Agree that bulky uplifts should be chargeable, but maybe scales to the quantity being lifted or after possibly one free.	Waste Services - charges	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The council is currently reviewing its income generation, charging and concessions policy and this will be considered as part of the next review.
30912	An employee of West Lothian Council	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Charging for brown bin collection will result in people putting their garden rubbish into the general rubbish bin. Maybe have 1 free bulky uplift within a 12 month cycle then charge for extra, otherwise this encourages fly tipping and will cost the council to remove anyway. We are asked to recycle as much as we can so how can closing 3 recycling sites help with this?	Waste Services - charges	5b. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it is likely that the costs of this proposal would outweigh the benefit.	Propose not to take forward Garden Waste charge but agree with the move to look at the number of free bulky uplifts. Total disagreement with the closure of recycling centres as against council values.
30913	An employee of West Lothian Council	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Charging for uplift of brown bin given efforts to promote recycling appears counterproductive.	Waste Services - charges	5c. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it is not consistent with the council's values and priorities.	The council will be benchmarking against other authorities regarding the impact of changes such as this and the lessons learnt from their introduction.
30914	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	you can not cut waste removal charging for bulky uplifts will only cause more fly tipping they do it now and its free.	Waste Services - charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Councils who currently charge for Bulky Uplift collections or who have introduced charges have not reported significant increases in illegal fly tipping as a result. Any changes that do occur will be monitored closely and action taken as appropriate against illegal practices.
30915	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Waste collection service- reduce number of free bulky uplifts per year. Have first bulky uplift free and then charge for any additional uplifts. Charges should not be too high as this will lead to increased fly-tipping.	Waste Services - charges	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Councils who currently charge for Bulky Uplift collections or who have introduced charges have not reported significant increases in illegal fly tipping as a result. Any changes that do occur will be monitored closely and action taken as appropriate against illegal practices.
30916	An employee of West Lothian Council	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	I would agree in principle with this proposal however I am aware of circumstances where items have been "dumped" as the person has not been willing to pay the cost of a bulky uplift resulting in greater problems - I am also aware in Edinburgh when a reduction in the waste collection was undertaken this had to be revised due to wheelie bins not being emptied frequently enough and being left overflowing with rubbish / with black bags left beside them etc	Waste Services - charges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Councils who currently charge for Bulky Uplift collections or who have introduced charges have not reported significant increases in illegal fly tipping as a result. Any changes that do occur will be monitored closely and action taken as appropriate against illegal practices.
30917	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Disagree with the charging of brown bin uplift. Agree with removal of commercial waste however require to be mindful of dumping of waste and the potential of moving the problem to other council services.	Waste Services - charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30918	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Charges for bulky uplifts = increased fly tipping. There is already an issue with dumping of waste, including garden waste, in local woodland areas.	Waste Services - charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Councils who currently charge for Bulky Uplift collections or who have introduced charges have not reported significant increases in illegal fly tipping as a result. Any changes that do occur will be monitored closely and action taken as appropriate against illegal practices.
30919	An employee of West Lothian Council	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Also if you charge for a brown bin people will fly tip their green waste.	Waste Services - charges	5b. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it is likely that the costs of this proposal would outweigh the benefit.	Councils who currently charge for Garden Waste collections or who have introduced charges have not reported significant increases in illegal fly tipping as a result. Any changes that do occur will be monitored closely and action taken as appropriate against illegal practices.

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30920	An employee of West Lothian Council	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Bulky uplift charges are a must, most other Councils already charge.	Waste Services - charges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council is currently reviewing its income generation, charging and concessions policy and this will be considered as part of the next review.
30921	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Charges for the use of brown bins seem unfair and could result in many residents not up-keeping their gardens , which would have a detrimental effect on the aesthetics of the housing estates and the environment in general. There would also be the danger that many people would simply put their garden waste in their grey bins.	Waste Services - charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Councils who currently charge for Garden Waste collections or who have introduced charges have not reported significant increases in illegal fly tipping or transfer to the landfill bin as a result. Any changes that do occur will be monitored closely and action taken as appropriate against illegal practices or material finding its way to landfill.
30922	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Previous attempts at charging for bulky uplifts increased fly tipping. Charging for brown bins will increase fly tipping and end up with grass going uncut.	Waste Services - charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Councils who currently charge for Garden Waste & Bulky collections or who have introduced charges have not reported significant increases in illegal fly tipping or transfer to the landfill bin as a result. Any changes that do occur will be monitored closely and action taken as appropriate against illegal practices or material finding its way to landfill.
30923	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Charges for bulky uplifts would need to be carefully balanced to ensure continuity of use and prevent increase in costs associated with fly tipping.	Waste Services - charges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Councils who currently charge for Bulky Uplift collections or who have introduced charges have not reported significant increases in illegal fly tipping as a result. Any changes that do occur will be monitored closely and action taken as appropriate against illegal practices.
30924	An employee of West Lothian Council	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	so you want to encourage recycling and then charge for the brown bin!!!! Apart from anything else this is a part year service so your saving would be minimal- a moderate charge for bulky uplifts would be acceptable but overdoing it will just lead to fly-tipping as will closure of recycling sites	Waste Services - charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Disagree with the charging for Garden Waste but agree with the moderate charging for bulky uplifts.
30925	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Agree in principle on introducing a charge for bulky uplift as currently West Lothian residents can have 3 a year. I would propose to give 1 free and then additional charges thereafter. I do believe that West Lothian may become a fly tipping area due to all of the above proposals so this should be given careful consideration.	Waste Services - charges	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Councils who currently charge for Bulky Uplift collections or who have introduced charges have not reported significant increases in illegal fly tipping as a result. Any changes that do occur will be monitored closely and action taken as appropriate against illegal practices.
30926	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	if a bulky uplift fee is applied everyone will start fly tipping and dumping stuff everywhere that you will need to pay to get removed anyway.....stupid idea.	Waste Services - charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Councils who currently charge for Bulky Uplift collections or who have introduced charges have not reported significant increases in illegal fly tipping as a result. Any changes that do occur will be monitored closely and action taken as appropriate against illegal practices.
30927	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	This is awful people will not pay for brown bin collections no way you will end up with horrid overflow bins or ppl will use the blue/black bins instead ppl will end up with overgrown gardens that are unsafe.	Waste Services - charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Councils who currently charge for Garden Waste collections or who have introduced charges have not reported significant increases in illegal fly tipping or transfer to the landfill bin as a result. Any changes that do occur will be monitored closely and action taken as appropriate against illegal practices or material finding its way to landfill.
30928	No Response	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	The proposals above will probably mean that West Lothian will look like Naples in no time(filthy) due to the excess rubbish getting dumped on the streets and in the countryside.	Waste Services - charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Councils who currently charge for Garden Waste & Bulky collections or who have introduced charges have not reported significant increases in illegal fly tipping or transfer to the landfill bin as a result. Any changes that do occur will be monitored closely and action taken as appropriate against illegal practices or material finding its way to landfill.
30929	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	worry about fly tipping if charging for bulky uplifts - surely these are more expensive to clear than providing one free uplift per year! On top of this you are then encouraging us to recycle our bulky uplifts at your amenity centres only to shut some. You have not given any indication which ones!	Waste Services - charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Councils who currently charge for Bulky Uplift collections or who have introduced charges have not reported significant increases in illegal fly tipping as a result. Any changes that do occur will be monitored closely and action taken as appropriate against illegal practices.
30930	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	A charge for bulky uplifts seems reasonable but expect more fly tipping. Charges for regular uplifts such as brown bins will just irritate people (like me) who already pay their council tax and expect their waste to be uplifted as part of the deal.	Waste Services - charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council is currently reviewing its income generation, charging and concessions policy and this will be considered as part of the next review.

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30931	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	You cannot ask people to recycle and separate waste and then charge them for doing so! Brown bins serve a purpose and ultimately save WLC money as they generate good compost for WLC to use. Bulky uplift charges will simply increase fly tipping...why not reduce 3 free to 1 free per year with charges for extras?	Waste Services - charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Councils who currently charge for Garden Waste & Bulky collections or who have introduced charges have not reported significant increases in illegal fly tipping or transfer to the landfill bin as a result. Any changes that do occur will be monitored closely and action taken as appropriate against illegal practices or material finding its way to landfill.
30932	An employee of West Lothian Council	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	I think small fees for bulky uplifts would be acceptable, if this ensures good service. I disagree with charges for use of brown bins as this would mean more pressure on use of small black bins to dispose of garden waste, and people potentially dumping garden waste elsewhere that the council would then incur costs clearing up.	Waste Services - charges	5c. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it is not consistent with the council's values and priorities.	Disagree with the charging for Garden Waste but agree with the moderate charging for bulky uplifts.
30933	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	No charges should be made for the charging of brown bin collection. I agree with the removal of commercial waste.	Waste Services - charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council is currently reviewing its income generation, charging and concessions policy and this will be considered as part of the next review.
30934	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Already pay considerable tax and one of the few returns that I actually receive is a bin collection. If charges are levied for brown bins the community will suffer as gardens would not be maintained.	Waste Services - charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Community Recycling Centres will still be available for the deposit of Garden Waste and home composting will continue to be supported as an alternative means of processing Garden Waste.
30935	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	We already pay our community tax for the services mentioned. The brown bin collection service needs to be retained because removal would encourage people to fly tip their garden waste. This would also be the case for bulky uplifts. Fly tipping would become a huge burden on council resources.	Waste Services - charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Councils who currently charge for Garden Waste & Bulky collections or who have introduced charges have not reported significant increases in illegal fly tipping or transfer to the landfill bin as a result. Any changes that do occur will be monitored closely and action taken as appropriate against illegal practices or material finding its way to landfill.
30936	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	I agree with charging for bulky uplifts as the charge is reasonable now.	Waste Services - charges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council is currently reviewing its income generation, charging and concessions policy and this will be considered as part of the next review.
30937	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Charging for brown bins is self defeating as this will increase fly tipping and also I will just put my garden waste in the black bin.	Waste Services - charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Councils who currently charge for Garden Waste collections or who have introduced charges have not reported significant increases in illegal fly tipping or transfer to the landfill bin as a result. Any changes that do occur will be monitored closely and action taken as appropriate against illegal practices or material finding its way to landfill.
30938	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	It is already a shambles, you gave us smaller black bins where the money could of been spent elsewhere and now you want to charge us for brown bins???	Waste Services - charges	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30939	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	"NO" charges should be introduced for uplifts or brown bin collection. This proposal would just lead to more fly tipping...this would be a daft decision.	Waste Services - charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30940	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	If you charge for brown bins then the black bins will be used or fly tipping will increase - not cost effective.	Waste Services - charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30941	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Charging for bulky uplifts should be done on a case by case basis and charged on a scale accordingly. I personally have access to vehicles therefore can go to the recycling sites myself, however many people in my area are elderly and don't have access to vehicles, should they be penalised?	Waste Services - charges	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Councils who currently charge for Garden Waste & Bulky collections or who have introduced charges have not reported significant increases in illegal fly tipping or transfer to the landfill bin as a result. Any changes that do occur will be monitored closely and action taken as appropriate against illegal practices or material finding its way to landfill.
30942	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	I dont agree with your points on charging for bulky uplifts and use of brown bins??	Waste Services - charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30943	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Why charge for brown bins?? This seems unfair as it provides you with all your compost anyway!	Waste Services - charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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30944	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	So basically you give everyone a skinny grey bin then discourage recycling? Everyone will just throw their rubbish on the streets, including items for bulky up lift... Are you going to pay for every property to have a paved garden since you'll be charging for use of the bin required for cutting grass?	Waste Services - charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	There will be access for free at recycling centres and for home composting if residents do not wish to pay for a brown bin service.
30945	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	I understand the charge for bulky uplifts but this could cause a lot of fly tipping as people cannot afford to pay for bulky uplifts at the moment the cost we pay is high and charging for the use of Brown bins is going too far you were the ones who introduced the brown bins they were not asked for by the public again charging for this will cause problems people will start using other bins for the waste	Waste Services - charges	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Councils who currently charge for Garden Waste & Bulky collections or who have introduced charges have not reported significant increases in illegal fly tipping or transfer to the landfill bin as a result. Any changes that do occur will be monitored closely and action taken as appropriate against illegal practices or material finding its way to landfill.
30946	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	I am happy to pay for all bulky uplifts. Not sure what you mean by brown bin charges. Wouldn't it be better to empty brow bins for free and sell the compost they generate rather than give it away? Is there no other income that can be generated from waste management? One concern would be the danger of an increase in fly tipping.	Waste Services - charges	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Councils who currently charge for Garden Waste & Bulky collections or who have introduced charges have not reported significant increases in illegal fly tipping or transfer to the landfill bin as a result. Any changes that do occur will be monitored closely and action taken as appropriate against illegal practices or material finding its way to landfill.
30947	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	charges for brown bin/ bulky uplift will simply result in additional costs on clearing up after those who will fly tip which will increase as a result of the charges. Housing estates in west Lothian will look worse as people will stop doing basic garden maintenance to avoid having to pay to have garden waste removed.	Waste Services - charges	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Councils who currently charge for Garden Waste & Bulky collections or who have introduced charges have not reported significant increases in illegal fly tipping or transfer to the landfill bin as a result. Any changes that do occur will be monitored closely and action taken as appropriate against illegal practices or material finding its way to landfill.
30948	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	agree with charges for bulky uplifts but not brown bins. The brown bins could be collected every four to six weeks to make a saving.	Waste Services - charges	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Councils who currently charge for Garden Waste & Bulky collections or who have introduced charges have not reported significant increases in illegal fly tipping or transfer to the landfill bin as a result. Any changes that do occur will be monitored closely and action taken as appropriate against illegal practices or material finding its way to landfill.
30949	An employee of West Lothian Council	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	would think that charging for brown bin collection would only result in fly-tipping & more expensive in the long run to clean & clear up & if charging for bulky uplifts would think that if a reasonable charge e.g £5.00 then people wouldn't mind so much & perhaps even use more readily than if say £20- £25 was charged which would I would increase fly tipping	Waste Services - charges	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Councils who currently charge for Garden Waste & Bulky collections or who have introduced charges have not reported significant increases in illegal fly tipping or transfer to the landfill bin as a result. Any changes that do occur will be monitored closely and action taken as appropriate against illegal practices or material finding its way to landfill.
30950	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Charges for bulky items and brown bins will lead to more fly tipping. If community recycling sites are closed people will be less likely to be willing to recycle which will be damaging to the environment.	Waste Services - charges	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Councils who currently charge for Garden Waste & Bulky collections or who have introduced charges have not reported significant increases in illegal fly tipping or transfer to the landfill bin as a result. Any changes that do occur will be monitored closely and action taken as appropriate against illegal practices or material finding its way to landfill.
30951	An employee of West Lothian Council	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	I feel to charge for use of the brown bin is madness the council make money off the content by selling compost. I also feel if this is not available people will put it in the bottom of other bins and cover it over. I believe to close the recycling centres will also take away people only other way of getting rid of rubbish and will cause people to dump rubbish all over the countryside	Waste Services - charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30952	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Charging for bulky uplifts and restricting recycling/dump sites will only lead to an increase in fly tipping, which the council will have to pay for. Either/or is the circumstance here	Waste Services - charges	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Councils who currently charge for Garden Waste & Bulky collections or who have introduced charges have not reported significant increases in illegal fly tipping or transfer to the landfill bin as a result. Any changes that do occur will be monitored closely and action taken as appropriate against illegal practices or material finding its way to landfill.
30953	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Unfair to charge for use of brown bins after introducing such small black bins.	Waste Services - charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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30954	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Suspect that this will result in increased fly tipping which might cost more to sort than the proposed savings.	Waste Services - charges	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Councils who currently charge for Garden Waste & Bulky collections or who have introduced charges have not reported significant increases in illegal fly tipping or transfer to the landfill bin as a result. Any changes that do occur will be monitored closely and action taken as appropriate against illegal practices or material finding its way to landfill.
30955	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Also don't agree with charging for brown bins. Money can be made from the compost. How will businesses get rid of waste!?	Waste Services - charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30956	An employee of West Lothian Council	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Brown bins are environmentally friendly, are they no-?	Waste Services - charges	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30957	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	It has sometimes been the case that where a council has made the charge too high for collecting bulky uplifts or other waste removals, there has been an increase in fly tipping with its own cost for removal. The council should be aware of this possible result.	Waste Services - charges	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	In other authorities there have not been any noted significant increases in fly tipping as a result of the implementation of reasonable charges
30958	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	charging for use of brown bins means no one will use them as they already pay for waste collection any leass collection will result in no service	Waste Services - charges	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Collection number decreases will be modelled in line with the results from other Authorities.
30959	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Why charge for brown bins? I thought the council was supporting composting? I am concerned that these measures may lead to greater incidences of fly tipping.	Waste Services - charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30960	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Charges for bulkys - yes as long as this doesn't lead to fly tipping as that would be a false economy	Waste Services - charges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30961	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	I think that residents could be entitled to one free bulky uplift a year, and then charged thereafter.	Waste Services - charges	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The potential options will be considered following the consultation process.
30962	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	I think the emptying of the brown bin is something included in the council tax we pay, and should continue to be that way.	Waste Services - charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your comment. Your response has been noted. Brown Bins are not a statutory service.
30963	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	I think charging for bulky uplifts is fine	Waste Services - charges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30964	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	charging for Brown bin usage is unfeasible. People have no option but to use this service.	Waste Services - charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your comment. Your response has been noted. The charging for brown bins has been successfully deployed in other authorities
30965	An employee of West Lothian Council	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Why are there not already charges for bulky uplifts etc.?	Waste Services - charges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30966	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Charge for brown bins?! What are people supposed to do with their garden waste? Use the - new - smaller grey bin? Is there not the possibility of people just using the blue bin and/or the possibility of increased fly-tipping? Which, presumably, the council will then need to clean up - incurring cost.	Waste Services - charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30967	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	If you are going to charge for brown bins are you going to reduce the council tax? Are you going to provide larger grey bins? Surely this also goes against WLC policy in trying to be 'greener'?	Waste Services - charges	5b. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it is likely that the costs of this proposal would outweigh the benefit.	Brown Bins are not a statutory service.
30968	An employee of West Lothian Council	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Concerned at proposal to charge for brown bin usage. Many properties have gardens in West Lothian - would this result in tipping of green waste?	Waste Services - charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	In other authorities there have not been any noted significant increases in fly tipping as a result of the implementation of reasonable charges

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30969	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Totally disagree with a charge for the brown bin service. In the autumn and winter my bin is full of leaves falling from a tree on council land which fall into my garden.	Waste Services - charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Brown Bins are not a statutory service.
30970	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	I personally would pay for a bulky uplift but many people would not and this would increase fly tipping.	Waste Services - charges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30971	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Do not support proposal as the brown bins are necessary to keep gardens maintained danger in introducing a charge is gardens becoming overgrown making the communities look untidy. People enjoy maintaining their gardens it is not a good idea in penalising them - could be regarded as a "garden tax" which is as bad as the bedroom tax!! Why should families with more than 1 grey bin not be charged for their extra refuge being picked up	Waste Services - charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Brown Bins are not a statutory service, however grey bins are.
30972	An employee of West Lothian Council	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	May result in an increase in fly tipping.	Waste Services - charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	In other authorities there have not been any noted significant increases in fly tipping as a result of the implementation of reasonable charges
30973	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	You already charge for bulky uplifts.	Waste Services - charges	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	There are 3 free uplifts per year at present.
30974	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	If you are going to charge for bulky uplifts, you need to keep local facilities for people to get rid of items more locally.	Waste Services - charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	In other authorities there have not been any noted significant increases in fly tipping as a result of the implementation of reasonable charges
30975	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Reduce free bulky uplift thing to one or two per year instead of three.	Waste Services - charges	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30976	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Charging for bulky uplifts could lead to more fly-tipping which ultimately means some is adversely affected and the council might have to pull in specialist services.	Waste Services - charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	In other authorities there have not been any noted significant increases in fly tipping as a result of the implementation of reasonable charges
30977	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Charging for the brown bin - sounds daft. Most people will start dumping and assuming that the brown bin output is actually worthwhile, why would you want to threaten this?	Waste Services - charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	In other authorities there have not been any noted significant increases in fly tipping as a result of the implementation of reasonable charges
30978	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	ping. As for charging for emptying brown bins, the council introduced these to prevent garden waste being taken to landfill sites... why should we now have to pay extra when we are already paying a hefty community charge. Those who have gardens should not be penalised! This is a slippery slope for WLC to even be considering.	Waste Services - charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	In other authorities there have not been any noted significant increases in fly tipping as a result of the implementation of reasonable charges
30979	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Bulky uplifts may be something to consider but again, cost benefit analysis may not deliver as you will end up paying to clear up fly tipping, recent increase in England a point in fact when Â£58m bill footed by taxpayers for clearing up fly tipping..... NO	Waste Services - charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	In other authorities there have not been any noted significant increases in fly tipping as a result of the implementation of reasonable charges
30980	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	I hope you're keeping the recycling centre in linlithgow I use this all the time for bottles. Don't agree with charging for brown bin uplifts. Bulky yes.	Waste Services - charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	No decision has been made as to which site will be closed if the proposals are accepted. Brown bins are not a statutory service and thank you for your comments on bulky collections.
30981	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	If these savings are so easily made why have they not already been done. Would stop using brown bin if there was a charge and would cram my garden waste into the grey bin.	Waste Services - charges	5b. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it is likely that the costs of this proposal would outweigh the benefit.	There is not sufficient capacity within the grey bin for garden waste however recycling centres and home composting remain options for those who will not pay.
30982	An employee of West Lothian Council	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	It appears tough on the local resident that they will be charged for use of the brown bin. The only alternative to the brown bin would be composting the waste by the resident. However, this is not practical for the vast majority of people due to space availability. It appears the council is proposing to charge people who have trees and lawns etc. which enhance the natural look of West Lothian greatly. If charges are introduced then a resident may remove their lawn / trees etc. which would substantially increase the water run-off from the urban environment and place a great volume / load on the surface water run-off network which may be comprised and result in more and greater (in size) local flooding events.	Waste Services - charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The suggested impacts of charging or brown bins have not been noted in any other authority who has introduced such a charge.

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30983	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	I don't think there should be a charge for using a brown bin. The brown bin is for garden waste and this may deter people from maintaining their gardens.	Waste Services - charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your comment. Your response has been noted. Brown Bins are not a statutory service.
30984	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	However, a bulky uplift could be changed at a reasonable rate. Free for one item - a cost for several?	Waste Services - charges	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30985	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Charging for using the brown bin seems to risk the waste going in the black bin or, worse, the blue bin and with fewer recycling sites, it becomes harder to take garden waste to a dump.	Waste Services - charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The correct use of containers will continue to be monitored by collection staff to ensure compliance.
30986	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Charging for brown bins is also a no go area. You have shrunk the size of the black bin and therefore where do you put your garden waste. In the past where I lived before brown bins people dumped this in the nearby woods and made a right mess! You will end up with people burning their rubbish in their back gardens as their will be no Community Police Officers going forward to stop it.	Waste Services - charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30987	An employee of West Lothian Council	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Agree with charging for bulky uplifts	Waste Services - charges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30988	An employee of West Lothian Council	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Disagree with charging for the use of brown bins. There will be a tendency then that people will look to dump garden refuse elsewhere.	Waste Services - charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30989	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Agree however can there be a community charge if people don't maintain their property and gardens?	Waste Services - charges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30990	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	If you start charging for the use of brown bins then people will start to use the grey bins more or worse start to dump or leave garden rubbish all over the place.	Waste Services - charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	There has been no evidence of a significant increase in fly tipping noted in authorities who have introduced such changes.
30991	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	other options should be looked into such as reselling items from recycling centres or making money from scrap metal if this is not done already	Waste Services - charges	4. The council is already doing this.	The council already do this.
30992	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	disagree with charging for brown bin collections. scotland does well with its recycling rates and i suspect if charges were brought in for brown bins then people wont use them and just put it in their grey bins. a reduced collecton frequency should take place with it stopping in november and restarting march. think it was changed to be collected every month now. dissagree with the closure of community recycling centres. oakbank is always really busy every time i use it and suspect others are too. a review of busy periods should be carried out with reduced opening hours	Waste Services - charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The collection services offered will still provide outlets for garden waste. Reviews of working practices to ensure efficiency will be carried out across the service.
30993	An employee of West Lothian Council	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Charging for brown bins will impact signifincantly the WLC recycling rate as other concils such as Angus has already implemented similar measure with a significat dip in their recycling rate. This measure would mean that more waste would be sent to landfill which will mean that the council would pay higher disposal cost. A more reasonable option would be to add food waste into the brown bin, this would say the need of few food waste vehicles.	Waste Services - charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30994	An employee of West Lothian Council	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Charging for bulky uplift seems reasonable although it can make fly tipping a problem.	Waste Services - charges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
30995	An employee of West Lothian Council	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Charging for bulky uplifts, use of brown bins and closing recycling centres will encourage fly tipping which no doubt will cost more money that you save. Perhaps limiting it to 1 bulky uplift a year will help prevent this, however brown bins shouldn't be chargeable after all it saves the council from buying as much compost.	Waste Services - charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	In other authorities there have not been any noted significant increases in fly tipping as a result of the implementation of reasonable charges
30996	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	The cost of bulky uplifts needs reducing - as it is, dumping of waste is being encouraged.	Waste Services - charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	In other authorities there have not been any noted significant increases in fly tipping as a result of the implementation of reasonable charges
30997	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	would not pay a charge for the use of brown bins.	Waste Services - charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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30998	No Response	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Introducing charges for uplift of brown bins may lead to fly tipping	Waste Services - charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	In other authorities there have not been any noted significant increases in fly tipping as a result of the implementation of reasonable charges
30999	No Response	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	- No problem for the charge for bulky uplifts	Waste Services - charges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
31000	An employee of West Lothian Council	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Charging for bulky uplift is reasonable but may increase fly tipping	Waste Services - charges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	In other authorities there have not been any noted significant increases in fly tipping as a result of the implementation of reasonable charges
31001	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	One of the services that could be withdrawn is the free bulky uplifts I would rather pay for this type of service than have my rates increased	Waste Services - charges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
31002	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Definitely charge for bulky uplifts	Waste Services - charges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
31003	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	but don't charge for brown bins we have a great recycling target I would have to put all my leaves that fall from the councils trees into my garden into my waste bin as I wouldn't be prepared to pay for brown bin don't close down recycling make money from other people's rubbish	Waste Services - charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	In other authorities there have not been any noted significant increases in fly tipping as a result of the implementation of reasonable charges
31004	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	false economy people will just fly tip and you will have to clean up ,brown bi charge? will people just put garden waist in grey bin?	Waste Services - charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	In other authorities there have not been any noted significant increases in fly tipping as a result of the implementation of reasonable charges
31005	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Do not agree. Not worth the saving. Charge for the grey bin, not the recycle bins.	Waste Services - charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your comment. Your response has been noted. Grey bins are statutory and cannot be charged for.
31006	An employee of West Lothian Council	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Start charging for bulky uplifts.	Waste Services - charges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
31007	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Charges for bulky is ok, prefer one free a year though, may save fly tipping. Do not agree with brown bin charge. Folk just dump cuttings etc.	Waste Services - charges	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Officers will take these suggestions forward.
31008	An employee of West Lothian Council	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	I agree with charging for bulky uplifts in line with other authorities.	Waste Services - charges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
31009	An employee of West Lothian Council	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	but stopping brown bin collection is not a good idea.	Waste Services - charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
31010	An employee of West Lothian Council	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Revised recycling models ? What is this exactly ? Charging for bulky waste uplifts - sensible although could lead to more fly-tipping.	Waste Services - charges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	In other authorities there have not been any noted significant increases in fly tipping as a result of the implementation of reasonable charges
31011	An employee of West Lothian Council	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Charging for brown bins - will lead to garden waste going in to the landfill bin and an increase in landfilled material received leading to higher costs.	Waste Services - charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The management of residual waste capacity should limit this.
31012	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	I totally disagree with charging for bulky uplifts, people will dump their rubbish anywhere. Can you not get one uplift per household free per year but charge for any further ones. People who don't car will chuck their rubbish in any corner they can find or leave it in their garden making west Lothian a very untidy place. The charging for brown bins use is a joke, I will just pave my garden and west Lothian will become a concrete jungle	Waste Services - charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	In other authorities there have not been any noted significant increases in fly tipping as a result of the implementation of reasonable charges
31013	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Could the free bulky uplifts be reduced to one instead of charging for them all?	Waste Services - charges	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Officers will take these suggestions forward.
31014	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Stopping brown bin collection will encourage bonfires, and you will have no environmental health resource to tackle 'nuisance' fires.	Waste Services - charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	This has not been an impact noted by other local authorities.

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31015	An employee of West Lothian Council	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Charging for uplifts would be understandable but closing recycling sites would only encourage fly tipping.	Waste Services - charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	In other authorities there have not been any noted significant increases in fly tipping as a result of the implementation of reasonable charges
31016	No Response	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	As long as charges were reasonable, have no objection	Waste Services - charges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Charges that are considered will be reasonable.
31017	An employee of West Lothian Council	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	. For example raising a recharge for a tenant who will not make any payments would not reduce such behaviour - need to think about enforcement.	Waste Services - charges	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
31018	No Response	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	West Lothian council has already tried to introduce a cost for bulky uplifts and it did not work, the only thing this succeeded in doing was to create a need for more people to fly tip, and ended up costing the council even more money to clean it up.	Waste Services - charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	In other authorities there have not been any noted significant increases in fly tipping as a result of the implementation of reasonable charges
31019	No Response	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	I don't understand why new bins were needed. I know it was to ensure more waste is recycled but the cost of replacing every tenants bins would have cost money. Instead, labels or something similar could have been placed on bins and tenants advised that if waste in the bins exceeded this line then the bin would not be emptied. Surely that would have cost less?	Waste Services - charges	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	This is in relation to a previous savings measure that delivered the diversion desired.
31020	No Response	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Why charge for the use of brown bins?	Waste Services - charges	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Brown Bins are not a statutory service.
31021	No Response	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Charges for bulky uplifts I agree with though.	Waste Services - charges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
31022	No Response	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	If you plan to charge for bulky uplifts people who cant afford to pay will then fly tip and then the council will have to go and clear it up. If the council plan to charge for the brown bin people will not use them and put the green rubbish in another one of the bins or get rid of it in another way (Fly Tipping)	Waste Services - charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	In other authorities there have not been any noted significant increases in fly tipping as a result of the implementation of reasonable charges
31023	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	I am all for charging for bulky uplifts but predict chaos if blue bins aren't kept free.	Waste Services - charges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
31024	An employee of West Lothian Council	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	I would suggest that bulky uplifts are reduced from the current 3 free per year to 1 free per year. A charge from the outset WILL lead to an increase in fly tipping. However I think 1 free bulky uplift would appease the majority of residents whilst those who require extra are charged for the service.	Waste Services - charges	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
31025	An employee of West Lothian Council	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	BROWN BINS CANNOT BE CHARGED FOR...We have been asked to separate our waste, all that will happen is garden waste will contaminate either grey, food or blue bins leading to greater costs of sending lorry loads of recycling to landfill. Keep brown bin collections as is!	Waste Services - charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
31026	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	I agree with this proposal. It is about time the council introduced bulky uplift charges in line with all other Scottish councils.	Waste Services - charges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
31027	An employee of West Lothian Council	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	if you charge for bulky uplifts and close recycling centres there will be an increase in fly-tipping.	Waste Services - charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Councils who currently charge for Garden Waste & Bulky collections or who have introduced charges have not reported significant increases in illegal fly tipping or transfer to the landfill bin as a result. Any changes that do occur will be monitored closely and action taken as appropriate against illegal practices or material finding its way to landfill.
31028	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	brown bins, i thought you wanted people to recycle	Waste Services - charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Councils who currently charge for Garden Waste & Bulky collections or who have introduced charges have not reported significant increases in illegal fly tipping or transfer to the landfill bin as a result. Any changes that do occur will be monitored closely and action taken as appropriate against illegal practices or material finding its way to landfill.

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31029	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	What is the reasoning behind charging for use of brown bins, as opposed to any other bin. This will result in either more fly tipping or people leaving gardens and ground overgrown and unsightly and I do not agree with it. Bulky uplifts I could see the point of but perhaps allowing 1 free one per year per household. Waste services are important to the cleanliness and general look of the area and West Lothian is going to look pretty shabby soon by this account.	Waste Services - charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Brown Bin collections are not a statutory service and can be charged for where as other containers cannot be. The suggestion regarding a reduction in the number of free uplifts and its impact will be considered.
31030	An employee of West Lothian Council	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	There is a concern that the introduction of such charges and the closure of community recycling sites will give rise to an increase in fly tipping etc.	Waste Services - charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Councils who currently charge for Garden Waste & Bulky collections or who have introduced charges have not reported significant increases in illegal fly tipping or transfer to the landfill bin as a result. Any changes that do occur will be monitored closely and action taken as appropriate against illegal practices or material finding its way to landfill.
31031	An employee of West Lothian Council	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Charges for bulky uplifts and brown bins will increase fly tipping but should not present a massive issue for most people.	Waste Services - charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Councils who currently charge for Garden Waste & Bulky collections or who have introduced charges have not reported significant increases in illegal fly tipping or transfer to the landfill bin as a result. Any changes that do occur will be monitored closely and action taken as appropriate against illegal practices or material finding its way to landfill.
31032	An employee of West Lothian Council	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Charging for bulky uplifts and brown bin collections will reduce in greater contamination of blue and grey bin waste streams and much more fly tipping. It may therefore be a false economy.	Waste Services - charges	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Councils who currently charge for Garden Waste & Bulky collections or who have introduced charges have not reported significant increases in illegal fly tipping or transfer to the landfill bin as a result. Any changes that do occur will be monitored closely and action taken as appropriate against illegal practices or material finding its way to landfill.
31033	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	I also oppose any reduction in the brown bin service as this could cause difficulties for older or disabled people and people without access to a car.	Waste Services - charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
31034	An employee of West Lothian Council	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	I feel this would encourage more fly tipping and would cost the council more in the long run having to clear waste from the sides of the road.	Waste Services - charges	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Councils who currently charge for Garden Waste & Bulky collections or who have introduced charges have not reported significant increases in illegal fly tipping or transfer to the landfill bin as a result. Any changes that do occur will be monitored closely and action taken as appropriate against illegal practices or material finding its way to landfill.
31035	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	This will lead to dumping rubbish around our communities. I will not be happy to be charged for brown bins I would rather drive and take to recycling centre.	Waste Services - charges	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Councils who currently charge for Garden Waste & Bulky collections or who have introduced charges have not reported significant increases in illegal fly tipping or transfer to the landfill bin as a result. Any changes that do occur will be monitored closely and action taken as appropriate against illegal practices or material finding its way to landfill.
31036	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	If you charge for bulky uplifts this means our streets are going to be cluttered with unwanted items.	Waste Services - charges	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Councils who currently charge for Garden Waste & Bulky collections or who have introduced charges have not reported significant increases in illegal fly tipping or transfer to the landfill bin as a result. Any changes that do occur will be monitored closely and action taken as appropriate against illegal practices or material finding its way to landfill.
31037	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	I do not think that the brown bin service should be removed - however it could be less frequent.	Waste Services - charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
31038	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	A charge for Bulkies or fewer free Bulkies would be acceptable.	Waste Services - charges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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31039	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	there will be more fly-tipping if garden waste service is removed.	Waste Services - charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Councils who currently charge for Garden Waste & Bulky collections or who have introduced charges have not reported significant increases in illegal fly tipping or transfer to the landfill bin as a result. Any changes that do occur will be monitored closely and action taken as appropriate against illegal practices or material finding its way to landfill.
31040	An employee of West Lothian Council	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Many council's charge for bulky uplifts and this is something the council should pursue.	Waste Services - charges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
31041	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Don't charge for Brown bins	Waste Services - charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
31042	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Introducing charges for brown bin collection is likely to mean misuse of the other bins - reduced collection frequency for brown bins would be better.	Waste Services - charges	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Councils who currently charge for Garden Waste & Bulky collections or who have introduced charges have not reported significant increases in illegal fly tipping or transfer to the landfill bin as a result. Any changes that do occur will be monitored closely and action taken as appropriate against illegal practices or material finding its way to landfill.
31043	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	I do not support this, as it will result in a huge increase in fly-tipping, which is already a problem. I have two brown bins which are full for most collections - where would I put all the grass clippings, branches, shrub pruning, etc., as they wouldn't all fit in the grey bin.	Waste Services - charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
31044	No Response	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Bulky uplifts - induces law breaking fly tipping. Brown bins - no but introduce sharing.	Waste Services - charges	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Councils who currently charge for Garden Waste & Bulky collections or who have introduced charges have not reported significant increases in illegal fly tipping or transfer to the landfill bin as a result. Any changes that do occur will be monitored closely and action taken as appropriate against illegal practices or material finding its way to landfill.
31045	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	charging for bulky item uplifts will increase fly tipping	Waste Services - charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Councils who currently charge for Garden Waste & Bulky collections or who have introduced charges have not reported significant increases in illegal fly tipping or transfer to the landfill bin as a result. Any changes that do occur will be monitored closely and action taken as appropriate against illegal practices or material finding its way to landfill.
31046	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Brown bins will not be used and garden waste either dumped or placed in other bins	Waste Services - charges	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Councils who currently charge for Garden Waste & Bulky collections or who have introduced charges have not reported significant increases in illegal fly tipping or transfer to the landfill bin as a result. Any changes that do occur will be monitored closely and action taken as appropriate against illegal practices or material finding its way to landfill.
31047	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	If you wish to meet recycling targets then a charge for brown bins is not worth especially if you are closing down amenity sites. Charges for bulky were introduced in the past and this resulted in more fly tipping and then the cost was removed.	Waste Services - charges	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Councils who currently charge for Garden Waste & Bulky collections or who have introduced charges have not reported significant increases in illegal fly tipping or transfer to the landfill bin as a result. Any changes that do occur will be monitored closely and action taken as appropriate against illegal practices or material finding its way to landfill.
31048	An employee of West Lothian Council	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Paying again for a statutory service - legal challenges a plenty coming your way. Middle class or affluent households may be able to afford these charges - as for poorer income households and those suffering 'in-work poverty' who picks up the tab for street/illegal dumping?	Waste Services - charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The services that charges are proposed for are not statutory services.
31049	An employee of West Lothian Council	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Brown bin uplifts should continue to be free. The council uses the waste a compost making cost savings. One grass cutting would easily fill the small black bins and people generally have small gardens with no space for a compost heap.	Waste Services - charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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31050	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Charging for waste collection will result in more fly tipping , infestations etc. and could potentially cost more to clean up , also health implications	Waste Services - charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Councils who currently charge for Garden Waste & Bulky collections or who have introduced charges have not reported significant increases in illegal fly tipping or transfer to the landfill bin as a result. Any changes that do occur will be monitored closely and action taken as appropriate against illegal practices or material finding its way to landfill.
31051	An employee of West Lothian Council	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Charging for brown bills will encourage fly tipping. I agree bulk uplifts should be charged for but charging for brown bins isn't a good idea. Citizens already feel they are paying too much council tax	Waste Services - charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Councils who currently charge for Garden Waste & Bulky collections or who have introduced charges have not reported significant increases in illegal fly tipping or transfer to the landfill bin as a result. Any changes that do occur will be monitored closely and action taken as appropriate against illegal practices or material finding its way to landfill.
31052	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	The charge for brown bins is a no go, I would like to ask why the council do not collect glass bottles/jars as in recycling them they may accrue some money back. Not everyone has a car to take them to the bottle banks. Charging for bulky uplifts will no doubt result in more fly tipping as would changes to collections.	Waste Services - charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The collection of mixed glass at kerbside was considered when the increase in the number of bottle banks was put into place. At the time it was not advantageous to put out an additional container and route to achieve the level of diversion that was anticipated. The increase in bottle banks numbers was considered to be the most efficient method of collection. fly tipping increases when introducing such charges have not been noted to be significant by other authorities, however your concerns have been noted.
31053	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Disagree to the introduction of charges for bulky uplift and brown bins. Fly tipping would increase. And if there was a charge for brown bin collection I think people would either try put this waste in one of their other bins or fly tip it	Waste Services - charges	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Councils who currently charge for Garden Waste & Bulky collections or who have introduced charges have not reported significant increases in illegal fly tipping or transfer to the landfill bin as a result. Any changes that do occur will be monitored closely and action taken as appropriate against illegal practices or material finding its way to landfill.
31054	An employee of West Lothian Council	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	There has already been changes which seem to work well, I would not be happy to be charged for use of Brown bins.	Waste Services - charges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
31055	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Nope there should be no charge for recycling the brown bin	Waste Services - charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
31056	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Considering the number of missed pickups I don't see how you can justify charging for brown bin pick up and charging for bulky items will just increase fly tipping.	Waste Services - charges	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
31057	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	The changes proposed in previous reviews are only now being implemented, with major issues not being resolved. Why review again?	Waste Services - charges	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
31058	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Not sure this is sensible as fly tipping is already on the rise	Waste Services - charges	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Councils who currently charge for Garden Waste & Bulky collections or who have introduced charges have not reported significant increases in illegal fly tipping or transfer to the landfill bin as a result. Any changes that do occur will be monitored closely and action taken as appropriate against illegal practices or material finding its way to landfill.
31059	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	I do not agree with charging for use of brown bins. Agree with other elements.	Waste Services - charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
31060	An employee of West Lothian Council	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Charge for bulky uplifts	Waste Services - charges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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31061	An employee of West Lothian Council	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Charge people who have more than one brown bin and there is a cost attached for the disposal of the material it contains irrespective if it is recycling or not	Waste Services - charges	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
31062	An employee of West Lothian Council	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Doing this I would think that you will end up getting more fly tipping all over West Lothian seems that we are going back to the dark ages	Waste Services - charges	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Councils who currently charge for Garden Waste & Bulky collections or who have introduced charges have not reported significant increases in illegal fly tipping or transfer to the landfill bin as a result. Any changes that do occur will be monitored closely and action taken as appropriate against illegal practices or material finding its way to landfill.
31063	An employee of West Lothian Council	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Also, Fine people who contaminate their Blue recycling bin, Because to be honest, for every 1 person in a street who does the correct recycling thing, there are at least 40 others in the same street who absolutely DO NOT RECYCLE CORRECTLY. This needs enforced properly. Fine of £60, non payment, non emptied bins. Get tough on these idiots.	Waste Services - charges	5b. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it is likely that the costs of this proposal would outweigh the benefit.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
31064	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	This would not help situation of fly tipping if you charge for uplifts and close local recycling centres. And again would this only be charged up working people	Waste Services - charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Councils who currently charge for Garden Waste & Bulky collections or who have introduced charges have not reported significant increases in illegal fly tipping or transfer to the landfill bin as a result. Any changes that do occur will be monitored closely and action taken as appropriate against illegal practices or material finding its way to landfill.
31065	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	At this moment in time I pay a mortgage amount to the council in council tax. For this the council uplift my grey, blue and brown buckets and provide lighting in our street. The council do not provide grit bins or grit in the winter, do not grit the streets or pavements in severe weather. There is no dog or litter bins in our area and the grass, paths and undergrowth are constantly covered in litter. The council do very little for me for this mortgage council tax and I strongly disagree with the introduction of a charge to empty our brown buckets. The council don't even cut the grass in our area as we have to pay a fee to a private company to do this.	Waste Services - charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
31066	An employee of West Lothian Council	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Partially agree Agree - Bulky uplifts etc. .	Waste Services - charges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
31067	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Introducing charges for bulky uplifts may increase fly tipping, if a charging system is put in place why not make it that once 2 bulky uplifts are paid the third can be free.	Waste Services - charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Councils who currently charge for Garden Waste & Bulky collections or who have introduced charges have not reported significant increases in illegal fly tipping or transfer to the landfill bin as a result. Any changes that do occur will be monitored closely and action taken as appropriate against illegal practices or material finding its way to landfill.
31068	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	If charges are made for brown bin uplifts surely more people will empty garden refuse in the grey bin meaning this would go to landfill.	Waste Services - charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Councils who currently charge for Garden Waste & Bulky collections or who have introduced charges have not reported significant increases in illegal fly tipping or transfer to the landfill bin as a result. Any changes that do occur will be monitored closely and action taken as appropriate against illegal practices or material finding its way to landfill.
31069	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	bulky uplifts were charged previously - maybe offer one free uplift a year instead of 2 ?	Waste Services - charges	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Councils who currently charge for Garden Waste & Bulky collections or who have introduced charges have not reported significant increases in illegal fly tipping or transfer to the landfill bin as a result. Any changes that do occur will be monitored closely and action taken as appropriate against illegal practices or material finding its way to landfill.
31070	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Charges for brown bin collection would be counter productive, as households would just start including garden waste into the grey bins	Waste Services - charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Councils who currently charge for Garden Waste & Bulky collections or who have introduced charges have not reported significant increases in illegal fly tipping or transfer to the landfill bin as a result. Any changes that do occur will be monitored closely and action taken as appropriate against illegal practices or material finding its way to landfill.

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31071	An employee of West Lothian Council	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	object to paying again to have our brown bin emptied. We already pay for this uplift.	Waste Services - charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
31072	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	I disagree with the charges I feel that this will encourage people to dump waste and therefore actually make the work more difficult and potentially not actually make a saving.	Waste Services - charges	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Councils who currently charge for Garden Waste & Bulky collections or who have introduced charges have not reported significant increases in illegal fly tipping or transfer to the landfill bin as a result. Any changes that do occur will be monitored closely and action taken as appropriate against illegal practices or material finding its way to landfill.
31073	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Will there be an opt in/ opt out option for the fees for brown bins?	Waste Services - charges	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	If charging is introduced you will only receive the service if you pay for it. You can opt out, by not paying but your brown bin will not be uplifted.
31074	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Careful consideration would need to be given when thinking about how much to charge for bulky uplifts. It's obvious that 'fly-tipping' would increase with an introduction of charges for bulky uplifts and brown bin collection, therefore keeping charges low would hopefully ensure that any increase in fly-tipping would be kept to a minimum.	Waste Services - charges	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Councils who currently charge for Garden Waste & Bulky collections or who have introduced charges have not reported significant increases in illegal fly tipping or transfer to the landfill bin as a result. Any changes that do occur will be monitored closely and action taken as appropriate against illegal practices or material finding its way to landfill.
31075	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Lastly there is an element of unfairness in the proposal to charge for brown bin collection. A This afternoon I have filled a brown bin with leaves that have blown into my garden from my neighbours' trees (I do not have any deciduous trees). This is something that I do several times each autumn. Is the council saying that it is fair that I should have to pay for the disposal of leaves as a result of my neighbours' decision to have trees in their gardens? Perhaps the council is suggesting that I should instead deposit the collected leaves back into my neighbours' gardens for them to dispose of? For the above reasons I believe that these cost-saving proposals are ill-conceived and should be rejected.	Waste Services - charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
31076	An employee of West Lothian Council	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Council should look at charging for currently free services, bulky uplifts?	Waste Services - charges	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Councils who currently charge for Garden Waste & Bulky collections or who have introduced charges have not reported significant increases in illegal fly tipping or transfer to the landfill bin as a result. Any changes that do occur will be monitored closely and action taken as appropriate against illegal practices or material finding its way to landfill.
31077	An employee of West Lothian Council	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Between this section and section 7, there are proposals to charge for brown bin collection, bulky uplifts and blue badges. Questions arose as to how this would be collected i.e. one off payment versus instalments. We already know from the briefings that Revenues need to collect more with less staff so additional work in this area will place remaining staff under significant pressure.	Waste Services - charges	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
31078	An employee of West Lothian Council	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	charges for brown bin collection & bulky uplifts will result in fly tipping. This links back to section 6, more work with less staff to do it	Waste Services - charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Councils who currently charge for Garden Waste & Bulky collections or who have introduced charges have not reported significant increases in illegal fly tipping or transfer to the landfill bin as a result. Any changes that do occur will be monitored closely and action taken as appropriate against illegal practices or material finding its way to landfill.
31079	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Why give us brown bins that we didn't ask for and then charge to use to damn things. Ridiculous! Big fat no to that one - that's why we pay council tax surely. Bulky uplift charges may cause more fly tipping!!	Waste Services - charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
31080	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	people shouldn't get charged for uplifts of brown bins! Hats just ridiculous! the rest sounds good.	Waste Services - charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
31081	An employee of West Lothian Council	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	People who require bulky uplifts should pay for this service.	Waste Services - charges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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31082	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	As already commented to charge for brown bins is ridiculous and is going to result in a backlash from residents. We have not long removed the bulky uplift charge and now put it back on. I am all for recycling but you have to provide the means to do this and charging for brown bins IS NOT THE WAY TO DO IT. I trust this is going to be visible to all residents that are affected. Stop wasting money with road speed bumps everywhere you can put them and leave out bin charges this is covered in our rates which are high enough.	Waste Services - charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
31083	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	I have grave concerns over these proposals. A good environment helps lift peoples spirits and all the add ons that this brings. 1. If you start charging for the use of brown bins then more of this waste will go in the black bins and then to landfill. This then will cost the council more in landfill charges. False economy. It will also result in more fly tipping along the canal bank, (some already), over walls and at the side of paths. How are you going to identify those who have paid for the uplifts and those who have not? More administration and costs? Or does everyone pay regardless. 2. One bulk uplift per year could be free and pay for the rest.	Waste Services - charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
31084	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Also, Burgh Beautiful works very hard to make Linlithgow a jewel in the crown of West Lothian. They have had to take a lot on in the face of cuts made by the council. Looking after the flower beds and shrubs means a lot of garden waste. Would the council provide bins for their use?	Waste Services - charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
31085	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	No cuts or closures- charges will lead to more fly-tipping	Waste Services - charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
31086	An employee of West Lothian Council	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Charges for bulky uplifts are fair as long as they're not extortionate. Same goes for brown bin charges - I wouldn't mind paying a small fee for this service.	Waste Services - charges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
31087	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	As a council you took decision to use brown bins no consultation as far as i can recall. Black bin size reduced again no consultation as far as i can recall. Now looking at asking community to pay for uplift - afraid that all will happen is you increase the level of fly tipping.	Waste Services - charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
31088	An employee of West Lothian Council	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	When you start charging for uplifts, people either just abandon their waste in town or fly-tip it in the countryside. Don't make it difficult of expensive for people to keep their localities clean.	Waste Services - charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Councils who currently charge for Garden Waste & Bulky collections or who have introduced charges have not reported significant increases in illegal fly tipping or transfer to the landfill bin as a result. Any changes that do occur will be monitored closely and action taken as appropriate against illegal practices or material finding its way to landfill.
31089	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Recent media attention on fly tipping and the subsequent cost to councils and landowners seems to suggest that charging for bulky uplift and garden waste bin uplift could be a costly mistake.	Waste Services - charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Councils who currently charge for Garden Waste & Bulky collections or who have introduced charges have not reported significant increases in illegal fly tipping or transfer to the landfill bin as a result. Any changes that do occur will be monitored closely and action taken as appropriate against illegal practices or material finding its way to landfill.
31090	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	If you levy a charge for brown bins people will stop using them.	Waste Services - charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
31091	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	What do I pay my council tax for? You will encourage more fly tipping	Waste Services - charges	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Councils who currently charge for Garden Waste & Bulky collections or who have introduced charges have not reported significant increases in illegal fly tipping or transfer to the landfill bin as a result. Any changes that do occur will be monitored closely and action taken as appropriate against illegal practices or material finding its way to landfill.
31092	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	I strongly disagree with the proposal to charge for brown bin collection. This will result in more fly-tipping (which the council will have to pay to clear-up) and harm Linlithgow as a desirable tourist location.	Waste Services - charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
31093	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	I strongly disagree with the proposal to charge for bulky uplifts. This will result in more fly-tipping (which the council will have to pay to clear-up) and harm Linlithgow as a desirable tourist location.	Waste Services - charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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31094	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	This is just a stupid proposal. Its hard enough getting some people to use the free bulky uplift service without starting to charge all for it. Fly tipping will rise as a result of this idiocy.	Waste Services - charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
31095	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Same goes with charging for brown bin services. Waste will be dumped or put in with other coloured bins.	Waste Services - charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
31096	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	this is one of the best services in the council I agreed with a charge for bulky uplifts but not the rest as sure we are entitled to something from the council now we are paying to keep the county clean	Waste Services - charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
31097	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	It seems reasonable to charge for bulky uplifts, although I have no doubt that an increase in fly tipping may occur.	Waste Services - charges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
31098	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	It does not seem reasonable to charge for the use of brown bins. I have a large garden and have no option but to use these. I see them as an essential service for which I have already paid via my council tax.	Waste Services - charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
31099	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Anything that reduces the likelihood of people recycling or disposing of garden waste is to be carefully considered as we don't want to go back in time to throwing everything away! That being said, if a small charge were to be introduced for brown bin collection, it probably wouldn't discourage too many people	Waste Services - charges	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Councils who currently charge for Garden Waste & Bulky collections or who have introduced charges have not reported significant increases in illegal fly tipping or transfer to the landfill bin as a result. Any changes that do occur will be monitored closely and action taken as appropriate against illegal practices or material finding its way to landfill.
31100	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Charging for use of brown bins - will incur fly tipping and garden waste being put in grey bins.	Waste Services - charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Councils who currently charge for Garden Waste & Bulky collections or who have introduced charges have not reported significant increases in illegal fly tipping or transfer to the landfill bin as a result. Any changes that do occur will be monitored closely and action taken as appropriate against illegal practices or material finding its way to landfill.
31101	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Do not agree with charges for bulky uplifts and brown bin collections. We could afford this, however strongly think this would lead to excessive fly tipping, which would be costly and time consuming for the council to deal with. Any closure of community recycling sites (e.g. Linlithgow) would not be a viable option as again this would lead to excessive fly tipping. The site in Linlithgow is well used and there are often queues of traffic to get in. Where would we take all this rubbish? Much of this recycling would be just put into the black bins instead. People would not travel far distances just to recycle waste. This would also have a knock on effect on the good percentage of recyclable waste that West Lothian Council has at the moment.	Waste Services - charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Councils who currently charge for Garden Waste & Bulky collections or who have introduced charges have not reported significant increases in illegal fly tipping or transfer to the landfill bin as a result. Any changes that do occur will be monitored closely and action taken as appropriate against illegal practices or material finding its way to landfill.
31102	An employee of West Lothian Council	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	understand the logic with the introduction of charging for use if brown bins.	Waste Services - charges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
31103	No Response	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Disagree. I live alone and put my bins out once a month so paying more than should for a service.	Waste Services - charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
31104	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Brown bin use should not be charged as this is helping more waste to be recycled.	Waste Services - charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
31105	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	People will not pay but dump illegally. Then you have to pay something to collect the illegal material. I don't see that as a saving.	Waste Services - charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Councils who currently charge for Garden Waste & Bulky collections or who have introduced charges have not reported significant increases in illegal fly tipping or transfer to the landfill bin as a result. Any changes that do occur will be monitored closely and action taken as appropriate against illegal practices or material finding its way to landfill.

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31106	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Does not make sense,it will only encourage fly-tipping.	Waste Services - charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Councils who currently charge for Garden Waste & Bulky collections or who have introduced charges have not reported significant increases in illegal fly tipping or transfer to the landfill bin as a result. Any changes that do occur will be monitored closely and action taken as appropriate against illegal practices or material finding its way to landfill.
31107	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	May encourage fly tipping	Waste Services - charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Councils who currently charge for Garden Waste & Bulky collections or who have introduced charges have not reported significant increases in illegal fly tipping or transfer to the landfill bin as a result. Any changes that do occur will be monitored closely and action taken as appropriate against illegal practices or material finding its way to landfill.
31108	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	I support. However Waste collection regularity should not be effected	Waste Services - charges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
31109	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Charging for bulky uplifts results in more fly tipping.	Waste Services - charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Councils who currently charge for Garden Waste & Bulky collections or who have introduced charges have not reported significant increases in illegal fly tipping or transfer to the landfill bin as a result. Any changes that do occur will be monitored closely and action taken as appropriate against illegal practices or material finding its way to landfill.
31110	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Charging for use of brown bins will lead to garden fires and therefore more pollution.	Waste Services - charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Councils who currently charge for Garden Waste & Bulky collections or who have introduced charges have not reported significant increases in illegal fly tipping or transfer to the landfill bin as a result. Any changes that do occur will be monitored closely and action taken as appropriate against illegal practices or material finding its way to landfill.
31111	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Charges for waste services will only result in more fly tipping which in turn will come out of other budgets to clean this up. Fly tipping is very hard to tackle or identify offenders as well as have enough evidence to prosecute.	Waste Services - charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Councils who currently charge for Garden Waste & Bulky collections or who have introduced charges have not reported significant increases in illegal fly tipping or transfer to the landfill bin as a result. Any changes that do occur will be monitored closely and action taken as appropriate against illegal practices or material finding its way to landfill.
31112	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Agree with charging for non statutory services such as brown bins, bulky and commercial collections	Waste Services - charges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
31113	An employee of West Lothian Council	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	I would happily pay for brown bin	Waste Services - charges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
31114	An employee of West Lothian Council	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	I would happily pay for bulky uplifts.	Waste Services - charges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
31115	An employee of West Lothian Council	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	I am concerned that the closure of some community recycling centres would result in an increase in fly tipping.	Waste Services - charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Councils who currently charge for Garden Waste & Bulky collections or who have introduced charges have not reported significant increases in illegal fly tipping or transfer to the landfill bin as a result. Any changes that do occur will be monitored closely and action taken as appropriate against illegal practices or material finding its way to landfill.
31116	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Charging for Brown Bin fine IF sites not closed!	Waste Services - charges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
31117	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	We pay council tax for rubbish collection and shouldn't have to pay more for this. Garden waste is only collected once a month anyway.	Waste Services - charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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31118	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Totally disagree with a charge on brown bins. We are supposed to be encouraging recycling. I think a double or triple internal bin would help encourage householder to recycle. Maybe this could be provided at a cost definitely something I would buy	Waste Services - charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
31119	An employee of West Lothian Council	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Charge people with more than one grey bin. I am not convinced that the assessment process works...?	Waste Services - charges	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
31120	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Charging for use of brown bins may cause tipping of items rather than responsibly disposing of them. West Lothian residents mainly all have gardens so you are penalising everyone.	Waste Services - charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Councils who currently charge for Garden Waste & Bulky collections or who have introduced charges have not reported significant increases in illegal fly tipping or transfer to the landfill bin as a result. Any changes that do occur will be monitored closely and action taken as appropriate against illegal practices or material finding its way to landfill.
31121	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Happy to pay for bulky uplift and brown bins	Waste Services - charges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
31122	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Are you suggesting charging for brown bins - why? .	Waste Services - charges	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
31123	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Not sure charging for brown bins will encourage people to maintain gardens. This seems like a cut too far	Waste Services - charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
31124	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Charging for brown bin collection needs considerable thought. What is the current cost of the brown bin collection service and what does it add to the Council Tax of properties in say band D and above? Better to charge everyone and avoid piles of grass cuttings accumulating in hedgerows and on verges.	Waste Services - charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
31125	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Brown bins - will deter people from keeping their properties tidy is it not included within their council tax payment currently, if so then the proposed 3% increase should cover this What part of the savings will be apportioned to brown bins and bulky uplifts?	Waste Services - charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
31126	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Charge for bark chippings to generate income	Waste Services - charges	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
31127	An employee of West Lothian Council	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Agree with charges for uplifts, again the service could be much more efficient, we send lorries back to a household to empty one bin, that tenants say has been missed when a whole street has been done, this doesn't make sense and isn't cost effective.	Waste Services - charges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
31128	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Who would collect the money for the bulky uplifts and brown bins. If the revenues staff are being cut how can the remaining staff be expected to take on more work?	Waste Services - charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
31129	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Yes charge for special uplifts but not brown bins usage, we need to use that bin and already pay for it.	Waste Services - charges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
31130	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Rediculous to charge for brown bins ... are we not allowed to have gardens and mow the lawn? It can be recycled!	Waste Services - charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
31131	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Folk will Dump and ruin land Not pay which cost you more	Waste Services - charges	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Councils who currently charge for Garden Waste & Bulky collections or who have introduced charges have not reported significant increases in illegal fly tipping or transfer to the landfill bin as a result. Any changes that do occur will be monitored closely and action taken as appropriate against illegal practices or material finding its way to landfill.
31132	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	SAVE MONEY BY: Charge for bulk up lifts.	Waste Services - charges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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31133	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	I agree with charging for large uplifts.	Waste Services - charges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
31134	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	I completely disagree with charging for Brown bin pickups.	Waste Services - charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
31135	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	If you charge for the brown bin uplifts then people will simply put that waste in their grey bin. In an era when it is vital that we increase our recycling then I think this is an astounding suggestion.	Waste Services - charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Councils who currently charge for Garden Waste & Bulky collections or who have introduced charges have not reported significant increases in illegal fly tipping or transfer to the landfill bin as a result. Any changes that do occur will be monitored closely and action taken as appropriate against illegal practices or material finding its way to landfill.
31136	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Agree in part. Only charge brown if collected. Small gardens don't use as much or if no grass etc..some use more but we should encourage green areas for local wildlife so those bigger estates should be revised for contribution to wildlife also etc.	Waste Services - charges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
31137	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	paying for a brown bin and bulky uplifts.Look around you there are fly tipping rubbish everywhere this will only make the situation worse.	Waste Services - charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Councils who currently charge for Garden Waste & Bulky collections or who have introduced charges have not reported significant increases in illegal fly tipping or transfer to the landfill bin as a result. Any changes that do occur will be monitored closely and action taken as appropriate against illegal practices or material finding its way to landfill.
31138	An employee of West Lothian Council	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	I'll detail why I am against certain sections below, anything which goes unmentioned seems ok to me! I do not believe that there should be a charge for brown bin collection. Garden waste is so easy to recycle on a large scale, but most households will not have the space to do so themselves. If the council continue to collect garden waste and take it to some kind of composting facility, they could earn a little extra money by selling that compost.	Waste Services - charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
31139	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	People will not pay for brown bin use will only increase fly tipping causing more costs not less.	Waste Services - charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Councils who currently charge for Garden Waste & Bulky collections or who have introduced charges have not reported significant increases in illegal fly tipping or transfer to the landfill bin as a result. Any changes that do occur will be monitored closely and action taken as appropriate against illegal practices or material finding its way to landfill.
31140	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Do not agree with charges for brown bins - encourage fly tipping Introduce charges for replacement bins. Make customers pay for the bins.	Waste Services - charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
31141	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Small charges to be applied,, eg,, bulkies or brown bins food waste I would welcome,, maximise the man power and vehicles to be used with shifts,, charge for commercial waste in to recycling centres.. dont close recycling centres, cost more to collect fly tipping, encourage reduce reuse recycle, , smaller grey bin means we need these places more and more , maximise their usage get the kids to come along,, educate pupic and kids	Waste Services - charges	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Councils who currently charge for Garden Waste & Bulky collections or who have introduced charges have not reported significant increases in illegal fly tipping or transfer to the landfill bin as a result. Any changes that do occur will be monitored closely and action taken as appropriate against illegal practices or material finding its way to landfill.
31142	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	I don't get the brown bin charges you want to introduce. We live in the west lothian this is not Edinburgh and a lot of us have gardens.	Waste Services - charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
31143	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Charges for bulky uplift will just result in fly tipping and the associated clean up costs. Counterproductive.	Waste Services - charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Councils who currently charge for Garden Waste & Bulky collections or who have introduced charges have not reported significant increases in illegal fly tipping or transfer to the landfill bin as a result. Any changes that do occur will be monitored closely and action taken as appropriate against illegal practices or material finding its way to landfill.

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31144	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	There will be a lot more fly tipping, brown bins wont be worth the cost and a lot more people who will leave their old furniture etc in their gardens until the council are forced to pick them up by environmental health.	Waste Services - charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Councils who currently charge for Garden Waste & Bulky collections or who have introduced charges have not reported significant increases in illegal fly tipping or transfer to the landfill bin as a result. Any changes that do occur will be monitored closely and action taken as appropriate against illegal practices or material finding its way to landfill.
31145	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Bulky uplifts should have a fee attached.	Waste Services - charges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
31146	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Charge for bulkies - great as long as it doesn't end up creating fly tipping problems and associated cost.	Waste Services - charges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Councils who currently charge for Garden Waste & Bulky collections or who have introduced charges have not reported significant increases in illegal fly tipping or transfer to the landfill bin as a result. Any changes that do occur will be monitored closely and action taken as appropriate against illegal practices or material finding its way to landfill.
31147	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Charge for brown bins - seriously?	Waste Services - charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
31148	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	. Brown bin collections should not be chargeable, and bulky uplifts should not be charged unreasonably (possible option for 1 free uplift per year).	Waste Services - charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
31149	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Bulky uplifts I would agree.	Waste Services - charges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
31150	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	However brown bins I wouldn't agree with as people who take care of their gardens will be penalised where others will either fly tip or put garden refuse in other bins and create issues.	Waste Services - charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
31151	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Charging for uplifts and brown bins will only cause more rubbish in the streets.	Waste Services - charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Councils who currently charge for Garden Waste & Bulky collections or who have introduced charges have not reported significant increases in illegal fly tipping or transfer to the landfill bin as a result. Any changes that do occur will be monitored closely and action taken as appropriate against illegal practices or material finding its way to landfill.
31152	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	I think this is an area where great care needs to be taken. Charging private households for certain (currently free) services and closure of recycling sites substantially increases the risk of fly tipping - which may cost substantial amounts to clear. It is also unclear to me how charging for brown bin collection would work. Presumably only those opting in will be charged, but how will the correct households be identified at collection time. And how will it be ensured that non-payers do not make use of other people's bins. Would not administration be very costly? Perhaps a small charge could be made for any compost that residents currently pick up free of charge. At the very least, only those opting in to a chargeable brown bin service should be eligible.	Waste Services - charges	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Councils who currently charge for Garden Waste & Bulky collections or who have introduced charges have not reported significant increases in illegal fly tipping or transfer to the landfill bin as a result. Any changes that do occur will be monitored closely and action taken as appropriate against illegal practices or material finding its way to landfill.
31153	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Don't agree with brown bin charges.	Waste Services - charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
31154	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Charges for bulky uplifts make sense.	Waste Services - charges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
31155	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	After all the advertising the council has committed to changing the way residents recycle I think it would be disappointing to charge for brown bins. I believe people would just add to their grey bins or fly tip. I have only requested a bulky uplift once in my 20 years of being a property owner, as we have a car and can usually dispose of items at the recycling centre ourselves but how would low income families with no car dispose. This again will lead to fly tipping which with the end result a greater cost to the Council and business owners.	Waste Services - charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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31156	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Smaller bins is a retrograde step for efficiency as is additional cost of collecting food waste. We are already paying for brown bin collections in the Council Tax Bill and it is wholly unacceptable to charge twice for this service.	Waste Services - charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
31157	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	WELCOME TO SLUM WEST LOTHIAN. 'Environmental' responsibilities and goals have been well used throughout this exercise however the hypocrisy of introducing charges or limiting access to waste disposal will undoubtedly lead to waste storage and fly tipping in our communities and countryside. Agree that the current service provision is highly inefficient and some staff attitudes in recycling centres are atrocious towards Council Tax customers. Falkirk Council offer a service in their Bo'ness centre where staff are customer friendly , helpful and where small trades/traders can recycle.	Waste Services - charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Councils who currently charge for Garden Waste & Bulky collections or who have introduced charges have not reported significant increases in illegal fly tipping or transfer to the landfill bin as a result. Any changes that do occur will be monitored closely and action taken as appropriate against illegal practices or material finding its way to landfill.
31158	An employee of West Lothian Council	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Charges to waste collection and bulky uplift - fine	Waste Services - charges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Councils who currently charge for Garden Waste & Bulky collections or who have introduced charges have not reported significant increases in illegal fly tipping or transfer to the landfill bin as a result. Any changes that do occur will be monitored closely and action taken as appropriate against illegal practices or material finding its way to landfill.
31159	An employee of West Lothian Council	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	I would not support a charge for collecting brown bins; this will result in householders dumping garden waste themselves on any spare piece of ground, which the landowner will then have to clear up. Often the spare ground is owned by the council; clearing fly-tipping is likely to cost more than collecting brown bins.	Waste Services - charges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Councils who currently charge for Garden Waste & Bulky collections or who have introduced charges have not reported significant increases in illegal fly tipping or transfer to the landfill bin as a result. Any changes that do occur will be monitored closely and action taken as appropriate against illegal practices or material finding its way to landfill.
31160	An employee of West Lothian Council	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	A modest service for bulky uplift would be appropriate, but if it's seen as being expensive we will see an increase in fly-tipping of bulkier material, such as furniture, which will take the involvement of other council services to deal with.	Waste Services - charges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
31161	An employee of West Lothian Council	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	while I agree with this in principal I would be concerned about the possibility of bulky uplift material being 'dumped' in streets and communal areas.	Waste Services - charges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Councils who currently charge for Garden Waste & Bulky collections or who have introduced charges have not reported significant increases in illegal fly tipping or transfer to the landfill bin as a result. Any changes that do occur will be monitored closely and action taken as appropriate against illegal practices or material finding its way to landfill.
31162	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Charging for bulky uplifts will increase fly tipping.	Waste Services - charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Councils who currently charge for Garden Waste & Bulky collections or who have introduced charges have not reported significant increases in illegal fly tipping or transfer to the landfill bin as a result. Any changes that do occur will be monitored closely and action taken as appropriate against illegal practices or material finding its way to landfill.
31163	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Smaller bins have already resulted in more fly tipping Charging for uplifts will only make this worse. I myself have bin bags of rubbish and nowhere to put them I dont drive and cannot get to dump	Waste Services - charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Councils who currently charge for Garden Waste & Bulky collections or who have introduced charges have not reported significant increases in illegal fly tipping or transfer to the landfill bin as a result. Any changes that do occur will be monitored closely and action taken as appropriate against illegal practices or material finding its way to landfill.
31164	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	So where will garden waste go.? Having had the grey bins reduced in size there will not be room there. Charging for bulky uplifts will result in more fly-tipping.	Waste Services - charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Councils who currently charge for Garden Waste & Bulky collections or who have introduced charges have not reported significant increases in illegal fly tipping or transfer to the landfill bin as a result. Any changes that do occur will be monitored closely and action taken as appropriate against illegal practices or material finding its way to landfill.
31165	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	I think you should not charge for Brown Bin collections and bulk uplifts...people will probably start illegally disposing of their waste which is more costly to remedy in the long run. This should all form part of the council tax charge in my opinion. I already have to undertake trips to the local recycling centre due to the fortnightly collection which is a great burden on my household due to having a child with a medical issue which results in a greater number of nappies being disposed of than perhaps a child of his age.	Waste Services - charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Councils who currently charge for Garden Waste & Bulky collections or who have introduced charges have not reported significant increases in illegal fly tipping or transfer to the landfill bin as a result. Any changes that do occur will be monitored closely and action taken as appropriate against illegal practices or material finding its way to landfill.

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31166	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Charge for Brown bin- West Lothian is a rural community where the vast majority have garden waste. Charging for a core service is not your best idea	Waste Services - charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
31167	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	So changing for brown bins? That is pointless as you have already made the black bin smaller and anyone with a garden gets hit so the garden tax!!! You are in danger of increasing fly tipping meaning more money will have to be spent cleaning this up. Bulky uplifts I support but I can't support shutting down waste disposal areas.	Waste Services - charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Councils who currently charge for Garden Waste & Bulky collections or who have introduced charges have not reported significant increases in illegal fly tipping or transfer to the landfill bin as a result. Any changes that do occur will be monitored closely and action taken as appropriate against illegal practices or material finding its way to landfill.
31168	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Agree with the bulky uplift however whilst I have no issue paying for this or taking it to a recycling centre myself it may increase fly tipping.	Waste Services - charges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Councils who currently charge for Garden Waste & Bulky collections or who have introduced charges have not reported significant increases in illegal fly tipping or transfer to the landfill bin as a result. Any changes that do occur will be monitored closely and action taken as appropriate against illegal practices or material finding its way to landfill.
31169	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	No bloody way will you be charging me for the use of brown bins ! If you do this, then I'll black bag all my garden waste and put it in whichever bin I have space in	Waste Services - charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
31170	An employee of West Lothian Council	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Finally, charging for bulkies, I have suggested this for a long time.	Waste Services - charges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
31171	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	This definitely won't go down well with council tax payers. We've already had to downsize on wheelie bins (waste of money). And now a lot of people have to travel to recycling centres to get rid of their general waste that doesn't fit in the bin (or dump it). If you charge for the use of brown bins- either people are going to let their gardens become a mess, or they're going to dump it elsewhere.	Waste Services - charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
31172	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	This should not affect domestic users. It is already very limited cover.	Waste Services - charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
31173	An employee of West Lothian Council	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	I believe the introduction of charges for the use of brown bins would lead to an upsurge of fly-tipping.	Waste Services - charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Councils who currently charge for Garden Waste & Bulky collections or who have introduced charges have not reported significant increases in illegal fly tipping or transfer to the landfill bin as a result. Any changes that do occur will be monitored closely and action taken as appropriate against illegal practices or material finding its way to landfill.
31174	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	This is unacceptable. Its a basic human expectation that the council removes waste in a timely manner. We have all seen the failures in Edinburgh where black bags full of waste are left on the streets for weeks on end. Its the councils responsibility to provide adequate staff and vehicles to collect waste, you cannot expect customer to fill their cars with waste and take it to the recycling centres (less when you close 3)	Waste Services - charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
31175	An employee of West Lothian Council	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Introduce a charge for bulky uplifts , however I do not agree charging to green waste bins	Waste Services - charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
31176	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	It's unfair to charge for use of brown bins! How would this be enforced? People would just use other bins!	Waste Services - charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
31177	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Charging to use the garden waste brown bins is a terrible idea this may lead to people neglecting the area which in turn will have an adverse effect on various things like the look of the area which will drive people away or people not wishing to visit	Waste Services - charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
31178	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	given that we already pay council tax for the use of brown bins is this not a "double tax". This will ultimately fail to work as said "brown bin" rubbish will simply be put into the black bins or taken to the dump, thereby missing out on those charges. instead why not remove the "food caddies" that are even more infrequently used by many households	Waste Services - charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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31179	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	I disagree with charges for brown bins since you make this into compost and sell it .Meaning we are paying for you to make money. Seems unfair to me. I think it would be more reasonable to decrease blue bin collections and give everyone larger bins.	Waste Services - charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
31180	No Response	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	West Lothian council has done a lot to promote recycling. I feel charging for brown bin use would not work and closing recycling centres may lead to more fly tipping of various waste products.	Waste Services - charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
31181	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	reckon if you remove these services it will be false economy as fly tipping would increase , also people would have less greenspace (gardens) due to brown bin removal . rectification to Fly tipping increase alone would probably cost more.	Waste Services - charges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Councils who currently charge for Garden Waste & Bulky collections or who have introduced charges have not reported significant increases in illegal fly tipping or transfer to the landfill bin as a result. Any changes that do occur will be monitored closely and action taken as appropriate against illegal practices or material finding its way to landfill.
31182	An employee of West Lothian Council	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	If I am paying my community charge I do expect a level of support - charging for brown bins would only encourage tenants to leave their gardens untidy.	Waste Services - charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
31183	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	give people much bigger bins and then have monthly or quarterly collections	Waste Services - charges	5b. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it is likely that the costs of this proposal would outweigh the benefit.	Councils who currently charge for Garden Waste & Bulky collections or who have introduced charges have not reported significant increases in illegal fly tipping or transfer to the landfill bin as a result. Any changes that do occur will be monitored closely and action taken as appropriate against illegal practices or material finding its way to landfill.
31184	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	I do not support a levy or charge for brown bin collection. If you are serious about protecting the environment you have to provide facilities for recycling garden waste. If you don't people will just put it in a grey bin instead.	Waste Services - charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
31185	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	If you want to see an increase in Fly-tipping and rubbish burning then go right ahead. And you can't complain about overgrown gardens in council estates either. Just another tax on the needy.	Waste Services - charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Fly tipping has not be noted as a significant impact following the implementation of the changes proposed.
31186	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	And you can't complain about overgrown gardens in council estates either. Just another tax on the needy.	Waste Services - charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Not relevant to recycling & waste collection.
31187	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	This is FOLLY. Charges for bulky uplifts will result in Fly-tipping, pure and simple	Waste Services - charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Fly tipping has not be noted as a significant impact following the implementation of the changes proposed.
31188	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Brown bins Garden waste will end up dumped on roadsides or get put in black bins and go unrecycled. I would particularly, and very strongly, resent garden waste being singled out for charging. There are far too few brown bin collections as it is. Efficiencies could be made by having fewer black bin collections. We fill ours roughly 3-weekly.	Waste Services - charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Fly tipping has not be noted as a significant impact following the implementation of the changes proposed. The potential to extend landfill collections further is something that could be developed
31189	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Similarly, closing recycling sites will simply result in more pollution. I barely use local authority services. I do use recycling services, and I regard them as very important and necessary. I do actually think recycling should be increased and encouraged, to protect our environment and stop waste.	Waste Services - charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
31190	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	introducing charges for brown bins etc may result in an increase of Fly tipping and more waste being sent to landfill.	Waste Services - charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Fly tipping has not be noted as a significant impact following the implementation of the changes proposed.
31191	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	These services are vital. Start charging people for bulky uplifts and there will be an increase in people just Fly tipping all over the region. Perhaps high earning households should pay towards uplifts.	Waste Services - charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Fly tipping has not be noted as a significant impact following the implementation of the changes proposed.
31192	An employee of West Lothian Council	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Agree we need to make savings in this area but appreciate that it will be hard to get buy in from the public, although people have become used to the skinny bins.	Waste Services - charges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The buy in is more of a compliance requirement moving forward to ensure that money is not needlessly wasted by landfilling recyclable materials.

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31193	An employee of West Lothian Council	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Agree to the charging for bulky uplifts and would have no issue with this.	Waste Services - charges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
31194	An employee of West Lothian Council	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	However to be charged for brown bin waste as a resident who already pays council tax I disagree with. this is essentially charging further for having a garden.	Waste Services - charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Brown bins are not a statutory service so the proposal to charge enables this service to continue.
31195	An employee of West Lothian Council	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Surely this would result in increased Fly tipping. Green bins do not require West Lothian council logos - savings could have been made providing plain green bins without logos. Black bins should have been replaced to the smaller bins, only when broken - thousands of money spent changing the size of a bin.	Waste Services - charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Fly tipping has not be noted as a significant impact following the implementation of the changes proposed. The cost of logooing bins is negligible. The council don't issue black bins which are larger than 140l anymore.
31196	An employee of West Lothian Council	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	I thought the use of brown bins was all part of recycling waste so charging will end up discouraging people from recycling their waste!	Waste Services - charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Brown bins are not a statutory service so the proposal to charge enables this service to continue.
31197	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Ido not think it justifiable to charge for brown bin collection	Waste Services - charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Brown bins are not a statutory service so the proposal to charge enables this service to continue.
31198	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Leave the sites open, charge £25 a year for the brown bins if you have to	Waste Services - charges	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
31199	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Charges for using brown bins is crazy as it would result in people dumping it illegally.	Waste Services - charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Fly tipping has not be noted as a significant impact following the implementation of the changes proposed.
31200	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Brown Bins & bulky uplift - but means tested if poss	Waste Services - charges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
31201	An employee of West Lothian Council	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	I do not agree with charging for brown bin collections. Other than the effect on the wider community this will greatly increase the level of work for staff to collect and recover these payments. As we know that staff levels will be declining it's not then suitable to greatly increase the work load in certain areas.	Waste Services - charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
31202	An employee of West Lothian Council	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	This will result in Fly tipping.	Waste Services - charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Fly tipping has not be noted as a significant impact following the implementation of the changes proposed.
31203	An employee of West Lothian Council	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	I think you should charge for bulky uplifts though.	Waste Services - charges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
31204	An employee of West Lothian Council	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	charging for bulky lifts I could see increased amounts of Fly tipping which the amount of litter floating around my street has increased with the smaller black bins id hate to see more.	Waste Services - charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Fly tipping has not be noted as a significant impact following the implementation of the changes proposed.
31205	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	charging for bulky uplifts could easily result in an increase in Fly tipping	Waste Services - charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Fly tipping has not be noted as a significant impact following the implementation of the changes proposed.
31206	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	charging for brown bin collection would have a terrible effect on residents. I believe it is important the council looks at the obvious negative environmental impact that these changes would cause in Fly tipping in the local area	Waste Services - charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Fly tipping has not be noted as a significant impact following the implementation of the changes proposed.
31207	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Also heard we may be charged to have our brown bins emptied which don't agree with. The council made us use these bins and have reduced the size of our grey bins	Waste Services - charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The provision of brown bin collections and bulky uplifts are non-statutory service as such the council fund used to provide this service may be deemed as being needed in other services with higher priorities for our community.
31208	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	As to the charge for emptying the Brown bins it was the council's idea to introduce these bins now you want to get people to pay for them. The contents are turned into fertilizer why not sell this to raise revenue	Waste Services - charges	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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31209	An employee of West Lothian Council	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Charge for brown bins will not save money. It is well known that many tenants will not do their garden and WLC recharge them after carrying out the work. This rechargeable work is never recovered. This is not cost effective. More admin for offices/tenants will remove brown bins to not have the charge.	Waste Services - charges	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
31210	An employee of West Lothian Council	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	I agree with the bulky uplift charge	Waste Services - charges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
31211	An employee of West Lothian Council	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	think the brown bin charge is unfair, especially if you are going to close community recycling centers.	Waste Services - charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
31212	An employee of West Lothian Council	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	charges for the use of brown bins is likely to result in the increase of Fly-tipping	Waste Services - charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Fly tipping has not be noted as a significant impact following the implementation of the changes proposed.
31213	An employee of West Lothian Council	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	charges for the use of bulky uplifts is likely to result in the increase of Fly-tipping	Waste Services - charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Fly tipping has not be noted as a significant impact following the implementation of the changes proposed.
31214	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Charging for brown bins will probably ly result in increased Fly tipping, so may be a false economy. Also, how much will it cost to admit is yer a charge for brown bins?	Waste Services - charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Fly tipping has not be noted as a significant impact following the implementation of the changes proposed.
31215	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	It is very feasible to expect all bulky uplifts to be paid for by person or persons requiring it to be carried out on their behalf. The charging being proposed for the uplift of brown bins is very abhorrent in its nature. There must be community recycling sites within a reasonable driving distance of all communities and areas of West Lothian, or there will be fly tipping to greater extent than what is possibly being carried out at present.	Waste Services - charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
31216	An employee of West Lothian Council	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	As only council left not charging for bulky uplifts this should be introduced. Not so sure about some of the other proposals from a fairness and impact on behaviour point of view.	Waste Services - charges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
31217	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	If charges are introduced, the costs must cover the administration of the system. More local self help provisions should be provided, e.g. a free use skip located within housing estate on a rolling monthly basis. Otherwise fly tipping will increase along with detriment to visual environment and costs of removal (or enforcement)	Waste Services - charges	5b. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it is likely that the costs of this proposal would outweigh the benefit.	This would not be a viable option and would lead to significant issues within local communities.
31218	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Not sure charging for brown bins is sensible - suspect it will lead to Fly tipping.	Waste Services - charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Fly tipping has not be noted as a significant impact following the implementation of the changes proposed.
31219	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	I think charging for the use of brown bins would not be a good way forward. This will increase people dumping garden waste and result less aesthetically pleasing environments.	Waste Services - charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Fly tipping has not be noted as a significant impact following the implementation of the changes proposed.
31220	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	I am fundamentally opposed to charges for bulky uplift and use of brown bins. Such charges are a recipe for Fly-tipping.	Waste Services - charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Fly tipping has not be noted as a significant impact following the implementation of the changes proposed.
31221	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Charge for the use of brown bins!!!! If our recycling centre in Linlithgow closes and we have to pay for brown bins, we pensioners will have to say goodbye to our gardens, cut down our bushes and hedges, lift our lawns and get it all chipped or concreted. A horrible idea.	Waste Services - charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
31222	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Charging for bulky uplifts is a false economy. It was tried before and led to an increase in Fly tipping. What is the justification for charging for use of brown bins? Brown bins introduced by council to put garden waste in and if going to charge for this will people not just use the grey and blue bins instead?	Waste Services - charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Fly tipping has not be noted as a significant impact following the implementation of the changes proposed.
31223	An employee of West Lothian Council	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Brown Bin charging would possibly increase contamination of other bins. Encourage home owners to compost their brown bin waste instead. Maybe try and agree special rates with external suppliers for the purchase of compost bins through council website.	Waste Services - charges	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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31224	An employee of West Lothian Council	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	charges for uplifts is reasonable-obviously the Fly-tipping may increase however I notice this happens already even when no charge is incurred	Waste Services - charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Fly tipping has not be noted as a significant impact following the implementation of the changes proposed.
31225	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	we have already paid for Brown bins through local tax and should not be charged again	Waste Services - charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The provision of brown bin collections is a non-statutory service as such the council fund used to provide this service may be deemed as being needed in other services with higher priorities for our community.
31226	An employee of West Lothian Council	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	I agree as Edinburgh charge for bulky uplifts. My concern would be that more items will be left outside properties or at the roadside resulting in additional cost to the council to have them uplifted anyway - something that needs to be considered.	Waste Services - charges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The charge levied for collections would be reasonable to ensure the impact of fly tipping would be minimal.
31227	An employee of West Lothian Council	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Charge for brown bins seems arbitrary.	Waste Services - charges	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
31228	An employee of West Lothian Council	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	I do not think that we should have to pay to have our brown bins emptied as the Council wants us to recycle garden waste and have already reduced the size of the grey bin. I think it is fair enough to request a charge for bulky uplifts.	Waste Services - charges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
31229	An employee of West Lothian Council	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	This is ludicrous.A charge for brown bin use? This will see a rise in Fly tipping.	Waste Services - charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Fly tipping has not be noted as a significant impact following the implementation of the changes proposed.
31230	An employee of West Lothian Council	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	I am not against a fee for bulky uplifts for those who can afford it. It is a specific service that costs the council money to administer.	Waste Services - charges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The charge levied for collections would be reasonable to ensure the impact of fly tipping would be minimal.
31231	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Surely the council tax is increased to cover brown bins etc?	Waste Services - charges	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	The provision of brown bin collections is a non-statutory service as such the council fund used to provide this service may be deemed as being needed in other services with higher priorities for our community.
31232	An employee of West Lothian Council	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Why don't you charge for bulky uplifts?	Waste Services - charges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The proposal is to charge for bulky uplifts.
31233	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Additional charges could well be counter productive as it may result in illegal dumping and there will be additional costs to the Council to remedy this. From an environmental point of view, anything that makes responsible waste disposal more difficult is unacceptable.	Waste Services - charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Fly tipping has not be noted as a significant impact following the implementation of the changes proposed.
31234	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	charging for bulky uplifts , yes a charge should be made as for charging for the brown bin uplift and the closure of community recycling sites this will just lead to more fly tipping and cost more in the long run	Waste Services - charges	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	The charge levied for collections would be reasonable to ensure the impact of fly tipping would be minimal.
31235	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	as long as charges are affordable or fly tipping will be endemic leading to more costs .	Waste Services - charges	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	The charge levied for collections would be reasonable to ensure the impact of fly tipping would be minimal.
31236	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Surely this pushes people towards Fly-tipping & not recycling brown bin materials? How are you going to meet zero-waste targets?	Waste Services - charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Fly tipping has not be noted as a significant impact following the implementation of the changes proposed.
31237	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Perhaps offer 1 free bulk uplift a year and charge for others but don't close recycling then charge us for picking up our rubbish! Brown bin charges Lose the food caddies instead!	Waste Services - charges	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
31238	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Agree with charge for bulky uplifts, but not brown bins.	Waste Services - charges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
31239	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Surely charging for bulky uplifts (unless very reasonable charge) would just increase the volume of Fly tipping? And how would you enforce a charge on brown bins? We only put ours out to be emptied about 4/5 times a year, would the charge take the frequency of use into account?	Waste Services - charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Fly tipping has not be noted as a significant impact following the implementation of the changes proposed.

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31240	An employee of West Lothian Council	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	I hope that such charges would be means based as I know my elderly parents are already worrying about having to pay for brown bin collections	Waste Services - charges	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	The charge levied for collections would be reasonable to ensure the impact of fly tipping would be minimal.
31241	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Brown bin uplifts should remain free in order to promote recycling.	Waste Services - charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
31242	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	charging for brown bin uplift will only encourage Fly tipping and misuse of the grey and blue bins.	Waste Services - charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Fly tipping has not be noted as a significant impact following the implementation of the changes proposed.
31243	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Charges for bulky uplifts would have to be affordable for all.	Waste Services - charges	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	The charge levied for collections would be reasonable to ensure the impact of fly tipping would be minimal.
31244	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	I would be happy to pay for a bulky uplift, I would not be willing to pay to use my brown bin.	Waste Services - charges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
31245	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	I worry about the environment we will live in if the public are charged for basic waste removal	Waste Services - charges	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
31246	An employee of West Lothian Council	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Charging for bulky uplifts will only result in Fly tipping or stuff getting left on pavements as we all pay council tax , cut the three free uplifts to one electrical and one household then charge after that	Waste Services - charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Fly tipping has not be noted as a significant impact following the implementation of the changes proposed.
31247	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Don't agree with charges for brown bins. This will result in additional waste going to landfill.	Waste Services - charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Benchmarking with other authorities has shown that the capture rate of this material remains high.
31248	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Also charging for bulky uplifts could increase Fly-tipping.	Waste Services - charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Fly tipping has not be noted as a significant impact following the implementation of the changes proposed.
31249	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	If bulky uplift is charged for, many people will just dump stuff which will end up costing the council more to clear up. Same applies to closing recycling sites.	Waste Services - charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Fly tipping has not be noted as a significant impact following the implementation of the changes proposed.
31250	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	The brown bin should suffice. People will dump rubbish is charged are made.	Waste Services - charges	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
31251	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Charging for brown bins will reduce use and increase dumping.	Waste Services - charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Fly tipping has not be noted as a significant impact following the implementation of the changes proposed.
31252	An employee of West Lothian Council	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Agree with this proposal. The council should have been charging for bulky uplifts years ago. It should also be charging for extra blue and brown bins like they do in other areas. Many families now have an extra grey bin due to the age of their children, is there a plan in place to remove these bins once the children are old enough? Otherwise you are just building more costs into the system for years to come with people not recycling and just using their extra grey bins.	Waste Services - charges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. The review of service standards will cover areas such as the monitoring of extra capacity and removal.
31253	An employee of West Lothian Council	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	The danger with this is that it could increase fly tipping. Bins should continue to be emptied free of charge for householders. Could give one free bulky uplift not three in the year.	Waste Services - charges	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
31254	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Any savings in charging for bulky uplifts and garden waste would soon be cancelled out by the increase in Fly tipping around the West Lothian area. If you have to pay for garden waste you would encourage people to put in the grey bin or contaminate the blue bin. With no enforcement against offenders this cross contamination would increase	Waste Services - charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Fly tipping has not be noted as a significant impact following the implementation of the changes proposed.
31255	An employee of West Lothian Council	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Providing bulky uplifts free is a bit daft. Anyone serious about recycling could survive a wee trip to do so.	Waste Services - charges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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31256	An employee of West Lothian Council	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	There should remain at least 2 free uplifts for householders. If not, there is a strong likelihood that fly tipping will take place, impacting on the environment and costing the council additional funds to clear up.	Waste Services - charges	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
31257	An employee of West Lothian Council	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Similarly, if the brown bin is a paid for service then there will be an increase in the number of residents using tree belts and open areas to dump garden waste. This happens at the moment but an increase would again impact on the environment to the detriment of all.	Waste Services - charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Fly tipping has not be noted as a significant impact following the implementation of the changes proposed.
31258	An employee of West Lothian Council	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	This will just increase Fly tipping, people leaving their rubbish in gardens, west Lothian therefor just looking untidy and riddled with rats.	Waste Services - charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Fly tipping has not be noted as a significant impact following the implementation of the changes proposed.
31259	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	I agree to paying for bulky uplifts.	Waste Services - charges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
31260	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	A charge for a brown bin will lead to more Fly tipping, not a good idea.	Waste Services - charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Fly tipping has not be noted as a significant impact following the implementation of the changes proposed.
31261	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Though disagree with charging for brown bin collection.	Waste Services - charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
31262	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	I would be happy to pay for brown bin uplifts.	Waste Services - charges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
31263	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	I am not opposed to charges for bulky uplifts	Waste Services - charges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
31264	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Charging for brown bin collection needs considerable thought. Better to charge everyone and avoid piles of grass cuttings accumulating in hedgerows and on verges.	Waste Services - charges	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The charge levied for collections would be reasonable to ensure the impact of fly tipping would be minimal.
31265	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	I would be OK with paying for bulky uplifts but less so brown bin collections. People take amazing care of their gardens here, the council should support that with brown bin collections.	Waste Services - charges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
31266	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Many people cannot afford/will not pay for brown bins which will cause a bigger problem to littering and waste.	Waste Services - charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Fly tipping has not be noted as a significant impact following the implementation of the changes proposed. Charges will be set to be a reasonable level to enable the service to be maintained.
31267	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Refuse to pay for recycling	Waste Services - charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
31268	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Disagree with charges for use of brown bin... people will simply stop gardening or dump rubbish elsewhere... becomes more problematic in the long run...	Waste Services - charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Fly tipping has not be noted as a significant impact following the implementation of the changes proposed.
31269	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Brown bins are paid for using the council tax ? so keep them	Waste Services - charges	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	The council tax covers many areas. Brown bins are a non-statutory service and as such charging for them may help to maintain levels of other services delivered by the council.
31270	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Not a good idea to charge for brown bin collection!	Waste Services - charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
31271	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	dont agree with charges for brown bins	Waste Services - charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
31272	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Why the charge for brown bin collection? We already pay for this in council tax!	Waste Services - charges	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Brown bin collections are a non-statutory service.

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31273	An employee of West Lothian Council	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	How would charging for brown bins work? Would people then use grey bin instead and be counter-productive to recycling?	Waste Services - charges	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
31274	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	I agree to introducing charges for bulky uplifts	Waste Services - charges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
31275	An employee of West Lothian Council	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	I would be interested to find out how the charge for use of the brown bins would be managed and invoiced. This type of charge may just encourage some to use their grey bin for this type of waste which would then have to go to landfill at a cost to the council.	Waste Services - charges	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	The details of how the system would work need to be fully developed but would likely mirror those successfully used by other authorities.
31276	An employee of West Lothian Council	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	If you charge for the use of brown bins there could be an issue of people not looking after gardens	Waste Services - charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
31277	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	I think if you charge for brown bins, people will just put garden waste in their ordinary bins and charging for uplifts may result in Fly tipping.	Waste Services - charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Fly tipping has not be noted as a significant impact following the implementation of the changes proposed.
31278	An employee of West Lothian Council	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Charging for bulky uplift may cause litter to be deposited on street corners etc. This will make the area appear very untidy and should be considered closely.	Waste Services - charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Fly tipping has not be noted as a significant impact following the implementation of the changes proposed.
31279	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	I agree with charging for bulky uplifts. It is ridiculous that our council is one of the only councils who don't charge, when the alternative is for further cuts to council jobs.	Waste Services - charges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
31280	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Bulky Uplift Charges - totally agree, this level of service provision is not provided anywhere else in the country.	Waste Services - charges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
31281	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Charging for Brown Bins - not popular but as a non-statutory service this has been introduced elsewhere and worked. Agree.	Waste Services - charges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
31282	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Charging for brown bin collection will encourage even more Fly tipping and is a dreadful idea. I would like to see glass recycling bins given to households and the small green food waste bins are a waste of money and should be scrapped.	Waste Services - charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Fly tipping has not be noted as a significant impact following the implementation of the changes proposed.
31283	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	I agree that there should be a charge for bulky uplifts.	Waste Services - charges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
31284	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Brown (garden waste) bins however are a necessity but I would support a small increase in the Council Tax to cover this.	Waste Services - charges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
31285	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	I am amazed the bulky uplift service is free! It should be free only to those who on specified benefits who can not for cost or ability reasons dispose of bulky items.	Waste Services - charges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
31286	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	You must remember that the removal of a charge for bulky uplifts was a successful decision resulting in a reduction in Fly-tipping.	Waste Services - charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Fly tipping has not be noted as a significant impact following the implementation of the changes proposed.
31287	An employee of West Lothian Council	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	To charge for the brown bin is just asking for more trouble you would be as well as doing away with the brown bin and save money on waste pick up.	Waste Services - charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
31288	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Is it necessary to charge for all bulky uplifts? You just have to view some of the rubbish dumped in the countryside at present wher 3 uplifts are free Suggest each household has option for one free uplift	Waste Services - charges	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
31289	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	We have an area of concern in relation to this proposal that cuts to bulky uplifts will increase the risk of Fly tipping.	Waste Services - charges	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Fly tipping has not be noted as a significant impact following the implementation of the changes proposed.
31290	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	I don't agree with charging for the brown bin. All this would do is encourage people to dump the garden waste in the woods	Waste Services - charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Fly tipping has not be noted as a significant impact following the implementation of the changes proposed.

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31291	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	NO. I do not agree with any of these proposals. Bulky uplift charges will increase Fly tipping (you used to charge for bulky uplift, did the Fly tipping figures reduce when you abolished the charge?)	Waste Services - charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Fly tipping has not be noted as a significant impact following the implementation of the changes proposed.
31292	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Brown bins - NO - you cannot charge for this - people will start burning their rubbish in their garden or put it in the grey landfill bin.	Waste Services - charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Fly tipping has not be noted as a significant impact following the implementation of the changes proposed. Neither has burning. The landfill bin only has capacity for landfill material so garden waste would not be accommodated in any significant volume.
31293	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Although a charge for a bulky uplift I feel is appropriate it could result in more fly tipping. This could have a negative impact on our community. Closing some sites could be cost affective as I am sure people would not mind traveling a little further to get rid of rubbish at no cost to them. Iâ€™m not sure how the brown bill charges would work so more info is needed in this area.	Waste Services - charges	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Lack of information in the TYC cited as inability to appropriately respond.
31294	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Iâ€™m not sure how the brown bill charges would work so more info is needed in this area.	Waste Services - charges	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Lack of information in the TYC cited as inability to appropriately respond.
31295	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	If charges are made for emptying brown bins there will be an increase in Fly tipping the cost of which is likely to reduce the potential savings. Also, if people are charged for their brown bins it is likely that they will divert garden waste into their other bins thus reducing the efficiency of the waste management service. I do not approve of this measure.	Waste Services - charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Fly tipping has not be noted as a significant impact following the implementation of the changes proposed.
31296	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	If charges are made for uplifting bulky items there will be an increase in Fly tipping the cost of which is likely to reduce the potential savings.	Waste Services - charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Fly tipping has not be noted as a significant impact following the implementation of the changes proposed.
31297	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Whilst I am not inherently opposed to a sensible charge for bulky uplifts, I an see that being an issue for those that simply cannot afford even Â£10 or Â£20 out of a very tight budget they live to for, for example, removal of a washing machine so the reality is that you may end up with more items left strewn in gardens or dumped locally.	Waste Services - charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Fly tipping has not be noted as a significant impact following the implementation of the changes proposed.
31298	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	It is ridiculous to suggest there should be a charge for emptying brown bins. What are we already being an extraordinary level of council tax for?? Our council tax was raised by Â£400 or so this year alone, which is shocking and not affordable. Is this now some kind of additional garden tax? Why assume you can pay more because you have a garden? Should people not look after their gardens? Ridiculous.	Waste Services - charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council tax was not increased last year, it was the water and sewage rates. Garden waste collections are a non-statutory service.
31299	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Absolutely not. We are already right here, bins overflowing. We will end up with rats and infestations. Fly tipping and dumping anywhere and everywhere will be the norm!	Waste Services - charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Fly tipping has not be noted as a significant impact following the implementation of the changes proposed.
31300	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	You gave us these bins and now you want to charge us..... disgusting.	Waste Services - charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
31301	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Agree with charge for bulky uplifts. Allow one free per household per year then implement a charge.	Waste Services - charges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
31302	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Recycling rates will reduce if charges are introduced. Do not introduce charges for recycling	Waste Services - charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
31303	An employee of West Lothian Council	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	I agree that there should be a nominal fee for bulky uplift collection but not for brown bin collection.	Waste Services - charges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
31304	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Do not charge for brown bin collection.This proposal would lead to more Fly tipping and contamination of blue bins.	Waste Services - charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Fly tipping has not be noted as a significant impact following the implementation of the changes proposed. Contamination would be monitored through the collection process.
31305	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Charging for uplifts and brown bins is reasonable.	Waste Services - charges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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31306	No Response	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	I think paying for brown bin and bulky lifts is a good idea	Waste Services - charges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
31307	An employee of West Lothian Council	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Charges for bulky uplifts that benefit individuals makes perfect sense.	Waste Services - charges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
31308	An employee of West Lothian Council	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	I think is it reasonable to consider applying a charge for bulky uplifts but also encourage neighbours to work in partnership e.g. neighbours to join together with their bulky requests and amalgamate this as 1 request but split the cost. This proposal could get tenants on side for charges being applied. I am not keen on charging for use of brown bins when WLC implemented this and encourage their tenants to use these but are now considering applying a charge.	Waste Services - charges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
31309	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Think charging to certain bins to be collected could result in less recycling. Need to make it easier for people to recycle more.	Waste Services - charges	4. The council is already doing this.	The recycling message is a fairly straightforward and simple one that many choose to ignore and cost the council tax payer more than £2M per year in doing so. This is why proposals need to be considered to deliver significant behaviour change.
31310	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Cost of collecting brown bin charge will be more than the saving.	Waste Services - charges	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
31311	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	I agree bulky uplifts should incur a charge but how to prevent fly tipping could be an issue - I support this providing there are strong enforcement measures employed to address fly tipping as a result.	Waste Services - charges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
31312	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	I support charging for brown bins but not if certain people such as elderly, disabled and benefit claimants are exempt - I support this as long as EVERYONE pays	Waste Services - charges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
31313	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Agree with charges for bulky uplifts. Charging for brown bin might be effective if you encourage people to compost as much as possible at home. Otherwise green waste will end up in landfill.	Waste Services - charges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
31314	An employee of West Lothian Council	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Other councils already charge for bulk uplifts so I don't see this being an issue although the charge would need to be reasonable so as not to encourage fly-tipping.	Waste Services - charges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
31315	An employee of West Lothian Council	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	I don't agree with charging for brown bins since the council/government are focused on encouraging us to recycle! I wouldn't have an issue with the grey and blue bins being collected less frequently but I do not have a family and I know this would be an issue for a number of households.	Waste Services - charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
31316	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Charging for 'Brown Bin' uplifting is an absolute nonsense. How long before we are then charged for the other bins one by one. This is just a "backdoor increase in Council Tax". Waste collection is a fundamental responsibility of the Council and should be paid for out of Council Taxation.	Waste Services - charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Brown bins are not a statutory service so the proposal to charge enables this service to continue.
31317	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	I don't think we should be charged for bulky uplifts - but you could reduce to 2 times a year.	Waste Services - charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
31318	An employee of West Lothian Council	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	If we introduce charges for bulky uplifts will this not just increase Fly tipping?	Waste Services - charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Fly tipping has not be noted as a significant impact following the implementation of the changes proposed.
31319	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Do not agree on the statement above at all, are we to charged for uplifting brown bins	Waste Services - charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Charges levied would be reasonable to enable this non-statutory service to be continued.
31320	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	have you heard of Fly tipping?? a reasonable charge seems like a good idea but above a certain level folk simply won't pay	Waste Services - charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Fly tipping has not be noted as a significant impact following the implementation of the changes proposed.
31321	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	I don't agree with the charge to use the brown bins, but do agree to other proposals above.	Waste Services - charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Charging a reasonable amount for the provision of these non-statutory services is one way to ensure they continue to be offered.

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31322	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Agree on bulky uplifts although if impact on fly tipping will have to be reviewed. Yes on brown bin charge.	Waste Services - charges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The charge would enable this non-statutory service to continue to be delivered.
31323	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Again, there are likely to be unhelpful consequences of charges for bulky uplifts and use of brown bins e.g. Fly-tipping.	Waste Services - charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Fly tipping has not be noted as a significant impact following the implementation of the changes proposed at a level to minimise the likelihood of Fly tipping.
31324	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	it is inevitable should a cost be introduced for uplifts and specifically brown bins then unscrupulous tenancies will become more evident and I have no doubt tenants may well not be recycling in the current manner.	Waste Services - charges	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
31325	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Disagree with charging for the brown bin use. Why not sell the compost that is produced for a small fee, rather than giving it away. Charging for bulky uplifts will lead to things being dumped	Waste Services - charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Fly tipping has not be noted as a significant impact following the implementation of the changes proposed. Thank you for your wider comments, these have been noted.
31326	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Introducing additional charges for collections to householders is a ridiculous idea. Why not just increase the tax we already pay for this service. Paying outwith the council tax will lead to increased fly tipping, unsightly gathering of waste in domestic areas and possible attraction of vermin.	Waste Services - charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The impacts of fly tipping and vermin have not been noted in other authorities where such changes have been implemented.
31327	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	No charges for brown bins. Some of us are unlucky to have trees round us and we put the leaves in the brown bin. Many of these are Council trees so this is unfair. This waste is recycled and generates income. Any charging should be for the grey bin to encourage recycling.	Waste Services - charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The waste generated does not create an income for the council. It is a cost on a non-statutory service. Grey bins however are statutory so a charge cannot be levied.
31328	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Agree. A fee of Â£20 minimum is reasonable for bulky uplifts and it should be a per item charge for large items like fridges and cookers, etc.	Waste Services - charges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
31329	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Charges would result in more fly tipping,if charges are moderate for bulky uplift it might work but brown bin charges are a mistake.	Waste Services - charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Charges levied would be reasonable to enable this non-statutory service to be continued.
31330	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	I think charging people for uplifting their brown bins is ridiculous. Is this not included in Council tax charges which may be increased by 3%. Not a good people pleaser.	Waste Services - charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council tax increase is not linked to the provision of the services noted for charging but in maintaining the remaining services.
31331	An employee of West Lothian Council	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Proposing to charge a fee for people who maintain their gardens to dispose of the garden waste? Surely this will result in a significant increase in fly tipping or gardens growing out of control?	Waste Services - charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Charges levied would be reasonable to enable this non-statutory service to be continued.
31332	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Charges for bulky uplifts are likely to encourage more fly tipping and WLC will need to uplift anyway.. I assume that's why it was discontinued previously. Perhaps allow one free uplift & see how this works.	Waste Services - charges	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
31333	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Charging for Brown bin garden waste is effectively ceasing to recycle garden waste.	Waste Services - charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The service would continue to be offered for a reasonable charge to maintain this non-statutory collection.
31334	An employee of West Lothian Council	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	I agree with charges for bulky uplifts, however I disagree with it for brown bins. The Council have given everyone much smaller grey bins and have been focusing more on recycling. The Council also sell on compost made from the collection of brown bins. I don't think its acceptable to charge people to collect this and then make further profit. If this is charged for it will cause more people to hide it in the blue bin or to dump it in the countryside or on streets. Meaning the Council will have to spend more money cleaning it up.	Waste Services - charges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Charges levied would be reasonable to enable this non-statutory service to be continued.
31335	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	I do not agree with proposal for charging use of Brown bins, this would push people to do more Fly tipping which is a major problem throughout West Lothian as present	Waste Services - charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Fly tipping has not be noted as a significant impact following the implementation of the changes proposed.
31336	An employee of West Lothian Council	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	If we are to charge for bulky uplifts and brown bins we need to give people the opportunity to take their waste to a recycling sites. Otherwise we will be entering a fly tipping culture which will costs WLC more money.	Waste Services - charges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Charges levied would be reasonable to enable this non-statutory service to be continued.

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31337	An employee of West Lothian Council	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Again something I can comment on as affects me as I live in West Lothian. You haven't stated how much the uplifts and brown bins would be charged at. Also I pay all my bills on time council tax NI whatever is expected of me. This covers the cost of social policy and schools. I don't have children in schools or elderly relatives in this area but I do have a garden so I will pay towards things I don't use and then be charged for my brown bins cos I have a garden. Seems a tad unfair to be honest.	Waste Services - charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Council tax is a universal tax to provide universal services.
31338	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	. With regard to the brown bin, as a resident, I would not be happy to pay for this. Having invested money to provide the service to meet environmental standards then ask resident to pay for it is ridiculous. I would rather have a compost bin than pay. As an employee unless you charge upfront the this then as always the payers will pay and the non-payers won't. Yet again the same people are carrying the costs.	Waste Services - charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
31339	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	I think a minimal UPFRONT charge for a bulky uplift is acceptable as long as the	Waste Services - charges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Charges levied would be reasonable to enable this non-statutory service to be continued.
31340	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Charging for use of brown bins should be avoided. We all benefit from well cared for green spaces, and this shouldn't be reliant on the owner of the property's ability to pay.	Waste Services - charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The charge would enable this non-statutory service to continue to be delivered.
31341	An employee of West Lothian Council	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	The commencement of charging for bulky uplifts could result in fly tipping which increase costs to the council in other areas. Consideration of income levels or DWP benefit entitlements before charging could be made e.g. resident on disability awards entitled to free uplift.	Waste Services - charges	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
31342	An employee of West Lothian Council	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Again if the recycling sites are reduced there will be more Fly tipping as some residents will be reluctant to travel any distance to dispose of their recycling.	Waste Services - charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Fly tipping has not be noted as a significant impact following the implementation of the changes proposed.
31343	An employee of West Lothian Council	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	If charges are introduced consideration of the software required to administer and collect and costs associated with this and where the income collection and reconciliation will take place.	Waste Services - charges	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
31344	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	By charging for brown bin uplifts and closing recycling centres all that will happen is that garden refuse will be put in the grey bins or dumped somewhere else. Items that would be taken to recycling centres would be dumped in the countryside.	Waste Services - charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Fly tipping has not be noted as a significant impact following the implementation of the changes proposed.
31345	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	If charges are put in place for bulky uplifts this will only increase Fly tipping, I don't use this 3 times a year but the option is there.	Waste Services - charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Fly tipping has not be noted as a significant impact following the implementation of the changes proposed.
31346	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Also a charge for brown bins will again just increase dumping and more gardens will be unkempt. It's only a monthly collection anyway	Waste Services - charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Fly tipping has not be noted as a significant impact following the implementation of the changes proposed.
31347	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	We can't do without our waste being collected.	Waste Services - charges	5c. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it is not consistent with the council's values and priorities.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
31348	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Charges for bulky uplifts will just result in more Fly tipping.	Waste Services - charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Fly tipping has not be noted as a significant impact following the implementation of the changes proposed.
31349	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Agree with bulky uplift charges where people can afford to pay.	Waste Services - charges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Charges levied would be reasonable to enable this non-statutory service to be continued.
31350	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Do NOT agree that we should pay for servicing brown bins - these bins were thrust upon the population by the council and introducing a charge will mean people will NOT use them. False economy.	Waste Services - charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
31351	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Would resist charging for brown bin - mine goes out every time and is always full. You could put a check on recycling by charging. Some years ago North Lanarkshire provided bins for home composting in order to off set brown bin uplifts. Consider that.	Waste Services - charges	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
31352	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	If there is a charge for use of Brown Bins residents will just stop using them.	Waste Services - charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Uptake has been noted by other authorities as positive and still captured the majority of garden waste produced.

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31353	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Charges for bulky uplifts will result in an increase in Fly tipping. This will go against one of the council priorities of protecting the built and natural environment.	Waste Services - charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Fly tipping has not be noted as a significant impact following the implementation of the changes proposed.
31354	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Charges for brown bin uplifts will result in an increase in Fly tipping plus more waste being put in the grey bin and therefore ending up in landfill. This will go against one of the council priorities of protecting the built and natural environment.	Waste Services - charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Fly tipping has not be noted as a significant impact following the implementation of the changes proposed.
31355	An employee of West Lothian Council	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	If charging comes in for brown bins, people will add to black bin.	Waste Services - charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
31356	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	ok to charge for bulky uplifts, but why not promote Zero Waste Scotland's free service?	Waste Services - charges	4. The council is already doing this.	The council already promotes 3rd sector recovery.
31357	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Brown bins - why charge?	Waste Services - charges	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Brown bins are not a statutory service so the proposal to charge enables this service to continue.
31358	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	So, at present we use brown bins for garden refuse - it looks like we are going to pay for this. If this is the case, give us back our larger grey bins instead of these skinny bins we have where lots of people are needing two instead of the one larger one we had. How are we supposed to get rid of garden waste bearing in mind that us on pensions only income have to account for every penny we have. Don't say take it to the nearest re-cycling depot and I think the bus companies would object to us all trailing bags of garden waste on to the bus. The Councils are the ones who decided we had to use brown bins and the Councils are the ones gaining from it as they are using the garden material for compost - which they then sell,	Waste Services - charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council does not receive an income from the sale of compost. It is provided free to householders through the recycling centres. The material itself costs the council to collect and process.
31359	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Charging for the use of brown bins would discourage people from keeping gardens neat and tidy. Once again punishing people for trying to improve their surroundings.	Waste Services - charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The charge would enable this non-statutory service to continue to be delivered.
31360	An employee of West Lothian Council	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Need to consider if charges for brown bin collection will result in fly tipping. This links back to section 6, more work with less staff to do it. Any charges should be up front.	Waste Services - charges	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
31361	An employee of West Lothian Council	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Need to consider if charges for bulky uplifts will result in fly tipping. This links back to section 6, more work with less staff to do it. Any charges should be up front.	Waste Services - charges	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
31362	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Consider implementing the deposit return scheme. Garden and food waste should be combined like other local authorities. Also the introduction of the reusable nappy cleaning service.	Waste Services - charges	5b. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it is likely that the costs of this proposal would outweigh the benefit.	DRS is a national scheme. Combining garden and food waste is not as financially beneficial as charging for collections and is lower in the waste hierarchy than separate food collections.
31363	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	At the moment West Lothian Council do not charge for the first 3 bulky uplifts. I think the first one should be free but all other uplifts should be charged for. Although there is a concern there might be more fly tipping. Encourage more people to recycle having more easily accessible places where they can leave white goods/furniture and other household items that are in reasonably good condition for other people to use. Charging a smaller cost for removing them if the items are to be recycled rather than the cost of a bulky uplift.	Waste Services - charges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
31364	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Charging people for using brown bins! Seriously! It was the Council who spent millions of pounds on distributing all these bins to tenants and now you want to charge us for using them. What on earth is our Council Tax paying for? Especially since everything that is separated for recycling all ends up in the same place anyway! This is hypocrisy. There will be more fly tipping and the community will be overrun with vermin.	Waste Services - charges	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Material is separately collected and processed to meet legal requirements and ensure minimal impact on the environment.
31365	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	charging for brown bin uplifts is NOT a good idea and should be avoided if possible.	Waste Services - charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
31366	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Charges for bulky uplifts could work with maybe one free uplift per 12 month rolling period per household.	Waste Services - charges	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Charges levied would be reasonable to enable this non-statutory service to be continued.

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31367	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Charging for brown bins should only be placed where users have alternatives, drivers for example.	Waste Services - charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Charges levied would be reasonable to enable this non-statutory service to be continued.
31368	An employee of West Lothian Council	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Charging people for using brown bins! Seriously! It was the Council who spent millions of pounds on distributing all these bins to tenants and now you want to charge us for using them. What on earth is our Council Tax paying for? Especially since everything that is separated for recycling all ends up in the same place anyway! This is hypocrisy. There will be more Fly tipping and the community will be overrun with vermin.	Waste Services - charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Fly tipping has not be noted as a significant impact following the implementation of the changes proposed.
31369	An employee of West Lothian Council	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Charging people for using brown bins! Seriously! It was the Council who spent millions of pounds on distributing all these bins to tenants and now you want to charge us for using them. What on earth is our Council Tax paying for? Especially since everything that is separated for recycling all ends up in the same place anyway! This is hypocrisy. There will be more Fly tipping and the community will be overrun with vermin.	Waste Services - charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Fly tipping has not be noted as a significant impact following the implementation of the changes proposed.
31370	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	charges for brown bin collection will result in Fly tipping.	Waste Services - charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Fly tipping has not be noted as a significant impact following the implementation of the changes proposed.
31371	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	charges for bulky uplifts and the closure of 3 recycling sites will result in Fly tipping.	Waste Services - charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Fly tipping has not be noted as a significant impact following the implementation of the changes proposed.
31372	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Charging for bulky uplift will lead to more rubbish being dumped and therefore more cost on clear ups and damage to the environment	Waste Services - charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Fly tipping has not be noted as a significant impact following the implementation of the changes proposed.
31373	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Introducing charges for bulky uplifts and use of brown bins is reasonable , as West Lothian is one of the few councils in the country that doesn't charge for these.	Waste Services - charges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Charges levied would be reasonable to enable this non-statutory service to be continued.
31374	No Response	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	I have no problem with introducing charges for bulky uplifts (which are one off levies)	Waste Services - charges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Charges levied would be reasonable to enable this non-statutory service to be continued.
31375	No Response	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	I would urge you not to charge for the use of brown bins.	Waste Services - charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
31376	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	You cannot minimise bin collection without major consequences for residents. Fly tipping would become a significant problem and surely we need to seek to improve recycling not reduce it. Customers would request more street bins and stop recycling many items. The costs of such action could be high in real terms and environmental terms.	Waste Services - charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Fly tipping has not be noted as a significant impact following the implementation of the changes proposed.
31377	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	2. Agree with charging for bulky uplifts but if possible it would be good for the first to remain free of charge since you are proposing to close 3 recycling sites; I might live next to a key site!	Waste Services - charges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
31378	No Response	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	I don't think the proposal of charging on utilising brown bins is a good idea. As this will encourage more Fly tipping which is bad enough throughout West Lothian at the present	Waste Services - charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Fly tipping has not be noted as a significant impact following the implementation of the changes proposed.
31379	An employee of West Lothian Council	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Could also charge for bulky uplifts	Waste Services - charges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Charges levied would be reasonable to enable this non-statutory service to be continued.
31380	An employee of West Lothian Council	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	I cannot believe how much pandering this council does to residents about waste. If you want to clear a house then you should expect to pay an uplift charge if you can't or won't take it to the tip. It is not a right to get several bulkies per year, and I resent my council tax paying for this when I take my rubbish to the tip myself. This should be a payment up front.	Waste Services - charges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
31381	An employee of West Lothian Council	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	As for brown bins, not everyone uses them so I have issue with a charge.	Waste Services - charges	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	It is difficult to tell if the response is positive or negative from the comments provided.
31382	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Charging for collections will lead to Fly tipping which in the long run will adversely affect the community and will result in additional costs to tackle the problem. I oppose these changes	Waste Services - charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Fly tipping has not be noted as a significant impact following the implementation of the changes proposed.

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31383	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	I agree with charging for bulky uplifts .	Waste Services - charges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Charges levied would be reasonable to enable this non-statutory service to be continued.
31384	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Recycling models should only be made easier for households. Reducing the number of free bulky uplifts per household per year and charging for subsequent uplifts would be more appropriate.	Waste Services - charges	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
31385	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Charges for brown bins would affect the contents of grey bins	Waste Services - charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The landfill bin has been sized to minimise any of the impact suggested.
31386	An employee of West Lothian Council	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	I would support a charge for bulky uplifts	Waste Services - charges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Charges levied would be reasonable to enable this non-statutory service to be continued.
31387	An employee of West Lothian Council	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	I think charging for the use of brown bins could mean more fly-tipping or burning of fresh cut vegetation causing a smoke nuisance. Would however support paying a small monthly charge if I used a brown bin regularly, i.e., your brown bin would be removed unless you paid this.	Waste Services - charges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Charges levied would be reasonable to enable this non-statutory service to be continued.
31388	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	I do not want to pay extra for the use of my brown bin that the council provided.	Waste Services - charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
31389	An employee of West Lothian Council	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Charging for bulky uplift and use of brown bins....ok if the charges are affordable.	Waste Services - charges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Charges levied would be reasonable to enable this non-statutory service to be continued.
31390	No Response	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	I do not want to be charged for the use of the brown bin that the council provided. I do not support this change.	Waste Services - charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
31391	An employee of West Lothian Council	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Seems counter productive to charge for brown bin when encouraging environmental policies..	Waste Services - charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
31392	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Ridiculous - absolutely ridiculous - it will Fly tipping and people not getting rid of food responsibly which will cost more in the long run - worst suggestion ever! I wont use my brown bin if I have to pay for it so be prepared for worse recycling and Fly tipping as that is what will happen.	Waste Services - charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Fly tipping has not be noted as a significant impact following the implementation of the changes proposed.
31393	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	I would be happy to pay for brown bin uplifts and for bulky uplifts. I fine line must be drawn as the cuts could encourage fly tipping.	Waste Services - charges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council will look to implement a charging structure that ensures these non statutory services can still be delivered and are suitably accessible.
31394	An employee of West Lothian Council	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	I would be quite happy to pay for bulky uplifts but if I did then I would expect my nearest recycling centre to be kept open, its either one or the other, expecting to close recycling centres and charge for uplifts if poor customer service	Waste Services - charges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council will look to implement a charging structure that ensures these non statutory services can still be delivered and are suitably accessible and minimise the temptation to engage in illegal fly tipping.
31395	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Well how many bins does one house need to have. Four it seems. Bulky uplifts can be reviewed reduced number of free uplifts?	Waste Services - charges	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The council will look to implement a charging structure that ensures these non statutory services can still be delivered and are suitably accessible and minimise the temptation to engage in illegal fly tipping.
31396	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Brown bins - if these are removed black bins won't cope.	Waste Services - charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council will look to implement a charging structure that ensures these non statutory services can still be delivered and are suitably accessible and minimise the temptation to engage in illegal fly tipping.
31397	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	I don't disagree with the charging re bulky uplifts or use of brown bins.	Waste Services - charges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council will look to implement a charging structure that ensures these non statutory services can still be delivered and are suitably accessible and minimise the temptation to engage in illegal fly tipping.

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31398	An employee of West Lothian Council	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Will the Council monitor the effects on fly tipping when charges are introduced.	Waste Services - charges	4. The council is already doing this.	The council will look to implement a charging structure that ensures these non statutory services can still be delivered and are suitably accessible and minimise the temptation to engage in illegal fly tipping.
31399	An employee of West Lothian Council	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Unclear why charges would be made for use of brown bins. If residents do not have these they will end up using their black bins for the rubbish. Seems complete madness to not encourage the recycling of natural products that the brown bins currently take.	Waste Services - charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council will look to implement a charging structure that ensures these non statutory services can still be delivered and are suitably accessible and minimise the temptation to engage in illegal fly tipping.
31400	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Introducing payment for brown bins would simply mean that people would stop using them and the council would not meet its recycling targets. An increase in fly tipping would ensue which would end up costing the council more money.	Waste Services - charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council will look to implement a charging structure that ensures these non statutory services can still be delivered and are suitably accessible and minimise the temptation to engage in illegal fly tipping.
31401	An employee of West Lothian Council	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	if you charge for brown bins people will fly tip their waste people already dump rubbish in the countryside when there is no excuse with recycling sites being readily available	Waste Services - charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council will look to implement a charging structure that ensures these non statutory services can still be delivered and are suitably accessible and minimise the temptation to engage in illegal fly tipping.
31402	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Charges are fair enough.	Waste Services - charges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council will look to implement a charging structure that ensures these non statutory services can still be delivered and are suitably accessible and minimise the temptation to engage in illegal fly tipping.
31403	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	When as a a nation there is a push to reuse, recycle, asking for payments of bulky uplift will have a detrimental effect on the community as there will be more incidences of fly- tipping. Older people and those on low incomes will not be in a position to pay for the bulky uplift or for brown bin collection.	Waste Services - charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council will look to implement a charging structure that ensures these non statutory services can still be delivered and are suitably accessible and minimise the temptation to engage in illegal fly tipping.
31404	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	If you charge for the uplift of brown bins and close recycling centres there will be more people dumping garden waste on unapproved areas	Waste Services - charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council will look to implement a charging structure that ensures these non statutory services can still be delivered and are suitably accessible and minimise the temptation to engage in illegal fly tipping.
31405	An employee of West Lothian Council	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	charges may mean more fly tipping...	Waste Services - charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council will look to implement a charging structure that ensures these non statutory services can still be delivered and are suitably accessible and minimise the temptation to engage in illegal fly tipping.
31406	An employee of West Lothian Council	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Again who is going to collect charges for brown bin collection, with more work but less staff.	Waste Services - charges	5b. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it is likely that the costs of this proposal would outweigh the benefit.	The council will look to implement a charging structure that ensures these non statutory services can still be delivered and are suitably accessible and minimise the temptation to engage in illegal fly tipping.
31407	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Fully support charging for bulky uplifts.	Waste Services - charges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council will look to implement a charging structure that ensures these non statutory services can still be delivered and are suitably accessible and minimise the temptation to engage in illegal fly tipping.
31408	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	There should be more regular bulky uplifts.	Waste Services - charges	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
31409	An employee of West Lothian Council	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Agree - would bring in line with Edinburgh.	Waste Services - charges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council will look to implement a charging structure that ensures these non statutory services can still be delivered and are suitably accessible and minimise the temptation to engage in illegal fly tipping.
31410	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Charging for brown bin collection would see people dumping it themselves and that would result in them putting it anywhere.	Waste Services - charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council will look to implement a charging structure that ensures these non statutory services can still be delivered and are suitably accessible and minimise the temptation to engage in illegal fly tipping.

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31411	An employee of West Lothian Council	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Chargeable commercial waste disposal is a good idea.	Waste Services - charges	4. The council is already doing this.	Thank you for your comments. The council already do this.
31412	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Fairly OK with charges to collection. is.	Waste Services - charges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council will look to implement a charging structure that ensures these non statutory services can still be delivered and are suitably accessible and minimise the temptation to engage in illegal fly tipping.
31413	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Would not be happy with brown bin charge - I fill mine every time there is a collection! in the 90's North Lanarkshire provided home composting bins to every home to reduce collection and need for recycling. Encourage this.	Waste Services - charges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council will look to implement a charging structure that ensures these non statutory services can still be delivered and are suitably accessible and minimise the temptation to engage in illegal fly tipping.
31414	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Charging for brown bin emptying gives a negative message to the public and counters to the principle of total recycling.	Waste Services - charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council will look to implement a charging structure that ensures these non statutory services can still be delivered and are suitably accessible and minimise the temptation to engage in illegal fly tipping.
31415	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Most people wont mind driving a bit extra to get to a recyling site, and most people wont mind paying for a bulky uplift if you make the uplift more simple however dont be surprised if the amount of fly tipping increases as a result. Only about half of the people in my street use brown bins. Do away with them	Waste Services - charges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council will look to implement a charging structure that ensures these non statutory services can still be delivered and are suitably accessible and minimise the temptation to engage in illegal fly tipping.
31416	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Yes I would say for council uplifts but not brown bins? This is an essential service in order for people to keep their homes and community tidy. If not required some sites could be closed.	Waste Services - charges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council will look to implement a charging structure that ensures these non statutory services can still be delivered and are suitably accessible and minimise the temptation to engage in illegal fly tipping.
31417	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	There should remain a couple of free bulky uplifts to prevent fly tipping which will cost the council in the long run and impacts on the environment. If brown bin charges are brought in then you better replace all the small grey bins with the largest ones as people will not pay for a brown bin uplift and garden waste will get dumped over fences and in tree belts more than is done now. Bad idea.	Waste Services - charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council will look to implement a charging structure that ensures these non statutory services can still be delivered and are suitably accessible and minimise the temptation to engage in illegal fly tipping.
31418	An employee of West Lothian Council	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	I think the charge for a bulky uplift seems reasonable, but could lead to stuff just being dumped if people don't want to or cannot pay. Not everyone needs a brown bin anyway. I am curious to know how much it would cost the customer to retain the service. If the recycling sites are closed, where will people go to get rid of bulky things?	Waste Services - charges	5b. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it is likely that the costs of this proposal would outweigh the benefit.	The council will look to implement a charging structure that ensures these non statutory services can still be delivered and are suitably accessible and minimise the temptation to engage in illegal fly tipping.
31419	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	No problem with paying for bulky up lift, we used to have to do that. It was the council who gave us the brown bin so it seems daft to ask us to pay for it. Why not go back to not picking it up every so often in the colder months?	Waste Services - charges	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The council will look to implement a charging structure that ensures these non statutory services can still be delivered and are suitably accessible and minimise the temptation to engage in illegal fly tipping.
31420	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	This proposal to introduce charges for bulky uplifts and use of brown bins. In addition, the review would include removal of the commercial waste service and closure of three community recycling sites to focus on key sites in West Lothian. May result in an increase in fly tipping, degradation of housing estates and associated health issues. The existing policy of a number of free bulky uplifts per year and additional brown bin on request is sensible and was designed to prevent an increase in fly tipping, degradation of housing estates and associated health issues. I think that this would be a backwards step.	Waste Services - charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council will look to implement a charging structure that ensures these non statutory services can still be delivered and are suitably accessible and minimise the temptation to engage in illegal fly tipping.
31421	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Charging for bulky uplifts - This will lead to people dumping - costing the council to clear up. Charging for brown bins - This will lead to people burning their own garden rubbish (fires getting out of hand - More pressure on the Fire Brigade) and also people dumping garden rubbish.	Waste Services - charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council will look to implement a charging structure that ensures these non statutory services can still be delivered and are suitably accessible and minimise the temptation to engage in illegal fly tipping.
31422	No Response	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Charging for the use of brown bins would encourage people to burn their garden waste or dump it, costing the council and fire brigade more in the long run.	Waste Services - charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council will look to implement a charging structure that ensures these non statutory services can still be delivered and are suitably accessible and minimise the temptation to engage in illegal fly tipping.

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31423	An employee of West Lothian Council	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	CHARGING FOR BULKY UPLIFTS WILL ENCOURAGE PEOPLE TO LEAVE STUFF LYING IN THE STREET - ESPECIALLY WITH THE POORER CITIZENS WITHIN THE AREA	Waste Services - charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council will look to implement a charging structure that ensures these non statutory services can still be delivered and are suitably accessible and minimise the temptation to engage in illegal fly tipping.
31424	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Do not charge for brown bibs and bulk uplifts. Completely stupid idea!	Waste Services - charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council will look to implement a charging structure that ensures these non statutory services can still be delivered and are suitably accessible and minimise the temptation to engage in illegal fly tipping.
31425	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	A small charge for bulky uplift, or x free per year does not seem unreasonable. Most retailers charge to remove old appliances. I do not support the proposal to charge for brown bins.	Waste Services - charges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council will look to implement a charging structure that ensures these non statutory services can still be delivered and are suitably accessible and minimise the temptation to engage in illegal fly tipping.
31426	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Whilst I would be happy to pay for a bulky uplift, I am concerned other people wouldn't and this would lead to an increase in fly-tipping	Waste Services - charges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council will look to implement a charging structure that ensures these non statutory services can still be delivered and are suitably accessible and minimise the temptation to engage in illegal fly tipping.
31427	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	No charge to brown bins,	Waste Services - charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council will look to implement a charging structure that ensures these non statutory services can still be delivered and are suitably accessible and minimise the temptation to engage in illegal fly tipping.
31428	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	yes perhaps a charge for bulky goods should be made but not for brown bins as this would mean householders with garden will be punished it is good for peoples wellbeing to be able to work and enjoy their garden with out feeling they are being charged for the pleasure	Waste Services - charges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council will look to implement a charging structure that ensures these non statutory services can still be delivered and are suitably accessible and minimise the temptation to engage in illegal fly tipping.
31429	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	I can understand a charge for bulky uplift. However brown bin is a bad idea. People will dump garden waste in local woods, this already happens. Any new recycling measures should be clear and easy to follow or people will not adhere and fly tipping will increase. Not all families have access to local recycling centres for disposal of waste so reduction in the centres could see an increase in rubbish dumping.	Waste Services - charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council will look to implement a charging structure that ensures these non statutory services can still be delivered and are suitably accessible and minimise the temptation to engage in illegal fly tipping.
31430	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Agree that a small charge should be made for bulky uplifts. Not for brown bins as people may use their grey bin instead..	Waste Services - charges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council will look to implement a charging structure that ensures these non statutory services can still be delivered and are suitably accessible and minimise the temptation to engage in illegal fly tipping.
31431	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	People already pay for use of brown bin in way of council tax! People should have to pay for bulky uplifts	Waste Services - charges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council will look to implement a charging structure that ensures these non statutory services can still be delivered and are suitably accessible and minimise the temptation to engage in illegal fly tipping.
31432	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	I would be concerned about charging for brown bin collection and also charges for bulky uplifts as suspect this will just lead to increase of dumping which will have its own costs. In Austria, where we have family, there are uplifts of certain things once or twice a year - for whole village/town - so people have got used to storing things in garage and putting it out on particular dates (bit like the current xmas tree collection here). There is also a central drop off point once or twice a year for new/used items that could still have a value for eg charities thus reducing what is potentially thrown away as rubbish.	Waste Services - charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council will look to implement a charging structure that ensures these non statutory services can still be delivered and are suitably accessible and minimise the temptation to engage in illegal fly tipping.
31433	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Brown bins could be increased to 6-8weeks before collection one every 2 months in winter period. Noticed brown bins not all out in street.	Waste Services - charges	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The council will look to implement a charging structure that ensures these non statutory services can still be delivered and are suitably accessible and minimise the temptation to engage in illegal fly tipping.
31434	An employee of West Lothian Council	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	at the same time we will now charge to empty brown bins no logic in that. We are asked to recycle but nowhere to take it	Waste Services - charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council will look to implement a charging structure that ensures these non statutory services can still be delivered and are suitably accessible and minimise the temptation to engage in illegal fly tipping.

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31435	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	I would prefer one free bulky uplift a year rather than charge for all. Brown bin collections should remain free to encourage recycling.	Waste Services - charges	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The council will look to implement a charging structure that ensures these non statutory services can still be delivered and are suitably accessible and minimise the temptation to engage in illegal fly tipping.
31436	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Absolutely disagree with this proposal regarding brown bins. You should be encouraging the recycling of garden waste. Everyone will resort to burning garden waste in their own gardens which will be detrimental to the environment.	Waste Services - charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council will look to implement a charging structure that ensures these non statutory services can still be delivered and are suitably accessible and minimise the temptation to engage in illegal fly tipping.
31437	An employee of West Lothian Council	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	I do not have an issue with an introduction of charges for bulky uplifts however I do not agree with this for brown bins. Can the collection of these be less frequent than at present?	Waste Services - charges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council will look to implement a charging structure that ensures these non statutory services can still be delivered and are suitably accessible and minimise the temptation to engage in illegal fly tipping.
31438	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Charging for brown bin uplifts seems a bit backwards	Waste Services - charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council will look to implement a charging structure that ensures these non statutory services can still be delivered and are suitably accessible and minimise the temptation to engage in illegal fly tipping.
31439	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Agreed but the elderly should be eligible for free bulky uplifts/ brown bin collection.	Waste Services - charges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council will look to implement a charging structure that ensures these non statutory services can still be delivered and are suitably accessible and minimise the temptation to engage in illegal fly tipping.
31440	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	If the council reduce bulky uplift services/ funding or introduce charges, the inevitable result is increased fly tipping. Charging for using a brown bin is the least sensible proposal in the whole of this consultation exercise.	Waste Services - charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council will look to implement a charging structure that ensures these non statutory services can still be delivered and are suitably accessible and minimise the temptation to engage in illegal fly tipping.
31441	An employee of West Lothian Council	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	I do not mind paying a small percentage each year however, would like value for money therefore not extra charges for brown bin collections	Waste Services - charges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council will look to implement a charging structure that ensures these non statutory services can still be delivered and are suitably accessible and minimise the temptation to engage in illegal fly tipping.
31442	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	No problem with charges for bulky uplifts if this will mean that ALL requests are met without the present "look for a specialist provider who will charge a fortune". In recent years I have noticed increasing resistance to collecting items I no longer require. Everything from requiring a complete list of even the smallest items, to refusal to uplift just multiple bin bags, or a 3 week wait to collect an old fridge freezer, or a refusal to even attend to look at the contents of a shed that needs to be emptied. As for brown bins, WL council insisted on introducing brown bins for garden waste. There would be massive complaints if residents just put garden rubbish back into grey bins, or sprinkled it in blue bins. These suggestions here at 7c are just not feasible or acceptable.	Waste Services - charges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council will look to implement a charging structure that ensures these non statutory services can still be delivered and are suitably accessible and minimise the temptation to engage in illegal fly tipping.
31443	An employee of West Lothian Council	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Charging for bulky uplifts etc should be means tested. Fly-tipping will increase	Waste Services - charges	5b. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it is likely that the costs of this proposal would outweigh the benefit.	The council will look to implement a charging structure that ensures these non statutory services can still be delivered and are suitably accessible and minimise the temptation to engage in illegal fly tipping.
31444	An employee of West Lothian Council	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	It is important that any new charges e.g. bulky uplifts, are paid for upfront before delivering the service, otherwise the costs of recovery, could negate the benefits or impact on other areas, e.g. performance of council tax. payment up front for services should be considered more widely.	Waste Services - charges	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The council will look to implement a charging structure that ensures these non statutory services can still be delivered and are suitably accessible and minimise the temptation to engage in illegal fly tipping.
31445	An employee of West Lothian Council	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Charging for the use of brown bins would only mean a huge resource to administer collection for this service, unless paid upfront. Fly tipping is likely for those who cannot pay & a disincentive for looking after gardens.	Waste Services - charges	5b. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it is likely that the costs of this proposal would outweigh the benefit.	The council will look to implement a charging structure that ensures these non statutory services can still be delivered and are suitably accessible and minimise the temptation to engage in illegal fly tipping.
31446	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Disagree totally with charging for brown bin uplifts - really!!!!!! You want us all to recycle then you are going to charge us for separating this from our waste?? If that happens then this will just be put into grey bins as nobody would want to pay to get grass cuttings uplifted!! Also I can just imagine all the fly tipping if you charge for bulky uplifts which is not what anybody wants. Can't see how this costs £2.6m?	Waste Services - charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council will look to implement a charging structure that ensures these non statutory services can still be delivered and are suitably accessible and minimise the temptation to engage in illegal fly tipping.

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31447	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	I believe introduction of one free bulky uplift with subsequent provision charged at a nominal fee of around Â£20 would be reasonable. I also believe that introducing a one off charge of around Â£20 for collection of garden waste would be financially achievable for the majority of households within the West Lothian area.	Waste Services - charges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council will look to implement a charging structure that ensures these non statutory services can still be delivered and are suitably accessible and minimise the temptation to engage in illegal fly tipping.
31448	An employee of West Lothian Council	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Charges for bulky uplifts has the potential to increase fly tipping. The number of free uplift of bulky items could be reduced. Use of brown bins should not be charged as this will decrease their usage and increase the contribution to landfill.	Waste Services - charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council will look to implement a charging structure that ensures these non statutory services can still be delivered and are suitably accessible and minimise the temptation to engage in illegal fly tipping.
31449	An employee of West Lothian Council	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	I think the introduction of charging for brown bins may mean people going back to using their grey bins for garden waste or alternatively, tipping this on open sites	Waste Services - charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council will look to implement a charging structure that ensures these non statutory services can still be delivered and are suitably accessible and minimise the temptation to engage in illegal fly tipping.
31450	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Charges for brown bins are acceptable.	Waste Services - charges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council will look to implement a charging structure that ensures these non statutory services can still be delivered and are suitably accessible and minimise the temptation to engage in illegal fly tipping.
31451	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	would agree to bulky uplift charges.	Waste Services - charges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council will look to implement a charging structure that ensures these non statutory services can still be delivered and are suitably accessible and minimise the temptation to engage in illegal fly tipping.
31452	An employee of West Lothian Council	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Agree there should be a cost for bulky uplifts. Disagree on charges for brown bins, which will likely lead to excess waste going to landfill and sends out the wrong message about encouraging all forms of recycling.	Waste Services - charges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council will look to implement a charging structure that ensures these non statutory services can still be delivered and are suitably accessible and minimise the temptation to engage in illegal fly tipping.
31453	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Never wanted a brown bin in the first place but the council insisted we have one. Can't believe the council now proposes to charge for this. I would be happy to give back the brown bin and not to have a pick up at all and at no charge for this. Same with the green food bin. I should be given a choice as to whether or not I want a brown bin and be charged for pick up.	Waste Services - charges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council will look to implement a charging structure that ensures these non statutory services can still be delivered and are suitably accessible and minimise the temptation to engage in illegal fly tipping. If you do not want the service you would not have to pay for it.
31454	An employee of West Lothian Council	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	no charge for every pick up....perhaps first pick up free then charge for the rest...like S.Lanarkshire . If no free then there may be more dumping at the side of roads.	Waste Services - charges	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The council will look to implement a charging structure that ensures these non statutory services can still be delivered and are suitably accessible and minimise the temptation to engage in illegal fly tipping.
31455	An employee of West Lothian Council	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	The charging for use of bulky uplifts and brown bins will only result in more unscrupulous people 'fly tipping' which in turn would cost the Council more money tidying mess up.	Waste Services - charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council will look to implement a charging structure that ensures these non statutory services can still be delivered and are suitably accessible and minimise the temptation to engage in illegal fly tipping.
31456	No Response	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Not keen on introducing charges for brown bins - it's an essential utility for those of us with gardens to maintain. Worry about the overflow in black bins if brown are removed.	Waste Services - charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council will look to implement a charging structure that ensures these non statutory services can still be delivered and are suitably accessible and minimise the temptation to engage in illegal fly tipping.
31457	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	West Lothian is already a fly tippers paradise, let's make it worse. Low income families have grass too remember. Food or a brown bin?	Waste Services - charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council will look to implement a charging structure that ensures these non statutory services can still be delivered and are suitably accessible and minimise the temptation to engage in illegal fly tipping.
31458	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	While I do not disagree with the bulky uplift proposal, I feel that charging for a brown bin service will simply increase the amount of such waste going into landfill.	Waste Services - charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council will look to implement a charging structure that ensures these non statutory services can still be delivered and are suitably accessible and minimise the temptation to engage in illegal fly tipping.

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31459	An employee of West Lothian Council	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	If this is done get ready for a substantial increase in fly tipping and dumping!	Waste Services - charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council will look to implement a charging structure that ensures these non statutory services can still be delivered and are suitably accessible and minimise the temptation to engage in illegal fly tipping.
31460	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	I am concerned about the impact on changing the waste collection to the public and a resident in West Lothian, I would not want to see what is happening in other councils that charge for uplifts, etc, waste being dumped and creating a public risk to health.	Waste Services - charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council will look to implement a charging structure that ensures these non statutory services can still be delivered and are suitably accessible and minimise the temptation to engage in illegal fly tipping.
31461	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	I don't see why you would charge for the removal of rubbish as this again would cause people to dump on road side and lastly how can you take it away when you are increasing the council tax by 3%. These buckets only get removed once a month as it is and usually you have to take the waste to the recycling plant anyway as the buckets are full.	Waste Services - charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council will look to implement a charging structure that ensures these non statutory services can still be delivered and are suitably accessible and minimise the temptation to engage in illegal fly tipping.
31462	An employee of West Lothian Council	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	charging for bulky uplifts will lead to more junk in gardens in some areas. this should be properly thought through as look what has happened in other areas.	Waste Services - charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council will look to implement a charging structure that ensures these non statutory services can still be delivered and are suitably accessible and minimise the temptation to engage in illegal fly tipping.
31463	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	More changes for the bin men .. If they are putting up our council tax don't you think we should be getting more than our bins emptied once a month .. The streets will have rubbish everywhere if they close the recycling ..	Waste Services - charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council will look to implement a charging structure that ensures these non statutory services can still be delivered and are suitably accessible and minimise the temptation to engage in illegal fly tipping.
31464	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	we get one brown bucket lift a week don't see why we should pay for this	Waste Services - charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council will look to implement a charging structure that ensures these non statutory services can still be delivered and are suitably accessible and minimise the temptation to engage in illegal fly tipping.
31465	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Charges for bulky uplifts would be ok. As a employed person I'd be happy to pay for any bulky uploads.	Waste Services - charges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council will look to implement a charging structure that ensures these non statutory services can still be delivered and are suitably accessible and minimise the temptation to engage in illegal fly tipping.
31466	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	As for brown bins, how are people being encouraged to recycle garden waste if a fee is required? This one, I don't agree with.	Waste Services - charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council will look to implement a charging structure that ensures these non statutory services can still be delivered and are suitably accessible and minimise the temptation to engage in illegal fly tipping.
31467	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	charging for bulky uplifts seems reasonable	Waste Services - charges	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council will look to implement a charging structure that ensures these non statutory services can still be delivered and are suitably accessible and minimise the temptation to engage in illegal fly tipping.
31468	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	An introduction of charges for bulky uplifts and brown bin collection will result in more fly tipping	Waste Services - charges	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council will look to implement a charging structure that ensures these non statutory services can still be delivered and are suitably accessible and minimise the temptation to engage in illegal fly tipping.
31469	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	If commercial waste service is removed.It is absolute this will increase fly tipping which will incur greater cost to rectify A business opportunity is being lost as private companied will step and take income form commercial waste. This clearly shows how this local authority can not operate efficient business oportunities.	Waste Services - commercial waste	5b. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it is likely that the costs of this proposal would outweigh the benefit.	There are many commercial waste collection companies throughout the central belt who would enable businesses to dispose of their waste appropriately.
31470	An employee of West Lothian Council	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Consideration should be given to expanding commercial waste uplift if the model is viable and the council is able to offer a competitive price.	Waste Services - commercial waste	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	There are many commercial waste collection companies throughout the central belt who would enable businesses to dispose of their waste appropriately. The council operates at a cost recovery basis and cannot seek to make a profit from this operation.

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31471	An employee of West Lothian Council	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	there are inefficiencies in the services we get from within WLC e.g. place calls for repairs and staff turn out with wrong locations, lack of detail, etc. Failure to fulfil the service being paid for e.g. commercial bin emptying contract. Any customer, whether within the Council or outwith, want to get the service they pay for and if they don't they should be compensated so clearly WLC need to provide the service they say they are.	Waste Services - commercial waste	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Not relevant as comment on current process.
31472	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Surely commercial service pays for itself / ?/ if not let workers run it as a mutual with council taking 10% share and leasing vehicles to workers Plus you need a much bigger increase in recycling to save landfill costs have you got ideas	Waste Services - commercial waste	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Whilst this is a positive suggestion the legality of operating a mutual organisation or ALEO would be complex and require significant investment to operate.
31473	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	If the Commercial Waste service does not generate any money for the council then it should be scrapped.	Waste Services - commercial waste	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council is currently reviewing its income generation, charging and concessions policy and this will be considered as part of the next review.
31474	An employee of West Lothian Council	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	At the moment charities receive "a la carte" collections and use of recycling centre for free. I think the council should only offer a limited collection and use of recycling centres and charge any service beyond that limited free services. To illustrate this, if we would make a reasonable charge for every instance that a charity has dispose of waste in the recylign centre we could make over Â£100,000 per year.	Waste Services - commercial waste	5c. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it is not consistent with the council's values and priorities.	There is no requirement for a subsidised collection service for charitable organisation, nor a specific definition of what type of charitable organisations should be permitted to deposit material free of charge.
31475	An employee of West Lothian Council	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	. Also, many neighbouring councils no longer provide commercial waste uplifts, so this is something the council should look at. Is there any provision, for example, for the council to charge for commercial waste uplift thus maximising income?	Waste Services - commercial waste	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
31476	An employee of West Lothian Council	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	The commercial Waste contracts should be stopped. Edinburgh Council did the same.	Waste Services - commercial waste	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
31477	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Does the commercial waste service not bring in revenue - if not it should. Does that leave small businesses in the region and issue?	Waste Services - commercial waste	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	The commercial waste service is at best a break even service. It is not set up to generate a profit. Local businesses could use any number of the private waste companies that operate within the central belt area.
31478	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Commercial waste services should be operated as an additional charged service on a cost neutral, or minimal profit basis to provide competition to private waste providers.	Waste Services - commercial waste	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
31479	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Erm? Commercial waste? You donâ€™t currently provide this service it is provide by the private sector	Waste Services - commercial waste	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
31480	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Shopkeepers should responsible for cleaning out side their premises.	Waste Services - commercial waste	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
31481	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Could commercial waste uplift potentially be profitable for you? There is a competitive market in this area. Is there an underlying question here about strategic leadership?	Waste Services - commercial waste	5a. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because the council is required by law to deliver this work.	The council is not meant to make a profit, merely recover reasonable costs.
31482	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Do not agree with cut-backs in recycling services for commercial waste.	Waste Services - commercial waste	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
31483	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Commercial waste services are vital given that the size of the bins are no longer adequate.	Waste Services - commercial waste	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	There was no reduction in the sizes offered to commercial waste customers who pay for their collections.
31484	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Removal of the Commercial Waste Service- Councils should not be working in this field if they are not allowed to make a profit. There are plenty of other providers in the market place.	Waste Services - commercial waste	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council is not meant to make a profit, merely recover reasonable costs.
31485	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Removal of the commercial waste service will see fly tipping of horrendous proportions All this to save landfill charges but we are leaving the EU so no need to and keep the penalties for West Lothian 7c Not a good idea	Waste Services - commercial waste	5a. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because the council is required by law to deliver this work.	The council is not meant to make a profit, merely recover reasonable costs. There are many private waste contractors in the central belt who will collect from businesses.
31486	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	do agree to other proposals above.	Waste Services - commercial waste	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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31487	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Charges should only be levied on commercial companies or accept this outcome.	Waste Services - commercial waste	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
31488	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	There is a charge for removal of commercial waste so why remove this service.	Waste Services - commercial waste	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	The council currently do not achieve full cost recovery and subsidise charitable organisations.
31489	An employee of West Lothian Council	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Removal of the Commercial Waste Service would be a mistake...you do that then there will be an increase in Fly tipping probably....and the associated cost to clean that up.	Waste Services - commercial waste	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Fly tipping will not increase as there are many private waste contractors throughout the central belt who will collect from businesses.
31490	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	In Edinburgh businesses have had to pay for commercial waste collection and so I am in favour of this being introduced in West Lothian.	Waste Services - commercial waste	4. The council is already doing this.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
31491	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	The removal of the commercial waste service could increase fly-tipping. I assume this has been factored in.	Waste Services - commercial waste	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	The council does not have to provide a commercial collection service and there are many private contractors operating within the central belt who will be available to businesses.
31492	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Recycling areas must be free to all - including commercial vehicles to stop FLY TIPPING.	Waste Services - commercial waste	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council does not have to provide a commercial collection service and there are many private contractors operating within the central belt who will be available to businesses.
31493	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Linlithgow Community Recycling Centre on Braehead Road: Please save it from being closed!	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your comments. WL is well provisioned with recycling centres in comparison with other Local Authorities and will maintain a reasonable level of provision to minimise the impacts of illegal flytipping. The council will consider the impacts of potential closures across all of the CRC site to determine the best option from a sustainability perspective
31494	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Linlithgow Community Recycling Centre on Braehead Road: Please save it from being closed!	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your comments. WL is well provisioned with recycling centres in comparison with other Local Authorities and will maintain a reasonable level of provision to minimise the impacts of illegal flytipping. The council will consider the impacts of potential closures across all of the CRC site to determine the best option from a sustainability perspective
31495	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Linlithgow Community Recycling Centre on Braehead Road: Please save it from being closed!	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your comments. WL is well provisioned with recycling centres in comparison with other Local Authorities and will maintain a reasonable level of provision to minimise the impacts of illegal flytipping. The council will consider the impacts of potential closures across all of the CRC site to determine the best option from a sustainability perspective
31496	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Linlithgow Community Recycling Centre on Braehead Road: Please save it from being closed!	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your comments. WL is well provisioned with recycling centres in comparison with other Local Authorities and will maintain a reasonable level of provision to minimise the impacts of illegal flytipping. The council will consider the impacts of potential closures across all of the CRC site to determine the best option from a sustainability perspective
31497	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Linlithgow Community Recycling Centre on Braehead Road: Please save it from being closed!	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your comments. WL is well provisioned with recycling centres in comparison with other Local Authorities and will maintain a reasonable level of provision to minimise the impacts of illegal flytipping. The council will consider the impacts of potential closures across all of the CRC site to determine the best option from a sustainability perspective

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31499	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Linlithgow Community Recycling Centre on Braehead Road: Please save it from being closed!	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your comments. WL is well provisioned with recycling centres in comparison with other Local Authorities and will maintain a reasonable level of provision to minimise the impacts of illegal flytipping. The council will consider the impacts of potential closures across all of the CRC site to determine the best option from a sustainability perspective
31500	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Linlithgow Community Recycling Centre on Braehead Road: Please save it from being closed!	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your comments. WL is well provisioned with recycling centres in comparison with other Local Authorities and will maintain a reasonable level of provision to minimise the impacts of illegal flytipping. The council will consider the impacts of potential closures across all of the CRC site to determine the best option from a sustainability perspective
31501	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Linlithgow Community Recycling Centre on Braehead Road: Please save it from being closed!	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your comments. WL is well provisioned with recycling centres in comparison with other Local Authorities and will maintain a reasonable level of provision to minimise the impacts of illegal flytipping. The council will consider the impacts of potential closures across all of the CRC site to determine the best option from a sustainability perspective
31502	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Linlithgow Community Recycling Centre on Braehead Road: Please save it from being closed!	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your comments. WL is well provisioned with recycling centres in comparison with other Local Authorities and will maintain a reasonable level of provision to minimise the impacts of illegal flytipping. The council will consider the impacts of potential closures across all of the CRC site to determine the best option from a sustainability perspective
31503	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Linlithgow Community Recycling Centre on Braehead Road: Please save it from being closed!	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your comments. WL is well provisioned with recycling centres in comparison with other Local Authorities and will maintain a reasonable level of provision to minimise the impacts of illegal flytipping. The council will consider the impacts of potential closures across all of the CRC site to determine the best option from a sustainability perspective
31504	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Linlithgow Community Recycling Centre on Braehead Road: Please save it from being closed!	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your comments. WL is well provisioned with recycling centres in comparison with other Local Authorities and will maintain a reasonable level of provision to minimise the impacts of illegal flytipping. The council will consider the impacts of potential closures across all of the CRC site to determine the best option from a sustainability perspective
31505	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Linlithgow Community Recycling Centre on Braehead Road: Please save it from being closed!	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your comments. WL is well provisioned with recycling centres in comparison with other Local Authorities and will maintain a reasonable level of provision to minimise the impacts of illegal flytipping. The council will consider the impacts of potential closures across all of the CRC site to determine the best option from a sustainability perspective

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31507	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Linlithgow Community Recycling Centre on Braehead Road: Please save it from being closed!	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your comments. WL is well provisioned with recycling centres in comparison with other Local Authorities and will maintain a reasonable level of provision to minimise the impacts of illegal flytipping. The council will consider the impacts of potential closures across all of the CRC site to determine the best option from a sustainability perspective
31508	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Linlithgow Community Recycling Centre on Braehead Road: Please save it from being closed!	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your comments. WL is well provisioned with recycling centres in comparison with other Local Authorities and will maintain a reasonable level of provision to minimise the impacts of illegal flytipping. The council will consider the impacts of potential closures across all of the CRC site to determine the best option from a sustainability perspective
31509	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Linlithgow Community Recycling Centre on Braehead Road: Please save it from being closed!	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your comments. WL is well provisioned with recycling centres in comparison with other Local Authorities and will maintain a reasonable level of provision to minimise the impacts of illegal flytipping. The council will consider the impacts of potential closures across all of the CRC site to determine the best option from a sustainability perspective
31510	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Linlithgow Community Recycling Centre on Braehead Road: Please save it from being closed!	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your comments. WL is well provisioned with recycling centres in comparison with other Local Authorities and will maintain a reasonable level of provision to minimise the impacts of illegal flytipping. The council will consider the impacts of potential closures across all of the CRC site to determine the best option from a sustainability perspective
31511	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Linlithgow Community Recycling Centre on Braehead Road: Please save it from being closed!	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your comments. WL is well provisioned with recycling centres in comparison with other Local Authorities and will maintain a reasonable level of provision to minimise the impacts of illegal flytipping. The council will consider the impacts of potential closures across all of the CRC site to determine the best option from a sustainability perspective
31512	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Linlithgow Community Recycling Centre on Braehead Road: Please save it from being closed!	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your comments. WL is well provisioned with recycling centres in comparison with other Local Authorities and will maintain a reasonable level of provision to minimise the impacts of illegal flytipping. The council will consider the impacts of potential closures across all of the CRC site to determine the best option from a sustainability perspective
31513	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Linlithgow Community Recycling Centre on Braehead Road: Please save it from being closed!	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your comments. WL is well provisioned with recycling centres in comparison with other Local Authorities and will maintain a reasonable level of provision to minimise the impacts of illegal flytipping. The council will consider the impacts of potential closures across all of the CRC site to determine the best option from a sustainability perspective

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31515	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Linlithgow Community Recycling Centre on Braehead Road: Please save it from being closed!	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your comments. WL is well provisioned with recycling centres in comparison with other Local Authorities and will maintain a reasonable level of provision to minimise the impacts of illegal flytipping. The council will consider the impacts of potential closures across all of the CRC site to determine the best option from a sustainability perspective
31516	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Linlithgow Community Recycling Centre on Braehead Road: Please save it from being closed!	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your comments. WL is well provisioned with recycling centres in comparison with other Local Authorities and will maintain a reasonable level of provision to minimise the impacts of illegal flytipping. The council will consider the impacts of potential closures across all of the CRC site to determine the best option from a sustainability perspective
31517	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Linlithgow Community Recycling Centre on Braehead Road: Please save it from being closed!	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your comments. WL is well provisioned with recycling centres in comparison with other Local Authorities and will maintain a reasonable level of provision to minimise the impacts of illegal flytipping. The council will consider the impacts of potential closures across all of the CRC site to determine the best option from a sustainability perspective
31518	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Linlithgow Community Recycling Centre on Braehead Road: Please save it from being closed!	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your comments. WL is well provisioned with recycling centres in comparison with other Local Authorities and will maintain a reasonable level of provision to minimise the impacts of illegal flytipping. The council will consider the impacts of potential closures across all of the CRC site to determine the best option from a sustainability perspective
31519	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Linlithgow Community Recycling Centre on Braehead Road: Please save it from being closed!	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your comments. WL is well provisioned with recycling centres in comparison with other Local Authorities and will maintain a reasonable level of provision to minimise the impacts of illegal flytipping. The council will consider the impacts of potential closures across all of the CRC site to determine the best option from a sustainability perspective
31520	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Linlithgow Community Recycling Centre on Braehead Road: Please save it from being closed!	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your comments. WL is well provisioned with recycling centres in comparison with other Local Authorities and will maintain a reasonable level of provision to minimise the impacts of illegal flytipping. The council will consider the impacts of potential closures across all of the CRC site to determine the best option from a sustainability perspective
31521	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Linlithgow Community Recycling Centre on Braehead Road: Please save it from being closed!	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your comments. WL is well provisioned with recycling centres in comparison with other Local Authorities and will maintain a reasonable level of provision to minimise the impacts of illegal flytipping. The council will consider the impacts of potential closures across all of the CRC site to determine the best option from a sustainability perspective

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31523	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Linlithgow Community Recycling Centre on Braehead Road: Please save it from being closed!	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your comments. WL is well provisioned with recycling centres in comparison with other Local Authorities and will maintain a reasonable level of provision to minimise the impacts of illegal flytipping. The council will consider the impacts of potential closures across all of the CRC site to determine the best option from a sustainability perspective
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31525	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Linlithgow Community Recycling Centre on Braehead Road: Please save it from being closed!	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your comments. WL is well provisioned with recycling centres in comparison with other Local Authorities and will maintain a reasonable level of provision to minimise the impacts of illegal flytipping. The council will consider the impacts of potential closures across all of the CRC site to determine the best option from a sustainability perspective
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31531	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Linlithgow Community Recycling Centre on Braehead Road: Please save it from being closed!	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your comments. WL is well provisioned with recycling centres in comparison with other Local Authorities and will maintain a reasonable level of provision to minimise the impacts of illegal flytipping. The council will consider the impacts of potential closures across all of the CRC site to determine the best option from a sustainability perspective
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31534	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Linlithgow Community Recycling Centre on Braehead Road: Please save it from being closed!	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your comments. WL is well provisioned with recycling centres in comparison with other Local Authorities and will maintain a reasonable level of provision to minimise the impacts of illegal flytipping. The council will consider the impacts of potential closures across all of the CRC site to determine the best option from a sustainability perspective
31535	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Linlithgow Community Recycling Centre on Braehead Road: Please save it from being closed!	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your comments. WL is well provisioned with recycling centres in comparison with other Local Authorities and will maintain a reasonable level of provision to minimise the impacts of illegal flytipping. The council will consider the impacts of potential closures across all of the CRC site to determine the best option from a sustainability perspective
31536	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Linlithgow Community Recycling Centre on Braehead Road: Please save it from being closed!	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your comments. WL is well provisioned with recycling centres in comparison with other Local Authorities and will maintain a reasonable level of provision to minimise the impacts of illegal flytipping. The council will consider the impacts of potential closures across all of the CRC site to determine the best option from a sustainability perspective
31537	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Linlithgow Community Recycling Centre on Braehead Road: Please save it from being closed!	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your comments. WL is well provisioned with recycling centres in comparison with other Local Authorities and will maintain a reasonable level of provision to minimise the impacts of illegal flytipping. The council will consider the impacts of potential closures across all of the CRC site to determine the best option from a sustainability perspective

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32244	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	I agree that some partnerships ought to be explored in order to maximise benefits for the community. One possibility may be to utilise the recycling resource in Bo'ness rather than suggesting that citizens travel 16 miles to Whitburn to recycle.	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	West Lothian residents are able to use any public recycling facility whether it is in West Lothian or not.
32245	No Response	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Very dangerous idea and will lead to a vast increase in the level of fly tipping in the area. May actually increase costs, rather than save money. Perhaps a small charge for people entering recycling centres could be considered.	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	5c. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it is not consistent with the council's values and priorities.	Thank you for your comments. West Lothian is well provisioned with recycling centres in comparison with other Local Authorities and will maintain a reasonable level of provision to minimise the impacts of illegal fly tipping. The council will consider the impacts of potential closures across all of the CRC site to determine the best option from a sustainability perspective.
32246	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Please keep Linlithgow recycling site.	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your comments. West Lothian is well provisioned with recycling centres in comparison with other Local Authorities and will maintain a reasonable level of provision to minimise the impacts of illegal fly tipping. The council will consider the impacts of potential closures across all of the CRC site to determine the best option from a sustainability perspective.
32247	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Rationalisation of recycling sites a good idea. Most people would be willing to drive to a centralised site. But do not jeopardise increased levels of recycling.	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your comments. West Lothian is well provisioned with recycling centres in comparison with other Local Authorities and will maintain a reasonable level of provision to minimise the impacts of illegal fly tipping. The council will consider the impacts of potential closures across all of the CRC site to determine the best option from a sustainability perspective.
32248	An employee of West Lothian Council	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	How will you deal with the increased fly tipping and dumping that will be generated as a result of this action?	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your comments. West Lothian is well provisioned with recycling centres in comparison with other Local Authorities and will maintain a reasonable level of provision to minimise the impacts of illegal fly tipping. The council will consider the impacts of potential closures across all of the CRC site to determine the best option from a sustainability perspective.
32249	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	What is point of closing recycling depots when it will increase use of greybins, increase landfill and fly tipping. There is no sense in generating additional CO2 by requiring drivers to travel the length of the county to recycle. Why not just widen the range of materials eligible for blue bins e.g. glass.	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	5c. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it is not consistent with the council's values and priorities.	Thank you for your comments. West Lothian is well provisioned with recycling centres in comparison with other Local Authorities and will maintain a reasonable level of provision to minimise the impacts of illegal fly tipping. The council will consider the impacts of potential closures across all of the CRC site to determine the best option from a sustainability perspective.

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32250	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Surely the closing of three community recycling centre will encourage more fly tipping and less recycling if people have to transport the rubbish further they will be unwilling to do so.	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	5b. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it is likely that the costs of this proposal would outweigh the benefit.	Thank you for your comments. West Lothian is well provisioned with recycling centres in comparison with other Local Authorities and will maintain a reasonable level of provision to minimise the impacts of illegal fly tipping. The council will consider the impacts of potential closures across all of the CRC site to determine the best option from a sustainability perspective.
32251	An employee of West Lothian Council	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	With regards to closing the recycling sites, we use Broxburn a lot for black bags and the blue bin there. Once a fortnight is not enough for blue bins to get emptied with a child with mental health issues who will only drink from cans or bottles.	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your comments. West Lothian is well provisioned with recycling centres in comparison with other Local Authorities and will maintain a reasonable level of provision to minimise the impacts of illegal fly tipping. The council will consider the impacts of potential closures across all of the CRC site to determine the best option from a sustainability perspective.
32252	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	We are most concerned about the proposal to close the recycling facility in Linlithgow. This is a very well used site and provides excellent opportunities for maximising waste recycling. Without this local site the collection and recycling of glass, redundant electrical products, light bulbs and garden waste (when the brown bin is full) would be difficult and the waste is likely to be put in the black (landfill) bin	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	5c. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it is not consistent with the council's values and priorities.	Thank you for your comments. West Lothian is well provisioned with recycling centres in comparison with other Local Authorities and will maintain a reasonable level of provision to minimise the impacts of illegal fly tipping. The council will consider the impacts of potential closures across all of the CRC site to determine the best option from a sustainability perspective.
32253	An employee of West Lothian Council	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	as a consequence, so the council should reconsider the total closure of the 3 recycling centres until it is clear what the consequence is. The sites are also used by council services, so the loss of the sites will also mean increased transportation costs. The sites are busiest at weekends, sometimes with queues, so the quietest sites could open only then and one weekday, probably Monday, to accommodate bank holidays. The closure of the other sites will make already busy sites busier at the weekend. This could result in the need for more staff to keep the site safe and flowing well to cope with the additional waste, which will diminish the saving.	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your comments. West Lothian is well provisioned with recycling centres in comparison with other Local Authorities and will maintain a reasonable level of provision to minimise the impacts of illegal fly tipping. The council will consider the impacts of potential closures across all of the CRC site to determine the best option from a sustainability perspective.
32254	An employee of West Lothian Council	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	I believe it would be wrong to close community recycling sites as this would only encourage people to dispose of rubbish by fly tipping and dumping on road sides, creating more costs to the council than benefits.	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	5b. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it is likely that the costs of this proposal would outweigh the benefit.	Thank you for your comments. West Lothian is well provisioned with recycling centres in comparison with other Local Authorities and will maintain a reasonable level of provision to minimise the impacts of illegal fly tipping. The council will consider the impacts of potential closures across all of the CRC site to determine the best option from a sustainability perspective.
32255	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	I am absolutely opposed to the closure of the recycling centre in Linlithgow. To require a town of 13,500 people to drive 16 miles to their nearest recycling centre is environmentally unsound, both from the perspective of fuel consumption and the inevitable fly tipping. Has the cost of fly tipping been factored in to this saving? As I mentioned before approaching Falkirk council to share facilities may be a viable alternative.	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your comments. West Lothian is well provisioned with recycling centres in comparison with other Local Authorities and will maintain a reasonable level of provision to minimise the impacts of illegal fly tipping. The council will consider the impacts of potential closures across all of the CRC site to determine the best option from a sustainability perspective.
32256	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	the closure of the recycling site is total madness.	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your comments. West Lothian is well provisioned with recycling centres in comparison with other Local Authorities and will maintain a reasonable level of provision to minimise the impacts of illegal fly tipping. The council will consider the impacts of potential closures across all of the CRC site to determine the best option from a sustainability perspective.
32257	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	not happy with closing of community recycling services, this will encourage fly tipping, and discourage recycling.	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your comments. West Lothian is well provisioned with recycling centres in comparison with other Local Authorities and will maintain a reasonable level of provision to minimise the impacts of illegal fly tipping. The council will consider the impacts of potential closures across all of the CRC site to determine the best option from a sustainability perspective.

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32259	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Linlithgow recycling centre is heavily used and should be encouraged - not cut. fly tipping will increase.	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your comments. West Lothian is well provisioned with recycling centres in comparison with other Local Authorities and will maintain a reasonable level of provision to minimise the impacts of illegal fly tipping. The council will consider the impacts of potential closures across all of the CRC site to determine the best option from a sustainability perspective.
32260	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Community recycling sites should be kept open. There is a high risk of fly tipping, which might	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your comments. West Lothian is well provisioned with recycling centres in comparison with other Local Authorities and will maintain a reasonable level of provision to minimise the impacts of illegal fly tipping. The council will consider the impacts of potential closures across all of the CRC site to determine the best option from a sustainability perspective.
32261	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	By closing community recycling sites you are condemning West Lothian to become one giant fly tipping site. This is a ridiculous proposition. This is not eco-friendly as many miles will be travelled to remote locations to fly tip or to a recycling centre far from home. Not acceptable.	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your comments. West Lothian is well provisioned with recycling centres in comparison with other Local Authorities and will maintain a reasonable level of provision to minimise the impacts of illegal fly tipping. The council will consider the impacts of potential closures across all of the CRC site to determine the best option from a sustainability perspective.
32262	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	The Linlithgow community recycling site is well used. Given that it is the only such site north of the Bathgate hills, its closure would be damaging and counterproductive. It would likely see an increase in fly-tipping with offsetting costs to the Council. I would urge the Council to retain the Linlithgow site. However, I recognise that the Council might gain significant income from the sale of the Linlithgow site. In that case, might a more cost effective option for the Council be to relocate the site to somewhere on the outskirts of Linlithgow where perhaps a larger site could also be provided.	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your comments. West Lothian is well provisioned with recycling centres in comparison with other Local Authorities and will maintain a reasonable level of provision to minimise the impacts of illegal fly tipping. The council will consider the impacts of potential closures across all of the CRC site to determine the best option from a sustainability perspective.
32263	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	If this means closure of Linlithgow recycling site ,which is well used and provides a fantastic facility, then I absolutely don't agree(although could definitely reduce the number of council bods sitting around on their asses all day long) So are we now going to have fly tipping all over the countryside - great move that is!!!	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your comments. West Lothian is well provisioned with recycling centres in comparison with other Local Authorities and will maintain a reasonable level of provision to minimise the impacts of illegal fly tipping. The council will consider the impacts of potential closures across all of the CRC site to determine the best option from a sustainability perspective.
32264	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Again fly tipping will become a problem, should local waste/recycling depots be closed down completely. However, with Winchburogh population increasing Linlithgow needs to have a common site that cover these areas. As member of Burgh Beautiful and carry out litter picking, we see fly tipping and general littering as a growing problem, which if not managed can quickly damage the community's attitude to looking after their towns with a devastating downward spiral effect.	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your comments. West Lothian is well provisioned with recycling centres in comparison with other Local Authorities and will maintain a reasonable level of provision to minimise the impacts of illegal fly tipping. The council will consider the impacts of potential closures across all of the CRC site to determine the best option from a sustainability perspective.
32265	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Where will the key sites be? I'm never out of the Blackburn site. Folk will end up dumping off site. Please don't cut these essential services it will lead to a breakdown in standards in society. Clean environment makes people take a sense of pride.	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your comments. West Lothian is well provisioned with recycling centres in comparison with other Local Authorities and will maintain a reasonable level of provision to minimise the impacts of illegal fly tipping. The council will consider the impacts of potential closures across all of the CRC site to determine the best option from a sustainability perspective.

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32266	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	STRONGLY disagree with the proposal to close three recycling centres, particularly the very heavily used one in Linlithgow. I understand the nearest one will be Whitburn - where does that leave those of unable to drive or without access to a vehicle? This must be the most destructive proposal in the whole exercise and a recipe for increased fly tipping.	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your comments. West Lothian is well provisioned with recycling centres in comparison with other Local Authorities and will maintain a reasonable level of provision to minimise the impacts of illegal fly tipping. The council will consider the impacts of potential closures across all of the CRC site to determine the best option from a sustainability perspective.
32267	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	If community recycling sites are closed and people are expected to travel much further to dispose of their rubbish, they will add more to their grey bins or fly tip. To encourage recycling all these sites should be kept open but not necessarily for 5 days a week and not even all day. Well advertised most folk would use them this way.	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your comments. West Lothian is well provisioned with recycling centres in comparison with other Local Authorities and will maintain a reasonable level of provision to minimise the impacts of illegal fly tipping. The council will consider the impacts of potential closures across all of the CRC site to determine the best option from a sustainability perspective.
32268	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	It all depends on whether re-cycling is considered important, as I thought it was. Your explanation does not detail which recycling sites are being considered for closure. As far as I am aware, the site at Linlithgow is well used and should be maintained. If it is closed, where is the nearest one? It would be bad for the environment for waste to be taken in vehicles to remote recycling sites.	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your comments. West Lothian is well provisioned with recycling centres in comparison with other Local Authorities and will maintain a reasonable level of provision to minimise the impacts of illegal fly tipping. The council will consider the impacts of potential closures across all of the CRC site to determine the best option from a sustainability perspective.
32269	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Closing recycling sites causing many users to have to travel further & creating additional emissions is surely not environmentally friendly nor does it encourage recycling. This seems self-defeating. Please think again about this one.	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your comments. West Lothian is well provisioned with recycling centres in comparison with other Local Authorities and will maintain a reasonable level of provision to minimise the impacts of illegal fly tipping. The council will consider the impacts of potential closures across all of the CRC site to determine the best option from a sustainability perspective.
32270	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	I understand the review but the action of removing 3 of the recycling centres must take into account the level of use by the local community and take into account how far away the nearest alternative site is. Failure to do this will inevitably lead to a big increase in FLY--TIPPING .	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your comments. West Lothian is well provisioned with recycling centres in comparison with other Local Authorities and will maintain a reasonable level of provision to minimise the impacts of illegal fly tipping. The council will consider the impacts of potential closures across all of the CRC site to determine the best option from a sustainability perspective.
32271	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	I understand that the Linlithgow Community Recycling Centre on Braehead Road is one of the ones under threat. The next nearest facility is Whitburn. The closure of this facility, combined with a charge for bulky uplifts and brown bin collections will undoubtedly lead to an increase in fly tipping. For many people there will be no way of getting their rubbish to Whitburn. Surely this cannot be an environmentally sound proposal either in view of the mileage involved in everyone in Linlithgow driving to Whitburn and back to recycle?	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your comments. West Lothian is well provisioned with recycling centres in comparison with other Local Authorities and will maintain a reasonable level of provision to minimise the impacts of illegal fly tipping. The council will consider the impacts of potential closures across all of the CRC site to determine the best option from a sustainability perspective.
32272	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	As for closing the Linlithgow Recycling centre this will only encourage fly-tipping across West Lothian.	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your comments. West Lothian is well provisioned with recycling centres in comparison with other Local Authorities and will maintain a reasonable level of provision to minimise the impacts of illegal fly tipping. The council will consider the impacts of potential closures across all of the CRC site to determine the best option from a sustainability perspective.
32273	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	This already happens and if you close local recycling sites there is a limit to how far people will travel. Which sites are you talking about. Rumour has it that Linlithgow is one of them so you can build houses on the site. How can we respond properly with only the rumour mill to go on?	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your comments. West Lothian is well provisioned with recycling centres in comparison with other Local Authorities and will maintain a reasonable level of provision to minimise the impacts of illegal fly tipping. The council will consider the impacts of potential closures across all of the CRC site to determine the best option from a sustainability perspective.

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32274	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Closure of civic amenity sites will discourage sensible recycling and could increase the risk of fly-tipping. Reduction of staff numbers at current sites, rather than closing some sites, makes more sense.	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	5b. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it is likely that the costs of this proposal would outweigh the benefit.	Thank you for your comments. West Lothian is well provisioned with recycling centres in comparison with other Local Authorities and will maintain a reasonable level of provision to minimise the impacts of illegal fly tipping. The council will consider the impacts of potential closures across all of the CRC site to determine the best option from a sustainability perspective.
32275	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	People will just dump illegally	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	5b. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it is likely that the costs of this proposal would outweigh the benefit.	Thank you for your comments. West Lothian is well provisioned with recycling centres in comparison with other Local Authorities and will maintain a reasonable level of provision to minimise the impacts of illegal fly tipping. The council will consider the impacts of potential closures across all of the CRC site to determine the best option from a sustainability perspective.
32276	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	The impact on recycling again could have longer term costs with landfill impacts	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	5b. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it is likely that the costs of this proposal would outweigh the benefit.	Thank you for your comments. West Lothian is well provisioned with recycling centres in comparison with other Local Authorities and will maintain a reasonable level of provision to minimise the impacts of illegal fly tipping. The council will consider the impacts of potential closures across all of the CRC site to determine the best option from a sustainability perspective.
32277	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Closure of Linlithgow recycling facility would be a unfair (why should the people of Linlithgow have to travel 25 miles spending their time and money to be green). Again there will be more fly tipping.	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your comments. West Lothian is well provisioned with recycling centres in comparison with other Local Authorities and will maintain a reasonable level of provision to minimise the impacts of illegal fly tipping. The council will consider the impacts of potential closures across all of the CRC site to determine the best option from a sustainability perspective.
32278	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Additionally you surely cannot both introduce charges and close recycling centres. These are bad ideas.	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your comments. West Lothian is well provisioned with recycling centres in comparison with other Local Authorities and will maintain a reasonable level of provision to minimise the impacts of illegal fly tipping. The council will consider the impacts of potential closures across all of the CRC site to determine the best option from a sustainability perspective.
32279	An employee of West Lothian Council	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Some of these sound counter-intuitive. The Scottish government are raising the recycling targets to local authorities in the next few years, but the closure of 50% of CRCs, along with reduced kerbside collections and introduction of charges will have a negative effect on community involvement, and see a reduction in recycling and an increase in fly tipping. With the current rate of approx £90 per tonne of landfill only set to increase I struggle to see how these measures make any form of sense.	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your comments. West Lothian is well provisioned with recycling centres in comparison with other Local Authorities and will maintain a reasonable level of provision to minimise the impacts of illegal fly tipping. The council will consider the impacts of potential closures across all of the CRC site to determine the best option from a sustainability perspective.
32280	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Instead of the removal of the commercial waste service why not stop commercial waste being accepted at the recycling sites and open one specifically for commercial waste and charge for the service.	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your comments. West Lothian is well provisioned with recycling centres in comparison with other Local Authorities and will maintain a reasonable level of provision to minimise the impacts of illegal fly tipping. The council will consider the impacts of potential closures across all of the CRC site to determine the best option from a sustainability perspective.
32281	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	I am concerned about closure of local recycling sites which will result in reduced levels of recycling, fly tipping and increased carbon emissions driving to more distant facilities.	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your comments. West Lothian is well provisioned with recycling centres in comparison with other Local Authorities and will maintain a reasonable level of provision to minimise the impacts of illegal fly tipping. The council will consider the impacts of potential closures across all of the CRC site to determine the best option from a sustainability perspective.

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32282	An employee of West Lothian Council	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Depending on the sites that the council will be closing this could backfire and lead to more fly tipping across the county which will cause more problems for the council in terms of clearing up.	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your comments. West Lothian is well provisioned with recycling centres in comparison with other Local Authorities and will maintain a reasonable level of provision to minimise the impacts of illegal fly tipping. The council will consider the impacts of potential closures across all of the CRC site to determine the best option from a sustainability perspective.
32283	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Which community recycling sites? Again not enough information.	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your comments. West Lothian is well provisioned with recycling centres in comparison with other Local Authorities and will maintain a reasonable level of provision to minimise the impacts of illegal fly tipping. The council will consider the impacts of potential closures across all of the CRC site to determine the best option from a sustainability perspective.
32284	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	It would be good to have communications released at the introduction of any charges highlighting location of recycling centres and what can be taken there.	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your comments. West Lothian is well provisioned with recycling centres in comparison with other Local Authorities and will maintain a reasonable level of provision to minimise the impacts of illegal fly tipping. The council will consider the impacts of potential closures across all of the CRC site to determine the best option from a sustainability perspective.
32285	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	The closing of recycling sites will result in people dumping their rubbish in the environment because they cannot be bothered to drive or take their rubbish to the next recycling site.	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your comments. West Lothian is well provisioned with recycling centres in comparison with other Local Authorities and will maintain a reasonable level of provision to minimise the impacts of illegal fly tipping. The council will consider the impacts of potential closures across all of the CRC site to determine the best option from a sustainability perspective.
32286	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	I think closing recycling sites is counter productive as it will increase fly tipping. I agree that charges for bulky uplifts and brown bins are fair.	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your comments. West Lothian is well provisioned with recycling centres in comparison with other Local Authorities and will maintain a reasonable level of provision to minimise the impacts of illegal fly tipping. The council will consider the impacts of potential closures across all of the CRC site to determine the best option from a sustainability perspective.
32287	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	To then reduce the community recycling centres this will most likely result in an increase in Fly tipping which will increase costs to the council in clean up operations.	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	5b. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it is likely that the costs of this proposal would outweigh the benefit.	Thank you for your comments. West Lothian is well provisioned with recycling centres in comparison with other Local Authorities and will maintain a reasonable level of provision to minimise the impacts of illegal fly tipping. The council will consider the impacts of potential closures across all of the CRC site to determine the best option from a sustainability perspective.
32288	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	the closure of 3 local waste service sites screams out an increase in fly tipping. Reduce staffing at each site but not reduce number of sites as makes it incredibly difficult for individuals to dispose appropriately.	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	5b. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it is likely that the costs of this proposal would outweigh the benefit.	Thank you for your comments. West Lothian is well provisioned with recycling centres in comparison with other Local Authorities and will maintain a reasonable level of provision to minimise the impacts of illegal fly tipping. The council will consider the impacts of potential closures across all of the CRC site to determine the best option from a sustainability perspective.
32289	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	recycling has been a huge success in making people environmentally aware. Considering closing the Linlithgow plant would be a disaster. People are not going to make the effort to trail over to Broxburn with car loads of all the various rubbish that they collect. Our recycling plant is fantastic, can you imagine the fly tipping that would result if it was closed. It is an extremely busy place perhaps you could reduce staff levels there to help the situation. Everyone I speak to is adamant that we really need this facility to keep our town and general environment to the standard we have at the moment.....and we are a tourist town !	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your comments. West Lothian is well provisioned with recycling centres in comparison with other Local Authorities and will maintain a reasonable level of provision to minimise the impacts of illegal fly tipping. The council will consider the impacts of potential closures across all of the CRC site to determine the best option from a sustainability perspective.

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32290	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	I have already commented on the recycling site in Linlithgow. It would be an absolute disaster if this was closed. It would have a huge impact on the environment.....people are just not going to drive to Broxburn with car loads of rubbish.....fly tipping will result and the huge success that this facility has achieved will have been wasted. We are proud of our town and many organisations with volunteers like Burgh Beautiful keep high standards to win awards and encourage the tourist industry. Please re-think this one !!! Maybe you could charge an entry fee to the site.....it is a very busy place .	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	5b. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it is likely that the costs of this proposal would outweigh the benefit.	Thank you for your comments. West Lothian is well provisioned with recycling centres in comparison with other Local Authorities and will maintain a reasonable level of provision to minimise the impacts of illegal fly tipping. The council will consider the impacts of potential closures across all of the CRC site to determine the best option from a sustainability perspective.
32291	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Closing re-cycling sites will cause endless problems with fly tipping and general littering and waste. Could the sites be organised to each operate on a part time basis instead? It is not good for the environment to drive 25 miles to recycle rubbish.	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	5b. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it is likely that the costs of this proposal would outweigh the benefit.	Thank you for your comments. West Lothian is well provisioned with recycling centres in comparison with other Local Authorities and will maintain a reasonable level of provision to minimise the impacts of illegal fly tipping. The council will consider the impacts of potential closures across all of the CRC site to determine the best option from a sustainability perspective.
32292	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	I am dismayed to hear that closing the recycling site in Linlithgow is under consideration - we use this facility at least once a fortnight for general waste as our black/grey bin is insufficient for our needs. We then use the site regularly for our garden waste as again the frequency of uplift is insufficient for the size of our garden - really the brown bin only copes with our grass cuttings. I will not be prepared to drive to another town in West Lothian to dispose of waste as I have neither the time nor the money to budget for this additional activity - as mentioned this will encourage alternative ways of dealing with waste.	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	5b. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it is likely that the costs of this proposal would outweigh the benefit.	Thank you for your comments. West Lothian is well provisioned with recycling centres in comparison with other Local Authorities and will maintain a reasonable level of provision to minimise the impacts of illegal fly tipping. The council will consider the impacts of potential closures across all of the CRC site to determine the best option from a sustainability perspective.
32293	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	I do not agree that there should be a closure of 3 community recycling sites. I live in Linlithgow and strongly oppose any closure of the local recycling amenity.	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your comments. West Lothian is well provisioned with recycling centres in comparison with other Local Authorities and will maintain a reasonable level of provision to minimise the impacts of illegal fly tipping. The council will consider the impacts of potential closures across all of the CRC site to determine the best option from a sustainability perspective.
32294	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	I am opposed to the closure of any municipal waste sites. this would more than double the working capacity of remaining sites that can not cope with current capacity, never mind extra the 250,000 car customers from three closed sites. Possible closure of Linlithgow site would mean a round trip of 22 miles for car owners. This will increase carbon footprint of vehicle fuel use, increase fly tipping, put massive traffic pressure and huge demand on three sites that can barely cope with current usage. Linlithgow has largest amount of recycling in West Lothian and driving to sites further away will reduced recycling by a large degree, increasing landfill costs.	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your comments. West Lothian is well provisioned with recycling centres in comparison with other Local Authorities and will maintain a reasonable level of provision to minimise the impacts of illegal fly tipping. The council will consider the impacts of potential closures across all of the CRC site to determine the best option from a sustainability perspective.
32295	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	A recipe for disaster! Despite the push for recycling and green agenda the option being proposed is to close down 3 recycling sites (including the obligatory punishment of Linlithgow residents by closing the town's recycling centre) ! This can only lead to people developing their own solutions to waste disposal and who can blame them. Mixed messages indeed.	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	5b. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it is likely that the costs of this proposal would outweigh the benefit.	Thank you for your comments. West Lothian is well provisioned with recycling centres in comparison with other Local Authorities and will maintain a reasonable level of provision to minimise the impacts of illegal fly tipping. The council will consider the impacts of potential closures across all of the CRC site to determine the best option from a sustainability perspective.
32296	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	I strongly disagree with plans to close the Linlithgow recycling site. This is a well used facility and its closure would likely result in more fly tipping.	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your comments. West Lothian is well provisioned with recycling centres in comparison with other Local Authorities and will maintain a reasonable level of provision to minimise the impacts of illegal fly tipping. The council will consider the impacts of potential closures across all of the CRC site to determine the best option from a sustainability perspective.
32297	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Additionally the closure of recycling sites would result in resident having to travel further thus increasing carbon emissions & promoting an increase in the general litter deposits	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	5b. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it is likely that the costs of this proposal would outweigh the benefit.	Thank you for your comments. West Lothian is well provisioned with recycling centres in comparison with other Local Authorities and will maintain a reasonable level of provision to minimise the impacts of illegal fly tipping. The council will consider the impacts of potential closures across all of the CRC site to determine the best option from a sustainability perspective.

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32298	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Please do not shut down the recycling site in Linlithgow. Linlithgow receives very little in the way of council services - but this is one thing that is required. No one will travel to Livingston or Bathgate with their rubbish so fly tipping will be on the increase.	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your comments. West Lothian is well provisioned with recycling centres in comparison with other Local Authorities and will maintain a reasonable level of provision to minimise the impacts of illegal fly tipping. The council will consider the impacts of potential closures across all of the CRC site to determine the best option from a sustainability perspective.
32299	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	As long as this does not contradict targets already set for waste recycling. Closure of Linlithgow recycling centre strongly opposed as always a queue when going. Also the cost and time would result in an increase in fly tipping.	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	5b. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it is likely that the costs of this proposal would outweigh the benefit.	Thank you for your comments. West Lothian is well provisioned with recycling centres in comparison with other Local Authorities and will maintain a reasonable level of provision to minimise the impacts of illegal fly tipping. The council will consider the impacts of potential closures across all of the CRC site to determine the best option from a sustainability perspective.
32300	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	One of your priorities has been re-cycling waste, therefore closure of a local re-cycling waste facility would be hugely detrimental especially to persons without access to a car, particularly as very recently the size of the grey bins for general waste has been reduced	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your comments. West Lothian is well provisioned with recycling centres in comparison with other Local Authorities and will maintain a reasonable level of provision to minimise the impacts of illegal fly tipping. The council will consider the impacts of potential closures across all of the CRC site to determine the best option from a sustainability perspective.
32301	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	The closure of any community recycling sites would have a detrimental effect locally, especially on anyone who does not have access to a car. You should be increasing these sites to encourage more recycling not closing them. Also there should no question of reducing facilities in areas whose residents already pay more than the average council tax as they would be paying more than average and yet getting a worse re-cycling facilities than other areas. Also there should be no closure of community recycling sites based on the the value of the site as the suspicion is that the main reason for this is not to improve services but to instead sell off sites for development.	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your comments. West Lothian is well provisioned with recycling centres in comparison with other Local Authorities and will maintain a reasonable level of provision to minimise the impacts of illegal fly tipping. The council will consider the impacts of potential closures across all of the CRC site to determine the best option from a sustainability perspective.
32302	An employee of West Lothian Council	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	It is hard to see how closing recycling sites is a sensible idea	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your comments. West Lothian is well provisioned with recycling centres in comparison with other Local Authorities and will maintain a reasonable level of provision to minimise the impacts of illegal fly tipping. The council will consider the impacts of potential closures across all of the CRC site to determine the best option from a sustainability perspective.
32303	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Closing community recycling sites will only result in increased fly tipping whereby the Council ultimately has to pick up the bill to clean up the area.	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your comments. West Lothian is well provisioned with recycling centres in comparison with other Local Authorities and will maintain a reasonable level of provision to minimise the impacts of illegal fly tipping. The council will consider the impacts of potential closures across all of the CRC site to determine the best option from a sustainability perspective.
32304	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Linlithgow recycling site should not close as it is distant from other options.	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your comments. West Lothian is well provisioned with recycling centres in comparison with other Local Authorities and will maintain a reasonable level of provision to minimise the impacts of illegal fly tipping. The council will consider the impacts of potential closures across all of the CRC site to determine the best option from a sustainability perspective.
32305	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Closing recycling sites is a no go area - it is a complete nonsense to have achieved huge success in recycling then to throw it away. The Linlithgow facility is heavily used. If it is closed people will simply stop recycling. Those who don't care about it will fly tip. Those who do care will certainly not travel to, say, Broxburn - they will find ways of sending it to landfill instead of recycling. A complete disaster, both for the environment and for the Council which is running out of holes in the ground. These sites must be kept, perhaps reducing hours and staffing. As an aside the Linlithgow site seems to be overstaffed at every visit.	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your comments. West Lothian is well provisioned with recycling centres in comparison with other Local Authorities and will maintain a reasonable level of provision to minimise the impacts of illegal fly tipping. The council will consider the impacts of potential closures across all of the CRC site to determine the best option from a sustainability perspective.

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32306	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	I am against any closure of community recycling sites, people would just start dumping all recyclables into a general waste bin or start fly tipping which would cost money to be cleared up.	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your comments. West Lothian is well provisioned with recycling centres in comparison with other Local Authorities and will maintain a reasonable level of provision to minimise the impacts of illegal fly tipping. The council will consider the impacts of potential closures across all of the CRC site to determine the best option from a sustainability perspective.
32307	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Very concerned about the proposals to get rid of local recycling facilities, especially in Linlithgow. Need to be made as easy as possible for people to recycle and council hit its targets on this. Closure is likely to lead to even more dumping of waste - a common occurrence already on the road over the Riccarton Hills between Linlithgow and Dechmont. Council needs to work with the community to enhance their localities.	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your comments. West Lothian is well provisioned with recycling centres in comparison with other Local Authorities and will maintain a reasonable level of provision to minimise the impacts of illegal fly tipping. The council will consider the impacts of potential closures across all of the CRC site to determine the best option from a sustainability perspective.
32308	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Strongly object to the closure of local community recycling sites which are already well used. There is regularly a queue to get into the Linlithgow one. Its closure would mean even more fly tipping on the edge of the town and on the Linlithgow-Dechmont road. It would also work against the council meeting its recycling targets.	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your comments. West Lothian is well provisioned with recycling centres in comparison with other Local Authorities and will maintain a reasonable level of provision to minimise the impacts of illegal fly tipping. The council will consider the impacts of potential closures across all of the CRC site to determine the best option from a sustainability perspective.
32309	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Closing recycling centres will cause more fly tipping, which will need to be removed by council staff, hence negating any savings.	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your comments. West Lothian is well provisioned with recycling centres in comparison with other Local Authorities and will maintain a reasonable level of provision to minimise the impacts of illegal fly tipping. The council will consider the impacts of potential closures across all of the CRC site to determine the best option from a sustainability perspective.
32310	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Please do not close recycling sites	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your comments. West Lothian is well provisioned with recycling centres in comparison with other Local Authorities and will maintain a reasonable level of provision to minimise the impacts of illegal fly tipping. The council will consider the impacts of potential closures across all of the CRC site to determine the best option from a sustainability perspective.
32311	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	The council should be encouraging recycling in its contribution to zero waste. The council should not close local recycling facilities. This does not drive the desired behaviours	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your comments. West Lothian is well provisioned with recycling centres in comparison with other Local Authorities and will maintain a reasonable level of provision to minimise the impacts of illegal fly tipping. The council will consider the impacts of potential closures across all of the CRC site to determine the best option from a sustainability perspective.
32312	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	I am very much opposed to closure of Linlithgow recycling site. It is very well used. It would probably result in more fly-tipping and certainly higher landfill costs. It is unlikely that Linlithgow people would travel eg to Broxburn, especially with smaller loads for re-cycling and will therefore put more in their grey bins. Why don't you keep all the sites going but reduce each to 5 days a week eg Friday to Tuesday inclusive or Wed to Sun inclusive?	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your comments. West Lothian is well provisioned with recycling centres in comparison with other Local Authorities and will maintain a reasonable level of provision to minimise the impacts of illegal fly tipping. The council will consider the impacts of potential closures across all of the CRC site to determine the best option from a sustainability perspective.
32313	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Highly likely that these changes will introduce other issues that will cost the council money in other areas, how will this be assessed? Fly tipping and dumping will increase as people will not drive longer distances to get to civic amenity sites	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	5b. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it is likely that the costs of this proposal would outweigh the benefit.	Thank you for your comments. West Lothian is well provisioned with recycling centres in comparison with other Local Authorities and will maintain a reasonable level of provision to minimise the impacts of illegal fly tipping. The council will consider the impacts of potential closures across all of the CRC site to determine the best option from a sustainability perspective.

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32314	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	This flies in the face of the Council's stated aims for recycling. Householders and tradespeople are already doing much of the sorting before it is collected, and the community recycling sites are always popular - I had to queue for 5 minutes to get in to Linlithgow's site the other day. If these sites are closed, will people drive halfway across the county to dispose of their old oil, car batteries, white goods or rubble? I fear the county's hedgerows will become the new dumping grounds, which if the Council decides to collect, will greatly outweigh the savings effected by the closure of the recycling centres.	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your comments. West Lothian is well provisioned with recycling centres in comparison with other Local Authorities and will maintain a reasonable level of provision to minimise the impacts of illegal fly tipping. The council will consider the impacts of potential closures across all of the CRC site to determine the best option from a sustainability perspective.
32315	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	If you close Recycling Centres you will cause many extra miles of car and van journeys travelling to other centers thereby Increasing carbon emissions.	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your comments. West Lothian is well provisioned with recycling centres in comparison with other Local Authorities and will maintain a reasonable level of provision to minimise the impacts of illegal fly tipping. The council will consider the impacts of potential closures across all of the CRC site to determine the best option from a sustainability perspective.
32316	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	This is crazy! It shows the council does not truly care for the environment. You have a legal responsibility to increase recycling which this goes against. All you are going to do is to increase fly tipping and carbon emissions from people driving to recycling centers. I go to Linlithgow recycling center every week except for the winter - sometimes two or three trips in a week. If I have to drive to Whitburn that will be many journeys which is very bad for me and for environment. Of all the things you propose I disagree with this one most.	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your comments. West Lothian is well provisioned with recycling centres in comparison with other Local Authorities and will maintain a reasonable level of provision to minimise the impacts of illegal fly tipping. The council will consider the impacts of potential closures across all of the CRC site to determine the best option from a sustainability perspective.
32317	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Having used the recycling centre at the beginning of November I was in a queue for 20 minutes as it was so busy which it should make you realise how important this facility is in the 24north of the county.	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your comments. West Lothian is well provisioned with recycling centres in comparison with other Local Authorities and will maintain a reasonable level of provision to minimise the impacts of illegal fly tipping. The council will consider the impacts of potential closures across all of the CRC site to determine the best option from a sustainability perspective.
32318	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	We already are the only area I know not to have a glass collection, if we lose our recycling centres more people will put items in bins that can be recycled. People will not drive miles! Environmentally unfriendly due to increased car journeys, and less recycling of recyclables. Our tip is well used and essential to us! Everyone I know is furious by this proposal. What are we paying increased council tax for?	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	5c. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it is not consistent with the council's values and priorities.	Thank you for your comments. West Lothian is well provisioned with recycling centres in comparison with other Local Authorities and will maintain a reasonable level of provision to minimise the impacts of illegal fly tipping. The council will consider the impacts of potential closures across all of the CRC site to determine the best option from a sustainability perspective.
32319	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Reduction in recycling centres is likely to result in increased fly tipping which is already a problem in West Lothian.	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your comments. West Lothian is well provisioned with recycling centres in comparison with other Local Authorities and will maintain a reasonable level of provision to minimise the impacts of illegal fly tipping. The council will consider the impacts of potential closures across all of the CRC site to determine the best option from a sustainability perspective.
32320	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	It's already been realised that the closure of local waste centres leads to a corresponding increase in fly tipping, costing considerably more to clean up.	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	5b. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it is likely that the costs of this proposal would outweigh the benefit.	Thank you for your comments. West Lothian is well provisioned with recycling centres in comparison with other Local Authorities and will maintain a reasonable level of provision to minimise the impacts of illegal fly tipping. The council will consider the impacts of potential closures across all of the CRC site to determine the best option from a sustainability perspective.
32321	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Strongly disagree with the proposed closure of community recycling sites. E.g. the linlithgow site. People would reduce recycling and put more recyclable waste in the grey bin, thereby increasing the council's landfill waste disposal costs. Also people would make otherwise unnecessary journeys to distant sites e.g. broxburn.	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your comments. West Lothian is well provisioned with recycling centres in comparison with other Local Authorities and will maintain a reasonable level of provision to minimise the impacts of illegal fly tipping. The council will consider the impacts of potential closures across all of the CRC site to determine the best option from a sustainability perspective.

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32322	An employee of West Lothian Council	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Review opening hours of community facilities rather than close. If they were to be open at peak times and when citizens use them they old be closed at quitter times - ie when most people are at work.	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your comments. West Lothian is well provisioned with recycling centres in comparison with other Local Authorities and will maintain a reasonable level of provision to minimise the impacts of illegal fly tipping. The council will consider the impacts of potential closures across all of the CRC site to determine the best option from a sustainability perspective.
32323	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Linlithgow needs to retain its waste and refuse facility. 16,000 people deserve this facility. The consequences would be bad for a town that already suffers from a litter issue and a problem with fly tipping around its boundaries.	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your comments. West Lothian is well provisioned with recycling centres in comparison with other Local Authorities and will maintain a reasonable level of provision to minimise the impacts of illegal fly tipping. The council will consider the impacts of potential closures across all of the CRC site to determine the best option from a sustainability perspective.
32324	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	I disagree with the charges for recycling as over the past years we have had nothing but encouragement to recycle. Putting obstacles in the way , ESPECIALLY if you close the recycling sites, will result in increased expenditure by the council to remove the fly tipping that will follow this action. If you are considering reorganising the recycling sites then why not close each one either one or two days a week and this will effectively reduce costs without closure. In other parts of Britian this has been very well received.	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your comments. West Lothian is well provisioned with recycling centres in comparison with other Local Authorities and will maintain a reasonable level of provision to minimise the impacts of illegal fly tipping. The council will consider the impacts of potential closures across all of the CRC site to determine the best option from a sustainability perspective.
32325	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	That's reasonable as long as the distance to travel is not to great. This is only going to encourage fly tipping. Which will incur a constant cost to remove the tipped stuff. It's bad enough already in some areas.	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your comments. West Lothian is well provisioned with recycling centres in comparison with other Local Authorities and will maintain a reasonable level of provision to minimise the impacts of illegal fly tipping. The council will consider the impacts of potential closures across all of the CRC site to determine the best option from a sustainability perspective.
32326	An employee of West Lothian Council	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Closing three community recycling sites does not fall in line with national priorities on the environment.	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your comments. West Lothian is well provisioned with recycling centres in comparison with other Local Authorities and will maintain a reasonable level of provision to minimise the impacts of illegal fly tipping. The council will consider the impacts of potential closures across all of the CRC site to determine the best option from a sustainability perspective.
32327	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Strongly disagree in closing any arc sites, will lead to increase in fly tipping and dumping waste in the grey and blue bins, detrimental to recycling and increase disposal costs.	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your comments. West Lothian is well provisioned with recycling centres in comparison with other Local Authorities and will maintain a reasonable level of provision to minimise the impacts of illegal fly tipping. The council will consider the impacts of potential closures across all of the CRC site to determine the best option from a sustainability perspective.
32328	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Which recycling sites will be closed?	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Thank you for your comments. West Lothian is well provisioned with recycling centres in comparison with other Local Authorities and will maintain a reasonable level of provision to minimise the impacts of illegal fly tipping. The council will consider the impacts of potential closures across all of the CRC site to determine the best option from a sustainability perspective.
32329	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	I would absolutely oppose closing three community recycling centres. Our centre here in Linlithgow is extremely busy and if removed people would fly tip. We most definitely don't want an increase in fly tipping. Our recycling centres MUST stay. If we have to employ a private firm then we would expect a reduction in our community charge.	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	5b. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it is likely that the costs of this proposal would outweigh the benefit.	Thank you for your comments. West Lothian is well provisioned with recycling centres in comparison with other Local Authorities and will maintain a reasonable level of provision to minimise the impacts of illegal fly tipping. The council will consider the impacts of potential closures across all of the CRC site to determine the best option from a sustainability perspective.

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32330	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	I strongly object to the proposed closure of the recycling facility in Linlithgow. This is heavily used. If closed I do not intend travelling the required distance to the next nearest facility (possibly West LothianC HQ in Livingston!).	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your comments. West Lothian is well provisioned with recycling centres in comparison with other Local Authorities and will maintain a reasonable level of provision to minimise the impacts of illegal fly tipping. The council will consider the impacts of potential closures across all of the CRC site to determine the best option from a sustainability perspective.
32331	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Agree as too many workers on bins and site and special time opening of recycle sites.	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your comments. West Lothian is well provisioned with recycling centres in comparison with other Local Authorities and will maintain a reasonable level of provision to minimise the impacts of illegal fly tipping. The council will consider the impacts of potential closures across all of the CRC site to determine the best option from a sustainability perspective.
32332	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	The closure of recycling centres are all going to result in increased fly-tipping, which degrades the environment.	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	5b. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it is likely that the costs of this proposal would outweigh the benefit.	Thank you for your comments. West Lothian is well provisioned with recycling centres in comparison with other Local Authorities and will maintain a reasonable level of provision to minimise the impacts of illegal fly tipping. The council will consider the impacts of potential closures across all of the CRC site to determine the best option from a sustainability perspective.
32333	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	DO NOT CLOSE RECYCLING SITES!! THIS WILL RESULT IN FLY TIPPING WHICH IS HAZARDOUS TO HEALTH, UNSIGHTLY AND COST MORE IN LONG RUN. This must NOT be done! Perhaps a reduction in opening hours but remember not all customers can recycle during the week. I believe the Linlithgow site is earmarked this is a very busy site and it is a long car journey to Winchburgh. How many will do this? What impact will closure of any sites have on meeting recycle targets?	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your comments. West Lothian is well provisioned with recycling centres in comparison with other Local Authorities and will maintain a reasonable level of provision to minimise the impacts of illegal fly tipping. The council will consider the impacts of potential closures across all of the CRC site to determine the best option from a sustainability perspective.
32334	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	The recycling site at Braehead, Linlithgow should be retained.	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your comments. West Lothian is well provisioned with recycling centres in comparison with other Local Authorities and will maintain a reasonable level of provision to minimise the impacts of illegal fly tipping. The council will consider the impacts of potential closures across all of the CRC site to determine the best option from a sustainability perspective.
32335	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	This proposal will impact greatly on 'fly tipping' which is still a problem in certain areas. I agree that bulky uplifts should carry a nominal charge the removal of too many recycling centres will have a detrimental impact on the environment, leading to people moving out of West Lothian.	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	5b. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it is likely that the costs of this proposal would outweigh the benefit.	Thank you for your comments. West Lothian is well provisioned with recycling centres in comparison with other Local Authorities and will maintain a reasonable level of provision to minimise the impacts of illegal fly tipping. The council will consider the impacts of potential closures across all of the CRC site to determine the best option from a sustainability perspective.
32336	An employee of West Lothian Council	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	If you close recycling sites and put in charges for uplifts and brown bins you may get an increase of fly tipping.	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your comments. West Lothian is well provisioned with recycling centres in comparison with other Local Authorities and will maintain a reasonable level of provision to minimise the impacts of illegal fly tipping. The council will consider the impacts of potential closures across all of the CRC site to determine the best option from a sustainability perspective.
32337	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	The scheduling of routes has already taken place on the current beats therefore we require more detail on this model. Any further changes on revised recycling models has the potential to impact on the community recycling centres and with a reduction of three will be unable to cope with the potential removal/closure of 3 sites.	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your comments. West Lothian is well provisioned with recycling centres in comparison with other Local Authorities and will maintain a reasonable level of provision to minimise the impacts of illegal fly tipping. The council will consider the impacts of potential closures across all of the CRC site to determine the best option from a sustainability perspective.

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32338	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	I do not support any measure that would make it more difficult or less desirable to recycle. Closure of community recycling sites will not support the required levels of recycling that is set out in Scottish Government's Circular Economy Strategy.	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your comments. West Lothian is well provisioned with recycling centres in comparison with other Local Authorities and will maintain a reasonable level of provision to minimise the impacts of illegal fly tipping. The council will consider the impacts of potential closures across all of the CRC site to determine the best option from a sustainability perspective.
32339	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	What three recycling site are being considered for closure? Again closure of well used sites would encourage illegal dumping which would in turn cost the Council to clean up and greatly reduce any anticipated saving as well as making our natural environment a rather unpleasant place to be.	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	5b. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it is likely that the costs of this proposal would outweigh the benefit.	Thank you for your comments. West Lothian is well provisioned with recycling centres in comparison with other Local Authorities and will maintain a reasonable level of provision to minimise the impacts of illegal fly tipping. The council will consider the impacts of potential closures across all of the CRC site to determine the best option from a sustainability perspective.
32340	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Charges for brown bins and closure of recycling centres will just increase fly tipping and are not acceptable. Personally, these are one of the few beneficial services I have for my council tax. Contrary to stated priority 8: protecting the built and natural environment.	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your comments. West Lothian is well provisioned with recycling centres in comparison with other Local Authorities and will maintain a reasonable level of provision to minimise the impacts of illegal fly tipping. The council will consider the impacts of potential closures across all of the CRC site to determine the best option from a sustainability perspective.
32341	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Again I mentioned this earlier> It would lead to fly tipping and encourage rats and disease. I strongly object if the commercial waste service in Linlithgow is removed. It is well used and not everyone is able to drive to other facilities. As you mentioned you have an ageing population and many are not comfortable driving a long distance, if at all. While a neighbour is happy to go a short distance to help them out driving to another facility in another area is another matter.	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	5b. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it is likely that the costs of this proposal would outweigh the benefit.	Thank you for your comments. West Lothian is well provisioned with recycling centres in comparison with other Local Authorities and will maintain a reasonable level of provision to minimise the impacts of illegal fly tipping. The council will consider the impacts of potential closures across all of the CRC site to determine the best option from a sustainability perspective.
32342	An employee of West Lothian Council	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Key sites should still be easily accessible to local communities	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your comments. West Lothian is well provisioned with recycling centres in comparison with other Local Authorities and will maintain a reasonable level of provision to minimise the impacts of illegal fly tipping. The council will consider the impacts of potential closures across all of the CRC site to determine the best option from a sustainability perspective.
32343	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Closing recycling sites would almost certainly increase the amount of 'fly tipping'. These sites are heavily used and any reduction would probably increase costs rather than making savings.	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your comments. West Lothian is well provisioned with recycling centres in comparison with other Local Authorities and will maintain a reasonable level of provision to minimise the impacts of illegal fly tipping. The council will consider the impacts of potential closures across all of the CRC site to determine the best option from a sustainability perspective.
32344	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	perhaps focusing on busier CRC sites as some are clearly underused and no longer fit for purpose. This however would lead to additional demand on the remaining sites. Some additional resourcing for high demand periods would be required. A complete review of site management and conditions of site use could perhaps restrict frequent users of the remaining sites. Suggest you consider a change in the frontline working conditions - longer shift patterns might work ok (4 on - 3 off ?). You need to be using your fleet more efficiently! Start a road-end collection policy in rural areas. Stop collecting contaminated bins or at least penalise frequent offenders. Engage with your problem areas.	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your comments. West Lothian is well provisioned with recycling centres in comparison with other Local Authorities and will maintain a reasonable level of provision to minimise the impacts of illegal fly tipping. The council will consider the impacts of potential closures across all of the CRC site to determine the best option from a sustainability perspective.

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32345	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Please do not close our local community recycling site in Linlithgow - people are needing to be encouraged to recycle, to help improve the environment, and closing this facility would be a backward step, and have negative results. (I don't think forcing people to travel much further, to visit centralised recycling sites, would work, and people would be likely to revert back to just throwing things in the grey, non-recycling bins, unless "garbage police" were in force to ensure this didn't happen.) If our local recycling centre were to be closed, I think we would see an increase in fly-tipping, and we would see only the more civic-minded or law-abiding people using the centralised recycling centres, and other folk wouldn't bother. ** I pay council tax, and I do NOT want my local recycling centre closed. **	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your comments. West Lothian is well provisioned with recycling centres in comparison with other Local Authorities and will maintain a reasonable level of provision to minimise the impacts of illegal fly tipping. The council will consider the impacts of potential closures across all of the CRC site to determine the best option from a sustainability perspective.
32346	No Response	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	I think if these changes were to be made it would cause more problems than solve. You would end up having people dumping rubbish anywhere - which in the end will cost more money to then clean up. Closing Recycling sites I think would also encourage people to not care where they dump their rubbish or how they recycle goods.	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your comments. West Lothian is well provisioned with recycling centres in comparison with other Local Authorities and will maintain a reasonable level of provision to minimise the impacts of illegal fly tipping. The council will consider the impacts of potential closures across all of the CRC site to determine the best option from a sustainability perspective.
32347	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	No recycling sites should not be closed People should not be charged to use brown bin	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your comments. West Lothian is well provisioned with recycling centres in comparison with other Local Authorities and will maintain a reasonable level of provision to minimise the impacts of illegal fly tipping. The council will consider the impacts of potential closures across all of the CRC site to determine the best option from a sustainability perspective.
32348	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Closure of community recycling sites will increase carbon footprint as people travel further to sites (to cease to recycle)	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your comments. West Lothian is well provisioned with recycling centres in comparison with other Local Authorities and will maintain a reasonable level of provision to minimise the impacts of illegal fly tipping. The council will consider the impacts of potential closures across all of the CRC site to determine the best option from a sustainability perspective.
32349	An employee of West Lothian Council	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Important to people of West Lothian and further a field. The service centres are already very busy. I would not want to travel too far to help with recycling. People already need to be encouraged. Fly tipping will obviously increase.	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your comments. West Lothian is well provisioned with recycling centres in comparison with other Local Authorities and will maintain a reasonable level of provision to minimise the impacts of illegal fly tipping. The council will consider the impacts of potential closures across all of the CRC site to determine the best option from a sustainability perspective.
32350	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Insufficient detail - which re-cycling sites are to be closed? My local re-cycling centre (Linlithgow) is extremely well used - closure is certain to reduce levels of re-cycling and increase fly-tipping. Charging for brown bin collection is likely to lead to inappropriate use of grey bins and increased fly-tipping.	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	5b. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it is likely that the costs of this proposal would outweigh the benefit.	Thank you for your comments. West Lothian is well provisioned with recycling centres in comparison with other Local Authorities and will maintain a reasonable level of provision to minimise the impacts of illegal fly tipping. The council will consider the impacts of potential closures across all of the CRC site to determine the best option from a sustainability perspective.
32351	An employee of West Lothian Council	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	I think this it is a very foolish move to close recycling sites. The site in Linlithgow is very busy and people are conscientious where recycling is concerned. If these sites were not available fly tipping would then be an issue which would incur more costs to the council.	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	5b. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it is likely that the costs of this proposal would outweigh the benefit.	Thank you for your comments. West Lothian is well provisioned with recycling centres in comparison with other Local Authorities and will maintain a reasonable level of provision to minimise the impacts of illegal fly tipping. The council will consider the impacts of potential closures across all of the CRC site to determine the best option from a sustainability perspective.

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32352	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	the closure of the community recycling centres would be good, there isnt to far between them. Based on the fact that the government want recycling to be done	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your comments. West Lothian is well provisioned with recycling centres in comparison with other Local Authorities and will maintain a reasonable level of provision to minimise the impacts of illegal fly tipping. The council will consider the impacts of potential closures across all of the CRC site to determine the best option from a sustainability perspective.
32353	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	This is one area where the Council must make no change. We have an excellent and very well used recycling site in Linlithgow. Residents will not make the trip to somewhere like Broxburn. Those who don't care will fly tip and those who do will simply find ways of sending more to landfill. The volume of stuff recycled in Linlithgow is huge. Don't risk losing all the gains made over many years.	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	5b. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it is likely that the costs of this proposal would outweigh the benefit.	Thank you for your comments. West Lothian is well provisioned with recycling centres in comparison with other Local Authorities and will maintain a reasonable level of provision to minimise the impacts of illegal fly tipping. The council will consider the impacts of potential closures across all of the CRC site to determine the best option from a sustainability perspective.
32354	An employee of West Lothian Council	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	cost of fly tipping will make for more cost to council than recycling centre,,,, eg rodents, dumping, mess, more cost involved in clean up	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your comments. West Lothian is well provisioned with recycling centres in comparison with other Local Authorities and will maintain a reasonable level of provision to minimise the impacts of illegal fly tipping. The council will consider the impacts of potential closures across all of the CRC site to determine the best option from a sustainability perspective.
32355	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	The local sites are needed otherwise this would surely lead to unauthorized dumping as people will not wish to travel long distances to get rid of unwanted items.	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your comments. West Lothian is well provisioned with recycling centres in comparison with other Local Authorities and will maintain a reasonable level of provision to minimise the impacts of illegal fly tipping. The council will consider the impacts of potential closures across all of the CRC site to determine the best option from a sustainability perspective.
32356	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	We all need to recycle more effectively. The Linlithgow community recycling site is well used and its closure would be a grave mistake. The result of this would be increased fly tipping and an increase in bulky uplift requests. Making a charge for bulky uplifts would result in increased fly tipping and reduced recycling. A charge for brown bins might be effective, if it is not too high. Removing the food caddy service would save money. Why can't food waste simply go in the brown bins?	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your comments. West Lothian is well provisioned with recycling centres in comparison with other Local Authorities and will maintain a reasonable level of provision to minimise the impacts of illegal fly tipping. The council will consider the impacts of potential closures across all of the CRC site to determine the best option from a sustainability perspective.
32357	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	I understand the recycling facility in linlithgow is under threat. This is ridiculous. It is extremely well used and will only increase fly tipping in the area. It will increase carbon emissions if we have to travel to Whitburn.	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your comments. West Lothian is well provisioned with recycling centres in comparison with other Local Authorities and will maintain a reasonable level of provision to minimise the impacts of illegal fly tipping. The council will consider the impacts of potential closures across all of the CRC site to determine the best option from a sustainability perspective.
32358	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	The recycling facility in linlithgow is necessary.	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your comments. West Lothian is well provisioned with recycling centres in comparison with other Local Authorities and will maintain a reasonable level of provision to minimise the impacts of illegal fly tipping. The council will consider the impacts of potential closures across all of the CRC site to determine the best option from a sustainability perspective.
32359	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Again closing the recycling facility in Linlithgow will increase carbon emissions and should not happen.	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your comments. West Lothian is well provisioned with recycling centres in comparison with other Local Authorities and will maintain a reasonable level of provision to minimise the impacts of illegal fly tipping. The council will consider the impacts of potential closures across all of the CRC site to determine the best option from a sustainability perspective.

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32360	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	I am completely against the closure of the community recycling sites. This will increase fly tipping and increase carbon emissions as people have to travel quite a distance to other sites. I understand the charge for bulky uplifts but not sure how charge for brown bins would work in practice.	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your comments. West Lothian is well provisioned with recycling centres in comparison with other Local Authorities and will maintain a reasonable level of provision to minimise the impacts of illegal fly tipping. The council will consider the impacts of potential closures across all of the CRC site to determine the best option from a sustainability perspective.
32361	An employee of West Lothian Council	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Waste services € charges for brown bin collection, bulky uplifts and the closure of 3 recycling sites will result in fly tipping again as per section 6 there will be more to recover with less staff?	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	5b. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it is likely that the costs of this proposal would outweigh the benefit.	Thank you for your comments. West Lothian is well provisioned with recycling centres in comparison with other Local Authorities and will maintain a reasonable level of provision to minimise the impacts of illegal fly tipping. The council will consider the impacts of potential closures across all of the CRC site to determine the best option from a sustainability perspective.
32362	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Closing recycling sites will I feel also impact on the message we have heard from the council over the last few years about being more sensible with our waste and to recycle when ever possible. As far as I'm aware all the recycling sites are well used and again this saves our local areas being spoiled by fly tipping. Please give consideration to any closures by looking at where these will impact on a community	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your comments. West Lothian is well provisioned with recycling centres in comparison with other Local Authorities and will maintain a reasonable level of provision to minimise the impacts of illegal fly tipping. The council will consider the impacts of potential closures across all of the CRC site to determine the best option from a sustainability perspective.
32363	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	closing the recycling sites will encourage fly tipping. Why not let SEPA take over these sites as in my experience they are more efficient and user friendly than our local council site.	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. SEPA do not operate sites directly they regulate them.
32364	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	We are absolutely opposed to the closure of the recycling centre in Linlithgow. To require a town of 13,500 people to drive 16 miles to their nearest recycling centre is environmentally unsound, both from the perspective of fuel consumption and the inevitable fly tipping.	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your comments. West Lothian is well provisioned with recycling centres in comparison with other Local Authorities and will maintain a reasonable level of provision to minimise the impacts of illegal fly tipping. The council will consider the impacts of potential closures across all of the CRC site to determine the best option from a sustainability perspective.
32365	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Not sure about closing CRC site, most useful.	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your comments. West Lothian is well provisioned with recycling centres in comparison with other Local Authorities and will maintain a reasonable level of provision to minimise the impacts of illegal fly tipping. The council will consider the impacts of potential closures across all of the CRC site to determine the best option from a sustainability perspective.
32366	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	I would be totally opposed to the closure of the Linlithgow CRC. It is well used, always busy and has a team of helpful staff. The unintended consequences of this would be more fly tipping and more rubbish being put in the grey bin which the council has put a lot of investment into reducing this type of waste - the replacement of larger bins with smaller bins.	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your comments. West Lothian is well provisioned with recycling centres in comparison with other Local Authorities and will maintain a reasonable level of provision to minimise the impacts of illegal fly tipping. The council will consider the impacts of potential closures across all of the CRC site to determine the best option from a sustainability perspective.
32367	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Why put obstacles in the way of recycling? Take a look at the photos of the fly tipping that were highlighted on the national news of the Essex example. Do we really want to encourage this in West Lothian? If changes are to be made to the local recycling sites look at the opening hours. Closing each site 1 or 2 days a week would have the same saving as closing sites. A 25 mile return journey for a Linlithgow resident is NOT an encouraging option to recycle.	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your comments. West Lothian is well provisioned with recycling centres in comparison with other Local Authorities and will maintain a reasonable level of provision to minimise the impacts of illegal fly tipping. The council will consider the impacts of potential closures across all of the CRC site to determine the best option from a sustainability perspective.

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32368	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Are we not supposed to be encouraged to recycle yet there is a proposal to close recycling sites - why bother recycling?	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your comments. West Lothian is well provisioned with recycling centres in comparison with other Local Authorities and will maintain a reasonable level of provision to minimise the impacts of illegal fly tipping. The council will consider the impacts of potential closures across all of the CRC site to determine the best option from a sustainability perspective.
32369	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Which 3 sites would close? The two in Livingston are always extremely busy. Maybe a change of opening hours should also be considered.	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your comments. West Lothian is well provisioned with recycling centres in comparison with other Local Authorities and will maintain a reasonable level of provision to minimise the impacts of illegal fly tipping. The council will consider the impacts of potential closures across all of the CRC site to determine the best option from a sustainability perspective.
32370	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	I am a frequent user of the civic amenity site in Linlithgow and I am absolutely horrified at the thought that this facility might close. I use all of the recycling areas which are available there and, when I am there, I am not on my own. This amenity site is well used. However, even though this site is here, some people would rather dump all sorts of rubbish in the lay-by or gateways beside the minor roads in the Bathgate Hills area. This unsightly blight on our countryside will undoubtedly increase in the event of the proposed waste services charges becoming a reality. What kind of impression will visitors to West Lothian have of this county when confronted by household items and bags of rubbish just dumped here, there and everywhere. Please think again.	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your comments. West Lothian is well provisioned with recycling centres in comparison with other Local Authorities and will maintain a reasonable level of provision to minimise the impacts of illegal fly tipping. The council will consider the impacts of potential closures across all of the CRC site to determine the best option from a sustainability perspective.
32371	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Totally against the proposal to close community recycling sites. This would lead to more rubbish being dumped in the countryside and more vehicle pollution with household driving across the council area to access recycling facilities.	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your comments. West Lothian is well provisioned with recycling centres in comparison with other Local Authorities and will maintain a reasonable level of provision to minimise the impacts of illegal fly tipping. The council will consider the impacts of potential closures across all of the CRC site to determine the best option from a sustainability perspective.
32372	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	There should be no charge for any services involving recycling where the work of the community is saving the Council landfill disposal charges.	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your comments. West Lothian is well provisioned with recycling centres in comparison with other Local Authorities and will maintain a reasonable level of provision to minimise the impacts of illegal fly tipping. The council will consider the impacts of potential closures across all of the CRC site to determine the best option from a sustainability perspective.
32373	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	closing recycling centres will increase rubbish dumping.	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your comments. West Lothian is well provisioned with recycling centres in comparison with other Local Authorities and will maintain a reasonable level of provision to minimise the impacts of illegal fly tipping. The council will consider the impacts of potential closures across all of the CRC site to determine the best option from a sustainability perspective.
32374	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	With specific regard to the community recycling centre at Braehead, Linlithgow - I understand that this site is the most successful recycling centre in West Lothian ie. highest % recycling. Why would West LothianC wish to lose this opportunity for recycling?	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your comments. West Lothian is well provisioned with recycling centres in comparison with other Local Authorities and will maintain a reasonable level of provision to minimise the impacts of illegal fly tipping. The council will consider the impacts of potential closures across all of the CRC site to determine the best option from a sustainability perspective.

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32375	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	please do not close Linlithgow recycling cycling centre as I am sure fly tipping would increase.	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your comments. West Lothian is well provisioned with recycling centres in comparison with other Local Authorities and will maintain a reasonable level of provision to minimise the impacts of illegal fly tipping. The council will consider the impacts of potential closures across all of the CRC site to determine the best option from a sustainability perspective.
32376	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Reducing recycling plants would be detrimental to the area, it would increase fly tipping causing more work on services.	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your comments. West Lothian is well provisioned with recycling centres in comparison with other Local Authorities and will maintain a reasonable level of provision to minimise the impacts of illegal fly tipping. The council will consider the impacts of potential closures across all of the CRC site to determine the best option from a sustainability perspective.
32377	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Encourage more recycling, have schemes to re-use things, fix things where people can go and learn skills, more recycling, allow folk to take things from dumps save them going to landfill. Edinburgh has a remakery shop, we should have one in every big town. Community involvement in schemes like this would be great.	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	4. The council is already doing this.	Thank you for your comments. West Lothian is well provisioned with recycling centres in comparison with other Local Authorities and will maintain a reasonable level of provision to minimise the impacts of illegal fly tipping. The council will consider the impacts of potential closures across all of the CRC site to determine the best option from a sustainability perspective.
32378	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Is a backward move, recycling should be encouraged but also in other ways, schemes re use, fix, sell should go hand in hand with these centres. I visit my recycling centre and I am dismayed by the amount of good things that are thrown out. Working with charities to sort out things must be a better way of working. If this model has not been used elsewhere start it. I would like to say that the staff at recycle centre in Linlithgow are often sitting and are not that helpful, don't know if they are just uninterested or are classic council workers who seem to think they don't need to impress. They need training or replaced by folk who are keen to help. I worked briefly in the council and I was surprised by the amount of staff off with sick. I have never witnessed such sick leave in any other post I have held. Conditions of employment are great but I have to say they are taken advantage of and this would not be tolerated in the private sector so why does it happen? People need to realise their job is not for life and we can't afford them if they are not contributing.	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your comments. West Lothian is well provisioned with recycling centres in comparison with other Local Authorities and will maintain a reasonable level of provision to minimise the impacts of illegal fly tipping. The council will consider the impacts of potential closures across all of the CRC site to determine the best option from a sustainability perspective.
32379	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Reducing other services re recycling plants will increase fly tipping.	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your comments. West Lothian is well provisioned with recycling centres in comparison with other Local Authorities and will maintain a reasonable level of provision to minimise the impacts of illegal fly tipping. The council will consider the impacts of potential closures across all of the CRC site to determine the best option from a sustainability perspective.
32380	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	no recycling centres should close. If you want us to recycle, you need to help.	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your comments. West Lothian is well provisioned with recycling centres in comparison with other Local Authorities and will maintain a reasonable level of provision to minimise the impacts of illegal fly tipping. The council will consider the impacts of potential closures across all of the CRC site to determine the best option from a sustainability perspective.
32381	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	We are opposed to the proposals to close community recycling sites. Focusing on key sites would result in longer journeys for many to recycling sites and is not environmentally friendly in terms of additional emissions and fuel consumption. This does nothing to encourage recycling of a variety of materials. It can be difficult as individuals to handle the disposal of a large volume of garden refuse without access to a local community recycling site.	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your comments. West Lothian is well provisioned with recycling centres in comparison with other Local Authorities and will maintain a reasonable level of provision to minimise the impacts of illegal fly tipping. The council will consider the impacts of potential closures across all of the CRC site to determine the best option from a sustainability perspective.

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32382	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Please do NOT close Linlithgow's Braehead recycling depot. It is well used and rare to be the only vehicle there. It may not be the state of the art but it is always orderly and efficient. Removal would lead to either increased costs to individuals driving to more distant locations or worse still increased fly-tipping. Arguments in support of the environment are strong. West Lothian has a good reputation and Scotland has sets high standards on achieving carbon savings. It will be a back-ward step to close this site. Recycling should be a priority and the Council making every effort to maintain such sites and enable the public to do more. On a personal level, how would we manage to dispose of, on average, a ton bag of garden waste each week from our large garden. As a volunteer with Burgh Beautiful which has taken on a considerable number of former West LothianC tasks, there should be some support through effective waste management within the town. Braehead is also vital for our activities. We use few of West LothianC services BUT we do use the recycling like many, many others in Linlithgow. Please find alternative means to off set the cuts threatened.	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your comments. West Lothian is well provisioned with recycling centres in comparison with other Local Authorities and will maintain a reasonable level of provision to minimise the impacts of illegal fly tipping. The council will consider the impacts of potential closures across all of the CRC site to determine the best option from a sustainability perspective.
32383	No Response	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Linlithgow CRC - I would be grateful if you would stop the closure of this facility which is not only well used but is available to people who will not travel to Broxburn which is a 24 mile round trip several times a month since the brown bin or even two would never cope especially with a 4 week cycle. How green is that?	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your comments. West Lothian is well provisioned with recycling centres in comparison with other Local Authorities and will maintain a reasonable level of provision to minimise the impacts of illegal fly tipping. The council will consider the impacts of potential closures across all of the CRC site to determine the best option from a sustainability perspective.
32384	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Recycling centres also encourage people to be responsible and are well used.	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your comments. West Lothian is well provisioned with recycling centres in comparison with other Local Authorities and will maintain a reasonable level of provision to minimise the impacts of illegal fly tipping. The council will consider the impacts of potential closures across all of the CRC site to determine the best option from a sustainability perspective.
32385	An employee of West Lothian Council	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Do not agree to closing recycling depots- It would lead to fly tipping, littering, big mess, keeping open areas country area, country park green belts for our health. Safe place to go, litter cost to families is a lot of thigs going to be run by the community it they still want that facility to remain. Very hard to accept cuts, reductions, closures budgets.	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your comments. West Lothian is well provisioned with recycling centres in comparison with other Local Authorities and will maintain a reasonable level of provision to minimise the impacts of illegal fly tipping. The council will consider the impacts of potential closures across all of the CRC site to determine the best option from a sustainability perspective.
32386	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	What three recycling centres are you closing? how much will a bulky uplift cost? Will this be paid upfront or will you need extra debt recovery staff? How many weeks will it be between bin collections?	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your comments. West Lothian is well provisioned with recycling centres in comparison with other Local Authorities and will maintain a reasonable level of provision to minimise the impacts of illegal fly tipping. The council will consider the impacts of potential closures across all of the CRC site to determine the best option from a sustainability perspective.
32387	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	What three recycling centres are you closing?	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your comments. West Lothian is well provisioned with recycling centres in comparison with other Local Authorities and will maintain a reasonable level of provision to minimise the impacts of illegal fly tipping. The council will consider the impacts of potential closures across all of the CRC site to determine the best option from a sustainability perspective.
32388	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	What three recycling centres are you closing?	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your comments. West Lothian is well provisioned with recycling centres in comparison with other Local Authorities and will maintain a reasonable level of provision to minimise the impacts of illegal fly tipping. The council will consider the impacts of potential closures across all of the CRC site to determine the best option from a sustainability perspective.

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32389	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	What three recycling centres are you closing?	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your comments. West Lothian is well provisioned with recycling centres in comparison with other Local Authorities and will maintain a reasonable level of provision to minimise the impacts of illegal fly tipping. The council will consider the impacts of potential closures across all of the CRC site to determine the best option from a sustainability perspective.
32390	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	What three recycling centres are you closing?	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your comments. West Lothian is well provisioned with recycling centres in comparison with other Local Authorities and will maintain a reasonable level of provision to minimise the impacts of illegal fly tipping. The council will consider the impacts of potential closures across all of the CRC site to determine the best option from a sustainability perspective.
32391	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	I write to protest against the proposed closure of the public amenity site at Braehead in Linlithgow. At a time when we are increasingly aware of the need to protect our environment, how can you justify sending hundreds of residents on lengthy car journeys using extra petrol and further polluting our air. Of course what will actually happen is that incidences of fly tipping will increase and grey bins will be used more than before. Your landfill charges will therefore increase and you will need extra squads of waste removers to clean up. There are many sites around the town which already are only kept clean by volunteers such as members of the Burgh Beautiful, but they can hardly be expected to cope with the removal of old fridges. is the idea of closing the Braehead site, that the council will be able to sell a valuable piece of land of housing developers, thus making a short term gain and leaving the town with no place where this facility could be reinstated in the future. Please do not vote to close this environmentally important facility	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your comments. West Lothian is well provisioned with recycling centres in comparison with other Local Authorities and will maintain a reasonable level of provision to minimise the impacts of illegal fly tipping. The council will consider the impacts of potential closures across all of the CRC site to determine the best option from a sustainability perspective.
32392	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	What three Recycling Centres are you closing? How much will a bulky uplift cost? Will this be paid upfront or will you need extra debt recovery staff? How many weeks will it be between bin collections?	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	5c. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it is not consistent with the council's values and priorities.	The charges proposed will be set to be proportional to the service delivered and at a level that is affordable and prevents the desire to illegally fly tip material. The proposed charges will enable these non-statutory services to continue operating.
32393	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	I support charges for bulky uplifts but not for the use of brown bins. As keen gardeners the brown bin is filled after a week. We already have to make several trips to the dump during the year. I think this should be part of the waste service provided.	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	5c. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it is not consistent with the council's values and priorities.	The charges proposed will be set to be proportional to the service delivered and at a level that is affordable and prevents the desire to illegally fly tip material. The proposed charges will enable these non-statutory services to continue operating.
32394	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	We have heard that it is a possibility that local recycling amenities may face closure. We feel it is a retrograde step and would increase fly tipping by at least 200%. This raises huge environmental issues for people who live close to popular fly tipping areas.	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	5c. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it is not consistent with the council's values and priorities.	Thank you for your comments. West Lothian is well provisioned with recycling centres in comparison with other Local Authorities and will maintain a reasonable level of provision to minimise the impacts of illegal fly tipping. The council will consider the impacts of potential closures across all of the CRC site to determine the best option from a sustainability perspective.
32395	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Please do NOT close Linlithgow's Braehead recycling depot. It is well used and rare to be the only vehicle there. It may not be the state of the art but it is always orderly and efficient. Removal would lead to either increased costs to individuals driving to more distant locations or worse still increased fly-tipping. Arguments in support of the environment are strong. West Lothian has a good reputation and Scotland has sets high standards on achieving carbon savings. It will be a back-ward step to close this site. Recycling should be a priority and the Council making every effort to maintain such sites and enable the public to do more. On a personal level, how would we manage to dispose of, on average, a ton bag of garden waste each week from our large garden. As a volunteer with Burgh Beautiful which has taken on a considerable number of former West LothianC tasks, there should be some support through effective waste management within the town. Braehead is also vital for our activities. Why will West Lothian Council not raise our Council Tax. It is so imbalanced with those on lower incomes in modest properties paying a higher percentage of their income on Council Tax while those more affluent with larger homes pay little. We use few of West LothianC services BUT we do use the recycling like many, many others in Linlithgow. Please find alternative means to off set the cuts threatened.	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your comments. West Lothian is well provisioned with recycling centres in comparison with other Local Authorities and will maintain a reasonable level of provision to minimise the impacts of illegal fly tipping. The council will consider the impacts of potential closures across all of the CRC site to determine the best option from a sustainability perspective.

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32396	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	I am writing to express my opposition to the proposed closure of the Braehead recycling centre for the following reasons: 1.Closure would be a huge loss to the environmental welfare of the town, encouraging fly-tipping and necessitating considerable journeys to an alternative centre. 2.The lack of a local recycling centre together with the possibility of a charge for emptying brown bins would create a risk of people putting recyclable waste into their grey bins. This would cost the Council more in landfill tax. 3.It is a busy site, well used by the community. 4.I am a Burgh Beautiful volunteer. Burgh Beautiful has taken on a considerable number of tasks previously performed by West LothianC and requires support from West LothianC in the form of effective waste management in the town. I hope you will consider these points in your review of the Council spending plans.	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your comments. West Lothian is well provisioned with recycling centres in comparison with other Local Authorities and will maintain a reasonable level of provision to minimise the impacts of illegal fly tipping. The council will consider the impacts of potential closures across all of the CRC site to determine the best option from a sustainability perspective.
32397	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Could also see an increase in fly tipping. Which could be exacerbated by closure of recycling sites. As for re-scheduling of uplifts our experience has been that when this happens it causes missed collections and general confusion, on one occasion having no uplift for 4 weeks.	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your comments. West Lothian is well provisioned with recycling centres in comparison with other Local Authorities and will maintain a reasonable level of provision to minimise the impacts of illegal fly tipping. The council will consider the impacts of potential closures across all of the CRC site to determine the best option from a sustainability perspective.
32398	An employee of West Lothian Council	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	By removing waste services and recycling centres, this will surely damage your green recycling efforts.	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your comments. West Lothian is well provisioned with recycling centres in comparison with other Local Authorities and will maintain a reasonable level of provision to minimise the impacts of illegal fly tipping. The council will consider the impacts of potential closures across all of the CRC site to determine the best option from a sustainability perspective.
32399	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	The council needs to think of the longer term impact. E.g. it appears to be proposed to close the recycling centre in Linlithgow. This will increase fly tipping in the area - does the council have budget to clean that up? Also look at bin collections... there are street where refuse is collected twice in one week for different side of the street - it cannot be efficient.	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	5c. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it is not consistent with the council's values and priorities.	Thank you for your comments. West Lothian is well provisioned with recycling centres in comparison with other Local Authorities and will maintain a reasonable level of provision to minimise the impacts of illegal fly tipping. The council will consider the impacts of potential closures across all of the CRC site to determine the best option from a sustainability perspective.
32400	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	With smaller bins and some people not being able to get to local recycling centres it will impact on our poorer communities and residents.	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	5c. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it is not consistent with the council's values and priorities.	The council will consider the impacts of potential closures across all of the CRC site to determine the best option from a sustainability perspective.
32401	An employee of West Lothian Council	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Community recycling sites not such a good idea as it is a good way to encourage residents to take responsibility for disposing of rubbish - consider if there may be an increase in fly tipping ?	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	5c. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it is not consistent with the council's values and priorities.	The council will consider the impacts of potential closures across all of the CRC site to determine the best option from a sustainability perspective.
32402	An employee of West Lothian Council	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	examination of accessibility to key recycling sites should be conducted, any change in behaviour to recycling needs to be administered correctly so as not to discourage recycling. Often it works best when the service is more convenient, especially where recycling is only accessible by walking.	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	5c. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it is not consistent with the council's values and priorities.	The council will consider the impacts of potential closures across all of the CRC site to determine the best option from a sustainability perspective.
32403	An employee of West Lothian Council	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	We are asked to recycle as much as we can so how can closing 3 recycling sites help with this?	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council will consider the impacts of potential closures across all of the CRC site to determine the best option from a sustainability perspective.
32404	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	. Closure of recycling sites will reduce people's incentive to recycle, creating increased landfill costs.	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	5c. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it is not consistent with the council's values and priorities.	The council will consider the impacts of potential closures across all of the CRC site to determine the best option from a sustainability perspective.
32405	An employee of West Lothian Council	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Congestion at certain recycling sites at the weekend is already evident if you shut three, congestion will be worse as will fly tipping which will include commercial fly tipping.	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council will consider the impacts of potential closures across all of the CRC site to determine the best option from a sustainability perspective.
32406	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	close them all plenty room to dump it in howden park.	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council will consider the impacts of potential closures across all of the CRC site to determine the best option from a sustainability perspective.

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32407	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	People need to get easy access to community recycling sites or there will be an increase in fly tipping and this will be more costly to clean up.	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council will consider the impacts of potential closures across all of the CRC site to determine the best option from a sustainability perspective.
32408	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	The community recycling centres encourage considerate waste disposal and reduce fly tipping. People who fill their cars with mixed garbage may be reluctant to travel further to centres if some are closed.	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council will consider the impacts of potential closures across all of the CRC site to determine the best option from a sustainability perspective.
32409	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Council area doesn't need so many community recycling sites. Reduce to say 2 or 3 (Livingston, Bathgate and Whitburn)	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council will consider the impacts of potential closures across all of the CRC site to determine the best option from a sustainability perspective.
32410	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Nor do I think its a good idea to close 3 recycling sites. All of these measures will lead to more fly tipping I am sure.	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council will consider the impacts of potential closures across all of the CRC site to determine the best option from a sustainability perspective.
32411	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Having cut the bin collections, made the bins smaller and expecting everyone to recycle everything possible where are they going to do this if you close recycling centres? No one wants to drive miles using more fuel causing mor emissions with rubbish in their cars	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council will consider the impacts of potential closures across all of the CRC site to determine the best option from a sustainability perspective.
32412	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	I do not agree with the closure of recycling sites in West Lothian. These sites are well used by members of the public and any closures will only increase the amount of fly tipping in the area	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council will consider the impacts of potential closures across all of the CRC site to determine the best option from a sustainability perspective.
32413	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Closure of three community sites I am not sure who thought this idea up obviously someone living in a large house. so you want to charge then for the brown bin what happens then people start putting it in their grey bin as they won't want to pay for the brown bin and they can't take it to the recycling centre as you will have closed it. You want people to think about the environment and recycle but you are stopping them doing this. This must be one of the most stupid ideas so far	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council will consider the impacts of potential closures across all of the CRC site to determine the best option from a sustainability perspective.
32414	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	All recycling sites are well used maybe changing opening hours and having staff moved to other sites etc opening at busy times etc	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council will consider the impacts of potential closures across all of the CRC site to determine the best option from a sustainability perspective.
32415	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	The recycling site in Linlithgow is well run and considered locally as extremely useful to the residents.	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council will consider the impacts of potential closures across all of the CRC site to determine the best option from a sustainability perspective.
32416	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Most of this is good but closing community recycling sites is counter-productive. People will only re-cycle if it is reasonably convenient to do so. Within the central corridor of the county, there may be possibilities for rationalisation as the communities are fairly close together. As a frequent user of the recycling facilities in Linlithgow, I cannot imagine having to drive to the central part of the county regularly for recycling purposes. The cost in terms of carbon consumption traveling would be ridiculous.	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council will consider the impacts of potential closures across all of the CRC site to determine the best option from a sustainability perspective.
32417	An employee of West Lothian Council	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	if 3 community recycling sites were closed it may encourage more fly tipping, and then cost the council more to clean up. consider a nominal Â£3 fee to visit the centres	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council will consider the impacts of potential closures across all of the CRC site to determine the best option from a sustainability perspective.
32418	An employee of West Lothian Council	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	I think this will lead to more fly tipping and issues throughout the area, the waste which goes to be recycled now will end up in the other bins or dumped in communal areas	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council will consider the impacts of potential closures across all of the CRC site to determine the best option from a sustainability perspective.
32419	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	We already recycle and make good use of the recycling facilities. If there are fewer facilities this would lead to people using their cars more creating greater carbon emissions.	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The geographical extent of West Lothian means that alternative site will always be relatively accessible.
32420	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	suprised at the idea of closing recycling sites after the councils drive to encourage it!	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council will consider the impacts of potential closures across all of the CRC site to determine the best option from a sustainability perspective.
32421	An employee of West Lothian Council	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	The commercial waste service generates income and you want to do away with it? How many jobs will be lost? If commercial waste services are to go, where are people to take their waste if community recycling centres are to close? Council's "Green" policy?	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Commercial Waste Collections are delivered on a cost recovery basis, not an income generator. There are many private contractors throughout the Central Belt who accept commercial waste.

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32422	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	With the smaller bins being introduced I have visited the community recycling sites often and they are always busy. If they were removed then where would people put there items?	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	There will still be recycling centres available for use and capacity within the containers provided if the public recycle correctly.
32423	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Closing recycling sites also poses the very real risk of increased fly tipping. Again, council required to clean up?	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council will consider the impacts of potential closures across all of the CRC site to determine the best option from a sustainability perspective.
32424	An employee of West Lothian Council	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Closure of community recycling sites is also a concern. I regularly use the one in Broxburn. Perhaps monitoring the usage and adjusting the opening hours to suit people better rather than closure.	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council will consider the impacts of potential closures across all of the CRC site to determine the best option from a sustainability perspective.
32425	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	The closure of recycling centres or reduced collection facilities will result in fly tipping which will cost the council more money.	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council will consider the impacts of potential closures across all of the CRC site to determine the best option from a sustainability perspective.
32426	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	The recycling centres are well used and fly tipping is the inevitable result of charges for garden waste.	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council will consider the impacts of potential closures across all of the CRC site to determine the best option from a sustainability perspective.
32427	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Mmmm... not sure about closing 3 recycling sites unless they are clearly not contributing to the Government recycling aims. that is, for example, they are already hardly used.	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council will consider the impacts of potential closures across all of the CRC site to determine the best option from a sustainability perspective.
32428	An employee of West Lothian Council	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	It is difficult already to recycle with the service as it stands - the bins are not big enough and people have to resort to taking their own refuse to the recycling sites - not easy if 3 will be shut down.	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council will consider the impacts of potential closures across all of the CRC site to determine the best option from a sustainability perspective.
32429	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	No absolutory not. Currently the recycling facility at A71 road is an absolute boon for recycling and is always busy. Residents do not want to travel miles to dump their recycling so it is likely that centralising such facilities would result in a sharp increase in fly tipping.	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council will consider the impacts of potential closures across all of the CRC site to determine the best option from a sustainability perspective.
32430	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	All the Community Recycling Centres that I use seem really well used so this is a surprising suggestion. What will the long term cost i.e. fly tipping. I would be happy to pay for a bulky uplift after say the 1st one was free.	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council will consider the impacts of potential closures across all of the CRC site to determine the best option from a sustainability perspective.
32431	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	"...closure of three community recycling sites..." Madness. Do you really want West Lothian to resemble Naples? This will simply lead to the 'recycling' taking place in the countryside - as it already does with commercial waste and some domestic waste. The cost of collecting fly-tipping filth from the countryside will be greater than the cost of the provision of these recycling sites and if you rely on the community to tidy up, where are they to put it?	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council will consider the impacts of potential closures across all of the CRC site to determine the best option from a sustainability perspective.
32432	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Do not fully agree with the proposal. I am happy to pay for a bulky uplift but to me this is counter intuitive if you are then proposing to close three recycling centres. If people do not wish to pay for an uplift I would have hoped that they could have at least been able to have easy access to the recycling service. This could increase fly tipping.	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council will consider the impacts of potential closures across all of the CRC site to determine the best option from a sustainability perspective.
32433	An employee of West Lothian Council	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	I think that closing three recycling sites is excessive as most of the recycling centres perform well in terms of number of visits, total waste disposed and also recycling rate. Most of them have seen a marked increase in visits and waste arising in the last few years, especially after the introduction of 140L bins. If closing sites is required for budget cut Broxburn and Linlithgow are the quietest. All the other sites are busy.	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council will consider the impacts of potential closures across all of the CRC site to determine the best option from a sustainability perspective.
32434	An employee of West Lothian Council	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	WLC should put in place a recycling centre policy that minimise the commercial use of the recycling centres. At the moment bussiness are pretending to be households and are disposing of waste for free when they should paying to dispose of this waste.	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Management of illegal commercial tipping will be a main focus for officer before and after any changes are agreed.
32435	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	I think the community recycling sites are a good idea. The closure of these could result in increased fly tipping.	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council will consider the impacts of potential closures across all of the CRC site to determine the best option from a sustainability perspective.
32436	No Response	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	s Closing the recycling sites will definitely increase fly tipping - so will not be cost effective as less people will be willing to pay for uplifts and fewer recycling sites will increase fly tipping and waste operative to clean the affected areas	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council will consider the impacts of potential closures across all of the CRC site to determine the best option from a sustainability perspective.

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32437	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Not sure how getting rid of local community facility ties in with a green initiative. Residents will have further to travel with carbon emissions increasing. Fly tipping already on the increase.	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council will consider the impacts of potential closures across all of the CRC site to determine the best option from a sustainability perspective.
32438	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	To close recycling sites would be a great loss as this is a facility that when I visit them is well used. Especially if the bin provision is going to decrease/	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council will consider the impacts of potential closures across all of the CRC site to determine the best option from a sustainability perspective.
32439	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Charges for bulky is ok, prefer one free a year though, may save fly tipping. Do not agree with brown bin charge. Folk just dump cuttings etc. Closing recycling centres seems against what government trying to do to encourage recycling and recycling targets. Does key sites mean Livingston as it usually is the case.	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	There will still be recycling centres available for use and capacity within the containers provided if the public recycle correctly which would reduce the risk of potential fly tipping.
32440	An employee of West Lothian Council	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	I can't see how closing some recycling sites and also then charging for bulky uplifts can work as it would encourage more fly tipping.	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council will consider the impacts of potential closures across all of the CRC site to determine the best option from a sustainability perspective.
32441	An employee of West Lothian Council	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	. Closing three community recycling sites seems quite extreme. Which sites would you close ?	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council will consider the impacts of potential closures across all of the CRC site to determine the best option from a sustainability perspective.
32442	No Response	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	You want to encourage people to recycle where possible so reducing the amount of recycling centre may increase the chance of fly tipping, which defeats the purpose.	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council will consider the impacts of potential closures across all of the CRC site to determine the best option from a sustainability perspective.
32443	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Close some of the waste sites.	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
32444	An employee of West Lothian Council	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Closing recycling sites will simply lead to increased fly tipping and, coupled with charging for bulky uplift, will be seen as a cash-cow. Finally, ensure recycling sites can deal with engine oil. Currently Deans is the only site but as this closes soon no other site can handle engine oil!!	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The council will consider the impacts of potential closures across all of the CRC site to determine the best option from a sustainability perspective.
32445	An employee of West Lothian Council	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Finally, ensure recycling sites can deal with engine oil. Currently Deans is the only site but as this closes soon no other site can handle engine oil!!	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
32446	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	I do not support the closure of community recycling site as this will reduce the amount of recycling of waste and will increase the likelihood of fly-tipping. I	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
32447	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	This would need to be done with a lot of thought to limit additional fly tipping in the Council area.	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The council will consider the impacts of potential closures across all of the CRC site to determine the best option from a sustainability perspective.
32448	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Please don't close any recycling centres - a large amount of people use these, even more so now that the size of the grey bins has been reduced.	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
32449	No Response	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Closure of community sites - if sensibly done in terms of location possibly ok .	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
32450	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Closing 3 community sites will increase fly tipping	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council will consider the impacts of potential closures across all of the CRC site to determine the best option from a sustainability perspective.
32451	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	I would support this apart from the closure of 3 community recycling sites as it would encourage even more fly tipping and there's enough litter lying around West Lothian already.	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
32452	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Very inefficient these 'recycling' sites - there is no doubt that productivity and headcount at these sites needs a review! Having heard first hand about how it is 'easy-street'!	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	4. The council is already doing this.	The council will consider the impacts of potential closures across all of the CRC site to determine the best option from a sustainability perspective.
32453	An employee of West Lothian Council	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	I feel there should be greater focus on promoting recycling therefore I do not agree with closing community sites.	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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32454	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Not sure how closing recycling centres is a good idea?	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
32455	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Reducing community recycling sites - would people travel further afield to use the key sites, where would they be located? are the 3 sites being closed not used frequently? members of the public would be interested to find out the reason for these decisions or is this mainly to decrease the workforce costs?	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
32456	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Closure of recycling sites should be considered very carefully, as people will only travel so far to dispose of waste themselves, and this paired with the proposal to charge for uplift of bulky items may increase fly tipping (which could overall cause an increase to council costs)	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council will consider the impacts of potential closures across all of the CRC site to determine the best option from a sustainability perspective.
32457	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	The same can be said for closing recycling centres. This will only encourage people to dump in the countryside rather than take it to their nearest centre.	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
32458	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	I believe that the proposals are unfair, short-sighted and will be harmful to Linlithgow's environment in the long term. Firstly, they are likely to result in an increase in fly-tipping which will have to be cleared-up at the council's expense and which will harm Linlithgow as a tourist attraction (as well as damaging the environment for residents, wildlife, etc.). Secondly if there is nowhere convenient to recycle materials such as metal and wood, then many of these items will just end up in residents' land-fill bins (which presumably will be a further cost to the council). I also suspect that some people will put these items into their blue-bins which will cause downtime costs at the waste-sorting centres.	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
32459	An employee of West Lothian Council	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	the closure of 3 recycling sites will result in fly tipping. This links back to section 6, more work with less staff to do it	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council will consider the impacts of potential closures across all of the CRC site to determine the best option from a sustainability perspective.
32460	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	It is rumoured that you plan to close the Linlithgow Recycling Plant and residents have to use Whitburn. The Linlithgow site is extremely busy and could be unmanned saving funds. We are bright enough to read the skips which are clearly labelled to use appropriately. Closing this will result in fly tipping etc., which will then incur an increased cost in clearing these areas. You cannot ask residents to recycle and not give them the local service to do this. This is not an area where shared services will work. I would not and believe a lot of local residents would travel to Whitburn. Shocking.	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council will consider the impacts of potential closures across all of the CRC site to determine the best option from a sustainability perspective.
32461	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	As already commented to close recycling sites, i.e Linlithgow which is a very busy and well used site is going to result in a backlash from residents. I am all for recycling but you have to provide the means to do this and closing our local recycling site IS NOT THE WAY TO DO IT. I trust this is going to be visible to all residents that are affected.	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council will consider the impacts of potential closures across all of the CRC site to determine the best option from a sustainability perspective.
32462	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	3. It is understood that the Linlithgow recycling site is under threat of closure. This site is heavily used. The consequences of closing this site are considerable. Bottle banks. Where else would the town take its bottles to recycle? Sainsbury's car park? This site is permanently in a mess. There are bottles, boxes, fly tipping strewn about and it is often disgusting. It puts people off using it. So these bottles will go into the black bin and sent to landfill again. More landfill needed. The manned recycling centre ensures that people can always recycle and in a good environment.	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council will consider the impacts of potential closures across all of the CRC site to determine the best option from a sustainability perspective.
32463	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Similarly for electrical and electronic equipment, wood, cardboard. If the recycling centre is closed, people are not going to travel over to Broxburn with these items. These will go in the black bins again. And then to landfill. Or just dumped and so the special team needs to come out and clean up. Not cost efficient nor good for the environment. Landfill waste which is taken to the recycle centre would be squashed into black bins. and there will always be the fly tippers. Garden waste which cannot be put into the brown bin can be disposed of usefully at the site, rather than in black bin. I remember a time when garden waste was dumped over the hedges at the canal bank because there was no facility to take it too. We cannot go back to that.	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council will consider the impacts of potential closures across all of the CRC site to determine the best option from a sustainability perspective.
32464	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Closing the recycling centre will encourage fly tipping, reduce recycling and increase the waste going to landfill in a time when councils are being charged increasingly more for using landfill site. Has this increase been factored in in the costs and savings? A long term approach would show that keeping open recycling centre is the sensible option.	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The council will consider the impacts of potential closures across all of the CRC site to determine the best option from a sustainability perspective.
32465	An employee of West Lothian Council	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	As for the closure of the recycling centres, I would support this as long as the remaining centres were in appropriate locations so as to best serve the council area. Further to this, access would need to be improved to accommodate an increase in visitors - for example, my closest tip is Oakbank which has single lane access and is accessed via a very busy roundabout on the A71.	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council will consider the impacts of potential closures across all of the CRC site to determine the best option from a sustainability perspective.

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32466	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	I strongly object to the closure of Community Recycling Sites in West Lothian. I far as I can see West Lothian is doing a good job of recycling and a committed approach to waste management. To closed these useful and necessary sites will set back this improvement in recycling in West Lothian. It will encourage flying tipping and hence cause another problem and expense for West Lothian to deal with. West Lothian is a big county and therefore closure of some of these sites will involve increased travel and inconvenience for people now further away.	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
32467	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	If the council is considered closing the site in Linlithgow for example then all people on this norther edge of West Lothian will have to travel around 20 to 25 mins to get to a suitable recycle site. With a reasonable sized garden and it ongoing maintenance I make considerable use of the Linlithgow site and do not want to travel excessive distances just to deposit my garden and other waste for recycling. I support recycling and will always try to recycle and deposit materials in the right places closing sites will make this harder for me and others in certain areas of West Lothian and therefore recycling will deteriorate. If anything West Lothian should be improving recycling facilities and providing more opportunities and facilities to make it easier for all to recycle.	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council will consider the impacts of potential closures across all of the CRC site to determine the best option from a sustainability perspective.
32468	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	I understand that the Council are planning to shut the Linlithgow Revycling site. This facility is very well used by the community and closing it will be a stupid and short sighted act that will only increase levels of fly tipping, which already blight the area	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
32469	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	I strongly disagree with the proposal to close recycling sites. This will result in more fly-tipping (which the council will have to pay to clear-up) and harm Linlithgow as a desirable tourist location.	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
32470	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Closing some recycling sites will just add to more environmental damage as people will dump stuff rather than travel to the sites, never mind increased emissions from vehicles.	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
32471	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	For West Lothian to hit their recycling and CO2 targets it is essential that the public has easy access to local recycling sites. The public will not travel to sites which are too far away and will naturally default on being good environmental citizens. This closure of sites will not only encourage fly tipping which is a heath issue, but also the addition carbon fuel consumed and the CO2 emissions generated will be a major environmental concern. The only alternative would be to have larger bins and more collections which in turn leads to more CO2 emissions. As it stands today the smaller black bins has resulted in a greater demand for going to the tip for many households - indeed many now do this weekly and to be forced to travel miles will be detrimental to the environment. Instead they will just put excess rubbish into whichever spare bin they can find. In this age of consumerism, rubbish and recycling is an environmental issue which needs to be tackled head on and the answer is more recycling centres, not less. By investing in more automated processes and smart tips, the problem can be solved showing our commitment to the Paris Agreement on global warming. The Council must lead the way by encouraging the public to recycle and reduce carbon consumption and CO2 emissions by making it easy and accessible to access recycling sites, not putting barriers in the way.	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
32472	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Keep Linlithgow recycling centre open, you have already reduced the size of our grey bins making it essential that the local recycling centre remains open !! The closure of centres and imposing charges for brown bin collection and/or charging for bulky uplifts will lead to illegal fly tipping !!	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
32473	No Response	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	local recycling centers must be maintained..	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
32474	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	please don't close the local 'tips' and make us drive 20 mins+ to recycle items.	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
32475	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Closure of recycling centres and charging for bulky uplifts will incur a growth in fly tipping. Self defeating proposal.	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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32476	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	I have been disappointed by the recycling site in Linlithgow. My experience has been that there is far less recycled there than at sites that I have been to in several other local authorities. Personally, in an area such as Linlithgow I would have thought it would be more effective to increase the community recycling site facilities and cut the collection of waste, rather than cut the recycling site. I am not sure the staffing levels are right as there always seems to be two (or more) people sitting in the bothy doing nothing when I visit. In similar facilities in other council areas, there seems to be more proactive help from the staff to assist those using the facility.	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
32477	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Also, local recycling sites are crucial to avoiding fly tipping. These should not be closed down, but could be perhaps reduced in opening hours to avoid wasted staffing hours.	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
32478	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	I think closing locally accessible recycling centres including Linlithgow is possibly the worst move WLC could make. This would prove detrimental to the environment and lead to fly tipping with increased associated costs in dealing with its removal. A lot of people would not have the ability to travel to a central location to dispose of items and the inconvenience would lead to a reduction in recycling. This is contrary to other WLC priorities to improve the environment.	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
32479	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Closing community recycling sites will exacerbate these effects	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
32480	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	think that the three community recycling sites should be repurposed as re-use and repair hubs, receiving a small range of items such as furniture, bikes, kids plastic toys, small electrical goods which can be repurposed under social enterprise arrangements creating a revenue and valuable skilled jobs within the target areas. The actual repair centres could be on site or nearby Council vacant premises, again providing a revenue stream. I would be interested in supporting this further.	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council will consider the impacts of potential closures across all of the CRC site to determine the best option from a sustainability perspective.
32481	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Do not close community recycling sites - will lead to increased fly tipping and more expense for the council. the collection rotas could definitely be more efficient (our street has a truck coming twice a week!).	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council will consider the impacts of potential closures across all of the CRC site to determine the best option from a sustainability perspective.
32482	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	You've already shrunk our bins to the point we're cramming rubbish in. You already have a huge problem with fly tipping on some of the estates. We are reliant on our local tip because our black bin is too small for a family.	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council will consider the impacts of potential closures across all of the CRC site to determine the best option from a sustainability perspective.
32483	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Removal of recycling centres needs to be sensible or fly tipping will increase	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council will consider the impacts of potential closures across all of the CRC site to determine the best option from a sustainability perspective.
32484	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Again closure of community recycling sites may cause tipping issues. Personally the one in Broxburn always seems busy whenever I visit. Perhaps monitoring when they are most used and just altering the opening hours	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council will consider the impacts of potential closures across all of the CRC site to determine the best option from a sustainability perspective.
32485	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	The recycling centres are busy anyway so I dont think west lothian could cope with less recycling centres	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council will consider the impacts of potential closures across all of the CRC site to determine the best option from a sustainability perspective.
32486	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	The recycling sites are well run and always seem to be used to capacity. Will a central site be able to manage the capacity and at what cost?	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council will consider the impacts of potential closures across all of the CRC site to determine the best option from a sustainability perspective.
32487	An employee of West Lothian Council	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	I believe the closing of the community recycling sites would be a false economy as it will probably result in the increase of fly tipping which will impact on an already stretched council service	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council will consider the impacts of potential closures across all of the CRC site to determine the best option from a sustainability perspective.
32488	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Whereas I am not opposed to charges for bulky uplifts I am absolutely opposed to the closure of the recycling centre in Linlithgow. To require a town of 13,500 people to drive 16 miles to their nearest recycling centre is environmentally unsound, both from the perspective of fuel consumption and the inevitable fly tipping.	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council will consider the impacts of potential closures across all of the CRC site to determine the best option from a sustainability perspective.

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32489	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	What does this saving mean? Again we have insufficient information relating to the specifics of this saving to make an informed decision on who this will affect and how. Has an equality impact assessment been completed for this saving? What three recycling sites will close, will this increase fly tipping which in turn will cost the council more money?	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	The council will consider the impacts of potential closures across all of the CRC site to determine the best option from a sustainability perspective.
32490	An employee of West Lothian Council	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Recycle centres are essential to the local authority if we're trying to recycle and encourage householders to use them.	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council will consider the impacts of potential closures across all of the CRC site to determine the best option from a sustainability perspective.
32491	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Community recycling sites are popular and well used	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council will consider the impacts of potential closures across all of the CRC site to determine the best option from a sustainability perspective.
32492	An employee of West Lothian Council	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	As these services have already been reduced and as a house owner i use the recycling centre once a week as i have always too much waste so would not like to see recycling sites closed as they are well used.	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council will consider the impacts of potential closures across all of the CRC site to determine the best option from a sustainability perspective.
32493	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	It is a mistake to close community recycling sites. People will not travel and this will only increase fly tipping and cause problems to the rural communities. Remember the rural communities do not require or get the same services as the bigger towns so not fair to hit them again.	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council will consider the impacts of potential closures across all of the CRC site to determine the best option from a sustainability perspective.
32494	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	SAVE MONEY BY: Less recycling centers	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
32495	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	I think the recycling sites should remain open	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council will consider the impacts of potential closures across all of the CRC site to determine the best option from a sustainability perspective.
32496	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Keep the Linlithgow recycling centre open and allow community ownership with recycling credits and revenue retained by the community.	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council will consider the impacts of potential closures across all of the CRC site to determine the best option from a sustainability perspective.
32497	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Furthermore, how exactly does closing a recycling centre which results in people having to travel far further, encourage recycling? Actually it will either increase emissions and car journeys, or, more likely, it will simply go on the grey bin. This has not been thought through in the slightest. I encourage all councils to look at the waste model in Cardiff which now has a very high percentage of recycling compared with other areas of the country.	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council will consider the impacts of potential closures across all of the CRC site to determine the best option from a sustainability perspective.
32498	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	No way should you close Linlithgow CRC. Utter madness. The carbon emissions from people driving to sump household items will go up as a result. Instead work with local community groups to optimise and enhance the value of the waste being collected. You see waste as a problem rather than an opportunity.	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council will consider the impacts of potential closures across all of the CRC site to determine the best option from a sustainability perspective.
32499	An employee of West Lothian Council	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	I am against the closure of any recycling facilities. It is already comparatively difficult to recycle materials in this authority compared to anywhere else I have lived and this step would make it even harder still	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council will consider the impacts of potential closures across all of the CRC site to determine the best option from a sustainability perspective.
32500	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	the removal of recycling centres will only increase fly tipping causing more costs not less.	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council will consider the impacts of potential closures across all of the CRC site to determine the best option from a sustainability perspective.
32501	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	The council should also have a recycling point where people can take their glass and other large house items to so there's no 'big uplifts' left in the streets. Recycling and clean environment should be the council responsibility if we want to maintain a clean and pretty environment.	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council will consider the impacts of potential closures across all of the CRC site to determine the best option from a sustainability perspective.
32502	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	This is unfortunate. West Lothian has a model to be proud of. This will result in dumping and far less recycling putting our environmental successes back by 10 years. Rethink this.	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council will consider the impacts of potential closures across all of the CRC site to determine the best option from a sustainability perspective.
32503	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Closure of recycling sites - anytime I go the skips / containers are always so full we are told to chuck it in the one for landfill (which really annoys me) and if you rationalise further then better processes for keeping the containers emptied will need to be found. I wonder if more recycling and even upcycling or managing 're-use' areas for people to 'swap' items etc. could be undertaken by staff at the sites rather than them standing chatting and smoking.	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council will consider the impacts of potential closures across all of the CRC site to determine the best option from a sustainability perspective.

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32504	An employee of West Lothian Council	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Don't close recycling centres but consider reducing the hours that they are open. People will litter and illegally dump things which will incur council costs.	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council will consider the impacts of potential closures across all of the CRC site to determine the best option from a sustainability perspective.
32505	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	consideration of the impact to local provision and increase in travel if CRC's are closed more pollution on roads as users travel further to dispose of waste.	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council will consider the impacts of potential closures across all of the CRC site to determine the best option from a sustainability perspective.
32506	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Closing the recycling sites would add to the carbon footprint since more people would have to drive further. Reducing these sites, waste collections and charging for bulk uplift will either see private firms lifting the waste cheaper costing the council income and/or more fly tipping costing the council more in Man hours to remove	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council will consider the impacts of potential closures across all of the CRC site to determine the best option from a sustainability perspective.
32507	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	If you didn't waste so much money on fragmented refuse collections that would be a good starting point. The infrastructure to put recycling in place is massive and there seems to be any real improvement in recycling rates +1% a year is pathetic progress.	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council will consider the impacts of potential closures across all of the CRC site to determine the best option from a sustainability perspective.
32508	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Closing recycling centres is going to mean people have to travel further to dispose of waste that you're refusing to pick up. The whole point of making the bins smaller was apparently to encourage people to recycle. Driving longer distances isn't very good for the planet either, is it?	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council will consider the impacts of potential closures across all of the CRC site to determine the best option from a sustainability perspective.
32509	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Keeping recycling local encourages useful they are closed people are less likely to use them.	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council will consider the impacts of potential closures across all of the CRC site to determine the best option from a sustainability perspective.
32510	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Closing recycling centres is not an option I use the Broxburn one regularly and it is always extremely busy. These services being reduced or being made more costly will only cause more issues for the council.	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your comments. West Lothian is well provisioned with recycling centres in comparison with other Local Authorities and will maintain a reasonable level of provision to minimise the impacts of illegal fly tipping.
32511	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Leave the sites open	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your comments. West Lothian is well provisioned with recycling centres in comparison with other Local Authorities and will maintain a reasonable level of provision to minimise the impacts of illegal fly tipping.
32512	An employee of West Lothian Council	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Reduction of key recycling sites will surely result in more fly tipping around the area.	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your comments. West Lothian is well provisioned with recycling centres in comparison with other Local Authorities and will maintain a reasonable level of provision to minimise the impacts of illegal fly tipping.
32513	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Reducing the number community recycling sites will just move the cost to the good Community members who are prepared to take recyclable material to the next nearest site which could be 15 miles away; or worse still fly dumping the waste.	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your comments. West Lothian is well provisioned with recycling centres in comparison with other Local Authorities and will maintain a reasonable level of provision to minimise the impacts of illegal fly tipping.
32514	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Do not close recycling centres. We will be inladed with fly tipping which would result in more cost to the council.	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your comments. West Lothian is well provisioned with recycling centres in comparison with other Local Authorities and will maintain a reasonable level of provision to minimise the impacts of illegal fly tipping.
32515	An employee of West Lothian Council	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Would the closure of recycling centres lead to an increase in 'fly tipping'?	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your comments. West Lothian is well provisioned with recycling centres in comparison with other Local Authorities and will maintain a reasonable level of provision to minimise the impacts of illegal fly tipping.
32516	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	West Lothian has really good civic amenity centres - would be a shame	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your comments. West Lothian is well provisioned with recycling centres in comparison with other Local Authorities and will maintain a reasonable level of provision to minimise the impacts of illegal fly tipping.
32517	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	This is very short sighted. It flies in the face of current environmental thinking to have people driving (not environmentally effective) to recycle stuff; they may well put in in the grey bin, thereby making waste collection less effective and less efficient in environmental terms.	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your comments. West Lothian is well provisioned with recycling centres in comparison with other Local Authorities and will maintain a reasonable level of provision to minimise the impacts of illegal fly tipping.

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32518	An employee of West Lothian Council	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Also how can we encourage recycling if we shut local units down?	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your comments. West Lothian is well provisioned with recycling centres in comparison with other Local Authorities and will maintain a reasonable level of provision to minimise the impacts of illegal fly tipping.
32519	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Reducing the number of recycling centres could easily result in an increase in fly tipping. Also, if you are serious about your commitment to reducing your carbon footprint you should be taking into account the distance people have to drive to get to their nearest centre.	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your comments. West Lothian is well provisioned with recycling centres in comparison with other Local Authorities and will maintain a reasonable level of provision to minimise the impacts of illegal fly tipping.
32520	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	closing the local recycling centre in linlithgow would have a terrible effect on residents, meaning people are expected to drive quite far to dispose of any larger items that would normally be taken to the recycling centre. I believe it is important the council looks at the obvious negative environmental impact that these changes would cause, due to the considerably higher amount of emissions due to people making the longer journey to the nearest recycling centre, as well as the likely increase in fly tipping in the local area due to people not being bothered to travel the extra distance to the nearest recycling centre	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your comments. West Lothian is well provisioned with recycling centres in comparison with other Local Authorities and will maintain a reasonable level of provision to minimise the impacts of illegal fly tipping.
32521	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Have heard some worrying news that Broxburn recycling depot may be closed. Due to the size of the area this supports this would be a bad decision and encourage people to flip.	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your comments. West Lothian is well provisioned with recycling centres in comparison with other Local Authorities and will maintain a reasonable level of provision to minimise the impacts of illegal fly tipping.
32522	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Closing Broxburn recycling centre would cause people to flip.	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your comments. West Lothian is well provisioned with recycling centres in comparison with other Local Authorities and will maintain a reasonable level of provision to minimise the impacts of illegal fly tipping.
32523	An employee of West Lothian Council	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	If you are encouraging people to remove their own garden waste etc then do not be closing down amenity sites which will just lead to more fly tipping and more cost to the council. You make a saving for waste management but incur costs in housing services.	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your comments. West Lothian is well provisioned with recycling centres in comparison with other Local Authorities and will maintain a reasonable level of provision to minimise the impacts of illegal fly tipping.
32524	An employee of West Lothian Council	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	If closing the centers goes ahead, then the opening hours will need to be looked at as no matter what time of the day or day of the week, there is always a queue at the centre i use. The opening hours should be extended to accommodate more people using the centers that are remaining open. This will also have an impact on fly-tipping.	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your comments. West Lothian is well provisioned with recycling centres in comparison with other Local Authorities and will maintain a reasonable level of provision to minimise the impacts of illegal fly tipping.
32525	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	closing the local recycling centres will probably result in increased fly tipping, so may be a false economy.	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your comments. West Lothian is well provisioned with recycling centres in comparison with other Local Authorities and will maintain a reasonable level of provision to minimise the impacts of illegal fly tipping.
32526	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Closing community recycling sites could result in increased fly tipping, which could be more costly in the long run. It also would result in longer journeys to other recycling centres, making the roads busier and increasing pollution from cars, not a good outcome for residents of West Lothian.	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your comments. West Lothian is well provisioned with recycling centres in comparison with other Local Authorities and will maintain a reasonable level of provision to minimise the impacts of illegal fly tipping.
32527	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	I am equally opposed to closure of any civic amenity sites. Responsible citizens in the areas of any closed recycling centres will drive to another further away thereby increasing pollution and greenhouse gases.	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your comments. West Lothian is well provisioned with recycling centres in comparison with other Local Authorities and will maintain a reasonable level of provision to minimise the impacts of illegal fly tipping.
32528	An employee of West Lothian Council	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Reducing the amount of recycle centres would be fine. Most people have to drive to get to one anyway.	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
32529	An employee of West Lothian Council	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Concerned about the closure of community recycling centres, these are fantastic facilities that significantly decrease the amount of fly tipping. Could the closure of them a few days a week be an alternative rather than a complete closure?	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your comments. West Lothian is well provisioned with recycling centres in comparison with other Local Authorities and will maintain a reasonable level of provision to minimise the impacts of illegal fly tipping.

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32530	An employee of West Lothian Council	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Closure of the community recycling sites may have unintended consequences in terms of increased fly-tipping.	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your comments. West Lothian is well provisioned with recycling centres in comparison with other Local Authorities and will maintain a reasonable level of provision to minimise the impacts of illegal fly tipping.
32531	An employee of West Lothian Council	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	I am strongly against the closure of Linlithgow recycling centre. It is a well used facility by the community and will lead to an increase in fly tipping. It will cause considerable upheaval for local people who will be forced to drive miles to the nearest recycling centre. Those without transport will be unable to recycle. People pay their council tax to be provided with services such as a recycling centre and with the move towards more recycling to improve the environment over the next few years this feels like a backwards step	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your comments. West Lothian is well provisioned with recycling centres in comparison with other Local Authorities and will maintain a reasonable level of provision to minimise the impacts of illegal fly tipping.
32532	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	I worry that closure of community recycling sites would mean an increase of Fly tipping, maybe not so cost efficient.	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your comments. West Lothian is well provisioned with recycling centres in comparison with other Local Authorities and will maintain a reasonable level of provision to minimise the impacts of illegal fly tipping.
32533	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	charging for bulky uplifts , yes a charge should be made as for charging for the brown bin uplift	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
32534	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Do not agree with cut-backs in recycling services for consumer	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your comments. West Lothian is well provisioned with recycling centres in comparison with other Local Authorities and will maintain a reasonable level of provision to minimise the impacts of illegal fly tipping.
32535	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Community recycling sites vital to reducing waste and impact on environment- fly tipping bound to increase without these	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your comments. West Lothian is well provisioned with recycling centres in comparison with other Local Authorities and will maintain a reasonable level of provision to minimise the impacts of illegal fly tipping.
32536	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Losing recycling centres will only encourage more fly tipping especially since reducing black bin size. Not everyone has ability to travel to further afield recycling centres - think elderly etc.	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your comments. West Lothian is well provisioned with recycling centres in comparison with other Local Authorities and will maintain a reasonable level of provision to minimise the impacts of illegal fly tipping.
32537	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Closure of recycling sites is a BAD idea. Linlithgow recycling centre has a constant queue of people using it and it would be very bad for the environment if all the cars going there had to travel a round trip of 15 / 16 miles to the next nearest site.	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your comments. West Lothian is well provisioned with recycling centres in comparison with other Local Authorities and will maintain a reasonable level of provision to minimise the impacts of illegal fly tipping.
32538	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	I use oak bank recycling centre a lot and it's always busy. If you close these centres, you'll then have the same problem in England with fly tipping. Surely this would cost the council more to then clean up the mess. These centres are a god send and should not be closed	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your comments. West Lothian is well provisioned with recycling centres in comparison with other Local Authorities and will maintain a reasonable level of provision to minimise the impacts of illegal fly tipping.
32539	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	The tip in linlithgow should remain open. It is used frequently, and removing it increases the risk of fly tipping in the area.	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your comments. West Lothian is well provisioned with recycling centres in comparison with other Local Authorities and will maintain a reasonable level of provision to minimise the impacts of illegal fly tipping.
32540	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Closing recycling centres will only encourage fly tipping and misuse of the grey and blue bins.	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your comments. West Lothian is well provisioned with recycling centres in comparison with other Local Authorities and will maintain a reasonable level of provision to minimise the impacts of illegal fly tipping.
32541	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	The closure of a community recycling centre could possibly increase council spending with more incidences of fly tipping and general mess that would require a specific collection to rectify. Instead of closure, opening hours could be reviewed and a reduction in the number of staff at these facilities.	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your comments. West Lothian is well provisioned with recycling centres in comparison with other Local Authorities and will maintain a reasonable level of provision to minimise the impacts of illegal fly tipping.

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32542	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Closing recycling centres seems like a bad idea as my recycling centre is always busy, I have to go there weekly as the new black bins you provided are far too small for a family. Closing these centres will cause much more fly tipping.	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your comments. West Lothian is well provisioned with recycling centres in comparison with other Local Authorities and will maintain a reasonable level of provision to minimise the impacts of illegal fly tipping.
32543	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	I worry about the environment we will live in if the civic dump is closed at Linlithgow.	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your comments. West Lothian is well provisioned with recycling centres in comparison with other Local Authorities and will maintain a reasonable level of provision to minimise the impacts of illegal fly tipping.
32544	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	This is a ridiculous idea. Closing local recycling centres, particularly the one in Linlithgow which is very well used and always busy, will only end up in people dumping rubbish elsewhere. You have the potential for absolute chaos with rubbish everywhere. In a world where we are being encouraged constantly to recycle, how is this going to be made any easier by closing recycling centres??	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your comments. West Lothian is well provisioned with recycling centres in comparison with other Local Authorities and will maintain a reasonable level of provision to minimise the impacts of illegal fly tipping.
32545	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	I think itâ€™s a huge mistake to close three community re cycling sites.....IF people have cars this is more use of fuel and more therefore more carbon emissions...fly tipping will increase...itâ€™s bad already and charges for bulky uplifts will also impact on this	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your comments. West Lothian is well provisioned with recycling centres in comparison with other Local Authorities and will maintain a reasonable level of provision to minimise the impacts of illegal fly tipping.
32546	An employee of West Lothian Council	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Again closing recycling centres could lead to more fly tipping. Could just reduce opening hours	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your comments. West Lothian is well provisioned with recycling centres in comparison with other Local Authorities and will maintain a reasonable level of provision to minimise the impacts of illegal fly tipping.
32547	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	I recently used the facility at Oakbank as my local site at Deans is to close but feel there is not adequate space for vehicles and it was obvious why there are the tailbacks onto the main road back towards Lizzie Bryces roundabout that I have heard about. I am concerned that these measures would lead to an increase in â€™fly tipping â€™. The amount of litter in many places is already a disgrace.	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your comments. West Lothian is well provisioned with recycling centres in comparison with other Local Authorities and will maintain a reasonable level of provision to minimise the impacts of illegal fly tipping.
32548	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Closing recycling depots will add to people fly tipping.	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your comments. West Lothian is well provisioned with recycling centres in comparison with other Local Authorities and will maintain a reasonable level of provision to minimise the impacts of illegal fly tipping.
32549	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	agreed. It is not that far to travel to these and also bulky uplifts are available.	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
32550	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	This will result in an exponential increase in fly tipping. This has been proven in many areas of the uk already. Who will pay for having all of the dumped junk taken to the tip?	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your comments. West Lothian is well provisioned with recycling centres in comparison with other Local Authorities and will maintain a reasonable level of provision to minimise the impacts of illegal fly tipping.
32551	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	I strongly disagree with the closure of recycling centre in Linlithgow. This will result in fly tipping and more waste.	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your comments. West Lothian is well provisioned with recycling centres in comparison with other Local Authorities and will maintain a reasonable level of provision to minimise the impacts of illegal fly tipping.
32552	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	I live in Broxburn, and recycle a lot. I've just heard that you might be closing this depot. This service is a must for the local and surrounding areas. Every time that I attend this depot it's very busy and would be a great loss to the people that live in this area if closed. There is a lot of bottle banks in the area maybe some of them can be done away with, and concentrate in keeping the depot at Greendykes which caters for all of the items that can be recycled.	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your comments. West Lothian is well provisioned with recycling centres in comparison with other Local Authorities and will maintain a reasonable level of provision to minimise the impacts of illegal fly tipping.
32553	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Reduce the opening hours of identified civic amenity sites to weekends, for example, but the facility must stay open.	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your comments. West Lothian is well provisioned with recycling centres in comparison with other Local Authorities and will maintain a reasonable level of provision to minimise the impacts of illegal fly tipping.
32554	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	I am absolutely opposed to the closure of the recycling centre in Linlithgow. To require a town of 13,500 people to drive 16 miles to their nearest recycling centre is environmentally unsound, both from the perspective of fuel consumption and the inevitable fly tipping.	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your comments. West Lothian is well provisioned with recycling centres in comparison with other Local Authorities and will maintain a reasonable level of provision to minimise the impacts of illegal fly tipping.

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32555	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	I would be very sad if the local recycling centre in Linlithgow was to close, especially if it's just seen as a quick buck to build flats. It is always busy when I am there and do wonder how many people would realistically use the next closest centre, or end up just dumping their stuff at road sides etc.	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your comments. West Lothian is well provisioned with recycling centres in comparison with other Local Authorities and will maintain a reasonable level of provision to minimise the impacts of illegal fly tipping.
32556	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	West LothianC need to be mindful of what people will do, many people have no access to the community recycling centres and reducing them only makes them even more unattainable. Thus fly tipping will go up and therefore West LothianC will pay in the end. Recycling must be encouraged!	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your comments. West Lothian is well provisioned with recycling centres in comparison with other Local Authorities and will maintain a reasonable level of provision to minimise the impacts of illegal fly tipping.
32557	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Keep the recycling sites. Removing these will lead to fly tipping.	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your comments. West Lothian is well provisioned with recycling centres in comparison with other Local Authorities and will maintain a reasonable level of provision to minimise the impacts of illegal fly tipping.
32558	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	the recycling facilities should remain... I understand the need to save money but saving the planet is much more important...	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your comments. West Lothian is well provisioned with recycling centres in comparison with other Local Authorities and will maintain a reasonable level of provision to minimise the impacts of illegal fly tipping.
32559	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	the community recycling centers are important and well used, theyKeep the are also important to encourage recycling so do not close them. Encouraging fly tipping is not the way to go ?	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your comments. West Lothian is well provisioned with recycling centres in comparison with other Local Authorities and will maintain a reasonable level of provision to minimise the impacts of illegal fly tipping.
32560	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	The community recycling site in Linlithgow is essential. It is very well used and ensures that getting rid of bulky items does not pose a big problem. An essential job of local government is to keep the place clean. People might take this for granted but it is the basis of a public health policy.	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your comments. West Lothian is well provisioned with recycling centres in comparison with other Local Authorities and will maintain a reasonable level of provision to minimise the impacts of illegal fly tipping.
32561	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	The reduction of Community Recycling site is short sighted - this will lead to a vast increase in fly tipping West LothianC has worked hard at keeping the county presentable & it would lead to an increase in cost of cleaning up the fly tipping.	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your comments. West Lothian is well provisioned with recycling centres in comparison with other Local Authorities and will maintain a reasonable level of provision to minimise the impacts of illegal fly tipping.
32562	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Please do not close the local recycling centre in Linlithgow.	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your comments. West Lothian is well provisioned with recycling centres in comparison with other Local Authorities and will maintain a reasonable level of provision to minimise the impacts of illegal fly tipping.
32563	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	dont agree with the closure of the waste sites	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your comments. West Lothian is well provisioned with recycling centres in comparison with other Local Authorities and will maintain a reasonable level of provision to minimise the impacts of illegal fly tipping.
32564	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Rather than closing the very successful community recycling sites the council could levy a nominal charge for the use of the sites.	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your comment. This will be considered for viability.
32565	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Closing recycling centres should be reconsidered.	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your comments. West Lothian is well provisioned with recycling centres in comparison with other Local Authorities and will maintain a reasonable level of provision to minimise the impacts of illegal fly tipping.
32566	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	I do NOT agree with closure of community recycling sites. specifically the one at LINLITHGOW	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your comments. West Lothian is well provisioned with recycling centres in comparison with other Local Authorities and will maintain a reasonable level of provision to minimise the impacts of illegal fly tipping.
32567	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	I would strongly object to any closure of the community recycling site in Linlithgow - however to enable it to remain open I would suggest a change to opening hours ie focus on the weekends - when most working people are not at work and therefore likely to use it, reduce hours through the week. I should note that any time I visit it is always busy. To be honest I do not see why there is no kerbside GLASS recycling - that would certainly eliminate many trips to community recycling sites.	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your comments. West Lothian is well provisioned with recycling centres in comparison with other Local Authorities and will maintain a reasonable level of provision to minimise the impacts of illegal fly tipping.

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32568	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	I agree that recycling facilities need to be rationalised or have their opening hours cut.	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your comments. West Lothian is well provisioned with recycling centres in comparison with other Local Authorities and will maintain a reasonable level of provision to minimise the impacts of illegal fly tipping.
32569	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Recycling models - makes sense to take on board the benefits of the services offered by other Authorities to find a best fit for West Lothian.	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your comments. West Lothian is well provisioned with recycling centres in comparison with other Local Authorities and will maintain a reasonable level of provision to minimise the impacts of illegal fly tipping.
32570	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Closure of Recycling Centres- if you value public interaction and buy in to recycling and environmental services this should not be touched at all, regardless of the level of provision in comparison to other authorities.	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your comments. West Lothian is well provisioned with recycling centres in comparison with other Local Authorities and will maintain a reasonable level of provision to minimise the impacts of illegal fly tipping.
32571	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	The closure of the recycling sites will encourage even more fly tipping and is a dreadful idea. I would like to see glass recycling bins given to households and the small green food waste bins are a waste of money and should be scrapped.	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your comments. West Lothian is well provisioned with recycling centres in comparison with other Local Authorities and will maintain a reasonable level of provision to minimise the impacts of illegal fly tipping.
32572	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	All areas should have easy access to community recycling sites otherwise illegal dumping will certainly follow. The community recycling site in Linlithgow is extremely busy and very well kept. I myself use it on a weekly basis (and sometimes more often) during the summer as I have a large garden. Instead of closing three community recycling sites perhaps you could look into reducing the number of days each site is open thereby allowing all sites to be open for 2 - 3 days a week. This would allow access for everyone across the County with a reduction in the number of staff required to man the sites.	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your comments. West Lothian is well provisioned with recycling centres in comparison with other Local Authorities and will maintain a reasonable level of provision to minimise the impacts of illegal fly tipping.
32573	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Do not close the recycling centres, This will lead to fly tipping, and more rubbish being put into the grey bins. This in turn, will lead to the council having to pay more landfill. Closing the recycling centre is very short sighted.	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your comments. West Lothian is well provisioned with recycling centres in comparison with other Local Authorities and will maintain a reasonable level of provision to minimise the impacts of illegal fly tipping.
32574	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	The community recycling site in Linlithgow should be retained, since it is very well used and must have a strongly positive effect in reducing environmental impact.	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your comments. West Lothian is well provisioned with recycling centres in comparison with other Local Authorities and will maintain a reasonable level of provision to minimise the impacts of illegal fly tipping.
32575	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	The community recycling sites are a huge success, always busy and very useful for safe disposal of many items not suitable for wheelie bins. Fly-tipping will certainly increase if these proposals go ahead, and costs will ensue. Or the environment will suffer.	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your comments. West Lothian is well provisioned with recycling centres in comparison with other Local Authorities and will maintain a reasonable level of provision to minimise the impacts of illegal fly tipping.
32576	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	If the Linlithgow recycling centre is closed, where are we supposed to take garden waste and other bulky items? They will end up being dumped thereby causing great environmental damage and further cost to the Council in clearing fly-tipping. Again this seems incredibly short-sighted and not a viable long-term waste solution.	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your comments. West Lothian is well provisioned with recycling centres in comparison with other Local Authorities and will maintain a reasonable level of provision to minimise the impacts of illegal fly tipping.
32577	An employee of West Lothian Council	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	In the past your model for scheduled pick ups has been reviewed/ revised and there were continual problems. You have now actively encouraged people to go to their local recycling so to close some of them is now going to discourage them and will only increase fly tipping which is costing the Council a fortune and is a continual problem in certain areas.	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your comments. West Lothian is well provisioned with recycling centres in comparison with other Local Authorities and will maintain a reasonable level of provision to minimise the impacts of illegal fly tipping.
32578	An employee of West Lothian Council	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	The Council has made assumptions that everyone can go to their local recycling depot. Not everyone has transport so again this leads to fly tipping.	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your comments. West Lothian is well provisioned with recycling centres in comparison with other Local Authorities and will maintain a reasonable level of provision to minimise the impacts of illegal fly tipping.
32579	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	We have an area of concern in relation to this proposal that cuts to local community recycling sites will increase the risk of fly tipping.	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your comments. West Lothian is well provisioned with recycling centres in comparison with other Local Authorities and will maintain a reasonable level of provision to minimise the impacts of illegal fly tipping.

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32580	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	It is rumored that the refuse center at Linlithgow will close. This depot is well used and if closed people would have to do a round trip in a car of 25 miles. How green is that? There will be even more fly tipping and clean up costs. I regularly visit the site and it is always busy. Over the past week I visited the site 3 times each with 7 large bags of garden waste which the brown bin would never cope with. Are you hoping to sell the site to a builder?	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your comments. West Lothian is well provisioned with recycling centres in comparison with other Local Authorities and will maintain a reasonable level of provision to minimise the impacts of illegal fly tipping.
32581	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Agree, but rather than close are there options to vary opening hours at times during the year	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your comments. West Lothian is well provisioned with recycling centres in comparison with other Local Authorities and will maintain a reasonable level of provision to minimise the impacts of illegal fly tipping.
32582	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Recycling facility - NO - you can't close these. They are used by everyone in the community and are a part of everyone's lives. We actually like going there and get a sense of doing something good - we're recycling some of our rubbish. Work out peak user times, shorten opening hours accordingly, review staffing levels - anything - but don't close them. Please!!	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your comments. West Lothian is well provisioned with recycling centres in comparison with other Local Authorities and will maintain a reasonable level of provision to minimise the impacts of illegal fly tipping.
32583	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Closing some sites could be cost affective as I am sure people would not mind traveling a little further to get rid of rubbish at no cost to them.	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your comments. West Lothian is well provisioned with recycling centres in comparison with other Local Authorities and will maintain a reasonable level of provision to minimise the impacts of illegal fly tipping.
32584	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	I would not like to see the recycling centre in Linlithgow closed. The next nearest site appears to be in Whitburn which is a long drive from Linlithgow especially for elderly residents. When cutting hedges, pruning trees etc the amount of garden waste involves numerous trips to the site even after the brown bin is filled. Closures of this site must surely result in a great increase in fly tipping with the council having to foot the bill of clearing this up. A possible better solution could be to restrict opening hours - each of the 3 sites could be open on only 2 days per week with the staff moving between sites.	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your comments. West Lothian is well provisioned with recycling centres in comparison with other Local Authorities and will maintain a reasonable level of provision to minimise the impacts of illegal fly tipping.
32585	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Recycling is an environmental priority and to encourage people to do this, local sites should be maintained where possible.	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your comments. West Lothian is well provisioned with recycling centres in comparison with other Local Authorities and will maintain a reasonable level of provision to minimise the impacts of illegal fly tipping.
32586	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Linlithgow Recycling centre is hugely important to the town and should be maintained. Recycling levels will be impacted if it is closed.	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your comments. West Lothian is well provisioned with recycling centres in comparison with other Local Authorities and will maintain a reasonable level of provision to minimise the impacts of illegal fly tipping.
32587	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Linlithgow Recycling centre is hugely important to the town and should be maintained. Recycling levels will be impacted if it is closed.	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your comments. West Lothian is well provisioned with recycling centres in comparison with other Local Authorities and will maintain a reasonable level of provision to minimise the impacts of illegal fly tipping.
32588	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	The recycling plant in the centre of Linlithgow is essential, well used and its closure would be devastating for the community. It has to be retained. It's closure would inevitably have an adverse knock on effect.	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your comments. West Lothian is well provisioned with recycling centres in comparison with other Local Authorities and will maintain a reasonable level of provision to minimise the impacts of illegal fly tipping.
32589	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Do not close the recycling area in linlithgow it is well used. I cannot drive ! I couldn't go anywhere else.	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your comments. West Lothian is well provisioned with recycling centres in comparison with other Local Authorities and will maintain a reasonable level of provision to minimise the impacts of illegal fly tipping.
32590	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Very generalised wording here and I am concerned about what facilities might be wrapped up in this statement. If this includes the proposals to close 3 recycling centres I strongly object to this.	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your comments. West Lothian is well provisioned with recycling centres in comparison with other Local Authorities and will maintain a reasonable level of provision to minimise the impacts of illegal fly tipping.

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32591	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Strongly object to this short sighted approach. Money should be invested here rather than cut. This is one of the key things we pay our taxes for. I understand from your recent "Bulletin" publication that West LothianC proposes to close three of the six recycling centres in the county, including the Braehead Centre in Linlithgow. Closure of this busy facility would be a huge loss to the environmental welfare of the town, encouraging fly-tipping and necessitating considerable journeys to an alternative centre. Please could you provide further, detailed rational behind this proposal.	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your comments. West Lothian is well provisioned with recycling centres in comparison with other Local Authorities and will maintain a reasonable level of provision to minimise the impacts of illegal fly tipping.
32592	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Closing community sites will result in more fly tipping. Consider how well used sites are before making decisions.	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your comments. West Lothian is well provisioned with recycling centres in comparison with other Local Authorities and will maintain a reasonable level of provision to minimise the impacts of illegal fly tipping.
32593	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	this needs to be carefully reviewed - i live in Linlithgow and will not travel to other parts of west Lothian to deposit recycling, I already have only reduced bin collections	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your comments. West Lothian is well provisioned with recycling centres in comparison with other Local Authorities and will maintain a reasonable level of provision to minimise the impacts of illegal fly tipping.
32594	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	local refuse centres are an essential service that must not be removed.	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your comments. West Lothian is well provisioned with recycling centres in comparison with other Local Authorities and will maintain a reasonable level of provision to minimise the impacts of illegal fly tipping.
32595	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Linlithgow recycle centre is heavily used. Closing it will lead to increased fly tipping and less recycling. This is a very poor suggestion.	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your comments. West Lothian is well provisioned with recycling centres in comparison with other Local Authorities and will maintain a reasonable level of provision to minimise the impacts of illegal fly tipping.
32596	An employee of West Lothian Council	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Removal of community recycling facilities will result in more fly tipping which will ultimately cost the council more to clear up.	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your comments. West Lothian is well provisioned with recycling centres in comparison with other Local Authorities and will maintain a reasonable level of provision to minimise the impacts of illegal fly tipping.
32597	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Do not close the recycling centre in Linlithgow, it's well used and essential for the town. This proposal would lead to more fly tipping and contamination of blue bins.	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your comments. West Lothian is well provisioned with recycling centres in comparison with other Local Authorities and will maintain a reasonable level of provision to minimise the impacts of illegal fly tipping.
32598	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	The closure of recycling facilities is another totally short sighted move. Like a significant number of people I do not drive. Nor do I have kerbside recycling. If I do not have access to a local recycling centre I will not recycle. If you do this you will have an increase in recyclables in domestic waste. You will have an increase in fly tipping and Greer all dumping anywhere. How does that fit with you other focus on environment etc? Do not close recycling facilities.	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your comments. West Lothian is well provisioned with recycling centres in comparison with other Local Authorities and will maintain a reasonable level of provision to minimise the impacts of illegal fly tipping.
32599	No Response	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	closing recycling sites will simply cause fly tipping. Reduce hours but do not close.	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your comments. West Lothian is well provisioned with recycling centres in comparison with other Local Authorities and will maintain a reasonable level of provision to minimise the impacts of illegal fly tipping.
32600	An employee of West Lothian Council	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	I am not keen on the idea to shut re-cycle sites as this may increase fly tipping which could end up being a higher cost for West LothianC and affect public health and safety.	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your comments. West Lothian is well provisioned with recycling centres in comparison with other Local Authorities and will maintain a reasonable level of provision to minimise the impacts of illegal fly tipping.
32601	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Think closing community recycling sites could result in less recycling. Need to make it easier for people to recycle more.	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your comments. West Lothian is well provisioned with recycling centres in comparison with other Local Authorities and will maintain a reasonable level of provision to minimise the impacts of illegal fly tipping.
32602	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Similarly if you close 3 facilities, I would be concerned at increasing fly tipping. I support charging for brown bins but not if certain people such as elderly, disabled and benefit claimants are exempt - I support this as long as EVERYONE pays	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your comments. West Lothian is well provisioned with recycling centres in comparison with other Local Authorities and will maintain a reasonable level of provision to minimise the impacts of illegal fly tipping.

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32603	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	If there is over provision of recycling sites in the area compared to other local authorities, these should be closed.	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your comments. West Lothian is well provisioned with recycling centres in comparison with other Local Authorities and will maintain a reasonable level of provision to minimise the impacts of illegal fly tipping.
32604	An employee of West Lothian Council	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Closing recycling sites which are not used that often would make sense however the other sites would need to provide a good service with decent opening hours to allow those who work during the day to use them when convenient.	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your comments. West Lothian is well provisioned with recycling centres in comparison with other Local Authorities and will maintain a reasonable level of provision to minimise the impacts of illegal fly tipping.
32605	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Closure of recycling centres would be a huge mistake. The Linlithgow centre is heavily used and therefore making a huge contribution to the environmental policies. If we are forced to travel with recycled waste to an alternative centre, we will further pollute the environment and create more traffic on the roads and large queues at the remaining recycling centres. Also, there is no doubt that the problem of "fly tipping" will escalate dramatically meaning health risks and increased council costs in attempting to deal with all that goes with "fly tipping".	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your comments. West Lothian is well provisioned with recycling centres in comparison with other Local Authorities and will maintain a reasonable level of provision to minimise the impacts of illegal fly tipping.
32606	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	I don't agree with the recycling anyway - we are doing the bin man job anyway.	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
32607	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	I don't agree that recycling sites should close. It is essential that there are local provision to recycle otherwise I don't believe people will recycle as much as they would have.	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your comments. West Lothian is well provisioned with recycling centres in comparison with other Local Authorities and will maintain a reasonable level of provision to minimise the impacts of illegal fly tipping.
32608	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	if there are fewer recycling centres then rubbish will simply be dumped	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your comments. West Lothian is well provisioned with recycling centres in comparison with other Local Authorities and will maintain a reasonable level of provision to minimise the impacts of illegal fly tipping.
32609	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	The Linlithgow site should remain open. The Whitburn, Blackburn, Deans and Broxburn sites are relatively close together whereas the Linlithgow site is relatively distant from all of them. Closure of the Linlithgow site will inevitably lead to increased fly tipping and additional costs to the council to clear up the mess.	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your comments. West Lothian is well provisioned with recycling centres in comparison with other Local Authorities and will maintain a reasonable level of provision to minimise the impacts of illegal fly tipping.
32610	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	do agree to other proposals above.	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your comments. West Lothian is well provisioned with recycling centres in comparison with other Local Authorities and will maintain a reasonable level of provision to minimise the impacts of illegal fly tipping.
32611	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Depends on where the sites are to be closed. The most used sites should be kept open over the lower utilised sites. Recycling bins are getting smaller so most household are making trips to the recycling centres for there additional items.	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your comments. West Lothian is well provisioned with recycling centres in comparison with other Local Authorities and will maintain a reasonable level of provision to minimise the impacts of illegal fly tipping.
32612	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	closing recycling centres is plain stupid. The council will have to spend the savings on cleaning up after fly tipping Linlithgow site constantly has queues but people will not be willing to Whitburn or other. Please think again	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your comments. West Lothian is well provisioned with recycling centres in comparison with other Local Authorities and will maintain a reasonable level of provision to minimise the impacts of illegal fly tipping.
32613	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Why are we paying Council Tax? Surely the recycling service should be a statutory provision required by law	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	This is a statutory requirement but the number only has to be a minimum of one.
32614	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	if there isn't a recycling centre nearby, increasing the need for staff to go and clean up the dump sites.	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
32615	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Community recycling sites are key to ensuring fly tipping does not increase. In my last local authority these sites included charitable set ups who revitalised and recycled for cash payments other people's waste	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your comments. West Lothian is well provisioned with recycling centres in comparison with other Local Authorities and will maintain a reasonable level of provision to minimise the impacts of illegal fly tipping.

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32616	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	absolutely stupid thinking. You will only have to spend the savings on clearing up after fly tipping. Recycling centres are well used and do you not sell compost made from contents of brown bins? This really annoys me. I have lived here since 1970 and enjoyed the benefits of a recycling centre in Linlithgow	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your comments. West Lothian is well provisioned with recycling centres in comparison with other Local Authorities and will maintain a reasonable level of provision to minimise the impacts of illegal fly tipping.
32617	An employee of West Lothian Council	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Some people will not be prepared to travel further to sites and will start fly-tipping - this is what happened in England.	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your comments. West Lothian is well provisioned with recycling centres in comparison with other Local Authorities and will maintain a reasonable level of provision to minimise the impacts of illegal fly tipping.
32618	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	What about people who don't drive and can't get to the recycling centre?	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your comments. West Lothian is well provisioned with recycling centres in comparison with other Local Authorities and will maintain a reasonable level of provision to minimise the impacts of illegal fly tipping.
32619	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	It is rumoured that one of the sites earmarked for closure is Linlithgow. Could it not remain open with reduced hours - eg weekend.	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your comments. West Lothian is well provisioned with recycling centres in comparison with other Local Authorities and will maintain a reasonable level of provision to minimise the impacts of illegal fly tipping.
32620	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Another area that has been miss managed for years. The council needs to look at the increase in fly tipping and try to encourage the public to use the relevant depots	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your comments. West Lothian is well provisioned with recycling centres in comparison with other Local Authorities and will maintain a reasonable level of provision to minimise the impacts of illegal fly tipping.
32621	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	I understand that, as part of the process of local budget reductions, there is a proposal to consider closing the Blackburn site. As a local resident for some 18 years now I have used this facility extensively and not only is this site probably the best there is in West Lothian there is no doubt the team there are the most helpful and friendly I have ever encountered. The site itself is always immaculate and well laid out. Traffic access is good and the ability to dispose of waste is easy with plenty of parking and bins well signed. No parking issues here or areas blocked when traffic gets heavy. The other waste sites in West Lothian have much more restrictive access. Bins not easy to use and traffic build up is always likely given the limited access for vehicles and the position of the bins. Closing Blackburn would be a huge error and almost certainly lead to a€œfly tippinga€so any cost saving in closing this unit would be met with increased cost of removing rubbish dumped elsewhere. You can understand I am concerned about saving costs in this manner for these reasons.	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your comments. West Lothian is well provisioned with recycling centres in comparison with other Local Authorities and will maintain a reasonable level of provision to minimise the impacts of illegal fly tipping.
32622	An employee of West Lothian Council	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	You could increase the incidents of fly tipping by reducing the amount of recycling sites as people are not always willing to go substantially out of their way to dispose of rubbish.	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your comments. West Lothian is well provisioned with recycling centres in comparison with other Local Authorities and will maintain a reasonable level of provision to minimise the impacts of illegal fly tipping.
32623	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	I'm not happy about closure of community recycling sites, it will lead to even more 'fly tipping' - with a resultant cost and loss of amenity.	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your comments. West Lothian is well provisioned with recycling centres in comparison with other Local Authorities and will maintain a reasonable level of provision to minimise the impacts of illegal fly tipping.
32624	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Closure of Recycling sites - seems to be a backward step - with landfill Tax continuing to increase - improving the percentage of recycling is a key priority. If the distance to travel to recycling points increases - then fly tipping incidents will also increase. Finally if you close the Linlithgow Recycling plant - where will the employees get to set up their deckchairs????	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your comments. West Lothian is well provisioned with recycling centres in comparison with other Local Authorities and will maintain a reasonable level of provision to minimise the impacts of illegal fly tipping.
32625	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Impact assessment required on site closures as this may also encourage fly tipping.	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your comments. West Lothian is well provisioned with recycling centres in comparison with other Local Authorities and will maintain a reasonable level of provision to minimise the impacts of illegal fly tipping.
32626	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Not happy about closing of recycling sites this will just lead to fly - tipping	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your comments. West Lothian is well provisioned with recycling centres in comparison with other Local Authorities and will maintain a reasonable level of provision to minimise the impacts of illegal fly tipping.

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32627	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Recycling is one of the things that should be preserved and encouraged, closure of recycling sites may only encourage people to do more illegal dumping and so require extra picks up from council services anyway. Perhaps reduce hours or opening days for each recycling venue rather than closing any.	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your comments. West Lothian is well provisioned with recycling centres in comparison with other Local Authorities and will maintain a reasonable level of provision to minimise the impacts of illegal fly tipping.
32628	An employee of West Lothian Council	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	So our black bin size was reduced in order to encourage people to focus on recycling however you are going to close 3 recycling centres?????? My black bin is overflowing by the time it comes round to collection day, often I have to keep rubbish back & then put it in the bin when its been emptied, which then means the bin is almost full right away . Vicious circle.	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your comments. West Lothian is well provisioned with recycling centres in comparison with other Local Authorities and will maintain a reasonable level of provision to minimise the impacts of illegal fly tipping.
32629	An employee of West Lothian Council	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Also closing 3 sites how many sites are there again this is a concern as deals with staffing and anyone would be worried about their jobs and also fly tipping. Cos I would be fine paying to get a bulky uplift as long as a fair price but would everyone.	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your comments. West Lothian is well provisioned with recycling centres in comparison with other Local Authorities and will maintain a reasonable level of provision to minimise the impacts of illegal fly tipping.
32630	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	not everyone has their own transport to visit recycling centre.	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your comments. West Lothian is well provisioned with recycling centres in comparison with other Local Authorities and will maintain a reasonable level of provision to minimise the impacts of illegal fly tipping.
32631	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	I would like to understand which 3 recycling sites are marked for closure.	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Not enough detail in the TYC process.
32632	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	If you reduce possibilities of recycling you may increase fly tipping or find that reduced recycling works against recycling and green awareness and leads to a greater problem down the line.	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your comments. West Lothian is well provisioned with recycling centres in comparison with other Local Authorities and will maintain a reasonable level of provision to minimise the impacts of illegal fly tipping.
32633	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	I would be concerned that introducing some charges or closing recycling sites would lead to more fly tipping which the council would have to pay to clean up. This could significantly negate any savings made. Could the recycling centres be kept open but operating on reduced hours.	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your comments. West Lothian is well provisioned with recycling centres in comparison with other Local Authorities and will maintain a reasonable level of provision to minimise the impacts of illegal fly tipping.
32634	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	the closure of 3 community recycling sites will result in an increase in fly tipping. This will go against one of the council priorities of protecting the built and natural environment. At the very least, the community recycling sites should be kept open.	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your comments. West Lothian is well provisioned with recycling centres in comparison with other Local Authorities and will maintain a reasonable level of provision to minimise the impacts of illegal fly tipping.
32635	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Do not close Linlithgow Recycling Centre - Whitburn is too far away and we can't use Bo'ness as you have to prove you are a Falkirk council resident Fly tipping would sky rocket	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your comments. West Lothian is well provisioned with recycling centres in comparison with other Local Authorities and will maintain a reasonable level of provision to minimise the impacts of illegal fly tipping.
32636	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Recycling sites are busier than ever, closing sites will impact on jobs and the environment.	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your comments. West Lothian is well provisioned with recycling centres in comparison with other Local Authorities and will maintain a reasonable level of provision to minimise the impacts of illegal fly tipping.
32637	An employee of West Lothian Council	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Need to consider if the closure of 3 recycling sites will result in fly tipping. This links back to section 6, more work with less staff to do it.	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your comments. West Lothian is well provisioned with recycling centres in comparison with other Local Authorities and will maintain a reasonable level of provision to minimise the impacts of illegal fly tipping.
32638	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	PLEASE DO NOT CLOSE LINLITHGOW'S RECYCLING CENTRE - THIS WOULD BE A VERY BACKWARD STEP RESULTING IN LOWER LEVELS OF RECYCLING, GREATER LANDFILL USE AND GREATER POLLUTION, LITTERING, FLY TIPPING ETC. THE CURRENT REDUCED HOURS ARE ALREADY INCONVENIENT AND DIFFICULT FOR ORDINARY WORKING PEOPLE TO FIT INTO THEIR WORKING LIVES.	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your comments. West Lothian is well provisioned with recycling centres in comparison with other Local Authorities and will maintain a reasonable level of provision to minimise the impacts of illegal fly tipping.

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32639	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Closure of recycling sites could lead to people dumping rubbish. Be careful.	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your comments. West Lothian is well provisioned with recycling centres in comparison with other Local Authorities and will maintain a reasonable level of provision to minimise the impacts of illegal fly tipping.
32640	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	the closure of 3 recycling sites will result in fly tipping.	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your comments. West Lothian is well provisioned with recycling centres in comparison with other Local Authorities and will maintain a reasonable level of provision to minimise the impacts of illegal fly tipping.
32641	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Which sites?	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. The proposal has to be fully developed if progressed.
32642	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	However , closing community recycling sites will result in increased fly-tipping , resulting in further damage to the environment. These facilities are well-used, staff are very helpful ensuring appropriate recycling, and will also mean constituents will need to travel longer distances to recycle, further damaging the environment. Also if these close , will the staff be re-absorbed into the team or sacked.	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your comments. West Lothian is well provisioned with recycling centres in comparison with other Local Authorities and will maintain a reasonable level of provision to minimise the impacts of illegal fly tipping.
32643	No Response	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	I would urge you not to close recycling sites. As a country we are being actively encouraged to recycle waste as far as possible and this must be encouraged, not made difficult and penalised. Closing recycling sites risks the onset of fly tipping resulting in the ruination of our towns & cities and tourist trade and risking high levels of pollution and the spread of disease.	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your comments. West Lothian is well provisioned with recycling centres in comparison with other Local Authorities and will maintain a reasonable level of provision to minimise the impacts of illegal fly tipping.
32644	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	You cannot close community recycling sites without major consequences for residents. The recycling centre in Linlithgow is always busy and an efficiently run community resource. It would be lunacy to close this.	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your comments. West Lothian is well provisioned with recycling centres in comparison with other Local Authorities and will maintain a reasonable level of provision to minimise the impacts of illegal fly tipping.
32645	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	3. Agree with the closing of CRC only if there can be shown to the public that there has been relevant research to which sites these are. Ensure that the amount of recycling is due to non-use rather than the occasions when you go to recycle and they are full and you have to put waste in the land-fill bin! This is a great facility which I use a lot and would highly miss. What with only have a small black bin, on most months these centres are a necessity!	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your comments. West Lothian is well provisioned with recycling centres in comparison with other Local Authorities and will maintain a reasonable level of provision to minimise the impacts of illegal fly tipping.
32646	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Closure of Community recycling sites should be avoided. This is potentially quite damaging. The Linlithgow site for example is very well used and much recycling takes place. Closure would reduce recycling dramatically and would lead to an increase in fly tipping. Additional car journeys to remote waste sites would have a negative environmental impact (as well as hugely inconvenient for residents). Costs of rubbish collection would also increase as residents request additional kerbside bins to cope.	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your comments. West Lothian is well provisioned with recycling centres in comparison with other Local Authorities and will maintain a reasonable level of provision to minimise the impacts of illegal fly tipping.
32647	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Surely closing recycling sites is a negative response. As the council should be encouraging people to use these facilities to reduce uplifts	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your comments. West Lothian is well provisioned with recycling centres in comparison with other Local Authorities and will maintain a reasonable level of provision to minimise the impacts of illegal fly tipping.
32648	An employee of West Lothian Council	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	i thought the council was trying to encourage more recycling so removal of community sites would only put further barriers. i would suspect this would lead to more fly tipping	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your comments. West Lothian is well provisioned with recycling centres in comparison with other Local Authorities and will maintain a reasonable level of provision to minimise the impacts of illegal fly tipping.
32649	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Given the focus on recycling, removing facilities which encourage this sends out the wrong signal. Removing recycling sites will lead to fly tipping which in the long run will adversely affect the community and will result in additional costs to tackle the problem. I oppose these changes	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your comments. West Lothian is well provisioned with recycling centres in comparison with other Local Authorities and will maintain a reasonable level of provision to minimise the impacts of illegal fly tipping.

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32650	An employee of West Lothian Council	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Would support anything that encourages more recycling. The proposed closure of three community recycling sites cause me the most concern; these centres are extremely well used and promote good behaviours for taking responsibility of your own waste and recycling. You cannot promote more responsibility for these behaviours at home and then take away the facilities that support this. It is hypocritical to propose charging for brown bins and bulky uplifts and encouraging recycling in general and at the same time shut recycling centres. Whilst I understand the need to make substantial savings, the consequences must be better thought through. How much more will be spent on clearing fly-tipping and how much more difficult will it be to encourage behaviour change at home? I use the Broxburn CRC on a regular basis and there is always queues to get in at the weekend. Citizens value this service! Even restricting to a weekend service would be better than closing completely.	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your comments. West Lothian is well provisioned with recycling centres in comparison with other Local Authorities and will maintain a reasonable level of provision to minimise the impacts of illegal fly tipping.
32651	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	I think it a mistake to close recycling sites. The opening hours could be cut, but the unit I use is constantly busy. Where would all of that rubbish go?	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your comments. West Lothian is well provisioned with recycling centres in comparison with other Local Authorities and will maintain a reasonable level of provision to minimise the impacts of illegal fly tipping.
32652	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	I think we have great recycling centres it would be a pity to see these go.	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your comments. West Lothian is well provisioned with recycling centres in comparison with other Local Authorities and will maintain a reasonable level of provision to minimise the impacts of illegal fly tipping.
32653	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	My concern with both charging and the closure of recycling sites would be that this would increase the use of fly tipping.	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your comments. West Lothian is well provisioned with recycling centres in comparison with other Local Authorities and will maintain a reasonable level of provision to minimise the impacts of illegal fly tipping.
32654	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Closer of recycling sites, including Linlithgow which is very well used, seems crazy and will surely just increase waste going to landfill or dumped.	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your comments. West Lothian is well provisioned with recycling centres in comparison with other Local Authorities and will maintain a reasonable level of provision to minimise the impacts of illegal fly tipping.
32655	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Recycling centres are great however use could be made of unemployed by litter picking.	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your comments. West Lothian is well provisioned with recycling centres in comparison with other Local Authorities and will maintain a reasonable level of provision to minimise the impacts of illegal fly tipping.
32656	An employee of West Lothian Council	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	The closure of 3 recycling sites could result in more fly tipping and spreading of diseases.	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your comments. West Lothian is well provisioned with recycling centres in comparison with other Local Authorities and will maintain a reasonable level of provision to minimise the impacts of illegal fly tipping.
32657	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Do this and people will dump rubbish all over the place. How long till some kid gets trapped in an abandoned fridge and dies. I regularly use the Linlithgow recycling site. Happy to pay for a bulky uplift but not prepared to travel excessive distances > 5 miles to recycle other materials. This proposal risks the countryside turning into a rubbish tip. Farmers cannot be expected to clear up the result mess.	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your comments. West Lothian is well provisioned with recycling centres in comparison with other Local Authorities and will maintain a reasonable level of provision to minimise the impacts of illegal fly tipping.
32658	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	One key recycling site might be a good idea but would it have enough room.	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your comments. West Lothian is well provisioned with recycling centres in comparison with other Local Authorities and will maintain a reasonable level of provision to minimise the impacts of illegal fly tipping.
32659	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Not sure about closure of three sites. Worried about negative impact on recycling and increase of fly tipping.	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your comments. West Lothian is well provisioned with recycling centres in comparison with other Local Authorities and will maintain a reasonable level of provision to minimise the impacts of illegal fly tipping.
32660	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	I use the re-cycling centre in Linlithgow frequently. I call in on my way elsewhere so not wasting fuel. I cannot foresee anyone going to some other centre within the county. The proposals will cause rubbish to be just dumped in the countryside. Perhaps the staffing could be reduced to one person, or even unsupervised at times.	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your comments. West Lothian is well provisioned with recycling centres in comparison with other Local Authorities and will maintain a reasonable level of provision to minimise the impacts of illegal fly tipping.

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32661	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	West Lothian Council has a clear Mission Statement on recycling and waste management and published on the website. The Bulletin published by West Lothian Council, proudly publishes the success of this service. Reducing recycling facilities in the Council area is counter to that Mission Statement. The damage to the environment is obvious. The ethos of recycling is embedded in many people. The local recycling sites are busy sites offering the public disposal facilities for all types of items. These items may end up fly tipped or where possible, put into the black bins which will increase the cost to the Council in landfill tax.	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your comments. West Lothian is well provisioned with recycling centres in comparison with other Local Authorities and will maintain a reasonable level of provision to minimise the impacts of illegal fly tipping.
32662	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	I would be very unhappy if the Linlithgow recycling depot closed. I do not have a car, but can walk there. I frequently do so to: 1) Dispose of glass bottles and jars which are not allowed in any of your bins. 2) Dispose of waste after I have missed a collection, for example after going on holiday. Closure of the Linlithgow depot would make life very difficult. Not everybody has a car.	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your comments. West Lothian is well provisioned with recycling centres in comparison with other Local Authorities and will maintain a reasonable level of provision to minimise the impacts of illegal fly tipping.
32663	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	I live in Linlithgow and the closure of the community recycling site in this location would be a disaster. It would be a 15 mile round trip to the closest facility for vehicles carrying bulky goods, possibly in vans and on trailers, on roads that may be proposed for "quiet road" status for walkers, horse riders and cyclists, along with rural users such as tractors. This would lead to a great increase in fly-tipping and removal costs as the public will perceive that the removal of this facility for cost reasons would be accompanied by a downgrading in environmental enforcement measures. This may also breach the Landfill Waste Directive by leading to an increase in unsorted landfill waste and incur significant legal costs and financial penalties.	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your comments. West Lothian is well provisioned with recycling centres in comparison with other Local Authorities and will maintain a reasonable level of provision to minimise the impacts of illegal fly tipping.
32664	An employee of West Lothian Council	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	What are community recycling sites? Which ones are to be closed? Do individuals use these? If so, have they been asked whether they would use the "key sites"? Where will the main savings be made here? Will there not be increased costs for dealing with the increased use of the key sites and the increases in dealing with other waste sites?	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	5b. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it is likely that the costs of this proposal would outweigh the benefit.	Thank you for your comments. West Lothian is well provisioned with recycling centres in comparison with other Local Authorities and will maintain a reasonable level of provision to minimise the impacts of illegal fly tipping.
32665	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	I find the recycling sites most useful and consider this would be a huge miss for the community. Therefore, I would not support the closure of these sites.	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your comments. West Lothian is well provisioned with recycling centres in comparison with other Local Authorities and will maintain a reasonable level of provision to minimise the impacts of illegal fly tipping.
32666	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Closure of community recycling sites should not be an option - recycling is difficult enough and sometimes confusing. In order for recycling to take place it must be accessible.	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your comments. West Lothian is well provisioned with recycling centres in comparison with other Local Authorities and will maintain a reasonable level of provision to minimise the impacts of illegal fly tipping.
32667	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	I believe it would be a mistake to reduce the recycling sites. It would encourage "fly tipping" and dumping of rubbish in unsuitable areas. At present, I believe each household are allowed three bulky uplifts per year. This could be reduced to one free bulky uplift with any additional at a charge.	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your comments. West Lothian is well provisioned with recycling centres in comparison with other Local Authorities and will maintain a reasonable level of provision to minimise the impacts of illegal fly tipping.
32668	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	I think you are asking for trouble in closing any community recycling sites. Every country lane in West Lothian will be lined on both sides with old televisions, bed mattresses and other large junk items. Police that! Our lanes, country roads and field entrances already regularly become littered with these items and this will be worse if you close down your recycling centres	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your comments. West Lothian is well provisioned with recycling centres in comparison with other Local Authorities and will maintain a reasonable level of provision to minimise the impacts of illegal fly tipping.
32669	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	You can't remove recycling tips as people now use these more with the downsizing of bins. Rubbish collection should be free or we will end up living in a mess	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your comments. West Lothian is well provisioned with recycling centres in comparison with other Local Authorities and will maintain a reasonable level of provision to minimise the impacts of illegal fly tipping.
32670	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	The Oakbank facility is well used by people from the east and south side of Livingston and IMO would be a mistake to close facility.	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your comments. West Lothian is well provisioned with recycling centres in comparison with other Local Authorities and will maintain a reasonable level of provision to minimise the impacts of illegal fly tipping.
32671	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	This could result in more fly tipping and thus be counter productive. If people have to travel further to recycling sites this results in greater fuel use and air pollution.	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your comments. West Lothian is well provisioned with recycling centres in comparison with other Local Authorities and will maintain a reasonable level of provision to minimise the impacts of illegal fly tipping.

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32672	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	particularly if Linlithgow's community recycling centre is closed.	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your comments. West Lothian is well provisioned with recycling centres in comparison with other Local Authorities and will maintain a reasonable level of provision to minimise the impacts of illegal fly tipping.
32673	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	I am not in favour of the community recycling centre being closed - people will not want to drive to Whitburn (which I have been told would be our nearest centre). In the ethos of wanting to recycle, many people are wanting to reduce their carbon footprint so to make people get in their car to drive to a recycling centre and thus burn petrol won't be popular. Other people may simply lose the motivation to recycle and thus more will go in the grey bins/fly tipping. On this "Transforming your council" document you boast "The council has significantly increased recycling rates and reduced West Lothian's carbon footprint" so I believe that introducing charges for collections for house owners and closing recycling centres will be detrimental to West LothianC.	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your comments. West Lothian is well provisioned with recycling centres in comparison with other Local Authorities and will maintain a reasonable level of provision to minimise the impacts of illegal fly tipping.
32674	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	object to closure of recycling centres maybe look at opening hours and staffing to reduce cost	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your comments. West Lothian is well provisioned with recycling centres in comparison with other Local Authorities and will maintain a reasonable level of provision to minimise the impacts of illegal fly tipping.
32675	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	i think the idea of closing the recycling yard in linlithgow is crazy have you looked how busy it is. perhaps it could be run more efficiently.	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your comments. West Lothian is well provisioned with recycling centres in comparison with other Local Authorities and will maintain a reasonable level of provision to minimise the impacts of illegal fly tipping.
32676	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	i believe that Linlithgow is one of the recycling sites to be closed and, although this would be a great shame, it is probably for the best as the site just isnt large enough to cater for all the different sorting that is required nowadays. Just need to ensure that people know how to get to the remaining ones and that once there it is made as easy as possible for them to drop off and go	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your comments. West Lothian is well provisioned with recycling centres in comparison with other Local Authorities and will maintain a reasonable level of provision to minimise the impacts of illegal fly tipping.
32677	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Please only close recycling sites that are not used fully.	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your comments. West Lothian is well provisioned with recycling centres in comparison with other Local Authorities and will maintain a reasonable level of provision to minimise the impacts of illegal fly tipping.
32678	An employee of West Lothian Council	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Totally disagree with shutting all but one of the recycling centres. Ppl in Linlithgow will not travel all the way to Whitburn to use one there. You will increase fly tipping leading to having to employ staff and equipment to deal with this problem. We had to deal with grey bins being replace with smaller bins now we are being told that it's effective to shut sites	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your comments. West Lothian is well provisioned with recycling centres in comparison with other Local Authorities and will maintain a reasonable level of provision to minimise the impacts of illegal fly tipping.
32679	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Recycling sites should remain open to encourage recycling.	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your comments. West Lothian is well provisioned with recycling centres in comparison with other Local Authorities and will maintain a reasonable level of provision to minimise the impacts of illegal fly tipping.
32680	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Happy to reduce the number of community recycling sites but you should extend the capacity and opening hours of the remaining sites.	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your comments. West Lothian is well provisioned with recycling centres in comparison with other Local Authorities and will maintain a reasonable level of provision to minimise the impacts of illegal fly tipping.
32681	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	The closure of 3 recycling centres could increase fly-tipping. I assume this has been factored in.	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your comments. West Lothian is well provisioned with recycling centres in comparison with other Local Authorities and will maintain a reasonable level of provision to minimise the impacts of illegal fly tipping.
32682	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	closing down recycling centres seems a bit backwards	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your comments. West Lothian is well provisioned with recycling centres in comparison with other Local Authorities and will maintain a reasonable level of provision to minimise the impacts of illegal fly tipping.
32683	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Collection of waste is a basic service for the sake of cleanliness and health. The proposed closure of recycling centres is very short term. It would add to fly-tipping and people's increased use of their grey bins with the ensuing higher costs of landfill.	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your comments. West Lothian is well provisioned with recycling centres in comparison with other Local Authorities and will maintain a reasonable level of provision to minimise the impacts of illegal fly tipping.

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32684	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	The Council spent a massive amount of money replacing all householders bins to increase the amount householders recycled and reduce the amount going to landfill. You are now proposing closure of 3 community recycling sites and charging to uplift brown bins!!! This will lead to fly tipping and to increase costs for NETS teams, etc.	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your comments. West Lothian is well provisioned with recycling centres in comparison with other Local Authorities and will maintain a reasonable level of provision to minimise the impacts of illegal fly tipping.
32685	An employee of West Lothian Council	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	At a time when you're trying to encourage more recycling its wrong to close 3 sites!	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your comments. West Lothian is well provisioned with recycling centres in comparison with other Local Authorities and will maintain a reasonable level of provision to minimise the impacts of illegal fly tipping.
32686	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	With regard to your statement about commitment to the environment, the closure of the waste recycling centres seems very short sighted. From personal experience, the centre in Linlithgow is very well used and aclosure would mean more fly-tipping, increased emmissions from cars due to residents having to travel to Whitburn, and a general decrease in recycling. I should imagine this applies to all the sites earmarked for closure. If drastic measures need to be taken then a reduction in opening hours could be considered.	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your comments. West Lothian is well provisioned with recycling centres in comparison with other Local Authorities and will maintain a reasonable level of provision to minimise the impacts of illegal fly tipping.
32687	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	since the introduction of the small grey bins I now use the local recycling site at least 3 times per week	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your comments. West Lothian is well provisioned with recycling centres in comparison with other Local Authorities and will maintain a reasonable level of provision to minimise the impacts of illegal fly tipping.
32688	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Keep the sites open but get more value out of the staff at the sites. Shutting sites will increase land fill. Keep the Linlithgow community recycling site & develop it to be an exemplar on how well recycling can work.	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your comments. West Lothian is well provisioned with recycling centres in comparison with other Local Authorities and will maintain a reasonable level of provision to minimise the impacts of illegal fly tipping.
32689	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	The Council should think again on the recycling site closures in busy communities as this will undoubtedly lead to more fly tipping and will certainly not save any money.	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your comments. West Lothian is well provisioned with recycling centres in comparison with other Local Authorities and will maintain a reasonable level of provision to minimise the impacts of illegal fly tipping.
32690	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Closing sites is WRONG	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your comments. West Lothian is well provisioned with recycling centres in comparison with other Local Authorities and will maintain a reasonable level of provision to minimise the impacts of illegal fly tipping.
32691	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	As I am disabled I am unable to benefit from the provision of the 6 recycling sites within West Lothian. However I do view these as a valuable resource to the community, not least to that in Linlithgow as Burgh Beautiful have taken over care of many areas previously the responsibility of West Lothian Council and they require reasonable, local access to services. I believe a more sensible approach to closing 3 of the current recycling centres would be to open access to these on a 1:6 basis for one late evening per week and one weekend on such a rota basis.	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your comments. West Lothian is well provisioned with recycling centres in comparison with other Local Authorities and will maintain a reasonable level of provision to minimise the impacts of illegal fly tipping.
32692	An employee of West Lothian Council	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Alteration to opening hours and re-allocation of waste costs to SEPA might make more savings but cost less long term. Employment should not suffer from this action.	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your comments. West Lothian is well provisioned with recycling centres in comparison with other Local Authorities and will maintain a reasonable level of provision to minimise the impacts of illegal fly tipping.
32693	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Closing local recycling centres is not acceptable. We need to make recycling easier, not harder. We also need to prevent fly-tipping. Use of staff time at recycling centres needs review, as the staffing looks pretty inefficient for the work done.	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your comments. West Lothian is well provisioned with recycling centres in comparison with other Local Authorities and will maintain a reasonable level of provision to minimise the impacts of illegal fly tipping.
32694	An employee of West Lothian Council	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	CRC sites should be kept open, but there opening hours/days could be looked at.	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your comments. West Lothian is well provisioned with recycling centres in comparison with other Local Authorities and will maintain a reasonable level of provision to minimise the impacts of illegal fly tipping.
32695	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Closure of sites is a bad idea if they are the only sites within a 5 mile radius of a significant community.	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your comments. West Lothian is well provisioned with recycling centres in comparison with other Local Authorities and will maintain a reasonable level of provision to minimise the impacts of illegal fly tipping.

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32696	An employee of West Lothian Council	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	As for closing recycling sites - sites are already used more as people have smaller bins and take their waste to the sites thus helping keep their areas tidy. If they had further to travel to such sites they may not consider helping in this way.	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Thank you for your comments. West Lothian is well provisioned with recycling centres in comparison with other Local Authorities and will maintain a reasonable level of provision to minimise the impacts of illegal fly tipping.
32697	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	No I don't agree to this a lot of people take things to the recycling sites and if you closed these we would be back to people dumping them at the side of the road.	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your comments. West Lothian is well provisioned with recycling centres in comparison with other Local Authorities and will maintain a reasonable level of provision to minimise the impacts of illegal fly tipping.
32698	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	please don't close broxburn recycling centre you will end up with more fly tipping than it was long ago and have to spend more money cleaning up	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your comments. West Lothian is well provisioned with recycling centres in comparison with other Local Authorities and will maintain a reasonable level of provision to minimise the impacts of illegal fly tipping.
32699	An employee of West Lothian Council	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	If not all sites are being used there is no need for them all to be open.	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your comments. West Lothian is well provisioned with recycling centres in comparison with other Local Authorities and will maintain a reasonable level of provision to minimise the impacts of illegal fly tipping.
32700	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	If you close community recycling sites, less will be recycled - keep them open.	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your comments. West Lothian is well provisioned with recycling centres in comparison with other Local Authorities and will maintain a reasonable level of provision to minimise the impacts of illegal fly tipping.
32701	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Have heard that this includes closing the Linlithgow waste centre which is outrageous- people from this area would have miles to travel. The council has already forced the people of Linlithgow to travel to reach most other council services by closing many council buildings and moving them to Livingston in recent years, This proposal is unacceptable.	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your comments. West Lothian is well provisioned with recycling centres in comparison with other Local Authorities and will maintain a reasonable level of provision to minimise the impacts of illegal fly tipping.
32702	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	removal of 3 recycling sites unreasonable removing accessible option for residents who actively recycle	Waste Services - Community recycling centres	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your comments. West Lothian is well provisioned with recycling centres in comparison with other Local Authorities and will maintain a reasonable level of provision to minimise the impacts of illegal fly tipping.
32703	An employee of West Lothian Council	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	The reduced size black bins are horrible but we are making do and I do not feel there could be any further in recycling. I am NOT in favour of any reduction/changes further to the bin collection timetables.	Waste Services - Household waste collections	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The containers supplied are suitable for the use of the majority of householders who actively participate in recycling services. Thank you for your comments.
32704	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	So many houses seem to have the second black bin that I wonder if this was really a saving or way to reduce waste?	Waste Services - Household waste collections	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	The council is continuing to monitor and remove rogue additional bins.
32705	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	The recycling centre at Addiewell requires enough material to be viable and compost is one thing that can be cheaply recycled and sold. Most other recycling is costing the Council. I do not know how well used the other recycling centres are but Linlithgow is always busy. It encourages us to comply with the law on disposal of lamps and batteries and significantly reduces fly tipping. If it closed you would be getting complaints from Faljirk for us using Boness. A trip to Broxburn is not on. A small charge would be acceptable for brown bins.	Waste Services - Household waste collections	5c. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it is not consistent with the council's values and priorities.	Thank you for your comments. West Lothian is well provisioned with recycling centres in comparison with other Local Authorities and will maintain a reasonable level of provision to minimise the impacts of illegal fly tipping. The council will consider the impacts of potential closures across all of the CRC site to determine the best option from a sustainability perspective.
32706	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Reduce frequency of uplift of recyclable waste? Bulky uplifts have been charged in neighbouring authorities for years.	Waste Services - Household waste collections	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your comments they have been noted.
32707	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Bin collection services and operation of recycle services seem appropriate however the food bin collection could possibly be reduced in the winter months to save money	Waste Services - Household waste collections	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	The food waste collection service is a statutory undertaking and the process at present is for a weekly collection.
32708	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Bin collections are already a nightmare without further changes being introduced.	Waste Services - Household waste collections	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your comments they have been noted.
32709	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	I heard you plan to empty our bins less often? A lot of people are struggling as it is.	Waste Services - Household waste collections	5c. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it is not consistent with the council's values and priorities.	Thank you for your comments they have been noted.

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32710	An employee of West Lothian Council	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Don't agree closing any recycling depots . Will lead to increased fly tipping. Are there to be compulsory redundancies/ where from/ which areas. Is the council looking to privatise as many aspects/ service as possible? Will staff be given ultimatum - take it or leave it. Are we downsizing to statue services only. Savings need to be made on delivering on all the elections - democracy. Saving- payments to officers on the days worked - should be part of the officers involved duties/ roles.	Waste Services - Household waste collections	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your comments. West Lothian is well provisioned with recycling centres in comparison with other Local Authorities and will maintain a reasonable level of provision to minimise the impacts of illegal fly tipping. The council will consider the impacts of potential closures across all of the CRC site to determine the best option from a sustainability perspective.
32711	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	How many weeks will it be between bin collections?	Waste Services - Household waste collections	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	This is not detailed at this stage.
32712	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	How many weeks will it be between bin collections?	Waste Services - Household waste collections	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	This is not detailed at this stage.
32713	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	How many weeks will it be between bin collections?	Waste Services - Household waste collections	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	This is not detailed at this stage.
32714	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	How many weeks will it be between bin collections?	Waste Services - Household waste collections	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	The charges proposed will be set to be proportional to the service delivered and at a level that is affordable and prevents the desire to illegally fly tip material. The proposed charges will enable these non-statutory services to continue operating.
32715	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	How many weeks will it be between bin collections?	Waste Services - Household waste collections	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	The charges proposed will be set to be proportional to the service delivered and at a level that is affordable and prevents the desire to illegally fly tip material. The proposed charges will enable these non-statutory services to continue operating.
32716	An employee of West Lothian Council	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Risky charging for brown bins as the contents may end up in landfill which costs more and affects recycling and diversion rates. Provision of bins should be chargeable to customers (housing and housing associations where they are tenants and owner occupiers in not council houses).	Waste Services - Household waste collections	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Councils who currently charge for Garden Waste collections or who have introduced charges have not reported significant increases in illegal fly tipping as a result. Any changes that do occur will be monitored closely and action taken as appropriate against illegal practices. Charging for containers will be considered along with the protocols and impacts of any potential options considered.
32717	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	It is difficult enough with a family of five adults to ensure all the rubbish is recycled (two large blue bins), the introduction of the small black bins was a joke and I have to make a trip to the recycling site at Oakbank (or others) at least once a week. Any changes NEED to ensure that families are not inconvenienced more.	Waste Services - Household waste collections	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council will consider the needs of families where, despite fully participating in recycling services, additional capacity is required. It is felt that the current capacity and any further proposals are achievable if residents participate fully in the services provided, in line with those undertaken in other Scottish Local Authorities.
32718	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	I think the current recycling system in WL is excellent and it would be a shame to change this. However why does it take 3 men in a small truck to empty the green food waste bins. ! One is enough!	Waste Services - Household waste collections	5d. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it has been previously considered and will not be progressed.	Service performance and standards will be reviewed as a part of the savings measures.
32719	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Disagree also with the black slim bin. West Lothian is one big rubbish dump thanks to your policies on recycling.	Waste Services - Household waste collections	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
32720	An employee of West Lothian Council	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	I don't agree with this, already stretched to the limits in regards to the amount our bins hold	Waste Services - Household waste collections	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
32721	An employee of West Lothian Council	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	if the bin uplifts are to be changed it should be noted that food, nappies and the like will need to be uplifted regularly.	Waste Services - Household waste collections	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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32722	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	I have only praise for our 'bin men'. In @ 2 decades here I can count on the fingers of one hand the instances when they have deviated by any significant amount from the published plan.....usually due to horrendous challenges with the worst winter weather, or grid-lock caused by the worst traffic jam I've ever known in the district. Again beware what you look for in savings here - if it ain't broken, don't fix it!	Waste Services - Household waste collections	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
32723	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Households with young children should be considered for larger bins.	Waste Services - Household waste collections	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
32724	An employee of West Lothian Council	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	I personally believe that the Weekly food waste collections should be scrapped completely, as this service is NOT widely used by West Lothian Residents, & Also, Charge people a fee for Brown Bin Uplifts, as again, these are NOT used by all residents of West Lothian. Fine people who contaminate Blue bins with items that should not be in them I.E Black bags of Refuse, Or food waste, dirty Nappies etc. This Happens Very Frequently, Yet when this is reported to management, nothing happens about it & the council just send another bin lorry to go empty the contaminated bin. What is the point of not enforcing the correct use of the bins? The above measures would certainly save money & also make some money for the council.	Waste Services - Household waste collections	5a. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because the council is required by law to deliver this work.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
32725	An employee of West Lothian Council	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	The weekly food waste service is NOT working or Efficient. Hardly anyone in any given street does the food waste bins, I mean, in contrast to Grey & Blue Bins, The food waste really does not do that much. Personally, I would bin this service. Save quite a bit of money. You tried, It did not work out...That is the way it goes sometimes. Sack it off.	Waste Services - Household waste collections	5a. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because the council is required by law to deliver this work.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
32726	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Do not decrease the frequency of grey bin collection - it would be a health hazard	Waste Services - Household waste collections	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
32727	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	The saving I would like to see is the stopping of the food waste collection service. This service is the lowest of my priorities. It is not used by a significant number of residents.	Waste Services - Household waste collections	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
32728	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	but would like to see kerbside glass recycling.	Waste Services - Household waste collections	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
32729	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	This hints at reduced collection schedules and if that is the case then it should say so. The public and councillors have a right to know if this is what is envisaged.	Waste Services - Household waste collections	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
32730	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Lose the food caddies! They are underused and require specialist pick up lorries.	Waste Services - Household waste collections	5a. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because the council is required by law to deliver this work.	Thank you for your comment. Your response has been noted. This is a statutory requirement.
32731	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	It is a struggle as it is to manage with the bins only being picked up once a fortnight.	Waste Services - Household waste collections	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
32732	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Perhaps to make brown bin collection quicker (and, therefore, cheaper) residents could be asked to place bins at one collection spot in a street or streets to remove need to pass each resident's house.	Waste Services - Household waste collections	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your suggestion this will be considered.
32733	An employee of West Lothian Council	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	I would not like to see the recycling options available to us reduced. Indeed I would welcome a glass recycling bin, even if this was only collected on a monthly basis. I welcomed the introduction of the food waste recycling bins.	Waste Services - Household waste collections	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your suggestion this will be considered.
32734	An employee of West Lothian Council	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	A reduction in waste collection will lead to rubbish piling up with risk of contamination - other areas have already experienced this. People will stop using the brown bin and put this waste into the black bin.	Waste Services - Household waste collections	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
32735	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	I agree with brown bins but others no go as others have no cars or transport	Waste Services - Household waste collections	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
32736	An employee of West Lothian Council	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	If people live in country lanes - they should have to leave their bin at the end of the lane like I see in other authorities.	Waste Services - Household waste collections	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your suggestion this will be considered.
32737	An employee of West Lothian Council	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	I do not believe making further reductions in waste services will be well received by anyone in the community.	Waste Services - Household waste collections	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your comments. The council does not take these decisions lightly which is why we are seeking the publics view on these matters.

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32738	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Recycling definitely needs to be reviewed; too many of our neighbours are putting the wrong things into the different bins. Local school is no better which is worrying; primary children are our future and if they dont get it now they wont get it as adults!! this must add considerably to the costs of collection/recycling.	Waste Services - Household waste collections	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The council will look to improving the service standards to ensure compliance with collections and continue to work with schools to promote environmental matters.
32739	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Make the bins lighter to make it easier for the elderly and disabled to move	Waste Services - Household waste collections	5b. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it is likely that the costs of this proposal would outweigh the benefit.	Thank you for your comments. We are unsure as to how the containers could be made lighter beyond separating out further materials as the container is a given weight to meet strength requirements.
32740	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	I'm all for efficiency however some of this won't work. If you mean a further reduced number of eg black bin collections then please no. Smaller bins then less collection is a recipe for disaster. Some of my neighbours are already stock piling bags.	Waste Services - Refuse collections frequency	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The containers supplied are suitable for the use of the majority of householders who actively participate in recycling services. Thank you for your comments.
32741	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	I'm happy for more efficient arrangements to be made for collections	Waste Services - Refuse collections frequency	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
32742	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	I don't think the residential refuse collection could be any tighter. As a resident, I already struggle with it.	Waste Services - Refuse collections frequency	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
32743	An employee of West Lothian Council	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	It is hard to see how reducing waste collections is a sensible idea	Waste Services - Refuse collections frequency	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
32744	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	If we had larger grey and blue bins the frequency could be reduced to 3 weekly but this will not suit everybody.	Waste Services - Refuse collections frequency	5d. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it has been previously considered and will not be progressed.	3 weekly collections of 240l containers were ruled out when the service moved to 140l containers.
32745	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	3 weekly bin collections - ok. I fear that fly tipping will become a big issue! Costing WLC.	Waste Services - Refuse collections frequency	5b. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it is likely that the costs of this proposal would outweigh the benefit.	Thank you for your comments. The proposals put forward are designed to minimise the potential for illegal fly tipping.
32746	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Brown Bins collections should be made very 5 weeks instead of 4 and why not suspend them from end of November to beginning of March? I am proud of the initiatives for recycling in West Lothian don't destroy it please.	Waste Services - Refuse collections frequency	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your comments they have been noted.
32747	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Reduce black bin uplifts to be monthly	Waste Services - Refuse collections frequency	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your comments they have been noted.
32748	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Improve the efficient use of expensive refuse collection vehicles by using them for 14hrs per day instead of the current 6hrs per day.	Waste Services - Refuse collections frequency	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Proposals will be considered that ensure the vehicle assets are utilised for a larger percentage of the time available during the day.
32749	An employee of West Lothian Council	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Review waste management - other LA have 4 weekly bin collections	Waste Services - Refuse collections frequency	4. The council is already doing this.	The service has already reviewed this when introducing the 140l service.
32750	An employee of West Lothian Council	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	If we had less pick up times then this would cause issues with rotting food etc.	Waste Services - Refuse collections frequency	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
32751	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	As long as the general waste collection doesn't become less frequent than every 2 weeks & the bins don't get even smaller! Occasionally collections are missed so running an even more reduced service would be a mistake.	Waste Services - Refuse collections frequency	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
32752	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	reducing bin emptying in my opinion would result in fly tipping and people simply not maintaining their properties etc with a resultant affect on amenity	Waste Services - Refuse collections frequency	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
32753	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Rubbish will be tipped in the countryside. Waste collection is one of the obvious services of the Council. Reducing this will be highly visible with obvious political effects.	Waste Services - Refuse collections frequency	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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32754	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	No further reductions in bin collections please. Poor enough already and variable if they even turn up.	Waste Services - Refuse collections frequency	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
32755	An employee of West Lothian Council	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Less frequent uplifts may mean an increased need for community recycling sites	Waste Services - Refuse collections frequency	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The service will work to ensure that there is suitable provision of these facilities across West Lothian.
32756	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	It would be more appropriate to reduce the frequency of black bin removals to once a month, with an option to pay for fortnightly uplifts, or to charge for uplift on additional black bins.	Waste Services - Refuse collections frequency	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The service would need to look into the legal implications of the suggestion for what is a statutory service.
32757	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Bins should be collected as normal.	Waste Services - Refuse collections frequency	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
32758	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	I would suggest three weekly collections of bins, and leaving the recycling centres open. No-one in Linlithgow is going to travel over the hills with their rubbish	Waste Services - Refuse collections frequency	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The service will work to improve efficiency and effectiveness of collection services where possible.
32759	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Rubbish needs collected.	Waste Services - Refuse collections frequency	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
32760	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Waste collection is a joke. Tiny bins and we have to use out petrol to go to the dump. Cut the cost here. Can't be much worse	Waste Services - Refuse collections frequency	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
32761	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Keep the current pickups of waste (I've already got bags lying potentially attracting rats as I can't fit them in the new grey bins). Scheduling of routes may be possible.	Waste Services - Refuse collections frequency	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The service will work to improve efficiency and effectiveness of collection services where possible.
32762	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	I understand reason for smaller grey bins was to encourage recycling which is very worthwhile but if the larger grey bins were to be reintroduced could collection be extended to every 3 weeks instead of 2. Also larger blue bin could perhaps mean a 4 weekly collection?	Waste Services - Refuse collections frequency	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The service will work to improve efficiency and effectiveness of collection services where possible.
32763	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	the said council cannot empty communal bins as it is the now which we have to look at totally disgusting	Waste Services - Refuse collections frequency	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
32764	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	However I would object if the regularity of uplifts was changed, eg increased to three weekly instead of fortnightly.	Waste Services - Refuse collections frequency	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your comments, the council will ensure that appropriate measures are taken to deliver the savings required and maintain suitable collections
32765	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Review of refuse collections should take into consideration of the times of day earlier morning and later evenings might reduce congestion around towns at prime times.	Waste Services - Refuse collections frequency	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your comments. The efficiency of routing is an area that will be considered.
32766	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Please no more cuts of bin pickups.	Waste Services - Refuse collections frequency	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
32767	An employee of West Lothian Council	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Consideration should be given to collecting bins at entrance to long roads to prevent bin lorries travelling long distances to collect a small amount of bins	Waste Services - resources (routes, vehicles and staff)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your comments the service will be considering the impacts and saving that could be generated from road end collections.
32768	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Happy with route rescheduling etc	Waste Services - resources (routes, vehicles and staff)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
32769	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Agree with rescheduling of routes	Waste Services - resources (routes, vehicles and staff)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
32770	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Bucket men reduced and paid less.	Waste Services - resources (routes, vehicles and staff)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
32771	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Stop OT to workers no one else gets it!	Waste Services - resources (routes, vehicles and staff)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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32772	No Response	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Look at the bin collection services. Lorries always seem to be stopped and personnel having a "break"	Waste Services - resources (routes, vehicles and staff)	4. The council is already doing this.	Thank you for your comments they have been noted. The service will continue to seek to improve efficiency where possible.
32773	An employee of West Lothian Council	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Waste collection services have already been revised as have routes, is there really more to be gained other than inconvenience to customers and a reduction in a necessary service	Waste Services - resources (routes, vehicles and staff)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Proposals will be considered that ensure the vehicle assets are utilised for a larger percentage of the time available during the day.
32774	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Lots of inefficiency in this area. Binmen parked up all over and poorly managed.	Waste Services - resources (routes, vehicles and staff)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
32775	An employee of West Lothian Council	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	A new Shift patterns could be a good saving options, by having two shift per day or longer shift WLC could save some vehicles. A shift per day could be commercial waste, but this should be charge accordingly to ensure that WLC achieve a small reasonable profit.	Waste Services - resources (routes, vehicles and staff)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
32776	An employee of West Lothian Council	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	New service standards should give powers to Waste Services for not going back for contaminated bins and remove recycling bins when these are contaminated more than 3 or 4 times. Contamination is costing this council few 100K per year in disposal cost plus the extra collection cost of sending a lorry at the end of the day to empty contaminated blue bins. Council should have a strong policy on contamination and should invest of staff to spot checking and visiting offenders.	Waste Services - resources (routes, vehicles and staff)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
32777	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	The waste services have been doing a particularly good job recently. Is there scope for not collecting household waste over statutory holidays?	Waste Services - resources (routes, vehicles and staff)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The service is designed to minimise any instance of this but in some cases it is required to meet current service standard but these will be reviewed
32778	An employee of West Lothian Council	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Falkirk Council now collect normal waste 4 weekly and it has been fine, it encourages people to better recycle.	Waste Services - resources (routes, vehicles and staff)	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	We already offer 70l per week capacity, the 4 weekly service is comparable at 60l per week.
32779	An employee of West Lothian Council	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Make the collectors work to their finish time. An hour a day at Deans for all of them would mean no less missed bins - send them back out! Nobody now has a job n finish	Waste Services - resources (routes, vehicles and staff)	4. The council is already doing this.	Any proposed changes will carefully consider potential impact prior to implementation
32780	An employee of West Lothian Council	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Partially agree - Not enough info on schedule of routes/working arrangements - if this means that periods between bin collections are increased then I disagree.	Waste Services - resources (routes, vehicles and staff)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Any proposed changes will carefully consider potential impact prior to implementation
32781	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Look at the level of SICKNESS bin lorries lined up by mid-day.	Waste Services - resources (routes, vehicles and staff)	4. The council is already doing this.	Any proposed changes will carefully consider potential impact prior to implementation
32782	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Environmental wardens do no represent good value for money as fines do not cover they wage they earn. Maybe they should focus more on educating the public	Waste Services - resources (routes, vehicles and staff)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Any proposed changes will carefully consider potential impact prior to implementation
32783	An employee of West Lothian Council	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	More is needed to promote recycling.	Waste Services - resources (routes, vehicles and staff)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Any proposed changes will carefully consider potential impact prior to implementation
32784	An employee of West Lothian Council	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Employ staff on a 7 day working week to reduce overtime costs and increase utilisation of bin lorries.	Waste Services - resources (routes, vehicles and staff)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council and the service will continue to seek ways to improve the efficiency and effectiveness of collection crews, their vehicles and routes.
32785	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Scheduling of routes - the council already optimise routes, what further savings are proposed.	Waste Services - resources (routes, vehicles and staff)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
32786	An employee of West Lothian Council	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Route efficiency considerations are logical, including the review of any weekend working. Charges for bulky uplifts that benefit individuals makes perfect sense.	Waste Services - resources (routes, vehicles and staff)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council and the service will continue to seek ways to improve the efficiency and effectiveness of collection crews, their vehicles and routes.
32787	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	do agree to other proposals above.	Waste Services - resources (routes, vehicles and staff)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
32788	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	1. Agree with revising models, routes and working arrangements.	Waste Services - resources (routes, vehicles and staff)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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32789	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	I think they need to look at waste department the amount of bin men is unreal and not doing very much they park up in area when they are finished so people can't see them. This is the areas Managers should be looking at	Waste Services - resources (routes, vehicles and staff)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council and the service will continue to seek ways to improve the efficiency and effectiveness of collection crews, their vehicles and routes.
32790	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	I think they need to look at the amount of staff on the waste department . I also think they need to take away the vehicles that they bring home what do they need this ? on call I don't think so they can pick up the van in the morning to go from site to site especially with the amount of money they have spend on the new offices at Blackburn	Waste Services - resources (routes, vehicles and staff)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council and the service will continue to seek ways to improve the efficiency and effectiveness of collection crews, their vehicles and routes.
32791	An employee of West Lothian Council	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Overtime and paid weekend work at a supplementary rate could be reduced.	Waste Services - resources (routes, vehicles and staff)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your comments, the council will ensure that appropriate measures are taken to deliver the savings required and maintain suitable collections
32792	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Routes and working arrangements - agree However the other changes would discourage responsible waste disposal and lead to increased fly tipping etc.	Waste Services - resources (routes, vehicles and staff)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your comments. The efficiency of routing is an area that will be considered.
32793	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Rescheduling of routes should definitely happen. The bin lorries are in the same town on at least 3 separate days!!!!	Waste Services - resources (routes, vehicles and staff)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your comments. The efficiency of routing is an area that will be considered.
32794	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	I would make savings by investing in a waste incinerator as in Netherlands this provides domestic heating for almost all of Amsterdam. Requires importing of waste from other areas generating income. West Lothian has lots of land suitable for a similar project. It would reduce waste management costs and generate income!	Waste Services (general)	5b. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it is likely that the costs of this proposal would outweigh the benefit.	The council are committed to providing recycling solutions to achieve the government's zero waste targets. A new facility is due to open at Whitehill Service Centre in 2018.
32795	No Response	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Care should be taken to ensure that proposals do not increase fly-tipping and the cost implications of increased enforcement necessary should be considered as part of the proposals. Has consideration been given to selling garden waste as a fuel source for energy use through anaerobic digestion rather than charging tenants?	Waste Services (general)	5b. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it is likely that the costs of this proposal would outweigh the benefit.	The options being looked at are designed to minimise the potential impact of illegal fly tipping where possible.
32796	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	It is also important to clear rubbish from roadside verges. Local community clear up initiatives can be carried out but not on small rural roads where traffic makes this too dangerous. Examples are roads leading out of Linlithgow from manage road and Preston road. These roads are constantly plagued by rubbish and fly tipping. Rubbish encourages more to rubbish to be dumped.	Waste Services (general)	5b. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it is likely that the costs of this proposal would outweigh the benefit.	The options being looked at are designed to minimise the potential impact of illegal fly tipping where possible.
32797	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	I will seriously consider having my grey and brown bins collected by a private waste disposal company and will expect a reduction in my Community Council Charge.	Waste Services (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
32798	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Presumably the savings suggested takes into consideration the additional amount needed for clearing up from fly tipping? These side effects have already been seen in English councils. Has the environmental impact been calculated on the additional transport?	Waste Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The options being looked at are designed to minimise the potential impact of illegal fly tipping where possible.
32799	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Action needs to be taken against fly tipping.	Waste Services (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The options being looked at are designed to minimise the potential impact of illegal fly tipping where possible.
32800	An employee of West Lothian Council	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Could lead to a lot of fly tipping	Waste Services (general)	5b. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it is likely that the costs of this proposal would outweigh the benefit.	The options being looked at are designed to minimise the potential impact of illegal fly tipping where possible.
32801	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Why does this local authority not sell recycled material to commercial companies. it appears we have to pay for timber, cardboard, electricals and green waste to be collected, but these companies generate income from what is sold to them. How much do we pay for companies take this material away and make a profit from?	Waste Services (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	We already sell commodities on the market where possible.
32802	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Why have you been wasting so much of our money up to this point?	Waste Services (general)	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Not relevant as just a wide question.
32803	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Any reduction in waste services would encourage fly tipping etc etc together with inappropriate material being placed in landfill bins thus increasing the Council's landfill tax.	Waste Services (general)	5b. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it is likely that the costs of this proposal would outweigh the benefit.	The options being looked at are designed to minimise the potential impact of illegal fly tipping where possible.
32804	An employee of West Lothian Council	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	This will also have a negative impact on other parts of the council i.e. it will result in further complaints to housing offices and this will mean that housing will have to pick up the costs	Waste Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your comments. The proposals put forward will be worked on to ensure minimal impact to other services and the public whilst maintaining statutory provision.

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32805	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Not acceptable, this will just promote fly tipping across West Lothian. This is a very bad idea.	Waste Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your comments. The proposals put forward will be worked on to ensure minimal impact to other services and the public whilst maintaining statutory provision.
32806	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	I thought we were trying to do our bit for the environment, not encourage fly tipping?	Waste Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your comments. The proposals put forward will be worked on to ensure minimal impact to other services and the public whilst maintaining statutory provision.
32807	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Charge for overuse of black bins.	Waste Services (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The collection of landfill waste is a statutory requirement with no redress for charging at this stage.
32808	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	I do not agree with changes in waste services, this will increase fly tipping and illegal dumping. This is a backwards step	Waste Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your comments. The proposals put forward will be worked on to ensure minimal impact to other services and the public whilst maintaining statutory provision.
32809	An employee of West Lothian Council	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	By introducing charges or fewer collections will increase fly tipping and more rubbish/vermin in the streets - cleanliness is not something that can be scrimped on.	Waste Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your comments. The proposals put forward will be worked on to ensure minimal impact to other services and the public whilst maintaining statutory provision.
32810	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Closing recycling sites and reducing waste collection uplifts would cause fly tipping and would make West Lothian a messy and dirty place to live.	Waste Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your comments. The proposals put forward will be worked on to ensure minimal impact to other services and the public whilst maintaining statutory provision.
32811	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	It needs to be easy or the knock on effect with be fly tipping!	Waste Services (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your comments. The proposals put forward will be worked on to ensure minimal impact to other services and the public whilst maintaining statutory provision.
32812	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	You will end up spending more picking up items that have been fly tipped!	Waste Services (general)	5b. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it is likely that the costs of this proposal would outweigh the benefit.	Thank you for your comments. The proposals put forward will be worked on to ensure minimal impact to other services and the public whilst maintaining statutory provision.
32813	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	As above - lets have a root and branch review of the service and delivery. It isn't necessary to increase costs when efficiencies can be identified. A business approach is what is needed to ensure the correct spending on items needed is controlled.	Waste Services (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	The council is undertaking this as a part of the TYC process.
32814	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Whilst this would be an inconvenience this is preferable to md than making cuts that may have a higher direct negative impact on people's well-being eg education, health, and care	Waste Services (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your comments. The proposals put forward will be worked on to ensure minimal impact to other services and the public whilst maintaining statutory provision.
32815	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Not ideal but better than other proposals	Waste Services (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your comments. The proposals put forward will be worked on to ensure minimal impact to other services and the public whilst maintaining statutory provision.
32816	An employee of West Lothian Council	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Depending on savings. there does need to be provision for the public to dispose of anything they have even if there is a cost. need to keep cost reasonable or it could lead to more fly tipping which would cost the Council more to lift. Look at enforcement for waste people put out and leave next to the bin. Record side waste and then visit resident as it may be an educational issue with waste needing to check bins to ensure residents are recycling correctly. If individuals continue and warnings issued then fixed penalty notices may be required. Would need legal input as well as fiscals office as no point in issuing penalty notices if support not in place.	Waste Services (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your comments. The proposals put forward will be worked on to ensure minimal impact to other services and the public whilst maintaining statutory provision. The legal side of issuing fixed penalty notices is being addressed nationally as a part of the review of environmental legislation.
32817	An employee of West Lothian Council	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Need to look at providing minimum statutory requirements and look at how the community could provide some of these services as it will have an impact on individuals.	Waste Services (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your comments. The proposals put forward will be worked on to ensure minimal impact to other services and the public whilst maintaining statutory provision.
32818	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Fly tipping could become a problem if you do this.	Waste Services (general)	5b. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it is likely that the costs of this proposal would outweigh the benefit.	Thank you for your comments. The proposals put forward will be worked on to ensure minimal impact to other services and the public whilst maintaining statutory provision.
32819	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Waste collection cannot be compromised by the changes, as dumping in public places may increase.	Waste Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your comments. The proposals put forward will be worked on to ensure minimal impact to other services and the public whilst maintaining statutory provision.

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32820	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	I disagree with all of the above. There will be a dramatic increase in fly-tipping, which in turn will simply cost WLC more in resolution of the resultant issues. Recycling targets will not be met. River courses will again become the dumping ground for many. Out the window goes all the work you have done to date on Flood Planning!	Waste Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your comments. The proposals put forward will be worked on to ensure minimal impact to other services and the public whilst maintaining statutory provision.
32821	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	I do not agree with this. These are services that must be provided to Council Tax payers. I do not consider that I receive value for my Council Tax, without making matters worse. Council management must bring about year-on-year productivity improvements, as any other large organisation must do. There is great scope for this.	Waste Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your comments. The proposals put forward will be worked on to ensure minimal impact to other services and the public whilst maintaining statutory provision.
32822	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	I know that it is a bit radical but this works in other countries: Remove wheelie bins completely from households. Instead have large, communal bins/skips in every street where local householders can deposit their refuse. This can also aid recycling, as these communal collection points could have bins for each category/item. Old or disabled people can be helped out by their neighbours to carry their refuse the few yards to these collection points. Simple and efficient but can you imagine the outcry from our lazy, pampered citizens?!	Waste Services (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your comments, they have been noted and put to the service for consideration.
32823	An employee of West Lothian Council	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Work collaboratively with other councils to streamline management/staffing structures	Waste Services (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	Thank you for your comments, they have been noted and put to the service for consideration.
32824	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	This is the most important issue for me. Any reduction in service would be a disaster. We have a clean place to live. This is important for health, well-being and pride in the community. I have lived in several other authorities and everything is dirtier and rubbish and fly tipping is a problem. Reducing this aspect of the council service is the worst thing you can do because people are not able to do it for you - if there is fly tipping because the tips are closed people will fly tip more and then people lose heart and give up and moan and get depressed. This is a key difference between us and developing countries ... rubbish do not reduce this service it will affect the poorest in society and all levels of society from small children to old people. Bin men and women - tips etc are key council services and make the difference between a healthy environment and a poor quality environment and it shows people that the council cares.	Waste Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your comments. The proposals put forward will be worked on to ensure minimal impact to other services and the public whilst maintaining statutory provision.
32825	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Has an equality impact assessment been carried out for each of the budget proposals? It is essential that this is done at the earliest opportunity in order to assess what the impact will be on those in the protected characteristics groups and those already experiencing disadvantage.	Waste Services (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	An full EQiA, where required, will be carried out for any proposal put forward prior to acceptance and implementation.
32826	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	The waste management in west Lothian has been for a number of years farcical. The over pricing of this service and miss management to meet recycling targets. Perhaps if the council had a more effective strategy then it would not so over budget. Like the stupid bin reduction in size who ever thought that one up should be sacked for incompetence.	Waste Services (general)	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
32827	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	All no 7 section will result in poorer services for everyone. It is a pity you weren't as drastic with the cuts in other services as you propose in this one. It is a high profile service which everyone has been encouraged to use	Waste Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
32828	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Some smaller bins doesn't help although it does encourage more recycling which is a good thing, Now we are here there will be a charge for the brown bins bulky uplifts and closure of the recycling centre. these were essential for the smaller ins to work where we recycle now?	Waste Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Charges will be set to ensure that access to services are maintained and these non-statutory services can continue to be offered. The charges are only for those who wish to use the services.
32829	An employee of West Lothian Council	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Remove automatic toilets as they do not reflect value for money.	Waste Services (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	The council cannot do this until the current contract ends.
32830	No Response	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	In addition it is proposed that the food waste is included with green waste. Hygienic?	Waste Services (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	This is not part of the proposals.
32831	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	I have fairly large and well stocked garden whose plants and trees help to clean our already polluted air. I have several compost heaps but I still need to visit the amenity site with uncompostable items. I also make good use of the brown bin scheme and have recently acquired a second but to my dismay I hear I may be charged for use of these. Why and How? Will I be charged for having 2 despite the fact I already pay a higher local taxes for having a slightly larger home. Will I receive a rebate for the help my garden gives in cleaning Linlithgows air or would you like me to concrete over my own garden, as many people might do, cutting down the need for recycling of waste but filling our sewers with extra run off water when it rains?	Waste Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The charges proposed will be set to be proportional to the service delivered and at a level that is affordable and prevents the desire to illegally fly tip material. The proposed charges will enable these non-statutory services to continue operating. There is no method of redress for the matters which you have raised.

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32832	An employee of West Lothian Council	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Some employees still refuse to recycle at work. Why? Its not hard. Nede to do more	Waste Services (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your comments, the service will continue to work on behaviour change activities.
32833	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	I wouldn't of changed the grey bins to the small ones I would have changed it to once a month collection.	Waste Services (general)	5d. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it has been previously considered and will not be progressed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
32834	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Could the Council not engage more with the beneficiaries of Council services. One trivial example- why does the Council have to provide staff to put out the wheelie bins of perfectly able-bodied Council tenants (the elderly and disabled are a different story). Could tenants not be asked to do this themselves?	Waste Services (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your comments, the service will continue to work on reviewing efficiencies.
32835	An employee of West Lothian Council	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	This would be in line with other councils who have already implemented these strategies.	Waste Services (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has benchmarked and worked with other Local Authorities to ensure that proposals are operationally viable.
32836	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	More changes to the bins. Why done't they focus on collecting bins when they are meant to be collected. IETM've had my bin missed along with the rest of the street 4 times in the last 3 months. Shambles! Pay for getting your bin missed, I think not!	Waste Services (general)	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	The council has benchmarked and worked with other Local Authorities to ensure that proposals are operationally viable and that can be performance managed within new Service Standards.
32837	An employee of West Lothian Council	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	It is not clear enough what is being proposed here to comment. Concerns over rubbish lying too long and for fly tipping to increase.	Waste Services (general)	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Further detail will be forthcoming when formal proposals are put forward by members in setting the council budget. Where compliance with recycling services is adhered to there will be no need for rubbish to lie too long or for fly tipping to increase.
32838	An employee of West Lothian Council	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	It is good to see the current improvements over the last two years.	Waste Services (general)	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Thank you for your comments, we will continue to seek to improve our services regardless of the proposals selected.
32839	An employee of West Lothian Council	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Any savings that can be made through a review of these services it to be welcomed.	Waste Services (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your comments, we will continue to seek to improve our services regardless of the proposals selected.
32840	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	The bin service in WLC is run by a bunch of workshy lazy sods. If you don't believe that see how long they spend in Greggs in Ladywell. Put this out to tender	Waste Services (general)	5c. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it is not consistent with the council's values and priorities.	Thank you for your comments, we will continue to seek to improve our services regardless of the proposals selected.
32841	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Focus needs to be put onto fly tippers and households who do not deal with their own waste at the moment. The area is already suffering , this proposal will cause even more chaos	Waste Services (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Councils who currently charge for Garden Waste & Bulky collections or who have introduced charges have not reported significant increases in illegal fly tipping or transfer to the landfill bin as a result. Any changes that do occur will be monitored closely and action taken as appropriate against illegal practices or material finding its way to landfill.
32842	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	As long as no jobs lost	Waste Services (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your comments, proposals have been put forward to improve effectiveness and efficiency with the minimal impact possible on the community or the workforce.
32843	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Waste services do a fine job and I would not welcome a reduction in standards or provision.	Waste Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your comments, we will continue to seek to improve our services regardless of the proposals selected.
32844	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	I would consider that there might be an increase in fly tipping with a detrimental impact on the environment.	Waste Services (general)	5b. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it is likely that the costs of this proposal would outweigh the benefit.	Councils who currently charge for Garden Waste & Bulky collections or who have introduced charges have not reported significant increases in illegal fly tipping or transfer to the landfill bin as a result. Any changes that do occur will be monitored closely and action taken as appropriate against illegal practices or material finding its way to landfill.

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32845	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	heavy fines or prison , to all those caught damaging , graffiti,,, dumping or fly tipping,, name and shame in the community	Waste Services (general)	5a. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because the council is required by law to deliver this work.	The Council works within Scottish Government legislation with regard to issue of fines and penalties.
32846	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	waste has already changed with the introduction of smaller grey bins,,, too encourage more recycling i think,,, to take away the free brown bin uplift and the community recycling centres would be a step in the wrong direction,,, dumping fly tipping would increase ,, environmental issues here!!	Waste Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
32847	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Please leave waste management alone, the small black bins are a disaster for anyone with more than four people in their household. Even though we recycle and use our food bins, we still need to make a trip to the local dump at least once a fortnight	Waste Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
32848	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Have communal brown bins for streets instead of one per house	Waste Services (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
32849	An employee of West Lothian Council	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	It would be unfair to charge for a brown bin, people will just dump their garden waste.	Waste Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Any proposed changes will carefully consider potential impact prior to implementation
32850	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Increase in fly tipping	Waste Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
32851	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Any reductions in bin collections or increased costs of collections will only result in increased dumping. This is not helpful to a community where tourists provide a large revenue stream for the town. Also it is essential that collections be maintained for reasons of health and welfare. The quality of the environment cannot be maintained if charges are introduced for brown bin collections.	Waste Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Any proposed changes will carefully consider potential impact prior to implementation
32852	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Why is a consultation needed for you to be given permission be more efficient?	Waste Services (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
32853	An employee of West Lothian Council	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	These suggestions may lead to a greater amount of fly tipping.	Waste Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Any proposed changes will carefully consider potential impact prior to implementation
32854	An employee of West Lothian Council	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	The proposal to charge for bulky uplifts and closure of 3 recycling sites will mean a higher instance of fly tipping and dumping of rubbish than we already see. I already have issues in this area in my neighbourhood	Waste Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Any proposed changes will carefully consider potential impact prior to implementation
32855	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Charging for Bulky Uplifts and Brown Bins along with the closure of community recycling sites is an utterly ridiculous concept, and one that if introduced would see me stop paying my council tax as it is services like these that my money is supposed to pay for each month A combination of these three things is without question going to lead to an increase in fly tipping, and garden waste being disposed within the Blue and Black bins	Waste Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Any proposed changes will carefully consider potential impact prior to implementation
32856	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	What is being done to promote reuse of items. What about promotion of the Freecycling scheme.	Waste Services (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The direction towards reuse and reduction will be promoted both internally and externally.
32857	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Offer to deliver households compost bins instead of brown bins/green buckets. I'd like one. No idea where I'd buy it.	Waste Services (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The direction towards reuse and reduction will be promoted both internally and externally.
32858	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	People should be instructed not to put there bin out if they anticipate it will not fill up prior to next collection. The idea that we empty the bin off a single person every two weeks even if its just some whiskas tins and a half pint of milk seems inefficient. Potential savings, even with the inevitable complaints. Also, bins should not be replaced multiple times to same people without charge or at least some questions asked.	Waste Services (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
32859	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Cut allocation of new bins and don't lift empty bins	Waste Services (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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32860	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	The suggestion I have to help save the Council Money is. I found something advertised on TV, which could be handy for the Council, the Item is called a Zera Food Recycler from Whirlpool which requires a Coconut Husk Based Accelerator, which could be put into each of the Kitchens within the building in the Civic Centre, which turns discarded food waste into Fertilizer within 24 hours. This Fertilizer could be collected on a Daily Basis, when the cleaning staff change the bin bags. Then the Fertilizer could be bagged and sold off to, surrounding Community Farmers or Garden Companies by pallet loads. If successful this could also be brought into the Council Waste Management Depot and Schools and an industrial version could be installed, to help reduce the £73 Million worth of cuts, that are to be implemented over the next 5 years or beyond.	Waste Services (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your comment. Your response has been noted. This technology is in its infancy in the USA and we will watch developments as they progress.
32861	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	The suggestion I have to help save the Council Money is. I found something advertised on TV, which could be handy for the Council, the Item is called a Zera Food Recycler from Whirlpool which requires a Coconut Husk Based Accelerator, which could be put into each of the Kitchens within the building in the Civic Centre, which turns discarded food waste into Fertilizer within 24 hours. This Fertilizer could be collected on a Daily Basis, when the cleaning staff change the bin bags. Then the Fertilizer could be bagged and sold off to, surrounding Community Farmers or Garden Companies by pallet loads. If successful this could also be brought into the Council Waste Management Depot and Schools and an industrial version could be installed, to help reduce the £73 Million worth of cuts, that are to be implemented over the next 5 years or beyond.	Waste Services (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your comment. Your response has been noted. This technology is in its infancy in the USA and we will watch developments as they progress.
32862	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Any changes in this area increase the chances of fly tipping, dumping, overflowing bins, and potentially less recycling to the detriment of the environment. The reduction in community recycling sites seems surprising as they seem well used, and to digress, have very helpful and approachable staff. If residents have to travel further to a centre they may simply dump elsewhere.	Waste Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Any proposed changes will carefully consider potential impact prior to implementation
32863	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	happy with this although may increase fly tipping	Waste Services (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Any proposed changes will carefully consider potential impact prior to implementation
32864	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Strongly disagree, this would lead to fly tipping.	Waste Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Any proposed changes will carefully consider potential impact prior to implementation
32865	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Risk of fly tipping. Will it outweigh the savings.	Waste Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Any proposed changes will carefully consider potential impact prior to implementation
32866	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	This is an essential service and as a family of 4 we already struggle to fit are waste into the bins allocated! The question to raise council tax and charge for bulk waste uplifts would not be taken well by family household. I would question why a household of two people require the same size of bins as a family of four. Maybe this should be looked at rather than discriminating against families.	Waste Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	A varied size of bins would make collection and issue difficulty to manage. The bin sizes issues at present should suffice for a family of 4.
32867	An employee of West Lothian Council	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Offering residents free compost bins to make their own compost in their gardens would reduce the demand for brown bin emptying and reduce the amount going into green food recycling bins. Furthermore, some colleagues in the Civic Centre can't even get their recyclables in the correct bins! Very annoying - if council staff aren't on board with recycling - how can we expect residents to be?	Waste Services (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The direction towards reuse and reduction will be promoted both internally and externally.
32868	An employee of West Lothian Council	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	We should look at ways to punish people who do not present recycling bins, but stopping brown bin collection is not a good idea.	Waste Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
32869	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Further reduction in cleansing risks more dumping/tipping may ultimately be more expensive.	Waste Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Any proposed changes will carefully consider potential impact prior to implementation
32870	An employee of West Lothian Council	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Waste collection is already in a worrying situation and I think changes to this would only sour the council's name with locals.	Waste Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Any proposed changes will carefully consider potential impact prior to implementation
32871	An employee of West Lothian Council	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	The council would need to manage customers expectations and spend time educating the customers. Concern re fly tipping / build up of rubbish/ vermin - needs to be clear plan in place to tackle such issues	Waste Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Any proposed changes will carefully consider potential impact prior to implementation

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32872	No Response	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	All that will happen is that people start using their grey/black bins for this waste instead. What's the point in that? These bins were introduced for a reason, and not too many people appreciated the change but have now become accustomed to it so don't start penalising people for actually using them!	Waste Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Any proposed changes will carefully consider potential impact prior to implementation
32873	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	I do not support this proposal this could encourage fly tipping etc	Waste Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Any proposed changes will carefully consider potential impact prior to implementation
32874	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Would need some supportive statistics to make an informed judgement. But people should be more responsible for their own waste products. The same few people cause most of the problems	Waste Services (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Any proposed changes will carefully consider potential impact prior to implementation
32875	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	This will mean more fly tipping	Waste Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Any proposed changes will carefully consider potential impact prior to implementation
32876	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Get the supermarkets to host recycling bins - everyone goes - take your rubbish - buy some more??	Waste Services (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Any proposed changes will carefully consider potential impact prior to implementation
32877	An employee of West Lothian Council	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Terrible thought. Fly tipping will be worse. More germs.	Waste Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Any proposed changes will carefully consider potential impact prior to implementation
32878	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Cut the number of managers in the service and get more workers	Waste Services (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Any proposed changes will carefully consider potential impact prior to implementation
32879	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Totally disagree with this section. This is a recipe for widespread fly-tipping.	Waste Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Any proposed changes will carefully consider potential impact prior to implementation
32880	An employee of West Lothian Council	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	My concern would be that imposing charges, increasing charges etc. would result in damage to the environment with an increase in fly tipping etc. However, looking at the potential estimated saving, I support this proposal.	Waste Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Any proposed changes will carefully consider potential impact prior to implementation
32881	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	I would be happy to see recycling encouraged and improved. Prisoners should be used to ensure that all waste that goes into landfill is actually landfill.	Waste Services (general)	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	Any proposed changes will carefully consider potential impact prior to implementation
32882	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Recycling has never been implemented in schools properly. Lots of money wasted on different bins but all the waste going in one bin at the end of the day. We can look forward to even more fly tipping.	Waste Services (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Any proposed changes will carefully consider potential impact prior to implementation
32883	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	We currently have great arrangements for uplift of recycling (blue bins), brown bins (garden waste) AND we have local recycling centres in many West Lothian towns. As a result we put less material into landfill!	Waste Services (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Any proposed changes will carefully consider potential impact prior to implementation
32884	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	I would love a bin for glass as this would reduce landfill even more ... Glasgow council have purple bins for glass collection	Waste Services (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Any proposed changes will carefully consider potential impact prior to implementation
32885	An employee of West Lothian Council	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	This would be challenging and may lead to more fly tipping.. I have 3 brown bins due to my large outdoor space therefore wouldn't be happy to pay more for waste collection.	Waste Services (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Any proposed changes will carefully consider potential impact prior to implementation
32886	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	If the black bins had not been reduced to improve recycling then collections could have been spaced further apart but with a small bin it is unreasonable to expect this to work. There will be an increase in fly tipping if brown bins are charged for	Waste Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Any proposed changes will carefully consider potential impact prior to implementation
32887	An employee of West Lothian Council	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	The whole point of these waste ideas are for better recycling and friendlier to the environment is it not. If waste is effected. Would that not make over filling of bins a problem in such small bins.	Waste Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Any proposed changes will carefully consider potential impact prior to implementation
32888	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	THIS IS AN AREA THAT NEEDS REGULAR REVIEW	Waste Services (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	Any proposed changes will carefully consider potential impact prior to implementation

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32889	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	It seems that councils introduce schemes and then find that they have underestimated costs and the public are then held responsible for the upkeep.	Waste Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Any proposed changes will carefully consider potential impact prior to implementation
32890	An employee of West Lothian Council	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Outdoor recycling bins should be provided in School playgrounds.	Waste Services (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Any proposed changes will carefully consider potential impact prior to implementation
32891	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	More recycling points for glass should be created.	Waste Services (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Any proposed changes will carefully consider potential impact prior to implementation
32892	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	This is the worst idea since you thought thinner bins were a good idea. If we have small bins and people are encouraged to recycle but the bin is full and the local recycling centre is not local then where do you think the rubbish will end up? Dumped somewhere then who cleans this up? the council this will not save you money just move where it is spent. It is already stupid that the recycling centre is only open till 5pm from September onwards	Waste Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Any proposed changes will carefully consider potential impact prior to implementation
32893	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	How would brown bin charging work? Does this penalise those of use who rely on it and don't have space to compost? Can we still take green stuff to recycling site? Do you wish to increase the carbon footprint by making people travel to recycling points? To me this sections seems to be undoing all the good progress we have made in this area. I can see that you could site paper, glass and plastic locally but what about the other options that are currently available. Again will bulky uplifts increase fly tipping what about charging for the second request and there after? Should people be asked to contribute rather than have to pay?	Waste Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Any proposed changes will carefully consider potential impact prior to implementation
32894	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Recycling is good must encourage. Fine people if they don't use it properly	Waste Services (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Any proposed changes will carefully consider potential impact prior to implementation
32895	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	The Council should overview their waste strategy to make it sustainable and reduce unnecessary costs to the tax payers	Waste Services (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Any proposed changes will carefully consider potential impact prior to implementation
32896	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	This must not change. It is excellent. Cuts in services would mean more Fly tipping. More money no change. West Lothian is excellent here.s	Waste Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Fly tipping has not be noted as a significant impact following the implementation of the changes proposed.
32897	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	The streets are filthy at times- chewing gum carry out bottles etc. More action is needed here to make the community responsible and accountable. It's not the schools responsibilities	Waste Services (general)	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
32898	An employee of West Lothian Council	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Not sure about this - i think this will increase Fly tipping at an additional cost	Waste Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Fly tipping has not be noted as a significant impact following the implementation of the changes proposed.
32899	An employee of West Lothian Council	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	I think it's good to encourage less waste, but something needs to be done higher up to change the amounts of packaging we have in the first place. That way people wouldn't need to throw away so much.	Waste Services (general)	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	This is a national issue that the council is supportive of and actively works to encourage the Scottish Government to adopt the Polluter Pays Principle.
32900	An employee of West Lothian Council	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Charging for bulky uplifts and brown bins is really annoying. As a West Lothian resident who pays over £200 per month council tax I don't agree. I get little enough	Waste Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The provision of brown bin collections and bulky uplifts are non-statutory services as such the council fund used to provide this service may be deemed as being needed in other services with higher priorities for our community.
32901	An employee of West Lothian Council	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Remove non charging for charities for trade waste.	Waste Services (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
32902	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	These proposed changes could potentially increase the instances of Fly tipping. Customers may be less willing to drive further to use recycling sites. This may also increase the risk of pests such as rats.	Waste Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Fly tipping has not be noted as a significant impact following the implementation of the changes proposed.
32903	An employee of West Lothian Council	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Charging for bin collections will increase the demand for recycling sites therefore care needs to be taken as to the closing of sites so that fly tipping does not become an issue. I don't feel that fly tipping is an issue in West Lothian currently but need to make sure it doesn't become one.	Waste Services (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The charge levied for collections would be reasonable to ensure the impact of fly tipping would be minimal.

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32904	An employee of West Lothian Council	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Charges for bulky uplifts and closure of recycling sites will likely increase difficulties for the public to actively use the recycling sites left available or use the bulky uplift service and could increase potential for unofficial 'dumping' and increase council costs to clean up. Been here before.	Waste Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Fly tipping has not be noted as a significant impact following the implementation of the changes proposed.
32905	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	The Council seems intent upon withdrawing (or charging for) essential services. Isn't West Lothian filthy enough already without the need to encourage further Fly tipping? Look around the town and villages of the county and there are already plenty of examples of unkempt gardens; now you appear keen to discourage as many citizens as possible from keeping their gardens tidy. This will have a detrimental effect on the local environment, residents' living conditions and health. Gardening is an excellent form of exercise which you seem keen to discourage.	Waste Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Fly tipping has not be noted as a significant impact following the implementation of the changes proposed.
32906	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Folk managed without brown bins before the Council introduced them.... Use the money saved to provide better recycling facilities for people who only have grey bins.	Waste Services (general)	5b. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it is likely that the costs of this proposal would outweigh the benefit.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
32907	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	This may cause inconvenience for some people.	Waste Services (general)	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
32908	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Recipe for disaster as Fly tipping and associated costs would occur	Waste Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Fly tipping has not be noted as a significant impact following the implementation of the changes proposed.
32909	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	I think there has been an increase in the amount that can be recycled now but there is still so much more that could be if we had the facilities to do so. I think this is very important for the environment.	Waste Services (general)	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
32910	An employee of West Lothian Council	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Bulky uplifts are poor on waiting period and jobs the refuse guys used to do years ago are now getting done by householders, the services we pay for are constantly getting done less	Waste Services (general)	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
32911	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	The food caddy collection is a ridiculous waste of money!	Waste Services (general)	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Thank you for your comment. Your response has been noted. This is a statutory requirement.
32912	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	I'm opposed to any cuts which would further reduce the collection waste. I'm a responsible homeowner, other are less considerate and have been known to simply dump their waste (resulting in an additional cost to WLC when uplifting it).	Waste Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Fly tipping has not be noted as a significant impact following the implementation of the changes proposed.
32913	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Huge mistake. Consider unintended effects that could be more costly - dumping, incorrect use of bins etc	Waste Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Fly tipping has not be noted as a significant impact following the implementation of the changes proposed.
32914	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Really! Do we really want to see more waste dumped round our countryside? Having just issued everyone with smaller bins(which I could not understand, what was wrong with the ones we had! Surely a waste of resources), you now want to reduce facilities to recycle a dispose of waste further? I think this would be very detrimental to our environment.	Waste Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Fly tipping has not be noted as a significant impact following the implementation of the changes proposed.
32915	No Response	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Perhaps not replacing every bin in West Lothian when the older versions were perfectly serviceable would have been a more sensible option?	Waste Services (general)	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
32916	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Perhaps the council shouldn't have spent millions of pounds putting dozens of unnecessary recycling cardboard boxes/bins into every corner of every school. Most of them are not required or used. Also the amount of bin bags these need and waste is ridiculous. Cleaning time wasted emptying 50+ bin boxes a day, when they could be cleaning tabletops.	Waste Services (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Schools have an important role to play in encouraging good recycling practices. The comment raised suggests that schools need to increase these efforts.
32917	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	These proposals are likely to increase Fly-tipping. The council should consider how it manages this.	Waste Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Fly tipping has not be noted as a significant impact following the implementation of the changes proposed.

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32918	No Response	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Again agree this is an area where significant savings can be made with a shared impact across all in the community.	Waste Services (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
32919	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Sounds like a good idea BUT please make sure you will still encourage people to recycle.	Waste Services (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	The council will always continue to promote recycling and the drive to become a zero waste society.
32920	An employee of West Lothian Council	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Community recycling is very important as is recycling from home. Reduction/charges to waste will cause more Fly tipping which will cost council more money to clear up and reduce quality of open spaces.	Waste Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Fly tipping has not be noted as a significant impact following the implementation of the changes proposed.
32921	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Remove brown bins altogether or charge for the compost generated from them. Encourage customers to set up their own compost heaps.	Waste Services (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
32922	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	The current service represents a high and it must be said generous standard. This is presumably reflected in a relatively low level of fly tipping in the area. It is to be hoped that any reduction in the service standard does not result in a major increase.	Waste Services (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
32923	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	I don't believe any of these changes will result in anything but an increase in Fly-tipping.	Waste Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Fly tipping has not be noted as a significant impact following the implementation of the changes proposed.
32924	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	The size of brown bins at present is a joke In the gardening season they are totally inadequate Again I can see staff being cut	Waste Services (general)	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
32925	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Yes don't have a problem with this they guys kick our food bins up and down the road out of their way, might make them value their jobs more.	Waste Services (general)	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
32926	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Need to consider that Fly tipping may increase.	Waste Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Fly tipping has not be noted as a significant impact following the implementation of the changes proposed.
32927	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Major savings in waste collection would be achieved through time and motion studies.	Waste Services (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
32928	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	be careful not to allow cash reduction to leave a gap that causes rubbish to be left for rats and pests to increase.	Waste Services (general)	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
32929	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	As 1A. Will WLC be providing an operative to clean their leaves from my garden or should I sweep them onto the street since I use three buckets constantly over the winter to clear them?	Waste Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
32930	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	This has never happened . I shall be interested to see this one as it has been miss managed for years	Waste Services (general)	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
32931	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Implications could be very serious ; litter in the countryside, less recycling	Waste Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Fly tipping has not be noted as a significant impact following the implementation of the changes proposed.
32932	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	If the brown bins are to be removed then local recycling sites are essential	Waste Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
32933	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Cost reductions and maintenance of current levels of waste services should be undertaken	Waste Services (general)	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
32934	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Not encouraging recycling anymore then. An increase in Fly tipping would surely follow if this proposal went ahead.	Waste Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Fly tipping has not be noted as a significant impact following the implementation of the changes proposed.

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32935	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Resultant Fly tipping may cost more to cover then is saved.	Waste Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Fly tipping has not be noted as a significant impact following the implementation of the changes proposed.
32936	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	That proposal will just mean more Fly tipping	Waste Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Fly tipping has not be noted as a significant impact following the implementation of the changes proposed.
32937	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Our residential waste collection service is already woefully inadequate! If the service is reduced any furthe we will return to the dark ages with rubbish on the streets, rotting veg attracting vermin, Fly tipping (cos you cant police it) and a rise in rats and disease. Did we learn nothing from the years of plague clearly documented in history books? This is a dangerous route to take and should be gravely re considered.	Waste Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Fly tipping has not be noted as a significant impact following the implementation of the changes proposed.
32938	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	As long as this doesn't lead to 'fly tipping' then I'd be in agreement.	Waste Services (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Charges levied would be reasonable to enable this non-statutory service to be continued.
32939	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	We are already paying for waste services in our Community Charge. Do not charge more or you will get more Fly tipping, this will also be caused by the closure of recycling centres.	Waste Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Fly tipping has not be noted as a significant impact following the implementation of the changes proposed.
32940	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	If there is to be a charge for bulky uplifts and closing of 3 community recycling sites - this may potentially lead to an increase in fly tipping	Waste Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
32941	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	I would be concerned that this would lead to more fly tipping and less recycling	Waste Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
32942	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Increase the Council tax to better support recycling & the circular economy & cost of brown bins.	Waste Services (general)	5c. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it is not consistent with the council's values and priorities.	The council tax increase is required beyond the savings measures proposed.
32943	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Realise cut backs must be made but giving us smaller bins and charging for uplifts will only cause rubbish and household items to be dumped wherever possible. Not everyone has a car to convey certain items to the appointed places.	Waste Services (general)	5b. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it is likely that the costs of this proposal would outweigh the benefit.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
32944	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	totally disagree. Such changes will affect the community, result in more fly tipping and many people can't afford to pay for services which are included in the Council Tax payments.	Waste Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposals are put forward in line with those implemented by other authorities who have not noted a significant increase in illegal fly tipping.
32945	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	I don't mind paying for an efficient service but bin collection cannot be diminished any further. What I would like to know is whether recycling is actually being done efficiently to support renewable resources? I fear not as I know that the mixed collection boxes are just being tipped in to a common bin.	Waste Services (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The collections are collected separately and recycled in compliance with the Waste (Scotland) Regulations 2012.
32946	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Consider the costs of tidying up after those who will fly tip. Could free skips not be distributed in key areas/ car parks throughout the authority that people could use .	Waste Services (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	This would not be possible given the potential impact caused by uncontrolled tipping at such locations.
32947	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	disagree, we pay council tax to take waste away, so you would be charging people twice, money is already tight for working families, this would just encourage fly tipping, putting more stress on the budget with clean up crews.	Waste Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council tax pays for all council services in conjunction with the block grant from central government. The proposals put forward will minimise the impact of illegal fly tipping by managing the collection process and potential charges.
32948	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Waste issues cause public health issues. Currently our bin men are inflexible and the service isnâ€™t one I would rate highly	Waste Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
32949	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Fine those who do not recycle in the correct bins. Direct from benefits.	Waste Services (general)	5b. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it is likely that the costs of this proposal would outweigh the benefit.	Currently this is not possible under Scots Law, however it is being reviewed at a national level.

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32950	An individual	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	Seems likely to lead to unintended consequences. What is core service? Waste Collection is core and done well. Charge for bulky uplifts (an exception) brown bins and community sites are core service and monthly seems a minimum viable service. Charge for commercial waste - and ruthlessly pursue those who break the rules.	Waste Services (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your comments and suggestions. The council will work to ensure that those who do not comply with requirements are encouraged to do so.
32951	An employee of West Lothian Council	7c. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Waste Services	It was a crazy idea to change the grey bins to the slim bin. This was a waste of money when everyone had a grey bin in the first place!	Waste Services (general)	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
32952	An employee of West Lothian Council	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	If this can provide the necessary savings then this should be pursued.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
32953	An employee of West Lothian Council	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Again, this seems like common sense	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
32954	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
32955	An employee of West Lothian Council	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
32956	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Agree.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
32957	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	I agree with changes proposed.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
32958	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
32959	No Response	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Have no objection	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
32960	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	I agree that the council should not subsidize public transport.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
32961	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Agree with this proposal.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
32962	An employee of West Lothian Council	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
32963	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Sounds reasonable.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
32964	An employee of West Lothian Council	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	I agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
32965	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Good idea.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
32966	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Agree.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
32967	An employee of West Lothian Council	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
32968	An employee of West Lothian Council	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
32969	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Yes good idea.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
32970	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	happy with this	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
32971	An employee of West Lothian Council	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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32972	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
32973	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Positive	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
32974	An employee of West Lothian Council	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Agreed.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
32975	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Hesitant but agreed.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
32976	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Agreed - sad but needs doing	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
32977	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	I support this change	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
32978	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	I agree with the Council's proposals for the moment to see how they all work out. Thank you.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
32979	An employee of West Lothian Council	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	I agree with the above proposal and the estimated saving makes a significant contribution to the budget gap.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
32980	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	If they are availed and work then I aftee	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
32981	An employee of West Lothian Council	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Sounds good but again the devil is in the details!	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
32982	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	This a reasonable saving.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
32983	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	I AGREE WITH THIS PLAN	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
32984	An employee of West Lothian Council	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	I agree sadly.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
32985	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Agree.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
32986	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	ok.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
32987	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
32988	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Agree.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
32989	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Good	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
32990	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	good idea	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
32991	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
32992	An employee of West Lothian Council	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Sensible.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
32993	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
32994	An employee of West Lothian Council	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
32995	An employee of West Lothian Council	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Good	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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32996	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Yes I agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
32997	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Sounds reasonable	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
32998	An employee of West Lothian Council	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Agree.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
32999	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Acceptable	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33000	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Makes sense	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33001	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33002	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Agree.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33003	An employee of West Lothian Council	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	agree with proposal	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33004	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Fair	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33005	An employee of West Lothian Council	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33006	No Response	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33007	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	This all looks fair enough	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33008	An employee of West Lothian Council	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	this should definitely be implemented	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33009	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	This could work out to be positive.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33010	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33011	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Ok	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33012	An employee of West Lothian Council	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Agree.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33013	An employee of West Lothian Council	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Makes sense.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33014	An employee of West Lothian Council	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Yes. Good luck with that.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33015	An employee of West Lothian Council	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Agree with this proposal.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33016	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33017	An employee of West Lothian Council	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Sounds good	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33018	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Again the Council has a very good level of support in this area and the need for economies has to be acknowledged.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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33019	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	I agree, too much is spent on buses to take a handful of people places	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33020	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Agree, role for scottish government to provide subsidy for public transport	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33021	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	I support.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33022	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	I agree with the above.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33023	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	I would support this proposal.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33024	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33025	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33026	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Sounds fair	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33027	An employee of West Lothian Council	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	This appears to be a reasonable proposal.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33028	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Good idea	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33029	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33030	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33031	An employee of West Lothian Council	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33032	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Sounds like a good idea!	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33033	An employee of West Lothian Council	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	agree with proposal	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33034	An employee of West Lothian Council	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33035	An employee of West Lothian Council	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33036	An employee of West Lothian Council	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	I agree with this proposal	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33037	An employee of West Lothian Council	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33038	An employee of West Lothian Council	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Agree.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33039	An employee of West Lothian Council	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33040	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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33041	An employee of West Lothian Council	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	I agree with this.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33042	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	okay	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33043	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	okay	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33044	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Sounds appropriate	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33045	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	ok	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33046	An employee of West Lothian Council	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Ok	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33047	An employee of West Lothian Council	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33048	An employee of West Lothian Council	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Agree.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33049	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33050	An employee of West Lothian Council	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33051	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Yes.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33052	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33053	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Agree that it is essential to review this and radically reduce spend in this area.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33054	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Fully agree. Everybody can contribute something to pay for travelling. There are far too many concessions. Somebody has to pay for those who get free transport. I truly believe that we can all contribute something no matter our backgrounds.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33055	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33056	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33057	No Response	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	OK	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33058	An employee of West Lothian Council	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Agreed.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33059	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33060	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Good	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33061	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33062	An employee of West Lothian Council	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Proposal seems fair	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33063	An employee of West Lothian Council	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Yes this should be an area of focus.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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33064	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Makes perfect sense and is normal in all other workplaces. Provide the minimum - and think carefully about what extra is needed. The council is not running a taxi firm.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33065	No Response	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Agree with this suggestion.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33066	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Agree. Value the transport service for others but I do not personally use this & there appear to be too many competing priorities.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33067	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	yes to cutting subsidises as most buses run empty	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33068	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Agreed- strongly support	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33069	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33070	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33071	An employee of West Lothian Council	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33072	No Response	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Reasonable	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33073	An employee of West Lothian Council	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	This makes sense.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33074	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Ok	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33075	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Agreed. Undesirable but necessary.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33076	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33077	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Ok	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33078	An employee of West Lothian Council	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33079	An employee of West Lothian Council	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Stop subsidising buses. Agree.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33080	An employee of West Lothian Council	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Supportive in principle of undertaking a review again albeit this is based on limited information	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33081	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	i agree there needs to be a savings hear	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33082	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Agree where alternative have been identified and are available	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33083	An employee of West Lothian Council	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33084	An employee of West Lothian Council	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Agree with this proposal	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33085	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	OK	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33086	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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33087	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Unfortunate but understandable.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33088	An employee of West Lothian Council	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Agreed.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33089	An employee of West Lothian Council	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33090	An employee of West Lothian Council	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	I agree.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33091	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33092	An employee of West Lothian Council	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	I agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33093	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	I support this as I often see huge buses with no passengers - particularly at night on the a71	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33094	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	I agree with the proposal.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33095	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	All proposals are sound.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33096	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	I do not agree with this.	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33097	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Cutting communities off is what you really mean. Public transport is bad as it is!	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33098	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	yeah another well thought out plan ! as it stands councils and scottish government wants us all to be more "green" and use public transport , it is bad enough at the moment ! no scratch that , its actually a joke now !	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33099	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	I do not agree with this proposal.	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33100	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	I would not support this.	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33101	No Response	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Disagree	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33102	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Do not agree	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33103	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	I would not support this	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33104	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	No reduction in services.	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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33105	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	I don't support savings to any of the above	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33106	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	No, do not agree on any of the above	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33107	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	no	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33108	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	none	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33109	No Response	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Don't agree	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33110	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Don't agree with council ever having put money to these services it should be stopped	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33111	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Too vague and no explanation of impact. Do not support.	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33112	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Disagree. Retain all current services.	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33113	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	I do not agree with transport proposals as this would isolate communities and individuals.	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33114	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Hitting the environment and the groups who don't have a car. Doesn't sit well with the council's supposed priorities	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33115	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	I disagree with further transport cuts.	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33116	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Do not agree.	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33117	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	None	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33118	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Don't agree	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33119	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Disagree	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33120	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	I completely disagree with this.	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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33121	An employee of West Lothian Council	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	No comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33122	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	No opinion	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33123	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	I don't use any of these services so can't really comment.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33124	An employee of West Lothian Council	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	mentioned transport above	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33125	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	N/A	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33126	An employee of West Lothian Council	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	N/A	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33127	An employee of West Lothian Council	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	No comment.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33128	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	No comment.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33129	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	This covers many areas and until actual reductions have been identified it would be hard to comment.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33130	An employee of West Lothian Council	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	This survey is too long at there is both too much and not enough information.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33131	An employee of West Lothian Council	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	What would be the alternative transport models?	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33132	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	I don't understand budgeting advantages and restraints enough to comment.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33133	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	No comment on this	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33134	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	-	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33135	No Response	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	No comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33136	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	No comment.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33137	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	no comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33138	An employee of West Lothian Council	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	N/a	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33139	An employee of West Lothian Council	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	No comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33140	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	I've commented on this above.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33141	An employee of West Lothian Council	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	No comment as don't know enough.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33142	No Response	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	dgdg	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33143	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	nil	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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33144	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	No Comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33145	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	No comment.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33146	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Don't know	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33147	An employee of West Lothian Council	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	No comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33148	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Transport changes would need to be explained more before any changes come into effect	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33149	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	No comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33150	An employee of West Lothian Council	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	No comments	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33151	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	See comment above about concession passes.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33152	An employee of West Lothian Council	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	N/a	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33153	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Don't know anything about this would require more information	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33154	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Causing isolation again	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33155	An employee of West Lothian Council	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	This may increase fly tipping?	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33156	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	When I need to use the bus I'm glad it is there.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33157	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Again vague, typically proposing to remove services from those that are vulnerable.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33158	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Depends on detail.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33159	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Not enough information to comment on this except that people without cars and limited walking ability rely on the local bus to get out and about.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33160	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	No comments	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33161	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Noted.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33162	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	We do not believe we have the knowledge or experience of this area to be able to make an informed comment on it.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33163	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	No comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33164	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	See above -charge pensioners.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33165	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Without detail of the actual proposals how are we meant to comment?	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33166	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	nil	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33167	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	unable to comment as not in plain english	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33168	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	not a user so have no comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33169	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	More information required.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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33170	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Insufficient detail - which services and routes will be affected?	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33171	An employee of West Lothian Council	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Supportive of many of proposals noted above but not of concessionary bus for pensioners.	Passenger Transport Strategy - concessionary travel	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	The Concessionary Travel Scheme is provided by the Scottish Government and is outwith the control of Local Government.
33172	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	School transport should incur small charge.	Passenger Transport Strategy - concessionary travel	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council is currently undertaking a review of its passenger and school transport services and this comment will be incorporated within that review.
33173	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	One item which could provide a cost saving is to scrap the Taxi Card scheme. This scheme is not fit for purpose and is widely abused, yet WLC have previously refused to provide a whistleblower line/form to identify suspected fraud. Questions about the taxi card scheme would be 1. as the scheme is for people on higher rate invalidity benefit, why does WLC feel the need to subsidise people who already get a benefit from the government? 2. Why does WLC allow taxi card use for journeys outside West Lothian, when these become unregulated fares? 3. A taxi card is also for people who cannot use public transport. When then does WLC not remove bus passes from taxi card users? and why are taxi cards allowed to be used between 10pm and 6am when busses are not operational. SAVE MONEY AND SCRAP TAXI CARDS!	Passenger Transport Strategy - concessionary travel	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	West Lothian Council is currently reviewing its transport concessions schemes and this comment will be included in the review.
33174	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	By introducing transport charges, I will be unable to afford journeys with my carer and as a result, I will become a prisoner in my own home. I can only speak of my own experiences. Keeping mobile is an essential part of my rehabilitation to prevent further deterioration of my health, both physically and emotionally. Being unable to leave home often will undoubtedly increase levels of anxiety and depression. That my lead to an increase on support needs in other aspects. In short, reducing transport support may ultimately lead to an increased dependency on other council budgets.	Passenger Transport Strategy - concessionary travel	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council is currently undertaking a review of its passenger and school transport services and this comment will be incorporated within that review.
33175	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Affordable transport ensures people can access work and other services. Reducing mobility opportunities is a bad idea and will lead to reduced quality of life for those who don't have access to cars.	Passenger Transport Strategy - concessionary travel	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	80% of the bus routes are provided by the commercial sector of which the council has no authority over. The council routinely works with private sector service providers to provide the best possible services across West Lothian
33176	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	I think concessionary bus travel, handicabs and dial-a-ride schemes are all worthwhile.	Passenger Transport Strategy - concessionary travel	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The bus pass concessions scheme is a national scheme provided by the Scottish Government. West Lothian Council is currently reviewing its transport concessions schemes and this comment will be included in the review.
33177	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	those who are poor already face difficulties in travelling across the county. Will there still be concessions to help them?	Passenger Transport Strategy - concessionary travel	4. The council is already doing this.	National concessionary entitlements for public transport will continue.
33178	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Those in the more rural areas would be most affected by the removal of subsidies.	Passenger Transport Strategy - concessionary travel	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council is currently undertaking a review of its passenger and school transport services and this comment will be incorporated within that review.
33179	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	I do not believe that public funds should be used to subsidise private bus companies. If the route is not financially viable it should not exist.	Passenger Transport Strategy - concessionary travel	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council is currently undertaking a review of its passenger and school transport services and this comment will be incorporated within that review.
33180	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	A review of the free transport provision age concession with the implementation of a small fee could be useful	Passenger Transport Strategy - concessionary travel	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33181	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	charge pensioners full cost for travel fares...	Passenger Transport Strategy - concessionary travel	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	Thank you for your comments. The Scottish Government has responsibility for the Concessionary Travel Scheme.
33182	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	I also think the bus pass should be increased to pension age as people who are entitled to them are still earning a good wage and no need for them to use them as they are in position to pay for services	Passenger Transport Strategy - concessionary travel	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	Thank you for your comments. The Scottish Government has responsibility for the Concessionary Travel Scheme.

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33183	An employee of West Lothian Council	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	why don't they introduce a nominal charge for all pensioners who travel free on all bus routes. I would expect that the majority of pensioners would accept a nominal charge of e.g. Â£0.50 per journey	Passenger Transport Strategy - concessionary travel	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	Thank you for your comments. The Scottish Government has responsibility for the Concessionary Travel Scheme.
33184	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Bus services are a vital key in day to day living of many people. Removal of any service should be avoided at all costs. Concessionary fares are a boon to elderly people who can avoid loneliness by simply getting on a bus which could ease the workload of Social Services.	Passenger Transport Strategy - concessionary travel	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your comments. Your response has been noted. The Scottish Government has responsibility for the Concessionary Travel Scheme.
33185	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	I am sure there are ways to reduce cost, but there are social implications as well as financial ones. It seems to me that the people we most want to help would be the most affected.	Passenger Transport Strategy - concessionary travel	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33186	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	I do not agree to a change in this service	Passenger Transport Strategy - concessionary travel	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33187	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Consider that such a broad brush approach would disproportionately affect the most vulnerable in West Lothian. I agree the concessionary transport is probably abused by those who have cars and use public transport because it is cheaper so not good value. Perhaps changing the rules here might be more productive. Handicabs and Dial-a-ride should be subsidised and isolating those in remote areas by removing routes not commercially viable would not be a supported view.	Passenger Transport Strategy - concessionary travel	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your comments. Your response has been noted. The Scottish Government has responsibility for the Concessionary Travel Scheme.
33188	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	It would be totally unfair and isolating to withdraw the concessionary bus pass from the elderly who can not afford to travel otherwise. Means testing the travel concession card should be explored for all new claimants.	Passenger Transport Strategy - concessionary travel	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	Thank you for your comments. Your response has been noted. The Scottish Government has responsibility for the Concessionary Travel Scheme.
33189	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Good effort! Zero subsidy for transport and also remove free bus passes for anybody still in work. It is common to board a bus and see nobody under the age of 60 on it. Who pays for that?	Passenger Transport Strategy - concessionary travel	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your comments. Your response has been noted. The Scottish Government has responsibility for the Concessionary Travel Scheme.
33190	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Agree with reviewing strategy for bus routes and concessionary transport schemes.	Passenger Transport Strategy - concessionary travel	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33191	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Review whether those working over 60â€™s should get discounted travel	Passenger Transport Strategy - concessionary travel	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	Thank you for your comments. Your response has been noted. The Scottish Government has responsibility for the Concessionary Travel Scheme.
33192	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Maybe the concession rate could be for children and people on low incomes. These people are being asked to pay more council tax and pay more to get to work, the government initiative of giving all pensioners free travel needs to be addressed as not all pensioners need their income supplemented	Passenger Transport Strategy - concessionary travel	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	Thank you for your comments. Your response has been noted. The Scottish Government has responsibility for the Concessionary Travel Scheme.
33193	No Response	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Remove or reduce Taxicard scheme. Remove all rail travel subsidies for over sixties.	Passenger Transport Strategy - concessionary travel	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council is currently undertaking a review of its passenger and school transport services and this comment will be incorporated within that review.
33194	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	you already put up concession travel on the train by 100%	Passenger Transport Strategy - concessionary travel	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33195	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Everyone should pay the same fare for travel. Similar to Edinburgh. One flat rate for one journey. Would improve the use of public transport. Should charge parents a drop of charge around schools, encourage the walking buses.	Passenger Transport Strategy - concessionary travel	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has a legal obligation to provide free transport out with certain distances to school. The council is currently undertaking a review of its passenger and mainstream school transport services and this comment will be incorporated within that review.
33196	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Agree this proposal - it is a subsidy to the private sector.	Passenger Transport Strategy - concessionary travel	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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33197	An employee of West Lothian Council	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	this could mean loss of essential bus services for vulnerable people	Passenger Transport Strategy - concessionary travel	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33198	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Bus services are often the only means of transport people have. It often defines whether an individual can live where they live or not. These services must be maintained and at a frequency that make them a viable form of transport for the user. I would suggest that the concessionary rail fares for the over 60s should be reduced or withdrawn to finance the bus network as over 60s (and I am one of them) can currently do the same journey by bus for free.	Passenger Transport Strategy - concessionary travel	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33199	An employee of West Lothian Council	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	This will isolate more rural communities.	Passenger Transport Strategy - concessionary travel	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33200	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Concessionary transport schemes should be means-tested. Most of the people who have free bus travel can afford to pay for it.	Passenger Transport Strategy - concessionary travel	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	Thank you for your comments. Your response has been noted. The Scottish Government has responsibility for the Concessionary Travel Scheme.
33201	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Those that cannot afford to pay more, should pay more.	Passenger Transport Strategy - concessionary travel	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	Thank you for your comments. Your response has been noted. The Scottish Government has responsibility for the Concessionary Travel Scheme.
33202	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	As long as it is kept to a small amount lots of pensioners only go out of house as they have their bus passes.	Passenger Transport Strategy - concessionary travel	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your comments. Your response has been noted. The Scottish Government has responsibility for the Concessionary Travel Scheme.
33203	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Do the elderly need free bus passes? Is it a statutory requirement?	Passenger Transport Strategy - concessionary travel	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	Thank you for your comments. Your response has been noted. The Scottish Government has responsibility for the Concessionary Travel Scheme.
33204	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	We need to make sure that those with less get concessionary travel than those who can afford to pay. We do need to have earlier intervention with disability benefits whether from GP/nurses or Social Work dept.	Passenger Transport Strategy - concessionary travel	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33205	An employee of West Lothian Council	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	More support for the pensioners	Passenger Transport Strategy - concessionary travel	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33206	An employee of West Lothian Council	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Agree with above however Handicabs and Dial a Ride reduction would be disappointing for those who use these services.	Passenger Transport Strategy - concessionary travel	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33207	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Wider need to consider impact upon disabled or ill members of the community. I would like to see an impact assessment published and further consultation ahead of any change	Passenger Transport Strategy - concessionary travel	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33208	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Agree in fact as a working parent I will always drop my kids at school. If school started earlier it would be great. As for other transport I am unaware if it gets abused.	Passenger Transport Strategy - concessionary travel	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33209	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	This will be painful for many. Why not scrap the unnecessary over 60s rail concession? It is over-generous and most other local authorities don't provide the same concession.	Passenger Transport Strategy - concessionary travel	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33210	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Please be mindful that community outreach and community base resources may still require some travel. I would state emphatically that taxi cards should remain for older people.	Passenger Transport Strategy - concessionary travel	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33211	An employee of West Lothian Council	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Yes concessionary bus travel could be limited to maybe 40 miles and not the whole of Scotland. Dial a bus and handicabs are for disabled so maybe just a small fee, as they need transport that's not necessarily public	Passenger Transport Strategy - concessionary travel	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comments have been noted. The Concessionary Travel Scheme is provided by Scottish Government and is outwith the control of West Lothian Council.

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33212	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Many wealthy pensioners get free bus passes which cost the council too much money.	Passenger Transport Strategy - concessionary travel	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	The Concessionary Travel Scheme is provided by the Scottish Government and is outwith the control of Local Government.
33213	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Discontinue elderly rail concession where there is an adequate bus service. This is money that could be directed as a contribution to subsidising bus services.	Passenger Transport Strategy - concessionary travel	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council is currently undertaking a review of its passenger and school transport services and this comment will be incorporated within that review.
33214	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Concessionaire bus passes are essential for the disabled and carer to get to resources	Passenger Transport Strategy - concessionary travel	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	The Concessionary Travel Scheme is provided by the Scottish Government and is outwith the control of Local Government.
33215	No Response	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	You should also review your policy of an additional council subsidy towards train travel over and above concessionary travel card, why should they pay nothing to travel on the train? As you say those that can afford to pay should do so.	Passenger Transport Strategy - concessionary travel	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council is currently undertaking a review of its passenger and school transport services and this comment will be incorporated within that review.
33216	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Keep the travel concession	Passenger Transport Strategy - concessionary travel	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33217	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	I feel that free concessionary travel should be removed	Passenger Transport Strategy - concessionary travel	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	Thank you for your response. Your comments have been noted. The Concessionary Travel Scheme is provided by Scottish Government and is outwith the control of West Lothian Council.
33218	No Response	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Subsidies for train travel should either be discontinued or only available for journeys starting and ending in West Lothian.	Passenger Transport Strategy - concessionary travel	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council is currently undertaking a review of its passenger and school transport services and this comment will be incorporated within that review.
33219	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Concessionary travel should be kept as the benefits outweigh and revenue generated	Passenger Transport Strategy - concessionary travel	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	Thank you for your comments. Your response has been noted. The Scottish Government has responsibility for the Concessionary Travel Scheme
33220	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	I would not like to see the bus pass disappear as this helps many elderly people get out & about & help keep active rather than spend too long at home alone.	Passenger Transport Strategy - concessionary travel	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	The Concessionary Travel Scheme is provided by the Scottish Government and is outwith the control of Local Government.
33221	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	The contribution towards rail fares into Edinburgh/Glasgow could be stopped as it is possible to get to these destinations by bus.	Passenger Transport Strategy - concessionary travel	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council is currently undertaking a review of its passenger and school transport services and this comment will be incorporated within that review.
33222	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	I think free bus passes from 60 is ludicrous. Again customer contribution to costs is surely better than cutting services.	Passenger Transport Strategy - concessionary travel	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	The Concessionary Travel Scheme is provided by the Scottish Government and is outwith the control of Local Government.
33223	No Response	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	I think West Lothian should increase the age for bus and train travel to 70 as many people now work until that age	Passenger Transport Strategy - concessionary travel	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	The Concessionary Travel Scheme is provided by the Scottish Government and is outwith the control of Local Government.
33224	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	The council needs to prioritise linking communities and providing local bus services over and above a concessionary rail scheme. The rail scheme is a generous benefit to residents within West Lothian and encourages non essential travel outwith the council area. If removing subsidies for local bus providers, the council should lobby the Scottish Government to bring in regulation of bus transport which would mean better provision of transport across West Lothian and Scotland. This would mean commercial operators couldn't cherry pick the most lucrative routes.	Passenger Transport Strategy - concessionary travel	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council is currently undertaking a review of its passenger and school transport services and this comment will be incorporated within that review.
33225	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Concessionary bus travel should continue to be provided which will provide a lifeline for some members of the public.	Passenger Transport Strategy - concessionary travel	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	The Concessionary Travel Scheme is provided by the Scottish Government and is outwith the control of Local Government.

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33226	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	How are vulnerable and older people supposed to go anywhere if there is no bus service. Some of these people live in rural areas where they rely on the bus.	Passenger Transport Strategy - concessionary travel	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33227	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	i think bad idea if they do away with conessionary it no fair on old people.	Passenger Transport Strategy - concessionary travel	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33228	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	I'm not in favour of reducing concessionary travel, unless by means testing?	Passenger Transport Strategy - concessionary travel	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33229	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	We need to get rid of concessionary rail - this is widely used by the rich to go outwith West Lothian. This harms our local economy and is of no benefit.	Passenger Transport Strategy - concessionary travel	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council is currently undertaking a review of its passenger and school transport services and this comment will be incorporated within that review.
33230	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Concessionary bus travel is a Scottish & UK Government initiative and there is a current consultation on this.	Passenger Transport Strategy - concessionary travel	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	The Concessionary Travel Scheme is provided by the Scottish Government and is outwith the control of Local Government.
33231	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Changes to travel concessions can have a detrimental impact on health & wellbeing.	Passenger Transport Strategy - concessionary travel	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33232	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Many services , (Free bus pass, subsidies on rail travel) are used by individuals who could easily afford to pay.	Passenger Transport Strategy - concessionary travel	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council is currently undertaking a review of its passenger and school transport services and this comment will be incorporated within that review.
33233	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Keep concessionary bus passes	Passenger Transport Strategy - concessionary travel	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	The Concessionary Travel Scheme is provided by the Scottish Government and is outwith the control of Local Government.
33234	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	L1 bus and 31 bus are essential for Linlithgow and must not be stopped	Passenger Transport Strategy - concessionary travel	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33235	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	As someone who has a "free" bus pass, I and lots of my friends believe that it is totally unnecessary to be able to travel the full length of Scotland free. When I got my bus pass first, we got free travel in our area, but paid a token amount elsewhere and this should be done depending on how far you are travelling.	Passenger Transport Strategy - concessionary travel	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	The Concessionary Travel Scheme is provided by the Scottish Government and is outwith the control of Local Government.
33236	No Response	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	With regards to bus passes being issued to all at age 60 why not have people apply when they retire. Many people work beyond the age of 60 and still have cars etc and are able to pay for such costs.	Passenger Transport Strategy - concessionary travel	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	The Concessionary Travel Scheme is provided by the Scottish Government and is outwith the control of Local Government.
33237	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Cut travel concessions to bus only rather than the present when there are concessions for bus and trains. Falkirk council are doing this. Also raise the current age of 60 to 65 for concessionary travel. Most people are working well over the age of 60.	Passenger Transport Strategy - concessionary travel	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	The Concessionary Travel Scheme is provided by the Scottish Government and is outwith the control of Local Government.
33238	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Can savings be made by removing bus/train subsidy for over 60s. This needs to be means tested or restricted to over 70s.	Passenger Transport Strategy - concessionary travel	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	The Concessionary Travel Scheme is provided by the Scottish Government and is outwith the control of Local Government.
33239	An employee of West Lothian Council	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	old people are not necessarily always the less well off. There could be a charge levied for the concessionary travel pass .	Passenger Transport Strategy - concessionary travel	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	The Concessionary Travel Scheme is provided by the Scottish Government and is outwith the control of Local Government.

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33240	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	The concessionary bus pass should only be available to people in receipt of their old age pension! Why are we paying the transport fares for people who have six more years to work? I know there are many executives over 60 who use their concessionary pass on the train to Edinburgh to go to work, whilst a minimum wage worker has to pay the full fare. Where is the fairness in that. The concessionary pass is used more in this category than by pensioners filling their day as there are no sufficient bus routes to get them to the centre or the train stations.	Passenger Transport Strategy - concessionary travel	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	The Concessionary Travel Scheme is provided by the Scottish Government and is outwith the control of Local Government.
33241	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	The age when concessions are given must be raised. Most people now work until 65 and should not be receiving free fares to take them to work.	Passenger Transport Strategy - concessionary travel	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33242	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	West Lothian is well-served by rail. The concession for older people on the train is much appreciated and probably makes a lot of better off people happier about paying substantial council tax.	Passenger Transport Strategy - concessionary travel	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33243	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	It is maybe the time to introduce a minimum basic bus fare for those people that use a travel card when travelling in West Lothian by bus. A minimal charge of 20p possibly? This might make a difference to the Council continuing to subsidise bus services that would otherwise have a much reduced or no bus service in the future. Access to facilities including attending doctor, dental and other appointments would be affected.	Passenger Transport Strategy - concessionary travel	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	Thank you for your response. Your comments have been noted. The concessionary fare scheme is a Scottish Government scheme - they would need to make this change and the increased revenue would go to the bus operator for 80% of the journeys in west Lothian.
33244	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	A flat rate of £1 per person for concessionary bus passes would be affordable for everyone	Passenger Transport Strategy - concessionary travel	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	Thank you for your response. Your comments have been noted. The concessionary fare scheme is a Scottish Government scheme - they would need to make this change and the increased revenue would go to the bus operator for 80% of the journeys in west Lothian.
33245	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	I use the number 31 bus from Linlithgow to get to work every day in Bathgate. If this was to cease I would not be able to get to work as there is no other public transport from Linlithgow to Bathgate. This bus is also the only public transport from Linlithgow to Livingston and without this getting to St Johns would be nearly impossible. This is also the only bus service for a couple of villages also Torphichen and Phillipstoun	Passenger Transport Strategy - concessionary travel	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33246	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	How much does free travel cost for the elderly? How many can actually afford to pay at least half the normal fare. Seems fair.	Passenger Transport Strategy - concessionary travel	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	Thank you for your response. Your comments have been noted. The concessionary fare scheme is a Scottish Government scheme - they would need to make this change and the increased revenue would go to the bus operator for 80% of the journeys in west Lothian.
33247	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	See above for ideas on bus passes (-When accessing visitor attractions disabled people are often charged but their carer goes free; perhaps this could also apply to bus passes). What ever happens the vulnerable will be affected the most.	Passenger Transport Strategy - concessionary travel	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33248	An employee of West Lothian Council	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	This seems reasonable although there is a danger of isolating those who will not be able to afford increased fares etc.	Passenger Transport Strategy - concessionary travel	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33249	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	I do believe that concessionary rail travel could be reviewed / removed without great controversy.	Passenger Transport Strategy - concessionary travel	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33250	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Many of the bus routes that are not commercially available or viable are used by the less able and elderly, and perhaps on low income. That doesn't quite equate with a couple of the 8 Priorities given on the first page.	Passenger Transport Strategy - concessionary travel	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33251	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	West Lothian at present does not have good public transport and is expensive.	Passenger Transport Strategy - concessionary travel	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comments have been noted. 80% of the public bus journey's in west Lothian are carried out on commercial routes which the council has no responsibility for. Charges are set by the operator.
33252	No Response	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	West Lothian Council - Public Transport is not great at the present time and is expensive.	Passenger Transport Strategy - concessionary travel	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comments have been noted. 80% of the public bus journey's in west Lothian are carried out on commercial routes which the council has no responsibility for. Charges are set by the operator.

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33253	An employee of West Lothian Council	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	AGAIN AFFECTING THE MOST VULNERABLE I.E. DISABLED PEOPLE WITHIN THE AREA ???? REALLY!!!!	Passenger Transport Strategy - concessionary travel	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33254	An employee of West Lothian Council	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Positive proposal	Passenger Transport Strategy - concessionary travel	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33255	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Targets the poorest	Passenger Transport Strategy - concessionary travel	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33256	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Please do not consider taking bus pass away from older people.	Passenger Transport Strategy - concessionary travel	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33257	An employee of West Lothian Council	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Removal of free transport for older people who can pay.	Passenger Transport Strategy - concessionary travel	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33258	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	I feel concessionary bus travel should be means tested. Handicaps and Dial-a-ride are essential and need more money and vehicles to meet growing demand.	Passenger Transport Strategy - concessionary travel	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council is currently undertaking a review of its passenger and school transport services and this comment will be incorporated within that review.
33259	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	The only part of this proposal I agree with is the changes to the use of concessionary bus. I would be concerned about the impact of the rest to the public.	Passenger Transport Strategy - concessionary travel	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council is currently undertaking a review of its passenger and school transport services and this comment will be incorporated within that review.
33260	No Response	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	I have a bus concession but it used to be 50p per journey. I feel sad at young one parent families with price of bus fares. I think there should be a fixed price fare anywhere in livingston. My granddaughter lives in north end of town and I'm in the sth end. If she visits me it is cheaper for her to get a taxi than go by bus (£5). I think 50p is reasonable but some people have cars and use the buss pass to save money when they are quite well off. Same with family allowances should be means tested. NEED MORE HELP for homeless people should not be living on street.	Passenger Transport Strategy - concessionary travel	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33261	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	If people can be identified as being able to pay or at least contribute to council transport costs, they should, but do not make life harder for people truly in need.	Passenger Transport Strategy - concessionary travel	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33262	No Response	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	A nominal fee for the use concessionary transport could help	Passenger Transport Strategy - concessionary travel	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33263	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	keep the bus service.	Passenger Transport Strategy - concessionary travel	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33264	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	why not put pensioners in a Gulag and ship them around in cattle trucks as required.	Passenger Transport Strategy - concessionary travel	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33265	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	I will not support the cessatration of the concessionary transport scheme over 60's bus pass but however support raising the age to 65.	Passenger Transport Strategy - concessionary travel	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33266	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	She also suggested that it was crazy giving 60 year olds free bus passes when the retirement age keeps going up and people are being forced to keep working for longer - many will have a free bus pass prior to retirement!	Passenger Transport Strategy - concessionary travel	5a. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because the council is required by law to deliver this work.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33267	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Absolutely disgusting disabled people will lose there independence to balance your books hang your heads in shame	Passenger Transport Strategy - concessionary travel	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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33268	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Please do not transport concessions as this is a lifeline for many elderly people who lead independent lives, going to shops, attending clubs (what is left after council cuts) doctors etc.	Passenger Transport Strategy - concessionary travel	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33269	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Please do not cut concessions as this is a lifeline for the elderly, ie shops, drs, hospital appointments, socially.	Passenger Transport Strategy - concessionary travel	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33270	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Re concessionary bus travel if this is the card persons get at age 60 I would suggest that this is changed so that those still working do not get this card until they stop working or alternatively link the card to when persons get their government pension.	Passenger Transport Strategy - concessionary travel	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33271	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Concessionary bus passes for over 60's should be reviewed. An annual charge for the pass should be considered	Passenger Transport Strategy - concessionary travel	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33272	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	A highly emotive area and should be very well considered and thought through. There are a number of outlying communities where elderly residents depend entirely on bus services for their day to day life.	Passenger Transport Strategy - concessionary travel	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33273	An employee of West Lothian Council	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Free bus passes should be issued when people have retired, not at 60. It is ludicrous to provide those in employment with free travel	Passenger Transport Strategy - concessionary travel	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33274	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Savings on public transport could possibly be made by making a minimum charge for all users of say £1 for pensioners included (who on some routes are the only users).	Passenger Transport Strategy - concessionary travel	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33275	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Willing to pay a bit more for concessionary travel on trains but need to continue to fund transport to less accessible parts of Linlithgow - to the south of the Union Canal as well as Springfield.	Passenger Transport Strategy - concessionary travel	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33276	An employee of West Lothian Council	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Contributions towards concessionary bus passed may help slightly. As a bus user, I appreciate the bus service and use it frequently. Prices are higher here than in Edinburgh.	Passenger Transport Strategy - concessionary travel	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33277	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	There should be a charge for the elderly on buses at an appropriate level. No communities should become unsupported by public transport as a result of the changes	Passenger Transport Strategy - concessionary travel	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33278	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Agreed. Remove concessionary travel from pensioners who are well off, similarly swimming and other free activities.	Passenger Transport Strategy - concessionary travel	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33279	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Charge all those with entitlement cards a small sum for bus travel eg 50p per journey.	Passenger Transport Strategy - concessionary travel	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33280	An employee of West Lothian Council	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Taxi card - This is an area that is in need of either scrapping or drastically upgrading. There is a need for a replacement cost for lost cards, currently zero. There is also a need to reduce the antiquated paper based method of sup	Passenger Transport Strategy - concessionary travel	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33281	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Leave the concessionary pass scheme alone	Passenger Transport Strategy - concessionary travel	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33282	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Concessions often are the only way some residents can afford to get out and about.	Passenger Transport Strategy - concessionary travel	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33283	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	WL rail concession could be increased by a small percentage each year.	Passenger Transport Strategy - concessionary travel	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33284	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	The use of Dial-a-bus and Handicabs should be rationalised.	Passenger Transport Strategy - concessionary travel	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33285	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	The concessionary bus scheme for over 60s is a lifeline to those who would not otherwise be able to travel when required. It is important for the mental and social wellbeing that people can get out and about without worries about costs when they are retired and money is tight.	Passenger Transport Strategy - concessionary travel	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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33286	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	General I appreciate greatly my bus pass but feel the railway concession is unnecessary. Return X14 bus to Glasgow and remove train travel concession.	Passenger Transport Strategy - concessionary travel	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33287	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Concessionary bus passes could be used only out with busy times & a nominal sum charged as it used to be. With senior citizens having to work till 67 it would prevent passed being used to get to work.	Passenger Transport Strategy - concessionary travel	5a. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because the council is required by law to deliver this work.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33288	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Sounds fine, with means testing increases could be made.	Passenger Transport Strategy - concessionary travel	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33289	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Many old people rely on the bus and train concessions. Again it aids them get out and about instead of stuck at home becoming depressed. mental health is as important as physical and causes as many if not more problems.	Passenger Transport Strategy - concessionary travel	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33290	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	. I would be unhappy if the council stopped travel for the over 60s - I've only just started to use the system.	Passenger Transport Strategy - concessionary travel	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33291	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	It would be a backward step to reduce bus routes. However I feel the majority of people with bus passes would be happy to pay a minimum amount - say 50p per journey. Card holders already pay a reduced fare on trains so why not on buses.	Passenger Transport Strategy - concessionary travel	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33292	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	No do not remove bus routes You should means test elderly concessions	Passenger Transport Strategy - concessionary travel	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33293	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	How are vulnerable disabled people expected to get about their community and have a good quality of life with the proposals to changes of the concessionary bus, handicabs and Dial-a-ride schemes. Does this mean there will be charges when using the scotland wide bus pass that disabled people and people over 60 use? It is a bit vague here what you mean to do exactly.	Passenger Transport Strategy - concessionary travel	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33294	An employee of West Lothian Council	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	While should be charges for school travel and removal of concessionary travel, the council subsidy should go into rural bus services e.g.; the Breich Valley communities routes as they are already isolated from work / leisure options and more service reductions will have a major effect on these already often deprived communities.	Passenger Transport Strategy - concessionary travel	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33295	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Small charge on bus concessions would make contribution. Investigate charging for school bus runs or journeys.	Passenger Transport Strategy - concessionary travel	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33296	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	The council should review where it can make savings in its delivery - e.g. have 'gold standards' (seen set in the good times that can be compromised)	Passenger Transport Strategy - concessionary travel	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33297	An employee of West Lothian Council	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Perhaps this could be means tested, however, once again it is affecting those vulnerable in society.	Passenger Transport Strategy - concessionary travel	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33298	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	I agree that routes that are not commercially viable need to be looked at , however some of these routes do cover areas outwith our main towns and are the sole means of transport for some outlying villages to get to main towns for their groceries, banking etc. The concessionary transport could become a small charge for pensioners.	Passenger Transport Strategy - concessionary travel	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33299	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Handicabs and Dial-a Ride are essential services to the most vulnerable and should not be changed.	Passenger Transport Strategy - concessionary travel	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33300	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Concessions (bus pass) needs addressed. For those who can, a yearly pass costing Â£25-Â£30 could be bought similar to a senior railcard. I think the Â£4 train could be Â£5.	Passenger Transport Strategy - concessionary travel	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	Thank you for your response. The concessionary travel scheme is provided by the Scottish Government and is out with the control of West Lothian Council.
33301	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	The travel concession for travel on the trains should be increased to Â£3 each way.	Passenger Transport Strategy - concessionary travel	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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33302	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	concessionary travel is a god send to all pensioners in outlying villages. Please keep it free	Passenger Transport Strategy - concessionary travel	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	Thank you for your response. The concessionary travel scheme is provided by the Scottish Government and is out with the control of West Lothian Council.
33303	An employee of West Lothian Council	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	The concessionary bus pass for some people is a life-line to get them to centres or libraries or council tax offices. Hopefully this will not be supported.	Passenger Transport Strategy - concessionary travel	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	Thank you for your response. The concessionary travel scheme is provided by the Scottish Government and is out with the control of West Lothian Council.
33304	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Concessionary travel should be for the elderly - not others and carers. Reduction of bus fares would possibly increase the use of public transport.	Passenger Transport Strategy - concessionary travel	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	Thank you for your response. The concessionary travel scheme is provided by the Scottish Government and is out with the control of West Lothian Council. In addition, West Lothian Council only subsidises 20% of the local bus network, the remaining 80% is provided on a commercial basis of which the council has no authority over, including the fares set.
33305	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Maybe extra pensioner concessions such as a cheap rail fares could be abolished or begin at state pension age. Any concession for old age at council properties could begin at that age.	Passenger Transport Strategy - concessionary travel	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33306	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	We suggest increasing the initial age for a concessionary bus pass / national entitlement card in line with state pension provision (i.e. to 65 years old) and an initial charge of £10- 20 would be acceptable for an excellent benefit.	Passenger Transport Strategy - concessionary travel	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	Thank you for your response. The concessionary travel scheme is provided by the Scottish Government and is out with the control of West Lothian Council.
33307	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	I feel the only good thing we have left is the bus passes for free travel and the taxi cards for getting around.	Passenger Transport Strategy - concessionary travel	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33308	An employee of West Lothian Council	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Should reduce use of taxis for school / disable transport.	Passenger Transport Strategy - concessionary travel	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33309	An employee of West Lothian Council	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	School transport could be reviewed. I know pupils get free buses when they live slightly further from schools however if there are safe walking routes, pupils should be considered to walk rather than take a bus. I believe these services could be reduced which will help to reduce our carbon footprint. .	Passenger Transport Strategy - school transport	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has a legal obligation to provide free transport out with certain distances to school. The council is currently undertaking a review of its passenger and mainstream school transport services and this comment will be incorporated within that review.
33310	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Sorry, the Council have created a concept, especially with Catholic High Schools, of bussing pupils, the current standards should be maintained. The council should look at why it should be subsidising First Bus.	Passenger Transport Strategy - school transport	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council has a legal obligation to provide free transport out with certain distances to school. The council is currently undertaking a review of its passenger and mainstream school transport services and this comment will be incorporated within that review.
33311	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	If school transport is used this should be paid for by parents. In my experience this is primarily provided to students who attend schools outside of walking distance i.e. religious school. This is the parents choice and they should find their children's travel. Travel should still be available for students who need to attend special needs institutions.	Passenger Transport Strategy - school transport	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has a legal obligation to provide free transport out with certain distances to school. The council is currently undertaking a review of its passenger and mainstream school transport services and this comment will be incorporated within that review.
33312	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	School buses are essential for kids without safe walking route.	Passenger Transport Strategy - school transport	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council has a legal obligation to provide free transport out with certain distances to school. The council is currently undertaking a review of its passenger and mainstream school transport services and this comment will be incorporated within that review.
33313	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	My child has to pay to use public transport to get to school so if parents chose to send their children to a school out with their catchment area, then I see no problem with charges being made. The same goes for denominational schools where children may have to travel further to attend.	Passenger Transport Strategy - school transport	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has a legal obligation to provide free transport out with certain distances to school. The council is currently undertaking a review of its passenger and mainstream school transport services and this comment will be incorporated within that review.

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33314	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	I believe the council spend a fortune on taxis for schools. Surely this could be better managed.	Passenger Transport Strategy - school transport	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has a legal obligation to provide free transport out with certain distances to school. The council is currently undertaking a review of its passenger and mainstream school transport services and this comment will be incorporated within that review.
33315	An employee of West Lothian Council	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	A significant review is needed in relation to school transport, especially in the area of taxi contracts	Passenger Transport Strategy - school transport	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has a legal obligation to provide free transport out with certain distances to school. The council is currently undertaking a review of its passenger and mainstream school transport services and this comment will be incorporated within that review.
33316	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	You are tinkering with the biggest part of your budget when you should be bold and realise bigger savings. Cancel additional support waste such as taxi's taking kids to school	Passenger Transport Strategy - school transport	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has a legal obligation to provide free transport out with certain distances to school. The council is currently undertaking a review of its passenger and mainstream school transport services and this comment will be incorporated within that review.
33317	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	No choice. As long as the lowest income families are protected, I see no reason that parents shouldn't contribute to school transport.	Passenger Transport Strategy - school transport	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has a legal obligation to provide free transport out with certain distances to school. The council is currently undertaking a review of its passenger and mainstream school transport services and this comment will be incorporated within that review.
33318	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Also charge for school buses.	Passenger Transport Strategy - school transport	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has a legal obligation to provide free transport out with certain distances to school. The council is currently undertaking a review of its passenger and mainstream school transport services and this comment will be incorporated within that review.
33319	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Children need to get to school safely and buses are the most sensible option given that many households have working parents and schools are not usually within walking distance the Council should maintain their subsidy.	Passenger Transport Strategy - school transport	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council has a legal obligation to provide free transport out with certain distances to school. The council is currently undertaking a review of its passenger and mainstream school transport services and this comment will be incorporated within that review.
33320	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	As I don't use public transport I can't comment on these proposals. However when my son was at school he did benefit from free transport as he was over 2 miles from Secondary School and this was very much appreciated.	Passenger Transport Strategy - school transport	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33321	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Do not agree with school transport review. Agree that some pupils could walk more but introduction of a statutory minimum mileage for them should be introduced as a blanket proposal. You should look at the journey to some schools. Some routes could be really remote and unsafe to ask a kid to walk compared to those in town.	Passenger Transport Strategy - school transport	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council has a legal obligation to provide free transport out with certain distances to school. The council is currently undertaking a review of its passenger and mainstream school transport services and this comment will be incorporated within that review.
33322	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	The review of school transport is long overdue. There is a statutory requirement and the council exceed this by one half again!	Passenger Transport Strategy - school transport	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has a legal obligation to provide free transport out with certain distances to school. The council is currently undertaking a review of its passenger and mainstream school transport services and this comment will be incorporated within that review.
33323	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Again paying for taxis for children to get to school we should be looking at the costs and possibly getting benefits that they are given to cover these	Passenger Transport Strategy - school transport	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has a legal obligation to provide free transport out with certain distances to school. The council is currently undertaking a review of its passenger and mainstream school transport services and this comment will be incorporated within that review.
33324	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Parents should pay a flat bus pass rate for pupils for school bus.	Passenger Transport Strategy - school transport	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has a legal obligation to provide free transport out with certain distances to school. The council is currently undertaking a review of its passenger and mainstream school transport services and this comment will be incorporated within that review.

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33325	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Children going to taxi's in schools. Parents should be walking them to school. In my street there are 6 children going to school in Taxi;s to schools within walking distance. Give parents a choice either pay or contribute towards taxi's or walk. We as a council give far too much away for free to users.	Passenger Transport Strategy - school transport	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has a legal obligation to provide free transport out with certain distances to school. The council is currently undertaking a review of its passenger and mainstream school transport services and this comment will be incorporated within that review.
33326	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	School transport is badly managed, my street alone has 6 different taxis.(2 taxis for one family as the brothers argue in a taxi) Parents receive mobility elements/mobility cards in their DLA claims, these are to transport their children. Children who live around the corner from the autism and special needs units get transport too. Why can a physical healthy child not walk to school with its parents like any other children? (my child also gets a taxi and we stay a 10 minute walk from school/autism unit and part of the education plan is for him to self travel but I could do this easily myself)	Passenger Transport Strategy - school transport	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Children receiving school transport can have different additional support needs and therefore transport requirements can vary. The council continually reviews transport arrangements with a view to minimising cost whilst meeting the needs of the children requiring transport..
33327	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Do not provide school transport over the minimum required by law. Walking or cycling a short distance to school is much more healthy, sustainable, and removes opportunities for bullying on the busses.	Passenger Transport Strategy - school transport	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has a legal obligation to provide free transport out with certain distances to school. The council is currently undertaking a review of its passenger and mainstream school transport services and this comment will be incorporated within that review.
33328	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Why are there so many taxis taking kids to school, this is the parents responsibility.	Passenger Transport Strategy - school transport	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has a legal obligation to provide free transport out with certain distances to school. The council is currently undertaking a review of its passenger and mainstream school transport services and this comment will be incorporated within that review.
33329	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	As previously noted why are there so many taxis for school kids.	Passenger Transport Strategy - school transport	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has a legal obligation to provide free transport out with certain distances to school. The council is currently undertaking a review of its passenger and mainstream school transport services and this comment will be incorporated within that review.
33330	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Decisions should not be based on false economies - forcing a large number of parents into driving and dropping off children where one bus currently manages the traffic would not be a desirable outcome.	Passenger Transport Strategy - school transport	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council has a legal obligation to provide free transport out with certain distances to school. The council is currently undertaking a review of its passenger and mainstream school transport services and this comment will be incorporated within that review.
33331	An employee of West Lothian Council	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	School transport should be brought in-house so as to stop paying companies like Prentice Westwood a fortune in bus costs.	Passenger Transport Strategy - school transport	5b. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it is likely that the costs of this proposal would outweigh the benefit.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33332	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	In addition, the council need to bring its school transport provision into line with most other councils and revert to the statutory minimum mileages for school transport.	Passenger Transport Strategy - school transport	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has a legal obligation to provide free transport out with certain distances to school. The council is currently undertaking a review of its passenger and mainstream school transport services and this comment will be incorporated within that review
33333	An employee of West Lothian Council	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	School transport should be a key focus for savings.	Passenger Transport Strategy - school transport	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33334	An employee of West Lothian Council	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	For the most part getting children to school should be the parent's responsibility and fall to the child when they are old enough. The use of bicycles may increase in the absence of a school bus to everyone's advantage. The use of taxis to provide some children with transport to and from school appears to have proliferated and should be reviewed.	Passenger Transport Strategy - school transport	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has a legal obligation to provide free transport out with certain distances to school. The council is currently undertaking a review of its passenger and mainstream school transport services and this comment will be incorporated within that review
33335	An employee of West Lothian Council	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	I would not mind paying for school transport for my child to get to school. It could be means tested.	Passenger Transport Strategy - school transport	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has a legal obligation to provide free transport out with certain distances to school. The council is currently undertaking a review of its passenger and mainstream school transport services and this comment will be incorporated within that review

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33336	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	There are too many historic arrangements in place for school transport services that contravene the current policies. This does not represent a balanced playing field for all service users.	Passenger Transport Strategy - school transport	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has a legal obligation to provide free transport out with certain distances to school. The council is currently undertaking a review of its passenger and mainstream school transport services and this comment will be incorporated within that review
33337	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Agree with this i.e. mileage minimum for schools	Passenger Transport Strategy - school transport	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33338	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Make sure child is at the school cab companies must be told when not needed no taxi no bill.	Passenger Transport Strategy - school transport	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33339	An employee of West Lothian Council	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Agreed with school transport review. People should pay.	Passenger Transport Strategy - school transport	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33340	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	The council's policy of using taxi's for school children needs to be seriously reviewed and at the very least should be means tested. This must be costing the council a fortune! Surely where possible, the parents should transport their own child to school.	Passenger Transport Strategy - school transport	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has a legal obligation to provide free transport out with certain distances to school. The council is currently undertaking a review of its passenger and mainstream school transport services and this comment will be incorporated within that review
33341	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	this should also include the taxi's that are used for transporting school children to and from their homes, there must be huge cost savings to be made here. I know of several cases where taxis have only one passenger on board. This should at the very least be means tested, with parents being encouraged to transport their own child to school where possible.	Passenger Transport Strategy - school transport	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has a legal obligation to provide free transport out with certain distances to school. The council is currently undertaking a review of its passenger and mainstream school transport services and this comment will be incorporated within that review
33342	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	The council pay a lot of money for school transport and the private firms send buses that are not fit for purpose. Arriving late continually and a bad state of repair	Passenger Transport Strategy - school transport	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has a legal obligation to provide free transport out with certain distances to school. The council is currently undertaking a review of its passenger and mainstream school transport services and this comment will be incorporated within that review
33343	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	as long as that doesn't affect children access to school	Passenger Transport Strategy - school transport	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33344	An employee of West Lothian Council	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	The amount of pupils at school requiring taxis, often to the same place at the same time, is quite surprising. There must be a better way around this.	Passenger Transport Strategy - school transport	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The council has a legal obligation to provide free transport out with certain distances to school. The council is currently undertaking a review of its passenger and mainstream school transport services and this comment will be incorporated within that review
33345	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	My son gets on a school bus everyday, but is never asked to show his pre-paid ticket to the driver. Before consideration is given to stopping school bus services, an effort should be made to collect revenue from those children who are meant to pay.	Passenger Transport Strategy - school transport	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The council has a legal obligation to provide free transport out with certain distances to school. The council is currently undertaking a review of its passenger and mainstream school transport services and this comment will be incorporated within that review
33346	An employee of West Lothian Council	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Support statutory school mileage implementation.	Passenger Transport Strategy - school transport	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has a legal obligation to provide free transport out with certain distances to school. The council is currently undertaking a review of its passenger and mainstream school transport services and this comment will be incorporated within that review
33347	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	I think providing a service for the elderly or disabled should be a priority over school transport. Some school children wait longer at the bus stop waiting for the bus than it takes them just to walk to the school.	Passenger Transport Strategy - school transport	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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33348	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Individual taxis for pupils is a waste of resources. I know of one child who is well within walking distance of the Oglivie Campus who is picked up by taxi each day to go to school. This is a waste of resources and his mother was confused as to why it is necessary	Passenger Transport Strategy - school transport	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Children receiving school transport can have different additional support needs and therefore transport requirements can vary. The council continually reviews transport arrangements with a view to minimising cost whilst meeting the needs of the children requiring transport.
33349	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Statutory minimum for school transport - yes as long as transport for additional needs pupils is maintained bus routes that are not viable should be stopped	Passenger Transport Strategy - school transport	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Children receiving school transport can have different additional support needs and therefore transport requirements can vary. The council continually reviews transport arrangements with a view to minimising cost whilst meeting the needs of the children requiring transport.
33350	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Why not remove school specific buses all together and provide students with Bus passes for regular scheduled buses?	Passenger Transport Strategy - school transport	5c. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it is not consistent with the council's values and priorities.	The council has a legal obligation to provide free transport out with certain distances to school.
33351	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Again this seems to be a necessary evil. But would it be preferable to charge for school transport in certain cases rather than withdraw it.	Passenger Transport Strategy - school transport	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33352	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	I do believe changes should be made to the taxi services provided for school children. The amount of taxis I see dropping children off at my sons school in a morning is ridiculous. Must be cost savings available there.	Passenger Transport Strategy - school transport	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council has a legal obligation to provide free transport out with certain distances to school. The council is currently undertaking a review of its passenger and mainstream school transport services and this comment will be incorporated within that review.
33353	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	We should only support transport and bus routes for the vulnerable.	Passenger Transport Strategy - school transport	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33354	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	School buses should remain to children from one town to another what needs to stop is the use of a bus to transport high school children for example from one end of armadale to another, its an outrageous waste of money no primary school children are bused around armadale, Also taxis being used when parents have means of transport available perhaps widening the boundaries would be prudent	Passenger Transport Strategy - school transport	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has a legal obligation to provide free transport out with certain distances to school. The council is currently undertaking a review of its passenger and mainstream school transport services and this comment will be incorporated within that review
33355	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	I think school transport is too important to reduce the services.	Passenger Transport Strategy - school transport	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33356	An employee of West Lothian Council	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Public transport should be used for transport for schools and changing routes/charges to suit should be feasible - could even have volunteer bus monitoring!!! Should not be subsidising transport for pupils outwith public transport routes.	Passenger Transport Strategy - school transport	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has a legal obligation to provide free transport out with certain distances to school. The council is currently undertaking a review of its passenger and mainstream school transport services and this comment will be incorporated within that review
33357	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Stop providing school transport, pupils should attend their local catchment school	Passenger Transport Strategy - school transport	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33358	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	The school bus service is a shambles, with the council sending out letters to parents to contact private hire operators with no numbers, private hire operators taking additional kids on additional routes that the council hadn't authorised but are no doubt paying for. If the school bus service was run more efficiently no doubt there would be savings.	Passenger Transport Strategy - school transport	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has a legal obligation to provide free transport out with certain distances to school. The council is currently undertaking a review of its passenger and mainstream school transport services and this comment will be incorporated within that review
33359	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	All school transport must be maintained where school pupils have an unreasonable distance to walk or where family transport is not available.	Passenger Transport Strategy - school transport	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council has a legal obligation to provide free transport out with certain distances to school. The council is currently undertaking a review of its passenger and mainstream school transport services and this comment will be incorporated within that review
33360	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Some school pupils can easily walk (and live less that 2miles!)	Passenger Transport Strategy - school transport	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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33361	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	What is needed is consideration of where people wish to travel to / from and at what times not further cuts. For example, children from the west end of Linlithgow are having to travel to Springfield Primary as that is the school with available places. Instead of multiple cars transporting children, consider the timing of buses to fit with school opening and closing times. Buses to other parts of West Lothian are likewise ill-timed - anyone called for jury duty from Linlithgow has great difficulty getting to Livingston at the right time.	Passenger Transport Strategy - school transport	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council is currently undertaking a review of its passenger and school transport services and this comment will be incorporated within that review.
33362	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	I agree that savings could be made here, especially children being taxed to and from school.	Passenger Transport Strategy - school transport	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33363	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Suggestion: Can tendering for School Transport be changed so contracts are for 2 x 2 years and then three years, as many pupils remain static. If the tendering process is run from April and contracts awarded at the end of May it will allow transport companies to employ staff and vehicles in a timely fashion. Special School Pupils will be able to meet their drivers and escorts before the summer holidays and children can be ready of the new school year. This will remove anxiety and children, parents and all involved with transport. This will help from a commercial perspective and also mental health of children, staff managing the tender and contracts and also drivers/escorts knowing they have a job or not so they can plan accordingly.	Passenger Transport Strategy - school transport	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The council is currently undertaking a review of its passenger and school transport services and this comment will be incorporated within that review..
33364	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	I'm alarmed by the number of pupils entitled to free taxis to and from school - or rather, the current operating model. Surely it would be cheaper and more efficient to have minibuses collecting several children rather than them each having a private cab..?	Passenger Transport Strategy - school transport	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council is currently undertaking a review of its passenger and school transport services and this comment will be incorporated within that review.
33365	An employee of West Lothian Council	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	School transport should not be provided to those within the statutory minimum distances.	Passenger Transport Strategy - school transport	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33366	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Keep the L1 and 31 service they are needed for the elderly.	Passenger Transport Strategy - school transport	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33367	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	increase the walking distance to 3.5 miles for children need transport for school. I am sure that its actually up to the parents to ensure safe travel for their children to and from school.	Passenger Transport Strategy - school transport	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has a legal obligation to provide free transport out with certain distances to school. The council is currently undertaking a review of its passenger and mainstream school transport services and this comment will be incorporated within that review
33368	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	I would suggest some level of school bus travel charges .	Passenger Transport Strategy - school transport	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33369	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	School bus provision must not be decided solely on distance, but also on safe routes.	Passenger Transport Strategy - school transport	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	The council has a legal obligation to provide free transport out with certain distances to school. The council is currently undertaking a review of its passenger and mainstream school transport services and this comment will be incorporated within that review
33370	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Why are so many kids in taxis all the time too, surely it's the parents choice to live where they live they have a responsibility to get their kids to school. I see the need for a schools bus full of kids, but really taxis, how much does that cost? I think they parents should be asked to pay, or bring them to school like everyone one else!	Passenger Transport Strategy - school transport	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has a legal obligation to provide free transport out with certain distances to school. The council is currently undertaking a review of its passenger and mainstream school transport services and this comment will be incorporated within that review
33371	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Working with schools and parents to share a lift to school policy - trying to get kids walking to school hasn't worked, so get on board with what people actually do, i.e. drop and pick the kids up by car, so actively encourage neighbours / friends etc to carpool.	Passenger Transport Strategy - school transport	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has a legal obligation to provide free transport out with certain distances to school. The council is currently undertaking a review of its passenger and mainstream school transport services and this comment will be incorporated within that review
33372	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	This is an area where services could be reviewed. Could school transport be means tested?	Passenger Transport Strategy - school transport	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has a legal obligation to provide free transport out with certain distances to school. The council is currently undertaking a review of its passenger and mainstream school transport services and this comment will be incorporated within that review

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33373	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	I also generally support cuts to school buses. Most teenagers are within easy walking distance to their local school. Cutting the bus service would save money, reduce carbon emissions and encourage healthier choices / ecersise.	Passenger Transport Strategy - school transport	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has a legal obligation to provide free transport out with certain distances to school. The council is currently undertaking a review of its passenger and mainstream school transport services and this comment will be incorporated within that review
33374	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	I also object to the current taxi service many well off families enjoy. For example if a parent in an outlying region opts to send their child to school in linlithgow rather than tAking a place at their local school, they should not qualify for a state funded taxi there and back daily.	Passenger Transport Strategy - school transport	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has a legal obligation to provide free transport out with certain distances to school. The council is currently undertaking a review of its passenger and mainstream school transport services and this comment will be incorporated within that review
33375	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	this should be left as it is. Children that travel in taxis need to be in them as they can't cope with traveling with other children. And if you change it from 2 miles to 3 miles them kids won't go to other schools and the school in their community will be overcrowded and some kids won't go to school as they can't get a place then the attainment gap will be worse than it has ever been. The council have work men van cut the number of them and save on changes for our kids.	Passenger Transport Strategy - school transport	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council has a legal obligation to provide free transport out with certain distances to school. The council is currently undertaking a review of its passenger and mainstream school transport services and this comment will be incorporated within that review
33376	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	With regards to school transport.for children with SEN to and from. School. The cheapest option isn't.always the best option. A revamp of routes may be a better option .	Passenger Transport Strategy - school transport	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33377	An employee of West Lothian Council	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	School transport is already capped at 2 miles - would this be made even futher? With our wet weather kids would be soaked and need to sit in wet clothes all day if this was further reduced. This would also lead to more kids being taken to school by car and cause even more congestion making it dangerous for pupils walking to school too. Not fair for people in rural areas to be penalised for transport.	Passenger Transport Strategy - school transport	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council has a legal obligation to provide free transport out with certain distances to school. The council is currently undertaking a review of its passenger and mainstream school transport services and this comment will be incorporated within that review
33378	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	The school bus service is an invaluable service for children living out with the 2 mile catchment, especially younger children who would be unable to walk the distance to school daily. Free school bus services to denominational schools should not be provided. These should be treated the same as a non catchment school.	Passenger Transport Strategy - school transport	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council has a legal obligation to provide free transport out with certain distances to school. The council is currently undertaking a review of its passenger and mainstream school transport services and this comment will be incorporated within that review
33379	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	I think that all school kids who require a bus service should get it free and if you make those 60 and over apply for a bus pass when/if they require it, given that many are still working and can afford to pay for their own transportation.	Passenger Transport Strategy - school transport	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	The Scottish Government has responsibility for the Concessionary Travel Scheme
33380	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Encourage walking to school. Increase distance that secondary school pupils are expected to walk rather than get school bus provided.	Passenger Transport Strategy - school transport	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33381	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Agreed. Transporting some individual pupils to school by taxi seems ludicrous and wasteful.	Passenger Transport Strategy - school transport	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33382	An employee of West Lothian Council	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Subsidising 'school buses' in small communities where the commute to school is under 2 miles should be scrapped. It is a parental responsibility to get their child to and from school and for parents who don't work this should be no problem.	Passenger Transport Strategy - school transport	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has a legal obligation to provide free transport out with certain distances to school. The council is currently undertaking a review of its passenger and mainstream school transport services and this comment will be incorporated within that review
33383	An employee of West Lothian Council	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Agree for school transport - kids should be encouraged to walk/cycle to school.	Passenger Transport Strategy - school transport	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has a legal obligation to provide free transport out with certain distances to school. The council is currently undertaking a review of its passenger and mainstream school transport services and this comment will be incorporated within that review
33384	An employee of West Lothian Council	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	As for minimum mileage limits for school transport - some schools have a problem with parent car usage and the effects of this on local residents; reducing the limits could lead to more parents using cars!	Passenger Transport Strategy - school transport	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council has a legal obligation to provide free transport out with certain distances to school. The council is currently undertaking a review of its passenger and mainstream school transport services and this comment will be incorporated within that review

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33385	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Fully agree that we should , impose statutory transport distances for school transport.	Passenger Transport Strategy - school transport	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has a legal obligation to provide free transport out with certain distances to school. The council is currently undertaking a review of its passenger and mainstream school transport services and this comment will be incorporated within that review
33386	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	The school free bus pass if living over two miles away from catchment school should not be changed. There are closer schools my son could attend, but I am told that WCHS is the school he should attend - it is over 2 miles away.	Passenger Transport Strategy - school transport	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council has a legal obligation to provide free transport out with certain distances to school. The council is currently undertaking a review of its passenger and mainstream school transport services and this comment will be incorporated within that review
33387	An employee of West Lothian Council	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	As commented above. I would understand if we had to contribute towards our sons school transport.	Passenger Transport Strategy - school transport	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has a legal obligation to provide free transport out with certain distances to school. The council is currently undertaking a review of its passenger and mainstream school transport services and this comment will be incorporated within that review
33388	An employee of West Lothian Council	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	In contrast too much is spent on educational support such as taxi's to alternate educational establishments where there is not availability in preferred school. Costs of transport for additional support pupils is excessive. For example a pupil with mild Asbergers having with two cars in the family, being collected daily by taxi and support worker to and from school. This is an unnecessary expense. It is happening all too often.	Passenger Transport Strategy - school transport	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has a legal obligation to provide free transport out with certain distances to school. The council is currently undertaking a review of its passenger and mainstream school transport services and this comment will be incorporated within that review
33389	An employee of West Lothian Council	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Activities in this department should meet and not surpass the statutory requirements in terms of transport to school. 3.2 KM under age 8 4.8 Km age 8 and upwards These are the distances from home to school where if exceeded we have a duty to provide transport. An excessive amount is being spent on transport for children to school where it is not a statutory requirement. Parents should be accompanying their children to school or the child should be walking. Families with cars in particular should be ensuring the child is taken to school, this does not require the local authority's input. This is a luxury that can no longer be afforded. Parents should be looking after their own children where they can.	Passenger Transport Strategy - school transport	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has a legal obligation to provide free transport out with certain distances to school. The council is currently undertaking a review of its passenger and mainstream school transport services and this comment will be incorporated within that review
33390	An employee of West Lothian Council	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	An updated transport strategy which focuses on statutory minimum mileage limits for school transport is a good idea. People should be ensuring their children attend school. This includes ensuring they travel to school safely or where possible are accompanied by their parents. Transport costs to schools are excessive. Additional support transport costs are excessive in many cases. A higher test should be applied.	Passenger Transport Strategy - school transport	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has a legal obligation to provide free transport out with certain distances to school. The council is currently undertaking a review of its passenger and mainstream school transport services and this comment will be incorporated within that review
33391	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	West Lothian is well-served by rail. Schools should be encouraged to get the children to walk to a station and travel on a group ticket rather than hiring a bus, wherever possible.	Passenger Transport Strategy - school transport	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has a legal obligation to provide free transport out with certain distances to school. The council is currently undertaking a review of its passenger and mainstream school transport services and this comment will be incorporated within that review
33392	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	See above. West Lothian is well-served by rail. Schools should be encouraged to get the children to walk to a station and travel on a group ticket rather than hiring a bus, wherever possible.	Passenger Transport Strategy - school transport	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has a legal obligation to provide free transport out with certain distances to school. The council is currently undertaking a review of its passenger and mainstream school transport services and this comment will be incorporated within that review
33393	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	parents who's children use school buses down south are charged. Why can't a means tested charging system be implemented for pupils who want to use school buses.	Passenger Transport Strategy - school transport	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has a statutory duty to provide free school transport however its current boundaries are less than those covered by the statutory requirement so there is scope to move the boundaries our to reduce cost.
33394	An employee of West Lothian Council	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	The dial a ride scheme is good. The implementation of statutory minimum mileage limits for school transport will be unpopular as they are quite high, but they are already implemented by other Local Authorities.	Passenger Transport Strategy - school transport	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has a legal obligation to provide free transport out with certain distances to school. The council is currently undertaking a review of its passenger and mainstream school transport services and this comment will be incorporated within that review

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33395	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Exploring alternative transport models is welcomed. I know that West Lothian Council provides greater than the statutory minimum mileage limits for school transport, changes to that at this time could place a greater burden on financially challenged families and as such would be a very controversial decisions.	Passenger Transport Strategy - school transport	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has a legal obligation to provide free transport out with certain distances to school. The council is currently undertaking a review of its passenger and mainstream school transport services and this comment will be incorporated within that review
33396	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Time would be needed to allow families to make alternative provisions. This could impact on school attendance if journeys become more problematic for people.	Passenger Transport Strategy - school transport	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council has a legal obligation to provide free transport out with certain distances to school. The council is currently undertaking a review of its passenger and mainstream school transport services and this comment will be incorporated within that review
33397	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Agree that reduction in use of school taxis paid for by the council, where customers could afford to pay for these, is appropriate.	Passenger Transport Strategy - school transport	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has a legal obligation to provide free transport out with certain distances to school. The council is currently undertaking a review of its passenger and mainstream school transport services and this comment will be incorporated within that review
33398	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	How will the people who rely on these services be provided for? However I am in favour of reducing school bus provision within reason. There is no reason why secondary school children cannot walk or cycle a couple of miles to school	Passenger Transport Strategy - school transport	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has a legal obligation to provide free transport out with certain distances to school. The council is currently undertaking a review of its passenger and mainstream school transport services and this comment will be incorporated within that review
33399	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Reducing the distance for free school transport is unfair on those on low incomes and living in areas where it is not easy to walk to schools. Kids attending Catholic schools nearly all live a fair distance from school. It would be unfair to make it difficult for them to attend their nearest denominational school.	Passenger Transport Strategy - school transport	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council has a legal obligation to provide free transport out with certain distances to school. The council is currently undertaking a review of its passenger and mainstream school transport services and this comment will be incorporated within that review
33400	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	If you change school transportation, then change school hours so that children can travel safely in daylight!!!	Passenger Transport Strategy - school transport	5d. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it has been previously considered and will not be progressed.	The council has a legal obligation to provide free transport out with certain distances to school. The council is currently undertaking a review of its passenger and mainstream school transport services and this comment will be incorporated within that review
33401	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Some areas of school transport do not come into the statutory minimum distance, i.e. Craigshill to Inverlaimond, but for safety reasons must be continued.	Passenger Transport Strategy - school transport	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has a legal obligation to provide free transport out with certain distances to school. The council is currently undertaking a review of its passenger and mainstream school transport services and this comment will be incorporated within that review
33402	An employee of West Lothian Council	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	The council should consider taking school transport in house employing drivers and escorts. Many semi-retired people would be interested in this and the vehicle could be used for other purposes outside the key drop-off times. Surely there would be savings to be made because taxi and mini-bus firms are making profits out of this.	Passenger Transport Strategy - school transport	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The council has a legal obligation to provide free transport out with certain distances to school. The council is currently undertaking a review of its passenger and mainstream school transport services and this comment will be incorporated within that review
33403	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Why don't they just get the kids' parents to pay a small fee for their bus passes? For one, I wouldn't mind it... Those that can walk would walk... I also wouldn't mind paying a yearly fee for my bus pass	Passenger Transport Strategy - school transport	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The council has a legal obligation to provide free transport out with certain distances to school. The council is currently undertaking a review of its passenger and mainstream school transport services and this comment will be incorporated within that review
33404	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Leave the buses alone we have hardly any as it is and kids need to get to school	Passenger Transport Strategy - school transport	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council has a legal obligation to provide free transport out with certain distances to school. The council is currently undertaking a review of its passenger and mainstream school transport services and this comment will be incorporated within that review

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33405	An employee of West Lothian Council	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Taxis to and from schools for pupils should be paid from parents... I am unsure as to why some pupils get taxis paid for	Passenger Transport Strategy - school transport	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has a legal obligation to provide free transport out with certain distances to school. The council is currently undertaking a review of its passenger and mainstream school transport services and this comment will be incorporated within that review
33406	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	why it is the councils job to get their kids to school. They should be able to get them to the nearest school bus stop. What is core service? Push a few boundaries on charges.	Passenger Transport Strategy - school transport	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has a legal obligation to provide free transport out with certain distances to school. The council is currently undertaking a review of its passenger and mainstream school transport services and this comment will be incorporated within that review
33407	An employee of West Lothian Council	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	It is a parental responsibility to make sure pupils go to school. If parents choose to live out in the countryside then they have to accept that the school is not on their doorstep and that they need to arrange transport for their children. Their responsibility... not the council's! I do not see why the Council needs to pay 20% of this. Also, I do not agree with pupils being sent a taxi to collect them every morning if they choose to attend a school out of their catchment.	Passenger Transport Strategy - school transport	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has a legal obligation to provide free transport out with certain distances to school. The council is currently undertaking a review of its passenger and mainstream school transport services and this comment will be incorporated within that review
33408	An employee of West Lothian Council	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Providing taxis to and from school for children is a waste of money considering there are schools more local to their home addresses. There is no need for children to be travelling up to half an hour each way in a taxi.	Passenger Transport Strategy - school transport	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has a legal obligation to provide free transport out with certain distances to school. The council is currently undertaking a review of its passenger and mainstream school transport services and this comment will be incorporated within that review
33409	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	If the school mileage limits were raised, more children would walk to school which would save money and also reduce obesity.	Passenger Transport Strategy - school transport	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33410	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	I know lots of councils operate to statutory requirements for school transport so even as a parent I would agree that this is needed if it means money can be prioritised to school education and cuts aren't made to schools.	Passenger Transport Strategy - school transport	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33411	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	I will be very aggrieved if this proposal affects Home to school transport for disabled children. We didn't ask for our child to be disabled or to travel out with our local area to attend a special school. Any cuts to this for disabled, vulnerable or elderly people is blatant discrimination.	Passenger Transport Strategy - school transport	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33412	An employee of West Lothian Council	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	7D) Subsidising 'school buses' in small communities where the commute to school is under 2 miles should be scrapped. It is a parental responsibility to get their child to and from school and for parents who don't work this should be no problem.	Passenger Transport Strategy - school transport	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33413	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	I trust that transport to schools such as Pinewood and Cederbank would continue to be provided to all.	Passenger Transport Strategy - school transport	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33414	No Response	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	7D) Subsidising 'school buses' in small communities where the commute to school is under 2 miles should be scrapped. It is a parental responsibility to get their child to and from school and for parents who don't work this should be no problem.	Passenger Transport Strategy - school transport	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33415	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	School transport MUST be reviewed. I think a child travelling to school in a taxi should be an absolute last resort. I know first hand of children who are transported to Windyknowe Primary school/nursery in a taxi when their mother is at home with a car. I think the council must be tougher on parents to get their children to school and to get them to their catchment school. School buses are necessary. Especially for schools like St. Kentigern's Academy and West Calder High where the catchment areas are wide. I also think that a family who chooses to live in a rural location should have the onus placed on them to get their children to a school bus pick-up point and not expect a taxi. People who choose to live in West Lothian must understand the geographical spread of the area. I am an incomer to West Lothian and chose to live here. I completely understand that some areas are rural and semi rural. This is part of life here and people should not expect the council to subsidise their transport.	Passenger Transport Strategy - school transport	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33416	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	School transport???? Have you seen the number of taxi's at school finishing time, with only 1 child on board? It's a disgrace.	Passenger Transport Strategy - school transport	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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33417	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	School transport should not be cut as we need to make it as easy as profit children to gain an education.	Passenger Transport Strategy - school transport	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33418	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Not really sure why free transport is ever provided to school.	Passenger Transport Strategy - school transport	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33419	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Stop subsidising school buses and taxis. If people require these and choose to live out in country or send kids to a school out of catchment then they should pay costs themselves. Tax payers cannot afford such frivolous luxury.	Passenger Transport Strategy - school transport	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33420	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Please review use of taxis for children whose parents have chosen to move them out of catchment. The council should absolutely NOT subsidise the travel for people who have moved to the other end of town or to a different town. I am aware of a child who was transported from one end of Linlithgow to another for a full 7 years, simply because a sibling was already in school when they moved. Taxis should only be used for children who need to attend special schools or where the council cannot provide a place in the catchment school - and there should be a cap on the latter (e.g. for 6 months only). Parent should then either pay a fee or be encouraged to make private arrangements. IN many cases it would be possible for children to walk or be driven to out of catchment schools.	Passenger Transport Strategy - school transport	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33421	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	The school bus mileage should be based on the distance deemed to be an appropriate distance for children to walk there and back on a daily basis. he changes	Passenger Transport Strategy - school transport	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33422	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	School transport should be reviewed. There seems to be a disproportionate use of taxis to ferry school children about apparently paid for by the schools.	Passenger Transport Strategy - school transport	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33423	An employee of West Lothian Council	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Subsidising 'school buses' in small communities where the commute to school is under 2 miles should be scrapped. It is a parental responsibility to get their child to and from school and for parents who don't work this should be no problem.	Passenger Transport Strategy - school transport	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33424	An employee of West Lothian Council	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	If changes are to be made to school transport then there may have to be consultation regarding this and assessments made of walking routes to ensure that we are meeting all of our statutory duties.	Passenger Transport Strategy - school transport	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33425	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	I support a review of current policy of providing free/subsidised taxi and bus services to school pupils outwith a certain distance from schools. I am aware of quite a few families currently living outside of town, due to their own personal choice, who can well afford to pay full fares, or catch a school bus, rather than having a subsidised/free taxi to collect their children from their house. (I think this is a waste of scarce funding resources.)	Passenger Transport Strategy - school transport	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33426	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Safe school travel is important, please be mindful of busy routes, lack of lighting or pavement and not compromising child safety when revising school transport.	Passenger Transport Strategy - school transport	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33427	An employee of West Lothian Council	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	The council needs to look at the transporting of children in special education by taxi and with an escort. Most parents would be happy enough to take children to school themselves. The current systems do not make sense and do not even give parents / carers the option to refuse it.	Passenger Transport Strategy - school transport	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33428	An employee of West Lothian Council	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Again, looking into the school transport side this should be means tested even further and only for the children unable to get to school. prioritizing the routes would be beneficial.	Passenger Transport Strategy - school transport	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33429	An employee of West Lothian Council	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	I do not agree with these proposals. School transport is important for children who live a distance from school. Local bus services are important for the elderly and people on low income as they depend on public transport.	Passenger Transport Strategy - school transport	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33430	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Use statutory minimum mileage limits for school transport.	Passenger Transport Strategy - school transport	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33431	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Re-assess those who get taxi services	Passenger Transport Strategy - school transport	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33432	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Suggestion: reduce taxis taking children to school when both parents & grandparents have a car each!!!	Passenger Transport Strategy - school transport	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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33433	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	I think you should think about encouraging the parents of special needs children to be responsible for getting their kids to school and home where possible. Another option would be buses instead of taxis - save millions! There are too many education cuts already in place - try to think of other areas to target.	Passenger Transport Strategy - school transport	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33434	An employee of West Lothian Council	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	I think bosses at top or play ground assistants in mainstream schools, people that got cars could take their kids for school instead of taxis.	Passenger Transport Strategy - school transport	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33435	An employee of West Lothian Council	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Look at school transport. Are all bus routes run by sufficiently small vehicles ? 25 seater buses transporting 10 pupils ?	Passenger Transport Strategy - school transport	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33436	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	you target children by removing transport for attending school activities which involve e.g. taking a whole school walking a long distance to churches etc., and putting extra pressure on teachers to make sure of their safety. This is not a caring council. It would be good to know exactly what you spend your budget on and then perhaps we can make a more informed decision on how to bridge the gap. I am sure there are many areas within the council that can be targetted but unless we know what these are we cannot assist in helping	Passenger Transport Strategy - school transport	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33437	An employee of West Lothian Council	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Change the transport for children within special schools. More minibus contracts rather than several taxis sometimes only transporting one child.	Passenger Transport Strategy - school transport	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33438	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Please retain the L1 and 31 services in their current form.	Passenger Transport Strategy - subsidised routes	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33439	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Please retain the L1 and 31 services in their current form.	Passenger Transport Strategy - subsidised routes	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33440	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Please retain the L1 and 31 services in their current form.	Passenger Transport Strategy - subsidised routes	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33441	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Please retain the L1 and 31 services in their current form.	Passenger Transport Strategy - subsidised routes	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33442	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Please retain the L1 and 31 services in their current form.	Passenger Transport Strategy - subsidised routes	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33443	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Please retain the L1 and 31 services in their current form.	Passenger Transport Strategy - subsidised routes	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33444	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Please retain the L1 and 31 services in their current form.	Passenger Transport Strategy - subsidised routes	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33445	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Please retain the L1 and 31 services in their current form.	Passenger Transport Strategy - subsidised routes	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33446	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Please retain the L1 and 31 services in their current form.	Passenger Transport Strategy - subsidised routes	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33447	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Please retain the L1 and 31 services in their current form.	Passenger Transport Strategy - subsidised routes	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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33656	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Please retain the L1 and 31 services in their current form.	Passenger Transport Strategy - subsidised routes	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33657	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Please retain the L1 and 31 services in their current form.	Passenger Transport Strategy - subsidised routes	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33658	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Please retain the L1 and 31 services in their current form.	Passenger Transport Strategy - subsidised routes	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33659	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Please retain the L1 and 31 services in their current form.	Passenger Transport Strategy - subsidised routes	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33660	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Please retain the L1 and 31 services in their current form.	Passenger Transport Strategy - subsidised routes	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33661	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Please retain the L1 and 31 services in their current form.	Passenger Transport Strategy - subsidised routes	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33662	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Please retain the L1 and 31 services in their current form.	Passenger Transport Strategy - subsidised routes	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33663	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Please retain the L1 and 31 services in their current form.	Passenger Transport Strategy - subsidised routes	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33664	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Please retain the L1 and 31 services in their current form.	Passenger Transport Strategy - subsidised routes	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33665	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Please retain the L1 and 31 services in their current form.	Passenger Transport Strategy - subsidised routes	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33666	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Please retain the L1 and 31 services in their current form.	Passenger Transport Strategy - subsidised routes	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33667	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Please retain the L1 and 31 services in their current form.	Passenger Transport Strategy - subsidised routes	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33668	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Please retain the L1 and 31 services in their current form.	Passenger Transport Strategy - subsidised routes	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33669	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Please retain the L1 and 31 services in their current form.	Passenger Transport Strategy - subsidised routes	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33670	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	"removal of subsidies for bus routes that are not commercially available or viable" would mean isolating certain parts of the community which are likely to be under-privileged, rural and already socially isolated so disagree.	Passenger Transport Strategy - subsidised routes	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council is currently undertaking a review of its passenger and school transport services and this comment will be incorporated within that review.
33671	An employee of West Lothian Council	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Buses are required even on bus routes that are not commercially viable as it may be the only method (especially older people) may have to access local amenities.	Passenger Transport Strategy - subsidised routes	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Comments noted and will be considered regarding accessibility and local mobility impacts of proposals considered.

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33672	An employee of West Lothian Council	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Yes. Plus the services that buses supported by council funding need to make sense. I worked in Kirkton Campus and there were buses that left 5 mins before or exactly on the end of a shift change and by the time you got out of the building you either had to walk or wait while the bus you missed drove off empty!	Passenger Transport Strategy - subsidised routes	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council is currently undertaking a review of its passenger and school transport services and this comment will be incorporated within that review.
33673	An employee of West Lothian Council	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	I would suggest also investigating if subsidies being properly used by bus companies. I have heard reports of someone with a concession card asking to go one stop in Livingston but the ticket issued is for all the way to Edinburgh or Bathgate. Does this mean the council is charged more for longer journeys?	Passenger Transport Strategy - subsidised routes	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	The concessionary bus pass scheme is a national scheme that is provided by the Scottish Government. West Lothian Council is not charged for this scheme.
33674	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	yes get rid of bus routes that are not viable	Passenger Transport Strategy - subsidised routes	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council is currently undertaking a review of its passenger and school transport services and this comment will be incorporated within that review.
33675	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Some bus routes should be subsidised as people rely on them for employment.	Passenger Transport Strategy - subsidised routes	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council is currently undertaking a review of its passenger and school transport services and this comment will be incorporated within that review.
33676	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Bus Route subsidies should be stopped.	Passenger Transport Strategy - subsidised routes	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council is currently undertaking a review of its passenger and school transport services and this comment will be incorporated within that review.
33677	An employee of West Lothian Council	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	I am unclear in relation to the removal of subsidies for bus routes that are not commercially available or viable whether this means that some communities would no longer have bus services - this would affect older people and those on benefits disproportionately as they are least likely to afford / have access to private transport	Passenger Transport Strategy - subsidised routes	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	80% of the bus routes are provided by the commercial sector of which the council has no authority over. The council routinely works with private sector service providers to provide the best possible services across West Lothian
33678	An employee of West Lothian Council	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Any specific proposals should be fully consulted on with the affected communities. Some of our more rural communities already feel cut off and struggle to access services, jobs etc due to the lack of public transport available.	Passenger Transport Strategy - subsidised routes	4. The council is already doing this.	The council is seeking the views of residents on the budget proposals. These views will help the council to make informed decisions on the issues which reflect local priorities, identified by communities.
33679	An employee of West Lothian Council	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Subsidies of bus routes cause problems on other routes. If drivers are off sick or absent the subsidised routes get the drivers and they are pulled off other routes to cover. If for example Rangers are playing on a Sunday and you are not on a subsidised route then you can spend hours trying to get a bus. Any complaints to the bus company are ignored.	Passenger Transport Strategy - subsidised routes	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council is currently undertaking a review of its passenger and school transport services and this comment will be incorporated within that review.
33680	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Any reduction in the transport or winter maintenance services for the village of Kirknewton would affect the already poor service.	Passenger Transport Strategy - subsidised routes	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	80% of the bus routes are provided by the commercial sector of which the council has no authority over. The council routinely works with private sector service providers to provide the best possible services across West Lothian
33681	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Some buses have a poor take up and other more cost effective other transport could be used	Passenger Transport Strategy - subsidised routes	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council is currently undertaking a review of its passenger and school transport services and this comment will be incorporated within that review.
33682	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Most busses I see in WL are almost empty. It is appreciated that some people rely on these services, however the efficiency could be improved.	Passenger Transport Strategy - subsidised routes	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council is currently undertaking a review of its passenger and school transport services and this comment will be incorporated within that review.
33683	An employee of West Lothian Council	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Bus services that connect towns within WL should not be withdrawn or tampered with in any way. I work/travel from Bathgate to Linlithgow every day by local bus. How else would I get there ? - I have no car.	Passenger Transport Strategy - subsidised routes	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	80% of the bus routes are provided by the commercial sector of which the council has no authority over. The council routinely works with private sector service providers to provide the best possible services across West Lothian
33684	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Remove this...every time I see one of the Horsburgh mini busses, it's empty...	Passenger Transport Strategy - subsidised routes	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33685	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	A large number of buses run empty or with very few people on them. The strategy is obviously not working. The bus companies will continue to take money as long as it is offered.	Passenger Transport Strategy - subsidised routes	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33686	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Get rid of the Murieston bus run by Horseburgh. This must run at a loss as I have never seen more than 2 folk on it and it is not even timed to pick up rail passengers as it arrives and leaves before the train has stopped!	Passenger Transport Strategy - subsidised routes	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council is currently undertaking a review of its passenger and school transport services and this comment will be incorporated within that review.
33687	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Make first provide decent busses at a reasonable price.	Passenger Transport Strategy - subsidised routes	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council routinely works with private sector service providers to provide the best possible services across West Lothian

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33688	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	I don't agree with you paying subsidies to private companies like first bus as their services are atrocious and I totally agree at looking into alternative transport and look into other companies	Passenger Transport Strategy - subsidised routes	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33689	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	agreed. The council should develop model templates for community provided transport	Passenger Transport Strategy - subsidised routes	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33690	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Fab now you want to touch the buses our bus service tab the moment is rubbish and now it seems you want to make it worse . If I stayed in Edinburgh i would be able to go all the way to wallyford for £1.60	Passenger Transport Strategy - subsidised routes	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	80% of the bus routes are provided by the commercial sector of which the council has no authority over. The council routinely works with private sector service providers to provide the best possible services across West Lothian
33691	An employee of West Lothian Council	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	This service is invaluable to us please do not change this	Passenger Transport Strategy - subsidised routes	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33692	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	As long as people living in isolated places are catered for, it makes sense to cease subsidy on some transport services.	Passenger Transport Strategy - subsidised routes	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33693	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	We already have a very limited bus service route- I hope that this would not change.	Passenger Transport Strategy - subsidised routes	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33694	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Public transport/bus services are vital to many in West Lothian allowing people to get about their lives. These should be all be maintained at current levels. Surely, by their very nature, the reason a bus route will receive a subsidy is because they are not commercially available or viable?!? They are needed. This is a silly proposal.	Passenger Transport Strategy - subsidised routes	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33695	An employee of West Lothian Council	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	This could be difficult for isolated communities where older people would struggle to get elsewhere without subsidised transport. Would need extremely careful consideration so as not to isolate the elderly even further than they may already be.	Passenger Transport Strategy - subsidised routes	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Any proposed changes will carefully consider impact on vulnerable groups
33696	An employee of West Lothian Council	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	May lead to further isolation for rural communities.	Passenger Transport Strategy - subsidised routes	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33697	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Kill off the subsidies completely. Market forces will set the provision and cost.	Passenger Transport Strategy - subsidised routes	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33698	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Remove all subsidies.	Passenger Transport Strategy - subsidised routes	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33699	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Stop funding public transport. Council shouldn't be paying for buses unless they are popular	Passenger Transport Strategy - subsidised routes	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33700	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Sensible. Ideally some systematic trigger to allow bus routes to be dropped so the process is not interfered with by couple local complaints or a vocal Cllr.	Passenger Transport Strategy - subsidised routes	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council is currently undertaking a review of its passenger and school transport services and this comment will be incorporated within that review.
33701	An employee of West Lothian Council	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Before reducing any bus route need to consider impact on social policy users as this may result in increased costs if we are required to provide alternative transport	Passenger Transport Strategy - subsidised routes	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council is currently undertaking a review of its passenger and school transport services and this comment will be incorporated within that review.
33702	An employee of West Lothian Council	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Can't just focus on viable bus routes as the council has a responsibility to provide transport to residents in small rural communities who don't drive	Passenger Transport Strategy - subsidised routes	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33703	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Instead of cutting life line services for the old, infirm and disabled, instead charge a nominal charge.	Passenger Transport Strategy - subsidised routes	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	Thank you for your comments. Your response has been noted. The Scottish Government has responsibility for the Concessionary Travel Scheme.
33704	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	customers who use this service should be studied if it's found that the majority of device users are of low income then this again would be seen as discriminating against people on a low income.	Passenger Transport Strategy - subsidised routes	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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33705	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	This is a race to the bottom, if you remove subsidies you might as well say that you don't care about some areas. Look at Edinburgh that have a great transport strategy with a single price ticket for most journeys, which means that more people use the buses. If West Lothian did that, then they may find that local transports would start to be used again. Have you been on the so called local buses.....	Passenger Transport Strategy - subsidised routes	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council is currently undertaking a review of its passenger and school transport services and this comment will be incorporated within that review.
33706	An employee of West Lothian Council	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Make sure that older people are not trapped in their homes.	Passenger Transport Strategy - subsidised routes	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33707	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Public transport terrible, scrap subsidies, get rid of first bus contract and outsource it all to Lothian buses who are looking to come through this way anyway.	Passenger Transport Strategy - subsidised routes	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	80% of the bus routes are provided by the commercial sector of which the council has no authority over. The council routinely works with private sector service providers to provide the best possible services across West Lothian
33708	An employee of West Lothian Council	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Sadly this reduction in bus routes will most likely hit those that are poorest and depend on these services the most.	Passenger Transport Strategy - subsidised routes	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33709	An employee of West Lothian Council	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Look at bus passenger numbers, if buses are not full they should be cut.	Passenger Transport Strategy - subsidised routes	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33710	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Why subsidise, if folk don't use them stop paying. Money only goes to Horsburghs and their buses are terrible.	Passenger Transport Strategy - subsidised routes	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33711	An employee of West Lothian Council	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Stop subsidising private companies. If a route meets its costs then the service will run, if it doesn't then I don't see why I, as a tax payer, should contribute to the profits of private firms to run empty buses....	Passenger Transport Strategy - subsidised routes	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33712	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Fares on subsidised services are too cheap! They do not represent the commercial market and fail to generate an income to the council that is worthwhile. As the services themselves are subsidised, why is it necessary to also subsidise the fare? Remove Christmas service provision. No other councils provide such a thing.	Passenger Transport Strategy - subsidised routes	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council is currently undertaking a review of its passenger and school transport services and this comment will be incorporated within that review.
33713	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Scottish Government should provide subsidy for rural transport.	Passenger Transport Strategy - subsidised routes	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33714	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Subsidies for non-statutory bus routes should cease.	Passenger Transport Strategy - subsidised routes	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33715	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Please do not cut the no. 28 bus service.	Passenger Transport Strategy - subsidised routes	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33716	No Response	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Agreed but keep main hub routes subsidised.	Passenger Transport Strategy - subsidised routes	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33717	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Vulnerable communities need a reliable bus service. Dial a bus and handicaps are a lifeline for some people	Passenger Transport Strategy - subsidised routes	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33718	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Wholeheartedly agree - too often see empty buses and council vehicles. Set reasonable routes/schedules and if folk don't want to utilise the option available (as it might mean a bit of a wait / an extension of their appointment) then that's up to them to pay for their own transport. Subsidising peoples lifestyle because they are not willing to be flexible is unacceptable. No reimbursement should EVER be made when a free or subsidised option has been ignored.	Passenger Transport Strategy - subsidised routes	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council is currently undertaking a review of its passenger and school transport services and this comment will be incorporated within that review.
33719	An employee of West Lothian Council	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Use smaller busses, larger bussed regularly seen almost empty.	Passenger Transport Strategy - subsidised routes	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The council is currently undertaking a review of its passenger and school transport services and this comment will be incorporated within that review.

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33720	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	As someone who travels by bus, I have first hand experience of the cuts suffered by subsidiary bus routes. I infact have had to get taxis to my workplace because the bus routes has suffered a slow steady withdrawal of services. And also my local route around my home where there are many old people, young mums who have suffered from the withdrawal of bus services which no doubt has impacted upon the shops/venues they used to be able to get to on a regular basis.	Passenger Transport Strategy - subsidised routes	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council is currently undertaking a review of its passenger and school transport services and this comment will be incorporated within that review.
33721	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Perhaps more joined up thinking on bus routes would be helpful. Many of the villages don't have a decent service in peak hours let alone evenings and weekends when it's non existent. A "village hopper" shuttle service looping through the villages to join up with Livingston bus Station and Ingliston Park and ride or Edinburgh gateway would go a long way towards assisting those in the villages to get about for work and to access and support local businesses which in turn would help the local economy	Passenger Transport Strategy - subsidised routes	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The council is currently undertaking a review of its passenger and school transport services and this comment will be incorporated within that review.
33722	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Outlying areas rely on bus services. Those are likely to be the non viable routes, and these should be kept.	Passenger Transport Strategy - subsidised routes	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33723	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	The use of smaller buses / minibuses on less viable routes rather than double decker buses. The reintroduction of a circular bus to villages e.g. Stoneyburn to Whitburn means 2 buses. Stoneyburn to Bathgate hourly bus then withdrawn at times. A smaller vehicle could be the answer.	Passenger Transport Strategy - subsidised routes	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The council is currently undertaking a review of its passenger and school transport services and this comment will be incorporated within that review.
33724	An employee of West Lothian Council	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Remove all subsidised services - this is not something the Council should support.	Passenger Transport Strategy - subsidised routes	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33725	An employee of West Lothian Council	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	I agree that routes that are not been supported should be cut but we do not want to hit the Elderly and Disabled and bus trips that are supported	Passenger Transport Strategy - subsidised routes	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33726	An employee of West Lothian Council	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	This is a very good plan, There will always be someone not happy about a bus service getting stopped, but if only x1 person uses it over a 6 month period say, then it should indeed be scrapped as it is not viable commercially. Bus operators are NOT as hard up as they make out.	Passenger Transport Strategy - subsidised routes	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council is currently undertaking a review of its passenger and school transport services and this comment will be incorporated within that review.
33727	An employee of West Lothian Council	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Disagree - this would force people to use own vehicles more often - defeating the carbon emission ethos described previously.	Passenger Transport Strategy - subsidised routes	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33728	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Someone I know uses the dial a ride scheme it may be that these should be promoted even more as I am sure a lot of the public do not know they exist.	Passenger Transport Strategy - subsidised routes	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council is currently undertaking a review of its passenger and school transport services and this comment will be incorporated within that review.
33729	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Agree that some bus routes should be withdrawn and a focus for more buses on the more popular routes that are used at present. You see a lot of buses running empty.	Passenger Transport Strategy - subsidised routes	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council is currently undertaking a review of its passenger and school transport services and this comment will be incorporated within that review.
33730	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	West Lothian bus services are already poor. However, any subsidies to First Bus should be cut, as they are not providing an adequate or cost effective service	Passenger Transport Strategy - subsidised routes	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	80% of the bus routes are provided by the commercial sector of which the council has no authority over. The council routinely works with private sector service providers to provide the best possible services across West Lothian
33731	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	We hope it won't be necessary to cut the local bus service in Bathgate. There are a lot of very elderly people who rely on the bus. Without it they could not carry shopping up the hills. A taxi costs at least Â£4 each time. Should the bus be taken away it would fall upon local social services to do shopping, etc. for many who are independent at the moment. It is also important for lonely people to get out and socialise. We understand a lot of these policies are SNP sound bites to attract votes but it is the local council who foot the bill but we have you still have a say in what is best for your town.	Passenger Transport Strategy - subsidised routes	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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33732	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Same as the way First Bus is allowed to cut services. I know the Scottish Parliament gives out the contracts but surely West Lothian is allowed to monitor First Bus services? No wonder there are so many cars on the road. Many people do not want to drive, can't drive or can't afford the upkeep of a car. More service cuts will aggravate loneliness because people cannot travel from rural areas then return home. Discrimination. Only the few use the buses because they have no choice - if the buses are there (late arrival, cancelled) deregulation of the buses allowed the bus companies to cut services and so they have continued over the years forcing working people to buy a car to get to and from work because there was no suitable bus. First Bus stopped the Glasgow to Livingston bus - the last bus from Glasgow was 4.30. Who finishes work at 4pm or rather how many people finish at 4pm?	Passenger Transport Strategy - subsidised routes	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	Thank you for your response. West Lothian Council currently only subsidises 20% of the overall local bus network. The remaining 80% is provided on a commercial basis and the council has no authority over its operation. Re-regulating the bus industry is a decision taken at National level and is not within the remit of a local authority.
33733	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	as long as that doesn't affect elderly access to places.	Passenger Transport Strategy - subsidised routes	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33734	An employee of West Lothian Council	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	they bus sevies is a joke	Passenger Transport Strategy - subsidised routes	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33735	An employee of West Lothian Council	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	The subsidised routes should continue however the Horsburgh etc should be encouraged to use smaller vehicles as the current buses are too big and never come close to being full. A full, detailed public consultation would need to take place if any routes were proposed to be cut or altered significantly. Perhaps the frequency of the services could be reduced before routes are axed.	Passenger Transport Strategy - subsidised routes	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33736	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	What about people who have no personal means of transport, i have already heard people complain about lack of bus services.	Passenger Transport Strategy - subsidised routes	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33737	An employee of West Lothian Council	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	You run the risk of cutting communities off if you withdraw funding from some routes. Perhaps a blending of some routes might be possible? You should publish the routes you subsidise, and ask for creative suggestions.	Passenger Transport Strategy - subsidised routes	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33738	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	More buses!!	Passenger Transport Strategy - subsidised routes	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33739	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	good luck bus services are bad enough although I do use them you would have to be really good if you cut coat and provide any kind of servicw	Passenger Transport Strategy - subsidised routes	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33740	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	As Linlithgow has one of the most polluted High Streets in the U.K. , it is vital that the local bus service L1 and 31 continues to receive funding from the Council. We need a decent reliable public transport net work to help reduce traffic congestion and pollution in our High Street.	Passenger Transport Strategy - subsidised routes	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33741	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Please consult the affected communities fully before removing/radically altering bus services as some people reply on them.	Passenger Transport Strategy - subsidised routes	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33742	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	The current main bus provider (first bus) is already extortionately priced so I would hate to see how much it would cost without being subsidised. Please look at Edinburgh's transportation model - it is so much better. You can get from one side of Edinburgh to the other for £1.60. That is 80p cheaper than it is for me to get from my village to Bathgate which is a 15 minute bus journey.	Passenger Transport Strategy - subsidised routes	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Fare setting on commercial routes is matter for the bus operator.
33743	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	The last clause makes no sense. If a bus service is commercially viable it should not need a subsidy	Passenger Transport Strategy - subsidised routes	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33744	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Local bus services are a lifeline for many community members which won't be identified through a minimum mileage limit. Current demand also needs to be taken into account.	Passenger Transport Strategy - subsidised routes	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33745	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	OK but need to ensure people do not become isolated (elderly in particular)	Passenger Transport Strategy - subsidised routes	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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33746	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	The number 40 bus route is badly needed, it's the only access to the Royal from Livingston. This will not help the transport deprived.	Passenger Transport Strategy - subsidised routes	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33747	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Will this disadvantage residents in more remote areas on lower incomes or the elderly who may rely on buses?	Passenger Transport Strategy - subsidised routes	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33748	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	No cuts to bus subsidies. Those that use the L1 and the 31 do so because they have no choice. Without these services how could those people who don't drive get to the doctor's surgery, to the library, to the shops, to St John's hospital? It is vital that these services are maintained. Further no buses means more cars and we have the worse polluted High St in Scotland at present.	Passenger Transport Strategy - subsidised routes	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33749	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	some communities have very limited transport as it is preventing residents getting to work etc.	Passenger Transport Strategy - subsidised routes	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33750	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	No one should have subsidized bus routes unless they are children or have an OAP bus pass.	Passenger Transport Strategy - subsidised routes	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33751	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Bus service is a joke u can't get a bus at weekends can't get home safe from a train station this is the worst council a have seen for public transport why people won't use it and if you get a job in the hours before 7 am and after 7 pm not a chance in hell to get there or get home hours later	Passenger Transport Strategy - subsidised routes	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	80% of the bus routes are provided by the commercial sector of which the council has no authority over. The council routinely works with private sector service providers to provide the best possible services across West Lothian
33752	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	As long as this does not cause people to feel isolated by lack of transport	Passenger Transport Strategy - subsidised routes	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33753	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	How does ceasing services connect communities exactly? As it is, the services from more rural areas are so irregular and unreliable that people feel discouraged from using them - but again you are proposing taking away a vital lifeline for many people who have no alternative.	Passenger Transport Strategy - subsidised routes	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33754	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	I'm Winchburgh we only have 38&38A bus service which is not the best. For kids going to school bus services sometime don't even come or are late...	Passenger Transport Strategy - subsidised routes	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33755	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Very rarely use these services but when I have generally poor service with local bus service very unreliable and expensive.	Passenger Transport Strategy - subsidised routes	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33756	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Once more what about the elderly and disabled who cannot access or have means to travel without using public transport that is already on a reduced service within some of the rural areas.	Passenger Transport Strategy - subsidised routes	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33757	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	remove subsidy for "normal" bus routes, e.g. first bus services.	Passenger Transport Strategy - subsidised routes	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33758	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	I would be careful about the commercial viability being the only option. Some people and communities could become more socially excluded than ever.	Passenger Transport Strategy - subsidised routes	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33759	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	No first bus in my area. Other operators bus unreliable Meaning i have to walk to work in the dark and walk home	Passenger Transport Strategy - subsidised routes	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33760	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Support! It's already a poor service currently provided waste of money. Look to the Edinburgh model as it works and provides a far better service.	Passenger Transport Strategy - subsidised routes	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33761	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	I agree in regards to bus routes. This should be cut.	Passenger Transport Strategy - subsidised routes	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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33762	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	This could isolate more rural communities and the more vulnerable.	Passenger Transport Strategy - subsidised routes	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33763	An employee of West Lothian Council	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	We need to do this - we should not be paying for bus services where there is insufficient demand to pay for it. If we can use alternative models to get people in rural communities moving about surely that is a better service than running buses at huge costs for one or two people a day.	Passenger Transport Strategy - subsidised routes	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33764	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Stop those hardly used	Passenger Transport Strategy - subsidised routes	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33765	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	of subsidies for bus routes that are not commercially available or viable: I suspect that few bus routes are commercially viable. Their removal again impacts those that can't afford a car and there by increases the inequality across the Region	Passenger Transport Strategy - subsidised routes	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33766	An employee of West Lothian Council	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	I had to buy a car to get to work as the buses weren't reliable. I don't see how cutting them more would help anyone	Passenger Transport Strategy - subsidised routes	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33767	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Provision of public transport routes is one of the most vital functions of a council. It allows people, especially the old and poor, to stay connected. Without a decent bus route people living in poverty are often at the mercy of overpriced food stores, and also cannot access social activities. Doing anything which increases people's sense of loneliness and isolation should not be considered.	Passenger Transport Strategy - subsidised routes	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33768	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	I feel it is important that the council seriously considers the impact on local, primarily elderly, residents in removing subsidies for local bus routes which would lead to closure or reduced services. Many people rely on the local bus routes on a daily basis and if these weren't there or the prices were increased etc., this could have a massive impact on people who really have no viable alternative than to taking the bus.	Passenger Transport Strategy - subsidised routes	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33769	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Buses aren't used enough because they run at the wrong time. The council needs to make buses connect to rail for commuters, and encourage bus use to reduce car use. This, combined with charging for parking and keeping buses cheap and reliable, would help the council meet its green targets. Joined up thinking!	Passenger Transport Strategy - subsidised routes	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33770	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	There is a case for subsidies to be removed in certain areas where it appears to be duplication of services that is not required.	Passenger Transport Strategy - subsidised routes	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33771	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Unless buses are improved, no one will use them. Catch 22 situation.	Passenger Transport Strategy - subsidised routes	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33772	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	As a bus user, the loss of any bus routes would be very difficult for anyone dependent on buses who does not live on a major route.	Passenger Transport Strategy - subsidised routes	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33773	An employee of West Lothian Council	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	I don't agree with this. There is the wider implication of poor families not having access to banks or cheap healthy food if they cannot travel from smaller villages. Given the geographic layout of west Lothian transport around the county is very important. It could create pockets of serious deprivation.	Passenger Transport Strategy - subsidised routes	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33774	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	It's important for bus service to be available e.g. for people travelling to work.	Passenger Transport Strategy - subsidised routes	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33775	An employee of West Lothian Council	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	It's the most vulnerable in our community that used these services i.e. people who can't afford a car etc so I would be against this proposal. Transport is a lifeline and some of the outlying parts of west Lothian are already poorly served - i.e. Fauldhouse where you can't get a bus to start work in Livingston/Bathgate for 6.00am shift this closes down employment opportunities	Passenger Transport Strategy - subsidised routes	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33776	An employee of West Lothian Council	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	I think in this day and age with the green strategy we should be increasing an affordable bus service to enable people to get to work on a better public service which would help reduce the number of cars on the road.	Passenger Transport Strategy - subsidised routes	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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33777	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	In an ideal world the Council should not be in the business of subsidising public transport. However we do not live in an ideal world and these services are an important lifeline for many communities. As a consequence they should be exempted from any cuts.	Passenger Transport Strategy - subsidised routes	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33778	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	rural people will be hit and hurt the most	Passenger Transport Strategy - subsidised routes	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33779	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	There is a social impact related to building and supporting healthy communities missing in this statement.	Passenger Transport Strategy - subsidised routes	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33780	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	This will isolate those in the more remote areas of the county.	Passenger Transport Strategy - subsidised routes	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33781	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Many bus routes are the only method non drivers have to access facilities therefore I disagree with this.	Passenger Transport Strategy - subsidised routes	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33782	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Cuts off those in more rural areas. Not good.	Passenger Transport Strategy - subsidised routes	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33783	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	OK but also penalise the providers who don't deliver the service they are supposed to provide.	Passenger Transport Strategy - subsidised routes	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33784	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	No cuts to bus subsidies. Those that use the L1 and the 31 do so because they have no choice. Without these services how could those people who don't drive get to the doctor's surgery, to the library, to the shops, to St John's hospital? It is vital that these services are maintained. Further no buses means more cars and we have the worse polluted High St in Scotland at present.	Passenger Transport Strategy - subsidised routes	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33785	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	This is a huge issue for us. My wife is epileptic so is prevented from driving. She desperately needs the Linlithgow L1 bus to take our 3 kids around town, and get to appointments herself, particularly as we live at the top of the big hill towards Beebraigs. It would be devastating if the L1 bus service ended and I expect there would be many in a similar position, particularly given the older age profile here and steep hills.	Passenger Transport Strategy - subsidised routes	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33786	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	RIP of bus prices make it cheaper for me to drive to park and ride and use an LRT pass . Would much prefer to use First Bus but too expensive and would think if they where forced into a price reduction then it would take a lot of cars off the road . We must be getting charged twice the cost as someone using them from Midlothian	Passenger Transport Strategy - subsidised routes	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	West Lothian Council only subsidises 20% of the local bus network. The remaining 80% is provided commercially and West Lothian Council has no authority over its operation, including the fares set.
33787	No Response	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	A good opportunity to work with and for the private sector to deliver these services.	Passenger Transport Strategy - subsidised routes	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33788	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Agree with all of the public transport proposals. It should not be the council's responsibility to subsidise well off bus or rail operators.	Passenger Transport Strategy - subsidised routes	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33789	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	The local bus route is important to the elderly. Reduce its number, say every two hours, this will let older people to remain independent for visiting friends and going to the doctors, etc,	Passenger Transport Strategy - subsidised routes	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council is currently undertaking a review of its passenger and school transport services and this comment will be incorporated within that review.
33790	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Cutting back on existing bus services would mean hardship for those reliant on them for work.	Passenger Transport Strategy - subsidised routes	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council is currently undertaking a review of its passenger and school transport services and this comment will be incorporated within that review.
33791	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	What is an alternative transport model?! People rely on the bus service to get them into town and to work. These routes are vital and must be protected.	Passenger Transport Strategy - subsidised routes	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council is currently undertaking a review of its passenger and school transport services and this comment will be incorporated within that review.

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33792	An employee of West Lothian Council	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Surely the Scottish Government should be assisting with the subsidising of the bus routes. They are trying to encourage the use of public transport.	Passenger Transport Strategy - subsidised routes	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33793	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	I used public transport but the service was so unreliable I had to use my car once again Buses connections other parts of West Lothian are good but try getting to other villages in West Lothian and the service is totally inadequate	Passenger Transport Strategy - subsidised routes	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council is currently undertaking a review of its passenger and school transport services and this comment will be incorporated within that review.
33794	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Those without cars will suffer. Hospital bus services need to be in place	Passenger Transport Strategy - subsidised routes	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council is currently undertaking a review of its passenger and school transport services and this comment will be incorporated within that review.
33795	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Transport is terrible anyway, why not pull out of this service all together.	Passenger Transport Strategy - subsidised routes	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33796	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	We live in a rural community and transport links have already been cut. More info is needed.	Passenger Transport Strategy - subsidised routes	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33797	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Support strategic cuts / reductions to services where take up is low. Many buses appear to be running with only a few passengers. Either incentivise use of these services over cars or reduce the timetable.	Passenger Transport Strategy - subsidised routes	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33798	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Local bus routes are essential lifelines for many people with mobility issues or without access to cars. This must be maintained.	Passenger Transport Strategy - subsidised routes	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33799	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Town service buses are invaluable for residents who have no other way of getting around. That includes families with no car, the elderly and those who don't hold a driving license.	Passenger Transport Strategy - subsidised routes	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33800	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	The L1 and 31 bus services are vital for the community and must continue to receive adequate funding.	Passenger Transport Strategy - subsidised routes	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33801	An employee of West Lothian Council	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Commercially unviable services can play a role in providing access for those in more rural areas and improving the ability for older people to live independently. A comprehensive review would be appropriate to determine where subsidised services can be altered or scrapped.	Passenger Transport Strategy - subsidised routes	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council is currently undertaking a review of its passenger and school transport services and this comment will be incorporated within that review.
33802	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	I support this - I have many, many times, seen underused buses and support withdrawing subsidies in those circumstances.	Passenger Transport Strategy - subsidised routes	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33803	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Cease all none commercially viable route subsidies. Also retender all school bus contract sand review use of taxis. Charge more for taxi licences also?	Passenger Transport Strategy - subsidised routes	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council is currently undertaking a review of its passenger and school transport services and this comment will be incorporated within that review.
33804	An employee of West Lothian Council	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	By removing the subsidy for bus routes that are not commercially viable you could end up cutting off the most vulnerable of the community.	Passenger Transport Strategy - subsidised routes	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33805	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	We also can't afford to subsidise bus routes - everyone needs to remember that it is subsidised because not enough people use it. We shouldn't be running buses that have only a handful of people each day - we would be cheaper sending them a taxi!	Passenger Transport Strategy - subsidised routes	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33806	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Again contracts should be monitored. I don't know if there is a 'citizen led' monitoring operation within WLC for travel but this could be a way to monitor various contracts as, from experience, I have found the drivers on some of these services appear to follow their own rules/routes.	Passenger Transport Strategy - subsidised routes	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	West Lothian Council only subsidises 20% of the local bus network. The remaining 80% is provided commercially and West Lothian Council has no authority over its operation.
33807	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Bus routes need to be looked into very carefully. For some people this is the only way to get out and about which is essential for their mental health and wellbeing. Looking after this reduces the impact on other services.	Passenger Transport Strategy - subsidised routes	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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33808	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Doesn't the Central Government provide some finance for Transport facilities ? Obviously there is no need to finance, by subsidy, any transport service that is not commercially available or viable. Are 20% of bus routes in need of subsidy. If so, it would seem that we are paying for services that are not required	Passenger Transport Strategy - subsidised routes	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33809	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Since the council readjusted the Armadale town service it is hardly used as the route and times are not much good to any of the people who used the previous system. Try getting a bus from Armadale or Bathgate to Edinburgh to get in before 8.30 in the morning - not practical. College students and workers are suffering because of this and have to use the very expensive train service.	Passenger Transport Strategy - subsidised routes	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33810	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	As a resident of Bridgend we only have the 38 bus service currently, as 31 was withdrawn without consultation and rerouted, journey time is now longer and includes an additional journey to Linlithgow to link up with 31. 31 was invaluable for trips to St Johns perhaps those that decided it was not needed should do the round trip from Bridgend and see how many hours it now takes.	Passenger Transport Strategy - subsidised routes	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33811	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Bus routes that are not deemed commercially viable may still be vital to a community. I accept that savings have to be made but tread warily and consider isolation that may arise.	Passenger Transport Strategy - subsidised routes	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33812	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Removal of non profit making bus routes could have a devastating effect on the elderly	Passenger Transport Strategy - subsidised routes	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33813	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	There should be minimal council spending in this area and bus routes should be carefully chosen to cover as many people as possible and should be self sustaining.	Passenger Transport Strategy - subsidised routes	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33814	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Bus routes can be a lifeline to some rural COMMUNITIES	Passenger Transport Strategy - subsidised routes	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33815	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Agree - albeit this will be a great loss to the few pensioners who use this to get up hills etc from the main street. Could lead to isolation of a small proportion of the population.	Passenger Transport Strategy - subsidised routes	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33816	An employee of West Lothian Council	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Seems sensible. Hopefully where buses provide links to isolated communities there will be some level of provision. Particularly in the age of benefit sanctions.	Passenger Transport Strategy - subsidised routes	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33817	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Public transport. In rural West Lothian not been a priority we use cars. Happy for this to be reviewed. Perhaps dial a cab run by the council would be the way to go or in partnership with other partners might provide transport.	Passenger Transport Strategy - subsidised routes	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Many thanks for your response. Your comments have been noted.
33818	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Fully agree that we should remove bus subsidies,	Passenger Transport Strategy - subsidised routes	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Many thanks for your response. Your comments have been noted.
33819	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Fine provided no one and no area is left isolated because of a lack of public transport. Commerce and viability are not only criteria - social inclusion is important too.	Passenger Transport Strategy - subsidised routes	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Many thanks for your response. Your comments have been noted.
33820	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	There was a recent review of public transport that was poorly-communicated and unpopular in communities. In my case, the subsidised 31 bus provides the only public transport link from Linlithgow to Livingston via St Johns Hospital. The service is well-used including by those accessing essential medical appointments as well as travelling to work. This link cannot be removed without unacceptable adverse impact across a number of policy areas, not just transportation.	Passenger Transport Strategy - subsidised routes	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Many thanks for your response. Your comments have been noted.
33821	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Do not cut back on us subsidies.	Passenger Transport Strategy - subsidised routes	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Many thanks for your response. Your comments have been noted.
33822	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	This discriminates against those living in more rural areas who already have poorer public transport. It will contribute to social isolation and to increased car use.	Passenger Transport Strategy - subsidised routes	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Many thanks for your response. Your comments have been noted.
33823	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Many older people rely on local bus services and would be hit by cuts to services. Therefore, rather than completely cutting services, perhaps fewer buses or one bus covering routes that would normally be covered by 2 or 3 buses might be more feasible.	Passenger Transport Strategy - subsidised routes	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Many thanks for your response. Your comments have been noted.

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33824	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Should not put money to buses, these companies are in it to make profit they councils should not be subsidising them	Passenger Transport Strategy - subsidised routes	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Many thanks for your response. Your comments have been noted.
33825	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Agree that reduction in subsidies paid for by the council , where customers could afford to pay for these , is appropriate.	Passenger Transport Strategy - subsidised routes	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Many thanks for your response. Your comments have been noted.
33826	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Bus routes that are not commercially viable are the most needed by residents who do not have access to a car.	Passenger Transport Strategy - subsidised routes	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Many thanks for your response. Your comments have been noted.
33827	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	I would stop any contracts with Horsburgh as there service is appalling and the buses they provide for our schools should not be on the road	Passenger Transport Strategy - subsidised routes	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Many thanks for your response. Your comments have been noted.
33828	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Bus services connecting isolated areas must be pursued and kept open or put in place. Some routes make profits and should subsidise areas that do not. Otherwise more and more cars will fill the roads.	Passenger Transport Strategy - subsidised routes	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Many thanks for your response. Your comments have been noted.
33829	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	I would strongly object to any alteration to the current L1 Linlithgow Town Service as well as the No31 Bathgate-Livingston service. In Linlithgow these services provide the only means for the vast majority of elderly and disabled people as well as many children and adults to local essential services such as doctors and hospital appointments as well as to local businesses and the main shopping hub in Livingston. With the continued drive to centralise services in Livingston, residents of the West Lothian area need a realistic accessible travel option to access them which is primarily via public transport bus travel. In addition, both these bus services have recently been looked at for alterations and the optimal model implemented. Further both these bus services provide vital links to other public transport links in Linlithgow. West Lothian Council are aware that Linlithgow High Street has one of the worst levels of pollution in Scotland. Cutting public transport would be further detrimental to this. I would also highlight that the L1 and No31 bus services service as a means of providing social support to individuals who would otherwise be completely socially isolated and serves as a model of tackling loneliness in those elderly and disabled people, such as myself, who are regular users of these buses. Many Councils along with health care providers are currently investing in projects to tackle the detrimental effect of loneliness and isolation. Suggesting further cuts, or removal completely, to such town bus services shows a lack of insight into the many practical ways provision of these services provides and highlights those making the current suggestions for changes are not suitably qualified to do so. However, one subsidised bus service I would suggest is stopped is the service 16 between Livingston and the Western General Hospital because there are other means for users to travel to and from the hospital which are already accessible to the majority and currently subsidised either by the Scottish Government and/or West Lothian Council and also there is not fair and equal access to such a service as that provided by the No16 throughout the entire West Lothian area.	Passenger Transport Strategy - subsidised routes	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Many thanks for your response. Your comments have been noted.
33830	An employee of West Lothian Council	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	I am cautious about reducing subsidies for bus routes as public transport provides access to employment and education for those most in need.	Passenger Transport Strategy - subsidised routes	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Many thanks for your response. Your comments have been noted.
33831	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Smaller communities such as Blackridge are at a disadvantage as it is for transport, I would disagree with further reduction to services.	Passenger Transport Strategy - subsidised routes	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Many thanks for your response. Your comments have been noted.
33832	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	I am concerned about the impact of subsidy removal for bus routes on that substantial part of West Lothian's population that does not have regular access to a car. There should be detailed consultation on this. Where a bus service has to be withdrawn, there should be recasting of timetables to ensure that journey times are not ridiculously extended. No community should be left without any bus link.	Passenger Transport Strategy - subsidised routes	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Many thanks for your response. Your comments have been noted.
33833	An employee of West Lothian Council	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Bus route subsidies should be carefully reviewed. some people in wee villages rely on public transport to get to work	Passenger Transport Strategy - subsidised routes	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Many thanks for your response. Your comments have been noted.
33834	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	No money should be spent on public buses. Agree	Passenger Transport Strategy - subsidised routes	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Many thanks for your response. Your comments have been noted.

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33835	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Disagree. Transport is important to maintain communities . Without subsidies some routes will close and vulnerable folk cut off	Passenger Transport Strategy - subsidised routes	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Many thanks for your response. Your comments have been noted.
33836	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Not good for villages with a limited transport service	Passenger Transport Strategy - subsidised routes	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Many thanks for your response. Your comments have been noted.
33837	No Response	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Reducing the level of subsidy and increasing fares is the best option.	Passenger Transport Strategy - subsidised routes	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33838	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	All transportation subsidies should be stopped for what are deemed uneconomical routes.	Passenger Transport Strategy - subsidised routes	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33839	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	No point in subsidising empty buses. Bus routes that trail all round the country side and dont go direct between population centres discourage travel.	Passenger Transport Strategy - subsidised routes	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33840	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Please, no cuts to bus subsidies. Those that use the L1 and the 31 so because they have no choice. Without these services how could those people who don't drive get to the doctor's surgery, to the library, to the shops, to St John's hospital? It is vital that these services are maintained. Not only is it a vital service but should be promoted more to prevent unnecessary car journeys that increase pollution in the community. The council should also be actively moving towards an electric bus fleet in the community that would help reduce pollution and move Linlithgow out of the current air quality management category.	Passenger Transport Strategy - subsidised routes	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33841	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	I think the Bus routes available have already been cut to the bone and had a negative impact on those who need public transport. As an example, if someone in Threemiletown or Ecclesmachan needs to go to Strathbrock Health Centre for a Doctors appointment, or to Broxburn for the nearest Bank, there is no direct bus and the connections between services are poorly timed. Where I think there is an issue that needs addressed lies with the bus companies themselves (but could be addressed from the Council). The size of the buses in use on some routes is completely out of scale to the service required. Again as an example the town service in Broxburn, why is it a full sized bus? It's a waste of fuel and surely the return on the capital cost of the bus must have a relevance on the cost of running a service. So make the bus companies run appropriately sized buses thus reducing the amount of subsidy required.	Passenger Transport Strategy - subsidised routes	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33842	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	All I ever see is empty buses so agree with this - the council must be wasting millions on empty buses.	Passenger Transport Strategy - subsidised routes	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33843	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	I am a resident of Springfield Linlithgow. Who lives alone and does not drive. When I first moved to Linlithgow I used the X30 and X38 to travel to work in Edinburgh. These services were subsequently cancelled. I now use the 31 and or L1 everyday to travel to and from the High Street to get to the train Station or the doctors and dentist. I also rely on these services when I have hospital appointments and also to do my shopping. These services are essential to me and I require these services for daily living as I suffer from arthritis I cannot walk up and down to the High Street. Please take into consideration the needs of the people of Linlithgow not everyone has a car or has access to one.	Passenger Transport Strategy - subsidised routes	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33844	An employee of West Lothian Council	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	this is a complex area as the remaining 80% of bus services are provided on a commercial bases by operators motivated by profit and they will not fill the gap left by the council reducing services. I agree that the range of publicly funded options needs to be reviewed to provide a single sustainable option. The review should include encouraging a community led service provision similar that run in the Lake District	Passenger Transport Strategy - subsidised routes	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33845	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	I would urge the Council to ensure that the 31 service is retained and does not lose its subsidy. It is, amongst other things, the only public transport route from Linlithgow to St Johns Hospital and also from Linlithgow to the Civic Centre in Livingston. Losing this service would make it very difficult for many people to get to either the hospital or the Civic Centre (e.g. for jury service) from Linlithgow.	Passenger Transport Strategy - subsidised routes	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33846	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Again for some these are life line services. Not everyone has access to a car. Charge a small amount instead.	Passenger Transport Strategy - subsidised routes	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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33847	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Given that Linlithgow has very poor public transport links to the south of the county I trust those few that currently exist will not be reduced further. Such links are essential, particularly when so much is centralised in Livingston.	Passenger Transport Strategy - subsidised routes	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33848	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	This could affect people in outlying areas who cannot afford alternative transport.	Passenger Transport Strategy - subsidised routes	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33849	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	I understand that the L1 and 31 bus routes are under threat with this proposal. My elderly mother in law relies on these services to get around town and to get to and from St John's Hospital. It is vital for the elderly that these services are maintained! They are a lifeline for combating the isolation and loneliness felt by many in their old age and taxis are just not financially viable for pensioners trying to get to St John's Hospital from Linlithgow. She has told me (she doesn't cope well with technology and has therefore asked me to submit this comment on her behalf) that she would be happy to pay a nominal fee towards these services rather than receive this completely free with her bus pass if it helped to retain the service.	Passenger Transport Strategy - subsidised routes	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33850	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	West Lothian is spread far and wide and there are numerous rural communities whose members are at risk of being excluded from sport and other leisure activities if affordable public transport is not available.	Passenger Transport Strategy - subsidised routes	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33851	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Not affected by this, but some of the less viable routes will be in the more remote areas, where people without their own transport, rely heavily on public transport	Passenger Transport Strategy - subsidised routes	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33852	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Ask independent bus companies to quote for contracts rather than First Bus to cut journeys and increase fares. I don't like travelling A to B, but go via C And D and paying extortionate prices.	Passenger Transport Strategy - subsidised routes	4. The council is already doing this.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33853	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	As there are a number of bus providers in West Lothian why not commission a report on the use of the various journeys provided and their use and cut those which aren't viable.	Passenger Transport Strategy - subsidised routes	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33854	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Removal of subsidies for certain bus routes aids eliminating inequality	Passenger Transport Strategy - subsidised routes	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33855	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	The two local bus services (31 and town service) are invaluable services. The 31 is great for getting to St John's hospital and should be kept. The Linlithgow town service is very useful for getting people across town.	Passenger Transport Strategy - subsidised routes	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33856	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Removal of subsidies for bus services would again be a backward step . For example any changes to Service 31 would have a disastrous effect for anyone trying to travel from Linlithgow to St John's hospital by public transport & would also particularly effect residents in the Springfield area and any elderly persons along this route relying on public transport.	Passenger Transport Strategy - subsidised routes	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33857	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	There should be no question of reducing bus services which are necessary to allow local residents to get access by public transport to local hospitals. One example of this is the service 31 between Linlithgow and Livingston via Springfield area of Linlithgow which provides a bus service to St John's hospital which is particularly useful for elderly people and anyone else who does not have access to a car.	Passenger Transport Strategy - subsidised routes	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33858	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Is a community model for bus routes not commercially viable a potential solution? With an ageing population, bus routes should be increased not decreased.	Passenger Transport Strategy - subsidised routes	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33859	An employee of West Lothian Council	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Dial a Ride is better than running empty buses in more rural areas but people need to know about them,	Passenger Transport Strategy - subsidised routes	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33860	An employee of West Lothian Council	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Should not pay towards bus companies	Passenger Transport Strategy - subsidised routes	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33861	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	I am not for the down grading of any rural bus routes or cancellation of bus routes which I feel are already cut to the bone.	Passenger Transport Strategy - subsidised routes	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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33862	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	More, modern smaller and economical buses should be used. Not very economical having a few non paying passengers on a gas guzzling 20 year old bus capable of carrying 35 passengers. Better to have pensioners paying a flat fare on a bus than to have no bus at all !!	Passenger Transport Strategy - subsidised routes	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33863	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Concerned about possible removal of bus routes likes the town service in Linlithgow - it provides a lifeline for those without their own transport and those living in outlying areas of the town - including the area to the south of the Union Canal - it needs to serve the Preston Road and Manse Road area, as it is difficult for those with limited mobility and will lead to social isolation	Passenger Transport Strategy - subsidised routes	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33864	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Bus services are already bad in some parts on the area, removal of subsidies will cut off some communities. Vulnerable people need to have access to transport. People need to get to work. I do not agree with this proposal	Passenger Transport Strategy - subsidised routes	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33865	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	A well structured public transport system is essential, including routes to hospitals in particular. Parking is difficult at hospitals, some people can't drive and so we need to maintain routes to hospitals. The present service is only hourly but provides a lifeline to many people. This proposal would add to more environmental harm and cost to the individual. Environmental damage would be increased. Parking problems at hospitals which are already bad would get worse!	Passenger Transport Strategy - subsidised routes	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33866	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Bus companies should be obliged to subsidise unprofitable routes if they also have profitable ones.	Passenger Transport Strategy - subsidised routes	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33867	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Disagree with reducing bus service subsidies. Car use, congestion and pollution is increasing across West Lothian Bus services should be cheaper and free to young people A small charge should be made for older people The council should be strongly encouraging car sharing with prioritised car sharing car park spaces	Passenger Transport Strategy - subsidised routes	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33868	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Please DO NOT remove the subsidy on the Linlithgow town bus or the Number 31 bus Livingston to Bathgate via Linlithgow as we have only recently successfully managed to get these services. Without these you cannot get from one end of town to the other. Many older people and families depend on these routes to be able to get to work and to socialise. An introduction of a MINIMUM contribution to the fares by concessionary holders could be a way forward. Possible 50p per local journey?	Passenger Transport Strategy - subsidised routes	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33869	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Non of the subsidised local bus services are commercially viable, if they were, they would be taken on by the private operators.	Passenger Transport Strategy - subsidised routes	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33870	An employee of West Lothian Council	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	While the bus routes provided around the County are reasonable the cost of even small journeys is way over-priced. I was going to be charged Â£15.50 to make a small 5/6 mile return journey for myself and 3 children. That's about the overall petrol i use in a week's work travelling to every corner of the county. Introduce more special fares for families and children and the footfall could increase. The lack of links and synchronicity with rail services is also appallingly out-dated.	Passenger Transport Strategy - subsidised routes	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33871	An employee of West Lothian Council	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Local Bus - Currently the Local Bus network, whether subsidised or not, cannot legally compete with commercial providers. However, the fares charged are extremely low in relation to commercial fares and should be raised to come more into line. The could follow a formula which is linked to commercial fare rises and maintain at least a consistent level when compared to the commercial providers. An ideal way to connect communities may be to create local enterprise transport networks which link into transport hubs. This could mean for example an area like Bridgend, Threemiletown, Phillipstoun creating a local community transport initiative to run a small bus through the area to link into Linlithgow for onward travel by bus and rail. They could, in time, expand to offer services to Livingston. The use of Demand responsive transport has been shown in other authorities to be effective but perhaps costly. It might make some sense to remove subsidies completely and put some of the money into community based schemes. An example may be found in Boness. with the Boness and area Community Bus Association.	Passenger Transport Strategy - subsidised routes	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33872	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	I feel it is important to keep funding local busses.	Passenger Transport Strategy - subsidised routes	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33873	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Subsidised bus routes should be cut except in the most needy areas where it may be better to reduce these rather than cancel if it would result in no service at all.	Passenger Transport Strategy - subsidised routes	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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33874	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Local bus services are vital for the community. Older people would be isolated if unable to get about by bus. The L1 in Linlithgow is vital as is 31 for getting to the shops and the hospital.	Passenger Transport Strategy - subsidised routes	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33875	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	There has already been consultation on the bus routes in Linlithgow and they were reinstated due to public demand. Do we really have to go through this again in Linlithgow? It will waste time and money and get us back to the same result.	Passenger Transport Strategy - subsidised routes	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33876	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	The L1 and 31 services provide essential transport links for people unable to drive. Removing either of these services would severely affect the most vulnerable in society.	Passenger Transport Strategy - subsidised routes	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33877	An employee of West Lothian Council	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Many, many people rely on bus services providing vital links from more rural areas, once again our older and vulnerable will suffer.	Passenger Transport Strategy - subsidised routes	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33878	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	I disagree - public transport is vital to connect older people in WLS small villages to your increasingly centralised service provision. They used to have much of what they needed where they live as well as good transport. Now they have very little locally and if buses stop they will be isolated leading to depression and even poorer health. My mum lives in absolute fear of you cutting her bus service - her only way to get to bank, shop, library, doctors, hospital (never mind friends).	Passenger Transport Strategy - subsidised routes	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33879	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	No. Subsidising transport is a more effective way to promote participation in The workforce than sat Bids. Don't cut.	Passenger Transport Strategy - subsidised routes	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33880	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Provision of public transport to and from hospitals should be protected.	Passenger Transport Strategy - subsidised routes	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33881	An employee of West Lothian Council	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	No subsidies for private enterprise please.	Passenger Transport Strategy - subsidised routes	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33882	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	If there is no break even then it should be reviewed and possibly stopped.	Passenger Transport Strategy - subsidised routes	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33883	An employee of West Lothian Council	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	In order to improve employment opportunities in poorer areas it is essential to have regular bus services to enable lower paid and young people to achieve employment. In addition older people rely on these services as they allow them to continue to be active in the community, to be independent and maintain a positive mental attitude.	Passenger Transport Strategy - subsidised routes	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33884	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	There is an element of people who cannot drive owing to medical conditions, these bus routes are a vital lifeline to enabling independence.	Passenger Transport Strategy - subsidised routes	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33885	An employee of West Lothian Council	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	With few wage rises and increases in costs i.e council tax and car parking charges the people of West Lothian may have to rely on public transport to attend work when a car may not be affordable so again removal of subsidies will penalise the public again.	Passenger Transport Strategy - subsidised routes	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33886	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	No cuts to bus subsidies. Those that use the L1 and the 31 do so because they have no choice. Without these services how could those people who don't drive get to the doctor's surgery, to the library, to the shops, to St John's hospital? It is vital that these services are maintained. Further no buses means more cars and we have the worse polluted High Street in Scotland at present.	Passenger Transport Strategy - subsidised routes	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33887	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Stop giving money to buses	Passenger Transport Strategy - subsidised routes	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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33888	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	As [redacted] We feel quite neglected as far as public transport is concerned. Thanks to First Bus and [redacted] we were able to maintain the 21A service. Deer park is situated at the junction of the M8 Glasgow to Edinburgh motorway, but we could be on an island as far as public transport is concerned! We do not have access to the 900 motorway coach services, nor do we have access to any other bus services that pass the roundabout at the B.P service station, including the council subsidised service by Horsburgh! There are 146 appartments, the golf country club (quite a lot of disabled people use the 21A service to access this): The business park which has a lot of empty properties - probably due to lack of transport links - the Beefeator restaraunt and Premier Inn - All based here and all more or less dependant on car ownership. I thought we were being encouraged to use public transport. What is the point of a bus pass? Thankfully first buss provide 1 bus an hour but we still have to take 2 buses to get to Edinburgh and 2 buses back. We can't even walk to Dobbies Garden Centre without using the M8 underpass to Dechmont. Would you allow your family members to walk this path in all weathers and winter, especially when numerous buses fly past the roundabout yards from our bus stop but none exceptthe 21A come in.	Passenger Transport Strategy - subsidised routes	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33889	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Subsidized transport can make the difference between never going out and socialising with other people and allowing disabled and elderly to be included in society.	Passenger Transport Strategy - subsidised routes	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33890	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	I read in our local newspaper that this proposal included the removal of subsidies from the 31 and L1 bus services. If the 31 service stops, there will be no public transport going from Linlithgow to St John's Hospital. People who have hospital appointments are urged to use public transport, as the public transport situation at St John's is horrendous! Not everyone in Linlithgow drives a car. Not everyone in Linlithgow can afford the large taxi fare (Â£15-Â£20 depending on the time of day). Changing or stopping this service will only add to the stress of a hospital visit. One of your priorities (No.4) is about giving older people greater support, choice and independence. The L1 bus service does exactly that. Without it, older and disabled people (particularly those who live in the outskirts of the town) would not have that freedom and independence to get to the health centre, shops & other facilities. Please, once again, I would ask you to think again.	Passenger Transport Strategy - subsidised routes	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33891	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Make sure that villages outwith Livingston/Bathgate areas can still access public transport. Also as I don't have access to decent selection of shops e.g. butchers, greengrocers, DIY, clothes shops etc.	Passenger Transport Strategy - subsidised routes	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33892	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	West Lothian is spread far and wide and there are numerous rural communities whose members are at risk of being excluded from sport and other leisure activities if affordable public transport is not available.	Passenger Transport Strategy - subsidised routes	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33893	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Subsidised bus routes - as a disabled person the removal of our local bus service to town centre/Bathgate would be devastating. Personally, I would be confined to my house. Disabled and elderly rely on these services for day to day living. These again should be means-tested. If they can afford to pay they should. Perhaps this would make these services more viable - this should be considered as part of a care component.	Passenger Transport Strategy - subsidised routes	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33894	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Bus routes not commercially viable are the ones that older people depend on, removing subsidies increases social isolation.	Passenger Transport Strategy - subsidised routes	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33895	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Cut bus routes - more isolation - more problems - more need for critical help - false economy.	Passenger Transport Strategy - subsidised routes	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33896	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Greater investment needed in public transport in particular bus services. Service already cut to the bone and local small communities increasingly isolated.	Passenger Transport Strategy - subsidised routes	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33897	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	I am concerned that ceasing some bus services will leave the vulnerable in our communities feeling isolated. More investment should be put in to encourage people to use buses more to prevent money being spent on road repairs, impact on the environment, etc.	Passenger Transport Strategy - subsidised routes	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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33898	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Removal of subsidies for bus routes that are not commercially available or viable. Again understand this but there is no point allowing houses to be built if there is no public transport available. Not everyone has or can afford a car. Perhaps services could be reduced in an area - removed at the weekend but councils need to bear in mind that people need to get to work.	Passenger Transport Strategy - subsidised routes	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33899	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	The subsidies for bus routes should not be cut or removed. These services are vital especially to remote areas. West Lothian already suffers from a poor bus service from first bus. Further cuts would worsen the service. Concessionary travel should not be changed. You will recall that concessionary travel increased by 100% recently. Although many people agreed with the increase a further increase would be unfair and would stop people from enjoying this benefit.	Passenger Transport Strategy - subsidised routes	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33900	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Agreed this needs to be happening and concessionary passes should not be given to people under the age of 65 for a number of reasons health being one. Overall there is no real understanding how each of these proposed cuts affects early learning how this will impact on care for children. Another example is 4d how will this impact on commissioned services. The council needs to look at a better integration plan for all departments and for work in the voluntary sector.	Passenger Transport Strategy - subsidised routes	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33901	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	It is concerning to read that public transport may be affected. It is already expensive and the services have been reduced greatly over the last few years. This will impact on our poorer communities and residents meaning their cost of living will increase.	Passenger Transport Strategy (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	80% of the bus routes are provided by the commercial sector of which the council has no authority over. The council routinely works with private sector service providers to provide the best possible services across West Lothian
33902	An employee of West Lothian Council	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Handicabs are required as this can be a life line to families living with disability.	Passenger Transport Strategy (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council is currently undertaking a review of its passenger and school transport services and this comment will be incorporated within that review.
33903	An employee of West Lothian Council	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	SUPPORT UNLESS ISOLATED COMMUNITY	Passenger Transport Strategy (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33904	An employee of West Lothian Council	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Right to the jugular of the vulnerable again!	Passenger Transport Strategy (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33905	An employee of West Lothian Council	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Most of the outlying villages and areas are not well served as it is and reductions here will negatively impact on communities. However this area has to be looked at.	Passenger Transport Strategy (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council is currently undertaking a review of its passenger and school transport services and this comment will be incorporated within that review.
33906	An employee of West Lothian Council	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Any savings that can be made through a review of these services it to be welcomed.	Passenger Transport Strategy (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council is currently undertaking a review of its passenger and school transport services and this comment will be incorporated within that review.
33907	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Scrap the taxi card scheme	Passenger Transport Strategy (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	West Lothian Council is currently reviewing its transport concessions schemes and this comment will be included in the review.
33908	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Taxi Card scheme abolished	Passenger Transport Strategy (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	West Lothian Council is currently reviewing its transport concessions schemes and this comment will be included in the review.
33909	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	It is difficult to understand why Lothian Buses could not be extended into at least some areas of West Lothian with resultant cost savings. Lothian Buses operate in Edinburgh, Midlothian and East Lothian. It does not really make sense that West Lothian is excluded.	Passenger Transport Strategy (general)	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	Local Authorities are not permitted to influence the commercial market and therefore cannot dictate which companies operate within the area. Supported bus routes are subject to competition and competitive tender and the council needs to adhere to a fair and transparent process.
33910	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	what would the council know about bus travelling except after a heavy corporate lunch.	Passenger Transport Strategy (general)	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Not relevant or appropriate.
33911	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Bus services are continually changing a reliable regular service keeps communities connected and encourages the use of public transport	Passenger Transport Strategy (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	80% of the bus routes are provided by the commercial sector of which the council has no authority over. The council routinely works with private sector service providers to provide the best possible services across West Lothian

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33912	No Response	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Try doing away with some of the taxis taking children to school.	Passenger Transport Strategy (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council is currently undertaking a review of its passenger and school transport services and this comment will be incorporated within that review.
33913	No Response	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Try do Provide better transport facilities so it is accessible for everyone. That way people might get to work on time, especially those of us who have to pay on public transport.	Passenger Transport Strategy (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	80% of the bus routes are provided by the commercial sector of which the council has no authority over. The council routinely works with private sector service providers to provide the best possible services across West Lothian
33914	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	It is time minimum mileages should be reviewed for schools. I object to the council providing buses and taxis to help kids/parents avoid a 30min walk. Encourage more walking and cycling and make parents responsible for getting their own kids to school.	Passenger Transport Strategy (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has a legal obligation to provide free transport outwith certain distances to school. The council is currently undertaking a review of its passenger and mainstream school transport services and this comment will be incorporated within that review.
33915	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	keeping early morning and late night buses can keep people in jobs!!! trim daytime funded bus runs to cover early and late runs....this directly affects me as they stopped the '20' bus at 5.19am to broxburn, which meant using the train. however, the very first train only gets me to uphall station at 5.54am, meaning I have SIX MINUTES to get to broxburn for my shift start at 6am. not everyone can drive or own a car (never mind try to keep one going financially) I just have to hope that my boss doesn't sack me for being late due to public transport constraints.	Passenger Transport Strategy (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council is currently undertaking a review of its passenger and school transport services and this comment will be incorporated within that review.
33916	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Transport bad enough so more cuts will improve this I'm sure!!!	Passenger Transport Strategy (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	80% of the bus routes are provided by the commercial sector of which the council has no authority over. The council routinely works with private sector service providers to provide the best possible services across West Lothian
33917	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Handicabs and Dial-a-ride are especially important to those who are not as mobile - removing them would make more people be unable to leave the house.	Passenger Transport Strategy (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33918	An employee of West Lothian Council	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	I don't think the council should be putting money into bus companies	Passenger Transport Strategy (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33919	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Fairer Scotland impact?	Passenger Transport Strategy (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33920	An employee of West Lothian Council	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Fully support charges.	Passenger Transport Strategy (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33921	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	as long as accessibility for vulnerable and disability groups is not prevented or hindered	Passenger Transport Strategy (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Any proposed changes will carefully consider impact on vulnerable groups
33922	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	As long as vulnerable people do not become more isolated as a result	Passenger Transport Strategy (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Any proposed changes will carefully consider impact on vulnerable groups
33923	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	handicabs and dial a ride schemes are a part of what is needed in the community, especially as the services to disabled people and older people have been and it looks like will continue to be hit. They will be trapped in their homes like the victoran era. Even bus pass support would be hit, and with a Â£20 charge on your blue badge, and no day centre to go to with no respite, the ability centre closure, bleak times ahead for the disabled community.	Passenger Transport Strategy (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Any proposed changes will carefully consider impact on vulnerable groups
33924	An employee of West Lothian Council	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	None of these services are commercially viable. Use of outside companies is never going to be commercially viable either so why change	Passenger Transport Strategy (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33925	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Total review required with First Bus as their service is unreliable and expensive. A 8 mile journey into Edinburgh is Â£3.50 whilst Lothian Region travel from Balerno to Haddington is only Â£1.60 and they have more and eco friendly fleet buses.	Passenger Transport Strategy (general)	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	First bus operate on a commercial basis the council isn't responsible for the services provided by them however your comments will be passed onto them.
33926	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	The transport in certain areas needs revised, but there needs to be promotion of a house or lose services.â€¦if you cut things to the core, staff are una	Passenger Transport Strategy (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council is currently undertaking a review of its passenger and school transport services and this comment will be incorporated within that review.

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33927	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	In some places there are multiple buses which go to the same areas, while there are some areas with more poor means of accessing public transport. I would like to see a more evenly spread distribution of access to public transport.	Passenger Transport Strategy (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council is currently undertaking a review of its passenger and school transport services and this comment will be incorporated within that review.
33928	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	too many empty buses	Passenger Transport Strategy (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33929	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Public transport is non existing in some areas of west Lothian and looking at this it is not going to improve by reducing funding.	Passenger Transport Strategy (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	80% of the bus routes are provided by the commercial sector of which the council has no authority over. The council routinely works with private sector service providers to provide the best possible services across West Lothian
33930	An employee of West Lothian Council	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	I agree that a coherent public transport strategy is required. I see many buses running empty or near empty.	Passenger Transport Strategy (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33931	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	I agree, you could use Work buses 3-4 time a day to towns. Town buses every hour	Passenger Transport Strategy (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33932	An employee of West Lothian Council	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Much like the waste collection in West Lothian, the transport services are already limited after previous changes. Transport links to rural areas are not well planned and are very limited. Changes to these services would only discourage people from considering employment out with their community, which is already a problem in some of the rural communities.	Passenger Transport Strategy (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council is currently undertaking a review of its passenger and school transport services and this comment will be incorporated within that review.
33933	No Response	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Handy cabs & dial a ride, and dial a bus are useful, but the busses are never full, so it is a waste of council funding.	Passenger Transport Strategy (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33934	No Response	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Maybe if the concessions for bus travel like the free bus pass should be means tested. I think in theory the idea is good. I think it encourages older people to remain independent so has many benefits to maintaining their mental and physical health which in turn, would reduce the chances or length of time needed in care homes or for nurses/carers. I do appreciate that its extra money though but the last thing you want to do is discourage people to leave their houses, so maybe the bus pass entitles holders to a 50% reduction in bus fares? or they get two free trips a week? a bit like how the taxi card works, although i'm not sure how easy that would be to implement. I think taking it away completely though would be a shock to the people who use it, so if its absolutely necessary, then phase it out, try and reduce it, like by giving them 50% discount on travel instead and maybe for those on really low incomes/pensions, they get the free travel? Just an idea as I don't personally use it but I do have family members who do and I know this is vital for them and ensures they still have some normality in their lives and enables them to attend appointments, get groceries etc. Just a thought.	Passenger Transport Strategy (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council is currently undertaking a review of its passenger and school transport services and this comment will be incorporated within that review.
33935	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Better public transport needed. Disagree with all that has been proposed.	Passenger Transport Strategy (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33936	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	It should not be a priority for councils to subsidise public transport.	Passenger Transport Strategy (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33937	An employee of West Lothian Council	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Remove anything which is not statutory.	Passenger Transport Strategy (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33938	No Response	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Also needs buses going to Houstoun estate for people to get to work. Need Horsburgh buses back on and maybe charge less to get customers.	Passenger Transport Strategy (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33939	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	This needs to be reviewed.	Passenger Transport Strategy (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33940	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	People need to be encouraged to walk more as the council cannot sustain the spend on local town services who in the vast majority only carry those who travel for free anyway.	Passenger Transport Strategy (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33941	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	This area should be rationalised - but not at the expense of those who really rely on public transport.	Passenger Transport Strategy (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33942	An employee of West Lothian Council	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	ALL public subsidies of private sector should be removed. WLC should enter into consortium with City of Edinburgh/Lothian transport (Trams disaster notwithstanding).	Passenger Transport Strategy (general)	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	The council is currently undertaking a review of its passenger and school transport services and this comment will be incorporated within that review.

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33943	An employee of West Lothian Council	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	I agree although this may isolate some elderly people or those without access to a car.	Passenger Transport Strategy (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33944	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Transport links are important to the elderly and socially disadvantaged - bus companies want to provide these or they go out of business - encourage them to have appropriate vehicles - promote services by linking journeys to supermarkets and train links/major interchanges - do not isolate people in West Lothian - let them get about	Passenger Transport Strategy (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council is currently undertaking a review of its passenger and school transport services and this comment will be incorporated within that review.
33945	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Seems sensible and already being looked at by other councils	Passenger Transport Strategy (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33946	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Public Transport always takes a hit despite policies to get people out of their cars. West Lothian has a high percentage of car owners/users however the people to consult about this issue are those actually on the buses etc. Timings/connections that seem right to a planner often make no sense to users who find there is no viable public transport to appointments/activities. The government's proposals for "one ticket" journeys (even if these are multi provider journeys) must be given consideration e.g. a train/bus option for a person travelling from Bathgate to St John's hospital.	Passenger Transport Strategy (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33947	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Instead of increasing fares or reducing bus services, which can be an absolute lifeline for many people, why not charge motorists for using roads.	Passenger Transport Strategy (general)	5b. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it is likely that the costs of this proposal would outweigh the benefit.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33948	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Public funds should not be used to bolster profit-making businesses.	Passenger Transport Strategy (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33949	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Cease funding....not routes	Passenger Transport Strategy (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33950	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Sounds appropriate as I seldom see buses	Passenger Transport Strategy (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33951	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	What does this saving mean? Again we have insufficient information relating to the specifics of this saving to make an informed decision on who this will affect and how. Has an equality impact assessment been completed for this saving? What bus routes will be affected and will this increase social isolation to already marginalised people/groups? The council wants to save 3.9 million over five years, but you state that you want to invest 9.5 million per year, why don't you reduce the per year budget by 0.5 million More information is required in relation to Handicabs and Dial a Ride schemes to gauge how much of a negative effect any changes would have. Handicabs and Dial a Ride are essential services that allow disabled people to live more independently at a reasonable cost and contribute to society. Public transport currently does not meet the needs of a large proportion of the disabled population. What does the review actually mean in practice. How many employees and / or volunteers will be affected by this saving.	Passenger Transport Strategy (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33952	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	I welcome the support of Dial a bus etc. As for buses routes and companies. Could we stop supporting them while they are running busses that overpower people with emissions and noise levels as the pass through the towns.	Passenger Transport Strategy (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33953	An employee of West Lothian Council	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	In agreement if they are not being used.	Passenger Transport Strategy (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33954	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	People would be willing to pay more for these services.	Passenger Transport Strategy (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33955	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Fine with this as long as it doesn't effect school children	Passenger Transport Strategy (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33956	An employee of West Lothian Council	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	I do not use public transport on a local level, so am not in a position to comment. Our school does not have a bus service as it stands, so will remain unaffected	Passenger Transport Strategy (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33957	An employee of West Lothian Council	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	could work. Handicabs and Dial-a-ride schemes are great for people who are elderly and disabled people who are not able to drive and need additional support getting out an about to do things like shopping.	Passenger Transport Strategy (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33958	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Sponsorship,, advertising	Passenger Transport Strategy (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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33959	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Stop taxiing kids to school - have one bus who takes all taxied children to all the schools around the council.	Passenger Transport Strategy (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33960	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Feel in a lot of cases these services support the most vulnerable people in our society. Not sure I agree with this.	Passenger Transport Strategy (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33961	An employee of West Lothian Council	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Do feel this effects the hardest to reach in the community.	Passenger Transport Strategy (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33962	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Cant have transport for all everybody	Passenger Transport Strategy (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33963	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Will this mean that some areas are left with no transport?	Passenger Transport Strategy (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	West Lothian Council currently only subsidises 20% of the overall local bus network. The remaining 80% is provided by operators on a commercial basis and the council has no authority over its operation.
33964	An employee of West Lothian Council	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	A reduction in the amount of Private Hire taxis that is used by the council is required. It is shocking that some children a receiving private transport to school even though both parents have a car.	Passenger Transport Strategy (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33965	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	That's all well and good for the four-wheel drive parents who take advantage of local services. What about the poorer families who will struggle to get to Livingston from places like Winchburgh or even further afield?	Passenger Transport Strategy (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33966	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Once again, that's fine for the four-wheel drive families who can easily get from A to B, not so fine for the elderly and the disabled. Taking yet another thing away from poorer families. Are the SNP still running Holyrood or was there a Tory coup when I was asleep last night?	Passenger Transport Strategy (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33967	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Thereby trapping elderly people in their homes, reducing their ability to be active, and increasing their dependency on the NHS, in all likelihood. Many of your other proposals will affect those on low incomes more than those on higher ones; this one affects people who are no longer actually able to use cars, who have no alternative.	Passenger Transport Strategy (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33968	An employee of West Lothian Council	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Whilst the council needs to ensure that it meets its legal requirements, services should only operate where there is sufficient demand.	Passenger Transport Strategy (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33969	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Great to see continued use of partnership with Handicabs etc. here. Will the partners be supported to fill the gaps that will be created? And would removal of subsidies for bus services work against some of your key priorities (employment, the elderly etc.)?	Passenger Transport Strategy (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33970	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Suggest that re-prioritising transport to focus on pedestrians, cyclists and public transport would be a good thing.	Passenger Transport Strategy (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33971	An employee of West Lothian Council	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Can this review factor in what train services are available in the area so looks at all transport available in some more isolated communities that maybe aren't viable.	Passenger Transport Strategy (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33972	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Not everyone has access to a car	Passenger Transport Strategy (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33973	An employee of West Lothian Council	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Agree. Would the strategy seek to join-up bus and train schedules in a more connected way?	Passenger Transport Strategy (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33974	An employee of West Lothian Council	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	The bus services in West Lothian are not good as it is (i know this is not really a council issue) therefore i would not miss them. I say this a someone that lives in West Lothian and is in a household that doesn't own a car. This may encourage people to walk more and get more active however i am aware that some people are phically incapable of this so these people will still need a service which may increase use of Handicabs etc.	Passenger Transport Strategy (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33975	An employee of West Lothian Council	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	The local bus service is poor in some areas and particularly for the unemployed attempting to obtain employment in companies within some of the industrial estates where there are either no bus services to reach them, or services available do not have the 'run' times available to get workers to/from their place of work for start/finish times.	Passenger Transport Strategy (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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33976	An employee of West Lothian Council	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	would agree, however, would not like to see handicabs or dial-a-ride scheme going, this is essential for this group to be out and about. It may make them more isolated.	Passenger Transport Strategy (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33977	An employee of West Lothian Council	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Again hitting the most vulnerable. Bus passes should be Means tested.	Passenger Transport Strategy (general)	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	The Concessionary Travel Scheme is provided by the Scottish Government and is outwith the control of Local Government.
33978	An employee of West Lothian Council	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Transport should be made available to children and young adults with special needs at no charge, and a nominal charge for other transport. Bus routes should be looked at as some areas in West Lothian are quite isolated and only 2 buses running within that area. (27/28)	Passenger Transport Strategy (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33979	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	So long as not at expense of vulnerable, who are reliant on public transport. Consult before cutting bus routes etc.	Passenger Transport Strategy (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33980	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	What evidence if any do you have that such schemes save money?	Passenger Transport Strategy (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33981	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Some routes are lacking and I'd say too expensive as it is. Why not trial a free service and monitor how popular it is. Then work out a more affordable fare structure that boosts passenger numbers and hopefully more income for the bus companies.	Passenger Transport Strategy (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33982	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	With inefficient public transport services such as First buses (who's buses regularly Don't turn up on time or at all) cuts should be made here, the bus tickets are expensive and not worth the service it provides. Transport should still be provided for those who are employed and do not drive, and those who have access needs.	Passenger Transport Strategy (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33983	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Bus services where we live are not a viable option for getting around West Lothian.	Passenger Transport Strategy (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33984	An employee of West Lothian Council	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Public transport is important to many especially older people. Also encouraging people to use public transport rather than cars is important to the environment	Passenger Transport Strategy (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33985	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Care must be taken to ensure that communities are not cut off.	Passenger Transport Strategy (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33986	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	This is clearly a painful choice, however there are significant savings to be made. This should be fully investigated.	Passenger Transport Strategy (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33987	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	These services should be means tested	Passenger Transport Strategy (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33988	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	There should be no changes to the existing, they should be improved!	Passenger Transport Strategy (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33989	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	ensure low emission buses electric are used to cut the transport costs	Passenger Transport Strategy (general)	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	80% of the bus routes are provided by the commercial sector of which the council has no authority over. The council routinely works with private sector service providers to provide the best possible services across West Lothian
33990	An employee of West Lothian Council	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	This is context specific. Must be reviewed on a case-by-case basis.	Passenger Transport Strategy (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council is currently undertaking a review of its passenger and school transport services and this comment will be incorporated within that review.
33991	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	In an area as small as West Lothian it is a concern that the impact of such savings will reduce mobility within an area which has high levels of deprivation and poverty, particularly within elder generations. If this is not focused it could be the literal death nail in the coffin of many an older person. Care needs to be taken on ensuring those who can travel by other means do so (such as school kids and lazy parents who won't walk more than 1 mile to school), and those who can't (lonely elderly people trapped in a myriad of ex mining villages with no community soul left to keep the dim light of vitality burning in their fading years) still receive the services provided.	Passenger Transport Strategy (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council is currently undertaking a review of its passenger and school transport services and this comment will be incorporated within that review.

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33992	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Care must be taken not to isolate people and reduce their ability to access centralised services, shops and hospitals. These decisions have to take into account the other actions that have been suggested in the other proposals contained in this document.	Passenger Transport Strategy (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council is currently undertaking a review of its passenger and school transport services and this comment will be incorporated within that review.
33993	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Yes, these need to be continually reviewed. In my observation the size of the vehicles are not always in line with user numbers. A study here could possibly have enormous cost saving implications.	Passenger Transport Strategy (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council is currently undertaking a review of its passenger and school transport services and this comment will be incorporated within that review.
33994	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Sounds dangerously like you may be leaving the vulnerable without the ability to get out and about. Surely certain schemes should only be doing necessary mileage anyway.	Passenger Transport Strategy (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33995	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Do not cut the services that allow disadvantaged groups.	Passenger Transport Strategy (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33996	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	This is a valuable service for people with disabilities to attend appointments and have an outdoor activity such as shopping which under normal circumstances they would not be able to do and this service should be funded	Passenger Transport Strategy (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33997	An employee of West Lothian Council	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Agree. Also, people should not get a council paid taxi when they are on a diversion route when a road is closed. They should be advised to access the nearest bus stop which will be serviced, when the road closure is in place.	Passenger Transport Strategy (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33998	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	You tried a lot of this before ? bus routes cancelled and then reinstated	Passenger Transport Strategy (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
33999	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Reducing public transport should be balanced against the likely increase in private transport should it be removed and the detrimental effect and cost this will have to roads and the environment. A reduced regular service should be investigated before total removal. Bus services are more economical when full and more likely to be full if their a less options	Passenger Transport Strategy (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council is currently undertaking a review of its passenger and school transport services and this comment will be incorporated within that review.
34000	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Try to keep this to a minimum	Passenger Transport Strategy (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34001	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	could do with a rethink	Passenger Transport Strategy (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34002	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	As 1A - Excellent if all of the above are carried out. However on current personally experienced performance it will take a huge effort to even provide an improvement. Further why has the " efficiency and effectiveness" not been applied to current procedures. No real criteria to be reach is actually stated and the starting point for these " efficiency and effectiveness" upgrade to services is not evident. Vagueness in targets to achieve . How will residents know when this is achieved?	Passenger Transport Strategy (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34003	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	The bus 31 (Livingston to Bathgate via Linlithgow) is the only bus service in Linlithgow that can take you to Bathgate or Livingston. This bus is very popular and the only method for me to get to work on a daily basis. Without this bus I will no longer be able to get to work and would therefore be effected with this change as many people in Linlithgow would be. Linlithgow would be an isolated community if this happens as there are very little buses that go through this area.	Passenger Transport Strategy (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34004	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Can only imagine the pain this will cause some people in WLC.	Passenger Transport Strategy (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34005	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	could save money by taking away WiFi on buses - people could talk to each other	Passenger Transport Strategy (general)	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	West Lothian Council only subsidises 20% of the local bus network. The remaining 80% is provided commercially and West Lothian Council has no authority over its operation, including the fleet.
34006	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Other travel services should be frequently reviewed using information from those travelling on the services.	Passenger Transport Strategy (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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34007	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	The bus services out in West Lothian are bad enough. I hear a lot of folk complaining. Agree a small charge for use of handicabs and dial a ride would be fair. But the buses and routes needs to be reviewed and the fares looked at overall. Compared to Edinburgh the costs are high	Passenger Transport Strategy (general)	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	West Lothian Council only subsidises 20% of the local bus network. The remaining 80% is provided commercially and West Lothian Council has no authority over its operation, including the fares set.
34008	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Remove subsidies to all external contactors, and use capital fund reserves to establish a municipal bus company in line with that currently operating in Edinburgh. This would allow us to run vital services that might not otherwise be "commercially viable", with the funding coming from the routes that currently yield millions in profits for private shareholders, which unbelievably are still subsidised by the council!	Passenger Transport Strategy (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34009	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Understandable that this be assessed but given that a significant part of the county is rural in nature then there is a concern that some people will be left without vital transport links.	Passenger Transport Strategy (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34010	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	As previously stated this is fine if resident in Livingston	Passenger Transport Strategy (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34011	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	I hope this does not mean that all resources will be used to provide transport services in and around Livingston just because it is has the largest population. People in outlying areas need to be able access public transport.	Passenger Transport Strategy (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34012	An employee of West Lothian Council	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Not a good idea to reduce public transport for the elderly.	Passenger Transport Strategy (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34013	No Response	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	The whole bus transport in West Lothian is a joke to be honest. All you hear from some people is moans about the buses, costs, services trying to get to one part of West Lothian to another and so on. I think there does need a review of the bus provision and services. But again there needs to be more consultation with public on any decisions made	Passenger Transport Strategy (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response, your comments have been noted. West Lothian Council only subsidises 20% of the local bus network. The remaining 80% is provided commercially and West Lothian Council has no authority over its operation.
34014	An employee of West Lothian Council	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	seems reasonable although its likely to affect those that need it most especially in more rural areas.	Passenger Transport Strategy (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34015	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	The more vulnerable will be hit worse from these changes.	Passenger Transport Strategy (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34016	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Public transport needs to be preserved. Rural areas would be particularly epaffected and links are bad enough as it is	Passenger Transport Strategy (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34017	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	A cut in bus services would have to reflect the needs, eg to St John's Hospital.	Passenger Transport Strategy (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Many thanks for your response. Your comments have been noted.
34018	An employee of West Lothian Council	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	For some parts of Livingston, there is an inadequate bus service meaning that commuters need to rely on their cars. A service should be introduced to take people to and from the train stations so that workers needing to travel can do so.	Passenger Transport Strategy (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Many thanks for your response. Your comments have been noted.
34019	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Low paid / income residents must not be isolated due to no bus services available in their community, or feel they cannot afford to use public transport.	Passenger Transport Strategy (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Many thanks for your response. Your comments have been noted.
34020	An employee of West Lothian Council	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	too many buses empty	Passenger Transport Strategy (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Many thanks for your response. Your comments have been noted.
34021	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	This would be a difficult area as people have no other means of transport.	Passenger Transport Strategy (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Many thanks for your response. Your comments have been noted.
34022	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	better bus routes through west lothian especially between linnithgow and up the county would be better and maybe a small charge should be put on the bus passes	Passenger Transport Strategy (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Many thanks for your response. Your comments have been noted.

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34023	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	torphichens bus service has already seen reductions and I wouldnt like to see any more as it would make things impossible for youngsters wanting to access services in Linlithgow (where they go to secondary school). I will, however, admit to not having used it myself for a number of years now; this is due to the unreliability of the service; on one occasion I was almost stranded in Linlithgow late at night as the last bus didnt turn up - thankfully found others in same boat and we shared a taxi back (though had to wait 1/2 hour for that). My mother has had similar issues at Bellsquarry; got 2 bus companies on that route now with big price differential and often find that 2 come along very close together which would explain other occasions when she waits almost an hour! Too often buses arrive early and it is just luck that she happens to be at the stop already - she has given up mentioning the early arrival to drivers as they just ignore the time and drive on rather than wait at the stop until the scheduled time. There have also been occasions when the bus has driven at speed straight past the stop (often when late) or stops suddenly on the road a distance after the stop and she is expected to run along the road to get on. My mum has no choice but to put up with this but so many other people, like me, will just give up - and that reduces income for the bus companies!!	Passenger Transport Strategy (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Many thanks for your response. Your comments have been noted.
34024	An employee of West Lothian Council	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Old people and other groups need to kept there help with transport esp as you are proposing to close buildings. How you expect ppl to get to new locations and reducing bus services just doesn't add up	Passenger Transport Strategy (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Many thanks for your response. Your comments have been noted.
34025	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	As before, please do not neglect active transport modes as a low cost option for less affluent residents. I have no problem with First Bus losing council backing for the appalling service they offer but where active transport options are available I would ask that the council promote and support these in a well informed fashion wherever possible.	Passenger Transport Strategy (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Many thanks for your response. Your comments have been noted.
34026	An employee of West Lothian Council	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	I worry that removing some bus services will directly impact on the most disadvantaged and the elderly, for some this is a lifeline.	Passenger Transport Strategy (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Many thanks for your response. Your comments have been noted.
34027	An employee of West Lothian Council	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	PUBLIC TRANSPORT IN WEST LOTHIAN NEEDS TO IMPROVE NOT GET WORSE. SERVICE IS POOR IN MANY AREAS AND VERY EXPENSIVE.	Passenger Transport Strategy (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Many thanks for your response. Your comments have been noted.
34028	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	This needs to be done with care so people are not cut-off from work or family and friends.	Passenger Transport Strategy (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Many thanks for your response. Your comments have been noted.
34029	An employee of West Lothian Council	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	So long as you don't isolate groups/areas	Passenger Transport Strategy (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Many thanks for your response. Your comments have been noted.
34030	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	The bus service unless you are in Livingston/Edinburgh is not up to much anyway. Keep hearing about how you should use public transport etc but the structure isn't there to make it worth leaving the car behind. My mum takes the bus up to Livingston and it takes 1h 10 mins whereas in the car it would take 20minutes and that is when the bus actually turns us. You wouldn't want to use this for work as it is too long and unreliable.	Passenger Transport Strategy (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Many thanks for your response. Your comments have been noted.
34031	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	This will further isolate people, especially those in rural communities, vulnerable adults and other equality groups. Has an equality impact assessment been carried out on people with disabilities and their carers?	Passenger Transport Strategy (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Many thanks for your response. Your comments have been noted.
34032	An employee of West Lothian Council	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	This needs to be undertaken with care. We do not want to create more disengagement and isolation for the most vulnerable in our communities	Passenger Transport Strategy (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Many thanks for your response. Your comments have been noted.
34033	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	The review is right, but also needs to factor in carbon consequences of reduced public transport provision. The result should not particularly penalise the least physically able.	Passenger Transport Strategy (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Many thanks for your response. Your comments have been noted.
34034	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	This will not encourage more use of public transport.	Passenger Transport Strategy (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Many thanks for your response. Your comments have been noted.

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34035	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	More information required before I can comment. Again, put forward detailed proposals to public before decisions are made.	Passenger Transport Strategy (general)	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Many thanks for your response. Your comments have been noted.
34036	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Understand the need for this proposal although I am certain it will disadvantage someone at some point.	Passenger Transport Strategy (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Many thanks for your response. Your comments have been noted.
34037	An employee of West Lothian Council	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	bus services are essential...cutting them would penalise people on lower incomes .	Passenger Transport Strategy (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Many thanks for your response. Your comments have been noted.
34038	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	The provision of council funded taxis where people choose to live in rural locations is absurd. It's not the councils job to get people to shops, work, their friends etc if they live in a rural environment	Passenger Transport Strategy (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Many thanks for your response. Your comments have been noted.
34039	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Reduce public transport and force people to use cars more and then charge for parking!?!? Double whammy! Who comes up with this rubbish?	Passenger Transport Strategy (general)	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34040	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Better bus company to run 27/28 route first bus do not care about customer, late buses, buses not turning up.	Passenger Transport Strategy (general)	5b. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it is likely that the costs of this proposal would outweigh the benefit.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34041	An employee of West Lothian Council	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Has an equality impact assessment been done on this? Some equality groups and those who are more disadvantaged will already face significant transport barriers and these changes should ensure these barriers are not increased	Passenger Transport Strategy (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Yes initial EQIA have been carried out on high level proposals
34042	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	I do not think that anyone would object to paying a small charge, say 50p, for bus journeys that are currently free of charge.	Passenger Transport Strategy (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34043	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	The bus service in Livingston is already expensive. Reducing commitment to public transport will be bad for the environment.	Passenger Transport Strategy (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34044	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Using shared community taxis may be cheaper for some routes rather than subsidising busses	Passenger Transport Strategy (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34045	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	As it is mainly older people and disabled people who use public transport and handicabs and dial-a-bus it is the same group of the population that is being hit again! Its very unfair.	Passenger Transport Strategy (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34046	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	West Lothian's transport infrastructure is terrible and expensive get it sorted . The trains and the buses don't run in sync	Passenger Transport Strategy (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34047	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	7D This will adversely effect many who can least afford their own vehicle. Again I request detail of proposals and the financial outline. A poor reflection of consultation questionnaire.	Passenger Transport Strategy (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34048	An employee of West Lothian Council	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Support this, but please try to maintain some service for the most vulnerable.	Passenger Transport Strategy (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34049	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Another belter! Public transport is surely a national never mind just a local priority and schemes should be protected that keep people out of their cars and able to access low cost and regular and frequent public transport services of all types but in particular local bus services and train services e.g. via the existing and very popular rail scheme for WL residents.	Passenger Transport Strategy (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34050	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Why have you been wasting so much of our money up to this point?	Passenger Transport Strategy (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34051	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Agree. How about the re-introduction of a Post Bus for outlying areas?	Passenger Transport Strategy (general)	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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34052	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	A plea to retain and improve the town services operating in Linlithgow. They are a lifeline to the people that use them.	Passenger Transport Strategy (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34053	An employee of West Lothian Council	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	again this will further reduce services for the most vulnerable, elderly and disabled in communities.	Passenger Transport Strategy (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34054	An employee of West Lothian Council	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	This proposal would lead to further isolate the poorest and most vulnerable in W. Lothian	Passenger Transport Strategy (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34055	An employee of West Lothian Council	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	I support these measures, though care should be taken to try to protect the most vulnerable.	Passenger Transport Strategy (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34056	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Concerning. Not sure we achieve 'connecting communities' currently so how this will improved whilst considering reducing removing services. It is already hard to get from the Livingston side of West Lothian to the Linlithgow side without the use of a car. Could have a negative impact for older people and those who do not have access to a car so other dis-benefits. How will this be assessed?	Passenger Transport Strategy (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34057	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Kids aren't able to walk along roads with no pavements!	Passenger Transport Strategy (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34058	An employee of West Lothian Council	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Older people rely very heavily on some of these bus routes. They would, I'm sure, be willing to pay for the service.	Passenger Transport Strategy (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34059	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Keep services for the elderly and disabled	Passenger Transport Strategy (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34060	An employee of West Lothian Council	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	You cannot cut off communities completely, what about working people who don't drive the bus service is the only way they can get out to work, e.g. Linlithgow to Bathgate Service 31.	Passenger Transport Strategy (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34061	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	This will lead to social isolation and poor mental health increased cost of healthcare	Passenger Transport Strategy (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34062	An employee of West Lothian Council	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Homeless transport must be looked at and either be funded appropriately to recognise the increase in both numbers of school children requiring transport and the length of time families are in Temporary accommodation or a limit to the exposure the Transport budget has to provide transport in each instance.	Passenger Transport Strategy (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34063	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Not my area of expertise, however transport impacts on a lot of our clients, poor services from small villages already prevents some of our clients working in shift patterns. careful monitoring is required to ensure joined up working.	Passenger Transport Strategy (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34064	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	As part of the review who will be doing the transport impact study on those who will be affected by the changes? Where will it be published, so everyone can access the report as it will affect working people and vulnerable people. The impact will be mental health and well being for those trying to get to work, also those who could become isolated. What is the likely impact on NHS and GPs with more appointments for depression, anxiety, isolation etc. Could there be an option for local people/organisations to contribute solely to the transport in their area rather than increasing council tax above 3%.	Passenger Transport Strategy (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	the review will consider the impact of any proposed changes.
34065	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	A good effective transport service in this day and age is vital. It is not a luxury, but a necessity. Cutting the carbon footprint can only be achieved by getting more of us in increasing numbers onto public transport. This will not be achieved if the services are cut or reduced in any way.	Passenger Transport Strategy (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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34066	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	If you are having a review please have a meaningful discussion with the communities affected ... For instance survey passengers, consult community councils or devolve budgets to community councils to decide local town services. Encourage or run community trust bus services or a drivers coop. just avoid giving money to commercial companies.	Passenger Transport Strategy (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34067	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	I disagree with this proposal. Equally I object to being asked to comment on a proposal in which the detail of the proposal is not given. In general a review of transport services should be ongoing in any-case. What actions from said reviews require to be explained to the public such that an informed view can be taken.	Passenger Transport Strategy (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34068	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	I've taken a new job in Livingston I cannot work early on a Sunday morning as there is not an early bus service. The council and bus companies should recognise we work in a seven day a week environment and provide at least one bus an hour from Armadale to Livingston early Sunday morning.	Passenger Transport Strategy (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34069	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	If the Council is to cease some public transport services this must be accompanied by early delivery of alternative transport models. These alternatives should not be left to individuals as this would inevitably see an increase in private car use or, for individuals without access to a car, increased use of taxis as a substitute public transport service. Alternative transport models should be based on the transport hierarchy set out in Scottish Government and Council policies and strategies, with provision for walking and cycling prioritised where public transport services are to be reduced. This provision should be safe, direct and legible to users.	Passenger Transport Strategy (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34070	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Again reducing the availability of public transport goes against WLC's greener policy of encouraging the use of public transport. Resident within West Lothian will view any reduction or removal of service unfavorably and may be faced with having to use their own private transport adding to congestion on our roads.	Passenger Transport Strategy (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34071	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	your statement needs more in depth clarification from you. It just reads as abandoning small communities, the elderly and infirm. That would be a disgrace if this is your proposal	Passenger Transport Strategy (general)	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34072	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Government policy has to change here. The availability of buses encourages us to use our cars less but age limit for free bus passes has to rise in line with Pensions. Also a Â£1 charge, although unpopular at first, would be quickly accepted.	Passenger Transport Strategy (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34073	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	The public transport in West Lothian is in need of a review but ceasing services could make a bad system even worse.	Passenger Transport Strategy (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34074	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Has an equality impact assessment been carried out for each of the budget proposals? It is essential that this is done at the earliest opportunity in order to assess what the impact will be on those in the protected characteristics groups and those already experiencing disadvantage. Transport is a particularly important issue in terms of equalities (e.g. people with disabilities, where English is not their first language, young people, older people, people looking for work). The most disadvantaged people in our communities are already facing significant transport barriers and in making any change to the transport strategy it will be essential to ensure these barriers are not increased - but in fact are tackled to ensure equality of access.	Passenger Transport Strategy (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. The review will consider the impact of any proposed changes.
34075	An employee of West Lothian Council	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	How have the estimated savings been calculated? What are the detailed proposals and have Equality Impact Assessments been completed? How will this impact on people who will be required to access services which have reduced / been located further away?	Passenger Transport Strategy (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	The council will carry out the appropriate equality impact assessment in relation to all proposals
34076	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Will have some negative impact but quite a saving to be achieved	Passenger Transport Strategy (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34077	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Is this proposal going to hurt the people who need it?	Passenger Transport Strategy (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34078	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Public transport across WLC should be improved. Smaller busses should be used rather than half empty large busses. Discount for frequent users, e.g. on an annual bus pass.	Passenger Transport Strategy (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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34079	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	All no 7 section will result in poorer services for everyone	Passenger Transport Strategy (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34080	An employee of West Lothian Council	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Council tax goes up but there is no shops, not a decent bus service, train station closing - how is our young people to get jobs? You cant get any transport at night.	Passenger Transport Strategy (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34081	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Consider transportation around WL for residents (including school & elderly) - hugely ineffective and could be improved.	Passenger Transport Strategy (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34082	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Should charge congestion fee to fund buses.	Passenger Transport Strategy (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34083	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	I would like WLC to work with Lothian Buses to provide a low cost integrated transport option for West Lothian. People in West lothian are paying too much for transport currently and are the only Lothian are excluded.	Passenger Transport Strategy (general)	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	West Lothian Council only subsidises 20% of the local bus network, the remaining 80% is provided on a commercial basis. Local Authorities do not have authority to influence the commercial market including which providers operate commercially within the area.
34084	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	As a village dweller I should hate the transport options to be less than the current hourly service, or an eqully good dial a bus scheme. Would prefer higher fares than fewer buses. Would like to see expansion of bathgte railway car park as has been suggested.	Passenger Transport Strategy (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34085	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Must keep transport for people with disabilities - handicabs and dial a ride; for old people too. Most vulnerable suffer (2b, 2a, 2c)	Passenger Transport Strategy (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34086	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	The level of detail required to make an informed choice on proposals is missing e.g. £3.9m is to be cut from the bus budget but there is no detail on which services are to be affected. This is a serious issue given the remoteness of some communities in West Lothian. This lack of detail is reflected in almost every proposal raised.	Passenger Transport Strategy (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34087	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	My daughter gets school transport and me and her dad us the public transport so you can't cut these down.	Passenger Transport Strategy (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34088	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Transport schedules that work for most, and no reimbursements to those who decide they don't want to sue it.	Passenger Transport Strategy (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34089	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Nominal charging for health and taxi services. Spend less on council run "fun" events.	Passenger Transport Strategy (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34090	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	What about the dire public transport your service users could be relying on? What will this do for the access deprived?	Passenger Transport Strategy (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34091	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	The council should seek out to combine public services such as the public bus service. For example, First buses should team up with Lothian buses to cover trans-county routes	Passenger Transport Strategy (general)	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	Thank you for your response. West Lothian Council only subsidises 20% of the local bus network, the remaining 80% is provided on a commercial basis. Local Authorities do not have authority to influence the commercial market including which providers operate commercially within the area.
34092	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	There should be a small charge for some of the frontline services we deliver - Lost bus passes. This would reduce administration costs by not replacing cards free of charge.	Passenger Transport Strategy (general)	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	Thank you for your response. The concessionary travel scheme is provided by the Scottish Government and is out with the control of West Lothian Council.
34093	No Response	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Every penny spent should be value for money - why for example did 2 new bus stops get put on the Mid Calder by-pass near the Oakbank industrial estate when there are no buses that go along that road. Ridiculous - you talk about cuts, when you can't spend the money you have effectively.	Passenger Transport Strategy (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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34094	An employee of West Lothian Council	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	a lot of money is spent on taxi's for young people in care to attend school - this needs to change.	School transport - Additional Support Needs pupils	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has a legal obligation to provide free transport out with certain distances to school. The council is currently undertaking a review of its passenger and mainstream school transport services and this comment will be incorporated within that review
34095	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	My daughter lives in [REDACTED] and attends Beattie School Campus in Livingston. We rely on a professional safe taxi service, provided by the Council, to get her there and back. My daughter currently shares a taxi with one other child: I have no problem with children sharing taxis if this enables this to continue.	School transport - Additional Support Needs pupils	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Children receiving school transport can have different additional support needs and therefore transport requirements can vary. The council continually reviews transport arrangements with a view to minimising cost whilst meeting the needs of the children requiring transport..
34096	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Those children with disabilities and long term illness also rely on this to ensure school attendance remains at acceptable level.	School transport - Additional Support Needs pupils	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34097	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Handicabs? School transport? Are you suggesting that transport to school for disabled children will not be provided anymore? After reducing the amount of available schools for such children it would be outrageous to remove the free transport. This will create very difficult situations for working parents and carers who would have to provide the transport themselves of fund it. Again pushing people out of jobs and turning them into unemployed benefit users makes no financial sense. Services to support such people is what is needed	School transport - Additional Support Needs pupils	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34098	An employee of West Lothian Council	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Currently the council is spending significant money on taxis for school kids to attend school for various reasons. The management of this is poor, its runs for too long and it is too costly. Parents must move their children to schools close by and must make arrangements for themselves	School transport (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council is currently undertaking a review of its passenger and school transport services and this comment will be incorporated within that review.
34099	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	top providing taxis to take kids to and from school one kid in a taxi is ridiculous use minibuses and escorts.	School transport (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Children receiving school transport can have different additional support needs and therefore transport requirements can vary. The council continually reviews transport arrangements with a view to minimising cost whilst meeting the needs of the children requiring transport.
34100	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Clients who use Handicabs and Dial-a-ride schemes should use Mobility money from PIP/DLA to pay for these schemes.	School transport (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	There is a charge for the use of these services.
34101	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Yes gone are the days we can afford to pay for taxis to take kids to school.	School transport (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council is currently undertaking a review of its passenger and school transport services and this comment will be incorporated within that review.
34102	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Again, as my children require a bus to get to school, if I was forced to pay for this or arrange alternative transport I would have no option to reduce my council tax payments in order to offset the increased costs being incurred I have already been forced to more than double my costs for commuting to work due to the council's decision to remove funding for my previously used bus route If the council pressed ahead with this option, it would confirm the belief that the needs of those living at the edges of the county outwith the larger towns are not taken into consideration	School transport (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council has a legal obligation to provide free transport out with certain distances to school. The council is currently undertaking a review of its passenger and mainstream school transport services and this comment will be incorporated within that review.
34103	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	There are more and more school aged children being driven to school by taxi now, than ever before. People make a career out of taking children to school. surely there must be scope to look at this provision as it is totally out of control. We are encouraging lazy parents to let others take their kids to school. I also acknowledge that their are genuine cases that need tis service.	School transport (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has a legal obligation to provide free transport out with certain distances to school. The council is currently undertaking a review of its passenger and mainstream school transport services and this comment will be incorporated within that review
34104	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	There are more and more school aged children being driven to school by taxi now, than ever before. People make a career out of taking children to school by taxi and escorting. Some escorts being paid cash in hand. Surely there must be scope to look at this provision as it is totally out of control. We are encouraging lazy parents to let others take their kids to school. I also acknowledge that their are genuine cases that need and rely on this service.	School transport (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has a legal obligation to provide free transport out with certain distances to school. The council is currently undertaking a review of its passenger and mainstream school transport services and this comment will be incorporated within that review
34105	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Ahh here we go again. Lets attack those most in need of a service, but with the smallest voice to defend themselves. The Tory influence is strong in this one.	School transport (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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34106	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Increasing the minimum milage for school transport will just lead to greater use of private cars for school runs and therefore increase pollution.	School transport (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council has a legal obligation to provide free transport out with certain distances to school. The council is currently undertaking a review of its passenger and mainstream school transport services and this comment will be incorporated within that review
34107	An employee of West Lothian Council	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	We need to put the statutory mileage in place. We are one of the few councils who don't do this and I haven't heard about child safety issues in councils who do. People talk about the impact that this would have on attainment because of kids who can't be bothered to walk to school but surely if these kids are not motivated, the provision of buses or not would have no impact on whether they leave school with good qualifications.	School transport (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has a legal obligation to provide free transport out with certain distances to school. The council is currently undertaking a review of its passenger and mainstream school transport services and this comment will be incorporated within that review
34108	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Personally I initially chose an out of catchment areas school and therefore provide all transport for my children too and from. I think with personal choice comes personal responsibility. Parents choosing out of catchment areas schools, particularly those choosing schools on religious grounds, should then be responsible for transporting their children. This is not an option that was open to me as a parent and as such, I felt it was discrimination.	School transport (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34109	An employee of West Lothian Council	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	OK but so long as the most needy in society are able to access the provision to ensure there is no drop in school attendance	School transport (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34110	An employee of West Lothian Council	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	I think that the free school bus service from Blackridge to Armadale Academy should continue as the distance is too far for the children to walk to school and the footpath is narrow and not safe to walk all the way to Armadale.	School transport (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council has a legal obligation to provide free transport out with certain distances to school. The council is currently undertaking a review of its passenger and mainstream school transport services and this comment will be incorporated within that review
34111	An employee of West Lothian Council	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Remove taxis to schools - parents should be responsible for their children getting to school	School transport (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has a legal obligation to provide free transport out with certain distances to school. The council is currently undertaking a review of its passenger and mainstream school transport services and this comment will be incorporated within that review
34112	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	I agree with looking at school transport arrangements.	School transport (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34113	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	The provision of private taxis to ferry single pupils back and forth to schools is a nonsense!	School transport (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has a legal obligation to provide free transport out with certain distances to school. The council is currently undertaking a review of its passenger and mainstream school transport services and this comment will be incorporated within that review
34114	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	School transport needs to move to statutory thresholds in order to protect council resources for educating our children	School transport (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has a legal obligation to provide free transport out with certain distances to school. The council is currently undertaking a review of its passenger and mainstream school transport services and this comment will be incorporated within that review
34115	An employee of West Lothian Council	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Free transport to school could also be altered in line with national policy to reduce the costs of transporting children to schools, or a financial contribution replacement be implemented for those between 2-3 miles.	School transport (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has a legal obligation to provide free transport out with certain distances to school. The council is currently undertaking a review of its passenger and mainstream school transport services and this comment will be incorporated within that review
34116	An employee of West Lothian Council	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	As previously mentioned the minimum mileage limits should be brought in for children being transported to school.	School transport (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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34117	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Again with school transport - rural homes are cheaper so I don't support taxpayers paying for children from rural areas being ferried around. Parents should pay for this since they save on housing costs.	School transport (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has a legal obligation to provide free transport out with certain distances to school. The council is currently undertaking a review of its passenger and mainstream school transport services and this comment will be incorporated within that review.
34118	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	While we understand that changes may be required in this area, LA Parent Council would urge WLC to give careful consideration to the timing and roll out of any changes to school transport to ensure that sufficient time is available for individuals to make alternative arrangements.	School transport (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has a legal obligation to provide free transport out with certain distances to school. The council is currently undertaking a review of its passenger and mainstream school transport services and this comment will be incorporated within that review
34119	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Agree that there should be a reduction in school transport to the statutory minimum. Encouraging school pupils to walk helps tackle health issues such as obesity and pollution.	School transport (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34120	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	It is very important that children have a safe way of getting to school, but of distance is a safe walking distance in relation to the age of the children then a free bus service should not be necessary.	School transport (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34121	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Taxi services for taking and returning children from educational establishments should either be contributed to by the parents or withdrawn.	School transport (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has a legal obligation to provide free transport out with certain distances to school. The council is currently undertaking a review of its passenger and mainstream school transport services and this comment will be incorporated within that review
34122	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	If school transport means taxis to take children to and from school, then as my previous comment, parents should be making a contribution.	School transport (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34123	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Definitely review third party providers, huge workforce and skill base within the council that could be put to other uses. For example, school pupils on part time timetables being transported to school by taxi is very expensive. Why not use school support workers or Community Transport drivers and escorts and school minibuses instead? Community Transport jobs are being cut, so redeploy them to the schools instead of them losing their jobs, and save on a huge taxi bill.	School transport (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34124	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Children and working parents rely on the school transport system. If you reduce it you may cause working parents difficulties with getting children to and from school.	School transport (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34125	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Subsidising 'school buses' in small communities where the commute to school is under 2 miles should be scrapped. It is a parental responsibility to get their child to and from school and for parents who don't work this should be no problem.	School transport (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has a legal obligation to provide free transport out with certain distances to school. The council is currently undertaking a review of its passenger and mainstream school transport services and this comment will be incorporated within that review
34126	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	The school bus service is already deteriorating - last school year and this one - with poor quality of service and standard of drivers - often on their phone and even texting while driving! Reducing cost is one thing but standards and safety need to be maintained.	School transport (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has a legal obligation to provide free transport out with certain distances to school. The council is currently undertaking a review of its passenger and mainstream school transport services and this comment will be incorporated within that review
34127	An employee of West Lothian Council	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Subsidising 'school buses' in small communities where the commute to school is under 2 miles should be scrapped. It is a parental responsibility to get their child to and from school and for parents who don't work this should be no problem.	School transport (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has a legal obligation to provide free transport out with certain distances to school. The council is currently undertaking a review of its passenger and mainstream school transport services and this comment will be incorporated within that review
34128	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	School transport - although I agree with this proposal I do have concerns that a blank fits all approach is used. On some routes to school children can walk along main well lit roads etc. but for example I worry for those children say in Blackridge, would there be an expectation for them to walk to Armadale Academy! Agree with all other suggestions on this proposal	School transport (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has a legal obligation to provide free transport out with certain distances to school. The council is currently undertaking a review of its passenger and mainstream school transport services and this comment will be incorporated within that review
34129	An employee of West Lothian Council	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Same for school transport where kids don't walk when they are in easy walking distance of local schools.	School transport (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has a legal obligation to provide free transport out with certain distances to school. The council is currently undertaking a review of its passenger and mainstream school transport services and this comment will be incorporated within that review

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34130	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	I do not think that all of the children that are currently transported via taxi etc need to be - perhaps schemes like walking buses could be considered or alternatively a voluntary driver scheme.	School transport (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has a legal obligation to provide free transport out with certain distances to school. The council is currently undertaking a review of its passenger and mainstream school transport services and this comment will be incorporated within that review
34131	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	In saying that all three of my children bus it to school as they live some distance from school if you are proposing that I also have to pay for that on top of everything else and given I work for west Lothian I also have no pay rise and I am already paying for tutors and work books for school due to how poor the school is in west Lothian - this will absolutely make me decide to home school my children if there was no school transport.	School transport (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council has a legal obligation to provide free transport out with certain distances to school. The council is currently undertaking a review of its passenger and mainstream school transport services and this comment will be incorporated within that review
34132	No Response	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Free transport for school children? Surely for those that can afford this a nominal fee could be in place.	School transport (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has a legal obligation to provide free transport out with certain distances to school. The council is currently undertaking a review of its passenger and mainstream school transport services and this comment will be incorporated within that review
34133	An employee of West Lothian Council	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	This is a must do! Boundaries and school allocation should maybe charge anyway.	School transport (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has a legal obligation to provide free transport out with certain distances to school. The council is currently undertaking a review of its passenger and mainstream school transport services and this comment will be incorporated within that review
34134	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	leave the school buses	School transport (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council has a legal obligation to provide free transport out with certain distances to school. The council is currently undertaking a review of its passenger and mainstream school transport services and this comment will be incorporated within that review
34135	An employee of West Lothian Council	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	school transport is bad enough. and the buses in winchburgh, Bridgend and small villages are bad enough. Free school transport should be a priority.	School transport (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34136	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Rural residents needing school transport should not be penalised for not living in town.	School transport (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34137	An employee of West Lothian Council	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Subsidies should be reduced and school transport should be reduced to the statutory minimum . The private sector should be encourage to fill the gap left by this service reduction. This decision has been taken by a number of councils already.	School transport (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34138	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	West Lothian is a large and rural community. At the moment young people who attend West Calder High School and live in the east of county cannot get to or from school outwith school transport times without a change of bus in Livingston, this impacts on young people attending school if they are late and on attending after school clubs. There are also a shortage of buses from areas of the county to other areas affecting people getting to and from work e.g. East Calder to Broxburn, East Calder to Liniithgow -no direct link.	School transport (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34139	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	As well as looking at the statutory limits for school transport need to review ALN transport costs and make sure these are considered when making placements. Consider introducing fees for transportation for those who can afford it.	School transport (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34140	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	School transport should be via a pass that can be used on a local bus route in school hours therefore providing local buses with more passengers and meaning there is no need for school buses. If someone chooses to live outwith a bus route they should arrange for their child to get to a suitable bus stop or take them to school.	School transport (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34141	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Agree in principal focus on statutory min mileage but with care not to endanger the child.	School transport (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34142	An employee of West Lothian Council	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	School Transport - Moving to the statutory minimum mileage would certainly deliver savings but this cannot be seen in isolation as there is a strong likelihood that other services, such as Medical provision, would see an increase in demand.	School transport (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34143	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Strictly enforce 2 mile free transport limit..	School transport (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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34144	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Why not stop all the taxi firms making money from taking kids to school when their parents often have free cars to take them around. Surely the council could do this cheaper in-house	School transport (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34145	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Disagree children need to school as if have to pay there will be poor attendance rate.	School transport (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34146	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	As previously stated - Pupils could walk a little extra distance to school which would not only save money but increase healthy exercise. Also, if parents decide to send their children to schools out with their own catchment area then transport costs should be meet by them not the taxpayer.	School transport (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34147	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Subsidising 'school buses' in small communities where the commute to school is under 2 miles should be scrapped. It is a parental responsibility to get their child to and from school and for parents who don't work this should be no problem.	School transport (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34148	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	A review of cost of and use of taxis for school transport would be good.	School transport (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34149	An employee of West Lothian Council	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Subsidising 'school buses' in small communities where the commute to school is under 2 miles should be scrapped. It is a parental responsibility to get their child to and from school and for parents who don't work this should be no problem.	School transport (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34150	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	charge for busing school children outside the 2m zone.	School transport (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34151	An individual	7d. Reprioritised Passenger Transport Strategy	Parents who choose to send children to schools outwith their area should pay for transport.	School transport (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34152	An employee of West Lothian Council	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	I agree that business mileage should be reduced further	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34153	An employee of West Lothian Council	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34154	An employee of West Lothian Council	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	Seems reasonable.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34155	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	I'm all for this	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34156	An employee of West Lothian Council	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	This makes sense	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34157	An employee of West Lothian Council	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	An obvious way to save money	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34158	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	No probelms with that	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34159	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	Agree this proposal.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34160	No Response	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	Have no objection	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34161	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	Support proposal	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34162	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	Yes definitely	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34163	An employee of West Lothian Council	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34164	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	Sounds reasonable.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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34165	An employee of West Lothian Council	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	I agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34166	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	Agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34167	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	Good idea.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34168	An employee of West Lothian Council	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34169	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	Sounds good.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34170	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34171	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34172	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34173	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	Support.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34174	An employee of West Lothian Council	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34175	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34176	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	Agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34177	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	Positive	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34178	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	Yes. This brings financial savings.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34179	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	go ahead with the savings	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34180	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	Sounds practical	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34181	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	Yes I agree good plan	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34182	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	Yes agreed on all counts.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34183	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	I support this change	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34184	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	I agree with the Council's proposals for the moment to see how they all work out. Thank you.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34185	An employee of West Lothian Council	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	I agree with the above.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34186	An employee of West Lothian Council	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	Sounds good but again the devil is in the details!	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34187	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	Sounds like a desirable outcome.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34188	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	Agree with this saving.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34189	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	Yet another operational matter that you should be doing without the need to consult	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34190	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	Agree. Savings can easily be made in this area.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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34191	An employee of West Lothian Council	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	Support this measure.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34192	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	Agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34193	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	Agree.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34194	An employee of West Lothian Council	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34195	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34196	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	No problem with this.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34197	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	Good	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34198	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	good idea	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34199	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	GOOD PLAN	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34200	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	Sounds good.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34201	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34202	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	Makes sense	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34203	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	I support this.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34204	No Response	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	Agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34205	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	Sensible	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34206	An employee of West Lothian Council	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34207	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34208	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	I would support this.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34209	An employee of West Lothian Council	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34210	An employee of West Lothian Council	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	I agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34211	An employee of West Lothian Council	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	Good	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34212	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	Good.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34213	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	Sounds reasonable	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34214	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	Long overdue	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34215	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	Support	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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34216	An employee of West Lothian Council	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	Agree.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34217	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	Agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34218	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	I agree with this.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34219	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	Agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34220	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	I agree with this saving.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34221	An employee of West Lothian Council	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	Fine	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34222	An employee of West Lothian Council	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	agree with proposal	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34223	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	Ok	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34224	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	Fair	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34225	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	I agree with this proposal.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34226	An employee of West Lothian Council	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34227	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34228	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34229	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	Agreee	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34230	No Response	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34231	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	A priority	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34232	An employee of West Lothian Council	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34233	An employee of West Lothian Council	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	I agree that the Council should review the number of pool cars being used and reduce these as required. I also agree to the reduction in business mileage rate paid.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34234	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	I have no objection to this.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34235	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	Good.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34236	An employee of West Lothian Council	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	Strongly agree.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34237	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	Ok	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34238	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	OK.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34239	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	This seems like a good idea.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34240	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	Yes this is a good idea	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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34241	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	good.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34242	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	agreed,	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34243	An employee of West Lothian Council	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	Agree with this proposal.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34244	An employee of West Lothian Council	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	Agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34245	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	Good work	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34246	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	I approve of this measure	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34247	An employee of West Lothian Council	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	Agree. Also, staff should not be permitted to take council vehicles home, unless there is an operational requirement, such as emergency staff. Expectation should not be placed on staff to attend out of office hours meetings if they have to use their own vehicle and community councils or other external bodies should be made aware of this.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34248	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	I support.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34249	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	I would support these proposals.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34250	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	Again the more of these types of saving the better.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34251	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	Ok	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34252	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	Agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34253	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	Agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34254	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	Absolutely.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34255	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	Completely agree and plan to move to hybrids or electric vehicles over the next five to ten years.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34256	An employee of West Lothian Council	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	This appears to be a reasonable proposal.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34257	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	Agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34258	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34259	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34260	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	I agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34261	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34262	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	Ok	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34263	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34264	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34265	No Response	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34266	An employee of West Lothian Council	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34267	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	Sounds like a good idea!	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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34268	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	I agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34269	An employee of West Lothian Council	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	agree with proposal	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34270	An employee of West Lothian Council	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34271	An employee of West Lothian Council	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34272	An employee of West Lothian Council	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	I agree with this proposal	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34273	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34274	An employee of West Lothian Council	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34275	An employee of West Lothian Council	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34276	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	ok	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34277	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	okay	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34278	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	Supported	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34279	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	okay	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34280	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	ok	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34281	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34282	An employee of West Lothian Council	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	Ok	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34283	An employee of West Lothian Council	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	Agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34284	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	This seems good practice.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34285	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34286	An employee of West Lothian Council	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	Good idea.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34287	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	Again too vague and no explanation of impact. However, best of bad choices. Reluctantly support.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34288	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	Yes, fully agree.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34289	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	Agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34290	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	Agreed.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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34291	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	I would agree if it saves money	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34292	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	Good.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34293	No Response	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	OK	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34294	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34295	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	Good	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34296	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	Ok	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34297	An employee of West Lothian Council	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	Fine, I don't want to use my own car to subsidise the Council anyway!	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34298	An employee of West Lothian Council	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	Proposal seems fair	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34299	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	Makes perfect sense and is normal in all other workplaces.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34300	An employee of West Lothian Council	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	Agree. Grt people to use technology	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34301	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	Agree. Definitely	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34302	No Response	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	fine by me	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34303	An employee of West Lothian Council	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	this makes sense as services shrink and staff numbers reduce.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34304	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	This seems logical	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34305	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	Makes good sense.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34306	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	Makes sense	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34307	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	Agree with this proposal.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34308	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	Good idea	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34309	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34310	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	ok	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34311	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	Agreed.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34312	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34313	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	Makes sense	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34314	An employee of West Lothian Council	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	Support savings in this area.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34315	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	Reduce away !	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34316	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	Agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34317	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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34318	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34319	An employee of West Lothian Council	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34320	No Response	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	Reasonable	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34321	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	Ok	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34322	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	Ok	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34323	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	Agreed.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34324	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34325	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34326	An employee of West Lothian Council	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	Agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34327	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	Ok	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34328	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	ok.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34329	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34330	An employee of West Lothian Council	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	Supportive in principle based on the supplied information	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34331	An employee of West Lothian Council	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34332	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	Sounds fine	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34333	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34334	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34335	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	sensible	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34336	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	OK	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34337	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	I agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34338	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34339	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	Yes.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34340	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	I completely agree with this.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34341	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	Yeah	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34342	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	good	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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34343	An employee of West Lothian Council	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	I agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34344	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	Good idea.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34345	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	Look okay as it is possible to evaluate given the vague descriptions given in the 'Transforming Your Council'	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34346	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	I agree with the proposal.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34347	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	All proposals are sound.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34348	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	I don't agree with lowering the mileage rate - This would have a direct impact on someones income	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34349	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	Silly idea it is not efficieint	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34350	No Response	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	Disagree	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34351	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	Do not agree with proposal	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34352	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	I would not support this	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34353	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	no	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34354	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	none	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34355	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	Totally disagree with a proposed reduction in mileage rate paid to staff. Staff already lost their essential car user allowance when the 'fleet' was introduced. The system is very poorly managed with certain services booking cars out all day every day, regardless of being used or not meaning fleet cars are hardly ever available for staff - even essential users.	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34356	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	I do not agree.	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34357	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	None	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34358	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	Disagree	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34359	An employee of West Lothian Council	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	MILEAGE CAN BE REDUCED BY CEASSATIUION OF PAN COUNCIL OPERATIONAL SERVICES.	Green Fleet & Travel - business mileage	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Mileage will be reduced where possible but it has to be recognised that that council operations will need to continue.

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34360	An employee of West Lothian Council	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	It must be noted that staff using their own vehicle is a bonus to the council. We suffer wear and tear that is not properly compensated for and also allows us to 'worksmart'.	Green Fleet & Travel - business mileage	4. The council is already doing this.	Reimbursement rate for staff using their own vehicles is inclusive of a wear and tear element.
34361	An employee of West Lothian Council	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	I am sure that given the increased cost of fuel and maintenance of staffs own vehicles that not many would be prepared to use their own vehicle if the rate payable to staff using their own vehicles was reduced. This may lead to a reduction in service, if no pool cars were available or an increased cost to service users having to come to meet with a worker as well as increased stress for more vulnerable service users.	Green Fleet & Travel - business mileage	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The introduction of the green travel strategy made significant savings for the council. The council is currently reviewing its internal pool fleet provision, booking system and utilisation to ensure that the provisions is providing best value for the council and staff. These comments will be incorporated into this review for consideration.
34362	An employee of West Lothian Council	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	I agree, and would think a stepped mileage rate would be fair and would encourage consideration of business mileage by users. For example, the normal rate for the first 2000 miles then reductions beyond that? However there is a danger that staff will not use their own cars for business usage.	Green Fleet & Travel - business mileage	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The introduction of the green travel strategy made significant savings for the council. The council is currently reviewing its internal pool fleet provision, booking system and utilisation to ensure that the provisions is providing best value for the council and staff. These comments will be incorporated into this review for consideration.
34363	An employee of West Lothian Council	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	Business mileage is already too low so any further reduction will cost the member of staff to use their car.	Green Fleet & Travel - business mileage	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	Business mileage reimbursement rates is set by HMRC and this is used by the Council.
34364	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	It seems that most senior management are being allowed to use there own cars at all times. This should be stopped with everyone using the Council pool cars.	Green Fleet & Travel - business mileage	4. The council is already doing this.	All staff are required to use the council's travel hierarchy to determine the most efficient mode of transport.
34365	An employee of West Lothian Council	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	As per previous comment. Reduce the use of Council vehicle use out-with working hours. Ensure all employees use their own transport to get to their work thus reducing fuel and maintenance costs for the Council owned vehicles.	Green Fleet & Travel - business mileage	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The introduction of the green travel strategy made significant savings for the council. These comments will be incorporated into this review for consideration.
34366	An employee of West Lothian Council	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	No staff should be able to use their own vehicle for business travel unless the Council revert back to the essential user allowance for staff who actually cover a lot of business miles over the yearly period.	Green Fleet & Travel - business mileage	5d. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it has been previously considered and will not be progressed.	The introduction of the green travel strategy made significant savings for the council. These comments will be incorporated into this review for consideration.
34367	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	It is difficult enough for staff to run cars but to subsidise the council with an even lower mileage rate is ridiculous. The current council rate does not cover wear and tear and running costs such as business insurance. Why not just introduce a blanket ban on use of personal cars if you really want to target this area.	Green Fleet & Travel - business mileage	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Reimbursement rate for staff using their own vehicles is inclusive of a wear and tear element.
34368	An employee of West Lothian Council	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	Own use mileage rates should be reduced but use of own cars should be reintroduced	Green Fleet & Travel - business mileage	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Business mileage reimbursement rates is set by HMRC and this is used by the Council. Own vehicle use is allowable with a business case.
34369	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	When this was first introduced, my mileage claim was cheaper than using public transport, this is still the case today.	Green Fleet & Travel - business mileage	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The introduction of the green travel strategy made significant savings for the council. The council is currently reviewing its internal pool fleet provision, booking system and utilisation to ensure that the provisions is providing best value for the council and staff. These comments will be incorporated into this review for consideration.
34370	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	If staff are REQUIRED to attend other premises for training or meetings then they should be paid appropriately for doing so! If other options are available then they should be provided st no cost to staff!!!	Green Fleet & Travel - business mileage	4. The council is already doing this.	Business mileage reimbursement rates is set by HMRC and this is used by the Council.
34371	An employee of West Lothian Council	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	I agree that the mileage rate payable to staff should be reduced.	Green Fleet & Travel - business mileage	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34372	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	staff will spend more time on public transport. If that is also being reviewed how will you ensure staff can go about council business.	Green Fleet & Travel - business mileage	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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34373	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	You will reduce the mileage rate but still expect users to do more work so this doesn't show investment in people	Green Fleet & Travel - business mileage	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Services will be required to review service delivery to ensure travel is minimised and done in the most efficient manner.
34374	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	Do the staff really need to use their own vehicles or could they be encouraged to claim their mileage from HMRC directly thus relieving the strain on the Council funds.	Green Fleet & Travel - business mileage	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	The use of personal vehicles will be required for certain journeys. HMRC are not responsible for paying personal mileage claims.
34375	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	a lot of staff don't get payed mileage due to managers not processing this.	Green Fleet & Travel - business mileage	4. The council is already doing this.	Council policy states that authorised journeys in private vehicles can be claimed from the Council.
34376	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	staff allowed to use own vehicles - instead of paying mileage pay lump sum when x amount of miles are done	Green Fleet & Travel - business mileage	5d. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it has been previously considered and will not be progressed.	This has previously been considered and deemed not to be the most efficient use of resources.
34377	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	A reduction in business mileage is unlikely to be achieved when the miles are being put on fleet vehicles. Staff will only engage with concepts like this if it affects them personally -	Green Fleet & Travel - business mileage	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34378	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	reinstate the own vehicle allowance but only approve mileage claims if staff have shown they have complied with your green agenda.	Green Fleet & Travel - business mileage	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34379	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	i think only in the management or higher paid roles in the council should be considered for a reduction in mileage for using their own vehicles.	Green Fleet & Travel - business mileage	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34380	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	Stop the practice of council workers being picked up and dropped off at their homes! I have suggested this with previous consultations but note that is still happens.	Green Fleet & Travel - business mileage	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The introduction of the green travel strategy made significant savings for the council. These comments will be incorporated into this review for consideration.
34381	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	Staff mileage should be covered as driving in own individuals vehicle has an insurance premium increase effect for the driver.	Green Fleet & Travel - business mileage	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Most vehicle insurers do not charge extra for including business use as part of a driver's policy.
34382	An employee of West Lothian Council	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	As long as the mileage rate for staff is fair against fuel and wear and tear costs this would be acceptable	Green Fleet & Travel - business mileage	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Reimbursement rate for staff using their own vehicles is inclusive of a wear and tear element.
34383	An employee of West Lothian Council	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	reducing the rate paid for this will mean staff will stop picking up the slack and service users will suffer.	Green Fleet & Travel - business mileage	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Employees have the option of using alternative modes of transport as detailed in the green transport strategy.
34384	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	Giving staff lower mileage is an easy one to predict the result. Staff will decline to use their own cars. the council will either have to buy more pool cars or services will simply not be delivered. Of all the proposal this is the stupidest by far.	Green Fleet & Travel - business mileage	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Services will be required to review service delivery to ensure travel is minimised and done in the most efficient manner.
34385	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	This is what happens when you centralise everything to Livingston. No council cars, give mileage at usual rate businesses offer.	Green Fleet & Travel - business mileage	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Business mileage reimbursement rates is set by HMRC and this is used by the Council. Own vehicle use is allowable with a business case.
34386	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	If you can achieve mileage reductions without affecting service levels then this sounds a good idea.	Green Fleet & Travel - business mileage	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34387	An employee of West Lothian Council	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	For the vast majority of West Lothian council employees it is not written into their contract they must utilise their personal vehicle for business use. The above statement implies this is the case.	Green Fleet & Travel - business mileage	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34388	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	Agree. Staff should be able to use the pull cars available. If they choose to use their own car they should expect to pay for fuel.	Green Fleet & Travel - business mileage	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your comment. Your response has been noted. Staff will be reimbursed for using their own vehicle.
34389	An employee of West Lothian Council	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	Staff will refuse to use their own cars so not a sensible policy	Green Fleet & Travel - business mileage	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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34390	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	Stop council vans being taken home! Provide workers with specific company cars used only for business and a credit card to fuel up when required ensuring only the fuel used is being claimed for	Green Fleet & Travel - business mileage	5b. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it is likely that the costs of this proposal would outweigh the benefit.	Council policy requires a business case for vehicles to be taken home. Company cars would not be an efficient and cost effective use of council resources.
34391	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	Just stop giving staff mileage all together, as they should be using council transport or give them bus pass to go between offices or use the telephone..	Green Fleet & Travel - business mileage	5c. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it is not consistent with the council's values and priorities.	There will be instances where employees will be required to use their own vehicle to delivery essential council services and will be reimbursed accordingly.
34392	An employee of West Lothian Council	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	Reduce mileage rate and get rid of pool cars before we are due to have our fleet updated.	Green Fleet & Travel - business mileage	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34393	An employee of West Lothian Council	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	Good although not convinced about reducing the mileage rate to staff,	Green Fleet & Travel - business mileage	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34394	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	I have seen a lot on council staff walking rather than using transport I am not sure if this is a good thing, how long is it taking them to walk over driving?	Green Fleet & Travel - business mileage	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Council staff must refer to the council's ravel hierarchy before attending meetings and determine the most efficient way of travelling from the many options they have.
34395	An employee of West Lothian Council	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	I thought all mileage rates payable to staff had been completely cut already as my service doesn't allow us to claim mileage.	Green Fleet & Travel - business mileage	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Business mileage reimbursement rate is the maximum allowable as set by HMRC and this is used by the Council. Own vehicle use is allowable with a business case.
34396	An employee of West Lothian Council	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	Are there any benefits to be gained by substantially reducing the mileage allowance for own vehicle use at the same time as disposing of the majority of the vehicle pool? Remember, the government mileage allowance is only a tax free limit, not a mandatory amount that needs to be paid!	Green Fleet & Travel - business mileage	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Services will be required to review service delivery to ensure travel is minimised and done in the most efficient manner. Staff will be able to claim tax relief on any personal mileage reimbursement under the agreed HMRC rate.
34397	An employee of West Lothian Council	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	The Council should keep the current mileage rate to staff.	Green Fleet & Travel - business mileage	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Staff will be able to claim tax relief on any personal mileage reimbursement under the agreed HMRC rate.
34398	An employee of West Lothian Council	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	Introduce a total ban on employees using their own vehicle for work. There should be enough fleet vehicles for them to use , if not , then there is an underlying problem that needs to be addressed.	Green Fleet & Travel - business mileage	5b. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it is likely that the costs of this proposal would outweigh the benefit.	There will always be a requirement for staff to use their own vehicle in certain situations to deliver essential council services. The cost of providing a council vehicle for every journey would outweigh the benefit of not reimbursing staff for mileage undertaken in personal vehicles.
34399	An employee of West Lothian Council	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	business mileage dependent on where people having to go for meetings - not always possible to hold meetings locally to everyone. Requirement for fully comp insurance on private vehicles means any own vehicle usage had to cover this in the rates. Needs to be a balance as pool cars often not available and guidance states better not to use pool car if you are attending an all day meeting away from office where pool car will just be sat in a car park all day and not available for use by other staff.	Green Fleet & Travel - business mileage	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Employees are required to consider whether meetings are necessary and if so what the best mode of transport is. Personal vehicle insurance policies should include cover for business use which in most cases does not incur additional cost.
34400	An employee of West Lothian Council	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	The policy of some workers being allowed to bring their council vehicles home should be stopped or at least further measures taken to ensure that they are not used for personal use. I have on a number of occasions seen council vehicles in areas where they had no business being i.e. hospital and shop car parks out of hours, as well as having family members in the vehicles. Until this is rectified and a level playing field is available no change to the rate payable to staff using their own vehicles should be introduced as these individuals would be penalised twice and others are essentially given a free vehicle to use as they wish.	Green Fleet & Travel - business mileage	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The introduction of the green travel strategy made significant savings for the council. These comments will be incorporated into this review for consideration.
34401	An employee of West Lothian Council	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	I think all staff should have to make their own way to and from work and the arrangement with manual workers taking vans to the Glasgow area or even home locally is unfair. I myself like in North Lanarkshire and need to make my own way to and from work at my own cost. I understand some of the manual workers will use this while on standby but still need to make the journey from their homes to the depot to pick up equipment needed in a call out. This seems unfair to me as the majority of council staff have to make their own way to and from work out of their own pocket. I do not believe it is very good value for money paying for fuel for someone's travel from Glasgow and back as this costs me around £25 a week in fuel with a relatively fuel efficient vehicle (55 - 60mpg) making a journey of 40 miles a day.	Green Fleet & Travel - business mileage	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Council policy requires a business case for vehicles to be taken home.

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34402	An employee of West Lothian Council	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	A large of the savings derived from internal vehicle costs relates to there being fewer users over time.	Green Fleet & Travel - business mileage	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34403	An employee of West Lothian Council	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	Most members of staff have ceased to use their own vehicles for business travel because the rate currently paid is inadequate, particularly in the context of the excess payable in the event of an accident, for example or the cost of a puncture. To reduce the rates such that is was lower than the HMRC rate would encourage more users to rely on pool vehicles and exacerbate the issues associated with availability, damaging productivity.	Green Fleet & Travel - business mileage	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The maximum tax free business mileage reimbursement rate is set by HMRC and is used by the council. This rate includes an element for additional vehicle costs and wear and tear.
34404	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	The mileage rate for staff using their own cars must not be reduced to a level that does not fully compensate the cost to staff. In other words the staff should not be subsidising the Council.	Green Fleet & Travel - business mileage	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34405	An employee of West Lothian Council	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	I feel lots of money is wasted bringing staff to civic centre etc. for mandatory briefings that could be delivered at staff meetings by managers. I am coming from the West of west Lothian to civic centre which will cost time and money. Yes....I could get the bus but that would take me half my day and keep me away from what I should be doing. I walk to home visits when appropriate (not always the safe option) and find the whole business of claiming it back time consuming. I feel this proposal will make me more inclined to claim my mileage.	Green Fleet & Travel - business mileage	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34406	An employee of West Lothian Council	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	Can the council roll out more electric vehicles?	Green Fleet & Travel - business mileage	4. The council is already doing this.	The council currently uses electric vehicles and is looking to increase the electric fleet again this year.
34407	An employee of West Lothian Council	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	With regards to the reduction in business mileage, there is a danger that this could be defeated by the Public Transport Review above as some routes which are removed or streamlined may impact on staff traveling to other areas of the county.	Green Fleet & Travel - business mileage	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34408	An employee of West Lothian Council	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	Only pay up to a set mileage on personal use, to encourage pool car use.	Green Fleet & Travel - business mileage	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34409	An employee of West Lothian Council	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	Staff shouldn't need to use their own vehicles for business.	Green Fleet & Travel - business mileage	5b. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it is likely that the costs of this proposal would outweigh the benefit.	There will always be a requirement for staff to use their own vehicle in certain situations to deliver essential council services. The cost of providing a council vehicle for every journey would outweigh the benefit of not reimbursing staff for mileage undertaken in personal vehicles.
34410	An employee of West Lothian Council	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	By reducing the rate payable for the use of private cars this will increase demand on pool cars further.	Green Fleet & Travel - business mileage	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34411	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	Staff who use their cars for business shouldn't have their payments reduced as their pay do not reflect the rise in inflation. If staff had to use public transport for business it would be more expensive and time consuming.	Green Fleet & Travel - business mileage	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34412	An employee of West Lothian Council	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	Stop operatives from taking vehicles home and make staff use skype / video conferencing or phone call rather than expensive unproductive travel to talk to someone.	Green Fleet & Travel - business mileage	4. The council is already doing this.	Council policy requires a business case for vehicles to be taken home. Video and tele conferencing is available for staff to use.
34413	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	This may be found to be a flaps saving as staff will no longer use their cars and pool car models are often optimistic and create inefficiency as times is lost due to the available of vehicles. I suspect this proposal is unachievable and will create inefficiency and pressures on an already stretched workforce.	Green Fleet & Travel - business mileage	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Services will be required to review service delivery to ensure travel is minimised and done in the most efficient manner.
34414	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	stop paying any mileage costs to staff. they will soon find a pool car or rearrange a visit	Green Fleet & Travel - business mileage	5c. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it is not consistent with the council's values and priorities.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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34415	An employee of West Lothian Council	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	Some essential services need staff to use their own vehicles for business and if there is a reduction on the amount staff are paid then this could cause major issues for certain service areas if staff refuse to use their own transport as there is not enough council vehicles for staff to use and this could have an impact on service users.	Green Fleet & Travel - business mileage	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	There will always be a requirement for staff to use their own vehicle in certain situations to deliver essential council services. The cost of providing a council vehicle for every journey would outweigh the benefit of not reimbursing staff for mileage undertaken in personal vehicles.
34416	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	You expect staff to use their cars and there is an implication to this, yes, but you forget its not just the fuel cost to staff member but they need to insure car for work use and also the wear and tear on the car and the mileage is reflected when coming to sell their car when needing to replace.	Green Fleet & Travel - business mileage	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The maximum tax free business mileage reimbursement rate is set by HMRC and is used by the council. This rate includes an element for additional vehicle costs and wear and tear.
34417	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	If there are opportunities to save money here, stop pussy footing about and make them. If people are forced to use their own car for council business and it is uneconomical for them to do so, they need to make the choice themselves of whether to use their car or not.	Green Fleet & Travel - business mileage	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34418	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	Agree but must pay a competitive rate otherwise staff will not use their own cars	Green Fleet & Travel - business mileage	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34419	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	OK but reducing rate paid to staff for own mileage - for those on the lowest income may make their role un-viable or need a council vehicle.	Green Fleet & Travel - business mileage	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	There will always be a requirement for staff to use their own vehicle in certain situations to deliver essential council services. The cost of providing a council vehicle for every journey would outweigh the benefit of not reimbursing staff for mileage undertaken in personal vehicles.
34420	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	As long as you still reimburse staff to include wear and tear on their vehicles.	Green Fleet & Travel - business mileage	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34421	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	stop staff from taking work vehicles home (unless on call). This is unfair on other staff who use their own vehicles to commute plus the cost of mileage and fuel is unacceptable. These vehicles could be used by other staff members.	Green Fleet & Travel - business mileage	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Council policy requires a business case for vehicles to be taken home.
34422	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	That's having your cake and eating it! I see my car being used to transport council literature around West Lothian because you have to arrange a fleet car eons in advance. I should be charging you!	Green Fleet & Travel - business mileage	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Council employee are reimbursed for using their own vehicle.
34423	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	Agree that costs should be reduced so long as staff then have access to an adequately resourced internal Green Fleet. Disagree that business miles use or rate pain should be reduced. The perceived savings will be outweighed multiples of times by reducing staff's mobility and resultant reduced performance. Using a reduced public 'Green Travel' transport system instead means 1000's of hours being wasted waiting for transport, extended travel times and time walking to destinations of council business and meetings throughout the county!	Green Fleet & Travel - business mileage	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Services will be required to review service delivery to ensure travel is minimised and done in the most efficient manner.
34424	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	If pool cars are a part of the service then staff should make use of pool cars rather than claiming mileage.	Green Fleet & Travel - business mileage	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	There will always be a requirement for staff to use their own vehicle in certain situations to deliver essential council services. The cost of providing a council vehicle for every journey would outweigh the benefit of not reimbursing staff for mileage undertaken in personal vehicles.
34425	An employee of West Lothian Council	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	Lots of staff probably pay their own mileage costs already, I know I do when travelling for work purposes as a council employee. I get a feeling those who do claim are the ones who need it the least.	Green Fleet & Travel - business mileage	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34426	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	Reducing the mileage rate could mean staff are subsidising the council, not acceptable. Their rate needs to be fair or why should they use their own cars?	Green Fleet & Travel - business mileage	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34427	An employee of West Lothian Council	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	It is not feasible to reduce business mileage anymore and still provide a service. The rate currently payable to staff hardly covers the wear and tear of their vehicles and the high inflated insurance costs.	Green Fleet & Travel - business mileage	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Services will be required to review service delivery to ensure travel is minimised and done in the most efficient manner.
34428	An employee of West Lothian Council	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	You reduce the Payment to staff you won't cover as many locations good luck with this stupid suggestion	Green Fleet & Travel - business mileage	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34429	An employee of West Lothian Council	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	Council workers currently often do not claim for using own cars as process is intentionally complicated. Council should allow staff to use their own cars but limit mileage permitted.	Green Fleet & Travel - business mileage	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Own vehicle use is currently allowable with a business case. Your suggestion of limiting mileage claims has been noted.

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34430	An employee of West Lothian Council	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	Reduce people using their own cars. If managers are not prepared to ensure that staff follow the travel policies by utilising pool cars and continue to accept them using their own and claiming mileage then behaviors wont change. A review should be undertaken of all staff using their own cars for business purposes on a monthly basis. Put a cap on the number of personal miles an employee can claim in their own car to see if that forces a behavior shift for those who make little effort to use the pool car system.	Green Fleet & Travel - business mileage	5b. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it is likely that the costs of this proposal would outweigh the benefit.	There will always be a requirement for staff to use their own vehicle in certain situations to deliver essential council services. The cost of providing a council vehicle for every journey would outweigh the benefit of not reimbursing staff for mileage undertaken in personal vehicles. Your comments regarding limiting mileage claims has been noted.
34431	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	What impact would it have on business if staff did not muse their own vehicle? The council should pay the cost of fuel plus wear to the car. Employees I am sure would already have lost their essential car users	Green Fleet & Travel - business mileage	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	There will always be a requirement for staff to use their own vehicle in certain situations to deliver essential council services. The cost of providing a council vehicle for every journey would outweigh the benefit of not reimbursing staff for mileage undertaken in personal vehicles. The current mileage reimbursement rate, which is set by HMRC, includes an element for wear and tear and fuel.
34432	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	Huge scope to save money here - why do Councilâ€™s pay staff twice the mileage rate of those in private sector. Apart from itâ€™s always been that way	Green Fleet & Travel - business mileage	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34433	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	Staff should not be expected to use their own vehicle without being paid.	Green Fleet & Travel - business mileage	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Council employee are reimbursed for using their own vehicle.
34434	An employee of West Lothian Council	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	Many staff are already not claiming for legitimate mileage due to a cumbersome system.	Green Fleet & Travel - business mileage	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34435	An employee of West Lothian Council	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	staff already had mileage lump sum taken off them	Green Fleet & Travel - business mileage	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34436	An employee of West Lothian Council	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	Staff already lost a large lump sum for using their own vehicles. Think it is shocking to reduce mileage costs after removing the lump sum. Staff also have an additional cost of insuring business class.	Green Fleet & Travel - business mileage	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The mileage reimbursement rate currently includes and element for fuel and wear and tear. In most cases including business use on personal vehicle insurance policies does not incur additional cost.
34437	An employee of West Lothian Council	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	There is a pool car system in place, if staff use their own car that's their choice, why should they receive mileage allowance.	Green Fleet & Travel - business mileage	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comments have been noted. Council employees are reimbursed for using their own vehicle.
34438	An employee of West Lothian Council	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	difficult to reduce mileage when teams are covering the entire area of west Lothian and teams are not always geographically located	Green Fleet & Travel - business mileage	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Services will be required to review service delivery to ensure travel is necessary and that any required mileage is minimised and done in the most efficient manner.
34439	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	It is commendable that substantial savings have been made and it is also very reasonable to expect staff to be compensated for own vehicle use for council business at a reasonable rate but not exorbitant ones.	Green Fleet & Travel - business mileage	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34440	An employee of West Lothian Council	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	Reduction in mileage for own vehicle use welcomed to encourage use of pool cars or other means.	Green Fleet & Travel - business mileage	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34441	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	If mileage is needed to deliver services, then how can you deliver the service if you don't incur the mileage?	Green Fleet & Travel - business mileage	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Services will be required to review service delivery to ensure travel is necessary and that any required mileage is minimised and done in the most efficient manner.
34442	An employee of West Lothian Council	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	I would not be adverse to having a reduction in excess of 20% applied to business mileage rates.	Green Fleet & Travel - business mileage	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34443	An employee of West Lothian Council	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	If you aren't going to be reimbursing additional travel for staff who are doing this as part of their job, then there needs to be available alternatives. It's not fair to require people to drive long or frequent journeys and not reimburse them for this.	Green Fleet & Travel - business mileage	4. The council is already doing this.	The council has a fleet of 300 pool vehicles for staff to use for business travel. Services will be required to review service delivery to ensure travel is required and if so it is minimised and done in the most efficient manner.

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34444	An employee of West Lothian Council	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	Fair enough if covers the depreciation and wear and tear for the additional work related mileage.	Green Fleet & Travel - business mileage	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34445	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	If reducing cost below national agreements then it should not be compulsory to use own vehicle.	Green Fleet & Travel - business mileage	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The current mileage rate is the maximum tax free rate allowable under HMRC guidelines. There is no current national agreement on mileage reimbursement rates.
34446	An employee of West Lothian Council	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	Mileage paid to staff should stay at the current amount as it reflects the costs needed to run cars. If the council expects people to use their own vehicles they should be given adequate compensation. If not people will choose to move to a local authority that offers better terms and conditions.	Green Fleet & Travel - business mileage	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34447	An employee of West Lothian Council	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	At the moment I am allowed to use my own car for business as I have limited access to pool cars and often start early to meet service needs. If the business rate is reduced this will I will essentially be subsidising the council and will no longer use my personal transport. I have to sometimes undertake short notice visits to assess & provide advice. Pool cars are often not available for this purpose. I also start early to suit residential staff shift and work patterns. this will no longer be viable as the pool car service does not start until 0800 & I am need to be on site at 0730.	Green Fleet & Travel - business mileage	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comments have been noted. Arrangements to access pool cars out with normal hours can be made with the administration function at pool car locations.
34448	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	Once again it is the staff who will be picking up the financial tab for a reduced business mileage rates. This is nothing short of outrageous. The existing rate is recognised as being years out of date and does not reflect anything like the cost on running and maintain a vehicle. The rate should be going up, substantially, and not down. It also needs to be appreciated that staff who make use of their own vehicles for business use probably save a lot of time for the Council and this translates into a financial saving in its own right.	Green Fleet & Travel - business mileage	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The maximum tax free business mileage reimbursement rate is set by HMRC and is used by the council. This rate includes an element for additional vehicle costs and wear and tear.
34449	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	cars don't run themselves , good rates should be paid to staff for using own car , disagree with this saving .	Green Fleet & Travel - business mileage	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Staff are reimbursed for using their own vehicles on council business. The reimbursement rate includes fuel and wear and tear.
34450	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	Reducing staff mileage rates needs to sit alongside public transport changes - see answer above.	Green Fleet & Travel - business mileage	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34451	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	monitor and challenge claims to keep staff honest. In the private sector it is just the same and people will push it to the point of fraud when not watched like children.	Green Fleet & Travel - business mileage	4. The council is already doing this.	The council currently has a mileage authorisation process in place to monitor claims.
34452	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	Why is there any business mileage. Should be pool vehicle booking system	Green Fleet & Travel - business mileage	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council will always require employees to incur business mileage to deliver essential services. There is currently a fleet of 300 pool vehicles to assist employees.
34453	An employee of West Lothian Council	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	If their job results in travelling then you are asking them to travel so milage must be paid but company vehicles should be cut back on as there are loads	Green Fleet & Travel - business mileage	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34454	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	If staff have to use their own cars they should get fair mileage payments.	Green Fleet & Travel - business mileage	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Employees will be reimbursed for use of their own vehicle.
34455	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	If the staff are prepared to use their own vehicles to save the council from having more pool cars and company cars, they should be paid the going rate for doing so. This would actually amount to a further pay cut for many of the staff.	Green Fleet & Travel - business mileage	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Employees will be reimbursed for use of their own vehicle. Services will be required to review service delivery to ensure travel is minimised and done in the most efficient manner, and help to ensure vehicle numbers are optimised.
34456	An employee of West Lothian Council	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	The Council should be paying a fair rate for staff using their own vehicle or encourage staff to use their pool vehicles. If staff have appointments within easy walking distance they should be encouraged to walk and not use any transport.	Green Fleet & Travel - business mileage	4. The council is already doing this.	All employees are required to use the travel hierarchy to determine if transport is required and if so which of the numerous options is the most efficient.
34457	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	Reducing payments to staff using own car is long overdue. Anything above the Inland Revenue limit of 45p a mile is unacceptable Green fleet?	Green Fleet & Travel - business mileage	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The maximum tax free business mileage reimbursement rate is set by HMRC and is used by the council.
34458	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	Staff should still be paid an appropriate rate to cover petrol when using their own car for business.	Green Fleet & Travel - business mileage	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34459	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	Whilst the point on business mileage etc is interesting, the obvious impact of reducing mileage charges is that staff take a cab instead, at greater cost. Not increasing mileage charges, and being stricter on when personal vehicles can be used (ie not if public transport, or walking, is available and cheaper) may be better.	Green Fleet & Travel - business mileage	4. The council is already doing this.	All employees are required to refer to the travel hierarchy to determine if transport is required and if so which of the numerous options is the most efficient. Use of taxis is only considered in exceptional circumstances.

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34460	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	If ou have took employment with the council that requires you to travel then I don't think it's right to claim mileage	Green Fleet & Travel - business mileage	5c. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it is not consistent with the council's values and priorities.	Employees will be reimbursed for use of their own vehicle.
34461	An employee of West Lothian Council	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	Mileage reductions provide double benefits in terms of financial efficiency savings and reductions in the council's carbon footprint.	Green Fleet & Travel - business mileage	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34462	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	Assuming you're proposing a mileage rate under the authorised mileage rate this is a pay cut for the relevant staff - not reasonable or ethical. More efficient scheduling of meetings and use of technology to cut mileage travelled might help.	Green Fleet & Travel - business mileage	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34463	An employee of West Lothian Council	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	Reducing business mileage payments will place additional pressure on the existing pool cars, particularly in Revs and Bens as managers will make significant demand on the pool cars attending meetings outwith St David House on a regular basis.	Green Fleet & Travel - business mileage	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Services will be required to review service delivery to ensure travel is minimised and done in the most efficient manner.
34464	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	don't agree with reduced mileage for workers.	Green Fleet & Travel - business mileage	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34465	An employee of West Lothian Council	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	I think that ALL travel expenses paid to council employees should be removed.	Green Fleet & Travel - business mileage	5c. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it is not consistent with the council's values and priorities.	Employees will be reimbursed for use of their own vehicle.
34466	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	I think that all mileage expenses should be removed/	Green Fleet & Travel - business mileage	5c. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it is not consistent with the council's values and priorities.	Employees will be reimbursed for use of their own vehicle.
34467	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	Milage only should be paid for use of provate cars.	Green Fleet & Travel - business mileage	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Employees are reimbursed for use of their own vehicle.
34468	An employee of West Lothian Council	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	If more staff stop using their cars expect a reduction in efficiency.	Green Fleet & Travel - business mileage	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34469	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	As 1A - Excellent if all of the above are carried out. However on current personally experienced performance it will take a huge effort to even provide an improvement. Further why has the " efficiency and effectiveness" not been applied to current procedures. No real criteria to be reach is actually stated and the starting point for these " efficiency and effectiveness" upgrade to services is not evident. Vagueness in targets to achieve . How will residents know when this is achieved?	Green Fleet & Travel - business mileage	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34470	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	New technologies will aid this .video calls , drone technology etc.	Green Fleet & Travel - business mileage	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34471	An employee of West Lothian Council	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	By reducing the mileage rate payable to staff you are requesting that they subsidise the Council out of their own pockets. While this may be sustainable at certain pay levels it is not true of all pay levels.	Green Fleet & Travel - business mileage	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34472	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	If staff require to use their own vehicles they should be adequately remunerated. Use of WLC vehicles should be encouraged for business but not for transport to and from work. Unless on call WLC vehicles should be garaged/parked at WLC premises overnight & weekends not at home addresses.	Green Fleet & Travel - business mileage	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Council policy requires a business case for vehicles to be taken home.
34473	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	Anyone using WLC vehicles to & from work should be advised that this may require to be declared to HMRC as a taxable benefit.	Green Fleet & Travel - business mileage	4. The council is already doing this.	The council currently abides by any taxation laws relating to private use of council vehicles.
34474	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	This is not good if staff use their car for travelling from building to building as part of their role within the Council. They should get expenses, petrol and wear and tear all cost money to the individuals	Green Fleet & Travel - business mileage	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The maximum tax free business mileage reimbursement rate is set by HMRC and is currently used by the council. This rate includes an element for additional vehicle costs and wear and tear.
34475	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	Go for it. As I noted in one of my earlier remarks - there are too many Council White vans "all over the place" In fact there are some streets you can't get moving for them (especially overnight)	Green Fleet & Travel - business mileage	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comments have been noted. Council policy requires a business case for vehicles to be taken home.
34476	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	When required replacing pool cars with electric models,	Green Fleet & Travel - business mileage	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The council is increasing its electric fleet however at this stage the cost of making the full fleet electric would outweigh the benefit.

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34477	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	Council staff seem to take vans and trucks home and leave them parked outside their houses. Sometimes they sit there for days on end and are not used. What a waste of resources.	Green Fleet & Travel - business mileage	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Council policy requires a business case for vehicles to be taken home.
34478	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	Provide bonus to council drivers who drive in most green/energy efficient manner each month (can be monitored with driving style apps).	Green Fleet & Travel - business mileage	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comments have been noted. While no financial bonus could be offered alternative ways of incentivising drivers could be looked at.
34479	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	Agree with streamlining the provision - do not agree with reducing the mileage rate payable to council staff unless they receive a higher rate than individual tax provisions allow.	Green Fleet & Travel - business mileage	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comments have been noted. Employees are currently reimbursed the maximum rate allowable under HMRC guidelines.
34480	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	It is difficult to see how further reduction in business mileage can be achieved. I work in Operational Services and we require to carry out site visits on a daily basis covering a variety of functions which would not be possible to do any other way.	Green Fleet & Travel - business mileage	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Services will be required to review service delivery to ensure travel is minimised and done in the most efficient manner.
34481	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	TUS will encourage all members to refuse to use their own cars for council business if mileage rates are reduced	Green Fleet & Travel - business mileage	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your comment. Your response has been noted. Trade Unions will be fully consulted on all proposals
34482	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	Costs should be reduced as much as possible, but staff using their own vehicles for essential business travel should be paid the correct fair rates for their particular vehicle.	Green Fleet & Travel - business mileage	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34483	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	aGREE AS LONG AS STAFF HAVE ACCESS TO POOL CARS	Green Fleet & Travel - business mileage	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34484	An employee of West Lothian Council	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	Again punishing workers for working! Why if people are having to use their own vehicles for business should they be paid less milage - that's madness! If they require to use their own vehicle they should be compensated appropriately to cover depreciation costs as miles increase through business use.	Green Fleet & Travel - business mileage	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34485	An employee of West Lothian Council	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	i suspect staff would stop using their own vehicles for business purposes considering it adds to insurance premiums anyway	Green Fleet & Travel - business mileage	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comments have been noted. In most cases including business use on personal vehicle insurance policies does not incur additional cost.
34486	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	I use my own vehicle but I do not claim mileage between sites If you stop employees bringing home council transport this would be a saving as they are getting free transport with no out lay while other employees have to make there own way to work costing them fuel money or bus money. You should give staff who claim mileage a fuel card and if they spend over what budget you give them they pay the rest	Green Fleet & Travel - business mileage	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Council policy requires a business case for vehicles to be taken home. Personal fuel cards is not something which would be considered at this time.
34487	An employee of West Lothian Council	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	seems difficult to cut costs if you mean to centralise services and everyone has to travel further	Green Fleet & Travel - business mileage	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Services will be required to review service delivery to ensure travel is necessary and that any required mileage is minimised and done in the most efficient manner.
34488	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	Get them to use the bus - but you are cutting down on services so either they use a council vehicle for business travel (very costly) or you compensate them through the mileage rate to use their own cars . If you pay less then staff may refuse to use their own cars for business then what happens ? e .	Green Fleet & Travel - business mileage	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comments have been noted. It is currently more cost effective to run a fleet of pool cars than to pay all staff for mileage undertaken in personal vehicles.
34489	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	If you think you can cut the mileage allowance and not impact business then you are paying too much and probably supporting business meetings and excessive travel costs which could be conducted via teleconferencing - telephone .	Green Fleet & Travel - business mileage	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comments have been noted. The maximum tax free business mileage reimbursement rate is set by HMRC and is currently used by the council. Council policy requires employees to consider whether travel is necessary or if there is any alternative.
34490	An employee of West Lothian Council	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	Staff mileage must be a fair rate and cover costs for staff when no alternative transport is available.	Green Fleet & Travel - business mileage	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Employees have numerous travel options available to them and guidelines on when and how pool or personal vehicles should be used are set out in council policy.
34491	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	I don't believe that staff should receive company cars	Green Fleet & Travel - business mileage	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Council employees do not receive company cars. The council has a fleet of 300 pool vehicles for staff to use for business travel.
34492	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	Mileage always needs to be carefully monitored and be as efficient use of mileage as possible.	Green Fleet & Travel - business mileage	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Services will be required to review service delivery to ensure travel is necessary and that any required mileage is minimised and done in the most efficient manner.

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34493	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	West Lothian is well-served by rail. Council staff could be encouraged to use the train too, rather than claiming mileage expenses.	Green Fleet & Travel - business mileage	4. The council is already doing this.	Council policy encourages staff to use public transport where appropriate, especially when travelling out with West Lothian.
34494	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	See above. West Lothian is well-served by rail. Council staff could be encouraged to use the train too, rather than claiming mileage expenses.	Green Fleet & Travel - business mileage	4. The council is already doing this.	Council policy encourages staff to use public transport where appropriate, especially when travelling out with West Lothian.
34495	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	See above. West Lothian is well-served by rail. The concession for older people on the train is much appreciated and probably makes a lot of better off people happier about paying substantial council tax.	Green Fleet & Travel - business mileage	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34496	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	Reduce the rates then	Green Fleet & Travel - business mileage	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34497	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	Surely council staff only travel where they have to at present. How do you reduce by 20% if all journeys are essential.	Green Fleet & Travel - business mileage	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Services will be required to review service delivery to ensure travel is necessary and that any required mileage is minimised and done in the most efficient manner.
34498	An employee of West Lothian Council	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	The vehicle scheme is no good - you can never get a car when you need one but when you look at the car park it is full of pool cars. It would be better to give a sensible car user allowance, and to discourage travel where possible.	Green Fleet & Travel - business mileage	5d. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it has been previously considered and will not be progressed.	Car user allowances are not the most cost effective way of paying for business travel. Services will be required to review service delivery to ensure travel is necessary and that any required mileage is minimised and done in the most efficient manner.
34499	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	Again does this need to be in the consultation: can't you just do it.	Green Fleet & Travel - business mileage	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34500	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	Staff should be paid a mileage equivalent for cycling and even walking short distances instead of taking unnecessary car journeys, which would improve health and reduce health-related absenteeism.	Green Fleet & Travel - business mileage	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34501	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	I agree in principle, however, it should be noted that many staff don't claim business mileage when using their own cars for council business.	Green Fleet & Travel - business mileage	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34502	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	This would have to be balanced very carefully, there is I believe no requirement for staff to use their own vehicles. If the mileage rate paid is reduced too far (it must always cover the fuel cost, insurance contribution and wear of the vehicle) then staff may stop using their own vehicles which would place a greater burden / demand on council vehicles. This on of the many changes which could have an adverse effect on other service provision.	Green Fleet & Travel - business mileage	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34503	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	Staff must not be penalised for using their own cars for council business and mileage rates should reflect costs but not allow staff to profit.	Green Fleet & Travel - business mileage	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Employees will receive reimbursement for using their own vehicle.
34504	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	People should be paid if need to use their cars	Green Fleet & Travel - business mileage	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Employees will be reimbursed for use of their own vehicle.
34505	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	Agree. Mileage rates paid tend to be excessive compared to what the actual cost is. Private businesses have reduced transport costs in recent years through efficient use of technology e.g. video conferences and the council should do the same.	Green Fleet & Travel - business mileage	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34506	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	People should not be out of pocket if using their own cars for WLC business.	Green Fleet & Travel - business mileage	4. The council is already doing this.	Employees will be reimbursed for use of their own vehicle.
34507	An employee of West Lothian Council	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	Many staff do not submit claims (including myself), but may do if they are being squeezed in other ways e.g. parking charges 7 this would be counterproductive.	Green Fleet & Travel - business mileage	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34508	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	staff should not have to pay to use their own vehicle for work or be out of pocket when cars are supplied to senior management who can well afford to pay for their own car	Green Fleet & Travel - business mileage	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Employees are reimbursed for use of their own vehicle. Vehicles are available for staff at all levels to use.
34509	An employee of West Lothian Council	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	Reduction of mileage rate now would be unreasonable also.	Green Fleet & Travel - business mileage	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34510	An employee of West Lothian Council	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	Reducing the mileage rate for those who use their own transport in these positions may impact on business continuity.	Green Fleet & Travel - business mileage	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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34511	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	Reduce private mileage to only necessary journeys. Cab fares only when no other means available.	Green Fleet & Travel - business mileage	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Employees have numerous travel options available to them and guidelines on when and how pool or personal vehicles should be used are set out in council policy.
34512	No Response	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	Further increases could be achieved through increasing the size of the electric vehicle fleet - potentially replacing all (or the vast majority of) pool cars. While infrastructure improvements would need to be made, this would result in lower fuel and maintenance costs over the long term. The majority of journeys currently undertaken in diesel vehicles could easily be accommodated by modern electric cars. Charging points could be combined with solar power and battery storage to create further efficiency. Funding is potentially available to create "charging hubs" such as that currently planned by Falkirk Council.	Green Fleet & Travel - business mileage	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council is increasing its electric fleet however at this stage the cost of making the full fleet electric would outweigh the benefit.
34513	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	reducing business mileage is in theory fantastic, but this means less face time with customers..	Green Fleet & Travel - business mileage	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Services will be required to review service delivery to ensure travel is necessary and that any required mileage is minimised and done in the most efficient manner.
34514	No Response	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	Staff are already feeling the pinch of low salary increases. Their is likely to be a loss of ability to conduct work if they are not able to support attendance at meetings, etc., by being reimbursed for journeys. Has the impact analysis on this been conducted? How will staff meet with their peers in other councils and continue to support their own learning and growth if they are unable to attend and meet with them?	Green Fleet & Travel - business mileage	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Staff are able and will be required to attend meetings however employees will have to consider if the meeting is necessary or if there is an alternative i.e. using technology. Services will be required to review service delivery to ensure travel is necessary and that any required mileage is minimised and done in the most efficient manner.
34515	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	Staff can receive tax rebates for the difference between the rate paid and the government approved rate.	Green Fleet & Travel - business mileage	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34516	An employee of West Lothian Council	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	I stopped using my own car long ago, I can assure you I made no profit from using it to subsidise the Council!	Green Fleet & Travel - business mileage	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34517	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	Increase number of electric vehicle charging points (and fine non electric vchiles parking in these spaces). You could charge for the space and offer free electricity for duration of parking period.	Green Fleet & Travel - business mileage	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34518	No Response	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	I am happy to use pool cars if I need to travel, or public transport. Better control of pool car bookings/ no shows could help reduce private travel costs.	Green Fleet & Travel - business mileage	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34519	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	Reduction in Business miles can be achieved in more meeting space was available in partnerships libraries etc for clients to meet with staff. Home visits are required due to no space in council buildings or charges in community center for room booking	Green Fleet & Travel - business mileage	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34520	An employee of West Lothian Council	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	mileage should be cut for staff members of the council unless it is necessary.	Green Fleet & Travel - business mileage	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34521	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	Mileage rate to staff must be acceptable and not have the employee subsidising Council business mileage applicable to their job.	Green Fleet & Travel - business mileage	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34522	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	Company vehicles are a thing of the past. Mileage allowance which also takes into account vehicle depreciation is the way forward	Green Fleet & Travel - business mileage	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Council employees do not receive company cars. The council has a fleet of 300 pool vehicles for staff to use for business travel. It is currently more cost effective to run a fleet of pool cars than to pay all staff for mileage undertaken in personal vehicles.
34523	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	Don't expect staff to use their personal vehicles for the benefit of the council	Green Fleet & Travel - business mileage	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Employees are reimbursed for use of their own vehicle.
34524	An employee of West Lothian Council	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	If the Council reduces the mileage rate paid to staff below the current HMRC suggested rate will they put processes in place for staff to make it easier to claim the tax relief on any difference that they are entitled to? Will the savings offset the additional administrative cost of provided additional payroll support required to enable staff to claim for what they are entitled?	Green Fleet & Travel - business mileage	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34525	An employee of West Lothian Council	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	Will the reduction in mileage in really be a saving because staff are already not claiming all their mileage a reduction could be a step to far for some staff.	Green Fleet & Travel - business mileage	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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34526	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	Immoral to reduce the mileage rate, surely this represents a cut in salary to staff using their own vehicles.	Green Fleet & Travel - business mileage	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Employees have numerous travel options available to them and guidelines on when and how pool or personal vehicles should be used are set out in council policy.
34527	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	i strongly agree with cutting back with payments for staff using their own vehicles there should be no reason as the council has a fleet of cars sitting at the civic center	Green Fleet & Travel - business mileage	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	There will always be a requirement for staff to use their own vehicle in certain situations to deliver essential council services. The cost of providing a council vehicle for every journey would outweigh the benefit of not reimbursing staff for mileage undertaken in personal vehicles.
34528	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	Build mileage into contracts to avoid paying.	Green Fleet & Travel - business mileage	5b. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it is likely that the costs of this proposal would outweigh the benefit.	This suggestion would not be progressed due to the range of mileages incurred by employees, both in the same and different roles.
34529	An employee of West Lothian Council	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	For information -I have never claimed mileage for using own vehicle for business although been entitled. To impede use of this would have a negative impact on service delivery if it would stop school staff from undertaking mileage in own car as part of business. This would then become something that is then expected to be provided for by staff from their own pocket.	Green Fleet & Travel - business mileage	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34530	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	7.e More for less from employees and thus reluctance to use their own vehicles. why should they. This will result in less face to face business with clients.	Green Fleet & Travel - business mileage	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34531	An employee of West Lothian Council	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	A reduction in mileage rate for staff is effectively another pay cut which does not improve employment in West Lothian.	Green Fleet & Travel - business mileage	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34532	An employee of West Lothian Council	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	again staff being asked to use their own vehicles and not subsidised for this. This is unfair that staff are doing this and it will mean that they will refuse and will result in some not being able to attend meetings etc. until later.	Green Fleet & Travel - business mileage	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. Employees are reimbursed for use of their own vehicle.
34533	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	Staff should be paid a realistic payment for using their own transport.	Green Fleet & Travel - business mileage	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34534	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	Again you can't cut mileage on your workforce	Green Fleet & Travel - business mileage	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Services will be required to review service delivery to ensure travel is necessary and that any required mileage is minimised and done in the most efficient manner.
34535	An employee of West Lothian Council	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	Staff should be paid if use of own car is needed	Green Fleet & Travel - business mileage	4. The council is already doing this.	Employees are reimbursed for use of their own vehicle.
34536	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	Many staff do not claim mileage for odd journeys but if being charges for parking they will start submitting claims	Green Fleet & Travel - business mileage	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34537	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	While I agree with making business mileage savings I do not agree with reduction in mileage rate for staff using their own vehicles. Insurance costs for using private vehicles for business purposes are higher so reduction in rate will mean staff paying more for this insurance	Green Fleet & Travel - business mileage	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34538	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	Fully agree with reduction in staff mileage.	Green Fleet & Travel - business mileage	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34539	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	There are statutory mileage rates. Reviewing and reducing mileage is good but rates should be fair.	Green Fleet & Travel - business mileage	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Mileage rates are not statutory. The maximum tax free business mileage reimbursement rate is set by HMRC and is currently used by the council.
34540	An employee of West Lothian Council	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	The Impensa system is so awkward to use I'm surprised anyone has time to claim mileage anymore.	Green Fleet & Travel - business mileage	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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34541	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	Staff don't choose to use own car at times it's part of their job they should not be losing out on payment due to them	Green Fleet & Travel - business mileage	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Employees are reimbursed for use of their own vehicle.
34542	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	Staff must be paid business mileage at the going rate. They cannot be expected to carry out council business out of their own pocket.	Green Fleet & Travel - business mileage	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34543	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	I do not believe that employees should be expected to subsidise council services when making use of their vehicles. By doing so I expect that employees will then choose not to use their vehicle and will then have to use public transport to get to meetings etc which will in turn increase travelling time and so increase costs in non-productive time for employees. Employ teleconferencing initiatives as an alternative.	Green Fleet & Travel - business mileage	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Services will be required to review service delivery to ensure travel is necessary and that any required mileage is minimised and done in the most efficient manner. Employees have numerous travel options available to them and guidelines on when and how pool or personal vehicles should be used are set out in council policy.
34544	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	If a member of staff needs to make a journey to do their job, it should be paid for by the employer. There are many staff who attend courses, meetings or training as part of their job and do not claim travel expenses. Again lots of good will already exists in this area which should not be.	Green Fleet & Travel - business mileage	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Employees have numerous travel options available to them and guidelines on what transport options should be used are set out in council policy. Employees are reimbursed for using personal vehicles.
34545	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	If any reduction in mileage rate is made then the GMB will advise our members that there is ABSOLUTELY no requirement for them to use their own vehicle for work business.	Green Fleet & Travel - business mileage	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34546	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	Staff should always be paid a fair mileage rate. More use of electric vehicles	Green Fleet & Travel - business mileage	4. The council is already doing this.	The council currently uses electric and low emission vehicles and is looking to increase the electric fleet again this year.
34547	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	Welcome a reduction in business mileage, particularly if this is associated with no travel, e.g. teleconferencing, or switch to active travel where feasible.	Green Fleet & Travel - business mileage	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34548	An employee of West Lothian Council	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	People to "come to services/meetings, etc" at a central point to cut down on where staff travel to	Green Fleet & Travel - business mileage	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	All council services will need to review business travel in line with changes to service delivery.
34549	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	The economies of using Pool, lease public or private transport has varied over the years and policy is dictated on which is most cost effective. It is vitally important that relevant staff get out on site to ensure that legal requirements are being met in all areas. We do not want a Greenfell in W Lothian. Further savings here will be difficult unless services are to suffer dramatically.	Green Fleet & Travel - business mileage	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Services will be required to review service delivery to ensure travel is necessary and that any required mileage is minimised and done in the most efficient manner.
34550	An employee of West Lothian Council	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	Reducing business mileage payments will place additional pressure on the existing pool cars, particularly in revenues and benefits. The managers will make significant demand on the pool cars attending meetings outwith St David House on a regular basis.	Green Fleet & Travel - business mileage	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Services will be required to review service delivery to ensure travel is minimised and done in the most efficient manner.
34551	An employee of West Lothian Council	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	Council employees should take their own car, where necessary	Green Fleet & Travel - business mileage	5b. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it is likely that the costs of this proposal would outweigh the benefit.	There will always be a requirement to travel to deliver council services however it is currently more cost effective to run a fleet of pool cars than to pay all staff for mileage undertaken in personal vehicles.
34552	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	Don't think reducing the mileage for staff will be acceptable as it is not through choice that staff use their vehicle's it is often when no availability of pool cars are available or staff have to visit /customer/clients at short notice. Their is a lack of availability in buildings for clients to visit staff as buildings are full and meeting rooms fully booked for weeks. If more meeting rooms were made available then clients to visit staff instead of other way around.	Green Fleet & Travel - business mileage	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	There will always be a requirement for staff to use their own vehicle in certain situations to deliver essential council services. The cost of providing a council vehicle for every journey would outweigh the benefit of not reimbursing staff for mileage undertaken in personal vehicles.
34553	An employee of West Lothian Council	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	Reducing business mileage payments will place additional pressure on the existing pool cars, particularly in Revs and Bens as managers will make significant demand on the pool cars attending meetings outwith St David House on a regular basis.	Green Fleet & Travel - business mileage	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Services will be required to review service delivery to ensure travel is minimised and done in the most efficient manner.
34554	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	The rate for Council staff using their own cars has got to be fair.	Green Fleet & Travel - business mileage	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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34555	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	The maximum business mileage paid for on personal vehicles should be reduce to encourage the use of pool cars. The number of pool cars per service should be reviewed. Pool car booking system must be updated when people do not pick up the cars they have booked. No block booking should be allowed.	Green Fleet & Travel - business mileage	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Vehicle numbers across all council services will need to be reviewed in line with changes to service delivery. Pool car usage is reviewed and the council is looking at what improvements can be made to the system used for vehicle booking.
34556	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	Support mileage rate for staff to be reduced to COSLA rate	Green Fleet & Travel - business mileage	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34557	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	Thought when all cars were bought - we did not have mileage rate payment.	Green Fleet & Travel - business mileage	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	There will always be a requirement for staff to use their own vehicle in certain situations to deliver essential council services. The maximum tax free business mileage reimbursement rate is set by HMRC and is currently used by the council.
34558	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	What mileage rate will you be paying staff using their own car for business?	Green Fleet & Travel - business mileage	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	The maximum tax free business mileage reimbursement rate is set by HMRC and is currently used by the council. Any future rate is unknown at this time.
34559	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	What mileage rate will you be paying staff using their own car for business?	Green Fleet & Travel - business mileage	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	The maximum tax free business mileage reimbursement rate is set by HMRC and is currently used by the council. Any future rate is unknown at this time.
34560	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	What mileage rate will you be paying staff using their own car for business?	Green Fleet & Travel - business mileage	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	The maximum tax free business mileage reimbursement rate is set by HMRC and is currently used by the council. Any future rate is unknown at this time.
34561	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	What mileage rate will you be paying staff using their own car for business?	Green Fleet & Travel - business mileage	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	The maximum tax free business mileage reimbursement rate is set by HMRC and is currently used by the council. Any future rate is unknown at this time.
34562	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	What mileage rate will you be paying staff using their own car for business?	Green Fleet & Travel - business mileage	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	The maximum tax free business mileage reimbursement rate is set by HMRC and is currently used by the council. Any future rate is unknown at this time.
34563	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	What mileage rate will you be paying staff using their own car for business?	Green Fleet & Travel - business mileage	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	The maximum tax free business mileage reimbursement rate is set by HMRC and is currently used by the council. Any future rate is unknown at this time.
34564	An employee of West Lothian Council	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	As stated in my previous comments: Reduce pool cars/mileage rate	Green Fleet & Travel - business mileage	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34565	No Response	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	The withdrawal of mileage allowance will affect the amount of work undertaken by staff to clients and support clients to get to and from important appointments or attending parenting groups. Hitting the most vulnerable and families living in poverty that can't afford bus fares to get to appointments. Staff are already under paid for the work they do and reducing the little payment they get for the ware and tare on their own car for travelling on council business. A review of the pool cars need to be done and for the employees treatment of these cars i.e. keeping the insides cleaner and taking their own rubbish with them on returning the cars.	Green Fleet & Travel - business mileage	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Services will be required to review service delivery to ensure travel is necessary and that any required mileage is minimised and done in the most efficient manner. The maximum tax free business mileage reimbursement rate is set by HMRC and is currently used by the council.
34566	An employee of West Lothian Council	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	I would imagine that this would also be achieved by updating the pool cars and perhaps a car share scheme would help.	Green Fleet & Travel - pool cars	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council is currently reviewing its internal pool fleet provision, booking system and utilisation to ensure that the provisions is providing best value for the council and staff. These comments will be incorporated into this review for consideration.
34567	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	Agree. The pool cars are a mess anyway. Apart from Social Policy and a few others nobody can book them. They are an inefficient council resource which are not managed properly. An example of a poorly implemented and thought out system.	Green Fleet & Travel - pool cars	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The introduction of the green travel strategy made significant savings for the council. The council is currently reviewing its internal pool fleet provision, booking system and utilisation to ensure that the provisions is providing best value for the council and staff. These comments will be incorporated into this review for consideration.

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34568	An employee of West Lothian Council	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	There are certain users of pool cars that are abusing the system. I have seen 1 pool car sit outside a property where i live for several days on end. Transport the users son from school and bring home bags of shopping. Clearly this is not what a pool car is to be used for.	Green Fleet & Travel - pool cars	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The introduction of the green travel strategy made significant savings for the council. The council is currently reviewing its internal pool fleet provision, booking system and utilisation to ensure that the provisions is providing best value for the council and staff. These comments will be incorporated into this review for consideration.
34569	An employee of West Lothian Council	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	Staff will refuse to use their own transport and use fleet cars - obvious knock on effect. WLC have not replaced cars with newer models - what is another few years ? At times cars are difficult to book due to limited availability - maybe management scheduling days and giving a guidance mileage allowance to staff each week would help improve this.	Green Fleet & Travel - pool cars	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The introduction of the green travel strategy made significant savings for the council. The council is currently reviewing its internal pool fleet provision, booking system and utilisation to ensure that the provisions is providing best value for the council and staff. These comments will be incorporated into this review for consideration.
34570	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	Scrap council pool cars. Council employees spend large amounts of time booking cars/refuelling cars/taking cars to garage for repairs/maintenance during their work time. Most council employees have to use their own cars in emergency situations when pool cars are not available. This is why it appears there is a reduction in car use.	Green Fleet & Travel - pool cars	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The introduction of the green travel strategy made significant savings for the council. The council is currently reviewing its internal pool fleet provision, booking system and utilisation to ensure that the provisions is providing best value for the council and staff. These comments will be incorporated into this review for consideration.
34571	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	Yes council vehicle reduction is definitely required. You only have to look at the wastage of unused council vehicles sitting in the livingston court grounds.	Green Fleet & Travel - pool cars	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The introduction of the green travel strategy made significant savings for the council. These comments will be incorporated into this review for consideration.
34572	An employee of West Lothian Council	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	Staff should not be using their own vehicles. Pool cars are the way forward	Green Fleet & Travel - pool cars	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The introduction of the green travel strategy made significant savings for the council. The council is currently reviewing its internal pool fleet provision, booking system and utilisation to ensure that the provisions is providing best value for the council and staff. These comments will be incorporated into this review for consideration.
34573	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	What about Council Vehicles being taken home by employees?	Green Fleet & Travel - pool cars	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The introduction of the green travel strategy made significant savings for the council. These comments will be incorporated into this review for consideration.
34574	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	The council should be leasing/buying more electric cars and better maintaining the current pool cars. Most times you go out in a pool car there are outstanding faults from months ago that have not been rectified. Cleaning of the cars is non existant as most of the cars are filthy.	Green Fleet & Travel - pool cars	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34575	An employee of West Lothian Council	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	not convinced financing a vast car pool is cost effective. Reason for recent savings is less people using these cars.	Green Fleet & Travel - pool cars	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The introduction of the green travel strategy made significant savings for the council. The council is currently reviewing its internal pool fleet provision, booking system and utilisation to ensure that the provisions is providing best value for the council and staff. These comments will be incorporated into this review for consideration.
34576	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	Get rid of pool cars and pay staff properly for the use of their own vehicles. This will save you more money in the long run. Also better for the environment as no need to purchase new cars for this scheme.	Green Fleet & Travel - pool cars	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The introduction of the green travel strategy made significant savings for the council. The council is currently reviewing its internal pool fleet provision, booking system and utilisation to ensure that the provisions is providing best value for the council and staff. These comments will be incorporated into this review for consideration.
34577	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	To my knowledge the fleet of cars introduced did not include automatics or adapted cars for disabled workers, hence staff using own cars.	Green Fleet & Travel - pool cars	4. The council is already doing this.	Our fleet vehicles do include automatics and adapted cars.
34578	No Response	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	Take some of the vehicles away from the Civic Centre and send them to the outlying areas and offices. There always seems to be a number of vehicles not in use.	Green Fleet & Travel - pool cars	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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34579	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	You say the council has 'delivered substantial savings' in fleet costs but I have not seen any evidence to support this. If it is true why is it not more widely publicised? I would be interested to see how travelling in pool car with all the associated running costs can be less than the 40p paid to private car users. 40p per mile won't cover the cost of running a private car - it would be unfair to reduce that rate further Why not introduce bus tokens or passes for staff travelling on council business?	Green Fleet & Travel - pool cars	4. The council is already doing this.	Savings have been made in terms of fleet costs and these have been reported through council committees.
34580	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	pool cars.....too many of them! but, if you REALLY need them, why not electric ones? there are charge points in various areas in west lothian	Green Fleet & Travel - pool cars	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The introduction of the green travel strategy made significant savings for the council. The council is currently reviewing its internal pool fleet provision, booking system and utilisation to ensure that the provisions is providing best value for the council and staff. These comments will be incorporated into this review for consideration.
34581	An employee of West Lothian Council	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	Make better use of electric vehicles. Two brand new Nissan Leaf vehicles sat unused at Whitehill House for at least 6 months as there were no charging points. When renewing the fleet the number of electric vehicles could be greatly increased (50%?) provided that charging infrastructure is also provided.	Green Fleet & Travel - pool cars	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Electric charging points and increasing the network of them is a continually evolving field at a national level as well as a local one. Your suggestions will be considered as a part of the consultation process.
34582	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	Reduce the number of fleet cars. Most sit idle all day in the car parks.	Green Fleet & Travel - pool cars	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The introduction of the green travel strategy made significant savings for the council. The council is currently reviewing its internal pool fleet provision, booking system and utilisation to ensure that the provisions is providing best value for the council and staff. These comments will be incorporated into this review for consideration.
34583	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	reduce council fleet or shared usage between departments	Green Fleet & Travel - pool cars	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council is already reducing the fleet and sharing vehicles between services.
34584	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	reduce the mileage rate for people using their own vehicle yet again affecting the 3 hard workers whom are low paid	Green Fleet & Travel - pool cars	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34585	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	Use of Move electric company cars and vans	Green Fleet & Travel - pool cars	4. The council is already doing this.	The council currently uses electric vehicles and is looking to increase the electric fleet again this year.
34586	An employee of West Lothian Council	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	the pool cars were brought in to make a saving 6 years ago, the fleet is old and the council support and maintain it. costing money. As pool cars are available, personal millage should be dropped to a nominal figure 15 pence max	Green Fleet & Travel - pool cars	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Replacement of the pool car fleet is currently being investigated.
34587	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	Pool car fleet specific to Teams	Green Fleet & Travel - pool cars	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34588	No Response	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	The amount of money that is spent on pool cars also isn't cost effective. There are instances where it is essential that certain teams have access to pool cars as home visits are required/essential but I don't believe every single service needs to have access to them. It costs million to run and maintain these vehicles when in some cases, appointments could be made with relevant staff members within the building, in turn, reducing the need for as many pool cars.	Green Fleet & Travel - pool cars	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34589	An employee of West Lothian Council	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	I think the pool car issue is not working, more expense to the council leasing the cars than paying mileage to staff	Green Fleet & Travel - pool cars	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The introduction of the green travel strategy made significant savings for the council. These comments will be incorporated into this review for consideration.
34590	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	Passing council car parks, i.e. Civic Centre, Strathbrock, various area's in Bathgate and outlying area's over a weekend and seeing all the cars, it is hard to believe that all these cars are needed during a normal working day. Consideration could be given to hiring out these cars to charities when they are not in use, better still reduce the need for most of them.	Green Fleet & Travel - pool cars	5d. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it has been previously considered and will not be progressed.	This has previously been considered and is not possible under the terms of the vehicle leasing contracts.
34591	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	many services rely on the use of vehicles to carryout their day to day duties, as such if staff are using their own vehicle they should be suitably recompensed, if that doesn't happen staff wont use their cars and therefore are unable to provide the service, get rid of pool cars and their associated cost for hiring servicing pay staff a suitable mileage and let them do their jobs. no mileage allowance and no available pool car then no service provision	Green Fleet & Travel - pool cars	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your comment. Your response has been noted. The cost of providing a fleet of pool cars is cheaper than paying mileage to staff.
34592	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	pool cars ?? are they all used ?	Green Fleet & Travel - pool cars	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	All pool cars are used and work will be required to ensure utilisation is as high as possible.

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34593	An employee of West Lothian Council	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	Make sure staff are not out of pocket. Get more pool cars	Green Fleet & Travel - pool cars	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The number of pool cars will be considered in line with the level of vehicle numbers in other services.
34594	No Response	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	Remove or significantly reduce fleet of pool cars to realise saving in fleet maintenance costs.	Green Fleet & Travel - pool cars	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34595	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	If you have surplus vehicles left in car parks most of the day then definitely reduce them	Green Fleet & Travel - pool cars	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34596	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	Get rid of the Provosts official car and its very expensive private number plate. The provost could always avail of one of the many pool cars the council has.	Green Fleet & Travel - pool cars	4. The council is already doing this.	The Provost doesn't have sole use of a dedicated vehicle and can use pool cars where appropriate.
34597	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	Stop staff using their own vehicles. You have a fleet of pool cars. Monitor the use of them and be more stringent in travel distances in the pool cars. What is an acceptable distance for staff to walk before they take a car. Healthy workforce.	Green Fleet & Travel - pool cars	5b. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it is likely that the costs of this proposal would outweigh the benefit.	There will always be a requirement for staff to use their own vehicle in certain situations to deliver essential council services. The cost of providing a council vehicle for every journey would outweigh the benefit of not reimbursing staff for mileage undertaken in personal vehicles.
34598	An employee of West Lothian Council	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	Pool cars are booked months in advance and are hard to book if you receive a meeting notification of an imminent meeting. Look at meetings in general, are they always required? Get manager approval before taking a car to a meeting.	Green Fleet & Travel - pool cars	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council's Green Transport Strategy requires staff to refer to a travel hierarchy before travelling to initially determine if the journey is necessary.
34599	No Response	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	Seriously, the amount of pool car vehicles the council as a whole has is frightening. It should be means tested too. The pool cars should be available to those where it is critical they have access to vehicles for emergencies i.e. Social Work, Domestic and Sexual Assault Team, Looked After Children, Social Care Emergency Team to name a few. Some services use pool cars and the visit isn't necessary. The civic centre is the hub for so many council services and we have interview rooms and meetings rooms available to accommodate appointments so why aren't they being taken advantage of? Instead of home visits for housing for example, can't the client attend the civic centre for an appointment instead? Are all these trips that are being made in pool cars actually business critical? if not, they shouldn't be used. The amount of cars each pool has should be reduced to the bare minimum.	Green Fleet & Travel - pool cars	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Services will be required to review service delivery to ensure travel is minimised and done in the most efficient manner. Pool vehicles are already assigned to various teams throughout the council where travel is deemed to be necessary.
34600	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	Did you not have staff using their cars before?? Then spent thousands buying company cars. Why would the staff supply a car to support the council when they have a wage freeze.	Green Fleet & Travel - pool cars	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Staff are reimbursed for using their own vehicles on council business. The reimbursement rate includes fuel and wear and tear.
34601	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	Get rid of all the pool cars that sit day in day out in your car park.	Green Fleet & Travel - pool cars	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34602	An employee of West Lothian Council	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	Could reducing the number of pool cars, but having cars allocated to specific teams instead, help? Finding availability of pool cars is always difficult, even though the car park seems to be full of them!!	Green Fleet & Travel - pool cars	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34603	An employee of West Lothian Council	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	The inability to be able to access a vehicle for necessary travel however, makes individuals and teams less productive and care need to be taken to ensure good availability.	Green Fleet & Travel - pool cars	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34604	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	There are many cars being booked and not used so they are lying in car parks unused and this is a reason other people use their own cars as when trying to book online the cars are booked but if you go to car parks they are lying there which is infuriating.	Green Fleet & Travel - pool cars	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34605	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	More pool cars required. More Council staff based in communities.	Green Fleet & Travel - pool cars	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34606	An employee of West Lothian Council	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	Too many pool cars parked outside civic centre and other buildings - fleet ineffective and costly - no need for it given scale of proposed service & staffing cuts.	Green Fleet & Travel - pool cars	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34607	An employee of West Lothian Council	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	Pool car booking information must be updated more regularly, especially when cars are not picked up when booked out.	Green Fleet & Travel - pool cars	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The current booking system will cancel most bookings not collected within one hour.
34608	An employee of West Lothian Council	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	Pool cars allocation should be reviewed. Some areas find great difficulty in trying to get a car whilst some cars are not being used to capacity	Green Fleet & Travel - pool cars	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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34609	An employee of West Lothian Council	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	It can be really difficult to get a pool car when one is required. If you can't get one it wastes time and prevents people from doing their jobs.	Green Fleet & Travel - pool cars	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34610	An employee of West Lothian Council	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	More environmentally friendly cars too.	Green Fleet & Travel - pool cars	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council currently uses electric and low emission vehicles and is looking to increase the electric fleet again this year.
34611	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	The pool car usage needs to be reviewed. It can be very difficult to book a pool car, but often there are lots of vehicles in the car park, although they are all booked out! An improved system needs to be in place to ensure these are actually being used for the time officers have them booked out.	Green Fleet & Travel - pool cars	4. The council is already doing this.	Pool car usage is reviewed and the council is looking at what improvements can be made to the system used for vehicle booking.
34612	An employee of West Lothian Council	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	Having a huge amount of pull cars for staff to use bring a whole other amount of cost such as the upkeep of the car tax insurance etc. Reducing the amount of fleet can only be a benefit.	Green Fleet & Travel - pool cars	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The introduction of the green travel strategy made significant savings for the council. These comments will be incorporated into this review for consideration.
34613	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	There are always a group of cars parked at whitburn Academy which never seem to move - I am told they are council cars. This seems a waste of money	Green Fleet & Travel - pool cars	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34614	No Response	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	Significant savings could be made by cutting the unnessecararily large car pool rather than cutting staff.	Green Fleet & Travel - pool cars	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The introduction of the green travel strategy made significant savings for the council. These comments will be incorporated into this review for consideration.
34615	An employee of West Lothian Council	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	The council has already demolished the essential users allowance for car users and by reducing an essential user mileage allowance even further will, in all probability, result in staff refusing to use their own vehicles - all to the detriment of the service that is supposed to be provided.	Green Fleet & Travel - pool cars	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Staff have a number of travel options available to them to assist with undertaking their duties.
34616	An employee of West Lothian Council	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	Maybe if council vehicles were provided at locations where they were required, instead of at a few selected locations, then it might just reduce travel costs.	Green Fleet & Travel - pool cars	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Vehicles are located in areas where there is highest demand and utilisation rates are likely to be maximised.
34617	An employee of West Lothian Council	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	has the council considered electric cars with charging points at pool car locations?	Green Fleet & Travel - pool cars	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council currently uses electric vehicles and is looking to increase the electric fleet again this year.
34618	An employee of West Lothian Council	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	Too many pool cars sitting about never getting used.	Green Fleet & Travel - pool cars	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34619	An employee of West Lothian Council	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	Very often pool cars are booked and not used, or are booked for a longer period than is necessary. There should be a more effective way of checking which bookings are surplus. Further to this, when booking a pool car, it would be useful to see where a car is going and how many seats will be available. This will allow staff to optimise journeys and car share when a common route is planned.	Green Fleet & Travel - pool cars	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34620	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	Outrageous amount of money wasted introducing a fleet of cars a few years ago. The council should not have company cars.	Green Fleet & Travel - pool cars	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The introduction of the green travel strategy made significant savings for the council and the pool fleet is still more cost effective than paying mileage to all employees.
34621	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	Stop giving transport vehicles to staff who live outside the county!	Green Fleet & Travel - pool cars	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Council policy requires a business case for vehicles to be taken home.
34622	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	Lose some pool cars. Stop wasting money on trackers and electric vehicles they are not cost effective. Why service vans every 6 months just carry out a safety check instead.	Green Fleet & Travel - pool cars	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Electric vehicles are funded by the Scottish Government. All council vehicles are services in line with legal requirements.
34623	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	Reduce company cars for non essential managers would be a start.	Green Fleet & Travel - pool cars	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Council managers do not have company cars.
34624	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	Some staff have to use their own cars as they do not have pool cars. Surely Pool cars are more expensive than paying petrol costs.	Green Fleet & Travel - pool cars	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The introduction of the green travel strategy made significant savings for the council and the pool fleet is still more cost effective than paying mileage to all employees.

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34625	An employee of West Lothian Council	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	It be implimented that you only use pool cars and not claim milage.	Green Fleet & Travel - pool cars	5b. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it is likely that the costs of this proposal would outweigh the benefit.	There will always be a requirement for staff to use their own vehicle in certain situations to deliver essential council services. The cost of providing a council vehicle for every journey would outweigh the benefit of not reimbursing staff for mileage undertaken in personal vehicles.
34626	An employee of West Lothian Council	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	That said, I imagine it would be rare for council vehicles to have to travel large distances, so why not eliminate fuel costs altogether by running a fleet of electric vehicles (or hydrogen-powered for the occasions where long distance travel is required). The initial outlay may be expensive, but they are worth it in the long run. Seeing council vehicles running on green fuel may also encourage local residents to investigate the possibility, therefore improving air quality in the area.	Green Fleet & Travel - pool cars	4. The council is already doing this.	The council currently uses electric and low emission vehicles and is looking to increase the electric fleet again this year.
34627	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	Electric pool cars?	Green Fleet & Travel - pool cars	4. The council is already doing this.	The council currently uses electric and low emission vehicles and is looking to increase the electric fleet again this year.
34628	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	Look at pool car allocation - ensure full use is made of cars as people book them out all day and stop others from getting use of them	Green Fleet & Travel - pool cars	4. The council is already doing this.	Vehicle utilisation is analysed to assist with determining how vehicles are allocated.
34629	An employee of West Lothian Council	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	The council could look at how it operates it's vehicles by renewing them more often. This could mean selling them or returning them and surely get a better value on them sooner than later. Just a suggestion.	Green Fleet & Travel - pool cars	5d. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it has been previously considered and will not be progressed.	The council fleet is leased and replaced on a pre-determined cycle following an evaluation exercise which looked at the optimum replacement arrangements for the type of the fleet the council operates.
34630	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	If required to use car for work/ business use you should be paid for this, you incur costs as well as a reduction in value of your car in reselling due to perhaps higher mileage than would have been.	Green Fleet & Travel - pool cars	4. The council is already doing this.	Staff are reimbursed for using their own vehicles on council business. The reimbursement rate includes fuel and wear and tear.
34631	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	Reducing available fleet cars and reducing the cost staff would get using their own vehicles here. You can see who is going to be hit hardest here and I don't agree with this. Pay has already been frozen for a number of years.	Green Fleet & Travel - pool cars	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34632	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	This makes sense, provided that viable vehicles are not unnecessarily replaced by expensive 'green' alternatives.	Green Fleet & Travel - pool cars	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Vehicle cost is a key consideration when replacing vehicles as well as the daily environmental impact.
34633	An employee of West Lothian Council	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	More electric vehicles for council pool cars.	Green Fleet & Travel - pool cars	4. The council is already doing this.	The council currently uses electric and low emission vehicles and is looking to increase the electric fleet again this year.
34634	An employee of West Lothian Council	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	Can never get a fleet car at the moment anyway.	Green Fleet & Travel - pool cars	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34635	An employee of West Lothian Council	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	The use of pool cars appears inefficient and costly to the environment. Has any cost analysis been done about the use of electric vehicles? What savings have been made using pool cars?	Green Fleet & Travel - pool cars	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council currently uses electric and low emission vehicles and is looking to increase the electric fleet again this year. The introduction of the green travel strategy made significant savings for the council and the pool fleet is still more cost effective than paying mileage to all employees.
34636	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	Councils do seem to have large numbers of vehicles and have been in the press for the rates paid for mileage. Any economies would be good	Green Fleet & Travel - pool cars	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34637	An employee of West Lothian Council	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	This would appear to be one area where savings could be further made. The number of fleet cars that lay unused but booked out on the system is ridiculous. I have no idea how this is monitored but often there are no pool cars available when trying to book weeks in advance.	Green Fleet & Travel - pool cars	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Pool car usage is reviewed and the council is looking at what improvements can be made to the system used for vehicle booking.
34638	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	More carpools and cycling to work, as long as it affects the pen pushers as much as it does the binmen then go for it	Green Fleet & Travel - pool cars	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34639	An employee of West Lothian Council	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	Green transport policy is completely unsuccessful. Pool cars sit unused at certain times while at other times council workers are unable to access them. Some workers have allocated cars which are not used regularly. Council workers are expected to refuel cars and take them for maintenance checks during work time which is inefficient use of staff time. Additional parking is required as staff have their own cars and then use pool cars for work.	Green Fleet & Travel - pool cars	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34640	An employee of West Lothian Council	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	There are not enough pool cars to meet demand.	Green Fleet & Travel - pool cars	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The number of pool cars will be considered in line with the number of vehicles in other services.

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34641	An employee of West Lothian Council	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	If staff have to use their cars for work it isn't fair to reduce what they can get	Green Fleet & Travel - pool cars	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34642	An employee of West Lothian Council	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	If you plan to reduce this cost then please ensure that all areas have the appropriate number of pool cars needed for them to carry out a service. too often visits cannot be made due to limited number of cars available.	Green Fleet & Travel - pool cars	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Services will be required to review service delivery to ensure travel is required and if so it is minimised and done in the most efficient manner. The number of pool cars will be considered in line with the number of vehicles in other services.
34643	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	The same applied to the council's use of pool cars - that saving never properly materialised but no one is willing to admit it.	Green Fleet & Travel - pool cars	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The introduction of the green travel strategy made significant savings for the council. The savings have been reported through the council's governance structure.
34644	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	The introduction of pool cars did not deliver the saving proposed at the outset. It was poorly thought through.	Green Fleet & Travel - pool cars	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The introduction of the green travel strategy made significant savings for the council. The savings have been reported through the council's governance structure.
34645	An employee of West Lothian Council	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	Also, the car booking system should be monitored as there always appears to available cars although the car booking system advises there is no availability	Green Fleet & Travel - pool cars	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Pool car usage is reviewed and the council is looking at what improvements can be made to the system used for vehicle booking.
34646	An employee of West Lothian Council	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	Reduction available for getting a pool of electric cars?	Green Fleet & Travel - pool cars	4. The council is already doing this.	The council currently uses electric vehicles and is looking to increase the electric fleet again this year.
34647	An employee of West Lothian Council	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	It might be an idea to stop employees using the pool cars to get to there workplace and having them sitting outside buildings all day. My base was the Civic Centre and I very rarely got access to a pool car - I covered Briech Valley for 3 years and claimed no expenses at all during this time as I was told to use pool cars I couldn't get!. The system certainly needs to be a lot fairer.	Green Fleet & Travel - pool cars	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Council policy requires a business case for vehicles to be taken home.
34648	An employee of West Lothian Council	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	Could the pool car booking system be tweaked to charge the user's Service at the point of booking? This may stop the small group of users who block book a car.	Green Fleet & Travel - pool cars	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The current system cannot accommodate internal charging however future system development will be looked at.
34649	An employee of West Lothian Council	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	Already not claiming business mileage for use of own car as not able to use pool cars and due to current online system being so cumbersome and un-user friendly	Green Fleet & Travel - pool cars	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34650	An employee of West Lothian Council	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	I personally think that all council vehicles should be going down the route of being electric vehicles as with the current fleet I don't think it is working.	Green Fleet & Travel - pool cars	5b. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it is likely that the costs of this proposal would outweigh the benefit.	The council is increasing its electric fleet however at this stage the cost of making the full fleet electric would outweigh the benefit.
34651	An employee of West Lothian Council	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	would agree. Pool cars should be used, if someone does not wish to use these them they should not be claiming mileage.	Green Fleet & Travel - pool cars	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34652	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	also services need to get better at ensuring we are making best use of staff time. i.e. instead of someone booking a car for a half day session or appointment to arrange to work in building in that area and free up that car for the people needing to make many journeys.	Green Fleet & Travel - pool cars	4. The council is already doing this.	The Green Transport Policy sets out how staff should travel and arrange their working day to make best use of resources.
34653	An employee of West Lothian Council	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	Given the availability of pool cars, there should be little need for personal transport to be used. Statutory functions require to visit sites and individuals at least once and on some occasions multiple times. It would not be possible to reduce these journeys but efficient travel routes would help.	Green Fleet & Travel - pool cars	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34654	An employee of West Lothian Council	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	Reduction in pool cars. Teach all drivers better driving techniques to save fuel.	Green Fleet & Travel - pool cars	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34655	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	Services should be provided with their own pool of vehicles which have to achieve positive levels of utilisation or they lose the vehicle. This would ensure that the service teams control use.	Green Fleet & Travel - pool cars	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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34656	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	No more electric vehicles the ones you have are hardly used. Why are you providing the electricity from electric car charging points for free? Also I see that the points at the Water Yett are being used as an all day free parking facility for not only all electric cars but hybrids which do not need to use them.	Green Fleet & Travel - pool cars	5c. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it is not consistent with the council's values and priorities.	The council will be looking to increase the number of electric vehicles in the future to assist with meeting government targets. Electric vehicle charging is currently free as it was a condition of the grant funding used to install the charging point.
34657	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	Why would staff use their own cars? Especially if they are having to pay for parking somewhere all day too. They would be getting a harder time than anyone else. Just because your a council worker does mean to say you have to substitute West Lothian council by providing a car, but it's ok they will give you petrol money, would that be up front, I think not.	Green Fleet & Travel - pool cars	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34658	An employee of West Lothian Council	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	Under used pool cars ? could a car not be allocated to each service? the current system is not fit for purpose.	Green Fleet & Travel - pool cars	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34659	An employee of West Lothian Council	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	Review need for pool cars and replace with e-bikes.	Green Fleet & Travel - pool cars	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34660	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	There always seems to be numerous pool cars in the car park but none available for staff. The system needs to be re-looked i.e. block bookings, future bookings for cars that aren't needed etc.	Green Fleet & Travel - pool cars	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34661	An employee of West Lothian Council	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	Has the council considered electric cars with charging points at pool car locations?	Green Fleet & Travel - pool cars	4. The council is already doing this.	The council currently uses electric and low emission vehicles and is looking to increase the electric fleet again this year.
34662	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	Given that pool cars are used and there is no essential mileage payments, own car use is already a cheap resource.	Green Fleet & Travel - pool cars	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34663	An employee of West Lothian Council	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	Staff have to use their own vehicles at times as no pool cars are available. Are there any figures to actually show how much money has been saved by the introduction of the pool car system? I fail to see how this saved money with the initial cost involved.	Green Fleet & Travel - pool cars	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The introduction of the green travel strategy made significant savings for the council. The savings have been reported through the council's governance structure.
34664	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	When required replacing pool cars with electric models.	Green Fleet & Travel - pool cars	5b. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it is likely that the costs of this proposal would outweigh the benefit.	The council is increasing its electric fleet however at this stage the cost of making the full fleet electric would outweigh the benefit.
34665	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	Limit council vehicles to a more efficient 56mph.	Green Fleet & Travel - pool cars	4. The council is already doing this.	The council already does this with certain classes of vehicles.
34666	An employee of West Lothian Council	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	The introduction of the poo vehicles a few years ago has resulted in greater pollution for the streets of West Lothian. Now staff have to travel to pick up a vehicle then back. Everyone known the starting of vehicles produces the worse carbon. How much if anything has this scheme saved when you add everything up along with service delivery. How many appointments have been cancelled or re-arranged due to no pool vehicle being available?	Green Fleet & Travel - pool cars	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Employees have numerous travel options available to them and guidelines on when and how pool vehicles should be used are set out in council policy. The introduction of the green travel strategy made significant savings for the council. The savings have been reported through the council's governance structure.
34667	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	Good - what about any "posh" council cars too	Green Fleet & Travel - pool cars	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34668	No Response	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	Are they considering changing pool cars to electric cars as and when need replaced.	Green Fleet & Travel - pool cars	5b. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it is likely that the costs of this proposal would outweigh the benefit.	The council is increasing its electric fleet however at this stage the cost of making the full fleet electric would outweigh the benefit.
34669	An employee of West Lothian Council	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	Reducing business mileage payments will place additional pressure on the existing pool cars, particularly in Revs and Bens as managers will make significant demand on the pool cars attending meetings outwith St David House on a regular basis so perhaps the allocation of pool cars need to be reassessed.	Green Fleet & Travel - pool cars	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Services will be required to review service delivery to ensure travel is minimised and done in the most efficient manner.
34670	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	Electric cars should be implemented like other local authorities	Green Fleet & Travel - pool cars	4. The council is already doing this.	The council currently uses electric vehicles and is looking to increase the electric fleet again this year.
34671	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	Use of any pool cars should be maximised such that they are hardly ever in the council car park awaiting use.	Green Fleet & Travel - pool cars	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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34672	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	High number of pool vehicles sit unused on a daily basis.	Green Fleet & Travel - pool cars	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34673	An employee of West Lothian Council	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	Not practical to reduce number of vehicles as these are very difficult to book. Suggest better controls on reserving and not using vehicles is introduced first to gauge demand.	Green Fleet & Travel - pool cars	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34674	An employee of West Lothian Council	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	Widespread abuse of fleet is evident to anyone observing this - people booking cars to go and sit in other council buildings all day just to save their own petrol. Target those taking liberties and you will save more.	Green Fleet & Travel - pool cars	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comments have been noted. Employees have numerous travel options available to them and guidelines on when and how pool vehicles should be used are set out in council policy.
34675	An employee of West Lothian Council	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	There are not enough cars available and staff are still needing to use their own cars. people are still block booking a full day, then the car sitting idle for hours in between.	Green Fleet & Travel - pool cars	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	There will always be a requirement for staff to use their own vehicle in certain situations to deliver essential council services. The cost of providing a council vehicle for every journey would outweigh the benefit of not reimbursing staff for mileage undertaken in personal vehicles. Vehicle numbers across all council services will need to be reviewed.
34676	An employee of West Lothian Council	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	I would recommend the following: 1. Better use/management of pool cars	Green Fleet & Travel - pool cars	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34677	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	As long as there is enough fleet cars available to council employees when required.	Green Fleet & Travel - pool cars	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34678	An employee of West Lothian Council	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	I have had personal experience of using my own car for business purposes due to the unavailability of Pool cars. I also have had experience of looking at all the pool cars in the car park, when they were booked out. Tighter controls are required when people are booking pool cars and then not using them.	Green Fleet & Travel - pool cars	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34679	An employee of West Lothian Council	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	WITH THE BIG FLEET SITTING IN THE CAR PARK - NO-ONE SHOULD BE GETTING BUSINESS MILEAGE FOR THEIR OWN VEHICLES!!!!!!	Green Fleet & Travel - pool cars	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comments have been noted. There will always be a requirement for staff to use their own vehicle in certain situations to deliver essential council services. The cost of providing a council vehicle for every journey would outweigh the benefit of not reimbursing staff for mileage undertaken in personal vehicles.
34680	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	I support the use of more fuel efficient vehicles.	Green Fleet & Travel - pool cars	4. The council is already doing this.	The council currently uses electric and low emission vehicles and is looking to increase the electric fleet again this year.
34681	An employee of West Lothian Council	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	Good about reducing staff using pool cars BUT you'll need to have more vehicles available...	Green Fleet & Travel - pool cars	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Services will be required to review service delivery to ensure travel is minimised and done in the most efficient manner, and help to ensure vehicle numbers are optimised.
34682	An employee of West Lothian Council	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	The whole process for booking, using, fuelling and returning Green Fleet cars is very wasteful of employee time which could otherwise be spent getting on with the job more productively and effectively. Many wasted hours a week. The essential user allowance was removed some years ago, but the car is still essential for some services.	Green Fleet & Travel - pool cars	5d. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it has been previously considered and will not be progressed.	Car user allowances are not the most cost effective way of paying for business travel. In most cases employees would have to spend time walking to their own vehicle which would be further away than pool car provision.
34683	An employee of West Lothian Council	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	Axe the pool cars!	Green Fleet & Travel - pool cars	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	There will always be a requirement to travel to deliver council services however it is currently more cost effective to run a fleet of pool cars than to pay all staff for mileage undertaken in personal vehicles.
34684	An employee of West Lothian Council	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	Sometimes being able to access pool cars is impossible.	Green Fleet & Travel - pool cars	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34685	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	does the council really need a new fleet every few years?	Green Fleet & Travel - pool cars	5d. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it has been previously considered and will not be progressed.	The council fleet is leased and replaced on a pre-determined cycle following an evaluation exercise which looked at the optimum replacement arrangements for the type of the fleet the council operates.

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34686	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	Pool cars are now being used across the council and I would be concerned about yet more cuts to make further savings.	Green Fleet & Travel - pool cars	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34687	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	Don't know as anytime I have tried to get a car I can't as there are not enough cars to go around as the services who need them every day to do their jobs still have them booked out for the full week and week to week and I end up having to use my own or public transport	Green Fleet & Travel - pool cars	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34688	An employee of West Lothian Council	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	Still lots of pool cars still doing nothing every day. something should be done about this. There should be no one getting paid to use their own vehicles when vehicles are available.	Green Fleet & Travel - pool cars	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Employees have numerous travel options available to them and guidelines on when and how pool or personal vehicles should be used are set out in council policy.
34689	An employee of West Lothian Council	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	As long as there is enough fleet cars available to staff.	Green Fleet & Travel - pool cars	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Services will be required to review service delivery to ensure travel is necessary and that any required mileage is minimised and done in the most efficient manner. Vehicle numbers across all council services will need to be reviewed in line with changes to service delivery.
34690	An employee of West Lothian Council	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	How cost effective are the council's pool cars? Look at the cost of running eg town-twinning programme, overseas visits,	Green Fleet & Travel - pool cars	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	The introduction of the green travel strategy made significant savings for the council. It is currently more cost effective to run a fleet of pool cars than to pay all staff for mileage undertaken in personal vehicles.
34691	An employee of West Lothian Council	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	Get all staff using pool vehicles?	Green Fleet & Travel - pool cars	5b. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it is likely that the costs of this proposal would outweigh the benefit.	There will always be a requirement for staff to use their own vehicle in certain situations to deliver essential council services. The cost of providing a council vehicle for every journey would outweigh the benefit of not reimbursing staff for mileage undertaken in personal vehicles.
34692	An employee of West Lothian Council	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	I think there is room for improvement regarding the council vehicles. Some site visits, meetings etc can be targeted to one day per week to minimised use and costs on pool cars. Some staff are booking cars two/three times a day and not consolidating work where possible.	Green Fleet & Travel - pool cars	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. The Green Transport Policy sets out how staff should travel and arrange their working day to make best use of resources.
34693	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	Do away with pool cars and offer staff mileage to use own cars if preferred. Many would be happy to do this and wouldn't expect additional essential car user allowance This would save on admin, leasing and repair costs, insurance and parking requirements	Green Fleet & Travel - pool cars	5b. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it is likely that the costs of this proposal would outweigh the benefit.	The introduction of the green travel strategy made significant savings for the council. It is currently more cost effective to run a fleet of pool cars than to pay all staff for mileage undertaken in personal vehicles.
34694	An employee of West Lothian Council	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	Council cars could also be changed to electric resulting in reduced fuel costs and reduced carbon footprint	Green Fleet & Travel - pool cars	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The council is increasing its electric fleet however at this stage the cost of making the full fleet electric would outweigh the benefit.
34695	An employee of West Lothian Council	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	More use of electric cars.	Green Fleet & Travel - pool cars	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The council currently uses electric and low emission vehicles and is looking to increase the electric fleet again this year.
34696	An employee of West Lothian Council	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	Some existing council vehicles are not being maintained as it is!!	Green Fleet & Travel - pool cars	4. The council is already doing this.	All vehicles are serviced and maintained strictly to legal requirements as a minimum.
34697	An employee of West Lothian Council	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	Need much better maintenance of fleet with vehicles being available when required and not spending long periods at garage.	Green Fleet & Travel - pool cars	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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34698	An employee of West Lothian Council	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	There are a fleet of pool cars which no doubt have helped reduce the costs to the Council for private mileage. However Revenues have 1 pool car and its a van - it has 2 seats in it - this is not practical for the size of our office. None of the seniors use the pool vehicle to travel to meetings and use their own car - if this stopped or there was a reduction in mileage paid then no one would get to meetings or have access to the pool car to do visits etc. The access to pool cars is also not ideal as it can waste a lot of time collecting them from sites. Overall I think pool cars have made a difference but before decisions are made to reduce business mileage etc then investigations should be made into the number of pool cars available and are these fit for purpose. A lot of visits can be made to outlying areas so a good reliable safe vehicle is required or else the service to the public some who are extremely vulnerable would be reduced and suffer.	Green Fleet & Travel - pool cars	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Employees have numerous travel options available to them and guidelines on when and how pool or personal vehicles should be used are set out in council policy. Services will be required to review service delivery to ensure travel is necessary and that any required mileage is minimised and done in the most efficient manner.
34699	An employee of West Lothian Council	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	Will all service areas that have renewable energy, be able to have their old inefficient fleet vehicles replaced with green fleet vehicles? Parks & Woodland have asked for their small vans to change to green fleet vehicles for years, a great opportunity to promote good Council initiatives and better manage WLC assets but to date we have received 1 and that was only this month because the van it replaced wasn't repairable. Is there a role-out plan for this to happen and has the cost of fleet plus required charging units for the various locations been costed? Has the Council estimated the mileage and fuel costs that could be saved if the Driving Policy was fully applied (e.g. ensuring Council fleet taken home was minimised, all staff used fleet as required rather than using own personal vehicles)? Some staff continue to use their own vehicles without claiming business mileage and if they stopped doing this and used the WLC fleet, the demand for the fleet would rise considerably. I do not think this has been taken into account as the Driving Policy (including approvals for staff to use own vehicle and use of Council vehicle from home/to work have not been fully applied or rigorously checked. Green fleet should be rolled out first to those sites that generate electricity via photovoltaics/solar panels. Use what we produce and minimise costs to those service areas!	Green Fleet & Travel - pool cars	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The council is increasing its electric fleet however at this stage the cost of making the full fleet electric would outweigh the benefit. Council policy requires a business case for vehicles to be taken home. There will always be a requirement for staff to use their own vehicle in certain situations to deliver essential council services. The cost of providing a council vehicle for every journey would outweigh the benefit of not reimbursing staff for mileage undertaken in personal vehicles.
34700	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	Pool cars are sat about too much needs to be more efficient. Can't see how this can be saving money as need twice the car parking spaces for employee and the pool cars. Need to maximise the use or revert to essential car users	Green Fleet & Travel - pool cars	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The introduction of the green travel strategy made significant savings for the council. It is currently more cost effective to run a fleet of pool cars than to pay all staff for mileage undertaken in personal vehicles. The number of pool cars will be considered in line with the number of vehicles in other services.
34701	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	perhaps look to reduce the seas of white (and other colours !) pool cars that I see parked up ...never moving ....surely a high cost of leases . I photograph them every time I am at the Civic Centre ...the ones that are there when I arrive to sit on the Children's Panel are still there when I leave many hours later ...what's the average mileage per car ?	Green Fleet & Travel - pool cars	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The introduction of the green travel strategy made significant savings for the council. It is currently more cost effective to run a fleet of pool cars than to pay all staff for mileage undertaken in personal vehicles. The number of pool cars will be considered in line with the number of vehicles in other services.
34702	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	get rid of 50% of fleet cars that sit parked up ...check the vehicles that have low mileage	Green Fleet & Travel - pool cars	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The introduction of the green travel strategy made significant savings for the council. It is currently more cost effective to run a fleet of pool cars than to pay all staff for mileage undertaken in personal vehicles. The number of pool cars will be considered in line with the number of vehicles in other services.
34703	No Response	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	perhaps look to reduce the seas of white (and other colours !) pool cars that I see parked up ...never moving ....surely a high cost of leases . I photograph them every time I am at the Civic Centre ...the ones that are there when I arrive to sit on the Children's Panel are still there when I leave many hours later ...what's the average mileage per car ?	Green Fleet & Travel - pool cars	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The introduction of the green travel strategy made significant savings for the council. It is currently more cost effective to run a fleet of pool cars than to pay all staff for mileage undertaken in personal vehicles. The number of pool cars will be considered in line with the number of vehicles in other services.
34704	An employee of West Lothian Council	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	There are many fleet vehicles not being used appropriately nearby the Civic Centre.	Green Fleet & Travel - pool cars	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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34705	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	Reduce the number of pool cars. Whilst it appears the cars are booked solid, the reality is many sit all day without turning a wheel. Look at previous usage, and make efficiencies based on this! After this, then consider other measures like business mileage usage. Staff should not be using their own cars - there are enough vehicles sitting motionless.	Green Fleet & Travel - pool cars	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	There will always be a requirement for staff to use their own vehicle in certain situations to deliver essential council services. The cost of providing a council vehicle for every journey would outweigh the benefit of not reimbursing staff for mileage undertaken in personal vehicles. The number of pool cars will be considered in line with the number of vehicles in other services.
34706	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	West Lothian work vehicles should be monitored and used appropriately, not for meeting other work vehicles in country lanes for a morning chat.	Green Fleet & Travel - pool cars	4. The council is already doing this.	Telematics and other system management information is used to analyse vehicle utilisation
34707	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	have you gone electric ? apart from that no problem	Green Fleet & Travel - pool cars	4. The council is already doing this.	The council currently uses electric and low emission vehicles and is looking to increase the electric fleet again this year.
34708	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	I pass the council car parks and there are always lots of little white cars parked there. Why is anyone still getting paid to use their own car	Green Fleet & Travel - pool cars	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	There will always be a requirement for staff to use their own vehicle in certain situations to deliver essential council services. The cost of providing a council vehicle for every journey would outweigh the benefit of not reimbursing staff for mileage undertaken in personal vehicles.
34709	An employee of West Lothian Council	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	Pool cars still regularly sit idle. Please do something about this.	Green Fleet & Travel - pool cars	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Telematics and other system management information is used to analyse vehicle utilisation.
34710	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	Again very vague paragraph above!! What is being proposed? More use of electric cars is well overdue. Consideration should be given to closely looking at how pool cars are being used both in terms of usage, numbers etc. The loss of a few pool cars from each service area would probably not be too great a sacrifice to make and save considerable money. Why are staff using their own vehicles if pool cars are available? There should be minimum use in exceptional circumstances only.	Green Fleet & Travel - pool cars	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council currently uses electric and low emission vehicles and is looking to increase the electric fleet again this year. Vehicle numbers across all council services will need to be reviewed in line with changes to service delivery. There will always be a requirement for staff to use their own vehicle in certain situations to deliver essential council services. The cost of providing a council vehicle for every journey would outweigh the benefit of not reimbursing staff for mileage undertaken in personal vehicles.
34711	An employee of West Lothian Council	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	You need to rationalise the pool car system if you are going to do this. That's why a lot of workers use their own cars now.	Green Fleet & Travel - pool cars	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Pool car usage is reviewed and the council is looking at what improvements can be made to the system used for vehicle booking.
34712	An employee of West Lothian Council	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	depending on what this means, it should only be for the people who need to travel on day to day use. The restriction of pool cars should again be means tested.	Green Fleet & Travel - pool cars	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34713	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	Prevent staff from using council vehicles for non-council business, including getting to/from work. Vehicles should be collected from the place of work not driven home each night.	Green Fleet & Travel - pool cars	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Council policy requires a business case for vehicles to be taken home.
34714	An employee of West Lothian Council	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	Possibly consider the use of electric cars	Green Fleet & Travel - pool cars	4. The council is already doing this.	The council currently uses electric and low emission vehicles and is looking to increase the electric fleet again this year.
34715	An employee of West Lothian Council	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	Green fleet and travel - has the council considered electric cars with charging points at pool car locations? Reducing business mileage payments will place additional pressure on the existing pool cars, particularly in Revs and Bens as managers will make significant demand on the pool cars attending meetings outwith St David House on a regular basis.	Green Fleet & Travel - pool cars	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council is increasing its electric fleet however at this stage the cost of making the full fleet electric would outweigh the benefit. Services will be required to review service delivery to ensure travel is minimised and done in the most efficient manner.
34716	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	Good. Staff should not use their own vehicles when council vehicles are available. Mileage rates are far too high.	Green Fleet & Travel - pool cars	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	There will always be a requirement for staff to use their own vehicle in certain situations to deliver essential council services. The cost of providing a council vehicle for every journey would outweigh the benefit of not reimbursing staff for mileage undertaken in personal vehicles.

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34717	An employee of West Lothian Council	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	Following the removal of the essential car users allowance, staff are already subsidising the council if they use their own cars - reducing the business mileage further may place a greater demand on the council for pool cars and increased pool car mileage as staff decide not to use their own cars even if it is more efficient for the council for them to do so.	Green Fleet & Travel - pool cars	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Staff are reimbursed for using their own vehicles on council business. The reimbursement rate includes fuel and wear and tear.
34718	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	If there are already not enough pool cars and a creation of a culture where it is frowned upon to claim mileage then again this is a hammer blow to staff and a further reduction in pay in reality	Green Fleet & Travel - pool cars	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Employees have numerous travel options available to them and guidelines on when and how pool or personal vehicles should be used are set out in council policy.
34719	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	If it is not possible for staff to use a fleet car then I think the council should pay a rate which reflects the wear and tear to the vehicle as well as fuel costs. Reducing the mileage will only make staff less willing and more resentful.	Green Fleet & Travel - pool cars	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34720	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	No more expensive cars i.e. a 'skoda' does the same work as a 'Bentley'	Green Fleet & Travel - pool cars	4. The council is already doing this.	The procurement process for purchasing new vehicles ensures best value by the weightings given to cost as part of the tender evaluation process.
34721	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	Cannot see how the leased cars and cost of safeguarding these (fenced compounds) has saved money. Not all staff can get a fleet car so why should they be penalised.	Green Fleet & Travel - pool cars	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The introduction of the green travel strategy made significant savings for the council. It is currently more cost effective to run a fleet of pool cars than to pay all staff for mileage undertaken in personal vehicles.
34722	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	Also it appears to individuals there is too much use of vehicles - maybe less vehicles could be achieved.	Green Fleet & Travel - pool cars	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34723	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	Transport is an example where vehicles at centre or in yards for hours on end. There needs to be a review how resources can be shared and run effectively like a business as the present situation is not cost effective.	Green Fleet & Travel - pool cars	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Vehicle numbers across all council services will need to be reviewed in line with changes to service delivery.
34724	An employee of West Lothian Council	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	Already many staff use their own cars at times and don't claim expenses.	Green Fleet & Travel - pool cars	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34725	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	Go for it. Rent out your car fleet at the weekend, think bigger. The whole framework of this survey and proposal is about slashing costs rather than generating income. Be bold, start thinking smart.	Green Fleet & Travel - pool cars	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34726	An employee of West Lothian Council	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	I was under the impression many functions were already stripped bare. Some of the systems in place already are in my opinion not fit for purpose, e.g. green travel policy - not enough pool cars, they are not in enough locations and they are booked out then not used. Personally I use my car then claim mileage, using my car to get more time efficiency out of my day and to achieve more productivity. I then use the mileage reclaim system which takes about 4 times the time it should because of the complexity of the system.	Green Fleet & Travel - pool cars	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Pool car usage is reviewed and the council is looking at what improvements can be made to the system used for vehicle booking.
34727	An employee of West Lothian Council	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	2. Stop employees taking vehicles home.	Green Fleet & Travel (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Council policy requires a business case for vehicles to be taken home.
34728	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	Council van not to be taken home fuel saving.	Green Fleet & Travel (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Council policy requires a business case for vehicles to be taken home.
34729	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	A lot more could be done by enforcing vehicle emissions rules. There are far too many drivers who sit in their vehicles at schools, sports centres, shopping centres, with engine running - this applies to a lot of time with West Lothian Council vehicles.	Green Fleet & Travel (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	All council vehicles are fitted with vehicle tracking software which allows us to monitor the performance of the vehicle including vehicle emissions.
34730	An employee of West Lothian Council	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	Yes. Inter-site travel could be solved by merging the internal mail deliveries with a bus. A company I worked for had two main sites with mail being moved regularly between them. If you needed to get to the other site you could just get on the mail bus. This would allow us to reduce costs by moving larger numbers of staff?	Green Fleet & Travel (general)	5d. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it has been previously considered and will not be progressed.	The proposal would work in areas where long distances and regular scheduled drops and returns occur but the nature of WL is not conducive to this option.
34731	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	Perhaps the council should make better use of that expensive vehicle tracking system they put in all of their vehicles. This might help you be more efficient with your fleet rather than having workers driving here, there and everywhere.	Green Fleet & Travel (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	The council are already doing this but utilisation could be improved through altering current agreements in how the system is used to monitor and improve performance.

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34732	An employee of West Lothian Council	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	Staff will refuse to use their own transport and use fleet cars - obvious knock on effect. WLC have not replaced cars with newer models - what is another few years ?	Green Fleet & Travel (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The introduction of the green travel strategy made significant savings for the council. The council is currently reviewing its internal pool fleet provision, booking system and utilisation to ensure that the provisions is providing best value for the council and staff. These comments will be incorporated into this review for consideration.
34733	An employee of West Lothian Council	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	Any savings that can be made through a review of these services it to be welcomed.	Green Fleet & Travel (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your comments they will be taken forward to help inform the consultation process
34734	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	Further savings would be made, and vehicle life extended, if council workers were stopped from taking vans home at night	Green Fleet & Travel (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The introduction of the green travel strategy made significant savings for the council. These comments will be incorporated into this review for consideration.
34735	An employee of West Lothian Council	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	I am aware of the cost savings made by the green transport policy but this has impacted on the quality of service offered with some staff not having access to cars when required - I am therefore concerned that an extension of the scheme would exacerbate this -	Green Fleet & Travel (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The introduction of the green travel strategy made significant savings for the council. The council is currently reviewing its internal pool fleet provision, booking system and utilisation to ensure that the provisions is providing best value for the council and staff. These comments will be incorporated into this review for consideration.
34736	An employee of West Lothian Council	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	Changing to more environmental friendly vehicles will reduce fuel costs and help the council achieve carbon footprint reduction targets.	Green Fleet & Travel (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	The council already ensures it procures the most efficient vehicles for the task required.
34737	An employee of West Lothian Council	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	There is a video conferencing system available so no body needs to travel anywhere. But it is not used at all .	Green Fleet & Travel (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34738	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	If services elsewhere reduce, then the need for transport to deliver them will correspondingly reduce.	Green Fleet & Travel (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The overall impact of other proposals will be considered when reviewing the Green Travel Strategy.
34739	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	aye, cut the staff wages but not your own	Green Fleet & Travel (general)	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34740	An employee of West Lothian Council	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	Reducing travel by use of council owned vehicles out-with working hours would save thousands of pounds in fuel and maintenance costs. This would counter the need for staff reductions and probably still save the Council a fortune long term.	Green Fleet & Travel (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The introduction of the green travel strategy made significant savings for the council. These comments will be incorporated into this review for consideration.
34741	An employee of West Lothian Council	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	Like many of the proposals in this consultation, it is difficult to comment without knowing more of the context. This question states 'changes are proposed to council services which will have an impact on the type and number of vehicles'. What are these changes? If staff need to use their own vehicles in order to deliver the Council services, they should be recompensed in line with national rates.	Green Fleet & Travel (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Each service area within the council will be reviewing service delivery methods to reduce business travel. Business own use mileage is currently reimbursed at HMRC national rates.
34742	An employee of West Lothian Council	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	This will have an impact on service delivery if numbers of vehicles are reduced.	Green Fleet & Travel (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Services will be responsible for ensuring that their activities can be maintained following the selection of proposals. This is separate to considerations of pool vehicle usage and the Green Travel Strategy.
34743	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	Why not provide secure bike lockers at buildings and encourage staff to travel by bike? Why do you not better promote and encourage flexible working to reduce travel to meetings etc. I know Worksmart exists but these flexible working arrangements are very poorly advertised and promoted.	Green Fleet & Travel (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	The council has protocols and systems in place to allow this to happen, the suggestions of further promotion of culture change will be passed on for consideration as a part of the consultation.
34744	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	I see a number of council vehicles parked in residential streets at night. I do not believe that council vehicles should be used for someone to eat to and from work each day. The vehicle should be parked on council property. How much fuel and ware and tear is caused by staff taking the vehicle home at night.	Green Fleet & Travel (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The introduction of the green travel strategy made significant savings for the council. These comments will be incorporated into this review for consideration.
34745	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	Too many Council vehicles at present for each job. Agree.	Green Fleet & Travel (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34746	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	Use conference calls for meetings.	Green Fleet & Travel (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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34747	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	Get rid of council paid cars for said people at the top of the chain.	Green Fleet & Travel (general)	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34748	An employee of West Lothian Council	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	Cut down on cross council travel costs	Green Fleet & Travel (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Services will be required to review service delivery to ensure travel is minimised and done in the most efficient manner.
34749	An employee of West Lothian Council	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	Cut back travel by ensuring services are more locally delivered	Green Fleet & Travel (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Services will be required to review service delivery to ensure travel is minimised and done in the most efficient manner.
34750	An employee of West Lothian Council	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	As stated deliver on patch basis will minimise "dead " travel!	Green Fleet & Travel (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Services will be required to review service delivery to ensure travel is minimised and done in the most efficient manner.
34751	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	If these savings can be achieved, for example, by better use of technology to contact customers, this is worth-while. I don't know what the mileage rate paid to staff is, but I am sure that would be an unpopular move.	Green Fleet & Travel (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment regarding reducing the mileage rate paid to staff has been noted.
34752	An employee of West Lothian Council	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	This is not always possible	Green Fleet & Travel (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34753	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	There seem to be an unreasonable number of council vans in use, many of them parked in the Low Port car park. Perhaps some of these could be sold off.	Green Fleet & Travel (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Council vehicles are leased and replaced on a pre-determined cycle.
34754	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	If you reduce the ragainst those who have too.te for using a vehicle then esentially you could be discriminating a	Green Fleet & Travel (general)	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34755	An employee of West Lothian Council	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	How can the maintenance of a fleet of vehicles have been cost effective? If the fleet numbers are to be cut, the need for maintenance staff will be cut so jobs lost?	Green Fleet & Travel (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34756	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	WLC could stop buying new vehicles and extend the lifecycle of what they have.	Green Fleet & Travel (general)	5c. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it is not consistent with the council's values and priorities.	The council policy is to lease vehicles and replace them more regularly on a pre-determined cycle. Extending the lifecycle of certain vehicles is currently being considered.
34757	An employee of West Lothian Council	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	Further reductions in this area will mean poor service delivery. As it stands just now the current green fleet model is too inflexible meaning staff are forced to use their own vehicles for business use.	Green Fleet & Travel (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34758	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	Efficient council vehicles I agree with.	Green Fleet & Travel (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34759	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	If you cut things to the core, staff are unable to effectively do their job.	Green Fleet & Travel (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Services will be required to review service delivery to ensure travel is minimised and done in the most efficient manner.
34760	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	Is it fair to hit staff for doing their job? I don't think so unless the mileage allowance was unreasonable in the first place. Again, you will lose staff loyalty and commitment to what they are expected to do & so service levels drop!	Green Fleet & Travel (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All services will be required to review service delivery to ensure travel is minimised and done in the most efficient manner. Staff will be able to claim tax relief on any personal mileage reimbursement under the agreed HMRC rate.
34761	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	Line managers should systematically check and review vehicle tracking information. Sure if everybody new this was being monitored the trips to food stops and taking of liberties with pool cars would see decent fall.	Green Fleet & Travel (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	The council are already doing this but utilisation could be improved through altering current agreements in how the system is used to monitor and improve performance.
34762	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	The use and information related to electric cars is lacking. Never once say somebody get in one one at Whitehill House.	Green Fleet & Travel (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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34763	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	Also, council vans parked outside employees homes nightly - some not even within the county, showing free travel to work for all these employee's is something that needs addressed - the public purse should not be paying for council employee's to get to work. Further more, these vans are seen around the county picking other employee's up - Employee's should have to fund their own way to work - no excuses, not all these vans are used for out of hours responding to emergencies.	Green Fleet & Travel (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Council policy requires a business case for vehicles to be taken home.
34764	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	Good - but how much will the re-branding of vehicles cost?	Green Fleet & Travel (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for you comment. Rebranding of council vehicles is currently being looked at.
34765	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	Agree. Staff should not be using their own cars anyway and meetings should be organised that there be very little mileage.	Green Fleet & Travel (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34766	No Response	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	Double up the workforce in vans.This would halve the number of vans on the road,save on fuel and halve road tax and maintenance costs	Green Fleet & Travel (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your comment. Due to the nature of service delivery in some services doubling up would not be possible however car sharing will be looked at and encouraged.
34767	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	Money could be saved on mileage by stopping council workers taking home vans and company cars used specifically for work it travelling to and from work.	Green Fleet & Travel (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Council policy requires a business case for vehicles to be taken home.
34768	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	go electric?	Green Fleet & Travel (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	The council is increasing the number of vehicles within the fleet however consideration has to be given to whole life costs and the availability of appropriate charging infrastructure.
34769	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	If services are streamlined then the vehicle use should reduce	Green Fleet & Travel (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34770	No Response	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	At the present moment only a few have been targeted to leave their vans in the depot. This should be right across the council and not the selected few.	Green Fleet & Travel (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Council policy requires a business case for vehicles to be taken home.
34771	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	Outreach increase and reduction of business mileage...how does that work?	Green Fleet & Travel (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Each service will be required to look at reducing business mileage across the service while giving consideration to specific team requirements.
34772	An employee of West Lothian Council	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	Get rid of petrol cars and go all electric. The electric cars are excellent!	Green Fleet & Travel (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	The council currently uses electric vehicles and is looking to increase the electric fleet again this year.
34773	An employee of West Lothian Council	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	Remove the ludicrous dedicated vehicles for certain staff, stop staff from claiming mileage entirely and reduce the number of pool vehicles.	Green Fleet & Travel (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34774	An employee of West Lothian Council	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	The availability of electric and hybrid vehicles should be increased as most journeys are local.	Green Fleet & Travel (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	The council currently uses electric vehicles and is looking to increase the electric fleet again this year.
34775	An employee of West Lothian Council	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	There are still a number of manual workers employed by the council who get transported to and from work in mini buses from as far away as Glasgow. This must stop and the terms and conditions enjoyed by this group of workers brought into line with everyone else.	Green Fleet & Travel (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Council policy requires a business case for vehicles to be taken home.
34776	An employee of West Lothian Council	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	There may be alternative forms of delivery for parts of this largely non-statutory service worthy of examination.	Green Fleet & Travel (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34777	An employee of West Lothian Council	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	If the council rely on employees less to use their own vehicles/travel for their posts.	Green Fleet & Travel (general)	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34778	An employee of West Lothian Council	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	No employee (according to council) should need to use their own vehicle - fleet will reduce along with staff numbers surely? Push bikes?	Green Fleet & Travel (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34779	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	Good. There should be a deep-dive on the need to meet up for coffees/meetings - maximise use of teleconferencing and videoconferencing. Running around WL in cars is ridiculous. Also, suit the claims - you can be sure that some are fiddling the expenses.	Green Fleet & Travel (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34780	No Response	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	Work vehicles should only be taken home if staff are on standby .	Green Fleet & Travel (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Council policy requires a business case for vehicles to be taken home.

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34781	An employee of West Lothian Council	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	Reducing business mileage payments will place additional pressure on the existing pool cars, particularly in Revs and Bens as managers will make significant demand on the pool cars attending meetings outwith St David House on a regular basis.	Green Fleet & Travel (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Services will be required to review service delivery to ensure travel is minimised and done in the most efficient manner.
34782	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	All staff should be using council vehicles rather than their owns!!!	Green Fleet & Travel (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	There will always be a requirement for staff to use their own vehicle in certain situations to deliver essential council services. The cost of providing a council vehicle for every journey would outweigh the benefit of not reimbursing staff for mileage undertaken in personal vehicles.
34783	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	The council also needs to stop all council vehicles taken home by employees, picking up colleagues and parked on the streets. I have previously written to the council on this with reasons why it is not right, but email was not responded to and I assume ignored.	Green Fleet & Travel (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Council policy requires a business case for vehicles to be taken home.
34784	An employee of West Lothian Council	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	I don't agree these are a true reflection of green travel as a lot of staff use their own cars on council business without claiming expenses as they cannot access pool cars so I'm not commenting any further on this matter.	Green Fleet & Travel (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34785	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	It seems every DLO employee has a van and the number of shopping trips they make per day needs looking at instantly.	Green Fleet & Travel (general)	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34786	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	What does this saving mean? Again we have insufficient information relating to the specifics of this saving to make an informed decision on who this will affect and how. Has an equality impact assessment been completed for this saving? Some employees may require to use their own car due to the nature of their disability, how will this saving affect them and what reasonable adjustments if any will be put in place?	Green Fleet & Travel (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Services will be required to review service delivery to ensure travel is minimised, done in the most efficient manner and vehicle numbers are appropriate for the service delivery model. Your comment regarding an equality impact assessment have been noted and will be incorporated into this review for consideration.
34787	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	Good... this is a luxury sometimes and can be open to abuse outside working hours	Green Fleet & Travel (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comments have been noted. Council policy states council vehicles should not be used for personal use.
34788	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	Use it on buses	Green Fleet & Travel (general)	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34789	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	Agreed. Considering the Council are spending public money my question would be why has this not been done before now?	Green Fleet & Travel (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The introduction of the green travel strategy made significant savings for the council and the pool fleet is still more cost effective than paying mileage to all employees.
34790	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	Provide staff with e-bikes for local journeys that are suitable to cycle.	Green Fleet & Travel (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34791	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	optimise trips to reduce mileage of council vehicles.	Green Fleet & Travel (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Services will be required to review service delivery to ensure travel is minimised and done in the most efficient manner.
34792	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	Ban flying. Stop paying for people to fly to twin towns,	Green Fleet & Travel (general)	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34793	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	Interesting. Do they need a car to do the job or just to get to work..if latter review in line with other businesses.	Green Fleet & Travel (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Employees are required to travel to deliver essential council services however vehicles are not provided for the sole use of transporting employees to and from work.
34794	An employee of West Lothian Council	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	I am not in a position to comment on this, as I don't know the details of your fleet.	Green Fleet & Travel (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34795	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	Would agree with this and also stop council staff using company vehicles in their own time	Green Fleet & Travel (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comments have been noted. Council policy states council vehicles should not be used for personal use.
34796	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	You may need think about how possible this is when local offices are being shut down and public transport links are being cut if you expect staff to do more outreach and community based work from more centralised bases	Green Fleet & Travel (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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34797	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	Stopping the staff taking vans home would reduce cost	Green Fleet & Travel (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Council policy requires a business case for vehicles to be taken home.
34798	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	Agreed. Also staff taking council vehicles home should cease. I pay for my transport to and from work and so should they.	Green Fleet & Travel (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Council policy requires a business case for vehicles to be taken home.
34799	No Response	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	Look at Transport Costa to the Council (every other vehicle on the roads of West Lothian is a Council vehicle)	Green Fleet & Travel (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34800	An employee of West Lothian Council	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	If the right technology is in place, there should be less travel needs.	Green Fleet & Travel (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council is implementing new systems which will help to reduce business travel.
34801	An employee of West Lothian Council	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	If staff wish to use their own car over a council car that should be their prerogative and also their own cost.	Green Fleet & Travel (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Staff are reimbursed for using their own vehicles on council business. The reimbursement rate includes fuel and wear and tear.
34802	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	If council are centralising more services then this could prove difficult for staff to go about their daily business. i.e. attending meetings etc.	Green Fleet & Travel (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Services will be required to review service delivery to ensure travel is required and if so it is minimised and done in the most efficient manner.
34803	An employee of West Lothian Council	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	Do not expect staff to travel to courses across authority or use own vehicle to transport children within schools. Provide a suitable minibus for school use within ALL additional support needs schools reducing the requirement for staff to use vehicles and claim mileage.	Green Fleet & Travel (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	There will always be a requirement for staff to use their own vehicle in certain situations to deliver essential council services. The cost of providing a council vehicle for every journey would outweigh the benefit of not reimbursing staff for mileage undertaken in personal vehicles. Vehicle numbers across all council services will need to be reviewed.
34804	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	Other savings could be made such as not paying for council logos on vehicles as this makes no difference to the service provided. Why should council vehicles have to let everybody know 'this is a council van' Who cares?	Green Fleet & Travel (general)	5c. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it is not consistent with the council's values and priorities.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34805	An employee of West Lothian Council	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	This will cause problems for council staff who are regularly out of the office travelling due to their job. Some managers are constantly travelling from one building to another for meetings. How will they get there?	Green Fleet & Travel (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Services will be required to review service delivery to ensure travel is required and if so it is minimised and done in the most efficient manner.
34806	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	That does not sound fair to your staff.	Green Fleet & Travel (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34807	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	I think it is only fair that if staff use their own vehicles, they should be paid a fair amount to pay for this. Particularly as some of those with access to fleet vehicles, use these to/from their home addresses. We have a council worker in our street who takes up a parking space for a council vehicle and obviously gets free travel to and from their workplace!	Green Fleet & Travel (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Employees will be reimbursed for use of their own vehicle. Council policy requires a business case for council vehicles to be taken home.
34808	An employee of West Lothian Council	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	stop council vans going home most customers dont want you at the house at 8.00 am anyway	Green Fleet & Travel (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Council policy requires a business case for vehicles to be taken home.
34809	An employee of West Lothian Council	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	Any saving that can be achieved by being more efficient by changing plant and vehicles are welcomed	Green Fleet & Travel (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34810	An employee of West Lothian Council	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	Well since I am not allowed to claim business miles and the wear and tear with my car racking up the miles due to the lack of pool cars yes the council have made substantial savings at my expense.	Green Fleet & Travel (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All council employees are entitled to claim mileage for using their own vehicles with a completed business case. Pool cars area available for all to employees to use at various locations around the county.
34811	An employee of West Lothian Council	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	Use trackyou to get % utilisation of vehicles. Which services rarely use some vehicles.	Green Fleet & Travel (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	Telematics and other system management information is used to analyse vehicle utilisation

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34812	An employee of West Lothian Council	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	With increased use of technology this may reduce the need for people to travel to locations.	Green Fleet & Travel (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34813	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	I T for business surly in this day and age	Green Fleet & Travel (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34814	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	Consider electric vehicles/other more cost-effective transport.	Green Fleet & Travel (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	The council currently uses electric and low emission vehicles and is looking to increase the electric fleet again this year.
34815	An employee of West Lothian Council	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	Instead of cutting out job positions why not cut the amount of vehicles i.e. work cars and vans , there must be a huge amount spent on this , paying staff for fuel consumption on their own cars could save lots of money	Green Fleet & Travel (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Vehicle numbers will be reviewed across all council services however it is currently more cost effective to run a fleet of pool cars than to pay all staff for mileage undertaken in personal vehicles.
34816	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	The use of vans/ cars to get to and from work would make a good saving as well. Most people have to make their own way to and from work.	Green Fleet & Travel (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Council policy requires a business case for vehicles to be taken home.
34817	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	continue	Green Fleet & Travel (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34818	No Response	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	Would like to believe these measures are delivering savings but if so great ideas.	Green Fleet & Travel (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34819	An employee of West Lothian Council	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	As long as staff have an alternative to their own cars.	Green Fleet & Travel (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34820	An employee of West Lothian Council	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	This target seems achievable looking at the proposals in this document as services will be slashed anyway.	Green Fleet & Travel (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Services will be required to review service delivery to ensure travel is minimised and done in the most efficient manner.
34821	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	Mileage rates should be removed for council staff as they should be using council fleet.	Green Fleet & Travel (general)	5b. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it is likely that the costs of this proposal would outweigh the benefit.	There will always be a requirement for staff to use their own vehicle in certain situations to deliver essential council services. The cost of providing a council vehicle for every journey would outweigh the benefit of not reimbursing staff for mileage undertaken in personal vehicles.
34822	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	Why do staff use their own vehicles when West Lothian have a fleet of cars	Green Fleet & Travel (general)	5b. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it is likely that the costs of this proposal would outweigh the benefit.	There will always be a requirement for staff to use their own vehicle in certain situations to deliver essential council services. The cost of providing a council vehicle for every journey would outweigh the benefit of not reimbursing staff for mileage undertaken in personal vehicles.
34823	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	Services should be streamlined where possible while maintaining standards and choice.	Green Fleet & Travel (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34824	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	Use technology to attend meetings stop travelling unless essential.	Green Fleet & Travel (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34825	An employee of West Lothian Council	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	Not ambitious enough. Less need for travel if Skype or other teleconferencing is used rather than face to face meetings.	Green Fleet & Travel (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34826	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	Why don't you look at managing staffing by local area where an employee lives in the area don't have them travelling around. More communication	Green Fleet & Travel (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	While this is not always feasible where possible staff in some services work in the area they live in to improve efficiency and reduce travel.
34827	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	All I see is many council vehicles on the road, there must a huge fleet with associated costs.	Green Fleet & Travel (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Vehicle numbers will be reviewed across all council services however it is currently more cost effective to run a fleet of pool cars than to pay all staff for mileage undertaken in personal vehicles.
34828	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	Sell the Provost's private number plate for a substantial sum. Stop minibus Transport for councillors to go about their jobs, why can't they use their own or public transport. Best to prune from the top down, if you cut the bottom of the tree it will fall down.	Green Fleet & Travel (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All employees and councillors have a number of travel options when travel is necessary which can be chosen based on efficiency.
34829	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	Staff should also use public transport as much as possible and the Council should not provide cars, other than for essential work.	Green Fleet & Travel (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	All employees are required to use the travel hierarchy to determine if transport is required and if so which of the numerous options is the most efficient.

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34830	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	A consequence of more use of IT ?	Green Fleet & Travel (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council is investing in I.T. systems to improve the efficiency of the workforce and reduce travel.
34831	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	Invest in mechanics and increase the average age of council fleet of vehicles (provides jobs and reduces need to replace perfectly good cars/vans).	Green Fleet & Travel (general)	5d. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it has been previously considered and will not be progressed.	The council fleet is leased and replaced on a pre-determined cycle following an evaluation exercise which looked at the optimum replacement arrangements for the type of the fleet the council operates. Mechanic numbers fall in line with these requirements and all relevant training is provided to staff.
34832	An employee of West Lothian Council	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	While I agreed that the cheapest method of transport should be used if it is cost effective - no point in using public transport if it is going to take twice as long to get to where you need to be.	Green Fleet & Travel (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	All employees are required to use the travel hierarchy to determine if transport is required and if so which of the numerous options is the most efficient.
34833	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	Reducing business mileage payments will place additional pressure on the existing pool cars, particularly in Revs and Bens as managers will make significant demand on the pool cars attending meetings outwith St David House on a regular basis.	Green Fleet & Travel (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Services will be required to review service delivery to ensure travel is minimised and done in the most efficient manner.
34834	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	Replacing vehicles less often would be better too, vehicles nowadays are much more efficient and much less prone to breakdown, so it makes sense not to replace them so often.	Green Fleet & Travel (general)	5d. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it has been previously considered and will not be progressed.	The council fleet is leased and replaced on a pre-determined cycle following an evaluation exercise which looked at the optimum replacement arrangements for the type of the fleet the council operates.
34835	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	I propose they also look at council transport- why do waste supervisors bring their vans home rarely do they ever get called out so it is not for that purpose. You see council employees bringing vans home and picking up council staff in the morning I propose that you start deducting say £10 per week from each member of staff that have this privilege other council employees have to pay for their fuel or bus fare to get to work why should others have no outlay on transport this would be another way of revenue to the Council.	Green Fleet & Travel (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Council policy requires a business case for vehicles to be taken home however deducting salaries is not something that would be considered at this time.
34836	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	I think if you stop staff taking home council vehicles start charging staff for using the vehicles and picking up staff this would be a revenue, take the amount of vehicle s of the road this must be costing a fortune on servicing road tax insurance & repairs.	Green Fleet & Travel (general)	5b. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it is likely that the costs of this proposal would outweigh the benefit.	Thank you for your response. Your comments have been noted. Charging staff for use of vehicles for home to work travel is not something currently being considered.
34837	An employee of West Lothian Council	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	Need to ensure enough pool cars if reducing mileage allowance.	Green Fleet & Travel (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The number of pool cars will be considered in line with the number of vehicles in other services.
34838	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	Cut cut cut to staff - I feel that is all you are doing here with this. The pool cars are not maintained safely and are putting staff lives at risk meaning staff are forced to use their own cars and now you are stating that you wont give them mileage. I believe that again there will be an involvement of unions and a long battle which will cost in the long run.	Green Fleet & Travel (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All vehicles are serviced and maintained strictly to legal requirements as a minimum.
34839	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	Green vehicles are a good idea since parking and energy seems to be free make full use I say. Might make them cheaper for ordinary members of the public.	Green Fleet & Travel (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council currently uses electric and low emission vehicles and is looking to increase the electric fleet again this year.
34840	An employee of West Lothian Council	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	Consideration should be given to Electric Cars.	Green Fleet & Travel (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	The council currently uses electric and low emission vehicles and is looking to increase the electric fleet again this year.
34841	An employee of West Lothian Council	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	How will this be achieved?	Green Fleet & Travel (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Services will be required to review service delivery to ensure travel is necessary and that any required mileage is minimised and done in the most efficient manner. Vehicle numbers across all council services will need to be reviewed in line with changes to service delivery.
34842	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	Given that staffing will be reduced there is obviously scope for this and also greater use of technology to avoid staff moving around the county on business.	Green Fleet & Travel (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34843	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	I cant understand how the council are saying money when they have taken away milgae claims then went and spent money on so many fleet pool cars	Green Fleet & Travel (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The introduction of the green travel strategy made significant savings for the council. It is currently more cost effective to run a fleet of pool cars than to pay all staff for mileage undertaken in personal vehicles.
34844	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	Definitely in favour of this. Another thing that would be beneficial is if the council vans are not taken home by everyone each night as they park inconsiderately as they have no room on their driveways for these.	Green Fleet & Travel (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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34845	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	In addition, I believe there could be savings achieved in both monetary terms and to the environment by encouraging staff to make better use of public transport when they do need to travel either to/from work and also as part of their employment role.	Green Fleet & Travel (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	Council policy encourages staff to use public transport where appropriate, both while travelling to work and when travelling for business purposes.
34846	An employee of West Lothian Council	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	Is this not the reverse of why there is hundreds of pool cars used currently?	Green Fleet & Travel (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Services will be required to review service delivery to ensure travel is minimised and done in the most efficient manner, and help to ensure vehicle numbers are optimised.
34847	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	I suppose members of staff can use a bus or walk with regards council business that requires travel. I know I would as it would take me away from the job for a longer period of time.	Green Fleet & Travel (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Council policy encourages staff to use public transport where appropriate and when it would not amount to an inefficient use of staff time.
34848	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	Reducing car pool Reduce the amount of employees who are frequently seen sleeping in council vans	Green Fleet & Travel (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34849	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	Agree totally...no employees should be allowed to take council vehicles home overnight, unless absolutely required.	Green Fleet & Travel (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Council policy requires a business case for vehicles to be taken home.
34850	No Response	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	Perhaps savings could be made by addressing the number of council workers who take West Lothian council vans home at night and use them to pick up council workers to take them to depots in the morning surely this has cost implications in terms of fuel. Most people who work have to make their own travel arrangements to get to work and pay either fuel for their own car/ taxis/ buses trains etc.	Green Fleet & Travel (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Council policy requires a business case for vehicles to be taken home.
34851	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	paying for the use of own vehicle leaves the scheme open to serious misuse.	Green Fleet & Travel (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	There will always be a requirement to travel to deliver council services however it is currently more cost effective to run a fleet of pool cars than to pay all staff for mileage undertaken in personal vehicles. Appropriate controls are currently in place to authorise and personal vehicle mileage claims.
34852	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	Generally support cutting down on wasted trips but if you mean council enforcement officers won't come out as often then no! Also so you are saying your staff should subsidise the council? I think that is a non starter.	Green Fleet & Travel (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Services will be required to review service delivery to ensure travel is necessary and that any required mileage is minimised and done in the most efficient manner.
34853	An employee of West Lothian Council	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	Give some thought to your fleet. Only recently I have had to put up with a West Lothian Council van parking in an allocated visitor parking bay at my house which I find frustrating but it has also highlighted the amount of down time these vehicles have. On occasion it can sit there for three days without moving and recently for a period of five days as the owner must have been on holiday! How much of your fleet are sitting idle! Can you not have a rota or working system say 5/7 working days that is common practice in outside industry and you wouldn't need as many vans.	Green Fleet & Travel (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Council policy requires a business case for vehicles to be taken home. Services will be required to review service delivery to ensure travel is minimised and done in the most efficient manner, and help to ensure vehicle numbers are optimised.
34854	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	Council workers taking vehicles home and collecting a squad before getting to work is a waste of resources and unfair on other council workers who have to absorb the cost of traveling to work.	Green Fleet & Travel (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Council policy requires a business case for vehicles to be taken home.
34855	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	Do not allow worker to take transport home. We all have to pay to get to work.	Green Fleet & Travel (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Council policy requires a business case for vehicles to be taken home.
34856	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	We see the outcome of this as we see all the white vans and cars that sit at the back of the county buildings in Linlithgow and never seem to move.	Green Fleet & Travel (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Services will be required to review service delivery to ensure travel is minimised and done in the most efficient manner, and help to ensure vehicle numbers are optimised.
34857	An employee of West Lothian Council	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	Again introduce electric cars	Green Fleet & Travel (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	The council currently uses electric and low emission vehicles and is looking to increase the electric fleet again this year.
34858	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	There has been a lot of mention initially in the consultation for an increase in digital, perhaps meetings could be held digitally to reduce travel costs	Green Fleet & Travel (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34859	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	Agree and go to green vehicles and stop staff having breaks in fleet vehicles with the engine running	Green Fleet & Travel (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	The council currently uses electric and low emission vehicles and is looking to increase the electric fleet again this year. Vehicle idling is illegal and not allowed under council policy and is monitored using vehicle telematics information.
34860	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	Why have you been wasting so much of our money up to this point?	Green Fleet & Travel (general)	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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34861	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	I assume the general staffing reductions alluded to in previous questions would mean that less staff would be employed and therefore there would be a natural reduction in staff using their own vehicles for business	Green Fleet & Travel (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Services will be required to review service delivery in line with changes to resources and services requirements to ensure travel is minimised and done in the most efficient manner, help to ensure vehicle numbers are optimised and maintain the required level of service delivery.
34862	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	Agree. It is a nonsense that some staff travel from one end of the county to the other to deliver services when they could be more locally based especially with the use of Worksmart.	Green Fleet & Travel (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34863	An employee of West Lothian Council	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	Discussion of staff terms and conditions with the public rather than recognised trade unions is unacceptable	Green Fleet & Travel (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. The recognised trade unions will be part of any terms and conditions related discussions.
34864	An employee of West Lothian Council	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	The council has done well in this area and this should continue to be a priority.	Green Fleet & Travel (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34865	An employee of West Lothian Council	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	A review of journeys taken in own vehicle should be carried out.	Green Fleet & Travel (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	Mileage claims made for use of personal vehicles are monitored and authorised by line managers.
34866	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	One cost saving would be no longer allowing staff to use Council vehicles to travel too/from work. calculating the cost of fuel, maintenance and insurance I'm sure would show a reasonable amount of saving. Less miles on the clock means less fixing and longer life span of vehicles.	Green Fleet & Travel (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Council policy requires a business case for vehicles to be taken home.
34867	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	Do senior managers have company cars? Maybe this needs to be stopped. Tools for the job are acceptable however, transport for the sake of it is wrong.	Green Fleet & Travel (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Council employees do not receive company cars. The council has a fleet of 300 pool vehicles for staff to use for business travel.
34868	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	With regards all proposed cuts. In an endeavour to save money a chauffeur driven vehicle seems very unnecessary for council use, and only seems to be for prestige	Green Fleet & Travel (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34869	An employee of West Lothian Council	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	There are staff still taking Council fleet home but not abiding by the terms of the Driving Policy (yet another example of cost to WLC and an unfair and discriminatory "bonus" to staff using the fleet in this way),	Green Fleet & Travel (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Council policy requires a business case for vehicles to be taken home.
34870	An employee of West Lothian Council	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	Need to look at number of vehicles council provide. The council should be able to provide a car mileage scheme to allow staff to use their own vehicle which is more cost effective than providing additional vehicles.	Green Fleet & Travel (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Vehicle numbers across all council services will need to be reviewed in line with changes to service delivery. There will always be a requirement for staff to use their own vehicle in certain situations to deliver essential council services. The cost of providing a council vehicle for every journey would outweigh the benefit of not reimbursing staff for mileage undertaken in personal vehicles.
34871	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	How much of this is done by technology changes and how much by reducing interactions with others? Will staff mileage be benchmarked by the AA or similar to ensure it is fair.	Green Fleet & Travel (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Services will be required to review service delivery to ensure travel is necessary and that any required mileage is minimised and done in the most efficient manner. Business mileage is monitored internally in line with corporate monitoring timetables.
34872	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	Ensure all council vehicles are used only for business purposes, they should not be used as a means to commute to and from work	Green Fleet & Travel (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Council policy requires a business case for vehicles to be taken home.
34873	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	If council vans etc were kept at night in council carparks and not driven home by employees and parked at their homes the council would save the additional mileage incurred when the vans are driven home and to the work area the following day.	Green Fleet & Travel (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Council policy requires a business case for vehicles to be taken home.
34874	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	The council will ensure that no driver leaves their vehicle idling at anytime. No tea breaks taken with an engine running. No chatting or noting work with their engine running. Vehicles fitted with trackers to ensure wastage is eliminated.	Green Fleet & Travel (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	Vehicle idling is illegal and not allowed under council policy and is monitored using vehicle telematics information.
34875	An employee of West Lothian Council	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	One proposal that was put to me is electric cars for pool cars with charging points at the car pick up points. All council vehicles to my knowledge have diesel engines, this could cost going forward if not addressed.	Green Fleet & Travel (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	The council is increasing its electric fleet however at this stage the cost of making the full fleet electric would outweigh the benefit.

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34876	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	Reducing carbon emissions surely also relates to the type of vehicles the Council uses for allowing movement of staff within West Lothian. The introduction of Electric vehicles has not been discussed here and potentially could have been. Are more electric cars being considered in place of diesel vehicles?	Green Fleet & Travel (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The council currently uses electric and low emission vehicles and is looking to increase the electric fleet again this year.
34877	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	Has an equality impact assessment been carried out for each of the budget proposals? It is essential that this is done at the earliest opportunity in order to assess what the impact will be on those in the protected characteristics groups and those already experiencing disadvantage.	Green Fleet & Travel (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment regarding an equality impact assessment has been noted and will be incorporated into this review for consideration.
34878	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	Yes more efficient cars should be used	Green Fleet & Travel (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	The council currently uses electric and low emission vehicles and is looking to increase the electric fleet again this year.
34879	An employee of West Lothian Council	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	Further investment required as this sits well with previous savings targets(carbon)	Green Fleet & Travel (general)	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34880	An employee of West Lothian Council	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	This seems unfair to staff as the rate hasn't changed for c 20 years anyway and HR21 makes it virtually impossible to claim anyway so sure this aspect has already radically reduced along with the introduction of Pool cars. If there was more working at home / expanded hours - 4 day week for staff there would be less need for as many pool cars and further cars can be removed.	Green Fleet & Travel (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The maximum tax free business mileage reimbursement rate is set by HMRC and is currently used by the council.
34881	An employee of West Lothian Council	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	disabled buses have only 2-3 people on them, surely this needs to be looked as to be more cost effective ie smaller vehicles , are they more cost effective	Green Fleet & Travel (general)	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	There are a number of factors that influence the number of clients on each Community Transport bus service.
34882	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	The council should review where it can make savings in its delivery - e.g. have 'gold standards' (seen set in the good times that can be compromised)	Green Fleet & Travel (general)	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34883	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	Look to reduce the need for staff to travel in the first place. Would smaller vehicles be cheaper if the majority of journeys involve a single person?	Green Fleet & Travel (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	There will always be a requirement to travel to deliver council services however it is currently more cost effective to run a fleet of pool cars than to pay all staff for mileage undertaken in personal vehicles.
34884	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	All no 7 section will result in poorer services for everyone	Green Fleet & Travel (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34885	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	Cut the number of vehicles the council has and park them every night except on call but must be proven.	Green Fleet & Travel (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Council policy requires a business case for vehicles to be taken home.
34886	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	Use council vehicles for private use (does happen but the council denies it. What do you expect	Green Fleet & Travel (general)	5c. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it is not consistent with the council's values and priorities.	Council policy does not allow private use of council vehicles.
34887	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	Stop vehicles being taken home by employees therefore cutting down on mileage and fuel and also the temptation to use vehicles for personal use.	Green Fleet & Travel (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Council policy requires a business case for vehicles to be taken home and does not allow private use of council vehicles.
34888	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	Stop vans and cars being taken to employees homes	Green Fleet & Travel (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Council policy requires a business case for vehicles to be taken home.
34889	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	The number of West Lothian Council vehicles (vans etc) is a significant cost and should be reduced.	Green Fleet & Travel (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34890	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	Savings could be made by not allowing so employees to take council vans home e.g. painters etc. Ok for callouts but not for others.	Green Fleet & Travel (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Council policy requires a business case for vehicles to be taken home.
34891	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	Council cars and mileage claims could be looked at.	Green Fleet & Travel (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Business mileage is monitored internally in line with corporate monitoring timetables. Mileage claims made for use of personal vehicles are monitored and authorised by line managers.
34892	An employee of West Lothian Council	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	Reduce the number of specialist vehicles e.g. gritters and make more multifunctional - all year round usage.	Green Fleet & Travel (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	The council already has a number of multi-functional specialist vehicles and any future replacements will be considered.

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34893	An employee of West Lothian Council	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	As the council is committed to reduce the West Lothian region's carbon emission footprint and help in generating income for the council, I would propose using the council's residential street lamps as electric charging facilities. This could be run by an external provider that would be on contract provide basis. A London council has implemented with a good degree of success.	Green Fleet & Travel (general)	5d. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it has been previously considered and will not be progressed.	The current street lighting network does not have the capacity for electric vehicle charging so this suggestion will not be progressed at present.
34894	An employee of West Lothian Council	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	As stated within the energy reduction section, using the council's residential street lighting infrastructure for charging electric vehicles as the council's regional carbon footprint reduction commitment. This could be run externally by a council approved contract provider.	Green Fleet & Travel (general)	5d. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it has been previously considered and will not be progressed.	The current street lighting network does not have the capacity for electric vehicle charging so this suggestion will not be progressed at present.
34895	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	Council vehicles should not be allowed to be taken home by different services as happens daily in all different services. Only vehicle that are on call duties or mobile working should be allowed to do this. The cost for fuel and servicing will be a massive saving if this ceases to happen.	Green Fleet & Travel (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Council policy requires a business case for vehicles to be taken home.
34896	No Response	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	And make them all use their own transport to collect their vans like most other working person!!! How much fuel money would that save over the yr with the amount of council vehicles taken home by employees.	Green Fleet & Travel (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Council policy requires a business case for vehicles to be taken home.
34897	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	Promotion of car share and private hire would be a benefit as is the increased use of electric vehicles so more charging points.	Green Fleet & Travel (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	The council currently uses electric and low emission vehicles and is looking to increase the electric fleet again this year.
34898	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	Reduce size of transport vehicles for delivery of internal mail..why is a minibus required?	Green Fleet & Travel (general)	5d. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it has been previously considered and will not be progressed.	Internal mail delivery routes are combined with other service delivery routes to reduce double journeys and increase efficiency.
34899	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	Working Arrangements - the council should introduce shift patterns to maximise the use of the vehicle assets whilst protecting jobs.	Green Fleet & Travel (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34900	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	Stop the council chauffeur driver car	Green Fleet & Travel (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34901	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	This statement is too general to elicit a comment It is a 'do your job' statement.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34902	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	Cannot comment without more detail.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34903	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	No comment.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34904	An employee of West Lothian Council	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	N/A	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34905	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	No comment.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34906	An employee of West Lothian Council	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	This survey is too long at there is both too much and not enough information.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34907	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	I don't understand budgeting advantages and restraints enough to comment.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34908	An employee of West Lothian Council	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	i dont not know wat this means	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34909	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	reserve my thoughts on this one	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34910	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	No comment on this	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34911	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	-	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34912	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	I don't understand	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34913	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	No comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34914	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	No comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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34915	An employee of West Lothian Council	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	N/a	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34916	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	No comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34917	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	Seems reasonable, but may be hard to achieve in practice.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34918	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	Again this such be part of the Council and should not be considered as additional savings. It is clear throughout this series of questions that the Council has seldom looked outside its box at good operational practice and the value of modern use of technology	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34919	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	Yikes	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34920	No Response	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	dgdg	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34921	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	nil	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34922	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	No Comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34923	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	No comment.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34924	An employee of West Lothian Council	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	NA	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34925	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	As I'm not sure what the current rate for mileage is, more information is required.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34926	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	no comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34927	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34928	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	No comment.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34929	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	No comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34930	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	No comments	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34931	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	No comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34932	No Response	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	Don't know enough to comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34933	An employee of West Lothian Council	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	no comment.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34934	An employee of West Lothian Council	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	don't know enough about it to comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34935	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	No comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34936	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	no comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34937	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	See my comments about regarding provision of subsidised public transport.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34938	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	Do not have enough information to pass comment.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34939	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	No comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34940	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	Unable to comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34941	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	No comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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34942	An employee of West Lothian Council	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	N/a	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34943	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	See above re electric bus fleets.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34944	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	No comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34945	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	Noted.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34946	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	No comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34947	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	We do not believe we have the knowledge or experience of this area to be able to make an informed comment on it.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34948	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	Noted	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34949	An employee of West Lothian Council	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	I don't use council vehicles.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34950	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	unable to comment as not in plain english	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34951	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	No comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34952	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	No comment.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34953	An individual	7e. Green Fleet & Travel	Maybe if people on the dole could do some work to earn their money it seems to work in other countries. For example, sweep up streets, keep gardens tidy, do any little things that keep things tidy around.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34954	An employee of West Lothian Council	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	If this can provide the necessary savings then this should be pursued.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34955	An individual	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34956	An employee of West Lothian Council	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34957	An employee of West Lothian Council	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	Seems reasonable.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34958	An individual	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	no issue	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34959	An employee of West Lothian Council	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	Yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34960	An individual	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	Agree, should be relatively straight forward given information available.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34961	An individual	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	Agree this proposal.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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34962	No Response	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	Have no objection	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34963	An employee of West Lothian Council	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34964	An employee of West Lothian Council	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	I agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34965	An individual	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	Good.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34966	An employee of West Lothian Council	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	Makes sense	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34967	An individual	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	Good idea.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34968	An individual	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	Yes.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34969	An employee of West Lothian Council	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34970	An individual	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34971	No Response	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	I agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34972	An individual	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	happy with this	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34973	An employee of West Lothian Council	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34974	An individual	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34975	An individual	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	positive	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34976	An individual	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	I agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34977	An individual	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	Once again long overdue	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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34978	An individual	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	go ahead with the savings	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34979	An individual	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	Sounds good. With the number of private Factoring companies now charging for ground maintenance, there should eh48 less need for the council to cover this.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34980	An individual	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	I support this change	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34981	An individual	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	I agree with the Council's proposals for the moment to see how they all work out. Thank you.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34982	An employee of West Lothian Council	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	I agree with the above	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34983	An employee of West Lothian Council	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	Sounds very good to me!	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34984	An individual	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	Good saving	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34985	An individual	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	This sounds a good idea. I always feel West Lothian has been able to pride itself on being a beautiful well kept area with a number of green areas, people come from outwith to enjoy.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34986	An individual	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	Agree, this is a nice to have in many places. Again what about communities being involved. Burgh Beautiful for example	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34987	An individual	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	Sounds good to me	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34988	An employee of West Lothian Council	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	Makes sense.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34989	An individual	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	Agree.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34990	An employee of West Lothian Council	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34991	An individual	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	ok.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34992	An individual	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34993	An individual	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	I support this idea	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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34994	An individual	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	Good	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34995	An employee of West Lothian Council	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	great.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34996	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	good idea	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34997	An individual	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	GOOD PLAN	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34998	An individual	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	I support this.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
34999	No Response	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	Agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35000	An individual	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	Sensible	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35001	An individual	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	Agreed.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35002	An individual	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35003	An individual	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	I would support this.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35004	An employee of West Lothian Council	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	I agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35005	An employee of West Lothian Council	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	Good	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35006	An individual	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	Support	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35007	An employee of West Lothian Council	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	Agree.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35008	An individual	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	Acceptable	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35009	An individual	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	Agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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35010	An individual	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	Agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35011	An employee of West Lothian Council	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	I agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35012	An employee of West Lothian Council	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	agree with proposal	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35013	No Response	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	Seems reasonable.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35014	An individual	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	Ok	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35015	An individual	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	Fair	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35016	An individual	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	I agree with this proposal.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35017	An individual	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	I agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35018	An employee of West Lothian Council	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35019	An individual	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35020	An employee of West Lothian Council	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	Ok if no loss of service	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35021	An employee of West Lothian Council	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	Sounds ok	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35022	An individual	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	This sounds beneficial.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35023	An individual	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	I have no objection to this.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35024	An employee of West Lothian Council	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35025	An individual	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	I agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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35026	An individual	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35027	An individual	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	Ok	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35028	An individual	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35029	An employee of West Lothian Council	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	Agree.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35030	An individual	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	Yes good idea	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35031	An employee of West Lothian Council	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	Ok.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35032	An employee of West Lothian Council	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	Agree with this proposal.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35033	An individual	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35034	An employee of West Lothian Council	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	Agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35035	An individual	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	Don't see a problem with this.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35036	An individual	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	I support.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35037	An individual	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	If it needs to be done..	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35038	An individual	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	I agree with the above.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35039	An employee of West Lothian Council	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	This is important too but realise cuts need to be made	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35040	An individual	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	Shoudl already have been in place!	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35041	An individual	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	Ok	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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35042	An individual	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	I would support this proposal.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35043	An individual	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	Agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35044	An individual	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	go for it !	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35045	An employee of West Lothian Council	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	This appears to be a reasonable proposal.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35046	An individual	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35047	An individual	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35048	An individual	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35049	An individual	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	I agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35050	An individual	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	Ok	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35051	An individual	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35052	An individual	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	Yes.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35053	An individual	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	good	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35054	An individual	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	I would support this	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35055	No Response	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35056	An employee of West Lothian Council	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35057	An individual	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	Sounds like a good idea!	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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35058	An individual	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	I agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35059	An employee of West Lothian Council	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	agree with proposal	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35060	An employee of West Lothian Council	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35061	An individual	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35062	An employee of West Lothian Council	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35063	An employee of West Lothian Council	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35064	An individual	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	I agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35065	An employee of West Lothian Council	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	I agree with this.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35066	An individual	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	okay	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35067	An individual	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	Supported	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35068	An individual	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	okay	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35069	An individual	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	ok	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35070	An individual	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35071	An individual	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	Good idea.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35072	An individual	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	Agree with this	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35073	An employee of West Lothian Council	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	Ok	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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35074	An employee of West Lothian Council	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	Agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35075	An individual	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	This is another good proposal.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35076	An individual	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	This seems a good way to save money.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35077	An employee of West Lothian Council	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35078	An individual	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35079	An employee of West Lothian Council	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	Good idea.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35080	An employee of West Lothian Council	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35081	An individual	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	Yes.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35082	An individual	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35083	An individual	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	Agree this is essential.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35084	An individual	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	Agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35085	An individual	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	Agreed.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35086	An individual	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	Agree with some aspects of this.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35087	An individual	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35088	No Response	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	OK	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35089	An individual	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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35090	An individual	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35091	An employee of West Lothian Council	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	Proposal seems fair	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35092	An individual	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	Makes perfect sense and is normal in all other workplaces.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35093	No Response	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	OK	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35094	An individual	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	Agree, I regularly see what I consider non-productive activities so not cutting the services provided and making them more efficient is the way to go.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35095	An individual	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	Seems like a sensible proposal - so agree.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35096	An employee of West Lothian Council	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	I agree with this proposal	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35097	An individual	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	Agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35098	An individual	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	ok	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35099	An employee of West Lothian Council	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	I support looking at savings in this area.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35100	An individual	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	Go on !	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35101	An individual	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	Agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35102	An employee of West Lothian Council	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35103	An employee of West Lothian Council	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35104	An individual	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	Ok	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35105	An individual	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	Ok	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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35106	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	Agreed. Undesirable but necessary.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35107	An individual	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35108	An individual	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	Ok	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35109	An employee of West Lothian Council	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35110	An employee of West Lothian Council	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	Supportive in principle although based on limited information and need for service consultation.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35111	An individual	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	Sounds fine.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35112	An individual	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35113	An individual	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35114	An individual	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	OK	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35115	An individual	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	I agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35116	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35117	An individual	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	Absolutely.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35118	An individual	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	I completely agree with this.I completely agree with this.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35119	An individual	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	Seems fair	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35120	An employee of West Lothian Council	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	I agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35121	An employee of West Lothian Council	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	I agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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35122	An individual	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35123	An individual	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	Look okay as it is possible to evaluate given the vague descriptions given in the 'Transforming Your Council'	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35124	An individual	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	I agree with the proposal.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35125	An individual	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	All proposals are sound.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35126	An individual	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	you can't cut this any further	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35127	No Response	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	Disagree	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35128	An individual	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	Do not agree	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35129	An individual	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	no	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35130	An individual	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	none	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35131	An individual	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	What is the requirement? Broad statement. Again no explanation of impact. My local environment is already worse off from previous cuts. Don't support.	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35132	An individual	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	Having been a resident of West Lothian for 45+ years I have noticed a decline in the overall environment and it's maintenance. I would not be happy to see a further decline	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35133	An individual	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	Thought that you had already implemented this - weeds, leaves, choked drains everywhere. Not the best suggestion.	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35134	An individual	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	I would prefer funding to provided to vulnerable groups and those with disabilities rather than park maintenance.	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35135	An individual	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	Necessary to keep	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35136	An individual	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	High quality green space is essential to provide high quality communities. There has already been a deterioration in the environmental quality of Livingston. I do not agree that further cuts should be made in this area.	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35137	An individual	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	Disagree	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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35138	An individual	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	I do not agree.	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35139	An individual	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	None	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35140	An individual	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	The areas looked after by NETs are already looking dreadful a further reduction is unthinkable.	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35141	An individual	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	Agree. Need to promote community involvement in external spaces through schools, groups etc to develop a sense of responsibility/ownership.	NETs, Land & Countryside - enforcement & management	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35142	An individual	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	What are NETs?	NETs, Land & Countryside - enforcement & management	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	NETs stand for Neighbourhood Environmental Teams
35143	No Response	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	Dog signs needed [REDACTED] Dog walkers also need dealt with, rubbish, cans and bottles need cleaned up. Signs needed outside [REDACTED] people don't pick up poo outside our windows.	NETs, Land & Countryside - enforcement & management	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35144	An individual	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	I am concerned that the management and maintenance of West Lothian's country parks comes under this heading but no mention has been made of any plans for cost cutting in this area. I do not approve of any further cuts to our country parks.	NETs, Land & Countryside - enforcement & management	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council routinely reviews its open space maintenance standards including country parks and this suggestion will be incorporated into the next review.
35145	An individual	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	It maybe of interest to have consultation in school re vandalism in the way of essay.	NETs, Land & Countryside - enforcement & management	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The Education and Engagement officers routinely engage with schools and your comments will be incorporated in the next review.
35146	An individual	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	Also, increase revenue by actually pursuing the litterers, dog-foulers, fly-tippers etc that are making West Lothian the lavatory of all Scotland. In addition - fine illegal Motorists. walk my dogs every evening and rapidly count handfuls of broken headlights, tail-lights, brake lights, exhausts - If I can do it, why can't the authority's? Increased Policing will very quickly pay for itself by revenue brought in - and making our environment cleaner and healthier - and our roads safer.	NETs, Land & Countryside - enforcement & management	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The council routinely reviews its open space maintenance standards and this suggestion will be incorporated into the next review.
35147	An individual	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	Enforce and ticket people who break council regulations in regard to parking; littering; vandalism etc	NETs, Land & Countryside - enforcement & management	4. The council is already doing this.	The council routinely reviews its open space maintenance standards and this suggestion will be incorporated into the next review.
35148	An individual	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	Where the council sells houses and has no tenants, the adjacent open spaces should also be sold/ feud at the same time to the adjoining landowner.	NETs, Land & Countryside - general	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The council routinely reviews its open space maintenance standards and this suggestion will be incorporated into the next review.
35149	An employee of West Lothian Council	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	Provides one of the most visible services to the area. Reductions here will negatively impact on the perception of West Lothian as a place to live, work and do business. However where efficiencies can be made that don't necessarily reduce service delivery, they should be looked at.	NETs, Land & Countryside - general	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council routinely reviews its open space maintenance standards and this suggestion will be incorporated into the next review.
35150	An employee of West Lothian Council	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	Cemetery charges for non residents could be increased.	NETs, Land & Countryside - general	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The council routinely reviews its cemetery charges on an annual basis and this suggestion will be incorporated into the next review.
35151	An employee of West Lothian Council	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	Any savings that can be made through a review of these services it to be welcomed.	NETs, Land & Countryside - general	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council routinely reviews its open space maintenance standards and this suggestion will be incorporated into the next review.
35152	An employee of West Lothian Council	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	I do not have enough knowledge to comment on this	NETs, Land & Countryside - general	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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35153	An individual	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	Most of the footpaiaere overgrown as it is, so if you are going to reduce the service then what will be left.	NETs, Land & Countryside - general	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council routinely reviews its open space maintenance standards and this suggestion will be incorporated into the next review.
35154	An employee of West Lothian Council	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	More resources are required to maintain verges, kerbs and landscaped areas to ensure the district is maintained regularly and kept in good condition which makes West Lothian an attractive area to live and work within.	NETs, Land & Countryside - general	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council routinely reviews its open space maintenance standards and this suggestion will be incorporated into the next review.
35155	An individual	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	A key reason for me moving to West Lothian was the excellent green space and open spaces. That semi-rural vibe is already being eroded and I would not want to see maintenance/upkeep of these areas reduced.	NETs, Land & Countryside - general	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council routinely reviews its open space maintenance standards and this suggestion will be incorporated into the next review.
35156	An individual	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	Put the country parks out to trust.	NETs, Land & Countryside - general	5c. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it is not consistent with the council's values and priorities.	The council has no plans to outsource the service
35157	An individual	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	another review waste of m money	NETs, Land & Countryside - general	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35158	An individual	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	NETs are great	NETs, Land & Countryside - general	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35159	An employee of West Lothian Council	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	Go to "meadow" cuts in parks and grass areas.	NETs, Land & Countryside - general	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35160	An individual	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	Seems reasonable but I suspect the detail may be less acceptable.	NETs, Land & Countryside - general	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35161	An individual	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	improve or develop community participation	NETs, Land & Countryside - general	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35162	An individual	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	Communities need to maintained to a reasonable standard but there must be ways of encouraging more community involvement through schools, offenders, older people's groups, church groups etc.	NETs, Land & Countryside - general	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35163	An employee of West Lothian Council	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	The costs involved in provision of this service are included in what Council Tax payments. Reducing services? Job losses?	NETs, Land & Countryside - general	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35164	An individual	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	Why aren't WLC using community payback orders to compliment local schemes?	NETs, Land & Countryside - general	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35165	An employee of West Lothian Council	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	Whilst the floral displays that are provided (I think by the council) do brighten our towns the cost to maintain them must be an extra that needs rethought.	NETs, Land & Countryside - general	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35166	An individual	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	Would suggest the council review the time and the amount of staff employed to undertake the land cutting and maintenance as there seems to be a lot of "sitting in the lorries" up to 9.30 in the morning and then lots of breaks throughout the day. Which is observed by the tax payer.	NETs, Land & Countryside - general	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35167	An individual	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	Not sure what this is but I see some evidence of playground renewal etc which could be considered unnecessary, as an example. So thoughtful management of this sounds good.	NETs, Land & Countryside - general	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35168	An employee of West Lothian Council	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	takes too long from requesting work from NETS to work being carried out	NETs, Land & Countryside - general	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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35169	An individual	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	Keep all open space expenditure in line with strategic objectives i.e. do not allow adhoc Cllr and individual complaint related projects, e.g. pitches and pavilions where demand or geographic strategic value is absent	NETs, Land & Countryside - general	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council expenditure for all open spaces is prioritised and delivered to meet the objectives of the councils open space strategy and service standards.
35170	An individual	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	I don't understand what this paragraph is supposed to be telling me about Â£2.7million savings. How are they being made?	NETs, Land & Countryside - general	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35171	An individual	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	Worry about this area of cuts. This is a large cut to a service. Parks and grounds are very important to me. They encourage me to walk and enjoy the fresh air and are good for everyone health. It is already noticeable that grass is getting cut less often and when it does it makes a mess. I understand why this is happening but is sad to see. Paths are being unusable at times due to shrubs being overrun and can make me not use them as I feel unsafe. Plants are now missing and I wonder if more could be carried to encourage us the citizens of West Lothian to maintain these and take more pride in our community. Could kids be encouraged in this area via schools to educate them on the importance of our environment and make it fun planting flowers etc. 0	NETs, Land & Countryside - general	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35172	An individual	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	get the janitors in the schools to do the work	NETs, Land & Countryside - general	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35173	An individual	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	Encourage communities to take ownership of their own space	NETs, Land & Countryside - general	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35174	An employee of West Lothian Council	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	Need to ensure open areas along roadsides are maintained and not a hazard to drivers. Health and safety should be paramount. Again customers expectations need to be managed. Communication between services needs to increase. Greater enforcement when issues arise.	NETs, Land & Countryside - general	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35175	An individual	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	Close buildings others than toilets in country parks. Put into trust. Let communities manage their own parks if they want them.	NETs, Land & Countryside - general	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35176	An individual	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	Get the fly-tippers, litterers, graffiti artists and dog-foulers to do these activities as part of their community service. make them wear identification to show WHY they are there - it will soon reduce the need if those who cause the issue are made accountable (Note : first have enough Police etc. available to catch them in the act)	NETs, Land & Countryside - general	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35177	An employee of West Lothian Council	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	Paths are becoming overgrown with bushes due to lack of trimming, creating personal safety issues, needing to walk on roads or dark paths regardless of street lights.	NETs, Land & Countryside - general	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35178	An individual	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	The issue here is productivity. The work-rate is just not high enough. A job which can be done by one, is often done by two. Laziness and apathy is a factor in operational services, whether you admit it or not.	NETs, Land & Countryside - general	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35179	An individual	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	Brilliant open spaces and parks - keep this up - unnecessary weed killing and begonia planting - garden for the modern world and keep spaces green but cost effective - seek volunteers in the shape and form of voluntary orgs and schools etc.	NETs, Land & Countryside - general	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35180	An employee of West Lothian Council	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	Lots of petrol and diesel leaves the depots in jerry cans for mowers and small plant and is not well accounted for.	NETs, Land & Countryside - general	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your comment, this information will be passed to the service
35181	An employee of West Lothian Council	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	Sadly can see this happening already. Areas that were always colourful are now weed filled.	NETs, Land & Countryside - general	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35182	An individual	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	The services provided by NETS are of a high standard and should be maintained to help people take pride in their home and community.	NETs, Land & Countryside - general	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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35183	An individual	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	Sounds as though it makes sense, but would it work in practice?	NETs, Land & Countryside - general	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35184	An individual	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	6. A membership scheme for parks and open spaces similar to West Lothian Leisure	NETs, Land & Countryside - general	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your comment, this information will be passed to the service
35185	An employee of West Lothian Council	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	There should be a charge for garden maintenance etc.	NETs, Land & Countryside - general	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35186	An individual	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	Only certain towns are kept tidy looking, the council should maybe think about asking for volunteer members of the public to look after and keep tidy certain areas where flowers can be planted within towns. There may be a lot of retired people who would like to get involved in community projects to help keep areas near to their homes tidy.	NETs, Land & Countryside - general	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your comment, this information will be passed to the service
35187	An individual	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	In my mind this just means that play areas may get neglected?	NETs, Land & Countryside - general	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35188	An individual	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	More effectiveness is key	NETs, Land & Countryside - general	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35189	An individual	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	In view of all the money that has been trimmed from the council services, its worth paying a bit more to keep your area a nice place and a healthy place to live, people could do a lot more to keep places clean and tidy, not dropping litter would be a help.	NETs, Land & Countryside - general	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35190	An employee of West Lothian Council	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	Close some football pitches, convert them to allotments. This removes the groundwork from your expenditure, adds a source of revenue in the form of rents and gives people a chance to grow their own food and keep busy.	NETs, Land & Countryside - general	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35191	An individual	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	West Lothian's green spaces should be protected as much as possible so that people can still enjoy them.	NETs, Land & Countryside - general	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35192	An individual	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	What a load of gobbledegook! Say what you mean. Do you mean cleaning up only when somewhere gets too messy?	NETs, Land & Countryside - general	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35193	An individual	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	Let it grow wild. Plant wildflower meadows instead of cutting grass. Plant native flowers and let them thrive instead of daffodils and other decorative plants that are throughout the region.	NETs, Land & Countryside - general	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35194	An individual	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	as long as you can ensure that the county is not affected in looks or left overgrown	NETs, Land & Countryside - general	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35195	An individual	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	The Council has statutory obligations with regards to litter prevention and clean spaces. There are already challenges being made to Scottish Local Authorities and it will important for the Council to keep clear of such actions which will cost rather than save in the long run.	NETs, Land & Countryside - general	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35196	An individual	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	OK but our open spaces are important.	NETs, Land & Countryside - general	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35197	An individual	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	Would be easier to understand this if you said what your Open Space Strategy was.	NETs, Land & Countryside - general	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35198	An individual	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	Let the grass grow...good for the beasties!	NETs, Land & Countryside - general	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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35199	An employee of West Lothian Council	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	Many temporary staff taken of for Nets and Land Services, possibly if these staff were kept and trained, the service delivery would be more effective, where long term staff are having to carry new members due to lack of training.	NETs, Land & Countryside - general	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your comment, this information will be passed to the service
35200	An individual	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	Currently the garden maintenance is a joke. introducing charges to empty bins would only make this worse. Increase Council tax or take legal action on the repeat offenders. These people think the council are a joke and don't bother. If one were to be evicted for not maintaining their garden the rest might take notice.	NETs, Land & Countryside - general	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35201	An individual	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	This department is inefficient and if managed properly there would be no need to cuts in services.	NETs, Land & Countryside - general	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35202	An individual	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	Agreed. Again, considering the Council are spending public money my question would be why has this not been done before now?	NETs, Land & Countryside - general	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35203	An individual	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	Could it get any worse. Not sure we have much left to trim. Have been left with almost no support locally.	NETs, Land & Countryside - general	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35204	An individual	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	Why not use community service to help reduce these costs. Offenders can do their bit for the community and get valued experience at the same time	NETs, Land & Countryside - general	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your comment, this information will be passed to the service
35205	An individual	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	Again too many vans., more localised squads	NETs, Land & Countryside - general	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35206	An individual	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	Not enough done in my area to clear wooded areas of rubbish. Which must have an impact on the owls.badgers deer.foxes bats etc that i have been lucky enough to see. No one seems to care about the amazing wildlife we have	NETs, Land & Countryside - general	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35207	An individual	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	Sub contracting out work to the private sector would save millions as for example where the council gardeners rate of pay is close to or above ten pounds per hour the private sector equivalent is on minimum wage. Private companies also do a far higher standard of work through fear of losing the contracts	NETs, Land & Countryside - general	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your comment, this information will be passed to the service
35208	An individual	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	There currently seems to be a very strange approach to this. Areas that are maintained look great but at paths are not accessible due to over growth, forcing people to walk on roads. Paths should be clear otherwise people avoid using them. Increasing use of cars and reducing fitness levels.	NETs, Land & Countryside - general	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35209	An individual	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	Will generic working be acceptable to staff?	NETs, Land & Countryside - general	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35210	An employee of West Lothian Council	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	Reduce the grass cutting regime Put the Councils playground inspections out to tender	NETs, Land & Countryside - general	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35211	An employee of West Lothian Council	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	There has been an obvious decline in this area over the last few years and I think it can reflect on the appeal of the neighbourhood. You can't expect to keep your key town (Linlithgow) at a high standard and not offer the same to less used areas. Cut back on the inessentials if you can't offer them to all areas (hanging baskets, flower displays). Keep the hedgerows, pathways and green spaces maintained.	NETs, Land & Countryside - general	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35212	An individual	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	If you spend less money on No Ball Games signs in our area (don't see any around the posher houses) you'll save yourself a few bob, the kids are going to play football anyway, all you're doing is giving them an extra goalpost	NETs, Land & Countryside - general	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council routinely reviews its open space maintenance standards and this suggestion will be incorporated into the next review.
35213	An individual	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	Fine but patrols are needed for green spaces- re litter	NETs, Land & Countryside - general	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council routinely reviews its open space maintenance standards and this suggestion will be incorporated into the next review.

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35214	An individual	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	Again this such be part of the Council and should not be considered as additional savings. It is clear throughout this series of questions that the Council has seldom looked outside its box at good operational practice and the value of modern use of technology. The Council has clearly been failing in its duty if it now feels that Â£.7 million may be saved in the application of services are delivered in an effective and efficient way	NETs, Land & Countryside - general	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council routinely reviews its open space maintenance standards and this suggestion will be incorporated into the next review.
35215	An employee of West Lothian Council	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	With the reduction of FMA support for schools and council buildings along with these efficiencies lead to council buildings being less safe for the public to use and for buildings to look less well kept?	NETs, Land & Countryside - general	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council routinely reviews its open space maintenance standards and this suggestion will be incorporated into the next review.
35216	An individual	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	Aren't they pressed to the bone already. Is Â£2.7m cuts possible?	NETs, Land & Countryside - general	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposal to reduce costs by a further Â£2.7m will be incorporated into the next review of open space standards.
35217	An employee of West Lothian Council	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	Could some land be allowed to grow wild or be seeded with wild plants to encourage wild life and reduce need for regular maintenance throughout the year.	NETs, Land & Countryside - general	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The council routinely reviews its open space maintenance standards and this suggestion will be incorporated into the next review.
35218	An employee of West Lothian Council	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	Would agree, however, West Lothian can be very pretty but there are more and more areas that are looking a bit shabby as WLC have gone through different models to make savings.	NETs, Land & Countryside - general	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council routinely reviews its open space maintenance standards and this suggestion will be incorporated into the next review.
35219	An individual	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	The consultation processes within this area need to be reduced drastically, it would be interesting to know the costs involved in the Braehead Trees Liniithgow removal, which has yet to be actioned and will have incurred costs from machine hire, new trees bought etc when the tree cutting was halted. If this provision is to be delivered in an effective and efficient way, the need for tree trimming would be greatly reduced if these trees etc were replaced with easily maintained plants and shrubs, thus saving money in the long term.	NETs, Land & Countryside - general	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council routinely reviews its open space maintenance standards and this suggestion will be incorporated into the next review.
35220	An individual	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	The cut backs to roads and NETS is unnecessary. If it means increasing the council tax then so be it. Lack of investment now means we will all suffer later in life.	NETs, Land & Countryside - general	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council routinely reviews its open space maintenance standards and this suggestion will be incorporated into the next review.
35221	An individual	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	We often see community projects to make places look more aesthetically pleasing. This concerns me as this money could be put to better use. Do we need to have Christmas lights in Livingston if this money could be spent on classroom resources to support children's learning? Do we need art on roundabouts- when our roads need fixing?	NETs, Land & Countryside - general	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All public art and art on roundabouts is fully funded by developers and not the council.
35222	An individual	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	I have no idea how this is going to be done. WLC struggle to provide a comprehensive service just now, corners are cut and it appears that only those who "shout loudest" get service.	NETs, Land & Countryside - general	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council routinely reviews its open space maintenance standards and this suggestion will be incorporated into the next review.
35223	An individual	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	Raise existing standards	NETs, Land & Countryside - general	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council routinely reviews its open space maintenance standards and this suggestion will be incorporated into the next review.
35224	No Response	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	Unsure what this statement means. It is already apparent that cuts already within this sector are highly visible. More severe pruning will have an effect of not being able to deliver a decent service to an acceptable standard. We need to take care if we are managing a decline that we dont make West Lothian undesirable to live and work in.	NETs, Land & Countryside - general	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council routinely reviews its open space maintenance standards and this suggestion will be incorporated into the next review.
35225	An employee of West Lothian Council	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	Agree but you need to have a model available to demonstrate how priorities are decided	NETs, Land & Countryside - general	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The council routinely reviews its open space maintenance standards and this suggestion will be incorporated into the next review.
35226	An individual	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	There is a very fine line between achieving efficiency and significantly reducing the amenity value and safety of opens spaces. Given that the bulk of the work undertaken by this service is human powered the cuts proposed would significantly reduce the head count to deliver these services. There is no doubt that many of the services offered by West Lothian are above and beyond that of other councils, and this should be considered in a logical manner, but the bread and butter maintenance and cleansing operations should if anything be bolstered to take account of the dip in civic pride that already exists and will further deteriorate, as has happened south of the border, due to austerity cuts there.	NETs, Land & Countryside - general	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The council routinely reviews its open space maintenance standards and this suggestion will be incorporated into the next review.

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35227	An individual	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	Agree, but concerned at impact on environment	NETs, Land & Countryside - general	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council routinely reviews its open space maintenance standards and this suggestion will be incorporated into the next review.
35228	An individual	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	Here I think you need to work with local groups to find out what they want. Work with them to identify the priorities.	NETs, Land & Countryside - general	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The council routinely reviews its open space maintenance standards and this suggestion will be incorporated into the next review.
35229	An individual	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	Again, a am a bit concerned about what is wrapped up in here. We need a well serviced and clean town. The touch choices initiative is being used to take all manner of shortcuts. A common sense, long term view is required here.	NETs, Land & Countryside - general	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council routinely reviews its open space maintenance standards and this suggestion will be incorporated into the next review.
35230	An employee of West Lothian Council	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	The public should be clearly made aware of the expected level of service provided and elected members should also support officers in dealings with the public with this regard.	NETs, Land & Countryside - general	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The council routinely reviews its open space maintenance standards and this suggestion will be incorporated into the next review.
35231	An individual	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	not clear on what exactly is being proposed here but I don't support any proposal that would see a decline in the upkeep of communal green spaces	NETs, Land & Countryside - general	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council routinely reviews its open space maintenance standards and this suggestion will be incorporated into the next review.
35232	An employee of West Lothian Council	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	At times the grass next to roundabouts is so long that you can hardly see over it to view oncoming traffic safely. for a number of years now and has been successful.	NETs, Land & Countryside - general	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council routinely reviews its open space maintenance standards and this suggestion will be incorporated into the next review.
35233	An individual	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	Linlithgows Burgh Beautiful activities shows how successful it can be if local community take on seasonal planting. Such schemes should be encouraged across the district. Also is it worth considering more offenders programmes to take on park maintenance type projects. I understand Addiewell Prison is for low risk offenders and perhaps there are opportunities there to get offenders back out into our communities doing useful work.	NETs, Land & Countryside - general	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The council routinely reviews its open space maintenance standards and this suggestion will be incorporated into the next review.
35234	An employee of West Lothian Council	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	Not as much cuts from here	NETs, Land & Countryside - general	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council routinely reviews its open space maintenance standards and this suggestion will be incorporated into the next review.
35235	An individual	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	As 1A. I have recently sent a complaint to your Chief Executive with regards to your standard of service and management and why it is currently not using "effective and efficient" methods.	NETs, Land & Countryside - general	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council routinely reviews its open space maintenance standards and this suggestion will be incorporated into the next review.
35236	An employee of West Lothian Council	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	Maximise opportunities for efficient land management by ensuring that all open spaces are fulfilling their potential to provide as many benefits as possible for each site (e.g. recreation / learning / health / flood prevention / water and air purification / supporting pollinators / growing food, etc) This may involve naturalising grasslands, creating wildflower meadows, increasing woodland planting, enhancing wetlands, etc. as well as maintaining paths and facilities.	NETs, Land & Countryside - general	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The council routinely reviews its open space maintenance standards and this suggestion will be incorporated into the next review.
35237	An individual	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	Would prefer to raise council tax rather than reduce this service.	NETs, Land & Countryside - general	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council routinely reviews its open space maintenance standards and this suggestion will be incorporated into the next review.
35238	An individual	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	I would like to see the top 3 items/specific deliverables that contribute to this redesign.	NETs, Land & Countryside - general	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council routinely reviews its open space maintenance standards and this suggestion will be incorporated into the next review.
35239	An individual	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	Provided the environment does not become overgrown and begins to detract from the look of an area.	NETs, Land & Countryside - general	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council routinely reviews its open space maintenance standards and this suggestion will be incorporated into the next review.
35240	An individual	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	Encourage local areas to take on green bits of land in the neighbourhood. Explain the green side of this development and communities will probably go with it	NETs, Land & Countryside - general	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The council routinely reviews its open space maintenance standards and this suggestion will be incorporated into the next review.
35241	An individual	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	Select areas that could be designated and set aside for wild life - wildflower areas and such like even as strips around grounds that are used for other purposes.	NETs, Land & Countryside - general	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The council routinely reviews its open space maintenance standards and this suggestion will be incorporated into the next review.

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35242	An individual	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	Why not stop using Glyphosate - it costs money	NETs, Land & Countryside - general	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council routinely reviews its open space maintenance standards and this suggestion will be incorporated into the next review.
35243	An individual	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	All council land, NETs and countryside should be properly maintained.	NETs, Land & Countryside - general	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council routinely reviews its open space maintenance standards and this suggestion will be incorporated into the next review.
35244	An individual	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	There are already issues with tree branches obscuring road signs and lighting consideration needs to be given to this.	NETs, Land & Countryside - general	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The council routinely reviews its open space maintenance standards and this suggestion will be incorporated into the next review.
35245	An employee of West Lothian Council	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	Tenants and disabled will suffer most.	NETs, Land & Countryside - general	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council routinely reviews its open space maintenance standards and this suggestion will be incorporated into the next review.
35246	An individual	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	Can cut down on staffing on this too many of them	NETs, Land & Countryside - general	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council routinely reviews its open space maintenance standards and this suggestion will be incorporated into the next review.
35247	An employee of West Lothian Council	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	Stop first cuts for WLC tenants.	NETs, Land & Countryside - general	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council routinely reviews its open space maintenance standards and this suggestion will be incorporated into the next review.
35248	An employee of West Lothian Council	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	Better use of vehicles, more scrutiny.	NETs, Land & Countryside - general	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The council routinely reviews its use of vehicles and this suggestion will be incorporated into the next review.
35249	An individual	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	Encourage hybrids and electric vehicles to be phased in over next five to ten years; more charging points and generally to 'go green' and carbon neutral.	NETs, Land & Countryside - general	4. The council is already doing this.	The council currently uses electric and low emission vehicles and is looking to increase the electric fleet again this year.
35250	An individual	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	Cut less grass. Do round the edges and plant wildflowers in the rest. Help the bees and butterflies. Keep footpaths and cycle paths clear though.	NETs, Land & Countryside - general	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The council routinely reviews its open space maintenance standards and this suggestion will be incorporated into the next review.
35251	An employee of West Lothian Council	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	It is not clear what this will mean for the customer/citizen of West Lothian. There have already been significant cuts to this service.	NETs, Land & Countryside - general	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Comment Noted
35252	An individual	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	"Service is delivered in an effective and efficient way" - generic working" - that'll be someone losing their job.	NETs, Land & Countryside - general	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Comment Noted
35253	An employee of West Lothian Council	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	How does this service currently work? How much does it cost? What changes to the structure are proposed? Will this be a reduction in staff? How will this be more effective? How will this be more efficient? What is meant by more generic working? Does this mean wider roles for the staff? Will they be paid more to take on more responsibility? Will they receive more training? What would these additional costs be?	NETs, Land & Countryside - general	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council routinely reviews its open space maintenance standards and this suggestion will be incorporated into the next review. Generic Working means the sharing of common tasks across job roles and staff will be provided with the appropriate training to undertake their job.
35254	An individual	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	Sensible as long as it does not have any impact on any health and safety issues.	NETs, Land & Countryside - general	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Comment Noted
35255	An individual	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	I hope that as part of the built environment the council will continue to improve and maintain cycle routes and footways, not just road surfaces.	NETs, Land & Countryside - general	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council routinely reviews its open space maintenance standards and is committed to active travel and healthy lifestyles. This suggestion will be incorporated into the next review.
35256	An individual	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	More candour needed about the standards that will be delivered. Something on these lines is doubtless right.	NETs, Land & Countryside - general	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council routinely reviews its open space maintenance standards and this suggestion will be incorporated into the next review.

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35257	An individual	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	All grounds should be kept tidy, in particular cemeteries and play parks.	NETs, Land & Countryside - general	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The council routinely reviews its open space maintenance standards and this suggestion will be incorporated into the next review.
35258	An individual	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	Work more with volunteer groups to care for the space -	NETs, Land & Countryside - general	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The council routinely reviews its open space maintenance standards and this suggestion will be incorporated into the next review.
35259	An employee of West Lothian Council	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	Standard of maintenance has dropped rapidly, moral of staff carrying out this work is at an all time low and the look of West Lothian is very poor	NETs, Land & Countryside - general	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council routinely reviews its open space maintenance standards and this suggestion will be incorporated into the next review.
35260	An employee of West Lothian Council	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	What about checking for dangerous trees? surely this needs to be done regularly.	NETs, Land & Countryside - general	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Tree safety inspections and work will continue to be carried out and prioritised in compliance with the council's Tree Management and Safety Policy.
35261	An employee of West Lothian Council	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	NET's and Land services have borne the brunt of savage cuts to funding and standards for years and can give no more - have you looked at our open space areas lately they look terrible and unloved!	NETs, Land & Countryside - general	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35262	An individual	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	don't lose sight of safety. Remember Grenfell Tower.	NETs, Land & Countryside - general	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35263	No Response	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	Would it be possible to offer plots of land / shared ground to the community to maintain. Conditions would apply.	NETs, Land & Countryside - general	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The council routinely reviews its open space maintenance standards and this suggestion will be incorporated into the next review.
35264	An individual	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	this is an area where significant savings could be made. also look at the competence of the chiefs. familiarity breeds contempt.	NETs, Land & Countryside - general	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35265	An individual	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	the council wastes money on open space and should put the money to better use	NETs, Land & Countryside - general	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35266	An individual	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	I have repeatedly complained about the cemetery wall in Whitburn which is in a state of disrepair and yet you can have council workers out putting up lights on unsocialable hrs on a Sunday.	NETs, Land & Countryside - general	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The wall in Whitburn Cemetery is scheduled for repair. Your comment regarding Christmas Lighting is noted.
35267	An individual	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	This must not be used as an excuse to cut down trees to save pruning. Community involvement to care for open spaces should be encouraged.	NETs, Land & Countryside - general	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35268	An individual	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	Why have you been wasting so much of our money up to this point?	NETs, Land & Countryside - general	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35269	An individual	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	Greater use of wild flower garden areas should be created which would have an improved environmental impact as well as reducing maintenance costs.	NETs, Land & Countryside - general	4. The council is already doing this.	The council routinely reviews its open space maintenance standards and this suggestion will be incorporated into the next review.
35270	An employee of West Lothian Council	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	Revised standards are required. Reactive work should be triaged - just because someone complains it does not mean that the issue is urgent or important. In an attempt to provide "good customer service" staff are often required to respond to relatively unimportant matters to the detriment of providing good overall, long-term management of the resource. Not sure what "generic" means in this context. If too general it could mean that it is not fit for purpose.	NETs, Land & Countryside - general	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council routinely reviews its open space maintenance standards and this suggestion will be incorporated into the next review.
35271	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	Why can't one person do more than one job? Sometimes one person does one part of a job, then another another pat. One person who is multi skilled should do all areas.	NETs, Land & Countryside - general	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The council routinely reviews its open space maintenance standards and this suggestion will be incorporated into the next review.

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35272	An individual	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	I have experience of Nets and it is not a good one. If you wish to enter the private market you require folk who know the details of their work and not just push a lawn mower. This is what makes me doubt your proposals.	NETs, Land & Countryside - general	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35273	An individual	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	If fly tipping increases will need to spend more on services.	NETs, Land & Countryside - general	4. The council is already doing this.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35274	An employee of West Lothian Council	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	Care needs to be taken so as not to have a large impact on the area. As soon as you go outside you are in the environment. this environment affect you physical and mental well being. If an area looks unkempt it is more likely to attract antisocial behaviour and people having no pride in it. Areas look untidy, more litter/ fly tipping/ graffiti, dog fouling and making people feel less safe and not wanting to go outside to get exercise. we also need to encourage people to do their bit like people did years ago. example being If there is a weed in the path outside your property pull it out don't phone the Council expecting a team to come out for something you could do in 5 minutes allowing council resources to be put to better use. Encourage communities to carry out additional works, take over areas for maintenance, litter picking.	NETs, Land & Countryside - general	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council routinely reviews its open space maintenance standards and this suggestion will be incorporated into the next review.
35275	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	Opportunities for partnership contracts with third sector and Social enterprises - The Youth Action project would welcome the opportunity to discussion regarding work on small scale projects as other agencies would.	NETs, Land & Countryside - general	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The council routinely reviews its open space maintenance standards and this suggestion will be considered as part of the review.
35276	An individual	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	What best practice can be shared by Tiphereth in Colinton, Burgh Beautiful, Oatridge College, West Lothian College and others? It would be ideal to see how courses/employment support can be arranged for local people including vulnerable people to be more active and also involved in local communities?	NETs, Land & Countryside - general	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	The council routinely reviews its open space maintenance standards and this suggestion will be incorporated into the next review.
35277	An individual	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	just do not throw the baby out with the bath water	NETs, Land & Countryside - general	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35278	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	Has an equality impact assessment been carried out for each of the budget proposals? It is essential that this is done at the earliest opportunity in order to assess what the impact will be on those in the protected characteristics groups and those already experiencing disadvantage.	NETs, Land & Countryside - general	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The council routinely reviews its open space maintenance standards and this suggestion will be incorporated into the next review.
35279	An individual	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	very rarely see any of this in recent years having. This service is almost non existant unless you complain about the condition of council land	NETs, Land & Countryside - general	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35280	An individual	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	Proactive Maintenance and Quality are the requirements !	NETs, Land & Countryside - general	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35281	An individual	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	The council should review where it can make savings in its delivery - e.g. have 'gold standards' (seen set in the good times that can be compromised)	NETs, Land & Countryside - general	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The council routinely reviews its open space maintenance standards and this suggestion will be incorporated into the next review.
35282	An individual	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	A community requires to be aesthetically pleasing. If we create a grey environment within West Lothian how can expect more from tenants and home owners etc. People need to have pride in where they live.	NETs, Land & Countryside - general	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35283	An individual	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	Approach local community groups to help with basic grounds maintenance e.g. path clearing, trimming bushes/hedges overhanging paths (all of which are currently left overgrowing & block paths or greatly reduce the width of the paths). All WLC schools, Scouts, Guides, Air Cadets & Army Cadets take part in The Duke of Edinburgh's Award. Teenagers aged 14-18 are always looking for volunteering opportunities. WLC could organise regular monthly clean up activities, targeting over grown paths etc. The DoFE participants would gain their volunteering hours and WLC would have areas maintained at a fraction of the cost, being overseen by only 1 or 2 staff members and providing basic tools and equipment.	NETs, Land & Countryside - general	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The council routinely reviews its open space maintenance standards and this suggestion will be incorporated into the next review.
35284	An individual	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	All no 7 section will result in poorer services for everyone	NETs, Land & Countryside - general	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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35285	An individual	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	Yes times are hard but to refuse even more services or being asked to choose is now a step to far. We are already noticing the effect of the last round of budget cuts , it is very visible in the grass areas, play parks bushes, graffiti	NETs, Land & Countryside - general	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35286	An individual	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	Don't believe in spending money on environment when people struggling to feed families.	NETs, Land & Countryside - general	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35287	An individual	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	I have not seen a street cleaner for months. where is the money going that is supposedly being saved?	NETs, Land & Countryside - general	4. The council is already doing this.	Street Cleansing Teams are deployed in every ward on a daily basis. Specific areas and the frequency of cleansing is zoned to comply with Statutory guidance.
35288	An individual	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	C) Voluntary groups taking ownership of parks, litter etc.	NETs, Land & Countryside - general	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council routinely reviews its open space maintenance standards and this suggestion will be incorporated into the next review.
35289	An individual	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	I feel that woodlands and green spaces should be given greater priority as they play a major role in the health and wellbeing of our community.	NETs, Land & Countryside - general	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35290	An individual	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	Some of the walkways down the Lanthorn are in need of attention. The pathway down to the Lanthorn from [REDACTED] to the Lanthorn is either covered in grass or mud at all times. Being on a slope, very dangerous. The pathway through the woods from no [REDACTED] to doctors surgery is a complete mess as tractor etc mucked it up when putting up new bridge. I do understand there is a lot of grass to cut which makes Livingston stand out and look lovely its just some of the walkways are just a bit of a mess. Also the pavement at the bottom of my walkway down side of no [REDACTED] gets icy and as there is no salt boxes here the dip in the pavement makes it very slippy. My husband had a fall here 2 years ago I complained about it then. Salt box here would be an answer. Also there is a forgotten path in Ambrose Rise it is the pathway with lights at [REDACTED] side of the woods, its a mess and a dumping group for some people.	NETs, Land & Countryside - general	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council routinely reviews its Winter Service and Grit Bin Policy and Standards and this suggestion will be incorporated into the next review.
35291	An employee of West Lothian Council	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	Protect open spaces for good health y living somewhere clean to go with little expense to family..	NETs, Land & Countryside - general	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35292	An individual	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	I was shocked to discover that £870,000 is used to run country parks with £890000 capital investment being spent in the last 2 years on Beecraigs, Polkemmet and Almondell. Looking at Beecraigs there seems to be less deer and more and more cows and sheep have been brought in. I was of the opinion that is was an animal attraction not a farm. Why ahev these animals been brought in and are they generating an income.? How much of the £890000 of capital investment is being spent on animals vets bills food machinery and is it really nessecary.	NETs, Land & Countryside - general	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council routinely reviews its open space maintenance standards and this suggestion will be incorporated into the next review. Country Parks and the animal attraction will be incorporated within the review.
35293	An employee of West Lothian Council	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	New developments happening but unsustainable in term of expected maintenance required by WLC. open spaces, play, woodland/ tree management, etc needs to be better funded by the developer / WLC depending on who it is developing.	NETs, Land & Countryside - general	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council routinely reviews its open space maintenance standards and this suggestion will be incorporated into the next review.
35294	An employee of West Lothian Council	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	More needs to be done to stop the alienation of children with disabilities. Bringing more to west Lothian should be promoted. Even just thinking of Fauldhouse not a single play park comes to mind that allows any sort of variation of play. having seen other countries have swings for children in wheelchairs and all sorts its a huge shame to see our local area really lacking in combining the children.	NETs, Land & Countryside - general	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The council routinely reviews its open space maintenance standards and this suggestion will be incorporated into the next review.
35295	An individual	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	Doubtful, always too much red tape and paperwork. Making work for managers	NETs, Land & Countryside - generic working	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35296	An individual	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	Who sets the priorities ? This year, grass cutting has been a shambles with decomposing cut grass left spread all over footpaths. This is before any review. How poor is it to be allowed to become before it is seen as ineffective and inefficient ?	NETs, Land & Countryside - generic working	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35297	An individual	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	This is all very well, but it is unfair for the council to put in flower beds and then never maintain them. They become an eyesore. If the council is only to do minimum maintenance,such as grass cutting, then flower beds should be removed and grassed over.	NETs, Land & Countryside - generic working	4. The council is already doing this.	The council no longer provides flower bedding within communities. All flower beds are now provided and maintained by developers and/or community groups.

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35298	An individual	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	Generic working should be used at all times where possible in ensuring resources are maintained in an effective to support delivery of all service provision required for council priorities.	NETs, Land & Countryside - generic working	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Generic working will be considered across all frontline services and will be incorporated in the review of open space standards.
35299	An employee of West Lothian Council	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	Generic working is a great idea as long as it doesn't end up with all staff moving to higher pay scales because they are competent in a few areas.	NETs, Land & Countryside - generic working	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Generic working will be considered across all frontline services and will be incorporated in the review of open space standards.
35300	An individual	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	Generic working - so once again everything gets reduced to the common denominator and specialisms are expertise is lost.	NETs, Land & Countryside - generic working	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Generic working will be considered across all frontline services and will be incorporated in the review of open space standards.
35301	An individual	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	What is meant by 'generic working'?	NETs, Land & Countryside - generic working	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Generic working means a sharing of common tasks across job roles.
35302	An individual	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	I notice more weeds seem to be appearing around all the areas Is this a cutback already	NETs, Land & Countryside - generic working	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Weed spraying was reduced from 3 cycles to 2 cycles annually in 2014.
35303	An individual	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	Leaving grass cuttings makes the areas ugly	NETs, Land & Countryside - generic working	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council routinely reviews its open space maintenance standards and this suggestion will be incorporated into the next review.
35304	An individual	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	Generic working - is this "Jack of all trades and master of none?"	NETs, Land & Countryside - generic working	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Generic working means a sharing of common tasks across job roles.
35305	No Response	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	Love the marginal grass cutting of roadways already.	NETs, Land & Countryside - generic working	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35306	An individual	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	The need for specialisms is not recognised and becomes so watered down that the teams aren't able to provide a job which they are proud of. Generic working will further affect staff moral. Job evaluation is already carried out in a too generic form not recognising the individuals roles within the different areas of the service. This is a seasonal area of operation where the demands and requirements are higher through the spring and summer and as previously mentioned it should be a mistake to remove these roles as it is an easy to do operation. Far better to work out what the service is to deliver and then build the staffing to suit. Involve the teams themselves as the above doesn't actually tell you anything. Another example where more specific detail in required as no real idea of what is being proposed.	NETs, Land & Countryside - generic working	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The council routinely reviews its open space maintenance standards and this suggestion will be incorporated into the next review.
35307	An individual	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	What is 'generic working'? Did you employ this strategy when felling and replacing trees in Linlithgow in 2017? Such public display of flouting your own strategies does not sit well with your public.	NETs, Land & Countryside - generic working	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Generic Working is sharing common tasks across different job roles. Your comment regarding Linlithgow Trees is noted.
35308	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	More information required however generic working has various implications for staff daily and has then potential to result in terms and conditions implications which GMB will oppose.	NETs, Land & Countryside - generic working	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35309	An individual	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	The environment is very important. For example, it might save money if more areas of common land were left untrimmed/uncut. This would encourage the growth of wild flowers with the knock on effect of increased numbers of insects and consequently increased numbers of birds etc that need this food.	NETs, Land & Countryside - generic working	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The council routinely reviews its open space maintenance standards and this suggestion will be incorporated into the next review.
35310	An employee of West Lothian Council	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	I am unsure as to what generic working means. Is this a restructure? Will there be staff redundancies and if so will these be voluntary or mandatory. Are the council looking to privatise either partially or a whole Is there a plan to run the service at the lowest possible staff level possible? How can we be expected to comment on a saving structure when we have no breakdown of operational running costs.	NETs, Land & Countryside - generic working	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Generic working means a sharing of common tasks across job roles. The council routinely reviews its open space maintenance standards and this suggestion will be incorporated into the next review. Resources will be incorporated within the review and managed where appropriate in compliance with council policies.

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35311	An employee of West Lothian Council	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	Generic Working - in which roles?	NETs, Land & Countryside - generic working	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Generic working means a sharing of common tasks across job roles. All roles with the opportunity to share common tasks will be considered for generic working.
35312	An employee of West Lothian Council	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	Generic working - in which roles?	NETs, Land & Countryside - generic working	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Generic working means a sharing of common tasks across job roles. All roles with the opportunity to share common tasks will be considered for generic working.
35313	An individual	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	However, what I will say is that frontline services which directly effect the quality of the life for people, should be maintained e.g. street cleaners removed from our areas without 1. prior consultation; 2. external areas around our houses not being maintained properly.	NETs, Land & Countryside - grounds maintenance	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35314	An individual	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	The council should spray out and re-seed more open spaces area with a low maintenance grass seed mixtures which have a wild flower/ naturalising bulbs and leave these grass areas longer reducing grass cutting frequencies in low amenity areas.	NETs, Land & Countryside - grounds maintenance	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The council routinely reviews its open space maintenance standards and this suggestion will be incorporated into the next review.
35315	An employee of West Lothian Council	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	OPT TO GO TO MEADOW STYLE IN PARKS AND REDUCE GRASS CUTTING ELSEWHERE	NETs, Land & Countryside - grounds maintenance	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The council routinely reviews its open space maintenance standards and this suggestion will be incorporated into the next review.
35316	An employee of West Lothian Council	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	Garden maintenance costs should be more reflective of actual costs.	NETs, Land & Countryside - grounds maintenance	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council routinely reviews its garden maintenance charges on an annual basis and this suggestion will be incorporated into the next review.
35317	An employee of West Lothian Council	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	Provision of ground maintenance - keeping grasses cut, collecting litter, debris everywhere is totally unacceptable. E.g. cutting grass but not collecting cut grass. This is a fundamental WLC requirement and should be provided	NETs, Land & Countryside - grounds maintenance	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council routinely reviews its open space maintenance standards and this suggestion will be incorporated into the next review.
35318	No Response	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	More overgrown roundabouts are likely by the sounds of it. So removal of trees and shrubs and replaced with grass would reduce likelihood of maintenance. Introduce a charge in tenants rent to include garden maintenance.	NETs, Land & Countryside - grounds maintenance	4. The council is already doing this.	Overgrown roundabouts - the council is already looking at options to reduce maintenance on roundabouts . Charging Tenants for Garden Maintenance - only tenants that are over the age of 70 or registered disabled qualify for the scheme.
35319	An individual	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	I love all the green space around my home - grass, trees, shrubbery... but the council spends way too many man hours looking after it.	NETs, Land & Countryside - grounds maintenance	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council routinely reviews its open space maintenance standards and this suggestion will be incorporated into the next review.
35320	An individual	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	Maintaining the open spaces contributes to the quality of life for all and should not be reduced.	NETs, Land & Countryside - grounds maintenance	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council routinely reviews its open space maintenance standards and this suggestion will be incorporated into the next review.
35321	An employee of West Lothian Council	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	We regually get complaints already about the state of some of the park areas	NETs, Land & Countryside - grounds maintenance	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35322	An individual	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	This service is already overstretched. Bushes and trees are overgrowing paths and properties and it takes a long time for these to be addressed.	NETs, Land & Countryside - grounds maintenance	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council routinely reviews its open space maintenance standards and this suggestion will be incorporated into the next review.
35323	An individual	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	So the grass will get cut less often and the streets cleared of snow only if it doesn't melt away first. What you mean is fewer people and less service.	NETs, Land & Countryside - grounds maintenance	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35324	An individual	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	See if you left the verges to the wildflowers and only cut once a year before winter you'd make a huge saving and encourage good wildlife practice.	NETs, Land & Countryside - grounds maintenance	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council routinely reviews its open space maintenance standards and this suggestion will be incorporated into the next review.
35325	An individual	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	Pass over maintenance of local open spaces to residents, but not to Geenbelt, they are a bunch of crooks... Residents can manage this themselves.	NETs, Land & Countryside - grounds maintenance	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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35326	An individual	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	Introduce a Tree cutting programme with minimum heights and then collect branches stuff that have been removed and produce wood chip, then sell onto surrounding garden centres and householders.	NETs, Land & Countryside - grounds maintenance	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The councils trees and woodlands are maintained in accordance with the councils Tree Management and Safety Policy that includes the resale of timber products.
35327	An individual	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	Does this mean no more grass cutting and hedge trimming? If this is the case, then would not support any drastic reduction in this service. Consolidation is worth looking at but the Council must ensure that areas are well maintained otherwise the wellbeing of individuals is impacted by the poor environmental management.	NETs, Land & Countryside - grounds maintenance	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35328	An individual	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	Road verges and approaches to roundabouts need to be maintained - allowing these area's to be overgrown is dangerous	NETs, Land & Countryside - grounds maintenance	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35329	An individual	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	There should be more of the priority made to cut the grass on verges near roads and junctions and roundabouts. This summer there were a number of areas where grass was overgrown which was dangerous for road users.	NETs, Land & Countryside - grounds maintenance	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35330	An individual	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	One of the pleasures in going round the county is the how the open areas and public spaces are maintained. It presents a very positive impression of the area and as well as making it a pleasant place to live and work. Any reductions which lead to a more unkempt appearance will likely end in a spiral of decline.	NETs, Land & Countryside - grounds maintenance	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council routinely reviews its open space maintenance standards and this suggestion will be incorporated into the next review.
35331	An individual	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	west lothian prides itself with greenspace and it is noticable the reducing standards of this since the financial crash. continued reduction in this could tip it over and cause damage to the spaces which would cost more in the long run to fix. working with communities more and encouraging them to take ownership of areas, to look out for them and develop them into useable spaces should be undertaken for the benefit of westlothians greenspace	NETs, Land & Countryside - grounds maintenance	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council routinely reviews its open space maintenance standards and this suggestion will be incorporated into the next review.
35332	An individual	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	West Lothian is beautiful and if we allow it to look a mess then eventually the place will go down hill and people could leave for pastures new please don't spoil our lovely town by reducing services	NETs, Land & Countryside - grounds maintenance	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council routinely reviews its open space maintenance standards and this suggestion will be incorporated into the next review.
35333	An individual	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	mixed opinion. Open spaces encourage economic activity in areas. If the standard is increased rather than maintained then would agree.	NETs, Land & Countryside - grounds maintenance	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council routinely reviews its open space maintenance standards and this suggestion will be incorporated into the next review.
35334	An employee of West Lothian Council	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	Grounds maintenance should focus on the statutory, most visible and safety critical areas - roads. Overhanging vegetation, grass verges, lack of weedkilling are all having a detrimental effect on safety and the integrity of the roads asset.	NETs, Land & Countryside - grounds maintenance	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35335	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	Organisations who have longer term lets, should be encouraged to take on more ground maintenance responsibility	NETs, Land & Countryside - grounds maintenance	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35336	An employee of West Lothian Council	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	Rewild large recreation spaces - Howden park wild flower meadow? Replace grass strips inA899 etc. with stone chips, Sell off or gift small strips to householders - especially in Livingston.	NETs, Land & Countryside - grounds maintenance	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35337	An individual	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	sad to hear no festive lighting....Perhaps also cuts made with all the bulbs that get planted then pulled up then replaced with plants. The "art works" at roundabouts for me are an unnecessary expense, as are those at Wester Inch	NETs, Land & Countryside - grounds maintenance	4. The council is already doing this.	The council no longer provides bulbs or summer bedding. These were removed in 2014. All bulbs and bedding is now provided by developers and/or local community groups. Similarly, all art works are fully funded by developer contributions and no art works are funded from council budgets
35338	An individual	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	I would be reluctant to agree to reductions in weed spraying, grass cutting, litter picking etc.	NETs, Land & Countryside - grounds maintenance	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35339	An individual	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	This year there has been more area's where the council cut grass where the grass is just left lying it looks very unsightly and untidy either at the side of the road or in housing schemes.	NETs, Land & Countryside - grounds maintenance	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35340	An individual	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	Plant more wildflowers on grass verges to make them look more attractive. Try to get shopkeepers involved in providing hanging baskets outside their shops to make streets more attractive.	NETs, Land & Countryside - grounds maintenance	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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35341	An individual	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	Also if you stopped spending so much on services that include spraying the grass verges every few months and strim them as the grass is being cut this would be a saving and more environmentally friendly.	NETs, Land & Countryside - grounds maintenance	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35342	An individual	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	Ground maintenance of public areas = stop using chemicals to spray every bit of greenery you can find in our countryside and towns, every bit of public paving is sprayed unnecessarily. There is no need to do this. Strim the grass edges with your garden workforce and we can all do our own areas outside our gardens where weeds grow.	NETs, Land & Countryside - grounds maintenance	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The council routinely reviews its open space maintenance standards and this suggestion will be incorporated into the next review
35343	An individual	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	This year has seen a reduction in the times the grass areas in the town have been cut. I not opposed to this, but I am opposed to the state the grass is left in. The grass is very long by the time it is cut. The equipment does not cope with the longer grass, especially when it is wet, which is quite often. The machines don't cut the grass evenly, and leave ridges of grass which have not been cut, so it looks awful. Because the grass is long the cuttings take a long time to break down so it looks terrible, ridges, uneven length of grass and decaying grass altogether. The council needs to get equipment which can give an even cut of the long grass.	NETs, Land & Countryside - grounds maintenance	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council routinely reviews its open space maintenance standards and this suggestion will be incorporated into the next review
35344	An individual	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	I have no objection to the environmentally safe chemical weed control or grass edge control. It just has to be done properly. I do object to people insisting this is done without chemicals and the manual labour involved detracts from the service received in other parts of the council area. The council has already reduced the service in the maintenance of beds, shrubs and grass areas. I can accept that but I strongly object to the poor quality of the work when it is done..	NETs, Land & Countryside - grounds maintenance	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The council routinely reviews its open space maintenance standards and this suggestion will be incorporated into the next review
35345	An individual	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	Grounds maintenance standards are already poor- especially grass cuttings being left to rot, instead of being gathered up. Streets are appalling since our street sweeper was not replaced	NETs, Land & Countryside - grounds maintenance	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council routinely reviews its open space maintenance standards and this suggestion will be incorporated into the next review
35346	An individual	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	West Lothian is a lovely green place to live. I know there are areas in Uphall and Broxburn which have seasonal planting which whilst lovely is perhaps a luxury. Could such areas be replaced with more hardy long lasting plants?	NETs, Land & Countryside - grounds maintenance	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The council routinely reviews its open space maintenance standards and this suggestion will be incorporated into the next review
35347	An individual	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	There is not a requirement for planting flowers etc. Priority should be grass cutting where it impedes safe travel due to restricted view.	NETs, Land & Countryside - grounds maintenance	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The council routinely reviews its open space maintenance standards and this suggestion will be incorporated into the next review
35348	An individual	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	You cannot cut ground maintenance any more. The open space behind my house has become a meadow.	NETs, Land & Countryside - grounds maintenance	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council routinely reviews its open space maintenance standards and this suggestion will be incorporated into the next review
35349	An individual	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	Lots of red tape here as I live in an area that the local people are happy to maintain ...trees, woodland trimming etc but we are not allowed ... the problem is the area does not get maintained correctly so trees are overgrown shadowing houses gardens etc council hasn't got the resort or money yet we can't do it or if we do face a fine... ridiculous.... we should be able to maintain outside our fence providing we follow guidelines issued.	NETs, Land & Countryside - grounds maintenance	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council routinely reviews its open space maintenance standards and this suggestion will be incorporated into the next review
35350	An individual	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	Green open spaces are important. Leaving grass to blow away is a waste of good compost material...as observed in most areas. Ask for local contribution/ help. Or does community service not exist anymore for offenders.	NETs, Land & Countryside - grounds maintenance	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council routinely reviews its open space maintenance standards and this suggestion will be incorporated into the next review
35351	An employee of West Lothian Council	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	I have witnesses grass cutters at council houses in my village on a sat morning in oct. .1. Who cuts grass in Oct and	NETs, Land & Countryside - grounds maintenance	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	The council routinely reviews its open space maintenance standards and this suggestion will be incorporated into the next review
35352	An individual	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	There are two different things in here; one is about the grounds and one is about the staff!! Regarding the grounds - I feel this should be protected as far as possible as if we start to let the appearance of our communities suffer then that leads to all sorts of other behavioural issues which will only accrue costs for other area of the council or your partners. Perhaps make better use of local groups, church groups, uniformed organisations, school projects to see what they can do with regards to town centre areas / litter and get the council to do the 'bigger' jobs like the major grass areas, weed control etc.	NETs, Land & Countryside - grounds maintenance	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The council routinely reviews its open space maintenance standards and this suggestion will be incorporated into the next review
35353	An individual	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	Disagree Based on evidence of existing service cuts which are already showing signs of neglect of these spaces in our communities and streets. More cuts will be interesting. The countryside will be full of fly tipping and rubbish anyway.	NETs, Land & Countryside - grounds maintenance	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council routinely reviews its open space maintenance standards and this suggestion will be incorporated into the next review

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35354	An individual	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	This should be looked at very carefully as maintenance of open spaces should be for the betterment of all users/residents and is highly visible to residents and visitors giving a perception of unkempt spaces is bad for all	NETs, Land & Countryside - grounds maintenance	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council routinely reviews its open space maintenance standards and this suggestion will be incorporated into the next review
35355	An individual	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	Open spaces are an absolute disgrace at the moment , surely you can't cut back here , what the hell are you spending all this money on .	NETs, Land & Countryside - grounds maintenance	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council routinely reviews its open space maintenance standards and this suggestion will be incorporated into the next review.
35356	An individual	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	Why are the council paying to mow lawns in private houses? A total waste of money.	NETs, Land & Countryside - grounds maintenance	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Private residents are included in the garden maintenance scheme for the elderly and disabled where a resident meets the criteria. However all private resident pay for the service provided.
35357	An individual	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	I am very proud of West Lothian's green areas and networks of paths and sincerely hope there will be no reduction in management of these areas.	NETs, Land & Countryside - grounds maintenance	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council routinely reviews its open space maintenance standards and this suggestion will be incorporated into the next review.
35358	An employee of West Lothian Council	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	Let the grass grow longer. Charge (more) for garden maintenance. Ban dogs. And cats.	NETs, Land & Countryside - grounds maintenance	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council routinely reviews its open space maintenance standards and this suggestion will be incorporated into the next review.
35359	An employee of West Lothian Council	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	There are instances where grass cutting appears excessive. Some areas could be left as 'meadow' for example with only 1 or 2 cuts a year, ensuring footpaths do not become affected or overgrown.	NETs, Land & Countryside - grounds maintenance	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council routinely reviews its open space maintenance standards and this suggestion will be incorporated into the next review.
35360	An individual	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	OK agree, flower beds are not a necessity. Use more shrubs rather than completely replacing all content on a very regular basis.	NETs, Land & Countryside - grounds maintenance	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council no longer provides flower bedding within communities. All flower beds are now provided and maintained by developers and/or community groups.
35361	An employee of West Lothian Council	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	There is no need to cut grass and apply weed killer in many green spaces. These should be adapted to encourage nature, not fight it ie. wildflower meadows, easily visible woodland areas. Grass cutting should only be done if the activity requires ie football pitch or it is a safety concern ie verges. Serious consideration should be made in to how the council can move away from conventional land management techniques into more sustainable and ecological options.	NETs, Land & Countryside - grounds maintenance	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The council routinely reviews its open space maintenance standards and this suggestion will be incorporated into the next review.
35362	An individual	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	It is to be hoped that there will be no major reduction in ground / landscape maintenance as this would almost certainly have a seriously adverse effect on the image and ultimately the prosperity of the area.	NETs, Land & Countryside - grounds maintenance	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council routinely reviews its open space maintenance standards and this suggestion will be incorporated into the next review.
35363	An individual	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	This should not affect the removal of leaves from walkways. Wet leaves in autumn are a health and safety hazard and should be removed. They are already left for too long.	NETs, Land & Countryside - grounds maintenance	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council routinely reviews its open space maintenance standards and this suggestion will be incorporated into the next review.
35364	An individual	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	What does this mean, the person who wrote this should be ashamed, why not use plain English! Please explain Generic working and Open space strategy I gather less work will be carried out on ground maintenance, in other words we will be all the poorer for it.	NETs, Land & Countryside - grounds maintenance	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Generic working means a sharing of common tasks across job roles. The Open Space Strategy is the councils 5 to 10 year long term strategy for the management of open spaces.
35365	An individual	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	I.e. Stop cutting the grass? I don't support this without some proposal as to how you can get some forms of support from commercial organisations to replace the councils responsibility.	NETs, Land & Countryside - grounds maintenance	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council routinely reviews its open space maintenance standards and this suggestion will be incorporated into the next review.
35366	An individual	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	Agree as long as there is no major impact to the pleasant greenery areas we have at present to enjoy	NETs, Land & Countryside - grounds maintenance	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council routinely reviews its open space maintenance standards and this suggestion will be incorporated into the next review.
35367	An employee of West Lothian Council	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	Provide in-house landscape design for new council-housing developments, to ensure a) the quality of landscaping, b) future maintenance is taken into account - right plant, right place and c) all landscaping provides multiple benefits. Focus resources on prevention by ensuring the provision of quality open spaces and facilities close to people's homes, thereby increasing health / wellbeing and reducing health inequalities and reducing carbon emissions by reducing the need to travel to facilities elsewhere.	NETs, Land & Countryside - grounds maintenance	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The council routinely reviews its open space maintenance standards and this suggestion will be incorporated into the next review.
35368	An individual	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	Agree. Do worry however that it will be long before many of the cycle routes and pathways will become overgrown and there unusual or unsafe. Sad day that to maintain services I have to agree with cut.	NETs, Land & Countryside - grounds maintenance	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council routinely reviews its open space maintenance standards and this suggestion will be incorporated into the next review.

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35369	An individual	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	Each day I drive past countless kerbside drains with weeds and flowers growing from within - surely some preventative maintenance on this (just one example of previous cost cutting) would save money in the long run?	NETs, Land & Countryside - grounds maintenance	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council routinely reviews its open space maintenance standards and this suggestion will be incorporated into the next review.
35370	An individual	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	Sounds like may result in a detrimental effect to our surrounds, green spaces and park land. Surely an increase in council tax needed to preserve these areas we take for granted. Linlithgow Burgh Beautiful have already taken on a huge amount. We would all expect to pay for this within our tax.	NETs, Land & Countryside - grounds maintenance	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The council routinely reviews its open space maintenance standards and this suggestion will be incorporated into the next review.
35371	An individual	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	West Lothian green areas are a credit to WLC.	NETs, Land & Countryside - grounds maintenance	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35372	An individual	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	Also it may be of benefit to inmates in HMP Addiewell if they were out on duties during the day on clean up squads as in Georgia USA. The litter in many areas is unsightly, as at the centre!!	NETs, Land & Countryside - grounds maintenance	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The council routinely reviews its open space maintenance standards and this suggestion will be incorporated into the next review.
35373	An individual	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	Would not want West Lothian to look untidy. Could you not create strips and corridors for wild life even around playing fields - a bit like agricultural set aside - to encourage wildlife and to reduce maintenance needs. Encouraging/inviting community maintenance of neighbourhood green spaces might be a good partnership approach. Local community green and garden spaces could be created reducing the need for Council resources.	NETs, Land & Countryside - grounds maintenance	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The council routinely reviews its open space maintenance standards and this suggestion will be incorporated into the next review.
35374	An individual	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	It seems extraordinary that what councils could fund in Victorian times we cannot fund now. Linlithgow is fortunate in having Burgh Beautiful but what of the other towns in the county? No flower beds?	NETs, Land & Countryside - grounds maintenance	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35375	An individual	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	When cuts are made to grounds maintenance it would be good that when grass cutting is carried out efficiently making the cut in service appear less negative to the community.	NETs, Land & Countryside - grounds maintenance	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35376	An individual	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	Use people who are on community service orders to work the land!	NETs, Land & Countryside - grounds maintenance	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35377	An individual	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	?? Are you talking about cutting the grass? If you don't want to maintain open spaces then sell the land to a property developer What does NETs mean? This is gobbledeygook	NETs, Land & Countryside - grounds maintenance	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	NETs is an abbreviation for Neighbourhood Environmental Teams.
35378	An individual	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	Whilst a reduction in grass cutting and landscape maintenance - and use of different seed types such as meadow flower- is appropriate, if this is reduced too much it will be a retrograde step. It not only looks untidy but could encourage fly tipping, vermin etc. It also means there is a loss of ownership and sense of pride in a neighbourhood.	NETs, Land & Countryside - grounds maintenance	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35379	An employee of West Lothian Council	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	Services such as gardening services have been badly effected and on roads and paths around West Lothian have become dangerous as so overgrown pulling out of junctions has become hazardous. Prime example is junction outside Torphichen going to Falkirk/Linlithgow. Surprise not been an accident	NETs, Land & Countryside - grounds maintenance	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35380	An individual	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	Grass cutting is already poorly executed with the task half done.	NETs, Land & Countryside - grounds maintenance	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35381	An employee of West Lothian Council	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	Look at what Fife Council are doing - they are using external funding to run 'Locality Response teams' This team works in the community - on areas of land which are identified by the community as requiring work. The LRT - provide training for young people who are not in employment. They work on paths, fences, painting etc	NETs, Land & Countryside - grounds maintenance	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The council routinely reviews its open space maintenance standards and this suggestion will be incorporated into the next review.
35382	An individual	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	Hopefully the Council will remove non-maintained Trees so that residents are not having to clear up all the Council Property leaves on a regular basis.	NETs, Land & Countryside - grounds maintenance	5c. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it is not consistent with the council's values and priorities.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35383	An individual	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	It is to be hoped that proper proactive maintenance is carried out anyway.	NETs, Land & Countryside - grounds maintenance	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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35384	An employee of West Lothian Council	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	stop planting seasonal flowers. Replacing these with hardwearing all round shrubs.	NETs, Land & Countryside - grounds maintenance	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council routinely reviews its open space maintenance standards and this suggestion will be incorporated into the next review.
35385	An employee of West Lothian Council	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	I would hope the objective will be to ensure the majority of these savings affect the minority of people. Within Ground Maintenance, previous reductions in service standards have resulted in considerable increases in public and Councillor enquiries and complaints. Ground Maintenance and Street Cleansing consistently receive around 90% of recorded enquiries every month. It is clear that while these are not priority services, they affect people on a daily basis.	NETs, Land & Countryside - grounds maintenance	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35386	An employee of West Lothian Council	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	Grounds Maintenance has been forced to made vast saving over previous years so leave it alone, it can't be reduced any more!	NETs, Land & Countryside - grounds maintenance	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35387	An individual	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	Agree, but keep out town centres neat and tidy. Give grants to interested groups to provide an acceptable of summer flowers.....same for every town.... I know Linlithgow has a volunteer gardening group, but the town seems to have greater spends on road furniture etc. Towns like Whitburn should be improved too.	NETs, Land & Countryside - grounds maintenance	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council routinely reviews its open space maintenance standards and this suggestion will be incorporated into the next review.
35388	An individual	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	use community councils to support this	NETs, Land & Countryside - grounds maintenance	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council routinely reviews its open space maintenance standards and this suggestion will be incorporated into the next review.
35389	An individual	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	All very well but consider the effect on the Tourist effort if you allow standards to slip.	NETs, Land & Countryside - grounds maintenance	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35390	An individual	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	What is the open space strategy? Grass cutting has already been severely curtailed and there are now unsightly heaps of rotting grass left in Linlithgow. This is not a good look for a historic town that gets a lot of visitors. Burgh Beautiful do their best to keep the town looking good after WL cut all planting but BB cannot do all the grass cutting as well as all the flower tubs, baskets and beds!	NETs, Land & Countryside - grounds maintenance	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Open Space strategy is the councils long term strategy for the development and management of general open space assets. The council routinely reviews its open space maintenance standards and this suggestion will be incorporated into the next review.
35391	An individual	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	What the heck are you talking about! Why don't you use plain english and say exactly what it is that you're proposing to do. Is it that you'll use other maintenance resources to cut the grass. If so fine, no problem.	NETs, Land & Countryside - grounds maintenance	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35392	An individual	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	I'm failing spectacularly to understand how £2.7 million of savings can be made in this area. Are you saying you are going to stop cutting grass, trees, hedges, bushes etc in certain areas? If so where? I'm firmly of the view that a clean tidy environment promotes a sense of pride in our community and if the place looks a mess people will have less inclination to look after it. Sure maybe do it less often but don't stop parts altogether.	NETs, Land & Countryside - grounds maintenance	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council routinely reviews its open space maintenance standards and this suggestion will be incorporated into the next review.
35393	An individual	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	Agree as long as appropriate priority given to over grown trees which can make driving on the roads dangerous. I do value the grounds maintenance as it gives good impression to tourists & makes our towns a prettier, happier place to live in.	NETs, Land & Countryside - grounds maintenance	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council routinely reviews its open space maintenance standards and this suggestion will be incorporated into the next review.
35394	An individual	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	Offer private estates communal grass cutting provision at agreed fee. This would enable them to maintain their own community to a standard/cost they are happy with	NETs, Land & Countryside - grounds maintenance	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The council routinely reviews its open space maintenance standards and this suggestion will be incorporated into the next review.
35395	An individual	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	Already I see common areas and pathways suffering from previous budget costs. I do worry that the increase in weeds on paths and kerbside will cost the council more in the long run with road and footpath maintenance/replacement.	NETs, Land & Countryside - grounds maintenance	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council routinely reviews its open space maintenance standards and this suggestion will be incorporated into the next review.
35396	An individual	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	Noted though to be honest I think the provision you provide for grass cutting to public parks (especially the children's playing fields) is poor anyway.	NETs, Land & Countryside - grounds maintenance	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35397	An individual	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	I do not agree with this proposal. All grounds should be treated with the same priority for the good of the grounds and the people	NETs, Land & Countryside - grounds maintenance	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council routinely reviews its open space maintenance standards and this suggestion will be incorporated into the next review.

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35398	An employee of West Lothian Council	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	There is very little grounds maintenance completed - our local parks only get cut a few times a year and these are used as sporting grounds and are often overgrown. I do not think there can be any reduction to this type of maintenance.	NETs, Land & Countryside - grounds maintenance	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council routinely reviews its open space maintenance standards and this suggestion will be incorporated into the next review.
35399	An individual	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	Already starting to become visible across WL that the capacity to 'maintain grounds' in decreasing. Need to try and educate and encourage resentments to try and take some kind on responsibility for the paths etc right outside their own front doors.	NETs, Land & Countryside - grounds maintenance	4. The council is already doing this.	The council routinely reviews its open space maintenance standards and this suggestion will be incorporated into the next review.
35400	An employee of West Lothian Council	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	Encourage local organisations to take on planted areas etc. Burgh Beautiful is a good example of local community working with local groups with some support from Council	NETs, Land & Countryside - grounds maintenance	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The council routinely reviews its open space maintenance standards and this suggestion will be incorporated into the next review.
35401	An individual	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	Open spaces must be maintained, streets cleaned and kept free of ice, snow and leaves and drains kept clear.	NETs, Land & Countryside - grounds maintenance	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35402	An individual	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	Are your strategies implemented council wide? For example in Linlithgow there is no flower/tree planting etc - is this council wide? I ask as shortly after implementing this strategy in Linlithgow there were press reports showing a number of large trees being planted in the grounds of the Civic Centre in Livingston!	NETs, Land & Countryside - grounds maintenance	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35403	An individual	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	This should be undertaken. Support should be given to voluntary local groups, such as Burgh Beautiful, to help them keep open spaces in good order now that the council have stopped maintaining gardens.	NETs, Land & Countryside - grounds maintenance	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council routinely reviews its open space maintenance standards and this suggestion will be incorporated into the next review.
35404	An individual	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	The council will provide a litter bin for every bus stop in the borough. Planted areas as well as paving will be cleared of litter. Pavements to be cleared of falling leaves on a regular basis as leaves fall not left to accumulate. Wet leaves are dangerous and slippery. Grass cuttings to be swept from pavements and not left to form a mess and become slippery and dangerous. Road cleaning operative rounds to follow the path of the dustcarts as dustcart operatives seem incapable of bending their backs and picking up what is dropped on their rounds.	NETs, Land & Countryside - grounds maintenance	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35405	An individual	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	Sad that West Lothian is looking scruffy but that is due to residents being happy to drop rubbish etc because it's the council's problem not theirs don't know how that attitude will change.	NETs, Land & Countryside - grounds maintenance	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35406	An individual	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	I notice that maintaining path edges appears to be less frequent in recent years, leading to overgrowing vegetation and a decreased feeling of safety. Within reason, the already felt reduction in management should be picked up by communities. I am aware of other places where people organise work parties to clear back path edges, I would be happy to do this within my community either as part of a group or by myself but I have so far avoided it as I am not sure where such activity stands legally. The result of this is that I use Fix My Street but feel that I am pressuring already pushed teams when I do this.	NETs, Land & Countryside - grounds maintenance	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council routinely reviews its open space maintenance standards and this suggestion will be incorporated into the next review.
35407	An individual	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	This is already happening. in Linlithgow (Burgh Beautiful), volunteers have taken over the maintenance and planting of areas in the town. I worry that lack of maintenance will result in more problems. I noticed the leaves have not been swept up in our area and on my way to the shops counted 4 drains clogged with them. I am happy to remove the leaves in my area but cannot cover all obviously. this will lead to flooding and more work in the long run. i fearloss of bins being uplifted could lead to fly tipping and germs being spread and rat infestations.	NETs, Land & Countryside - grounds maintenance	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council routinely reviews its open space maintenance standards and this suggestion will be incorporated into the next review.
35408	An individual	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	our council taxes would cover open space servicing but we would have to pay for home grass collection?	NETs, Land & Countryside - grounds maintenance	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35409	An individual	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	It looks dreadful but we are going to have live with longer grass and overgrown trees and bushes.	NETs, Land & Countryside - grounds maintenance	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35410	An individual	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	Get your landscape architect to look at ways of reducing maintenance costs without damaging the look of the place. There are grass areas that could be cut to a different pattern to reduce costs. see Living Landscape Project Edinburgh .	NETs, Land & Countryside - grounds maintenance	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The council routinely reviews its open space maintenance standards and this suggestion will be incorporated into the next review.

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35411	An employee of West Lothian Council	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	it would be sad to see a drop in the maintenance as we have a high expectation in West Lothian however it is understandable. Again; either more community engagement or putting this out to Community service for litter picking should be considered.	NETs, Land & Countryside - grounds maintenance	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council routinely reviews its open space maintenance standards and this suggestion will be incorporated into the next review.
35412	An employee of West Lothian Council	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	We must take care to protect our natural environment for our future and our future generations. This may always seem a soft target when savings are required but do not underestimate its impact on society and people's well-being. Our open spaces have already been cut to the bone and are already starting to show signs of poor management.	NETs, Land & Countryside - grounds maintenance	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35413	An employee of West Lothian Council	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	Far less grass cutting is needed over the whole council estate, including road verges > more wildflower meadow = less overall maintenance and much better for biodiversity.	NETs, Land & Countryside - grounds maintenance	4. The council is already doing this.	The council routinely reviews its open space maintenance standards and this suggestion will be incorporated into the next review.
35414	An individual	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	Mats of decaying cut grass have already made many parks and other open spaces unsightly and hard to use.	NETs, Land & Countryside - grounds maintenance	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35415	An individual	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	A community requires to be aesthetically pleasing. If we create a grey environment within West Lothian how can we expect more from tenants and home owners etc. People need to have pride in where they live.	NETs, Land & Countryside - grounds maintenance	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35416	An individual	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	Reduce labour intensive tasks (eg flower beds)	NETs, Land & Countryside - grounds maintenance	4. The council is already doing this.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35417	An employee of West Lothian Council	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	Reductions in grass-cutting will result in accidents where the grass is near junctions and signposts.	NETs, Land & Countryside - grounds maintenance	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35418	An individual	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	I would like to know how this will work before passing comment. At present the staff work very hard to keep West Lothian looking attractive with grass cutting and shrub trimming etc. The priority areas - will these be identified in the future?	NETs, Land & Countryside - grounds maintenance	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council routinely reviews its open space maintenance standards and this suggestion will be incorporated into the next review.
35419	An individual	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	When the grass is cut, could we have it collected, please? Thus leaving a more pleasing sight than when the cuttings are just left to rot.	NETs, Land & Countryside - grounds maintenance	5b. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it is likely that the costs of this proposal would outweigh the benefit.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35420	An individual	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	Here I will mention the importance of not using weed killer all over the place. Over the years I have lived here butterfly and insect numbers have dropped very badly not to mention the lack of wild flowers and hedgehogs??	NETs, Land & Countryside - grounds maintenance	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35421	An individual	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	Cut down on grass cutting in rural areas and leave verges to become roadside nature reserves. Prioritise and reduce journeys of small trucks with a brush sticking up in the back. Everyone of these journeys needs to have a purpose.	NETs, Land & Countryside - grounds maintenance	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The council routinely reviews its open space maintenance standards and this suggestion will be incorporated into the next review.
35422	An individual	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	It is lovely to see all the displays of flowers in villages/towns but again I think they are a luxury. The cutting of grass in communal areas in villages yes but nothing more than the absolute minimum should be done.	NETs, Land & Countryside - grounds maintenance	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council routinely reviews its open space maintenance standards and this suggestion will be incorporated into the next review.
35423	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	The environment is extremely important to them and whilst this is at number 8, they would not like these spaces to be taken away. Would it be possible to have volunteers help to maintain spaces. They do not want to lose these spaces.	NETs, Land & Countryside - grounds maintenance	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The council routinely reviews its open space maintenance standards and this suggestion will be incorporated into the next review.
35424	An individual	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	Deployment of low risk prison offenders onto street and highway cleaning duties and park maintenance	NETs, Land & Countryside - grounds maintenance	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	The council routinely reviews its open space maintenance standards and this suggestion will be incorporated into the next review.
35425	An employee of West Lothian Council	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	Like many of the proposals in this consultation, it is difficult to comment without knowing more of the context. How can anyone disagree with a general proposal to make a service effective, efficient and in line with the Council's strategy?	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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35426	An individual	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	Don't know what any of this means.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35427	An individual	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	No opinion	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35428	An employee of West Lothian Council	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	I don't know enough about this service to comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35429	An individual	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	This statement is too general to elicit a comment It is a 'do your job' statement.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35430	An individual	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	â's	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35431	An individual	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	I donâ€™t understand this proposal.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35432	An individual	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	What does this mean. What are NETs? Again, is this just a paper exercise?	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35433	An employee of West Lothian Council	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	unable to respond	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35434	An individual	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	M/A	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35435	An individual	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	No comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35436	An individual	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	No comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35437	An employee of West Lothian Council	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	No comment.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35438	An employee of West Lothian Council	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	Don't know enough about this to comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35439	An employee of West Lothian Council	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	This survey is too long at there is both too much and not enough information.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35440	An individual	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	I dont understand this to comment. Not enough information provided.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35441	An employee of West Lothian Council	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	The process seems to have started here.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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35442	An employee of West Lothian Council	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	Possible sponsorship opportunities ??	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35443	An employee of West Lothian Council	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	There may be other ways to maintain standards at a lower cost.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35444	An employee of West Lothian Council	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	not enough info on proposed service standards - cannot comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35445	An individual	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	I don't understand budgeting advantages and restraints enough to comment.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35446	An individual	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	?	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35447	An employee of West Lothian Council	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	I am not in a position to comment on this	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35448	An individual	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	Don't understand this - was this the aim?	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35449	An individual	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	no comment to make.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35450	An individual	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	No comment on this	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35451	An individual	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	No comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35452	An employee of West Lothian Council	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	Unable to comment.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35453	An individual	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	No comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35454	An individual	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	no comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35455	An employee of West Lothian Council	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	N/a	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35456	An individual	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	No comments	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35457	An individual	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	No comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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35458	An individual	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	No comment.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35459	An employee of West Lothian Council	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	No comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35460	An employee of West Lothian Council	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	-	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35461	An individual	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	No comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35462	No Response	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	No comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35463	An individual	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	Impossible to comment without knowing the specifics of what is proposed. This sounds however, like a recipe for more weeds, neglect and overgrown areas.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35464	An individual	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	Just babble	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35465	An employee of West Lothian Council	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	No comment as don't know enough.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35466	An individual	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	What is a NET?	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35467	An employee of West Lothian Council	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	Would need more information on what this means	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35468	An employee of West Lothian Council	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	I don't have enough information to comment, however it does seem a huge saving which makes me nervous.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35469	No Response	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	dgd	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35470	An individual	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	Should I be an expert on the terminology used in this document? How can I comment on NETs when I havent a clue what they are?	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35471	An individual	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	nil	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35472	An individual	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	No Comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35473	An employee of West Lothian Council	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	No comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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35474	An individual	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	No comment.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35475	An individual	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	Hands up anyone who actually knows what this means!	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35476	An employee of West Lothian Council	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	NA	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35477	An individual	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	More information is needed	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35478	An individual	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	no comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35479	An employee of West Lothian Council	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	Don know enough to comment on this,	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35480	An individual	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	No real comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35481	An individual	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	Would have thought this would be being done on an ongoing basis anyway.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35482	An individual	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	I do not understand this service, no comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35483	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	More detail required	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35484	An individual	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	No comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35485	An individual	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	No comments	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35486	An individual	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	Cannot comment on this outwith my understanding.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35487	An individual	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	No comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35488	No Response	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	Don't know enough to comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35489	An employee of West Lothian Council	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	No comment.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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35490	An employee of West Lothian Council	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	No comments	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35491	An employee of West Lothian Council	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	NO COMMENT	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35492	An individual	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	No comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35493	An individual	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	no comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35494	An individual	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	not sure on this proposal	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35495	An employee of West Lothian Council	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	Sounds good in theory but no practical evidence is given to support this action.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35496	An individual	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	This will be interesting to see if it is adopted and agreed.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35497	An employee of West Lothian Council	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	Firstly, it is difficult to provide specific feedback when there are no details on what is proposed to deliver Â£2.7 million of savings.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35498	An individual	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	No comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35499	An individual	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	Unable to comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35500	An individual	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	No comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35501	An individual	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	No comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35502	An employee of West Lothian Council	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	N/a	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35503	An individual	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	would need more information regarding this	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35504	An individual	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	Already reduced in our area	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35505	No Response	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	Not enough information to provide comment.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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35506	An individual	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	No idea about this	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35507	An individual	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	I do not feel qualified to comment.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35508	An individual	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	What on earth is this about? More meaningless jargon. you've already off loaded some of this to voluntary bodies already and there is a limit to what more they can take on.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35509	An individual	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	No comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35510	An individual	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	Noted.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35511	An individual	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	No comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35512	An individual	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	7f Too big a question for a public consultation. For the less informed, this question lacks detail and financial outline for constructive feedback and comment. You expect the population to read up on "open Space strategy" plus comment on every aspect of council services!	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35513	An individual	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	More information needed	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35514	An employee of West Lothian Council	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	Again this will result in other services having to pay the price for reduction in other service budget cuts.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35515	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	We do not believe we have the knowledge or experience of this area to be able to make an informed comment on it.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35516	An employee of West Lothian Council	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	Please explain what is meant by "Generic working will be introduced to ensure resources are utilised effectively to support service delivery"? Â£2.7million is a huge figure and we are given no detail on what you mean! Plain english would be appreciated and much more detail to enable worthwhile feedback to be given.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35517	An individual	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	Difficult to comment as this is not clear.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35518	An individual	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	nil	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35519	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	No comments	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35520	An individual	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	unable to comment as not in plain english	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35521	An individual	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	No comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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35522	An employee of West Lothian Council	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	Unable to comment on this	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35523	An individual	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	No comment.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35524	An individual	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	No comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35525	An individual	7f. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - NETs, Land & Countryside	Nore residents should be encouraged to help in cleaning and protecting the natural environment.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35526	An employee of West Lothian Council	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	If this can provide the necessary savings then this should be pursued.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35527	An employee of West Lothian Council	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35528	An employee of West Lothian Council	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	Seems reasonable.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35529	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	Agree.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35530	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	no issue	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35531	An employee of West Lothian Council	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	Yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35532	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	Pity but yes.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35533	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	This statement is too general to elicit a comment It is a 'do your job' statement.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35534	No Response	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	Have no objection	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35535	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	Support proposal.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35536	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	This will be very unpopular, but I suppose, given due time for preparation, communities good become more self-sufficient.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35537	An employee of West Lothian Council	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	I agree with this	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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35538	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	Sounds reasonable.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35539	An employee of West Lothian Council	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	Fully support	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35540	An employee of West Lothian Council	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	I agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35541	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	Agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35542	An employee of West Lothian Council	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	Makes sense	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35543	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	Good idea.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35544	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	Fine	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35545	An employee of West Lothian Council	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35546	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35547	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	Ok with this	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35548	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	Agree.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35549	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	happy with this	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35550	An employee of West Lothian Council	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35551	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35552	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	Agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35553	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	Positive	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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35554	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	I agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35555	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	Yep fully support this	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35556	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	Festive lighting is definitely an expense that needs cut. Whilst it is nice the money is better spent elsewhere.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35557	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	Sad state of affairs but understandable if other services can be saved.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35558	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	go ahead with the savings	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35559	An employee of West Lothian Council	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	Totally agree, festive lighting is an individual choice for the home owner.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35560	An employee of West Lothian Council	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	Agree - sponsors for festive lighting perhaps.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35561	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	I support this change	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35562	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	I agree with the Council's proposals for the moment to see how they all work out. Thank you.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35563	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	I feel that is okay as each place can do their own festivities	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35564	An employee of West Lothian Council	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	I agree that Christmas lights are not a priority.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35565	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	Good saving.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35566	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	Agreed. Considering the Council are spending public money my question would be why has this not been done before now?	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35567	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	Shame but understandable	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35568	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	Fine why should they all be	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35569	An employee of West Lothian Council	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	Support this measure.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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35570	An employee of West Lothian Council	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	In agreemnet.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35571	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35572	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	Fully support this	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35573	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	sounds good to me	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35574	An employee of West Lothian Council	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	Sounds good to me!	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35575	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	agree.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35576	An employee of West Lothian Council	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35577	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	ok.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35578	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35579	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	Ok	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35580	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	Ok	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35581	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	I support this idea	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35582	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	Good	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35583	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	good idea	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35584	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	AGREE	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35585	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	Seems reasonable.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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35586	No Response	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	Agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35587	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	Sensible	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35588	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	Agreed.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35589	An employee of West Lothian Council	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	Good Idea.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35590	An employee of West Lothian Council	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35591	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	Sounds good	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35592	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	I would support this.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35593	An employee of West Lothian Council	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	I agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35594	An employee of West Lothian Council	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	Good	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35595	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	Good	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35596	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	Long overdue	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35597	An employee of West Lothian Council	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	Agree.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35598	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	Acceptable	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35599	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	Agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35600	An employee of West Lothian Council	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	I agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35601	An employee of West Lothian Council	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	agree with proposal	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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35602	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	Fair	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35603	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	I agree with this proposal.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35604	An employee of West Lothian Council	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35605	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35606	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35607	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	Although it boosts pride in our community I view it as a low priority and the saved money from displaying Christmas lights and bunting at gala days could be better used for frontline services.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35608	An employee of West Lothian Council	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	We can't afford to pay for festive lighting.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35609	An employee of West Lothian Council	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	I agree with reduced festive lighting.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35610	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	Scrap the lights	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35611	An employee of West Lothian Council	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	Necessary but not desirable.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35612	An employee of West Lothian Council	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	I don't think people will care if they have festive lighting.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35613	An employee of West Lothian Council	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	Would agree, should give more to the communities.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35614	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	OK. So long as savings can be EVIDENCED down the line.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35615	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	I have no objection to this.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35616	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	I agree with this.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35617	An employee of West Lothian Council	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	Agree.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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35618	An employee of West Lothian Council	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35619	An employee of West Lothian Council	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	Agree with this proposal.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35620	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35621	An employee of West Lothian Council	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	Agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35622	An employee of West Lothian Council	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	Agree.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35623	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	I support.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35624	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	I agree with the above.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35625	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	Agreed. See my previous comment re festive lighting!	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35626	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	Agreed, and all overtime should be banned for all but essential statutory work!	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35627	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	Ok	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35628	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	I would support this proposal.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35629	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	Agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35630	An employee of West Lothian Council	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	This appears to be a reasonable proposal.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35631	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	Sensible	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35632	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	Agree with this.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35633	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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35634	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35635	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	I agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35636	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35637	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	I would support this	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35638	No Response	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35639	An employee of West Lothian Council	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35640	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	Sounds like a good idea!	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35641	An employee of West Lothian Council	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35642	An employee of West Lothian Council	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35643	An employee of West Lothian Council	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35644	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35645	An employee of West Lothian Council	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	I agree with this.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35646	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	ok	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35647	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35648	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	Agree with this	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35649	An employee of West Lothian Council	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	Ok	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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35650	An employee of West Lothian Council	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	Agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35651	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	This is another necessity.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35652	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	Not desirable but may be acceptable.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35653	An employee of West Lothian Council	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35654	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35655	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	Again this is sensible as long as it does not have any impact on any health and safety issues.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35656	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	Agree that an efficiency is required here.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35657	An employee of West Lothian Council	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	This seems sensible to keep essential services which are vital	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35658	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35659	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	Agreed.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35660	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	Agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35661	No Response	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	OK	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35662	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35663	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35664	An employee of West Lothian Council	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	proposal seems fair	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35665	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	Makes perfect sense and is normal in all other workplaces	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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35666	No Response	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	OK	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35667	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	Agree with this idea to make savings.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35668	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	Disappointing, but understood.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35669	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	Think this is a fair proposal	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35670	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	Fine	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35671	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	ok	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35672	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35673	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	a good idea	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35674	An employee of West Lothian Council	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	I support savings in this area.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35675	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	Agree - strongly supported	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35676	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	Save away !	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35677	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	Agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35678	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35679	An employee of West Lothian Council	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35680	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35681	An employee of West Lothian Council	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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35682	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	Agree.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35683	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	Agreed. Undesirable but necessary.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35684	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35685	An employee of West Lothian Council	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	I agree.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35686	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35687	An employee of West Lothian Council	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35688	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	Agree where road remain safe	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35689	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35690	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35691	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	Fair.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35692	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	I agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35693	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	Again unfortunate but understandable.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35694	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	This is a shame but toally understandable	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35695	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35696	An employee of West Lothian Council	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35697	An employee of West Lothian Council	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	I agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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35698	An employee of West Lothian Council	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	I agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35699	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	I agree with the proposal.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35700	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	Very happy to have no festive lights.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35701	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	All proposals are sound.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35702	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	Fantastic, lets make the place look even more miserable than it already is.	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35703	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	Festive lighting.....seriously. The one thing that actually brightens up our towns and villages at that time of the year. DO NOT CUT THIS!!	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35704	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	I do not agree with this our roads are bad enough already.	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35705	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	I don't support this.	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35706	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	Now your putting a price on life there should be no cut backs here	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35707	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	As for your council proposals it odes not matter what the people say. You do what you please anyway.	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35708	No Response	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	Disagree	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35709	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	Not a great idea for quality of life, perhaps	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35710	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	My comment is as 7f. as to the comment 'will mean some services, such as festive lighting, will no longer be provided by the council'; this can only be considered as parsimonious	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35711	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	Do not agree	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35712	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	Sounds too mean!	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35713	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	There should be no changes to the existing!	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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35714	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	how miserable can you get!!	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35715	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	no	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35716	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	Happy Christmas?!?! Disagree.	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35717	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	I do not support removing all festive lighting.	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35718	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	I disagree with this proposal	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35719	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	Disagree	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35720	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	That's just desperate and sad	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35721	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	I do not agree.	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35722	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	None	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35723	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	Don't agree	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35724	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	I completely disagree with this.	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35725	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	Disagree	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35726	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	Ba humbug - the festive lights add welcome cheer in the winter months	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35727	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	Bah humbug!	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35728	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	No opinion	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35729	An employee of West Lothian Council	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	I don't know enough about this service to comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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35730	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	â's	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35731	An employee of West Lothian Council	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	unable to respond	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35732	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	Meanwhile unemployment in West Lothian grows.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35733	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	N/A	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35734	An employee of West Lothian Council	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	N/A	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35735	An employee of West Lothian Council	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	No comment.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35736	An employee of West Lothian Council	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	This survey is too long at there is both too much and not enough information.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35737	No Response	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	S	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35738	An employee of West Lothian Council	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	Which kind of capital investment works?	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35739	An employee of West Lothian Council	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	Sad	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35740	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	I don't understand budgeting advantages and restraints enough to comment.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35741	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	I can see the press headlines already "Council abolishes Christmas!"	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35742	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	No comment on this	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35743	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	-	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35744	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	No comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35745	An employee of West Lothian Council	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	Bah Humbug	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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35746	An employee of West Lothian Council	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35747	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	No comments	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35748	An employee of West Lothian Council	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	No comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35749	An employee of West Lothian Council	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	No comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35750	An employee of West Lothian Council	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	-	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35751	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	No comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35752	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	Ahhh the Grinch effect eh? So it IS Ian Duncan Smith who's making all these proposals. I can't remember voting for him	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35753	An employee of West Lothian Council	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	No comment as don't know enough.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35754	No Response	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	dgdg	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35755	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	nil	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35756	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	No Comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35757	An employee of West Lothian Council	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	No comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35758	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	No comment.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35759	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	Christmas is cancelled! :(	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35760	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	no comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35761	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	Would have thought this would be being done on an ongoing basis anyway.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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35762	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	?	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35763	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	Bah humbug	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35764	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	No comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35765	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	No comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35766	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	No comments	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35767	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	No comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35768	An employee of West Lothian Council	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	no comment.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35769	An employee of West Lothian Council	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	don't know enough about it to comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35770	An employee of West Lothian Council	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	No comments	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35771	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	No comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35772	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	no comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35773	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	The language about the rest is too opaque for me to give an informed view.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35774	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	Do not have enough information to pass comment.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35775	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	No comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35776	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	No comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35777	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	No comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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35778	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	No comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35779	An employee of West Lothian Council	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	N/a	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35780	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	Bah humbug!	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35781	An employee of West Lothian Council	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	Bah humbug to you :-)	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35782	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	Bah humbug!	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35783	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	Bah humbug!	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35784	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	No comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35785	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	I seem to have lost the page 'Have your say.....' So here is my say - After several attempts & losing the will to live, I have had to force myself to read this document. But I still think WTF does this mean. The jargon & wording is appalling, who is it designed for? I am educated to degree level & still found it difficult to understand even after re-reading it. This is disgraceful. Or is it just so that you can tick the box that says you have consulted..... really!!! These cuts effect the 2 most vulnerable groups in society - children & elderly. Shame on you. This could have been a much shorted document if you stopped banging on about how great you are & what you have done.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35786	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	7g Too big a question for a public consultation. For the less informed, this question lacks detail and financial outline for constructive feedback and comment. You expect the population to read up on strategy" plus comment on every aspect of council services! statutory requirements rather than service, what does this entail. it sounds as community service and community cohesion are being abandoned.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35787	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	More information needed	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35788	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	We do not believe we have the knowledge or experience of this area to be able to make an informed comment on it.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35789	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	Bah humbug!	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35790	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	The council needs to be clear what the impact of changes to winter maintenance will look like.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35791	An employee of West Lothian Council	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	Please see earlier comments re Winter Standby costs and inefficiencies.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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35792	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	nil	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35793	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	Need more info.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35794	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	No comments	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35795	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	Need detail to comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35796	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	unable to comment as not in plain english	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35797	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	No comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35798	An employee of West Lothian Council	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	Unable to comment on this.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35799	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	Bah humbug	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35800	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	no comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35801	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	Unable to comment.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35802	No Response	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	Agree, safety must come before anything else. WL have excellent road safety and this should be take priority	Roads & Transportation - external providers	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35803	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	the last proposal to use contractors is fraught with higher costs and overrun and variation costs. you will need contract management to oversee the contractors and you already got rid of the clerk of works years ago. just think of the Edinburgh tram project.	Roads & Transportation - external providers	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35804	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	Can a contract stipulate companies must be based locally/Scotland/UK to get work? Therefore we are supporting as much "local" employment as possible. Money would hopefully be spent locally to, to assist the economy.	Roads & Transportation - external providers	4. The council is already doing this.	Council procurement is carried out in line with procurement legislation
35805	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	Please do not use cheap as chips contractors who are cheap for one reason they cut corners skimping on requirements	Roads & Transportation - external providers	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35806	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	Cost effective contractors should be used sparingly.	Roads & Transportation - external providers	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35807	An employee of West Lothian Council	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	Roads seem to be already almost fully transferred out using private contractors all the time. Does seem to be too much emphasis on winter maintenance which now seems to last almost all year round now. Summer work improvements programmes appear to be non-existent in-house.	Roads & Transportation - external providers	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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35808	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	Contractors - a licence for them to print money - already seen with TT testing to name one.	Roads & Transportation - external providers	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35809	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	External contractors are not cost effective - poorer service for cost as they make profit for shareholders.	Roads & Transportation - external providers	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35810	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	The astronomical costs charged by Roads Operations to undertake works currently needs to be looked into, works could be undertaken through the TRIPS contract, using private companies at a fraction of the cost.	Roads & Transportation - external providers	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	As part of any of the proposals we promote value for money will be considered.
35811	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	This would cost you more in the long run using contractors instead of using your own workers	Roads & Transportation - external providers	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35812	An employee of West Lothian Council	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	using contractors in the past for other aspects of council work has not proved to be best value long term.	Roads & Transportation - external providers	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35813	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	So be it. Sometimes the festive lights are rubbish anyway.	Roads & Transportation - external providers	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35814	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	The issue with using contractors is assessing the true cost rather than just the tender return quote. If additional capital investment works are outsourced then a key part of issuing works should be to revisit contracts where it has ended up costing more than doing it in-house and ensuring learning is applied.	Roads & Transportation - external providers	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35815	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	Cost effective and private contractors? You are having a laugh surely.	Roads & Transportation - external providers	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35816	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	Agree. This creates opportunities for local businesses	Roads & Transportation - external providers	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35817	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	This links to the idea of using appropriately qualified staff BUT there is a need to ensure that contracts are reviewed to ensure what has been stated will happen does take place.	Roads & Transportation - external providers	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35818	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	Less contractors as they cost more! Disagree with this proposal.	Roads & Transportation - external providers	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35819	An employee of West Lothian Council	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	Agree, an increase in external contractors represents a significant potential saving while also freeing up staff to undertake more essential works.	Roads & Transportation - external providers	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35820	An employee of West Lothian Council	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	I think all major capital works should be carried out by external contractor cutting down the time taken to do the works, the guarantee that if there are any defects they are rectified at contractors cost, ability to get works done for the lowest price available. This would free up internal manual labour to focus on emergency works and routine works such as pothole patching, gully emptying, drainage works, etc.	Roads & Transportation - external providers	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35821	An employee of West Lothian Council	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	The cost of direct delivery exceeds the cost of outsourcing and the quality standards are not necessarily better with rework also having to be paid for in addition. The roll out of this proposal should also be extended to work paid for from the revenue budget and direct delivery reduced.	Roads & Transportation - external providers	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35822	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	You need MUCH tighter control and contract negotiation with your suppliers. Example - the work in Bathgate High Street - you know its a running joke with people how long this is taking right? How many other projects like this. Your project budgets are wrong - get a properly qualified project manager for these works.	Roads & Transportation - external providers	4. The council is already doing this.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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35823	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	More clarity and visibility is needed in the use of contractors by the council.	Roads & Transportation - external providers	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35824	An employee of West Lothian Council	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	WLC's Roads team are invaluable especially winter maintenance. Contractors better brace themselves for the WL public!!	Roads & Transportation - external providers	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35825	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	Need to ensure our roads don't get any worse. Also using contractors is fine if managed properly but too many poor jobs done then needing further Council funding to remediate some independent guarantee is needed for these works.	Roads & Transportation - external providers	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35826	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	If it requires contractors to be used in any area of council business, it must not be at the detriment of council staff in being made compulsory redundant.	Roads & Transportation - external providers	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35827	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	Contractors tend to deliver cheaper services by cutting back on quality, necessitating the work to be repeated more frequently.	Roads & Transportation - external providers	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Contractors managed by the council have to meet high standards in terms of specification and workmanship.
35828	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	Outsource all roads and transportation services to an operating company in the same way transport Scotland does	Roads & Transportation - external providers	5c. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it is not consistent with the council's values and priorities.	Although some services may be contracted out based on supporting business cases, it is unlikely that all services will be. The council will wish to hold some expertise and delivery in-house.
35829	An employee of West Lothian Council	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	If communities want some festive lights let them do it themselves or pay the council to do it.	Roads & Transportation - external providers	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35830	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	Issuing contracts to external contractors can be competitive however you require to ensure that contracts are up to standard and those monitoring them are competent. There have been examples significant errors in contract management on high profile jobs recently (reported in the press) and this is a direct result of losing skilled Engineers and trying to fill these roles with lower paid technical staff, i.e. rationalisation. There is a significant skills gap across the sector and WL is no different to any other Council.	Roads & Transportation - external providers	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	West Lothian still has a good level of experienced and skilled staff working on its roads.
35831	An employee of West Lothian Council	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	Contractors are ok if they actually provide savings.	Roads & Transportation - external providers	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35832	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	You cannot be all things to all men so contracting out seems sensible	Roads & Transportation - external providers	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35833	An employee of West Lothian Council	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	Competitive procurement should be considered through the provision of all works to ensure that best value is achieved.	Roads & Transportation - external providers	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35834	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	As before consultants and contractors can be more cost effective	Roads & Transportation - external providers	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35835	An employee of West Lothian Council	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	communication between councils and other services eg gas water electricity companies so that planning is better to stop roads being dug up unnecessarily a few weeks after it was just sorted.... eg in pumpherston the same bit of road has been getting dug up and filled in with temporary lights going on for the last 6-9 months,,,,, the temporary lights disappear for a few days and low and behold a week or fortnight later they are back.... duplication and a waste of money	Roads & Transportation - external providers	4. The council is already doing this.	The council works hard to coordinate road works undertaken by public utility companies but it is often difficult to prevent them undertaking works as they have statutory powers.
35836	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	More detail required. TUS oppose outsourcing of work.	Roads & Transportation - external providers	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35837	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	Contractors are very seldom cost effective. Have you not learned from P.F.I.?	Roads & Transportation - external providers	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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35838	An employee of West Lothian Council	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	contractors should be brought in if they can provide a better /cheaper service	Roads & Transportation - external providers	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35839	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	If using contractors gets the job done quicker then use them	Roads & Transportation - external providers	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35840	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	I do not see how using contractors would save on this? The public appreciates the nice lights etc over the festive period after paying council tax all year.	Roads & Transportation - external providers	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35841	An employee of West Lothian Council	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	It does seem sensible to use contractors on occasion rather than purchase and maintain expensive equipment which is rarely used. Any reduction to gritting etc is bound to be very unpopular.	Roads & Transportation - external providers	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35842	An employee of West Lothian Council	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	Use of contractors can be very cost effective providing specifications and communication links are clear and they are managed efficiently.	Roads & Transportation - external providers	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35843	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	the men normally put up the Christmas lights in a west lothian council (west lothian council logo on the van) cherry picker. why do you need to employ outside companies to do this?	Roads & Transportation - external providers	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35844	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	Robust management of contractors is required to ensure competitive pricing.	Roads & Transportation - external providers	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35845	No Response	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	Communities should fund their own festive lighting.	Roads & Transportation - festive lighting	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35846	No Response	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	The move away from providing festive lighting brings the council into line with other local authorities.	Roads & Transportation - festive lighting	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35847	No Response	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	Agree with some areas- festive lighting helps keep up moral when its cold and dark	Roads & Transportation - festive lighting	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35848	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	Agree on festive lighting. Not exciting enough to merit the costs. Stick to just one lovely tree.	Roads & Transportation - festive lighting	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35849	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	agree. community councils fund this	Roads & Transportation - festive lighting	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35850	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	No need for Councils to provide festive lighting. You should focus on activities such as road gritting to maximise safe travel.	Roads & Transportation - festive lighting	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35851	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	How much does festive lighting cost? Would be a shame to see it go.	Roads & Transportation - festive lighting	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Festive lighting costs in the region of £100,000 per year.

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35852	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	I think to remove festive lighting services it is extremely petty and in the scheme of things a small poultry amount of money. Given that it is not legal for any person or group other than the local authority to mount any item on a public street lighting column or sign, this proposed move is unreasonable. It is also something of a paradox that Broxburn has just spend over Â£13,000 from a fund controlled by West Lothian Council to purchase a complete new set of energy efficient Christmas Street Lighting. Again it would effect the well-being of the town centre if there was no Christmas Lighting during the holiday season. I would agree however that some Christmas Tree provision and it's associated lighting could be reviewed as some areas already provide this as a Community Group (again Broxburn is an example), some council provided trees, in my opinion, are not required.	Roads & Transportation - festive lighting	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35853	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	Happy for no festive lighting to be erected as this is an unnecessary use of resources and energy.	Roads & Transportation - festive lighting	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35854	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	No Christmas lighting? - there hasn't been much here in Linlithgow for the past 3 years!! Don't tell me - those that can afford it will have to pay for it!	Roads & Transportation - festive lighting	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35855	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	Everyone enjoys festive lighting. Bad idea	Roads & Transportation - festive lighting	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35856	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	Bah humbug. Why not just ban Christmas altogether.	Roads & Transportation - festive lighting	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35857	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	So let's all cancel Christmas now! Who then pays for the lights? Community groups. Oh wait they've no money now as no grants from WLC!	Roads & Transportation - festive lighting	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Festive lighting costs the Council in the region of £100,000 per year.
35858	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	The festive lighting in Linlithgow is pretty pathetic anyway!	Roads & Transportation - festive lighting	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35859	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	Not against a reduction in provision of festive lighting. It often seems overdone.	Roads & Transportation - festive lighting	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35860	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	The festive lighting helps to lift morale but I can manage without.	Roads & Transportation - festive lighting	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35861	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	Back to the dark days!! Are things that bad that you can't erect some Christmas lights?	Roads & Transportation - festive lighting	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35862	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	Businesses should contribute to festive lighting/events	Roads & Transportation - festive lighting	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35863	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	Festive lighting is not needed.	Roads & Transportation - festive lighting	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35864	An employee of West Lothian Council	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	If festive lightning means the difference between employment and unemployment then this facility must be axed.	Roads & Transportation - festive lighting	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35865	No Response	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	If festive lightning means the difference between employment and unemployment then this facility must be axed.	Roads & Transportation - festive lighting	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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35866	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	Festive lighting can be paid for through fundraising in local communities.	Roads & Transportation - festive lighting	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35867	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	It will be a shame not to have festive lights but I do feel that this is an area we should be prepared to cut back on.	Roads & Transportation - festive lighting	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35868	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	Again we need to prioritise as to what is necessary, things like festive lighting, although lovely is not necessary. As long as it applies across the board.	Roads & Transportation - festive lighting	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35869	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	During dark winter months, the sight of Christmas lights brings much joy and should be retained.	Roads & Transportation - festive lighting	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35870	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	Losing festive lighting is a sad reflection of the times we are living in but it is better losing that than someone losing their job in order to have money to provide pretty lights.	Roads & Transportation - festive lighting	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35871	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	Have you killed Christmas?	Roads & Transportation - festive lighting	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35872	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	Festive lights should continue.	Roads & Transportation - festive lighting	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35873	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	Sad that things like christmas lighting may be removed.	Roads & Transportation - festive lighting	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35874	An employee of West Lothian Council	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	Festive lighting, Christmas trees etc. should be withdrawn.	Roads & Transportation - festive lighting	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35875	An employee of West Lothian Council	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	The council has already removed any Christmas trees etc for staff in offices - I have no issues with festive decorations and especially gala decorations being reduced or removed. Local community groups could then pick up the costs/works for these should they desire and if they are carried out by the council on their behalf, please bill them prior to the work rather than after.	Roads & Transportation - festive lighting	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35876	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	Ba humbug. Festive lighting improves our environment and for some people this is their only indication that it's Christmas. Certainly get local businesses to support this however, do not completely take this away.	Roads & Transportation - festive lighting	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35877	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	Stopping festive lighting is gesture politics and wont save much money at all. I dont agree with that.	Roads & Transportation - festive lighting	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Festive lighting costs the Council in the region of £100,000 per year.
35878	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	When you talk of community spirit and children's education not to provide Xmas lights would be a very sad decision.	Roads & Transportation - festive lighting	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35879	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	If stopping festive lighting should extend this to gala day flags, or make a charge for the service.	Roads & Transportation - festive lighting	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35880	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	Festive lighting can be funded by the local communities.	Roads & Transportation - festive lighting	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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35881	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	Strongly disagree with the proposed removal of festive lighting. Does the council want West Lothian to be a dull, miserable place? What about quality of life?	Roads & Transportation - festive lighting	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35882	An employee of West Lothian Council	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	Agreed re festive lighting. Festive decorations could be sponsored by businesses particularly in Livingston where the national companies could do more	Roads & Transportation - festive lighting	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35883	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	Example of festive lighting is emotive and this could be provided through partnership working. Just in to get a reaction!	Roads & Transportation - festive lighting	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35884	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	Festive lighting and gala day flags should not be provided free of charge by the council.	Roads & Transportation - festive lighting	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35885	An employee of West Lothian Council	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	Lights nice but again this is something local communities should be providing or local businesses/ BIDS groups. Summer bedding/ hanging baskets were removed and communities have taken this on.	Roads & Transportation - festive lighting	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35886	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	Re festive lighting - does this mean that there will be no festive lighting in council buildings in WLC? Bold statements require bold action - do not assume that communities, through volunteer or sponsored monies, will fill any of WLC gaps. If any of the above is implemented it requires to be all inclusive and WLC wide.	Roads & Transportation - festive lighting	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35887	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	Also the feeling of community spirit reduced with lack of festive lighting.	Roads & Transportation - festive lighting	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35888	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	Although cutting festive lighting seems petty it is not a priority. Perhaps shop owners could be persuaded to help to share the cost by supplying the hardware (this could be financed by public collections in shops and bars) and the council could still erect the lighting safely.	Roads & Transportation - festive lighting	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35889	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	Agree with cutting festive lighting in the current climate.	Roads & Transportation - festive lighting	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35890	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	If festive lighting means the difference between employment and unemployment then this facility must be axed.	Roads & Transportation - festive lighting	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35891	An employee of West Lothian Council	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	If festive lighting means the difference between employment and unemployment then this facility must be axed.	Roads & Transportation - festive lighting	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35892	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	Perhaps the council could ask local businesses, especially on Almondvale Boulevard to provide financial support for festive lighting.	Roads & Transportation - festive lighting	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35893	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	Very sad about Xmas lights.	Roads & Transportation - festive lighting	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35894	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	More information required however the removal of festive lights is acceptable to protect frontline service delivery and retention of staff.	Roads & Transportation - festive lighting	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35895	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	Could the street lights be switched off part of the time overnight. Many councils do this.	Roads & Transportation - festive lighting	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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35896	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	I understand that there is already a cost for provision of festive lighting. Could charges not be increased if this was acceptable to the local communities? This could generate additional although limited income.	Roads & Transportation - festive lighting	5b. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it is likely that the costs of this proposal would outweigh the benefit.	Communities are not charged for festive lighting provided directly by the Council. The council spends in the region of £100,000 / year on festive lighting.
35897	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	The council provided festive lights are pathetic anyway.	Roads & Transportation - festive lighting	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35898	An employee of West Lothian Council	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	If festive lighting means the difference between employment and unemployment then this facility must be axed.	Roads & Transportation - festive lighting	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35899	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	Christmas lighting can be cut as can provision of Gala day flags. Individual organisations will have to pay for their own. This will be detrimental to poorer areas and unpopular with elected members but we are living in tough times.	Roads & Transportation - festive lighting	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35900	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	Some festive lighting even if it is reduce should be kept or the whole of west Lothian will become depressed.	Roads & Transportation - festive lighting	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35901	An employee of West Lothian Council	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	Agreeing with the festive lighting, this should be community run and organised by the individual town.	Roads & Transportation - festive lighting	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35902	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	I agree - Christmas lights seem a luxury in the context of the cuts you are making.	Roads & Transportation - festive lighting	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35903	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	Yes Christmas lighting should be funded by each community	Roads & Transportation - festive lighting	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35904	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	Yes. Cut festive lighting. Dated and wasteful.	Roads & Transportation - festive lighting	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35905	An employee of West Lothian Council	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	Agree festive lighting should be left to town centre Traders / BID or Community Groups	Roads & Transportation - festive lighting	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35906	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	Festive lighting is not essential, whilst it is nice to look at and cheer up the winter months it could be done without to channel the money to other more essential things.	Roads & Transportation - festive lighting	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35907	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	Wot! No Christmas? A bit stingy perhaps?	Roads & Transportation - festive lighting	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35908	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	Agree WLC should not be funding Xmas lights or subsidising Gala days. Communities can fund themselves if they want them.	Roads & Transportation - festive lighting	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35909	An employee of West Lothian Council	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	Whilst festive lighting is not a priority it is nice to see and promotes happiness within the area, even if it could be turned off during the night ie. 10pm - 4pm. Again making West Lothian a less sought after area will make people think about moving to the area. Could street lights be switched off at certain times through the night, or every 2nd lamppost so that some light is still available?	Roads & Transportation - festive lighting	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35910	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	Taking away festive lights is a retrograde step. They help raise the spirits of the community.	Roads & Transportation - festive lighting	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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35911	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	Christmas lights and decorations do not need to be in streets in West Lothian. Rochdale Council stopped this and saved thousands of pounds.	Roads & Transportation - festive lighting	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35912	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	Please save some money by stopping putting up christmas lights.	Roads & Transportation - festive lighting	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35913	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	As for local amenities like festive lighting surely these are superceded by participatory budgeting locally and the fact that local groups in Linlithgow have done far more for thier local environment than the Council have ever done.	Roads & Transportation - festive lighting	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35914	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	Festive lighting - once a year!!! This should not be cut - A christian festival - important.	Roads & Transportation - festive lighting	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35915	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	I was thinking that you could cut the Christmas lights or get local businesses to sponsor so music can stay.	Roads & Transportation - festive lighting	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35916	An employee of West Lothian Council	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	New developments happening but unsustainable in term of expected maintenance required by WLC. lighting etc needs to be better funded by the developer / WLC depending on who it is developing.	Roads & Transportation - festive lighting	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35917	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	If times are so difficult perhaps we need to lease such things as Christmas lights etc - it seems to take days to erect them and days to take them down.	Roads & Transportation - festive lighting	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35918	An employee of West Lothian Council	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	reduce Christmas lights,	Roads & Transportation - festive lighting	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35919	An employee of West Lothian Council	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	Remove Festive lighting, hanging baskets!	Roads & Transportation - festive lighting	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35920	An employee of West Lothian Council	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	Don't pay staff overtime to put up Christmas lights at the weekend would be a start	Roads & Transportation - festive lighting	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35921	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	Removal of festive lighting	Roads & Transportation - festive lighting	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35922	An employee of West Lothian Council	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	REMOVE XMAS LIGHTS	Roads & Transportation - festive lighting	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The provision of festive lighting will be reviewed.
35923	An employee of West Lothian Council	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	Shame about the Christmas lights but if it means someone stays in a job then fair enough.	Roads & Transportation - festive lighting	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The provision of festive lighting will be reviewed.
35924	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	are you going to be the council who stole Christmas lights bah humbug	Roads & Transportation - festive lighting	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35925	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	Removal of festive lighting should not be done.	Roads & Transportation - festive lighting	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35926	An employee of West Lothian Council	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	Festive lighting although nice to brighten up towns is not essential and if a choice between this or staff cuts then festive lighting etc should be reduced.	Roads & Transportation - festive lighting	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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35927	An employee of West Lothian Council	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	The removal of festive lighting has been proposed before. I hope you go ahead with this cut this time. If residents object, ask them to contribute extra money to fund it.	Roads & Transportation - festive lighting	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35928	An employee of West Lothian Council	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	Festive lighting is a great example of doing something because its always been done. Figures tell you people are now more non -religious than religious and this should be reflected.	Roads & Transportation - festive lighting	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35929	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	A bit mean to stop the festive lights, perhaps if the residents of West Lothian knew the actual cost to the council for this service, would be able to comment further.	Roads & Transportation - festive lighting	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35930	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	Festive lighting is an unnecessary cost for councils	Roads & Transportation - festive lighting	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35931	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	I do not want to see the council cut back on festive lighting - this kind of thing is what gives communities pride and helps them work.	Roads & Transportation - festive lighting	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35932	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	If communities want Christmas lights let them pay for them.	Roads & Transportation - festive lighting	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35933	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	Festive lighting should be provided by the council. This is the country's major holiday and should be supported by the local council. If it is cheaper contractors should be used. They should be held to timetables for work to be completed.	Roads & Transportation - festive lighting	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The provision of festive lighting will be reviewed.
35934	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	Who will pay for festive lighting? Stop putting it up so early and leaving it up till February that will save money!	Roads & Transportation - festive lighting	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35935	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	"No more festive lighting" ... brilliant idea!	Roads & Transportation - festive lighting	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35936	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	If people want to decorate their street then that's up to them but to have lighting up in select areas is crazy and costly, especially when you find these light still on mid-January.	Roads & Transportation - festive lighting	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35937	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	The lights were looking shabby anyway. Doesn't mean Christmas has to be killed though.	Roads & Transportation - festive lighting	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35938	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	I see no reason for the council to provide festive lighting. And better to provide outside contractors than in-house staff where it is cost effective.	Roads & Transportation - festive lighting	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35939	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	I agree that no festive lighting should be paid by council as now in the diversity world we live in there are lots of people who do not believe in this time of year Yes I think it look nice at night with sparkling lights etc but some areas still have them up at Easter wether this is due to cost of taking them down I don't know Also a saving would be not putting street lights on for hours on end in the summer through day	Roads & Transportation - festive lighting	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35940	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	Rather than putting up/ taking down festive lighting ever year - why not leave it up all year round and have an official festive switch on/switch off	Roads & Transportation - festive lighting	5d. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it has been previously considered and will not be progressed.	Lighting needs to be taken down to be tested annually and being left in the sun for a prolonged will damage the feature.
35941	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	Keep xmas lights but ask for support from town/village community groups	Roads & Transportation - festive lighting	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Christmas lighting requires to be tested, erected and removed by qualified electricians. It is unlikely that community groups could help the council with this activity.

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35942	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	Festive lighting may be unnecessary however promotes a good feeling of community spirit. This community spirit will be needed to fill in the voluntary groups ect that the council are no longer funding.	Roads & Transportation - festive lighting	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35943	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	Christmas is cancelled. Not a good idea	Roads & Transportation - festive lighting	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35944	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	Of course, the poorer communities would be worse hit than the richer and it is not desirable that things like festive lighting would be unfairly spread.	Roads & Transportation - festive lighting	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35945	An employee of West Lothian Council	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	We should be doing this as a matter of course. Also the bunting and road closures for gala days should be paid for as well	Roads & Transportation - festive lighting	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35946	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	As long as winter maintenance services are retained there are some services which can be dispensed with and, reluctantly, I think that festive lighting is one of these.	Roads & Transportation - festive lighting	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35947	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	would miss christmas lights around centre area	Roads & Transportation - festive lighting	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35948	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	It's hard to comment on Â£2.5m when the only specific is Christmas lights! Regarding the lights, communities should be empowered to do this for themselves - gala day committees / community councils / members disbursement funds etc. Lights on almondvale boulevard should be put up by the shopping centre who must already pay for the internal lights to go up?	Roads & Transportation - festive lighting	5d. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it has been previously considered and will not be progressed.	This is not possible due to health and safety aspects of connecting to electricity supplies and ensuring safe erection of features.
35949	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	would be sad to see the christmas lights go, but i can understand why.	Roads & Transportation - festive lighting	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35950	An employee of West Lothian Council	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	As with village halls could the festive lighting be handed to the community to deal with and pay for?	Roads & Transportation - festive lighting	5d. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it has been previously considered and will not be progressed.	This is not possible due to health and safety aspects of connecting to electricity supplies and ensuring safe erection of features.
35951	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	Festive lighting is a waste of money and should not be something the council funds, whereas the proper gritting of all routes within the county should be a top priority rather than main routes around Livingston and Bathgate	Roads & Transportation - festive lighting	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35952	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	Bring in solar xmas lights or glow in the dark lights thus saving on using external contractors and still delivering the festive cheer. Introduce a Council Firework display for Newyear and a set ticket price for people to buy tickets to see it in a stadium like Livingston Football Club.	Roads & Transportation - festive lighting	5b. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it is likely that the costs of this proposal would outweigh the benefit.	Solar festive lights could be used but there would be a significant capital cost in buying new lighting features. Features would still require to be erected and removed which is the main recurring cost.
35953	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	Bahh Humbug but appreciate the need to cut costs in this area... Xmas lights nice to have but not essential!	Roads & Transportation - festive lighting	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35954	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	Festive lighting not so much. This is something that could be sponsored perhaps?	Roads & Transportation - festive lighting	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35955	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	2. Manage the workforce more effectively, one man digging and five men watching can not be cost effective.	Roads & Transportation - festive lighting	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35956	An employee of West Lothian Council	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	Don't cancel Christmas. Do you really want to live in an area where there is no festive cheer	Roads & Transportation - festive lighting	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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35957	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	. Agree with no festive lights this could be perhaps sponsored by the community or local companies. Will be a sad loss but understand why this needs to go. I would lose this to save another vital part of this service.	Roads & Transportation - festive lighting	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35958	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	Christmas lights are on for too long and often left too long afterwards	Roads & Transportation - festive lighting	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The process of erection and removal of festive lighting is protected. This is general because this activity out with busy traffic periods.
35959	An employee of West Lothian Council	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	That's a shame that you'll not be having the festive lighting bah humbug by the council	Roads & Transportation - festive lighting	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35960	No Response	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	feel free to do away with festive lighting	Roads & Transportation - festive lighting	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35961	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	Yes if people want lights in their streets then they need to fundraiser to do it I would rather you cut this than vital services	Roads & Transportation - festive lighting	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35962	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	Don't agree. People want more than the statutory provision. Festive lighting brings out the community. Its what the council is recognised for. Bringing a bit of colour to the community and bringing in customer to the towns. If you are removing festive lighting you must remove gala flags. Equally as costly.	Roads & Transportation - festive lighting	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35963	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	Its would be such a disappointment to see the support of such activities like Christmas lighting be removed , this is times of the year when communities actually come together. there is not enough done to bring communities together, perhaps if there was more done communities would take care of there surroundings and help look after what is provided.	Roads & Transportation - festive lighting	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35964	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	Festive lighting is laughable anyway. Be easier to keep them up and unplug, save man hours.	Roads & Transportation - festive lighting	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35965	An employee of West Lothian Council	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	Yes, festive lighting lovely, but not priority.	Roads & Transportation - festive lighting	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35966	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	I have never agreed with the council supporting festive lighting so I think this is a great idea	Roads & Transportation - festive lighting	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35967	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	Agree stopping festive lighting - another subsidy to private sector businesses which benefit from Council expenditure.	Roads & Transportation - festive lighting	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35968	An employee of West Lothian Council	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	Cut back on unnecessary overtime. A culture of weekend wiring still exists in Operational Services. Christmas lights were going up last weekend.	Roads & Transportation - festive lighting	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35969	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	Stop doing Christmas lights.	Roads & Transportation - festive lighting	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35970	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	Agree that festive lighting should not be Council financed.	Roads & Transportation - festive lighting	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35971	An employee of West Lothian Council	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	Festive lighting, gala and event bunting - never was a fiscal priority. Traders/businesses can meet costs if they need this for 'seasonal marketing'	Roads & Transportation - festive lighting	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35972	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	Putting Xmas lights up on a Sunday - what was that double time? You need MUCH tighter control and contract negotiation with your suppliers.	Roads & Transportation - festive lighting	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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35973	An employee of West Lothian Council	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	No Christmas lights - scrooge!!! Make all the people in the council depressed!!	Roads & Transportation - festive lighting	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35974	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	Makes sense but makes for a dull and boring festive period.	Roads & Transportation - festive lighting	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35975	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	Festive lighting is not an essential council priority and should be scrapped.	Roads & Transportation - festive lighting	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35976	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	I appreciate the council needs to make savings, but it seems crazy that the council is paying for relative luxuries such as town Christmas lights and a Linlithgow Christmas tree while we are cutting back on basics such as waste collection/recycling.	Roads & Transportation - festive lighting	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35977	An employee of West Lothian Council	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	I agree with the above. Provision of festive lighting should be ceased given the challenges the authority is facing. Local businesses could be involved in supporting the likes of festive decoration.	Roads & Transportation - festive lighting	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35978	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	It would be sad for children that festive lighting would be taken away but perhaps you could do a collection type thing for houses or areas that would be affected and they could donate towards the costs?	Roads & Transportation - festive lighting	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35979	An employee of West Lothian Council	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	If the festive lighting is to be removed should the cultural parades be charged for. A lot of council time is used planning/ plotting the routes for parades.	Roads & Transportation - festive lighting	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35980	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	Festive lighting is more for the children of our communities and would not have thought that this should be stopped by the council. You are making savings with the new street lighting which would balance this cost.	Roads & Transportation - festive lighting	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35981	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	Christmas lights cheer the town up. Perhaps some can be used. Does this include Christmas trees? May be lights or tree?	Roads & Transportation - festive lighting	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35982	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	Retain Christmas lights	Roads & Transportation - festive lighting	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35983	An employee of West Lothian Council	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	Makes sense - the 'festive lighting' was never effective enough to merit whatever it costed. It always looked dated and was put up too early and left up for too long.	Roads & Transportation - festive lighting	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35984	An employee of West Lothian Council	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	In other councils festive lighting is provided by groups like the Chamber of Commerce with the assistance of the Council in the form of supplying cherrypickers to put them up. Alternatively replace lights (organically over time) with low-energy, permanently affixed lights that require no installing or storing.	Roads & Transportation - festive lighting	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35985	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	The council has a duty to the community beyond "statutory requirements", but again the Tory influence is strong in this one. No more festive lights. C'mon give us a break.	Roads & Transportation - festive lighting	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35986	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	It's sad if we're in the position where the Council cannot fund the Christmas lights, but I understand that there are much more pressing funding concerns.	Roads & Transportation - festive lighting	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35987	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	I agree with this, eg festive lighting, since cuts need to be made it is important to make savings appropriately. Even gala days, amount of money spent on these must cost the council a fortune.	Roads & Transportation - festive lighting	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35988	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	The Community needs to have pride in its area and something as low cost as festive lighting goes a long way to providing this which has knock on effect on individuals taking care of their immediate environment and of Council assets overall. This type of service should be considered as a spend to save rather than an avoidable cost.	Roads & Transportation - festive lighting	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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35989	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	Will the community be given the chance to take over dealing with the festive lighting if they can fundraise for it?	Roads & Transportation - festive lighting	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35990	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	No need for festive lights so happy to remove them	Roads & Transportation - festive lighting	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35991	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	No festive lighting in Linlithgow. I absolutely oppose this. There is no way the town could get this done the Council have the skill, the equipment and the statutory permissions.	Roads & Transportation - festive lighting	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35992	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	A pity about Festive lighting. Still put it up but for shorter period.	Roads & Transportation - festive lighting	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35993	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	Festive lighting a joke it a fe wee lights	Roads & Transportation - festive lighting	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35994	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	Local businesses could contribute towards festive lighting as they will benefit from increased customers. It is nice but not essential	Roads & Transportation - festive lighting	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35995	An employee of West Lothian Council	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	The council should only use festive lighting in main towns like Livingston, Linlithgow and Bathgate etc.	Roads & Transportation - festive lighting	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35996	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	Festive lighting cut for all towns or will it be that Linlithgow will be exempt!	Roads & Transportation - festive lighting	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35997	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	Roads etc are already terrible and no Xmas lights is just stingy. How much does this cost?	Roads & Transportation - festive lighting	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Annual costs are around £97,000 per annum
35998	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	Road maintenance is already at a low, and believe that some shops already pay towards festive lightening. Could perhaps look at street lightening in areas that do not need requirement through out all of the evening. Industrial estates etc.	Roads & Transportation - festive lighting	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
35999	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	The festive lighting would be a shame as this means more deprived areas would presumably be affected more.	Roads & Transportation - festive lighting	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Annual costs are around £97,000 per annum
36000	An employee of West Lothian Council	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	I don't think cancelling Christmas is an option. Festive lighting is supposed to spread good cheer in dire, miserable times!	Roads & Transportation - festive lighting	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Annual costs are around £97,000 per annum
36001	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	A lot in here yet you only mention festive lights specifically. Lights in towns should be the responsibility of the community councils or paid from elected members grants!!	Roads & Transportation - festive lighting	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36002	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	The Christmas lights are one of the last bastions of community spirit left. I would be loathed to lose this across the county	Roads & Transportation - festive lighting	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Annual costs are around £97,000 per annum
36003	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	Removal of festive lighting appears to be very mean spirited.	Roads & Transportation - festive lighting	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Annual costs are around £97,000 per annum
36004	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	Taking away Xmas lights is just as petty as removing support for the 3rd sector- 2 operatives and a council cherry picker for a few days every year to do the lights!!	Roads & Transportation - festive lighting	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Annual costs are around £97,000 per annum

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36005	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	Unsure if this is already the case but in the example for festive lighting, could a network of local businesses group together & fund this? For example, I'm aware there are local business groups in Glasgow, such as 'Friends of Partick', so could there be a similar setup for if there was a 'Friends of Bathgate'?	Roads & Transportation - festive lighting	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Community groups taking responsibility for festive lighting could ensure they are continued.
36006	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	Keep the Christmas lights! Ask communities to contribute towards the up keep of them.	Roads & Transportation - festive lighting	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Community groups contributing to festive lighting could ensure they are continued.
36007	An employee of West Lothian Council	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	Festive lighting !!! you could make a saving if you switched them off when they were supposed to be and not weeks later.	Roads & Transportation - festive lighting	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36008	An employee of West Lothian Council	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	Council should stop providing xmas lighting and allow the private sector to organise their own if necessary. It's nice to have it but I probably wouldn't miss it.	Roads & Transportation - festive lighting	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36009	An employee of West Lothian Council	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	Regarding festive lighting-it is an obvious, unnecessary expenditure but it just may be one that should be maintained for a feeling of wellbeing within the community? I don't know-maybe a survey on this one-given the cuts to be made?	Roads & Transportation - festive lighting	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36010	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	There will be no community spirit at xmas	Roads & Transportation - festive lighting	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36011	An employee of West Lothian Council	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	Why not put Christmas lights on for a shorter amount of time from 1 December instead of October onwards. Living under this level of austerity I think we will need a bit of a cheer up!	Roads & Transportation - festive lighting	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The main cost of festive lighting is the cost and maintenance of the features and the erection and dismantling of them. The electricity costs are fairly low.
36012	An employee of West Lothian Council	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	Agree. I am sure there will be some that want the festive lighting so could this be handed to some sort of local group. I agree that the council should stop the lighting though.	Roads & Transportation - festive lighting	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36013	An employee of West Lothian Council	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	If it is a choice between having Christmas lights in the street and a salt bucket for the pavements in winter - I would be happy to forego the Christmas lights.	Roads & Transportation - festive lighting	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36014	An employee of West Lothian Council	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	I'm sure the festive lighting could be reduced to a Christmas tree surely.	Roads & Transportation - festive lighting	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36015	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	The loss of festive lighting is just another small but telling example of how the council is rapidly disengaging from the community it purports to serve. If the Council is genuinely concerned about image then this is one cut it should avoid as the opposition is likely to be wholly disproportionate to the actual amount of money that can be saved. Similarly, winter road maintenance is a very provocative subject and any perceived reduction in service will be poorly received.	Roads & Transportation - festive lighting	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36016	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	as for cutting festive lighting that's the only thing that gives a bit of life in to some of the smaller villages and towns over the festive period	Roads & Transportation - festive lighting	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36017	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	agree sad about festive lights though	Roads & Transportation - festive lighting	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36018	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	I think festive lighting is a waste of council time and money and could be axed.	Roads & Transportation - festive lighting	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36019	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	I agree that festive lighting should be reduced or removed, however if being provided by an outside contractor in future all towns currently using festive lighting should benefit rather than only certain towns. The number of lights in Livingston should be reduced in order to cut costs.	Roads & Transportation - festive lighting	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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36020	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	As our town's festive lighting is already on (in October!) this seems like a really obvious saving!	Roads & Transportation - festive lighting	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36021	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	It would certainly cost less if the festive lights were not put up and taken down on a Sunday when staff will no doubt be paid time and a half.	Roads & Transportation - festive lighting	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36022	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	I feel the festive lights along the high street really brighten it up and make it feel more like Christmas. It would be a shame not to have them anymore as its now a tradition.	Roads & Transportation - festive lighting	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36023	An employee of West Lothian Council	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	No Christmas lights??	Roads & Transportation - festive lighting	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36024	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	OK, fair enough. They always seem to be on too long anyways.	Roads & Transportation - festive lighting	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36025	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	What are thing coming to when our council can no longer put up Christmas lights!	Roads & Transportation - festive lighting	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36026	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	Bah humbug! Maybe ensure the Civic Centre Christmas tree and decorations are not purchased either.	Roads & Transportation - festive lighting	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36027	An employee of West Lothian Council	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	Definitely don't think that festive lighting should have been funded by the council! Not a priority at all.	Roads & Transportation - festive lighting	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36028	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	I agree with this The local chamber of commerce should be responsible for Christmas lights - they are the ones who benefit financially from them	Roads & Transportation - festive lighting	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36029	An employee of West Lothian Council	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	I would still have festive lighting if possible.	Roads & Transportation - festive lighting	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36030	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	All festive lighting provision should be removed, community councils raise funds for gala days etc and can include this in their manifesto.	Roads & Transportation - festive lighting	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36031	An employee of West Lothian Council	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	There should only be festive lights in our large towns such as Linlithgow. Bathgate, Livingston, Armadale and Broxburn	Roads & Transportation - festive lighting	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36032	An employee of West Lothian Council	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	There is no need for festive lighting. It is a complete waste of money. The money should be put into bringing the roads up to scratch which are in an extremely poor state of repair.	Roads & Transportation - festive lighting	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36033	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	Agree. Communities need to work a bit harder to raise there own funding if they want festive lighting etc. It should not be a burden put upon council resources.	Roads & Transportation - festive lighting	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36034	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	Reasonable that local retail interests should cover costs of festive lighting.	Roads & Transportation - festive lighting	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36035	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	Ask businesses to sponsor Christmas lights and put an advert up saying who is sponsoring	Roads & Transportation - festive lighting	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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36036	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	Sponcership for festive light etc... people could do more in the winter rather than waiting on the council like it was years ago, do your own bit.	Roads & Transportation - festive lighting	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36037	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	Maybe this isn't relevant here, but I always wonder why town's christmas lights on all night. Could you not have them on a separate system to the street lights and they shut off for example at 1am?	Roads & Transportation - festive lighting	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The festive lighting is powered off the same system as our street lights. This means that they have to remain on overnight.
36038	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	Ok - so earlier I mentioned reducing operating hours of christmas lights. But it looks like you are proposing not putting up any lights? No!!! It wouldn't be christmas without street lights!! I guess you are looking for community fundraising, but you've got to keep in mind that I pay Â£10 a day for council services. Yes Â£10 A DAY!! I understand there needs to be a tighter rein on spending, but christmas lights is one step too far.	Roads & Transportation - festive lighting	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36039	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	I think community groups could join together to raise funds for festive lights. This I feel would bring community spirit. Regards to external contractors I feel that it would be best to use council staff and equipment as it would be more cost effective	Roads & Transportation - festive lighting	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36040	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	Cuts in festive lighting may have knock on effects such as a reduction in local town centre shopping which needs to be considered.	Roads & Transportation - festive lighting	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36041	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	Leave the lights up and turn them on for a few weeks each year. Simple and classy should not cost too much. Helps community spirit.	Roads & Transportation - festive lighting	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Unfortunately keeping festive lighting up all year round results in the features getting damaged due to the weather and does not look great during the summer months.
36042	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	festive lighting must remain - part of the community	Roads & Transportation - festive lighting	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36043	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	Festive lighting significantly increases local spending and will adversely impact on local businesses if removed	Roads & Transportation - festive lighting	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36044	An employee of West Lothian Council	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	Facilities such as festive lighting could be considered as charged services where community groups consider these to be worth pursuing.	Roads & Transportation - festive lighting	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36045	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	Health and safety issues? No one else can do Without festive lighting will shoppers go elsewhere? Sure some cuts can be made but be sensible about it	Roads & Transportation - festive lighting	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36046	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	I would still like to see festive lighting. Since the SNP has been at the helm (making this point as you are SNP led council) I have seen my living standards decrease and I am paying much more in council and income tax than ever before. I do wonder what exactly I am getting for my money - when many of us are being asked to pay more and are paying more, why so many cuts, and where is the money going? I don't support the cuts to festive lighting for this reason. The taxpayer on an average wage does not seem to be getting value for money.	Roads & Transportation - festive lighting	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36047	An employee of West Lothian Council	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	I don't have an issue with the festive lighting not being provided by the council. While it's nice, it's not essential!	Roads & Transportation - festive lighting	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36048	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	No Festive Lighting!	Roads & Transportation - festive lighting	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36049	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	Surely you can give us a little festive cheer!!	Roads & Transportation - festive lighting	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36050	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	What happened to community spirit?	Roads & Transportation - festive lighting	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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36051	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	The council, should work with volunteers to provide some of these services, such as Christmas lights.	Roads & Transportation - festive lighting	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36052	An employee of West Lothian Council	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	Festive lighting in some areas has been community funded for a number of years now and has been successful.	Roads & Transportation - festive lighting	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36053	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	Don't wish to adopt a 'bah humbug' attitude but Christmas lights could be abolished and let local businesses sponsor the lights instead. The Xmas lights in West Lothian are not particularly spectacular!	Roads & Transportation - festive lighting	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36054	An employee of West Lothian Council	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	Re festive lighting - surely that as benefits local traders perhaps they would be willing to contribute to them .	Roads & Transportation - festive lighting	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36055	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	Bah humbug, no festive lighting. West Lothian sounds like it is going to be a cheery place to live with all the cuts to services.	Roads & Transportation - festive lighting	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36056	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	I thought High ST BIDS paid for festive lighting in Linlithgow??? Again large councils would have greater purchasing power	Roads & Transportation - festive lighting	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36057	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	A sad state of affairs when we can't afford to celebrate Christmas with tree and street festive lighting ?	Roads & Transportation - festive lighting	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36058	An employee of West Lothian Council	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	Stop festive lighting, not a required service.	Roads & Transportation - festive lighting	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36059	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	Will be sorry to see no festive lighting but agree it is not a vital service.	Roads & Transportation - festive lighting	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36060	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	Festive lighting should be scrapped, local communities can fundraise to cover this if it is felt to be a priority for them, just as Linlithgow did with Burgh Beautiful.	Roads & Transportation - festive lighting	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36061	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	If festive lightning means the difference between employment and unemployment then this facility must be axed.	Roads & Transportation - festive lighting	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36062	An employee of West Lothian Council	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	If festive lightning means the difference between employment and unemployment then this facility must be axed.	Roads & Transportation - festive lighting	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36063	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	aGREE - MORE USE OF LOCAL GROUPS/ORGANISATIONS	Roads & Transportation - festive lighting	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36064	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	1. Agree with savings for Xmas Lights - surely if as community residents if we wish lights we can work together with our community councils or do a Crowd Funding exercise.	Roads & Transportation - festive lighting	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36065	No Response	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	The maintenance at present is poor, when you look around at paths/pot holes etc. Not a good proposal will put the Council in a bad light	Roads & Transportation - festive lighting	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	West Lothian roads are currently ranked as some of the best in Scotland
36066	An employee of West Lothian Council	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	Agreed. I would rather have street lights than Christmas lights - I can look at my own tree thanks.	Roads & Transportation - festive lighting	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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36067	An employee of West Lothian Council	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	given that livingston has a major shopping hub removal of festive lighting may see the council to be scrooge and not embracing the christmas spirit! could it be that the lighting is put up but for a shorter period (instead of lighting still be seen in January)	Roads & Transportation - festive lighting	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The main cost of festive lighting is the cost and maintenance of the features and the erection and dismantling of them. The electricity costs are fairly low.
36068	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	Statutory services must be given priority over areas such as festive lifting which are nice but not essential	Roads & Transportation - festive lighting	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36069	An employee of West Lothian Council	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	Agree - it sends the right message to cut aesthetics such as festive lighting first, sad as it will be to see them go!	Roads & Transportation - festive lighting	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36070	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	As above. Perhaps festive lights might be a step too far. Could you imagine Livingston with no lights, I don't think so. However I don't think you can withdraw this from other villages that's simply unfair. Perhaps have lights provided by commercial sponsors such as planting arrangements throughout the council area.	Roads & Transportation - festive lighting	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36071	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	I have no objection to the festive lighting proposal	Roads & Transportation - festive lighting	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36072	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	Community funding for festive lighting would seem fair enough in the current climate!	Roads & Transportation - festive lighting	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36073	An employee of West Lothian Council	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	festive lighting is not needed	Roads & Transportation - festive lighting	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36074	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	Can live without Xmas lights . Shame for the kids .Mobilise the pensioners to raise the funds for this and other similar council activities . If the people value these services the pensioners will have no issue with raising the funding and what's more make them feel valued.	Roads & Transportation - festive lighting	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36075	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	Humbug!	Roads & Transportation - festive lighting	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36076	An employee of West Lothian Council	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	Needs must. Shame about Christmas lights though.	Roads & Transportation - festive lighting	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36077	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	No need for festive lighting or any other form of celebration lights unless affordable maybe sponsored in some way. No need for community Christmas Trees either unless sponsored.	Roads & Transportation - festive lighting	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36078	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	The Council may look to linking with Communities to provide the lighting at Christmas in local towns and villages.	Roads & Transportation - festive lighting	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36079	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	Festive lighting should not be provided by the council in this day and age and also looks somewhat dated.	Roads & Transportation - festive lighting	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36080	An employee of West Lothian Council	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	NO FESTIVE LIGHTING - WHAT IS THE WORLD COMING TO!!! THE DEPRIVATION	Roads & Transportation - festive lighting	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36081	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	No Christmas lights?? Bah humbug!!	Roads & Transportation - festive lighting	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36082	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	I agree the council has far more important priorities than Christmas decorations!	Roads & Transportation - festive lighting	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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36083	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	Cutting festive lighting could impact upon businesses in the towns and tourism and therefore would need careful consideration (e.g., the lights are a big part of the advent fayre activities in Linlithgow).	Roads & Transportation - festive lighting	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36084	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	Given the choice between Christmas lights and social work provision can I must say I'd much rather have the latter, whether the council fits the lights or pays a contractor they're still a complete waste of money when there is no money.	Roads & Transportation - festive lighting	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36085	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	Festive' lighting in the small villages was rather sad and depressing anyway so no great loss!	Roads & Transportation - festive lighting	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36086	An employee of West Lothian Council	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	No Christmas lights :(I understand this is not a priority and given the current economic climate this does seem something that could be cut.	Roads & Transportation - festive lighting	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36087	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	Yes, cut down on unnecessary christmas decorations - a complete waste of money.	Roads & Transportation - festive lighting	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36088	An employee of West Lothian Council	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	Good - festive lighting is NOT green. its a waste of money and staff time.	Roads & Transportation - festive lighting	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36089	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	not happy about festive lighting as I still think there is far too much public money spent on expenses and needless trips for employees	Roads & Transportation - festive lighting	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36090	An employee of West Lothian Council	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	Xmas lighting especially at the shopping centre should be the provision for the centre owners.	Roads & Transportation - festive lighting	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36091	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	It is acceptable to cut Christmas lighting.	Roads & Transportation - festive lighting	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36092	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	We live in a diverse area, should we celebrate other religious days?	Roads & Transportation - festive lighting	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36093	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	Festive lighting removal- Good as there's enough energy wasted on houses being individually lit up. Take them down and sell them on.	Roads & Transportation - festive lighting	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36094	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	For all the festive lighting you get outside Livingston, it is hardly worth the bother. It is usually still in place at Easter.	Roads & Transportation - festive lighting	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36095	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	this is an absolute disgrace!!!!!!!!!!!!!! no Christmas lights!!!!!!!!!!!!!! the kids love this, when the trees and lights go up. really scraping the bottom of the barrel with this. will the council be ensuring that public money will not be used to celebrate other festivals or is it just christian festivals that the council wont be supporting?	Roads & Transportation - festive lighting	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36096	An employee of West Lothian Council	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	if people want the lights they can raise money	Roads & Transportation - festive lighting	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36097	An employee of West Lothian Council	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	The council is highly praised for the festive lights and trees by the community.	Roads & Transportation - festive lighting	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36098	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	certain elements e.g. festive lighting makes for improved wellbeing and has a value outside of the pure cost.	Roads & Transportation - festive lighting	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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36099	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	Festive lighting helps with local communities and events that may take place within villages. Some of the lights within the council are very dated compared to others e.g. North Lanarkshire and perhaps by investing in energy saving festive lights will help reduce costs and keep the festive lights for small villages.	Roads & Transportation - festive lighting	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36100	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	Yeah - but and something be done in partnership with say Virgin who could lay cable TV through the same lines as the lampposts use?	Roads & Transportation (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	The council works closely with all utility providers to ensure a joined up approach to service delivery and limited disruption for service users.
36101	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	Agree. In the private company I work for, we employees have a huge responsibility for our work environment. It cannot continue always being "the Council's job!" We need to retrain residents and employees alike. E.g. Clear your own street pavements of snow! You might actually get to know your neighbours better.	Roads & Transportation (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36102	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	So outlying roads not on a bus service route will not be treated during winter weather!	Roads & Transportation (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council currently provides a high level of winter service provision and it will maintain statutory provision moving forward. Within our winter policy snow routes, primary and secondary routes are prioritised ahead of housing areas. Bus routes form part of our winter policy hierarchy.
36103	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	So does this mean the pavements won't be kept clear of ice and snow- how many broken hips is that going to cause for the NHS.	Roads & Transportation (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council currently provides a high level of winter service provision and it will maintain statutory provision moving forward. Within our winter policy snow routes, primary and secondary routes for both roads and footways will be treated.
36104	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	I have already noticed that in my own street, estate and the wider Linlithgow town, the maintenance of keeping road drains clear and functioning is not being kept up. This is not acceptable as could induce localised flooding to some properties. I have reported our drain outside our house with no effect to getting it cleaned, this is my first observation of the effect West Lothian Council cost cutting is having on the local communities roads. Although cost savings need to be implemented some basic functionality is not being maintained, which should be addressed.	Roads & Transportation (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36105	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	Again where do the £2.5 million savings come from? Let's see the detail. So basically you are going to reduce services to the minimum requirement in statute? What is that?	Roads & Transportation (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36106	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	The roads must be treated during periods of bad weather - including pavements.	Roads & Transportation (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council currently provides a high level of winter service provision and it will maintain statutory provision moving forward. Within our winter policy snow routes, primary and secondary routes for both roads and footways will be treated.
36107	No Response	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	Please fully privatise the roads department it will save millions	Roads & Transportation (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36108	No Response	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	Once again the roads department would be far more efficient if it was privatised	Roads & Transportation (general)	5d. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it has been previously considered and will not be progressed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36109	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	If we knew what the statutory requirements were we would know how to comment on these. I am sure the Accident Claims companies will be rubbing their hands at any reduction in services.	Roads & Transportation (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36110	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	Winter maintenance needed to be improved, especially in areas of Livingston such as Murieston!	Roads & Transportation (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council currently provides a high level of winter service provision and it will maintain statutory provision moving forward. Within our winter policy snow routes, primary and secondary routes are prioritised ahead of housing areas. Self help, self gritting, is an important aspect of the council's winter policy.
36111	An employee of West Lothian Council	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	Will winter maintenance for Roads, etc... be reviewed and look at the provision being delivered in a different way.	Roads & Transportation (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	A review of winter service provision will be undertaken to see where efficiencies can be made whilst maintaining statutory provision.

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36112	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	Everyone relies on roads and ours are pretty good compared to other councils. Investment should be maintained to keep the standard up.	Roads & Transportation (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36113	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	tell me why the councils civic centre has to waste money by salting footpaths on warm days back in october i watched a man drive a mini gritter it was 15 degrees c that day and on the 12 of november at 5.15pm i watched a man driving all the way from the front of the civic center to the football stadium the path was covered in salt and did not need any more salted needless to say that no other foot path in or around livingston will get salted until some one complains i think its time the council gets in a private independent time and motion study company and hopefully save more money	Roads & Transportation (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. The provision of gritting around the Civic Centre is undertaken as part of the buildings health and safety plan.
36114	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	Winter management is a priority to ensure safety on the roads, not just the main roads we need to be able to get to these key routes	Roads & Transportation (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council currently provides a high level of winter service provision and it will maintain statutory provision moving forward. Within our winter policy snow routes, primary and secondary routes are prioritised ahead of housing areas. Self help, self gritting, is an important aspect of the council's winter policy.
36115	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	Why have you been wasting so much of our money up to this point?	Roads & Transportation (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36116	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	As long as this is not a false economy. Failing to repair lights could result in more accidents, break ins, etc. Poorly maintained roads resulting in an increase in claims for vehicle damage through potholes etc. Winter coverage must continue to key routes including schools and hospitals. Staff should not be penalised if unable to get to work due to their employers reducing winter upkeep of roads.	Roads & Transportation (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36117	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	You need to ensure that roads/ pavements in West Lothian are safe for residents at all times of year. There should therefore be no reduction in service delivery for winter maintenance.	Roads & Transportation (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36118	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	Would need to see more detail on this. Concerned about a reduction in roads maintenance or winter maintenance as there are a lot of rural roads in West Lothian.	Roads & Transportation (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36119	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	Keeping people safe in icy conditions is vital.	Roads & Transportation (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council currently provides a high level of winter service provision and it will maintain statutory provision moving forward. Within our winter policy snow routes, primary and secondary routes are prioritised ahead of housing areas. Self help, self gritting, is an important aspect of the council's winter policy.
36120	An employee of West Lothian Council	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	Agree with this along as roads kept up to good standards	Roads & Transportation (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36121	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	Road surfacing work should continue. Potholes can be hazardous to cyclists. In the interests of safety, winterisation measures should continue on well used roads in addition to the statutory minimum.	Roads & Transportation (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36122	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	We get pretty minimal winter maintenance anyway. Cut down and sell most of the pedestrian guard rail in Livingston as scrap. It is not required by statute, encourages excessive vehicle speeds and discourages cycling. Most local authorities in the IM are getting rid of railings wherever they can. There is an accepted risk assessment methodology for reducing and removing guardrail. Cost of replacing bent bits in Livingston alone will be significant stop replacing white road markings on residential streets. Again these are not statutory and encourage lazy thinking by drivers. Ref research under way in London on major roads with no centre markings.	Roads & Transportation (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36123	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	Workers productivity needs to be reviewed - actual time on site and work undertaken and how efficient this is.	Roads & Transportation (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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36124	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	support more spending on road resurfacing, focusing on doing a proper job rather than patching up small areas	Roads & Transportation (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36125	An employee of West Lothian Council	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	This is a massive area that needs urgent review.	Roads & Transportation (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36126	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	Services could be delivered without paying the ridiculous amounts on standby payments. Employees are employed to provide these services and should do as part of their roles not just because they are earning an excessive amount extra! Again there needs to be more detail on the actual impact.	Roads & Transportation (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36127	An employee of West Lothian Council	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	During winter, I often see path gritters out spreading grit unnecessarily. I think this could be tightened so that these vehicles are only used when the weather is really bad.	Roads & Transportation (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36128	No Response	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	The first casualty of a cut is the maintenance programme. Thing ca 'do another year' you are told, but then the backlog gets immense. See the roads.	Roads & Transportation (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36129	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	Not my area of expertise but safety must be paramount	Roads & Transportation (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36130	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	Roads must be repaired or all your savings will go on compensation to people who's vehicles / tyres have been damaged. Roads must be kept clear of snow and ice.	Roads & Transportation (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36131	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	The roads are beginning to deteriorate with a lack of investment and numerous shoddy utilities digging up constantly and not reinstating well please stop investing in bumps	Roads & Transportation (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36132	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	Very sad that safety on the roads in winter may be reduced. This could affect the safety of staff and users getting to work and lengthen journey times.	Roads & Transportation (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council currently provides a high level of winter service provision and it will maintain statutory provision moving forward. Within our winter policy snow routes, primary and secondary routes are prioritised.
36133	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	As a resident of West Lothian I would disagree with this proposal. Winter Maintenance is essential to everyone living and working in West Lothian. It is already insufficient in many areas with Grit Bins not being filled and inroads not being cleared for private schemes. Council schemes always appear to be prioritised before private schemes although these areas are generating more income for the council.	Roads & Transportation (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council currently provides a high level of winter service provision and it will maintain statutory provision moving forward. Within our winter policy snow routes, primary and secondary routes are prioritised ahead of housing areas. Self help, self gritting, is an important aspect of the council's winter policy.
36134	An employee of West Lothian Council	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	I have seen several roads being repaired and then having to be redone. make sure they are fixed first time. this reduces man hours and costs.	Roads & Transportation (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	We do try to minimise return visits to works.
36135	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	Roads in WL are well looked after and it will be a shame to see standards fall.	Roads & Transportation (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36136	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	Very much needed. For example , this time of year how often do we see road gritters out spreading on bone-dry roads and pavements , often at times which would clearly involve overtime payments .	Roads & Transportation (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36137	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	See earlier comment regarding unnecessary gritting of roads and pavements which are bone-dry , or doing it just before a forecast of heavy rainfall.	Roads & Transportation (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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36138	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	This section is titled Roads & Transportation but there is not much mention of either apart from the reference to winter maintenance. I would like to know more about what may need to change, particularly as I see activity such as pavement parking that leads to a need for Council spend to repair damage. West Lothian is highly accessible by foot and cycle as many of the settlements are close together but these options, which support budget savings in other ways through improving health, etc. are often difficult to access as roads between settlements feel hostile. I would like to see the Council use some of the remaining roads and transportation budget to match fund with Transport Scotland, Sustrans and others to deliver high quality, direct and safe active travel infrastructure.	Roads & Transportation (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. The council currently maximises partnership funding for cycling, walking, safer street and active travel projects.
36139	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	Under item 1g Workforce Arrangements this needs to be looked into in all areas of the Council. For example Operational Services have full time supervision of winter gritting operations by a number of staff who are required to be stationed within the roads depot. When weather forecasts are showing no chance of freezing conditions staff are still fully manning the roads depot. Staff allocated to this duty should be doing some useful work within the depot during times when gritting is not needed or should not be within the depot at all.	Roads & Transportation (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36140	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	Again very vague statement above not really focusing on and stating what is really intended and what areas savings are being proposed! Comments on winter maintenance and manning 24 hours the road depot have already been stated previously. This needs to be reviewed and better use made of the staff when conditions are such that gritting is not necessary.	Roads & Transportation (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36141	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	The cost of funding galas and marches within West Lothian is considerable and this should also be reviewed and appropriate charges made particularly for marches.	Roads & Transportation (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36142	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	Funding for maintenance of our existing infrastructure should be maintained or increased rather than cut due to the deterioration of these assets. If we have a road network that is in a poor condition this will not encourage business growth which is one of the Council aims. We need to keep these assets in a good condition for the safety of users and the general public.	Roads & Transportation (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36143	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	Often a road is dug up more than once a year, if this was better co-ordinated costs could be saved.	Roads & Transportation (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36144	An employee of West Lothian Council	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	Agree with this as long as statutory requirements are met and information is shared and clear	Roads & Transportation (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36145	An employee of West Lothian Council	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	Supportive in principle although based on limited information and need for service consultation, and in particular instances such as cessation of erection/dismantle of festive lighting wider dialogue with the relevant communities to be impacted.	Roads & Transportation (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36146	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	Footpath gritting could be reduced or cut. Road gritting and snow clearing needs to be maintained at current standards.	Roads & Transportation (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36147	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	Has an equality impact assessment been carried out for each of the budget proposals? It is essential that this is done at the earliest opportunity in order to assess what the impact will be on those in the protected characteristics groups and those already experiencing disadvantage.	Roads & Transportation (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	EIAs will be undertaken for each change as required.
36148	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	Happy Christmas to you too. Winter maintenance is IMPORTANT. Pray for a mild winter.	Roads & Transportation (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36149	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	Having viewed your delivery of road closures recently in my area. Quite frankly the poor management involved is mind boggling. Council need to look at the management of projects Are done on time and to cost.	Roads & Transportation (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36150	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	Only if it means quality and effectiveness.	Roads & Transportation (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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36151	An employee of West Lothian Council	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	Need to ensure that the quality of the road surface is maintained.	Roads & Transportation (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36152	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	The council should review where it can make savings in its delivery - e.g. have 'gold standards' (seen set in the good times that can be compromised)	Roads & Transportation (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36153	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	Street lights should be turned off in the middle of the night. No street lights on roads with no paths.	Roads & Transportation (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36154	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	All no 7 section will result in poorer services for everyone. The area has many heavy safety aspects not just statutory requirements. Hope you have a strong legal team.	Roads & Transportation (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Uncertain what this is referring to in the consultation.
36155	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	The resurfacing of the Bathgate Precinct has been costly to local businesses and should have finished much quicker and the contractor should have to pay a fine.	Roads & Transportation (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	Resurfacing in town centre locations does take time as accesses to properties require to be maintained and this adds to the duration of works. Ligated damages (or fines) are applied to contractors who do not deliver on programme.
36156	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	Recent years have seen a proliferation of unnecessary road traffic measures e.g. installing traffic lights at roundabouts and reconfiguring traffic light procedures at junctions - all of which have increased pollution in the atmosphere contrary to nationwide regulations which require minimisation of cars sitting with engines idling! Wasteful/harmful projects as these should be stopped.	Roads & Transportation (general)	5c. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it is not consistent with the council's values and priorities.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36157	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	More care need ordering up winter gritting - dry roads were gritted tonight 12/11/17 why? The 30,000 tonnes of salt will soon get used up at this rate.	Roads & Transportation (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	Winter gritting schedules are set using up to date weather information. Roads are only gritted when road temperatures are predicted to fall below set parameters.
36158	An employee of West Lothian Council	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	New developments happening but unsustainable in term of expected maintenance required by WLC. roads , drainage flood prevention, signage , etc needs to be better funded by the developer / WLC depending on who it is developing.	Roads & Transportation (general)	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36159	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	Bring the maintenance of traffic signals back in house,	Roads & Transportation (general)	5b. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it is likely that the costs of this proposal would outweigh the benefit.	Roads & Transportation do not have adequate resource or expertise to provide a 24/7/365 traffic signal maintenance provision.
36160	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	This is a starting point. Why not look at traffic lights that can be turned off after a certain time! Issue officially point to those at the morrison roundabout, Livingston football club and the hospital. Turning these off on a daily basis past say, 7pm would achieve savings. These are only 3 areas I can point too. Across west Lothian there must be dozens of sites where this could be implemented.	Roads & Transportation (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Traffic signals could be switched off at some locations off peak but the actual savings would be very small.
36161	An employee of West Lothian Council	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	Tolls on all roads	Roads & Transportation (general)	5c. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it is not consistent with the council's values and priorities.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36162	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	Start charging companies carrying out roadworks within West Lothian. With the amount of roadworks throughout the county any budget gap would be eradicated.	Roads & Transportation (general)	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36163	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	Do not allow road closures and sanctioning of Police costs for gala days, Orange Walks, Pride Marches, and the likes as the money spent on these events could be better used	Roads & Transportation (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36164	An employee of West Lothian Council	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	The Council should employ a traffic warden, especially in Linlithgow. The money generated will ensure that the job is funded and there may be a surplus as well.	Roads & Transportation (general)	5d. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it has been previously considered and will not be progressed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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36165	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	West Lothian council leaves public roads in a poor state of repair that should not be allowed as per your manual for roads and foot paths! An accident can happen on that road and magically the police find no evidence of this danger to the publics health and safety even when a permanent repair had been Made 8 months after I was left disabled!	Roads & Transportation (general)	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36166	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	fine people for digging up roads that have just been put down, Whitburn cross is closed again. get the community service people to do the litter picking and clearing back round the road signs.	Roads & Transportation (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36167	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	5. . Increase penalty fees i.e Speed cameras in key areas, especially near schools	Roads & Transportation (general)	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	Safety camera enforcement is a matter for Police Scotland and not the Council.
36168	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	So long as you don't cut the amount of gritting in the winter	Roads & Transportation (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36169	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	Reduce waste, improve the "council worker" attitude 5 watching 1 doing Close road mending and subcontract it all	Roads & Transportation (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36170	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	Please consider outsourcing all road mending. Your workers provide very poor quality and have apauling working practices	Roads & Transportation (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36171	No Response	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	Roads crews are required to work winter shifts to ensure safe roads during inclement weather. When not required to grit roads can they not be employed to fill in pot holes or other jobs which are difficult to complete in normal traffic conditions. (Understandably difficult to plan for)	Roads & Transportation (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36172	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	Do road repairs at night quicker keeps West Lothian moving.	Roads & Transportation (general)	5b. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it is likely that the costs of this proposal would outweigh the benefit.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36173	An employee of West Lothian Council	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	Consideration should also be given with regard to the council paying for cultural walks and gala days involving road closures. These should not be paid for by the council.	Roads & Transportation (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36174	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	Provide bigger grit bins and remove small grit bins.	Roads & Transportation (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	How we provide grit bins in the future will be reviewed as part of our winter service review.
36175	An employee of West Lothian Council	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	What about looking at winter working additional pay given only when called out - not for stand by as well.	Roads & Transportation (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Winter working arrangements will be reviewed.
36176	An employee of West Lothian Council	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	We can not allow our roads to fall into disrepair	Roads & Transportation (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council will continue to maintain our roads within available budget levels.
36177	An employee of West Lothian Council	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	Changes to these services will also impact on the delivery of emergency and winter works.	Roads & Transportation (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Emergency and Winter working arrangements will be reviewed.
36178	An employee of West Lothian Council	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	Agree with this, but the knock on effects will be highly visible, especially at critical times such as winter emergencies.	Roads & Transportation (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Emergency and Winter working arrangements will be reviewed.
36179	An employee of West Lothian Council	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	Any savings that can be made through a review of these services it to be welcomed.	Roads & Transportation (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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36180	An employee of West Lothian Council	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	I would agree with this proposal assuming that this would be a "straightforward" contract with contractors and not deferred payment or some variation on PFI	Roads & Transportation (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36181	An employee of West Lothian Council	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	Winter maintenance is dictated by the weather. Last few years no snow and relatively mild. You cannot predict the weather now never mind years in advance, so future cost are not calculable.	Roads & Transportation (general)	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	Weather patterns are variable and this does make expenditure difficult to calculate year on year.
36182	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	The roads are a disgrace, especially side streets. This is an ongoing problem so it needs to be attended, not ignored.	Roads & Transportation (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	West Lothian have some of the best maintained roads in Scotland.
36183	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	Stop gritting footpaths. There is no requirement to do so and by doing so historically WLC has built an expectation (and blame culture if someone slips). Let the public make their own mind up whether to clean their own footpath - nanny state prevails!	Roads & Transportation (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your comment. Your response has been noted. Winter working arrangements will be reviewed.
36184	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	what about the potholes	Roads & Transportation (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	West Lothian have some of the best maintained roads in Scotland.
36185	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	Roads Operations staff who undertake winter maintenance duties should have this written into their contracts to remove the double time with shift allowance that exists currently.	Roads & Transportation (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Winter working arrangements will be reviewed.
36186	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	The culture of Roads Operations picking and choosing what works they want to undertake based on how difficult the works are also needs to stop.	Roads & Transportation (general)	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	This will form part of service review.
36187	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	Roads operations are not cost effective as if the works are not undertaken correctly and remedial measures are required, your budget gets charged again for undertaking the same works. Nobody is ever held accountable for this.	Roads & Transportation (general)	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Review of this will form part of review of service delivery.
36188	No Response	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	Will the estimated savings reduce the need for constant roadworks and the inability to get anywhere on time in West Lothian	Roads & Transportation (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	The majority of roadworks within West Lothian are undertaken by the public utility companies and not the council.
36189	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	Capital works and contractors - this is already how it works so what changes are proposed?. I would not like to see the council lose it's direct/operational services capabilities via backdoor privatisation.	Roads & Transportation (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36190	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	Roads and infrastructure are key in West Lothian - maintain good roads.	Roads & Transportation (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36191	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	Lots of inefficiency in road building and back office staff by. Better performance management required which would reduce required staff.	Roads & Transportation (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36192	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	winter maintenance? i hope this does not include the gritting of roads. Us hardworking underpaid public sec torn workers have to get to work some how in our own vehicles as we do not have a reliable bus service	Roads & Transportation (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36193	An employee of West Lothian Council	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	Job cuts it sounds as like	Roads & Transportation (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36194	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	Perhaps looking at the amount of workmen used on road works who appear to start late and clock off early. Then get paid overtime to get the job finished (usually on a Sunday).Timing of council works could also be looked at. The same road that was recently resurfaced is now being dug up again to put in fibre cables in Whitburn. Common sense would say to do both jobs at the same time and perhaps save money on manpower and resource required to complete those two jobs.	Roads & Transportation (general)	5d. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it has been previously considered and will not be progressed.	The Council cannot manage the planning of utility companies works and are obliged to process utility companies requests for closures.

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36195	An employee of West Lothian Council	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	The costs involved in provision of this service are included in what Council Tax payments. Reducing services? Job losses? Contractors/agency staff/out sourcing - not a cost effective business model, never has been in the past, that is not going to change.	Roads & Transportation (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36196	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	How much is being wasted on poor road management costs - ie compensation for potholes?	Roads & Transportation (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36197	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	The roads in West Lothian are already a disgrace and poorly maintained. Will we have to go back to dirt tracks now?	Roads & Transportation (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36198	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	While it's easier to consider officers don't have time and there's a perception savings can be made by outsourcing, the reality for many cases is we will be paying more to external contractors than it would actually cost to train and employ another officer or buy equipment (including all the associated costs). For example, the council is always going to build and repair paths. Buying the equipment and extra storage etc, training officers, and doing this ourselves would always be more efficient and economical that setting up multiple contracts each year for design and build. Bringing in house would also afford us much more control of quality and also allow us to offer our services externally to bring in revenue.	Roads & Transportation (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36199	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	Winter maintenance is important.	Roads & Transportation (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36200	An employee of West Lothian Council	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	Our towns and villages are suffering as well. The infrastructure needs looked at. Once we were proud to walk around. The cut backs to roads and NETS is unnecessary.	Roads & Transportation (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36201	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	Details on the statutory requirements compared to what is currently provided is needed to be able to make any comments.	Roads & Transportation (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	We would always deliver minimum statutory requirements
36202	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	Huge cuts again proposed in this area. Worry that you are contemplating making cuts in winter maintenance. Does this mean that we have to become more reliant on our neighbours to spread grit; luckily I have good neighbours who do this already but worry for those who do not.	Roads & Transportation (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36203	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	roads are a joke already	Roads & Transportation (general)	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36204	An employee of West Lothian Council	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	Reduced winter gritting could lead to an increased skid risk for drivers.	Roads & Transportation (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36205	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	Reduction in winter maintenance could be counter productive. Side roads already rely on residents putting down grit from bins on their own roads and pavements. If grit bins are removed there are likely to be more accidents, and the elderly will find it even harder to get out in the winter.	Roads & Transportation (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36206	No Response	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	More money should be invested in gritting our roads in the winter NOT less	Roads & Transportation (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36207	No Response	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	The amount of marches and gala days that we have in west Lothian is very high . At the moment we put up the road closures, we should be charge for this service.	Roads & Transportation (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36208	An employee of West Lothian Council	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	Charge for all traffic regulation orders. These cost a lot of money from the roads budget and provide zero benefit to the council. At the moment gala days, marches, parades pay nothing. Stop or charge for the provision of traffic management for the above.	Roads & Transportation (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Temporary Traffic Regulation Orders are required to manage events but are costly to administrate. For larger events the costs are paid for by the event organiser.

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36209	An employee of West Lothian Council	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	Why did we build two salt barns if there is an intention to cut winter maintenance.	Roads & Transportation (general)	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	We need to ensure we have salt capacity to deal with any major weather event
36210	An employee of West Lothian Council	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	Winter service should be reduced to the statutory minimum. Non-statutory services should be removed. Focus should be on efficient maintenance of the roads asset that we have. More use of preventative treatments such as surface dressing. More use of specialist contracting who are more efficient and better geared up for providing a quick service.	Roads & Transportation (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36211	An employee of West Lothian Council	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	An 'Intelligent Client' model should be considered with specialist design and contracting services outsourced. But even with this, service standards still need to be reduced and there needs to be a recognition that road condition will deteriorate, claims will increase and satisfaction will drop even further. There also needs to be a recognition that there will be significant job losses as a result.	Roads & Transportation (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36212	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	What are the statutory requirements for winter maintenance.	Roads & Transportation (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	Roads (Scotland) Act, 1984 (section 34) places a statutory duty for roads authorities to "take such steps as it considers reasonable to prevent snow and ice endangering the safe passage of pedestrians and vehicles over public roads"
36213	An employee of West Lothian Council	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	West Lothian have always had the best roads.	Roads & Transportation (general)	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36214	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	DLO have far too much overtime. Much of the time the jobs they do for our team have to be redone as they have not fulfilled them to standard. This does not represent value for money as a council tax payer or as an employee seeking services from other departments, especially if these jobs are completed on overtime.	Roads & Transportation (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36215	An employee of West Lothian Council	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	Roads in private areas should still be gritted and looked after by the council!	Roads & Transportation (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36216	An employee of West Lothian Council	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	We should be looking at ways to do things better at a lower cost. It is possible.	Roads & Transportation (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36217	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	Road safety is much more important than festive lighting so by all means remove this unnecessary expense from the budget. Rather focus on fixing potholes!	Roads & Transportation (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36218	An employee of West Lothian Council	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	Any reduction in capital funding for roads will only initiate the start of a longer term issue.	Roads & Transportation (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36219	An employee of West Lothian Council	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	Provide only a minimum winter maintenance service. The cost of all those assets for a couple of days harsh weather is silly. If it happens it happens and the Council cannot afford all that money on the off chance.	Roads & Transportation (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36220	No Response	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	Stop wasting money on patching roads and fix them right 1st time	Roads & Transportation (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36221	No Response	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	Cutting back on roadworks staff at weekends would be advantageous.	Roads & Transportation (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36222	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	Keeping the roads and paths well maintained and open is an essential service to ensure that people can get to their work in order to earn the money required to pay our council taxes.	Roads & Transportation (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36223	An employee of West Lothian Council	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	Instead of "doing up" Bathgate Steelyard couldn't this money be used better, i.e. roads and pavement repairs.	Roads & Transportation (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	This project was promoted/funded by the Bathgate Business Improvement Districts

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36224	An employee of West Lothian Council	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	There seems to be a lot of disruption to ongoing WLC road works when the men are called in to prep up for winter duties. A lot of time is wasted.	Roads & Transportation (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36225	An employee of West Lothian Council	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	Far too many residential grit bins e.g. Bathgate has over 300 alone. At least 50% are unnecessary as we have a tractor service to cover the pavements. Grit bins should only be placed at steps, steep hills, schools, nurseries, etc. It would save money if bins were removed, no need to refill them saving money on salt and mens time and transport. You could have a salt bank at amenity centres where residents could collect if needed. All unused plant sold, all hire plant returned promptly after use. Culverts cleaned far too often. Should be checked by Flood Prev. Team. Gritting in the rain is a waste of time and money. Gritting night shift should just be when needed. No night shift need in depot 80% of the time. Patrolling on night shift is a waste of time, money and wear on vehicles.	Roads & Transportation (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36226	An employee of West Lothian Council	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	Investigate properly all stolen plant. No need to service vehicles as often as they do, a MOT on trucks should not take 7 days. Disturbance calls for management too excessive, one payment per night max.	Roads & Transportation (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36227	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	Sand boxes need to be filled up regularly if the council is reducing the road winter delivery.	Roads & Transportation (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36228	An employee of West Lothian Council	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	Assuming that winter maintenance refers to the gritting of roads and footpaths, I do not believe this should be cut or compromised.	Roads & Transportation (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36229	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	Roads are already in a diabolical state.	Roads & Transportation (general)	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36230	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	So long as you don't cut the amount of gritting in the winter	Roads & Transportation (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36231	No Response	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	Maintain local street cleaning services	Roads & Transportation (general)	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36232	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	The year on year poor repairs carried out after underground cabling or piping is atrocious. Where such patching is carried out, those responsible should be forced to reinstate roads and footpaths properly or be fined to cover such repairs. If paths or roads are to be resurfaced, any underground services should be laid prior to this work. too often, within weeks, well done resurfacing works are destroyed by service ducts, piping or cabling works. Charges should be levelled for such vandalism of public property.	Roads & Transportation (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	Statutory works undertaken by the public utility companies can be difficult to coordinate and manage. The statutory framework around such works means that the council often has limited power to prevent the works being undertaken. The council does try to ensure that reinstatements are carried out to a good standard. The council has recently responded to a government consultation that seeks to make improvements to these types of issues.
36233	No Response	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	Your roads and pavements are a mess with pot holes and poor repairs.	Roads & Transportation (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36234	No Response	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	The transport infrastructure is terrible in West Lothian.	Roads & Transportation (general)	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36235	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	Not so fussed about festive lighting but what about road and paving maintenance?	Roads & Transportation (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36236	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	What is an updated approach to asset management?	Roads & Transportation (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Road asset management plans under pin the way we set priorities.

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36237	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	What does this saving mean? Again we have insufficient information relating to the specifics of this saving to make an informed decision on who this will affect and how. Has an equality impact assessment been completed for this saving? Improved monitoring of employees to ensure they are working effectively - i.e. grass cutting Ensure countryside paths are accessible and maintained to a certain standard. Better use of Criminal Justice to make use of those skills to improve open spaces. Working in partnership with other groups to deliver services.	Roads & Transportation (general)	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36238	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	What does this saving mean? Again we have insufficient information relating to the specifics of this saving to make an informed decision on who this will affect and how. Has an equality impact assessment been completed for this saving?	Roads & Transportation (general)	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36239	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	Yes remove all these added extras such as Christmas lights.	Roads & Transportation (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36240	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	Probably the most inefficient department within the council and need a good shake up. With proper management the savings would come without cuts in services.	Roads & Transportation (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36241	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	time to move with the time s in particular road and pavement work as alot of wasted hours and money on too many workers watching another do a job or tea breaks etc ... digging into unsocial hours... people choose the jobs they want to do and if that means night shifts why should the pay be different?	Roads & Transportation (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36242	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	Remove cobbles on Linlithgow high st. They are falling again and are a clear indication that cobbles are not compatible with heavy traffic routes. Very costly to repair, create too much noise and poor economic impacts of closing the road every time they get fixed. Admit this was a mistake.	Roads & Transportation (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36243	An employee of West Lothian Council	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	As a general rule, I am against getting private companies involved in any aspect of running a public service. However, if it is cost-effective to do so, then it makes sense.	Roads & Transportation (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36244	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	Reduce vans ,, too many vans lorries on roads,, far too many,,	Roads & Transportation (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36245	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	if anyone in the council can do the work needed, they should be doing it or be made redundant.	Roads & Transportation (general)	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36246	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	WLC should consider energy savings through projects such as switching off selected street lamps in low traffic areas between the hours of midnight and 5 am, also reducing light pollution in built up areas. Traffic light controlled junctions could become part-time, not operating over night to ease traffic flows and further reduce vehicle emissions.	Roads & Transportation (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36247	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	By winter maintenance, I'm assuming this means road and pavement gritting. Perhaps better attention could be paid to the weather forecasts and don't send gritters out when there is no ice or snow then when it is needed, there is no-one to be seen.	Roads & Transportation (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36248	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	Winter maintenance should ensure ongoing safety, but could be revised in some respects. Over the last couple of winters footpaths seems to be cleared/gritted excessively - after the tiniest amount of frost or snow. This could be restricted to heavy snow falls and genuinely icy conditions.	Roads & Transportation (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36249	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	Disagree - theory sounds good though. Agree to efficiency savings, not loss of service. Basic services like gritting of pavements in town centres and road gritting have already been significantly reduced, both much missed. Council's insurance claims fund will need to grow in this claims culture when injuries spike. A Scottish Government Minister lost his job a few years ago when the M8 became blocked with ice and snow. Presumably this will equate to the putting his head on the same block once these measures are implemented!	Roads & Transportation (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36250	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	Support but the new lights are showing up the pot hole issue	Roads & Transportation (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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36251	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	This seems council speak for doing the bare minimum, which in our area is already in place. We no longer get streets cleaned, cleared of snow and ice, or weeds cleared in drains and gutters.	Roads & Transportation (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36252	An employee of West Lothian Council	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	Remove the 7% shift allowance from the Roads Operations staff and revert back to normal working hours. Carry out a review into the Standby Duty Officers (Winter/Summer) overtime pay arrangements received by staff in Road Services. There is a big discrepancy on the rate of pay paid between Senior Engineers and Road officers on winter standby that do the same job. Restrict the amount of overtime and pay enhancements that Senior Engineers/ Engineers in Roads Operations are currently being paid. The overtime payments received by a Senior Engineer carrying out standby duties is £15 - £20k a year.	Roads & Transportation (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36253	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	Fine. Look at the strange piece of road Blackburn to bathgate at the new lights. Big mistake!	Roads & Transportation (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36254	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	More potholes I guess	Roads & Transportation (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36255	An employee of West Lothian Council	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	Winter maintenance is already depleted. Let's hope we don't get a bad winter...ever!!	Roads & Transportation (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	In recent years the council has maintained the level of winter service provision.
36256	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	Winter maintenance of all roads is a HIGH PRIORITY for people to get to their place of employment. Also for all supporting heavy good vehicles supplying supermarkets, shops and other buildings where required. It is also imperative for buses carrying pupils to school and also the school staff being able to travel there in safety.	Roads & Transportation (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36257	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	Stop clearing roads other than the essential main routes. Do not clear pavements - let communities do it.	Roads & Transportation (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Self help for winter service is something that will be considered.
36258	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	Strange priorities..... could the money spent on relaying Bathgate's pedestrian area not have been better spent elsewhere??	Roads & Transportation (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The improvements in the Steelyard, Bathgate was funded via the Bathgate Business Improvement District.
36259	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	Smooth, clean cycle ways as a priority please if we are going to make improvements in transport and health in a sustainable way.	Roads & Transportation (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36260	An employee of West Lothian Council	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	Agree with this measure along as the excellent winter maintenance and ensuring we can move around safely in the bad weather isn't effected.	Roads & Transportation (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36261	An employee of West Lothian Council	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	Winter Service - We should move to a statutory delivery service here rather than delivering and above and beyond service that is provided at the moment.	Roads & Transportation (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36262	An employee of West Lothian Council	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	Will need to check the legislation-hope this doesn't mean driving on untreated roads more often!	Roads & Transportation (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36263	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	where specialist equipment is needed I agree	Roads & Transportation (general)	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36264	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	Focus on maintaing road/footpath gritting/snow-clearing & safety for all major roads and side roads.	Roads & Transportation (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36265	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	More efficiency in road works!	Roads & Transportation (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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36266	An employee of West Lothian Council	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	Festive lights in Linlithgow have been switched on since before Halloween, is this necessary?	Roads & Transportation (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36267	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	This canâ€™t impact road maintenance (they are bad enough already) or winter maintenance which is a danger to all. Surely savings are being made by the fact that the last few winters have not been as bad as previous.	Roads & Transportation (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Although the last few winters have been less severe the council still has significant costs to bear in terms of winter lease costs and overheads whether equipment and resources are fully utilised.
36268	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	Gritting the roads in the Winter has to be a priority, for safety reasons and so that people can get to work.	Roads & Transportation (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36269	An employee of West Lothian Council	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	Winter maintenance is important for public safety and should be a priority	Roads & Transportation (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36270	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	Maybe a good time to go and buy a cherry picker! Winter maintenance is already at a very low level. Iâ€™d be interested to know what the statute is for keeping traffic moving on the countyâ€™s roads when we get 1cm of snow. Usually grinds to a halt even at current spending rates.	Roads & Transportation (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36271	An employee of West Lothian Council	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	There should be a wholesale removal of speed bumps and road repairs, while more expensive, should be done properly to a lasting standard rather than the temporary tar/stone mix used. This should be reserved for urgent holes where there would be a danger to cyclists and motorcycles. Removing speed bumps will also improve air quality and the environment.	Roads & Transportation (general)	5b. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it is likely that the costs of this proposal would outweigh the benefit.	Traffic calming measures help reduce traffic speeds. The council will not be undertaking a programme of removal.
36272	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	The cut backs to roads and NETS is unnecessary. If it means increasing the council tax then so be it. Lack of investment now means we will all suffer later in life.	Roads & Transportation (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36273	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	Roads and transportation, paths and cycle ways are the lifeblood of the council. People cannot get to hospital, school, shops if these fail. The recent Audit Scotland report has highlighted the issues with the standard of roads across Scotland. Further cutting the service is counter productive, protect the asset you have. People use it everyday, people need it and failing to invest will be detrimental to the standard of life in WL and to the safety of citizens.	Roads & Transportation (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36274	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	WLC has so of the best maintained roads in Scotland - the rolling program of maintenance should be kept	Roads & Transportation (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36275	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	Currently West Lothian has an excellent record of road maintenance - it would be very disappointing if these cuts would result in poor roads. The Council should recognise that if the road quality deteriorates then it may be liable for increased compensation claims.	Roads & Transportation (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36276	No Response	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	Again a section which has been hit hard in the past and probably will struggle to deliver a decent standard if cut much further.	Roads & Transportation (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36277	An employee of West Lothian Council	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	I agree with this proposal however money should be put into bringing the roads up to scratch which are in an extremely poor state of repair.	Roads & Transportation (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36278	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	Ensuring that the services provided are targeted and delivered in an efficiency manner are logical steps but as with the previous saving in Street Cleansing, there is a fine line between frivolous items (such as Christmas Lights and Gala Day support, which should be removed without fail) and areas such as carriageway maintenance, inspections, repairs, path network improvements, street lighting etc which are all vital and would risk harming many of the council priority areas if significantly cut beyond safe levels. A saving in the magnitude suggested would concern many residents as to the state of the network in the future.	Roads & Transportation (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36279	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	Agree, but concern at what this might mean in a bad winter, should the public be expected to do more	Roads & Transportation (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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36280	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	Keeping main roads safe and passable in Winter is a priority	Roads & Transportation (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36281	An employee of West Lothian Council	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	Consideration should also be given to ways to recuperate costs associated with various events that are run by communities and organisations throughout West Lothian.	Roads & Transportation (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Charging for costs associated with events will be considered moving forward.
36282	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	Cutting winter maintenance will lead to accidents, with road accidents or slips and falls, which in turn will lead to a decreased workforce and productivity, and an increase in medical care. More grit bins, filled regularly, would encourage people to grit their own area, and main roads should continue to be treated.	Roads & Transportation (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36283	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	The road system and its maintenance are key to attracting visitors to the area which bring added benefits to the local economy	Roads & Transportation (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36284	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	As 1A. I have recently sent a complaint to [REDACTED] with regards to your standard of service and management and why it is currently not using "effective and efficient" methods. Does "statutory requirements" included health and safety? My complaint described unsafe conditions.	Roads & Transportation (general)	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36285	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	So - doing the absolute minimum - it isn't a sustainable proposal, it will cost more in the long term.	Roads & Transportation (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36286	No Response	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	For many years now WLC have operated a 24 hour winter maintenance regime at Guildiehaugh Depot whereby we have Golf Base, manned by skilled members of staff who are lost to the workforce for over 5 months of the year. This is ludicrous given we have a very efficient weather forecasting system that provides up to date accurate information on the weather at different locations in West Lothian. These men could be better put to use providing the council with the skills for which they are employed. Why are the council paying staff to be on standby and on nightshift for weather emergency during winter months when we know, by checking the weather forecast from the Vaisala system, that the weather forecast is favourable? These crews are then lost to the council service the following day. The existence of the winter shift pattern has been detrimental to the service and it must cost a fortune to implement. This cannot be good value for money. The staff are split into 2 shift patterns which means only half the workforce are available during the day for 5 months of the year. The shorter working hours from November to April means that the working output, even on a good day is somewhere in the region of 4 hours per day. This is not effective and is not value for money. Decisions need to be taken as to what services the council are going to provide. The Roads staff at Guildiehaugh cannot provide input to the Capital Programme, provide the daily routine, cyclic maintenance requirements and then provide a winter maintenance service during the winter months both during the working day and out of hours in the evening. A strategy is required in order to implement the Capital Programme that is both cost effective for the council and to provide a workstream for the council staff at the depot. Reducing staff numbers in recent years is making this more difficult to deliver an acceptable level of service.	Roads & Transportation (general)	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	These types of comments / suggestions will be considered as part of our winter service review moving forward.
36287	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	The roads and pavements around the area are not in a very good state at present. Cutting out festive lighting is a bit of a ba humbug to be honest	Roads & Transportation (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	West Lothian roads are currently ranked as some of the best in Scotland
36288	An employee of West Lothian Council	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	There seems to be constant work being done, however work seems to be done on parts that aren't needed leaving the parts that do need done.	Roads & Transportation (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Works undertaken are based on asset management information.
36289	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	More focus on providing winter salting of pavements than roads.	Roads & Transportation (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36290	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	This proposal must maintain local services.	Roads & Transportation (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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36291	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	Winter maintenance however, is very important and I'd be concerned that reducing it to 'statutory' requirements only will result in longer term deterioration/safety issues.	Roads & Transportation (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council will ensure that it maintains statutory requirements.
36292	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	As long as all these services are delivered effectively and efficiently. The current winter roadworks model is a real pain as a driver who lives and works in West Lothian, especially when 2 week roadworks are then extended to 5 of 6 weeks, not good! More use of night working where possible to minimise disruption maybe. Don't forget your road work delays cost local businesses too, in lost work time and staff delayed by traffic queues!	Roads & Transportation (general)	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36293	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	2. Proposal is very vague at what is proposed to be a change in focus and statutory requirements - this seems a proposal which is hiding what it means from the public, which is disappointing given the importance of road safety and winter maintenance, as well as the repair of the roads.	Roads & Transportation (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36294	No Response	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	The maintenance at present is poor, when you look around at paths/pot holes etc. Not a good proposal will put the Council in a bad light	Roads & Transportation (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	West Lothian roads are currently ranked as some of the best in Scotland
36295	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	Again my as a west Lothian resident I want to be safe- therefore any cuts to roads and transportation that will see less of a service in winter, less gritting, less patrolling places my life at risk which is not what I want.	Roads & Transportation (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36296	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	but the winter maintenance is already minimal - in previous winters we have almost reached a thaw before a road gritter appeared in our housing area and often the main roads have not been treated. I appreciate this service can be at the mercy of the weather itself but it has been often lacking in previous years - a case sometimes of hoping for the best and not planning for the worst.	Roads & Transportation (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council currently provides a high level of winter service provision and it will maintain statutory provision moving forward. Within our winter policy snow routes, primary and secondary routes are prioritised ahead of housing areas.
36297	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	In house contracts will ensure standards are maintained, improve local employment and benefit the West Lothian region	Roads & Transportation (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36298	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	Not sure about cut back to winter maintenance on non statutory areas.	Roads & Transportation (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36299	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	Get rid of speed bumps and make proper repairs to roads. This will also improve air quality at schools where a lot of these things are placed anyway.	Roads & Transportation (general)	5c. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it is not consistent with the council's values and priorities.	Traffic calming measures help reduce traffic speeds. The council will not be undertaking a programme of removal.
36300	An employee of West Lothian Council	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	This just sounds like we plan to strip back to the minimum we are required to do by statute.	Roads & Transportation (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36301	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	Looks like winter will become more hazardous and depressing.	Roads & Transportation (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36302	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	Seriously, I am genuinely trying to review the various individual services and what you write to solicit comment is extremely vague. I think I am of average intelligence and try to be constructive or show disappointment with my comments but you have a responsibility to put commentary for areas of savings into plain english. Honestly this is a joke or somebody should get fired for this.	Roads & Transportation (general)	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36303	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	Winter maintenance cannot be reduced to just main roads. Smaller roads / estates also need to be dealt with albeit on a lower priority basis.	Roads & Transportation (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council currently provides a high level of winter service provision and it will maintain statutory provision moving forward. Within our winter policy snow routes, primary and secondary routes are prioritised ahead of housing areas.
36304	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	Roads maintenance / treatment and paths maintenance / treatment is bad enough already; particularly winter time. Most definitely do not support.	Roads & Transportation (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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36305	An employee of West Lothian Council	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	Dont know enough about it, but multi use vehicles need to be considered.	Roads & Transportation (general)	4. The council is already doing this.	Much of our roads fleet is already multi use.
36306	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	More deprived areas will lose out yet again.	Roads & Transportation (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36307	An employee of West Lothian Council	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	Roads investment is vital and should be maintained.	Roads & Transportation (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36308	An individual	7g. Revised Service Standards & Delivery Models - Roads & Transportation	The winter services are terrible in connection with the private sector housing. The only thing the council did agree to was for people to make their way to the storage place and pick up the road salt from their to distribute and clear their own road. Even then the salt ran out.	Roads & Transportation (general)	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council currently provides a high level of winter service provision and it will maintain statutory provision moving forward. Within our winter policy snow routes, primary and secondary routes are prioritised ahead of housing areas. Self help, self gritting, is an important aspect of the council's winter policy.
36309	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	YES	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36310	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36311	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36312	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36313	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36314	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36315	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes - I agree with Council Tax increases	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36316	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36317	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36318	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36319	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36320	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36321	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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36322	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36323	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes. I agree to this	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36324	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36325	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36326	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36327	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36328	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36329	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36330	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36331	No Response	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36332	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36333	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	I do support this.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36334	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36335	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36336	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36337	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36338	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36339	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36340	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36341	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36342	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36343	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	YES NECESSARY TO FUND SERVICES	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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36344	An individual	CTI. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes if it protects some services	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36345	An individual	CTI. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36346	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTI. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36347	An individual	CTI. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes I agree to the increase	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36348	An individual	CTI. Planned changes to Council Tax	Inevitable but 10 years of no rise Freeze by central government was great.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36349	An individual	CTI. Planned changes to Council Tax	in light of size of budget deficit in future years i would support the planned changes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36350	An individual	CTI. Planned changes to Council Tax	Needs must	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36351	An individual	CTI. Planned changes to Council Tax	yes if it is necessary - however I think that it should be reviewed to ensure that it is making a difference.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36352	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTI. Planned changes to Council Tax	I agree that council tax should be raised to cover some of the budget gap	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36353	An individual	CTI. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes, however, residents may expect a better service with an increase not necessarily cutbacks	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36354	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTI. Planned changes to Council Tax	As long as we can see where the money is going I agree that something has to be done.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36355	An individual	CTI. Planned changes to Council Tax	It's ridiculous to suddenly increase the council tax. The government should have been gradually increasing the council tax instead of freezing it year after year.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36356	An individual	CTI. Planned changes to Council Tax	No option but to increase it. Should have been done previously if I'm honest.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36357	An individual	CTI. Planned changes to Council Tax	Everything else is going up so only expected c/t will too	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36358	An individual	CTI. Planned changes to Council Tax	Reluctantly	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36359	An individual	CTI. Planned changes to Council Tax	Just do away with the two free months.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36360	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTI. Planned changes to Council Tax	Council tax must go up. Essential	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36361	An individual	CTI. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes and I would support larger increases if it would avoid some of the cuts which might have to be made.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36362	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTI. Planned changes to Council Tax	yes increase the council tax by 5%	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36363	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTI. Planned changes to Council Tax	I am not opposed to increase in council tax only if services are saved protected. It should never had been frozen in the first instance that decision has added to the current pressure.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36364	An individual	CTI. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36365	An individual	CTI. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36366	An individual	CTI. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36367	An individual	CTI. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36368	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTI. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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36414	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36415	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36416	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36417	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes, I agree.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36418	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36419	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36420	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes if it allows crucial services to remain.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36421	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes, as long as money is not wasted!!	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36422	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	It has to be raised to maintain services	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36423	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Maximum charging of Council Tax should be implemented ASAP to reduce any cuts.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36424	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes - for all bands not just those in higher bands.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36425	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes, albeit reluctantly.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36426	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	We agree with this strategy and feel it necessary to pay the extra 3% per annum in order to keep the existing council services.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36427	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes - increase all bands. This should have been done last year.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36428	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	I support a 3% rise in council tax	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36429	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes,long overdue.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36430	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	as long as it is the same for all	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36431	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36432	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36433	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36434	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36435	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36436	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36437	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36438	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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36484	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36485	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36486	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36487	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	YES	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36488	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36489	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36490	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36491	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36492	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes!!	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36493	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36494	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Good	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36495	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36496	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36497	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36498	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36499	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36500	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36501	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36502	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36503	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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36504	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36505	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36506	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36507	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36508	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	I agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36509	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36510	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36511	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36512	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36513	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36514	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36515	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36516	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36517	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36518	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36519	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36520	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36521	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36522	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36523	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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36524	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36525	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36526	No Response	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36527	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes, fully supportive. Can't see any other way to help offset the savings required to be made.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36528	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes, but it is important and fair to apply the increase to all bandings.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36529	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes - take advantage of the ability to get additional cash in.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36530	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes, I agree with the council's planned changes to Council Tax.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36531	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes. It's daft that it hasn't increased for years - that was just a ridiculous populist move by the SNP government.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36532	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	I suppose.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36533	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	I support the Council tax increase. I am frustrated that the freeze has lasted so long and has contributed to the poor financial position the council is currently in.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36534	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes I think Council Tax should be increase to help supplement the costs of required services	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36535	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes I do as someone who both lives and works in West Lothian I do support a council tax increase of 3%	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36536	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	I fully support a 3% increase in Council Tax to be able to minimise required cuts.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36537	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	I think it should be raised, to protect our education services.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36538	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	I think it should be increased.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36539	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36540	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36541	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36542	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36543	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36544	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36545	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36546	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36547	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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36573	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36574	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36575	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36576	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36577	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36578	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36579	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	YES	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36580	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36581	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36582	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36583	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36584	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36585	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36586	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36587	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36588	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36589	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36590	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Needs must.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36591	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Totally agree. There should never have been a cap in the first place!	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36592	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes we support an annual rise of 3%. 3% should cover the rate of inflation if the current financial situation holds.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36593	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	I can see the benefit of council tax increase.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36594	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	In order to maintain or improve services, I would support an increase in Council Tax	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36595	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	OK but why only 3%	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36596	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	I'd rather pay 3% more than lose services and I pay top band council tax!	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36597	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes, I appreciate that the council must make savings to close the budget shortfall and I would rather pay a higher council tax and protect services.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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36598	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTI. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes. Other authorities are considering and implementing council tax rises and a fair approach needs to be taken and consideration given to the increases that other local authorities are imposing.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36599	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTI. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes - I think all bands should be increased.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36600	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTI. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes totally agree.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36601	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTI. Planned changes to Council Tax	While I personally do not welcome any increase in my monthly outgoings, as my wages do not increase to cover any additional outgoings, I do appreciate the need for this increase at this particular time. Therefore I would support a 3% increase as outlined.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36602	An individual	CTI. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes I agree with increasing council tax. Don't think it should have been frozen in the first place.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36603	An individual	CTI. Planned changes to Council Tax	I would agree to the Council Tax increase if this so long as this was reflected in the budget cuts.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36604	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTI. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes, but this is a charge that the people who already pay their Council tax will have to bear.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36605	An individual	CTI. Planned changes to Council Tax	Not Really, but as the WLC is totally broke I would have to support a 3% rise.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36606	An individual	CTI. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes, I think that the council tax needs to be raised in order to avoid further budget cuts and to allow a wide variety of services and activities to still be available	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36607	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTI. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes - though I actually think they should be higher since there has been NO increase for years.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36608	An individual	CTI. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes, and actually think it should be increased by more - even up to 10%	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36609	An individual	CTI. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes - if we want the services to continue.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36610	An individual	CTI. Planned changes to Council Tax	i suppose we have to raise money somehow	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36611	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTI. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes I support this and the council tax should have continued to rise year by year instead of remaining the same for years. This might have generated more money for the council to spend on what is needed and may have stopped such a huge cut in funding.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36612	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTI. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes, although it should be clearer on correspondence with residents that the 73 million includes this 3% increase.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36613	An individual	CTI. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes - it has been irresponsible of the Scottish Government to freeze council tax levels for the past 10 years and that price must now be paid.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36614	An individual	CTI. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes if it will protect some of our services	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36615	An individual	CTI. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes I do, if this essential funding had continued to increase by 3% every year for the past 9 years then some services might not have had to be cut or reduced now.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36616	An individual	CTI. Planned changes to Council Tax	YES....LONG OVERDUE!!	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36617	An individual	CTI. Planned changes to Council Tax	In theory	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36618	An individual	CTI. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes .if the money is spent wisely	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36619	An individual	CTI. Planned changes to Council Tax	Agree - this is essential.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36620	An individual	CTI. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36621	An individual	CTI. Planned changes to Council Tax	I support this	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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36622	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36623	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36624	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36625	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36626	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36627	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36628	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36629	No Response	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36630	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36631	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36632	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36633	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes I support an increase of 3% per year.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36634	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Reluctantly yes.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36635	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes I support the increase in Council Tax.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36636	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes, as we have benefited for a council tax freeze for the last 10 years.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36637	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	yes - it's fair	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36638	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36639	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36640	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36641	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36642	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36643	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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36673	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36674	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36675	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	YES	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36676	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36677	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36678	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36679	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36680	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36681	No Response	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36682	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36683	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	I support this proposal.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36684	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36685	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36686	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36687	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36688	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36689	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36690	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36691	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36692	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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36721	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36722	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36723	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36724	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36725	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Long overdue.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36726	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36727	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes - if managed properly.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36728	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	I agree with the 3% rise	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36729	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36730	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36731	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36732	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36733	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36734	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36735	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36736	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Agree.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36737	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36738	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36739	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36740	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	I would support the planned increase in council tax	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36741	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	I think if council tax was increased but this meant saving on essential services and less people loosing their job this would be paid.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36742	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes. Nobody ever wants to pay more but the level of cuts that are coming are going to have a real impact, and we need to raise more funds. I am annoyed that council tax was frozen for so long and we have ended up in this situation.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36743	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	I would pay an increase in council tax because we always pay our taxes.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36744	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Council tax should be increased, particularly for higher band properties with greater social and environmental impacts.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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36745	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes. There has been a very long freeze and an increase does appear to be needed to make up funding shortfalls.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36746	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes, provided the money raised was targeted a specific services.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36747	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36748	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	YES	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36749	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36750	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36751	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36752	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36753	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Agree.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36754	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36755	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36756	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36757	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36758	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36759	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Agree this increase is necessary as the council tax has been held static over too many years.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36760	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Happy for council tax to increase	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36761	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	yes perhaps the council tax should not have been frozen for so long however i would hope that the needy folks would still get a reduction	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36762	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes. It is never popular to increase tax but we have been lucky so far not to have large increases.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36763	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Would rather pay more council tax for buildings like Elilburn to be saved	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36764	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes I would agree to a 3% increase in council tax each year	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36765	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes, I feel that it is time for a change in this.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36766	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Very happy to pay an increase.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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36792	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36793	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36794	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36795	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36796	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36797	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36798	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36799	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36800	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36801	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36802	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36803	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes.worth it for the services	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36804	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36805	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	I am prepared to pay an increase in council tax in order to protect services	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36806	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes, council tax was frozen for years so a small increase like this to protect schools and social care is needed in my view.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36807	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Council Tax should be increased as much as is necessary to help fund necessary services. Has only been frozen for so long so that the government can remain popular.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36808	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes I would be happy to pay more council tax to ensure services can continue	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36809	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	YES!! We are in this mess because of 10 years of increase free Council Tax charges and are now reaping the consequences! Nothing is free - or increase free - and eventually, the only answer as outlined in this proposal is to cut services to the elderly, vulnerable, educational and leisure facilities. A shocking state of affairs to have been guided into!	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36810	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	I think the Council has to increase Council Tax rates. Better than cut services by even more.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36811	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes. What would have been the effect to budgets if the council had taken the decision to raise council tax earlier this year.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36812	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	OK with it provided the money is used effectively in conjunction with improved efficiency and value for money	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36813	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes we need to pay for what we use and support those who need services.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36814	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	I would support an increase in council tax if it means sustainably of essential services	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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36815	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	I would support the 3% rise in council tax provided that the this prevents some of the cuts mentioned in this consultation ie the reduction in instrumental music programme.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36816	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Hallelujah! Yes I do! It is the only thing which makes sense. Some of the previous questions give rise to the thoughts of why aren't they already doing that, whilst others appal me. A CT rise is long overdue but hasn't been done due to a desire to win votes!	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36817	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Reluctantly.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36818	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	If it can be shown that the increases will keep key services available (clearly) then I would support the rise	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36819	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	I support the planned changes.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36820	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	I think the proposed increase is necessary but worry about the impact it will have on low income households. unfortunately the Council Tax Freeze for so many years has put the Council in this unenviable position. There is unfortunately no way to avoid this and it is only prudent to ensure tax raised increases in line with costs year on year.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36821	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Council tax SHOULD HAVE been raised. This was a mistake by West Lothian Council. People understand that to have decent services they need to pay. I would increase it by 5%	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36822	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	It is regrettable but council tax must increase by the maximum amount to save our services.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36823	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes we would support this as, because of the Council Tax freeze , we're already suffered reduced services over the last 10 years.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36824	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes, I realise that to maintain our core services, these changes to the Council Tax are necessary I have no problem with this, as long as we don't get the double whammy - the 3% year on year increase and all the cuts previously mentioned as well	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36825	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36826	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36827	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36828	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36829	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes. Absolutely	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36830	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36831	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36832	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36833	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36834	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36835	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36836	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36837	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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36838	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36839	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36840	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36841	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36842	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36843	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36844	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36845	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36846	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36847	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36848	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36849	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	I agree with the increase	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36850	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	It seems inevitable that for all the years there were no rises we now have to play catch up.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36851	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Seems necessary in the circumstances	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36852	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes, very much so. It is vital we all pay towards public essential public services.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36853	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36854	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36855	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36856	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36857	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36858	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes I agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36859	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36860	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36861	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36862	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36863	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes!	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36864	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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36913	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36914	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36915	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36916	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36917	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36918	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36919	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36920	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36921	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	YES	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36922	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36923	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36924	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	I agree with this	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36925	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36926	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36927	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36928	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36929	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36930	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Agreed	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36931	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36932	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36933	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36934	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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36935	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Agree this is required to fund our demands for services	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36936	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	I support these changes.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36937	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	I completely agree with this.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36938	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	I would be agreeable to the council tax being raised by 3%	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36939	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes, should have done this years ago	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36940	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes - however I am hoping that I keep my job, so that I can pay for the increase!	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36941	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes, I would agree with an increase in council tax.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36942	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes I agree to increase all Council Tax bands by 3%	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36943	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36944	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36945	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36946	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36947	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36948	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36949	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36950	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36951	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36952	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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36953	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36954	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36955	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	I agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36956	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36957	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36958	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36959	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36960	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36961	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36962	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36963	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36964	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36965	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36966	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36967	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36968	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36969	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36970	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	I am okay with it going up	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36971	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	3% is ok.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36972	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes. 3% is fair.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36973	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Increase council tax if required	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36974	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	I support the planned changes to council tax, great debate and analysis to be had to identify specific priorities if funding was raised above 3% but in the main I again am supportive of this proposal.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36975	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Council tax rising is much preferable to people losing their services.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36976	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes but council staff have only received 1% pay increase.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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36977	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTI. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes - so that we can have the services we need for both young people and the ageing population.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36978	An individual	CTI. Planned changes to Council Tax	I agree with this if my comments overleaf about these charges are not implemented.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36979	An individual	CTI. Planned changes to Council Tax	I support the annual increase	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36980	An individual	CTI. Planned changes to Council Tax	A 3% increase to ALL tax bands is acceptable. Assurances that those who don't pay will be made to - that no amnesty will be given to them as was done with the Poll Tax. The council tax should have been increased before - not frozen - to help pay for services.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36981	An individual	CTI. Planned changes to Council Tax	We need good services- its our civic duty to pay what we can for them- but it must be those of use who can afford to pay. The burden must not fall on the poorer members of the community.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36982	An individual	CTI. Planned changes to Council Tax	I am ok with increasing tax to pay for beter services.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36983	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	CTI. Planned changes to Council Tax	We agree with the council tax increase proposed to help local public services	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36984	An individual	CTI. Planned changes to Council Tax	I wouldn't mind the Council tax being increased.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36985	An individual	CTI. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes Council tax needs to be increased for all who can pay. Adjust for those less affluent.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36986	An individual	CTI. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes agree with the 3% rise	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36987	An individual	CTI. Planned changes to Council Tax	I would support an increase in council tax if extra money went to where it is needed most.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36988	An individual	CTI. Planned changes to Council Tax	I support within reason an increase on council tax.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36989	An individual	CTI. Planned changes to Council Tax	I would support an increase in CT of 3% per year or less but more if the extra money is used to improve the care of the elderly.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36990	An individual	CTI. Planned changes to Council Tax	I completely support raising Council Tax by 3% each year.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36991	An individual	CTI. Planned changes to Council Tax	The proposed increase in CT is obviously necessary but rather excessive	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36992	An individual	CTI. Planned changes to Council Tax	I support council plans to increase council tax. I believe an increase of 3% per year over the next 5 years would help the situation.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36993	An individual	CTI. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes needs to be increased - 3% seems reasonable. Someone has to pay for services etc.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36994	An individual	CTI. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes, 3% increase may be needed! It must me spent wisely.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36995	An individual	CTI. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes - 3%rise to minimise disruption - but money should not be frittered away on constant roadworks.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36996	An individual	CTI. Planned changes to Council Tax	I think it should not have been so long without a raise in council tax. So I do agree it should go up for everyone. I hope it will not be more than 3%	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36997	An individual	CTI. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes - not in agreement with Scottish Parliament telling councils to keep making cuts year on year!! Yes do support rise in council tax - we have an excellent Council and how can you keep being excellent with less money to do all you do!	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36998	An individual	CTI. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes I would support the councils planned changes to council tax	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
36999	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTI. Planned changes to Council Tax	if we have to	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
37000	An individual	CTI. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes, council tax must be increased - this should have been done long before now. This is necessary and should have been implemented before council accrued all this deficit.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
37001	An individual	CTI. Planned changes to Council Tax	We have no choice. We should never have frozen the tax and we wouldnt be in a mess now,	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
37002	An individual	CTI. Planned changes to Council Tax	A 3% council tax rise is a big increase year on year. However would prefer this than a cut to any other services.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
37003	An individual	CTI. Planned changes to Council Tax	All proposals are sound.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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37004	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	I agree that council tax should rise by 3%.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
37005	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	We reluctantly agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
37006	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	I agree that the council tax should be increased. It should have been increased years ago.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
37007	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Don't mind an increase in tax to help towards less cuts to our community. It will help reduce drastic measures towards all the 8 priority areas.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
37008	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	I support an increase in Council Tax by 3%.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
37009	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Streamlining Council Resources Increasing Council Tax - A principle of any business needing to balance its accounts is to cut back on costs and increase income. WLSN thinks it is prudent to consider increasing Council Tax to negate the effect of negative impact to services so long as the most financially excluded people are protected.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
37010	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Everyone appreciates the need for a rise in council tax but felt that to have this prior to our local elections would have been more honest and transparent and maybe proposed cuts required would not have been as severe or high as they are now.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
37011	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	I would support a 3% rise	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
37012	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Despite being on a very low income I would rather pay more council than see vital day centres close.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
37013	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Please raise the Council Tax as it sounds like you are proposing a bare minimum service with this.	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
37014	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	yes, Because I live in a large house my council tax went up by 7% last year	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax. Council tax levels for houses in bands E to H were increased in 2017/18 due to the implementation of the Scottish Government's changes to council tax bandings.
37015	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes but not at 3% per annum	CT1	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Scottish Government allows councils to increase council tax by a maximum of 3% annually. Officers have included a 3% annual increase in the council's budget model for the five years 2018/19 to 2022/23. As the council's forecast budget position assumes an annual increase of 3%, additional savings would need to be identified to cover reduced income for any increase less than 3%.
37016	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	3% every year is far too high when wages are not rising and the cost of living is rising and services are being cut. this is unjustifiable.	CT1	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Scottish Government allows councils to increase council tax by a maximum of 3% annually. Officers have included a 3% annual increase in the council's budget model for the five years 2018/19 to 2022/23. As the council's forecast budget position assumes an annual increase of 3%, additional savings would need to be identified to cover reduced income for any increase less than 3%.
37017	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes I fully support increasing Council Tax to retain important services and resources	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax.
37018	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	It has to happen. You can't have services if you don't pay for them. The council needs to make sure that customers recognise and value services better though. Customers need to understand what they are paying for and value services. Engagement and trust is key. Communicating with them is key in this.	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax.
37019	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes and we should probably raise it higher than 3%	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Currently the Scottish Government only allows councils to increase council tax by a maximum of 3% annually. The council will consider your suggestion however it would have to be raised with the Scottish Government.

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37020	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	don't mind paying for services provided they are of good standard are they?	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	As validated by external auditors and other inspection bodies, West Lothian Council continues to perform well against key performance indicators and activities.
37021	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	I think the council tax should be increased however I think it should be tapered to the size of the properties. Band A maybe 0.5% on a scale to band H which could be 5%.	CT1	5a. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because the council is required by law to deliver this work.	The current council tax legislation means that any proposed percentage increase needs to be applied across all bands.
37022	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	I think it needs to be increased to help with funding.	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax.
37023	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	3% is too much. Many families are struggling as it is.	CT1	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Scottish Government allows councils to increase council tax by a maximum of 3% annually. Officers have included a 3% annual increase in the council's budget model for the five years 2018/19 to 2022/23. As the council's forecast budget position assumes an annual increase of 3%, additional savings would need to be identified to cover reduced income for any increase less than 3%.
37024	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	I do not support the council tax increase by 3%. I would support a 1% 1.5% increase.	CT1	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Scottish Government allows councils to increase council tax by a maximum of 3% annually. Officers have included a 3% annual increase in the council's budget model for the five years 2018/19 to 2022/23. As the council's forecast budget position assumes an annual increase of 3%, additional savings would need to be identified to cover reduced income for any increase less than 3%.
37025	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes, as long as everyone has to pay it. Please do not just target the better off who have worked hard to afford a nice house but get continually punished for it.	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax. The current council tax legislation means that any proposed percentage increase needs to be applied across all bands.
37026	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Much as it hurts - yes I acknowledge that the council tax should increase - but 3% is painful as other aspects of cost of living have increased - but wages have not.	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax. Individuals on low incomes are able to apply for a number of council tax discounts and reductions.
37027	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	I don't live in the area so cannot comment on West Lothians policy. In my own area, I would not support this without first being convinced that local authorities had a fair settlement from the Scottish Government and that services were as efficient as they could be.	CT1	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The council regularly emphasises to the Scottish Government the need for a fair settlement for local government as well as working with COSLA (the body that collectively represents local government in Scotland) to emphasise this point.
37028	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes, it's been too long in coming. If the tax had been increased earlier it could've been increased by a lesser amount rather than the proposed 3% each year.	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax.
37029	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes. A 3% increase must be pursued.	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax.
37030	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes increase council tax.	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax.
37031	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	I would support a council tax rise of 3% per year	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax.
37032	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Increase for all, that's fairest. Increase E to H a little more but no us and them, all citizens have a part in our community.	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax. The current council tax legislation means that any proposed percentage increase needs to be applied across all bands.
37033	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	I agree without these changes that the council services provided is not sustainable if no increase is introduced.	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax.

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37034	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	No. Council tax is already a huge drain on family budgets after years of high inflation and low pay increases, and with services being reduced, the tax payer are not getting value for money.	CT1	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. As the council's forecast budget position assumes an annual increase of 3% based on officer assumptions, additional savings would need to be identified to cover reduced income.
37035	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	yes, with the planned changes, council tax needs to be increased and is a much easier of finding some of this money without people losing their jobs.	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax.
37036	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	NO	CT1	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. As the council's forecast budget position assumes an annual increase of 3% based on officer assumptions, additional savings would need to be identified to cover reduced income.
37037	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Council tax must go up, it is only fair and is a sensible option.	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax.
37038	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes as long as it is targeted at the very young and the very old	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Council tax reform can only be reviewed at a national level with corresponding changes in council tax legislation.
37039	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Council Tax is a contentious subject as the current process is very unfair. The distribution of bands relating to house values is outdated and the Tax does not reflect the number of people who reside in each property who all use the Council's services. The Scottish Government made a commitment to revise the system but has not done so and has simply increased some of the bands, making the process even more unfair. A blanket 3% rise year on year is a very broad brush and unfair approach. It will simply make things more difficult for many residents, particularly many pensioners. An increase based in inflation would have a similar impact but would be a little fairer.	CT1	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Scottish Government allows councils to increase council tax by a maximum of 3% annually. Officers have included a 3% annual increase in the council's budget model for the five years 2018/19 to 2022/23. As the council's forecast budget position assumes an annual increase of 3%, additional savings would need to be identified to cover reduced income for any increase less than 3%. Council tax reform can only be reviewed at a national level with corresponding changes in council tax legislation.
37040	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Although unlikely, some thought could perhaps be given to dispensation for areas within West Lothian which do not receive the same range of services as others. For example, rural villages such as Kirknewton do not receive the same service for street and drain cleaning, and winter road and pavement salting. The bus service is poor and unreliable. Gas is not available in all the housing estates. Access to the village by road for emergency services is also badly affected by the inordinate times the barriers are down at the Kirknewton station level crossing.	CT1	5a. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because the council is required by law to deliver this work.	Council tax reform can only be reviewed at a national level with corresponding changes in council tax legislation. The current council tax legislation means that any proposed percentage increase needs to be applied across all bands.
37041	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes but public sector wages and cost of living is not increasing for workers and working families and this could impact on financial resources	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax. Individuals on low incomes are able to apply for a number of council tax discounts and reductions.
37042	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	This is not sustainable, unless wages rise, if people don't have the money then they cannot take this hit.	CT1	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. As the council's forecast budget position assumes an annual increase of 3% based on officer assumptions, additional savings would need to be identified to cover reduced income.
37043	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Increasing the tax each year will be a burden on tax payers. Council employees have had below average salary increases each year therefore the council tax should go up in line with staff salaries.	CT1	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. As the council's forecast budget position assumes an annual increase of 3% based on officer assumptions, additional savings would need to be identified to cover reduced income.
37044	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	this you can increase. if everybody paid their way you would have plenty cash.	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax.
37045	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	I would support a 5% rise in council tax as we have had a council tax freeze for many years.	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. Currently the Scottish Government only allows councils to increase council tax by a maximum of 3% annually. The council will consider your suggestion however it would have to be raised with the Scottish Government.

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37046	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes if wages are also increased in line with this proposed increase.	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. As the council's forecast budget position assumes an annual increase of 3% based on officer assumptions, additional savings would need to be identified to cover reduced income.
37047	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	for bands E to H, Yes	CT1	5a. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because the council is required by law to deliver this work.	The current council tax legislation means that any proposed percentage increase needs to be applied across all bands.
37048	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Payers of any tax rise should include householders in all bands. Houses that have increased in value in last 10 years are still on a low tax band. This is fundamentally unfair.	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The current council tax legislation means that any proposed percentage increase needs to be applied across all bands. The council tax scheme including banding and rateable values are set nationally by the Scottish Government.
37049	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Be clear. Why have you made this assumption if you don't intend to carry out this increase? I agree with an increase by 3% for all properties each year between 2018/19 and 2022/23.	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax. Any percentage increase in council tax is agreed annually by elected members when setting the council's revenue budget.
37050	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	staff haven't had a proper pay rise in a decade! why now go for 3%- should have been started at a lower rate years ago. Put wages up by the same amount to avoid disadvantaging those of us who work for the council and actually PAY the council tax	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. Currently the Scottish Government only allows councils to increase council tax by a maximum of 3% annually. The council will consider your suggestion however it would have to be raised with the Scottish Government. Individuals on low incomes are able to apply for a number of council tax discounts and reductions.
37051	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes. A more robust approach needs to be done to collect council tax arrears.	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax. The council actively pursues all debt, including council tax, community charge, rent and commercial debtors arrears. The council will investigate other ways to improve debt collections including strengthening corporate debt management activity.
37052	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	NO. Punishing the people who do pay.	CT1	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. As the council's forecast budget position assumes an annual increase of 3% based on officer assumptions, additional savings would need to be identified to cover reduced income.
37053	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes - I already pay an additional 3% due to our lovely Scottish Government! I am okay with paying more if only it is not ring fenced again for Education. Not paying just means less services within West Lothian.	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax.
37054	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	I don't mind council tax going up but at the moment every regular bill increase is outstripping my salary increases and financially I can't keep up. If the council tax is to rise it should not be by an amount greater than the current public sector pay cap level. I can barely afford to get by and I am sure I am not alone. Any increase should apply across the board to all bands.	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax. Individuals on low incomes are able to apply for a number of council tax discounts and reductions. The current council tax legislation means that any proposed percentage increase needs to be applied across all bands.
37055	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	ONLY to maintain services...you can't increase CT and cut services like brown bins!!!!	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
37056	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes - council tax is still far cheaper than equivalent taxes in rest of UK.	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax.
37057	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	I agree to a council tax increase of 3%	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax.
37058	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes, 3% is critical to support services.	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax.

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37059	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Council tax should rise in line with average earnings increases. Increasing this beyond this around is simply taking more money from people who do not have it.	CT1	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Scottish Government allows councils to increase council tax by a maximum of 3% annually. Officers have included a 3% annual increase in the council's budget model for the five years 2018/19 to 2022/23. As the council's forecast budget position assumes an annual increase of 3%, additional savings would need to be identified to cover reduced income for any increase less than 3%.
37060	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	will this actually work or will it put greater pressure on Council Tax Benefit?	CT1	4. The council is already doing this.	The council actively pursues all debt, including council tax, community charge, rent and commercial debtors arrears. The council will investigate other ways to improve debt collections including strengthening corporate debt management activity to minimise any impact of increases in council tax. The council tax reduction scheme is set nationally and determines the level of council tax benefits available to individuals. It is a means tested benefit available to those with income below the prescribed threshold.
37061	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	If CT increases equally for ALL council tax bands then it is fairer that only for E-H bands. Period. My CT increased this year by Â£40 per month, from approx Â£255 to Â£295, meaning I have to earn about Â£350 per month (before tax) just to give it to council (!), and what do I get in return? What will I get in return when you increase it again? What message are you sending by increasing CT only on E-H bands? - Those who studied (and continue studying) and worked (and continue working) hard to afford properties in bands E-H and paying higher taxes anyway will be penalized even more, but you do not increase CT to those who don't bother studying and working hard (e.g those who work on 16h/week and don't want more hours because they will lose benefits). It has to be increased either for all or for noone. That's fair, that's equal!	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax. Council tax levels for houses in bands E to H were increased in 2017/18 due to the implementation of the Scottish Government's changes to council tax bandings. The current council tax legislation means that any proposed percentage increase needs to be applied across all bands.
37062	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	No. I am disgusted enough that these bands E-H were raised by so much by the Scottish Govt. Its extremely unfair and just because you have a house in these bands does not mean you are wealthy or can afford these massive rises. To say you will increase by 3% every year is very concerning and I do not believe putting such a burden on council tax payers is fair. If it only makes up 19% of your funding why should we be made to suffer?	CT1	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. As the council's forecast budget position assumes an annual increase of 3% based on officer assumptions, additional savings would need to be identified to cover reduced income.
37063	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	This is unfair on the people who do work and pay full council tax, people who are on benefits don't pay council tax majority of the time or get reduction which should not be allowed	CT1	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. As the council's forecast budget position assumes an annual increase of 3% based on officer assumptions, additional savings would need to be identified to cover reduced income.
37064	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	No I don't support the increase as I am only seeing a decline in my service. I have already been impacted by the first 3% rise which I was not aware of and I pay attention to these bulletins so could not have been that well sign posted. Priority should be raising funds through chargeable services and not impacting on the majority for services that are not statutory. He council needs to work harder to be more efficient. As the biggest employer in West Lothian it should be able to drive down external contracts and deliver benefit this way for its residents.	CT1	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Council tax in West Lothian has been frozen for ten years. The increase in 2017/18 was a result of rebranding by the Scottish Government and was well publicised in council publications but also in national press. The scope for charging will be considered, taking account current charges, the position in other local authorities and the impact of charges on vulnerable people and the availability of concessions.
37065	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	No. First time buyers and graduates looking to rent will be shunned by this and have to live with their parents even when they have a professional because the council tax will be riding above the rent.	CT1	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. As the council's forecast budget position assumes an annual increase of 3% based on officer assumptions, additional savings would need to be identified to cover reduced income.
37066	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	I do.	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax.

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37067	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	I do not support the council tax increase 1 We are down to one collection per fortnight with exception of food waste which is a good idea 2 There are no provisions for glass/ jars etc and the council want us to take them to recycling/ bottle banks ourselves If I am doing council job why would I want to pay more ? There are 2 pensioners near me neither with family or cars and I take thereâ€™s when taking mine 3 Plus thereâ€™s the mixing of it all washing out bottles / jars again doing council work and you want me to pay more for this Why ???	CT1	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	As the council's forecast budget position assumes an annual increase of 3% based on officer assumptions, additional savings would need to be identified to cover reduced income. The proposed 3% increase in council tax would contribute to the overall resources of the council available to fund service delivery. As the council will have less overall resources, the number of services delivered will have to reduce with services being reviewed based on the impact they have on priorities. It is proposed that future spending will be aligned to the priorities in the Transforming Your Council consultation document.
37068	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	People will never support and increase in anything if it's going to cost them money but 3% is fair most people wouldn't notice but if it went up 3% each year then that's a problem	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax.
37069	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	it should be made clear what the 3% increase will pay for which should be ring fenced. Customers should be able to choose what this increase p[ays for every year The spending carried out due to the increase should be evidenced to ensure this is not wasted	CT1	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The proposed 3% increase in council tax would contribute to the overall resources of the council therefore it is not proposed that this element would be ring fenced for specific services. All services will be reviewed based on the impact they have on priorities. It is proposed that future spending will be aligned to the priorities in the Transforming Your Council consultation document. The council is subject to rigorous external audit and both Audit Scotland and EY have confirmed, over a number of years, that the council has robust financial management and delivers best value in the use of public resources.
37070	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	No. Band E and above have already been penalised for the size of the house. All homes should have the same Council Tax. the 3% could be introduced in the first two years, then 2% year 3 and 4; and year 5 1.5%.This would give the council to introduce further savings. Hard working Council Tax payers are already getting hit.	CT1	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Council tax levels for houses in bands E to H were increased in 2017/18 due to the implementation of the Scottish Government's changes to council tax bandings. Council tax reform can only be reviewed at a national level with corresponding changes in council tax legislation. As the council's forecast budget position assumes an annual increase of 3% based on officer assumptions, additional savings would need to be identified to cover reduced income.
37071	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	No an absolute joke a 3% increase per annum. A regressive instrument through which to pay for public services.This would be 15% over 5yrs. 1.5% per annum would be more reasonable and for elected members to get off their backsides and lobby Scottish Government for additional funding which they can use less regressive tax powers for.	CT1	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Scottish Government allows councils to increase council tax by a maximum of 3% annually. Officers have included a 3% annual increase in the council's budget model for the five years 2018/19 to 2022/23. As the council's forecast budget position assumes an annual increase of 3%, additional savings would need to be identified to cover reduced income for any increase less than 3%. The council regularly emphasises to the Scottish Government the need for a fair settlement for local government as well as working with COSLA (the body that collectively represents local government in Scotland) to emphasise this point.
37072	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	No - once Council has streamlined its costs then, and only then, should householders be asked charged more. Salaries are not going up and householders are streamlining budgets so councils should too.	CT1	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. As the council's forecast budget position assumes an annual increase of 3% based on officer assumptions, additional savings would need to be identified to cover reduced income.
37073	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	services need to be paid for,,, increase the council tax i would welcome to maintain the sevicees in these communities	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax.

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37074	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Only if services improve in terms of value for money and that each employee is employed to deliver services and not the continuation of a bureaucratic establishment.	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council is subject to rigorous external audit and both Audit Scotland and EY have confirmed, over a number of years, that the council has robust financial management and delivers best value in the use of public resources. All services will be reviewed based on the impact they have on priorities. It is proposed that future spending will be aligned to the priorities in the Transforming Your Council consultation document.
37075	No Response	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Stop saing and start spending. Why can't you increase council tax. I am fed up with all the cuts.	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The forecast budget gap of £73 million includes an assumed increase in council tax of 3%. To reduce the level of proposed reductions, council tax would have to be increased by greater than 3%. Currently the Scottish Government only allows councils to increase council tax by a maximum of 3%.
37076	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	accurate figures need to be published to show what savings could be made for various increases I.E 3% increase will save ? I.E 5% increase will save ?	CT1	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Each 1% increase in council tax generates income of just over £750,000.
37077	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	only if the money I ringfenced and some of the jobs at head of service level and executive level are pruned	CT1	5c. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it is not consistent with the council's values and priorities.	The proposed 3% increase in council tax would contribute to the overall resources of the council therefore it is not proposed that this element would be ring fenced for specific services. The council continually reviews the tiers of management and span of control across all service levels. This ensures that the council continues to operate with an effective and efficient managerial structure. West Lothian Council has an efficient senior management structure when compared with a number of other local authorities of a similar size.
37078	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Definitely not. 9% over three years is far too high when people are finding it hard to make ends meet as it is, especially since some of the cuts you are proposing are causing an increase in household bills as well.	CT1	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. As the council's forecast budget position assumes an annual increase of 3% based on officer assumptions, additional savings would need to be identified to cover reduced income.
37079	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes. It is overdue. It is foolish to believe that a budget gap of £73M in public/local services can be compensated for by 'more joined up and cost effective services', especially in the face of the impending demographic changes with more elderly people and an increase in numbers of schoolchildren. An increase of 10 000 on the current population will require more health and social care facilities, not just an emphasis on providing school facilities.	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax.
37080	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	I don't mind the planned changes as this hasn't raised in a number of years. However, it needs to take into account if this will have a negative impact on any families that are already only just making it by and using food banks daily.	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax. Individuals on low incomes are able to apply for a number of council tax discounts and reductions.
37081	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	No, paying over £2200 per year in a home with only 1 wage earner and not being entitled to any benefits with 2 children to support is too much.	CT1	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. As the council's forecast budget position assumes an annual increase of 3% based on officer assumptions, additional savings would need to be identified to cover reduced income.
37082	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	yes, but i think that 3% is quite high	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax.
37083	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	An increase across all bands is fair. Increases only on highest bands is not fair.	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax. The current council tax legislation means that any proposed percentage increase needs to be applied across all bands.
37084	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	No, Sick of it actually. For example, 2 people living under the same roof use the same street lighting, use less water and less rubbish for landfill. What about the old Roof Tax you pay for what you use.	CT1	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. As the council's forecast budget position assumes an annual increase of 3% based on officer assumptions, additional savings would need to be identified to cover reduced income.
37085	No Response	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes, an increase in council tax is long overdue.	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax.

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37086	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes, very much so. It should probably be more than 3%.	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax. Currently the Scottish Government only allows councils to increase council tax by a maximum of 3% annually. The council will consider your suggestion however it would have to be raised with the Scottish Government.
37087	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Not providing your employees with a cost of living pay rise then imposing a 3% increase in Council Tax? The vast majority of your employees are resident in West Lothian. Double hit. Had the Council managed its budgets efficiently and effectively over the past years where no increase has been applied, there would be no funding shortfall. Previous mismanagement is resulting in threats of having to cut services further, costing jobs locally, affecting employee morale. Had a small increase been applied, each year the Council was able to do so, the levels of services would not have had to be cut to the bone as they have. They would have been able to be maintained, meaning jobs stability and more affluent local economy.	CT1	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Council tax in West Lothian has been frozen for ten years providing a significant benefit to council tax payers. The council has delivered balanced budgets each year since 1996. The council is subject to rigorous external audit and both Audit Scotland and EY have confirmed, over a number of years, that the council has robust financial management. External audit and regulation provides no evidence of previous mismanagement of resources.
37088	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes, should never have been frozen and we might not have been in this mess	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax.
37089	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	No, penalising people in larger houses	CT1	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. As the council's forecast budget position assumes an annual increase of 3% based on officer assumptions, additional savings would need to be identified to cover reduced income.
37090	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes it is ridiculous that the council tax has not changed in years but the council has faced increased costs for the services it provides. Those who are in poverty get help anyway as I understand it, so for those of us who can afford it this is an extremely sensible move.	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax.
37091	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	yes i think this is necessary	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax.
37092	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	I think an increase of 3% pa should only be carried out as a last resort as I believe there are other ways to reduce the deficit. I currently work in a service area that is already seeing the effects of austerity measures and this proposal will only plunge more people in West Lothian in to poverty & will see a larger corporate debt owed to the local authority. This would therefore create additional costs in recovery of these debts.	CT1	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. As the council's forecast budget position assumes an annual increase of 3% based on officer assumptions, additional savings would need to be identified to cover reduced income resulting in a larger reduction to services. The council actively pursues all debt, including council tax, community charge, rent and commercial debtors arrears. The council will investigate other ways to improve debt collections including strengthening corporate debt management activity.
37093	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	As long as the money is used correctly	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council is subject to rigorous external audit and both Audit Scotland and EY have confirmed, over a number of years, that the council has robust financial management and delivers best value in the use of public resources. All services will be reviewed based on the impact they have on priorities. It is proposed that future spending will be aligned to the priorities in the Transforming Your Council consultation document.
37094	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	No, it is grossly unfair to propose to drastically reduce the service being provided whilst at the same time increasing the council tax year on year	CT1	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. As the council's forecast budget position assumes an annual increase of 3% based on officer assumptions, additional savings would need to be identified to cover reduced income.
37095	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Make sure you stop wastage before you think about increasing Council Tax.	CT1	4. The council is already doing this.	The council is subject to rigorous external audit and both Audit Scotland and EY have confirmed, over a number of years, that the council has robust financial management and delivers best value in the use of public resources.

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37096	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Do not support 3% increase this year but would support a 1.5% across ALL bands as the E-H bands is penalising the working person.	CT1	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Scottish Government allows councils to increase council tax by a maximum of 3% annually. Officers have included a 3% annual increase in the council's budget model for the five years 2018/19 to 2022/23. As the council's forecast budget position assumes an annual increase of 3%, additional savings would need to be identified to cover reduced income for any increase less than 3%. The current council tax legislation means that any proposed percentage increase needs to be applied across all bands. Council tax levels for houses in bands E to H were increased in 2017/18 due to the implementation of the Scottish Government's changes to council tax bandings.
37097	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	The council does not represent value for money currently and worry that paying more would not provide any better services.	CT1	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council is subject to rigorous external audit and both Audit Scotland and EY have confirmed, over a number of years, that the council has robust financial management and delivers best value in the use of public resources.
37098	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Only if it is spread equally across all the bands. It must not be unfairly weighted to higher value properties. The calculation should not include an allowance for those who don't pay to be transferred to those who do. The full basis and assumptions in the calculations should be made visible.	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax. The current council tax legislation means that any proposed percentage increase needs to be applied across all bands. Council tax levels for houses in bands E to H were increased in 2017/18 due to the implementation of the Scottish Government's changes to council tax bandings.
37099	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	The cost increase needs to be in line with wage increases which is less than 3% otherwise people will struggle to pay up.Reduce the cost	CT1	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Scottish Government allows councils to increase council tax by a maximum of 3% annually. Officers have included a 3% annual increase in the council's budget model for the five years 2018/19 to 2022/23. As the council's forecast budget position assumes an annual increase of 3%, additional savings would need to be identified to cover reduced income for any increase less than 3%.
37100	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Increase the higher bands only. Lower bands, with people on lower wages living in them, are usually the ones who have to pay and feel the pinch first. Let them be for once.	CT1	5a. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because the council is required by law to deliver this work.	The current council tax legislation means that any proposed percentage increase needs to be applied across all bands. Individuals on low incomes are able to apply for a number of council tax discounts and reductions.
37101	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	No. You have indicated that Brown Bin collection may become chargeable. I assume that this would be in addition to Council Tax, which would take the increase to over 3%.	CT1	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. As the council's forecast budget position assumes an annual increase of 3% based on officer assumptions, additional savings would need to be identified to cover reduced income.
37102	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes, we all need to contribute more as your funding is cut. Taxation by the back door it is but central government has given you no choice.	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax.
37103	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	This just need to increase... i k ow many people will be upset, but a 3% raise is acceptable in the current state.	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax.
37104	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	No. I already pay an enhanced rate of council tax.	CT1	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. As the council's forecast budget position assumes an annual increase of 3% based on officer assumptions, additional savings would need to be identified to cover reduced income. Council tax levels for houses in bands E to H were increased in 2017/18 due to the implementation of the Scottish Government's changes to council tax bandings.
37105	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	No, I can't agree with further rises in Council Tax, that 3% increase each year on top of the 9.5% increase from April 2017 means that my council tax will have had a 27% increase between April 2017 and April 2022. I understand that retail price index is showing inflation at 2.8%, but my expected salary increase in the same period will be 6.15%	CT1	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. As the council's forecast budget position assumes an annual increase of 3% based on officer assumptions, additional savings would need to be identified to cover reduced income.

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37106	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	"If Council Tax is not increased by 3% each year, the council's £73 million budget gap will increase further and additional cuts to services will be required." This is disingenuous and patronising i.e. if the council make significant efficiency savings and generates additional revenue, there would be no need for a 3% each year. The 3% is simply the option that requires lowest amount of initiative, change to internal processes, and innovation by us as a council.	CT1	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The projected budget gap of £73 million includes an assumption that the council will receive additional income through a 3% council tax increase. As the council is required by law to balance its budget, if this additional income was not forthcoming, additional savings would be required over and above the stated £73 million.
37107	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes this would be sufficient as anyone staying in a House Band E- H is obviously earning a lot more than those in the lower band scales and therefore would see less of an impact if they could pay a bit more for a change as they could afford to meet the changes without making a huge dent to their monthly income.	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax. The current council tax legislation means that any proposed percentage increase needs to be applied across all bands. Individuals on low incomes are able to apply for a number of council tax discounts and reductions.
37108	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	No I don't, the centre gets shut I won't pay council tax anymore! Simple as that	CT1	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. As the council's forecast budget position assumes an annual increase of 3% based on officer assumptions, additional savings would need to be identified to cover reduced income. The council actively pursues all debt, including council tax, community charge, rent and commercial debitor arrears.
37109	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	I support this but ask why 3% and not in line with inflation?	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding an increase in council tax. The proposed increase is 3% in line with the maximum increase permitted by the Scottish Government.
37110	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	I understand the need to increase revenue however 3% year on year when we have already been hit by the Scottish government increase is a step too far. There are many properties which are clearly not in the correct tax band. Houses in Linlithgow selling in excess of 400k due to extensions etc yet in band e and f (Oatlands Park, Laverock to name just two) figures readily available via Zoopla and Rightmove. I have 2 friends who bought very similar houses in the summer one bought in North Lanarkshire cost 183k council tax band f, the other in Linlithgow 415k council tax band f!! Should the council not also comprehensively reassess the banding of such properties. I am sure there is a huge amount of revenue to be gained from reassessment which would reduce the percentage of a blanket increase for everyone	CT1	5a. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because the council is required by law to deliver this work.	Council tax in West Lothian has been frozen for ten years. Council tax bands and the valuations for them are set nationally by the Scottish Government. The council does not have the power to change banding values.
37111	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Provided that any local increase is not on top of any Scottish Government increase (as has happened this year), I agree. I do not agree to a 6% increase which would have happened if WLC had increased Council Tax this year.	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council tax scheme is reviewed and set at a national level therefore the council cannot guarantee that the Scottish Government will make additional changes.
37112	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes but you should definitely be looking at chief executives salaries first.	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax.
37113	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes and no - Increase the bigger bands by 5% and the lower bands by 2%. Or the biggest band by 10%. Staff have been receiving no more than 1% increase in wages for years and most are low paid in lower band properties	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax. The current council tax legislation means that any proposed percentage increase needs to be applied across all bands. Individuals on low incomes are able to apply for a number of council tax discounts and reductions.
37114	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes - personally I would be fine with a 3% increase on my Council Tax. However, I am aware this may affect people on low incomes with higher tax band may be negatively affected.	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax. Individuals on low incomes are able to apply for a number of council tax discounts and reductions.
37115	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	The council tax has been held back for years - its about time there was increase to match other councils	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax.
37116	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes however must take into account that even a small increase can have massive repercussions for the least well off in society.	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax. Individuals on low incomes are able to apply for a number of council tax discounts and reductions.

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37117	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	We have to invest now in our futures as the past 10 years have been shambolic due to an SNP administration that froze council tax to buy their way into power. They should have concentrated on the day job. We have gone from being UK Council of the year in 2006 to this. Cut backs. We need investment in encouraging businesses to have confidence in West Lothian. We need people in good jobs that in turn will spend money locally. We need the education back to where it once was. We need crime free streets, better health for young and old. We need to move with the times and get the fundamentals right. Our towns and villages are suffering as well. The infrastructure needs looked at. Once we were proud to walk around. The cut backs to roads and NETS is unnecessary. If it means increasing the council tax then so be it. Lack of investment now means we will all suffer later in life.	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax.
37118	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	We have to invest now in our futures as the past 10 years have been shambolic due to an SNP administration that froze council tax to buy their way into power. They should have concentrated on the day job. We have gone from being UK Council of the year in 2006 to this. Cut backs. We need investment in encouraging businesses to have confidence in West Lothian. We need people in good jobs that in turn will spend money locally. We need to move with the times and get the fundamentals right.	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Council tax in West Lothian has been frozen for ten years - nine by the Scottish Government and 2017/18 by a local council decision. As validated by external auditors and other inspection bodies, West Lothian Council continues to perform well against key performance indicators and activities with performance being greater in nearly all areas since 2006. The council works closely with current and prospective businesses to encourage investment in West Lothian.
37119	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	If it means increasing the council tax then so be it. Lack of investment now means we will all suffer later in life.	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax.
37120	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	We have to invest now in our futures as the past 10 years have been shambolic due to an SNP administration that froze council tax to buy their way into power. They should have concentrated on the day job. We have gone from being UK Council of the year in 2006 to this. Cut backs. We need investment in encouraging businesses to have confidence in West Lothian. We need people in good jobs that in turn will spend money locally. We need the education back to where it once was. We need crime free streets, better health for young and old. We need to move with the times and get the fundamentals right. Our towns and villages are suffering as well. The infrastructure needs looked at. Once we were proud to walk around. The cut backs to roads and NETS is unnecessary. If it means increasing the council tax then so be it. Lack of investment now means we will all suffer later in life.	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax.
37121	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	I support a 3% increase in council tax, and in fact, would support 5%	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax. Currently the Scottish Government only allows councils to increase council tax by a maximum of 3% annually. The council will consider your suggestion however it would have to be raised with the Scottish Government.
37122	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Absolutely and it should never have come to this. We are paying the price now after the SNP mess	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax.
37123	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	No, I cannot support the 3% per year increase in Council Tax, this is above inflation and certainly above my likely pay award which is set to remain at a maximum of 1% per year for the same period.	CT1	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. As the council's forecast budget position assumes an annual increase of 3% based on officer assumptions, additional savings would need to be identified to cover reduced income.
37124	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	No but there is no obvious alternative.	CT1	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. As the council's forecast budget position assumes an annual increase of 3% based on officer assumptions, additional savings would need to be identified to cover reduced income.
37125	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes. Should have done this all along and gradually instead of this jump though.	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax.

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37126	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Agree if spread around all services within the council and not simply the usual suspects of education and social work. These services although very important have not received the same cuts as the rest of the council and it is important that they now take a fair share of cuts. I would pay extra to protect the environment, roads and libraries.	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The proposed 3% increase in council tax would contribute to the overall resources of the council therefore it is not proposed that this element would be ring fenced for specific services. All services will be reviewed based on the impact they have on priorities. It is proposed that future spending will be aligned to the priorities in the Transforming Your Council consultation document.
37127	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Agree to increase Council Tax but Council should ensure customers get what they are paying for ie street cleaning is poor	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The proposed 3% increase in council tax would contribute to the overall resources of the council available to fund service delivery. As the council will have less overall resources, the number of services delivered will have to reduce with services being reviewed based on the impact they have on priorities. It is proposed that future spending will be aligned to the priorities in the Transforming Your Council consultation document. As validated by external auditors and other inspection bodies, West Lothian Council continues to perform well against key performance indicators and activities. This will continue to be monitored and reviewed.
37128	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	To a degree, but not yearly	CT1	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The Scottish Government allows councils to increase council tax by a maximum of 3% annually. Officers have included a 3% annual increase in the council's budget model for the five years 2018/19 to 2022/23. As the council's forecast budget position assumes an annual increase of 3%, additional savings would need to be identified to cover reduced income for any increase less than 3%.
37129	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes I support the increase it should have been increased before now.	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax.
37130	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	yes should have been raised each year	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax.
37131	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Cut back on the amount of benefits given to certain groups towards their council tax bill only to those who really need it.	CT1	5a. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because the council is required by law to deliver this work.	The council tax reduction scheme is set nationally and determines the level of council tax benefits available to individuals. It is a means tested benefit available to those with income below the prescribed threshold.
37132	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Happy to pay more to protect/enhance key services	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax.
37133	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	More tax no thanks	CT1	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. As the council's forecast budget position assumes an annual increase of 3% based on officer assumptions, additional savings would need to be identified to cover reduced income.
37134	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes I agree however can't help but feel that we are now being penalised for the councils poor judgment of spending previously and as a result we are now expected to pay more and have are essential services cut. I would expect and assume that most residents in West Lothian would expect to see a very different council in 5 years who are able to deliver the service that puts tax payers views first and reckless spending very much in the past	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has delivered balanced budgets each year since 1996. The budget gap faced by the council is a result of funding being insufficient to cover the increasing cost of delivering services due to factors such as population growth and indexation. The council is subject to rigorous external audit and both Audit Scotland and EY have confirmed, over a number of years, that the council has robust financial management. External audit and regulation provides no evidence of reckless spending.
37135	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	some of them	CT1	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Question relates to whether council tax levels should be increased by 3%.
37136	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	yes I do if the extra income will help with the buget short fall.	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax.

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37137	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	i do support the council tax increase so long as it is over all bands.	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax. The current council tax legislation means that any proposed percentage increase needs to be applied across all bands.
37138	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes I think it is reasonable to increase council tax by 3% but this would only be "popular" if the council says what services is able to be kept with this extra money.	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax. The proposed 3% increase in council tax would contribute to the overall resources of the council available to fund service delivery. All services will be reviewed based on the impact they have on priorities. It is proposed that future spending will be aligned to the priorities in the Transforming Your Council consultation document.
37139	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Absolutely not. 3% every year for 5 years is an exceptional amount of money given the squeeze on families. I have not had a real terms pay rise in 8 years and I work for the council. 3% each year would result in me being unable to afford to continue to pay my mortgage. To put it into perspective, the last time I had a pay rise it was 1%. This was deemed a significant pay rise and therefore 1% should be considered a significant rise in council tax. Certainly not 3% every year for 5 years!	CT1	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Scottish Government allows councils to increase council tax by a maximum of 3% annually. Officers have included a 3% annual increase in the council's budget model for the five years 2018/19 to 2022/23. As the council's forecast budget position assumes an annual increase of 3%, additional savings would need to be identified to cover reduced income for any increase less than 3%.
37140	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	It is unfair to not implement a percentage increase across ALL bands. With an aging population who are unable to sell their large properties, the current criteria disadvantages this group.	CT1	4. The council is already doing this.	The current council tax legislation means that any proposed percentage increase needs to be applied across all bands. Council tax levels for houses in bands E to H were increased in 2017/18 due to the implementation of the Scottish Government's changes to council tax bandings.
37141	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes think that customers have to appreciate the times we are in and that Ctax need to be increased	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax.
37142	No Response	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes - it is imperative that the 3% increase in Council Tax is agreed.	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax.
37143	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Everyone should be taxed the same ...,I don't earn a lot but through working all my life I have a nice house in a band e home if I pay an extra 3 % then I feel it's only fair other people do .people earning more than me in a smaller house pay less council tax I think that's unfair	CT1	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	Council tax reform can only be reviewed at a national level with corresponding changes in council tax legislation.
37144	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	3% to much	CT1	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. As the council's forecast budget position assumes an annual increase of 3% based on officer assumptions, additional savings would need to be identified to cover reduced income.
37145	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	yes if everyone pays it, unlike the "poll tax" where people still have never paid it!!!	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax. The current council tax legislation means that any proposed percentage increase needs to be applied across all bands. Tax reform can only be reviewed at a national level with corresponding changes in tax legislation.
37146	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	yes, and increase the collection of council tax. Would increase it by 5% of possible.	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. Currently the Scottish Government only allows councils to increase council tax by a maximum of 3% annually. The council will consider your suggestion however it would have to be raised with the Scottish Government. The council actively pursues all debt, including council tax, community charge, rent and commercial debtors arrears. The council will investigate other ways to improve debt collections including strengthening corporate debt management activity.

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37147	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	council tax should only be increased as a last resort. and not by the full 3 percent as this does not take into account thoes who are "property rich"but "cash poor"neither does it take into account thoes in lower band housing who are "cash rich"and access more council services such as two parent working families. if council tax is to be increased it should be between 1 and 2 %	CT1	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Scottish Government allows councils to increase council tax by a maximum of 3% annually. Officers have included a 3% annual increase in the council's budget model for the five years 2018/19 to 2022/23. As the council's forecast budget position assumes an annual increase of 3%, additional savings would need to be identified to cover reduced income for any increase less than 3%.
37148	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	It looks like this is the way forward but at the same time people are paying more for less	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The proposed 3% increase in council tax would contribute to the overall resources of the council available to fund service delivery. As the council will have less overall resources, the number of services delivered will have to reduce with services being reviewed based on the impact they have on priorities. It is proposed that future spending will be aligned to the priorities in the Transforming Your Council consultation document.
37149	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes and more should be done to target the non payers.	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax. The council actively pursues all debt, including council tax, community charge, rent and commercial debtors arrears. The council will investigate other ways to improve debt collections including strengthening corporate debt management activity.
37150	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Higher bands only I agree. But you talk of making people redundant or laying them off, cutting services and making people pay for things they now get for free and at same time saying oay more for this. People will not be amused.	CT1	5a. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because the council is required by law to deliver this work.	The current council tax legislation means that any proposed percentage increase needs to be applied across all bands.
37151	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	I can't see any alternative. However I think it is extremely unfair that residents in Band E-H have already had a Council Tax rise and face further increases.	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax. Council tax levels for houses in bands E to H were increased in 2017/18 due to the implementation of the Scottish Government's changes to council tax bandings.
37152	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Sadly there are many whose council tax payments are met by the state. Rents are rising 3-4% and council tax 3% while WLC wages rose only 1%. Employees of the council will struggle to meet every day living costs as it stands	CT1	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. As the council's forecast budget position assumes an annual increase of 3% based on officer assumptions, additional savings would need to be identified to cover reduced income.
37153	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes, I support it, it has been frozen for too long.	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax.
37154	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes. I would be happy to pay an increased council tax to protect council services	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax.
37155	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes I am more than happy to pay a little more to ensure services are kept.	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax.
37156	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	I would support an increase in council tax.	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax.
37157	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Increase by the maximum!!	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax.
37158	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	No, it should be kept the same and more cuts to services should take place.	CT1	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. As the council's forecast budget position assumes an annual increase of 3% based on officer assumptions, additional savings would need to be identified to cover reduced income.
37159	No Response	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes if it means services can continue	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax.

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37160	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	yes increase it!	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax.
37161	No Response	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	No I don't support the councils plan to change the council tax. It is high enough.	CT1	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. As the council's forecast budget position assumes an annual increase of 3% based on officer assumptions, additional savings would need to be identified to cover reduced income.
37162	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	What exactly is the average household going to get from paying the council tax?	CT1	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The proposed 3% increase in council tax would contribute to the overall resources of the council available to fund service delivery. As the council will have less overall resources, the number of services delivered will have to reduce with services being reviewed based on the impact they have on priorities. It is proposed that future spending will be aligned to the priorities in the Transforming Your Council consultation document.
37163	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	I am in full support as long as some of the proposals are reviewed due to the consultation process	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax. All services will be reviewed based on the impact they have on priorities. It is proposed that future spending will be aligned to the priorities in the Transforming Your Council consultation document.
37164	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes. The public need to understand that they get what they pay for.	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax.
37165	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes increase by 5% at least.	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Currently the Scottish Government only allows councils to increase council tax by a maximum of 3% annually. The council will consider your suggestion however it would have to be raised with the Scottish Government.
37166	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes. I believe it's time for us all to pay a bit more council tax	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax.
37167	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes - and the council should request permission from the Scottish Government to also implement the 3% from last year which the council chose not to implement.	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Currently the Scottish Government only allows councils to increase council tax by a maximum of 3% annually. The council will consider your suggestion however it would have to be raised with the Scottish Government.
37168	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes. Also my home has not had council tax reviewed for many years and I know I should be in a higher band. Reviewing bands could generate further income. I suspect I am two bands lower than I should be at least.	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax. Council tax bands and the valuations for them are set nationally by the Scottish Government. The council does not have the power to change banding values.
37169	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	To recoup money this is a fine idea however the services that council tax pay for are. Going down. This does not make sense and is unfair on residents.	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The proposed 3% increase in council tax would contribute to the overall resources of the council available to fund service delivery. As the council will have less overall resources, the number of services delivered will have to reduce with services being reviewed based on the impact they have on priorities. It is proposed that future spending will be aligned to the priorities in the Transforming Your Council consultation document.
37170	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	If this would fill the gap in the budget I would support this suggestion.	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax.
37171	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes. If the council does not increase council tax, then the only outcome will be more job cuts and a reduction in vital services to the public	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax.

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37172	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTI. Planned changes to Council Tax	I agree with an increase but 3% is too much, people are already stretched to the limit with none or very little pay increases over the passed 10 years	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The Scottish Government allows councils to increase council tax by a maximum of 3% annually. Officers have included a 3% annual increase in the council's budget model for the five years 2018/19 to 2022/23. As the council's forecast budget position assumes an annual increase of 3%, additional savings would need to be identified to cover reduced income for any increase less than 3%.
37173	An individual	CTI. Planned changes to Council Tax	Support planned changes. Lengthy council tax freeze has had serious negative effects on all areas now classed as priorities for a better West Lothian.	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax.
37174	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTI. Planned changes to Council Tax	sad reality that money needs to be found from somewhere	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax.
37175	An individual	CTI. Planned changes to Council Tax	No I don't, I'm one of the unlucky households who have found my house to be in the higher bands and consequently have had my monthly council tax bill already increased this year by approx. Â£50/month - not because I use any more services than anyone else, but simply because over the course of my working life I have made a personal decision to plough my hard earned money into providing a nice home for my family. I find this extremely unfair. I know this sounds like I am bitter about it and I guess I am, it seems like if you work all your life, use your money for your family and are self-sufficient, someone will decide you are well enough off to pay more one way or another.	CT1	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. As the council's forecast budget position assumes an annual increase of 3% based on officer assumptions, additional savings would need to be identified to cover reduced income.
37176	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTI. Planned changes to Council Tax	No, as this would hit people on the lowest incomes.	CT1	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. As the council's forecast budget position assumes an annual increase of 3% based on officer assumptions, additional savings would need to be identified to cover reduced income. Individuals on low incomes are able to apply for a number of council tax discounts and reductions.
37177	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTI. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes, it is essential that as many essential council services are maintained.	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax.
37178	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTI. Planned changes to Council Tax	As I am not a resident of West Lothian I will not comment.	CT1	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
37179	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTI. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes, but in some areas they lack ambition. There is more scope to look at the way things are done and what they cost and examining alternative models. Similarly, the attitudes and values of colleagues in some areas are detrimental to the council and will frustrate transformation unless addressed. There needs to be a root and branch review to ensure that the council only delivers the services it is required to do.	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council's aim is, and always will be, to ensure that West Lothian continues to be a great place to live, work, visit and do business. To achieve this aim we will continue to prioritise the money that we spend on services to make sure that our investment has the biggest and most positive impact on the community. As validated by external auditors and other inspection bodies, West Lothian Council continues to perform well against key performance indicators and activities. This will continue to be monitored and reviewed.
37180	An individual	CTI. Planned changes to Council Tax	I support the WLC 3% increase. I do not support the Scottish Governments increase in council tax for the upper three bands as this is a distortion of the system. A revaluation of all properties should take place so that all the properties that have increased in size but have not been revalued will pay the "correct " tax.	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax. Council tax bands and the valuations for them are set nationally by the Scottish Government. The council does not have the power to change banding values.
37181	No Response	CTI. Planned changes to Council Tax	Agree with 3% rise in council tax. I think reasonable enough.	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax.
37182	An individual	CTI. Planned changes to Council Tax	Why do people in band E-H have to pay more than others as I do not receive any extra services than others. Discrimination. You are not taking into account peoples circumstances within a household. I only have one monthly salary in my household and work to a tight budget as it is.	CT1	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	Council tax levels for houses in bands E to H were increased in 2017/18 due to the implementation of the Scottish Government's changes to council tax bandings.
37183	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTI. Planned changes to Council Tax	Increase the council tax to save front line services.	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax.

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37184	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTI. Planned changes to Council Tax	I have never agreed with the council tax freeze. This was a political stance that has brought the country to its knees. I fully support a rise in council tax to save the great services West Lothian provides.	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax.
37185	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTI. Planned changes to Council Tax	Support that council tax is to be raised - I would imagine that the 3% would come in the form of a 1% rise each year.	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The Scottish Government allows councils to increase council tax by a maximum of 3% annually. Officers have included a 3% annual increase in the council's budget model for the five years 2018/19 to 2022/23. As the council's forecast budget position assumes an annual increase of 3%, additional savings would need to be identified to cover reduced income for any increase less than 3%.
37186	An individual	CTI. Planned changes to Council Tax	I do	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax.
37187	An individual	CTI. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes. You simply can't get more for the same amount of money. It's common sense to put it up!	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax.
37188	An individual	CTI. Planned changes to Council Tax	In general, yes but not if the rise is much greater than the rise in inflation.	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The Scottish Government allows councils to increase council tax by a maximum of 3% annually. Officers have included a 3% annual increase in the council's budget model for the five years 2018/19 to 2022/23. As the council's forecast budget position assumes an annual increase of 3%, additional savings would need to be identified to cover reduced income for any increase less than 3%.
37189	An individual	CTI. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes Council Tax should rise by 3% but subsequent rises should be small and gradual.	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The Scottish Government allows councils to increase council tax by a maximum of 3% annually. Officers have included a 3% annual increase in the council's budget model for the five years 2018/19 to 2022/23. As the council's forecast budget position assumes an annual increase of 3%, additional savings would need to be identified to cover reduced income for any increase less than 3%.
37190	An individual	CTI. Planned changes to Council Tax	I agree. It is most important the West Lothian Council services that we currently are privileged to have are maintained and provided for.	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax.
37191	An individual	CTI. Planned changes to Council Tax	Reasonable idea although increasing this too much could cause a lot of anger towards WLC. Shouldn't rely on council tax.	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The Scottish Government allows councils to increase council tax by a maximum of 3% annually. Officers have included a 3% annual increase in the council's budget model for the five years 2018/19 to 2022/23. As the council's forecast budget position assumes an annual increase of 3%, additional savings would need to be identified to cover reduced income for any increase less than 3%.
37192	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTI. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes. The Council has to use all tools available to increase income and not increasing council tax would be folly.	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax.
37193	An individual	CTI. Planned changes to Council Tax	Agree that all properties should face a 3% increase. Do not agree with specific bands being targeted for increases.	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax. The current council tax legislation means that any proposed percentage increase needs to be applied across all bands.
37194	An individual	CTI. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes but only if service in schools etc not effected.	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax. All services will be reviewed based on the impact they have on priorities. It is proposed that future spending will be aligned to the priorities in the Transforming Your Council consultation document.
37195	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTI. Planned changes to Council Tax	I support this as it's the easiest way to reduce deficit. if households knew waste collection for example wasn't to change, I'm sure people wouldn't object to paying a little more over the course of the year	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax. All services will be reviewed based on the impact they have on priorities. It is proposed that future spending will be aligned to the priorities in the Transforming Your Council consultation document.

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37196	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	I am confused to why the cuts are so harsh if there's an increase of £150 million to local authority budgets, more than last year, whilst councils can increase council tax up to 3% (which this one is doing) which can help to generate a further £70 million. Meanwhile, the cost of living is going up and wages are stagnating. You are asking the people who live and work in your community to pay more, when they have less, to receive a reduced service. I appreciate that the austerity measures are being somewhat mitigated by the Scottish Government but you are asking people to legitimise a reduced service.	CT1	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. The budget gap faced by the council is a result of funding being insufficient to cover the increasing cost of delivering services due to factors such as population growth and indexation. Although additional funding was provided in 2017/18 it was not enough to cover the real terms cost increase in delivering services. As the council will have less overall resources, the number of services delivered will have to reduce with services being reviewed based on the impact they have on priorities. This will include changes to service standards and the way remaining services are delivered. It is proposed that future spending will be aligned to the priorities in the Transforming Your Council consultation document.
37197	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Again, like my first comment, I'm not sure where the budget gap is coming from. The council embarked on efficiency savings a few years ago and at that time, one of the main things to blame was the council tax freeze. This is no longer going on and while I appreciate the rise of costs to the Council, people who live in the council and council employees have had either frozen wages or a 1% rise. With living costs being further squeezed by the council, more people will have to rely on council services than previously.	CT1	4. The council is already doing this.	The budget gap faced by the council is a result of funding being insufficient to cover the increasing cost of delivering services due to factors such as population growth and indexation. Due to the real terms protection of other areas, such as the NHS and Police, local government has received a cut in funding at a time when costs are increasing. As the council will have less overall resources, the number of services delivered will have to reduce with services being reviewed based on the impact they have on priorities. This will include changes to service standards and the way remaining services are delivered.
37198	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	The very people who pay their council tax use least services. The people who don't pay council tax use and abuse more services. I agree in principle to tax rise if it improves essential services. Is the £73m funding cuts based on existing council tax payment? Is it based on 3% increase? What if the majority of people vote against a council tax increase? What if the people who don't pay council tax vote for an increase? Is this fair?	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The £73 million gap is based on an assumed increase in council tax income of 3% per annum. Elected members decide on the level of council tax as part of the annual budget setting process.
37199	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Should be local income tax NOT council tax. If houses value related etc - many of the electorate are likely to be seriously aggrieved. Proposed council tax rises are too much (too little to late) late in the day. Increased Council tax - t pay for reduced services ha-ha!	CT1	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposed 3% increase in council tax would contribute to the overall resources of the council available to fund service delivery. As the council will have less overall resources, the number of services delivered will have to reduce with services being reviewed based on the impact they have on priorities. It is proposed that future spending will be aligned to the priorities in the Transforming Your Council consultation document.
37200	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	I have no issue with an increase if the money is spent in the right way. I would prefer to be able to opt-out of an increase if the money continues to be used on schemes and plans which I object to.	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax. All services will be reviewed based on the impact they have on priorities. It is proposed that future spending will be aligned to the priorities in the Transforming Your Council consultation document.
37201	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Absolutely - should never have been frozen as we would then have had smaller increases which may have been more manageable for residents. Also need to increase efforts on collection of Council Tax.	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax. The council actively pursues all debt, including council tax, community charge, rent and commercial debtors arrears. The council will investigate other ways to improve debt collections including strengthening corporate debt management activity.
37202	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Council Tax bands are wrong. Look at houses in higher bands £400-£500k, £1m+ - pay more	CT1	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	Council tax bands and the valuations for them are set nationally by the Scottish Government. The council does not have the power to change banding values.

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37203	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes, but I think there should not have been a freeze on this from central govt to influence the voting public at election time in recent years. If this was the case the council may not be in the position the currently find themselves. .	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax.
37204	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Don't think that above inflation increases should be agreed , especially when employees haven't had pay increases to subsidise this , could lead to increase cost in recovering this extra money plus the potential extra burden on household finances , poverty etc.	CT1	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Council tax in West Lothian has been frozen for ten years providing a significant benefit to council tax payers. As the council's forecast budget position assumes an annual increase of 3% based on officer assumptions, additional savings would need to be identified to cover reduced income.
37205	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	No, it was unfair to only increase band e and above. all bands should have been increased. I am happy to pay extra tax but only if done fairly.	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax. The current council tax legislation means that any proposed percentage increase needs to be applied across all bands. Council tax levels for houses in bands E to H were increased in 2017/18 due to the implementation of the Scottish Government's changes to council tax bandings.
37206	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes I agree with the proposed changes to council tax however this will only have an impact on the people that actually choose to pay their council tax. The people that don't pay should be targeted for recovery and have more serious consequences for people who do not pay.	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax. The council actively pursues all debt, including council tax, community charge, rent and commercial debtors arrears. The council will investigate other ways to improve debt collections including strengthening corporate debt management activity.
37207	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	No, as a public service worker I have only received a 1% wage rise annually over the last 4 years. With inflation I am over 13% worse off than I was then, and with a 3% rise in my council tax (which is already £250 each month) I will be further worse off which means I do not have the funds available to do things with my young family.	CT1	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Council tax in West Lothian has been frozen for ten years providing a significant benefit to council tax payers. As the council's forecast budget position assumes an annual increase of 3% based on officer assumptions, additional savings would need to be identified to cover reduced income.
37208	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	No having pay freeze for years and proposed 1% rise not appropriate to increase by 3%	CT1	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Council tax in West Lothian has been frozen for ten years providing a significant benefit to council tax payers. As the council's forecast budget position assumes an annual increase of 3% based on officer assumptions, additional savings would need to be identified to cover reduced income.
37209	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes. More needs to be done to prosecute those with Council Tax arrears those.	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax. The council actively pursues all debt, including council tax, community charge, rent and commercial debtors arrears. The council will investigate other ways to improve debt collections including strengthening corporate debt management activity.
37210	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	3% each year is quite steep when people are getting no pay increase or a measly 1%, if pay was increased as well then this would help.	CT1	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Council tax in West Lothian has been frozen for ten years providing a significant benefit to council tax payers. As the council's forecast budget position assumes an annual increase of 3% based on officer assumptions, additional savings would need to be identified to cover reduced income.
37211	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Council is expensive and should not be raised for lower bands	CT1	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. As the council's forecast budget position assumes an annual increase of 3% based on officer assumptions, additional savings would need to be identified to cover reduced income. The current council tax legislation means that any proposed percentage increase needs to be applied across all bands.
37212	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Not good to expensive more people unable to pay.costing council more to claim money.	CT1	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. As the council's forecast budget position assumes an annual increase of 3% based on officer assumptions, additional savings would need to be identified to cover reduced income.

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37213	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	I definitely do not support this! I don't know anyone who gets even close to a 3% pay rise annually!!!	CT1	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. As the council's forecast budget position assumes an annual increase of 3% based on officer assumptions, additional savings would need to be identified to cover reduced income.
37214	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Any increase should be across the board. We all drive in roads, walk on pavements, run a tap and put out a bin. Everyone should pay.	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax. The current council tax legislation means that any proposed percentage increase needs to be applied across all bands.
37215	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	I think 3% is a bit high, but understand the need for the increase.	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax.
37216	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Concerned for the most vulnerable in the council	CT1	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Individuals on low incomes are able to apply for a number of council tax discounts and reductions.
37217	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	We've been lucky it's been frozen so long. Noone likes a rise but services need paying for. As long as it's seen to be being utilised in the local communities then I support it.	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax.
37218	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Certainly for the highest bands. The difference between bands should be greater. Those in lower banded properties are more likely to be on benefits and have less disposable income, therefore they would feel an increase in council tax payments more sharply	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax. The current council tax legislation means that any proposed percentage increase needs to be applied across all bands. Individuals on low incomes are able to apply for a number of council tax discounts and reductions.
37219	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	This kind of goes against all the savings and rationalisation in previous sections - don't object to modest rises as long as the council also take a serious look at those who don't pay but should.	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax. The council actively pursues all debt, including council tax, community charge, rent and commercial debtors arrears. The council will investigate other ways to improve debt collections including strengthening corporate debt management activity.
37220	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes , are staff salaries being increased by 3% to meet the costs of council tax increase	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax. Council pay awards are agreed nationally as part of the collective pay agreement.
37221	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	No, strongly appose.	CT1	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. As the council's forecast budget position assumes an annual increase of 3% based on officer assumptions, additional savings would need to be identified to cover reduced income.
37222	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	I feel that increasing council tax will have an adverse affect. Families are already finding paying bills and making ends meet week to week difficult. I would not mind paying an increase of 3% once but afterwards I would end up struggling to find the extra each month. This would have an effect on my family and this will contribute to other problems.	CT1	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. As the council's forecast budget position assumes an annual increase of 3% based on officer assumptions, additional savings would need to be identified to cover reduced income.
37223	No Response	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	If my council tax is increased by 3% in each of the next 3 years, as a single working mother of 3 I will not be able to afford to keep the Home we live in. I will have to sell my home and likely require council housing which will put more pressure on housing!	CT1	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. As the council's forecast budget position assumes an annual increase of 3% based on officer assumptions, additional savings would need to be identified to cover reduced income. Individuals on low incomes are able to apply for a number of council tax discounts and reductions.
37224	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	3% or more per year and protect key services	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax.

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37225	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes- however a step change over a few years would be kinder to the community given existing household pressures from wage stagnation and rising interest rates	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The Scottish Government allows councils to increase council tax by a maximum of 3% annually. Officers have included a 3% annual increase in the council's budget model for the five years 2018/19 to 2022/23. As the council's forecast budget position assumes an annual increase of 3%, additional savings would need to be identified to cover reduced income for any increase less than 3%.
37226	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes but should be at the same rate as wage increase	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The Scottish Government allows councils to increase council tax by a maximum of 3% annually. Officers have included a 3% annual increase in the council's budget model for the five years 2018/19 to 2022/23. As the council's forecast budget position assumes an annual increase of 3%, additional savings would need to be identified to cover reduced income for any increase less than 3%.
37227	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes...Fully. This should have been raised at 1% year on year ages ago, then this current situation would not be happening. Sod all the moaners, do it & make west lothian a great place again. Highest payers should be the highest earners, with properties valued at A£180,000 upwards. These people can afford it.	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax. The current council tax legislation means that any proposed percentage increase needs to be applied across all bands.
37228	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	I feel everyone should pay something towards council tax not just working people who pay for everything. None working people must start to pay for provision they receive	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The current council tax legislation means that any proposed percentage increase needs to be applied across all bands.
37229	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	For the services the council supply to me I strongly disagree. The council services appear to be designed for unemployed, drug addicts and foreigners who are always first to receive free housing and other benefits despite contributing nothing to our community. They are also first on all the lists for housing and to receive medical services from council	CT1	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. As the council's forecast budget position assumes an annual increase of 3% based on officer assumptions, additional savings would need to be identified to cover reduced income. Medical services are provided through the NHS.
37230	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	The council tax would have been better being increased by 1% over the years. This rise may well go ahead the council will need to ensure that all council tax is collected from all households, will there be a plan put in place for this as this will mean a significant rise for some people on lower incomes.	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax. Individuals on low incomes are able to apply for a number of council tax discounts and reductions. The council actively pursues all debt, including council tax, community charge, rent and commercial debtors arrears.
37231	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes in general	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax.
37232	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes, support increase up to 10%.	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Currently the Scottish Government only allows councils to increase council tax by a maximum of 3% annually. The council will consider your suggestion however it would have to be raised with the Scottish Government.
37233	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	I support the council's planned changes to council tax.	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax.
37234	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes, but staff wages need to increase by a similar amount!	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The Scottish Government allows councils to increase council tax by a maximum of 3% annually. Officers have included a 3% annual increase in the council's budget model for the five years 2018/19 to 2022/23. As the council's forecast budget position assumes an annual increase of 3%, additional savings would need to be identified to cover reduced income for any increase less than 3%.
37235	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes - needs doing	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax.
37236	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes but only if it is applied across all bands - not just the higher bands. Why should people who have worked all their lives to be able to buy a nice home have to pay more than others ? That is unfair and simply wrong.	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax. The current council tax legislation means that any proposed percentage increase needs to be applied across all bands.
37237	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes this seems fair and necessary	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax.

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37238	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	No. My main income is an ex serviceman's pension of £8,000, and for me every penny counts. I do not ask for your assistance so please do not force me into a position where I have to beg for help	CT1	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. As the council's forecast budget position assumes an annual increase of 3% based on officer assumptions, additional savings would need to be identified to cover reduced income. Individuals on low incomes are able to apply for a number of council tax discounts and reductions.
37239	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	I support this change	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax.
37240	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Rises should be approximately in line with inflation. Historical abuses by certain councils due to the ability to raise council tax by unlimited amounts should not be returned to, but the policy of having no increases is not sustainable, so a middle ground must be found.	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The Scottish Government allows councils to increase council tax by a maximum of 3% annually. Officers have included a 3% annual increase in the council's budget model for the five years 2018/19 to 2022/23. As the council's forecast budget position assumes an annual increase of 3%, additional savings would need to be identified to cover reduced income for any increase less than 3%.
37241	No Response	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	NO as average wage increases are around 1% if any. would struggle financially with increase and then may stop paying altogether which would further increase the deficit .	CT1	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. As the council's forecast budget position assumes an annual increase of 3% based on officer assumptions, additional savings would need to be identified to cover reduced income.
37242	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Raising council tax will not improve services because all you will do is give yourselves a pay rise. Try collecting all of the council tax owed. You forgot to mention those that do not pay council tax. This council is not better than Glasgow as they too write off millions each due to people not paying council tax. Stop trying to pull the wool over people's eyes. This council waste money. You have no qualified experts in any of your departments, therefore always having to outsource costing more. Wake up and smell the coffee.	CT1	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. As the council's forecast budget position assumes an annual increase of 3% based on officer assumptions, additional savings would need to be identified to cover reduced income. The council actively pursues all debt, including council tax, community charge, rent and commercial debtors arrears. The council is subject to rigorous external audit and both Audit Scotland and EY have confirmed, over a number of years, that the council has robust financial management. External audit and regulation provides no evidence of wasting resources.
37243	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	I agree with a Council Tax of 3% for now. Thank you.	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax.
37244	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	The increase is fair.	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax.
37245	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Personally I would support an increased council tax if it would help fund necessary services.	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax.
37246	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	No. Council tax is at the moment very high in West Lothian.	CT1	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. As the council's forecast budget position assumes an annual increase of 3% based on officer assumptions, additional savings would need to be identified to cover reduced income.
37247	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Agree on 3% of Council Tax as long as everyone contributes. If this is not done the debt would increase probably leading to further cuts in our services. How much effort made by Council to recover rent and council tax debt? How much is owed for the last five years?	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax. The council actively pursues all debt, including council tax, community charge, rent and commercial debtors arrears. The council will investigate other ways to improve debt collections including strengthening corporate debt management activity.
37248	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	I support 3% increase.	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax.
37249	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	I suppose if they have a house that big they could afford a little bit more council tax?	CT1	5a. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because the council is required by law to deliver this work.	The current council tax legislation means that any proposed percentage increase needs to be applied across all bands.

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37250	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	do you support wage increase by 3% every year?	CT1	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	Council pay awards are agreed nationally as part of the collective pay agreement.
37251	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Not all planned changes	CT1	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. As the council's forecast budget position assumes an annual increase of 3% based on officer assumptions, additional savings would need to be identified to cover reduced income.
37252	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	I do agree that the council tax should be increased.	CT1	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. As the council's forecast budget position assumes an annual increase of 3% based on officer assumptions, additional savings would need to be identified to cover reduced income.
37253	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	I don't agree that the tax should be raised but wages have had low increases for years.	CT1	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. As the council's forecast budget position assumes an annual increase of 3% based on officer assumptions, additional savings would need to be identified to cover reduced income.
37254	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	I would support a 3% council tax increase to fund local services.	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax.
37255	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	As a council employee our wages have basically been frozen for the last dozen years. But if council tax has to increase, fair enough as long as wages increase pro rata.	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Council pay awards are agreed nationally as part of the collective pay agreement. Council tax in West Lothian has been frozen for ten years providing a significant benefit to council tax payers.
37256	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	If a 3% rise is the only way to provide essential services then do it now! Steps would need to be taken to shield those with very low incomes BUT many people could cope with a 3% rise.	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax. Individuals on low incomes are able to apply for a number of council tax discounts and reductions.
37257	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	No. You are suggesting cuts which are currently covered in our council tax. but now wish to make these cuts and increase the council tax. We pay a lot in Linlithgow for council tax, it is like another mortgage I have seen my council tax increased by quadruple and to say it has not been increased in 9 years I don't agree with. I have noted by tax rising each year and with the added water charge which was previously included. IF YOU ARE GOING TO INCREASE COUNCIL TAX LEAVE OUR FUNDAMENTAL SERVICES ALONE,	CT1	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. As the council's forecast budget position assumes an annual increase of 3% based on officer assumptions, additional savings would need to be identified to cover reduced income. Although the council collects water charges through council tax billing it is on behalf of Scottish Water. The council does not retain this income. Council tax levels for houses in bands E to H were increased in 2017/18 due to the implementation of the Scottish Government's changes to council tax bandings.
37258	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes - Increase Council Tax as soon as possible.	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax.
37259	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	I think it's reasonable to expect a general increase but should be tied to inflation and perhaps a step change 1-2% for first couple of years would help people manage their own budgets	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The Scottish Government allows councils to increase council tax by a maximum of 3% annually. Officers have included a 3% annual increase in the council's budget model for the five years 2018/19 to 2022/23. As the council's forecast budget position assumes an annual increase of 3%, additional savings would need to be identified to cover reduced income for any increase less than 3%.
37260	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	No. I would support removal of single person allowance - after all it takes the same amount of time to empty all bins whether full or not.	CT1	5a. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because the council is required by law to deliver this work.	The council tax reduction scheme is set nationally and determines the level of council tax benefits available to individuals. It is a means tested benefit available to those with income below the prescribed threshold.
37261	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes - agree that there has to be an increase in the council tax to bring more money into the pot to support the council services.	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax.

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37262	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	No. Inflation is below 3%. A lot of people in West Lothian have had little pay increase over the past 7 years so this is unacceptable. An increase of 1% below inflation for that time is more acceptable.	CT1	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. As the council's forecast budget position assumes an annual increase of 3% based on officer assumptions, additional savings would need to be identified to cover reduced income. Council tax in West Lothian has been frozen for ten years providing a significant benefit to council tax payers
37263	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	I support an increase in council tax to protect and improve our services	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax.
37264	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Council Tax shouldn't have been frozen for as long... That way, this increase wouldn't come as such a shock. But yes, given the numbers, I suppose I would support an increase as long as I felt I was getting value for money.	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax.
37265	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes, should be more.	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax.
37266	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Understand the reasoning, but what about families already struggling within the low income area, often on or below the poverty line.	CT1	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax. Individuals on low incomes are able to apply for a number of council tax discounts and reductions.
37267	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	As long as a pay increase is awarded too	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Council pay awards are agreed nationally as part of the collective pay agreement. Council tax in West Lothian has been frozen for ten years providing a significant benefit to council tax payers.
37268	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	broadly. The Council should get to a place where as costs rise with inflation the council tax also rises. perhaps make it 5% for a couple of years and the peg it to inflation.	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Currently the Scottish Government only allows councils to increase council tax by a maximum of 3% annually. The council will consider your suggestion however it would have to be raised with the Scottish Government.
37269	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	If the council think that residents will be happy paying more for reduced services then they are very short sighted.	CT1	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposed 3% increase in council tax would contribute to the overall resources of the council available to fund service delivery. As the council will have less overall resources, the number of services delivered will have to reduce with services being reviewed based on the impact they have on priorities. It is proposed that future spending will be aligned to the priorities in the Transforming Your Council consultation document.
37270	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	NO 3% is fare	CT1	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. As the council's forecast budget position assumes an annual increase of 3% based on officer assumptions, additional savings would need to be identified to cover reduced income.
37271	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes. Taxes need to rise in order to mitigate any cuts that will be made.	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax.
37272	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	I agree to an increase to all property banding and not just the higher bands as per what we saw last year.	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax. The current council tax legislation means that any proposed percentage increase needs to be applied across all bands.
37273	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	I would support a rise of up to 10% for all bands if it helped to maintain services.	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Currently the Scottish Government only allows councils to increase council tax by a maximum of 3% annually. The council will consider your suggestion however it would have to be raised with the Scottish Government.

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37274	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes as long as the money created is spent in a transparent way that impacts people living in West Lothian. The council needs to show clearly where the extra money is being spent and why and it should benefit the majority as much as possible.	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax. I be reviewed based on the impact they have on priorities. It is proposed that future spending will be aligned to the priorities in the Transforming Your Council consultation document.
37275	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Why is the increase greater than inflation?	CT1	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The proposed 3% increase in council tax would contribute to the overall resources of the council available to fund service delivery. The budget gap faced by the council is a result of funding being insufficient to cover the increasing cost of delivering services due to factors such as population growth and indexation. On this basis it is proposed to increase council tax by the maximum allowed by the Scottish Government.
37276	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Would never support and increase it is the most unfair tax ever, As mentioned in a previous question, as a single person with a 25% reduction in council tax. The village has very little facilities and I am paying slightly less than neighbours with 4 full time salaries.	CT1	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	Council tax reform can only be reviewed at a national level with corresponding changes in council tax legislation.
37277	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Retired people cannot afford Council Tax. The tax is more than many mortgages today.	CT1	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. As the council's forecast budget position assumes an annual increase of 3% based on officer assumptions, additional savings would need to be identified to cover reduced income. Individuals on low incomes are able to apply for a number of council tax discounts and reductions.
37278	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	This is rise to much I think considering there has been no such increase in wages of that caliber I think maybe a start of 1 to 2% would be more than enough	CT1	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Scottish Government allows councils to increase council tax by a maximum of 3% annually. Officers have included a 3% annual increase in the council's budget model for the five years 2018/19 to 2022/23. As the council's forecast budget position assumes an annual increase of 3%, additional savings would need to be identified to cover reduced income for any increase less than 3%.
37279	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	No I feel that asking for 3% each year would be crippling for a lot of people. The council tax freeze shouldn't have happened for so long but a more rational approach is needed. You cannot give staff a 1% rise, cut terms / conditions / enhancements and hike the cost of tax it is just cruel. 1 - 1.5% per year seems reasonable.	CT1	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Scottish Government allows councils to increase council tax by a maximum of 3% annually. Officers have included a 3% annual increase in the council's budget model for the five years 2018/19 to 2022/23. As the council's forecast budget position assumes an annual increase of 3%, additional savings would need to be identified to cover reduced income for any increase less than 3%.
37280	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	No. Salaries are not increasing enough for families to afford a rise like this. Families are being squeezed more and more for money particularly those within the civil service.	CT1	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. As the council's forecast budget position assumes an annual increase of 3% based on officer assumptions, additional savings would need to be identified to cover reduced income. Individuals on low incomes are able to apply for a number of council tax discounts and reductions.
37281	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Only in conjunction with a decrease in the number of councillors. Coucillors should be taking the lead in staff reductions and restructuring not exempt from it whatever spurious argument they may put forward. Why should they as a group of public service workers not be subject to similar reviews as are being imposed on all other groups ? 11 Senior councillors ? 22 Councillors ? When councils are being forced to make savings should lead by example. I would suggest a cut of say 20 % ? Surely achievable by combining councils and working together ? The remaining councillors working as a more streamlined group to deliver the reduced services. What savings would this produce over the period in question ? Scope for reduction of 20% of MSPs too ? Or more ? Releasing more money for services !	CT1	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	The overall structure of local government, including the total number of councils and councillors, is determined by the Scottish Government.

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37282	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	I support an increase in council tax but not if you are then going to charge for council services. You can't expect people to pay more council tax and then have to pay more to access council services, whether it is an access charge or charge for parking. I don't however feel that all tax bands should be increased. Those with lower incomes cannot be expected to pay more when people are already struggling to make ends meet. Food banks are on the increase and taking more money away from people would just make the need for them greater and it is disgusting that in this day and age and in this country that these are even needed!!	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The proposed 3% increase in council tax would contribute to the overall resources of the council available to fund service delivery. As the council will have less overall resources, the number of services delivered will have to reduce with services being reviewed based on the impact they have on priorities. It is proposed that future spending will be aligned to the priorities in the Transforming Your Council consultation document. The current council tax legislation means that any proposed percentage increase needs to be applied across all bands.
37283	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	I can see the sense in it being raised, but I'm not sure that a 3% increase every year will achieve the desired outcomes.	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax. All services will be reviewed based on the impact they have on priorities. It is proposed that future spending will be aligned to the priorities in the Transforming Your Council consultation document.
37284	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Emphatically No. Council tax is unfair as it is. The council should provide services on a "use" basis over and above a basic per adult head payment. Why should a person pay more for their sewage, road maintenance, rubbish collection because of the size of their house? One person in a larger house should pay less than three adults in a cheaper house for certain things.	CT1	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. As the council's forecast budget position assumes an annual increase of 3% based on officer assumptions, additional savings would need to be identified to cover reduced income. Council tax reform can only be reviewed at a national level with corresponding changes in council tax legislation.
37285	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	An increase to the council tax should be implemented as the cuts implemented so far are having a real impact on the services the council can provide. There comes a point when you need more funds to provide the minimum service	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax.
37286	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	I fully support the 3% increase to ALL tax bands-fairer than continually putting burden on properties at top bands with no knowledge of household incomes in those properties.	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax. The current council tax legislation means that any proposed percentage increase needs to be applied across all bands.
37287	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes, but this needs to be combined with a revaluation of properties	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax. Council tax bands and the valuations for them are set nationally by the Scottish Government. The council does not have the power to change banding values.
37288	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes as long as the money is ring fenced for local Council services.	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax. The proposed 3% increase in council tax would contribute to the overall resources of the council available to fund service delivery and would therefore not be ring fenced for specific services.
37289	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	yes - no-one wants to pay more but we have to.....	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax.
37290	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	As someone who actually pays council tax, no. My wages go up by 0.5% a year. A 3% increase in one of our biggest bills is crippling.	CT1	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. As the council's forecast budget position assumes an annual increase of 3% based on officer assumptions, additional savings would need to be identified to cover reduced income.
37291	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes, provided the council is completely transparent about where the increase on our money will go. Also think the council needs to be transparent with the increase in income generated by the thousands more households moving into the area that will increase tax revenue.	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The proposed 3% increase in council tax would contribute to the overall resources of the council available to fund service delivery. As the council will have less overall resources, the number of services delivered will have to reduce with services being reviewed based on the impact they have on priorities. It is proposed that future spending will be aligned to the priorities in the Transforming Your Council consultation document. The council tax assumptions include an estimated level of new build housing.

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37292	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	yes but wages need to be reviewed to reflect inflation - remove public sector wage freeze	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax.
37293	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	No I don't support the council tax increase of 3% as the cost of living is so high but the wages of most people don't increase so people will be worse off .	CT1	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. As the council's forecast budget position assumes an annual increase of 3% based on officer assumptions, additional savings would need to be identified to cover reduced income.
37294	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	While I agree with the Council Tax increase of 3% this will again stretch most council workers household incomes, further seeking arrangements that will in course slim down the workforces earnings even further could or will be seen as a further stealth base pay cut.	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax.
37295	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes, I support this measure.	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax.
37296	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Although I think that West Lothian Council and the Scottish Government has done well in "freezing" Council Tax over the years I believe that they must be sensitive to the plight of the many families who as the Conservative Government has said are "just about managing" especially with the roll-out of this new Universal Credit and the Governments "austerity" programme. So any increase should take cognisance of the fact that it may push some people over the edge.	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax. Individuals on low incomes are able to apply for a number of council tax discounts and reductions.
37297	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	I was disgusted that the council did not raise it the last time they had the opportunity. That vote was for councillors to keep their seats not for the good of the community. Those who struggle to pay are able to get help as I understand it.	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax. Individuals on low incomes are able to apply for a number of council tax discounts and reductions.
37298	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	yes if it helps to reduce the cuts	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax.
37299	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Make everybody pay the same rates regardless of the size of house or being single person. Everybody receives the same services the same with water and sewage rates.	CT1	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	Council tax reform can only be reviewed at a national level with corresponding changes in council tax legislation.
37300	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes, we need to pay for the services some how. 3% seems fair.	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax.
37301	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	I would support the 3% rise but as an employee of West Lothian Council the cost of living increase would need to be in line with this to prevent the rise of poverty within the county.	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax. Individuals on low incomes are able to apply for a number of council tax discounts and reductions.
37302	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	I accept 3% increase for each year of the financial plan. I could accept more if there were cuts to the administration.	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax.
37303	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	The group agrees in principle with the increase of 3%. Council needs to review the rateable values of properties and this in turn could result in a reduced increase of 3%.	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax. Council tax bands and the valuations for them are set nationally by the Scottish Government. The council does not have the power to change banding values.
37304	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Council tax should be raised and arrears pursued more. If this was done the council would not need to cut other money	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax. The council actively pursues all debt, including council tax, community charge, rent and commercial debtors arrears. The council will investigate other ways to improve debt collections including strengthening corporate debt management activity.
37305	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	If council tax is important why on earth has West Lothian council froze it for the last ten years? It's disgusting now that we have to pay 3% increase every year to fill the gap especially since you are cutting our services.... and why?? Because the council wanted to be voted the best council every year? It's partly because council tax didn't rise every year by 1% we are in this mess yet now our vulnerable communities are going to suffer I have lost all support and faith in our council and hope for our future	CT1	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	For the past nine years the Scottish Government restricted councils' ability to raise council tax through the financial settlement. In 2017/18 councillors froze council tax.
37306	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	No... if you are reducing services provided why do we have to pay more money... if you are consolidating practises to mainly the Livingston area... why again do bathgate residents have to pay for a service they have to travel to and even pay for? Crazy I pay enough already	CT1	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. As the council's forecast budget position assumes an annual increase of 3% based on officer assumptions, additional savings would need to be identified to cover reduced income.

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37307	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Council tax goes up folk will Just think better of claiming benefits my neighbour does better than me not working than me working	CT1	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. As the council's forecast budget position assumes an annual increase of 3% based on officer assumptions, additional savings would need to be identified to cover reduced income.
37308	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	No. As a nurse i have not had an adequate pay rise in years. I don't feel i should have to pay out more when I am essentially being paid less.	CT1	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. As the council's forecast budget position assumes an annual increase of 3% based on officer assumptions, additional savings would need to be identified to cover reduced income.
37309	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes, I support this Council Tax increase, but why only 3%?	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax. The Scottish Government allows councils to increase council tax by a maximum of 3% annually
37310	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	We should pay a local income tax across Scotland that is controlled by central government Local authorities are not experienced in managing finances.	CT1	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	Council tax reform can only be reviewed at a national level with corresponding changes in council tax legislation. The council is subject to rigorous external audit and both Audit Scotland and EY have confirmed, over a number of years, that the council has robust financial management.
37311	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	No. I canâ€™t see how you can justify such an increase with the level of cuts you are proposing at the same time. I feel it is becoming outrageous as very soon we will be paying a fortune for nothing at all.	CT1	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. As the council's forecast budget position assumes an annual increase of 3% based on officer assumptions, additional savings would need to be identified to cover reduced income.
37312	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	No. Not an increase across the board. Top bands must pay more.	CT1	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. As the council's forecast budget position assumes an annual increase of 3% based on officer assumptions, additional savings would need to be identified to cover reduced income. The current council tax legislation means that any proposed percentage increase needs to be applied across all bands.
37313	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes but it's a hard sell to most when all proposals are cut backs. I have never taken part in anything like this before and I am losing the will a bit as it's taken me 2 hrs.. I have tried to put myself the decision makers shoes and don't envy the job! Most businesses review and increase costs or improve savings but people services are crucial and sadly mismanaged at all levels I think. Good luck!	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax.
37314	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes.. I would have been happier with a small increase the last 10years rather than 3% hikes per year. Needs must if it saves jobs	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax.
37315	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Only if wages increase in line with this. Public sector wages have been rising at the rate of 1% per year so this would adversely affect public sector workers x	CT1	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Council pay awards are agreed nationally as part of the collective pay agreement. Council tax in West Lothian has been frozen for ten years providing a significant benefit to council tax payers.
37316	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	I imagined Council Tax would pay for more than 19% of funding. I just wish council tax had not been frozen for the past however many years, along with other things like free prescriptions etc, Councils may not be in this financial state. I agree with Council Tax going up.	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax.
37317	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	council tax will have to go up..but it wont reduce the amount of cuts	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax.
37318	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Would an increase in Council tax help offset this?	CT1	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The council has assumed an increase of 3% in calculating the budget gap of £73 million. If the Scottish Government allowed councils to increase council tax above 3% this would help cover some of the identified gap.

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37319	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	I don't want to sound too negative about this, as I know the council needs to raise money from somewhere. However, 3% year on year is too much. In the last five years, my pay has increased by a maximum of 1.5% each year and is forecast to continue to do so over the coming years. If you need to increase taxes, so be it, but make sure that your employees are not falling behind in their earnings whilst you do so.	CT1	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Scottish Government allows councils to increase council tax by a maximum of 3% annually. Officers have included a 3% annual increase in the council's budget model for the five years 2018/19 to 2022/23. As the council's forecast budget position assumes an annual increase of 3%, additional savings would need to be identified to cover reduced income for any increase less than 3%.
37320	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Please consider raising the council tax.	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax.
37321	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Increase Council Tax.	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax.
37322	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Absolutely. Council Tax needs to be increased in order for the council to provide services. I do think that the housing bands need to be reviewed.	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax. Council tax bands and the valuations for them are set nationally by the Scottish Government. The council does not have the power to change banding values.
37323	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	So what you are saying is that we will not get any better services for this increase. We will be paying more and receiving less. In my opinion the council tax needs to be increased even more to ensure that we can get a better service, I think then people would at least feel they are getting something for the increase. The council tax freeze has been what has gotten us into this mess in the first place. We do need to see an improvement for our money I would suggest a 10% increase rather than just the 3%	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The proposed 3% increase in council tax would contribute to the overall resources of the council available to fund service delivery. As the council will have less overall resources, the number of services delivered will have to reduce with services being reviewed based on the impact they have on priorities. It is proposed that future spending will be aligned to the priorities in the Transforming Your Council consultation document. Currently the Scottish Government only allows councils to increase council tax by a maximum of 3% annually. The council will consider your suggestion however it would have to be raised with the Scottish Government.
37324	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	No, it's already too high.	CT1	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. As the council's forecast budget position assumes an annual increase of 3% based on officer assumptions, additional savings would need to be identified to cover reduced income.
37325	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Agree to 3% if across all bands as I was very unhappy with the previous rise which only effects band E and above	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax. The current council tax legislation means that any proposed percentage increase needs to be applied across all bands. Council tax levels for houses in bands E to H were increased in 2017/18 due to the implementation of the Scottish Government's changes to council tax bandings.
37326	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	only the people with more money should be hit the hardest. This should be a means test. considering how well off you are.	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council will continue to have a fair pricing strategy and concession scheme to ensure that charges generate income to support council services, in a way that is consistent with the council's Anti Poverty Strategy. Means testing would need to be considered within the context of legal requirements and the cost compared to the potential income generated. Concessions will be reviewed to ensure they are appropriate and that their use is maximised.
37327	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	raise council tax to cover	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax.
37328	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Raise council tax to cover already there services	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax.
37329	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	I THINK THE LACK OF PROPER GOVERNMENT FUNDING AND NEVER ENDING INTERFERENCE HAS MADE THIS A DIFFICULT BUDGET TO MANAGE AND I THINK THE COUNCIL SHOULD HAVE INCREASED COUNCIL TAX FOR THIS AREA	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax.
37330	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	THIS IS A DIFFICULT JOB TO BALANCE THE COUNCIL EXPENDITURE AND I STILL THINK A SMALL INCREASE IN COUNCIL TAX SHOULD HAVE BEEN INTRODUCED	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax.

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37331	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	IT IS ESSENTIAL TO MAKE AN INCREASE TO OUR FUNDING OF LOCAL SERVICES AND THE INCREASE IN COUNCIL TAX IS REQUIRED ASAP	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax.
37332	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Only agree if some of the proposed cuts are dropped. Council can't have its cake and eat it.	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The proposed 3% increase in council tax would contribute to the overall resources of the council available to fund service delivery. As the £73 million assumes a council tax increase of 3%, a greater increase would be required to replace some of proposed reductions.
37333	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	The Council Tax should increase to support services. Moderate rises of 3% would significantly help local service retention.	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax.
37334	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Most money is wasted on contractors,private contracts and outside service providers not on hardworking council staff. I'm not sure now but did the council tax rise? If it didn't it should. Generally we have a council to be proud of but some of us need to pay more.	ct1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax.
37335	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Personally though I would prefer increased council tax	CT1	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax.
37336	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes never supported the freeze. We need to pay for a fair society.	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax.
37337	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes, in the absence of an alternative system of local taxation.	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax.
37338	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Would like to think that this could be reduced slightly as many families already struggle just above living wage line, and this would be a devastating for them if the increase happens every year and they themselves do not receive salary increase to same level.	CT1	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Scottish Government allows councils to increase council tax by a maximum of 3% annually. Officers have included a 3% annual increase in the council's budget model for the five years 2018/19 to 2022/23. As the council's forecast budget position assumes an annual increase of 3%, additional savings would need to be identified to cover reduced income for any increase less than 3%.
37339	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	I don't know, can we introduce means testing for social care and see how much is generated from this first.	CT1	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	This is being considered under the reviewing income and concessions section of the TYC consultation.
37340	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	No, because it is already extremely high already and takes a significant part of tax-paying working income each month (often around or even exceeding 1/4 of people's mortgages and which is paid on top of a mortgage which can often account to around 30-40% of a person's ENTIRE monthly income). A lot of services are not availed of or targeted for the people who are working throughout the day.	CT1	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. As the council's forecast budget position assumes an annual increase of 3% based on officer assumptions, additional savings would need to be identified to cover reduced income.
37341	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	No, The council should seek to cut benefits, and non-essential services prior to raising council Tax, noting that wage inflation is well below 3% and therefore tax increases will increase poverty in the area. Council tax bands continuing to be based on early 1990s valuations means that many bandings are mis-matched with property valuations across the county.	CT1	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	Benefits are decided by the UK and Scottish governments. Council tax bands and the valuations for them are set nationally by the Scottish Government. The council does not have the power to change banding values.
37342	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	If council tax increases then the public need to see substantial cuts internally with pay, pension, overtime, sick pay - the cost of sick pay should be looked at and reduced to only paying full pay to 2 weeks per year unless exceptional circumstances i.e. Terminally ill	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax.
37343	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes, it's time there was an increase, and I don't think many should oppose this.	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax.
37344	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Depends what the increase will be spent on	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The proposed 3% increase in council tax would contribute to the overall resources of the council available to fund service delivery. As the council will have less overall resources, the number of services delivered will have to reduce with services being reviewed based on the impact they have on priorities. It is proposed that future spending will be aligned to the priorities in the Transforming Your Council consultation document.
37345	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes i support the councils planned changes but not more than 3%	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax.

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37346	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	3% per annum is fine. I didnt understand the governments freeze in the first place. If council tax had been increased by Â£10 per year since the freeze came in it would have made a huge difference to budgets while having a very small change to the monthly cost	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax.
37347	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	hard to make poor families pay more tax and rent when they struggle and use local food banks. maybe increase depending on household income rather than a blanket amount per adult.	CT1	5a. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because the council is required by law to deliver this work.	The current council tax legislation means that any proposed percentage increase needs to be applied across all bands. Individuals on low incomes are able to apply for a number of council tax discounts and reductions.
37348	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	I agree that Council Tax should be increased by the 3% pa that is permitted in order to reduce the impact on services. The government's Council Tax freeze was a somewhat disastrous political gimmick. Care should be taken to present a good case to the public to justify increases.	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax.
37349	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Tax the higher incomes and don't make poverty harder making poor people pay increases in tax	CT1	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	Council tax reform can only be reviewed at a national level with corresponding changes in council tax legislation. Individuals on low incomes are able to apply for a number of council tax discounts and reductions.
37350	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Increase Council Tax!	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax.
37351	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Increase Council Tax	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax.
37352	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Increase Council Tax	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax.
37353	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	This is an investment in the future and is essential. Increase Council tax to pay for it.	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax.
37354	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Increase Council Tax and you will remove this so called General Balance to be identified. I would rather pay extra and have the services that matter that have a freeze and loose everything. it would take an enormous amount of time,effort and money to reinstate these services if they are lost. how on earth is that saving money.	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council has assumed an increase of 3% in calculating the budget gap of £73 million. If the Scottish Government allowed councils to increase council tax above 3% this would help cover some of the identified gap.
37355	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Increase Council Tax	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax.
37356	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Increase Council tax	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax.
37357	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Increase Council Tax	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax.
37358	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Forget partners. Increase Council Tax and manage the service correctly.	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax.
37359	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Increase Council Tax	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax.
37360	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	A must. Increase Council Tax	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax.

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37361	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	A must have. Increase Council tax	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax.
37362	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Already have good schemes in place just keep them going. Increase Council Tax	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax.
37363	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Increase Council tax	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax.
37364	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Increase Council Tax	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax.
37365	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Increase Council Tax	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax.
37366	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Increase Council Tax	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax.
37367	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Increase Council tax	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax.
37368	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Increase Council Tax	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax.
37369	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	I strongly believe that the Tax should be increased to maintain and protect our services.	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax.
37370	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Increase council tax - it's understandable.	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax.
37371	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Conditional support for 3% raise. Council Tax should not just top up the Council pot of cash - allocate and spend it where it is meant to be spent. It is wholly unfair to penalise those in the E-H band (I'm not in those bands). Everyone enjoys the same services and should pay their proportion.	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax. The current council tax legislation means that any proposed percentage increase needs to be applied across all bands. Council tax levels for houses in bands E to H were increased in 2017/18 due to the implementation of the Scottish Government's changes to council tax bandings.
37372	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	No - Feel we should have an increase but not 3% each year. Maybe 1.5% each year.	CT1	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Scottish Government allows councils to increase council tax by a maximum of 3% annually. Officers have included a 3% annual increase in the council's budget model for the five years 2018/19 to 2022/23. As the council's forecast budget position assumes an annual increase of 3%, additional savings would need to be identified to cover reduced income for any increase less than 3%.
37373	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	I think that after such a long period of stagnation and punishing cuts there should be a planned approach to rises in Council Tax starting with a 4% increase	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Currently the Scottish Government only allows councils to increase council tax by a maximum of 3% annually. The council will consider your suggestion however it would have to be raised with the Scottish Government.

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37374	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	People in bands E-H will be more affected by a further increase given they have already experienced an increase, I think this should be taken into consideration when considering the % increase for these bands.	CT1	5a. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because the council is required by law to deliver this work.	The current council tax legislation means that any proposed percentage increase needs to be applied across all bands. Council tax levels for houses in bands E to H were increased in 2017/18 due to the implementation of the Scottish Government's changes to council tax bandings.
37375	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Possibly but I do need to think about how this sits with proposed increases of paying for mainstream services such as brown bins. People will think they are paying twice for the same thing. Also it's tied to the national debates about increased taxation and taking funds from areas that a more well off to give to those that are least well off. Also I would be reluctant to support any increase without fuller information in particular about how you have factored in saving that be made through the health and social IJBs and the eventual hoped for move of resources from NHS secondary settings in primary care.	CT1	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The proposed 3% increase in council tax would contribute to the overall resources of the council available to fund service delivery. As the council will have less overall resources, the number of services delivered will have to reduce with services being reviewed based on the impact they have on priorities. It is proposed that future spending will be aligned to the priorities in the Transforming Your Council consultation document.
37376	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Unfortunately yes but if you don't increase annually then you are left with a massive deficit	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax.
37377	No Response	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	If you raise the Council Tax by 3% that would mean than any rises in benefits and pensions will be eaten up by that raise in council tax. The money that pensioners get and those on benefits is not enough at the moment if you raise this tax they will have to do without to pay it.	CT1	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. As the council's forecast budget position assumes an annual increase of 3% based on officer assumptions, additional savings would need to be identified to cover reduced income. Individuals on low incomes are able to apply for a number of council tax discounts and reductions.
37378	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	No. The council tax is too high as it is considering the cuts in service but rise in council staff wages. For example the half size general waste bins, the council pays half the landfill cost but the taxpayers pay the same as before for less. Cuts in seasonal staff have saved the council money but again the tax payers pay the same for a lesser service.	CT1	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. As the council's forecast budget position assumes an annual increase of 3% based on officer assumptions, additional savings would need to be identified to cover reduced income.
37379	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Council tax has already risen this year for not much of a difference to the services for public.	CT1	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Council tax levels for houses in bands E to H were increased in 2017/18 due to the implementation of the Scottish Government's changes to council tax bandings. As the council's forecast budget position assumes an annual increase of 3% based on officer assumptions, additional savings would need to be identified to cover reduced income.
37380	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	As long as every band is increased by three per cent so that all residents are still paying fairly.	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax. The current council tax legislation means that any proposed percentage increase needs to be applied across all bands.
37381	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	No...we should however ensure that all arrears are pursued. I would probably support an increase of 1 to 2 %	CT1	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. As the council's forecast budget position assumes an annual increase of 3% based on officer assumptions, additional savings would need to be identified to cover reduced income. The council actively pursues all debt, including council tax, community charge, rent and commercial debtors arrears
37382	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	No , it's very poor value for money	CT1	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. As the council's forecast budget position assumes an annual increase of 3% based on officer assumptions, additional savings would need to be identified to cover reduced income.

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37383	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	I fully support a rise in this manner but and itâ€™s a big but. The coucil MUST use this to fund better and improved services and not chuck if away to support the current poor service provided. Change is not liked and there will be winners and losers but if change is not made you will be asking for more in five years but shown little for it. Stop wasting the publics money on rubbish and overpaying staff. It should embrace communityâ€™s wanting to provide services like festivities like lighting and seek support from businesses. It should focus on getting youngsters working and not sitting on benifits being trapped in the system. You have a program called steps into work and I think the idea is amazing but the young are not daft itâ€™s better on benefits than to work. Why not support my business in providing real life job skills to young workers and not let them get trapped in the system.	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax. The proposed 3% increase in council tax would contribute to the overall resources of the council available to fund service delivery. As the council will have less overall resources, the number of services delivered will have to reduce with services being reviewed based on the impact they have on priorities. It is proposed that future spending will be aligned to the priorities in the Transforming Your Council consultation document. The council is subject to rigorous external audit and both Audit Scotland and EY have confirmed, over a number of years, that the council has robust financial management.
37384	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	I agree that some rise is required but it must be done to all bands and not just targeting the higher bands.	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax. The current council tax legislation means that any proposed percentage increase needs to be applied across all bands.
37385	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes, it could be higher for higher banded properties	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax. The current council tax legislation means that any proposed percentage increase needs to be applied across all bands.
37386	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	No, not at all. Poor management over the last decade has put you in this position and it should not be joe public who dig you out	CT1	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. The budget gap faced by the council is a result of funding being insufficient to cover the increasing cost of delivering services due to factors such as population growth and indexation. The council is subject to rigorous external audit and both Audit Scotland and EY have confirmed, over a number of years, that the council has robust financial management.
37387	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	No I am entirely opposed to this change. I'm lucky if my salary increases 1%pa so I do not want to be 2% worse off every year to pay for a shoddy council service which I feel I get very little benefit from!	CT1	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. As the council's forecast budget position assumes an annual increase of 3% based on officer assumptions, additional savings would need to be identified to cover reduced income.
37388	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Definetely NO. Why is always the same people paying for the inefficiency of others? NO.	CT1	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. As the council's forecast budget position assumes an annual increase of 3% based on officer assumptions, additional savings would need to be identified to cover reduced income.
37389	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	I agree with the 3%. Maybe some of it could fund the use of brown buckets?	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax. The proposed 3% increase in council tax would contribute to the overall resources of the council available to fund service delivery. With the proposed increase the council still faces budget cuts of £73 million.
37390	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	I support it in principal, however i firmly believe that those with the means to pay more (more expensive houses) should pay more. I do not want to pay more council tax for less services, basic economics!!	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax. The current council tax legislation means that any proposed percentage increase needs to be applied across all bands.
37391	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	increase it.	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax.

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37392	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	No not in any form. No to 3% per year as I already pay more due to the Scottish government increase on my council tax band which I deem discrimination to myself	CT1	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. As the council's forecast budget position assumes an annual increase of 3% based on officer assumptions, additional savings would need to be identified to cover reduced income.
37393	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Only if wages of council employees are raised by at least the same amount	CT1	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Council pay awards are agreed nationally as part of the collective pay agreement. Council tax in West Lothian has been frozen for ten years providing a significant benefit to council tax payers.
37394	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	I am happy for my council tax to raise if it protects jobs and services	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax.
37395	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	3% each year so 9% overall is incredibly steep!	CT1	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. As the council's forecast budget position assumes an annual increase of 3% based on officer assumptions, additional savings would need to be identified to cover reduced income.
37396	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Would need to know how this would impact on low income families as rebate increases may be likely.	CT1	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Individuals on low incomes are able to apply for a number of council tax discounts and reductions.
37397	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	absolutely not - there are far better ways of raising revenue	CT1	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. As the council's forecast budget position assumes an annual increase of 3% based on officer assumptions, additional savings would need to be identified to cover reduced income.
37398	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	it would seem that we would end up paying more for a reduced service, what would we see improved? Or even better what would the funding "really" have to be to ensure that cuts in services would not happen? The fact that we have a budget gap at all is the worrying concern	CT1	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The proposed 3% increase in council tax would contribute to the overall resources of the council available to fund service delivery. As the council will have less overall resources, the number of services delivered will have to reduce with services being reviewed based on the impact they have on priorities. It is proposed that future spending will be aligned to the priorities in the Transforming Your Council consultation document.
37399	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	I do worry this suggests cuts to staff. I'm sure all staff would rather pay more council tax to help the budget rather than lose jobs!	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax.
37400	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Again I disagree with cuts. The council tax should be increased to stop any further cuts. There has been too many cuts already to staffing levels.	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax.
37401	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Again increase the council tax!	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax.
37402	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	I agree a rise in council tax is a given. I would rather pay more for Council Tax and still have the services available rather than losing the services.	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax.
37403	No Response	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	I do not think that people in bands E-H should have another increase having just had one - perhaps the lower bandings could also have a % increase.	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax. The current council tax legislation means that any proposed percentage increase needs to be applied across all bands.
37404	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	I don't really like the idea of having to pay more council tax, however would rather protect something like social care funding or education and if that is the trade off then I would accept it as necessary	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax.
37405	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	take into account that not everyone gets a pay rise so why make it more difficult to that part of your community .	CT1	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. As the council's forecast budget position assumes an annual increase of 3% based on officer assumptions, additional savings would need to be identified to cover reduced income.
37406	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	No! main reason being i do not get any pay rises , not had one in over 6 years and you expect my family to fund your 3% increase and look happy ?	CT1	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. As the council's forecast budget position assumes an annual increase of 3% based on officer assumptions, additional savings would need to be identified to cover reduced income.

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37407	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	No the cost of living hasn't gone down it's hard enough to live as it is	CT1	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. As the council's forecast budget position assumes an annual increase of 3% based on officer assumptions, additional savings would need to be identified to cover reduced income.
37408	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	3% for the customer who actually pays it! If everyone paid what they were supposed to pay how much more would the 19% be? Maybe should be encouraging non payers rather than targeting those who pay faithfully each month.	CT1	4. The council is already doing this.	The council actively pursues all debt, including council tax, community charge, rent and commercial debtors arrears. The council will investigate other ways to improve debt collections including strengthening corporate debt management activity.
37409	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes in fact I think it should be more for houses in areas of least deprivation SIMD 9 and 10. I think 5% in those areas. About time council tax was increased	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax. The current council tax legislation means that any proposed percentage increase needs to be applied across all bands.
37410	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	No. Like a number of folk I have not had an increase to my salary since 2008. We're already struggling and having to pay an extra 3% each year would mean we could no longer afford it. This in turn would put added strain on the council when we turn to you for support.	CT1	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. As the council's forecast budget position assumes an annual increase of 3% based on officer assumptions, additional savings would need to be identified to cover reduced income.
37411	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	If the council tax is only increased from Tax Bands E-H, yes. I don't believe council tax should be increased for lower bands.	CT1	5a. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because the council is required by law to deliver this work.	The current council tax legislation means that any proposed percentage increase needs to be applied across all bands.
37412	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	No, increase it for the Higher Band areas, and double it if they own a holiday home or any other property that's lying empty from one month to the next	CT1	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. As the council's forecast budget position assumes an annual increase of 3% based on officer assumptions, additional savings would need to be identified to cover reduced income.
37413	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes I believe if the government hadn't put a freeze on council tax for the last nine years WLC would not have been in such dire need to reduce spending now.	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax.
37414	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes - we need to increase council tax of more jobs will have to go.	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax.
37415	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Not at all. Pushing people further into poverty gap with increased tax for services which are clearly being reduced. How will this be more beneficial to the people? Why is council tax increase required when you plan on making the savings and also planning to be charging elderly for care. Wasted money is clear throughout the council. -changing council logo with everything being rebranded - why? Waste of money. I do not pay council tax for that nor did I have a say in it. -logos on bins so unnecessary - again massive waste of money. The magazine!	CT1	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	As the council's forecast budget position assumes an annual increase of 3% based on officer assumptions, additional savings would need to be identified to cover reduced income. The proposed 3% increase in council tax would contribute to the overall resources of the council available to fund service delivery. As the council will have less overall resources, the number of services delivered will have to reduce with services being reviewed based on the impact they have on priorities. It is proposed that future spending will be aligned to the priorities in the Transforming Your Council consultation document. The budget gap faced by the council is a result of funding being insufficient to cover the increasing cost of delivering services due to factors such as population growth and indexation. The council is subject to rigorous external audit and both Audit Scotland and EY have confirmed, over a number of years, that the council has robust financial management.
37416	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	If it means less cuts to the care and education sector yes.	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax.

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37417	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	I would struggle to pay it	CT1	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. As the council's forecast budget position assumes an annual increase of 3% based on officer assumptions, additional savings would need to be identified to cover reduced income. Individuals on low incomes are able to apply for a number of council tax discounts and reductions.
37418	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Not until 32 Councilâ€™s are reduced to about 8	CT1	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	The structure of local government is determined at a national level.
37419	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	No - we already pay a factor fee in our estate where this covers quite a few things which the council tax covers. I feel that the council tax is only really covering us for water and waste. I would be happy to pay the increase if teacher wages increased in real terms - as a pay rise of 1.5% does not do anything when council tax is raised by 3%.	CT1	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. As the council's forecast budget position assumes an annual increase of 3% based on officer assumptions, additional savings would need to be identified to cover reduced income. Council tax pays for many more services across West Lothian than factor fees for specific estates.
37420	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Services means manpower. If the work is needed to keep West Lothian a good place to live in then the workforce must be kept. Council tax needs raised to help here.	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	As the council will have less overall resources, the number of services delivered will have to reduce with services being reviewed based on the impact they have on priorities. This will include changes to service standards, staffing levels and the way remaining services are delivered. It is proposed that future spending will be aligned to the priorities in the Transforming Your Council consultation document.
37421	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	It needed to rise years ago. Forget party politics and votes for the party which supplies free! We must pay for what we use and need. Get real West Lothian councillors.	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	This consultation is the first stage of the process to enable the council to develop a five year plan. Detailed proposals will be worked up following the outcome of this consultation.
37422	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	I support the 3% rise year on year. I only decry the Council's introduction of the 3% in their Transforming your Council in the small print on the last page as a characteristic of all that is wrong with commercial underhand practice	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax.
37423	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Would not mind increase as long as we receive good services. Can't even get a grit bin for the winter just now.	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The proposed 3% increase in council tax would contribute to the overall resources of the council available to fund service delivery. As the council will have less overall resources, the number of services delivered will have to reduce with services being reviewed based on the impact they have on priorities. It is proposed that future spending will be aligned to the priorities in the Transforming Your Council consultation document.
37424	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	The Council Tax freeze has effectively led to people being more able to manage already stretched budgets however, there is a growing need for these increases to ensure service delivery across the local authority.	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax. Individuals on low incomes are able to apply for a number of council tax discounts and reductions.
37425	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	No . Why should hard working people have to pay for the people who do not contribute . This is not a fair society . My council tax has already increased this year just because i live in a 4 bed house . How can that be that we make the people who try their best pay for the ones who do try . i know people who get paid to stand outside and inside the pub every day and dont work . is that fair that they do this while i work and cant afford to do such things dont increase the council tax its a large enough burden on the working class	CT1	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. As the council's forecast budget position assumes an annual increase of 3% based on officer assumptions, additional savings would need to be identified to cover reduced income.
37426	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes absolutely - why should people not pay more? we can't expect better or even the same services if we don't. raise by 4%. its ridiculous it hasn't been before now. nothing for nothing...	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax. Currently the Scottish Government only allows councils to increase council tax by a maximum of 3% annually. The council will consider your suggestion however it would have to be raised with the Scottish Government.

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37427	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTI. Planned changes to Council Tax	No, 15% over all is a big jump with people already struggling living alone I get reduced amount of Â£91 a month which for one person is a lot. increasing that I know I would struggle on a comfortable wage, I manage now but many don't and many more wouldn't	CT1	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. As the council's forecast budget position assumes an annual increase of 3% based on officer assumptions, additional savings would need to be identified to cover reduced income.
37428	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTI. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes I support this and feel it should've been done last year. I do, however, believe that if Council Tax is being increased then the staff pay increase should not be scrapped.	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax.
37429	An individual	CTI. Planned changes to Council Tax	I do not believe it is unreasonable to introduce a 3% council tax rise year on year, as the council tax freeze imposed by this Scottish Government over the last ten years has been detrimental to the working of not only our council but that of all other councils within Scotland.	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax.
37430	An individual	CTI. Planned changes to Council Tax	Council tax is unfair. A fully occupied small house will put more demands on the council than a single occupied large house. Consider alternatives to bolster the tax by charging for individual services such as installation of water meters or charges for additional waste collection.	CT1	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	Council tax reform can only be reviewed at a national level with corresponding changes in council tax legislation. All water charges and income are the responsibility of Scottish Water.
37431	An individual	CTI. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes, but concerned at the financial impact on people who have no or minimal pay increases, when all costs rise every year. All alternatives need to be explored and if possible increases kept below 3%.	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax. Individuals on low incomes are able to apply for a number of council tax discounts and reductions.
37432	An individual	CTI. Planned changes to Council Tax	Whilst I appreciate council services, passing on funding gaps to residents who are struggling would not be viewed as a caring council.	CT1	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. As the council's forecast budget position assumes an annual increase of 3% based on officer assumptions, additional savings would need to be identified to cover reduced income.
37433	An individual	CTI. Planned changes to Council Tax	The council should learn to accept the decisions of the Scottish Government and increase Council Tax by the permitted amount as soon as it is announced. I support an increase of 3% only.	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax.
37434	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTI. Planned changes to Council Tax	Feel a council tax increase is required.	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax.
37435	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTI. Planned changes to Council Tax	Not really. It sounds like more provisions are being taken away from people but there isn't an increase in job security or services etc available for this extra money. So we are paying more but for what?	CT1	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposed 3% increase in council tax would contribute to the overall resources of the council available to fund service delivery. As the council will have less overall resources, the number of services delivered will have to reduce with services being reviewed based on the impact they have on priorities. It is proposed that future spending will be aligned to the priorities in the Transforming Your Council consultation document.
37436	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTI. Planned changes to Council Tax	I'm in total agreement that council tax must be raised to try and protect very necessary public services	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax.
37437	An individual	CTI. Planned changes to Council Tax	I would rather pay more tax than see more cuts to services.	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax.
37438	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTI. Planned changes to Council Tax	I personally don't see much of an issue with rising council tax however there would be many people put at risk if they could not afford their tax. They might eviction/unemployment etc so there must be measures put in place to help people within SIMD 1-4	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax. Individuals on low incomes are able to apply for a number of council tax discounts and reductions.
37439	An individual	CTI. Planned changes to Council Tax	Of course you need to be able to put up Council Tax. And perhaps to consider higher taxes for the upper bands is not a bad thing.	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax. The current council tax legislation means that any proposed percentage increase needs to be applied across all bands.
37440	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTI. Planned changes to Council Tax	Increase it.	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax.

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37441	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Happy to pay more Council tax	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax.
37442	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes and I don't think the decision to freeze it last year was an intelligent decision. It should be increased by the maximum it can be each year.	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax.
37443	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes-it is an unfortunate necessity I believe	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax.
37444	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	I don't have an issue paying if this saves services. The council tax has not risen for year and everything else has.	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax.
37445	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Agree with 3% rise in council tax but every second year	CT1	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Scottish Government allows councils to increase council tax by a maximum of 3% annually. Officers have included a 3% annual increase in the council's budget model for the five years 2018/19 to 2022/23. As the council's forecast budget position assumes an annual increase of 3%, additional savings would need to be identified to cover reduced income for any increase less than 3%.
37446	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes, however those entitled to assistance with council tax, such as council tax reduction, will need to be safeguarded against increases as it is likely they will suffer debt issues from the increase.	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax. Individuals on low incomes are able to apply for a number of council tax discounts and reductions.
37447	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes. If this does not happen i think the council will have a big issue with balancing the budget i do not know where and equivalent saving can be made..	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax.
37448	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes , why not just increase it by 10 Percent initially, make sure everyone pays what they owe . Invest more to find fraudulent claims for services to make financial gains . Too many people ripping the system to bits .	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Currently the Scottish Government only allows councils to increase council tax by a maximum of 3% annually. The council will consider your suggestion however it would have to be raised with the Scottish Government. The council actively pursues all debt, including council tax, community charge, rent and commercial debtors arrears. The council will investigate other ways to improve debt collections including strengthening corporate debt management activity.
37449	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes, raise it. Ludicrous to continue to cap and reduce services instead.	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax.
37450	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	I would agree to a 3% increase ONLY if meant that the Ability Centre, which is a lifeline to me were to stay open.	CT1	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposed 3% increase in council tax would contribute to the overall resources of the council available to fund service delivery. As the £73 million assumes a council tax increase of 3%, a greater increase would be required to replace some of proposed reductions.
37451	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	What choice do we have when rents are also going to rise by 3-4 % I have always felt it was a mistake to not have at least a 1% increase in council tax over the last several years. A vote 'puller' does not always have the best outcome in the longer term.	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax.
37452	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes I support an increase in the Council Tax	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax.
37453	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes, as long it is across all bandings, not just E and up.	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax. The current council tax legislation means that any proposed percentage increase needs to be applied across all bands.

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37454	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	I agree that Council Tax should be reviewed. 3% is fine for the higher bands E-H, however I think that a lesser amount should apply to the lower bands maybe 1% or 2%.	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax. The current council tax legislation means that any proposed percentage increase needs to be applied across all bands.
37455	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes. I feel it should have been increased long before now to keep up with inflation but understand that the Council Tax freeze was a requirement of the Scottish Government and not the Council.	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax.
37456	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes But to all bands not just higher bands	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax. The current council tax legislation means that any proposed percentage increase needs to be applied across all bands.
37457	No Response	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	I really don't know how residents of WL who also work for WL council are expected to meet an up to 30% increase in council tax bill over the next 5 years when there are real terms cuts to wages. This will have a big impact on quality of life in the area. People who are working hard can only feel themselves being squeezed and squeezed which actually removes the motivation to work.	CT1	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Council tax in West Lothian has been frozen for ten years providing a significant benefit to council tax payers. As the council's forecast budget position assumes an annual increase of 3% based on officer assumptions, additional savings would need to be identified to cover reduced income.
37458	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes- also major effort should be undertaken to reassess the current banding to reflect the true value of properties as this has not been undertaken for some time.	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax. Council tax bands and the valuations for them are set nationally by the Scottish Government. The council does not have the power to change banding values.
37459	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes. however this should be aimed at those who can afford the increase as some may find this unsustainable	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax. Individuals on low incomes are able to apply for a number of council tax discounts and reductions.
37460	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Taking the view that the Council Tax is a necessary evil, there is no reason why it should not rise annually, although this should be pegged to no more than the prevailing rate of inflation. Ideally, the Council tax itself should be revised to ensure that it related more closely with the number of people resident in a property and the level of services which they used.	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax.
37461	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes, however the council should be pressuring the Scottish Government to reform Council Tax for the whole country as the system is outdated and could potentially provide increased income to the council through a fairer assessment of a households contribution.	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax. Council tax bands and the valuations for them are set nationally by the Scottish Government. The council does not have the power to change banding values.
37462	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	the more you increase the council tax and the more you raise the less the Scottish government will be allowed by the british government to give you	CT1	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	There is no relationship between the funding provided from the UK government to the Scottish government and council tax. The UK government has no direct influence over the level of funding provided to Scottish local authorities.
37463	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes if it means keeping services like waste collection and instrumental tuition	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The proposed 3% increase in council tax would contribute to the overall resources of the council available to fund service delivery. As the £73 million assumes a council tax increase of 3%, a greater increase would be required to replace some of proposed reductions.
37464	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	It is not far that the higher bands which have already had a government increase should pay more again! Middle earners getting squeezed again and picking up the slack. Perhaps a sliding scale increase for the other bands.	CT1	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Scottish Government allows councils to increase council tax by a maximum of 3% annually. Officers have included a 3% annual increase in the council's budget model for the five years 2018/19 to 2022/23. As the council's forecast budget position assumes an annual increase of 3%, additional savings would need to be identified to cover reduced income for any increase less than 3%. Council tax levels for houses in bands E to H were increased in 2017/18 due to the implementation of the Scottish Government's changes to council tax bandings.

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37465	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	No. Surely you can see that the population will comprehend any logic behind 3% increases a year for 5 years. As you know that is 15.9% over the 5 years. How does that relate to increases in the majority of the population of West Lothian's average change in salary levels? Or change in benefit levels? If the cost of running the council has or will increase by this amount then are you assuming this has been and will be reflected in the wider economy and salary levels of the population?	CT1	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. As the council's forecast budget position assumes an annual increase of 3% based on officer assumptions, additional savings would need to be identified to cover reduced income. The budget gap faced by the council is a result of funding being insufficient to cover the increasing cost of delivering services due to factors such as population growth and indexation.
37466	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	to an extent.	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The Scottish Government allows councils to increase council tax by a maximum of 3% annually. Officers have included a 3% annual increase in the council's budget model for the five years 2018/19 to 2022/23. As the council's forecast budget position assumes an annual increase of 3%, additional savings would need to be identified to cover reduced income for any increase less than 3%.
37467	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	The cuts that are being proposed in this paper may have been less if the Council Tax had been increased effectively over the past 10 years or more.	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax.
37468	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes, I think it needs to be increased	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax.
37469	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	No, I don't think it should be increased but if it must it should only be by a tiny percentage.	CT1	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. As the council's forecast budget position assumes an annual increase of 3% based on officer assumptions, additional savings would need to be identified to cover reduced income.
37470	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	I appreciate it is a difficult decision. No one wants to pay more. I support what the council decides.	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax.
37471	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	I'd rather not pay more of course however recognise that increases are required. Having already had an increase this year, this reads that you propose a 3% increase each year for the next 5 years? This is excessive.	CT1	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Scottish Government allows councils to increase council tax by a maximum of 3% annually. Officers have included a 3% annual increase in the council's budget model for the five years 2018/19 to 2022/23. As the council's forecast budget position assumes an annual increase of 3%, additional savings would need to be identified to cover reduced income for any increase less than 3%.
37472	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	A 3% rise would be fair enough if wages also increased by that amount but the reality for many residents in West Lothian who work for public services ie the NHS is that there has been a pay cap freeze for many years in real terms our Council Tax is increasing.	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Council pay awards are agreed nationally as part of the collective pay agreement. Council tax in West Lothian has been frozen for ten years providing a significant benefit to council tax payers.
37473	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Council tax should rise for ALL bands to ensure we keep our council employees and facilities. It is grossly unfair that the SNP is making higher rate bands pay more for schools!	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax. Council tax levels for houses in bands E to H were increased in 2017/18 due to the implementation of the Scottish Government's changes to council tax bandings.
37474	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Not against it. But only a complete fool wouldn't want to wring meaning improvements in the cost of and delivery of statutory services. It's not really about money. It's about your effectiveness. Are you able to propose a steeper increase in council taxes.	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The proposed 3% increase in council tax would contribute to the overall resources of the council available to fund service delivery. As the council will have less overall resources, the number of services delivered will have to reduce with services being reviewed based on the impact they have on priorities. It is proposed that future spending will be aligned to the priorities in the Transforming Your Council consultation document.
37475	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Across the board increase and not just the higher bands, this is a charge for central services for all!	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax. The current council tax legislation means that any proposed percentage increase needs to be applied across all bands.
37476	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes, agree. The council should have increased council tax last year.	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax.

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37477	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Reduce C Tax for under £12,000 income even if increasing by 3%	CT1	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	The current council tax legislation means that any proposed percentage increase needs to be applied across all bands. Council tax reform can only be reviewed at a national level with corresponding changes in council tax legislation. Individuals on low incomes are able to apply for a number of council tax discounts and reductions.
37478	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes to annual increase of at least 3%	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax.
37479	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Everyone in employment should pay a share of council tax. It is totally unfair that a house occupied by one person or a couple - especially old people - should pay for households with 4 or more adults living in it. Pensioners would move to small houses - but where are they!!	CT1	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	Council tax reform can only be reviewed at a national level with corresponding changes in council tax legislation.
37480	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	I feel that all council tax bands should be increased not just the higher bands. It is already proportionate so why does it need to be done more. The affect would be minimal for those most in need due to the benefit system and safeguards currently in place. We should be charging for certain services. Other areas have done this for years so would not come as a shock and a good way to generate income.	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The current council tax legislation means that any proposed percentage increase needs to be applied across all bands. The scope for charging will be considered, taking account current charges, the position in other local authorities and the impact of charges on vulnerable people and the availability of concessions.
37481	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	yes although I think it would be across all bands. Already proportionate.	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax. The current council tax legislation means that any proposed percentage increase needs to be applied across all bands.
37482	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Working people are feeling the pinch too. The council should increase by 3% a year but no more. Property owners in band E-H don't necessarily have more income than lower band houses. They may just have a bigger mortgage/bills.	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax. The current council tax legislation means that any proposed percentage increase needs to be applied across all bands.
37483	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	I don't mind 3% increase as long as the money gets spent on public.	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax.
37484	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Any increases should be linked to inflation.	CT1	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Scottish Government allows councils to increase council tax by a maximum of 3% annually. Officers have included a 3% annual increase in the council's budget model for the five years 2018/19 to 2022/23. As the council's forecast budget position assumes an annual increase of 3%, additional savings would need to be identified to cover reduced income for any increase less than 3%.
37485	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	I don't believe a 3% increase is justified when our incomes are generally only increased by 1%. Any proposed increase should be in line with inflation.	CT1	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Scottish Government allows councils to increase council tax by a maximum of 3% annually. Officers have included a 3% annual increase in the council's budget model for the five years 2018/19 to 2022/23. As the council's forecast budget position assumes an annual increase of 3%, additional savings would need to be identified to cover reduced income for any increase less than 3%.
37486	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	It is a hard but necessary pill to swallow.	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax.
37487	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	yes. Go beyond 3% pa - a bit of progressive property-based taxation never hurt anyone other than those who can afford more.	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax. Council tax reform can only be reviewed at a national level with corresponding changes in council tax legislation.
37488	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	The Scottish Government was wrong to impose a restriction on council tax increases. A modest 1% year on year would have been much more preferable rather than 15% over 5 years. Those least able to pay should continue to be protected but this will squeeze some on the cusp of financial difficulties. If the 3% is used, it should be reviewed year on year taking into account other savings.	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The Scottish Government allows councils to increase council tax by a maximum of 3% annually. Officers have included a 3% annual increase in the council's budget model for the five years 2018/19 to 2022/23. As the council's forecast budget position assumes an annual increase of 3%, additional savings would need to be identified to cover reduced income for any increase less than 3%.

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37489	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	The infrastructure needs looked at. Once we were proud to walk around. The cut backs to roads and NETS is unnecessary. If it means increasing the council tax then so be it. Lack of investment now means we will all suffer later in life.	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax. All services will be reviewed based on the impact they have on priorities. It is proposed that future spending will be aligned to the priorities in the Transforming Your Council consultation document.
37490	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	My council tax increased this last year! My salary has not increased to pay for the increase in my council tax. Just because you live in a band E-H house doesn't mean you have spare money to pay for a 3% increase. A smaller percentage across all bands would have been fairer. As it is I am now paying the equivalent of an extra month of tax.	CT1	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	Council tax levels for houses in bands E to H were increased in 2017/18 due to the implementation of the Scottish Government's changes to council tax bandings.
37491	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Ok. It wouldn't worry me if public sector workers got a pay increase.	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax.
37492	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	If it is spent wisely	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax.
37493	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	I agree with increasing the council tax.	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax.
37494	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes, I would be willing to pay more Council tax in order to protect services. I have not commented on many of the proposals as they all have merit. However, I strongly believe that caring for our young people, the vulnerable and elderly must be prioritised. As a family our budget is already very tight but we would pay more Council tax. Perhaps even 4 or 5%? What impact would that have on cuts?	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax. Currently the Scottish Government only allows councils to increase council tax by a maximum of 3% annually. The council will consider your suggestion however it would have to be raised with the Scottish Government.
37495	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	I agree with an increase in council tax as long as it is kept at 3% for year 2018/19 and 2022/23	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax.
37496	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Nobody wants to pay more council tax- however due to not having a minimal charge for many years we are now in a position where we are not used to increases. A small increase would go a long way in helping this situation we are in.	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax.
37497	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Not body wants to pay more but if it will be used to support our children and elderly then it's a good idea.	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax.
37498	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes. The Council Tax freeze has gone on for too long and has deprived local government of much-needed funding for too long, ultimately leading to situations such as the one WLC finds itself in.	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax.
37499	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	I accept a 3% increase in Council Tax in each of the 5 years 2018/19 to 2022/23. For an average band D property this works out at an increase of £3.38 per month less than the cost of 2 Lattes.	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax.
37500	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	I was surprised how expensive Council Tax is in WL when I moved here but I nonetheless support slight increases. I do think the whole Council Tax system is overdue a change and also think that soaking the rich to raise funds is not very sensible either (I don't love in the higher band property zone)	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax. Council tax reform can only be reviewed at a national level with corresponding changes in council tax legislation.
37501	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	I agree there has to be an increase. I did not agree with the freeze we have had in the first place. Now we are going to have to pay heavily rather than increasing it gradually. Another unsustainable government policy!	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax.
37502	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Some, but I don't think education should be cut back	CT1	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Scottish Government allows councils to increase council tax by a maximum of 3% annually. Officers have included a 3% annual increase in the council's budget model for the five years 2018/19 to 2022/23. As the council's forecast budget position assumes an annual increase of 3%, additional savings would need to be identified to cover reduced income for any increase less than 3%.
37503	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Would suggest you collect your outstanding arrears first	CT1	4. The council is already doing this.	The council actively pursues all debt, including council tax, community charge, rent and commercial debtors arrears. The council will investigate other ways to improve debt collections including strengthening corporate debt management activity.
37504	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	If council tax remains means tested then that would be fair enough but while things are so tight those who warn more could pay more	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Council tax reform can only be reviewed at a national level with corresponding changes in council tax legislation. Individuals on low incomes are able to apply for a number of council tax discounts and reductions.

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37505	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	I think the council should increase council tax to the maximum allowed, and make representation to the Scottish Government to allow for further increases.	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax. Currently the Scottish Government only allows councils to increase council tax by a maximum of 3% annually. The council will consider your suggestion however it would have to be raised with the Scottish Government.
37506	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	No. I will not be able to afford these increases, especially with the lack of salary increase and potential increase in income tax.	CT1	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. As the council's forecast budget position assumes an annual increase of 3% based on officer assumptions, additional savings would need to be identified to cover reduced income.
37507	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	You should not raise council tax on poorer people or if people have not had a wage rise above the 3%.	CT1	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. As the council's forecast budget position assumes an annual increase of 3% based on officer assumptions, additional savings would need to be identified to cover reduced income.
37508	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Council tax, which is really property tax, is wrong. There should be a form of income tax. As a pensioner my income will not increase by 3% every year.	CT1	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	Council tax reform can only be reviewed at a national level with corresponding changes in council tax legislation.
37509	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	It doesn't apply to me	CT1	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
37510	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Don't support the 3% my wages have not risen in 8 years!	CT1	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. As the council's forecast budget position assumes an annual increase of 3% based on officer assumptions, additional savings would need to be identified to cover reduced income.
37511	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Do not oppose an increase in council tax if council guarantee no cuts in uplifts for garden waste, domestic, etc	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The proposed 3% increase in council tax would contribute to the overall resources of the council available to fund service delivery. As the £73 million assumes a council tax increase of 3%, a greater increase would be required to replace some of proposed reductions.
37512	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Increase council tax by 3%. 9 years with no increase was a bonus.	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax.
37513	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes the council tax can not be frozen any longer. We have to pay for public services and 3% is a fair amount to ask the public to pay. All my family and friends agree.	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax.
37514	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	I support an increase in the Council Tax, I would prefer to pay more rather than lose services. I support any savings that do not reduce the service. Reducing service does not reduce demand.	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax.
37515	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	In my opinion tax is a fraud and NO man of this earth should have to pay tax!! But that's just one's opinion.	CT1	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	Council tax reform can only be reviewed at a national level with corresponding changes in council tax legislation.
37516	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	I totally agree with council tax increase	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax.
37517	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes to tax 3%	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax.
37518	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes this is question I can answer - yes in agreement to an increase	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax.

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37519	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Sounds like a good idea BUT can you please collect all the money which is owned by council tenants?	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax. The council actively pursues all debt, including council tax, community charge, rent and commercial debtors arrears. The council will investigate other ways to improve debt collections including strengthening corporate debt management activity.
37520	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	3% PA is a huge amount. Ok as a one off but not every year. It is impossible to predict job security etc. in 5/10 years time so not right to commit everyone to such expenditure.	CT1	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Scottish Government allows councils to increase council tax by a maximum of 3% annually. Officers have included a 3% annual increase in the council's budget model for the five years 2018/19 to 2022/23. As the council's forecast budget position assumes an annual increase of 3%, additional savings would need to be identified to cover reduced income for any increase less than 3%.
37521	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	please please please INCREASE the Council Tax. We are HAPPY to pay more to retain / maintain / increase services provided by the Council. The Scottish Government's continued refusal to is nothing short of a disgrace which whilst it may win them votes in the short term is going to have long term negative effects on communities	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax.
37522	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	If everyone put up their prices to cover costs then the vicious circle of increased wage demands kick in give with one hand and take away with the other, politics at its best.	CT1	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. As the council's forecast budget position assumes an annual increase of 3% based on officer assumptions, additional savings would need to be identified to cover reduced income.
37523	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes, should be doing this yearly rather than waiting until its far too costly for people	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax.
37524	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	I agree as I don't pay a penny as I am on benefits but feel slightly guilty for those that have to pay this. The banding seems very unfair as those of the normal working class are paying a lot compared to those who can afford much larger houses and probably don't pay for many council services as they pay contactors to maintain their local areas.	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax. Council tax reform can only be reviewed at a national level with corresponding changes in council tax legislation.
37525	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	I fully support changes to Council Tax in light of the severity of Scottish Government cuts to local government funding. A 3% increase to council tax is only a 65 pence a week increase to an average Band D household each year.	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax.
37526	No Response	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	None of this would be necessary if council tax had been increased instead of allowing the SCOTTISH Nationalists to freeze it for years. So I say increase the tax and cut nothing.	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax.
37527	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Any increase to council tax should be for all bands	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax. The current council tax legislation means that any proposed percentage increase needs to be applied across all bands.
37528	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	No all of them, some are very short sighted.	CT1	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. As the council's forecast budget position assumes an annual increase of 3% based on officer assumptions, additional savings would need to be identified to cover reduced income.
37529	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	I accept this increase if it means services like music tuition are not affected.	CT1	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposed 3% increase in council tax would contribute to the overall resources of the council available to fund service delivery. As the £73 million assumes a council tax increase of 3%, a greater increase would be required to replace some of proposed reductions.
37530	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes. Council tax has to rise.	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax.
37531	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	As long as people can afford to pay it. My wages hadn't risen for 5 years and now only by 1%. I pay the same amount as my neighbour who has a bigger house, there are 6 of them and only 2 of us. Often feels really unfair!	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax. Council tax reform can only be reviewed at a national level with corresponding changes in council tax legislation. Individuals on low incomes are able to apply for a number of council tax discounts and reductions.

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37532	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	I believe that people who are able should pay more. For many people, they are already paying as much as they possibly can and any increase will push them into poverty. The whole system should be reviewed and should be means tested, rather than based on outdated property values.	CT1	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	Council tax reform can only be reviewed at a national level with corresponding changes in council tax legislation.
37533	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes definitely. The Council tax should never have been frozen in the first place.	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax.
37534	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Not at all. You need to review the bands for older houses. What are we paying more for? Nothing.	CT1	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. As the council's forecast budget position assumes an annual increase of 3% based on officer assumptions, additional savings would need to be identified to cover reduced income. The current council tax legislation means that any proposed percentage increase needs to be applied across all bands.
37535	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	No Salaries aren't going up by 3% Can the council make more effort to collect arrears of Council Tax which I am sure there must be People are hard pressed for finances and with all the cutbacks and extra charges proposed it is going to amount to more than a 3% difference economically Chase up rent arrears and back Council tax to help balance the books	CT1	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. As the council's forecast budget position assumes an annual increase of 3% based on officer assumptions, additional savings would need to be identified to cover reduced income. The council actively pursues all debt, including council tax, community charge, rent and commercial debtors arrears. House rent income can only be used to provide council houses and cannot be used for non housing services.
37536	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	I am in band E and already paid an increase. I never supported the council tax freeze and there wouldn't be as much of an issue now if it had never been frozen. Fully agree that all bands should pay more	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax.
37537	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes BUT the council needs to evidence that the additional monies is going to the funded local services that would have been cut otherwise.	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The proposed 3% increase in council tax would contribute to the overall resources of the council available to fund service delivery. As the £73 million assumes a council tax increase of 3%, a greater increase would be required to replace some of proposed reductions.
37538	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes this is a must and will not affect those who do not pay anything Only the water and sewerage charge	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax.
37539	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	We expect prices to go up, but predefining that at 3% pa doesn't work for me. As stated earlier, my council tax bill is £10 per day (including water, so £2763 pa - £7.57 per day). Still, it is a lot of money.	CT1	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Scottish Government allows councils to increase council tax by a maximum of 3% annually. Officers have included a 3% annual increase in the council's budget model for the five years 2018/19 to 2022/23. As the council's forecast budget position assumes an annual increase of 3%, additional savings would need to be identified to cover reduced income for any increase less than 3%.
37540	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	No, I feel this would impact our income considerably. With recent interest rate rises, cost of living and fuel cost this could put families into debt.	CT1	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. As the council's forecast budget position assumes an annual increase of 3% based on officer assumptions, additional savings would need to be identified to cover reduced income.
37541	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	The council tax should be increased each year across all bands. Those on really low incomes receive help by way of Council Tax Reduction & the majority of residents must realise that the services they require & expect have to be paid for.	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax.
37542	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes and I would support a larger increase in council tax. I believe that those of us who earn the most should pay the most so those on the top bands should pay more. In line with this banding data should be updated to reflect the true value of people's homes. For instance, my banding is much lower than it should be as my house has been extended since it was last classified. (7, Redhouse Cottages, Threemiletown)	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The current council tax legislation means that any proposed percentage increase needs to be applied across all bands. Council tax bands and the valuations for them are set nationally by the Scottish Government. The council does not have the power to change banding values.

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37543	No Response	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	I would rather see a slight increase in our taxes / rates !	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Currently the Scottish Government only allows councils to increase council tax by a maximum of 3% annually. The council will consider your suggestion however it would have to be raised with the Scottish Government.
37544	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Put up the council tax and provide the necessary services required. Politicians have played politics too long. This is a country wide problem, other authorities have the same issues, how will cutting staff solve this.	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax.
37545	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Absolutely not. Our council tax went up by around £400 this year alone. That is not affordable or sustainable to have those levels of rises. paying the Council £300 per month is ridiculous - and now the suggestion seems to be we get charged even more for even less. We simply cannot afford to pay more.	CT1	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. As the council's forecast budget position assumes an annual increase of 3% based on officer assumptions, additional savings would need to be identified to cover reduced income. Council tax levels for houses in bands E to H were increased in 2017/18 due to the implementation of the Scottish Government's changes to council tax bandings.
37546	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	No. I can't afford increases my salary has dropped after being made redundant. . This worries me so much. I am in the higher group - why just review the higher band ? That is discriminatory? . I can't sell cause I can't afford the move/lawyers fees/stamp duty. I am stuck here in the middle. Please don't increase the high end but the percentages suggested.	CT1	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. As the council's forecast budget position assumes an annual increase of 3% based on officer assumptions, additional savings would need to be identified to cover reduced income. The current council tax legislation means that any proposed percentage increase needs to be applied across all bands.
37547	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	I can't contribute any more in tax or NI than I am- I have worked my entire life- as an individual I can't take on board any more demands from my money . I disagreed strongly with national government policies- free childcare for under fives and so many fit young people who don't work and don't want to work.	CT1	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Income tax and national insurance are contributions collected and distributed by the UK and Scottish governments. The council must implement national priorities and initiatives as part of its funding settlement from the Scottish Government.
37548	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Salaries are stagnant and so large increases that our out of sync should be avoided. Better use and management of the existing tax pot would be a better approach.	CT1	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. As the council's forecast budget position assumes an annual increase of 3% based on officer assumptions, additional savings would need to be identified to cover reduced income.
37549	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	No I am a single parent that has to do 2 jobs to get buy the cost of living is going up and my wages are not. I'm struggle to survive.	CT1	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. As the council's forecast budget position assumes an annual increase of 3% based on officer assumptions, additional savings would need to be identified to cover reduced income. Individuals on low incomes are able to apply for a number of council tax discounts and reductions.
37550	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Partially - for an increase in cost, there also has to be an increase in service levels, even after taking into account, cost reductions.	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The proposed 3% increase in council tax would contribute to the overall resources of the council available to fund service delivery. As the council will have less overall resources, the number of services delivered will have to reduce with services being reviewed based on the impact they have on priorities. It is proposed that future spending will be aligned to the priorities in the Transforming Your Council consultation document.
37551	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes, happy to pay a bit more council tax if it means retaining our services	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax.
37552	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	I support an annual increase but not as much as that in first year.	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The Scottish Government allows councils to increase council tax by a maximum of 3% annually. Officers have included a 3% annual increase in the council's budget model for the five years 2018/19 to 2022/23. As the council's forecast budget position assumes an annual increase of 3%, additional savings would need to be identified to cover reduced income for any increase less than 3%.

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37553	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	I agree if this means the services required for disabled & older people remain open	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The proposed 3% increase in council tax would contribute to the overall resources of the council available to fund service delivery. As the £73 million assumes a council tax increase of 3%, a greater increase would be required to replace some of proposed reductions.
37554	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	I'd like to understand creative options and consequences of 1. Much higher council tax targets 2. Current proposal 3. £0 council tax target (as per Aylesbury Vale)	CT1	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
37555	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	The council tax is paid to fund other parts of the services. I would hope that the increase of council tax not only increases revenue but does not impact on the services delivered through the accumulation of the council tax funding.	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The proposed 3% increase in council tax would contribute to the overall resources of the council available to fund service delivery. As the council will have less overall resources, the number of services delivered will have to reduce with services being reviewed based on the impact they have on priorities. It is proposed that future spending will be aligned to the priorities in the Transforming Your Council consultation document.
37556	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes, as long as reductions are possible for people in need.	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax. Individuals on low incomes are able to apply for a number of council tax discounts and reductions.
37557	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	If raising the council tax will provide some protection to services then I would support this decision as long as it is applied to all properties as I have already had an increase based on the council tax band I am in.	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax.
37558	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	3% is too much, especially when there is so much waste in manpower clearly evident. I would accept 1%, perhaps 2%. But the latter would be conditional on me not continuing to observe such wastage such as waste in manpower that I frequently am observing. See 1.a	CT1	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Scottish Government allows councils to increase council tax by a maximum of 3% annually. Officers have included a 3% annual increase in the council's budget model for the five years 2018/19 to 2022/23. As the council's forecast budget position assumes an annual increase of 3%, additional savings would need to be identified to cover reduced income for any increase less than 3%.
37559	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes I do but staffing may need to be look at in Revenues as collection may be more difficult under current climate.	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council actively pursues all debt, including council tax, community charge, rent and commercial debtors arrears. The council will investigate other ways to improve debt collections including strengthening corporate debt management activity.
37560	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	I would agree to a 3% increase but not every year! This is way too much for families.	CT1	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Scottish Government allows councils to increase council tax by a maximum of 3% annually. Officers have included a 3% annual increase in the council's budget model for the five years 2018/19 to 2022/23. As the council's forecast budget position assumes an annual increase of 3%, additional savings would need to be identified to cover reduced income for any increase less than 3%.
37561	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Reducing services to the public but increasing the Council Tax by 3% i dont think people will be happy with this, the council tax should have been increased by 1% over a number of years. When Council salary is only increased by 1% each year, but council tax is increased at 3% working staff will be in poverty.	CT1	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposed 3% increase in council tax would contribute to the overall resources of the council available to fund service delivery. As the council will have less overall resources, the number of services delivered will have to reduce with services being reviewed based on the impact they have on priorities. It is proposed that future spending will be aligned to the priorities in the Transforming Your Council consultation document. Previously the council was not allowed to increase council tax as instructed by the Scottish Government.
37562	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	should have been increased by a smaller figure years ago	CT1	5b. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it is likely that the costs of this proposal would outweigh the benefit.	Councils were prohibited from increasing council tax until 2017/18 due to the conditions attached to local government funding. The Scottish Government would have reduced any individual council's overall grant funding if they increased council tax.

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37563	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	If changes are made will it be done on the basis that some people can afford to pay more whilst lower income people. elderly and families, will be given consideration.	CT1	4. The council is already doing this.	The current council tax legislation means that any proposed percentage increase needs to be applied across all bands however individuals on low incomes are able to apply for a number of council tax discounts and reductions.
37564	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	I think it is very important to raise taxes. Especially for people in the upper tier. We cannot expect everything to be perfect if we do not accept that tax needs to increase.	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax. The current council tax legislation means that any proposed percentage increase needs to be applied across all bands.
37565	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	I don't agree with this as there are low income earners who cannot afford c.f. as it is so it's unfair to increase and cause financial difficulties for them. Fell on at thus	CT1	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. As the council's forecast budget position assumes an annual increase of 3% based on officer assumptions, additional savings would need to be identified to cover reduced income.
37566	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	NO - salaries are not increasing and a 15% increase over 5 years would put many families in extreme financial hardship.	CT1	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. As the council's forecast budget position assumes an annual increase of 3% based on officer assumptions, additional savings would need to be identified to cover reduced income.
37567	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	The SNP government have done all councils and individuals a grave disservice by not increasing the council tax for 9 years. A modest increase of 1% over these years would have meant this rapid increase of the coming years could have been avoided. Short term thinking for short term gains. The council should guard against basing its spending on attaining the maximum increase each year and concentrate on building a surplus for future	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax.
37568	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	I disagree with the principle of Council Tax and would prefer to see charges linked to usage e.g. a family of 4 will attract a higher tax than a single occupy regardless of size of property.	CT1	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	Council tax reform can only be reviewed at a national level with corresponding changes in council tax legislation.
37569	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Try to keep to inflation. Hopefully Government Grant will increase if the rate of Scottish income tax increases.	CT1	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Scottish Government allows councils to increase council tax by a maximum of 3% annually. Officers have included a 3% annual increase in the council's budget model for the five years 2018/19 to 2022/23. As the council's forecast budget position assumes an annual increase of 3%, additional savings would need to be identified to cover reduced income for any increase less than 3%.
37570	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes, I agree to an increase to ALL bands - it is very unfair if only the higher bands are effected. This tax should have risen years ago and then WLC might not be in this state now.	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax. The current council tax legislation means that any proposed percentage increase needs to be applied across all bands.
37571	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	yes and no since we heading for brixit but if it had to be done so be it.	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax.
37572	No Response	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	I refer to West Lothian Council's budget consultation regarding budget proposals for services in the future. Firstly I would be happy to increase the amount of council tax I pay. I know that there are families who would find this difficult but would hope that there would be reductions in place for the less well off. I believe that those people who can afford an increase should support the less well off. I have lived in the same house for 47 years and the tax band has never changed although many houses have had extensions etc. added and other improvements made. Many ratings could be raised to reflect this.	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax. Council tax bands and the valuations for them are set nationally by the Scottish Government. The council does not have the power to change banding values.
37573	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	3% is the maximum you should be allowed to increase.	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax.
37574	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes the council tax needs to be increased all the other local authorities have done this to maximise income.	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax.
37575	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes but 3% is a significant increase.	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax.

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37576	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Agree to tax rise but only if all efficiencies are implemented and reported to residents.	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax.
37577	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	yes support a rise as long as the councillors then don't throw out the idea	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax.
37578	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	If this does go ahead I think residents may struggle to pay the increases each year. Council tax eats into a large chunk of people's salaries as it is and with services being consolidated or removed people may wonder what they are paying for.	CT1	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. As the council's forecast budget position assumes an annual increase of 3% based on officer assumptions, additional savings would need to be identified to cover reduced income.
37579	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	No it should not be raised.	CT1	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. As the council's forecast budget position assumes an annual increase of 3% based on officer assumptions, additional savings would need to be identified to cover reduced income.
37580	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	yes. to make sure there are no more additional cuts to services	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax.
37581	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	For Domestic Homes agree to increased Council Tax. However our Commercial property had an effective 70% increase in Council Tax in April 2017 - which is ludicrous. Increase is being appealed, but I can only see more VAP shops being able to afford these eye watering tax increases!	CT1	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	Non domestic rates for commercial properties are set nationally by the Scottish Government.
37582	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	yes - could increase it by 5%	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Currently the Scottish Government only allows councils to increase council tax by a maximum of 3% annually. The council will consider your suggestion however it would have to be raised with the Scottish Government.
37583	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	I support the 3% rise	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax.
37584	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes I would rather the Council Tax was increased rather than people losing jobs and also allowing the services to be continued to the standard people are used to. I'm sure lots of people will complain about an increase but they would also complain if services were lost or reduced.	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax.
37585	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	No I don't I had an increase in my Council Tax this year and why should I pay more than other householders who get the same service as me. Plus I pay factoring fees for my street with regards to common ground areas a long with the fact the woods surrounding the street have been dumped back on us residents. As the Woodland Trust have denied that they were responsible for this area, when clearly they had in the past	CT1	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. As the council's forecast budget position assumes an annual increase of 3% based on officer assumptions, additional savings would need to be identified to cover reduced income. Council tax levels for houses in bands E to H were increased in 2017/18 due to the implementation of the Scottish Government's changes to council tax bandings. Council tax pays for many more services across West Lothian than factor fees for specific estates.
37586	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	3% is to high an increase in one go	CT1	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. As the council's forecast budget position assumes an annual increase of 3% based on officer assumptions, additional savings would need to be identified to cover reduced income.
37587	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	No ! % each year would be a better option in my mind	CT1	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. As the council's forecast budget position assumes an annual increase of 3% based on officer assumptions, additional savings would need to be identified to cover reduced income.
37588	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	I disagree with the changes planned for this as I feel that it hasn't been considered that some people won't be able to afford and manage the increased tax and that many may struggle to support their selves and their family.	CT1	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. As the council's forecast budget position assumes an annual increase of 3% based on officer assumptions, additional savings would need to be identified to cover reduced income. Individuals on low incomes are able to apply for a number of council tax discounts and reductions.

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37589	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	100% There should never have been a freeze !!	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax.
37590	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	I agree there should be an increase in council tax and 3% seems ok. Saying that with low or no pay rises it is another cost that will eat into my finances.	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax.
37591	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	As a resident I would be extremely unhappy at being hit with a 3% increase in Council Tax given that I have already had to absorb an increase this year. My husband also works away from home for substantial periods but as this is his sole or main residence we don't qualify for any discount. My parents are both in their 80s, still paying full Council Tax, having worked and paid their way all their lives, they aren't well off but I think they'd certainly start to feel the pinch with the increase. Pretty disgusting! As an employee I think that the Council needs to strongly remind people that Council Tax is in fact a tax and not a choice and target the can pay won't pay. Perhaps they need to consider the same practises as in England & Wales and seize goods etc for non-payment.	CT1	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. As the council's forecast budget position assumes an annual increase of 3% based on officer assumptions, additional savings would need to be identified to cover reduced income. The council actively pursues all debt, including council tax, community charge, rent and commercial debtors arrears. The council will investigate other ways to improve debt collections including strengthening corporate debt management activity.
37592	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes, providing councillors demonstrate political leadership by campaigning to secure the funding our local services need.	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax. The council regularly emphasises to the Scottish Government the need for a fair settlement for local government as well as working with COSLA (the body that collectively represents local government in Scotland) to emphasise this point.
37593	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	I agree that the council tax should be increased by the proposed 3%. A strategy needs to be in place to ensure that all residents who are entitled to Council Tax Reduction claim or there will be an increase in arrears with the rise.	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax.
37594	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	I would agree the rise if additional charges were not put in place for refuse, otherwise it's a double increase.	CT1	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposed 3% increase in council tax would contribute to the overall resources of the council available to fund service delivery. As the £73 million assumes a council tax increase of 3%, a greater increase would be required to replace some of proposed reductions.
37595	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	No. Council tax is ridiculously high already, especially compared to england.	CT1	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. As the council's forecast budget position assumes an annual increase of 3% based on officer assumptions, additional savings would need to be identified to cover reduced income.
37596	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	I agree that services need to be paid for, and council tax should rise by 3% but only if council employees pay rises by 3% as well. There is an enormous amount of house building in West Lothian so is the extra council tax generated from these new houses taken into account when the figure of £3% was calculated?	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax. Council pay awards are agreed nationally as part of the collective pay agreement.
37597	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Fully support the proposed increase of 3% in CT per year. Would rather see increases of 5% pa than many of the proposed council spending cuts proposed in this document. Please lobby Scottish Government for local power to impose greater increases on properties in bands F-H.	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Currently the Scottish Government only allows councils to increase council tax by a maximum of 3% annually. The council will consider your suggestion however it would have to be raised with the Scottish Government. The current council tax legislation means that any proposed percentage increase needs to be applied across all bands.
37598	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Only makes up 19%? Wow. No, I don't support. The focus here needs to change from cuts to income generation.	CT1	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. As the council's forecast budget position assumes an annual increase of 3% based on officer assumptions, additional savings would need to be identified to cover reduced income.
37599	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Support 3% on ALL bands. Not sure of any increase over 3%. Agree with targeting priorities.	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax. The current council tax legislation means that any proposed percentage increase needs to be applied across all bands.

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37600	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	No Really need to thing about the proposed Council Tax and rent increases as the Council currently run with over 1 million pound in unpaid rents. If the 3% increase goes ahead along with the introduction of universal credit the deficit will surely just spiral out of control?	CT1	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council actively pursues all debt, including council tax, community charge, rent and commercial debtors arrears. The council will investigate other ways to improve debt collections including strengthening corporate debt management activity.
37601	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	So by 2022-23 council tax will have increased by 15% from what people currently pay. The % amount should differ on the area the property is in. The lower bands should stay as they are. Or increase a very small % amount and the higher current bands should therefore be increased more.	CT1	5a. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because the council is required by law to deliver this work.	The current council tax legislation means that any proposed percentage increase needs to be applied across all bands. Changes cannot be made to council tax liability based on the area in which a house is located.
37602	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes - The labour Council should have put it up this spring	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax.
37603	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	It is unfair to target households in the E-H council tax brackets on the assumption since the house is worth more they can afford it. Householders in these households do not use council services any more than those in lower brackets in fact more likely less!	CT1	5a. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because the council is required by law to deliver this work.	Council tax levels for houses in bands E to H were increased in 2017/18 due to the implementation of the Scottish Government's changes to council tax bandings which the council was legally obliged to implement.
37604	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes, I'd rather keep our services and pay more for them, but realise many people may not be able to.	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax.
37605	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	If the council will be able to reduce the amount of cuts being suggested then yes I would support the changes to Council Tax.	CT1	5b. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it is likely that the costs of this proposal would outweigh the benefit.	The proposed 3% increase in council tax would contribute to the overall resources of the council available to fund service delivery. As the £73 million assumes a council tax increase of 3%, a greater increase would be required to replace some of proposed reductions.
37606	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	No I do not support the increase as I find it unacceptable that you plan to reduce the services provided but increase the amount you want us to pay.	CT1	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. As the council's forecast budget position assumes an annual increase of 3% based on officer assumptions, additional savings would need to be identified to cover reduced income.
37607	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes, I fully support the Council's planned changes to increase the Council Tax by 3%.	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax.
37608	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Council services must be sustainable and offer residents good value for money. Every penny must be checked and balanced. I support an increase in council tax only if our services and value for money offered by council run services will not be reduced and council efficiency is increased.	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The proposed 3% increase in council tax would contribute to the overall resources of the council available to fund service delivery. As the council will have less overall resources, the number of services delivered will have to reduce with services being reviewed based on the impact they have on priorities. It is proposed that future spending will be aligned to the priorities in the Transforming Your Council consultation document.
37609	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Paying more for less - no I don't support this increase	CT1	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. As the council's forecast budget position assumes an annual increase of 3% based on officer assumptions, additional savings would need to be identified to cover reduced income.
37610	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	No I do not support the increase as I find it unacceptable that you plan to reduce the services provided but increase the amount you want us to pay.	CT1	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposed 3% increase in council tax would contribute to the overall resources of the council available to fund service delivery. As the council will have less overall resources, the number of services delivered will have to reduce with services being reviewed based on the impact they have on priorities. It is proposed that future spending will be aligned to the priorities in the Transforming Your Council consultation document.
37611	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes. However increased council tax may impact on the amount that is collected and this needs to be considered.	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax. The council actively pursues all debt, including council tax, community charge, rent and commercial debtors arrears. The council will investigate other ways to improve debt collections including strengthening corporate debt management activity.

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37612	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	No I do not support this	CT1	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. As the council's forecast budget position assumes an annual increase of 3% based on officer assumptions, additional savings would need to be identified to cover reduced income.
37613	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes. It means important services can be kept	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax.
37614	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	No. The entire council tax system is based on house values from many years ago. This information is outdated and inaccurate. To justify such an increase the system needs to be overhauled to ensure that households are paying the correct council tax.	CT1	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. As the council's forecast budget position assumes an annual increase of 3% based on officer assumptions, additional savings would need to be identified to cover reduced income. Council tax reform can only be reviewed at a national level with corresponding changes in council tax legislation.
37615	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	No I do NOT support this! This is a typical approach of a council which does not understand how people pay for their properties! Just because they live in a more expensive or bigger house, does not mean they have more disposable income or require more use of public services! They are usually home owners who have worked they ass off to earn a decent standard of living, saved hard, work hard, and are already barely making ends meet in terms of bills, and are under huge pressure at work just to keep their job. Taxing them further will increase the strain and the reality is that those who are working hard are paying for all the services enjoyed by the unemployed who contribute absolutely nothing. This attitude cannot continue - those who generate income will eventually vote with their feet and take their earnings somewhere where they are not penalised for contributing to their community.	CT1	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. As the council's forecast budget position assumes an annual increase of 3% based on officer assumptions, additional savings would need to be identified to cover reduced income.
37616	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	I agree that this should be shared across all bands, not just those in higher band levels.	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax. The current council tax legislation means that any proposed percentage increase needs to be applied across all bands.
37617	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes if it is invested to provide better education experience for children and maintain instrumental tuition.	CT1	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposed 3% increase in council tax would contribute to the overall resources of the council available to fund service delivery. As the £73 million assumes a council tax increase of 3%, a greater increase would be required to replace some of proposed reductions.
37618	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Leave it alone - it's bad enough	CT1	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. As the council's forecast budget position assumes an annual increase of 3% based on officer assumptions, additional savings would need to be identified to cover reduced income.
37619	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	I understand the need for it therefore support it as long as important opportunities for young people such as instrumental music provision are not cut.	CT1	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposed 3% increase in council tax would contribute to the overall resources of the council available to fund service delivery. As the £73 million assumes a council tax increase of 3%, a greater increase would be required to replace some of proposed reductions.
37620	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	I do not agree with this. The assumption is that people in bands E-H will be able to afford 3% - this is truly not the case - ESPECIALLY NOT EVERY YEAR!. Some have scrimped and saved to get the best possible home for their families and they will now be punished for this! Why not increase every band by 1% every year rather than those who have worked hard to achieve and continue to work hard to keep their homes. Terrible proposal from yourselves WLC, you should be ashamed.	CT1	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. As the council's forecast budget position assumes an annual increase of 3% based on officer assumptions, additional savings would need to be identified to cover reduced income. Council tax levels for houses in bands E to H were increased in 2017/18 due to the implementation of the Scottish Government's changes to council tax bandings. The current council tax legislation means that any proposed percentage increase needs to be applied across all bands.
37621	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes but only if introduced equally across all Bands. People which are on lower bands can usually seeks assistance with payment	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax. The current council tax legislation means that any proposed percentage increase needs to be applied across all bands.

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37622	An individual	CTI. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes and perhaps it should be increased for higher value homes and businesses	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax. The current council tax legislation means that any proposed percentage increase needs to be applied across all bands.
37623	An individual	CTI. Planned changes to Council Tax	As long as the needs of tenants, etc were still being met.	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The proposed 3% increase in council tax would contribute to the overall resources of the council available to fund service delivery. As the council will have less overall resources, the number of services delivered will have to reduce with services being reviewed based on the impact they have on priorities. It is proposed that future spending will be aligned to the priorities in the Transforming Your Council consultation document.
37624	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTI. Planned changes to Council Tax	yes however if it is only a small percentage of funding why are you looking to penalise those in lower incomes who can least afford the increases	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax. Individuals on low incomes are able to apply for a number of council tax discounts and reductions.
37625	An individual	CTI. Planned changes to Council Tax	I support this if it can be shown that the extra revenue will be used effectively	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax.
37626	An individual	CTI. Planned changes to Council Tax	Why not put all bands up by Â£1 a week. Percentage increase is unfair. Every citizen has access to council facilities therefor every one should pay the same increase. Â£1 is not excessive it is only the cost of a bag of sweets. The ones who don't pay anyway won't be affected.	CT1	5a. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because the council is required by law to deliver this work.	The current council tax legislation means that any proposed percentage increase needs to be applied across all bands. Any increase has to be a percentage rather than a flat rate.
37627	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTI. Planned changes to Council Tax	Don't mind the increase as long as services do not reduce. Why pay more for less...	CT1	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposed 3% increase in council tax would contribute to the overall resources of the council available to fund service delivery. As the council will have less overall resources, the number of services delivered will have to reduce with services being reviewed based on the impact they have on priorities. It is proposed that future spending will be aligned to the priorities in the Transforming Your Council consultation document.
37628	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTI. Planned changes to Council Tax	I think council tax needs to rise - to meet the needs and expenditure of WLC.	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax.
37629	An individual	CTI. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes, provided the money is used to improve Council services.	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax.
37630	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTI. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes - I would prefer to pay more to keep valuable services such as CRCs and country parks.	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The proposed 3% increase in council tax would contribute to the overall resources of the council available to fund service delivery. As the £73 million assumes a council tax increase of 3%, a greater increase would be required to replace some of proposed reductions.
37631	An individual	CTI. Planned changes to Council Tax	No, not at all. I think that this is "The cherry on top of the cake" of these awful changes to our way of life.	CT1	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. As the council's forecast budget position assumes an annual increase of 3% based on officer assumptions, additional savings would need to be identified to cover reduced income.
37632	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTI. Planned changes to Council Tax	yes, this will hopefully ensure that less services would need to be cut.	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The proposed 3% increase in council tax would contribute to the overall resources of the council available to fund service delivery. As the council will have less overall resources, the number of services delivered will have to reduce with services being reviewed based on the impact they have on priorities. It is proposed that future spending will be aligned to the priorities in the Transforming Your Council consultation document.
37633	An individual	CTI. Planned changes to Council Tax	Stop worrying about votes and put up the council tax so that an adequate service can be provided across the board.	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax.
37634	An individual	CTI. Planned changes to Council Tax	Increase it to pay for what is needed	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax.

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37635	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes, it is common in other other local authorities	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax.
37636	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Council Tax needs to be changed such that it is based on one's ability to pay, not on the value of your house.	CT1	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	Council tax reform can only be reviewed at a national level with corresponding changes in council tax legislation.
37637	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	I support addition council tax payments if front line services are maintained.	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The proposed 3% increase in council tax would contribute to the overall resources of the council available to fund service delivery. As the council will have less overall resources, the number of services delivered will have to reduce with services being reviewed based on the impact they have on priorities. It is proposed that future spending will be aligned to the priorities in the Transforming Your Council consultation document.
37638	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes...if it does make the impact you predict	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax.
37639	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes, I would happily pay an extra 3%/year in my council tax to help keep vital services going.	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax.
37640	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	I do support the need for an increase, unpalatable as it may be. We have no choice!	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax.
37641	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	I have no problem with my council tax going up however if my pay is cut and allowances go then it leaves me in a very poor financial situation, along with increased cost of living, I would be in work poverty	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax.
37642	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Such an emotive area. I think this will be the most difficult area. It's not fair to penalise the higher banded properties alone. But suspect those living in lower band house may have real financial hardships. Perhaps any increase should be stepped over the years as a way to make this easier on taxpayers. Accepting we have a higher council tax than that of neighbouring authorities.	CT1	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Scottish Government allows councils to increase council tax by a maximum of 3% annually. Officers have included a 3% annual increase in the council's budget model for the five years 2018/19 to 2022/23. As the council's forecast budget position assumes an annual increase of 3%, additional savings would need to be identified to cover reduced income for any increase less than 3%. The current council tax legislation means that any proposed percentage increase needs to be applied across all bands. Individuals on low incomes are able to apply for a number of council tax discounts and reductions.
37643	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Whilst no one likes their household bills to increase I can see the logic in this increase. If perhaps we had not gone 9 years without even the most minimal rise, then the current deficit would not be so great and the ordinary householder would not be feeling this increase, and proposed annual increase, so deeply.	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax. For the past nine years the Scottish Government restricted councils' ability to raise council tax through the financial settlement. In 2017/18 councillors froze council tax.
37644	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	No you could make small changes to other places and make a 2% increase	CT1	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Scottish Government allows councils to increase council tax by a maximum of 3% annually. Officers have included a 3% annual increase in the council's budget model for the five years 2018/19 to 2022/23. As the council's forecast budget position assumes an annual increase of 3%, additional savings would need to be identified to cover reduced income for any increase less than 3%.
37645	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	I do support an increase in Council tax but do not agree with 3% every year. As a person on a FTC contract with the Council and absolutely no security in future employment, I absolutely do not support an eventual increase of 15% to my council tax bill. Nothing in the Councils proposals has addressed employment in the area which would lead to more people being able to afford the Council Tax (and perhaps having less reliance on Council services).	CT1	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Scottish Government allows councils to increase council tax by a maximum of 3% annually. Officers have included a 3% annual increase in the council's budget model for the five years 2018/19 to 2022/23. As the council's forecast budget position assumes an annual increase of 3%, additional savings would need to be identified to cover reduced income for any increase less than 3%.

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37646	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	as have been hit by the increase in council tax due to higher band already seems like double hit	CT1	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. As the council's forecast budget position assumes an annual increase of 3% based on officer assumptions, additional savings would need to be identified to cover reduced income. Council tax levels for houses in bands E to H were increased in 2017/18 due to the implementation of the Scottish Government's changes to council tax bandings.
37647	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes - provided low income residents continue to be supported with payments. Can a means tested / income related system be implemented?	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax. The current council tax legislation means that any proposed percentage increase needs to be applied across all bands. Individuals on low incomes are able to apply for a number of council tax discounts and reductions.
37648	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	If services are being cut Council Tax should not be increased!	CT1	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposed 3% increase in council tax would contribute to the overall resources of the council available to fund service delivery. As the council will have less overall resources, the number of services delivered will have to reduce with services being reviewed based on the impact they have on priorities. It is proposed that future spending will be aligned to the priorities in the Transforming Your Council consultation document.
37649	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	yes should have been done years ago...	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax.
37650	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Council tax increase is good idea as long as its spent on areas that its meant for.	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax.
37651	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes, I support the planned changes to Council Tax.	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax.
37652	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes . Do people in council housing pay council tax?	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax. All households in West Lothian are liable for council tax.
37653	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	I support 3% increase for the lower bands. I feel this unfair for the higher bands as they have already had theirs increased. So maybe a lower percentage. You may have a larger property but this does not always indicate a large disposable income.	CT1	5a. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because the council is required by law to deliver this work.	The current council tax legislation means that any proposed percentage increase needs to be applied across all bands. Council tax levels for houses in bands E to H were increased in 2017/18 due to the implementation of the Scottish Government's changes to council tax bandings.
37654	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	If increase in council tax protect services and guarantees that increase is more than 3% PA I would be prepared to support this.	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax.
37655	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Further my wages have not risen since 2013 but insurance has by 25%. Electric, gas substantially, food by 10%. So more cuts to help (poor bankers) (poor lawyers) etc. hurts!	CT1	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. As the council's forecast budget position assumes an annual increase of 3% based on officer assumptions, additional savings would need to be identified to cover reduced income.
37656	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes. What a mess the Scottish Government has made in capping it in the first place - just a vote winner, but how did they ever think it would be sustainable whilst maintaining services.	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax.
37657	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	No, there has been a recent increase	CT1	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. As the council's forecast budget position assumes an annual increase of 3% based on officer assumptions, additional savings would need to be identified to cover reduced income. Council tax levels for houses in bands E to H were increased in 2017/18 due to the implementation of the Scottish Government's changes to council tax bandings.

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37658	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes, anything from 3% to 5% Could you agree to a minimum increase per annum of, say, 1% or 1.5% to help keep budget on track. Otherwise we might be back with a funding gap sometime soon. This increase to apply for at least each year for the next five after the increase and then be reviewed.	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The Scottish Government allows councils to increase council tax by a maximum of 3% annually. Officers have included a 3% annual increase in the council's budget model for the five years 2018/19 to 2022/23. As the council's forecast budget position assumes an annual increase of 3%, additional savings would need to be identified to cover reduced income for any increase less than 3%.
37659	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	3% increase each year agreed.	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax.
37660	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	The Scottish Government has made cuts necessary by not allowing Councils to raise more council tax. As 3% will not be sufficient to meet the needs I would be happy to pay more. The demands made by the Scottish Government on Councils but not taking the responsibility for the need for these cuts is very unhelpful and causes suffering for many whose services are to be cut.	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax.
37661	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	To a point. I blame the Scottish government for the need for a 3% year on year. It should have been 1% year on year and ring fenced. I would not want to see more than the current proposal but suggest it is reviewed each year.	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax.
37662	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	No. Against a background of no pay increases for some and, a pay freeze on public sector pay settlements over many years it is difficult to support his measure. Also, there remains too many unknowns for people with regards current and future pay settlements, to support this measure. Given other daily living increases for people, rents etc., along with the potential of an additional taxation via Scottish Governments consultation, the public need to be better informed before making this commitment for the next 5 yrs.	CT1	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. As the council's forecast budget position assumes an annual increase of 3% based on officer assumptions, additional savings would need to be identified to cover reduced income. Council tax in West Lothian has been frozen for ten years providing a significant benefit to council tax payers.
37663	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	I have mixed feelings on this, Yes with reservations increasing council tax has a greater financial impact on the lower paid. Property values require to be re-assessed and councils should be properly funded by Scottish Government if necessarily by an increases and changes to income tax.	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax. Council tax bands and the valuations for them are set nationally by the Scottish Government. The council does not have the power to change banding values. The council regularly emphasises to the Scottish Government the need for a fair settlement for local government as well as working with COSLA (the body that collectively represents local government in Scotland) to emphasise this point.
37664	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	I do not condone more money for less services. I do think that central government should be raising taxes in accordance with need for services for all. It has been a ridiculous state of affairs freezing th council tax for so long. Most would gladly have paid more for better services but to catch up now will take more than the 3% per year suggested. This will break many households but is necessary. I think we need to raise taxes further and ensure facilities are there foe all	CT1	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposed 3% increase in council tax would contribute to the overall resources of the council available to fund service delivery. As the council will have less overall resources, the number of services delivered will have to reduce with services being reviewed based on the impact they have on priorities. It is proposed that future spending will be aligned to the priorities in the Transforming Your Council consultation document.
37665	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	No, I believe 3% is too much. As a council employee who has endured wage freeze and 1% per annum for a long period, which in effect is a reduction in salary, I do not agree with 3% council tax rise. A gradual rise in phases might be more acceptable when salaries are also being increased to reflect cost of living. How can the council justify the use of substantial funding for re-branding/logo for all council services at a time when staff are concerned about their jobs. Surely this funding could have been better used.	CT1	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. As the council's forecast budget position assumes an annual increase of 3% based on officer assumptions, additional savings would need to be identified to cover reduced income. Council tax in West Lothian has been frozen for ten years providing a significant benefit to council tax payers.
37666	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes, but perhaps a phased approach over 18/19 and 19/20 to reach the 3% might be beneficial to those who already have pressures on their household budgets. As well as considering the council is the largest employer in WL this additional charge will be coming from employees it might be useful to consider the impact this will have on staff. Is there options for staff to pay council, tax straight from their wage so it is one less thing to budget/think about when the pay packet is received?	CT1	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Scottish Government allows councils to increase council tax by a maximum of 3% annually. Officers have included a 3% annual increase in the council's budget model for the five years 2018/19 to 2022/23. As the council's forecast budget position assumes an annual increase of 3%, additional savings would need to be identified to cover reduced income for any increase less than 3%.

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37667	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	I support a 3% council tax increase but for all bands, not just E to H. Everyone needs to contribute to meet the cost of services and feel the pain equally.	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax. The current council tax legislation means that any proposed percentage increase needs to be applied across all bands.
37668	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes but maybe need to review bands to ensure still accurate and fair. Make it payable over 12 months. Same monthly amount but you'd get two extra months per household which is way more than 3 per cent	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax. No change can be made to the overall tax liability except from percentage increases. The council provides the opportunity to pay over ten and twelve months currently. Council tax bands and the valuations for them are set nationally by the Scottish Government. The council does not have the power to change banding values.
37669	No Response	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	I also think that consideration should be given to raising council tax? No one wants to pay higher taxes but we do need well run public services. This is the way to help West Lothian with the 8 priority statements.	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax.
37670	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Council tax should increase for band E-H properties.	CT1	5a. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because the council is required by law to deliver this work.	The current council tax legislation means that any proposed percentage increase needs to be applied across all bands.
37671	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes for properties in the higher bands but not for all bands - there are people in WL who are using foodbanks etc. If council tax is to be raised it should be on a scale with an annual increase of 1% for lower banded properties and 3% for higher banded properties.	CT1	5a. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because the council is required by law to deliver this work.	The current council tax legislation means that any proposed percentage increase needs to be applied across all bands. Individuals on low incomes are able to apply for a number of council tax discounts and reductions.
37672	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes if it would mean saving music tuition for the children of West Lothian.	CT1	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposed 3% increase in council tax would contribute to the overall resources of the council available to fund service delivery. As the £73 million assumes a council tax increase of 3%, a greater increase would be required to replace some of proposed reductions.
37673	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes, but a staged increase might be better.	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The Scottish Government allows councils to increase council tax by a maximum of 3% annually. Officers have included a 3% annual increase in the council's budget model for the five years 2018/19 to 2022/23. As the council's forecast budget position assumes an annual increase of 3%, additional savings would need to be identified to cover reduced income for any increase less than 3%.
37674	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	I believe that council tax should go up but 3% is a bit steep especially for families on lower incomes. It should never have been frozen for so many years as now you are having to make savings. If it had gone up by 1% each year at least it would have given council more money to use. Families are not getting wage rises to be able to afford this.	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax.
37675	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	This is why there are so many problems due to the Scottish Government not allowing Councils to increase rates over many years and is now why we are finding finances in dire need of input	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax.
37676	No Response	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Why don't we have a nominal fee on prescription say £4. Council tax rise £60 for every household per year. People who are self employed claiming benefits! Better balanced benefits for part-time parents against parents that work full time and are worse. Mobility benefit overhaul so we actually give to the ones that need it.	CT1	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	Free prescriptions and benefits, including personal independence payment and universal credit, are determined nationally.
37677	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	No Why would we pay more council tax when your reducing what the council supply. Charging for brown bin uplifts and closing down recycling centres seems a bit backwards	CT1	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposed 3% increase in council tax would contribute to the overall resources of the council available to fund service delivery. As the council will have less overall resources, the number of services delivered will have to reduce with services being reviewed based on the impact they have on priorities. It is proposed that future spending will be aligned to the priorities in the Transforming Your Council consultation document.

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37678	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes, but would add a 2% surcharge to bands D to H and ring fence it to Social Care.	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax. The current council tax legislation means that any proposed percentage increase needs to be applied across all bands.
37679	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes. But by no more than 3%. And as a council tax paying citizen, I want the opportunity to decide each year what the income from any increase is spent on.	CT1	5a. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because the council is required by law to deliver this work.	Council tax is a tax not a charge for specific services. It generates resources for the overall provision of council services.
37680	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes, go ahead. But please ensure that the council takes effective enforcement action against those who refuse/ decline to pay their dues.	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax. The council actively pursues all debt, including council tax, community charge, rent and commercial debtors arrears. The council will investigate other ways to improve debt collections including strengthening corporate debt management activity.
37681	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Terrible that service users have to pay extra	CT1	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. As the council's forecast budget position assumes an annual increase of 3% based on officer assumptions, additional savings would need to be identified to cover reduced income.
37682	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes, I think council tax should be raised in line with your proposal. However I would want to know that the money is being well spent, especially on front-line services.	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax. All services will be reviewed based on the impact they have on priorities. It is proposed that future spending will be aligned to the priorities in the Transforming Your Council consultation document.
37683	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	I do not mind paying a small percentage each year however, would like value for money therefore not extra charges for brown bin collections	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The proposed 3% increase in council tax would contribute to the overall resources of the council available to fund service delivery. As the £73 million assumes a council tax increase of 3%, a greater increase would be required to replace some of proposed reductions.
37684	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	This makes me wonder why the previous administration didn't decided to raise council tax slightly. That way some of these cuts would not be necessary. It would also have given a higher starting rate for future years' council tax.	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax.
37685	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	And if the 3% had been added this year even more money could have been raised. I wonder why the previous administration decided not to raise this just before council elections? Far be it for me to suggest that they hoped or expected that they would not have to deal with the fallout of reduced levels in council service or thought that they'd lose votes if they raised Council Tax and did not want to leave a new administration in the position of having a slightly better budget.	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Elected members agree council tax levels each year. A council tax freeze was agreed in February 2017 for 2017/18.
37686	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes - I think the Council Tax should have been increased well before now. It has meant that there is insufficient money to pay for the services that the public need and want. So as this has not happened for 9 years means that it has come to a cliff edge situation. So it needs to be increased adequately and for moderate increases thereafter.	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax.
37687	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	It should be a proportionate increase across all bands, not just bands E-H if this proceeds.	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax. The current council tax legislation means that any proposed percentage increase needs to be applied across all bands.
37688	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	yes - put it up, BUT also review how council tax is calculated - a very outdated system. Support in place for disadvantaged?	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax. Council tax reform can only be reviewed at a national level with corresponding changes in council tax legislation. Individuals on low incomes are able to apply for a number of council tax discounts and reductions.
37689	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Felt it was short sighted not to impose the 3% increase this year, so agree with future increases.	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax.
37690	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes, we need increases just to meet increased costs. Unfortunately the working poor will be hardest hit by this (not those with decent income or those on benefits, who generally qualify the council tax reduction scheme).	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax.

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37691	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	yes in the hope that the extra money is used wisely to improve services	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax.
37692	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Support council tax rise of up to 4% per year as long as money is spent wisely	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Currently the Scottish Government only allows councils to increase council tax by a maximum of 3% annually. The council will consider your suggestion however it would have to be raised with the Scottish Government.
37693	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	To have paid no increase in council tax over previous years was just crazy and now we are going to get an increase of 3% and then what the following year? If the council tax had been gradually increased these past years we may not have been in this awful mess now.	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax.
37694	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Nope , not at all.	CT1	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. As the council's forecast budget position assumes an annual increase of 3% based on officer assumptions, additional savings would need to be identified to cover reduced income.
37695	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	No I do not. My council tax has already went up due to the restructuring. Maybe you should focus on getting in the council tax from people who do not pay.	CT1	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. As the council's forecast budget position assumes an annual increase of 3% based on officer assumptions, additional savings would need to be identified to cover reduced income. The council actively pursues all debt, including council tax, community charge, rent and commercial debtors arrears.
37696	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Wealthier people within West Lothian should have more than a 3% council tax increase.	CT1	5a. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because the council is required by law to deliver this work.	The current council tax legislation means that any proposed percentage increase needs to be applied across all bands.
37697	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	I believe a 3% increase on council tax charges in each of the 5 years 2018/19 to 2022/23 is financially viable for the majority of households within the West Lothian area. However, satisfactory levels of service delivery need to be achieved as a result of this increase. For example I suggest the Council need to make the £20million saving as detailed in your proposal 1a before making cuts to provision of subsidised public transport and social care and asking for further income from the Council Tax charge	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax. The proposed 3% increase in council tax would contribute to the overall resources of the council available to fund service delivery. As the council will have less overall resources, the number of services delivered will have to reduce with services being reviewed based on the impact they have on priorities. It is proposed that future spending will be aligned to the priorities in the Transforming Your Council consultation document.
37698	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Put it up! History has already proved austerity measures do not work. The present financial model does not work and is not fit for purpose. Central and local government needs to re-assess this, as we are on a downward spiral. It should not be left to jack of all trade councillors /MPs to run a council, but economists, accountants and philosophers to determine a long term strategy for a people.	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax.
37699	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	We feel this requires and individual response. From the organisation's experience of supporting unpaid carers many experience financial hardship and may struggle with an 15% increase over 5 years.	CT1	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Individuals on low incomes are able to apply for a number of council tax discounts and reductions.
37700	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Not at 3% a year, unless they want to increase my salary by that amount. It should be index linked to the cost of living.	CT1	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Scottish Government allows councils to increase council tax by a maximum of 3% annually. Officers have included a 3% annual increase in the council's budget model for the five years 2018/19 to 2022/23. As the council's forecast budget position assumes an annual increase of 3%, additional savings would need to be identified to cover reduced income for any increase less than 3%.
37701	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	I know funding local service is important but we are also hitting citizens for further cuts to their disposable income which in turn will impact on economic growth and stability. So I addressing need, may impact negatively on others.	CT1	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Individuals on low incomes are able to apply for a number of council tax discounts and reductions.

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37702	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes if means services such as the ability centre remain in place	CT1	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposed 3% increase in council tax would contribute to the overall resources of the council available to fund service delivery. As the £73 million assumes a council tax increase of 3%, a greater increase would be required to replace some of proposed reductions.
37703	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	No - I only support this if council tax is based on how many occupants in house not by house value. How is it fair if 8 people live in a property in band C and 2 people live in a property in band E. More people means more water, waste etc. The value of house should not com into this. It is like you are being penalised for saving money to buy a nicer property	CT1	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. As the council's forecast budget position assumes an annual increase of 3% based on officer assumptions, additional savings would need to be identified to cover reduced income. Council tax reform can only be reviewed at a national level with corresponding changes in council tax legislation.
37704	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes, unnecessary and long overdue.	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax.
37705	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes I do support this proposal if it results in services not being cut.	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The proposed 3% increase in council tax would contribute to the overall resources of the council available to fund service delivery. As the £73 million assumes a council tax increase of 3%, a greater increase would be required to replace some of proposed reductions.
37706	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	I think a 3% rise in the council tax EVERY YEAR is a ridiculous proposal, people are struggling with this already. rise in council tax rise in mortgages rise in food rise in electricity and gas however no wage rises? People would not mind a 1%rise in council tax I think 3% is a bit much.	CT1	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Scottish Government allows councils to increase council tax by a maximum of 3% annually. Officers have included a 3% annual increase in the council's budget model for the five years 2018/19 to 2022/23. As the council's forecast budget position assumes an annual increase of 3%, additional savings would need to be identified to cover reduced income for any increase less than 3%.
37707	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	I support some of the cuts but I do not support the cuts to the youth music, arts physical education, nor do i support the cut to Christmas lights or festivities	CT1	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Your comment has been noted.
37708	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	I support the Council tax changes but only if those who are in arrears are pursued effectively in order that all arrears are paid, as they are still benefiting from all the Council services.	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax. The council actively pursues all debt, including council tax, community charge, rent and commercial debtors arrears. The council will investigate other ways to improve debt collections including strengthening corporate debt management activity.
37709	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes, as a teacher education is sadly being demised	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax.
37710	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	No. I don't see a justification in increasing council tax, while reducing the services provided which it covers. From bins being emptied less frequently, recycling plants being closed down, charges being introduced for emptying brown bins etc - where is the benefit to the tax paying resident in the increase?	CT1	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposed 3% increase in council tax would contribute to the overall resources of the council available to fund service delivery. As the council will have less overall resources, the number of services delivered will have to reduce with services being reviewed based on the impact they have on priorities. It is proposed that future spending will be aligned to the priorities in the Transforming Your Council consultation document.
37711	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes absolutely has to happen.	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax.
37712	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	I don't live in West Lothian but in my local area I stay our council tax rose between 10-14% and I feel if the increase saves jobs and services then I am happy to accept a council tax increase.	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax.

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37713	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes I do, without this increase we will not be able to or improve on services which are suffering	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax.
37714	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes, but as always only those who pay will be effected.	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax.
37715	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes, I would support an increase in the Council plan to change council taxes.	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax.
37716	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Council tax MUST be increased. Yes very much in agreement with this! Should have been increased before now in my opinion	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax.
37717	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	No I don't support this I live and work here. My wages do not increase by 3 % every year, the service provided isn't increased and I use the same road, lighting etc that the lower bands use, so why should I be penalised.	CT1	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. As the council's forecast budget position assumes an annual increase of 3% based on officer assumptions, additional savings would need to be identified to cover reduced income.
37718	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Are we even collecting all the council tax? The people in work are having to pay more all the time	CT1	4. The council is already doing this.	The council actively pursues all debt, including council tax, community charge, rent and commercial debtors arrears. The council will investigate other ways to improve debt collections including strengthening corporate debt management activity.
37719	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	I support a small increase but 3% each year is a too high an amount for many households	CT1	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Scottish Government allows councils to increase council tax by a maximum of 3% annually. Officers have included a 3% annual increase in the council's budget model for the five years 2018/19 to 2022/23. As the council's forecast budget position assumes an annual increase of 3%, additional savings would need to be identified to cover reduced income for any increase less than 3%.
37720	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Increase of 3% compound per year will soon be un-affordable for lots of households. A 3% rise is needed, but for all households.	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax.
37721	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	No. That is simply avoiding all the decisions you need to make. 3% is more than inflation and wage growth and annual increases are an easy way to protect the council from making the changes needed to modernise.	CT1	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. As the council's forecast budget position assumes an annual increase of 3% based on officer assumptions, additional savings would need to be identified to cover reduced income.
37722	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	I am happy to have increased in council tax in order to prevent cuts in other areas. My children's future is very important to me and I can only see future reduction in the schools services which are already severely stretched and not for for purpose.	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax.
37723	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	I think the changes to Council Tax are very overdue. Save people's jobs. More people working = more people who can pay more Council Tax.	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax.
37724	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Absolutely no increases in council tax considering public sector pay has been falling since 2010. Unfair to tax hard working people more.	CT1	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. As the council's forecast budget position assumes an annual increase of 3% based on officer assumptions, additional savings would need to be identified to cover reduced income.
37725	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes - as long as you protect schools, health and West Lothian Leisure.	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax.
37726	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes if it means the necessary services are not being cut	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax.
37727	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	I support a rise in Council Tax to prevent cuts.	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax.

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37728	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	No! Considering my profession is good fighting for a 1.5% rise then a 3% rise in council tax leaves me and most other people worse off. Your services aren't good enough to merit this!	CT1	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. As the council's forecast budget position assumes an annual increase of 3% based on officer assumptions, additional savings would need to be identified to cover reduced income.
37729	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	I feel as being an employed person & having been a student during a change in careers that council tax should be increased for all bands. This has not increased for some for several years and to keep some services this is a requirement across all bands. Keep the single person discounts and any others with correct evidence.	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax.
37730	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Only if it actually gets spent on services and not rubbish like twinning visits and nonsense services like walking groups and such	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax. All services will be reviewed based on the impact they have on priorities. It is proposed that future spending will be aligned to the priorities in the Transforming Your Council consultation document.
37731	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Absolutely, yes. If we want services, they have to be paid for.	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax.
37732	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Updated banding should be implemented. All housing should be revalued	CT1	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	Council tax bands and the valuations for them are set nationally by the Scottish Government. The council does not have the power to change banding values.
37733	No Response	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	The decision not to increase the Council Tax for 2017/18 was absolutely ridiculous given the council's financial position. I would suggest an increase in excess of 3% for the next 2 years.	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax. Currently the Scottish Government only allows councils to increase council tax by a maximum of 3% annually. The council will consider your suggestion however it would have to be raised with the Scottish Government.
37734	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	yip	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax.
37735	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	I do support the increase of council tax, I believe it should be a bigger increase as long as you can guarantee keeping a good level of our services. I feel the people who cannot afford this are already getting this covered by other means of help	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax. Currently the Scottish Government only allows councils to increase council tax by a maximum of 3% annually. The council will consider your suggestion however it would have to be raised with the Scottish Government.
37736	No Response	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	3% but not any higher than this is ok.	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax.
37737	No Response	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes. Though I would stress that their is no real assessment here on the likely impact, particularly to vulnerable people and those on low income.	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax. Individuals on low incomes are able to apply for a number of council tax discounts and reductions.
37738	No Response	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes 3% increase	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax.
37739	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	No. This money should come from income tax for top band earners.	CT1	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	As the council's forecast budget position assumes an annual increase of 3% based on officer assumptions, additional savings would need to be identified to cover reduced income.
37740	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	no. unfair.	CT1	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	As the council's forecast budget position assumes an annual increase of 3% based on officer assumptions, additional savings would need to be identified to cover reduced income.
37741	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Nope.	CT1	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	As the council's forecast budget position assumes an annual increase of 3% based on officer assumptions, additional savings would need to be identified to cover reduced income.

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37742	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	I don't think it should be increased each year purely due to how it works. If I get a home at the end of the year the amount of council tax I would have to pay each month is sometimes not affordable which leaves people in a mess if passed onto some other company. which again is something else the council just doesn't have to or want to deal with but the people paying the council tax do and can effect their lives majorly. coming from experience.	CT1	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Council tax is a property based tax. Individuals on low incomes are able to apply for a number of council tax discounts and reductions to help with affordability.
37743	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Council should look to increasing Council tax, but needs to ensure that single people and low oncome groups are not unfairly penalised.	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax. Individuals on low incomes are able to apply for a number of council tax discounts and reductions.
37744	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes as the council tax has remained the same for years. It would of been better to have a lower % increase over those years though but 3% increase is still not a huge price to pay.	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax.
37745	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes, I support a rise in Council tax.	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax.
37746	No Response	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes I agree to the 3% rise in council tax	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax.
37747	No Response	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Agree, my council tax has increased and I welcomed this to ensure our services continue, where possible.	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax.
37748	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	My pay is in line with inflation. If I do better than expected I get a little more. So Council Tax changes should match inflation.	CT1	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Scottish Government allows councils to increase council tax by a maximum of 3% annually. Officers have included a 3% annual increase in the council's budget model for the five years 2018/19 to 2022/23. As the council's forecast budget position assumes an annual increase of 3%, additional savings would need to be identified to cover reduced income for any increase less than 3%.
37749	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	In reality this will be a 6% increase in my Council Tax. While I don't support such a large increase, I agree there has to be some increase in Council Tax.	CT1	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Scottish Government allows councils to increase council tax by a maximum of 3% annually. Officers have included a 3% annual increase in the council's budget model for the five years 2018/19 to 2022/23. As the council's forecast budget position assumes an annual increase of 3%, additional savings would need to be identified to cover reduced income for any increase less than 3%.
37750	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	I do agree that a flexible model is necessary for the the council to increase it's revenue. I also believe that it is important that it is fair and equitable. A property ratings review is now necessary in order to ensure that fairness.	CT1	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	Council tax bands and the valuations for them are set nationally by the Scottish Government. The council does not have the power to change banding values.
37751	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	I have no objection to an increase so long as the money is'nt used for salaries, bonuses etc. and not for a vague item as educational improvements.	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax. The proposed 3% increase in council tax would contribute to the overall resources of the council available to fund service delivery.
37752	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	No a 1% increase each year is sufficient.	CT1	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Scottish Government allows councils to increase council tax by a maximum of 3% annually. Officers have included a 3% annual increase in the council's budget model for the five years 2018/19 to 2022/23. As the council's forecast budget position assumes an annual increase of 3%, additional savings would need to be identified to cover reduced income for any increase less than 3%.
37753	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes if capped at 3% ,but would like to see increases lower if inflation comes back down to the levels expected.	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax.

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37754	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	If money was not wasted on other unnecessary things then it would not be needed.	CT1	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council has delivered balanced budgets each year since 1996. The budget gap faced by the council is a result of funding being insufficient to cover the increasing cost of delivering services due to factors such as population growth and indexation. The council is subject to rigorous external audit and both Audit Scotland and EY have confirmed, over a number of years, that the council has robust financial management. External audit and regulation provides no evidence of reckless spending.
37755	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	The Scottish Government have already increased my council tax, whilst my wage rise is capped at the 1% public sector cap. An additional 3% would not exactly be welcome to be honest.	CT1	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	As the council's forecast budget position assumes an annual increase of 3% based on officer assumptions, additional savings would need to be identified to cover reduced income.
37756	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	3% is substantial. With rising interest rates, a freeze on salaries on top of proposed tax reforms this is another unwelcome burden. However, it is recognised that there is a budget gap and there are important services that risk being compromised due to a lack of funding.	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax.
37757	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes see previous comment but I do not agree that it should be people in expensive houses who should take the greatest hit - some of these properties have very poor elderly people in them - asset rich but cash poor.	CT1	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	As the council's forecast budget position assumes an annual increase of 3% based on officer assumptions, additional savings would need to be identified to cover reduced income.
37758	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	I would support and increase in council tax if services are maintained. It would appear from this consultation document that the current running of the council is largely inefficient and needs to be addressed. Why has this not been recognised before now? In addition how much money has been spent devising this document which is largely vague, does not provide any real information is full of "buzz" statements. Again this just demonstrates council inefficiency it is certainly not devised to be completed by joe public.	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The proposed 3% increase in council tax would contribute to the overall resources of the council available to fund service delivery. As the council will have less overall resources, the number of services delivered will have to reduce with services being reviewed based on the impact they have on priorities. It is proposed that future spending will be aligned to the priorities in the Transforming Your Council consultation document. The consultation document was devised internally and produced at minimal cost.
37759	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Fully support inflation increases going forward, however also note statement in your literature that West Lothian Council Tax is one of the cheapest in Scotland. I therefore see no reason to increase council tax further to in line with National average, to address the financial situation to uphold the goals of maintaining and where possible improving the life experience of West Lothian residences. As expressed previously, future increased costs/charges for home waste disposal / recycling could be included in the council tax.	CT1	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	As the council's forecast budget position assumes an annual increase of 3% based on officer assumptions, additional savings would need to be identified to cover reduced income. The scope for charging will be considered, taking account current charges, the position in other local authorities and the impact of charges on vulnerable people and the availability of concessions.
37760	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	not for low income family and people on wages 7.75 per hour or less	CT1	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	As the council's forecast budget position assumes an annual increase of 3% based on officer assumptions, additional savings would need to be identified to cover reduced income.
37761	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Council funding needs to increase but this does not address the problem fairly as not all the people using local services pay for them so a fairer method to do so needs to be devised and that certain categories of ownership don't have to bear the burden higher costs unfairly	CT1	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	Council tax reform can only be reviewed at a national level with corresponding changes in council tax legislation.
37762	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes, and large buildings with a lot of land around them should pay more tax.	CT1	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	Non domestic rates for commercial properties, including relief schemes, are set nationally by the Scottish Government.
37763	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes and this should have happened in earlier years rather than freezing the rate for many consecutive years. Pensioners should be exempt from the increase.	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax. Individuals on low incomes are able to apply for a number of council tax discounts and reductions.

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37764	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	I feel 3% every year is too high but agree an increase may be necessary due to financial pressures. I do feel it should affect all as it is often the same households that are being hit with reduced access to services (perhaps as not greatest need) but then also higher contribution costs. This is not equitable. In a time of pay freezes (teachers are struggling to fight for even 1%), increased living costs, this could add to the stress that families are living under forcing them out of their current homes due to mortgage cost increases.	CT1	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Scottish Government allows councils to increase council tax by a maximum of 3% annually. Officers have included a 3% annual increase in the council's budget model for the five years 2018/19 to 2022/23. As the council's forecast budget position assumes an annual increase of 3%, additional savings would need to be identified to cover reduced income for any increase less than 3%. Individuals on low incomes are able to apply for a number of council tax discounts and reductions.
37765	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	I see the argument for increased council tax, and am not against as such, but there really should be a lot more information on how the money is spent. This document is has a lot of numbers in it, but very hard to weigh up consequences against the money when so few details are available	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Full details of how the council allocates its resources to individual services is provided in the annual activity budget which is available on the council's website. A summary of key areas of spend are included in the council tax leaflet which is provided along with bills.
37766	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	We need to ensure that those most able to contribute to the cost of living in West Lothian do so. Whilst the best option would be a more progressive local taxation system, until this is achieved an increase in council tax is necessary. The council could give consideration to applying the increase to the higher bands to reduce the burden on lower income households	CT1	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	Council tax reform can only be reviewed at a national level with corresponding changes in council tax legislation. The current council tax legislation means that any proposed percentage increase needs to be applied across all bands.
37767	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	I support an increase in council tax but 3% per year is a high increase for fewer services. This should be gradually increased as it should have been done over previous years	CT1	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Scottish Government allows councils to increase council tax by a maximum of 3% annually. Officers have included a 3% annual increase in the council's budget model for the five years 2018/19 to 2022/23. As the council's forecast budget position assumes an annual increase of 3%, additional savings would need to be identified to cover reduced income for any increase less than 3%.
37768	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Happy to pay more	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax.
37769	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	No - 3 percent is too high. It should be lower than this and any increase should be across all bands	CT1	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Scottish Government allows councils to increase council tax by a maximum of 3% annually. Officers have included a 3% annual increase in the council's budget model for the five years 2018/19 to 2022/23. As the council's forecast budget position assumes an annual increase of 3%, additional savings would need to be identified to cover reduced income for any increase less than 3%.
37770	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Increase the council tax and protect our services	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax.
37771	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes but feel that this should have been a 1% per year for last few years instead of being held back for voting purposes!	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax. For the past nine years the Scottish Government restricted councils' ability to raise council tax through the financial settlement. In 2017/18 councillors froze council tax.
37772	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes is it the only way for the council to bring in much needed funding.	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax.
37773	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Council Tax. The Community Council understands full well that there are diverse views in the local community regarding any proposed Council Tax increases. Accordingly we are not in a position to state a clear community view on this aspect of the proposals.	CT1	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
37774	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	A 3 percent increase is acceptable provided it is used sensibly to provide important services	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax.
37775	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	one could argue the council tax freeze has been one of the root causes of council budget pressures for years. Why this country wishes to limit council tax but out up social rents is baffling - shouldn't a basic premise by those who can pay more should. Wholeheartedly agree with council tax increases.	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax.

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37776	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	No I do not support the increase as I find it unacceptable that you plan to reduce the services provided but increase the amount you want us to pay. The amount spent on local councillors is excessive especially when there are three councillors covering one ward.	CT1	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	As the council's forecast budget position assumes an annual increase of 3% based on officer assumptions, additional savings would need to be identified to cover reduced income. The number of councillors for each council area is determined by statute by the Scottish Parliament.
37777	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes - this should have been done years ago. This is partly the cause of this situation.	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax.
37778	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	no i think rather poor if the council puts up the tax by 3% you could try to keep it to around 1.5% if you plan to put it up every year for the next 5 years does no one in the council notice that the cost of living going up all the time since our government announced that we are leaving europe food prices are getting ridiculous and energy and fuel are just as bad please listen to the people after all we the people pay your wages or maybe it's time for a revolution	CT1	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Scottish Government allows councils to increase council tax by a maximum of 3% annually. Officers have included a 3% annual increase in the council's budget model for the five years 2018/19 to 2022/23. As the council's forecast budget position assumes an annual increase of 3%, additional savings would need to be identified to cover reduced income for any increase less than 3%.
37779	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes. Increase it more to save the Instrumental Music Service.	CT1	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposed 3% increase in council tax would contribute to the overall resources of the council available to fund service delivery. As the £73 million assumes a council tax increase of 3%, a greater increase would be required to replace some of proposed reductions.
37780	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes. I would support an increase across all bands, with a higher percentage increase for the higher bands.	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax. The current council tax legislation means that any proposed percentage increase needs to be applied across all bands.
37781	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	I do. I do not think all charges should be placed on the heads of people who own high banded properties. These people are already likely paying high banded income tax. They shouldn't be constantly punished. I may add I am not one of them.	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax. The current council tax legislation means that any proposed percentage increase needs to be applied across all bands.
37782	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	With the past years tax being frozen yet inflation increasing it is expected that tax needs to rise and I am agreed this needs to happen but needs to be kept to the minimum as not all people will be able to afford increases	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax. Individuals on low incomes are able to apply for a number of council tax discounts and reductions.
37783	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	No, I'm in a higher banding than I believe I should be, added to our mortgage a month is close to crippling and coming close to unaffected some points in the year since our family has increased with salaries being reduced, yet inflation continuing. A blanket increase is fair but it cannot be assumed that those in higher brackets have more income and can afford, this does not mean we have the highest salaries, just we live in a more expensive house which is a one off cost and we alter mortgage payments accordingly at renewal depending on affordability. Some individuals in council housing will have greater disposable incomes than everyone in these brackets. My husband was redundant for few months and I was on zero maternity pay for 3 months so had just job seekers coming in and we paid our council tax on time, living in one of these higher bracket houses. I completely disagree with this planned changes, especially as we feel we are in too high a bracket as it is despite challenging such when we moved in	CT1	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	As the council's forecast budget position assumes an annual increase of 3% based on officer assumptions, additional savings would need to be identified to cover reduced income. The current council tax legislation means that any proposed percentage increase needs to be applied across all bands. Council tax bands and the valuations for them are set nationally by the Scottish Government. The council does not have the power to change banding values.
37784	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Disagree. I pay enough as it is for a poor service .	CT1	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	As the council's forecast budget position assumes an annual increase of 3% based on officer assumptions, additional savings would need to be identified to cover reduced income.
37785	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes and No. I understand the need to increase Council Tax to support funding. 15% increase over 5 years is not an ideal solution. What would be the increase after 5 years? I smaller increase of Council Tax would be more sustainable for all people living in West Lothian for the first 5 years.	CT1	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Scottish Government allows councils to increase council tax by a maximum of 3% annually. Officers have included a 3% annual increase in the council's budget model for the five years 2018/19 to 2022/23. As the council's forecast budget position assumes an annual increase of 3%, additional savings would need to be identified to cover reduced income for any increase less than 3%.

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37786	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	As long as 3% is across the board then this seems fair - it has been static for a few years so I think we should all help to contribute - or rather not make the budget gap any greater.	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax. The current council tax legislation means that any proposed percentage increase needs to be applied across all bands.
37787	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	I would only support if we get equivalent services - we should NOT have to pay if services are being reduced.	CT1	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposed 3% increase in council tax would contribute to the overall resources of the council available to fund service delivery. As the council will have less overall resources, the number of services delivered will have to reduce with services being reviewed based on the impact they have on priorities. It is proposed that future spending will be aligned to the priorities in the Transforming Your Council consultation document.
37788	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	i will reluctantly pay 3% increase in council tax. i do object to a cut back in council service. Pay more for less. it will come to a point people will refuse to pay for services they do not receive or have to pay additional fees to be provided. The council have to charge at all levels of household and stop playing politics with s.n.p over popularity stakes like last year	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The proposed 3% increase in council tax would contribute to the overall resources of the council available to fund service delivery. As the council will have less overall resources, the number of services delivered will have to reduce with services being reviewed based on the impact they have on priorities. It is proposed that future spending will be aligned to the priorities in the Transforming Your Council consultation document.
37789	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	All services in West Lothian are to be reduced and an annual increase of 3% in Council Tax is proposed. I would support this if I had a strong belief that the levels of service were truly fair to every resident in West Lothian. I do not believe this is currently the case and would suggest that further work to explore this be undertaken	CT1	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	As the council's forecast budget position assumes an annual increase of 3% based on officer assumptions, additional savings would need to be identified to cover reduced income.
37790	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Agree in principle with increases in council tax. However, these should be based on inflation rather than a flat rate 3%.	CT1	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Scottish Government allows councils to increase council tax by a maximum of 3% annually. Officers have included a 3% annual increase in the council's budget model for the five years 2018/19 to 2022/23. As the council's forecast budget position assumes an annual increase of 3%, additional savings would need to be identified to cover reduced income for any increase less than 3%.
37791	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Would an increase in Council tax lead to a reduction in the numbers of people who choose to or can afford to pay? On paper, this would lead to an increase in income but would that play out in fact? If people can't afford to pay their bills, will they ultimately end up in a poverty trap? Will they become homeless? What is the cost of pursuing Council tax debt? As the biggest employer in the area whose own employees have been subject to an effective pay cut for years and who, even with the removal of the 1% pay rise cap, will be likely to continue to receive effective pay cuts, it is difficult to see how this proposal will improve employment or tackle poverty.	CT1	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Assumptions are made regarding the level of collection, which is currently at its highest level ever for the council. Individuals on low incomes are able to apply for a number of council tax discounts and reductions to help ensure affordability. Council tax in West Lothian has been frozen for ten years providing a significant benefit to council tax payers.
37792	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Not really. I think you should be looking at the items which must be provided and seeing if the frill could be trimmed.	CT1	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	As the council's forecast budget position assumes an annual increase of 3% based on officer assumptions, additional savings would need to be identified to cover reduced income.
37793	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	similar to other authorities however this will only add to the councils already HUGE CT debt which is not being collected effectively!	CT1	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council actively pursues all debt, including council tax, community charge, rent and commercial debtors arrears. The council will investigate other ways to improve debt collections including strengthening corporate debt management activity.
37794	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes, it is ridiculous that more money is not provided by the Scottish Government.	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax.
37795	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Concentrate mostly on services that affect all council tax payers, eg street lighting, road/pavement winter maintenance, waste re-cycling etc and also ensure all council tax payers have access to public transport to St John's hospital and local GP surgeries. Also reduce salaries of senior council staff. One example of this is ensuring no council employee is paid more than the Prime Minister or First Minister.	CT1	4. The council is already doing this.	All services will be reviewed based on the impact they have on priorities. It is proposed that future spending will be aligned to the priorities in the Transforming Your Council consultation document.

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37796	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Not that I don't support raising Council Tax, I think that in the paper consultation you should have made it abundantly clear that actually its nearer £90million in cuts you would have to make. Your current consultation is completely based around the assumption that residents of West Lothian are aware of a 3% rise in Council Tax. That should have been made abundantly clear from the outset, not sneaked through.	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax. Your feedback will be considered when developing future consultation exercises.
37797	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Everyone should be taxed accordingly and not just bands E-H.	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax. The current council tax legislation means that any proposed percentage increase needs to be applied across all bands.
37798	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	West Lothian Council MUST raise the Council Tax as the only method they have to generate extra funds to assist with paying a fair wage and also to mitigate against the cuts suggested.	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax.
37799	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	As noted above you need to raise the Council tax.	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax.
37800	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes please increase the Council Tax to fund the required services and reduce cuts to staff and services.	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax.
37801	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes, it is essential that council tax is increased. The nine year Scottish Government council tax freeze was a serious mistake and right wing policy that deprived local government of funding. It was also a mistake for the council to freeze council tax in 2017/18 - a right wing Thatcherite, reactionary, cynical and dishonest measure in the run up to the local election which has only made the budget position worse in 2018/19. It is essential that we have an honest discussion about the need for taxation to support public services.	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax.
37802	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes. Perhaps the increase should be more.	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax.
37803	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	If it's only 3% Not 6% next year then 9% etc	CT1	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Scottish Government allows councils to increase council tax by a maximum of 3% annually. Officers have included a 3% annual increase in the council's budget model for the five years 2018/19 to 2022/23. As the council's forecast budget position assumes an annual increase of 3%, additional savings would need to be identified to cover reduced income for any increase less than 3%.
37804	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes - but the problem is you have to make the service better not to go backwards but not just as much!	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The proposed 3% increase in council tax would contribute to the overall resources of the council available to fund service delivery. As the council will have less overall resources, the number of services delivered will have to reduce with services being reviewed based on the impact they have on priorities. It is proposed that future spending will be aligned to the priorities in the Transforming Your Council consultation document.
37805	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes- provided that the cost savings are focussed on Council efficiency	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax.
37806	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	If it has to be increased then it should be increased. We've ducked it for years and now have to pay the penalty Successive Government "freezes" have left us to do catch up.	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax.
37807	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Willing to pay a bit more to support local services.	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax.
37808	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	I feel this rise is necessary. I live alone, so I hope the 25% discount for single occupancy would still be applied, or I may struggle to afford private rent rates as well as council tax.	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax. Current discounts would remain.
37809	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes - I would support an increase across all Council Tax bands if necessary to help save and preserve council services.	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax. The current council tax legislation means that any proposed percentage increase needs to be applied across all bands.
37810	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	I support the maximum allowed increase of 3% per year. Clearly it is essential in view of the cuts proposed. To increase by anything less is irresponsible and probably politically motivated! Sadly we can't have things both ways - we have to pay for the services we require	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax. Current discounts would remain.

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37811	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Do not have an issue paying more council tax IF the council delivers the changes effectively and efficiently and realises the benefits. That staff are utilised effectively and good staff are not driven away leaving some staff that are not able to deliver the changes required. Concerned that the above will not be achieved and then will be frustrated about paying higher council tax for less service and more services that I have to pay for.	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The proposed 3% increase in council tax would contribute to the overall resources of the council available to fund service delivery. As the council will have less overall resources, the number of services delivered will have to reduce with services being reviewed based on the impact they have on priorities. It is proposed that future spending will be aligned to the priorities in the Transforming Your Council consultation document.
37812	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	I would be happy to increase the amount of council tax I pay. I know that there are families who would find this difficult, but would hope that there would be reductions in place for the less well off. I believe that those people who can afford an increase should support the less well off. I have lived in the same house for 47 years and the tax band has never changed, although many houses hereabouts have had extensions etc. added and other improvements made. Many ratings could be raised to reflect this.	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax. The current council tax legislation means that any proposed percentage increase needs to be applied across all bands. Council tax bands and the valuations for them are set nationally by the Scottish Government. The council does not have the power to change banding values.
37813	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes as long as all bands pay the increase....not just the chosen few	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax. The current council tax legislation means that any proposed percentage increase needs to be applied across all bands.
37814	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	I support this change for one year only. The council should think carefully about making any further rises.	CT1	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Scottish Government allows councils to increase council tax by a maximum of 3% annually. Officers have included a 3% annual increase in the council's budget model for the five years 2018/19 to 2022/23. As the council's forecast budget position assumes an annual increase of 3%, additional savings would need to be identified to cover reduced income for any increase less than 3%.
37815	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes, as long as you don't completely cut services to me based on my postcode/ perceived financial status.	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The proposed 3% increase in council tax would contribute to the overall resources of the council available to fund service delivery. As the council will have less overall resources, the number of services delivered will have to reduce with services being reviewed based on the impact they have on priorities. It is proposed that future spending will be aligned to the priorities in the Transforming Your Council consultation document.
37816	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	I wish the change had happened last year - 1.5% over 2 years would be better than a 3% jump. I do not want to pay more - my cost of living has increased but my salary has not - however I understand in the climate that things cannot continue as they have been. However I do feel there should be greater support from Westminster for local Government and the increased responsibilities and burdens that have been passed to the Council. I would hope that any increase would also see support from staff to be able to try and collect this income as Council tax is a vital financial resource for the council - this means supporting residents with benefit checks etc to ensure they are claiming Council Tax Reduction and also supporting staff in the Revenues and Council Tax teams including Corporate Debt to take action against those not paying.	CT1	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Scottish Government allows councils to increase council tax by a maximum of 3% annually. Officers have included a 3% annual increase in the council's budget model for the five years 2018/19 to 2022/23. As the council's forecast budget position assumes an annual increase of 3%, additional savings would need to be identified to cover reduced income for any increase less than 3%. The council regularly emphasises to the Scottish Government the need for a fair settlement for local government as well as working with COSLA (the body that collectively represents local government in Scotland) to emphasise this point.
37817	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes. There should never have been a freeze in council tax and the council would not have been in the position it is in now. The Scottish government, when introducing the freeze, quite obviously did not look properly into the impact that this would have long term. Now we are all having to pay for their unsuitable decisions.	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax.

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37818	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	The Scottish Government was morally wrong to freeze Council tax and it has been an unmitigated disaster for local services - especially education. Opposition parties have totally failed to hold them to account for this. The Scottish government are hypocritical and morally wrong to set a limit of 3% on Council Tax increases going forward (imagine the cries if they had been constrained by Westminster in same way). We live in a democracy and local democracy is a key part of that. West Lothian Council and all other councils should be leading a political fight to have that 3% limit removed to allow local democracy to set the level of local services we want and are prepared to pay for. Within the artificial constraint of 3% I agree with increasing to the maximum allowed each year.	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax. For the past nine years the Scottish Government restricted councils' ability to raise council tax through the financial settlement. In 2017/18 councillors froze council tax.
37819	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes. It is obvious that Council Tax needs to be increased and 3% rise should have been applied for 2017/18.	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax.
37820	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Council tax increase for all, not just for higher bands	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The current council tax legislation means that any proposed percentage increase needs to be applied across all bands.
37821	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	I for one have complained many times about the inefficient billing of council tax for landlords when properties are empty, when several bills get issued as you won't wait to get your money, leading to multiple bills with postage and man hours wasted. Sort your systems out instead of cutting necessary services, stop wasting our taxes!	CT1	5d. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it has been previously considered and will not be progressed.	The council tax system does not have the functionality to combine bills for different addresses for the same liable individual.
37822	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	I would prefer efficiency in your services, but as outlined earlier I strongly disagree with some of your proposals. I agree with a rise in council tax as long as it is limited to the inflation rate.	CT1	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Scottish Government allows councils to increase council tax by a maximum of 3% annually. Officers have included a 3% annual increase in the council's budget model for the five years 2018/19 to 2022/23. As the council's forecast budget position assumes an annual increase of 3%, additional savings would need to be identified to cover reduced income for any increase less than 3%.
37823	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Ironic that WLC wants to put the Council tax up by 3% but wages won't rise equivalently! The communities are getting poorer as the cost of living is rising and wages are falling relatively. The council does need to increase council tax but should think about wages too.	CT1	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Individuals on low incomes are able to apply for a number of council tax discounts and reductions to help ensure affordability. Council tax in West Lothian has been frozen for ten years providing a significant benefit to council tax payers. The council implements nationally agreed pay awards.
37824	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	I wish our council tax had been going up over the past few years, instead of it being frozen. Perhaps we might not have needed such drastic cutbacks!	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax. For the past nine years the Scottish Government restricted councils' ability to raise council tax through the financial settlement. In 2017/18 councillors froze council tax.
37825	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Wish my council tax had never been frozen!	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax.
37826	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes, we should have been raising it each year anyway, its an SNP and Labour disgrace and as long as the increase is not ringfenced for care, school etc.	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax.
37827	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	It is difficult to support a rise in council tax alongside a reduction in council services.	CT1	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The budget gap faced by the council is a result of funding being insufficient to cover the increasing cost of delivering services due to factors such as population growth and indexation. The council is subject to rigorous external audit and both Audit Scotland and EY have confirmed, over a number of years, that the council has robust financial management.
37828	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes, I agreed this proposed increase is necessary.	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax.
37829	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	No - not agree. Some people are not getting any pay rises.	CT1	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	As the council's forecast budget position assumes an annual increase of 3% based on officer assumptions, additional savings would need to be identified to cover reduced income.
37830	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	I think that after umpteen years of very small increases staff will have left and you are down to the bone. The answer is for more money, higher income tax etc., but the politicians are scared stiff	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax.

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37831	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	No, just because you own a property in the higher tax bracket doesn't mean that you have liquid assets. Some people have owned the property for years and the rise in house prices have escalated the value, this doesn't mean they can afford to pay more. A general increase is feasible as all people use the council facilities that this increase provides. But I do support an across the board increase	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax. The current council tax legislation means that any proposed percentage increase needs to be applied across all bands. Council tax levels for houses in bands E to H were increased in 2017/18 due to the implementation of the Scottish Government's changes to council tax bandings.
37832	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Don't understand why increasing was stopped. Didn't need to be a big increase, now everyone is suffering.	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax.
37833	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes, but only for those who can afford it. And make it clear exactly where the money is going.	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax. Individuals on low incomes are able to apply for a number of council tax discounts and reductions.
37834	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	It is disappointing that a council tax rise is being proposed "before" efficiencies are identified. Surely, this should only be proposed once the service and true costs of them are identified, albeit this is always a consideration. When the plumber goes to a house several times that is an inefficiency, which should be addressed. What we should absolutely not do is suggest taxing the community to fund and continue such inefficiencies! This is but one example, but I would suggest is systematic in the organisation. Lets have correctly resourced services (perhaps even increasing on occasion), and inefficiencies addressed. Lets cut the right things, increase where necessary and lets not see arbitrary savings without proper analysis.	CT1	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	As the council's forecast budget position assumes an annual increase of 3% based on officer assumptions, additional savings would need to be identified to cover reduced income. The council will continue to investigate ways to review, consolidate and better coordinate activities to allow streamlining of operations and removal of duplication. This will help ensure that activities are completed and managed in the most effective and efficient way. All services will be reviewed based on the impact they have on priorities. It is proposed that future spending will be aligned to the priorities in the Transforming Your Council consultation document.
37835	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Not without a root and branch review first. 3% each year over 5 years is 15% - a significant rise at a time when many, including council employees, have seen their salaries reduced in real terms. I would suggest that a rise should always be considered, and is acceptable where warranted, but to do so without addressing inefficiencies is purely passing the resultant inefficiency liability/cost to the community - and this is socially unacceptable and not what Leadership should consider. Sort out the inefficiencies first, then see where the council is before arbitrarily increasing tax!	CT1	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	As the council's forecast budget position assumes an annual increase of 3% based on officer assumptions, additional savings would need to be identified to cover reduced income. The council will continue to investigate ways to review, consolidate and better coordinate activities to allow streamlining of operations and removal of duplication. This will help ensure that activities are completed and managed in the most effective and efficient way. Council tax in West Lothian has been frozen for ten years providing a significant benefit to council tax payers.
37836	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	I agree that Council Tax should be increased across all bands to maximum 3%.	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax.
37837	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Not if services are cut. I think if services are going to be cut it is unfair to doubly hit people by also increasing tax	CT1	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposed 3% increase in council tax would contribute to the overall resources of the council available to fund service delivery. As the council will have less overall resources, the number of services delivered will have to reduce with services being reviewed based on the impact they have on priorities. It is proposed that future spending will be aligned to the priorities in the Transforming Your Council consultation document.
37838	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Council tax can be increased by 3% per annum.	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax.
37839	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	No if crc sites are to close.	CT1	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposed 3% increase in council tax would contribute to the overall resources of the council available to fund service delivery. As the £73 million assumes a council tax increase of 3%, a greater increase would be required to replace some of proposed reductions.

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37840	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTI. Planned changes to Council Tax	In principal yes but I haven't had a pay rise in god knows how many years, I've had additional hours cut and my wife was forced out of a decent job working for education due to disgraceful management. We are earning less than we ever have and are asked to pump more into the council's mismanagement of their reverse pyramid management structure and wasteful use of energy and other resources.	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax. The council continually reviews the tiers of management and span of control across all service levels. This ensures that the council continues to operate with an effective and efficient managerial structure. The council is subject to rigorous external audit and both Audit Scotland and EY have confirmed, over a number of years, that the council has robust financial management. External audit and regulation provides no evidence of reckless spending.
37841	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTI. Planned changes to Council Tax	yes, provided we are still being delivered a high level of services within the area	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The proposed 3% increase in council tax would contribute to the overall resources of the council available to fund service delivery. As the council will have less overall resources, the number of services delivered will have to reduce with services being reviewed based on the impact they have on priorities. It is proposed that future spending will be aligned to the priorities in the Transforming Your Council consultation document.
37842	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTI. Planned changes to Council Tax	I believe it is essential to maximise the income over the proposed cut period. Increasing the Council Tax will at least spread the burden over the whole community and may bring in as much as £15 - £20 million in extra revenue.	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax.
37843	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTI. Planned changes to Council Tax	Agree that this should be done. It should never have been stopped as everyone was use to a yearly increase. Now all that will happen is we have to have a higher yearly increase to get back what we have lost over the years.	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax.
37844	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	CTI. Planned changes to Council Tax	A difficult issue, my personal response is to increase Council Tax but we have mixed views within our organisation. We all agree that income raised should be used wisely and the most vulnerable not impoverished through any increases made.	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax. Individuals on low incomes are able to apply for a number of council tax discounts and reductions.
37845	An individual	CTI. Planned changes to Council Tax	I appreciate there must be an increase in Council Tax, however I do not feel this document provides the detail required for a consultation. It seems to be a series of high level statements. For example it states the estimates savings for each statement but is does not detail what percentage of each budget that estimated saving is. Nor does it outline the exact plans for the statements made. I seem to have more questions than answers having read this consultation document.	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax.
37846	An individual	CTI. Planned changes to Council Tax	I absolutely support the proposed rise in council tax and would go so far as to support a 5% rise. The freeze on increasing the council tax which has lasted for 10 years is ridiculous and should never have happened.	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Currently the Scottish Government only allows councils to increase council tax by a maximum of 3% annually. The council will consider your suggestion however it would have to be raised with the Scottish Government.
37847	An individual	CTI. Planned changes to Council Tax	If my salary increased by 3% then yes but as this is not likely so no.	CT1	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	As the council's forecast budget position assumes an annual increase of 3% based on officer assumptions, additional savings would need to be identified to cover reduced income.
37848	An individual	CTI. Planned changes to Council Tax	I would support increasing the council tax to maintain vital local services.	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax.
37849	An individual	CTI. Planned changes to Council Tax	increase council tax by 3 percent or more why not calculate how much you would need to increase council tax to avoid cuts and publish it to demonstrate to voters the impact of scottish government cuts	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax.
37850	An individual	CTI. Planned changes to Council Tax	No. The increase should not be in excess of standard measurement indices such as RPI or other alternatives.	CT1	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Scottish Government allows councils to increase council tax by a maximum of 3% annually. Officers have included a 3% annual increase in the council's budget model for the five years 2018/19 to 2022/23. As the council's forecast budget position assumes an annual increase of 3%, additional savings would need to be identified to cover reduced income for any increase less than 3%.
37851	An individual	CTI. Planned changes to Council Tax	If it means that my suggestions can be addressed, yes.	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax.

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37852	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	No I don't have kids and pay enough already	CT1	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	As the council's forecast budget position assumes an annual increase of 3% based on officer assumptions, additional savings would need to be identified to cover reduced income.
37853	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Certainly not. The Council must instead achieve very substantial year-on year productivity improvements to reduce cost. Simply putting up Council tax is not the way forward!	CT1	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	As the council's forecast budget position assumes an annual increase of 3% based on officer assumptions, additional savings would need to be identified to cover reduced income.
37854	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	An incremental increase would be a better approach to help people budget for this increase, but overall would support an increase particularly if it saved some of the services you are proposing to reduce.	CT1	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposed 3% increase in council tax would contribute to the overall resources of the council available to fund service delivery. As the £73 million assumes a council tax increase of 3%, a greater increase would be required to replace some of proposed reductions.
37855	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	3% is fine each year,	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax.
37856	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	No. Increases should match annual RPI inflation rate. It is unlikely that the employed will get wage rises of 3% pa over the next 5 years.	CT1	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Scottish Government allows councils to increase council tax by a maximum of 3% annually. Officers have included a 3% annual increase in the council's budget model for the five years 2018/19 to 2022/23. As the council's forecast budget position assumes an annual increase of 3%, additional savings would need to be identified to cover reduced income for any increase less than 3%.
37857	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	NO! Certainly not such a large increase especially since had a double figure increase last year. Average pay rises have been about 1%. therefore rises should be in this region	CT1	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Scottish Government allows councils to increase council tax by a maximum of 3% annually. Officers have included a 3% annual increase in the council's budget model for the five years 2018/19 to 2022/23. As the council's forecast budget position assumes an annual increase of 3%, additional savings would need to be identified to cover reduced income for any increase less than 3%.
37858	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	I would if it means a reduction on cuts	CT1	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposed 3% increase in council tax would contribute to the overall resources of the council available to fund service delivery. As the £73 million assumes a council tax increase of 3%, a greater increase would be required to replace some of proposed reductions.
37859	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Basically the council are asking that clients pay increased council tax for a lesser service.	CT1	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposed 3% increase in council tax would contribute to the overall resources of the council available to fund service delivery. As the council will have less overall resources, the number of services delivered will have to reduce with services being reviewed based on the impact they have on priorities. It is proposed that future spending will be aligned to the priorities in the Transforming Your Council consultation document.
37860	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes. It has been the same for years. It should have gradually been increased year after year anyway. It may have helped this money crisis.	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax.
37861	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	No I do not support the increase as I find it unacceptable that you plan to reduce the services provided but increase the amount you want us to pay.	CT1	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	As the council's forecast budget position assumes an annual increase of 3% based on officer assumptions, additional savings would need to be identified to cover reduced income.
37862	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	I only believe in the increase if people like unpaid Carers and disabled people do not have services cut or have to pay more for services etc otherwise we will be pushed into poverty.	CT1	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposed 3% increase in council tax would contribute to the overall resources of the council available to fund service delivery. As the £73 million assumes a council tax increase of 3%, a greater increase would be required to replace some of proposed reductions.
37863	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	No I do not support the increase as I find it unacceptable that you plan to reduce the services provided but increase the amount you want us to pay.	CT1	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	As the council's forecast budget position assumes an annual increase of 3% based on officer assumptions, additional savings would need to be identified to cover reduced income.

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37864	An individual	CTI. Planned changes to Council Tax	agree. it will save jobs	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax.
37865	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTI. Planned changes to Council Tax	If they had put 1% on each year instead of a 10 year freeze we would be in a better position now.	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax.
37866	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTI. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes, although not convinced that this will solve the problem. Raising Council Tax, puts an additional burden on people that are in employment. If benefits are received there is a reduction, with some not paying there costing the Council further expense to collect the debt from them.	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax.
37867	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTI. Planned changes to Council Tax	The Scottish Government do not fund councils properly.	CT1	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	The council regularly emphasises to the Scottish Government the need for a fair settlement for local government as well as working with COSLA (the body that collectively represents local government in Scotland) to emphasise this point.
37868	An individual	CTI. Planned changes to Council Tax	I support the proposed rises in council tax you should have increased tax 17/18 council tax.	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax.
37869	An individual	CTI. Planned changes to Council Tax	A 3% increase is high enough across all bands.	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax.
37870	An individual	CTI. Planned changes to Council Tax	I fully support a Council tax increase of 3% across all bands.	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax.
37871	An individual	CTI. Planned changes to Council Tax	Unfair this year Band E and above increased. There could be 5 adults living in a Band D and no increase. The Poll Tax was the fairest tax on all concerned. Why tax on your house it is income on every person that should be taxed. The more adults in a house require more services so why should they live tax free	CT1	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	Council tax reform can only be reviewed at a national level with corresponding changes in council tax legislation.
37872	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	CTI. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes, if councils had not been made to put a freeze on council tax over the past 7 years, we could have protected services and not had a such significant challenges with our impending budgets. I would also be looking for staff wages to go up at the same rate or we are in essence giving our staff a pay cut in real terms.	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax. Council pay awards are agreed nationally as part of the collective pay agreement.
37873	An individual	CTI. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes it was always a bad idea not to increase it annually. Realize this was not your idea.	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax.
37874	An individual	CTI. Planned changes to Council Tax	No. WLC employees only receive 1% pay rise, again more increases for those who work and not eligible for council tax benefits. Whilst those that don't work will have it paid for them via benefits. Very unfair.	CT1	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	As the council's forecast budget position assumes an annual increase of 3% based on officer assumptions, additional savings would need to be identified to cover reduced income. The council implements nationally agreed pay awards.
37875	An individual	CTI. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes , this is inevitable.	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax.
37876	An individual	CTI. Planned changes to Council Tax	I support the Council's planned changes to Council Tax. I recognise the value of the services delivered by the Council and I am happy to contribute more towards delivering them.	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax.
37877	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTI. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes. It is clear that without this necessary increase, further cuts to vital services will be forced upon us.	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax.
37878	An individual	CTI. Planned changes to Council Tax	I think the current council tax rate should remain the same as an increase will be taking more of the hard working citizens money, making them work harder for nothing.	CT1	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	As the council's forecast budget position assumes an annual increase of 3% based on officer assumptions, additional savings would need to be identified to cover reduced income.
37879	An individual	CTI. Planned changes to Council Tax	A council tax rise of 3% per year for the next 5 years would be difficult to accept if wage increases did not keep pace.	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council implements nationally agreed pay awards.
37880	An individual	CTI. Planned changes to Council Tax	Reduce the council tax for unemployed and older folk	CT1	5a. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because the council is required by law to deliver this work.	The current council tax legislation means that any proposed percentage increase needs to be applied across all bands. Individuals on low incomes are able to apply for a number of council tax discounts and reductions.
37881	An individual	CTI. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes, absolutely - it has been kept artificially low for too long.	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax.
37882	An individual	CTI. Planned changes to Council Tax	Seems that Council do is anything for money. Don't think council do enough to put council tax up.	CT1	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	As the council's forecast budget position assumes an annual increase of 3% based on officer assumptions, additional savings would need to be identified to cover reduced income.

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37883	An individual	CTI. Planned changes to Council Tax	Do you really think you do enough to raise council tax. I have complained about my living room windows leaking and still nothing has been done.	CT1	5a. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because the council is required by law to deliver this work.	Provision of council houses, including maintenance costs, is paid for from council house rents not council tax.
37884	An individual	CTI. Planned changes to Council Tax	Council tax should be increased for all bands to help reduce cuts	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax.
37885	An individual	CTI. Planned changes to Council Tax	Depends on individual circumstances and how much it would improve specific services. If you earn a specific amount you should pay more. Means tested.	CT1	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	Council tax is a property based tax. Council tax reform can only be reviewed at a national level with corresponding changes in council tax legislation.
37886	An individual	CTI. Planned changes to Council Tax	No - this council has no democratic mandate to propose or set any council tax changes. The Labour Party did not appear on the WLC Local Election ballot papers.	CT1	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Council tax and the council's budget are agreed at full council at which all 33 elected members attend.
37887	An individual	CTI. Planned changes to Council Tax	Don't know what to say about this. Already in debt so can't pay more.	CT1	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	As the council's forecast budget position assumes an annual increase of 3% based on officer assumptions, additional savings would need to be identified to cover reduced income.
37888	An individual	CTI. Planned changes to Council Tax	Should raise council tax I would go for 4%	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Currently the Scottish Government only allows councils to increase council tax by a maximum of 3% annually. The council will consider your suggestion however it would have to be raised with the Scottish Government.
37889	An individual	CTI. Planned changes to Council Tax	Not a good idea - don't agree with an increase in council tax	CT1	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	As the council's forecast budget position assumes an annual increase of 3% based on officer assumptions, additional savings would need to be identified to cover reduced income.
37890	An individual	CTI. Planned changes to Council Tax	Good idea increasing council tax but worried about those who are already living in poverty.	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax. Individuals on low incomes are able to apply for a number of council tax discounts and reductions.
37891	An individual	CTI. Planned changes to Council Tax	Don't think council tax should be raised.	CT1	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	As the council's forecast budget position assumes an annual increase of 3% based on officer assumptions, additional savings would need to be identified to cover reduced income.
37892	An individual	CTI. Planned changes to Council Tax	I support an increase in the council tax but don't want it wasted on things that will not help local issues. Crime, social care and our health care.	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax.
37893	An individual	CTI. Planned changes to Council Tax	If you increase tax by 3% you are penalising the elderly and most vulnerable on fixed income/pensions which do not rise at anything near 3%. At a time of public sector pay caps of 1% you will create more misery for families and most vulnerable.	CT1	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	As the council's forecast budget position assumes an annual increase of 3% based on officer assumptions, additional savings would need to be identified to cover reduced income.
37894	An individual	CTI. Planned changes to Council Tax	I would be happy to pay more council tax so long as this was used wisely. However I strongly object to paying council tax on an empty property I am trying to sell as I do not live in it and do not use any services at that address.	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax.
37895	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTI. Planned changes to Council Tax	No I do not support the increase as I find it unacceptable that you plan to reduce the services provided but increase the amount you want us to pay.	CT1	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	As the council's forecast budget position assumes an annual increase of 3% based on officer assumptions, additional savings would need to be identified to cover reduced income.
37896	An individual	CTI. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes. I don't understand how you can continue to provide better services with the same amount of income, especially when inflation is taken into account. However, there needs to be a way to protect the most vulnerable in West Lothian who will not be able to afford a Council Tax rise.	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax. Individuals on low incomes are able to apply for a number of council tax discounts and reductions.
37897	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	CTI. Planned changes to Council Tax	We do. Council Tax has been artificially frozen for too long and can help to balance the budget.	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax.
37898	An individual	CTI. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes. However the timing of this comes at a time where it is very hard to say this. Councils have not been proactive enough in generating income for many years, had they have done so the budget gaps over the past 10 years would not have been so glaring. Paying more for vastly reduced council services seems very much to be a case of shutting the gate once the horse has bolted and this suggestions could not have come at a worse time, given the scale of the current cuts.	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax. The scope for charging will be considered, taking account current charges, the position in other local authorities and the impact of charges on vulnerable people and the availability of concessions.

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37899	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Whacking up council tax by 12% over 4 years will cause chaos" I agree tax rises on occasion. Doing it like this though is not the way!	CT1	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	As the council's forecast budget position assumes an annual increase of 3% based on officer assumptions, additional savings would need to be identified to cover reduced income.
37900	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	I do not support the planned changes. I feel that a 3% rise for 4 successive years could potentially cause real problems for hundreds, possibly thousands of families. I can understand why it is being raised but this is too much, too soon. I would need to see more in depth expenditure figures before commenting on where money should be saved.	CT1	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	As the council's forecast budget position assumes an annual increase of 3% based on officer assumptions, additional savings would need to be identified to cover reduced income.
37901	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	No. My council tax already went up last year and it will again if these proposals are implemented. I have received no such salary increase to take into account the ever increasing living expenses.	CT1	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	As the council's forecast budget position assumes an annual increase of 3% based on officer assumptions, additional savings would need to be identified to cover reduced income.
37902	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	I don't agree with Council Tax. I think people pay too much and don't get much out of it.	CT1	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	As the council's forecast budget position assumes an annual increase of 3% based on officer assumptions, additional savings would need to be identified to cover reduced income.
37903	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes I support the planned changes.	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax.
37904	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	I agree with the 3% increase in all bands! To be spent equally.	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax.
37905	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	If used efficiently then I understand the need for this unpopular move.	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax.
37906	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	I am supportive of the need for increased Council Tax charges by 3% to ensure service delivery.	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax.
37907	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Support a 3% rise, long overdue.	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax.
37908	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes. No alternative and long overdue.	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax.
37909	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes, the services the council provide are key to a healthy , happy life - I am sure those who can would pay more.	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax.
37910	No Response	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Not at all, being a new home owner I now pay council tax which I currently pay £92 a month for, while this may not be a lot of money for some its currently manageable for myself along with every other bill I have to pay, increasing this would only burden hard working home owners further.	CT1	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	As the council's forecast budget position assumes an annual increase of 3% based on officer assumptions, additional savings would need to be identified to cover reduced income.
37911	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	15% increase is a huge amount to those who are already struggling to pay the current rate. Why was council tax not increased in 17/18?	CT1	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	For the past nine years the Scottish Government restricted councils' ability to raise council tax through the financial settlement. In 2017/18 councillors froze council tax.
37912	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	yes I do support this rise. In fact council tax should have risen over the past number of years.	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax.
37913	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	The West Lothian Community Race Forum supports the 3% increase in Council Tax.	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax.
37914	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	will this be applicable across all bands? As bands d+ have only just had a large increase in 2017	CT1	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	The current council tax legislation means that any proposed percentage increase needs to be applied across all bands. Council tax levels for houses in bands E to H were increased in 2017/18 due to the implementation of the Scottish Government's changes to council tax bandings.
37915	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes - the West Lothian Faith Group would support a 3% increase in Council Tax.	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax.
37916	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	If council tax does not increase we will continue to be in a position where the council is actually creating more poverty and REDUCING opportunities. An annual 1% or even 0.5% rise over the last 10 years would have largely averted the problems we are facing now.	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax.

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37917	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTI. Planned changes to Council Tax	I feel 3% increase should be for every Band not just specific types. It means it is fair and we aren't solely discriminating on the higher bands.	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax. The current council tax legislation means that any proposed percentage increase needs to be applied across all bands.
37918	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTI. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes but they should have done it years ago.	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax.
37919	An individual	CTI. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes - as long as you listen to my views on the need not to leave little WL villages socially isolated with services or transportation.	CT1	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposed 3% increase in council tax would contribute to the overall resources of the council available to fund service delivery. As the £73 million assumes a council tax increase of 3%, a greater increase would be required to replace some of proposed reductions.
37920	An individual	CTI. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes. Provided used efficiently and effectively.	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax.
37921	An individual	CTI. Planned changes to Council Tax	No, as we have had a Council Tax freeze for several years. The council should have increased the Council Tax by at least 1% over these years.	CT1	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	As the council's forecast budget position assumes an annual increase of 3% based on officer assumptions, additional savings would need to be identified to cover reduced income.
37922	An individual	CTI. Planned changes to Council Tax	Should be the same as inflation.	CT1	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Scottish Government allows councils to increase council tax by a maximum of 3% annually. Officers have included a 3% annual increase in the council's budget model for the five years 2018/19 to 2022/23. As the council's forecast budget position assumes an annual increase of 3%, additional savings would need to be identified to cover reduced income for any increase less than 3%.
37923	An individual	CTI. Planned changes to Council Tax	No i would object to the increase completely. I would look for a vote of no confidence in the council and look for their removal or resignation.	CT1	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	As the council's forecast budget position assumes an annual increase of 3% based on officer assumptions, additional savings would need to be identified to cover reduced income.
37924	An individual	CTI. Planned changes to Council Tax	Shouldn't have been frozen for so long.	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax.
37925	An individual	CTI. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes the scottish government should never have placed a CAP on these so you should have been able to increase the bands fees each year	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax.
37926	An individual	CTI. Planned changes to Council Tax	Raising council tax will help provide extra income I feel a 3% rise is not too much as long as it is spent on the 8 priorities.	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax.
37927	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTI. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes, overall everybody in Scotland needs to pay more tax for local services. 3% is only c 25 per month = worthwhile	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax.
37928	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTI. Planned changes to Council Tax	I think the council tax should increase steadily however I did feel it was unfair to increase solely band E-H last year. If the council tax rises it should increase for everyone.	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax. The current council tax legislation means that any proposed percentage increase needs to be applied across all bands. Council tax levels for houses in bands E to H were increased in 2017/18 due to the implementation of the Scottish Government's changes to council tax bandings.
37929	An individual	CTI. Planned changes to Council Tax	Wife it has to be then it has to be but it must be spread. The Scottish Government is planning to increase taxes on what they call " the better off" you have to be careful not just to do the same.	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax.
37930	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTI. Planned changes to Council Tax	people are struggling the now we don't get a 3% raise each year	CT1	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Scottish Government allows councils to increase council tax by a maximum of 3% annually. Officers have included a 3% annual increase in the council's budget model for the five years 2018/19 to 2022/23. As the council's forecast budget position assumes an annual increase of 3%, additional savings would need to be identified to cover reduced income for any increase less than 3%.

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37931	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes however a smaller increase per year over the past few years would have been better and would have had less of an affect on homeowners/residences.	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax.
37932	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	If this reduces the need for job cuts then so be it.	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax.
37933	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	3% per year is fine but must be across all bands with no exceptions	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax. The current council tax legislation means that any proposed percentage increase needs to be applied across all bands.
37934	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Make sure all the spongers pay their fair share as well. Not just the hard working.	CT1	4. The council is already doing this.	The council actively pursues all debt, including council tax, community charge, rent and commercial debtors arrears. The council will investigate other ways to improve debt collections including strengthening corporate debt management activity.
37935	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	I support an increase in council tax and that it continues to increase or decrease in line with CPI	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax.
37936	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	If it preserves such things as keeping the community tip open in Linlithgow, keeping the number of Police that are needed on the streets and keeping the current bus routes open we would be happy to follow this increase of 3%, however if these were to be scrapped or reduced we certainly would not be happy to support this increase.	CT1	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposed 3% increase in council tax would contribute to the overall resources of the council available to fund service delivery. As the £73 million assumes a council tax increase of 3%, a greater increase would be required to replace some of proposed reductions.
37937	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes. We all need to pay taxes to get the services that we and others require. The freeze was a big mistake. We need to catch up now with increases in council tax.	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax.
37938	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	I support the increase in council tax.	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax.
37939	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes, as long as the increase is ring fenced for specific priorities, particularly social care.	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The proposed 3% increase in council tax would contribute to the overall resources of the council available to fund service delivery.
37940	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	no you are increasing tax for less services	CT1	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	As the council's forecast budget position assumes an annual increase of 3% based on officer assumptions, additional savings would need to be identified to cover reduced income.
37941	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	No, I don't!! If the services provided were more efficient and effective it might be easier to accept. From reading the above we will pay more for less services, you can not have it both ways!! If you are looking to make increases you have to ensure that the services. Why should people be penalised for putting money into property and have to pay even more for the same services that people in slightly smaller houses do!! It does not mean that their surplus income is higher just because they have a bigger house. Council tax needs to be re-looked at altogether, poll tax was not popular but council tax is becoming a joke, there must be half way between both of these. The money that must be wasted paying for the public to attend jury service must be horrendous! You sit for 3 days waiting to be told if you will be part of the jury or not and all this time the employers are short staffed and money being thrown away, this is a shinning example of a current process that should be reviewed to be more efficient and reduce costs.	CT1	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	As the council's forecast budget position assumes an annual increase of 3% based on officer assumptions, additional savings would need to be identified to cover reduced income. The council will continue to investigate ways to review, consolidate and better coordinate activities to allow streamlining of operations and removal of duplication. This will help ensure that activities are completed and managed in the most effective and efficient way. All services will be reviewed based on the impact they have on priorities. It is proposed that future spending will be aligned to the priorities in the Transforming Your Council consultation document.
37942	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Don't see much choice, though won't be a popular move as many peoples salaries have not gone up much in recent years.	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax.
37943	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	I do support the increase if it means saving peoples jobs. however, I think it should have be raised by 1% every year from when we were able too & not frozen because of an election year, the raising it 3% at once will cause upset.	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax.
37944	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	As an employee I do support the planned increase to Council Tax as it will secure jobs and services however staff also need a wage rise to help cover this cost otherwise it will be equivalent to another pay cut.	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax. Council pay awards are agreed nationally as part of the collective pay agreement.

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37945	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	I agree but would like to know if pensioners could get a slightly reduced rate increase if possible. They are not in a position of getting an increase in their income in the future as some workers are.	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax. Individuals on low incomes are able to apply for a number of council tax discounts and reductions.
37946	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	I agree with the Council Tax increase. That makes it fair across the board.	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax.
37947	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes! It should have been raised for this year.	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax.
37948	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes 3% - no higher.	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax.
37949	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes for the right services.	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax.
37950	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Disagree with the 3% rise. However, I would agree if it was on my priorities above.	CT1	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	As the council's forecast budget position assumes an annual increase of 3% based on officer assumptions, additional savings would need to be identified to cover reduced income.
37951	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	With the cut-backs that are occurring at present the Council don't have much of an option. The Council tax will have to be maintained. 3% each year seems reasonable.	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax.
37952	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	I think that council tax shouldnt go up as it is far too much money the now.	CT1	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	As the council's forecast budget position assumes an annual increase of 3% based on officer assumptions, additional savings would need to be identified to cover reduced income.
37953	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	I would agree to a council tax increase provided this was not greater than the government include given to the state pension annually. You cannot have 1.5% for some and 3% for others - fixed income people have a budget too!	CT1	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Scottish Government allows councils to increase council tax by a maximum of 3% annually. Officers have included a 3% annual increase in the council's budget model for the five years 2018/19 to 2022/23. As the council's forecast budget position assumes an annual increase of 3%, additional savings would need to be identified to cover reduced income for any increase less than 3%.
37954	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	3% increase for all bands	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax.
37955	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	I understand the money and cut backs have to come from somewhere and although wages don't increase to help with this i'm happy or understanding this increase must go ahead.	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax.
37956	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	What planet do these people live on. The government is saying it could put up income tax and you say you can put it up by 3%. Not everybody gets council wages and have a zero attitude if not paid take action to pay all monies due not let them refuse if most people pay why do they let other not pay when what's in it for the council if you cannot live within your means get people paid less in council as above.	CT1	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	As the council's forecast budget position assumes an annual increase of 3% based on officer assumptions, additional savings would need to be identified to cover reduced income. The council actively pursues all debt, including council tax, community charge, rent and commercial debtors arrears. The council will investigate other ways to improve debt collections including strengthening corporate debt management activity.
37957	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	I think the council tax should be increased in fact this should have happened before now and this is why we are struggling now. There are far too many foreigners allowed into this country, many of whom are criminals. It is about time we adopted the same procedures as Australia.	CT1	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax.
37958	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	No one will opt to pay more (3%) council tax as WLC want local people to manage services and buildings - why then pay when services are not being provided - makes no sense!	CT1	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposed 3% increase in council tax would contribute to the overall resources of the council available to fund service delivery. As the council will have less overall resources, the number of services delivered will have to reduce with services being reviewed based on the impact they have on priorities. It is proposed that future spending will be aligned to the priorities in the Transforming Your Council consultation document.

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37959	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	I am not adverse to a 3% council tax increase if we protect human staff lives (employment). If West Lothian citizens agree to a 3% increase - which services will be protected? Hope the 3% council tax will not just protect staff employment in housing! But all council staff. Our nursery nurses are underpaid and do an important sad if they don't see some of the £16.9m! This situation is born from extreme bad money management! Shocking!	CT1	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposed 3% increase in council tax would contribute to the overall resources of the council available to fund service delivery. As the council will have less overall resources, the number of services delivered will have to reduce with services being reviewed based on the impact they have on priorities. It is proposed that future spending will be aligned to the priorities in the Transforming Your Council consultation document. As the £73 million assumes a council tax increase of 3%, a greater increase would be required to replace some of proposed reductions.
37960	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	I believe that if cuts are required then I would rather pay a little more on Council tax than the closure/loss of vital services.	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax.
37961	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	I would support council tax increase but not 3% for each year. This is 3 times more than council workers pay increases have been for many years.	CT1	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Scottish Government allows councils to increase council tax by a maximum of 3% annually. Officers have included a 3% annual increase in the council's budget model for the five years 2018/19 to 2022/23. As the council's forecast budget position assumes an annual increase of 3%, additional savings would need to be identified to cover reduced income for any increase less than 3%.
37962	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	I don't agree with council tax full stop. The money is put to waste by local government. Money should be put into keeping community groups and clubs running.	CT1	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	Council tax reform can only be reviewed at a national level with corresponding changes in council tax legislation.
37963	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	I would rise of council tax by 3% as good value for the service well depend on and value.	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax.
37964	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	No I am not supporting 3% increase of Council tax!! You getting enough of this money!	CT1	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	As the council's forecast budget position assumes an annual increase of 3% based on officer assumptions, additional savings would need to be identified to cover reduced income.
37965	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	I suport a 3% increase to all bands but all properties should be re-valued now in order to put them in appropriate bands.	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax. Council tax bands and the valuations for them are set nationally by the Scottish Government. The council does not have the power to change banding values.
37966	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	I am in favour of a rise in council tax to maintain these services and more. My vote will be carefully placed next elections. End these savage cuts now. For a council tax payer with a vote	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax.
37967	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Happy for the council to increase council tax if it helps other services within WLC stay open.	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax.
37968	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	I'm not convinced that a 3% increase would help to reduce the cuts. In the past it has not been used properly and goes to 'prop up' other things - wages, pensions, etc. I would love to see specific priorities such as social & health care benefit from this but we know this won't happen. The Council lives on benefits from the Westminster Government and the only way to bridge the gap is to ask them for more money.	CT1	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposed 3% increase in council tax would contribute to the overall resources of the council available to fund service delivery. As the council will have less overall resources, the number of services delivered will have to reduce with services being reviewed based on the impact they have on priorities. It is proposed that future spending will be aligned to the priorities in the Transforming Your Council consultation document. As the £73 million assumes a council tax increase of 3%, a greater increase would be required to replace some of proposed reductions.
37969	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	The general mood of the meeting reflected an acceptance of an increase in council tax of 3% per annum for each of the 5 years of the financial plan period. We note that the deficit of £73 million assumes a 3% increase for each year between 2018/19 and 2022/23.	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax.
37970	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	no greater increase	CT1	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	As the council's forecast budget position assumes an annual increase of 3% based on officer assumptions, additional savings would need to be identified to cover reduced income.

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37971	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	People in band e-h are often on a fixed income (pensioners) so although they live in a high value house they do not always have a high income - and can not afford extra increase .	CT1	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The current council tax legislation means that any proposed percentage increase needs to be applied across all bands. Council tax levels for houses in bands E to H were increased in 2017/18 due to the implementation of the Scottish Government's changes to council tax bandings.
37972	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes I support the councils planned changes in council tax of 3%	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax.
37973	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	No I do not agree to a 3% rise over 5 years, This is not fair on people on low incomes or on pensioners. Most people are pushed as it is. Maybe you should charge more to them that bought their council houses. Now termed private. Just a thought. Another of Thatcher's disasters.	CT1	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	As the council's forecast budget position assumes an annual increase of 3% based on officer assumptions, additional savings would need to be identified to cover reduced income.
37974	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	as a tax payer I think the council is wrong not to adopt the council tax rise of 3% each year. Thank would give you a little more cash to help as required for more essential priorities and not reduce everything.	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax.
37975	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Raise council tax - but 1% sounds better for year by year	CT1	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Scottish Government allows councils to increase council tax by a maximum of 3% annually. Officers have included a 3% annual increase in the council's budget model for the five years 2018/19 to 2022/23. As the council's forecast budget position assumes an annual increase of 3%, additional savings would need to be identified to cover reduced income for any increase less than 3%.
37976	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	I think it is hard for people who are on low pay or benefits to pay more council tax.	CT1	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Individuals on low incomes are able to apply for a number of council tax discounts and reductions.
37977	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	No, council tax should not be increased.	CT1	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	As the council's forecast budget position assumes an annual increase of 3% based on officer assumptions, additional savings would need to be identified to cover reduced income.
37978	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	I am happy to support an increase of 3% providing it was spent on social care which is so important to support independent living for older people	CT1	5a. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because the council is required by law to deliver this work.	The proposed 3% increase in council tax would contribute to the overall resources of the council available to fund service delivery. As the council will have less overall resources, the number of services delivered will have to reduce with services being reviewed based on the impact they have on priorities. It is proposed that future spending will be aligned to the priorities in the Transforming Your Council consultation document.
37979	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	I do not object to Council Tax being raised as long as services are maintained and not cut.	CT1	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposed 3% increase in council tax would contribute to the overall resources of the council available to fund service delivery. As the £73 million assumes a council tax increase of 3%, a greater increase would be required to replace some of proposed reductions.
37980	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Whilst I live in a band E property I would accept that a 3% increase may be necessary. I request the Scottish Gov has not met its promise to review local tax. Further more Bands should have been reviewed every 5 years. As in the Rates system, I have no problem with at least band a and B being left out of the increase. I think a sliding scale from C-H would have been more equitable	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax. The current council tax legislation means that any proposed percentage increase needs to be applied across all bands. Council tax bands and the valuations for them are set nationally by the Scottish Government. The council does not have the power to change banding values.
37981	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes - although it is a small percentage of funding it is important that all house owners contribute	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax.
37982	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	I think the 3% rise in Council Tax is excessive, and employee wage rises should match the tax rise	CT1	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	As the council's forecast budget position assumes an annual increase of 3% based on officer assumptions, additional savings would need to be identified to cover reduced income. The council implements nationally agreed pay awards.

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37983	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Council Tax to be raised 1% per year	CT1	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Scottish Government allows councils to increase council tax by a maximum of 3% annually. Officers have included a 3% annual increase in the council's budget model for the five years 2018/19 to 2022/23. As the council's forecast budget position assumes an annual increase of 3%, additional savings would need to be identified to cover reduced income for any increase less than 3%.
37984	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	I would be willing to pay more if it meant the older people's day centre was kept open.	CT1	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposed 3% increase in council tax would contribute to the overall resources of the council available to fund service delivery. As the £73 million assumes a council tax increase of 3%, a greater increase would be required to replace some of proposed reductions.
37985	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	It needed to be raised two years ago. Stop thinking votes and start thinking responsibilities. "Freedom" needs to change. We want our services. Libraries, clean streets, our recycling centres, art exhibitions, gritting etc etc Have fewer councillors and reduce the £800,000 bill for them. Raise council tax. Work together and not for parties.	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax. The number of councillors for each council area is determined by statute by the Scottish Parliament.
37986	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	No i find it shocking.	CT1	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	As the council's forecast budget position assumes an annual increase of 3% based on officer assumptions, additional savings would need to be identified to cover reduced income.
37987	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	No to the increase in Bands E-H. Lots of householders in this bracket are asset rich but cash poor due to the increase in house prices. Any increase should be across all Bands as all people use council funded amenities.	CT1	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Council tax levels for houses in bands E to H were increased in 2017/18 due to the implementation of the Scottish Government's changes to council tax bandings.
37988	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	3% ok not sure about higher	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax.
37989	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes I support the plan to increase the council tax by 3%.	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax.
37990	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Only if the quality of services improves which I doubt	CT1	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposed 3% increase in council tax would contribute to the overall resources of the council available to fund service delivery. As the council will have less overall resources, the number of services delivered will have to reduce with services being reviewed based on the impact they have on priorities. It is proposed that future spending will be aligned to the priorities in the Transforming Your Council consultation document.
37991	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	I support the council's planned changes to council tax and also an increase of more than 3%	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax.
37992	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	I don't mind pay extra council tax as long as it's spent on schools, education and other priority areas	CT1	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposed 3% increase in council tax would contribute to the overall resources of the council available to fund service delivery. As the council will have less overall resources, the number of services delivered will have to reduce with services being reviewed based on the impact they have on priorities. It is proposed that future spending will be aligned to the priorities in the Transforming Your Council consultation document.
37993	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	If it kept more council jobs in all areas	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax.
37994	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	I support annual rise of 3% for ALL bands	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax.
37995	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes I support the council's planned changes to council tax	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax.
37996	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	There appears to be no choice but to agree, central government is not providing the required amount of funding, therefore it falls to tax payers to cover the shortfall.	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax.

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37997	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Happy for Council Tax to increase as long as children and youth services continue to run	CT1	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposed 3% increase in council tax would contribute to the overall resources of the council available to fund service delivery. As the £73 million assumes a council tax increase of 3%, a greater increase would be required to replace some of proposed reductions.
37998	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Support an increase to support the budget	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax.
37999	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	If council tax is increased it should be to fund the services that are necessary and ensure things like blue badge charges are not introduced. Nor should charges for brown bins. This council along with others should approach and discuss with the Scottish Government urgently the requirement to end council tax in its present form and introduce a fairer system based on ability to pay rather than housing prices. An increase in council tax should maintain services, not produce reduced services...	CT1	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposed 3% increase in council tax would contribute to the overall resources of the council available to fund service delivery. As the £73 million assumes a council tax increase of 3%, a greater increase would be required to replace some of proposed reductions. Council tax reform can only be reviewed at a national level with corresponding changes in council tax legislation.
38000	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	It is a very long time since council tax has been frozen. I feel it is vitally important to raise council tax to maintain essential council services which benefits all the citizens of West Lothian.	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax.
38001	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	I would support a regular rise in Council Tax, if that meant that council services and jobs would be protected.	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax.
38002	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	I do feel that I have little idea where the huge amount of money we pay in council tax is spent... So I do not support a 3% p/a rise.	CT1	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	As the council's forecast budget position assumes an annual increase of 3% based on officer assumptions, additional savings would need to be identified to cover reduced income.
38003	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	The council should have increased this years ago. Services have suffered as a result. I would rather pay for a good quality service than have no services.	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax.
38004	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes. No more than 3% poorer families will struggle.	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax.
38005	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	I don't believe in the Council tax as it is unfair to people unemployed and in employment	CT1	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	Council tax reform can only be reviewed at a national level with corresponding changes in council tax legislation.
38006	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Some increase is expected would not like it to be more than 3%	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax.
38007	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	I support the council's planned changes for 2018/19 and 2022/23	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax.
38008	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Support increase if funded mental health supports which would reduce need of emergency support.	CT1	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposed 3% increase in council tax would contribute to the overall resources of the council available to fund service delivery. As the council will have less overall resources, the number of services delivered will have to reduce with services being reviewed based on the impact they have on priorities. It is proposed that future spending will be aligned to the priorities in the Transforming Your Council consultation document.
38009	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	A yearly increase of 3% is not acceptable - many people in work have not received an increase in wages for a number of years.	CT1	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	As the council's forecast budget position assumes an annual increase of 3% based on officer assumptions, additional savings would need to be identified to cover reduced income.
38010	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	3% should be the absolute maximum increase	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax.
38011	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes & no... If it's going to help keep services then yes - but the questions asked already are asking us to pay for stuff like parking.	CT1	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposed 3% increase in council tax would contribute to the overall resources of the council available to fund service delivery. As the £73 million assumes a council tax increase of 3%, a greater increase would be required to replace some of proposed reductions.
38012	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	I don't mind the rise as long as the money goes to the right places.	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax.

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38013	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Council tax is high enough all ready without the need for an increase	CT1	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	As the council's forecast budget position assumes an annual increase of 3% based on officer assumptions, additional savings would need to be identified to cover reduced income.
38014	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Exempt from paying but I think most people would agree that paying more is required.	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax.
38015	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	I would rather the increase is lower with maybe a 1% increase proposed.	CT1	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Scottish Government allows councils to increase council tax by a maximum of 3% annually. Officers have included a 3% annual increase in the council's budget model for the five years 2018/19 to 2022/23. As the council's forecast budget position assumes an annual increase of 3%, additional savings would need to be identified to cover reduced income for any increase less than 3%.
38016	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Council tax doesn't affect me, I am exempt so happy if it goes up to help for decent services.	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax.
38017	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Agree that council tax should go up but only for people can afford it.	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax. Individuals on low incomes are able to apply for a number of council tax discounts and reductions.
38018	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes, if the money was going towards the community.	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax.
38019	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	No. We do not support the council's planned changes to council tax. Council tax charges in West Lothian are already on a par with or more expensive than inner London boroughs! Rates have been increased recently by 2.1%	CT1	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	As the council's forecast budget position assumes an annual increase of 3% based on officer assumptions, additional savings would need to be identified to cover reduced income. Council tax levels for houses in bands E to H were increased in 2017/18 due to the implementation of the Scottish Government's changes to council tax bandings.
38020	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	If an increase is used for social care and health, an increase is acceptable.	CT1	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposed 3% increase in council tax would contribute to the overall resources of the council available to fund service delivery. As the £73 million assumes a council tax increase of 3%, a greater increase would be required to replace some of proposed reductions.
38021	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Raising council tax by 3% each year until 2023 is too much.	CT1	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	As the council's forecast budget position assumes an annual increase of 3% based on officer assumptions, additional savings would need to be identified to cover reduced income.
38022	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Increase good = better care of special groups.	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax.
38023	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Business is good in West Lothian, tax the corpatory more that can afford it - not the working men more than this.	CT1	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	Non domestic rates for commercial properties are set nationally by the Scottish Government.
38024	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	I agree to the 3% rise. WLC services will become impersonal, detached & unfavourable. Not much chance of winning Council of the Year again. Community groups, T&R associations & community councils are diminishing due to lack of support & funding. Helping these areas grow could have provided volunteers to step in where some cuts are issued. I feel you have taken too much already and we are going to lose more. I don't know what the right choices are, I understand the money needs to be saved but I'm not sure you are getting it right.	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax.
38025	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	We already live on breadline, where do we get more money for another increase in tax? Take care of people. If more people move to West Lothian you have more community tax to collect.	CT1	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	As the council's forecast budget position assumes an annual increase of 3% based on officer assumptions, additional savings would need to be identified to cover reduced income.

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38026	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Cut down on everything! We will have nothing left. We don't have a lot at the moment. How many people take time to read all the reports?	CT1	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposed 3% increase in council tax would contribute to the overall resources of the council available to fund service delivery. As the council will have less overall resources, the number of services delivered will have to reduce with services being reviewed based on the impact they have on priorities. It is proposed that future spending will be aligned to the priorities in the Transforming Your Council consultation document.
38027	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	I agree with the rise - obviously necessary. But i wish you would collect this tax ruthlessly from those who do not!	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax. The council actively pursues all debt, including council tax, community charge, rent and commercial debtors arrears. The council will investigate other ways to improve debt collections including strengthening corporate debt management activity.
38028	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Support 3% increase (for all bands) - no support for greater increase.	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax. The current council tax legislation means that any proposed percentage increase needs to be applied across all bands.
38029	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	If i lose my youth work job I'll struggle to pay my rent - for less pay any increase on council tax.	CT1	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	As the council's forecast budget position assumes an annual increase of 3% based on officer assumptions, additional savings would need to be identified to cover reduced income.
38030	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	A) council tax requires to be increased to help fund those essential required expected services.	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax.
38031	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Broadly in agreement with increasing council tax and providing its done fairly and reasonably asking the householders in higher band properties to pay more. Also agree to proposal to increase council tax by more than 3% provided that it is targeted on specific projects.	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Currently the Scottish Government only allows councils to increase council tax by a maximum of 3% annually. The council will consider your suggestion however it would have to be raised with the Scottish Government. The current council tax legislation means that any proposed percentage increase needs to be applied across all bands.
38032	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	If it is affordable for everyone then an increase is essential however big business should contribute to this as we need the services and a happy workforce are happier.	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax. Non domestic rates for commercial properties are set nationally by the Scottish Government.
38033	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	I think it should go up but I don't think that 2 people living in a house should pay the same as 6 people living in a house. Logic tells you that 6 people will be using more facilities than 2. Also should be a reduction for OAP's as they are paid it all their working lives. It shouldn't go with your post code or if you are in a private house or Council house. We are all using th same ammenities, street lights, rubbish etc.	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax. Council tax reform can only be reviewed at a national level with corresponding changes in council tax legislation.
38034	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	I don't feel you need to play on the heart strings in terms of using social care as a bargaining tool. Realistically this Council Tax rise should have been in place previously to build up a buffer, people cannot expect to continue to maintain no increase. However, Councils should also be looking at their rents/Council Tax no-one else only pays 10 months of the year and why are they the cheapest around no wonder everyone wants to stay in Council tenancies.	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax. Individuals can choose to pay over ten or twelve instalments but the total charge remains the same.
38035	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	I agree to 3% increase in council tax next year. I am not happy about ongoing 3% increase year on year for the next 5 years as proposed.	CT1	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Scottish Government allows councils to increase council tax by a maximum of 3% annually. Officers have included a 3% annual increase in the council's budget model for the five years 2018/19 to 2022/23. As the council's forecast budget position assumes an annual increase of 3%, additional savings would need to be identified to cover reduced income for any increase less than 3%.

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38036	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	I am aware council tax bands have not been reviewed for many years & do not reflect current house prices. I would support an increase but wonder if you have considered increasing all CT on an incremental scale with lower bands being increased by a lower percentage & higher bands by a higher percentage? This would appeal as it's being universally applied & not targeted on one group (who may be struggling young families).	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax. The current council tax legislation means that any proposed percentage increase needs to be applied across all bands. Council tax bands and the valuations for them are set nationally by the Scottish Government. The council does not have the power to change banding values.
38037	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	I would support an increase of 0.5% per annum on the present rate of council tax.	CT1	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Scottish Government allows councils to increase council tax by a maximum of 3% annually. Officers have included a 3% annual increase in the council's budget model for the five years 2018/19 to 2022/23. As the council's forecast budget position assumes an annual increase of 3%, additional savings would need to be identified to cover reduced income for any increase less than 3%.
38038	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	We appreciate the need for an increase in council tax but wonder why this was not increased prior to the local election; if it had been it is likely the required cuts would not be as high as they are now.	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax.
38039	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	If the council's proposal at 7c waste services become effective then surely these would contribute to a certain % reduction in council tax eg. is it not the case that householders are already paying for brown bin collections within existing council tax? By proposing a charge for brown bin collections are WLC "double dipping" the householder?	CT1	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposed 3% increase in council tax would contribute to the overall resources of the council available to fund service delivery. As the £73 million assumes a council tax increase of 3%, a greater increase would be required to replace some of proposed reductions.
38040	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Paying more less! Should be income based. People on low income and benefits should be excluded.	CT1	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	Council tax reform can only be reviewed at a national level with corresponding changes in council tax legislation.
38041	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	But whatever you do get it right council tax scrap it. It is not working.	CT1	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	Council tax reform can only be reviewed at a national level with corresponding changes in council tax legislation.
38042	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	The SNP Scottish Government were going to scrap this - another lie. We all know its not working. So scrap it and go back to something like to old rates systems what is a fairer system.	CT1	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	Council tax reform can only be reviewed at a national level with corresponding changes in council tax legislation.
38043	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	I don't agree. If it was 3% for 1 year that would be ok.	CT1	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Scottish Government allows councils to increase council tax by a maximum of 3% annually. Officers have included a 3% annual increase in the council's budget model for the five years 2018/19 to 2022/23. As the council's forecast budget position assumes an annual increase of 3%, additional savings would need to be identified to cover reduced income for any increase less than 3%.
38044	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	I think all homes should pay dependant on their income. Owners of large estates should pay most based on the current value of their property and the land they own privately. I do think that everyone who has a bus pass should pay 50p each journey. I don't think they would find this a hardship. I would introduce parking meters in town centres to raise money. Charge 20p for taking a book from the library.	CT1	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	Council tax bands and the valuations for them are set nationally by the Scottish Government. The council does not have the power to change banding values. The scope for charging will be considered, taking account current charges, the position in other local authorities and the impact of charges on vulnerable people and the availability of concessions.
38045	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	The council is already planning to increase rent by at least 3%/year over the next 5 years. It would be preferable to increase council tax in order to provide services. To increase both - effectively over 15% at least on rent alone - would place a huge burden on many "cash strapped" tenants. If the cost of living is set to rise even further. More and more tenants will be faced with the dilemma of either paying bills, rent, etc or paying for food, heating. By increasing rent & council tax this would place increased pressure on the welfare system as more tenants are forced into poverty.	CT1	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	As the council's forecast budget position assumes an annual increase of 3% based on officer assumptions, additional savings would need to be identified to cover reduced income. Individuals on low incomes are able to apply for a number of council tax discounts and reductions.

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38046	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	council tax incomes should rise significantly.	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax.
38047	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	council tax should not increase by more than 2% per year	CT1	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Scottish Government allows councils to increase council tax by a maximum of 3% annually. Officers have included a 3% annual increase in the council's budget model for the five years 2018/19 to 2022/23. As the council's forecast budget position assumes an annual increase of 3%, additional savings would need to be identified to cover reduced income for any increase less than 3%.
38048	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Not happy about this at all - I pay enough as it is and I can't even get my grass cut for less than £40. I would be even poorer than I am now.	CT1	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Scottish Government allows councils to increase council tax by a maximum of 3% annually. Officers have included a 3% annual increase in the council's budget model for the five years 2018/19 to 2022/23. As the council's forecast budget position assumes an annual increase of 3%, additional savings would need to be identified to cover reduced income for any increase less than 3%.
38049	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Why will West Lothian Council not raise our Council Tax. It is so imbalanced with those on lower incomes in modest properties paying a higher percentage of their income on Council Tax while those more affluent with larger homes pay little.	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax.
38050	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Poll tax was a fairer tax. Council tax for people in the higher band is totally unfair. 3% is higher than expected. Salaries haven't increase and council tax should stay the same.	CT1	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	Council tax reform can only be reviewed at a national level with corresponding changes in council tax legislation.
38051	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	I feel that people over 65 should have a reduced rate as they don't have a wage coming in.	CT1	5a. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because the council is required by law to deliver this work.	The current council tax legislation means that any proposed percentage increase needs to be applied across all bands. Individuals on low incomes are able to apply for a number of council tax discounts and reductions.
38052	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	When the Scottish Government introduced the increase for bands E-H. For equality payments it should have been for all bands.	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Council tax levels for houses in bands E to H were increased in 2017/18 due to the implementation of the Scottish Government's changes to council tax bandings. The current council tax legislation means that any proposed percentage increase needs to be applied across all bands.
38053	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	I don't think its fair to raise 3% in council tax. I think an increase on income should increase the shortfall. The E-H band has already had huge increases.	CT1	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	As the council's forecast budget position assumes an annual increase of 3% based on officer assumptions, additional savings would need to be identified to cover reduced income. Council tax levels for houses in bands E to H were increased in 2017/18 due to the implementation of the Scottish Government's changes to council tax bandings.
38054	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	I understand cut backs will need to be made as the cost of living has risen so much over the last 7 years the choice for many now is eat or heat and luxuries can be ill afforded. If there was a 3% increase there ought to be measures in place for low income & pensioners to be exempt from payment of increase. I cannot make a comment as not enough information has been supplied. No to paying an increase for those on a low income.	CT1	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Individuals on low incomes are able to apply for a number of council tax discounts and reductions. Council tax in West Lothian has been frozen for ten years providing a significant benefit to council tax payers.
38055	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Council tax is a system which has passed its sell by date. Now that increases seem to inevitable, this will mean further cuts to peoples disposable income, which in some cases can ill afford.	CT1	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	Council tax reform can only be reviewed at a national level with corresponding changes in council tax legislation.
38056	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	I believe that a 3% rise in council tax should only go to households that can afford it. I also believe that people on benefits should get a decrease in their council tax because it will be money that can be spent on better things like food even it means an increase of 3% for everyone else	CT1	5a. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because the council is required by law to deliver this work.	The current council tax legislation means that any proposed percentage increase needs to be applied across all bands.
38057	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	The proposed increases should be over all rate bands	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The current council tax legislation means that any proposed percentage increase needs to be applied across all bands.

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38058	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	The poor, homeless and down-and-outs seem to be treated much better than the working, honest people by both the scottish government and local councils. I agree with a 3% increase but would apply it over all bands not just the well-off and big houses. I agree with the steps and direction the council is taking for future development of West Lothian.	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax. The current council tax legislation means that any proposed percentage increase needs to be applied across all bands.
38059	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Whilst I am in agreement for Council Tax to be increased, I feel that due to unemployment and poverty issues this increase will put people in a situation that they may not be able to afford. Many people rely on food banks etc and raising the Council Tax may only put some people further into priority bracket no.6. Which services will be improved if this raise takes place considering that in section 7c (waste services) there is a proposal to introduce charges that are in place just now.	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax. Individuals on low incomes are able to apply for a number of council tax discounts and reductions.
38060	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Whilst I am in agreement for council tax to be raised I feel that due to unemployment and poverty issues this increase will put people in a situation that they may not be able to afford. Many people rely on food banks etc and raising the council tax may only put some people further into priority bracket no.6. Which services will be improved if this raise takes place? Considering that in proposal 7c there is a proposal to introduce charges that are in place just now.	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax. Individuals on low incomes are able to apply for a number of council tax discounts and reductions.
38061	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	not sure how WLC resident can be asked to contribute more in council tax when wages haven't increased by the equivalent over the years. Agree they need to be increased but council wages increases need to be more generous to ensure communities standards of living don't continue to fall.	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax. Council pay awards are agreed nationally as part of the collective pay agreement. Council tax in West Lothian has been frozen for ten years providing a significant benefit to council tax payers.
38062	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	3% of a rise is a lot for most families to be paying, most families struggle to pay just now. Will we see any improvements with paying more council tax??	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The proposed 3% increase in council tax would contribute to the overall resources of the council available to fund service delivery. As the council will have less overall resources, the number of services delivered will have to reduce with services being reviewed based on the impact they have on priorities. It is proposed that future spending will be aligned to the priorities in the Transforming Your Council consultation document.
38063	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	As long as the quality of service is maintained I couldn't complain about an increase	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The proposed 3% increase in council tax would contribute to the overall resources of the council available to fund service delivery. As the council will have less overall resources, the number of services delivered will have to reduce with services being reviewed based on the impact they have on priorities. It is proposed that future spending will be aligned to the priorities in the Transforming Your Council consultation document.
38064	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	agree if we are to provide better services in an age when there is a dramatic increase in the older population then money has to be found from somewhere and a 3% increase in council tax for those who can afford it seems reasonable. It is time however to look at the age where older people qualify for the Christmas fuel and bus pass entitlement particular where people are still working.	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The proposed 3% increase in council tax would contribute to the overall resources of the council available to fund service delivery. As the council will have less overall resources, the number of services delivered will have to reduce with services being reviewed based on the impact they have on priorities. It is proposed that future spending will be aligned to the priorities in the Transforming Your Council consultation document.
38065	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	You don't need to consult on raising council tax you already have the authority to do this.	CT1	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
38066	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	I fully support the increase and believe that it should never have been frozen. I also think that SNP bribed people by freexing it in the first place to gain power. We have gone from UK council of the YEar 2006 to a skelton of once which we were.	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax.
38067	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	I agree on the 3% If funding raised on what social care?	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax.

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38068	An individual	CTI. Planned changes to Council Tax	I think 3% is steep. I think councils need to impress upon the Scottish Government that a revaluation of properties is necessary. It cannot be fair that e.g. someone in a house worth £500,000 pays the same council as as that of a property worth £212,000. I think council tax arrears need to be pursued more actively. I think an increase of more than 3% across the board would have a serious impact on many households.	CT1	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	Council tax bands and the valuations for them are set nationally by the Scottish Government. The council does not have the power to change banding values. The council actively pursues all debt, including council tax, community charge, rent and commercial debtors arrears. The council will investigate other ways to improve debt collections including strengthening corporate debt management activity.
38069	An individual	CTI. Planned changes to Council Tax	Increase would be fine.	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax.
38070	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	CTI. Planned changes to Council Tax	We support the council's planned changes.	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax.
38071	An individual	CTI. Planned changes to Council Tax	It needs to rise! Our services are disappearing faster than snow off a dyke in June. Nobody wants bills to rise but this government is bringing council services to its knees.	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax.
38072	An individual	CTI. Planned changes to Council Tax	Why will West Lothian Council not raise our Council Tax. It is so imbalanced with those on lower incomes in modest properties paying a higher percentage of their income on Council Tax while those more affluent with larger homes pay little.	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax.
38073	An individual	CTI. Planned changes to Council Tax	I don't think the council tax should be put up I think there shouldn't be so much money been put into jails. I would be happy to pay it as long as it wasn't getting spent on criminals that keep reoffending.	CT1	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	Funding for prisons is determined nationally by the UK Government. Funding for criminal justice activity in councils is ring fenced funding from the Scottish Government and must be used for these purposes.
38074	An individual	CTI. Planned changes to Council Tax	I do support the planned changes.	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax.
38075	An individual	CTI. Planned changes to Council Tax	Consider the increase to be good only if spent only if spent on local priorities- groups etc improves mental health Good for children to socialise.	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax.
38076	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTI. Planned changes to Council Tax	I would pay the increase in council tax so we could provide better services for the community in which I live in	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax.
38077	An individual	CTI. Planned changes to Council Tax	I would agree to pay the increase in council tax	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax.
38078	An individual	CTI. Planned changes to Council Tax	Council tax is expensive enough for most people so it should not be raised unless it got put to a good cause such as care fr the elderly, groups for children and school supplies.	CT1	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	As the council's forecast budget position assumes an annual increase of 3% based on officer assumptions, additional savings would need to be identified to cover reduced income.
38079	An individual	CTI. Planned changes to Council Tax	Agree with rise of 3% in bands E-H but not a general increase across the whole spectrum.	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax. The current council tax legislation means that any proposed percentage increase needs to be applied across all bands. Council tax levels for houses in bands E to H were increased in 2017/18 due to the implementation of the Scottish Government's changes to council tax bandings.
38080	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTI. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes this is acceptable	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax.
38081	An individual	CTI. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes I agree with increase	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax.
38082	An individual	CTI. Planned changes to Council Tax	Happy to have a 3% increase as long as the council services remain the same with no less bin collections etc.	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The proposed 3% increase in council tax would contribute to the overall resources of the council available to fund service delivery. As the council will have less overall resources, the number of services delivered will have to reduce with services being reviewed based on the impact they have on priorities. It is proposed that future spending will be aligned to the priorities in the Transforming Your Council consultation document.
38083	An individual	CTI. Planned changes to Council Tax	I support council tax increase	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax.

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38084	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Will getting more money really improve our services - especially housing. All the extra money what are they going to do with it?	CT1	5a. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because the council is required by law to deliver this work.	The proposed 3% increase in council tax would contribute to the overall resources of the council available to fund service delivery. As the council will have less overall resources, the number of services delivered will have to reduce with services being reviewed based on the impact they have on priorities. It is proposed that future spending will be aligned to the priorities in the Transforming Your Council consultation document. Provision of council houses, including maintenance costs, is paid for from council house rents not council tax.
38085	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Council tax is to high for people that don't have it	CT1	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	As the council's forecast budget position assumes an annual increase of 3% based on officer assumptions, additional savings would need to be identified to cover reduced income.
38086	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	The council should increase council tax for a mimimum of the next 5 years. The increase should be set at 3% per year .	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax.
38087	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	The proposed increase of 3% is a substantial increase for some families and may cause hardship . I agree that there should be an increase but it should be phased in over the next few years allowing ways to increase at the same rate. To increase at this rate would contradict your priority of minimising poverty.	CT1	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Scottish Government allows councils to increase council tax by a maximum of 3% annually. Officers have included a 3% annual increase in the council's budget model for the five years 2018/19 to 2022/23. As the council's forecast budget position assumes an annual increase of 3%, additional savings would need to be identified to cover reduced income for any increase less than 3%.
38088	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes to avoid any further cuts	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax.
38089	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	3% is too much for me. 1%- 2% at most	CT1	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Scottish Government allows councils to increase council tax by a maximum of 3% annually. Officers have included a 3% annual increase in the council's budget model for the five years 2018/19 to 2022/23. As the council's forecast budget position assumes an annual increase of 3%, additional savings would need to be identified to cover reduced income for any increase less than 3%.
38090	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Agree it seems 3% p.a increase is unavoidable and essential but many will be averse and may struggle to pay	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax.
38091	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	I do not agree with council tax being increased.	CT1	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	As the council's forecast budget position assumes an annual increase of 3% based on officer assumptions, additional savings would need to be identified to cover reduced income.
38092	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	I would happily pay more council tax as long as the extra money went on appropriate priorities = education / special needs / social care.	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The proposed 3% increase in council tax would contribute to the overall resources of the council available to fund service delivery. As the council will have less overall resources, the number of services delivered will have to reduce with services being reviewed based on the impact they have on priorities. It is proposed that future spending will be aligned to the priorities in the Transforming Your Council consultation document.
38093	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes I would support rise of 3% annually because it has not been raised cutbacks have began to show. So many to mention. Personally I would be so disappointed if one of the cutbacks happened to my lip reading class. The benefits I get from attending are enormous. Because of this I hear so many things. Outings this helps my health this can only be good.	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The proposed 3% increase in council tax would contribute to the overall resources of the council available to fund service delivery. As the council will have less overall resources, the number of services delivered will have to reduce with services being reviewed based on the impact they have on priorities. It is proposed that future spending will be aligned to the priorities in the Transforming Your Council consultation document.

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38094	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	That would be the most sensible course of action instead of depriving the most vulnerable whose parents and family would rather pay extra on the council tax than close their centre.	CT1	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposed 3% increase in council tax would contribute to the overall resources of the council available to fund service delivery. As the £73 million assumes a council tax increase of 3%, a greater increase would be required to replace some of proposed reductions.
38095	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Thank you for giving me the opportunity to give my thoughts on the proposals. A lot of people who live in West Lothian work as council or Health employees. Reducing their income at the same time as increasing council tax will have a detrimental effect on the ability to maintain a decent standard of living. We need to ensure people have enough money to spend and therefore we need to ensure people have enough money to spend and therefore keep our economy running. I believe this to be a bad proposal.	CT1	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	As the council will have less overall resources, the number of services delivered will have to reduce with services being reviewed based on the impact they have on priorities. This will include changes to service standards, staffing levels and the way remaining services are delivered. It is proposed that future spending will be aligned to the priorities in the Transforming Your Council consultation document.
38096	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Increase council tax if deemed necessary to help avoid closures of centres in the area.	CT1	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposed 3% increase in council tax would contribute to the overall resources of the council available to fund service delivery. As the £73 million assumes a council tax increase of 3%, a greater increase would be required to replace some of proposed reductions.
38097	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Raise the Council Tax.	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax.
38098	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes. Although it has to be said that council workers are experiencing a real terms wage cut year on year over the past ten years. By raising council tax 3% then giving staff a 1% wage rise, council workers are paying to implement cuts on themselves.	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax. Council pay awards are agreed nationally as part of the collective pay agreement. Council tax in West Lothian has been frozen for ten years providing a significant benefit to council tax payers.
38099	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Increase the Council Tax rather than making people redundant and putting strain on the rest of the workforce.	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax.
38100	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	An increase in Council Tax.	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax.
38101	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Efficiency savings, Integrated partners, sounds like were turning to charity to do the job of the public sector. Raise the council tax and fund the services properly. It's people's life's were talking about here.	CT1	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax.
38102	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	No	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
38103	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	No	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
38104	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	No.	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
38105	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Certainly NOT under any circumstances	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
38106	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	NO I do not have you thought of targeting the non payers maybe if you did this the people that do pay wouldn't then be affected. How do you expect hardworking people who have not had a pay rise for years find the money to pay the extra you will be asking.	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
38107	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	The residents of West Lothian are lucky if we see a 3% rise on our incomes... This is high by any regards for an already poor community in Livingston.	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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38108	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	No. Council tax is already a large factor in monthly expenses. Increasing this at a time when most wages are being restricted is a further reduction in the income people have towards their households at a time when prices for necessities is increasing. A modest rise could be accommodated, but an effective 18% (more in real terms) raise over 5 years is not manageable, nor acceptable	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
38109	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	If all the cuts go ahead and many services are removed I don't find it fair to pay more for this	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
38110	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	No, many public sector workers have had a pay freeze for the last five years. Teachers are currently negotiating a new pay increase deal for just over 1% but council tax will rise by 3%? Does not equate and does not reflect the promises made by the Scottish Government.	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
38111	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	No - a 15% increase over 5 years is nothing short of extortion when wages have not and are not increasing at the same rate.	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
38112	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	put council tax up to the max and we will see what happens next .there will be more homeless in west Lothian than anywhere else in the uk	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
38113	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	There must be a limit to how much people can pay. Increases cannot go on forever. For most people the Council Tax is already the biggest monthly bill they have. Annual increases will turn the country into a state run society in which the residents will serve the state and not the other way round. This means that Council staff will consider themselves more powerful than the people they serve.	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
38114	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	I definitely do not agree in a council tax rise. I have had a recent increase and I believe this is sufficient.	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
38115	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	No	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
38116	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	** NO ***	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
38117	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	No	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
38118	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	No	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
38119	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	No.	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
38120	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Salaries and pensions are not going up by 3% so where are people getting the money. The rise should reflect wage and pension increases so I do not support 3% increase.	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
38121	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	No I do not support this.	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
38122	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	nope	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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38139	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	No	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
38140	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	No	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
38141	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	No	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
38142	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	No	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
38143	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	No!	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
38144	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	No	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
38145	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	No	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
38146	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	No	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
38147	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	NO	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
38148	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Absolutely not i have just had a council tax rise and certainly don't want another, having had my wages frozen for the last 7 years.	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
38149	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Disagree - rates should only rise in relation to inflation / consumer price index.	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
38150	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	No. Council Tax should rise no more than in line with household incomes. To suggest a 3% annual increase when public service employees have been subject to an effective pay cut over several recent years is an absolute disgrace.	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
38151	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	No. Council tax is already a significant cost for residents. If services are being cut, the cost of council tax should not increase.	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
38152	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	No. It is an unaffordable increase as salaries are not increasing by this amount. It will only put more people into financial difficulty.	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
38153	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	NO !	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
38154	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	No	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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38155	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	No	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
38156	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	no	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
38157	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	No	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
38158	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	No	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
38159	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	No	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
38160	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Disagree because the services we pay for in council tax keep getting reduced and you want to charge more ?	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
38161	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	No, because there isn't enough money nyway	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
38162	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	No, I do not support this. Please see my previous comment. I am paying Â£205 a month in council tax. We are 2 adults no children in a house worth Â£220,000. I believe this is excessive and to ask 2 people on an average wage who don't qualify for any benefits to pay yet more council tax is appalling. If you must make cuts, let's see them made to universal hand outs which benefit the wealthy and are not means tested. A person living in a Â£500,000 or Â£1,000,000 home pays a few hundred pounds a year more than I do. I do not think you should be asking me to pay any more while this regressive situation stands.	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
38163	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	I don't agree with the council putting council tax up by 3% each year - if it wasn't frozen we wouldn't be in this mess.	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
38164	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	No I do not agree with increasing council tax.	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
38165	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	No	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
38166	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	NO	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
38167	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	No	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
38168	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	No	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
38169	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	No	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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38170	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	no	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
38171	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	No	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
38172	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	No.	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
38173	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	NO	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
38174	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	No. A 17.5% rise this year was hard to swallow.	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
38175	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Council tax should not be increased	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
38176	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	No. Compared to many other areas we have a very high rate of council tax so I would strongly oppose another increase.	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
38177	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	No. Agreeing to increasing council tax does not mean that the services I value will remain. Conversely, no tax rise may mean that services I do not utilise are affected.	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
38178	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Think the council is enough.	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
38179	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	ABSOLUTELY NOT - YOU CANNOT PAY EMPLOYEES OF THE COUNCIL BELOW THE ACCEPTABLE RATE, GIVE THEM 1% PAY RISE (WHAT A JOKE) AND THEN CHARGE THEM 3% COUNCIL TAX - THIS IS SO UNFAIR. HOW CAN YOU POSSIBLE JUSTIFY THIS????	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
38180	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	No.	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
38181	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	No	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
38182	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	No	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
38183	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	No	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
38184	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	No I do not	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
38185	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	No, although I understand this needs to be done to prevent additional cuts to services. I feel the council tax is high enough and that the Scottish Government should be funding this.	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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38186	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	No feel that enough money is paid at the current level.	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
38187	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	No, we are not getting value for money for what we already pay. Only 1 black bin collection every fortnight and we have to pay for external gardeners within the street.	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
38188	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	No	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
38189	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	No	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
38190	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	No	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
38191	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	No!	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
38192	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	No	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
38193	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	No	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
38194	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	No	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
38195	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	No	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
38196	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	No	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
38197	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	No	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
38198	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	No	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
38199	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	No	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
38200	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	no	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
38201	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	No - this equates to an increase of 19% over the 5 years. My income cannot keep up with that level of increase - how am I supposed to afford this?	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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38202	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	NO	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
38203	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	No.	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
38204	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	No	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
38205	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	No	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
38206	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Stay the same.	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
38207	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	I pay enough.	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
38208	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Your 3% rise in council tax until 2022/23 budget doesn't seem a lot to you but as a pensioner on Band D we find it difficult as it is to pay this tax as we don't qualify for any help as my husband has a small private pension so this bars us from any government help. Please think carefully about increasing council tax and certainly do not agree with any increase and especially not above 3%	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
38209	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	My husband is the only person in our house that works, we pay full everything, no benefits at all. I'm in recovery and not fit for employment. We have 2 children, I think it is absolutely terrible this would be happening and a disgrace to people who struggle with finance constantly.	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
38210	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	The Council made great play of having a zero Council Tax increase in 2017/18 as a policy priority in difficult times for ordinary households. Nothing has changed in 5 months since the Council and general elections. It would be bizarre if the Council's thinking has, when economic circumstances have worsened. The Chief Executive asks about the three main priorities for the community he claims to want to work with. The community faces a triple whammy of rising inflation (3%+), higher income taxes from the devolved government and increased interest rates; all of which lower disposable incomes. In such circumstances, the Council should NOT be treating an annual 3% increase in Council Tax as a "given". That amounts to a compound increase of 16% over the planning period. The combined effect of these economic factors on households would be catastrophic. The Council should therefore be presenting a scenario with ZERO Council Tax increase in order to save a total of £100m over the planning period. This would be an annual budget saving of 5% against the 3.7% currently contemplated and would be no worse than the savings the NHS (a greater priority service) will have to find next year. I do not support a tax increase at the maximum level or beyond. It's an unimaginative and uninspiring pre-set suggestion in the so-called consultation document.	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
38211	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Don't agree with council tax at all. Should be only £50 not £300 each year - unfair. Unless it goes to good services.	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
38212	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	No I don't agree with proposals. I think they should make it cheaper for older people.	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
38213	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	no I do not support changes to council tax	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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38214	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	No, I don't agree as it's too much money over 5 years.	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
38215	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	I think 3% every year is a bit much as being a pensioner and disabled I would find this a struggle to pay with my pension. My wife and I struggle just now paying bills.	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
38216	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Don't agree on council tax going up by 3% for 7 years.	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
38217	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	No I do not approve of this. It would be very much extra money each year	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
38218	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	No I don't agree with any price hikes. People can't afford it.	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
38219	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	No... I can't understand why it has to be raised.	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
38220	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	No. I do not understand why the council tax needs to be raised	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
38221	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	No. I can't understand why it has to be raised.	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
38222	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	No - I don't understand why the council tax needs to be increased	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
38223	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Rubbish. All these years I have worked and paid into the system for nothing in return. There is a real shortage of money in my household and I can't afford it.	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
38224	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	I do not want the council tax to go up, I can't afford it.	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
38225	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	No more increases	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
38226	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Don't agree with 3% x 5 years.	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
38227	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	No I do not support an increase in council tax. I am a bit concerned about another increase when there is no prospect of a wage increase - food and heating bills (etc) are also rising.	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
38228	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Given that wages have not increased universally in line with inflation for several years I don't agree with any increase in the council taxation proposals	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
38229	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	No I don't support a 3% increase	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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38230	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	ror	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
38231	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Not only should house valuations bear no relation to council tax bands, I also get the privilege of the first thing I see when approaching my house and opening my blinds in the morning is the sight of a council van parked on the street.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
38232	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	No , definitely not	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
38233	No Response	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	dgdgd	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
38234	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Yes. However, I would expect an increase in council tax to provide better services, not to cover the costs of an ever-worsening service. I would gladly pay more council tax for better services. But to pay more council tax for a service that will be worse than it has ever been is a bitter pill to swallow.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
38235	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	N/a as not a council tax payer in WL	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
38236	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	robbers	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
38237	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Doesnt affect me.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
38238	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Noted	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
38239	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Doesn't apply	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
38240	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Unable to comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
38241	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	No comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
38242	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	No comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
38243	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	N/a	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
38244	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Not sure	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
38245	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	We should never have scrapped council tax increases. We are paying now with all the cuts.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
38246	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	You donâ€™t need to consult on raising council tax you already have the authority to do this.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
38247	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	You donâ€™t need to consult on raising council tax you already have the authority to do this.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
38248	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	You donâ€™t need to consult on raising council tax you already have the authority to do this.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
38249	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	You donâ€™t need to consult on raising council tax you already have the authority to do this.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
38250	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Seems a waste of time and tax payers' money paying for the likes of the tram lines - there are much more important things to spend money on but too late now. That sort of money could be spent on the most important things as listed above.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
38251	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	You donâ€™t need to consult on raising council tax you already have the authority to do this.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
38252	An individual	CTi. Planned changes to Council Tax	Undecided	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
38253	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	I agree increase council tax	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
38254	An individual	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	i support	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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38255	An individual	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	Yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
38256	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	good idea	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
38257	An individual	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
38258	An individual	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	I do support it	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
38259	An individual	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	great idea	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
38260	An individual	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
38261	An individual	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	I support as stated above. To improve matters I would stop expensive final salary pensions to new employees and echo what most of industry does in defining contributions. Pension shortfalls are expensive.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
38262	An individual	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	I support	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
38263	An individual	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	Happy to pay more council tax to protect services	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
38264	An individual	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	I support the annualmincrease	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
38265	An individual	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	Support the increase	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
38266	An individual	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	I support the increase	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
38267	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	no comments- in agreement.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
38268	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
38269	An individual	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	Support	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
38270	An individual	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	All proposals are sound.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
38271	An individual	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	I think that bands A-D should have a staggered increase e.g. 1% in 2018/19 then 2% in 2019/20 then 3% with higher bands having a slightly higher increase to subsidise this. Or, for bands A-D to remain at a lower increase e.g. 2% with higher bands having a higher increase to provide the same funding. With the increasing number of housing in West Lothian, more CT revenue will be raised - it isn't clear if this has been projected.	CT2	5a. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because the council is required by law to deliver this work.	The current council tax legislation means that any proposed percentage increase needs to be applied across all bands. Officer budget model assumptions include an assumed annual increase as a result of additional housing being built across the county.
38272	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	Streamlining of services should be able to fund the savings as will streamlining of internal WLC processes.	CT2	4. The council is already doing this.	The council will continue to investigate ways to consolidate and better coordinate activities to allow streamlining of operations and removal of duplication. This will help ensure that activities are completed and managed in the most effective way.
38273	An individual	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	I support an increase only in the higher bands.	CT2	5a. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because the council is required by law to deliver this work.	The current council tax legislation means that any proposed percentage increase needs to be applied across all bands.
38274	An individual	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	I support it.- see above	CT2	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax.
38275	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	I think that higher fee's and charges and direct deducitons for those who do not pay their council tax would help The people who pay their council tax religiously are being punished for those who fail to pay their council tax. I think if there are council tax arrears on accounts then tenant's should not be eligible for further assistance such as SWF and for moves to a new property or an exchange the same way rent arrears do this	CT2	5a. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because the council is required by law to deliver this work.	The council actively pursues all debt, including council tax, community charge, rent and commercial debtors arrears. The council will investigate other ways to improve debt collections including strengthening corporate debt management activity. Legally, the council is not able to apply a charge to council tax liabilities for this purpose.

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38276	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	business rates	CT2	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	The non domestic rates scheme and charges are set nationally by the Scottish Government.
38277	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	I feel charging for other services which the council give away need to be looked at. All services can tighten their budget but this needs to start with the small stuff place more emphasis on families and individuals taking control of their life.	CT2	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The scope for charging will be considered, taking account the impact of charges on vulnerable people and the availability of concessions. The council regularly reviews its charging and concessions policy and this can be considered as part of the next review.
38278	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	Nice one :-)	CT2	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
38279	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	Pressure the Scottish Government for a fairer settlement to local authorities. They have seen a real terms increase in their budgets but have not passed this on to local authorities, preferring to spend more on their priorities as at the expense of local authorities.	CT2	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The council regularly emphasises to the Scottish Government the need for a fair settlement for local government as well as working with COSLA (the body that collectively represents local government in Scotland) to emphasise this point. The Scottish Government determines what funding it allocates to the individual areas of the public sector based on their national priorities.
38280	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	I agree with the increase but it's a little late hence increased by a significant amount.	CT2	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax.
38281	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	The council tax must be increased - it will make a very important contribution to the council's budget gap.	CT2	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax.
38282	An individual	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	money tight everywhere so Council should stop giving thousands to Galadad committees they will have to do their own fundraising also hold back the discretionary payments from councillors to unnecessary projects like galadays put that money towards care of elderly and disabled. cut back on fancy flower beds and benches, expensive structures on roundabouts etc and generally practice right first time, way too much wasted on cowboy contractors and works being redone	CT2	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	All services will be reviewed based on the impact they have on priorities. It is proposed that future spending will be aligned to the priorities in the Transforming Your Council consultation document.
38283	An individual	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	I would remove subsidies for services that are economically unviable without having tax payer's money thrown at them.	CT2	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	All services will be reviewed based on the impact they have on priorities. It is proposed that future spending will be aligned to the priorities in the Transforming Your Council consultation document.
38284	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	As the average Council Tax is £1000 a 3% rise every year for five years, cumulatively works out at a Payment over the piece of £193.50. Why do you not put it up 10% and then freeze it for 5 years which would net you £610.51 in the five years and people would be glad you froze it.	CT2	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. Currently the Scottish Government only allows councils to increase council tax by a maximum of 3% annually. The council will consider your suggestion however it would have to be raised with the Scottish Government.
38285	An individual	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	Sell off or rent council buildings and consolidate facilities as per my previous comments	CT2	4. The council is already doing this.	The council has a disposal process for assets declared surplus to requirements with receipts reinvested in council assets. The council also has a commercial rent portfolio which generates income for the council with the cost of providing the units being substantially less than the income received.
38286	An individual	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	Increased productivity in general would provide more employment and more Council income. Could some of those on long-term benefits who are capable of work not be required to assist in delivering some of the Council's services? Scotland is a caring country but a balance needs to be struck somewhere.	CT2	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The council will investigate ways to consolidate and better coordinate activities to allow streamlining of operations and removal of duplication. This will help ensure that activities are completed and managed in the most effective and productive way. The council has a volunteering scheme in place to facilitate volunteering in areas such as Social Policy and anti-poverty.

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38287	An individual	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	The Council, and all Councils should hand the mess back to the Scottish Government, why have a system that only generates 19% of income. It would be better to fund Council services from an increased income tax	CT2	5a. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because the council is required by law to deliver this work.	Council tax reform can only be reviewed at a national level with corresponding changes in council tax legislation.
38288	An individual	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	Re-focus on the proposed savings in the earlier part of the consultation.	CT2	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
38289	An individual	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	Introduce a local sales tax similar to the US state sales tax in conjunction. this would ensure all persons in West Lothian (local and visitors) pay for the services provided by the council.	CT2	5a. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because the council is required by law to deliver this work.	The current local tax system (council tax and non domestic rates) is determined and set by the Scottish Government
38290	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	Would support it if all people pay it.	CT2	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax. The current council tax legislation means that any proposed percentage increase needs to be applied across all bands.
38291	An individual	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	By all the other suggestions you have made on this survey	CT2	4. The council is already doing this.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
38292	An individual	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	I don't mind council tax going up but at the moment every regular bill increase is outstripping my salary increases and financially I can't keep up. If the council tax is to rise it should not be by an amount greater than the current public sector pay cap level. I can barely afford to get by and I am sure I am not alone. Any increase should apply across the board to all bands.	CT2	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax. Individuals on low incomes are able to apply for a number of council tax discounts and reductions. The current council tax legislation means that any proposed percentage increase needs to be applied across all bands.
38293	An individual	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	Reduce senior management within the council	CT2	4. The council is already doing this.	The council continually reviews the tiers of management and span of control across all service levels. This ensures that the council continues to operate with an effective and efficient managerial structure.
38294	An individual	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	You can't unless the Scottish Government stop spending it on vanity projects and support local services.	CT2	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	The Scottish Government have a number of national commitments and priorities which local authorities are required to deliver as part of their overall funding settlement.
38295	An individual	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	I believe there should be fewer concessions on council tax. All residents use the services so all should pay. There should be no one who resides in a Home wishing westlothian who does not make a contribution. As has been mentioned throughout this consultation those who have a lower income use the services more so benefit from their proper funding. I would also look at the rents paid by council residents. These need to more accurately reflect market rent. This will not only provide more funding for the council, a better return on the councils investment in this property but will allow the council to build more housing. Perhaps looking at a market rent for a council house and then reducing this based on an individuals income. Again there should always be some form of contribution. In terms of early learning and child care supplied by the council for additional hours the council could charge an additional £10 per day and still be significantly cheaper than private providers. I would be happy to pay this.	CT2	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	Council tax reform can only be reviewed at a national level with corresponding changes in council tax legislation. At a time of significant welfare reform, there is an increasing need to support those on low incomes.
38296	An individual	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	Start supporting and looking after your work force, invest money properly in schools on quality building works not temporary fixes	CT2	4. The council is already doing this.	Currently 100% of the council's school estate is assessed as satisfactory or better. The focus of future capital investment will be on maintaining the condition of the council's existing asset base to minimise the need for costly emergency and reactive repairs and maintenance.

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38297	An individual	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	Increase for all or for noone. It's not my job to find you an additional income. Your options are: (1) Cut non-value-add services, (2) Reduce administrative cost and, oh ... great idea! - (3) build more houses! - Kill two birds with one stone. There are good transport links to Edinburgh and a shortage of homes both in West Lothian and Edinburgh. Expanding construction creates jobs, creates homes and creates additional council tax collections (29k homes with annual CT bill of £2,5 will cover your £73M gap)	CT2	4. The council is already doing this.	The current council tax legislation means that any proposed percentage increase needs to be applied across all bands. The council's aim is, and always will be, to ensure that West Lothian continues to be a great place to live, work, visit and do business. To achieve this aim we will continue to prioritise the money that we spend on services to make sure that our investment has the biggest and most positive impact on the community. All services will be reviewed based on the impact they have on priorities. It is proposed that future spending will be aligned to the priorities in the Transforming Your Council consultation document.
38298	An individual	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	Ask the government for more money.	CT2	4. The council is already doing this.	The council regularly emphasises to the Scottish Government the need for a fair settlement for local government as well as working with COSLA (the body that collectively represents local government in Scotland) to emphasise this point.
38299	An individual	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	Ensure everyone pays their council tax	CT2	4. The council is already doing this.	The council actively pursues all debt, including council tax, community charge, rent and commercial debtors arrears. The council will investigate other ways to improve debt collections including strengthening corporate debt management activity.
38300	An individual	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	I would reduce the amount spent on non statutory services and start charging for certain services. If the minority require a service they should pay for it and not impact the majority by tax rises. You are payed as our council to provide services at a good cost and I expect the council who have access to the finer details to provide this.	CT2	4. The council is already doing this.	The council's aim is, and always will be, to ensure that West Lothian continues to be a great place to live, work, visit and do business. To achieve this aim we will continue to prioritise the money that we spend on services to make sure that our investment has the biggest and most positive impact on the community. The scope for charging will be considered, taking account the impact of charges on vulnerable people and the availability of concessions.
38301	An individual	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	Get the community on your side, cut costs on galadays, stop paying for the fairground when they make further money on top of what you have paid, work more within the community, holding events such as firework displays, not asking for a lot of money but still making a small profit. Make West Lothian somewhere you want to go because something is always happening.	CT2	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
38302	An individual	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	give exact information on how this 16.9 m is spent to allow comment on whether it is being spent effectively	CT2	4. The council is already doing this.	The proposed 3% increase in council tax would contribute to the overall resources of the council available to fund service delivery. Full details of how the council allocates its resources to individual services is provided in the annual activity budget which is available on the council's website. A summary of key areas of spend are included in the council tax leaflet which is provided along with bills.
38303	An individual	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	graduated increases to provide time to identify more savings - walking groups, book bugs could be done by volunteers, endless teams in the Advice Shop, too much duplication of policies and procedures etc.,	CT2	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Scottish Government allows councils to increase council tax by a maximum of 3% annually. Officers have included a 3% annual increase in the council's budget model for the five years 2018/19 to 2022/23. As the council's forecast budget position assumes an annual increase of 3%, additional savings would need to be identified to cover reduced income for any increase less than 3%.

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38304	An individual	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	Stupid question unless you are going to supply the full accounts of the Council for me to comment on. As suggested above 1.5% plus more money from SG might be a better strategy	CT2	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Scottish Government allows councils to increase council tax by a maximum of 3% annually. Officers have included a 3% annual increase in the council's budget model for the five years 2018/19 to 2022/23. As the council's forecast budget position assumes an annual increase of 3%, additional savings would need to be identified to cover reduced income for any increase less than 3%. The council regularly emphasises to the Scottish Government the need for a fair settlement for local government as well as working with COSLA (the body that collectively represents local government in Scotland) to emphasise this point.
38305	An individual	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	Streamline, cut wastage, LOOK at what you spend money on. Reduce! Look at how many managers etc are paid to do what?? We all have to cut outgoings when wages are not going up.	CT2	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	All services will be reviewed based on the impact they have on priorities. It is proposed that future spending will be aligned to the priorities in the Transforming Your Council consultation document. The council continually reviews the tiers of management and span of control across all service levels. This ensures that the council continues to operate with an effective and efficient managerial structure.
38306	An individual	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	as above,, people and government to to realise , councils need increased funding	CT2	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax.
38307	An individual	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	why don't you go after the non payers of the council tax and still the pole tax	CT2	4. The council is already doing this.	The council actively pursues all debt, including council tax, community charge, rent and commercial debtors arrears. The council will investigate other ways to improve debt collections including strengthening corporate debt management activity.
38308	An individual	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	I do not get paid enough to solve that problem. Perhaps less pay increases for members of parliament and less expense claims. Less money spent on local councillors. Not printing off huge booklets in colour for the top execs in the council (schools gave up colour printing years ago!)	CT2	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	The Independent Parliamentary Standards Authority regulates and pays members of parliament remuneration and expenses. The reduction in mono and colour printing across all Council services has already been implemented. The council is committed to further reducing printing costs.
38309	An individual	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	Reduce by amalgamation of the number of "community used buildings"	CT2	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The council's Property Asset Management Strategy includes plans to ensure effective and efficient use of property assets. We will review our property assets and rationalise usage where possible taking into account the review and redesign of services delivered in the community and investigating opportunities for coordinating availability of facilities.
38310	An individual	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	Parking charges for blue badge holders.	CT2	5c. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it is not consistent with the council's values and priorities.	Any proposal to introduce parking charges would be applied to all car park users. Private car parks are able to set their own parking charges and can choose to provide free parking for blue badge holders.
38311	An individual	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	Reduction of free school meals to Primary 1 only. Make library service digital only.	CT2	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	The introduction of free school meals for all primary 1 to 3 children is a national policy commitment established by the Scottish Government.
38312	An individual	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	don't sound proof council buildings	CT2	5b. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it is likely that the costs of this proposal would outweigh the benefit.	The level of sound proofing in council buildings is set out by building regulations and included as part of any construction project which is funded by capital. The council has been adding insulation to some properties for energy efficiency purposes however the cost is outweighed by energy consumption savings.

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38313	An individual	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	pay off whoever is reviewing the cost efficient budget.	CT2	5b. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it is likely that the costs of this proposal would outweigh the benefit.	The council has delivered balanced budgets each year since 1996. The budget gap faced by the council is a result of funding being insufficient to cover the increasing cost of delivering services due to factors such as population growth and indexation. The council is subject to rigorous external audit and both Audit Scotland and EY have confirmed, over a number of years, that the council has robust financial management.
38314	No Response	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	Please lobby the Government to increase council tax and therefore reduce the funding gap. It is ridiculous that the Council tax hardly rises year on year.	CT2	4. The council is already doing this.	The council regularly emphasises to the Scottish Government the need for a fair settlement for local government as well as working with COSLA (the body that collectively represents local government in Scotland) to emphasise this point.
38315	No Response	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	The negative side of this is the reduction in cover and the remaining staff being stretched to exhaustion. Again - why can't the council tax be raised significantly to counteract the need for savings.	CT2	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Currently the Scottish Government only allows councils to increase council tax by a maximum of 3% annually. The council will consider your suggestion however it would have to be raised with the Scottish Government.
38316	An individual	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	Ask the national government to provide more financial support. If they can't provide it then services will have to be reduced	CT2	4. The council is already doing this.	The council regularly emphasises to the Scottish Government the need for a fair settlement for local government as well as working with COSLA (the body that collectively represents local government in Scotland) to emphasise this point.
38317	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	Should go up by at least 3% per annum	CT2	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax.
38318	An individual	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	Start with 1-2% council tax rise for all properties.	CT2	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The Scottish Government allows councils to increase council tax by a maximum of 3% annually. Officers have included a 3% annual increase in the council's budget model for the five years 2018/19 to 2022/23. As the council's forecast budget position assumes an annual increase of 3%, additional savings would need to be identified to cover reduced income for any increase less than 3%.
38319	An individual	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	Spend less on non essential staff. Paying people to run walking groups, adult learning courses and toddler classes for example. Money should be focused on essentials such as better quality care for elderly in their own homes.	CT2	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The council's aim is, and always will be, to ensure that West Lothian continues to be a great place to live, work, visit and do business. To achieve this aim we will continue to prioritise the money that we spend on services to make sure that our investment has the biggest and most positive impact on the community. All services will be reviewed based on the impact they have on priorities. It is proposed that future spending will be aligned to the priorities in the Transforming Your Council consultation document.
38320	An individual	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	Cutting the salaries and expenses that councillors at WLC are paid Cutting the number of managers in WLC WLC should not be offering to match fund initiatives such as cycle parks in linlithgow at a cost of a quarter of a million pounds	CT2	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The council continually reviews the tiers of management and span of control across all service levels. This ensures that the council continues to operate with an effective and efficient managerial structure. The Local Government (Allowances and Expenses) (Scotland) Regulations 2007 set councillors remuneration and expenses. All services will be reviewed based on the impact they have on priorities. It is proposed that future spending will be aligned to the priorities in the Transforming Your Council consultation document.
38321	An individual	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	I'm not paid to work this out, I thought that was for the Council senior executives. You could increase the lower band council tax !	CT2	5a. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because the council is required by law to deliver this work.	The current council tax legislation means that any proposed percentage increase needs to be applied across all bands.

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38322	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	Threats? Reduced levels of management throughout Council. Councillors pay - never used to be paid, phone/travel allowance was paid. No second homes etc. paid for by public purse so they have somewhere to sleep overnight in wherever the meeting is being held.	CT2	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	The council continually reviews the tiers of management and span of control across all service levels. This ensures that the council continues to operate with an effective and efficient managerial structure. The Local Government (Allowances and Expenses) (Scotland) Regulations 2007 set councillors remuneration and expenses. Local councillors are not provided with second homes paid for by public money.
38323	An individual	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	Reduce management costs Stop all discretionary spend	CT2	4. The council is already doing this.	The council's aim is, and always will be, to ensure that West Lothian continues to be a great place to live, work, visit and do business. To achieve this aim we will continue to prioritise the money that we spend on services to make sure that our investment has the biggest and most positive impact on the community. All services will be reviewed based on the impact they have on priorities. It is proposed that future spending will be aligned to the priorities in the Transforming Your Council consultation document.
38324	An individual	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	Close some small schools i.e Woodmuir PS, Dechmont PS, St Thomas Addiewell. End 'clothing store'. End 'holiday lunch clubs'. End all 'advice shop' activity. Reduce amount of school clothing grant	CT2	5c. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it is not consistent with the council's values and priorities.	Currently the council is not considering the closure of any schools. The council currently has a priority to minimise poverty, the cycle of deprivation and promote equality. It is believed that initiatives such as clothing stores, holiday clubs, advice shop activity and clothing grants all help to support the most vulnerable in the community.
38325	An individual	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	Apply a 1.5% to ALL bands not just E-H as all are using the facilities.	CT2	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Scottish Government allows councils to increase council tax by a maximum of 3% annually. Officers have included a 3% annual increase in the council's budget model for the five years 2018/19 to 2022/23. As the council's forecast budget position assumes an annual increase of 3%, additional savings would need to be identified to cover reduced income for any increase less than 3%. The current council tax legislation means that any proposed percentage increase needs to be applied across all bands. Council tax levels for houses in bands E to H were increased in 2017/18 due to the implementation of the Scottish Government's changes to council tax bandings.
38326	An individual	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	Deliver the services, incur the cost and throw yourself on the mercy of the Scottish Government. That's what other councils have done in the past. What if every council joined forces and did that? A thinking out of the box solution would be ; Cut the service to a non effective level that would result in the greatest social impact and biggest social and media outrage and in response make it clear the sole cause is due to Scottish Government funding.	CT2	5a. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because the council is required by law to deliver this work.	It is a legal requirement for councils to balance their budget each year. Where other councils have not balanced their budgets, they have been forced to take corrective action which has resulted in substantially worse cuts to services.
38327	An individual	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	Reduce the cost of services by charges to those that use them. Promote activities that bring people to the area and generate income.	CT2	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Audit Scotland continue to state that councils should consider charging as part of their overall financial management. Therefore councils should understand the contribution that charges make to their overall financial position, and the extent to which individual charges are subsidised. All local authorities can introduce discretionary charges where assessed as appropriate. The scope for charging will be considered, taking account the impact of charges on vulnerable people and the availability of concessions.

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38328	An individual	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	The Council should consider that for people of fixed income, or, like me, relying on savings, that the returns have been very poor for the past 10 years (currently BoF€ 0.25%). Inflation has also had an effect on savings (currently around 3%). For this current year, my Council Tax increased by 12% over 2016/2017; my income has not kept up with this increase. I don't mind paying my share, but surely there is a case for ability to pay, and to not use asset value as a measure of that ability. A local income tax seems, to me, to be the fairest system.	CT2	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	Council tax levels for houses in bands E to H were increased in 2017/18 due to the implementation of the Scottish Government's changes to council tax bandings. Council tax reform can only be reviewed at a national level with corresponding changes in council tax legislation. Individuals on low incomes are able to apply for a number of council tax discounts and reductions.
38329	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	People on benefits should still have to pay a more substantial portion of this tax - as they still benefit from the services. Many of the benefits automatically reduce or negate completely council tax liability - whilst working people still have to find the cost to meet.	CT2	5a. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because the council is required by law to deliver this work.	The current council tax legislation means that any proposed percentage increase needs to be applied across all bands. No change can be made to an individual's council tax liability based on whether they receive benefits.
38330	An individual	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	Efficiency savings and revenue generation. I appreciate some of the following may turn out to be naive or impractical in reality, they're just ad hoc ideas. All parks and play area have public funding/crowd funding that can be monitored and spending influenced by public. Systematically identify areas to cut back on outdoor maintenance. Systematically identify assets to sell. Audit use of external design and project support functions by all services and audit quality of service e.g. are we paying over the odds for poor project support functions simply because it's easy and routine practice.	CT2	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
38331	An individual	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	I understand the need to increase revenue however 3% year on year when we have already been hit by the Scottish government increase is a step too far. There are many properties which are clearly not in the correct tax band. Houses in Linlithgow selling in excess of 400k due to extensions etc yet in band e and f (Oatlands park, Laverock to name just two) figures readily available via Zoopla and Rightmove. I have 2 friends who bought very similar houses in the summer one bought in North Lanarkshire cost 183k council tax band f, the other in Linlithgow 415k council tax band f!! Should the council not also comprehensively reassess the banding of such properties. I am sure there is a huge amount of revenue to be gained from reassessment which would reduce the percentage of a blanket increase for everyone	CT2	5a. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because the council is required by law to deliver this work.	Council tax in West Lothian has been frozen for ten years. Council tax bands and the valuations for them are set nationally by the Scottish Government. The council does not have the power to change banding values.
38332	An individual	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	I do not support the increase for all households. I do support an increase for households that have 2 or more occupants and believe all adults should pay into the pot not just the tenant or owner. Therefore the council should lobby for all adults to pay a local tax relating to earnings.	CT2	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	The current council tax legislation means that any proposed percentage increase needs to be applied to all households across all bands. Council tax reform can only be reviewed at a national level with corresponding changes in council tax legislation.
38333	An individual	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	Increase the bigger bands by 5% and the lower bands by 2%. Or the biggest band by 10%. Staff have been receiving no more than 1% increase in wages for years and most are low paid in lower band properties.	CT2	5a. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because the council is required by law to deliver this work.	The current council tax legislation means that any proposed percentage increase needs to be applied across all bands.
38334	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	I would make cost savings by allowing staff to work from home, i.e. reduce building portfolio and running costs.	CT2	4. The council is already doing this.	We will review our property assets and rationalise usage where possible taking into account the review and redesign of services delivered in the community and investigating opportunities for coordinating availability of facilities. The council continues to investigate opportunities for further flexible working and use of technology.
38335	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	Should never have come to this!!! SNP a disgrace	CT2	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
38336	An individual	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	When put like this why wouldn't you pay extra money - good God there would be not much of a council left! Scottish Government needs to give you guys more money now!!	CT2	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council regularly emphasises to the Scottish Government the need for a fair settlement for local government as well as working with COSLA (the body that collectively represents local government in Scotland) to emphasise this point.
38337	An individual	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	You are asking the working public to pay more for less. You cannot continue to squeeze those who work hard to make a living, contribute to their community, act responsibly, do not drain resources, to continually supply support to those who do not contribute in any way aforementioned. A balance needs to be found.	CT2	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Council tax in West Lothian has been frozen for ten years providing a significant benefit to council tax payers. As the council will have less overall resources, the number of services delivered will have to reduce with services being reviewed based on the impact they have on priorities. It is proposed that future spending will be aligned to the priorities in the Transforming Your Council consultation document.

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38338	An individual	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	As above I believe that most people would agree to pay more now and invest in the future however asking residents to pay more while cutting services should only be a short term measure.	CT2	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The proposed 3% increase in council tax would contribute to the overall resources of the council available to fund service delivery. As the council will have less overall resources, the number of services delivered will have to reduce with services being reviewed based on the impact they have on priorities. It is proposed that future spending will be aligned to the priorities in the Transforming Your Council consultation document.
38339	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	I don't think this money can be found without this increase.	CT2	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
38340	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	As explained above, council bosses are in cuckoo land if they genuinely believe a 3% rise for 5 years in a row is acceptable or achievable by the vast majority of residents. 1% for the next 5 years is significant enough to make a difference and even then I don't think it would be particularly well received.	CT2	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Scottish Government allows councils to increase council tax by a maximum of 3% annually. Officers have included a 3% annual increase in the council's budget model for the five years 2018/19 to 2022/23. As the council's forecast budget position assumes an annual increase of 3%, additional savings would need to be identified to cover reduced income for any increase less than 3%.
38341	An individual	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	I would implement a small percentage increase over a wider population.	CT2	5a. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because the council is required by law to deliver this work.	The current council tax legislation means that any proposed percentage increase needs to be applied across all bands. Council tax levels for houses in bands E to H were increased in 2017/18 due to the implementation of the Scottish Government's changes to council tax bandings.
38342	An individual	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	perhaps if we were already operating in the way it is now being suggested we would not be in this position where staff are struggling to make ends meet - it may be that some staff can no longer afford to work and then they too will be in receipt of benefits. All of which just adds to overall shortfall of funds both centrally and locally	CT2	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. The budget gap faced by the council is a result of funding being insufficient to cover the increasing cost of delivering services due to factors such as population growth and indexation. The council is subject to rigorous external audit and both Audit Scotland and EY have confirmed, over a number of years, that the council has robust financial management. Benefits are available to individuals with low income therefore they are available to people in employment.
38343	An individual	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	Yes I support 3%, it is not a massive rise	CT2	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax.
38344	An individual	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	Stop virtue signalling measures like 'period poverty' and 'holiday lunch clubs'.	CT2	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
38345	An individual	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	Make significant reduction in non-statutory 'advice services' duplicated by third sector or relating to central government, not council, benefits.	CT2	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
38346	An individual	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	Further reduce services where the main beneficiary is private sector business, prioritising essential services to children, families, the elderly etc.	CT2	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
38347	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	Close more buildings	CT2	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council's Property Asset Management Strategy includes plans to ensure effective and efficient use of property assets. We will review our property assets and rationalise usage where possible taking into account the review and redesign of services delivered in the community and investigating opportunities for coordinating availability of facilities.
38348	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	cut councillors,	CT2	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	The number of councillors for each council area is determined by statute by the Scottish Parliament.

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38349	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	internal charging scheme for services to use other services in the council.	CT2	5b. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it is likely that the costs of this proposal would outweigh the benefit.	The budget gap of £73 million is the total gap covering all council services. Recharging internal services would not generate any additional saving but would result in equal income and expenditure across services.
38350	No Response	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	I understand that this is the only way to secure services	CT2	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax.
38351	No Response	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	I support the increase	CT2	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax.
38352	An individual	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	Monitor employees better, rather than them hiding in vans etc	CT2	4. The council is already doing this.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
38353	An individual	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	I support increasing the council tax by more than 3%.	CT2	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Currently the Scottish Government only allows councils to increase council tax by a maximum of 3% annually. The council will consider your suggestion however it would have to be raised with the Scottish Government.
38354	An individual	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	Better budget management. Resources bought at affordable prices rather than at an inflated price through a partnership company	CT2	4. The council is already doing this.	The council has delivered balanced budgets each year since 1996. The budget gap faced by the council is a result of funding being insufficient to cover the increasing cost of delivering services due to factors such as population growth and indexation. The council is subject to rigorous external audit and both Audit Scotland and EY have confirmed, over a number of years, that the council has robust financial management. External audit and regulation provides no evidence of reckless spending.
38355	An individual	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	The alternative will need to be stopping non statutory services, as opposed to reducing them	CT2	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	All services, including non statutory services, will be reviewed based on the impact they have on priorities. It is proposed that future spending will be aligned to the priorities in the Transforming Your Council consultation document.
38356	An individual	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	I would change it to Poll Tax on individual people rather than households - that would be fairer overall.	CT2	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	Council tax reform can only be reviewed at a national level with corresponding changes in council tax legislation.
38357	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	Increasing the Council Tax would only be acceptable if wages were to increase commensurately. The standard of living enjoyed by the majority of local people is falling and this would exacerbate that effect.	CT2	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Council pay awards are agreed nationally as part of the collective pay agreement.
38358	An individual	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	Remove the higher hierarchy !	CT2	4. The council is already doing this.	The council continually reviews the tiers of management and span of control across all service levels. This ensures that the council continues to operate with an effective and efficient managerial structure.
38359	An individual	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	This is beginning to look like a leading question when taking the one above into consideration. Scottish Government, which froze the community charge should increase investment in the Councils if they are seen to be working as efficiently as possible.	CT2	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	The council regularly emphasises to the Scottish Government the need for a fair settlement for local government as well as working with COSLA (the body that collectively represents local government in Scotland) to emphasise this point.
38360	An individual	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	Council Tax could be increased by 3% for two years to give the council time to plan and set up partnerships with other councils and vol orgs. Then it should be reduced to 2% and then 1.5%. the cumulative total for householders of 3% per year for 5 years is too much in the face of other rising costs, especially for people on fixed incomes.	CT2	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The Scottish Government allows councils to increase council tax by a maximum of 3% annually. Officers have included a 3% annual increase in the council's budget model for the five years 2018/19 to 2022/23. Savings of £600,000 have been targeted for partnership opportunities therefore further additional savings would be needed to cover the reduction in council tax income.
38361	An individual	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	Stop wasting on money on useless projects (like this - based on questionnaire)	CT2	5c. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it is not consistent with the council's values and priorities.	The council believes that all stakeholders should be consulted on the priorities for the council and options to address the anticipated budget gap.

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38362	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	Income generation through Council Services	CT2	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The scope for charging will be considered, taking account the impact of charges on vulnerable people and the availability of concessions.
38363	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	Cut ALL non-statutory services 0- too many - I can provide a list. Economic development, performance team, advice shop etc. etc.	CT2	4. The council is already doing this.	All services, including non statutory services, will be reviewed based on the impact they have on priorities. It is proposed that future spending will be aligned to the priorities in the Transforming Your Council consultation document.
38364	An individual	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	Possible below inflation increase if 1.5/2 % , bigger grey bin with 4 week collection could be looked at ?	CT2	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
38365	An individual	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	A review of the local benefits system should be carried out and reviewed as a large sum of money could be saved here.	CT2	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	The council tax reduction scheme is set nationally and determines the level of council tax benefits available to individuals. It is a means tested benefit available to those with income below the prescribed threshold.
38366	An individual	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	Cut down on the money wasted within council.	CT2	4. The council is already doing this.	The council is subject to rigorous external audit and both Audit Scotland and EY have confirmed, over a number of years, that the council has robust financial management and delivers best value in the use of public resources.
38367	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	How do we find the increased cost if our wages are not increasing?	CT2	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. As the council's forecast budget position assumes an annual increase of 3% based on officer assumptions, additional savings would need to be identified to cover reduced income.
38368	An individual	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	I believe a better plan would be to revise the bands of ALL properties & change the historic banding to reflect the current economic climate. It is not at all fair that older properties that are now worth the same as a new build property are still in a lower band because of the original value of the property! People paying hardly any mortgage for their property (now worth a fortune) can get away with paying so little in council tax whereas people who are paying ridiculously high mortgages on newer properties are living close to the poverty line because their council tax bill is so high!! The house size should also dictate the band, not just the value. A lot of new build owners used the government Help to Buy scheme to help them afford to buy a house so how is it you expect them to afford a higher council tax charge? They still owe the government a massive loan that will be impossible to pay off if they can't save every month!! It also isn't fair that those paying the most have already had an increase, the lower bands should now increase to fall in line.	CT2	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	Council tax reform can only be reviewed at a national level with corresponding changes in council tax legislation. Council tax bands and the valuations for them are set nationally by the Scottish Government. The council does not have the power to change banding values.
38369	An individual	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	I also think that introducing water metres to charge people for their actual usage instead of fixed rates could potentially draw in extra funds from those who use excessive amounts of water.	CT2	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	Although the council collects water charges through council tax billing it is on behalf of Scottish Water. The council does not retain this income.
38370	An individual	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	Increase the higher bands only.	CT2	5a. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because the council is required by law to deliver this work.	The current council tax legislation means that any proposed percentage increase needs to be applied across all bands.
38371	An individual	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	This rise could be achieved incrementally to reduce household burden in the short term - given wage stagnation and rising interest rates. Increase in Council fees would make up the shortfall in the short term until the 3% is achieved over a period on an incremental and stepped basis	CT2	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The proposals include an element of increased income to address the £73 million gap however further opportunities could be investigated to increase levels beyond those proposed.
38372	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	It has not been raised for a few years	CT2	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax.
38373	An individual	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	Increase for all. Make non paying households pay something and this would raise even more money.	CT2	4. The council is already doing this.	The current council tax legislation means that any proposed percentage increase needs to be applied across all bands. The council actively pursues all debt, including council tax, community charge, rent and commercial debtors arrears. The council will investigate other ways to improve debt collections including strengthening corporate debt management activity.

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38374	An individual	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	Cut your cloth accordingly. Stop giving inflated wages (minimum wage rather than living wage), make staff work 40 hours per week, cut out non-essentials (increased nursery school time), etc. etc. In other words do the job you were elected to do. Take the tough decisions and stop asking us for more money.	CT2	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. As the council's forecast budget position assumes an annual increase of 3% based on officer assumptions, additional savings would need to be identified to cover reduced income. Many of the services in this comment are set nationally by the Scottish Government.
38375	An individual	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	While I am in favour of modest increases in council tax, I also believe that central government should not be meddling in council funding - if they want to ring-fence or put statutory minimums on money for specific services, they should be the ones with the burden of managing and balancing the books on those services.	CT2	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council regularly emphasises to the Scottish Government the need for a fair settlement for local government as well as working with COSLA (the body that collectively represents local government in Scotland) to emphasise this point.
38376	An individual	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	no I do not support this as I feel council tax is already expensive enough especially considering there will now be the introduction of paying for brown bin collection as well as an increase in council tax?	CT2	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. As the council's forecast budget position assumes an annual increase of 3% based on officer assumptions, additional savings would need to be identified to cover reduced income.
38377	An individual	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	Cut the wages of politicians.	CT2	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	The Local Government (Allowances and Expenses) (Scotland) Regulations 2007 set councillors remuneration and expenses.
38378	An individual	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	If the funding increased to more than 3% may lead to more debt with some families struggling to make ends meet.	CT2	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Individuals on low incomes are able to apply for a number of council tax discounts and reductions.
38379	An individual	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	im not paid that much to make such decisions...	CT2	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
38380	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	it would help alot of ppl	CT2	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
38381	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	Charge for annual cultural parades.	CT2	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The scope for charging will be considered, taking account current charges, the position in other local authorities and the impact of charges on vulnerable people and the availability of concessions.
38382	An individual	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	I would expect you to do that. Reduce administration, unnecessary paperwork. There is always a proliferation of unnecessary paperwork. Heating should be reduced to 20 degrees at the highest.	CT2	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The council is currently developing corporate heating guidance which will address many of the concerns expressed and help to generate energy efficiency savings. The council will continue to reduce paperwork within the context of governance requirements.
38383	An individual	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	Fairer means- perhaps it need to be income related.	CT2	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	Council tax reform can only be reviewed at a national level with corresponding changes in council tax legislation.
38384	An individual	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	thruout this paper every service has been looked at and even at that I don't think the saving you need will happen raising the tax is OK but at a slitley lower rate where increase on futer rise does not seam so bad	CT2	4. The council is already doing this.	All services will be reviewed based on the impact they have on priorities. It is proposed that future spending will be aligned to the priorities in the Transforming Your Council consultation document.
38385	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	Being stricter on tenants. Fines for missed appointments with staff, example being electrical inspection which is a full days work but once per week I get a no access. A change to the tenants agreement on smoking in the property, if private landlords can state they don't want smokers the council should do likewise, this would save refurbishment costs when the tenant leaves. The house doesn't need repainted / doors changes / electrical accessories renewed. 1 - 1.5% per year in council tax increases.	CT2	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Provision of council houses, including maintenance costs, is paid for from council house rents not council tax. Opportunities to ensure that rental income is used in the most efficient and effective manner to provide council houses will continue to be investigated.

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38386	An individual	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	Only in conjunction with a decrease in the number of councillors. Councillors should be taking the lead in staff reductions and restructuring not exempt from it whatever spurious argument they may put forward. Why should they as a group of public service workers not be subject to similar reviews as are being imposed on all other groups ? 11 Senior councillors ? 22 Councillors ? When councils are being forced to make savings should lead by example. I would suggest a cut of say 20 % ? Surely achievable by combining councils and working together ? The remaining councillors working as a more streamlined group to deliver the reduced services. What savings would this produce over the period in question ? Scope for reduction of 20% of MSPs too ? Or more ? Releasing more money for services !	CT2	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	The number of councillors for each council area is determined by statute by the Scottish Parliament.
38387	An individual	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	Recoup the money due from people who don't pay it. Recoup the money from unpaid social housing rent. Cut your middle management, council staff benefits package is lovely but out of line with the private sector.	CT2	4. The council is already doing this.	The council actively pursues all debt, including council tax, community charge, rent and commercial debtors arrears. The council will investigate other ways to improve debt collections including strengthening corporate debt management activity. The council continually reviews the tiers of management and span of control across all service levels. This ensures that the council continues to operate with an effective and efficient managerial structure.
38388	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	Council Tax must be increased to protect services.	CT2	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax.
38389	An individual	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	difficult as I do not support cuts in staffing levels or services.	CT2	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
38390	An individual	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	Increase it!	CT2	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax.
38391	An individual	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	3% increase in each year of the financial plan gives Â£35.14million according to your figures. How does not having an increase only add Â£16.9million to the budget gap?	CT2	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Based on the council's band D equivalent base an incremental increase in council tax is just under £17 million. By law the council must use the band D equivalent to calculate council tax income.
38392	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	Reviewing services.	CT2	4. The council is already doing this.	All services will be reviewed based on the impact they have on priorities. It is proposed that future spending will be aligned to the priorities in the Transforming Your Council consultation document.
38393	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	I don't support it it's ridiculous we pay more for less ? What kind of business is that especially since our communities are about to be a more miserable place to live	CT2	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposed 3% increase in council tax would contribute to the overall resources of the council available to fund service delivery. As the council will have less overall resources, the number of services delivered will have to reduce with services being reviewed based on the impact they have on priorities. It is proposed that future spending will be aligned to the priorities in the Transforming Your Council consultation document.
38394	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	Cut free school meals to P1-3,	CT2	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	The introduction of free school meals for all primary 1 to 3 children is a national policy commitment established by the Scottish Government.
38395	An individual	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	Perhaps look into larger commercial businesses.	CT2	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The council currently generates income from providing a range of services to partners and organisations. Further opportunities to expand this could be investigated.
38396	An individual	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	Local income tax	CT2	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	Council tax reform can only be reviewed at a national level with corresponding changes in council tax legislation.

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38397	An individual	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	Increase yes, but not by a flat 3%. Invest in council owned wind turbines and start generating your own income.	CT2	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The Scottish Government allows councils to increase council tax by a maximum of 3% annually. Officers have included a 3% annual increase in the council's budget model for the five years 2018/19 to 2022/23. As the council's forecast budget position assumes an annual increase of 3%, additional savings would need to be identified to cover reduced income for any increase less than 3%.
38398	An individual	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	Come on...who is going to answer this unbiased. Pensioners, the unemployed, benefit receivers, student's, current tax payers (me) a mix of any of them in fact. Why ask us. Is it to fulfill a authorising criteria or is it genuine interest cause you have run out if ideas..is it to rally support?	CT2	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	This consultation exercise provides an opportunity for all stakeholders, including staff, to provide ideas on how the council can address the budget gap.
38399	An individual	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	I agree with Council Tax going up.	CT2	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax.
38400	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	As mentioned before, I am not against raising the tax, but considering the pay position of your employees, it does not seem fair. I have made several efficiency suggestions through this survey that may not equate to that amount, but should make some headway and may give you ideas to make savings elsewhere	CT2	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
38401	An individual	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	Make charges or reduce remove non essential services like libraries and extra curricular school facilities and subsidised meals.	CT2	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	All services, including non statutory services, will be reviewed based on the impact they have on priorities. It is proposed that future spending will be aligned to the priorities in the Transforming Your Council consultation document.
38402	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	by considering the ideas I have given	CT2	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
38403	An individual	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	Services need to be paid for,, yes	CT2	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax.
38404	An individual	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	I SUPPORT AN INCREASE IN COUNCIL TAX AND MORE WORK TO COLLECT THOSE THAT DO NOT PAY	CT2	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax. The council actively pursues all debt, including council tax, community charge, rent and commercial debtors arrears. The council will investigate other ways to improve debt collections including strengthening corporate debt management activity.
38405	An individual	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	Looking at the tax that larger companies pay.	CT2	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	The non domestic rates scheme is determined nationally by the Scottish Government.
38406	An individual	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	I would integrate services more but with the council receiving the funding for services and maintaining council staff.	CT2	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The council has a proven track record of partnership working and would wish to build on this to continue providing local services. Through integration, and potentially sharing services with partners, it is expected that access and individual experiences will be improved. There would be less duplication and more streamlining of services. In addition to investigating partnership working, the council will continue to remove internal duplication and consolidate teams where appropriate.
38407	An individual	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	It appears from the questions in your consultation that there are a number of proposals regarding efficiencies that should already be getting done as a matter of course by your managers. If they have been able to come up with this amount of suggestions for things they should already be doing to be efficient then I'm sure they can find another load as well. There is nothing in your consultation about integration with health, nothing specific about working with other local authorities on shared models, nothing about working with the private sector on sharing resources, nothing about centralisation of tasks (like the model used by English authorities where processing is undertaken in a processing centre in the Highlands at the other end of the country at a fraction of the cost), nothing about savings from consumables, nothing about reviewing the total cost of national contracts compared against local arrangements - lots missing from how to be as efficient as you can be.	CT2	4. The council is already doing this.	Integration with health is included within a number of the modernising social care proposals. Shared service provision is referenced in proposal 1h.

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38408	An individual	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	cuts to benefits and social care.	CT2	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	Benefits are decided by the UK and Scottish governments. Council tax bands and the valuations for them are set nationally by the Scottish Government. The council does not have the power to change banding values.
38409	An individual	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	Yes i support the councils planned changes but not more than 3%	CT2	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax.
38410	An individual	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	If this is only resort however would think some of the current tax should be better spent and a raise is not needed as we already pay a high cost per month	CT2	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. The budget gap faced by the council is a result of funding being insufficient to cover the increasing cost of delivering services due to factors such as population growth and indexation. The council is subject to rigorous external audit and both Audit Scotland and EY have confirmed, over a number of years, that the council has robust financial management.
38411	An individual	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	I don't see any reasonable alternative.	CT2	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax.
38412	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	Negotiate with the government to stop reducing budgets. Austerity has gone too far.	CT2	4. The council is already doing this.	The council regularly emphasises to the Scottish Government the need for a fair settlement for local government as well as working with COSLA (the body that collectively represents local government in Scotland) to emphasise this point.
38413	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	Reduce corporate team.	CT2	4. The council is already doing this.	The council continually reviews the tiers of management and span of control across all service levels. This ensures that the council continues to operate with an effective and efficient managerial structure. West Lothian Council has an efficient senior management structure when compared with a number of other local authorities of a similar size.
38414	An individual	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	Perhaps a more important question is how this is decided at the national not local level. You might also consider money generation schemes beyond rental and charging for the usual things. Are you allowed to produce your own energy? Can you develop self catering and more activity schemes that generate income to fund the less profitable ones? If not why not campaign through COSLA do so? For too long councils have been limited and constrained	CT2	4. The council is already doing this.	The council regularly emphasises to the Scottish Government the need for a fair settlement for local government as well as working with COSLA (the body that collectively represents local government in Scotland) to emphasise this point.
38415	An individual	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	Fundraising. Or cuts that don't directly affect people's ability to care for themselves or their children. ... like all the ridiculous flowers everywhere... lovely, but when it comes down to it, unnecessary.	CT2	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The scope for charging or sponsorship opportunities will be considered, taking account current charges, the position in other local authorities and the impact of charges on vulnerable people and the availability of concessions.
38416	An individual	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	Cut out needless expenses Council paid for dinners etc	CT2	4. The council is already doing this.	All services will be reviewed based on the impact they have on priorities. It is proposed that future spending will be aligned to the priorities in the Transforming Your Council consultation document.
38417	An individual	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	Sub contract services to the private sector. Or transfer these services completely same as the Scottish government did with the motorways, that way the staff are also transferred to the private sector and off the council budget. Third way to bridge the gap would be no 3% annual pay rise for a council workforce already being payed well above the private sector equivalent	CT2	4. The council is already doing this.	The council has a best value framework which requires the council to consider best value and all possible ways of delivering services, including use of external contractors. Since 2007/08 the average annual pay award has been 1.29%.
38418	An individual	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	Cut the benefits and cap the amount you can claim	CT2	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	Benefits are decided by the UK and Scottish governments. This includes the parameters and income levels used to determine benefit entitlement.
38419	An individual	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	Chase up arrears	CT2	4. The council is already doing this.	The council actively pursues all debt, including council tax, community charge, rent and commercial debtors arrears. The council will investigate other ways to improve debt collections including strengthening corporate debt management activity.

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38420	An individual	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	Make people work for benefits buy helping you provide council services such as cutting grass train youngsters and invest in there future. Stop letting people get trapped in the benifits system. This will in return provide the council with savings	CT2	4. The council is already doing this.	The council currently has a priority to minimise poverty, the cycle of deprivation and promote equality. The new anti-poverty service will allow the council to deliver this priority. When developing the new Anti Poverty Strategy consideration will be given to the causes of poverty and potential interventions to help minimise their impact on vulnerable families.
38421	An individual	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	Cut Council bureaucracy, back handers, Councillors wages and expenses claims, inefficiencies such as tendering processes and generally run the place like a business, not a club.	CT2	5a. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because the council is required by law to deliver this work.	The Local Government (Allowances and Expenses) (Scotland) Regulations 2007 set councillors remuneration and expenses. The council is required to tender for contracts through EU legislation and through the requirement to ensure best value in the use of public resources.
38422	An individual	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	Whilst I agree it could be raised you could also reduce spend on wasteful areas. Small changes will help like all council buildings having lights turned off at night (often seen on overnight).	CT2	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Most council buildings have automated lights which are operated through movement. Some buildings, such as the Civic Centre, are operated 24 hours a day due to the nature of the services delivered.
38423	An individual	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	Rip a tier of senior management out of the council - that would fund the gap and would anyone notice a difference - doubt it !	CT2	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The council continually reviews the tiers of management and span of control across all service levels. This ensures that the council continues to operate with an effective and efficient managerial structure. West Lothian Council has an efficient senior management structure when compared with a number of other local authorities of a similar size.
38424	An individual	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	Stop wasting money on things tax payers don't need or didn't ask for. Ask for the publics opinion BEFORE you start running out of money and get desperate. Actually take into consideration whether people can afford a 3% rise because I certainly can't.	CT2	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. The budget gap faced by the council is a result of funding being insufficient to cover the increasing cost of delivering services due to factors such as population growth and indexation. All services will be reviewed based on the impact they have on priorities. It is proposed that future spending will be aligned to the priorities in the Transforming Your Council consultation document.
38425	An individual	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	Sort out your own staff first. Plenty of savings to be made given the poor value for money you get from them.	CT2	4. The council is already doing this.	The council is subject to rigorous external audit and both Audit Scotland and EY have confirmed, over a number of years, that the council has robust financial management and delivers best value in the use of public resources. All services will be reviewed based on the impact they have on priorities.
38426	An individual	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	Savings could be made by addressing administration and management overload and efficiency savings. Councils could join forces to negotiate better terms for supplies and services.	CT2	4. The council is already doing this.	The council currently uses national contracts for a number of items. The council will investigate ways to consolidate and better coordinate activities to allow streamlining of operations and removal of duplication. This will help ensure that activities are completed and managed in the most effective way.
38427	An individual	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	More efficient management. Revised strategies on 'hot spots'.	CT2	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	All services and strategies will be reviewed based on the impact they have on priorities. It is proposed that future spending will be aligned to the priorities in the Transforming Your Council consultation document.
38428	An individual	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	Reduce your staff levels and work better on your working efficiency	CT2	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The proposed reductions will result in the reduction of staffing levels. If council tax is not increased in line with officer assumptions, further reductions to staffing would be required based on this comment.
38429	An individual	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	Perhaps less money spent on management consultants to propose these measures. Does the government still fine councils for increasing council tax?	CT2	4. The council is already doing this.	The council did not use management consultants to develop these proposals. The Scottish Government allows councils to increase council tax by a maximum of 3% annually.
38430	An individual	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	reduction in staff	CT2	4. The council is already doing this.	The proposed reductions will result in the reduction of staffing levels. If council tax is not increased in line with officer assumptions, further reductions to staffing would be required based on this comment.

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38431	An individual	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	cutting unnecessary waste and salaries of those who should not be taking huge salaries For example why do small town need 3 or 4 councillors 1 per ward is more than ample	CT2	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	The number of councillors for each council area is determined by statute by the Scottish Parliament.
38432	An individual	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	depends on how it is currently being met, there's insufficient information in this survey to provide a sensible answer	CT2	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
38433	An individual	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	I agree with the increase, but I think the housing should focus on giving working people council houses who can actually pay their rent and council tax and not those who never pay a penny and move from council house to council house using up important services and not paying for those services. I would not spend as much on housing. I keep seeing adverts bragging about spending over 100 million on housing. Cut this. We do not need more houses to spend more services on. No point building houses we cannot afford to give services too in the first place.	CT2	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax.
38434	An individual	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	speak to Ms Sturgeon , she seems to have all the answers for Scotland shut holyrood and get rid of that devolved parliament , we might save enough for your shortfall	CT2	4. The council is already doing this.	The council regularly emphasises to the Scottish Government the need for a fair settlement for local government as well as working with COSLA (the body that collectively represents local government in Scotland) to emphasise this point.
38435	An individual	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	Check up on the so called single parent families who actually have partners living with them	CT2	4. The council is already doing this.	The council robustly investigates and pursues all cases of fraud.
38436	An individual	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	Save money by not sending out two same letters to my house when I'm a couple of days late with council tax when there are others who don't pay a penny!	CT2	4. The council is already doing this.	The council actively pursues all debt, including council tax, community charge, rent and commercial debtors arrears. The council will investigate other ways to improve debt collections including strengthening corporate debt management activity.
38437	An individual	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	Cut the lesser important services	CT2	4. The council is already doing this.	All services, including non statutory services, will be reviewed based on the impact they have on priorities. It is proposed that future spending will be aligned to the priorities in the Transforming Your Council consultation document.
38438	An individual	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	No, increase it for the Higher Band areas, and double it if they own a holiday home or any other property that's lying empty from one month to the next, and take a pay cut from the pen pushers who are making up these changes, maybe when their feet are a little closer to the ground they'll appreciate they're talking about people not pound signs	CT2	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The current council tax legislation means that any proposed percentage increase needs to be applied across all bands.
38439	An individual	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	This will hit the poorest families hard. Higher earning households need to start paying more. Businesses need to start paying more. Do something with the councils empty lands and buildings. There are plenty that have been sitting empty for years.	CT2	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	Council tax reform can only be reviewed at a national level with corresponding changes in council tax legislation. Non domestic rates are set by the Scottish Government. By law the council can only reinvest receipts from the sale of land and property into assets.
38440	An individual	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	Community capacity building? Change teacher sterma and conditions and make them 52 week worker at their current annual pay redirect this staff group to support our. Il warble young people during the school holiday s providing intensive outreach or peer experiences.	CT2	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	Teacher terms and conditions are agreed nationally.
38441	An individual	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	Reduce the spend, not increase the income	CT2	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
38442	An individual	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	I totally support tax increase	CT2	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax.
38443	An individual	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	Ask RBS & HBOS for some on going contributions; call it a tax write off	CT2	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Your comment has been noted.
38444	An individual	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	stop the benefits on those that are obviously not interested in contributing	CT2	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	Benefits are decided by the UK and Scottish governments.

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38445	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	No more pay rises within the council, no more silly promotions such as two managers within planning, those are just two examples there's many more things that could be done before causing people to struggle	CT2	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Council pay awards are agreed nationally as part of the collective pay agreement. The council continually reviews the tiers of management and span of control across all service levels. This ensures that the council continues to operate with an effective and efficient managerial structure.
38446	An individual	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	If the council tax is not increased by 3%, then the shortfall must be made up from the Scottish Government. It is not inconceivable that with the new powers of taxation and continuing funding from Westminster, these monies must be used to their full extent to the benefit of the people of Scotland. It is about time this Scottish Government got on with the business in hand each and every day of the year, and stop blaming Westminster for the things that they are held responsible for. They behave like the old saying -- "IT'S NO MA FAULT MISTER, A BAD BOY DUN IT AND RAN AWAY". They never answer any question posed to them, but continually ramble on about Westminster cutting their funding from the Barnett formula for devolved Governments.	CT2	4. The council is already doing this.	The council regularly emphasises to the Scottish Government the need for a fair settlement for local government as well as working with COSLA (the body that collectively represents local government in Scotland) to emphasise this point.
38447	An individual	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	Certainly I don't think it should have been frozen in the first place	CT2	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax.
38448	An individual	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	Small increase only would be acceptable. Consider alternatives to bolster the tax by charging for individual services such as installation of water meters or charges for additional waste collection. Or local community charge for higher levels of road sweeping in a town centre etc.	CT2	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	Council tax reform can only be reviewed at a national level with corresponding changes in council tax legislation. All water charges and income are the responsibility of Scottish Water.
38449	An individual	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	As per the suggestions I have made. Perhaps look at the salaries of those employed at the top layer of the council would address some of this alongside more streamlined management layers!	CT2	4. The council is already doing this.	The council continually reviews the tiers of management and span of control across all service levels. This ensures that the council continues to operate with an effective and efficient managerial structure.
38450	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	I don't know. I'm not saying it's an easy decision to make but without doing research into this I don't know what alternative possibilities are. Speaking from someone who is probably earning one of the lower wages in the council, an additional increase to the tax I am already paying would have a big impact on me. I'm in my twenties and I'm trying to save so that I can buy my own flat and have money saved for the future. By the time my rent, travel to work (I live in Glasgow), food, pension and tax all comes off my monthly pay, I don't have very much for extra activities or savings. For those earning a much higher wage, would the 3% have as much an impact on their monthly income? Could the tax increase not just be on those who are earning a much higher wage?	CT2	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	Council tax reform can only be reviewed at a national level with corresponding changes in council tax legislation.
38451	An individual	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	Demand more money from the Scottish Government. In effect what this is all about is that the Scottish Government are not providing sufficient funding to the council.	CT2	4. The council is already doing this.	The council regularly emphasises to the Scottish Government the need for a fair settlement for local government as well as working with COSLA (the body that collectively represents local government in Scotland) to emphasise this point.
38452	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	Raise the lower council tax banding	CT2	5a. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because the council is required by law to deliver this work.	The current council tax legislation means that any proposed percentage increase needs to be applied across all bands.
38453	An individual	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	Reduce Management at Civic Centre	CT2	4. The council is already doing this.	The council continually reviews the tiers of management and span of control across all service levels. This ensures that the council continues to operate with an effective and efficient managerial structure.
38454	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	People are already having difficulty balancing their own books in terms of ever increasing costs and erosion of income /wages through lack of similar increases in wages. Unfortunately couldn't begin to think about any other way to raise additional income without increasing expenditure to the public.	CT2	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. As the council's forecast budget position assumes an annual increase of 3% based on officer assumptions, additional savings would need to be identified to cover reduced income.
38455	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	I am one of many people I know who would be happy to pay more than the 3% increase if it means saving services	CT2	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax.
38456	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	charge larger families more a single person gets a 25% discount yet a family of 4 or more pay only 25% more than that single person yet use 4 times more services	CT2	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	Council tax reform can only be reviewed at a national level with corresponding changes in council tax legislation.

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38457	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	Trim the top jobs.	CT2	4. The council is already doing this.	The council continually reviews the tiers of management and span of control across all service levels. This ensures that the council continues to operate with an effective and efficient managerial structure.
38458	An individual	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	cut out completely foreign aid donations, keep all monies raised in west Lothian for west Lothian, get your own house in order before donating to others	CT2	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	Foreign aid contributions are determined nationally.
38459	An individual	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	Sliding scale increase for lower bands	CT2	5a. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because the council is required by law to deliver this work.	The current council tax legislation means that any proposed percentage increase needs to be applied across all bands. The Scottish Government allows councils to increase council tax by a maximum of 3% annually. Officers have included a 3% annual increase in the council's budget model for the five years 2018/19 to 2022/23. As the council's forecast budget position assumes an annual increase of 3%, additional savings would need to be identified to cover reduced income for any increase less than 3%.
38460	An individual	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	increase higher bands but not bottom 2	CT2	5a. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because the council is required by law to deliver this work.	The current council tax legislation means that any proposed percentage increase needs to be applied across all bands.
38461	An individual	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	What is that Â£16.9M as a percentage of overall council budget? Surely the savings can be made in some of the areas mentioned in the previous sections to cover this. Get tough with suppliers, get firm with employees, benchmark against other councils, look for best practice. And... I work in IT, so get very tough on the IT suppliers who, without many exceptions, are incompetent and overpaid.	CT2	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
38462	An individual	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	Cut benefits if unemployed over 18months. No additional benefits for more than 3 children. No one should be able to claim benefits higher than 40hours per week at minimum wage.	CT2	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	Benefits are decided by the UK and Scottish governments. This includes the parameters and income levels used to determine benefit entitlement.
38463	An individual	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	Propose to the west minister government that Large corporations who operate within the county should pay a small amount of tax to the council as this would bridge the gap.	CT2	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	Changes to corporation tax can only be implemented by the UK Government.
38464	An individual	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	Private sector outsourcing	CT2	5c. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it is not consistent with the council's values and priorities.	The council has a best value framework which requires the council to consider best value and all possible ways of delivering services, including use of external contractors. There are currently no proposals on the widespread outsourcing of council services to external providers.
38465	An individual	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	Make more use of the private sector to deliver services eg roads and transportation	CT2	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The council has a best value framework which requires the council to consider best value and all possible ways of delivering services, including use of external contractors.
38466	An individual	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	Difficult to answer that without understanding the complexities of governmental and council funding. As with any business, suggest you look at staff costs and also cutting all unnecessary expenditure incurred by staff. Small changes by a large number of people add up. Also more on simplification of your processes and reducing bureaucracy, in turn reducing costs.	CT2	4. The council is already doing this.	As the council will have less overall resources, the number of services delivered will have to reduce with services being reviewed based on the impact they have on priorities. This will include changes to service standards and the way remaining services are delivered. It is proposed that future spending will be aligned to the priorities in the Transforming Your Council consultation document.
38467	An individual	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	No easy answer. Perhaps look at services that are provided free of charge for those who could afford to pay ie free travel for over 60s, free school meals for P1 to 3, free breakfast clubs for all primary children. Keep these services but charge those who can pay.	CT2	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	Nearly all of the services mentioned are set by the Scottish Government. The council has no power or ability to change these national commitments.

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38468	An individual	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	I would support a rate increase instead of cuts.	CT2	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax. The proposed 3% increase in council tax would contribute to the overall resources of the council available to fund service delivery. With the proposed increase the council still faces budget cuts of £73 million.
38469	An individual	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	Be getting more people into work and cracking down on people who "work the system"	CT2	4. The council is already doing this.	The council currently has a priority to minimise poverty, the cycle of deprivation and promote equality. The new anti-poverty service will allow the council to deliver this priority. When developing the new Anti Poverty Strategy consideration will be given to the causes of poverty and potential interventions to help minimise their impact on vulnerable families.
38470	An individual	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	There needs to be more marketing locally assigning/attribution costs and savings on where money is spent to support planned increases. A breakdown for local communities so they can help to become part of the solution to savings. A more positive gain can be achieved with the right kind of leadership to generate ownership of solutions. For instance, a blanket saving applied to social care may not resonate with some areas who have greater levels of youth unemployment. Christie led solutions can't flourish without it.	CT2	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The proposed 3% increase in council tax would contribute to the overall resources of the council available to fund service delivery. Full details of how the council allocates its resources to individual services is provided in the annual activity budget which is available on the council's website. A summary of key areas of spend are included in the council tax leaflet which is provided along with bills.
38471	An individual	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	Look at the top of the tree before taking the axe to the trunk.	CT2	4. The council is already doing this.	The council continually reviews the tiers of management and span of control across all service levels. This ensures that the council continues to operate with an effective and efficient managerial structure.
38472	An individual	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	I think there should be an introduction of charges (or an increase in charges) for certain services.	CT2	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The scope for charging will be considered, taking account current charges, the position in other local authorities and the impact of charges on vulnerable people and the availability of concessions.
38473	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	I do not support it but other than ceasing all non statutory functions, is there an option?	CT2	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. As the council's forecast budget position assumes an annual increase of 3% based on officer assumptions, additional savings would need to be identified to cover reduced income.
38474	An individual	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	As my tax has already increased by 3% am I to expect a further 3% rise? Savings have to made in every single area that the council operates in.	CT2	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Council tax levels for houses in bands E to H were increased in 2017/18 due to the implementation of the Scottish Government's changes to council tax bandings. Through the prioritisation process the council has looked to deliver savings in every council activity.
38475	An individual	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	The Council should make the £20million saving in 1a before making cuts to Social Care and indeed asking for more money.	CT2	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The savings in section one of the consultation are part of the £73 million funding gap, as are the Social Policy proposed savings. Further additional savings would have to be identified if the social care proposals were to be removed.
38476	An individual	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	I am comfortable with Council Tax increases as long as it is shared fairly across all constituents.	CT2	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax.
38477	An individual	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	Cut back in other sectors	CT2	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	The Scottish Government determines how it allocates its overall resources to specific areas of the public sector. Currently protection has largely been provided to the NHS and Police.
38478	An individual	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	Collect your rents in full. Too many not paying and milking the system. Too many ongoing repairs to council tenants i.e. Windows, doors etc	CT2	4. The council is already doing this.	Provision of council houses, including maintenance costs, is paid for from council house rents not council tax. Opportunities to ensure that rental income is used in the most efficient and effective manner to provide council houses will continue to be investigated.

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38479	An individual	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	Council saves money but the public has to pay for them.....again!!!	CT2	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposed 3% increase in council tax would contribute to the overall resources of the council available to fund service delivery. As the council will have less overall resources, the number of services delivered will have to reduce with services being reviewed based on the impact they have on priorities. It is proposed that future spending will be aligned to the priorities in the Transforming Your Council consultation document.
38480	An individual	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	Reduce senior executive pay. Increase commercial property rents.	CT2	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The council continually reviews the tiers of management and span of control across all service levels. This ensures that the council continues to operate with an effective and efficient managerial structure. The TYC consultation includes a proposal to increase the income generated from the commercial property portfolio under reviewing income and concessions.
38481	An individual	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	Raise council tax more on the top band properties, less on the lower band properties.	CT2	5a. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because the council is required by law to deliver this work.	The current council tax legislation means that any proposed percentage increase needs to be applied across all bands.
38482	An individual	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	As above, some form of income tax, especially on the wealthy.	CT2	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	Other than council tax, the council has no ability to introduce or apply taxes.
38483	An individual	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	A good question for yourself to answer as you have already managed to identify more than Â£65M. Without having enough knowledge to know how the council is run etc it is difficult to suggest how to find the money BUT you are not the only council in Scotland or elsewhere in the world who is faced with financial gaps etc.	CT2	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The council acknowledges that all local authorities in Scotland faces budget gaps due to Scottish Government funding being insufficient to cover the cost of service delivery. The council believes that all stakeholders should be consulted on the priorities for the council and options to address the anticipated budget gap.
38484	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	Some council tax increase is ok but not so much every year. The remaining income should come from streamlining services, increasing communication between services and looking for innovative solutions from international programmes. The council needs to be very forward thinking and adopt technology/sustainable techniques wherever possible.	CT2	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Scottish Government allows councils to increase council tax by a maximum of 3% annually. Officers have included a 3% annual increase in the council's budget model for the five years 2018/19 to 2022/23. As the council's forecast budget position assumes an annual increase of 3%, additional savings would need to be identified to cover reduced income for any increase less than 3%.
38485	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	A further Â£16.9 million gap will require another 700 council jobs to be cut, and council services will be affected severely	CT2	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	As the council will have less overall resources, the number of services delivered will have to reduce with services being reviewed based on the impact they have on priorities. This will include changes to service standards, the way remaining services are delivered and a reduced workforce. It is proposed that future spending will be aligned to the priorities in the Transforming Your Council consultation document.
38486	An individual	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	PLEASE INCREASE COUNCIL TAX	CT2	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax.
38487	An individual	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	Cut a head of service from education Limit the apparatus in schools so that children have to share equipment Cut free travel completely Introduce traffic wardens to generate more income Apply for more funding for lottery for schemes that they may support. Maybe even ask us folks of benefits to contribute something as the amount of benefits being claimed is astronomical.	CT2	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The council continually reviews the tiers of management and span of control across all service levels. Benefits are decided by the UK and Scottish governments. The concessionary bus travel scheme is national scheme determined and set by the Scottish Government. The council investigates opportunities to obtain external grant funding but the majority of the funding is only available to community groups.

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38488	An individual	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	If the council doesn't increase council tax up to 3%, the only options I can see are voluntary redundancies across the full council	CT2	5c. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it is not consistent with the council's values and priorities.	Currently the council has a no compulsory redundancy approach to delivering budget savings.
38489	An individual	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	I would suggest that not doing so would result in a state of affairs within Local Government that would allow the Scottish Government to call in many services into national control (as is their desire anyway) so you pay your money, or not, you take your choice.	CT2	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax. It is the council's view that services should be provided locally to communities in partnership with community planning partners in a way that demonstrates value for money.
38490	An individual	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	More private partnerships for providing services.	CT2	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The council has a best value framework which requires the council to consider best value and all possible ways of delivering services, including use of external contractors.
38491	An individual	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	No I would really struggle I am just making ends meet as it is. Sorry. My wages had been frozen for 5 years and now only risen by 1%. The cost of food is going up, as is fuel, and if my wages don't increase I will continue to struggle. I work for the council which makes it even harder as I know cuts have to be made as I see it in my job but I am finding it difficult in my own personal life.	CT2	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Council tax in West Lothian has been frozen for ten years providing a significant benefit to council tax payers. As the council's forecast budget position assumes an annual increase of 3% based on officer assumptions, additional savings would need to be identified to cover reduced income.
38492	An individual	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	I support an increase for those able to pay, their contribution should cover the gap.	CT2	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The current council tax legislation means that any proposed percentage increase needs to be applied across all bands and this is assumed in the 3% increase. Additional charges could not be applied for some households and not others.
38493	An individual	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	Income based council tax? Stop funding drug addicts and alcoholics. Stop providing free school meals to all p1-3. If parents can pay they should.	CT2	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	Council tax reform can only be reviewed at a national level with corresponding changes in council tax legislation. Free school meal provision is a national priority determined by the Scottish Government.
38494	An individual	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	Don't support Chase up rent arrears and people who actually owe money on Council Tax Any person in receipt of benefits should have rent and Council Tax deducted before the benefits are paid	CT2	4. The council is already doing this.	The council actively pursues all debt, including council tax, community charge, rent and commercial debtors arrears. The council will investigate other ways to improve debt collections including strengthening corporate debt management activity.
38495	An individual	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	I support it but we never hear of those over £70,000 a year showing an example and taking a 10 per cent reduction. This would provide millions and the chief executive on over £120,000 a year should lead by example	CT2	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
38496	An individual	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	I feel saving could be made in several areas - reduce the number of councillors we have - when sub contractors are being used and Workmanship is poor, what guarantees do The council have from the sub- contractors? Do they fix problem at a Cost to themselves? - use council workmen whenever possible Check the hours worked and finishing Times, not paid till 4 and finish at 2 - sometimes too many workers standing Smoking watching one man working - bin men start at 6 till 2 but often job and Finish early then asked to do overtime? - charge fees to outside contractors such As utility companies and given them a Time to complete, charge them if they Go over. As often traffic lights go up On a Friday for work starting on a Monday - introduce a West Lothian lottery specifically for West Lothian funds stay I. West Lothian	CT2	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The number of councillors for each council area is determined by statute by the Scottish Parliament. Council contracts incorporate service standards to monitor sub contractor performance.
38497	An individual	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	Is this a serious question? How can the public answer that without full information as to how services are carried out now. What an insulting question	CT2	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Your response has been noted.
38498	An individual	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	Better management of the existing pot. He low hanging fruits are plentiful. Less council workers sitting about with their engines on while reading the sun and drinking iron bru. Less council workers all standing around the same hole...one smoking...one pointing...one leaning on his spade...one cracking lewd jokes and NONE striking a blow. You do not see this in Germany. Increased efficiency and effectiveness would be a good starting point.	CT2	4. The council is already doing this.	Over the last ten years the council has delivered efficiency savings of over £92 million. The vast majority of the easier to deliver savings were achieved during the last ten years which means the savings required for the next five years are more difficult. The council benchmarks performance and costs with the private sector, including roads.

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38499	An individual	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	Providing more 'paid for services' - grounds maintenance mentioned previously for example, reducing other non-essential services, charging a small fee for previously free services	CT2	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The scope for charging will be considered, taking account current charges, the position in other local authorities and the impact of charges on vulnerable people and the availability of concessions. The council currently generates income from providing a range of services to partners and organisations. Further opportunities to expand this could be investigated.
38500	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	see previous suggestions of income generation.	CT2	4. The council is already doing this.	The scope for charging will be considered, taking account current charges, the position in other local authorities and the impact of charges on vulnerable people and the availability of concessions.
38501	An individual	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	Really? Your strategy team should be prompting a bit more creativity than this question does. How about sponsorship? Development funds? Overseas investment? Grants and lottery funding? Etc.	CT2	4. The council is already doing this.	Scope for advertising and sponsorship will be considered. The council continually looks for opportunities to secure external funding however many of the sources of external grants are not available to the council.
38502	An individual	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	See above. This should be met by means testing of all services provided and that includes free boiler schemes for elderly/disabled, free personal care, free tuition fees, free meals, free English lessons, free prescriptions, winter fuel payments, the list goes on...etc. I appreciate this may not all be within council control - and if not, please could you as an SNP led council feed back residents' views to your leaders so that this may be addressed at national level. Lots of these budget issues could be resolved if national policy was reviewed.	CT2	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	West Lothian Council is a Labour minority administration. Some of these areas are within the control of the council and others are not. Any changes to charges and concessions needs to be considered within the context of the council's commitment to anti-poverty.
38503	An individual	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	Either increase charging for non statutory services or further reduce expenditure on non statutory services.	CT2	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	All services will be reviewed based on the impact they have on priorities. It is proposed that future spending will be aligned to the priorities in the Transforming Your Council consultation document. The scope for charging will be considered, taking account current charges, the position in other local authorities and the impact of charges on vulnerable people and the availability of concessions.
38504	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	I feel taxes should be raised for those who can pay more.	CT2	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax.
38505	An individual	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	By cutting wastage associated with manpower.	CT2	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
38506	An individual	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	As in previous suggestions.	CT2	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Scottish Government allows councils to increase council tax by a maximum of 3% annually. Officers have included a 3% annual increase in the council's budget model for the five years 2018/19 to 2022/23. As the council's forecast budget position assumes an annual increase of 3%, additional savings would need to be identified to cover reduced income for any increase less than 3%.
38507	An individual	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	Wlc staff reductions	CT2	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	As the council will have less overall resources, the number of services delivered will have to reduce with services being reviewed based on the impact they have on priorities. This will include changes to service standards, the way remaining services are delivered and a reduced workforce. It is proposed that future spending will be aligned to the priorities in the Transforming Your Council consultation document.
38508	An individual	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	If there was sufficient transparent information within this consultative document then maybe this question could be answered.	CT2	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Your response has been noted.
38509	An individual	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	Cut all spending on football facilities. Sell the former football facilities for housing developments.	CT2	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	We will review our property assets and rationalise use where possible taking into account the review and redesign of services delivered in the community and investigating opportunities for coordinating availability of facilities.

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38510	An individual	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	A full review of all areas of all services looking for duplication of effort and resources. Increased charges to house builders for habitation certificates, taxi firms for licensing, event licensing etc	CT2	4. The council is already doing this.	All services will be reviewed based on the impact they have on priorities. It is proposed that future spending will be aligned to the priorities in the Transforming Your Council consultation document.
38511	An individual	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	I believe that cuts can be avoided by working more efficiently. While it is perhaps a limited example, I regularly see teams of council workers sitting in their vehicles rather than working outdoors. Yes, everyone needs a break but these seem to be a odd hours and prolonged as they are often still sitting doing nothing when I see them on my return journey. How effective is the management of work allocation etc? Do we really need 4 councillors for most of the 9 wards? Reduction to 2 per ward (a loss of 15 headcount) would achieve a saving on "salary" alone of circa Â£253K using a standard councillor for the calculation - Â£6.265M over 5 years. Add in expenses, pension, support staff etc, etc... Do we really need to remunerate the various "heads of whatever department" at around Â£100K per annum? Compared to the PM this looks extremely generous.	CT2	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The number of councillors for each council area is determined by statute by the Scottish Parliament. The council continually reviews the tiers of management and span of control across all service levels. This ensures that the council continues to operate with an effective and efficient managerial structure. The council continues to review work allocation to help ensure efficient use of limited council resources to deliver best value.
38512	An individual	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	Further cuts in non statutory services. Further centralisation	CT2	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	As the council will have less overall resources, the number of services delivered will have to reduce with services being reviewed based on the impact they have on priorities. This will include changes to service standards and the way remaining services are delivered. It is proposed that future spending will be aligned to the priorities in the Transforming Your Council consultation document.
38513	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	Cut the budget for schools instead.	CT2	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The largest proportion of the schools budget is for staffing. The pupil teacher ratio means that the staffing budget for teachers needs to be maintained.
38514	An individual	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	Why only 3%? Make 3% the minimum increase and make it a larger increase for higher value properties, say 4 or 5% for properties over Â£500,000.	CT2	5a. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because the council is required by law to deliver this work.	The current council tax legislation means that any proposed percentage increase needs to be applied across all bands.
38515	An individual	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	I think you should increase it.	CT2	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax.
38516	An individual	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	Currently services and management are not efficient and effective so a council wide review of management is required and deadwood and duplication removed.	CT2	4. The council is already doing this.	The council continually reviews the tiers of management and span of control across all service levels. This ensures that the council continues to operate with an effective and efficient managerial structure.
38517	An individual	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	Put a hold on the increased nursery hours at least for the time being.	CT2	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	Increased nursery hours is a priority of the Scottish Government. The council will be required to implement this as a condition of the council's finance settlement.
38518	An individual	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	I have already made several suggestions - specifically about Council consolidation.	CT2	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
38519	An individual	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	selling more property	CT2	5a. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because the council is required by law to deliver this work.	The council has a disposal process for assets declared surplus to requirements with receipts reinvested in council assets. By law income received from the sale of assets can only be used for capital expenditure or repaying debt.
38520	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	I do agree with increasing the council tax, however I would like to make a suggestion. Currently the revenues team collect Service Accounts. The service area's provide the service and then revenues have to collect payments. There are many people and businesses that do not pay right away and have to be chased causing more work and also some monies never paid. I would suggest the service area's collect the money up front for the service meaning the customer has no choice but to pay before receiving the service. This would increase the money collected as well as meaning they could focus on Council Tax and Business Rates collection bringing in more money from these.	CT2	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	This would need to be considered within the parameters of providing methods of payment consistent with the council's Anti Poverty Strategy.
38521	An individual	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	In my opinion the Council Tax has gone past its sell by date, it is like a second mortgage. So why should some householders pay more than others when we all get the same service (or some of the services per above I pay factoring fees for my street). There should be a generic charged to all householders, so the threshold is set across the board. Rather than by value of a house dictating the price you pay. Not a really fair system.	CT2	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	Council tax reform can only be reviewed at a national level with corresponding changes in council tax legislation.

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38522	An individual	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	Since Income Tax has been devolved to Scottish Government - get it from this source	CT2	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	The Scottish Government determines how it allocates its overall resources to specific areas of the public sector. Currently protection has largely been provided to the NHS and Police.
38523	An individual	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	Her Majesty the Queen's off shore tax protection accounts could be turned into a local authority grant application system!!!	CT2	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	Your response has been noted.
38524	An individual	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	Target those who have the means to pay but never do so. Bring in the seizure of goods etc as in England & Wales and make people understand that this is in fact a tax not a choice!!!!!!	CT2	4. The council is already doing this.	The council actively pursues all debt, including council tax, community charge, rent and commercial debtors arrears. The council will investigate other ways to improve debt collections including strengthening corporate debt management activity.
38525	An individual	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	I think that all Council employees earning over £80,000 per year should have their salaries cut to help fund the budget and stop such drastic cuts.	CT2	5c. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it is not consistent with the council's values and priorities.	The council's pay structure was agreed as part of the introduction of single status. The council implements nationally agreed pay awards.
38526	An individual	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	Only makes up 19%? Wow. No, I don't support. The focus here needs to change from cuts to income generation.	CT2	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The scope for charging will be considered, taking account current charges, the position in other local authorities and the impact of charges on vulnerable people and the availability of concessions.
38527	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	No Really need to thing about the proposed Council Tax and rent increases as the Council currently run with over 1 million pound in unpaid rents. If the 3% increase goes ahead along with the introduction of universal credit the deficit will surely just spiral out of control?	CT2	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council actively pursues all debt, including council tax, community charge, rent and commercial debtors arrears. The council will investigate other ways to improve debt collections including strengthening corporate debt management activity.
38528	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	Can monies be saved within the prison sector. This area costs thousands and I'm just wondering if any monies are being cut there. Or is that no council? Looking at rent that people are given from housing. Reduce the benefit and make the tenant pay more of the rent.	CT2	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	Where relevant, we will forward these comments to the appropriate organisations.
38529	An individual	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	ensure council tax payment is made by all	CT2	4. The council is already doing this.	The council actively pursues all debt, including council tax, community charge, rent and commercial debtors arrears. The council will investigate other ways to improve debt collections including strengthening corporate debt management activity.
38530	An individual	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	Unfair to target specific few should be an increase to all or not at all!	CT2	4. The council is already doing this.	The current council tax legislation means that any proposed percentage increase needs to be applied across all bands.
38531	An individual	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	The amount spent on local councillors is excessive especially when there are three councillors covering one ward.	CT2	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	The number of councillors for each council area is determined by statute by the Scottish Parliament.
38532	An individual	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	More efficiency in collecting council tax and rents	CT2	4. The council is already doing this.	The council actively pursues all debt, including council tax, community charge, rent and commercial debtors arrears. The council will investigate other ways to improve debt collections including strengthening corporate debt management activity.
38533	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	The amount spent on local councillors is excessive especially when there are three councillors covering one ward.	CT2	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	The number of councillors for each council area is determined by statute by the Scottish Parliament.
38534	An individual	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	Stop the redecoration and new furniture going into homeless homes every six months would save a fortune, broken windows, doors broken down with police should be replaced by tennant not council tax payer after all why should I pay this, for my council tax all I get is a bin emptied once a week, truth that's what the majority of people say when you mention council tax	CT2	7. The respondent's comment was either not relevant to the question, inappropriate and/or contained personal and sensitive information.	In addition, by law council tax can only be used to pay for general services and cannot be used to provide council houses. Any saving generated through changes to housing provision could not be used to address the council's £73 million gap.

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38535	An individual	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	Start charging £5 for every visit to the GP or dentist. This will cut down time wasting, improve efficiency of the service and raise funds. Start charging for prescriptions - same idea. Charge for leisure (Xcite) facilities which are currently free. Spend council tax that you do get more wisely. It is not my job to work out how you should do yours.	CT2	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	Where relevant, we will forward these comments to the appropriate organisations.
38536	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	First of all, that is not my job as a citizen to find a way to bridge the gap. But as I've stated previously, 1% per year for everyone would be better, and fairer, than 3% every year for those in higher-band homes.	CT2	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	For the past nine years the Scottish Government restricted councils' ability to raise council tax through the financial settlement. In 2017/18 councillors froze council tax. The current council tax legislation means that any proposed percentage increase needs to be applied across all bands.
38537	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	Hard to see how this could be achieved without gutting the council. Those who have continually voted on this measure for political gain should be hanging their heads - they have led us here, it is on their conscience.	CT2	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	As the council will have less overall resources, the number of services delivered will have to reduce with services being reviewed based on the impact they have on priorities. This will include changes to service standards and the way remaining services are delivered. It is proposed that future spending will be aligned to the priorities in the Transforming Your Council consultation document.
38538	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	I would be more inclined to increase those in higher tax bands who can afford it	CT2	5a. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because the council is required by law to deliver this work.	The current council tax legislation means that any proposed percentage increase needs to be applied across all bands.
38539	An individual	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	Through cuts already mentioned	CT2	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
38540	An individual	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	I agree we should increase council tax as long as the money was used to protect social services, and protect staff from cuts.	CT2	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The proposed 3% increase in council tax would contribute to the overall resources of the council available to fund service delivery. As the £73 million assumes a council tax increase of 3%, a greater increase would be required to replace some of proposed reductions.
38541	An individual	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	I do support the increase.	CT2	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax.
38542	An individual	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	Perhaps any shortfall would be supported by better focuses services. Are we still employing staff to record statistics?	CT2	4. The council is already doing this.	All services will be reviewed based on the impact they have on priorities. It is proposed that future spending will be aligned to the priorities in the Transforming Your Council consultation document. Performance is recorded in an electronic system which is an efficient and effective way of collecting data.
38543	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	I would not. I would accept that this is going to lead to even greater need for reductions. My family and I moved to this area as it was where work was available. As this reduces, and services available for children reduce we are likely to move out of the area,	CT2	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. As the council's forecast budget position assumes an annual increase of 3% based on officer assumptions, additional savings would need to be identified to cover reduced income.
38544	No Response	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	Should you not be trying to recoup money from people that don't pay their council tax/claim benefits & get away with it.	CT2	4. The council is already doing this.	The council actively pursues all debt, including council tax, community charge, rent and commercial debtors arrears. The council will investigate other ways to improve debt collections including strengthening corporate debt management activity.
38545	No Response	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	. U should be trying to recoup monies from people that can pay but don't pay their council tax & that claim benefits that they shouldn't be.	CT2	4. The council is already doing this.	The council actively pursues all debt, including council tax, community charge, rent and commercial debtors arrears. The council will investigate other ways to improve debt collections including strengthening corporate debt management activity.
38546	An individual	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	Another saving is to reduce printing costs! West Lothian News etc delivered free to households and WLC buildings. Printing free Winter Ready and Summer Safe leaflets and stickers waste of money!	CT2	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	Julie Whitelaw

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38547	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	put it up	CT2	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax.
38548	An individual	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	Charge parents of anti social offspring causing damage to council property. If they cannot/won't pay:- eviction. As they are not interested in living in their communities!! One has to pay for damage done by animals they own. Also if they cause damage by bad driving. But not if their offspring cause damage!! (WHY)?? Putting council tax back into rent would cut bureaucracy.	CT2	5a. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because the council is required by law to deliver this work.	By law council tax has to be collected separately. The council's community safety team works with community planning partners to manage instances of anti social behaviour in communities.
38549	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	Reduce workforce and improve efficiency overall by more stringent processes and more effective use of resources.	CT2	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	All services will be reviewed based on the impact they have on priorities. It is proposed that future spending will be aligned to the priorities in the Transforming Your Council consultation document. The proposed reductions will result in the reduction of staffing levels.
38550	An individual	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	I think you'd be better taking off at source a minimum payment from every resident in West Lothian who is on benefits or taking off council tax payments months from peoples pays so that everyone in West Lothian contributes to their council, seems that people who pay their council tax are having to supplement those who dont	CT2	4. The council is already doing this.	Where people do not pay their council tax, the council utilises all available means of recovering the income including deductions from benefits where appropriate. The council's council tax collection rates have been increasing each year.
38551	An individual	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	I think that increase in council tax would be a route to go down. Also a small increase in other services such as public cafes, libraries and sport and leisure fees could be put be put in place.	CT2	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax. The scope for charging will be considered, taking account current charges, the position in other local authorities and the impact of charges on vulnerable people and the availability of concessions.
38552	An individual	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	Stop all non-statutory functions but I can live with 3%	CT2	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax. All services will be reviewed based on the impact they have on priorities. It is proposed that future spending will be aligned to the priorities in the Transforming Your Council consultation document.
38553	An individual	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	The council should lobby the Scottish Government to be granted the legal ability to run a deficit with an agreed threshold, given the fact the UK government runs a deficit and that these are unprecedented times of austerity. The council should also look at raising revenue from long-term bonds, probably at the city-region level in partnership with other authorities.	CT2	5a. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because the council is required by law to deliver this work.	Legally the council must balance its budget on an annual basis. Borrowing can only be for cash flow or capital investment purposes therefore cannot be used to cover the £73 million gap. The council borrows from the PWLB which is substantially cheaper than any potential bond scheme.
38554	An individual	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	In part, perhaps through financial 'means test' contribution of services.	CT2	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The scope for charging will be considered, taking account current charges, the position in other local authorities and the impact of charges on vulnerable people and the availability of concessions.
38555	An individual	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	I have mixed feelings on this. Yes with reservations increasing council tax has a greater financial impact on the lower paid. Property values require to be re-assessed and councils should be properly funded by Scottish Government if necessarily by an increases and changes to income tax.	CT2	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax. Council tax bands and the valuations for them are set nationally by the Scottish Government. The council does not have the power to change banding values. The council regularly emphasises to the Scottish Government the need for a fair settlement for local government as well as working with COSLA (the body that collectively represents local government in Scotland) to emphasise this point.
38556	An individual	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	Fire all the incompetent people working for the council.	CT2	4. The council is already doing this.	The council has a robust performance management approach which deals with areas of poor performance.
38557	An individual	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	Further reductions to transport subsidies, putting Xmas lights up in December rather than earlier and paying for nursery places for 2 year olds where families are able to (unless fully Government funded)	CT2	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The officer proposals include measures related to subsidised bus routes. The Scottish Government currently pays for all two year old provision.

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38558	An individual	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	Further reduction in waste, reduce layers of management within the council, eliminate final pension and excessive pensions which are many times greater than private sector pensions.	CT2	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	All services will be reviewed based on the impact they have on priorities. It is proposed that future spending will be aligned to the priorities in the Transforming Your Council consultation document. This will include eliminating waste and streamlining approaches where appropriate. The council continually reviews the tiers of management and span of control across all service levels. Council employees no longer have access to a final salary pension.
38559	An individual	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	Loaded question. It is not necessarily a question of finding additional income but in balancing budgets. Â£16.9 could also be found within service areas. Funding settlements with the Scottish Government may also change within this time.	CT2	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. As the council's forecast budget position assumes an annual increase of 3% based on officer assumptions, additional savings would need to be identified to cover reduced income. The council's budget model is regularly reviewed to take into account the latest information, including estimates of government funding.
38560	An individual	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	Try reducing the salaries of the big wigs in the council	CT2	5c. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it is not consistent with the council's values and priorities.	The council's pay structure was agreed as part of the introduction of single status. The council implements nationally agreed pay awards.
38561	An individual	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	sale of land for development can bring in substantial amounts of money.	CT2	5a. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because the council is required by law to deliver this work.	The council has a disposal process for assets declared surplus to requirements with receipts reinvested in council assets. By law income received from the sale of assets can only be used for capital expenditure or repaying debt.
38562	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	Put it up more!	CT2	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax.
38563	An individual	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	I'd stop wasting money on rusty old "art" that tries to make this crappy beaten run down town look a little better by trying to put a full face of make up on a chimp	CT2	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Most of the larger art installations in West Lothian are not funded by the council but by developers.
38564	An individual	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	You should review the council tax bands. It is unfair that I have a small 4 bedroom house which is in band E. You cannot buy a new build property that is under a band D whereas an ex council property much larger than mine is in a band A. At the time this might have seemed fair due to house values etc but not anymore. Also new build estates need to pay a factor to maintain the grass etc. Instead of me paying to get my grass cut and all the "council estates" grass cut then it is time that factor charges were introduced by yourselves also.	CT2	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	Council tax bands and the valuations for them are set nationally by the Scottish Government. The council does not have the power to change banding values. Council tax pays for many more services across West Lothian than factor fees for specific estates.
38565	An individual	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	Perhaps be stricter on people who don't pay ANY council tax	CT2	4. The council is already doing this.	The council actively pursues all debt, including council tax, community charge, rent and commercial debtors arrears. The council will investigate other ways to improve debt collections including strengthening corporate debt management activity.
38566	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	Reduce the amount of aid they send to supposed third world countries.	CT2	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	Foreign aid contributions are determined nationally.
38567	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	I am hoping that senior managers have true transformation in mind that may continue to unfold/develop and contribute further savings	CT2	4. The council is already doing this.	Transformation is a journey that will not stop once the budget is approved. It is recognised that this is an ongoing process and further work will be required to deliver change.
38568	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	Higher management pay cuts.	CT2	5c. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it is not consistent with the council's values and priorities.	The council's pay structure was agreed as part of the introduction of single status. The council implements nationally agreed pay awards.
38569	An individual	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	Offer retirement packages to over 55's to leave the way for young blood in services.	CT2	4. The council is already doing this.	The council currently has an early retirement and voluntary severance scheme.

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38570	An individual	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	perhaps by cutting most of the middle management, nepotism and by providing more accountability. also raising standards and services for the children and young people in west lothian would have a far reaching and positive effect on the budget than cuts to services people enjoy and utilise	CT2	4. The council is already doing this.	The council continually reviews the tiers of management and span of control across all service levels. This ensures that the council continues to operate with an effective and efficient managerial structure.
38571	An individual	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	No I don't see why I should pay for the people who do not pay and the council tax debt gets written off. Or people get away with claiming benefits in regards to this and then still don't pay, why should working people keep having to pay the deficit.	CT2	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council actively pursues all debt, including council tax, community charge, rent and commercial debtors arrears. The council will investigate other ways to improve debt collections including strengthening corporate debt management activity.
38572	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	reviews of all council services including how many staff earn over A£60K	CT2	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The council continually reviews the tiers of management and span of control across all service levels. This ensures that the council continues to operate with an effective and efficient managerial structure.
38573	An individual	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	Them in a higher pay band don't get a rise over the next 5 years // Theres your money back	CT2	5b. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it is likely that the costs of this proposal would outweigh the benefit.	Any proposal to restructure pay for higher bands would generate only minimal savings.
38574	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	Start cutting from the top down - high salary earners that may or may not be in duplicate roles.	CT2	4. The council is already doing this.	The council continually reviews the tiers of management and span of control across all service levels. This ensures that the council continues to operate with an effective and efficient managerial structure.
38575	An individual	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	Through other savings as mentioned earlier. In a house with only one salary an increase in unmanageable	CT2	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. As the council's forecast budget position assumes an annual increase of 3% based on officer assumptions, additional savings would need to be identified to cover reduced income.
38576	An individual	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	Take the council tax direct from benefit or other income, if the recipient will not pay.	CT2	4. The council is already doing this.	Where people do not pay their council tax, the council utilises all available means of recovering the income including deductions from benefits where appropriate. The council's council tax collection rates have been increasing each year.
38577	An individual	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	Deliver on the various ideas you have - the more you do it the better you will get at it. I assume you run a surplus so each year can be managed flexibly. If you're just going to raise tax why bother with a consultation?	CT2	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council believes that all stakeholders should be consulted on the priorities for the council and options to address the anticipated budget gap. Council tax levels are based on an officer assumption at this stage and will not be agreed by elected members until February 2018.
38578	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	Cut head office management roles. Sell off assets such as buildings. Seek further cuts in non essential services (no cuts to early years/education and only minimal cuts to elderly)	CT2	4. The council is already doing this.	The council continually reviews the tiers of management and span of control across all service levels. This ensures that the council continues to operate with an effective and efficient managerial structure. The council has a disposal process for assets declared surplus to requirements with receipts reinvested in council assets. By law income received from the sale of assets can only be used for capital expenditure or repaying debt. All services will be reviewed based on the impact they have on priorities. It is proposed that future spending will be aligned to the priorities in the Transforming Your Council consultation document.
38579	An individual	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	I do support a Council Tax Rise, but I seem to remember that Labour campaigned on a platform of no Council Tax rises. Therefore it is part of the council's administration that doesn't support this. How are THEY going to find the additional income to bridge the increased budget gap? Caught in a trap of their own making. I await their U-turn with interest.	CT2	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax.

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38580	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	Cut the number of mangers in the council, close Dechmont Primary and stop spending money on unnecessary things - just stick to the absolute basics.	CT2	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The council continually reviews the tiers of management and span of control across all service levels. This ensures that the council continues to operate with an effective and efficient managerial structure. All services will be reviewed based on the impact they have on priorities. It is proposed that future spending will be aligned to the priorities in the Transforming Your Council consultation document. Currently the council is not considering the closure of any schools.
38581	An individual	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	should be a flat fee for all households	CT2	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	Council tax reform can only be reviewed at a national level with corresponding changes in council tax legislation. Council tax charges for each band are based on a nationally set weighting that cannot be changed.
38582	An individual	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	Cap council tax rises to tie in with the majority of people's salary rises, with it increasing as the band increases ... if you have more, pay more ... and also cap pay rises of highest earners in council to reflect those of the majority of council workers and people in general.	CT2	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	Council tax reform can only be reviewed at a national level with corresponding changes in council tax legislation.
38583	An individual	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	3% is acceptable as long as council are seen to controlling costs (particularly central admin)	CT2	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax.
38584	No Response	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	I support the increase but you could look at charging subsidy costs for additional bin collections. Or collect waste from private companies to bring in income. Also, we have skips that could be put out to hire when not in use. Or rent out pool cars out with office hours, conditions would apply.	CT2	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The scope for charging will be considered, taking account current charges, the position in other local authorities and the impact of charges on vulnerable people and the availability of concessions. The council currently generates income from providing a range of services to partners and organisations. Further opportunities to expand this could be investigated.
38585	An individual	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	The long term unemployed can help fill gaps and receive training, possibly even a job at the end of it. The temporary fix for potholes in the road, take someone unemployed and work with them to fill the hole. Internal post/mail, same thing again. Put it into your MCMC plan. How many meetings are just a waste of time? Do you have pre-meeting meetings? Post meeting meetings? Meetings that go on for hours and achieve nothing? Have people at meetings that don't contribute or don't need to be there? Are there jobs that people do that are pointless and take away from their actual job? How many people did it take to write and publish this survey? (too many?) Start at the top, senior management and work you way down to where the wasted time and effort is	CT2	4. The council is already doing this.	The council is supportive of volunteering. The council is currently considering how to facilitate the greater involvement of volunteers. The efficiency of meetings are regularly kept under review. The council continually reviews the tiers of management and span of control across all service levels. This ensures that the council continues to operate with an effective and efficient managerial structure.
38586	An individual	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	A change to a local income tax.	CT2	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	Council tax reform can only be reviewed at a national level with corresponding changes in council tax legislation.
38587	An individual	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	I do accept a 3% increase in Council Tax in each of the 5 years 2018/19 to 2022/23. For an average band D property this works out at an increase of £3.38 per month less than the cost of 2 Lattes. The Council should make the £20million saving in 1a before making cuts to Social Care and indeed asking for more money.	CT2	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax.
38588	An individual	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	keep increasing in line with efficiency improvements.	CT2	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax.
38589	An individual	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	Reduce Councilors wages, pay them for hours worked.	CT2	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	The Local Government (Allowances and Expenses) (Scotland) Regulations 2007 set councilors remuneration and expenses.
38590	An individual	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	Make the house builders pay. They are just here to make a profit. They do not care about the quality of life for resident (eg almost constant road works)	CT2	4. The council is already doing this.	The council has a successful developer contributions model where developers pay for improvements and additions to the infrastructure in West Lothian.

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38591	An individual	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	If money was not wasted on other unnecessary things then it would not be needed.	CT2	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council has delivered balanced budgets each year since 1996. The budget gap faced by the council is a result of funding being insufficient to cover the increasing cost of delivering services due to factors such as population growth and indexation. The council is subject to rigorous external audit and both Audit Scotland and EY have confirmed, over a number of years, that the council has robust financial management. External audit and regulation provides no evidence of reckless spending.
38592	An individual	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	Try not wasting money in your building services department by contracting out work to external providers which then needed to be repaired by council staff. Get your own staff to do the jobs or only employ those qualified to do it. Try to stop theft of council property which must estimate ££££££.	CT2	4. The council is already doing this.	The council has a best value framework which requires the council to consider best value and all possible ways of delivering services, including use of external contractors.
38593	An individual	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	I wouldn't I'd raise the CT	CT2	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax.
38594	An individual	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	better management of money. sales of building not being used. stop building fancy building	CT2	4. The council is already doing this.	The council is subject to rigorous external audit and both Audit Scotland and EY have confirmed, over a number of years, that the council has robust financial management. We will review our property assets and rationalise usage where possible taking into account the review and redesign of services delivered in the community and investigating opportunities for coordinating availability of facilities.
38595	An individual	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	I would increase it (not just impacting on selected house bands) but not as much as 3%	CT2	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Scottish Government allows councils to increase council tax by a maximum of 3% annually. Officers have included a 3% annual increase in the council's budget model for the five years 2018/19 to 2022/23. As the council's forecast budget position assumes an annual increase of 3%, additional savings would need to be identified to cover reduced income for any increase less than 3%.
38596	An individual	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	Better energy efficiency would be a big part of this	CT2	4. The council is already doing this.	The council has delivered substantial savings through energy efficiency initiatives and is committed to generating further savings as outlined in section five of the consultation.
38597	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	I would remove unnecessary management tiers within the councils structure. I would ensure that works carried out on properties are charged back to tenants and monies recovered from rent payments where the damage has been inflicted by the tenant on purpose	CT2	4. The council is already doing this.	The council continually reviews the tiers of management and span of control across all service levels. This ensures that the council continues to operate with an effective and efficient managerial structure. Provision of council houses, including maintenance costs, is paid for from council house rents not council tax. Opportunities to ensure that rental income is used in the most efficient and effective manner to provide council houses will continue to be investigated.
38598	An individual	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	That's not my job to think of this. Maybe a few less councillors and less entertaining for these and staff could help. Also the private, public partnerships for local facilities aren't value for money.	CT2	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The number of councillors for each council area is determined by statute by the Scottish Parliament. The council's hospitality budget was removed a number of years ago. Celebrating Success is fully funded through sponsorship.
38599	An individual	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	Streamline cost of consultants and temporary staff	CT2	4. The council is already doing this.	The council makes limited use of consultants.
38600	An individual	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	Increase now	CT2	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax.
38601	An individual	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	Cut benefits - stricter checks on disability and level of disability allowances and benefits; stricter checks on the long term unemployed e.g. not worked for 5 years; charge a minimum bus fare even to those with a 'free' bus pass e.g. 20 pence a journey.	CT2	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	Benefits are decided by the UK and Scottish governments. This includes the parameters and income levels used to determine benefit entitlement.

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38602	An individual	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	Increase income tax	CT2	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	The Scottish Government is responsible for any changes to income tax.
38603	An individual	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	make more cut backs or get in a independent time and motion company as im sure they would find lots of thing to save on	CT2	4. The council is already doing this.	The council will investigate ways to consolidate and better coordinate activities to allow streamlining of operations and removal of duplication. This will help ensure that activities are completed and managed in the most effective way.
38604	An individual	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	I think you need reduce staffing costs, increase automation of services and share services with other local authorities. As mentioned above many individuals cannot afford increased council tax costs such as these which is unsustainable over a prolonged period and wil result in families like mine considering moving to cheaper bracket housing or giving up/reducing number of hours at work which would then entitle me to some benefits.	CT2	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	As the council will have less overall resources, the number of services delivered will have to reduce with services being reviewed based on the impact they have on priorities. This will include changes to service standards, the way remaining services are delivered and a reduced workforce. It is proposed that future spending will be aligned to the priorities in the Transforming Your Council consultation document.
38605	An individual	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	Cut the school/ staff working out of hours / ot!	CT2	4. The council is already doing this.	The workforce arrangements proposal (1g) will consider changes to allowances and overtime arrangements.
38606	An individual	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	I find this question rather blunt and closed to the idea of change. The tone that could be perceived is that the 3% increase has been concluded unless we as a community find a better alternative. The question should be what ideas could be proposed to help bridge the gap rather than "how would you find the additional income..." I hope that the council is open to the idea of suggestions as this question feels like this is not the case.	CT2	4. The council is already doing this.	The proposals in the consultation document are officer measures. Decisions on whether these proposals are implemented will be made by elected members in February 2018. The council will consider every comment received as part of this consultation exercise.
38607	An individual	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	As noted above, I wouldn't mind paying more if services are maintained.	CT2	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposed 3% increase in council tax would contribute to the overall resources of the council available to fund service delivery. As the council will have less overall resources, the number of services delivered will have to reduce with services being reviewed based on the impact they have on priorities. It is proposed that future spending will be aligned to the priorities in the Transforming Your Council consultation document.
38608	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	I totally support the proposed increase in council tax. Any increase below 3% would make the cuts worse.	CT2	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax.
38609	An individual	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	I support the raise in Council Tax.	CT2	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax.
38610	An individual	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	A small increase in income tax would be a partial solution	CT2	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	The Scottish Government is responsible for any changes to income tax.
38611	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	Effective contract management. Real focus on proposals instead of steaming ahead even when it becomes clear that a project is not cost effective. Less time spent on formulaic performance assessment freeing officers to focus on service delivery. Fewer meetings. Listen to the advice of professional advisers.	CT2	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Officers will consider how this could be developed. All projects are subject to cost benefit analysis to ensure they deliver against council priorities whilst being cost efficient and effective. The use of electronic performance management has helped to reduce time spent on performance management, which is essential to make sure the council is delivering appropriate services. The efficiency of meetings are regularly kept under review.
38612	An individual	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	Well I would like to see details of exactly how the money you receive from Central funding and council tax is spent- each pound, so it can be demonstrated that it is being spent wisely.	CT2	4. The council is already doing this.	Full details of how the council allocates its resources to individual services is provided in the annual activity budget which is available on the council's website. A summary of key areas of spend are included in the council tax leaflet which is provided along with bills.

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38613	An individual	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	Everyone should be taxed accordingly and not just bands E-H.	CT2	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The current council tax legislation means that any proposed percentage increase needs to be applied across all bands. Council tax levels for houses in bands E to H were increased in 2017/18 due to the implementation of the Scottish Government's changes to council tax bandings.
38614	An individual	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	I support the increase, it should have happened this year!	CT2	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax.
38615	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	I fully support the proposed 3% increase and would be against a lower increase as it would mean greater cuts.	CT2	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax.
38616	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	I agree with the increase however I feel that additional funds could be saved by reviewing the current Social Housing allocation. Many people are not living in the homes they have been assigned by the Council, meaning that free accommodation and Council Tax are provided for individuals who are not eligible for it. This is a huge issue, and people getting away with it promotes a culture of dishonesty and refusal to contribute to the local community.	CT2	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Provision of council houses, including maintenance costs, is paid for from council house rents not council tax. Opportunities to ensure that rental income is used in the most efficient and effective manner to provide council houses will continue to be investigated.
38617	An individual	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	We should also look at modernise housing (and building services).	CT2	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Most of housing and building services are funded from council house rents which is treated separately from council tax as required by law.
38618	An individual	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	Not saying above that I do not support the proposed rise.	CT2	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	As the council's forecast budget position assumes an annual increase of 3% based on officer assumptions, additional savings would need to be identified to cover reduced income.
38619	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	With limited knowledge on all the departments within the council and the way they manage budgets and are funded, my broad option would be to look at senior management staff. The staff on the ground do a vital role and are mostly appreciated by the public; they have been carrying the weight of the changes to the council's budget for years now and still trying to deliver the same level of service. However senior management staff and the number of team leaders in some departments could be looked at. I am also at a loss as to why a team of highly paid council employees have been pulled from their day jobs to look at these options but no regular staff have been asked to contribute other than this public consultation. Also these high paid roles have all been back-filled as they are so vital - this hardly seems a cost saving measure.	CT2	4. The council is already doing this.	The council continually reviews the tiers of management and span of control across all service levels. This ensures that the council continues to operate with an effective and efficient managerial structure.
38620	An individual	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	Increase Council tax by 3% in each successive year over the 5 year period.	CT2	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax.
38621	An individual	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	Look at your departmental inefficiencies as previously mentioned.	CT2	4. The council is already doing this.	The council has established a priority based approach to budgeting which was approved by councillors. All services will be reviewed based on the impact they have on priorities. It is proposed that future spending will be aligned to the priorities in the Transforming Your Council consultation document. Consideration is given to whether services should continue and what efficiency savings could be generated whilst meeting statutory requirements.
38622	An individual	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	WLC could diversify to have a more commercial area which would have more flexibility to operate in a competitive market. Changing of established IT systems costs a fortune to implement in time an resources. Procurement rules and regulations end up costing rather than saving money	CT2	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The council currently generates income from providing a range of services to partners and organisations. Further opportunities to expand this could be investigated.
38623	An individual	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	Reduce final salary pensions and pay off bonuses and cut executive pay	CT2	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	The pension fund available to staff is determined and administered by the Lothian Pension Fund. The council does not pay bonuses to staff. Where an employee applies for voluntary severance or early retirement, there must be a robust business case demonstrating cashable savings for the council.
38624	An individual	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	As above - address the inefficiencies first, and don't ask the community to fund these by increasing the tax.	CT2	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council will continue to investigate ways to review, consolidate and better coordinate activities to allow streamlining of operations and removal of duplication. This will help ensure that activities are completed and managed in the most effective and efficient way.

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38625	An individual	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	Must be increased.	CT2	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax.
38626	An individual	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	Means test provision of heating, meals, caterers allowance etc	CT2	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The scope for charging will be considered, taking account current charges, the position in other local authorities and the impact of charges on vulnerable people and the availability of concessions.
38627	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	Decrease the number of managers managing other managers. Get all council buildings and facilities to cut down the amount of energy they consume. Adopt more use of green energy such as turbines, solar power or even Scottish Water's revolutionary sewage to heating programme. Charge those in the Civic Centre tax on their vanilla lattes and mochamachiattos and you might even be able to give teachers decent drinking water.	CT2	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The council continually reviews the tiers of management and span of control across all service levels. This ensures that the council continues to operate with an effective and efficient managerial structure. The council is committed to further energy efficiency savings. Many of these savings will be considered and included in the identified officer proposals.
38628	An individual	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	Share best practice with other local authorities. Set up a repository asking for ideas and suggestions from individuals and organisations. Align Council Business Development Officers to commercial business that are recognised as successful to see how processes and policies can be improved. See which Trustees are working with Third Sector organisations that could provide advice and guidance to WLC and see if they can share best practice as part of their Third Sector work.	CT2	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The council does benchmark with other public and private sector organisations to identify best practice and efficiencies in service delivery. This could be progressed further.
38629	An individual	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	By reducing services, reducing workforce and reducing bureaucracy.	CT2	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	As the council will have less overall resources, the number of services delivered will have to reduce with services being reviewed based on the impact they have on priorities. This will include changes to service standards, the way remaining services are delivered and a reduced workforce. It is proposed that future spending will be aligned to the priorities in the Transforming Your Council consultation document.
38630	An individual	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	Happy to pay extra Scottish income tax for direct payment to councils	CT2	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
38631	An individual	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	How - that is what the highly paid management within WLC is paid for! Suggestion - campaign for corporate bodies to pay their fair share of monies to the common good. Do not accept 'it is legal', and campaign for a change in the laws regarding monies that corporates pay towards the communities they use (people, roads, services etc).	CT2	4. The council is already doing this.	The council regularly emphasises to the Scottish Government the need for a fair settlement for local government as well as working with COSLA (the body that collectively represents local government in Scotland) to emphasise this point.
38632	An individual	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	Staff reductions and pay caps on senior staff positions	CT2	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	As the council will have less overall resources, the number of services delivered will have to reduce with services being reviewed based on the impact they have on priorities. This will include changes to service standards, the way remaining services are delivered and a reduced workforce. It is proposed that future spending will be aligned to the priorities in the Transforming Your Council consultation document.
38633	An individual	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	Stop doing all the optional things that win votes and concentrate on what has to be done	CT2	4. The council is already doing this.	All services will be reviewed based on the impact they have on priorities. It is proposed that future spending will be aligned to the priorities in the Transforming Your Council consultation document.
38634	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	The main reason for the serious budget shortfall in the past 10 years has been reducing grant allocation by Scottish and UK Governments. They need to increase the central funding level. We also note there appears to be from the information provided an unexplained balance of £79.523M which must be either additional Expenditure or Surplus. Any Expenditure in this figure of £79.523M is presumably not included in the 17 areas identified, totalling £318.6M, and as such could reasonably be assumed to be less important to be retained. Given that, we suggest the 5 year deficit of £73M is recovered from the unidentified balance of Expenditure / Surplus above.	CT2	5a. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because the council is required by law to deliver this work.	The expenditure budget is £398.123 million as detailed in the circle in the top right of the page with the income detailed on the left. The areas of expenditure are examples only and do not present themselves as the total expenditure of the council. This is clear in the heading which states "Here are some examples of where we will spend the 2017/18 budget". Many areas not included are statutory expenditure items, such as borrowing repayments, and therefore this balance cannot be used to cover the forecast budget gap as suggested.

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38635	An individual	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	Work smarter. Remember - the cheapest way to do a job is to do it right first time. This should be every council workers mantra. Continue to look at cut backs and efficiency which do not impact directly on front line customer services.	CT2	4. The council is already doing this.	The council has established a priority based approach to budgeting which was approved by councillors. All services will be reviewed based on the impact they have on priorities. It is proposed that future spending will be aligned to the priorities in the Transforming Your Council consultation document. Consideration is given to whether services should continue and what efficiency savings could be generated whilst meeting statutory requirements.
38636	An individual	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	The amount spent on local councillors is excessive especially when there are three councillors covering one ward.	CT2	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	The Local Government (Allowances and Expenses) (Scotland) Regulations 2007 set councillors remuneration and expenses.
38637	An individual	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	Increase council tax	CT2	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax.
38638	An individual	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	More efficient ways to provide and run the Council.	CT2	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The council has established a priority based approach to budgeting which was approved by councillors. All services will be reviewed based on the impact they have on priorities. It is proposed that future spending will be aligned to the priorities in the Transforming Your Council consultation document. Consideration is given to whether services should continue and what efficiency savings could be generated whilst meeting statutory requirements.
38639	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	The amount spent on local councillors is excessive especially when there are three councillors covering one ward.	CT2	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	The Local Government (Allowances and Expenses) (Scotland) Regulations 2007 set councillors remuneration and expenses.
38640	An individual	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	While I support an increase in council tax, 3% annually over the next five years is a lot for people to find. Perhaps medium / large businesses could pay towards the maintenance of surrounding roads.	CT2	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax.
38641	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	Outsourcing work is more expensive.	CT2	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	There are no plans for wide scale outsourcing of council activities. The council will continue to use contractors where best value is demonstrated.
38642	An individual	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	Council tax MUST be increased in current climate.	CT2	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax.
38643	An individual	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	Review benefits and find benefit cheats.	CT2	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	Benefits are decided by the UK and Scottish governments. This includes the parameters and income levels used to determine benefit entitlement.
38644	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	Build more social council housing and generate sustained income instead of selling land off to private developers for one off financial gain.	CT2	5a. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because the council is required by law to deliver this work.	Provision of council houses, including maintenance costs, is paid for from council house rents not council tax. Opportunities to ensure that rental income is used in the most efficient and effective manner to provide council houses will continue to be investigated.
38645	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	I do support it	CT2	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax.
38646	An individual	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	Constitute a properly proportionate council who would decide the priorities, budget and put that to the people.	CT2	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Council tax and the council's budget are agreed at full council at which all 33 elected members attend.
38647	An individual	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	Council loans for cars should be stopped for staff	CT2	4. The council is already doing this.	The council does not provide loans for individual employees cars.

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38648	An individual	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	increase council house rents. charge more for "one off" services..eg wasp nest removal...you were 50% cheaper than commercial enterprises. cut back on funding foreign exchanges join with other local councils to centralise services for admin. sell off buildings, downsize.	CT2	5a. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because the council is required by law to deliver this work.	Provision of council houses, including maintenance costs, is paid for from council house rents not council tax. Opportunities to ensure that rental income is used in the most efficient and effective manner to provide council houses will continue to be investigated. The scope for charging will be considered, taking account current charges, the position in other local authorities and the impact of charges on vulnerable people and the availability of concessions.
38649	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	An increase may be inevitable, but 3% is a fairly big jump, particularly given many properties have already been effected by this level of increase already. What this does not take account of is the fact that many people in west lothian do not pay their council tax and if the levels are increased then it is likely more people will be in this position. it then costs the council more money to pursue actions for this and very few of which produce the money and costs the council have incurred. The anticipated income should be adjusted to reflect that and then consider if it is going to be cost effective in the longer term.	CT2	4. The council is already doing this.	The council actively pursues all debt, including council tax, community charge, rent and commercial debtors arrears. The council will investigate other ways to improve debt collections including strengthening corporate debt management activity.
38650	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	See above - I am supportive of the need for increased Council Tax charges by 3% to ensure service delivery.	CT2	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax.
38651	An individual	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	Increase NI contributions. They need to go up anyway to fund NHS. Not a decision Councils can make	CT2	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	National insurance rates and policy are set nationally by the UK Government.
38652	An individual	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	Obviously I don't have the facts or the skill to answer this question. I do however question the council's policy in supplying services on an invoice basis which means additional costs are incurred by the council in recovering charges which should be paid at the time of use. A change to this policy could go some way to bridging the £16.9 m gap	CT2	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	This would need to be considered within the parameters of providing methods of payment consistent with the council's Anti Poverty Strategy.
38653	An individual	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	Reduce management as some departments have too many managers for the amount of staff they have. High earners to take a pay cut. Performance related pay. Have specialised staff on front line to deal with customers. enabling more online services.	CT2	4. The council is already doing this.	The council continually reviews the tiers of management and span of control across all service levels. This ensures that the council continues to operate with an effective and efficient managerial structure. The council's pay structure was agreed as part of the introduction of single status. The council implements nationally agreed pay awards.
38654	An individual	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	I see your problem but I don't understand it. Somehow we have come to the stage where we spend more than we have. Household budgets could not get away with this. In fact we would be homeless. So there is mismanagement and there has been for years. Divide and rule. And I love the word " increased." Why is the gap not the same as inflation?	CT2	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The budget gap faced by the council is a result of funding being insufficient to cover the increasing cost of delivering services due to factors such as population growth and indexation. The council is subject to rigorous external audit and both Audit Scotland and EY have confirmed, over a number of years, that the council has robust financial management.
38655	An individual	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	Cut council staffing and service to meet these costs quite frankly council tax is does not match the level of services we receive	CT2	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	As the council will have less overall resources, the number of services delivered will have to reduce with services being reviewed based on the impact they have on priorities. This will include changes to service standards, the way remaining services are delivered and a reduced workforce. It is proposed that future spending will be aligned to the priorities in the Transforming Your Council consultation document.
38656	An individual	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	Cut councilor's expenses - cap salaries of council officials to less than 6 figures sack all chief executives - they are a waste of space! scrap unnecessary school trips and council fact funding trips	CT2	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	The Local Government (Allowances and Expenses) (Scotland) Regulations 2007 set councillors remuneration and expenses. The council's pay structure was agreed as part of the introduction of single status. The council implements nationally agreed pay awards.

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38657	An individual	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	People expect a minimum provision when they pay their council tax. Clamp down on the non-payers and single discount applicants who are cohabiting. Council tax is not means tested, most working people can't afford an increase regardless of which council tax band they manage to find themselves residing in.	CT2	4. The council is already doing this.	The council actively pursues all debt, including council tax, community charge, rent and commercial debtors arrears. The council will investigate other ways to improve debt collections including strengthening corporate debt management activity.
38658	An individual	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	I believe there is more scope for sponsorship and larger companies in west lothian to play a bigger part in helping, schools and other council properties should be paid for or sponsored by them. so what if the local library is now called tesco's local library. The soccer grounds are going that way	CT2	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Scope for advertising and sponsorship will be considered.
38659	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	n/a - cos of above- Yes, overall everybody in Scotland needs to pay more tax for local services. 3% is only c 25 per month = worthwhile	CT2	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax.
38660	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	tolls / congestion charges	CT2	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The scope for charging will be considered, taking account current charges, the position in other local authorities and the impact of charges on vulnerable people and the availability of concessions.
38661	An individual	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	Look at increasing income through services provided. Rationalise further buildings. Sell of land not in use.	CT2	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The scope for charging will be considered, taking account current charges, the position in other local authorities and the impact of charges on vulnerable people and the availability of concessions.
38662	An individual	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	as per above suggestions - No, I don't!! If the services provided were more efficient and effective it might be easier to accept. From reading the above we will pay more for less services, you can not have it both ways!! If you are looking to make increases you have to ensure that the services. Why should people be penalised for putting money into property and have to pay even more for the same services that people in slightly smaller houses do!! It does not mean that their surplus income is higher just because they have a bigger house. Council tax needs to be re-looked at altogether, poll tax was not popular but council tax is becoming a joke, there must be half way between both of these. The money that must be wasted paying for the public to attend jury service must be horrendous! You sit for 3 days waiting to be told if you will be part of the jury or not and all this time the employers are short staffed and money being thrown away, this is a shinning example of a current process that should be reviewed to be more efficient and reduce costs.	CT2	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	As the council's forecast budget position assumes an annual increase of 3% based on officer assumptions, additional savings would need to be identified to cover reduced income. The council will continue to investigate ways to review, consolidate and better coordinate activities to allow streamlining of operations and removal of duplication. This will help ensure that activities are completed and managed in the most effective and efficient way. All services will be reviewed based on the impact they have on priorities. It is proposed that future spending will be aligned to the priorities in the Transforming Your Council consultation document.
38663	An individual	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	If the Council had increased the Council Tax for this year, the reductions proposed would not have needed to be so severe.	CT2	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax.
38664	An individual	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	See comment to 1a above.- If the Council had increased the Council Tax for this year, the reductions proposed would not have needed to be so severe.	CT2	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax.
38665	An individual	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	Get a black pen and slash some of the existing cost e.g. I receive a concessionary travel pass - if the fare was 50% it would still be a good concession. I'm sure some of the other council spending could be cut by half this considerable could be made. Additional spending is not an option.	CT2	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	The concessionary bus travel scheme is national scheme determined and set by the Scottish Government.
38666	An individual	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	What about charging policy for service for people who receive benefits which are paid for care e.g. DLA/PIP	CT2	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The scope for charging will be considered, taking account current charges, the position in other local authorities and the impact of charges on vulnerable people and the availability of concessions.
38667	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	In conclusion we would observe that the focus of Transforming Your Council is on cuts to services rather than making the Administration more efficient and effective. We would wish to see an undertaking that a root and branch review of the Administration is undertaken to maximise the functional benefit to the West Lothian community before any cuts are made to services. £4 million over 5 years can be achieved by natural wastage. A more realistic target would be £20 million over 5 years. If this is achieved then many of the high value services can be retained.	CT2	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council has established a priority based approach to budgeting which was approved by councillors. All services will be reviewed based on the impact they have on priorities. It is proposed that future spending will be aligned to the priorities in the Transforming Your Council consultation document. Consideration is given to whether services should continue and what efficiency savings could be generated whilst meeting statutory requirements. Due to the level of savings to be achieved changes to service delivery will be required as efficiency alone will not be enough given the level of savings delivered in previous years.

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38668	An individual	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	Cuts could be made by not giving grants to some societies which do not need it- or they could increase there membership fees so only those involved are paying - not everyone.	CT2	4. The council is already doing this.	All payments to external providers will be reviewed to ensure they continue to contribute to the council's priorities and demonstrate value for money.
38669	An individual	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	Council could sell off more buildings or re-open closed buildings and make money by renting them etc	CT2	4. The council is already doing this.	The council has a disposal process for assets declared surplus to requirements with receipts reinvested in council assets. By law income received from the sale of assets can only be used for capital expenditure or repaying debt.
38670	An individual	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	Money saved from not sending out daft questionnaires	CT2	5c. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it is not consistent with the council's values and priorities.	The council believes that all stakeholders should be consulted on the priorities for the council and options to address the anticipated budget gap.
38671	An individual	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	By improved budgeting by WLC - concentrating on its core functions.	CT2	4. The council is already doing this.	The budget gap faced by the council is a result of funding being insufficient to cover the increasing cost of delivering services due to factors such as population growth and indexation. The council is subject to rigorous external audit and both Audit Scotland and EY have confirmed, over a number of years, that the council has robust financial management.
38672	An individual	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	Stop the fat cats at the top getting big bonuses.	CT2	4. The council is already doing this.	The council's pay structure does not provide any employee with a bonus.
38673	An individual	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	Cheaper paper for bulletin. Why not introduce a local sales tax instead, some parts of Canada already do this. I can see savings have to be made and most of the proposals seem sensible.	CT2	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	Tax reform can only be reviewed at a national level with corresponding changes in tax legislation.
38674	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	All council's and government should come together and for once unite to save our health service and council facilities. Labour proposed increasing income tax to help the problem, big businesses could try and help financially. There are empty buildings throughout the lothians. These could be used to take the homeless off the streets. Bring more offenders out in the winter to help pensioners keep roads and paths clear. If care homes are closed and old people are moved out, many will die some of shock. Our libraries help to educate the poor and gives a place to go to for the lonely in society. Why not bring members of the councils into sit and talk face to face with residents and staff at care homes. A lottery based on health promotion with decent prize money might help more than the existing two bit one. All around us charity shops are thriving, a real sign of poverty. We are going back to the poor days of our forefathers because of mismanagement by a Tory Government who continue to inflict there proposals on the least fortunate in society and who needs weapons of mass distruction?	CT2	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Officers will consider how this could be developed.
38675	An individual	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	More control with HT spend in schools there is a big spend at the end of year in schools	CT2	5a. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because the council is required by law to deliver this work.	The devolved school management scheme provides funding to Head Teachers. It is likely that the proposed national changes to school governance will see an increase in the budgetary responsibilities of Head Teachers.
38676	An individual	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	Savings could be made by reduction in salaries of some of those at the top. 7/7 contracts - no overtime. Councillors getting a wage not a wage and money for chairing committees. Volunteer chairs doe not get paid and the council depend on these organisations. Get rid of Pegasus - costs far more than buying in the High Street. Centralise all ordering - too much waste. Encourage employees to report faults wile out and about (incentive scheme). Too much emphasis on technology - cannot be cost effective (workers using Ipad to show work has been done). Should be a limit on the length of time council services should be supporting refugees (1.5 years + on average twice a week).	CT2	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Officers will consider how this could be developed. Some of these areas are out with the control of the council and cannot be considered - councillor salaries and expenses and refugee policy.
38677	An individual	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	The rest of the shortfall should come from the Scottish Government they are to blame for the freezing of the council tax thus starving the council of funds. I questioned the freeze of this tax and was told it was working, so why a 3% increase now? The Scottish Government now have the power to increase income tax use this power to fund the shortfall to councils, many users of council facilities don't pay council tax but pay income tax. The freeze was a total failure that led to cuts now more cuts are being considered.	CT2	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	The council regularly emphasises to the Scottish Government the need for a fair settlement for local government as well as working with COSLA (the body that collectively represents local government in Scotland) to emphasise this point.

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38678	An individual	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	Cut politicians wages and top earners' salaries (incl bankers and CEOs of large companies)	CT2	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	Politicians salaries are determined by statute. The council has no jurisdiction over the salaries paid by other organisations.
38679	An individual	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	Cut politicians and high earners' wages - also cut bankers and CEOs of large companies	CT2	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	Politicians salaries are determined by statute. The council has no jurisdiction over the salaries paid by other organisations.
38680	An individual	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	Politicians should take a pay cut and CEOs and bankers from large companies	CT2	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	Politicians salaries are determined by statute. The council has no jurisdiction over the salaries paid by other organisations.
38681	An individual	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	Politicians, bankers, CEOs of large companies should take pay cuts	CT2	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	Politicians salaries are determined by statute. The council has no jurisdiction over the salaries paid by other organisations.
38682	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	reduce middle management	CT2	4. The council is already doing this.	The council continually reviews the tiers of management and span of control across all service levels. This ensures that the council continues to operate with an effective and efficient managerial structure.
38683	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	I write to you to submit my response to the Council's Budget proposals. You have stated that a shortfall will arise because the funding the Council receives is not enough to meet rising costs. You have indicated that the Council's budget for 2017/18 is £398.123 million. You did not mention that the Council received an increase in its funding from the Scottish Government for the current financial year amounting to an additional £5.269 million for local services. I feel it would have been helpful if you could have clarified existing increases across the budget sources listed and a projection of anticipated increases from those sources. Nor indeed was it mentioned that West Lothian Council opted not to use its flexibility over Council Tax. In addition, the Scottish Government investment in affordable housing included £38.048 million for West Lothian, providing both the Council and house-builders the opportunity to plan ahead with grant subsidies guaranteed, for the first time, for the next three years until 2021. My first concern with the consultation is the truncated timescale for submission of responses. The Consultation was introduced in the latest Council Bulletin and the deadline was notified as the 12th November. Not all residents receive the Bulletin at the same time. Constituents have notified me that they first heard about the consultation when they were warned that the service they were using would be transferred elsewhere.	CT2	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	Although the council did receive some additional funding this was for ring fenced purposes and could not be used to pay for the general cost increases to deliver services. The budget gap faced by the council is a result of funding being insufficient to cover the increasing cost of delivering services due to factors such as population growth and indexation. Decisions on council tax increases are made by elected members. This consultation is on the council's general services not council house building which is funded separately. All households should have received a copy of Bulletin in the first week on the consultation. The proposals in the consultation document are officer measures. Decisions on whether these proposals are implemented will be made by elected members in February 2018.
38684	An individual	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	You state you think your priorities are still relevant and you are not planning to change them so I'm not grading them. Of the £73 million you are going to save over 5 years how much is targeted to be saved in each of the years. You employ environmental health officers who openly admit they have no budget to 'enforce' particularly when it comes to 'noise pollution', perhaps you should have a look at this ineffective team.	CT2	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	All services will be reviewed based on the impact they have on priorities. It is proposed that future spending will be aligned to the priorities in the Transforming Your Council consultation document. Officers will consider how this proposal could be developed.
38685	An individual	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	Charge big companies more for business rates ASDA etc could afford more.	CT2	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	Non domestic rates for commercial properties are set nationally by the Scottish Government.
38686	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	Plant grassed areas parks etc with wildflowers seed to reduce areas for mowing / maintenance. Sell buildings to commercial private sector. Sell brownfield land for house building	CT2	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Options for open space will be considered as part of the ten year capital investment programme. The council has a disposal process for assets declared surplus to requirements with receipts reinvested in council assets. By law income received from the sale of assets can only be used for capital expenditure or repaying debt.

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38687	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	I would be very interested to know the cost of providing these and the offset this would be to an increase 3% tax in whole council.	CT2	4. The council is already doing this.	Full details of how the council allocates its resources to individual services is provided in the annual activity budget which is available on the council's website. A summary of key areas of spend are included in the council tax leaflet which is provided along with bills.
38688	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	Not even a consideration.	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
38689	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	I absolutely DO support an increase in Council Tax	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
38690	An individual	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	No	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
38691	An individual	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	This is a ridiculous question.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
38692	An individual	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	N/A	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
38693	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	N/A	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
38694	An individual	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	Cheeky question...I have no idea what your budget figures are. That's a decision for you...but I've already given you some suggestions in previous answers.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
38695	An individual	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	Council Tax Benefit!	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
38696	An individual	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	That's your job!!	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
38697	An individual	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	Wish I knew .	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
38698	An individual	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	Not applicable.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
38699	An individual	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	Phone Nicola Sturgeon - ask her !	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
38700	An individual	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	N/A	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
38701	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	n/A	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
38702	An individual	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	N/A	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
38703	An individual	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	n/a	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
38704	An individual	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	You are the so called responsible people. You work it out!!!	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
38705	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	I would like the figure clarified and I think other proposals in the consultation would help save costs.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
38706	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	As stated previously.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
38707	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	How much money has been spent on this survey????	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
38708	An individual	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	how much per year is paid for sick leave?	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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38709	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	N/A	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
38710	An individual	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	-	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
38711	An individual	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	N/a	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
38712	An individual	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	Not sure	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
38713	An individual	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	n/a	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
38714	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	Don't know	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
38715	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	N/A	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
38716	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	-	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
38717	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	N/A	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
38718	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	N/A	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
38719	No Response	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	N/A	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
38720	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	?	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
38721	No Response	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	dgdg	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
38722	An individual	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	No comment. I'm in no better a position to suggest a solution than the Council is for suggesting a solution to my effective pay cuts.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
38723	An individual	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	Leave it the way it is.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
38724	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	N/A	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
38725	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	N/A	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
38726	An individual	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	-	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
38727	An individual	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	N/A	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
38728	An individual	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	No comment.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
38729	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	N/A	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
38730	An individual	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	I don't know	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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38731	An individual	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	Not sure	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
38732	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	N/A	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
38733	An individual	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	I support the increase	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
38734	An individual	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	That's your problem	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
38735	An individual	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	robbers	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
38736	An individual	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	but where would get the money cuts from	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
38737	An individual	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	I do not know.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
38738	An individual	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	N/A	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
38739	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	N/A	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
38740	An individual	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	n/a	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
38741	An individual	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	N/A	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
38742	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	N/A	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
38743	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	N/A	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
38744	An individual	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	Unsure	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
38745	An individual	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	N/A	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
38746	An individual	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	don't know	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
38747	An individual	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	I don't know	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
38748	An individual	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	As above	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
38749	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	N/A	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
38750	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	N/A	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
38751	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	n/a	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
38752	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	DON'T KNOW	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
38753	An individual	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	n/a	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
38754	An individual	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	N/a	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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38755	An individual	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	no comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
38756	An individual	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	not applicable	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
38757	An individual	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	Cannot comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
38758	An individual	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	No comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
38759	An individual	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	N/A	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
38760	An individual	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	Don't know	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
38761	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	N/a	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
38762	An individual	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	Don't know	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
38763	No Response	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	Not applicable.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
38764	No Response	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	No idea	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
38765	An individual	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	Sadly, I don't get paid to make these decisions!	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
38766	An individual	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	This is difficult to answer.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
38767	An individual	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	How can you ask a question like that and expect an informed answer without all the details. Poor question	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
38768	An individual	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	No idea	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
38769	An individual	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	I don't want to go there.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
38770	An individual	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	As an average citizen, I do not have the necessary information to make a fully informed proposal on this matter.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
38771	An individual	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	I agree with Council tax increase	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
38772	An individual	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	What has this consultation document been about. what a preposterous question, come up with a solution.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
38773	An individual	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	n/a	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
38774	An individual	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	Insufficient information to make a judgement	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
38775	An individual	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	As above.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
38776	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	N/a	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
38777	No Response	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	That isn't for people at our level to work out	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
38778	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	N/A	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
38779	An individual	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	No comment.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
38780	An individual	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	n/a	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
38781	An individual	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	N/A	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
38782	An individual	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	N/a	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
38783	An individual	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	Being one of the "unluck" women who, instead of receiving state pension at age 60 have to wait until almost 66, do not wish all the new houses being built in West Lothian	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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38784	An individual	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	Regarding the budget gap, we all have to balance the books and keep within the funds we have.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
38785	An individual	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	This is an unfair question as we are not council professionals.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
38786	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTii. Bridging the increased budget gap	I don't know, I would need a clearer idea of what this would look like and what sort of financial impact this would have on myself and what the specific priorities would be.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
38787	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	yes!	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
38788	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	Yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
38789	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	Yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
38790	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	Yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
38791	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	Yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
38792	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	Yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
38793	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	Yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
38794	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
38795	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	Yes.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
38796	No Response	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
38797	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	Yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
38798	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	Yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
38799	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	Yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
38800	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
38801	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	YES AS THERE ARE HUIG PRESSURES ON THIS SERVICE	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
38802	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	Yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
38803	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
38804	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	yes i would pay more of a increase	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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38805	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	Yes if the funding was used on specific priorities I would support it	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
38806	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	yes i would support it	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
38807	No Response	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	Yes, I would	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
38808	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	Yes, definitely.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
38809	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	I would rather pay extra council tax to ensure that our care services were not being closed/merged to provide the level of care required which will not happen if proposed cuts go ahead	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
38810	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	It would depend as I do feel I pay a reasonable amount in Council Tax, however, I appreciate change needs to be made	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
38811	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	Depends on if money was wisely spent to benefit the community	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
38812	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	yes and front line staffing	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
38813	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	Yes, assuming the correct priorities.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
38814	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	Possibly	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
38815	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	Possibly	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
38816	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	Yes.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
38817	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	Yes.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
38818	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	Definitely	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
38819	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	Yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
38820	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	YES	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
38821	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	Yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
38822	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	yes.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
38823	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	Yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
38824	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	Yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
38825	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	Yes.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
38826	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	Yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
38827	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
38828	No Response	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	Yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
38829	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	Yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
38830	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	Yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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38831	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	Yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
38832	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	Yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
38833	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	Yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
38834	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	Yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
38835	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	yes.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
38836	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	Yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
38837	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
38838	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	Yes.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
38839	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	Yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
38840	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
38841	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	Sounds good but again the devil is in the details!	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
38842	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
38843	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	Yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
38844	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
38845	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	Yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
38846	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
38847	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	Yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
38848	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	Yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
38849	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	Yes.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
38850	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	Yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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38896	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	Yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
38897	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	Yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
38898	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	Yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
38899	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
38900	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	Yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
38901	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	Yes.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
38902	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	Yes, within reason	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
38903	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	I feel 3% is reasonable.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
38904	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	I support the 3% raised should go to the priorities identifies - early years, education, support for mental health, elderly care and those with disabilities.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
38905	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	I would support any rise in council tax as long as it was equal or below the rate of inflation	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
38906	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	I would support an increase of more than 3%	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
38907	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	Yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
38908	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	Yes.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
38909	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	Absolutely	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
38910	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	Yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
38911	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	Yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
38912	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	Yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
38913	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	Yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
38914	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	Yes.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
38915	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	Yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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38942	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	Totally agree. Not every year but say 1 in 3.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
38943	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	Yes I would	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
38944	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	Yes - even as high as 10% for social care / education etc	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
38945	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	Absolutely, I do not, however, feel the need for it to be spent on specific priorities. I think it should be spent where it needs to be spent most.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
38946	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	Yes, within reason. But it has to be shown exactly how the money is spent.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
38947	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	Yes. See my comments in section 2C	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
38948	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	In theory	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
38949	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	Yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
38950	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	Yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
38951	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	Yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
38952	No Response	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
38953	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	Yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
38954	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	Yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
38955	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	Yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
38956	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	Yes, just about.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
38957	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	Yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
38958	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	Yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
38959	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	Yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
38960	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	Yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
38961	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	Yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
38962	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
38963	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	Yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
38964	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	Yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
38965	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	Yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
38966	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	Yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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39015	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	YES - CARE OF THE ELDERLY - NOT TO FUND ANOTHER LAYER OF MANAGEMENT	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
39016	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	Yes.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
39017	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	YES	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
39018	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	Yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
39019	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	Yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
39020	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	Yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
39021	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	Yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
39022	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	Yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
39023	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	Yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
39024	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	Yes worth looking at.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
39025	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	Yes I would support this	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
39026	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	Yes.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
39027	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
39028	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	Yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
39029	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	Yes.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
39030	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	YES	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
39031	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	Yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
39032	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	Yes.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
39033	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	Yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
39034	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	Yes.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
39035	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	OF course.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
39036	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	Yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
39037	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	Yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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39038	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	Yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
39039	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
39040	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	Yes.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
39041	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	Yes absolutely.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
39042	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	Yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
39043	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	Yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
39044	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	Yes.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
39045	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	Yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
39046	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	Yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
39047	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	Yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
39048	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	Yes.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
39049	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
39050	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	Yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
39051	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	Yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
39052	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	Yes most definitely!	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
39053	No Response	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	Yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
39054	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
39055	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	Yes I would support a 5% increase.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
39056	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	yes but I do question how decisions to prioritise services are made.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
39057	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	I would support this within reason.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
39058	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	Yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
39059	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
39060	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	Yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
39061	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	Yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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39089	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	Yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
39090	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	Yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
39091	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	Yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
39092	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	Yes I would support this.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
39093	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	Yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
39094	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	Yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
39095	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	Yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
39096	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
39097	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	Yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
39098	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	Yes.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
39099	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	Yes, absolutely.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
39100	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	Yes.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
39101	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	Yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
39102	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
39103	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	Yes.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
39104	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
39105	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	Yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
39106	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
39107	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	Yes...but no more than 4%	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
39108	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	Maybe	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
39109	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	Possibly	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
39110	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	Yes.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
39111	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	Yes!	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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39112	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	Yes.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
39113	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	Yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
39114	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	Yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
39115	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
39116	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
39117	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	Yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
39118	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	Yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
39119	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	YES	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
39120	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	Yes.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
39121	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
39122	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	Yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
39123	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	Yes.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
39124	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	Yes.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
39125	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
39126	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	I agree	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
39127	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	Yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
39128	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	Yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
39129	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	Yes!	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
39130	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	Yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
39131	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	Yes	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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39132	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	yes.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
39133	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	Would agree to more if it was clear where the money would be spent. Additional money should be spent on children and older people.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
39134	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	as long as it was put to proper use and not spent on anymore bridges etc. We need many things as you have listed. Hope the increase goes solely to them.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
39135	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	I would happily pay a lot more than 3% especially in view of recent freeze which I wasn't in favour of. I would like some of it spent on the special things that make people very happy - christmas lights, flower beds, West Lothian schol bands.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
39136	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	I would support an increase of more than 3% as I believe the more affluent of us (of which I am one) should support the poorer people and should provide adequate services for all of us.	Agrees with proposal	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
39137	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	No. I think a 3% increase across all bands is a high rate with pay rises not equalling this so more families will be pushed over the poverty line.	CT3	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
39138	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	I think 3% is too high, it needs to be related to wage rises, council wages are not rising by 3%.	CT3	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Scottish Government allows councils to increase council tax by a maximum of 3% annually. Officers have included a 3% annual increase in the council's budget model for the five years 2018/19 to 2022/23. As the council's forecast budget position assumes an annual increase of 3%, additional savings would need to be identified to cover reduced income for any increase less than 3%.
39139	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	It would depend on the specific priority	CT3	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. Currently the Scottish Government only allows councils to increase council tax by a maximum of 3% annually. The council will consider your suggestion however it would have to be raised with the Scottish Government.
39140	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	If I could choose where the money was being spent, then yes. If I could not choose, then no.	CT3	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. Currently the Scottish Government only allows councils to increase council tax by a maximum of 3% annually. The council will consider your suggestion however it would have to be raised with the Scottish Government.
39141	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	I would only support this if it went to protect critical services like old age care and education for our children.	CT3	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. Currently the Scottish Government only allows councils to increase council tax by a maximum of 3% annually. The council will consider your suggestion however it would have to be raised with the Scottish Government.
39142	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	I would support a higher increase regardless	CT3	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Currently the Scottish Government only allows councils to increase council tax by a maximum of 3% annually. The council will consider your suggestion however it would have to be raised with the Scottish Government.
39143	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	yes but 3% is too much for many to afford whether that was how it was spent or not.	CT3	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Currently the Scottish Government only allows councils to increase council tax by a maximum of 3% annually. The council will consider your suggestion however it would have to be raised with the Scottish Government.
39144	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	Yes, as long as everyone has to pay it. Please do not just target the better off who have work hard to afford a nice house but get continually punished for it.	CT3	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. Currently the Scottish Government only allows councils to increase council tax by a maximum of 3% annually. The council will consider your suggestion however it would have to be raised with the Scottish Government. The current council tax legislation means that any proposed percentage increase needs to be applied across all bands.

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39145	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	Possibly as it is an area that concerns me	CT3	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. Currently the Scottish Government only allows councils to increase council tax by a maximum of 3% annually. The council will consider your suggestion however it would have to be raised with the Scottish Government.
39146	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	0.05	CT3	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. Currently the Scottish Government only allows councils to increase council tax by a maximum of 3% annually. The council will consider your suggestion however it would have to be raised with the Scottish Government.
39147	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	No. 3% is a significant amount.	CT3	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
39148	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	Not on an annual basis till 2022/23	CT3	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
39149	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	Hmm. I'm thinking about low income families, how would they be affected? I would agree if there was a guarantee that it would not cause more poverty.	CT3	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. Currently the Scottish Government only allows councils to increase council tax by a maximum of 3% annually. The council will consider your suggestion however it would have to be raised with the Scottish Government. Individuals on low incomes are able to apply for a number of council tax discounts and reductions.
39150	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	I would support a further increase over and above 3% but not necessarily ring-fenced for specific services.	CT3	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. Currently the Scottish Government only allows councils to increase council tax by a maximum of 3% annually. The council will consider your suggestion however it would have to be raised with the Scottish Government.
39151	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	Possibly.	CT3	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. Currently the Scottish Government only allows councils to increase council tax by a maximum of 3% annually. The council will consider your suggestion however it would have to be raised with the Scottish Government.
39152	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	Definitely social care for the elderly and illness must be priority	CT3	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. Currently the Scottish Government only allows councils to increase council tax by a maximum of 3% annually. The council will consider your suggestion however it would have to be raised with the Scottish Government.
39153	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	No. I cannot afford a 3%+ increase in council tax, year after year.	CT3	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
39154	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	no particularly as stated above you should use a bigger rise anyway regardless.	CT3	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
39155	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	No, but I would support it if we invested in our staff	CT3	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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39156	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	I think this is a difficult ask for the general population with poor financial stability, though the principle is welcomed	CT3	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. Currently the Scottish Government only allows councils to increase council tax by a maximum of 3% annually. The council will consider your suggestion however it would have to be raised with the Scottish Government. Individuals on low incomes are able to apply for a number of council tax discounts and reductions.
39157	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	It would be very unfair if Council Tax was increased for all properties to provide more funding for social care. More needs to be done to get people off long-term benefits rather than rely solely on social services and do little for themselves by seeking employment etc.	CT3	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
39158	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	With the best intentions, specifically allocating such income can be the thin edge of the wedge and it becomes a grey area, subject to abuse. It is better to make a general increase that could be used for a variety of general benefits.	CT3	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. Currently the Scottish Government only allows councils to increase council tax by a maximum of 3% annually. The council will consider your suggestion however it would have to be raised with the Scottish Government.
39159	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	yes , I would support it	CT3	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. Currently the Scottish Government only allows councils to increase council tax by a maximum of 3% annually. The council will consider your suggestion however it would have to be raised with the Scottish Government.
39160	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	To an extent, however, any additional increase must be less than the baseline 3%	CT3	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. Currently the Scottish Government only allows councils to increase council tax by a maximum of 3% annually. The council will consider your suggestion however it would have to be raised with the Scottish Government.
39161	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	I would support an increase of more than 3% now	CT3	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. Currently the Scottish Government only allows councils to increase council tax by a maximum of 3% annually. The council will consider your suggestion however it would have to be raised with the Scottish Government.
39162	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	If they were spent on repairing local streets and roads - Yes	CT3	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. Currently the Scottish Government only allows councils to increase council tax by a maximum of 3% annually. The council will consider your suggestion however it would have to be raised with the Scottish Government.
39163	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	Yes, but I think the question is slightly misleading as surely the money raised would just be used to minimise the cuts in certain areas as opposed to being actually spent on anything.	CT3	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. Currently the Scottish Government only allows councils to increase council tax by a maximum of 3% annually. The council will consider your suggestion however it would have to be raised with the Scottish Government.
39164	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	No due to affordability for the residents of West Lothian	CT3	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
39165	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	Would agree if for any services not previously protected e.g. Social Policy and Education. I am all for protecting them but other services have been cut to their expense and the Scottish Government seems to protect these areas more already.	CT3	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. Currently the Scottish Government only allows councils to increase council tax by a maximum of 3% annually. The council will consider your suggestion however it would have to be raised with the Scottish Government.
39166	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	not social care if the money was going back into communities for improving the environment, continuing to provide for gala days and Christmas lights etc I would consider it worthwhile	CT3	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. Currently the Scottish Government only allows councils to increase council tax by a maximum of 3% annually. The council will consider your suggestion however it would have to be raised with the Scottish Government.

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39167	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	no, affordable rentable housing is a major concern.....this needs to be addressed too	CT3	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
39168	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	Yes but only to 5% maximum.	CT3	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. Currently the Scottish Government only allows councils to increase council tax by a maximum of 3% annually. The council will consider your suggestion however it would have to be raised with the Scottish Government.
39169	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	I would support a further increase to council tax if it was decided that this is the best way to close a budget gap but disagree with ring fenced funding in general.	CT3	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. Currently the Scottish Government only allows councils to increase council tax by a maximum of 3% annually. The council will consider your suggestion however it would have to be raised with the Scottish Government.
39170	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	I think 3% increase is enough of a rise.	CT3	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
39171	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	it should also be spent on priorities which reduce poverty	CT3	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. Currently the Scottish Government only allows councils to increase council tax by a maximum of 3% annually. The council will consider your suggestion however it would have to be raised with the Scottish Government.
39172	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	An increase of more than 3% would be supported but not for Social Policy, if it was Education then yes.	CT3	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. Currently the Scottish Government only allows councils to increase council tax by a maximum of 3% annually. The council will consider your suggestion however it would have to be raised with the Scottish Government.
39173	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	Definitely not. I use the council to collect my bins and the roads I use. I pay more than enough for this already. Being a public servant who is never going to receive more than a 3% pay rise during the period in question I do not even support a 3% rise in my bill for this basic service. I particularly disagree with the plan to provide all 2 year olds with 30 hours of free childcare by 2020 when I have to pay for my own. This should only go to parents who are working and need the support after all they are the ones paying taxes and council tax that funds the councils services. They can manage with the 16 hours already offered.	CT3	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. As the council's forecast budget position assumes an annual increase of 3% based on officer assumptions, additional savings would need to be identified to cover reduced income.
39174	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	No. People are also having financial problems just now. They can't rob Peter to pay Paul. This will cause problems with people being fed and warm - areas already causing problems in day-to-day life.	CT3	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
39175	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	No, if this will only concern selected council tax bands. Either do it for all or for noone.	CT3	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. Currently the Scottish Government only allows councils to increase council tax by a maximum of 3% annually. The council will consider your suggestion however it would have to be raised with the Scottish Government. The current council tax legislation means that any proposed percentage increase needs to be applied across all bands.
39176	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	Yes as long as it was something beneficial for the West Lothian Community- Something for young family's who are just starting out, trying to get their own home	CT3	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. Currently the Scottish Government only allows councils to increase council tax by a maximum of 3% annually. The council will consider your suggestion however it would have to be raised with the Scottish Government. In addition, by law council tax can only be used to pay for general services and cannot be used to provide council houses.

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39177	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	Yes if the increase in revenues were ringfenced for specific priorities	CT3	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. Currently the Scottish Government only allows councils to increase council tax by a maximum of 3% annually. The council will consider your suggestion however it would have to be raised with the Scottish Government.
39178	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	No definitely not I think too much money is being spent on social care at the min Kids being rewarded just for attending school etc When the hard working ones who do go are thinking what is point of me going to school and struggling when joe blogs is getting designer clothes phones etc just for going to school and behaving	CT3	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
39179	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	NO- any increase would have to be consulted on and clear on its purpose. Residents should be given choice as to what services any additional revenue raised would be spent on	CT3	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
39180	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	No. Social care is potentially a bottomless pit! Spending some more on opportunities for children and young people would be better.	CT3	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
39181	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	If you have your house in order, this would possibly prevent rises. If not, proof of better services would be required. I wouldn't pay more for same services.	CT3	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. The budget gap faced by the council is a result of funding being insufficient to cover the increasing cost of delivering services due to factors such as population growth and indexation. The council is subject to rigorous external audit and both Audit Scotland and EY have confirmed, over a number of years, that the council has robust financial management.
39182	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	As long as it went on Social Care to help keep fundamental services such as day centres that are essential to individuals day. I wouldn't mind giving more money in Council Tax as long as services that are proposed to be closed get kept open and to continue with the amazing services that they provide. Especially when money has been raised for these day services by fellow parents and carers in order to provide remembrance trees and gardens etc so that parents who have lost their children, have somewhere familiar to go, where there are happy memories and great relationships between council staff, individuals that use these services and parents/carers.	CT3	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The proposed 3% increase in council tax would contribute to the overall resources of the council therefore it is not proposed that this element would be ring fenced for specific services. All services will be reviewed based on the impact they have on priorities. It is proposed that future spending will be aligned to the priorities in the Transforming Your Council consultation document. The council is subject to rigorous external audit and both Audit Scotland and EY have confirmed, over a number of years, that the council has robust financial management and delivers best value in the use of public resources.
39183	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	If it were yes, but only if it went directly to the provision of social care and not to back office/support functions on the admin side within the council.	CT3	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. Currently the Scottish Government only allows councils to increase council tax by a maximum of 3% annually. The council will consider your suggestion however it would have to be raised with the Scottish Government.
39184	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	accurate figures need to be published to show what savings could be made for various increases I.E 3% increase will save ? I.E 5% increase will save ?	CT3	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Each 1% increase in council tax generates income of just over £750,000.
39185	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	Yes, perhaps. It rather depends how much more than 3% is suggested and whether any of this additional money would be offset/distorted by reducing the amount allocated to that service in the standard budget	CT3	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. Currently the Scottish Government only allows councils to increase council tax by a maximum of 3% annually. The council will consider your suggestion however it would have to be raised with the Scottish Government.
39186	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	no.it would be unaffordable for most people	CT3	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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39187	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	If it was spent on education then perhaps but again this must be across all bands.	CT3	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. Currently the Scottish Government only allows councils to increase council tax by a maximum of 3% annually. The council will consider your suggestion however it would have to be raised with the Scottish Government. The current council tax legislation means that any proposed percentage increase needs to be applied across all bands.
39188	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	No, why should any of us be financially disadvantaged due to previous mismanagement of Council budgets.	CT3	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. The budget gap faced by the council is a result of funding being insufficient to cover the increasing cost of delivering services due to factors such as population growth and indexation. The council is subject to rigorous external audit and both Audit Scotland and EY have confirmed, over a number of years, that the council has robust financial management.
39189	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	No, a lot of people struggle as it is and while I support the 3% increase I know that if it was any higher I would struggle as would many others.	CT3	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
39190	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	No - Cap increase at 3%.	CT3	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
39191	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	We may all benefit from care one day	CT3	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
39192	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	YES!! But onl if it was taken away from WLC and give to non-profit organisations to improve social care.	CT3	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
39193	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	No. The Council has sufficient discretionary spend that could stop in order to fund priorities such as social care	CT3	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
39194	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	Possibly. It would depend on how accurately this could be monitored and how efficient the Service was.	CT3	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. Currently the Scottish Government only allows councils to increase council tax by a maximum of 3% annually. The council will consider your suggestion however it would have to be raised with the Scottish Government.
39195	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	I think it's is fair that an increase is spent across all services	CT3	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. Currently the Scottish Government only allows councils to increase council tax by a maximum of 3% annually. The council will consider your suggestion however it would have to be raised with the Scottish Government.
39196	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	No - the cuts in other areas would still be too large compared to the increased charges	CT3	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
39197	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	Would depend on what social care was involved, would need more detail.	CT3	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. Currently the Scottish Government only allows councils to increase council tax by a maximum of 3% annually. The council will consider your suggestion however it would have to be raised with the Scottish Government.
39198	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	No as the priority should be to use the money for providing facilities to all with any residual funds being used for social care.	CT3	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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39199	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	Definitely no, real changes in how the Council is working would need to be seen before an increase should even be considered. There is a lot of wasted money with reduction in services leading to not being value for money anyway. Also wages have not increased more than 3% (actually even less than this) and so increasing financial strain on the household that doesn't receive any financial help.	CT3	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
39200	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	No. The more money councils have the more they find ways to spend. Plus you are ignoring the fact that Scottish Taxpayers already pay in more than English and that tax level may further increase as is being considered by the First Minister.	CT3	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
39201	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	specific priorities should include those which support those who are experiencing poverty	CT3	4. The council is already doing this.	The council's aim is, and always will be, to ensure that West Lothian continues to be a great place to live, work, visit and do business. To achieve this aim we will continue to prioritise the money that we spend on services to make sure that our investment has the biggest and most positive impact on the community. All services will be reviewed based on the impact they have on priorities. It is proposed that future spending will be aligned to the priorities in the Transforming Your Council consultation document.
39202	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	No, there are many priorities other than Social Care so I don't think it is fair to focus just on this.	CT3	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
39203	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	Keep this money as an additional investment pot. Each individual service can apply for additional funding, but they must commit to what this will deliver and then get measured on this. Think a little like National lottery funding...	CT3	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
39204	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	yes I would be happy to support a total 5% increase if the addition 2% were to be used for specific priorities such as Social Care	CT3	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. Currently the Scottish Government only allows councils to increase council tax by a maximum of 3% annually. The council will consider your suggestion however it would have to be raised with the Scottish Government.
39205	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	No. I would want to be confident council officers have made a genuine effort to make efficiencies and generate new revenue prior to sacrificing my personal quality of life.	CT3	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
39206	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	I would not support any more than 3% as I am a recent pensioner and bought my home 23 years ago and ongoing increases may result in me having to leave my property because my income does not keep pace with such ongoing community charge increases. I do however understand that social care is very very important. The quality of the social care is also very important. I would need a very detailed analysis of what would be achieved if more than a 3% increase was brought to bear.	CT3	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. Individuals on low incomes are able to apply for a number of council tax discounts and reductions.
39207	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	I think 3% is a sufficient rise.	CT3	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
39208	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	I would support upto 5% increase if anything above the initial 3% was used for social care or went towards young peoples facilities	CT3	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. Currently the Scottish Government only allows councils to increase council tax by a maximum of 3% annually. The council will consider your suggestion however it would have to be raised with the Scottish Government.
39209	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	I'd support say 5% in general	CT3	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. Currently the Scottish Government only allows councils to increase council tax by a maximum of 3% annually. The council will consider your suggestion however it would have to be raised with the Scottish Government.

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39210	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	Yes but when I get my council tax bill I'd like to see an itemised list of where the money goes and I'd like to be able to score that spending. Then you'd get a real view of where the public's heart lies.	CT3	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The proposed 3% increase in council tax would contribute to the overall resources of the council available to fund service delivery. Full details of how the council allocates its resources to individual services is provided in the annual activity budget which is available on the council's website. A summary of key areas of spend are included in the council tax leaflet which is provided along with bills.
39211	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	No. Not at once. It's too much when salaries have not increased at anywhere close to same level.	CT3	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
39212	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	depends	CT3	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
39213	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	I would not pay more than 3% council tax however	CT3	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
39214	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	no, i wouldnt support an increase of more than 3%, expecially if it was spend on social. i also think it would be hard as wages are not increasing at the same rate so this could have a severe impact on medium income people such as myself who is just getting by	CT3	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Scottish Government allows councils to increase council tax by a maximum of 3% annually. Officers have included a 3% annual increase in the council's budget model for the five years 2018/19 to 2022/23. As the council's forecast budget position assumes an annual increase of 3%, additional savings would need to be identified to cover reduced income for any increase less than 3%.
39215	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	I think 3% increase is reasonable. The council should find ways to reduce the gap by itself. In a way the council need to be more like a private company.	CT3	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
39216	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	Based on the salary's not increasing by 3% this makes it difficult for other bills to be increased by more that 3%	CT3	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
39217	No Response	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	Yes - for anti poverty and school provision priorities.	CT3	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. Currently the Scottish Government only allows councils to increase council tax by a maximum of 3% annually. The council will consider your suggestion however it would have to be raised with the Scottish Government.
39218	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	No I feel working families struggle as it is 3% is high ,, social care is funded enough and savings in social care need to be met	CT3	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
39219	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	no, should be shared by the whole council. We do not pay council tax for one specific service	CT3	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
39220	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	absolutly not. there is no way that the council can guarantee that this would be the case as other priorities may arise.	CT3	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
39221	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	How families can afford more than 3% is unthinkable, some families are just managing to get by as it	CT3	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
39222	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	I think we should go to 3.5%, is that not the inflation rate.	CT3	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. Currently the Scottish Government only allows councils to increase council tax by a maximum of 3% annually. The council will consider your suggestion however it would have to be raised with the Scottish Government.

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39223	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	If the council could demonstrate that this money had been spent effectively and not lost in bureaucracy or propping up an ineffective service then yes.	CT3	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The council's aim is, and always will be, to ensure that West Lothian continues to be a great place to live, work, visit and do business. To achieve this aim we will continue to prioritise the money that we spend on services to make sure that our investment has the biggest and most positive impact on the community. As validated by external auditors and other inspection bodies, West Lothian Council continues to perform well against key performance indicators and activities. This will continue to be monitored and reviewed.
39224	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	Yes I would	CT3	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. Currently the Scottish Government only allows councils to increase council tax by a maximum of 3% annually. The council will consider your suggestion however it would have to be raised with the Scottish Government.
39225	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	Social Care has been protected over many years whereas other services have experienced reductions. I support a 3% increase to support the delivery of services which are considered to be priorities.	CT3	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
39226	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	I would support more than a 3% increase.	CT3	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. Currently the Scottish Government only allows councils to increase council tax by a maximum of 3% annually. The council will consider your suggestion however it would have to be raised with the Scottish Government.
39227	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	Yes - in higher band properties	CT3	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. Currently the Scottish Government only allows councils to increase council tax by a maximum of 3% annually. The council will consider your suggestion however it would have to be raised with the Scottish Government. The current council tax legislation means that any proposed percentage increase needs to be applied across all bands.
39228	No Response	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	No More funding needs to be spent on Housing, building more homes & supporting Homelessness	CT3	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	In addition, by law council tax can only be used to pay for general services and cannot be used to provide council houses. Council tax can therefore not be used to pay for the services outlined in the response.
39229	No Response	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	I think 3% increase is enough for now, especially since there has been a council tax freeze which I know is down to the government but more than that would could have a detrimental affect on lower income households. If it needs to be increased, then start of with the 3% initially. Maybe in a few years time if this is still necessary then another increase can be implemented.	CT3	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
39230	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	Yes increase tax for specific areas	CT3	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Currently the Scottish Government only allows councils to increase council tax by a maximum of 3% annually. The council will consider your suggestion however it would have to be raised with the Scottish Government.
39231	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	Some social care just makes it easy for people to be lazy! Why should I pay more for that.	CT3	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
39232	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	No should be general increase.	CT3	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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39233	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	I support retaining efficiency in delivery of services - i.e. not introducing means testing or closing local recycling or community facilities and retaining local public transport, and delivery of excellent education - i.e. not cutting music tuition in schools.	CT3	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	As the council will have less overall resources, the number of services delivered will have to reduce with services being reviewed based on the impact they have on priorities. This will include changes to service standards and the way remaining services are delivered. It is proposed that future spending will be aligned to the priorities in the Transforming Your Council consultation document.
39234	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	Social care and education	CT3	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Currently the Scottish Government only allows councils to increase council tax by a maximum of 3% annually. The council will consider your suggestion however it would have to be raised with the Scottish Government.
39235	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	Social Care and Staff Pay Awards	CT3	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Currently the Scottish Government only allows councils to increase council tax by a maximum of 3% annually. The council will consider your suggestion however it would have to be raised with the Scottish Government.
39236	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	Yes and help with fuel poverty as I fear this becoming a hidden issue.	CT3	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Currently the Scottish Government only allows councils to increase council tax by a maximum of 3% annually. The council will consider your suggestion however it would have to be raised with the Scottish Government.
39237	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	Only if it was spent on Roads, Public Transport and Education.	CT3	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Currently the Scottish Government only allows councils to increase council tax by a maximum of 3% annually. The council will consider your suggestion however it would have to be raised with the Scottish Government.
39238	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	No. This would singularly fail to acknowledge the contribution of other essential and statutory services make to the wellbeing of local people.	CT3	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
39239	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	No, 3% is enough.	CT3	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
39240	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	Yes but I don't think this would happen.	CT3	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Currently the Scottish Government only allows councils to increase council tax by a maximum of 3% annually. The council will consider your suggestion however it would have to be raised with the Scottish Government.
39241	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	Yes. Protect front line services.	CT3	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Currently the Scottish Government only allows councils to increase council tax by a maximum of 3% annually. The council will consider your suggestion however it would have to be raised with the Scottish Government.
39242	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	I think that by raising the council tax, all statutory services should benefit. The real question that faces WLC is whether or not providing non-statutory services are an option in the long term	CT3	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
39243	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	No as the people who pay council tax every month are paying as required and people who are not paying isn't going to make any difference to them.	CT3	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
39244	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	Only if it was demonstrated that service delivery would be improved.	CT3	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
39245	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	No, would not support.	CT3	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
39246	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	Schools are important, youth groups community centres.	CT3	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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39247	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	Yes but only if it was guaranteed that money was spent on specific targeted areas and that the budget was transparent and not transferable	CT3	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Currently the Scottish Government only allows councils to increase council tax by a maximum of 3% annually. The council will consider your suggestion however it would have to be raised with the Scottish Government.
39248	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	If its used on essential services it would be a consideration. I think 3% rise is adequate	CT3	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
39249	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	No. Brexit and collapse of pound is going to impoverish many. Better to reduce grossly inflated salaries (of senior managers) across all public services. No CEO or chief officers are worth 5x more than the lowest paid employee.	CT3	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
39250	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	No. Not ever. My Family of Four have all worked pretty much all our adult lives (my partner taking some time off to raise the kids - 'subsidised' by myself not hand-outs). It is time to stop being such a Nanny state and make folk take responsibility for themselves. If they don't wish to achieve anything with their lives, then their lifestyle needs to reflect that.	CT3	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
39251	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	Surely social care should be paid by the Scottish government who implemented free social care for elderly	CT3	5a. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because the council is required by law to deliver this work.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
39252	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	Not unless a pay increase for people was made each year.	CT3	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
39253	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	Ring-fenced for Education - yes	CT3	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Currently the Scottish Government only allows councils to increase council tax by a maximum of 3% annually. The council will consider your suggestion however it would have to be raised with the Scottish Government.
39254	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	Definitely. Make West Lothian a community again.	CT3	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
39255	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	I think 3% is enough of an increase.	CT3	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
39256	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	3% is already very high for a raise in a single year. We would struggle to afford continued rises of more than this every year. Even as a one off it will be tough but we understand the need. I don't think higher would be fair.	CT3	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
39257	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	Possibly	CT3	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Currently the Scottish Government only allows councils to increase council tax by a maximum of 3% annually. The council will consider your suggestion however it would have to be raised with the Scottish Government.
39258	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	No I would seriously struggle with any further increases. This would have a serious effect on my families life and money situation. As my husband and I work we were never entitled to free school meals or reduced school trips or anything. We have worked hard for what we have and paid more than our share. Families on benefits and I have friends in this position are better off than my family unit. This is not right and doesn't make sense. I would be better off not working and getting everything handed to me.	CT3	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
39259	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	NO definitely not	CT3	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
39260	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	No not unless every household was paying. It gets a bit tedious when only working households pay	CT3	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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39261	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	I would support the increase if the money went to the right services for people who have paid into the system not those who have never worked a day in their life. EG a person who has never worked receives the same care for free as elderly people who have worked all their days and have to pay	CT3	5a. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because the council is required by law to deliver this work.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
39262	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	Agree to more if increase spent in any area of the community out with Education / Social care	CT3	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
39263	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	Yes but NOT for the lowest bands A & B, keep those at 3%	CT3	5a. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because the council is required by law to deliver this work.	The current council tax legislation means that any proposed percentage increase needs to be applied across all bands.
39264	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	I support an increase of more than 3% if it was spent on Social Care.	CT3	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Currently the Scottish Government only allows councils to increase council tax by a maximum of 3% annually. The council will consider your suggestion however it would have to be raised with the Scottish Government.
39265	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	Difficult to comment as priorities will differ for each. Main issue is the middle band (the average Joe) covers and subsidises others	CT3	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
39266	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	No. Unless wages were going up by a minimum of 3% too	CT3	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
39267	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	No. I do not support any increases under any circumstances.	CT3	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
39268	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	No - annual increase of Council Tax charges should not excessively exceed the annual Retail Price Index	CT3	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
39269	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	no. for many more than 3% is unaffordable and would have knock on affects.	CT3	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
39270	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	I think it may become essential to raise Council Tax more than 3% to enable the Council to continue to provide essentials, such as Social Funding.	CT3	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Currently the Scottish Government only allows councils to increase council tax by a maximum of 3% annually. The council will consider your suggestion however it would have to be raised with the Scottish Government.
39271	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	Priorities would be social and health care, also improving employment opportunities. The demand on social care increases due to people living longer and those with long-term health conditions.	CT3	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Currently the Scottish Government only allows councils to increase council tax by a maximum of 3% annually. The council will consider your suggestion however it would have to be raised with the Scottish Government.
39272	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	no i dont think so	CT3	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
39273	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	they always put it up	CT3	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Council tax in West Lothian has been frozen for ten years.
39274	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	No I do not support higher levels of tax.	CT3	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
39275	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	No - I think the 3% increase is about right - anymore and it will have a significant effect for a lot families and residents who already struggle to survive day to day.	CT3	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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39276	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	No... 3% each year will be difficult enough for residents to find.	CT3	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
39277	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	Yes, and care for children. How high can the council go.?	CT3	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Currently the Scottish Government only allows councils to increase council tax by a maximum of 3% annually. The council will consider your suggestion however it would have to be raised with the Scottish Government.
39278	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	Don't make promises that you can't keep.	CT3	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Currently the Scottish Government only allows councils to increase council tax by a maximum of 3% annually. The council will consider your suggestion however it would have to be raised with the Scottish Government.
39279	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	No. The rise in council tax is necessary, but most people's wages have not increased in line with this, so I would not support a rise over and above this.	CT3	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
39280	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	Not without a coherent well communicated strategy	CT3	4. The council is already doing this.	The Corporate Plan and five year financial strategy will be based on the results of the TYC consultation and the priorities identified for West Lothian.
39281	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	Yes but I don't necessarily think social care should be the only priority. There are a lot of people who could pay more towards their, and their families', care	CT3	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
39282	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	This is difficult because people are cheating the system. There are people who earn more than me who receive additional financial help from the government because they are not truthful. It would really sicken me to give more of my money to subsidise their way of life. No I wouldn't support this without a very clear, budgeted plan being provided BEFORE the Council Tax increases. Detailed planning is required to spend this money.	CT3	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
39283	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	Not a fair question as that is piling on peoples heart strings of course I would but I am sure all services mentioned would want a share	CT3	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
39284	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	Yes more money spent on addressing homelessness	CT3	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
39285	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	Only in conjunction with a decrease in the number of councillors. Councillors should be taking the lead in staff reductions and restructuring not exempt from it whatever spurious argument they may put forward. Why should they as a group of public service workers not be subject to similar reviews as are being imposed on all other groups ? 11 Senior councillors ? 22 Councillors ? When councils are being forced to make savings should lead by example. I would suggest a cut of say 20 % ? Surely achievable by combining councils and working together ? The remaining councillors working as a more streamlined group to deliver the reduced services. What savings would this produce over the period in question ? Scope for reduction of 20% of MSPs too ? Or more ? Releasing more money for services !	CT3	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	The number of councillors for each council area is determined by statute by the Scottish Parliament.
39286	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	No - everybody would have different priorities and think 3% is enough of an increase at the moment.	CT3	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
39287	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	Yes but needs to be used properly.	CT3	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Currently the Scottish Government only allows councils to increase council tax by a maximum of 3% annually. The council will consider your suggestion however it would have to be raised with the Scottish Government.
39288	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	Yes,make it an 5% increase.	CT3	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Currently the Scottish Government only allows councils to increase council tax by a maximum of 3% annually. The council will consider your suggestion however it would have to be raised with the Scottish Government.
39289	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	Possibly subject to progress on other initiatives	CT3	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
39290	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	No. Not at present. Not until such services are considered cost efficient.	CT3	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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39291	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	I think that a higher increase would result in more council tax not being paid. My family would find larger increases difficult especially since council sector pay has more or less been frozen for a number of years and our effective income has been steadily reducing.	CT3	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. As the council's forecast budget position assumes an annual increase of 3% based on officer assumptions, additional savings would need to be identified to cover reduced income. The council actively pursues all debt, including council tax, community charge, rent and commercial debtors arrears.
39292	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	No we couldn't afford to pay it and aren't eligible for benefits.	CT3	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
39293	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	Perhaps-again, something for wider and specific debate.	CT3	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Currently the Scottish Government only allows councils to increase council tax by a maximum of 3% annually. The council will consider your suggestion however it would have to be raised with the Scottish Government.
39294	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	yes but it will not happen - it will be spent elsewhere	CT3	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Currently the Scottish Government only allows councils to increase council tax by a maximum of 3% annually. The council will consider your suggestion however it would have to be raised with the Scottish Government.
39295	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	Yes however Council workers have faced minimal pay increases over recent years with overtime and contractual arrangements under review to identify further savings which will reduce incomes even further it will be very difficult for the council's workforce to support this	CT3	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Currently the Scottish Government only allows councils to increase council tax by a maximum of 3% annually. The council will consider your suggestion however it would have to be raised with the Scottish Government.
39296	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	No. There is a danger even MORE money could be spent on childcare for middle class families if this remains as the council's main priority. I would potentially have said yes if it would have gone on care for the elderly!	CT3	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
39297	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	I should think that 3% should be a maximum rise any more will punish middle-income earners.	CT3	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
39298	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	Probably	CT3	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
39299	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	I personally would like it spent on keeping those of ill health in their own homes or providing care in care homes if needed. Carers need help and are getting it to a certain level but it would be disastrous for some it this was cut. Other people would have different priorities I suppose depending on their circumstances	CT3	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
39300	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	The 3% raise should be spent across all current services	CT3	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The proposed 3% increase in council tax would contribute to the overall resources of the council available to fund service delivery.
39301	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	Yes. But only after the review of the administration.	CT3	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Currently the Scottish Government only allows councils to increase council tax by a maximum of 3% annually. The council will consider your suggestion however it would have to be raised with the Scottish Government.
39302	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	Only if the council could guarantee that the additional revenue would be spent on social care and specifics within this service area would require to be identified.	CT3	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Currently the Scottish Government only allows councils to increase council tax by a maximum of 3% annually. The council will consider your suggestion however it would have to be raised with the Scottish Government.
39303	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	Yes Definitely.	CT3	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Currently the Scottish Government only allows councils to increase council tax by a maximum of 3% annually. The council will consider your suggestion however it would have to be raised with the Scottish Government.

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39304	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	If more went in to education then yes.	CT3	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Currently the Scottish Government only allows councils to increase council tax by a maximum of 3% annually. The council will consider your suggestion however it would have to be raised with the Scottish Government.
39305	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	Indeed	CT3	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Currently the Scottish Government only allows councils to increase council tax by a maximum of 3% annually. The council will consider your suggestion however it would have to be raised with the Scottish Government.
39306	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	I think it is very difficult to start apportioning tax increases to specific priorities. Inevitably this just skews the original resource allocation anyway rather than genuinely resulting in additional funds for a particularly area.	CT3	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
39307	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	I would happily pay some increase if I felt environmental issues were being introduced, better recycling initiatives and healthier meals in schools and facilities for teenagers.	CT3	5d. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because it has been previously considered and will not be progressed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
39308	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	Take money for prescription s and fund that to much waste charge a pound a prescription	CT3	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	The free prescriptions policy is set by the Scottish Government and paid for from NHS budgets.
39309	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	Yes. Without question, but the additional revenue would need to be spent in a transparent and targetted way.	CT3	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Currently the Scottish Government only allows councils to increase council tax by a maximum of 3% annually. The council will consider your suggestion however it would have to be raised with the Scottish Government.
39310	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	Local income tax	CT3	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	Council tax reform can only be reviewed at a national level with corresponding changes in council tax legislation.
39311	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	No, that is unaffordable for many on lower incomes	CT3	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
39312	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	Yes, but only to top 2 bands, who can afford to go up by 5-10% easily.	CT3	5a. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because the council is required by law to deliver this work.	The current council tax legislation means that any proposed percentage increase needs to be applied across all bands.
39313	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	Yes. I would rather pay more locally than on income tax...dreaming again.	CT3	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Currently the Scottish Government only allows councils to increase council tax by a maximum of 3% annually. The council will consider your suggestion however it would have to be raised with the Scottish Government.
39314	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	No. That's not to say I wouldn't be in favour of it, but ringfencing the funding would not change my previously stated opinion	CT3	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
39315	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	Yes, an increase of more than 3% would still not be anywhere near as expensive as it would be if we had increased the tax each year for the last 10 years!	CT3	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Currently the Scottish Government only allows councils to increase council tax by a maximum of 3% annually. The council will consider your suggestion however it would have to be raised with the Scottish Government.
39316	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	Again we need to feel that we are getting value for money and that it is going to the correct areas	CT3	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	All services will be reviewed based on the impact they have on priorities. It is proposed that future spending will be aligned to the priorities in the Transforming Your Council consultation document.
39317	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	I support the increase if it reduces the loss of staff	CT3	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Currently the Scottish Government only allows councils to increase council tax by a maximum of 3% annually. The council will consider your suggestion however it would have to be raised with the Scottish Government.

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39318	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	Yes. but I think the more well off you are that should be taken into account for more than 3%. I would consider paying a slight increase but only if service were not being affected.	CT3	5a. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because the council is required by law to deliver this work.	The current council tax legislation means that any proposed percentage increase needs to be applied across all bands. Council tax reform can only be reviewed at a national level with corresponding changes in council tax legislation.
39319	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	Yes and all the services provided,, Too many people want and give nothing in return,,	CT3	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Currently the Scottish Government only allows councils to increase council tax by a maximum of 3% annually. The council will consider your suggestion however it would have to be raised with the Scottish Government.
39320	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	Maybe	CT3	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Currently the Scottish Government only allows councils to increase council tax by a maximum of 3% annually. The council will consider your suggestion however it would have to be raised with the Scottish Government.
39321	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	I THINK ONE STEP AT A TIME. THE FIRST INCREASE TO SEE WE GET VALUE FOR MONEY AND SAVE OR IMPROVE OUR SEVICES. WE CAN LOOK FOR SPECIFIC TARGET ASPECTS AT STAGE 2	CT3	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
39322	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	Yes. If the spending was transparent and ring fenced.	CT3	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Currently the Scottish Government only allows councils to increase council tax by a maximum of 3% annually. The council will consider your suggestion however it would have to be raised with the Scottish Government.
39323	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	Absolutely a 5% increase would roughly hit monthly incomes by Å£10 a month !!!!! Å£10 a month its a bottle of wine / a six pack of beer a month	CT3	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Currently the Scottish Government only allows councils to increase council tax by a maximum of 3% annually. The council will consider your suggestion however it would have to be raised with the Scottish Government.
39324	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	Yes but first would like to see a review of banding.	CT3	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Currently the Scottish Government only allows councils to increase council tax by a maximum of 3% annually. The council will consider your suggestion however it would have to be raised with the Scottish Government. Council tax bands and the valuations for them are set nationally by the Scottish Government. The council does not have the power to change banding values.
39325	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	This would be complex as different citizens will have different priorities any increase above 3% should be for the general use across the council and it should be for council to prioritise spending	CT3	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
39326	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	The worry is that it would be spent else where.	CT3	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
39327	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	I would introduce a means testing on social care.	CT3	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	This is being considered under the reviewing income and concessions section of the TYC consultation.
39328	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	Possibly... only if the public were allowed to vote on the specific priorities it was to be spent on. E.g. I would more likely pay more for social care but wouldn't for protecting green spaces.	CT3	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
39329	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	Yes, education (school and Life-Long learning) and environment	CT3	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Currently the Scottish Government only allows councils to increase council tax by a maximum of 3% annually. The council will consider your suggestion however it would have to be raised with the Scottish Government.
39330	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	Absolutely not. Social care is a plague on society.	CT3	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
39331	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	Yes i support the councils planned changes but not more than 3%	CT3	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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39332	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	I would be happy with up to 5% if it ment we didnt suffer a reduction in the service I actually use like waste collection and schools	CT3	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Currently the Scottish Government only allows councils to increase council tax by a maximum of 3% annually. The council will consider your suggestion however it would have to be raised with the Scottish Government.
39333	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	I would support an additional increase provided the excess was earmarked for elderly care.	CT3	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Currently the Scottish Government only allows councils to increase council tax by a maximum of 3% annually. The council will consider your suggestion however it would have to be raised with the Scottish Government.
39334	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	yes if it helped my local community centre and the other causes that matter to me	CT3	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Currently the Scottish Government only allows councils to increase council tax by a maximum of 3% annually. The council will consider your suggestion however it would have to be raised with the Scottish Government.
39335	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	Possibly. Depends what level of increase.	CT3	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
39336	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	No, I believe 3% is reasonable, but most employed people do not receive pay increase or if they do it is 1%	CT3	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
39337	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	Possibly - it would be difficult to red-line such additional revenue in a way which will show council tax payers that the money is being spent as advertised.	CT3	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Currently the Scottish Government only allows councils to increase council tax by a maximum of 3% annually. The council will consider your suggestion however it would have to be raised with the Scottish Government.
39338	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	3% is steep as it is.	CT3	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
39339	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	Yes, up to 10%	CT3	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Currently the Scottish Government only allows councils to increase council tax by a maximum of 3% annually. The council will consider your suggestion however it would have to be raised with the Scottish Government.
39340	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	No...too high an increase	CT3	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
39341	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	I would support a rise to certain elements of social care but not above 3%	CT3	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
39342	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	No. I think even after all this the coucil will continue to waste the money. The council tax freeze has been a good thing as it has forced change and opened your eyes to the wastefulness. Change 1st then ask for more money and show that change has been good	CT3	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. The council is subject to rigorous external audit and both Audit Scotland and EY have confirmed, over a number of years, that the council has robust financial management. External audit and regulation provides no evidence of wasteful spending.
39343	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	Any higher than 3% when some of those employed have had only a 1% pay rise seems inappropriate.	CT3	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
39344	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	Yes. I think 6% would be reasonable. There has been no increase for several years. Vital services need to be properly funded.	CT3	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Currently the Scottish Government only allows councils to increase council tax by a maximum of 3% annually. The council will consider your suggestion however it would have to be raised with the Scottish Government.

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39345	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	yes at the top levels. Although the whole system needs overhauling.	CT3	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Currently the Scottish Government only allows councils to increase council tax by a maximum of 3% annually. The council will consider your suggestion however it would have to be raised with the Scottish Government. The current council tax legislation means that any proposed percentage increase needs to be applied across all bands.
39346	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	Yes increase the it by 3%	CT3	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
39347	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	I would support only if used to support care of the elderly and or local schools	CT3	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Currently the Scottish Government only allows councils to increase council tax by a maximum of 3% annually. The council will consider your suggestion however it would have to be raised with the Scottish Government.
39348	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	I would support in an increase of more than 3% if it meant that essential services were not being cut. This would include those services that reduce or prevent more costlier issues arising later on e.g. good education services lead better employment and less crime good health and leisure facilities leads to less impact on emergency care	CT3	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Currently the Scottish Government only allows councils to increase council tax by a maximum of 3% annually. The council will consider your suggestion however it would have to be raised with the Scottish Government.
39349	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	I would agree with increasing this as much as needed to save jobs and services especially for social care.	CT3	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Currently the Scottish Government only allows councils to increase council tax by a maximum of 3% annually. The council will consider your suggestion however it would have to be raised with the Scottish Government.
39350	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	No, I would support a 3% increase if the additional amount was spread evenly across services.	CT3	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. The proposed 3% increase in council tax would contribute to the overall resources of the council available to fund service delivery.
39351	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	I would support an increase as long as it's not at the expense of the lower tax bands.	CT3	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Currently the Scottish Government only allows councils to increase council tax by a maximum of 3% annually. The council will consider your suggestion however it would have to be raised with the Scottish Government.
39352	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	No, I think a 3% rise is enough. Perhaps like Edinburgh Council, some additional services could be charged to those that want them, rather than placing that charge to all residents of WL.	CT3	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. The scope for charging will be considered, taking account current charges, the position in other local authorities and the impact of charges on vulnerable people and the availability of concessions.
39353	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	Take as much as you want from those who can easily afford it, and stop hammering the poor, needy and vulnerable. I see you haven't mentioned food banks yet, are they going to be closed as well?	CT3	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. Foodbanks are not provided by the council but by the third sector.
39354	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	Yes I would.	CT3	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Currently the Scottish Government only allows councils to increase council tax by a maximum of 3% annually. The council will consider your suggestion however it would have to be raised with the Scottish Government.
39355	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	I would support an increase above 3% but it should not be ringfenced.	CT3	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Currently the Scottish Government only allows councils to increase council tax by a maximum of 3% annually. The council will consider your suggestion however it would have to be raised with the Scottish Government.
39356	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	Absolutely not especially when this proposal clearly outlines that on top of this increase I could be charged for services I would need to access e.g. brown bin disposal.	CT3	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax.

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39357	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	I would like to see a proposal of what the funding would specifically go to prior to agreement.	CT3	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. All services will be reviewed based on the impact they have on priorities. It is proposed that future spending will be aligned to the priorities in the Transforming Your Council consultation document.
39358	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	Yes social care is in crisis.	CT3	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Currently the Scottish Government only allows councils to increase council tax by a maximum of 3% annually. The council will consider your suggestion however it would have to be raised with the Scottish Government.
39359	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	No that's ridiculous. If you need more money for that then tax must be higher. Time money and effort have been wasted leading to this situation, describe social care. Responsibility must again come into play here. We cannot continue to be a "nanny" county. Support can be given but individuals need to contribute to the effort. We all need to be realistic and responsible. Why have we children with behavioural and social issues, why have we social housing with gardens that are a disgrace, why have we litter filled verges, why have we food banks or clothing grants at around Â£90 per child, how are social workers going to solve all the problems that there are, why have we homeless blocks etc etc? Social issues cost a lot of money but throwing more money will not help. Tackling the issues with health professionals, competent social cares. I will pay more tax if I see the services I need maintained and improved while supporting social care.	CT3	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
39360	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	Yes, I would support an increase of more than 3% so long as it was spent of specific priorities such as social care.	CT3	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Currently the Scottish Government only allows councils to increase council tax by a maximum of 3% annually. The council will consider your suggestion however it would have to be raised with the Scottish Government.
39361	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	No, 3% is enough.	CT3	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
39362	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	That's too narrow a way of viewing things and how would you decide what the specific priority was?	CT3	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. All services will be reviewed based on the impact they have on priorities. It is proposed that future spending will be aligned to the priorities in the Transforming Your Council consultation document.
39363	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	It would need a very strong case to support any increase above the 3% proposed. It has to be remembered that working people have not had a salary increase for a number of years now and in some cases a reduction of salary compared to at least 2008 when the Banking crises reared its ugly head. It was not the ordinary person in the communities that caused the Banking crisis but by all the fat cats at the top who were lying off the backs of the ordinary people working for and on behalf of them.	CT3	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Council tax in West Lothian has been frozen for ten years providing a significant benefit to council tax payers.
39364	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	Yes, if made absolutely clear where all funding is going.	CT3	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Currently the Scottish Government only allows councils to increase council tax by a maximum of 3% annually. The council will consider your suggestion however it would have to be raised with the Scottish Government.
39365	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	Certainly	CT3	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Currently the Scottish Government only allows councils to increase council tax by a maximum of 3% annually. The council will consider your suggestion however it would have to be raised with the Scottish Government.
39366	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	It should be a priority in the first place.	CT3	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
39367	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	No, I think that residents are already struggling. It is the austerity agenda that needs to go, after all our national debt continues to grow so the current approach is not working. It is time for a different approach to be taken and for local councils to advocate this on behalf of its residents.	CT3	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
39368	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	NO. Do as your told by the Scottish Government.	CT3	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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39369	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	I think more shoUld be used towards social care to reflect the ageing population.	CT3	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Currently the Scottish Government only allows councils to increase council tax by a maximum of 3% annually. The council will consider your suggestion however it would have to be raised with the Scottish Government.
39370	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	3 per cent will hit us hard enough .	CT3	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
39371	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	I think 3% is big enough in the short term. Surely with the slowly rising economy the budget gaps would get smaller especially if all these saving are being made.	CT3	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. The budget gap would only reduce if more funding was provided by the Scottish Government to cover the cost of delivering services.
39372	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	Yes. I resent high taxes to UK government as I am in contradiction with many of their policies. However, probably happy to spend what I can afford on specific, local expenditure if I can be confident that it is well managed and part of sound policy on education / social services / art / culture / health etc.	CT3	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Currently the Scottish Government only allows councils to increase council tax by a maximum of 3% annually. The council will consider your suggestion however it would have to be raised with the Scottish Government.
39373	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	Happy to see some of it focusing on Social care but need more detail on what the spending on Social Care was and what this covered? I would like to see and increases in Council Tax it being spent on projects that are deemed preventative spend, so those that result in the Council having to spend less in the future. Possible examples could include anti poverty measures aimed at getting people out of poverty, creating employment opportunities particularly for young people or those who have been out of work for a long time, the whole family support model and measures aimed at keep them at home for longer.	CT3	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Currently the Scottish Government only allows councils to increase council tax by a maximum of 3% annually. The council will consider your suggestion however it would have to be raised with the Scottish Government.
39374	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	Possibly but rather than throwing money at the problem there are things to be improved there and then raising the additional money required after these improvements have been made	CT3	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
39375	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	Yes I am a lone parent with 2 children but I would be prepared to pay more to protect Social Care as these services are so worthwhile and as said its right that we should be looking after the most vulnerable in our society	CT3	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Currently the Scottish Government only allows councils to increase council tax by a maximum of 3% annually. The council will consider your suggestion however it would have to be raised with the Scottish Government.
39376	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	Agree with 3% rise in council tax but every second year	CT3	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The Scottish Government allows councils to increase council tax by a maximum of 3% annually. Officers have included a 3% annual increase in the council's budget model for the five years 2018/19 to 2022/23. As the council's forecast budget position assumes an annual increase of 3%, additional savings would need to be identified to cover reduced income for any increase less than 3%.
39377	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	No. The TYC programme should challenge spend, per se. It should be about robust evidence-based impact and outcomes. Tax and spend could be considered regressive and anti-competitive.	CT3	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All services will be reviewed based on the impact they have on priorities. It is proposed that future spending will be aligned to the priorities in the Transforming Your Council consultation document.
39378	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	I would not as many would not be able to afford it.	CT3	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
39379	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	I would agree to a 3% increase ONLY if meant that the Ability Centre, which is a lifeline to me were to stay open.	CT3	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The proposed 3% increase in council tax would contribute to the overall resources of the council available to fund service delivery. As the £73 million assumes a council tax increase of 3%, a greater increase would be required to replace some of proposed reductions.
39380	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	Yes but not necessarily on Social Care I would ensure essential services overall where supported	CT3	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Currently the Scottish Government only allows councils to increase council tax by a maximum of 3% annually. The council will consider your suggestion however it would have to be raised with the Scottish Government.

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39381	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	No, 3% would be a fair amount but it needs to be across all bandings.	CT3	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. The current council tax legislation means that any proposed percentage increase needs to be applied across all bands.
39382	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	I would support more than 3% on the higher bands (but not the lower) if this money was definitely spent on Social Care. For example being spent of recruiting more Foster Carers to avoid paying for external services.	CT3	5a. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because the council is required by law to deliver this work.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. The current council tax legislation means that any proposed percentage increase needs to be applied across all bands.
39383	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	No. This is wholly discriminatory. Neither the elderly or children should be treated any differently from the rest of the population.	CT3	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
39384	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	No - if Council Tax is raised above 3% then anything above the initial 3% should just be treated the same. The council will never be able to allocate the extra income to a specific service area that would appease everyone so don't give residents the opportunity to complain as long as the income is spent on service delivery.	CT3	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Currently the Scottish Government only allows councils to increase council tax by a maximum of 3% annually. The council will consider your suggestion however it would have to be raised with the Scottish Government. All services will be reviewed based on the impact they have on priorities. It is proposed that future spending will be aligned to the priorities in the Transforming Your Council consultation document.
39385	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	I would support the increase if children continued to receive music lessons at school the the recycling centre in Linlithgow remained.	CT3	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Currently the Scottish Government only allows councils to increase council tax by a maximum of 3% annually. The council will consider your suggestion however it would have to be raised with the Scottish Government.
39386	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	Social care - agree. Would want to review the other priorities.	CT3	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Currently the Scottish Government only allows councils to increase council tax by a maximum of 3% annually. The council will consider your suggestion however it would have to be raised with the Scottish Government. All services will be reviewed based on the impact they have on priorities. It is proposed that future spending will be aligned to the priorities in the Transforming Your Council consultation document.
39387	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	Having said all of above, if the increases were very clearly linked to specific changes in the provision of services then come up with the budget and present it to the population. Sell it well and it might be acceptable.	CT3	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Currently the Scottish Government only allows councils to increase council tax by a maximum of 3% annually. The council will consider your suggestion however it would have to be raised with the Scottish Government. All services will be reviewed based on the impact they have on priorities. It is proposed that future spending will be aligned to the priorities in the Transforming Your Council consultation document.
39388	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	If the council tax was spent on education, then yes.	CT3	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Currently the Scottish Government only allows councils to increase council tax by a maximum of 3% annually. The council will consider your suggestion however it would have to be raised with the Scottish Government.
39389	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	Yes Social care, addressing homelessness, youth employability initiatives	CT3	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Currently the Scottish Government only allows councils to increase council tax by a maximum of 3% annually. The council will consider your suggestion however it would have to be raised with the Scottish Government.
39390	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	If it was used to fund the instrumental services in a perfect world that would be ideal.	CT3	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
39391	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	Within reason. Small increases every year are easier for people to budget for than large increases sporadically	CT3	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Currently the Scottish Government only allows councils to increase council tax by a maximum of 3% annually. The council will consider your suggestion however it would have to be raised with the Scottish Government.

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39392	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	It wouldn't be though would it ?	CT3	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
39393	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	If it was spent on childcare and schools yes.	CT3	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Currently the Scottish Government only allows councils to increase council tax by a maximum of 3% annually. The council will consider your suggestion however it would have to be raised with the Scottish Government.
39394	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	Broadly yes, but not to plug gaps but to move to meaningfully better services.	CT3	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Currently the Scottish Government only allows councils to increase council tax by a maximum of 3% annually. The council will consider your suggestion however it would have to be raised with the Scottish Government.
39395	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	Only if it was reserved for care for older and vulnerable people and not daft schemes to give schools more money to spend on short term ideas that do nothing to improve children's education.	CT3	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Currently the Scottish Government only allows councils to increase council tax by a maximum of 3% annually. The council will consider your suggestion however it would have to be raised with the Scottish Government.
39396	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	Yes, tackling poverty and deprivation	CT3	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Currently the Scottish Government only allows councils to increase council tax by a maximum of 3% annually. The council will consider your suggestion however it would have to be raised with the Scottish Government.
39397	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	I think if all bands were increased that would meet your shortfall	CT3	4. The council is already doing this.	The current council tax legislation means that any proposed percentage increase needs to be applied across all bands. The officer proposal assumes a 3% across all properties.
39398	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	I would like money spent on older people.	CT3	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Currently the Scottish Government only allows councils to increase council tax by a maximum of 3% annually. The council will consider your suggestion however it would have to be raised with the Scottish Government.
39399	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	No. If council tax is such a small part of your funding, surely any increase above 3% would be miniscule and would not make any difference to the chosen specific priority.	CT3	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
39400	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	Not interested in ring-fencing anything over 3%. Too complex, too hard to administer, too inflexible in terms of allowing those elected in a representative democratic system to make choices.	CT3	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
39401	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	Potentially	CT3	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax.
39402	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	Yes. I would support a 5% increase.	CT3	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Currently the Scottish Government only allows councils to increase council tax by a maximum of 3% annually. The council will consider your suggestion however it would have to be raised with the Scottish Government.
39403	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	No. 3% is high enough when most people are not getting more than 1% increase in wages.	CT3	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
39404	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	I would support it if you consider more than Social Care. Social care and Education are ring fenced to some extent by external requirements, consider operational services for funding increase, these are services that we ALL value as citizens of WL. Roads and waste are critical to a developed society.	CT3	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Currently the Scottish Government only allows councils to increase council tax by a maximum of 3% annually. The council will consider your suggestion however it would have to be raised with the Scottish Government.
39405	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	For certain things yes	CT3	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Currently the Scottish Government only allows councils to increase council tax by a maximum of 3% annually. The council will consider your suggestion however it would have to be raised with the Scottish Government.

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39406	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	No..couldn't afford.	CT3	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
39407	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	These questions are like the executioner asking how you want to die. This will continue every year until the state (Council services) no longer exists and neo-leberalism wins!	CT3	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Your comment has been noted.
39408	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	Social Care - absolutely not!	CT3	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
39409	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	Again, only as a one off, not an annual increase.	CT3	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Currently the Scottish Government only allows councils to increase council tax by a maximum of 3% annually. The council will consider your suggestion however it would have to be raised with the Scottish Government.
39410	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	Yes I would support increases of more than 3% to support Attainment	CT3	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
39411	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	YES YES YES YES YES	CT3	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Currently the Scottish Government only allows councils to increase council tax by a maximum of 3% annually. The council will consider your suggestion however it would have to be raised with the Scottish Government.
39412	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	Would depend on the increase and the priorities	CT3	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Currently the Scottish Government only allows councils to increase council tax by a maximum of 3% annually. The council will consider your suggestion however it would have to be raised with the Scottish Government.
39413	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	Yes 5%	CT3	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Currently the Scottish Government only allows councils to increase council tax by a maximum of 3% annually. The council will consider your suggestion however it would have to be raised with the Scottish Government.
39414	No Response	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	No. Those willing to pay above 3% may have differing priorities - who would decide?	CT3	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
39415	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	No, because I don't believe that extra income would always go to the areas agreed upon.	CT3	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
39416	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	I would support an increase of more than 3% for council tax if it protects priority areas for the council. I don't agree that this necessarily should be on social care, which is continually protected from the worst of council budget cuts.	CT3	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Currently the Scottish Government only allows councils to increase council tax by a maximum of 3% annually. The council will consider your suggestion however it would have to be raised with the Scottish Government.
39417	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	No, because as with this consultation there is no clarity of what the priorities would be. Social Care is a huge an varied area. Any increase of more than 3% should be used to deliver on the priorities that the citizens feel is most appropriate, one could do so through manifestos at a fresh Local Election for example.	CT3	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
39418	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	I would like to see total transparencies' in the spending of the revenue gained by the council tax.	CT3	4. The council is already doing this.	Full details of how the council allocates its resources to individual services is provided in the annual activity budget which is available on the council's website. A summary of key areas of spend are included in the council tax leaflet which is provided along with bills.
39419	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	Yes especially for Care of the Elderly	CT3	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Currently the Scottish Government only allows councils to increase council tax by a maximum of 3% annually. The council will consider your suggestion however it would have to be raised with the Scottish Government.

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39420	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	I would accept a greater increase to maintain services such as music tuition .	CT3	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Currently the Scottish Government only allows councils to increase council tax by a maximum of 3% annually. The council will consider your suggestion however it would have to be raised with the Scottish Government.
39421	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	Personally, I would support this but it could have adverse effect on many families and a more than 3% rise on all bands should be carefully considered. It must be evident where the money is spent.	CT3	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Currently the Scottish Government only allows councils to increase council tax by a maximum of 3% annually. The council will consider your suggestion however it would have to be raised with the Scottish Government.
39422	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	Yes but only if I could see real changes in approach and culture of silo working mentality.	CT3	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Currently the Scottish Government only allows councils to increase council tax by a maximum of 3% annually. The council will consider your suggestion however it would have to be raised with the Scottish Government.
39423	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	A rise higher than 3% would cause financial hardship for many people, especially those on a low income.	CT3	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
39424	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	Only if such an increase was being adopted more widely by other local authorities.	CT3	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Currently the Scottish Government only allows councils to increase council tax by a maximum of 3% annually. The council will consider your suggestion however it would have to be raised with the Scottish Government.
39425	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	I would like to say yes but as I said above I am finding things very tight to budget and afford everyday things.	CT3	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
39426	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	Not at this time, living costs are already spiralling for most people and wages are not keeping pace.	CT3	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
39427	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	Yes as before need evidence as to where the money was to be spent	CT3	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Currently the Scottish Government only allows councils to increase council tax by a maximum of 3% annually. The council will consider your suggestion however it would have to be raised with the Scottish Government.
39428	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	I would pay more but not towards those who already milk the system	CT3	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Currently the Scottish Government only allows councils to increase council tax by a maximum of 3% annually. The council will consider your suggestion however it would have to be raised with the Scottish Government.
39429	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	Agree, priority should be on areas which are not being properly funded by scottish government	CT3	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Currently the Scottish Government only allows councils to increase council tax by a maximum of 3% annually. The council will consider your suggestion however it would have to be raised with the Scottish Government.
39430	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	Not just social care, there are a lot of us who don't use social care.	CT3	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
39431	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	Yes as long as increases were not excessive & wages in general were rising.	CT3	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Currently the Scottish Government only allows councils to increase council tax by a maximum of 3% annually. The council will consider your suggestion however it would have to be raised with the Scottish Government.
39432	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	I would support an increase full stop and Social Care should be a number one priority.	CT3	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Currently the Scottish Government only allows councils to increase council tax by a maximum of 3% annually. The council will consider your suggestion however it would have to be raised with the Scottish Government.

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39433	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	No. I can't afford to pay more irrespective of what it is spent on. People do not work to pass all their money to the government or the council, then live off beans on toast.	CT3	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
39434	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	No - better manage what you have and harness the power of community volunteers for a better, more rounded society.	CT3	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
39435	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	Not unless there was further information provided first	CT3	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
39436	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	No. Families would suffer if a higher increase is introduced.	CT3	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
39437	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	I think you are making schools etc look for many ways to save money and WLC must do same. I think some areas can be charged at point of use rather than everything coming from band E-H council tax payers. However for specific needs in health and social care I would pay more than 3% more.	CT3	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Currently the Scottish Government only allows councils to increase council tax by a maximum of 3% annually. The council will consider your suggestion however it would have to be raised with the Scottish Government.
39438	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	Perhaps, but I think it would be better spent in education to help close the attainment gap.	CT3	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Currently the Scottish Government only allows councils to increase council tax by a maximum of 3% annually. The council will consider your suggestion however it would have to be raised with the Scottish Government.
39439	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	Again any changes should be reflective of the changes imposed by other local authority areas. There should be a fair approach on not only a local level but also on a regional basis to ensure consistency.	CT3	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Currently the Scottish Government only allows councils to increase council tax by a maximum of 3% annually. The council will consider your suggestion however it would have to be raised with the Scottish Government.
39440	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	Not without current budget owners showing significantly more commercial sense than currently.	CT3	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The scope for charging will be considered, taking account current charges, the position in other local authorities and the impact of charges on vulnerable people and the availability of concessions. The council currently generates income from providing a range of services to partners and organisations. Further opportunities to expand this could be investigated.
39441	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	I would support an increase as long as money is not wasted. This consultation includes a lot of "review" proposals. If outside "experts" are being engaged at large costs this is not sensible and I would not support an increase above 3percent	CT3	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Currently the Scottish Government only allows councils to increase council tax by a maximum of 3% annually. The council will consider your suggestion however it would have to be raised with the Scottish Government.
39442	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	Not just social care - how would you evidence this....	CT3	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Currently the Scottish Government only allows councils to increase council tax by a maximum of 3% annually. The council will consider your suggestion however it would have to be raised with the Scottish Government.
39443	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	That is a very unfair question to put on a form such as this. The person who dreamed this one up should be ashamed. Social care should be fully funded within the 3%	CT3	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
39444	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	I think I would be inclined to support a larger increase if it was absolutely necessary to avoid the abolition of certain services and priorities like council orchestras and ensembles	CT3	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Currently the Scottish Government only allows councils to increase council tax by a maximum of 3% annually. The council will consider your suggestion however it would have to be raised with the Scottish Government.
39445	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	And Education, Yes	CT3	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Currently the Scottish Government only allows councils to increase council tax by a maximum of 3% annually. The council will consider your suggestion however it would have to be raised with the Scottish Government.

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39446	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	Yes. But as a council you need to run efficiently. No one wants to pay for excess that should be cut. However, the more we are charged the less we will spend in the community if belts need to be tightened. You may also put people off moving to the area. There are a lot of things to consider.	CT3	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Currently the Scottish Government only allows councils to increase council tax by a maximum of 3% annually. The council will consider your suggestion however it would have to be raised with the Scottish Government.
39447	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	only if the services were already fully efficient and the additional income was on front line service	CT3	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Currently the Scottish Government only allows councils to increase council tax by a maximum of 3% annually. The council will consider your suggestion however it would have to be raised with the Scottish Government.
39448	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	Only if all council run football facilities were closed and sold for housing development.	CT3	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	We will review our property assets and rationalise usage where possible taking into account the review and redesign of services delivered in the community and investigating opportunities for coordinating availability of facilities.
39449	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	If on Education yes!	CT3	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Currently the Scottish Government only allows councils to increase council tax by a maximum of 3% annually. The council will consider your suggestion however it would have to be raised with the Scottish Government.
39450	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	no 3% is enough	CT3	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
39451	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	No I think 3% would suffice due to the inflation levels and limited pay rises.	CT3	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
39452	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	Yes as long as the money coming in was being put back into services.	CT3	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Currently the Scottish Government only allows councils to increase council tax by a maximum of 3% annually. The council will consider your suggestion however it would have to be raised with the Scottish Government.
39453	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	Yes but this should be means tested.	CT3	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Currently the Scottish Government only allows councils to increase council tax by a maximum of 3% annually. The council will consider your suggestion however it would have to be raised with the Scottish Government.
39454	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	No and certainly not on social care.	CT3	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
39455	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	Not at the moment. One step at a time	CT3	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
39456	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	only if was implemented on a rising scale over each year increase	CT3	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Currently the Scottish Government only allows councils to increase council tax by a maximum of 3% annually. The council will consider your suggestion however it would have to be raised with the Scottish Government.
39457	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	Yes, but it's difficult to see how this would be ring-fenced?	CT3	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Currently the Scottish Government only allows councils to increase council tax by a maximum of 3% annually. The council will consider your suggestion however it would have to be raised with the Scottish Government.
39458	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	No - again better for WLC to pass across Social Care to Health Service.	CT3	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
39459	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	child care and school	CT3	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Increased nursery hours is a priority of the Scottish Government. The council will be required to implement this as a condition of the council's finance settlement.

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39460	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	I would wish to know exactly how any increase would be spent before supporting this.	CT3	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Currently the Scottish Government only allows councils to increase council tax by a maximum of 3% annually. The council will consider your suggestion however it would have to be raised with the Scottish Government.
39461	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	I would support as much of an increase as needed to keep services and keep jobs.	CT3	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Currently the Scottish Government only allows councils to increase council tax by a maximum of 3% annually. The council will consider your suggestion however it would have to be raised with the Scottish Government.
39462	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	Definitely no !	CT3	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
39463	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	I would not support an increase of more than 3% at the same time as all the other cuts are happening, perhaps in future.	CT3	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
39464	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	NO. I am a single earner and most of my wage goes on paying my bills and I cannot afford to give money for other areas and also I could not trust the money would be spent wisely. As with the change in the logo. Why? Was it required and how much of a cost to the council is this going to be with all badges, uniforms and signage on vans and sign posts need changing. Was it a good idea for this to be done at this time when we are trying to save money. Is a circle really going to make that much different to the council.	CT3	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
39465	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	No, I think there's only so far you can push with a deeply flawed council tax system, and it's hard from this consultation to see that social care is a priority for the council.	CT3	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
39466	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	There would need to be a guarantee that the additional funding raised was ring fenced to West Lothian and not absorbed by the Scottish Government. There is also a proposal to increase income tax being made therefore residents may be reluctant to agree a higher increase as they will feel like they are paying twice for services.	CT3	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Council tax can only be utilised in the local authority area in which it was raised. The Scottish Government could not access any money generated as a result of an increase in council tax.
39467	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	only up to an extra 1%	CT3	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Currently the Scottish Government only allows councils to increase council tax by a maximum of 3% annually. The council will consider your suggestion however it would have to be raised with the Scottish Government.
39468	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	No, 3% is a significant amount for people on low wages.	CT3	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
39469	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	Would support increases above 3% pa. It doesn't need to be hypothecated for specific purposes - that's why we have a council, to decide where money needs to be spent at that particular time.	CT3	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Currently the Scottish Government only allows councils to increase council tax by a maximum of 3% annually. The council will consider your suggestion however it would have to be raised with the Scottish Government.
39470	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	No Really need to think about the proposed Council Tax and rent increases as the Council currently run with over 1 million pound in unpaid rents. If the 3% increase goes ahead along with the introduction of universal credit the deficit will surely just spiral out of control?	CT3	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The council actively pursues all debt, including council tax, community charge, rent and commercial debtors arrears. The council will investigate other ways to improve debt collections including strengthening corporate debt management activity.
39471	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	No, greater than a 3% increase will too much pressure on household budgets, when wages are rising as much.	CT3	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
39472	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	yes if used for public transport as i dont drive and buses are a life line for me to help me live an independent life	CT3	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The proposed 3% increase in council tax would contribute to the overall resources of the council available to fund service delivery. As the £73 million assumes a council tax increase of 3%, a greater increase would be required to replace some of proposed reductions.

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39473	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	I think increasing more than 3% each year will have a bigger negative impact on many families who are already finding it hard to make ends meet. The areas where income is higher and council tax bands are higher then increasing those to a higher rate may give the lower income families a bitter chance of surviving the increase.	CT3	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
39474	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	Yes, for higher rate bands only	CT3	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Currently the Scottish Government only allows councils to increase council tax by a maximum of 3% annually. The council will consider your suggestion however it would have to be raised with the Scottish Government. The current council tax legislation means that any proposed percentage increase needs to be applied across all bands.
39475	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	As a pensioner living on State Pension I would hope we would get a discount on the increased funding. I do believe however, that the "no increase" in Council Tax was not a good idea and if it had gone up a minimal amount each year, people would have accepted that.	CT3	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	Benefits are decided by the UK and Scottish governments. This includes the parameters and income levels used to determine benefit entitlement.
39476	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	Yes, if wages were also increasing	CT3	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Currently the Scottish Government only allows councils to increase council tax by a maximum of 3% annually. The council will consider your suggestion however it would have to be raised with the Scottish Government.
39477	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	No 3% will already be more than people will be getting in pay increases therefore will be a squeeze on household budgets.	CT3	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
39478	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	care or intervention - yes	CT3	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Currently the Scottish Government only allows councils to increase council tax by a maximum of 3% annually. The council will consider your suggestion however it would have to be raised with the Scottish Government.
39479	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	Yes, would support up to 5%	CT3	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Currently the Scottish Government only allows councils to increase council tax by a maximum of 3% annually. The council will consider your suggestion however it would have to be raised with the Scottish Government.
39480	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	No. Because people like me who work are continually expected to contribute and we already pay tax, national insurance and a pension and I object to subsidising certain individuals who have never worked and will never work but will not have to worry about their retirement pension nor will they contribute to it nor worry about social care.	CT3	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
39481	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	No, not until things are running much more efficiently than they do now.	CT3	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
39482	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	Yes if this was directed to securing child care and schooling	CT3	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Currently the Scottish Government only allows councils to increase council tax by a maximum of 3% annually. The council will consider your suggestion however it would have to be raised with the Scottish Government.
39483	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	No. Because people like me who work are continually expected to contribute and we already pay tax, national insurance and a pension and I object to subsidising certain individuals who have never worked and will never work but will not have to worry about their retirement pension nor will they contribute to it nor worry about social care.	CT3	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
39484	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	No The issue with Ctax is that it has remained stagnant for 9 years. 3% is above the level that most people will expect as pay rises so this level of increase will already cut into household budgets.	CT3	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
39485	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	NO - I do not support any increase and especially not one which suggests those who earn support those who do not.	CT3	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
39486	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	No, definitely not	CT3	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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39487	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	Yes - free nursing care for everyone !	CT3	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax.
39488	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	No, I wouldn't. You can't price people out of their homes.	CT3	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
39489	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	No - not meaning to sound bad but I already have been paying an extra 3% council tax, as on higher band this year, and this introduction by the Scottish Government assumes that if you can afford a house above this bracket (which you can fall into with a flat in Bathgate) that you are well off - I am not!	CT3	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
39490	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	No. I do not approve of percentage increases.	CT3	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
39491	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	I think up to 10% would be ok in the circumstances	CT3	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Currently the Scottish Government only allows councils to increase council tax by a maximum of 3% annually. The council will consider your suggestion however it would have to be raised with the Scottish Government.
39492	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	no more than 3%	CT3	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax.
39493	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	Yes, i would wish to see early intervention support for families included as well as social care in its broadest sense	CT3	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Currently the Scottish Government only allows councils to increase council tax by a maximum of 3% annually. The council will consider your suggestion however it would have to be raised with the Scottish Government.
39494	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	As long as done proportionate to ability to pay.	CT3	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Currently the Scottish Government only allows councils to increase council tax by a maximum of 3% annually. The council will consider your suggestion however it would have to be raised with the Scottish Government.
39495	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	I would give an extra 2% to support the instrumental programme.	CT3	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Currently the Scottish Government only allows councils to increase council tax by a maximum of 3% annually. The council will consider your suggestion however it would have to be raised with the Scottish Government.
39496	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	as above - I agree we should increase council tax as long as the money was used to protect social services, and protect staff from cuts.	CT3	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	The proposed 3% increase in council tax would contribute to the overall resources of the council available to fund service delivery. As the £73 million assumes a council tax increase of 3%, a greater increase would be required to replace some of proposed reductions.
39497	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	Yes - up to 5%	CT3	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Currently the Scottish Government only allows councils to increase council tax by a maximum of 3% annually. The council will consider your suggestion however it would have to be raised with the Scottish Government.
39498	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	I think 3% is enough for one year and another 3% next year	CT3	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
39499	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	I would not support this.	CT3	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
39500	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	No I wouldn't support an increase of more than 3%. After each of these successive increases my bill will have increased more than £200 a year - will my income have done the same?	CT3	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
39501	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	Yes for social care and addressing homelessness	CT3	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Currently the Scottish Government only allows councils to increase council tax by a maximum of 3% annually. The council will consider your suggestion however it would have to be raised with the Scottish Government.

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39502	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	Yes I definitely would support a bigger increase. I think you need to be more radical than 3% given all I have just read and responded to. However I think the specific priorities and details should be consulted on and agreed on, in order to have the community onside and feeling they have a say and receive value for money. More services should also be charged a nominal fee. We need to address all that is currently free at Government level	CT3	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Currently the Scottish Government only allows councils to increase council tax by a maximum of 3% annually. The council will consider your suggestion however it would have to be raised with the Scottish Government.
39503	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	Provided it went to support Social Care and ensures West Lothian is a region where it cares for all residents not just those who have a large income. For the many not the few.	CT3	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Currently the Scottish Government only allows councils to increase council tax by a maximum of 3% annually. The council will consider your suggestion however it would have to be raised with the Scottish Government.
39504	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	No!! There is unnecessary expenditure by WLC which would reduce costs. Many initiatives are for votes and holding gun to community asking if we wish to pay 3% additional council tax so it can be spent on priorities is disgraceful. WLC are responsible for wasting money therefore their responsibility.	CT3	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted. The budget gap faced by the council is a result of funding being insufficient to cover the increasing cost of delivering services due to factors such as population growth and indexation. The council is subject to rigorous external audit and both Audit Scotland and EY have confirmed, over a number of years, that the council has robust financial management.
39505	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	Not sure, would not want it used on political priorities that subsidise services for well off individuals and families e.g. free school music	CT3	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	The intention is to utilise any additional council tax money for high priority areas which will be determined through the views expressed in this consultation exercise.
39506	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	Yes, depending on what councils priorities were.	CT3	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Currently the Scottish Government only allows councils to increase council tax by a maximum of 3% annually. The council will consider your suggestion however it would have to be raised with the Scottish Government.
39507	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	Unsure - depends how the money is spent and whether wages go up as this could become difficult to afford	CT3	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
39508	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	Not unless council wages were increased to accommodate the further increase. Wages have not been increased in line with increased costs.	CT3	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
39509	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	Yes - we have had low Council tax for a long time now and need to catch up no matter how hard that is for us. Council should lobby Holyrood to 'get on with' promised overall Rates Revaluation - much talk and discussion but nothing is happening. Rates system needs overhaul and a new method put in place. Council should lobby for this.	CT3	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Currently the Scottish Government only allows councils to increase council tax by a maximum of 3% annually. The council will consider your suggestion however it would have to be raised with the Scottish Government. Council tax bands and the valuations for them are set nationally by the Scottish Government. The council does not have the power to change banding values.
39510	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	Depends on inflation. It would be better to discuss what percentage above inflation as well as the actual figure. I higher rate on more expensive properties would be worth considering.	CT3	5a. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because the council is required by law to deliver this work.	The current council tax legislation means that any proposed percentage increase needs to be applied across all bands.
39511	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	We would need to know what our esteemed leaders would really want to spend the extra on before agreeing to that.	CT3	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
39512	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	Yes. I am very concerned about the cuts to social care, although the detail of the proposal is vague, I do not see how any cuts to care for the elderly for example can possibly be a good thing.	CT3	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Currently the Scottish Government only allows councils to increase council tax by a maximum of 3% annually. The council will consider your suggestion however it would have to be raised with the Scottish Government.
39513	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	Pathways is already partly funded by the NHS and as social care and the NHS are so closely linked is it not possible that the Scottish government should contribute more. This should not be political and there are undercurrents all the way through this consultation that there is more going on here than just saving money. It would be refreshing for both the council and the government to put the people first by working together.	CT3	4. The council is already doing this.	The council works with the NHS to integrate health and social care services to provide a best quality service to users.

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39514	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	I have mixed feelings on this. Yes with reservations increasing council tax has a greater financial impact on the lower paid. Property values require to be re-assessed and councils should be properly funded by Scottish Government if necessarily by an increases and changes to income tax.	CT3	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Currently the Scottish Government only allows councils to increase council tax by a maximum of 3% annually. The council will consider your suggestion however it would have to be raised with the Scottish Government. Council tax bands and the valuations for them are set nationally by the Scottish Government. The council does not have the power to change banding values. he council regularly emphasises to the Scottish Government the need for a fair settlement for local government as well as working with COSLA (the body that collectively represents local government in Scotland) to emphasise this point.
39515	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	....and education	CT3	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Currently the Scottish Government only allows councils to increase council tax by a maximum of 3% annually. The council will consider your suggestion however it would have to be raised with the Scottish Government.
39516	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	Depends on how this would be rolled out. How can you say the extra council tax > 3% is spent on key priorities? this is too difficult to ring fence and prove these revenues go exactly to the priority focus point. In the end everything provided by the council needs to be paid for and extra revenue would naturally be diverted to meet the cost of all services.	CT3	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Currently the Scottish Government only allows councils to increase council tax by a maximum of 3% annually. The council will consider your suggestion however it would have to be raised with the Scottish Government. The council would develop an approach to ensure that this additional funding was directed to priorities as agreed by elected members through the committee process.
39517	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	I would like to be able to direct my poll tax to a dpecific area and have some choice in how its spent	CT3	5a. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because the council is required by law to deliver this work.	Council tax is a tax not a charge for specific services. It generates resources for the overall provision of council services.
39518	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	Would happily pay more to save social care services	CT3	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Currently the Scottish Government only allows councils to increase council tax by a maximum of 3% annually. The council will consider your suggestion however it would have to be raised with the Scottish Government.
39519	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	but would it all be spent on social care and the people who need it	CT3	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Currently the Scottish Government only allows councils to increase council tax by a maximum of 3% annually. The council will consider your suggestion however it would have to be raised with the Scottish Government.
39520	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	There would need to be a very clear approach for the additional funding and I would rather see some go to education services or youth community projects.	CT3	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Currently the Scottish Government only allows councils to increase council tax by a maximum of 3% annually. The council will consider your suggestion however it would have to be raised with the Scottish Government. The council would develop an approach to ensure that this additional funding was directed to priorities as agreed by elected members through the committee process.
39521	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	Yes support social care services !!!	CT3	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Currently the Scottish Government only allows councils to increase council tax by a maximum of 3% annually. The council will consider your suggestion however it would have to be raised with the Scottish Government.
39522	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	Social care, services for vulnerable, elderly etc. Education	CT3	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Currently the Scottish Government only allows councils to increase council tax by a maximum of 3% annually. The council will consider your suggestion however it would have to be raised with the Scottish Government.
39523	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	Yes bit I'm not sure that my priorities are in line with everyone else.	CT3	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Currently the Scottish Government only allows councils to increase council tax by a maximum of 3% annually. The council will consider your suggestion however it would have to be raised with the Scottish Government.

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39524	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	I would support it if extra funding went on education staff	CT3	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Currently the Scottish Government only allows councils to increase council tax by a maximum of 3% annually. The council will consider your suggestion however it would have to be raised with the Scottish Government.
39525	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	No funding should be split equally and especially when your reducing activities for children	CT3	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
39526	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	I wouldn't mind paying an increase if spent on social care.	CT3	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Currently the Scottish Government only allows councils to increase council tax by a maximum of 3% annually. The council will consider your suggestion however it would have to be raised with the Scottish Government.
39527	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	Possibly but let's start with 3% to see what difference that makes.	CT3	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
39528	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	NO, this is too vague and given only as a possible example!	CT3	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
39529	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	Within limits	CT3	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Currently the Scottish Government only allows councils to increase council tax by a maximum of 3% annually. The council will consider your suggestion however it would have to be raised with the Scottish Government.
39530	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	No, despite rising demand, social care should be overhauled to become more efficient and effective. Managers need to be brought in who want to modernise and become more efficient.	CT3	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
39531	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	Up to 4%	CT3	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Currently the Scottish Government only allows councils to increase council tax by a maximum of 3% annually. The council will consider your suggestion however it would have to be raised with the Scottish Government.
39532	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	I would support this if Social Care is applicable to both Young and Elderly (If this is what is meant).	CT3	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Currently the Scottish Government only allows councils to increase council tax by a maximum of 3% annually. The council will consider your suggestion however it would have to be raised with the Scottish Government.
39533	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	Yes - I would support an increase of more than 3%	CT3	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Currently the Scottish Government only allows councils to increase council tax by a maximum of 3% annually. The council will consider your suggestion however it would have to be raised with the Scottish Government.
39534	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	Would consider	CT3	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Currently the Scottish Government only allows councils to increase council tax by a maximum of 3% annually. The council will consider your suggestion however it would have to be raised with the Scottish Government.
39535	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	Council tax must be spent on the priorities as the plan would be back to square one if they spent the council tax increase on something else.	CT3	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
39536	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	Possibly - but only if transformational change is addressed and it is not just further resourcing to fix current approaches	CT3	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Currently the Scottish Government only allows councils to increase council tax by a maximum of 3% annually. The council will consider your suggestion however it would have to be raised with the Scottish Government.

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39537	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	Yes, but hypothecation is a minefield I would stay out of.	CT3	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Currently the Scottish Government only allows councils to increase council tax by a maximum of 3% annually. The council will consider your suggestion however it would have to be raised with the Scottish Government.
39538	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	Would means tested increase be an option?	CT3	5a. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because the council is required by law to deliver this work.	The current council tax legislation means that any proposed percentage increase needs to be applied across all bands. Individuals on low incomes are able to apply for a number of council tax discounts and reductions.
39539	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	Yes, I would as social care is imperative for a vast number of West Lothian residents.	CT3	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Currently the Scottish Government only allows councils to increase council tax by a maximum of 3% annually. The council will consider your suggestion however it would have to be raised with the Scottish Government.
39540	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	No , I have already agreed to a 15% (in total over 5years) rise for what looks like a lesser service and ringfencing may happen for the first year but the rise would not come back down the way and the extra would eventually get swallowed up into general income and not be additional at all.	CT3	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
39541	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	yes...but I am not a resident in west lothian	CT3	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Currently the Scottish Government only allows councils to increase council tax by a maximum of 3% annually. The council will consider your suggestion however it would have to be raised with the Scottish Government.
39542	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	NO I also don't think this is a fair question.	CT3	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
39543	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	if it were spent on education then yes.	CT3	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Currently the Scottish Government only allows councils to increase council tax by a maximum of 3% annually. The council will consider your suggestion however it would have to be raised with the Scottish Government.
39544	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	Subject to clear public information about the accounting involved, and to a modest increase, yes.	CT3	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Currently the Scottish Government only allows councils to increase council tax by a maximum of 3% annually. The council will consider your suggestion however it would have to be raised with the Scottish Government. The council would develop an approach to ensure that this additional funding was directed to priorities as agreed by elected members through the committee process.
39545	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	I support an increase of only 3%	CT3	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
39546	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	No I would not - I think it shocking that money be passed about like this.	CT3	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
39547	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	No ... this wont happen ...They will tell us it is but it wont .. The money would be better spent helping the homeless and old people ... In some countries old people of a certain age even get there phones paid for	CT3	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
39548	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	yes, raise it higher as there have been no rises for a huge number of years.	CT3	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Currently the Scottish Government only allows councils to increase council tax by a maximum of 3% annually. The council will consider your suggestion however it would have to be raised with the Scottish Government.
39549	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	Increase to commercial level the council rent.	CT3	4. The council is already doing this.	In reviewing the commercial property portfolio the aim is to create a dynamic and proactive portfolio that strives to deliver good opportunities and improving rent returns. The review of rents will be considered in line with various factors including market rates and local circumstances.

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39550	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	I would support Council Tax increases if it protected jobs and kept vital services at a high standard.	CT3	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Currently the Scottish Government only allows councils to increase council tax by a maximum of 3% annually. The council will consider your suggestion however it would have to be raised with the Scottish Government.
39551	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	I feel as though this is where it is most needed	CT3	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Currently the Scottish Government only allows councils to increase council tax by a maximum of 3% annually. The council will consider your suggestion however it would have to be raised with the Scottish Government.
39552	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	Absolutely no increases in council tax. If there was an increase in council tax, there would be to be a pay rise well above 3% to counteract it.	CT3	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
39553	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	No as it is the people who can afford the 3% increase that would not need to access certain services	CT3	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
39554	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	Totally hypothetical as the maximum increase is up to 3%.	CT3	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
39555	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	Spent on education and outside agencies (social work is a necessity for more people) rather currently just ice berg effect (only dealing with physical ...seeing of the iceberg rather than dealing with the under water/ underlying issues)	CT3	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Currently the Scottish Government only allows councils to increase council tax by a maximum of 3% annually. The council will consider your suggestion however it would have to be raised with the Scottish Government.
39556	No Response	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	I would suggest an increase in excess of 3% for the next 2 years.	CT3	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Currently the Scottish Government only allows councils to increase council tax by a maximum of 3% annually. The council will consider your suggestion however it would have to be raised with the Scottish Government.
39557	No Response	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	Yes, but council tax payers should have input into what those priorities should be (online vote?).	CT3	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Currently the Scottish Government only allows councils to increase council tax by a maximum of 3% annually. The council will consider your suggestion however it would have to be raised with the Scottish Government.
39558	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	I don't agree with this, I feel it should be shared equally.	CT3	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
39559	No Response	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	Not enough information to provide comment.	CT3	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
39560	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	No this kind of funding should come from increased income tax for top band earners.	CT3	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
39561	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	flat fee spent on social care	CT3	5a. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because the council is required by law to deliver this work.	The current council tax legislation means that any proposed percentage increase needs to be applied across all bands.
39562	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	If the money was spent right then yes, again not every year, but again there is no guarantee as to where this money will go, seems to be like a lot of it goes to paying higher up employee members of the council and it would take a lot for the council to prove and reassure the public that this is not going to be the case.	CT3	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Currently the Scottish Government only allows councils to increase council tax by a maximum of 3% annually. The council will consider your suggestion however it would have to be raised with the Scottish Government.
39563	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	Possibly, why not offer opportunity to allocate, say, +2% to areas of their choice	CT3	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Currently the Scottish Government only allows councils to increase council tax by a maximum of 3% annually. The council will consider your suggestion however it would have to be raised with the Scottish Government.
39564	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	Yes, I would support it, if the money was used wisely and was used to benefit the growing population, and the education system, as well as the arts, which helps make a person.	CT3	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Currently the Scottish Government only allows councils to increase council tax by a maximum of 3% annually. The council will consider your suggestion however it would have to be raised with the Scottish Government.

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39565	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	it would depend on the specific priorities. I would broadly support a greater increase to remove the need for some of the more short sighted cuts suggested above.	CT3	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Currently the Scottish Government only allows councils to increase council tax by a maximum of 3% annually. The council will consider your suggestion however it would have to be raised with the Scottish Government.
39566	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	No I would not as it should of been a gradual increase not a huge leap and would leave a lot of people struggling to pay.	CT3	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
39567	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	Yes, if this money was spent on education and the elderly and vulnerable.	CT3	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Currently the Scottish Government only allows councils to increase council tax by a maximum of 3% annually. The council will consider your suggestion however it would have to be raised with the Scottish Government.
39568	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	Yes.. as long as funds raised were plied into mental health services in West Lothian	CT3	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Currently the Scottish Government only allows councils to increase council tax by a maximum of 3% annually. The council will consider your suggestion however it would have to be raised with the Scottish Government.
39569	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	Yes, on protecting essential services	CT3	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Currently the Scottish Government only allows councils to increase council tax by a maximum of 3% annually. The council will consider your suggestion however it would have to be raised with the Scottish Government.
39570	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	Yes, provided it was clearly costed and ring fenced and not just placed in the overall budget.	CT3	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Currently the Scottish Government only allows councils to increase council tax by a maximum of 3% annually. The council will consider your suggestion however it would have to be raised with the Scottish Government.
39571	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	Social care and education	CT3	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Currently the Scottish Government only allows councils to increase council tax by a maximum of 3% annually. The council will consider your suggestion however it would have to be raised with the Scottish Government.
39572	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	Yes but would need to be ring fenced	CT3	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Currently the Scottish Government only allows councils to increase council tax by a maximum of 3% annually. The council will consider your suggestion however it would have to be raised with the Scottish Government.
39573	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	not social care or benefits. keep the dump and the busses	CT3	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Currently the Scottish Government only allows councils to increase council tax by a maximum of 3% annually. The council will consider your suggestion however it would have to be raised with the Scottish Government.
39574	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	Yes, if the priority was education, not social care.	CT3	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Currently the Scottish Government only allows councils to increase council tax by a maximum of 3% annually. The council will consider your suggestion however it would have to be raised with the Scottish Government.
39575	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	Yes, I would support increases up to 5% if the money was ringfenced only for primary school education and care for older people	CT3	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Currently the Scottish Government only allows councils to increase council tax by a maximum of 3% annually. The council will consider your suggestion however it would have to be raised with the Scottish Government.
39576	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	I do not think this is feasible. I might agree to fund one activity, whilst my neighbour agreed to another. I would be happy to pay for a service local to my village - eg litter picking, or gardening in the local park	CT3	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
39577	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	Yes - Although I would also like to see further investment in education	CT3	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Currently the Scottish Government only allows councils to increase council tax by a maximum of 3% annually. The council will consider your suggestion however it would have to be raised with the Scottish Government.

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39578	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	Yes we need to look after our most vulnerable.	CT3	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Currently the Scottish Government only allows councils to increase council tax by a maximum of 3% annually. The council will consider your suggestion however it would have to be raised with the Scottish Government.
39579	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	Yes I would support an increase in taxes to support specific priorities. Social services particularly relating to children, disabled children and disabled people and their carers in general would be an excellent choice as I absolutely believe that these spending create savings in the long term. I would not support a rise in taxes to increase the amount of council managers and managers' personal assistants or to support the use of more consultant companies. I have seen extra budget used just for that instead of front line staff and services in the past.	CT3	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Currently the Scottish Government only allows councils to increase council tax by a maximum of 3% annually. The council will consider your suggestion however it would have to be raised with the Scottish Government.
39580	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	I would support a rise of up to 5% if money were ring fenced for specific priorities ie positive destinations for young people .	CT3	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Currently the Scottish Government only allows councils to increase council tax by a maximum of 3% annually. The council will consider your suggestion however it would have to be raised with the Scottish Government.
39581	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	Agree, but any additional charges being specific to personal house hold services only, as described previously, e.g. house waste uplift, brown bins etc.	CT3	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Currently the Scottish Government only allows councils to increase council tax by a maximum of 3% annually. The council will consider your suggestion however it would have to be raised with the Scottish Government.
39582	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	Yes within reason. If the money continues to be spent on companies e.g. for drafting services for surveys like this with frankly daft questions then no. Social care is the headline grabber, and i support that fully but if the money is given to companies like Mears who exploit staff with zero hours contracts in jobs falsely advertised as full time hours, and who care even less about the elderly. We can't use my CT money to find companies who care only about profit. Mears is just one of them. Let's pay full time council staff to care for a fixed living wage. I'd also not be happy to pay more if it means VLC will sit back and wait until the money runs out before they consider savings e.g. using LED lights! Get your act together first please!	CT3	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Currently the Scottish Government only allows councils to increase council tax by a maximum of 3% annually. The council will consider your suggestion however it would have to be raised with the Scottish Government. The consultation document was devised internally and produced at minimal cost. All Social Care staff are paid the Living Wage. The council has delivered substantial savings in the last five years through the introduction of LED lights and will continue to do so in the next five years.
39583	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	No, I think that 3% is enough - it is above the rate of inflation.	CT3	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
39584	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	Yes, would like more details on where money would go.	CT3	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Currently the Scottish Government only allows councils to increase council tax by a maximum of 3% annually. The council will consider your suggestion however it would have to be raised with the Scottish Government.
39585	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	Only if this additional increase was on higher band properties	CT3	5a. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because the council is required by law to deliver this work.	The current council tax legislation means that any proposed percentage increase needs to be applied across all bands.
39586	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	I would support a higher rate only on the higher tax bands. Not on the lower bands. Yes, I'd like to know exactly where the additional funding would be going prior to agreeing to it.	CT3	5a. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because the council is required by law to deliver this work.	The current council tax legislation means that any proposed percentage increase needs to be applied across all bands.
39587	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	I believe this would only be valid where services are means tested and not universal to all.	CT3	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	Many of the areas of universal provision are national schemes determined and set by the Scottish Government. The council could not add means testing for these areas.
39588	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	Only if there was a democratic mandate.	CT3	4. The council is already doing this.	Council tax and the council's budget are agreed at full council at which all 33 elected members attend.
39589	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	No, social care and health should work in partnership, we are treated like second class citizens with our local hospital unable to accommodate all medical cases.	CT3	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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39590	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	Yes as long as it is properly targeted.	CT3	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Currently the Scottish Government only allows councils to increase council tax by a maximum of 3% annually. The council will consider your suggestion however it would have to be raised with the Scottish Government.
39591	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	The 'Have your say on WL's proposals on page 12 of the paper is not below this section. The comments do NOT relate to Social Care. On page 4 the Council Funding is £398.123M and is detailed. Expenditure on the same page totals £318.6M. There is a surplus of £79.523M with NO explanation of any other Expenditure. The Reduction Proposals on pages 5 to 9 are not readily identified to the areas of Expenditure on page 4. The saving of £73M should be made at the rate of £15M per annum on the areas of Expenditure not identified on page 4.	CT3	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The expenditure budget is £398.123 million as detailed in the circle in the top right of the page with the income detailed on the left. The areas of expenditure are examples only and do not present themselves as the total expenditure of the council. This is clear in the heading which states "Here are some examples of where we will spend the 2017/18 budget".
39592	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	This would depend greatly on how much more of an increase was proposed and what the extra money would be spent on	CT3	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Currently the Scottish Government only allows councils to increase council tax by a maximum of 3% annually. The council will consider your suggestion however it would have to be raised with the Scottish Government.
39593	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	Maybe	CT3	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Currently the Scottish Government only allows councils to increase council tax by a maximum of 3% annually. The council will consider your suggestion however it would have to be raised with the Scottish Government.
39594	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	Possibly	CT3	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Currently the Scottish Government only allows councils to increase council tax by a maximum of 3% annually. The council will consider your suggestion however it would have to be raised with the Scottish Government.
39595	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	No. In areas such as Murieston which has a high council tax rate, very little seems to be given back from the council in this area!	CT3	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
39596	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	Not unless wages were increased in line with this as new starts on living wage will soon be starting at same rate as experienced staff	CT3	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
39597	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	No. Instead cut services and lose staff. Non-statutory services must justify their existence by either income/savings/outcomes delivered.	CT3	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
39598	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	No. Because people like me who work are continually expected to contribute and we already pay tax, national insurance and a pension and I object to subsidising certain individuals who have never worked and will never work but will not have to worry about their retirement pension nor will they contribute to it nor worry about social care.	CT3	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
39599	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	Yes - if you could see the services being delivered benefited the community. Council staff need to realise that standing outside buildings in their uniform having a cigarette is not acceptable and give the impression that council staff have nothing better to do or are lazy or they are getting paid for doing nothing. Or seeing all the council vehicles parked up in a row at lunchtime does not look good .. it is the public view that we do not work hard and this sort of behaviour reinforces this.	CT3	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Currently the Scottish Government only allows councils to increase council tax by a maximum of 3% annually. The council will consider your suggestion however it would have to be raised with the Scottish Government.
39600	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	No. 3% is a manageable increase for most families. I for example come from a two income home. We do not have much disposable income and any over whelming increases would make our life very grim.we do not have to access social care and therefore it is not my priority to fund social care	CT3	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
39601	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	Yes if additional spending was fully explained and justified.	CT3	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Currently the Scottish Government only allows councils to increase council tax by a maximum of 3% annually. The council will consider your suggestion however it would have to be raised with the Scottish Government.
39602	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	No, as both wage earners in this house are paid by the Government we have already seen the real value of our salaries decrease year on year for the last 10 years,	CT3	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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39603	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	no way the government should give you more money for social care not the people of west lothian after all the government pays all the small business rates why cant they pay our council tax our is it just for rich small business	CT3	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
39604	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	Yes - towards the Instrumental Music Service in schools.	CT3	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Currently the Scottish Government only allows councils to increase council tax by a maximum of 3% annually. The council will consider your suggestion however it would have to be raised with the Scottish Government.
39605	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	Yes! Money towards the Instrumental Music Service.	CT3	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Currently the Scottish Government only allows councils to increase council tax by a maximum of 3% annually. The council will consider your suggestion however it would have to be raised with the Scottish Government.
39606	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	I think 3% will be a lot for most people.	CT3	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
39607	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	Yes. I would support an increase of up to 6% per year- but would want the additional 3% to support education and care for the elderly specifically	CT3	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Currently the Scottish Government only allows councils to increase council tax by a maximum of 3% annually. The council will consider your suggestion however it would have to be raised with the Scottish Government.
39608	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	I would have to understand how the increase was going to be used and why it was necessary to increase to fund the initiative.	CT3	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	All services will be reviewed based on the impact they have on priorities. It is proposed that future spending will be aligned to the priorities in the Transforming Your Council consultation document.
39609	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	If there is an increase then there should be visible results which the council provide. If there were an increase of more than 3%, then as a musical household, putting that money to music outreaches would be the benefit. Increasing council tax AND the removal of all instrumental teachers I feel is a dark cloud with no silver lining.	CT3	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Currently the Scottish Government only allows councils to increase council tax by a maximum of 3% annually. The council will consider your suggestion however it would have to be raised with the Scottish Government.
39610	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	I would support a slight increase to the 3% if it was spent on no further reduction to bin collection, recycling sites were not to close and bulky uplifts remained free of charge.	CT3	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Currently the Scottish Government only allows councils to increase council tax by a maximum of 3% annually. The council will consider your suggestion however it would have to be raised with the Scottish Government.
39611	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	I would support an increase above 3% to go towards high priority services for the most vulnerable.	CT3	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Currently the Scottish Government only allows councils to increase council tax by a maximum of 3% annually. The council will consider your suggestion however it would have to be raised with the Scottish Government.
39612	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	No. There is a limit to how much people can afford to spend.	CT3	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
39613	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	Maximum 5% increase	CT3	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Currently the Scottish Government only allows councils to increase council tax by a maximum of 3% annually. The council will consider your suggestion however it would have to be raised with the Scottish Government.
39614	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	We would support this if the money was spent on key priorities in West Lothian.	CT3	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Currently the Scottish Government only allows councils to increase council tax by a maximum of 3% annually. The council will consider your suggestion however it would have to be raised with the Scottish Government.
39615	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	Yes, if wages were also rising	CT3	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Currently the Scottish Government only allows councils to increase council tax by a maximum of 3% annually. The council will consider your suggestion however it would have to be raised with the Scottish Government.

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39616	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	It should be spent on Education if you are to raise the Council Tax.	CT3	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Currently the Scottish Government only allows councils to increase council tax by a maximum of 3% annually. The council will consider your suggestion however it would have to be raised with the Scottish Government.
39617	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	yes, save local social care centres. Ability centre should not have to shut.	CT3	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Currently the Scottish Government only allows councils to increase council tax by a maximum of 3% annually. The council will consider your suggestion however it would have to be raised with the Scottish Government.
39618	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	I would need to see the detail but I would certainly consider it.	CT3	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Currently the Scottish Government only allows councils to increase council tax by a maximum of 3% annually. The council will consider your suggestion however it would have to be raised with the Scottish Government.
39619	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	I would support a council tax increase of up to 5% per annum to protect essential services. It is wrong for the Scottish government to try to restrict council tax increases to 3% - all over Europe this would be a decision for local councillors. If the 3% limit is retained, the council could consider approaching the Scottish government to ask if the 3% that was not used in 2017/18 when the council froze council tax, could be used in 2018/19 i.e. increase tax by 6% in 2018/19.	CT3	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Currently the Scottish Government only allows councils to increase council tax by a maximum of 3% annually. The council will consider your suggestion however it would have to be raised with the Scottish Government.
39620	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	Higher council tax to protect jobs.	CT3	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Currently the Scottish Government only allows councils to increase council tax by a maximum of 3% annually. The council will consider your suggestion however it would have to be raised with the Scottish Government.
39621	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	No - though would change my mind if West Lothian Council could support me to have a pay rise of 5%!	CT3	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
39622	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	Yes- only if spent on Sport, Culture and education	CT3	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Currently the Scottish Government only allows councils to increase council tax by a maximum of 3% annually. The council will consider your suggestion however it would have to be raised with the Scottish Government.
39623	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	Yes pay more to protect day centres	CT3	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Currently the Scottish Government only allows councils to increase council tax by a maximum of 3% annually. The council will consider your suggestion however it would have to be raised with the Scottish Government.
39624	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	Depends on the priority.	CT3	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	All services will be reviewed based on the impact they have on priorities. It is proposed that future spending will be aligned to the priorities in the Transforming Your Council consultation document.
39625	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	It would be difficult to prove to residents where the money is going.	CT3	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	All services will be reviewed based on the impact they have on priorities. It is proposed that future spending will be aligned to the priorities in the Transforming Your Council consultation document.
39626	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	No, as a govt employee my salary has hardly increased over the last 10 years, nor has my partners.	CT3	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
39627	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	Not social care.. they need to get more efficient and effective, need complete overhaul and could make loads of savings here.	CT3	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
39628	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	No, would want the money spread across priorities.	CT3	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
39629	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	No	CT3	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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39630	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	No. As a public sector worker subject to a pay freeze this would be unaffordable	CT3	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
39631	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	Education has to come first, then health, then social care.	CT3	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
39632	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	No the income should be shared across all departments - this includes welfare issues - there is no point increasing one sector without looking at them all. This would not provide a good service to the people of West Lothian and families are affected by many things - welfare reforms, schooling, bin collection, public safety etc - it needs to be an across the board approach to help the many and not the few.	CT3	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
39633	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	No need if increase Council Tax by 3% in each successive year over the 5 year period.	CT3	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
39634	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	There should be an increase across all bands, perhaps 1 or 2% for lower bands and increasing to 3%. This should be ongoing each year even if only by 1% each time.	CT3	5a. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because the council is required by law to deliver this work.	The current council tax legislation means that any proposed percentage increase needs to be applied across all bands.
39635	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	Yes - very much so - especially for spending on education and the environment.	CT3	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Currently the Scottish Government only allows councils to increase council tax by a maximum of 3% annually. The council will consider your suggestion however it would have to be raised with the Scottish Government.
39636	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	There is a need to challenge central government on budget allocation. Suggest that council increase council tax beyond 3% to meet needs.	CT3	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Currently the Scottish Government only allows councils to increase council tax by a maximum of 3% annually. The council will consider your suggestion however it would have to be raised with the Scottish Government.
39637	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	Yes. Better than SG income tax plans where there is no guarantee the money will go towards funding local government. Will make up for rises that haven't happened over last 10 years.	CT3	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Currently the Scottish Government only allows councils to increase council tax by a maximum of 3% annually. The council will consider your suggestion however it would have to be raised with the Scottish Government.
39638	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	As a low income household but not on benefits, I would only agree if the personal allowance rate was increased to cope with such rises as inflation is increasing and therefore it would hit people on low incomes.	CT3	8. This suggestion is out with the responsibility of West Lothian Council. Where relevant, we will forward these comments to our partner organisations.	The Scottish Government is responsible for any changes to income tax.
39639	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	Yes but not on social care. People have different priorities and views on where it should be spent and repeatedly this is weighted towards statutory services, it is not all education education, social care social care. People want a fully rounded life with good experiences, quality environment and enjoyment from facilities on their doorstep. This is what gives value to where people live, people work and people play. Invest in the environment, in the services people can enjoy and make West Lothian an attractive investment.	CT3	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Currently the Scottish Government only allows councils to increase council tax by a maximum of 3% annually. The council will consider your suggestion however it would have to be raised with the Scottish Government.
39640	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	No I believe that too much resources goes to cures rather than sorting out the entire environment as a preventative system. Do something groundbreaking that reduces the need for the amount that has to be ploughed into the social care and health services.	CT3	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
39641	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	If it would help really deprived families, yes.	CT3	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Currently the Scottish Government only allows councils to increase council tax by a maximum of 3% annually. The council will consider your suggestion however it would have to be raised with the Scottish Government.
39642	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	The spending priorities would have to be made specific and explicit before that question can be answered.	CT3	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	All services will be reviewed based on the impact they have on priorities. It is proposed that future spending will be aligned to the priorities in the Transforming Your Council consultation document.
39643	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	noyou just need to manage the limited budget better	CT3	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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39644	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	Yes Would like to see 4 - 5% increase to keep services for young people and disabled and elderly	CT3	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Currently the Scottish Government only allows councils to increase council tax by a maximum of 3% annually. The council will consider your suggestion however it would have to be raised with the Scottish Government.
39645	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	No, any money raised above the 3% should not be ringfenced.	CT3	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
39646	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	Not at this time. Perhaps in future years.	CT3	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
39647	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	If it was then yes but it is not always given the priority.	CT3	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Currently the Scottish Government only allows councils to increase council tax by a maximum of 3% annually. The council will consider your suggestion however it would have to be raised with the Scottish Government.
39648	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	No. As above - lets have a root and branch review of the council service and delivery. It isn't necessary to increase costs when efficiencies can be identified. A business approach is what is needed to ensure the correct spending on items needed is controlled. As above - address the inefficiencies first, and don't ask the community to fund these by increasing the tax.	CT3	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	All services will be reviewed based on the impact they have on priorities. It is proposed that future spending will be aligned to the priorities in the Transforming Your Council consultation document.
39649	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	I'd be more likely to, but would want more information on the specific priorities	CT3	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	All services will be reviewed based on the impact they have on priorities. It is proposed that future spending will be aligned to the priorities in the Transforming Your Council consultation document.
39650	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	Only if it was being managed efficiently.	CT3	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	All services will be reviewed based on the impact they have on priorities. It is proposed that future spending will be aligned to the priorities in the Transforming Your Council consultation document.
39651	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	Maybe, I would need to see the proposal.	CT3	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	All services will be reviewed based on the impact they have on priorities. It is proposed that future spending will be aligned to the priorities in the Transforming Your Council consultation document.
39652	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	No if crc sites are to close.	CT3	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
39653	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	I feel an increase of more than 3% at one time could be very challenging for some West Lothian residents, particularly at a time when salaries are not increasing and the cost of living is continuing to increase.	CT3	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
39654	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	Yes, within the realms of the overall cost of living being reduced by increased wage to inflation.	CT3	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Currently the Scottish Government only allows councils to increase council tax by a maximum of 3% annually. The council will consider your suggestion however it would have to be raised with the Scottish Government.
39655	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	In principle yes, but I would require more information prior to committing to this.	CT3	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Currently the Scottish Government only allows councils to increase council tax by a maximum of 3% annually. The council will consider your suggestion however it would have to be raised with the Scottish Government.
39656	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	Not without far more information on the details plans.	CT3	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	All services will be reviewed based on the impact they have on priorities. It is proposed that future spending will be aligned to the priorities in the Transforming Your Council consultation document.
39657	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	Yes, as long as it was spent on social care.	CT3	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Currently the Scottish Government only allows councils to increase council tax by a maximum of 3% annually. The council will consider your suggestion however it would have to be raised with the Scottish Government.

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39658	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	No - why? Danger of financial allocation being divisive in the community.	CT3	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
39659	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	No. Social Care requires a nationally-driven solution. This requirement for additional funding is universal and not a local issue, per se.	CT3	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
39660	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	No. Because people like me who work are continually expected to contribute and we already pay tax, national insurance and a pension and I object to subsidising certain individuals who have never worked and will never work but will not have to worry about their retirement pension nor will they contribute to it nor worry about social care.	CT3	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
39661	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	Not sure since you say people are going to have to pay for this, so families like mine would be hit very badly.	CT3	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
39662	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	No. Because people like me who work are continually expected to contribute and we already pay tax, national insurance and a pension and I object to subsidising certain individuals who have never worked and will never work but will not have to worry about their retirement pension nor will they contribute to it nor worry about social care.	CT3	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
39663	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	I would support increase but not on specific areas should be to better provide all services.	CT3	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Currently the Scottish Government only allows councils to increase council tax by a maximum of 3% annually. The council will consider your suggestion however it would have to be raised with the Scottish Government.
39664	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	If wages were going up by the same amount.	CT3	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Currently the Scottish Government only allows councils to increase council tax by a maximum of 3% annually. The council will consider your suggestion however it would have to be raised with the Scottish Government.
39665	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	I'd support a further increase in council tax if it was used to clean up the borough.	CT3	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Currently the Scottish Government only allows councils to increase council tax by a maximum of 3% annually. The council will consider your suggestion however it would have to be raised with the Scottish Government.
39666	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	Yes - the additional raised should be used to support frontline services such as the Instrumental Music Service to which I have referred earlier, for example.	CT3	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Currently the Scottish Government only allows councils to increase council tax by a maximum of 3% annually. The council will consider your suggestion however it would have to be raised with the Scottish Government.
39667	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	Yes, but with Scottish government in recent times stipulating what services we prioritise for example Education, Social care, I would be keen to see other services such as Environmental services and building services being supported, especially with the proposal to build 3000 new council house within the current administration and the additional pressures put on these services.	CT3	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Currently the Scottish Government only allows councils to increase council tax by a maximum of 3% annually. The council will consider your suggestion however it would have to be raised with the Scottish Government.
39668	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	Unlikely that agreement on what these specific priorities were could ever be achieved.	CT3	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	All services will be reviewed based on the impact they have on priorities. It is proposed that future spending will be aligned to the priorities in the Transforming Your Council consultation document.
39669	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	Only if there was a clear agreement that it would be spent on Social Policy and Social Care!	CT3	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	All services will be reviewed based on the impact they have on priorities. It is proposed that future spending will be aligned to the priorities in the Transforming Your Council consultation document.
39670	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	No I would not support an additional increase. The majority of the finances raised with the increase will come from those working residents therefore I think with the cost of living rising year on year, enough is enough. Charging for personal care should raise income to the council.	CT3	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
39671	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	This would largely depend on where it was spent.	CT3	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	All services will be reviewed based on the impact they have on priorities. It is proposed that future spending will be aligned to the priorities in the Transforming Your Council consultation document.
39672	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	Not at this time as everyone's budgets are tight and with uncertainty over future	CT3	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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39673	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	Not unless a properly proportionate council is constituted.	CT3	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
39674	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	Yes, but not specifically social care. Prevention is the way to go keeping people involved and active makes them more likely to keep healthy and fit and supportive of the council's work.	CT3	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Currently the Scottish Government only allows councils to increase council tax by a maximum of 3% annually. The council will consider your suggestion however it would have to be raised with the Scottish Government.
39675	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	No. Because people like me who work are continually expected to contribute and we already pay tax, national insurance and a pension and I object to subsidising certain individuals who have never worked and will never work but will not have to worry about their retirement pension nor will they contribute to it nor worry about social care.	CT3	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
39676	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	No, I think that 3% this year is enough and should be broadly palatable. More than that and you will get more pushback.	CT3	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
39677	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	I would not agree to anything being spent on a specific priority until I was informed of what that would entail. Social care is a huge area and I would want to know that my money was being diverted to those most in need.	CT3	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	All services will be reviewed based on the impact they have on priorities. It is proposed that future spending will be aligned to the priorities in the Transforming Your Council consultation document.
39678	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	Probably, depending on the priorities.	CT3	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	All services will be reviewed based on the impact they have on priorities. It is proposed that future spending will be aligned to the priorities in the Transforming Your Council consultation document.
39679	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	No - given that public sector pay and other pays have not increased this would seem unreasonable.	CT3	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
39680	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	I would support an increase of more than 3% in council tax, to be paid only by those above a certain level of income. I don't think an across-the-board increase of more than 3% would be fair.	CT3	5a. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because the council is required by law to deliver this work.	The current council tax legislation means that any proposed percentage increase needs to be applied across all bands.
39681	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	Agree - but only for use in support of services for the elderly. Think 5% per year is ok.	CT3	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Currently the Scottish Government only allows councils to increase council tax by a maximum of 3% annually. The council will consider your suggestion however it would have to be raised with the Scottish Government.
39682	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	Yes, definitely - we need to live in a society that cares for people who need support.	CT3	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Currently the Scottish Government only allows councils to increase council tax by a maximum of 3% annually. The council will consider your suggestion however it would have to be raised with the Scottish Government.
39683	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	I would support a rise to support properly managed social care provision	CT3	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Currently the Scottish Government only allows councils to increase council tax by a maximum of 3% annually. The council will consider your suggestion however it would have to be raised with the Scottish Government.
39684	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	The West Lothian Community Race Forum feels that the increase should be capped at 3%. A further increase may adversely impact upon those already experiencing poverty and hardship.	CT3	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
39685	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	The West Lothian Faith Group would not support an increase of more than 3% as this may make housing costs too unaffordable for those households that are already disadvantaged.	CT3	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
39686	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	If it was for a specific and prioritized spend I feel this may be considered however for the 3% increase I feel this is a good starting point.	CT3	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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39687	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	Yes - but exclusively to be spent on older people without private transport or computers living in isolated communities (small villages).	CT3	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Currently the Scottish Government only allows councils to increase council tax by a maximum of 3% annually. The council will consider your suggestion however it would have to be raised with the Scottish Government.
39688	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	Yes but to a limit. It's better to raise its little by little each year instead of raising is a lot at once	CT3	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Currently the Scottish Government only allows councils to increase council tax by a maximum of 3% annually. The council will consider your suggestion however it would have to be raised with the Scottish Government.
39689	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	I don't see a problem with this if it could be made only on the higher bands. How would the council be accountable to what that extra fund raising was spent on?	CT3	5a. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because the council is required by law to deliver this work.	The current council tax legislation means that any proposed percentage increase needs to be applied across all bands.
39690	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	I fear no as that is not equal and would solve nothing. It would however salve our consciences.	CT3	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
39691	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	No as the council mismanagement here is to much over the years to justify a increase	CT3	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	The budget gap faced by the council is a result of funding being insufficient to cover the increasing cost of delivering services due to factors such as population growth and indexation. The council is subject to rigorous external audit and both Audit Scotland and EY have confirmed, over a number of years, that the council has robust financial management.
39692	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	If by Social Care it includes the Youth and Elderly.	CT3	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Currently the Scottish Government only allows councils to increase council tax by a maximum of 3% annually. The council will consider your suggestion however it would have to be raised with the Scottish Government.
39693	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	Yes if it was open and transparent where the money was being spent.	CT3	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Currently the Scottish Government only allows councils to increase council tax by a maximum of 3% annually. The council will consider your suggestion however it would have to be raised with the Scottish Government.
39694	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	Depends on what the increased income would be spent on.	CT3	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	All services will be reviewed based on the impact they have on priorities. It is proposed that future spending will be aligned to the priorities in the Transforming Your Council consultation document.
39695	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	Only if it was solely spent on education, including early years.	CT3	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Currently the Scottish Government only allows councils to increase council tax by a maximum of 3% annually. The council will consider your suggestion however it would have to be raised with the Scottish Government.
39696	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	In theory, yes. In practice I would need to know how it would affect me financially and which priorities would benefit.	CT3	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Currently the Scottish Government only allows councils to increase council tax by a maximum of 3% annually. The council will consider your suggestion however it would have to be raised with the Scottish Government.
39697	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	Any increase should be spread across the council services and not ring fenced for certain services	CT3	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Currently the Scottish Government only allows councils to increase council tax by a maximum of 3% annually. The council will consider your suggestion however it would have to be raised with the Scottish Government.
39698	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	yes - but not every year or the bill would soon spiral	CT3	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Currently the Scottish Government only allows councils to increase council tax by a maximum of 3% annually. The council will consider your suggestion however it would have to be raised with the Scottish Government.
39699	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	Depends on the priorities	CT3	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	All services will be reviewed based on the impact they have on priorities. It is proposed that future spending will be aligned to the priorities in the Transforming Your Council consultation document.

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39700	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	not at this time until the effect of rising interest rates and scottish income tax is established	CT3	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
39701	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	We would have to give further consideration to this. The environment, crime and transport would be our priorities.	CT3	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
39702	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	It would depend on the proposed expenditure of the initial 3% raised.	CT3	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	All services will be reviewed based on the impact they have on priorities. It is proposed that future spending will be aligned to the priorities in the Transforming Your Council consultation document.
39703	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	unfortunately there is no way of evidencing if these funds would be spent as requested. People are beginning to loose trust in the council and where funds are being allocated and the efficiency of the council processes and planning	CT3	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	All services will be reviewed based on the impact they have on priorities. It is proposed that future spending will be aligned to the priorities in the Transforming Your Council consultation document.
39704	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	Possibly would give it consideration depending on percentage increase	CT3	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Currently the Scottish Government only allows councils to increase council tax by a maximum of 3% annually. The council will consider your suggestion however it would have to be raised with the Scottish Government.
39705	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	The people of West Lothian should not be liable to pay for the cuts and mistakes coming from government, we are also not a bottomless pot of money to pay for all these increases caused by the cuts.	CT3	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
39706	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	No 3% is a lot for some poeple in one go. Perhaps in future when the economic climate improves this might be considered.	CT3	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
39707	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	Yes - Education	CT3	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Currently the Scottish Government only allows councils to increase council tax by a maximum of 3% annually. The council will consider your suggestion however it would have to be raised with the Scottish Government.
39708	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	Yes. Specific priorities like youth work, also day centres and residential care for those who need it.	CT3	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Currently the Scottish Government only allows councils to increase council tax by a maximum of 3% annually. The council will consider your suggestion however it would have to be raised with the Scottish Government.
39709	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	However, I would agree if it was on my priorities above.	CT3	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Currently the Scottish Government only allows councils to increase council tax by a maximum of 3% annually. The council will consider your suggestion however it would have to be raised with the Scottish Government.
39710	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	more than 3% would increase hardship and be counter productive with regards minimising poverty and deprivation.	CT3	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
39711	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	I would not support an increase of more than 3%. It is unlikely any major income of state retirement pension (plus a small work pension) will increase by this percentage. I will also incur an increase in rent (as per usual). I am likely, therefore to be in a negative position after any pension increase.	CT3	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
39712	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	Transport links for workers and disabled & elderly should be a priority and not cut. Social care services are a must especially with so many living alone. Health care too.	CT3	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Currently the Scottish Government only allows councils to increase council tax by a maximum of 3% annually. The council will consider your suggestion however it would have to be raised with the Scottish Government.
39713	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	Yes but for the highest bands only	CT3	5a. It is proposed that this suggestion is not taken forward because the council is required by law to deliver this work.	The current council tax legislation means that any proposed percentage increase needs to be applied across all bands.

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39714	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	Yes I would pay extra if it meant older people were less affected by the cuts	CT3	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Currently the Scottish Government only allows councils to increase council tax by a maximum of 3% annually. The council will consider your suggestion however it would have to be raised with the Scottish Government.
39715	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	I would not object to an increase of more than 3% but only if you use the extra money on the specific priorities you mention.	CT3	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Currently the Scottish Government only allows councils to increase council tax by a maximum of 3% annually. The council will consider your suggestion however it would have to be raised with the Scottish Government.
39716	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	If all funding raised above 3% were spent of specific priorities, such as social care. I certainly do not want to see additional cuts to services already stretched.	CT3	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Currently the Scottish Government only allows councils to increase council tax by a maximum of 3% annually. The council will consider your suggestion however it would have to be raised with the Scottish Government.
39717	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	Only if money helps improve services and no job cuts. If no improvements no council tax rise. It will be hard for families to afford 3% each year as by 2022/23 this will be a lot of money.	CT3	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Currently the Scottish Government only allows councils to increase council tax by a maximum of 3% annually. The council will consider your suggestion however it would have to be raised with the Scottish Government.
39718	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	People who can afford it should pay more and it should go to fund social housing. Waited 18 months for home and have 2 children.	CT3	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	It is noted that you agree with officers' assumptions regarding a 3% increase in council tax. Provision of council houses, including maintenance costs, is paid for from council house rents not council tax, therefore council tax income cannot be used for this purpose.
39719	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	I think extra council tax should be used for schools.	CT3	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Currently the Scottish Government only allows councils to increase council tax by a maximum of 3% annually. The council will consider your suggestion however it would have to be raised with the Scottish Government.
39720	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	No. It is incumbent upon local authorities to use the already generous budget effectively.	CT3	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comments have been noted. The budget gap faced by the council is a result of funding being insufficient to cover the increasing cost of delivering services due to factors such as population growth and indexation.
39721	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	I would agree to more if our priorities had adequate funding to provide the best possible services for our communities.	CT3	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Currently the Scottish Government only allows councils to increase council tax by a maximum of 3% annually. The council will consider your suggestion however it would have to be raised with the Scottish Government.
39722	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	I would be happy to pay more if it was used for social care.	CT3	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Currently the Scottish Government only allows councils to increase council tax by a maximum of 3% annually. The council will consider your suggestion however it would have to be raised with the Scottish Government.
39723	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	The council should visit care homes to talk to residents and gauge their feelings on council tax. Will there be another increase in years 2018 onwards?	CT3	6. This is a positive suggestion. Officers will consider how this could be developed.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
39724	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	I would support an increase of more than 3% if all funding raised above 3% was spent on specific priorities such as health and social care. If council tax was not increased to bridge the gap increased budget gap.	CT3	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Currently the Scottish Government only allows councils to increase council tax by a maximum of 3% annually. The council will consider your suggestion however it would have to be raised with the Scottish Government.
39725	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	I would like to see this money being used in social care.	CT3	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Currently the Scottish Government only allows councils to increase council tax by a maximum of 3% annually. The council will consider your suggestion however it would have to be raised with the Scottish Government.

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39726	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	Maybe. Depends on what Council decides are priorities - Care in the community is essential but a careful wathc needs to be kept on care companies.	CT3	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Currently the Scottish Government only allows councils to increase council tax by a maximum of 3% annually. The council will consider your suggestion however it would have to be raised with the Scottish Government.
39727	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	Yes - as for Social Care	CT3	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Currently the Scottish Government only allows councils to increase council tax by a maximum of 3% annually. The council will consider your suggestion however it would have to be raised with the Scottish Government.
39728	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	as long as essential services are continued and not cut. I would support a year on year increase again only if services were not cut but maintained.	CT3	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Currently the Scottish Government only allows councils to increase council tax by a maximum of 3% annually. The council will consider your suggestion however it would have to be raised with the Scottish Government.
39729	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	I am happy to pay more but would like to make that choice myself	CT3	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Currently the Scottish Government only allows councils to increase council tax by a maximum of 3% annually. The council will consider your suggestion however it would have to be raised with the Scottish Government.
39730	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	All proposals are sound. I would gladly pay higher council tax to improve services.	CT3	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Currently the Scottish Government only allows councils to increase council tax by a maximum of 3% annually. The council will consider your suggestion however it would have to be raised with the Scottish Government.
39731	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	I dont consider social care a SPECIAL priority	CT3	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
39732	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	Put council tax up by 4% to save services	CT3	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Currently the Scottish Government only allows councils to increase council tax by a maximum of 3% annually. The council will consider your suggestion however it would have to be raised with the Scottish Government.
39733	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	children, young and older people	CT3	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Currently the Scottish Government only allows councils to increase council tax by a maximum of 3% annually. The council will consider your suggestion however it would have to be raised with the Scottish Government.
39734	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	Support increase of more than 3% to improve the quality of life for older people- Reducing crime - Health	CT3	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Currently the Scottish Government only allows councils to increase council tax by a maximum of 3% annually. The council will consider your suggestion however it would have to be raised with the Scottish Government.
39735	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	Don't agree with specific spend on additional income. All areas are important . Feel WLC nees to find saving through further efficiencies and noe general taxation.	CT3	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
39736	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	Increase to fund continued children & youth work	CT3	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Currently the Scottish Government only allows councils to increase council tax by a maximum of 3% annually. The council will consider your suggestion however it would have to be raised with the Scottish Government.
39737	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	yes social care, younk folk and education	CT3	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Currently the Scottish Government only allows councils to increase council tax by a maximum of 3% annually. The council will consider your suggestion however it would have to be raised with the Scottish Government.
39738	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	We would not support an increase of more than 3%.	CT3	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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39739	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	3% OK. Anything above this - assuming CT benefit is in place for those who cannot afford full CT - possibly up to 5%	CT3	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Currently the Scottish Government only allows councils to increase council tax by a maximum of 3% annually. The council will consider your suggestion however it would have to be raised with the Scottish Government.
39740	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	I would support an increase of more than 3% if funding above 3% went on specific priorities such as social work.	CT3	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Currently the Scottish Government only allows councils to increase council tax by a maximum of 3% annually. The council will consider your suggestion however it would have to be raised with the Scottish Government.
39741	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	Maximum of 3.5%	CT3	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Currently the Scottish Government only allows councils to increase council tax by a maximum of 3% annually. The council will consider your suggestion however it would have to be raised with the Scottish Government.
39742	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	Maybe the first year should be higher (5%) to offset the drastic cuts being imposed by central government. I agree that the additional 2% should be on social care	CT3	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Currently the Scottish Government only allows councils to increase council tax by a maximum of 3% annually. The council will consider your suggestion however it would have to be raised with the Scottish Government.
39743	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	Not every year	CT3	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Currently the Scottish Government only allows councils to increase council tax by a maximum of 3% annually. The council will consider your suggestion however it would have to be raised with the Scottish Government.
39744	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	3% is a realistic increase , the children feel that any more would be too much.	CT3	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
39745	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	I agree that council tax should be increase by more than 3% This money should be used for health.	CT3	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Currently the Scottish Government only allows councils to increase council tax by a maximum of 3% annually. The council will consider your suggestion however it would have to be raised with the Scottish Government.
39746	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	I would happily pay for more council tax and also taxes to ensure that those who need the care the most are given it and not put into a waiting list or get no care. 3%-5% would be reasonable increase as has been none for many years.	CT3	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Currently the Scottish Government only allows councils to increase council tax by a maximum of 3% annually. The council will consider your suggestion however it would have to be raised with the Scottish Government.
39747	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	An increase of more than 3% would benefit all. The "freeze" was the policy of a failed single issue former party used as a vote catcher. We can exist quite well without this juvenile nonsense.	CT3	1. The respondent advised that they agree with the proposal.	Currently the Scottish Government only allows councils to increase council tax by a maximum of 3% annually. The council will consider your suggestion however it would have to be raised with the Scottish Government.
39748	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	no	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
39749	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	No due to wages and cost of living	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
39750	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	No	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
39751	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	No	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
39752	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	absolutely not	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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39769	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	No	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
39770	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	Certainly NOT	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
39771	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	DEFINITELY NOT. !!	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
39772	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	No. It is too much.	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
39773	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	No. There would be no guarantee that any extra money would go towards any specific department	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
39774	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	No. A rise that significant is unacceptable	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
39775	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	No. Would be difficult to prioritise and ring fence.	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
39776	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	i Think 3% this year and next is quite significant and more could have an impact on how people are able to manage. They could then depend on the council for help which would defeat the purpose of the rise.	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
39777	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	No but more mudane issues like the road maintenance	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
39778	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	No	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
39779	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	Absolutely not.	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
39780	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	No	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
39781	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	No	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
39782	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	No	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
39783	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	NO.	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
39784	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	No	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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39801	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	NO	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
39802	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	No	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
39803	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	No	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
39804	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	No	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
39805	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	No.	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
39806	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	no	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
39807	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	Absolutely not	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
39808	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	No	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
39809	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	no	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
39810	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	no.	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
39811	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	No	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
39812	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	No.	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
39813	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	No.	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
39814	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	NO	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
39815	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	No	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
39816	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	No	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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39817	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	No	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
39818	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	No	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
39819	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	Absolutely not.	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
39820	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	No.	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
39821	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	No	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
39822	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	no	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
39823	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	no	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
39824	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	No	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
39825	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	No	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
39826	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	No	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
39827	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	No.	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
39828	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	No	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
39829	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	No.	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
39830	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	No absolutely not.	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
39831	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	My answer remains the same	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
39832	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	No not at all I cannot afford the increase	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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39833	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	No, see previous answers	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
39834	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	No, not at all!	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
39835	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	no chance !	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
39836	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	Nope	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
39837	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	No I think 3% is appropriate.	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
39838	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	Never!	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
39839	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	No because you'd probably waste it on managers	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
39840	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	No I would not support this	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
39841	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	No, because it does not impact working people.	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
39842	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	No	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
39843	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	No	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
39844	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	No	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
39845	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	No	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
39846	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	No	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
39847	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	No	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
39848	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	no	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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39929	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	No.	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
39930	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	No	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
39931	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	No	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
39932	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	NO	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
39933	No Response	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	No	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
39934	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	Just leave it at 3% year on year	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
39935	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	no we pay enough already in tax	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
39936	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	No- whilst some may bridge this gap others may find more increasingly difficult	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
39937	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	No	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
39938	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	No	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
39939	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	No	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
39940	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	No	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
39941	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	No	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
39942	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	No.	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
39943	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	No.	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
39944	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	no.	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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39961	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	No	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
39962	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	No	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
39963	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	NO	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
39964	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	No	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
39965	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	No	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
39966	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	No	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
39967	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	No.	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
39968	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	No	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
39969	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	No	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
39970	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	NO Way	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
39971	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	No, absolutely not.	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
39972	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	No, I would not support this under any circumstance. What I do support is rigorous means testing of social care/personal care provision. No one should be given free personal or social care - everyone should contribute based on ability to pay.	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
39973	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	No, year or year, this is too much.	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
39974	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	no, 3 % is a direct result of political refusal to raise the charge years ago- why should citizens be penalised for this now	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
39975	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	Definitely not !	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
39976	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	No because most families are stretched as it is without a further 3 percent rise in council tax	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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40041	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	No	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
40042	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	No	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
40043	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	no	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
40044	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	No. For the reasons stated above.	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
40045	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	No 3% is sufficient	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
40046	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	no	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
40047	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	No	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
40048	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	No.	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
40049	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	No, people are already stretched as wages are not being increased to reflect higher living costs.	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
40050	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	No way.	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
40051	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	No, that is going too far.	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
40052	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	Absolutely no way - Unless you offer a decent a pay rise to enable council employees to offset the cost.	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
40053	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	No.	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
40054	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	No	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
40055	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	No	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
40056	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	No	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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40073	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	No.	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
40074	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	no	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
40075	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	No	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
40076	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	No	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
40077	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	No.	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
40078	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	No.	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
40079	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	No.	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
40080	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	No	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
40081	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	No	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
40082	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	No, again I think this should be supported by the Scottish Government..	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
40083	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	No, the Council Tax is already a heavy burden on those few who pay it, particularly those on a modest income.	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
40084	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	No. I believe that savings should be made to make services more efficient and by implementing a greater increase removes the incentive for the council to make long term changes.	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
40085	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	No because I have not seen a pay rise in a long time, as a work for the NHS.	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
40086	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	No	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
40087	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	No	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
40088	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	No	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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40089	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	No	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
40090	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	No	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
40091	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	No	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
40092	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	No.	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
40093	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	no	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
40094	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	No	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
40095	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	No	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
40096	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	No.	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
40097	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	No, I don't support the increase nor the further increase for higher bracket homes.	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
40098	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	Nope	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
40099	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	No	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
40100	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	No	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
40101	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	No	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
40102	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	No	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
40103	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	No	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
40104	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	No	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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40121	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	NO!	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
40122	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	No	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
40123	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	No.	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
40124	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	I wouldn't support an increase higher than 3%	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
40125	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	No support for greater than 3% increase.	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
40126	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	NO absolutely not!	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
40127	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	NO	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
40128	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	No	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
40129	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	No.	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
40130	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	no	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
40131	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	no	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
40132	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	No.	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
40133	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	No	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
40134	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	No	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
40135	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	No	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
40136	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	No	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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40137	No Response	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	No	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
40138	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	No	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
40139	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	No.	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
40140	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	No	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
40141	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	No not at all	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
40142	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	No. People have limited income most of which will not increase by over 3% each year, e.g. no WLC wage rises.	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
40143	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	No	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
40144	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	No.	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
40145	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	No.	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
40146	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	NO	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
40147	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	No	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
40148	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	no	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
40149	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	No	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
40150	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	No	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
40151	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	no	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
40152	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	no	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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40153	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	No	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
40154	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	Given the austerity in West Lothian this management committee could not in good conscience support any increase over that already proposed.	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
40155	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	Our community cannot in clear conscience support any increase other than that proposed.	Does not agree with proposal	2. The respondent advised that they either did not agree or did not believe the council should consider the proposal.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
40156	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	i would need to think about it.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
40157	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	Not sure.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
40158	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	Too vague, I would support it if I knew exactly where the money was going and guaranteed to be ring fenced.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
40159	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	possibly	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
40160	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	perhaps	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
40161	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	Possibly	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
40162	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	Not sure	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
40163	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	Not sure	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
40164	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	N/A	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
40165	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	Maybe	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
40166	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	need to see more options before I agreed to this	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
40167	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	Possibly.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
40168	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	Possibly.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
40169	No Response	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	dgd	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
40170	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	Unable to provide a suitable response - see previous response.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
40171	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	Perhaps	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
40172	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	Possibly, need more detail.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
40173	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	Perhsps	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
40174	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	Not sure would need more detail of where the money is exactly going	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
40175	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	Perhaps - but would have to be justified & visable	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
40176	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	Please specify exactly what extra money would be spent on.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
40177	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	Probably	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted

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40178	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	Perhaps would need more details	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
40179	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	robbers	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
40180	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	N/A	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
40181	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	Not sure	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
40182	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	n/a	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
40183	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	no comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
40184	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	No comment	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
40185	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	N/a	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
40186	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	As I don't live in West Lothian I don't feel I can comment on that apart from what I have said above.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
40187	No Response	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	Not sure	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
40188	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	Possibly	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
40189	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	Possibly	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
40190	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	Designing a consultation paper that will engage local people and not be vague in detail and expecting respondents to be experts in areas with specific knowledge.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
40191	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	Maybe	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
40192	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	Insufficient information to make a judgement	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
40193	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	Need details	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
40194	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	As above.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
40195	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	Possibly	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
40196	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	unable to comment.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
40197	An employee of West Lothian Council	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	unsure	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
40198	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	The council is funded by Scottish Government £308, Health and Social £10 million, council tax £407 million and other £75 million it seen that both a council tax increase and other 1% required.	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
40199	On behalf of a Group/Organisation	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	We do not understand how and why WLC have reached this 73 million saving need, is this all to do with Scottish Government?	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted
40200	An individual	CTiii. Specific priorities for Council Tax	Not sure about more than 3%!!!	No preference given	3. The respondent advised that they had no comment to make.	Thank you for your response. Your comment has been noted